



Finningham Newsletter

March to April 2018

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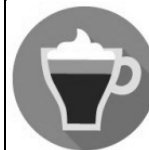
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	Emergency	999
	Non Emergency	101
	Crime stoppers	0800 555111

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	Botesdale Health Centre	01379 898295
	NHS Non Emergency	111



EVENTS AND NOTICES



Coffee Caravan

Venues and dates for the winter months

10am - 12 noon held at the following locations

6th March Venue - St Bartholomew's Church

Hosts - Penny and Pat

April - September first Tuesday of the month.

Held on The Green

Do come along and meet new neighbours and friends.



COFFEE MORNING AND BOOK SALE

LAST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH

St Bartholomew's Church

10.30 - 12.30

Date change for March to avoid clashing with the Easter weekend now on Saturday 24th.

Come along and have a coffee and try some of the cakes the ladies of Finningham bake.

Plenty of books to choose from and bring along any books you have read and would like to donate to our growing library.

Why not bring a friend or neighbour with you and meet other people who live in the Village.

EVERYBODY WELCOME

TEA @ BART'S

2.30 - 4.30pm

Held in St Bartholomew's Church on the 3rd Tuesday of every month.

We are always looking for new faces.

Let's make Finningham

a welcoming and social place to live.

LEST WE FORGET

Celebration of the end of WWI

A number of us are putting together a project commemorating the ending of the First World War and remembering those who died in both the First and the Second World Wars. This is based on the roll of honour, which is inside the church and the memorial stone in the churchyard. The project would be greatly improved by memories, photographs and anecdotes about the people recorded here. The scope is restricted to those who are on the roll of honour, or who *should* be on it; a number of errors have come to light already and it is quite possible that someone has been left out completely.

Any records (photos, letters, written accounts etc) would be scanned and returned, or you could scan them and email them to pete@pjeoverall.plus.com. I don't know at this stage whether the project will be published but it will certainly be made available for all to see.

Peter Overall

Surname	1 st name	Surname	1 st name	Surname	1 st name
Bailey	Bertie	Head	Geoffrey	Seeley	Alfred
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Bailey	Frederick	Head	Walter	Selsby	Harold
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Baker	Fredk C.	Holt	James	Shave	Jesse
Barker	William	Holt	William	Sheppard	Arthur
Bloomfield	Harry	Howlett	Ernest	Sillett	Albert
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Downing	Walter	Lingley	Frederick	Stovin	Richard
Driver	Chaston R	Linstead	Edward	Thorndyke	Isaac
Farrow	Bertie	Linstead	Frederick	Warne	William
Filby	Ernest	Linstead	George	White	Frederick
Filby	Frederick	Palmer	Ernest	White	Harry
Filby	George	Palmer	George	Woods	Thomas
Filby	Harry	Palmer	Stephen	Edwards	Ethel
Filby	Thomas	Palmer	William	Rush	Samuel
Filby	William	Rose	Herbert	Birch	Frank
Garner	William J	Rose	Robert		

FROM THE CHAIR

Dear Finningham residents,

There are small signs around the village of Spring trying to make an appearance. The daffodil bulbs planted last Autumn are just starting to poke their heads above the ground. Thank you to all who helped with this and we shall plant more for next Spring.

As a committee we would like to thank Kelly Worger who has been our secretary over the last 18 months. We appreciate the time and ideas you have put forward and wish you well with your career move which now takes up much of your time. We do now need a replacement secretary if anyone is willing to take on this role.

We held our first FOF Burns Night Supper on the 27th January. Whilst this had originally been planned to be held at Westhorpe Village Hall, the ticket sales were not sufficient to support this venue plus the cost of the entertainment. We would like to thank the White Horse for stepping in and the event which was enjoyed by 30 villagers and friends was good fun. We made a small surplus of £55.00. Thank you to Riet for being chief cook and to Mary for being chief waitress.

