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15 Non Emergency



EVENTS AND NOTICES



Coffee Caravan



Venues and dates for the Spring/Summer months

10am - 12 noon held at the following locations

May - 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

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.

EVENTS AND NOTICES

Paws With A Cause

Date

30 September 2018, 10:00 to 15:00

Location

Glemham Hall Woodbridge Suffolk IP13 0BT



Jack is back!

On the Sunday 30 September Paws With A Cause is back, for the fourth year running, and welcomes you to join us on our walk around the beautiful grounds of Glemham Hall, to help to raise vital funds for East Anglian Air Ambulance.

You can start any time after 10.00, following a one mile, three mile, or five mile route.

This event is £5 per person and £5 per dog. Child entry is free.

We look forward to seeing you and your four-legged friends there!

Advance booking opens soon.

For more information please email our fundraising team on Fundraising@eaaa.org.uk.

A huge thank you to Ufford Park in Woodbridge for sponsoring this event.



Bottle Bank

Many people believe that the Bottle Bank situated in the Pub Car Park is for the sole use of the pub itself.

This actually, is not the case; it is there for the convenience of all residents. Not only that, the community receives a small income, every time it is collected.

So, please use this facility, rather than taking your empties to another village's bank.

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 24th August 2018

FROM THE CHAIR

Dear Finningham Friends

Now that summer is finally here FOF are ramping up the plans for the summer fete. We will have a unique themed event that should have something for everyone.

If you could help us on the day we would love to hear from you as there are lots of small tasks that would help the day run smoother. There is a meeting at 7.30 in the Church on Tuesday 17th July. Please come along to join in with all the fun.

The draw tickets are going well. Please do support the draw by buying a couple of books of tickets. There are some great prizes. Lots more prizes have been added since the last newsletter. Check the Finningham website for the latest list. You can get your tickets from the White Horse, any committee member, or the volunteer who delivers your newsletter.

Enjoy the good weather, lets hope it lasts.

Colin Winter



1st Prize: £300 2nd Prize: £200

3rd Prize: £100

Many more exciting prizes to be won

Draw to take place at Finningham White Horse on Saturday 18th August 2018 from 6.30pm Promoter: Catherine Winter Holly Howe, Westhorpe Road, Finningham, Stowmarket, Suffolk. IP14 4TW Registered under The Gambling Act 2008 with Mid Suffolk District Council

FROM THE EDITORS

Hi all in Finningham

We hope you all enjoyed the village activities, the flower festival, vintage cars on the field, Pentecost, Finn Fest 2018 and coffee mornings. It doesn't stop there, in July and August we have many more events to look forward to, culminating in our village fete on the 18th August.

The summer months are looking in good shape, we hope there will be plenty of sunshine and we look forward to seeing you all at the Finningham village fete ... good luck to those who have bought some tickets for the grand draw.



Richard & Lorraine

NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Finningham Parish Council

Probably the most important news that has been released since the last issue of this Newsletter is the proposal to build 7 houses on a piece of land next to the last bungalow on the left-hand side on Westhorpe Road.

It is early days yet but there are probably some contentious issues surrounding this proposal, as there are on the Green Farm Yard development. One of the main items that immediately comes to mind is that the sewage from this new development will feed into the existing system, thus exacerbating the whole situation even further. If you want to see what is proposed, just visit the MSDC Planning website under the reference DC/18/02313. As a start, the Highways department are not happy with the visibility for vehicles exiting the site. Although, the Architects have already produced a revised block plan acceding to the visibility requirements.

Our resident Green grass cutter, Andy Brownlie, has decided to give up the contract from the Parish Council. We thank him for his past work for what has proved to be, a difficult job.

The Friends of Finningham Committee are working very hard to bring a stupendous occasion to the village in August (18th). From what we have learnt, it is going to be quite something. All it needs now is to be fully supported by as many residents as possible.

The new swings on the Green seem to be a hit with the younger members of our community; we are now working towards replacing the slide. We have already received some grants towards it and, hopefully we shall be able to top them up with additional grants or donations to enable us to go ahead with the project.

