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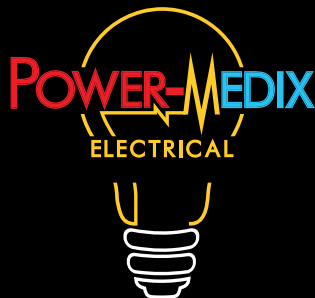
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EDITORIAL

It was good to see the pilgrims passing through the village via Eastgate Street on Maundy Thursday, before Easter. It has become a tradition; long may they take the route to the Shrine at Walsingham.

The Archive Exhibition, the result of a great deal of hard work was appreciated by those who made the effort to attend. Our village has a long and varied history, and the archive has been lovingly collected by Janet Woodhouse. Thank goodness she has (at the moment) the space to store the hundreds of photographs, scrap books, maps, and house deeds.

Please take the time to read the piece from the Elmham News Team about the future of the magazine on page five. There are no plans to stop producing one before December 2027, our 50th birthday but we wanted to float the ideas in advance. Please let us have your thoughts.

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NEXT DEADLINE: 14TH MAY

We welcome contributions from everyone in the village. Please share your stories, events, club activities and heartfelt tributes to loved ones with us. Your participation is crucial in making the Elmham News a true reflection of our village. Please email your article to each of the Editors.

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Nearly 50 Years at the Heart of Our Village

The Elmham News has been part of village life for almost half a century. First published in December 1977, the magazine has been telling the story of North Elmham ever since – its events, clubs, celebrations, challenges and characters. It has evolved over the years, but its purpose has always remained the same: to keep our village community connected.

Throughout that time, Elmham News has been produced entirely by volunteers, and in 2017, the magazine placed 13th nationally in the National Parish Magazine Competition, and in 2022 it achieved an outstanding 1st place – a real testament to the commitment of everyone involved.

Looking ahead, 2027 will mark the 50th year of Elmham News – a remarkable milestone. The current team is fully committed to ensuring the magazine reaches this golden anniversary. However, after that point, they all feel it will be the right time to step aside and allow a new generation to take it forward.

Because of this, we are starting the conversation now – and we'd really like to hear from you.

Our hope, of course, is that Elmham News doesn't stop at 50, but continues well beyond 2027, perhaps in a new shape, with fresh ideas but with a new team at the helm. To make that happen, we need new volunteers to come forward and form this new team. There are a variety of roles involved, including:

Editors: to shape content and keep the magazine engaging and relevant.

Designer: to bring all the articles together and prepare the magazine for print (currently with Clan Press in King's Lynn).

Advertising Coordinator: working with local businesses to generate the income that covers printing and supports the magazine.

At the moment, Elmham News is a monthly publication, but that doesn't have to stay the same. A future team might decide that a bi-monthly or quarterly magazine works better, or that it should evolve in other ways to suit modern village life. That choice would be entirely theirs.

You don't need to be an expert, and you wouldn't be on your own. The current team will not step down until December 2027 (personal circumstance and advertising revenue allowing), so there is plenty of time to learn from us.

But... it is also important to say this

It's okay to ask whether Elmham News has reached the end of its natural life?

Times change, and the way we share information has changed too. Perhaps, after 50 years, the village feels that the magazine has done its job – and done it well? If that's the case, then maybe the right thing is to celebrate it properly, mark its 50th year, and go out on a high.

As we approach this special anniversary, we want to celebrate everything Elmham News has been, while also being honest and open about its future – whatever that may be.

Whether that future is a refreshed magazine with a new team taking it forward, or simply a fond farewell after 50 proud years, the current team are incredibly proud to have been part of something special.

If you have any stories, memories or photos you would like to share as part of our 50th anniversary please let us know.

If you're interested in finding out more about being part of its future – in any capacity – we would love to hear from you.



COUNTRYSIDERS

Our last meeting before Easter was held at Mattishall Golf Club, where we were joined by Dereham Countrysiders for a fantastic evening of indoor golf and simulator practice. A great night was had by all—and it was brilliant to see some parents getting involved too!

On Easter Monday, two of our Countrysiders were lucky enough to win a Facebook competition run by Fakenham Racecourse, giving them the opportunity to be Honorary Owners for the Day of Shetland ponies in both races. They were allocated horses number 10 and number 3. While the first race didn't go our way, the second race brought success—Amber's horse won! She received an Easter egg as her prize, and we suspect her parents may have celebrated with a small winning bet too—hopefully you got a share, Amber!

A big thank you to Fakenham Racecourse for their hospitality and for giving the girls such a memorable opportunity.

What's Happening in May

- 10th Farm Event, Morley Farms (NR18 9DF) – 9:30am start (TBC)
- 11th Countrysiders Meeting, Den Building with Joe Savory at Holt Country Park – 7:00pm start
- 17th North Elmham Fete – 12:00–4:00pm, Elmham House Estate (opposite the church)

If you have a child aged 10–16 who is interested in meeting new people and learning more about the countryside and farming, please get in touch. Two sessions are free to try. After that, there is a yearly admin fee (which covers insurance for meetings and all events) plus £4 subs per session.

Email: north_elmham_cs@norfolkyc.co.uk

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COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH UPDATE

We successfully applied for funding of the new Village Gates that have now been installed at both the southern and northern entrances.

