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EDITORIAL

Spring is on its way. We hope you have had the opportunity to see the snowdrops and aconites in the wood at Elmham Park as shown on the cover. The footpath that takes you around the perimeter enables you to see the carpet of yellow and white. The clocks go forward at the end of the month so we can all look forward to lighter evenings.

Tea @ 2 is also resuming in March. An opportunity for neighbours and friends to get together over tea and cake. It's great that other Clubs are meeting too. Some normality returning at last!

A committee has been formed to organise another flower festival on 30th and 31st July. Please see the request for help on page 37.

We have been asked to raise the issue of dogs on the village green and ask that dog owners be respectful of other people and other dogs. If a dog is running loose and runs towards a person or another dog, it is not always evident if that dog is friendly and won't jump up. This is often frightening for individuals. Notices on the entrances to the Village Green ask that your dog should be under control. If somebody perceives that your dog may injure them, it could be considered that your dog is dangerously out of control even though you as the owner are sure your dog would not hurt anyone! We all want to enjoy the Green and other open spaces so please be considerate to all users.

Our sincere thanks for donations go to Friends and Neighbours and Anon, Station Road.

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NORTH ELMHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 2ND FEBRUARY, 2022

The following information is taken from the Draft PC minutes and may be expanded where the Editors feel more explanation is necessary. The full official minutes can be viewed in the Post Office and on the Community website, once approved.

Councillors Present Were: Mrs. J. Borgnis (Chairman), Mr. M. Phillips, Mr. T. Fitzalan Howard, Miss A. Ferris, Mr. P. Grainger, Mrs. A. Keeble, Mr. J. Labouchere, Mr. N. Markwell, Mr. M. Rayner and Mr. C. Smith

Also in Attendance: Mr. K. Webb (Clerk), Mr. B. Borrett (County and District Councillor), Mr. G. Bambridge (District Councillor) and three parishioners.

Apologies for Absence: Mr. B. Gee

Public Participation

The owner of a property subject to a planning application to be discussed later in the meeting was given the opportunity to make comments but indicated a preference for listening.

A flint wall in the village is apparently beginning to collapse. Members are to inspect when next passing in the area in Holt Road.

Land Management Matters

Village Green: Mr. Grainger confirmed that the tree application process is still closed. Details are to be forwarded to Mr. Borrett. Mr. Gee said that the plaques are to be collected in the near future. These relate to donors and sponsors who gave money to the original fund to buy the green.

Cathedral Ruins: Mrs. Keeble reported that one of the trees had been chopped down because it was rotten. Unfortunately, the contractors were not

allowed to get in with their equipment to remove large pieces of wood. They had to take out items through the Ruins gate. As a result, all vehicles were positioned in the car park which resulted in the bin lorries being unable to access Church Lane. Mr. Bambridge said that in situations such as this, the lorries should return later in the day or the next day.

Cathedral Meadows: Mr. Fitzalan Howard said that the brash is to be burnt on 8th February. The hedges are to be cut.

Millennium Wood (and Jubilee Wood):
A Jubilee tree has been planted. Mr,
Labouchere said that NE Parochial Church
Council thanked the Parish Council for the
financial contribution.

Prince William Wood: Mr. Markwell had spoken to Ben Darby regarding some springs to be attached to the gate to the road. A quotation is awaited.

Street Lights: Mr. Markwell reported that light 31, which is situated outside 29 Eastgate Street, had been removed by the builder when the roof was repaired and not replaced. Contact is to be made with the owners of the building. Light 76 in Wensum Drive is to be reinstated at a cost of £135.

Highway Matters

White paint had appeared on Holt Road marking a number of holes. Unfortunately, the paint was subsequently washed away by heavy rain.

Pavilion and Playing Field

North Elmham Cricket Club is merging with Brisley Cricket Club with games for next season to be played at Brisley.

The County School Residents Association is to be held in the building on 28th April.

There are a number of small jobs to be carried out. There is a large pothole in the entrance to the car park and Mr. Duffield will be asked to attend to this.

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Youth Club Facilities

The final meeting has been held and updated information will be provided before the next meeting. Four suppliers have been contacted.

Eastgate Centre

The AGM is to be held on 16th February.

Brookside Development Update

An update on the EV charging points is awaited

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Arrangements, including a circus, toilets, fireworks, a band and a generator, are in hand. There is to be a party and fete on the 5th June.

Village Green Board Displaying Names of Contributors to the Fund Raising

Mr Gee is collecting plaques in near future.

