



# Finningham Newsletter

November to December 2019

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**Merry Christmas**  
and a  
Happy New Year  
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## Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator

Andy Brownlie	07795 078125
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## Police

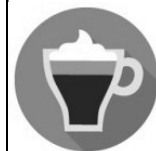
Safer Neighbourhood Team	01473 613500
Crime Reduction Officer	01473 613500
Emergency	999
Non Emergency	101
Crime stoppers	0800 555111

## Doctors

Mendlesham	01449 767722
Bacton Manor Farm Surgery	01449 781777
Botesdale Health Centre	01379 898295
NHS Non Emergency	111



# EVENTS AND NOTICES



## Coffee Caravan



Venues and dates for the Autumn / Winter months

**First Tuesday of the month @ 10:00am - 12 noon**

**5th November.** In the church. Host Pauline Goddard

**3rd December.** Elmcroft, Gillingham Road. Host Val Rowell

*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 - 12.00**

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

We have been rather successful with the attendance at these events but as winter draws close it is a good place for village get together as we start to hibernate for the winter.

WE DO NEED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE HAVE BEEN RATHER OVERSUBSCRIBED WITH BOOK DONATIONS AND FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE WE WOULD REQUEST THAT NO MORE BOOKS ARE DONATED. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAVE BEEN SO GENEROUS IN THEIR DONATIONS. WE WILL LET YOU KNOW WHEN WE CAN START ACCEPTING THEM AGAIN

**EVERYBODY WELCOME**

**TEA @ BART'S**

**2.30 - 4.30pm**

**Held in St Bartholomew's Church on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month.**

**We are always looking for new faces.**

**Let's make Finningham**

**a welcoming and social place to live.**



# *Finningham White Horse*

## *Opening times*

*Monday to Saturday 12.00 mid-day - 11.00 pm*

*Sunday 12.00 mid-day - 10.00 pm*

*Walkers, cyclists and motorbikes, 'get together' or 'stop-off spot'*

*Informal camping and caravan pitches*

*Functions and events can be accommodated*

*My answer to a request is 'yes'...if I can do it, I will*

*Pub Quiz Last Sunday of the month*

*Facebook page "finninghamwhitehorse"*

## 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](mailto:newsletter@finningham.com)

The deadline for inclusion in the next issue is the **13th December 2019**



Firstly, can I thank Mary, the FoF team and everyone who contributed to the organisation and running of the Annual Village Garage Sale. The cakes (and sausage rolls) provided at the Church were outstanding and really added to the event. Hopefully someone found a bargain or a hidden treasure or two.

The Joint Social Village (Dinner and Disco) Event had to be cancelled but my thanks to the Winter's and Westhorpe committee for organising.

With Christmas just around the corner (time flies), the FoF intend to organise and contribute to the Annual Village Christmas Dinner that will be open to all. I will finalise the date, location and menu shortly and publicise in the normal manner.

Regards, Greg

## FROM THE EDITORS

As we write this newsletter, it dawned on me that this is the last newsletter of the "Teenies" and we will very soon venture into the 20's, which I'm sure will be "Roaring".

We hope you have had an interesting, fun and peaceful 2019. There has been plenty of activity in and around our village with plenty to reflect on.

It is amazing how fast time flies and it doesn't seem 2 minutes since we were writing the 2018 Newsletter and on that point I would like to thank all of our contributors, without you we wouldn't have this wonderful little newsletter. If any of you have any ideas you want to share to improve the newsletter in 2020 then please let us know.

As the festive period comes into focus we would both like to wish everyone a wonderful, safe and happy time over the coming months.

Enjoy and thank you

Richard and Lorraine



### Parish Council Report

Some of you may have looked at the hole on the Green in wonderment and asked yourselves what and why.

Let all be revealed!

You will remember that, in the last issue of this Newsletter, you were informed that the Parish Council was in the process of purchasing additional equipment for the recreational area of the Green. This followed consultation with the young of the Village, to find out what they wanted.

The order was placed to the supplier and the excavation of the site for the bark infill was underway when representation was made to find a different site for the additional equipment.

The digging was completed, and the Parish Council agreed to put any further installation work on hold until a meeting was arranged to discuss the problem.