The police have good evidence that these gates do have a positive effect on slowing traffic.

The North Elmham CSW are looking for new volunteers to join our team. If you are interested, please email Paul at carrpaulus@aol.com for more details.

Paul Carr

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ARCHIVE WEEKEND

On behalf of History Archive, Memorial Hall, & Royal British Legion, I would like to thank all those that attended the weekend event. It took the team a great deal of effort to stage it, but we felt that those who attended enjoyed themselves and therefore it was worth it.

I would also like to thank the Elmham doctors for the loan of their photograph collection. We hope to at some stage to hold another weekend in the future. Although we have a History Archive group it is now time we think, to organize a History Society in the village, more details next month.

Once again thank you to all who helped out, and those that attended, donations raised £100.

On a personal note, would the couple that walked down the hill about 9am as I was putting the flags out, please contact me as I would appreciate your feedback on your visit.

Mike Aston RBL Sec and Memorial Hall Committee Member (01362 668 959)

Ed's Notes: It was great to see all those Elmham News editions bound into books on display!



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SENDING PHOTOS FOR THE ELMHAM NEWS

Smartphones take excellent photos, but they are often automatically reduced in quality when sent—especially via WhatsApp, text message, or social media. While they may look fine on screen, these versions are usually not good enough for printing.

- So that we can include your photos, please follow these guidelines:
- Send the original, full-size image from the phone it was taken on
- If a photo has been forwarded to you, please ask the original photographer to send it to us directly
- We cannot use photos downloaded from Facebook, as these are compressed and poor quality
- If using WhatsApp, please send the image as HD/original quality from the phone it was taken on
- Please do not send photos via Facebook Messenger
- The best method is to email the photo as an attachment, selecting “actual size” or “full size” (check your email settings if unsure)

In short: we need the original photo straight from your phone!

If you need any help, please contact Sarah (details in the front of the magazine) who will be happy to guide you. If needed, you can bring your phone to her and she will access the photos directly.

BROADLAND HOUSING ASSOCIATION

Proposed Residential Development

Parishioners may recall Broadland Housing Association has been considering residential development proposals in

North Elmham for some time. A housing need survey was undertaken and community consulted on a proposal to develop land south of the Kings Head road junction. However, Breckland Council’s call for sites for the new Local Plan has delayed matters.

Broadland Housing Association attended North Elmham’s Parish Council on 1 April 2026 and advised it is considering alternative development proposals on land north of Back Lane, east of the Kings Head pub. Broadland Housing Association will be undertaking a further housing need survey, to consider latest local need in North Elmham along with adjoining parishes of Beetley, Billingford, Bintree, Brisley, Horningtoft, Gately, Guist and Worthing.

Please look out for Housing Need survey forms, which are due to be posted to households to complete in May.

DEREHAM WALKERS ARE WELCOME

Please come and join us for a walk in the local area. We have two regular walks each month.

Our shortest, easiest walk of around two miles is on the second Tuesday of the month and a slightly longer one of around four miles is on the first Friday of the month.

Our next long walk (about 6-7 miles) is on May 20th. First, we catch a bus to North Elmham and then we walk back into town.

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Following some research it appears that, if left where a dog has done its business, depending on the type of bags used, it can take them between 100 and 1000 years to decompose.

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There is a responsibility that goes with pet ownership and one of them is tidying up after them.

This is everyone's village and everyone's countryside. There are plenty of poo bins around the village which the council are contracted to empty - please do not let the few lazy ones spoil it for the rest of us.

If anyone has concerns about the increase of poo bag dropping, or sees evidence of it, the Breckland Dog Warden can be contacted on 01362 858500, or 07771 617417 for confidential messages or texts.

Thank you.

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Well, I am Jo, from 'Joanne Medler Hypnotherapy & Holistic Massage', based on the edge of North Elmham. I am a qualified Hypnotherapist and NLP practitioner and last year I also qualified in Indian Head Massage. I have lived here for almost 10 years and have been practicing from my therapy room, within my home for the last 9 years.

My work in Hypnotherapy NLP is extremely variable, helping people to overcome various obstacles or issues, enabling them to improve wellbeing and help them to become that best version of themselves. Most of us will experience issues of some kind during our lifetime. These issues may include, but are not limited to, anxiety, depression, stress, PTSD, worry, anger, addictions and compulsions including smoking & vaping cessation, weight loss and gain, fears and phobias, confidence & self esteem issues,

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EASTER EGG HUNT

All the children at Madhouse child minders would like to say thank you to "FONES" at the primary school for a memorable Easter Egg Hunt.

Off around the village we go (took two days) but both the younger and older children all involved with finding the colours and the letters.

Lots of smiles, high-fives and for the "grand prize" chocolate eggs for the hunters, it made our Easter!



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NORTH ELMHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 1ST APRIL, 2026

The following information is taken from the Draft 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: Mr. P. Grainger (Chairman), Mr. M. Phillips (Vice Chairman), Mr. T. Fitzalan Howard, Mr. B. Gee, Mr. F. Gillespie, Mrs. A. Keeble, Mr. N. Markwell, Mr. M. Rayner and Mr. J. Sowinski.