Affordable Housing

The piece for Elmham News regarding the call for sites has been submitted and printed.

Improvements to the Frontage of North Elmham School

The Federation has obtained one quotation for the work, from AOT Engineering, and has asked if the Parish Council could suggest other contractors who could be approached. Toby Winterbourn (of Eastgate Street) and Wensum Engineering (of Fakenham) have been mentioned

Request for an Additional Bench in Millennium Wood

The Chairman met the lady who made the request for a bench. A wood version is preferred with wording carved into the wood rather than a plaque. A suitable spot has been selected. The question of the other bench is to be discussed at the next meeting.

Pandemic Community Response Plaque

The design of the smart oak board on which the plaque is to be placed was agreed by all.

District and/or Council Councillors' Reports

Mr. Borrett said that the bin lorry routes are changing and will be shorter. Many people will get a new collection day with changes coming into effect in early March.

Breckland Council has been paid by Norfolk County Council for a number of years to cut grass. This is to change and maps have been circulated showing the areas affected.

Mr. Borrett confirmed that he is to allocate £2K which is to be used towards the cost of providing electric charging points.

Budget meetings for both the County and District Councils are to be held in the near future

The Parish Council has experienced a number of problems in obtaining trees under the free initiative. Mr. Borrett is to be provided with full details

Mr. Bambridge confirmed that bin collection dates will be changing in March with shorter runs resulting in savings in fuel. North Elmham may be affected.

The level of Council Tax is to be finalised on 7th February and will probably result in an additional sum of about £5 on a Band D property. The Police Precept is to be set at 3.59% which will mean paying an extra 19p per day for a Band D property.

Prosecutions of fly tippers continue and fifteen abandoned cars have been crushed.

Regulations in a number of areas have been reviewed including gambling, (betting shops), licensed taxis and the sex industry.



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Mid Norfolk Railway – Transfer Deed, Footpath and Other Matters

A reply from Breckland Council to our correspondence has finally been received. No details of the proposed change of wording to the terms in the Transfer Deed have been given. A change in the status of the path to "permissive" in the covenant will be strongly opposed. The suggestion is for the path to be left as it is with the MNR having the capability to do what they need to when occasions arise. Our objection is that Breckland has a legal Transfer Deed with MNR which states that there should be no work carried out beyond a particular point. Our representatives at Breckland are not enforcing a legal agreement. It also appears that unlicensed tree felling has been taking place. Mr. Rayner is to draft a further reply, with a copy being forwarded to Mr. Bambridge.

Eastgate Street Drains

Parishioners have suggested that the ditch near the Village Green needs to be cleared out. It will be necessary for some work on the hedge to be done before it is possible for the ditch to be accessed. Paul George, the Area Manager of the Inland Drainage Board, is to visit on 4th February to look at the problem.

Appointment of Internal Auditor for the Year Ending 31/3/22

Di Dann, the current Internal Auditor, has kindly offered to perform this important task again for a fee of £90 plus any required travelling at 45p per mile. Mr. Phillips reported that George Murray, who is well known to him and is a lifelong accountant, has also offered his services for a small remuneration. Mr. Phillips proposed that Mr. Murray should be asked to carry out the Internal Audit and this was seconded by Mrs. Keeble. All in favour.

Breckland Council's New Commercial Waste Service

Breckland has started a new commercial waste service which appears to be competitive regarding price. There will be dedicated trucks, if necessary. The Parish Council is served by Biffa and a comparison will be made together with an assessment of the existing contract terms.

Planning Applications and Determinations

Applications

- (i) Mr. and Mrs. Newey two storey side rear extension with balcony, single storey front extension and new entrance porch with associated internal remodelling 3PL/2022/0025/HOU Primrose Cottage, Great Heath Road no comments.
- (ii) William Seaman (Yaxham)
 Ltd proposed dwelling and the redevelopment of an existing development 3PL/2022/0079/O 55
 Eastgate Street the property is outside the settlement boundary but is well hidden. It is hoped that a precedent will not be created.
- (iii) Mr. and Mrs. Blundell proposed roof extension for creation of first floor study/home office over existing garage/ store, with erection of external staircase 3PL/2022/0060/HOU 2 Mill Cottage, Billingford Road the shed previously erected did not need planning permission but it is felt that it should have been shown on the location plan. No objections but it is suggested that a site visit should be made

Determinations

(i) Ivy Properties Ltd – conversion of barn 3 to residential use revised proposals, including first floor extension - 3PL/2021/1308/F – Vicarage Farm (Barn 3), Church Lane – approved.