Tony Kilbee - Chairman.



Car Parking

Finningham has never been known for its good parking except for such occasions as the Flower Festival, when we rely on the generosity of Ivan Lockett for the use of the Green Farm Yard.

This means that the limited spaces that we do have should be used to full effect. Not forgetting that sometimes they are very close to houses and their access should not be obstructed.

So, please park courteously and make as much use of the available space as possible.

Finningham Parish Council.



EVENTS AND NOTICES

WICKHAM SKEITH GARDENING CLUB

ALL MEETINGS HELD IN WICKHAM SKEITH VILLAGE HALL UNLESS INDICATED OTHERWISE

TUESDAY 24 JULY 2018 - 6:30PM

EVENING VISIT TO WOODWARDS, AN NGS GARDEN IN CODDENHAM

We will be using our own transport for this visit to an award winning garden (Blacksmiths Lane, IP6 9TX). Parking is available in Coddenham village hall (200 yards away), or in the owners' driveway if disabled. Members £7/Non-members £9 - this will include a welcome talk, tour of the garden and refreshments. Please arrive by 6:30pm. Should you need a lift, etc contact Rosie 01449 765908 or Eddie 01379 788504.

THERE IS NO MEETING IN AUGUST

WICKHAM SKEITH PRODUCE SHOW ON SATURDAY 25 AUGUST.



NEW BUILD EXTENSION

SATURDAY 28 JULY 2018 10.00 – 12.00

Patients are invited to the Health Centre to see the plans, talk to Dr Tim Cooke and find out how the new building will be used, especially in relation to Hospice facilities, new clinics and other groups.

Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of Botesdale Health Centre.

We hope you will all take this opportunity to come along.

EVENTS AND NOTICES

St Bartholomew's Church "SEA SUNDAY" 8th July 10am

For Mission to Seafarers Family worship, activities, refreshments



Please come and join us



On our Fete Day, there will be 2 smaller fun-day Raffles at a mere 50p a strip.

For the usual bottles of wine, chocolates, cakes and left-over Christmas Presents.

As well as a wheelbarrow of BEER.

All Donations towards these will be very much appreciated and will help fund our lovely day in the sun.

Please call Erlin on 07917 728576 at any time and I will collect them, or alternatively drop them off at Church Mouse Barn.

BOOK REVIEW

It seems that a hand written will, made by a wealthy individual, is a good starting point for a book. Combine that with a retired police detective and you get an interesting story.

The Wrong Side of Goodbye by Michael Connelly

Harry Bosch is LA's newest private investigator. He doesn't advertise; he doesn't have an office, and he only has himself to answer to.

He is hired by Whitney Vance, an ageing reclusive billionaire who is haunted by one regret. When he was young, he met a great love - but she disappeared just after revealing that she was pregnant. Did she have the baby? And if so, what happened to it?

Vance wants to know the truth and Bosch is the only person he trusts. But Bosch's instincts tell him this will be a dangerous job - not just for himself but for the person he is looking for.... David Wadlow

PARISH COUNCIL

Your Finningham Parish Councillors are:

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Richard Negus,

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Parish Council Meetings are held at

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

Dates of future meetings:

Tuesday 10h July 2018

No meeting in August



ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

By the time you read this publication, the Feast Day of St Peter will have been and gone, having been celebrated on the 29th June. Petertide, as the period around the Feast Day is known, is the season for those who are called to the Ministry within the Church as Deacons or Priests, to be Ordained. This year there are to be 25 Deacons and 9 Priests to be Ordained in our Cathedral at Bury St Edmunds by Bishop Martin, and then sent out to whatever Parishes they are to serve within our Diocese.

Deacons will have been training for the Priesthood, and upon Ordination will receive their licence as it were to serve as Curates, wearing the 'dog-collar' for the first time. After a year it would be usual for the Deacons to then be Ordained as Priests.

Of the 25 Deacons, 4 will take up full- time paid posts, whilst the remaining 21 will stay within their local Parish giving whatever service to their communities that they are able. Similarly the 9 candidates for Priesthood, having served this last year as Deacons, will be a mix of full-time and non-stipendiary.