Also in Attendance: Mr. K. Webb (Clerk), Mr. G. Bambridge (District Councillor), two representatives from Broadland Housing and four parishioners.

Apologies for absence: Miss A. Ferris and Mr. C. Smith.

Public Participation

Stuart Darbyshire, Chairman of North Elmham Football Club, advised that there is an intention to have a second team next season. He detailed some problems they have had with the pitch over the past three months or so which have resulted in unwelcome comments and reports from referees. He said that the Club had recently spent £200 on work to the pitch to get the last game played and asked if the two monthly payments (each for £75) could be deferred for a month. All members were agreeable to extending the contract by one month to enable this to happen. Mr. Gillespie will prepare documentation confirming the decision. Mr. Phillips will make our contractor aware of the situation so that improvements can be made for next season. The importance of advising the Parish Council of any problems as soon as they were apparent to the Football Club was stressed to Mr. Darbyshire. By doing so, there is a

far greater chance of any issues being resolved in a timely fashion.

Update from Broadland Housing

Ed Mumford-Smith, Head of Development, Broadland Housing and a colleague, attended the meeting to provide an update on the plans for additional housing in the village. The national planning policy should be known by August. He confirmed that discussions had been held with the owner of land near Back Lane, (east of the King's Head public house), with possibly between 35/40 houses planned. The intention would be to have a target for social housing of 50%. Broadland Housing will be sending out a form to everyone on the village electoral roll with a view to establishing the local housing needs. The pavilion is to be booked for a further meeting to be held in June or July to enable parishioners to attend and ask questions. Broadland Housing retains an interest in land on the other side of Back Lane, near to the King's Head crossroads, as well as the Station Yard site. The area on the north side, however, is being prioritised. Many concerns were expressed regarding drainage problems and flooding in many parts of the village with effective control and management of water being a key aspect of any projects. Mr. Mumford-Smith mentioned the provision of a lagoon to collect excess water but there was some doubt as to how effective this could be. To summarise, the anticipated timeframe would involve assessment of housing needs during May and a return to the Parish Council with plans, possibly on 1st July, 2026 but with the exact date to be confirmed.

UPDATED INFORMATION AND MATTERS ARISING

Update from North Elmham Living Sustainably (NELS) Group

Mr. Fitzalan Howard and Mr. Sowinski had attended a meeting with Mr. Earle. Mr. Sowinski has obtained quotations in

respect of work to be done and these are to be circulated to members.

Land Management Matters

Village Green: Three seats and the camel are to be installed.

Cathedral Ruins: We have been informed that the wall on the right side of the pathway entering the site has been inspected by a structural engineer from Historic England. We are advised by English Heritage that there is some movement in the wall but it is quite a way off becoming unstable and there is very little concern regarding its safety. A number of attempts have been made to have this view confirmed in writing and for English Heritage to accept responsibility for any incident occurring caused by the wall collapsing. The Clerk will continue to chase.

Cathedral Meadows: An approach has been made by a resident to buy one third of the area. Firm advice has again been given that no part of the land is for sale. It was mentioned that a planning application has been made for five houses to be built on nearby land to the east of Pump Street (please refer to Planning Applications).

Mr. Fish has asked for a reduction in his rent for the forthcoming year from £500 to £250 in view of the poor year he says he has had. Agreed by all to this request.

It was mentioned that a number of various items have been deposited/parked near Millennium Wood.

Millennium Wood (and Jubilee Wood): Coppicing in Jubilee Wood has commenced.

Bridleway on disused railway line and other railway linked matters: Norfolk County Council had previously stated that the path from the County School to the buffers was permissive. It is not. Mr. Rayner has asked NC to confirm this point but, to date, they have not responded. He has chased this matter and a reply is awaited.

Prince William Wood: Mr. Markwell said that a dead tree has been removed. He has met with Alec Crisp who has provided three quotations in respect of work to be done involving the removal of any trees more than 75% dead, the removal of large bits of dead wood on trees, together with the removal of smaller bits of dead wood. The option preferred (option 1) would take one day at a cost of £850. Mrs. Keeble expressed concern regarding the time of year when this work is to be carried out, i.e. between March and August, the nesting season for birds, and the potential to cause damage to other wildlife. It was agreed that she would be given a guided tour of the site with a view to being able to appraise the area in which the work would be done.

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Church Meadow: Please refer to item above re Cathedral Meadows. It was agreed by all that land in this area is not for sale and any offer received will be firmly rejected.

Allotments

The allotments are fully let.

Street Lights

Additional work to the wall of the property in Holt Road is being done. An invoice will follow in due course.

Highway Matters

The drains on Church Hill are blocked and require attention.

Pavilion and Playing Field

Please refer to the Public Participation section regarding North Elmham Football Club. Correspondence had been received from a neighbour who had recently bought a bungalow near the football field. Various intentions were detailed but it was stressed that any plans which may need planning permission would require appropriate discussions by the owner with Breckland Council.