A few days later this meeting was convened, and various arguments were put forward against siting the new equipment near the existing. The rationale behind this is that the younger users of the play equipment are being intimidated by the older children and that if the new items were installed in other areas of the

Green, it should attract them and leave the younger children to enjoy the facilities we have provided for them.

The Parish Council are acting on this request and will be having the recently dug hole filled in. The residents will be given the chance to approve the new positions before installation commences.

This means that we shall not be able to honour the promise made in the last edition of the Newsletter that the new equipment will be installed in time for the next school holiday.

You will have either seen or heard about the article in EADT regarding the traffic speeds through the village. We have Andy Brownlie to thank for bringing the situation to the attention of the Press. As you know from the last issue of the Newsletter, our efforts to introduce traffic calming measures in the village have fallen on deaf ears. Perhaps some adverse Press exposure will do the trick!

Tony Kilbee

October 2019







**WESTHORPE ART CLUB AND CRAFT GROUP ARE HOLDING AN**

## **EXHIBITION AND SALE**

**ON SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9TH  
IN WESTHORPE VILLAGE HALL  
10.00 TILL 4.00**

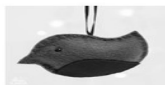
**Come along and see what we've been up to  
and maybe pick up a Christmas present**

**There will be some demonstrations during  
the day, and also a display of wood turning**

**Refreshments will be available**



Free entry



## **Drama comes to Westhorpe.**

### **Leah Cousins - a conversation with a country midwife.**

Writer/performer Lynn Whitehead will present this story about a midwife in the 1780s, and invites the audience to hear Leah's story as she prepares for an important journey.

**Sunday December 8th at 4.00pm,  
in Westhorpe Village Hall.**

Tickets £6 to include mulled wine and mince pies,  
from Alison Weston 01449 781490  
or email [alisonweston25@hotmail.com](mailto:alisonweston25@hotmail.com)

*This performance is not suitable for young children.*

## **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

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James Black, 01449 782965

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Catherine Winter, 01449 781372

Holly Howe, Westhorpe Road, Finningham, IP14 4TW

**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 12th November 2019

Tuesday 10th December 2019

Tuesday 14th January 2020

No meeting in February

Tuesday 10th March 2020

Annual Parish Meeting Tuesday 14th April 2020, 7pm start

**Annual Parish COUNCIL Meeting Tuesday 12th May 2020**



As I sit writing this article we have entered and are well into the Season of Autumn. There is a sharpness in the early morning air and an increasing coolness throughout the days. This autumn the trees and hedgerows are particularly beautiful, which I gather is to do with both the amount and intensity of the sun we have experienced during the summer. As a result there has been a build up of certain sugars in the leaves, which in turn dictate the variation in the autumn colours.

Long term weather forecasters are already suggesting difficult weather conditions throughout the winter. Second guessing the weather in this country is almost a national pastime, and certainly makes for a constant source of conversation because you are never quite sure what is coming next.

As we move towards the darker days of winter we are perhaps reminded of the spiritual darkness which can sometimes surround us, and as we experience that we may feel at odds with the world. There are many things in the daily news which may make us feel distinctly uncomfortable at this time, whether it is items within our own country or further afield. Dark days may seem to plague us at all levels.

But the Christian belief is that God has made a world which is essentially good, and it is God's will that ultimately the brokenness of the world will be repaired as the world is reconciled with God Himself. It is this message which Jesus came to bring, and in the Season of Advent, beginning on the

1st of December, we lead towards Christmas with an emphasis on hope as we prepare for the coming of the 'light of Jesus' into a dark world.

Let us all be forever mindful that the Christmas Season can be a dark and lonely time for many people, with greater feelings of stress and guilt than usual, leading to a deep depression. May we be mindful of those in our midst who are suffering at such time.

But before Advent and Christmas we move through November, a month which is a particular time of Remembrance; All Saints on the 1st, and All Souls on the 2nd when we especially remember our own families and friends no longer with us. Our next act of Remembrance is Remembrance Sunday and then Armistice Day itself. It is important to remember and to value people both for the things they have done and the people they have been. We honour them by allowing our own lives to be a testament to the influence they have had upon us, acting on the lessons of life they have left us. We also honour them by standing up to those who would deprive the weak and powerless of the freedom to live their own lives.