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Correspondence

- 1) Police Community update for January.
- 2) Clerks and Councils Direct magazine for January, 2022.
- 3) Update on the Priscilla Bacon Appeal.
- 4) Letter from North Elmham Cricket Club merger with Brisley Cricket Club.
- 5) Parishioner expressing concerns regarding traffic issues at and near the school.
- 6) Update on plans to improve the appearance of the frontage of the school.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting Village facilities

Next Meeting

Wednesday, 2nd March 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

GARDENING CLUB

Our first meeting of the year on 27th January 2022 was our AGM and myself and the committee members were all willing to serve for another year and members present agreed with a show of hands.

I would like to thank the committee and members for their continued support, it is much appreciated.

The meeting started with a look back on the previous year which due to Covid was only from July 2021 and the following five months. Hoping that this year we will be able to have a full calendar of events.

Our financial report was handed to members to study and we were all happy with the results.

Proceeding on to this year's events and news.

We now have 37 members on the register and the yearly subscription is £10.00. Our meetings are held in the Memorial Hall on

the 4th Thursday of the month. If you are interested in any of the monthly meeting, you are more than welcome to join us for a guest fee of £2.50 which includes excellent refreshments.

Our speaker for the 24th March will be Trevor Nash on Bee Keeping .

Please see the other forthcoming speakers in the monthly Elmham News.

Other dates for your diary

23rd June: Club visit to a local garden at West Barsham Hall

24th July; Coach trip to Botanical Gardens Cambridge

6th August: Annual Garden Show at Memorial Hall

Our evening finished with our member George presenting a slide show of last year's church Flower Festival. I would like to thank Ian MacIntosh for allowing our group to enjoy his very skilful presentation.

Thank you to Julia Srigley of Broadacre Garden Designs for giving us several nearly new hard cover gardening books and magazines, which members were more than happy to donate money for their purchases to our club funds.

Refreshment rota for 24th March is June and Sheila.

Look forward to seeing you in March Ray Norman



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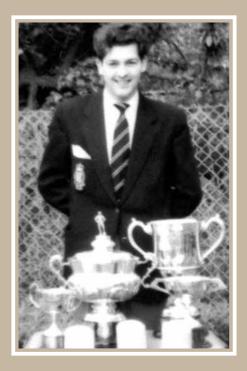
Since last summer we have a totally new group of Guides, all young and very keen. They have been enjoying doing different challenges and activities to get to know each other and to find out what being a Guide is all about. Several made their Guide Promise around the campfire with sparklers in November, a memorable occasion. Recently we worked on the Antarctic challenge badge and got creative making penguins out of marshmallows!

By the beginning of February covid regulations had relaxed enough for us to be able to go away for two nights to Patteson Lodge - our lovely Guiding holiday house at Coltishall. This was the first time away from home for most of the group, so very exciting and a little scary too! We 'slept' in bunks, and everyone took a turn at cooking, washing up and

all the other jobs. We each made our own pizza for dinner, a good way to get the topping of your choice, and a pudding of ice cream and chocolate cake was popular too! The favourite activity during the weekend was playing in the woods! Indoors we made loom bands and friendship bracelets, made chocolate truffles, and joined in a lively indoor campfire. The event was voted great fun and exciting, and we very much hope to be able to go camping in tents in the summer and to have a campfire around a real fire next time.

I wonder if the Guides slept as well as the leaders when they got home!!

Marion Morgan





JOHN OWEN, 1934-2022

This is what Jackie said about her father at his recent funeral.

This is what I think of when I think of my Dad - 'Family' as that is what my Dad lived for. He adored his wife Barbara and absolutely idolised his grandchildren, Jordan, Amber, Todd, Sam, and Ben. He was also a very special Dad to myself and Kevin, and a father in law to Natalie and Steven.

A man of few words but when he spoke you listened, as his advice was always from the heart. He had a lot of little sayings that he would use, including, 'You can't eat a card', and he never bought a card in his life. Although we are very grateful for all of them. He would always advise 'A still tongue makes a wise head'

and again that was how John lived his life, listening, observing, helping and caring for all that he loved.

His love for his family was almost equal to his love of sports. He was a footballer, cricketer, and darts player. He would watch any sport he could on TV when his body would no longer allow him to play. His nickname at cricket was 'Sixer' as he would either knock the ball out of the ground or get out for a duck. There didn't seem to be any in between with him,' might as well go for it' he would say. He never did like defensive shots.