Brookside Development Update

The Chairman reported that the manufacturers of the electric charging system are in discussions with ElectRoad, (Andy Drinkell, Technical Director), who are the appointed contractors of Norfolk County Council. They are of the view that the installation has been correctly done and it is hoped that the two parties will reach an agreement at some point. Orchard Developments are to be requested to remove the large sign which gives a plan of the site. The dog poo problem has again been highlighted by a resident and, following a suggestion made, the telephone number of the Breckland Council dog warden is to be displayed in various places inviting anyone observing dog owners not "picking up"

to report the incident. It is understood that it is the District Council's policy to follow up these events with further action, including fines and/or prosecutions, where considered appropriate. Mr. Markwell is to prepare a piece for Elmham News referring to the dog warden and the number to be contacted in case of need.

Defibrillators

The Community Heartbeat Trust has offered a sum of £288.00, including VAT, in respect of the two batteries returned, one of which has no power left, with the other having 80% life remaining. This offer was agreed by all and the Clerk will confirm acceptance of the proposed payment.

New Village Hall

A very useful meeting has been held at Lyng Village Hall. There will be a need for a registered charity to be established.

New waste service agreement with Breckland Council (commencing 17/3/26)

The Breckland Council bin has been installed.

Digital and Data Compliance – AGAR Assertion 10

It was agreed by all that a free gov. uk address and domain would be obtained from Parish Online and detailed instructions have now been received. This will enable a new a-mail address to be provided for the Clerk who will be absent until the end of April. In the circumstances, implementation will take place in early May and arrangements are being made for all e-mails received during the remainder of April to be copied to the Chairman and Vice Chairman for information purposes and in case of need.

Report from District and County Councillors

Mr. Bambridge said that he had forwarded an annual report today which has been circulated to members. This will be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting



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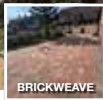
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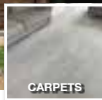
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to be held on 27th May. He mentioned that it has been decided that there will be three unitary authorities in the County with the new arrangements due to commence in 2028. Breckland District, (including North Elmham), will be amalgamated into West Norfolk.

Accounts for Payment and Schedule of Income

a) Resolved to approve the following Accounts for payment:-

Drax (electricity for street lights – 1/02/26 to 28/02/26) – (d/d) £376.38
Biffa (wheelie bin service from 21/02/26 to 16/03/26) - (d/d) £69.73
E-on Next (pavilion from 1/02/26 to 28/02/26) – (d/d) £151.30
E-on Next (electricity for Boars Hill– 6/01/26 to 31/01/26)–(d/d) (£154.82)**
Mole Country Stores (rock salt) £51.12
Mole Country Stores (growmore and chicken manure) £29.97
Norfolk Parish Training & Support (annual subscription) £455.76
D. Tyson (pavilion cleaning for March) £146.32
K. Webb (Clerk’s pay for March) £900.67
HMRC (Tax and N.I. on Clerk’s pay) £331.53
Expenditure approved by all members – proposed by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Mr. Rayner.

** Supplier error – this is a credit note reducing the incorrect invoice for January from £163.01 to £8.19.

b) Schedule of Income:-

North Elmham F.C. (monthly facilities) £75.00
North Elmham F.C. (referee’s room) £75.00
Pavilion lettings £20.00
HMRC (refund of VAT from 1/01/25 to 31/01/26) £5,952.58
Barclays Bank (interest from 8/12/25 to 01/03/26) £125.81

Balances (at 27/03/26)

Current a/c - £62,885.26, Business Premium a/c - £50,313.83

Cambridge Building Society - £84,092.62 – annual interest of £1,608.66 has been added to the account

Planning Applications and Determinations

a) Applications

- i) The erection of five custom and self-build dwellings – land to the east of Pump Street - PL/2026/0214/OMIN. (It was agreed to object to this proposal on various grounds, including heritage, countryside, drainage, overshadowing and access).
- ii) Re-paint both front doors in RAL 7030 – Farrow and Ball, Drop Cloth – Wellesley House, 61 Holt Road – PL/2026/0434/LB.
- iii) Notification of tree work at 49 Holt Road – PL/2026/0357/TCA.
- iv) Notification of palm tree removal – Fortunes Well, 25 Holt Road – PL/2026/0404/TCA.

Next Meetings

Wednesday, 6th May 2026 at 7.30 p.m. – Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

Wednesday, 27th May 2026 at 7.30 p.m. – Annual Parish Meeting.





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KNIT AND NATTER

The meeting started and finished with lots of nattering and not a lot of actual knitting. We had discussions regarding the May Garden Fete and it was confirmed that our request for a table and chairs to be made available in our usual area. We will have space to sell our knitted items and be able to run our "Pick out a Pin" game, plus a raffle for which we already have some extremely good prizes. Since many of our group are also involved with other activities on the day, we have decided to make a rota, so that we can always maintain several people behind our table, raffle and game.

We would also like to take this opportunity to send a big thank you to Anita who lives in Guist. The dolls and animals that she knits for us each time we have a fete, are beautifully knitted and

sewn together, to a highly professional finish. See our photograph. I do know, for a fact, that down in the South, where our daughter lives, they would be snapped up for very high prices, but in North Elmham, we are being more realistic, and our prices will be within reach of all. So please come and look at them, Christmas is coming up!!!!, and every penny goes to charities, hospitals and local groups. Let's hope the weather will be kind to us!

Next meeting May 5th in the Pavilion 2-00 til 4-00 pm.