As this month is a particular time of remembrance we should not forget that such a remembrance is at the centre of the Christian Faith, and we honour Jesus by living our lives in accordance with His teaching and His life.

May you be Blessed in our coming Seasons of Remembrance and hope.

Philip Parish Priest

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## ART CLUB



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MONDAY (Fortnightly)  
2:00 – 4:00 pm

## CRAFT CLUB



Lynda Cotgrove  
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Rosemary Mees  
Tel 01449 780394

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

## WINTERS ACADEMY



[charley@wintersacademy.co.uk](mailto:charley@wintersacademy.co.uk)  
[www.wintersacademy.co.uk](http://www.wintersacademy.co.uk)

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

## GARDENING CLUB



Martin Little  
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FRIDAY (3<sup>rd</sup> of every Month)  
7:00 – 9:00 pm

## LINE DANCING



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MONDAY (Weekly)  
6:00 – 7:00 pm

## STOTT PILATES



Miranda Tuddenham  
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Tel. 07540 696167 or 01379 742845

THURSDAY (Weekly)  
11:00 – 12:00 pm

## BOOK CLUB



Judith Kennedy  
[jkstreefarm@gmail.com](mailto:jkstreefarm@gmail.com)  
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THURSDAY (Every six weeks)  
7:00 – 9:00 pm

## WESTHORPE FILM NIGHT



Philip Aldous  
[philip.aldous@live.co.uk](mailto:philip.aldous@live.co.uk)  
FRIDAY (4th of every month)  
7:30 – 10:30 pm

## CARPET BOWLS



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John Offord  
Tel. 01449 258501

MONDAY (Weekly)  
7:30 – 9:00 pm

## GAMES NIGHT



Alan Coles  
[alancoles@aol.com](mailto:alancoles@aol.com)  
Tel. 01449 781618

THURSDAY (FORTNIGHTLY)  
7:30 – 9:30 pm

**Westhorpe Village Hall Hire**  
**Finningham and Westhorpe residents**  
**£8.00 per hour**  
**Non-residents**  
**£9.00 per hour**

## YOGA



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

## TAI CHI



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Wednesday (weekly)  
7.30-8.30pm  
Friday 10.00-11.00am

## FREESTYLE FITNESS YOGA



Jo Beales  
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Tel 07912 649328

WEDNESDAY (Weekly)  
6:15 – 7:15 pm

## Coffee and Book Swap



Saturday  
April 27th  
10.00 – 12.00  
All welcome






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**ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH**



**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY,  
10th November  
at FINNINGHAM ST BARTHOLOMEW'S**

At the War Memorial at 10.50 then a service in church

Please join us to honour and remember  
those who gave their lives in both World Wars.



**CHRISTMAS  
AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S**

**Sunday 24th November at 10am.**  
Stir -Up Sunday and Christ the King.  
Come and join us for this popular service to stir up  
your own Christmas pudding and your spirits!

**Sunday 8th December at 3.30pm**  
Christingle Service.

**Sunday 22nd December at 3pm**  
Our Carol Service.

**Christmas Day at 9.30am**  
A Family Service with Holy Communion  
Please join us for one or all of these  
special services, a warm welcome awaits.

## Communication

A few issues ago a suggestion was made by the Parish Council to set up a village data base, so that residents could be informed, in the comfort of their own homes, of issues and forthcoming events in the Village.

Currently, we have the Parish Notice Board, Facebook, the Website and the pages of this Newsletter and yet still we hear all too often "I didn't know about....."

So, let us try once again. If you wish to be included in this most convenient way of communication, then please e-mail "I'm in" to our Parish Clerk at [finningham-parishclerk@gmail.com](mailto:finningham-parishclerk@gmail.com) It will take but a moment!

Rest assured, your details will be protected.

Finningham Parish Council.

October 2019



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## Parish Councillor Vacancies

Finningham Parish Council has vacancies for

### Parish Councillors.

The Council *meets monthly* with the exception of August and February on the second Tuesday of every month.

If you have a *few hours* to spare and would like to help improve the community in which you live, we would like to hear from you.