Over the past few years this Diocese has seen a fall in the number of clergy, and so the high figures for Ordination this year is to be welcomed. The Diocese will be faced with financial challenges paying for an increasing number of clergy, but I understand that this will be off-set in a few years' time, because projected figures show a considerable drop in clergy due to forthcoming retirements. I understand that our Diocese has more multi-parish Benefices (ours for example has 6 churches) than any other Diocese in England, so it is imperative for candidates to come forward for Ordination, to serve as 'local Priests,' to alleviate the burden upon fulltime clergy. On a personal note, within this Benefice I have a retired member of the clergy; Reverend Pamela Robson, to whom I am grateful for her assistance, along with Lay Readers and Lay Elders, to whom I am equally grateful.

Petertide is the season for Ordinations, and it was St Peter (the word in Aramaic means 'rock'), whom Jesus declared He would build His Church upon. In artwork Peter is symbolised by 'keys', as it was to Peter that Jesus gave the 'keys' to heaven. Yet Peter was a very impetuous man, often inconsistent and rash, and of course the disciple who denied his Master when Christ was nailed to the cross: which all goes to show that even the Saints were never perfect. Peter was to die a martyrs death in Rome through crucifixion.

Denise and I wish you all a lovely summer in all that you do,

With every blessing

Philip (Priest in Charge)

BISHOP at FINNINGHAM CHURCH

I am pleased to announce that our Diocesan Bishop, Martin Seeley, is to lead the Harvest Festival Service at St Bartholomew's Church here in Finningham on Sunday 16th September at 11.00am; all are extremely welcome, the service will be followed by refreshments in the church.

Philip (Priest in Charge)

WESTHORPE VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

www.westhorpe.onesuffolk.net

YOGA



Tel. 07503 212670

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

ART CLUB



Jujuyoga39@gmail.com paulwestonarchitect@gmail.com rosemary.macro@yahoo.co.uk Tel. 07860 376592

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

MONDAY (Weekly) 6:00 - 7:00 pm

LINE DANCING



Diane Gladders dianegladders@outlook.con Tel. 07748 563926 John Offord Tel. 01449 258501

MONDAY (Weekly)

CARPET BOWLS

IT CLINIC



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

WINTERS ACADEMY



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

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

STOTT PILATES



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

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

BOOK CLUB



Judith Kennedy jkstreetfarm@gmail.com Tel. 01449 781249

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

GARDENING CLUB



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

Westhorpe Village Hall Hire

Finningham and Westhorpe residents £8.00 per hour Non-residents £9.00 per hour

'Board and Card Games Roll Up'

In September we are proposing to introduce a regular fortnightly 'roll up' on either a Tuesday or Thursday evening, 7:00-9:00/9:30pm,

to play a mix of Board and/or Card games as a fun evening in an informal and social setting in the Village Hall.

The games played will be largely the choice of the individual participants present and therefore flexible based on numbers and preferences. They will include for example, Draughts, Chess, Cribbage Monopoly, Whist, Bridge etc. The list will develop over time and as a pattern emerges.

We look forward to your support in this initiative, and will keep you advised on the programme and details.

If you have any comments or input at this stage please contact Alan Coles on 01449 781618 or email alalancoles@aol.com

Thank you in anticipation for your support and hopefully your involve

Westhorpe Village Hall Committee

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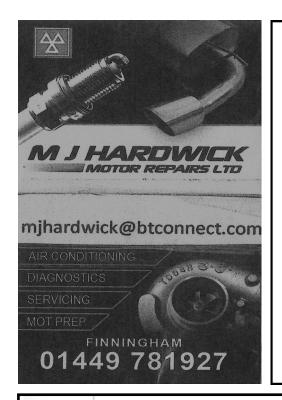
> To book contact Jo on 07912649328 or jo@johnnybeales.co.uk

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> FRIDAY (WEEKLY) 10:30-11:30 am



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ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

CHURCH OPENING HOURS /CHURCHYARD and FABRIC

In the previous publication I asked whether there were any people in the village who would be willing to open the church on a daily basis. The response was tremendously positive, and as such the church is now being opened on a daily basis; I am very grateful to all concerned.