The plans for our Fete on the 18th August are coming along at quite a pace. This is going to be a really fun day for all the family. There should be something to suit everybody. We do need your support however to make this day go with a swing. If you are willing to volunteer on the day please can you let me know. If we have a good number of volunteers, the day will run much more smoothly. We need volunteers to make cakes for the tea and cake stall and we need raffle prizes for the raffle on the day, what about those unwanted Christmas gifts lying unloved in a drawer? If you can help with any of these requests please can you let me know either by email or telephone so I can compile a list of what we will have as soon as possible. colinwinter@hotmail.co.uk or 01449 781372.

With best regards **Colin Winter** Chair FOF

FROM THE EDITORS

Its that time of year where things are renewing, on the turn from winter to spring, the longer days and lighter evenings. We see in this issue we have several plans for great events like the annual flower festival, village Fete, Finn Fest and much more.

We would also like to thank you all for your great contributions to the newsletter. The newsletter wouldn't be the same without them, so please keep the copy coming.

We would love to hear your thoughts and recommendations to improve so please let us know.

Have a wonderful Easter break

Richard & Lorraine

NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Public Meeting held in a very cold church on 22nd Jan was attended by an amazing number of people. The reason, of course, was that the subject matter was very close to the hearts of many villagers. The proposed development of Green Farm Yard has raised some eyebrows and a number of concerns amongst us. Many of the 43 people there raised points regarding the sewage, orientation of the houses backing on to Wickham Road, the style of the houses, safety of access, surface water run-off and the size of the Village Meeting Room. Your Parish Council collated all these issues and submitted a report to the Planning Department of Babergh Mid Suffolk District Council. This document, together with a number of letters from private individuals, has been published on the MSDC website and can be viewed under the reference DC/17/06190.

I am pleased to report that, since our meeting, all the various agencies who are responsible for the issues raised have responded and supported the comments submitted. I expect that there is likely to be a major rethink or, at least, additional work carried out to satisfy the comments and objections raised. In the fullness of time, there will be a Planning Meeting, at which those members of the public who have written to the Council will be invited.

If anyone has some fresh comments they would like to make on this matter, there is still time to submit them to the Mid Suffolk district Council.

I think you will agree that it is very gratifying to see that the voice of the people has been heard and listened to.

Thank you to all those who have been involved in this matter and taken the time to give us your views.

On another matter completely; the Parish Council has received the OK from the insurance company to replace the swings, which were damaged by the falling tree branch. The order has been placed with the suppliers and we hope that the new swing will be ready for the enjoyment of our younger members of the community in April.

Tony Kilbee

MOWING ROTA

It won't be long now before the grass in the Cemetery and Churchyard will require the attentions of the mower. So, once again I ask for volunteers to assist us in this task.

Thanks to our merry band of volunteers from last year and I hope that you will continue in 2018.

We are always looking to new volunteers to relieve those who do extra shifts to make up the shortfall. If anyone is interested to help us (it is usually only twice a year), please contact me.

Tony Kilbee

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EVENTS AND NOTICES



WICKHAM SKEITH GARDENING CLUB

ALL MEETINGS HELD
IN WICKHAM SKEITH VILLAGE HALL
UNLESS INDICATED OTHERWISE

TUESDAY 27 MARCH 2018 – 7:30PM

Want to know more about British Wild Flowers? Come and listen to an expert – Barry Gayton is our speaker this month. Members £1/Non-members £3.

TUESDAY 24 APRIL 2018 – 7:30PM

Beth Chatto's Dry Garden is the topic this month and our speaker is the Garden Director, David Ward. This should give us an interesting insight into how the garden was created in view of the fact that we are visiting the garden in June. Members £1/Non-members £3.

TUESDAY 22 MAY 2018 – 6:00PM BLACKSMITH MEADOW

A Cream Tea in Rosie and Jerry's garden at Blacksmith Meadow, Wickham Skeith. Note the earlier start time! More info to follow.

STOP PRESS

We need your contributions

We are looking for contributions for the next issues, so if you have anything you would like including e.g. upcoming events, pictures, art, observations, points of view etc. we would love to receive them.