But his main sporting passion was football. He played for Dereham and Fakenham. Back in the day he had a bit of a hard man reputation, if he couldn't get the ball, the player would do!

He passed on his love and passion to all his grandchildren who have all followed in his footsteps, even his granddaughter Amber. Boy was he proud of every single one of them .He was more than happy to sit and talk about them for hours if you'd let him.

He loved Norwich City and supported them all his life, he was bursting with pride when he watched Jordan, Amber and Todd put on the yellow and green shirts to play for Norwich. And then for Sam and Ben to play for his old club Fakenham, well that was the icing on the cake.

My Dad was a simple man who found happiness in his family, his allotment

and his sport. All of which he enjoyed for many years. When he was asked what he would like for his birthday or Christmas, he would always respond with the same answer, 'Peace and Quiet'. Well now my lovely Dad, you can have your wish, but know that you have enriched all our lives and have always been the anchor of our family. You will live in our hearts forever. It is so hard to say goodbye to someone so special, but we are all so lucky to have had you in our lives for so long.

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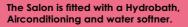
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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

We held our first meeting of the year on Thursday the 3rd February at The Kings Head Hotel, eight members were present.

After the exhortation was read, the minutes of the last meeting were signed off. The accounts of the branch for the previous year were stated, various other matters were discussed by members and the committee.

Plans for participation in The Queen's Jubilee event will be discussed at the next meeting.

Once again, any ex-military or anybody interested in joining, please come along to the next meeting on the 7th April at The Kings Head.

Mike Aston Branch Sec

KNIT AND NATTER

Although we cautiously did not have a meeting in February, the home knitting has continued. I have received a bag full of fingerless gloves to find a home for before the cold weather finishes. I've also been shown some really useful soft wrap round shawls, and many of our old standard knits, sensory bands for those with dementia and baby items for the hospital. All these I will be bringing to the next meeting which will be held in the Pavilion on Tuesday 2.00 to 4.00 pm on 1st of March. Can I, once again, ask for donations of wool. All will be gratefully accepted.

On a more personal matter, John and I would like to thank all our friends and neighbours who have sent their best wishes congratulating us on our 60th wedding anniversary. What a lovely village we live in.

Fileen Cotterill 668380.

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Can you remember the meanings of these few we are printing here...

- * Know your onions
- * A nod is as good as a wink
- * A stitch in time saves nine
- * A fly in the ointment
- * I've dropped a clanger
- * A blessing in disguise
- * He is salt of the earth

- * Six of one and half a dozen of the other
- * It's the icing on the cake
- * You will carry the can

Can you add to these? There must be hundreds!

Janet Woodhouse

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MARCH DATES TO REMEMBER

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Wed 2nd	Mobile Library Parish Council Meeting	The Heath to Orchard Close Pavilion	2.30–5.20 pm 7.30 pm	
Wed 9th	Tea at Two Sewing Group	Memorial Hall Tumbleweed, Eastgate St	2.00 pm 2.00 pm	
Thu 10th	Wives+ All Blackcurrants, Ribena and Diversity	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm	
Wed 23rd	Sewing Group	Tumbleweed, Eastgate St	2.00 pm	
Thu 24th	Gardening Club - Bees	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm	
Sun 27th	Mothering Sunday			
Wed 30th	Mobile Library (second visit)	The Heath to Orchard Close	2.30-5.20 pm	
Tennis Club	will be closed see article on page 23			

Please remember, we can only print dates that YOU give us.



SCHOOL NEWS

Exciting News for North Elmham Primary School!

The school governors and staff have been working very hard on a building project to help improve our lovely school. We are delighted to let you know that building work is going ahead and will commence during February half term. This will include building children's toilets in the teaching block, which will make them much more accessible to our Sheep class. We are also adding double doors to another classroom to allow direct access to the amazing Early Years and Key Stage One area outside! In addition to all of this, we are going to be developing the most spectacular mezzanine in our school! It will enable children to use a space with the most breathtaking views and we are so excited! We will keep you updated with the progress of the project.

Children's Mental Health Week

The theme of this year's Children's Mental Health Week is Growing Together. Each class talked about how they have grown and how they can help others to grow. We also shared the different ways we look after our wellbeing. We each made a support balloon identifying trusted adults and also others who are a support to us. Many children talked about spending time with their families, friends, pets and the importance of this.