Eileen Cotterill 01362 668380

CARE SECTOR Q&A

In response to Angela Gifford's letter last month offering advice on the UK Care Sector, we had the following question submitted and the contributor was happy to have it and the answers included this month.

Question

My mother, who has Alzheimer's type Dementia, is about to go into a care home which is being paid for privately from her own funds and I am concerned about what happens to her when the funds she has available are exhausted.

Will she will become a state responsibility? Will she be moved if her existing care is considered too expensive? Does her family have any say in the accommodation she is moved to if that's the case.

Any advice would be appreciated.

Answer From a Team Member at Able Community Care

I thought I would share my personal experience on this. My grandmother was moved into a home locally to my mother in Norfolk, having spent the previous two decades in Gosport. She had dementia and her GP had kept this fact from us at her request, which meant by the time we became aware, she needed full-time care.

An 'outstanding' care home was found and initially self-funded. She was 91 at the time and physically very healthy. At £1200 per week for a standard ground floor room, the £275,000 savings rapidly declined alongside her £1000 per month pension.

After five years she dropped to the threshold for funding, it was proposed that as the care home wouldn't reduce costs and the county council wouldn't cover the cost, she would be moved. They did suggest moving her to a slightly cheaper room upstairs where she would have had no independence to come and go, needing support to move downstairs to the lounge etc. She was by this point very confused and depressed, she didn't know why she

was there and simply wanted to 'go home'. Though she didn't know where home was, she was able to move back and forth to her room independently.

My mother fought the council and the Care home, it was arguably in her best interests to remain where she was, a move at this time would have been nothing short of cruel and further detrimental to her wellbeing. Eventually, after the council negotiated with the home, they dropped their costs and the council came up with the additional funding.

She passed a year after funding was agreed just after her 97th birthday.

My advice would be, in good time, as you approach the £26,000 savings mark, you will need to apply for the funding and make your case as to why your mother should remain where she is. Don't take no for an answer and advocate as strongly as you can for your mother to remain where she is if you feel this is best.

I wish you and your mother all the very best of luck, not an easy situation and not made easier by these sorts of issues, when sadly care should be the main focus.

Answer From Angela Gifford

The first question to ask is: Has the Attendance Allowance been claimed which most certainly would be awarded. It is not income based, not taxed and it is available to anyone who has a care need. Application forms can be completed online. Current rates are: £76.70 and £114.60 per week.

Sadly getting care paid for at times is a postcode lottery. In some Councils (Social Care) Alzheimer's Disease is regarded as a clinical need for care and the NHS via The Integrated Care Board, will pay for the care support both in the community and in a care home.

It is important that a definite diagnosis is given of Alzheimer's or of any of the other dementia descriptions, eg Vascular Dementia.

If the NHS picks up the cost of care then you can ask for a Personal Health Budget whereby the funding is paid directly into the person's bank account where the Power of Attorney can choose where the care is provided, switch providers if not happy with one, pay the bills and is in control of the care package. If the NHS does pick up the care bills, then this means that this financial support will continue.

If however, the NHS will not pay for care support costs and a person exhausts their savings but does have property, (taken as part of the financial assessment if a person is going into a care home, not if they have care at home), then in order to continue to pay for care support, the property can be sold, or it may be possible to obtain a loan from the local council which will then be repaid out of the person's estate in the future.

When all funds have been spent, then the state will pick up the bill for care support, but this may mean that a person has to move to another care home or relatives may be asked to 'top up' the weekly fee. Families may have a say in a change of accommodation, but you do have to be determined.

The Alzheimer's website and their helpline is a great resource to visit frequently, they keep the website up to date, can put you in touch with a local advisor, will help you to apply for funding, help with form completion, etc.

I hope this is of help.

Ed's Notes: If you or your family have any questions, please let Elmham News know and we can put them to Angela Gifford and her team for their advice.

DATES TO REMEMBER: MAY

Tue 5	Knit and Natter	Pavilion	2.00 pm
Wed 6	Annual Meeting of the Parish Council	Pavilion	7.30 pm
Thu 7	Local Council Elections- PhotoID needed	Pavilion	7.00 am–10.00 pm
Mon 11	Countrysiders - Den Building	Holt Country Park	7.00 pm
Wed 13	Tea at Two	Memorial Hall	2.00 pm
Thu 14th	Wives Plus All: Chris Bell, Climate Change	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Sat 16	Singing Workshop	St Mary's Church	2.30–4.00 pm
Sun 17th	Elmham Garden Fete	Elmham House	12.00–4.30 pm
Wed 20	Mobile Library visits	The Heath - Wensum Drive	1.15–4.40 pm
25th–29th	HALF TERM		
Wed 27th	Parish Council: Annual Parish Meeting	Pavilion	7.30 pm
Thu 28	Gardening Club Visit	Dillington Herbs	Arrive by 6.30 pm
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ELMHAM WILDLIFE



As this is for the May issue of Elmham News, I'm going to tell you about mayflies this month. Mayflies are not flies and they don't necessarily fly in May. They are known for their mass emergences and the most conspicuous species that you're likely to encounter during the daytime do in fact start flying in big numbers from late May, but I catch smaller numbers of mayflies at light during the night throughout the summer.