Please email them to newsletter@finningham.com

The deadline for inclusion in the next issue is the **20th April 18**

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DATE FOR YOUR DIARY



RAF 100 18th August 2018
Wings over Finningham

Come join us at your free village fete

A fun packed afternoon of fantastic talent and events starting at 12pm in celebration of the RAF's 100 years

Featuring:

- Boogie Woogie Gals
- Little Miss Finningham
- Fly Past / RAF 100 (BBC)
- Childrens Races
- Dog Show
- Donkey Rides
- Raffles
- Auctions
- Grand Prize Draw
- Evening Disco
- BBQ and lots more

For further information please contact us via email events@finningham.com

Save the date in your diary

RAF 100

Car Parking available

PARISH COUNCIL

Your Finningham Parish Councillors are:

Chairman: Tony Kilbee, 01449 781075

The Old Chapel, Walsham Road, Finningham, IP14 4JG

Vice-Chair: Mary Webb, 01449 781628

Kimberley, Gislingham Road, Finningham, IP14 4HY

James Miller, 01449 781265/07860 382816

Rob Hall, Walsham Road, Finningham, IP14 4JL

Dilys Sewell, 01449 782978

Holly Cottage, Walsham Road, Finningham, IP14 4JN

James Black, 01449 782965

Black Horse Barn, Walsham Road, Finningham, IP14 4JN

Catherine Winter, 01449 781372

Holly Howe, Westhorpe Road, Finningham, IP14 4TW

Richard Negus,

The Cottage, Church Green, Finningham, IP14 4HU

Clerk : Natalie Hill, 07802 492495

Elmer Farm, Walsham Road, Finningham, IP14 4JN

Parish Council Meetings are held at

St Bartholomew's Church, Finningham, starting at 7.30pm.

Dates of future meetings:

Tuesday 13th March 2018

Tuesday 10th April 2018

The ANNUAL meeting of the Parish will no longer be in May, it will be on 10th APRIL 2018



ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

'I am come to calm your fears: I am come to console you in the absence of bright days, and to reassure you of their return.' The Snowdrop – Revd John Keble 1792 -1866

Everywhere around our gardens and churchyards the snowdrops are in evidence, foretelling the coming of Spring whose official arrival is later in the month of March. The daffodils and tulips are poking their heads above the earth's surface, and in some cases are already in full bloom, whilst directly outside the Rectory window a musical song thrush takes up position each morning to herald in a new day. There is optimism and hope in the air; yet never more so than in the coming season of Easter which begins this year on the first day of April. Easter being a time when we reflect upon new life not just in the natural world around us, but the new and eternal life that is promised to us through the death and subsequent resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Towards the end of April the Christian Church celebrates Vocations Sunday. So often we tend to associate vocation with those who serve as Priests, missionaries, and overseas aid workers, with those involved in medical care, teaching and social work. The problem with this from a Christian standpoint, is that it excludes a great majority of humanity. What about farm labourers, shop assistants, factory workers, bartenders, cleaners, office workers, bankers and estate agents? Of course, it is true that some people have a strong sense of vocation and choose to pursue their chosen career with varying degrees of selflessness. But most people have limited choices open to them and are only too glad to have work of any kind; mundane and hard work and often with little reward.

True vocation, as far as employment is concerned, is to be found not only in what we do, but also, and more critically, in how we do it, the attitude which we bring to it. Secondly, we can think about vocation as something outside the jobs we do, and many of course will no longer have jobs anyway. Vocation is something we bring to the organisations we belong to, the groups or communities of which we are a part, formally or otherwise. The church, and its many events, groups, and communities, is very much one of those organisations. In the months I have been here it is very evident how much vocation goes into both the church and wider community here in Finningham, it truly is extensive, both by those of faith, and those who might well deny to themselves and others the presence of any faith at all – but that's perhaps a discussion for another day!

We rejoice this Easter in the knowledge that the risen Lord Jesus has overcome death and brought forgiveness into the world. Such a message has resonated down the centuries and can bring solace to all those who are finding life difficult. For Christians, our vocation is to share that message with our family, friends and neighbours.

A very joyful and blessed Easter to you all.