Sheep

Sheep class has demonstrated some wonderful cross-curricular learning over recent weeks. In science, we have been delving further into food chains and animal diets, and we have recently learnt about what an 'apex predator' is! Children have loved finding out how an apex predator is like the king of its habitat, and we have watched many clips of animals such as tigers, jaguars and crocodiles in action! We have even been watching the live tiger feed from Edinburgh Zoo to see

what the tigers get up to. In English, we have been learning how to write reports and have practised this with our favourite predator, the tigers of Asia. In computing, children have been making powerpoint presentations on tigers. The class is also very excited about the building work starting in the KS1 classroom - we are getting our own toilets and a new door out to our wonderful outdoor area. For the time being, we have decamped to another classroom for Spring 2 but are looking forward to going back to our updated and freshly decorated classroom in the Summer term!

Whales

Whales have had a very busy start to 2022! In English, after researching tsunamis, we were able to write our own non-chronological reports - they are excellent! In Maths, we have continued to work on our times table knowledge - we are working hard to recall any multiplication up to 12x12. In Science, we have enjoyed learning about rocks. We learnt about Metamorphic, Sedimentary and Igneous rocks and how each are formed. In Geography, we learnt new vocabulary to describe parts of a volcano. After half term, we are looking forward to making our own volcanic eruptions! In French, we are learning how to read, write and say key periods of Ancient Britain. We can order key events from L'âge de la Pierre (The Stone Age) to La Période des Vikings (The Viking period). In PE, we have been developing fundamental skills of Dynamic Balance and Coordination. Our focus has been on moving fluidly, with balance, using a heel to toe landing. Children have also benefited greatly from their weekly swimming sessions at Dereham Leisure Centre, their confidence has grown enormously and it has been wonderful to see their progress!

Lions

Lions class have been working hard this half term. In maths we started off working



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on addition and subtraction and have now moved onto multiplication and division. The children have handled the problems set for them in a well thought out and persevering manner. In English we have completed our non-chronological reports on Emperor and Adelie penguins from Antarctica and we have just finished our recount on the book Letters from the Lighthouse. The children loved this story. Our current English topic is a story theme from a book called Rose Blanche which focuses on a girl from Germany in World War II. Which links to our History topic, which again has been very popular, most recently we have been looking at rationing, the role of women in World War 2 and the holocaust. In French we have been learning about the date. Light was the focus for our science topic and in RE we have been looking at the Creation theory versus the Big Bang theory. Our class floorbook is looking beautiful.

We are looking forward to working hard in the new term and enjoying our work as a class

TENNIS CLUB

It is now just over 20 years since the opening of our amazing tennis courts. During this time the courts have been very well used and the time has come for the courts to be re-surfaced. The good news is this work will begin in early March. The not so good is the whole process will take about 7 to 8 weeks to complete and the courts will be out of use for all of this time. We are hoping the courts will reopen the first week in May, the exact date depending on weather conditions and the work being carried out to plan.

During this time the club will hire the tennis courts opposite the leisure centre in Dereham to enable some play to continue while Elmham courts are closed. Junior coaching will continue if there is enough interest from parents who are willing and able to commute to Dereham.

Exciting times ahead!!

More information can be found on the tennis club website.

Geraldine Leeder

A MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL PARLIAMENT

We represent the children of North Elmham Primary School and we form this academic year's School Parliament. We are writing to you because we would like to improve the front of our school.

We are working closely with our school Governors and Headteacher. We would also like to work alongside members of the community to be involved in our project.

Currently, we have a small area at the front of the school and is not very

attractive to visitors or current / future children that may attend our school.

We would like to invite you to help us improve this area and our school grounds. We would welcome any ideas and donations from our community for this project or if you know any keen gardeners who feel they could contribute to this.

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NORTH ELMHAM WILDLIFE

Reintroducing wildlife into an area where it has become extinct is a controversial conservation practice. Recently it has become popular, with numerous projects and proposals to "bring back" flagship species whether it's Beavers or Whitetailed Eagles, Lynx or White Storks. I'm not a fan. In the last hundred years mankind has depleted nature like we have never done before and I do agree that we need to restore our biodiversity, but that isn't achieved by dumping one or two high profile species back where they used to be: it takes restoration of habitats, changes in behaviour, education and legislation. To make matters worse, the species selected for reintroductions are often not in much need for our help. Take White-tailed Eagles – they have one of the fastest-growing populations of any bird species in Europe according to recently-published data, turning up here increasingly often. None of the evidence that they ever bred in Norfolk stands up to scrutiny – it is quite possible they were only ever a visitor to Norfolk, so the idea of "reintroducing" them here is wrong from the off.