In the same publication I also mentioned the five year Architects Quinquennial Report, of which I was awaiting upon the findings. I have now received the report and taken it to the Parochial Church Council (PCC).

The findings are laid out in an order of 'A-E,' with 'A' being high priority; and the Architect estimates that if all the work was undertaken (in reality this just does not happen, but is basically a wish list) the cost would be in excess of £30,000; which is by no means a great amount for such a church. At present the PCC is prioritising the 'A' list which was thankfully very short; and quotes are awaited for the following items which were highlighted.

An unsafe monument in the churchyard.

A complete electrical test of the inside of the church.

Servicing of the counterbalance and pulleys to both the font and rood screen.

In addition I have been informed this week that the bells are not to be rung until they have been professionally inspected; I have asked for this to be done.

Once these areas have been covered the PCC can look at those items highlighted under Priority 'B.'

I will endeavour to keep you informed, and as always am grateful for your help through both practical and financial contributions; 'thank you.'

Philip (Priest in Charge)



SUMMER WORKSHOP

On Monday and Tuesday 13th/14th August 2018 there will be a Summer Workshop for All-ages held in the Priory Room, Walsham-le-Willows. Both days will commence at 10.00am until 12.30pm. Refreshments will be served.

The theme will be 'Harvest,' and children's places will have to be limited to 25, so it is imperative that you book your child's place for ONE or BOTH of the sessions. To book please ring the Rectory and speak with Denise or Philip; 01359 258806.

Any offers of help will be gratefully received.

The mornings will consist of crafts, artwork, friendship and informal worship.

Adults are very welcome to call in for a 'cuppa and a chat.'

ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

THANK YOU LILY

After over 30 years as Secretary of the PCC at St Bartholomew's Lily Elsey has retired. Her retirement was celebrated with an Afternoon Tea and a presentation of yellow roses and a potted camellia. Expressions of thanks were made by Andrew (Church Warden) and Priest in Charge Philip.

We are very grateful to Lily for her dedicated work and commitment over the years and her continued support. The endless cups of tea, coffee and delicious biscuits she provides after services will continue we know. Also, the Rotas she organises to make sure that our beautiful little church is kept clean, tidy and adorned with flowers will continue.

Thanks again Lily for all you do. Marion Bell (PCC Secretary)





PENTECOST Sunday 20th MAY

The congregation entered our church this Pentecost to a balloon filled church. We were celebrating the coming of the Holy Spirit. The theme was red, representing the flames descending with the Holy Spirit. We all had a paper dove to help us remember the doves coming down too.

They were passed on with the 'Peace be with you' to our neighbours.

The predominant colour red added to the warmth of the service ,and the fellowship we shared , delighting in Margaret Miller's delicious PENTICOST cake.

So, if you saw someone walking along with a red balloon that day you now know where it came from !!

We hope you can join us for SEA SUNDAY on Sunday 8th July at 10am.

MARQUEE & TABLE HIRE

Friends of Finningham have the following for loan.

Festival Tent - 40ft x 13ft (12m x 4m) - 22ft x 16ft (6.8m x 5m) - 20ft x 10ft (6m x 3m) - 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

lan 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

The Late Show by Michael Connelly

Michael Connelly is a former police reporter with the Los Angeles Times and, I would suggest, has used his experiences and inside knowledge to create this book.

Detective Renee Ballard is an oddball individual who has the knack of upsetting people, mainly her superiors at the Los Angeles Police Department. Consequently she has been moved to the graveyard shift, also called the Late Show. As the sun rises she hands her investigations over to her colleagues, never getting closure.

Being the individual that she is she did not let go of a brutal assault and a multiple murder that took place during her shift. She follows up the investigations in her own time and, naturally, gets herself into difficult situations which does not endear her to her superiors.

Michael Connelly created the character Harry Bosch who has featured in many successful books and there is now a TV tie-in series on Amazon Prime called Bosch.