Philip and Denise

WESTHORPE VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

www.westhorpe.onesuffolk.net

YOGA



Juliet Wright
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MONDAY (Weekly)
11:00 - 12:30 pm

ART CLUB



Paul Weston
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MONDAY (Fortnightly)
2:00 - 4:00 pm

LINE DANCING



Rosie Macro
rosemary_macro@yahoo.co.uk
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MONDAY (Weekly)
6:00 - 7:00 pm

CARPET BOWLS



Diane Gladders
dianegladders@outlook.com
John Offord
Tel. 01449 258501

MONDAY (Weekly)
7:30 - 9:00 pm

IT CLINIC



Alison Weston
alisonweston25@hotmail.com
Tel: 01449 781490

TUESDAY (Bi Monthly)
2:00—4:00 pm

CRAFT CLUB



Lynda Cotgrove
Tel 01449 789142
Rosemary Mees
Tel 01449 780394

TUESDAY (Fortnightly)
10:00 - 12:00 PM

STOTT PILATES



Miranda Tuddenham
mtwannadance@gmail.com
Tel. 07540 696167 or 01379 742845

THURSDAY (Weekly)
11:00 - 12:00 pm

WINTERS ACADEMY



charley@wintersacademy.co.uk
www.wintersacademy.co.uk

THURSDAY (Weekly)
4:00 - 6:45 pm
During Term Time

BOOK CLUB



Judith Kennedy
[jkstreetfarm@gmail.com](mailto:jkstreefarm@gmail.com)
Tel. 01449 781249

THURSDAY (Every six weeks)
7:00 - 9:00 pm

KEEP FIT



Glen Rust
glenrust21@yahoo.co.uk
Tel: 07856 701970

FRIDAY (WEEKLY)
10:30—11:30 am

GARDENING CLUB



Martin Little
martindavidlittle@gmail.com
Tel. 01449 78031

FRIDAY (3rd of every Month)
7:00 - 9:00 pm

WESTHORPE FILM NIGHT



Philip Aldous
philip.aldous@live.co.uk

FRIDAY (4th of every month)
7:30—10:30 pm

EVENTS AND NOTICES

BOOK CLUB

Would anyone be interested in starting a book club?

I'm happy to organise it.

Thoughts are:

- Meet every 6 weeks?
- Time of day - afternoon or evening?
- Nothing too taxing!

Visit a different house each time to discuss chosen book.

If you are interested please contact me at

kayelatham000@btinternet.com or 01449 781471

I look forward to hearing your thoughts. Kaye



Flower Festival in May

There will be the usual tent outside church selling plants and produce along with garden and flower related paraphernalia and the usual wonderful selection of cakes and scones.

We will also be selling our books (Fiction and Non fiction) cheaply and running a tombola stall for children and adults and a raffle.

If you have anything you would be willing to donate for any of these categories we would be happy to collect if you cannot deliver. Items for tombola do not need to be brand new as long as they are 'as good as'. Items other than cakes or produce would be appreciated as soon as possible please.

Val Rowell 781729 Elmcroft, Gislingham Rd, Finningham
(chalet bungalow with porch next to cemetery)



Flower Festival this year will be held on the weekend

Saturday 5th, Sunday 6th and Monday 7th.

Please encourage family and friends to visit, it is very worthwhile and it shows off our church in all it's glory.

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

CANDLES AT TWILIGHT (Sunday 28th January)

The sun was just beginning to set on our little church, while inside there was a beautiful glow from a multitude of candles on the windowsills. Forty six folk were gathered to celebrate our Candlemas with Christingle service. The story of Jesus' presentation in the Temple was acted out by four talented children. Eleanor being Simeon, Charlotte was Anna, Lucy was Mary and Hugh was Joseph. After our Bible Reading by Doug and hymns we took a break for coffee and delicious cakes while the children made 'stain glass windows' with tissue and card. We returned to the pews to admire the children's handiwork with enthusiastic applause. Our service continued with the lighting of the Christingles to remind us that Jesus is the Light of the World.

Thanks to Pam for leading a most uplifting service and to Philip with Denise for joining us. Also, thanks to Charlie and Georgina for help with the offerings, all the bakers, coffee makers, dishwashers and Christingle makers too numerous to mention.



Please join us for our next special celebration service for Mothering Sunday on the 11th March at 10am.

GISLINGHAM VARIETY CLUB

It may be a little early but GVC are looking for cast members for their production of **"White Christmas"** which will be performed early December.