Some people misinterpret this viewpoint as thinking that we have something against White-tailed Eagles, or that we don't like seeing them. That couldn't be further from the truth! They're amazing birds, and if (as seems likely) they colonise Norfolk naturally I would be delighted. They're so impressive that I even enjoy seeing them when I know that a reintroduced bird is involved, and this month I had the opportunity to do so right here! A young satellite-tagged White-tailed Eagle from the Isle of Wight reintroduction project had been wandering around Norfolk and one day it turned up at Pensthorpe and then Sennowe Park. I was watching it from



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the Ryburgh Road when it took to the air, and I suspected I might be able to see it from the North Elmham parish if I drove a little way up the road. A minute or two later I pulled up at a good vantage point prepared to look back to where it had been, but was surprised to see that it had flown towards me and was now inside the North Elmham boundary and closer to me than it had been before (photo 1). It was an amazing bird, and to see it being mobbed by Red Kites – and making them look small – was a great experience.

Red Kites (photo 2) are seen more and more in the parish, especially around Broom Green and towards Guist. They're another reintroduction "success story" - but was it really a success? It may have sped up the process, but I'm pretty certain they would have re-colonised Norfolk by now even if they had not been reintroduced. Migrants from the Continent were turning up more regularly and Norfolk's first breeding pair involved a bird of Continental origin – and at the same time the remnant Welsh population was rapidly spreading eastwards into England. It was only a matter of time before they got here under their own steam.

A raptor that really has benefited from more traditional and genuinely successful conservation initiatives is the Marsh Harrier. I've seen at least five in the parish over the last month which would have been unthinkable a few decades ago. They included a young bird that had been tagged as a nestling in Suffolk last June. This was the first time this bird had been seen since it had been tagged, so this was good news for the team dealing with them. One of its siblings from the same nest moved in the other direction, being seen in north Kent.

In the December/January Elmham News I wrote about a Great White Egret at Elmham Park. Recently there has been



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another bird in the parish, just this side of Guist Bridge and Bintree Mill (photo 3) – gone are the days when this was such a rare bird that it would draw in crowds of twitchers. In other bird news, the Tawny Owl put in a brief reappearance (photo 4), another Stonechat has been present (photo 5) and some large flocks of Fieldfares have remained (photo 6).

The mild weather has meant that my garden moth trap caught more than usual for this time of year. Among the highlights have been the marvellous Oak Beauty (photo 7) and a more subtly attractive Grey Shoulder-knot (photo 8).

A friend found a very poorly-recorded fungus growing on Ivy-leaved Toadflax leaves on the city wall in Norwich recently, so I decided to have a look to see if I could find it on the Ivy-leaved Toadflax that grows on the chapel ruins here. The flower is attractive but, although I'm sure it must have some useful ecological function, its fungus isn't so special to look at (photo 9). But I did find it here and this becomes only the fourth record of this fungus (called Septoria cymbalariae) in Norfolk.

While looking at the fungus I found some tiny Ivy-leaved Toadflax Aphids too (photo 10), another under-recorded life-form -I'm not sure how many records of those there are in Norfolk but I don't suppose it's many. Not many people study aphids, especially those that don't negatively impact our agricultural or horticultural industries, so there is a lot to learn about each species' distributions and habits. For example many aphids host-alternate, that is to say they are associated with two species of plant; colonies of aphids move from one plant to the other (reproducing sexually on their primary host, usually a woody plant, and asexually on their secondary host, a herbaceous plant). In the case of Ivy-leaved Toadflax Aphid it is believed that Continental populations

host-alternate (but it isn't yet known which species their primary host is) but in the UK it seems that they may remain on Ivy-leaved Toadflax all year.

There's always plenty of interesting wildlife to see around the village so do get in touch if you have anything interesting to share (email appleton. dave@googlemail.com, phone 668431 or message me via Twitter at @ ElmhamMeadows).

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We have another short walk planned for March 4th meeting on the Neatherd at 10.15 am and the first Friday in April just happens to be April Fool's Day!

We have a longer walk planned for Monday April 18th; for more information nearer the time please see our website: www.derehamwaw.org.uk or get in touch with Ken Hawkins, email: Ken-Hawkins@tiscali.co.uk or call 07505 426750.