Mayflies vary in size from the larger Green Drake with a body about an inch long and tails much longer (photo 1), to the tiny Angler's Curse that could fit on your thumbnail (photo 2). My photo shows a female Angler's Curse but males have really long tails several times their body length – but as these tails are very thin and translucent they're difficult to capture in photographs.



The Angler's Curse is in fact a complex of several different species that are extremely difficult to tell apart. According to the internet, Angler's Curse is so-named because they can be so abundant when they emerge on mass that the fish ignore the artificial fly bait used by the trout-fishers.

Mayfly eggs hatch into nymphs which are aquatic, foraging at the bottom of the water. When it's time for the nymphs to become adults, they crawl up to the surface of the water and moult. The adult mayfly pulls itself out of the skin of the nymph and once their wings have dried they are ready to fly. Uniquely among all insects, adult mayflies moult once more. When they first emerge they are





known as sub-imago and typically they have relatively cloudy wings and duller colours, but pretty soon afterwards they again crawl out of their exoskeleton and emerge as an imago with brighter colours, and typically longer tails and more transparent wings.



We're not absolutely sure why adult mayflies moult like this but it may be that the structure of the sub-imago's wings (more robust and with tiny bristles along the edges) makes it easier for them to pull themselves out of the nymph's exoskeleton, but are not so good for courtship flight.



Mating happens super-quickly, and the females then lay their eggs. It has to be quick because adult mayflies don't feed, and they don't live very long at all. Pretty much as soon as they've bred, they die. Some species, especially the smaller Angler's Curse, survive as adults for just a few hours. They're readily attracted to light and if I catch them in my moth trap overnight they're nearly always dead at the bottom of the trap by the morning – not because the light or the trap has killed them, but just because they only ever live for a few hours.



For those species that survive more than a single night, light-trapping can provide a unique opportunity to witness their unusual moult. If I catch a sub-imago mayfly overnight in my moth trap and keep hold of it during the day, I will usually see it moult into the imago during the afternoon. For example the sub-imago Blue-winged Olive (photo 3) shows the dull grey wings (I wouldn't call them blue!). This individual moulted into the imago (photo 4) with clear wings and more deeply-coloured body. It's the very same insect, but moulted into a new skin.



Similarly photos 5 and 6 show the very same Pond Olive, before and after its moult from sub-imago to imago. This common species has a distinctive thick brown leading edge to the wings in the female imago which makes it easy to recognise.

Mayfly eyes are interesting as they can have three different types of eye. Like most insects they have a pair of obvious eyes, called compound eyes. In some species these are dull but in others they can be more colourful or even striped (as is the case with the Pond Olive, though I'm not sure my photo is big enough for you to be able to see that). Like many insects, mayflies also have three smaller simpler eyes called ocelli. But what is more unusual is that the males of many mayfly species have an additional pair of elevated eyes directly above their compound eyes, called turbinate eyes. The Pale Watery is a smallish mayfly whose males have bright yellow turbinate eyes (photo 7). You can see the normal compound eyes below these at the sides and you might just be able to make out the three glassy ocelli on the front of the face between the antennae.

It is believed that the turbinate eyes are sensitive to ultra-violet light and help to detect females flying above, which they grab with their long front legs to mate while still in flight. You can often see the mayflies remarkable display flights if you search close to waterways on warm sunny afternoons in late May or June – a good place to see them is along the railway at the bottom of the Cathedral Meadows. I haven't managed to photograph this spectacle very well but hopefully my attempt (photo 8) gives a flavour with four synchronised mayflies from among a much larger group flying up and down like a yo-yo.



In some parts of the country the Common Yellow Dun is, as its name suggests, common. But that doesn't appear to be the case in Norfolk, and especially not round here, so I was pleased to find this stunning yellow mayfly here last summer (photo 9). The beady black eyes were unexpected as according to the textbooks this species has pale blue eyes, but after a few hours this one's eyes did indeed turn pale blue. Although it had already completed its moult to imago I suspect it had only recently emerged from its nymphal stage, and that the change in eye-colour occurs within a few hours of emergence.

Let me know what interesting wildlife you find around North Elmham – it's always good to hear your news. You can get in touch with me by emailing me at appleton.dave@googlemail.com or phoning me on 668431.

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GARDENING CLUB

Paul Laurie delivered a fascinating insight into Garden Birds at our March meeting which held us all interested from start to finish. Paul owns Bird Ventures in Holt and is an extremely dedicated bird watcher and feeder! He is involved in conservation work and has a wealth of knowledge and photographs of birds.

He estimated that he had up to 140 birds in his front garden!

He gave us an extensive rundown of the most common birds, their habits and their feeding needs. Who knew that our beloved robin only has a lifespan of about 2 years? Or that wrens are one of the most successful birds because they eat spiders which are always plentiful, or that house sparrows are on the decline, or birds learn navigation from the stars and use magnetic poles to find direction?

Feeding birds, cleaning containers and feeders regularly and providing water are also a must.

We are hoping that he can be persuaded to come again.

The Flower of the month chosen by Paul was Dawn's lovely fritillary.

The next meeting is a visit to Dillington Herbs on May 28th. There is no fee but people will need to make their own way there by 6.30 pm.

Ray reminded us of our forthcoming visit to Fullers Mill on Thursday 25th June. Leaving from Boar's Hill car park at 12 noon.