If you are keen to "tread the boards" but never had the opportunity or courage to do so, here is your chance!

We are looking for lead rôles as well as chorus members; speaking and non-speaking parts.

Interested?

Then contact the Director Karen Rainbird at karen@daynet.co.uk

INSIGHTS

You are so mean!

Do you sometimes say something and regret it? Maybe you have said something (maybe in the heat of the moment) and you let it eat at you for ages leaving you with a feeling that you need to apologise? Or do you say harsh and hurtful things - particularly on social media, not caring, bothering or worrying about the person receiving it.

Why do we exhibit these 2 very different behaviours? What could it mean?

It is not even as simple as saying that a person falls into one of the two categories (although there are many people we know who we would categorise as predominantly one or the other – are you thinking about someone in particular now?). People adapt their behaviour depending on the environment, the person (or people) involved and their mood. Furthermore the person will do this (mainly) subconsciously.

The increase in social media and online interactions has highlighted this, as when putting finger to screen or keyboard there is a feeling of detachment and anonymity that is not in face to face communication. So it is much easier to dash off a witty comment on an app without considering the recipient. It would be much harder to deliver the same line to the person face to face.

Fundamentally I believe that behind the behaviour someone exhibits is RESPECT (are you remembering 'the song' now? Are you remembering the Aretha Franklin version or the original by Otis Redding!). When I say respect I'm not just meaning for the person directly receiving the comment or the other people who may see or hear it.... I mean for yourself. If you respect yourself you are more likely to think of and respect your family, friends and colleagues. There is another way

By Fiona Simpson. www.lilacPearl.co.uk email info@lilacPearl.co.uk



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MARQUEE & TABLE HIRE

Friends of Finningham have the following for loan.

Marquee	- 40ft x 13ft (12m x 4m)
Festival Tent	- 22ft x 16ft (6.8m x 5m)
Party Marquee	- 20ft x 10ft (6m x 3m)
Folding tables	- 6ft x 2½ft (1.8m x 0.8m)

Below are suggested donations - Held at last years level again.

Marquee	£60	Village residents	£70	non residents
Festival Tent	£60	Village residents	£70	non residents
Party Marquee	£30	Village residents	£40	non residents
Folding tables	£5	Village residents	£6	non residents

A refundable deposit of £100 is required.

Loan period is normally up to four days
and delivery and collection by arrangement

Further information available at the point of hire,
for enquires and bookings please contact

Ian Armstrong - 01449 780215 or 07879 670949

We do not have an erecting service therefore it is the hirer's
responsibility to provide sufficient labour to erect and dismantle
marquees under the supervision of a FOF member.

Terms and conditions apply.



BOOK REVIEW

Theodore Boone

John Grisham (Hodder & Stoughton)

Thirteen-years-old Theodore Boone wants to be a trial lawyer when he grows up. He spends a lot of his spare time at the County Court in the town of Strattenburg, USA, and is helpful to his fellow students explaining practical aspects of the law. He details the step by step procedures of the Family Court to a classmate whose parents are going through a divorce. When a murder trial is scheduled, Theo arranges for his Government class to attend on the first day.

Peter Duffy has been charged with murdering his second wife, Myra Duffy, the mother of two sons from a previous marriage. The accused has the right to a presumption of innocence but the trial has been sensationalised on television and in the newspapers. Many have already formed the opinion that Mr Duffy is guilty. There are no witnesses to the murder, the circumstantial evidence is not compelling, and the jury is expected to find the accused not guilty. Then Theodore Boone learns of factors that are not available to the prosecution ...

Grisham has written an exciting tale brimming with suspense for youngsters and adults interested in the law and the courts. Many situations remain unresolved so there's probably a sequel in the wings.

Reviewed by Clive Hodges



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NEIGHBOURHOOD

As you may have seen recently there have been a number of burglaries not only in Finningham but surrounding villages. This time of year with dark evenings, we all need to be on our guard and keep our eyes open not just for our own homes but also those of our neighbours. Its not only our homes that can be targeted, but also cars, garages and sheds. As a test for yourself, could you get into your home, garage or shed if you lost the keys? If so, so can anyone else! Can you get into the rear of your property with relative ease or do you have locked gates, high fences and thorny bushes? If you would like a free security check on your home for peace of mind then feel free to ask and I am happy to pop round and give advice. I have had training from the police in my role as neighbourhood coordinator and it just may save you losing your possessions.