POWS IN ELMHAM DURING WWI

In the past when I have been researching various places or people in the village, I have come across references to who were at Elmham Hall 1914–18. The Hall was located just over the second cattle grid on the left as you go across the Park. At the beginning of the War the Hall was up for sale and was untenanted, so was empty and was requisitioned for a suitable site for internees

However, I could never find out how many prisoners were there, what did they do all day, how many guards were there? Now I have tracked down a book called 'Captured Germans, British POW camps in WWI,' was written by Norman Nicol, who very sadly died shortly before the completion of the book. It took him 20 years research to almost finish it. In the preface by the author, he says 'this was an area of social history that has been generally ignored.'

I bought the book not having any great hopes of finding out if there really was a POW camp here or not. All the internment camps are listed in the UK, just over 500 of them and 'Bingo' there I saw it... Elmham Hall was where German POWs were interned. They might have been soldiers who had been captured or Germans and Austrians who were living here and working alongside ordinary local people. They were interned, and it was the Police force who controlled their movements. Elmham was home for at least 110 prisoners billeted at the Hall. The introduction of the book is essential reading, far too complicated for expansion here.

Combatants brought into the country were the responsibility of the War Office. Armed guards controlled the movement of combatants, but they were escorted by Police Officers if they went out of the camp. There were many different bodies who were involved in setting up the camps and running them. The word 'Camp; does not

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mean the prisoners were living in tents, most were in various buildings which could be adapted for the incarceration of prisoners, but a few were living in tents.

There is a long list of suitable jobs the POWs could do, but in rural areas many of them were clearing and cleaning the rivers which is what they did here, on the Wensum.If the rivers had previously been maintained by farm workers or another body of men and earning wages for doing it – then the POWs were also paid for their work.

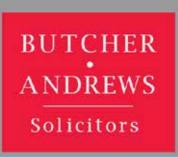
Sadly, towards the end of the War, many POWs died, from injuries, illness and disease. Spanish' Flu was sweeping across Europe and many succumbed to that dreadful illness.

At the end of the War the property was returned to the Sondes family who owned the estate. In the mid-twenties the mansion was sold and demolished. All the outlying farms were auctioned off, and most of the estate here was carved up and also sold off. Then in the mid 1920's Mrs Birkbeck, mother of Robin Don , bought what was left of the estate and had the present 'Elmham House' built.

If you are interested in history, particularly the first World War, this is extremely interesting. The book is entitled "Captured Germans. British POW Camps in the First World War", written by Norman Nicol and published by Pen and Sword Military.

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You may find a lone mouse or a houseful of mice, But the plural of house is houses, not hice. The plural of man is always men But the plural of pan is never pen.

If I speak of a foot and you show me two feet,
And I give you a book,
would a pair be a beek?
If one is a tooth and a whole set are teeth,
Why shouldn't two booths
be called beeth?

We speak of a brother and also of brethren. But though we say mother, we never say metheren. The masculine pronouns are he, his and him, But imagine the feminine... she, shis and shim!

Anon

WIVES PLUS ALL

With Covid restrictions now easing, it was good to catch up with members in this New Year, and meetings for 2022 of the Wives Plus All Club commenced in February with our AGM in the Memorial Hall, North Elmham on Thursday 10th February.

Chair Lady Gloria welcomed all to the meeting and thanked the Club's Officers and Committee for their work in the year and also reflected on the successful monthly meetings in 2021 that had been able to take place in the Memorial Hall, under Covid Restrictions, such as in August, the Club's 50 years' Anniversary Celebration Party and our Evening Christmas Meal on Wheels delivered to the Hall by our local Chippy in North Elmham.

Gill as Treasurer and Secretary gave the year's Financial Report.

The Officers: Gloria, Chair Lady, Sheila, Deputy Chair Lady, Gill, Treasurer & Secretary, and Committee Members were all elected en bloc for the coming year.

Our next meeting is on THURSDAY 10th MARCH 2022, in the Memorial Hall, North Elmham at 7.30 pm when Rosie Begg will give a talk on Blackcurrants/Ribena/Biodiversity.

There will be refreshments and a raffle so please come along. ALL WELCOME.

Ann Ferris

WHERE IS?

Did you know that when residential developments are built, creating new roads, they are given new post codes? These new roads often do not appear on the likes of Google Maps for well over a year, making it difficult for delivery drivers to locate them. In these cases, drivers often try looking up, what they believe is the nearest postcode. E.g Unable to find NR20 5FB, they try NR20 5FA. Sadly, in this example 5FA is in Hindolveston, whereas 5FB is North Elmham. Sometimes drivers ask someone for help. So, do you know where Hay Meadow, Spring Meadow and Beatie Gardens are? These are all new developments in the past couple of years in North Elmham.