***No previous experience is necessary as training is available.***

For further information please contact the Council's Clerk Natalie Hill on:

07802 492495

or e mail:

[finninghamparishclerk@gmail.com](mailto:finninghamparishclerk@gmail.com)



**"Your Parish  
Council Needs  
YOU"**



## 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 will deliver and collect the marquee and assist with erection and dismantling, but we need you to provide at least two helpers .

Terms and conditions apply.







## INSIGHTS



### Fostering – Did You Know....

That there are different types of fostering placements and that there is a demand for all of these?

There are children that are in the care system for just a short while, they may have poorly parents and no other family to look after them at the moment, they are likely to be settled into a school environment and simply require someone to keep them safe and loved for a short period of time.

There are children that are unable to return home due to varying circumstances, these young people need a forever home. They need a family to commit time, empathy, love and understanding to them. They need someone who will be committed to them till they reach the age of 18 years old and possibly beyond.

Once a child reaches 18, they don't necessarily move on to independence. This is evaluated by the Local Authority on a needs led basis. The young person may move on to independent living, but sometimes, if deemed necessary, they can stay with the carers under a "staying put" arrangement. This is generally arranged between the Local Authority and the foster carer.

Every child that is placed into care has a level of need, whether that need is to be safe and secure for a short period or long term, depends on the family circumstances. There are also young people who have highly complex needs. These young

people require resilient carers to help them through the tough times that they face and let them know that everything is going to be ok.

Sometimes, it's not a child that needs a fostering placement but a child and their parent(s), these are called Mother and Baby placements. Although the name can be misleading. I have placed father and baby's with our carers, mothers and their children who are not babies, i.e. 8 years old and even Mum, Dad and baby placements. The idea of these types of placement is to guide parents so that they can successfully parent alone.

All of the above are very rewarding placements and they give so much to our young people and to the carers too.

### Fostering with FCA Eastern

We can offer 24/7 advice, excellent ongoing training, access to your local fostering team, competitive rates of pay, local support groups and social events. You can find out more by following this link <https://www.thefca.co.uk/regions/eastern/> where you can find some blogs from some of our current carers, meet the staff and register your interest.



## GISLINGHAM WI



At the end of August we had a coach trip to Southwold. We spent the day enjoying a day of sunshine topped off with a trip to the Theatre on the Coast where we were treated to an excellent play of Hobson's Choice.

Our September meeting was a presentation by Des Fiske on a trip he made across the Atlantic. It was a long ambition of his and when his son decided to do the trip on his yacht he asked his father to join him and three others.

His talk was a humorous narrative on the trials and tribulations of being in a confined space for several weeks. It was a most enjoyable evening.

Our October meeting is the Autumn Supper. Various members will supply soup and desserts and as usual it will be a jolly affair.

November we will hold our Annual General Meeting December will see us all head for the Bell in Rickingham for our annual Christmas Lunch.

When the New Year arrives we would like to welcome any new members who would wish to come and join us. A warm welcome awaits you.

3rd Wednesday of each month in Gislingham Village Hall

Aileen Kilbee

President

Gislingham WI

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## GARDENING CLUB



### **WICKHAM SKEITH GARDENING CLUB**

ALL MEETINGS HELD IN WICKHAM SKEITH  
VILLAGE HALL UNLESS INDICATED OTHERWISE



### **TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2019 7:30PM**

Denise Johnston will demonstrate Natural Christmas Decorations.  
Members £1/Non-members £3.

Balance of money for Christmas meal will be due at this meeting.

### **TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2019 7:00PM**

Christmas meal at The Bull, Bacton - 6:45 for 7:00pm.

## FOUR SEASONS

It has turned damp and chilly, garden birds and is well on its way to wiping out the greenfinch. On the plus side, mushrooms are popping out of my lawn like never before. When the cold weather sets in bird feeders will help some of our feathered friends to survive – but the experts tell us that they can also be the cause of their death. There are plenty of sparrows and tits at my feeders, but where are the finches? They have been killed by trichomonosis. The disease has long been familiar to pigeon fanciers and falconers, but about 15 years ago it began infecting a wide range of

garden birds and is well on its way to wiping out the greenfinch. The nasty protozoan that causes it can be picked up at bird feeders and tables – and plenty of other places.