A number of vehicles have been spotted locally and suspected of being up to no good. A white Mercedes van sign written Cranleigh Gardens Ltd has been knocking on doors claiming "your neighbour recommended me to you" and trying to sell wooden garden furniture. A silver Vauxhall Vectra has been sighted near recent burglaries with a partial registration mark of MK56. If you see it please try to get the rest of the registration and pass to the police on 101.

I am planning on getting the speedgun out and starting up speedwatch again soon. Sadly despite many requests no-one else wants to support us in slowing the traffic in the village and getting the message out there that we wont accept speeding in Finningham. Statistics also show that there is a side affect of speedwatch, and that is that general crime drops in speedwatch areas as high viz coats scare off would be criminals and it shows that residents care about their village. There are only 2 of us that regularly get out there so we really need more volunteers. You don't have to commit to regular times or set days, just when you have an hour or 2 to spare. Since starting speedwatch there have been less accidents in the village and with regular sessions, drivers take notice and slow down even when we are not there. This means it is safer for pedestrians, cyclists, dog walkers, children, horse riders and motorists alike. In fact if you leave your home, YOU benefit from safer roads so why not join us.

The Finningham Facebook page is growing well and is a great way of passing messages or information to your neighbours. Whether you are selling something, are looking for something, need a tradesman or just want to spread some happy news, check out the Finningham Facebook page.

Andy

WANTED

Do you want or need something ...

let us know and see if our village can help.

Email to newsletter@finningham.com Or Call us on 01449 781048

EASTER

When the shops are full of Easter eggs you know it will soon be Easter. But Easter isn't just about chocolate eggs. Here you can find out the facts about Easter and about its traditions. You can have some fun with our Easter activities too! (see page 18 - Easter Nests Recipe)

Easter Traditions

How did Easter get its name? Discover the facts and the background to Easter traditions. Find out why Christians celebrate Easter and the timeline to the festival from Shrove Tuesday to Easter Sunday

When is Easter?

Easter Day is always on a Sunday but the date varies unlike Christmas, which is always on 25 December. Many years ago Christians decided that Easter Day always be on the Sunday following the first full moon after the first day of Spring, around 21 March. This means that Easter can be as early as 22 March or as late as 25 April.

In fact not only is Easter a movable feast but it happens on different dates depending on where in the world you live. The reason for this is that in western churches such as in the UK, America and Australia, we use the Gregorian calendar rather than the Julian calendar used in eastern churches

What is Easter?

Easter is the most important Christian festival. Christians are followers of Jesus Christ who lived about 2000 years ago in a country called Palestine. They believe that Jesus was the son of God. At Easter time Christians remember the last week of Jesus' life.

How did Easter get its name?

Long before Jesus was born some people in Europe worshipped the Goddess of Spring, who had the name 'Eostre'. They thought that the sun died in winter and was born again in Spring. They thought the goddess brought the spring and with it the sun would get stronger. Some believe that Easter got its name from her.

Receiving Easter eggs is always a treat! Find out how and why the tradition of giving eggs on Easter Sunday came about.

Easter Eggs

The custom of giving eggs at Easter celebrates new life. Christians remember that Jesus, after dying on the cross, rose from the dead. This miracle showed that life could win over death.

For Christians the egg is a symbol of Jesus' resurrection, as when they are cracked open they stand for the empty tomb. No-one actually knows when eggs were first used as symbols at festival times but it was long before Jesus' time. Eggs were always thought to be special because although they do not seem alive, they have life within them especially at springtime when chicks hatch out.