Meg White

WIVES PLUS ALL

At our monthly meeting in the Memorial Hall on Thursday 9th April we were visited by Neil and Julia from The Traditional Rope Company which is based in Hindolveston, here in Norfolk and which Neil created some years previously. Neil

grew up in North Elmham. Neil's talk was entitled "A Twisted Yarn" and by the twisting of yarn, all sizes of natural rope are made. The Traditional Rope Company specialises in supplying top quality natural-fibre ropes including Manila, Sisal, Flax, or Hemp, Coir and Cotton.

Examples of uses mentioned on The Traditional Rope Company's website are "Manila rope for rose swags, or clematis support, post and rope fence, and balustrade around decking, Sisal for a cat's scratching pole, soft Flax for a banister rope". Pictures and samples of handmade rope products were brought along for members to see.

Neil told that The Traditional Rope Company products have travelled overseas e.g. to a castle in Europe, to Scottish Islands and also featured in the film industry. It was in the George Clooney and Sandra Bullock film "Gravity" that it was a Traditional Rope Company rope that held Sandra Bullock floating in "space".

Neil gave a demonstration of making a ball on a rope dog toy and Julia showed a range of rope crafts that are hand made by them using Flax, Manila and Jute natural fibre ropes. Members were able to purchase homemade craft items. Thanks go to Neil and Julia for giving a very interesting talk.

The next meeting of Wives Plus All will be on THURSDAY 14th MAY 2026 at 7.30pm, in the Memorial Hall, North Elmham. When Chris Bell, BBC Senior Meteorologist/Weather Quest & Look East Will give an illustrated talk on "Climate Change" There will be refreshments and a raffle. Everyone is welcome

Ann Ferris



NORTH ELMHAM PRIMARY ACADEMY

Nursery - Woodland Room

We have been exploring the meaning of Easter and enjoyed creating our own Easter gardens. We had a lovely morning when our grown-ups joined us in the nursery to take part in a range of exciting activities, including biscuit decorating and egg painting. This term, we are also learning about our world and the people who help us in our community.

Acorns

This summer term, our children will enjoy an exciting and creative curriculum inspired by the seaside and their own imaginations. In Art, they will explore drawing and storytelling through their artwork, while in Design and Technology they will develop practical skills by creating their own soft toys. Our Science lessons will focus on plants and how they grow, alongside hands-on investigations. In Geography, pupils will study coastal environments, comparing local areas such as North Elmham with seaside locations. History will bring the past to life as children learn about the Great Fire of London. Alongside this, they will build confidence and teamwork in PSHE, explore traditions in Religious Education, develop problem-solving skills in Computing and express themselves through Music and performance. It is going to be a fun, engaging, and enriching term for all!

Oak

Oak Class will enjoy a rich and varied curriculum designed to build confidence, creativity and key skills across subjects. In English, pupils will develop their writing through explanation, mystery and story units, focusing on clarity, suspense and imaginative storytelling. In maths, they will explore statistics, fractions, decimals, shape, and position and direction, alongside regular arithmetic and multiplication

practice. Science lessons will focus on living things and habitats, including classification and environmental change, while computing will introduce children to flat-file databases and presenting data using charts and graphs. In Religious Education, pupils will learn about the significance of Shabbat in Judaism, and in history they will study the transatlantic slave trade, including the work of Harriet Tubman and links to modern slavery. Geography lessons will explore where people evacuated to during WWII, while RHSE will focus on relationships, emotions and communication. In art, children will create land and cityscapes using mixed media, and in PE they will develop teamwork and decision-making skills while preparing for Sports Day.

Easter Church Service

We held our Easter church service at St Mary's, where the children made lovely posies to add to the Easter Garden. We shared readings and prayers about the Easter story and enjoyed singing songs together. It was a special time for everyone to come together and celebrate.

Nursery: Spaces Available

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to step out of their busy routines for a week and take time to think; many of the pilgrims form life-long friendships.

For many years the Wensum Leg has walked through Worthing where Celia (Churchwarden at St Margaret's) generously provides drinks and lots of cake before they hold a short service. Then on to the Railway Arms who welcome them in for lunch (involving lots of chips) before they strike out to Ryburgh for the night. A few years ago, the Oxford Leg changed their route so they could take in Elmham and spend the night on the floor of our own Memorial Hall. Let us hope the pilgrims can continue to visit our villages every year

Ivan Ball

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And so, the season is at last here and by the time you read this there will have been a warmup friendly at Beeston for the second team and the start of the Saturday League fixtures over the Bank Holiday weekend. The May home fixtures are below, and we are always pleased to welcome spectators to the games where the bar is open.

Indoor nets proved successful with sessions well attended and we have now switched to outdoor nets. The Saturday teams train on Wednesday evenings and the Ladies once again will benefit from the expertise of expert coach Steve Goldsmith whose sessions commence on May 7th, both evenings from 6pm. All are welcome to attend.

As always, much work has been done on the facilities over the winter and spring by our Groundforce team although because of wet weather the scarification of the outfield has been put back until September. We are also very grateful to club member Tom Thorpe and his brother Charlie for the installation of new windows and front door in the pavilion which is both more attractive as well as safer for spectators. There are further improvements the Club would like to make and as for all community-based clubs, sponsorship plays a vital part in providing opportunities for the young and the not so young to benefit from taking part in social and sporting activities. If you, your company or business would like to consider supporting us, please call Mark on 07980 027124.