Blackbird numbers are low – but don't worry, that is normal at this time of year.

They become reclusive as they moult and get their smart new plumage, and a lot of them are migratory.

Try to enjoy the rain. Plenty would have it if they could.

Ian Armstrong



## NEIGHBOURHOOD



We have a big problem with speeding through our village in Finningham so Andrew Brownlie set up a speed watch scheme. This quickly showed that on average a vehicle speeds through the crossroads every 2 minutes (at least 35mph) and at rush hour / school run times, this can double. The fastest speed recorded on the calibrated speed gun was 61mph but regularly recorded 50mph+ and the majority at 40mph+. This includes HGVs, motorbikes and coaches as well as other commercial vehicles and cars. This, at a point that is a crossroads intersection of 4 roads, a pub entrance and right next to the village green with the children's playground.

ples of these so thats a lie.

**Speed humps or rumble strips.** We cant have those as they can only be used on roads with lighting. Another lie as they are in Botesdale, Elmeswell, Allwood Green to name just a few and within a 5 minute drive of Finningham and Allwood Green is the SAME ROAD!! (B1113) Also if the speed limit was reduced to 20, you CAN have them on unlit roads. Either this is all lies or highways have illegally put them on unlit roads.

**VAS (Vehicle Activated Sign)** which flashed your speed. Only if we pay for it ourselves.

**Speed / slow painted on the road.** No we cant do that.

Despite proving the need for safety improvements, SCC and Highways declined saying there was no need. David Chaney at Highways decided that looking at a picture of Finningham on his computer via Google Earth, was sufficient to deny any help. To this Andy pointed out that the accident at the junction which saw the front wall of the 15th century White Horse public house demolished, would have resulted in multiple deaths and serious injury to up to a dozen children who wait there for their school buses every morning, had it happened 24 hours earlier. It was pure luck that the accident happened on the first day of the school Christmas holidays. The thought of a dozen dead and injured children clearly wasn't enough to get him out of his office to see the site for himself.

We offered our views and thoughts as potential solutions to the issue as summarised below.

**Mini Roundabout.** We cant have that because 4 way mini roundabouts are not allowed. I have found multiple exam-

**Change of priority at railway bridge.** Vehicles traveling at national speed limit have priority coming into the village over slower cars leaving. They wont change priority to slow the faster cars as there is no reason to??

**New signs warning of playground / replace broken and missing signage.** No cant do that unless its a legal requirement and thats only speed limit. You can have them if you pay for them. Missing 30mph sign still not replaced.

**Village gateway.** Yes you can have those if you pay for it all yourselves. I offered to buy them and install them but they have to do it with traffic lights / management, highways staff, building regulations

In a nutshell any suggestion we made was met with a no, or yes if you pay for it all. Their argument is that only 1 accident has been recorded in Finningham in 10 years so it doesn't need improving

**Perhaps a village discussion around this matter would be a good opportunity to get your views?**





## GREY MATTER MOVERS



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### SPACED OUT

This is a variation of a puzzle set by Bob Walker as a Brainteaser in the Sunday Times magazine.

Write down the digits 1 to 8 twice so you have 16 digits. You will have eight pairs of digits.

Now write down the 16 digits in such an order that the pair of 1's is separated by one digit, the 2's by two digits and so on ending with the 8's separated by 8 digits.

What is the largest number that can be made up from these digits applying this rule?

### AN APPEAL FOR HELP (Answer to puzzle from Sept/Oct Newsletter)

3	4	6	12	15
7	9	13	10	1
14	11	5	2	8



## HISTORY GROUP



### History of Sport in Finningham

Meeting in Westhorpe Village Hall

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019

7.30pm

I've been compiling a project on the history of sport in Finningham - mainly football, but including cricket, cycle speedway, rifle shooting - anything that we have photos or information about. I am the last person who should be doing this as, before I started, I knew nothing about any of it. I know a bit more now thanks to an enormous amount of help from people who grew up in the village. All I can do is put it all together.

This project will belong to the people of Finningham and anything you can contribute - information, photos, stories etc. will be included if possible. If you know of people who have left the village but would be interested, do please spread the word.