EVENTS AND NOTICES

Finningham White Horse

Opening times

Monday to Friday 3.00 pm - 11.00 pm

Saturday 12.00 mid-day - 11.00 pm

Sunday 12.00 mid-day - 10.00 pm

Pizzas available when we are open

*Pub Quiz Last Sunday of the month
from 8.00pm £1 per person*

*TIKKA Tonic will be here on Friday March 9th...Indian
food to eat in the pub or take away.*

Facebook search "Finningham White Horse"

Camping on the field £3 per person per night



St Bartholomew's Church Finningham

Annual Flower Festival 2018

Celebrating 100 years of 'Votes for Women'

"Remarkable Women"

Saturday May 5th 2.00pm to 5.00pm

Sunday May 6th 11.00am to 5.00pm

Monday May 7th 11.00am to 5.00pm

Songs of Praise Sunday at 6.00pm

Tea, coffee, cakes, produce, plants, books, raffle, tombola

GREY MATTER MOVERS

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Try our simple recipe for these delicious **Easter nests**.

What you need:

- 225g (8oz) milk chocolate
- 50g (2oz) butter
- 2 tablespoons of golden syrup
- 100g (4oz) cornflakes
- Packet of candy-coated mini eggs
- Paper baking cases
- A baking tray and A large saucepan



What you do:

- Place ten of the paper baking cases into the hollows of the baking tray.
- Break the chocolate into pieces and place these into a large saucepan.
- Add the butter into the pan. Dip a tablespoon into hot water to warm it up before using it to add the golden syrup into the pan.
- Heat the pan stirring the mixture all the time until the chocolate and the butter have melted.
- Turn off the heat. Add the cornflakes to the mixture gently stirring them until they are covered with the chocolate. Be careful not to crush the cornflakes too much.
- Put the cornflake mixture into each of the paper baking cases. Make a small hollow in the centre of each nest with the back of a teaspoon.
- Place a few eggs in each nest and then place the tray into the fridge to allow the nests to set. Remove after about an hour.
- Either keep on or remove paper baking cases and arrange on a plate when you are ready to serve them. They are best stored in an airtight container in the fridge but need to be eaten within three days.

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We have had an interesting start to 2018.

In January we had a young lady speak to us regarding Suffragettes. She was dressed appropriately and rode her turn of the century bike to the village hall. She talked about the women who were passionate to bring women to the fore in the 20th Century. We owe our right to vote to these brave women.

In March we are having a visit from Andy of Diss Garden Centre. He is very knowledgeable and we hope to learn some new tricks to make our gardening easier and more enjoyable.

This meeting will be held in Gislingham Primary School as the Village Hall is being refurbished. 7.30 on the third Wednesday of the month.

Our April meeting will take the form of a craft evening with Marion Barnes, one of our Advisers from the offices of Suffolk East Federation of Women's Institutes. Visitors are always welcome.

LITTER PICK

Village Litter Pick

Last year's turnout for the Spring Litter Pick was superb. Let's hope we can surpass it this year!

Although it is not the date of the National Litter Pick, your Parish Council thought that it would be more comfortable to leave it for a month, when the weather might be more favourable.

We have scheduled **Sunday 8th April; meet on the Village Green at 10:00am.**

Pickers, High Viz Jackets and Black Bags will be provided. Please make a note in your diaries and join us to tidy up the Village.

Thanks for your support in the past, looking forward to seeing you again this year.
Finningham Parish Council.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