The Club will look to continue and develop its links with Litcham High School and has agreed to provide pitches for the school's cup games for both girls and boys teams.

We are always looking to welcome new players regardless of age, experience and ability. There are two Saturday teams, the First team playing in Div1 West of the Norfolk Cricket League and the Second team in Div 4 NE. There is also a Ladies team that plays in the Shell Norfolk League. This coming season also sees the launch of a Junior team at U8 level and if you have a child that might be interested in this please call Adam on 07795443433.

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9th	1	L	Ketteringham Hall
16th	2	L	Aylsham B
22nd	Ladies	L	Denver
23rd	1	L	Snettisham A
29th	Ladies	L	Aylsham
30th	2	L	Horsford C

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Dear Friends,

I hope this is not wishful thinking, but the Easter weekend seemed to herald the Spring, with warmer days and a good deal of sunshine! Lots to be thankful for!

If Easter itself already seems to be a distant memory, "Eastertide" continues throughout May, ending with the wonderful celebration of Pentecost on 24th May this year. Originally the Jewish holiday of Shavout (Feast of Weeks), for Christians, Pentecost marks the 'birthday' of the Church.

Jesus' Apostles were together in Jerusalem after he had ascended into heaven, when another extraordinary thing happened. God's Holy Spirit came to the Apostles, just as Jesus had promised them. In the Bible (Acts chapter 2) we read that there was a rush of violent wind in the house where they had gathered and tongues of fire rested on each of them. It's a vivid and dramatic image!

Jerusalem was packed with people coming from many countries to observe Shavout. The Apostles were given the ability to speak in many languages so that

everyone could understand them. They were telling the crowd about God's great deeds of power – how he had sent his own Son, Jesus, to tell the people about God's kingdom and that they could be God's beloved children.

Ultimately, even death could not contain God's power, as Jesus burst from the tomb on that first Easter day.

What became of the Apostles? Well, about 3,000 people were baptized as Christians at Pentecost and the number of believers grew daily. Once the Church was established in Jerusalem, many of the Apostles travelled across the known world, teaching people about Jesus and sharing God's message of hope and love. The Apostles put down the roots of the worldwide Church, meeting Sunday by Sunday to worship God, to remember all that Jesus did, to proclaim him as our Lord and Saviour.

We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song!

Yours, in Christ,

Revd Sally

WORTHING NEWS

Easter Sunday in Worthing – although a tad chilly, this did not deter visiting families, friends and those from afar who came to enjoy our beautiful village and happily sponsor a duck or two at our Annual Easter Sunday Duck Race and Easter Bonnet Parade. Several chocolate prizes were won and gifts for the most interesting bonnets. With our sincere thanks to you all, volunteers and hosts from Worthing Village, everyone contributed to a successful day raising £429.00 for our Church Building Appeal. Photos from the event may be found on our Facebook page for all to enjoy. Once again, a huge thank you to all.

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Cream Teas Bank Holiday Monday, 4th May from 2-4pm at Worthing Church

Come and indulge in a delicious cream, free admission although a donation towards cream teas is appreciated, all in Aid of the Church Building Appeal.

So pop in, meet up with friends, families, and visitors, and join in the banter over a hot pot of tea, coffee and scrummy cakes.

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For those that would like to bake and donate a cake for the table, or indeed donate a raffle prize, please contact either Celia on email: c.daniel784@btinternet.com or call 01362 668928 or Miranda on email: beautiflousbodies@gmail.com / call 07884 262591 - your help would be most appreciated.

Sunday Church Service dates for May are 3rd 9am Holy Communion and PLEASE NOTE THIS ONE-OFF DATE CHANGE for the 24th only at 10.30am Iona family service led by Licensed Lay Minister Norman Johnson, followed by refreshments and local banter.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Sainsbury Institute for the study of Japanese Art and culture (SISJAC) Coffee Morning (time to be confirmed) Thursday, 11th June, St Margaret's Worthing.

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For more information, please visit: sisjac@sainsbury-institute.org

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Church services for May are listed overleaf. Services at Bawdeswell All Saints are available on Zoom: ID: 656 174 6525 Passcode: TwKH7n

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10.30am	North Elmham	Holy Communion
10.30am	Stibbard	Holy Communion
10.30am	Bawdeswell	Word and Praise

10th May : Sixth Sunday of Easter

10.30am	North Elmham	Iona Holy Communion
10.30am	Bawdeswell	Holy Communion
10.30am	Foulsham	Holy Communion

**17th May : Seventh Sunday of Easter /
Sunday after Ascension Day**

10.30am	Wood Norton	Holy Communion
10.30am	Bawdeswell	The 10.30
10.30am	Billingsford	Morning Praise
6.00pm	Foulsham	Said Evensong

24th May : Pentecost

10.30am	Guist	Holy Communion
10.30am	North Elmham	Morning Praise
10.30am	Worthing	Iona Morning Praise
10.30am	Bawdeswell	Holy Communion
10.30am	Foulsham	Morning Praise

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