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Email: info@pilatesnorfolk.com or visit www.pilatesnorfolk.com

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Many thanks

Carole Barwell

WHAT'S ON LOCALLY

BRISLEY VILLAGE CINEMA

Contact: Dave Pearson 07816 139926 dpearson1954@yahoo.co.uk

Friday cinema will take a break until Spring, we hope to be back during April when the new menu will be available from the distributors. Some notable releases in the past few months, West Side Story, Belfast to name but two

We do though have an exciting announcement! We now have terrestrial TV in the hall and will be showing four England Rugby Six Nations games through February and March on the big screen.

Admission to the hall is free, the bar will be open throughout and we have IB the Chippy with his takeaway van on the car park from around 5.00 pm until 8.00 pm

Dates for your diary:

Saturday 12th March v Ireland at 16.45.

Then watch the thrilling climax to this year's Six Nations

Saturday 19th March Scotland v Ireland

Saturday 19th March v France at 20.00 IB the Chippy from around 5.00 pm.

Our hope is to show major sporting and other events that are free to air during 2022 if there is sufficient support.

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ST MARY'S CHURCH

Are you giving up anything for Lent? Yes it's that time of year, once more and as March begins so does Lent.

That initial question ties in with the traditional way in which Lent has been observed by giving up on such as sugar, chocolate or smoking and donating the money saved to charity. This may well be good for us but there are other productive ways in which we can use Lent for good, not just for ourselves but also others.

It might be better instead of giving up, to try something that will increase our wellbeing such as taking up some kind of physical activity. Also, we could take the opportunity to do extra such as volunteering, getting involved with our communities or helping others.

However, the forty days of Lent, which commemorate the time that Jesus spent in the wilderness reflecting on what he saw about him, is perhaps a period where we can do the same and consider how what we do affects the balance of nature. One of the great thinkers on the way we treat the world about us was St Francis.

I have just begun to read a book entitled "Seeing Differently" written by three Franciscans, two brothers and a priest who is a member of the Third order. The book is all about seeking a better way of living based on the Francis' way of thinking.

During this Lenten period, we need to reflect on what has happened over the last two years and how it has perhaps changed the way we approach our lives. Each year Lent gives us the chance to change, are we ready to accept this?

At the end of each chapter of the book ends with a question or two to reflect on. Because we need to change, I leave you to reflect on one of them "what in your life do you need to change or even let go of?"

Best wishes

Norman Johnson Licensed Lay Minister Heart of Norfolk Benefice

EASTER SUNDAY DUCK RACE IN AID OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH 17TH APRIL 2022 at 12.00 NOON

Our traditional Duck Race in Worthing Village starts at Millstream Cottages, by the river. Suggested donation £2.50 per sponsored Duck.

Winning ducks/numbers to be announced in the May editorial. Good luck everyone!

For more information contact: Celia Daniel on 01362 668928

WORTHING NEWS

Church Service dates for March

Holy Communion 13th March

Group Service on Mothering Sunday 27th March at Foulsham.

Both services starting at 10.30am

MORE2LIFE

Sadly, Anne Marie and her family have been suffering from Covid so there is no letter this month. We send our very best wishes to them and hope that they will all be back to full health soon.

Heart of Norfolk Group Services in March

6th March 1st Sunday of Lent

9.30 am Wood Norton Morning Praise
10.30 am Bawdeswell Holy Communion
North Elmham Holy Communion

Stibbard Holy Communion

5.00 pm Foxley Evening Prayer

13th March 2nd Sunday of Lent

10.30 am Bawdeswell The 10.30

Foulsham Holy Communion
Worthing Holy Communion
Stibbard Morning Prayer

20th March 3rd Sunday of Lent

10.30 am Bawdeswell All age communion

North Elmham Holy Communion Wood North Holy Communion

4.00 pm Foulsham Sung Evensong

27th March Mothering Sunday

10.30 am Foulsham Group Service

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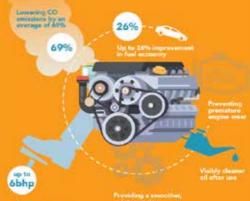
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And finally... have you got something interesting you would like to say or think others might be interested in something you do - why not email the Editors (see front of magazine for contact details) and let us know, we are always on the lookout for new contributors.

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