**The meeting at Westhorpe is for anyone who is interested in the subject.** I'll run through what I have got so far. I hope people will interrupt and discuss with each other if you think I've got things wrong and if you have extra information to offer.

If you can bring photos and other information to the meeting I can take it home, scan it and return it to you. (But not on the night).

We can talk on the night about whether the project should be printed or not. I'll get some prices for discussion. This isn't a sales pitch, just a chance to find out what support there might be.

There will be refreshments.

There is no entry charge. Voluntary contributions would be welcome.

If you want to get in touch, please contact me on 01449 781412 or [pete@pjeverall.plus.com](mailto:pete@pjeverall.plus.com)

Pete Everall



## Local History Groups - meetings November & January

### Bacton & Cotton History Society

(meetings 7.30pm Bacton Village Hall)

*Tues, November 19<sup>th</sup>*

A special evening of historic fun.

The Hexachordia Trio bring us 'A Tudor Christmas' of jollity and music, celebrating Christmas as it was under Henry VII and Elizabeth. An evening of historical narrative, visual images and live music played on period instruments.

*Tues, January 21<sup>st</sup>*

**Fig Leaves, Farthingales and Fichues – the evolution of fashion**

A look at the history of costume from prehistoric times to modern day. Frances Saltmarsh tells us how costume evolved from purely functional to status value and decoration. She will also bring authentic period costume for us to see.

### Wickham Skeith History Group

(meetings 7.45pm Wickham Skeith Village Hall)

*Wed, November 20<sup>th</sup>*

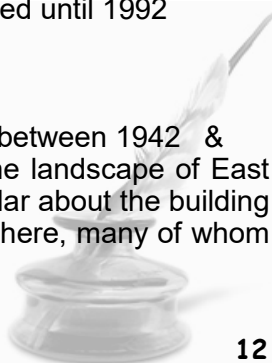
**"GHQ Auxiliary Units of WWII" – Chris Pratt**

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*Wed, January 15<sup>th</sup>*

**"The Friendly Invasion" - Clive Stevens**

The building & operation of the USAAF airfields between 1942 & 1945, a talk about these extraordinary times when the landscape of East Anglia was transformed. Clive will be talking in particular about the building of Eye airfield & about the brave men who flew from there, many of whom never returned



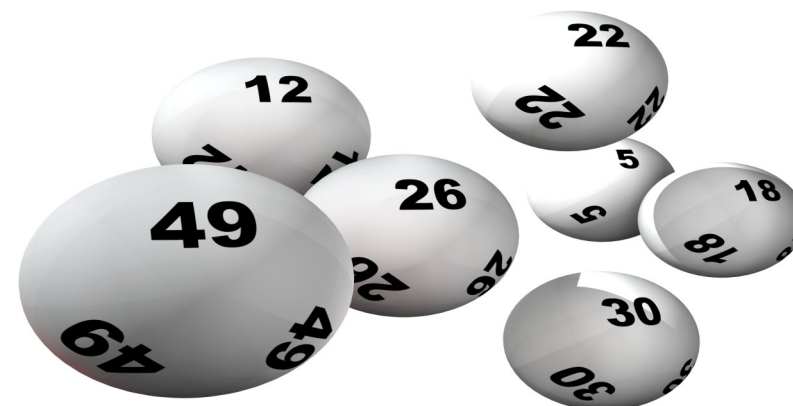
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17th August	45	John Lloyd
24th August	38	John Allen
31st August	15	Annabel Cotterill
7th September	8	Ian Armstrong
14th September	28	Christine Kerridge
21st September	54	Monica Parish
28th September	26	Margaret Miller

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30	31 New Years Eve					1
2	3 Coffee Caravan	4	5	6	7	8 Christingle @ St. Bart's Drama @ Westhorpe Vil- lage Hall
9	10 Parish Council mtg	11	12	13 Newsletter Copy Deadline	14	15
16	17 Tea @ Bart's Wickham Skeith Gardening Club	18 Gislingham WI	19	20	21	22 Carol Service @ St. Bart's
23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day Family Service @ St. Bart's	26	27	28 Coffee Morning & Book sale @ St. Bart's'	29 Pub Quiz @ WH