Renee Ballard is a new creation and The Late Show is her first outing.

An enjoyable read. David Wadlow

GISLINGHAM VARIETY CLUB

Our next show in December 2018 will be



If you would like to get involved

Please come and join us for the read through of the script on

15 July 2018 at Gislingham Village Hall

G V C

From 2pm

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NEIGHBOURHOOD

SPEEDWATCH

Following on from the last newsletter 3 people have come forward to join the Speedwatch team which is fantastic news and means we can carry on the good work. Anyone else who wants to join us please let me know. The more the merrier!

We shall be back up and running soon but the police are doing a great job in the meantime with a regular visit from an evidential speed camera and many people given points or sent on speed awareness courses. There is a simple way to avoid points on your license of course...

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The good news is there is little to report. I am not aware of any reported crimes in the village but don't get too relaxed. On these hot humid days (at least they are as I write this) we throw open our doors and windows to let the fresh air in. Don't forget to close them when you go out though!

Also think. Once you go to bed and leave a couple of windows open, can someone get in? Do you have a trellis or drainpipe by the window? Where do you keep your ladders? Go outside and just see if you could get back in if you needed to. If you can, so can anyone else.

Finally just a reminder that when you're out and about in your car, don't leave valuables on show. Satnavs, handbags, mobile phones etc are all temptations so hide them away.



ST GEORGE'S DAY CELEBRATION DINNER

HELD AT THE WHITE HORSE PUBLIC HOUSE ON 21ST APRIL 2018

Riet and I would like to sincerely thank all those loyal villagers who participated in the above celebration at The White Horse Public House on Saturday the 21st April.

I think everyone enjoyed themselves - we certainly brought the house down singing Jerusalem, There'll Always be an England and Land of Hope & Glory. Tony Kilby gave a sterling rendition of the speech by John of Gaunt (Richard II) "This England". We raised over £130.00 for The East Anglian Air Ambulance Charity.

Linda Papworth & Riet Jones

INSIGHTS

And breathe.....

Breath is very important to our whole lives, but because it is mainly a subconscious activity we don't give it much thought. A study from March 2017 has discovered that our brain has a connection between our breathing and our brain rhythm and that circuit has an internal pace maker. This means that we have a way of influencing our brain rhythm OUR BREATH. Slower controlled breath creates a calmer brain. This is probably why there are such large benefits from meditation and yoga, where there is a focus on your breath.

In fact just the other day I was travelling to a meeting and I could feel my anxiety level rising. At that point I checked my breathing and there it was; shallow and high in my chest. As soon as I realised this I took a good deep belly breath, exhaled slowly in a controlled way and felt myself relax.

We need a good breathing discipline to nourish our body and mind. As children we breathe deeply and naturally, but as we grow we lose this natural breath. Our breathing becomes shallow meaning we keep a large amount of stagnant air in our lungs. Every part of our body needs oxygen to survive and if we are not taking in enough then something has to miss out.

It is easy to improve your breathing. A very good and simple place to start is to be aware of it. Just a reminder several times a day to tune into your breath can have great benefits.

You can also lay on your back with your hand on your stomach and feel your abdomen rise and fall with each breath. This is done breathing naturally, forced breath is unhelpful. Concentrate on your out breath or exhale.

You could try a yoga breathing technique like https://www.drweil.com/health-wellness/body-mind-spirit/stress-anxiety/breathing-three-exercises/ Remember to build up to the full exercise if at first you find it challenging.

You could also take up meditation.

One thing to remember is, if you notice a sensation in your body as I did with the anxiety, check how you are breathing.

There is another way ... By Fiona Simpson. www.lilacPearl.co.uk email info@lilacPearl.co.uk

MOWING ROTA

Thank you to those of you that have been keeping the church grass looking neat and tidy and in advance to those who will be doing it these coming months.