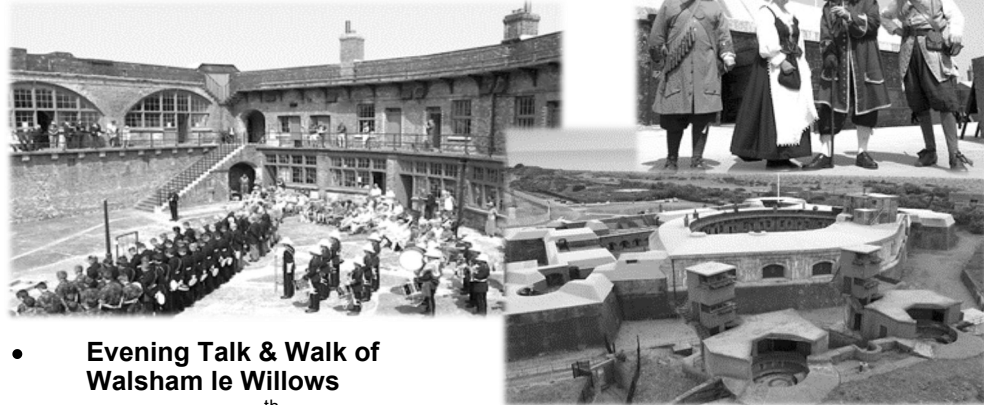
...FINN FEST 2018

**Friday evening 29th June &
Saturday 30th June from 1.00 pm on the field.**
Line up to follow.

FINNINGHAM HISTORY GROUP

Events for 2018

- **Guided tour of Landguard Fort Felixstowe**
Wednesday 2nd May @ 11.00 am £4.50/head



- **Evening Talk & Walk of Walsham le Willows**
Wednesday 27th June @ 7.00pm

Bacton & Cotton History Society (meetings 7.30pm Bacton Village Hall)

- Tues March 20th **Shop to you drop!**
Shops, shop keeping and shopping in Suffolk from 1660 to 1830 is the fascinating story that Dr Pat Murrell will bring to us – on line it wasn't!
- Tues April 17th **Amazing Rood Screens**
Dave Steward will talk about their history and the fine local examples

Wickham Skeith History Group (meetings 7.45pm Village Hall)

- Wed March 21st **"Even more Stories from the Tower"**
Horry Parsons talks more about his experiences building the tower on Bury Cathedral.
- Wed April 18th "The Queen's Bank, the House of Fallen Women and Greyfriar's Bobby: The Life of Angela Burdett Coutts, a Victorian philanthropist who worked with Charles Dickens and funded a number of projects giving away millions of pounds." by Lesley Holland

4 SEASONS

M25, 3am

A freezing wind blasts through the night, the badger in his burrow curls up tight. Up on the road the dirty work continues. Police, road menders, ambulance crews. The driver in his cosy cab salutes them and thinks his job could be far worse. His passengers are unaware his brain has turned to coffee-tainted cheese – and verse. Ian Armstrong

49+10 BONUS BALL CLUB RESULTS

Congratulations to the following winners:

<u>Date drawn</u>	<u>Ball number</u>	<u>Winner</u>
2nd December	52	Peter Hall
9th December	19	Heather Grant
16th December	14	Graham Smith
23rd December	41	Peter Jones
30th December	34	Greg Atkins
6th January	50	Peter Allen
13th January	5	Chris Goddard
20th January	47	Pauline Argles
27th January	16	David Wadlow

Vacant balls : **51, 58 & 59**
to take up one, call or email Bob Storey

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The Bonus Ball Club provides the only regular income for Friends of Finningham to provide amenities, including the cost of printing this newsletter and support to projects for young and old within the village.

ANNUAL GRAND PRIZE DRAW

The Friends of Finningham are excited to announce that this year will see the launch of our Annual Grand Prize Draw. Tickets will soon be available, with the

Grand Draw at 6.30 pm on the 18th August 2018 (Fete Day).

Some great Prizes have already been promised and all funds raised will go towards future events. Watch out for more details and for a "List of Prizes".

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WHAT'S ON - MARCH 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Coffee Caravan	7	8	9 White Horse Tikka Tonic Indi- an Food	10	11 Mothering Sun- day Service St Bart's
12	13 Parish Council mtg	14	15	16	17 St Patricks day	18
19	20 Tea @ Bart's Bacton & Cotton Hist Society	21 Wickham Skeith History Group WI	22	23	24 Coffee Morning and book sale	25 White Horse Quiz
26	27 Wickham Skeith Gardening Club	28	29	30 Good Friday	31	
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WHAT'S ON - APRIL 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
30						1 April Fools day
2 Easter Monday	3 Coffee Caravan	4	5	6	7	8 Spring Litter Pick
9	10 Parish Council Annual mtg	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Tea @ Bart's Bacton & Cotton Hist Society	18 Wickham Skeith History Group WI	19	20 Newsletter copy deadline	21	22 Earth Day
23	24 Wickham Skeith Gardening club	25	26	27	28 Coffee Morning and book sale	29 White Horse Quiz
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