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7th July	David Papworth	4th Aug	Tony Kilbee	-
14th July	Bob Storey	11th Aug	Doug Aiken	
21st July	Mick Cattermole	18th Aug	Chris Hooper	
28th July	Andy Brownlie	25th Aug	Archie Coote	10

FINNINGHAM CRICKET

Anyone for Cricket... as the cry out went a few weeks ago. There was a bit of local village rivalry between Finningham and Mendlesham. On to the field did those brave soles from Finningham march and on what was a beautiful day. Mendlesham were splendid hosts and there was a good bit of banter. The match was fought over 5 hours in the scorching heat, with Mendlesham just pipping Finningham by 94 runs



EVENTS AND NOTICES

VILLAGE DONKEY RIDES

The Friends of Finningham have made 2 bookings with Gate & West Donkeys from Bury St Edmunds.

They will be bringing 2 donkeys to our lovely Village Green on Saturday 4th August and again on Friday 17th August (the day before our fete).

On both days they will be giving free donkey rides to the children of Finningham between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Please, let us make this a success, and see the Green packed with kids having fun!!

More details can be found at their website,

www.gateandwestdonkevs.co.uk

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GISLINGHAM WI

The Gislingham WI is held in the Village Hall in Gislingham on the 3rd Wednesday of every month. We have a thriving membership and are definitely the place to be on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Our meetings start at 7.30 and end around 9.30.

In the next few months we are very busy as we will be preparing for our Tea Tent at the Gislingham Fayre (do come along and visit us) the cakes are to die for. The Fayre is held on the School field in Gislingham on Saturday 14th July.

At the beginning of July a few of our members are taking part in the local WI Federation Quiz in Needham Market. We are hoping that our visits to the Gislingham Quizzes will stand us in good stead. We shall find out. We are also starting our Bowling outings to Bury Bowl which we hope will become a regular occurrence. We will report how we get on!!! In the middle of July our summer outing is a trip to the Sandringham Flower Show (let's hope for good weather) and in August we are crossing our fingers for sunshine at our Annual Garden Party .

We are a friendly bunch of Finninghamites who make our way to Gislingham each month and should anyone wish to join us for a taster please feel free to contact us for a lift. We all went along out of curiosity, stayed and now make up a large proportion of the Committee.

PERHAPS WE WILL SEE SOME OF YOU SOON.

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4 SEASONS

My summer began in The Netherlands – where conservation is given a higher priority. Many birds that are uncommon here are numerous there. So many nightingales! There are still plenty of birds to be seen here of course, and I have recently had some interesting encounters. I met a red kite as I was biking through Cotton, it was cruising slowly at lamp-post height. These birds are steadily widening their range; I now regularly see them at Stansted and Heathrow – where I'm sure they are not welcome. They are mainly carrion feeders so their behaviour has something in common with that of vultures, but they can take small live animals. This has caused some concern with pet owners - such as the woman in Berkshire who was less than pleased when one tried to make off with her Pomeranian.

It was at the western extreme of the M25 (northbound, approaching junction 19) where I was very surprised to see what I took to be an ostrich, but now think might have been a rhea. It was strolling in a scrubby meadow where I sometimes see deer. It was probably a farmed bird but I like to think it might have been a wild one – there has been the odd report of stray rheas. (I do look at the road sometimes).

Ian Armstrong

BUS TIMETABLE

Eye - Bacton/Mendlesham - Stowmarket

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				Monday to Friday (Except Bank Holidays)				Sunday
	Operator	MCH	MCH	MCH		MCH	MCH	No Service
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Eye, Town Hall (opp)		-	-	-		0915	1350	
Eye, Primary School (o/s)		-	-	-			1352	
Stoke Ash, White Horse (W-bound)		-	-	-		0923	1400	
Thornham Magna, Four Horseshoes (N	l-bound)	-	-	-		0925	1402	
Gislingham, Post Office (opp)		0705	0930	1337		0930	1406	
Finningham, White Horse (W-bound)		0709	0934	1341		0934	1410	
Westhorpe, Bus Shelter (o/s)		0712	0937	1344		0937	1413	
Wyverstone, Church Hill (adj)		0715	0940	1347		0940	1416	
Bacton, Village Stores (S-bound)		0717	0942	1349		0942	1418	
Bacton, Cotton Methodist Church (E-b	ound)	0720	0945	1352		0945	1421	
Cotton, Trowel and Hammer (S-bound	I)		0948	1355		0948	1424	
Mendlesham, Kings Head (opp)			0955	1402		0955	1431	
Mendlesham Green, Bus Shelter (o/s)			0959	1406		0959	1435	
Middlewood Green, Larters Lane (adj)			1002	1409		1002	1438	
Saxham Street, Post Box (opp)			1003	1410		1003	1439	
Stowupland, Reeds Way (o/s 31)			1007	1414		1007	1443	
Stowupland, Birch Close (adj)			1010	1417		1010	1446	
Cedars Park, Guillemot Close (opp)			1013	1420		1013	1449	
Stowmarket, Argos Store (o/s)							1455	
Old Newton, Shoulder of Mutton (adj)	0728					-	
Stowmarket, Railway Station (adj)		0735					-	
Stowmarket, Station Road West (adj)		-	1019	1426		1019	-	

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Stowmarket, Station Road West (adj)		1245	1730	0830	1245	1730	
Stowmarket, Railway Station (opp)			1735	0833		1735	
Cedars Park, Guillemot Close (adj)		1252			1252		
Stowupland, Birch Close (opp)		1255	1743		1255	1743	
Stowupland, Reeds Way (o/s 18)		1257	1745		1257	1745	
Saxham Street, Post Box (adj)		1300	s1746		1300	s1746	
Middlewood Green, Larters Lane (opp)		1301	s1749		1301	s1749	
Mendlesham Green, Bus Shelter (opp)		1304	s1751		1304	s1751	
Mendlesham, Kings Head (adj)		1308	s1754		1308	s1754	
Old Newton, Shoulder of Mutton (opp)			s1802	0842		s1802	
Cotton, Trowel and Hammer (N-bound)		1315	s1808		1315	s1808	
Bacton, Cotton Methodist Church (W-box	und)	1318	s1809		1318	s1809	
Bacton, Cotton Methodist Church (opp)				0849			
Bacton, Village Stores (N-bound)		1321	s1811		1321	s1811	
Wyverstone, Church Hill (opp)		1324	s1812		1324	s1812	
Westhorpe, Bus Shelter (opp)		1327	s1814		1327	s1814	
Finningham, White Horse (E-bound)		1330	s1815		1330	s1815	
Finningham, White Horse (o/s)				0852			
Gislingham, Post Office (adj)		1334	s1819	0856	1334	s1819	
Thornham Magna, Four Horseshoes (S-bo	ound)	-	-	0900	1338	-	
Stoke Ash, White Horse (E-bound)		-	-	0902	1340	-	
Eye, Primary School (opp)		-	-	0910		-	
Eye, Town Hall (adj)		-	-	0912	1348	-	

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14th April	38	John Allen
21st April	38	John Allen
28th April	12 20	Rita Leggett
5th May	41	Peter Jones
12th May	526	Chris Goddard
19th May	22	Aileen Kilbee
26th May	43	30Gemma Atkins
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Sunday	T	8 St Bart's Sea Sunday	15 Gislingham Variety Club meeting	22	29 White Horse Quiz		
Saturday		7	14 Gislingham Fayre	21	28 Coffee Morning and book sale Botesdale Health Centre meeting		
Friday		ø	13	20	27		
Thursday		ъ	12	9	26		
Wednesday		4	-	18 Gislingham WI	25		
Tuesday	31	3 Coffee Caravan	10 Parish Council mtg	17 Tea @ Bart's Fete Meeting @ St Bart;s	24 Wickham Skeith Gardening Club		
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WHAT'S ON - AUGUST 2018 Sunday White Horse Quiz Donkey Rides @ Village Green Wickham Skeith Produce Show Finningham Summer Fete Coffee Morning and book sale Saturday **Newsletter** Donkey Rides @ Village Green Copy Deadline Friday က Thursday Wednesday Gislingham WI ∞ St. Bart's Sum-mer workshop Coffee Caravan Tea @ Bart's Tuesday St. Bart's Sum-mer workshop Monday