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HELLO 2024 FROM THE EDITORIAL TEAM

You may have noticed we have a new look for 2024 Sarah Felton has been busy giving the magazine a bit of a makeover and taking photos of local scenes to use for the front cover. This month's photo is of the Millennium Wood which is situated down Church Lane near the church. Purchased by the Parish Council for use by the community many of the trees were planted by local school children and there is a map in school showing their names and location of the tree they planted. Later the wood was totally enclosed by a high deer fence making it a wonderful place to take not only your children but your dogs. A great many volunteers planted snowdrops and later the Parish Council bought and planted daffodils. There are benches so you may take your ease and enjoy the views over the Wensum Valley. A walk round the wood helps focus the mind and the peace and quietness settles you down. A perfect recipe for calm to drive invasive thoughts away. Why not take a walk down the lane one weekend, with or without your dog and experience its magic.

If you have any photos of unusual flooding near you or that you have noticed on your travels, please let Sarah Felton have them - sarahefelton@yahoo.com.

We are saddened to report that Chris Hill, our newest editor and distribution guru, has decided to move onto pastures new. His daughter and her family have moved up north to "God's Own County" and Chris and his wife, Elaine have decided to go too. Their new home will be among the fabulous undulating scenery of the Yorkshire Dales. They will have moved just after you receive this magazine, but we are sure you would wish them well in their new adventure.

We are delighted to welcome Debbie Coull to our team. She will be taking over from Chris in March to receive and distribute the magazine to our delivery team. Thank you so much for volunteering and we wish you all the best.

We were sad to learn of the passing of Joan Frost and Pat Newson and offer our sincere condolences to their family and friends.

Finally, our grateful thanks for donations from Anon in Orchard Close and the family of Pat Newson because "Mum always loved her Elmham News".

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NEXT DEADLINE: 14TH FEBRUARY

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

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NORTH ELMHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2023

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

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

Also in Attendance: Mr. K. Webb (Clerk), Mr. G. Bambridge (District Councillor) and one parishioner.

Public Participation

A parishioner informed members of the details regarding a recently submitted planning application to Breckland Council and the business intentions associated with it.

Updated Information and Matters Arising

Land Management Matters

Village Green: The line of trees to be cut is close to the Conservation Area. Therefore, it is felt appropriate for permission to be requested for the work to be done. Mr. Crisp will attend to this matter. A new oak tree is to be planted to replace the tree that has died. It will be positioned approximately ten feet from the position of the original.

Cathedral Ruins: The Chairman is to write to the parishioner regarding the hole in the wall.

Millennium Wood (and Jubilee Wood): The thinning needed in Jubilee Wood is to be done in January. A tree has fallen but

is propped up. It is to be removed in the near future.

Prince William Wood: Many of the trees (oak, ash and cherry) were planted more than 30 years ago. A quotation for the work to be done has been obtained from Mr. Crisp and duly accepted.

Church Meadow: Work has been continued on the ditch.

Allotments

Mr. Phillips reported that three of the remaining plots have been taken and the fourth will be available in the Spring.

Street Lights

The faulty Eastgate Centre light which was sent away for repair has not yet been returned. There has been no progress with the light at 29 Eastgate Street (Westcotec is being chased).



FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS

If you are looking for something to do on Monday 18th March, why not come along to the Cystic Fibrosis bingo at the North Elmham Memorial Hall with eyes down at 7.30 p.m. Doors will open at 6.30 pm.

Various prizes will be on offer including, hopefully, various days out in Norfolk (I haven't written my begging letters yet!), there will of course be lots of Easter eggs!

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The resident in Holt Road who needs to have his wall rendered will have to engage an electrician to attend, at his own cost.

Highway Matters

Mr. Grainger reported that the Connect 21 bus on Holt Road is stopping just after Spencers Close. This is considered as a potentially dangerous spot and attempts will be made to contact the bus company to identify a more suitable place. Matt Lines and Linda McDermott (Norfolk County Council) continue to investigate the new temporary bus stop on the side of the road near County School.

Pavilion and Playing Field

It is understood that the Walking Football Club has relocated to Swanton Morley. Questions continue to be asked regarding the Parish Council's booking policy with all comments received being fully considered. Members were unanimous in strongly agreeing, after lengthy contemplation, that no changes were required. As such, the policy will not be altered.

Eastgate Centre

Lighting and CCTV cameras have been installed.

Call for Sites Update

Breckland Council considers the proposal for the curiously named "Railway Village" as inappropriate due to the number of houses, i.e. the entire need of the District would be more than covered by this one development. They make no mention of the infrastructure and environmental issues.

Mr. Bambridge is to attend a meeting in mid-December at which a briefing will be given. A new consultation commences on 14th December and will last for a period of about eight weeks until the end of February. There are four proposed options under the Local Plan and the initial reaction is that the preferred option is Scenario A which concentrates development in the Market towns with 80% of housing need being allocated to the five Market Towns and 20% to the

Local Service Centres, resulting in 53 houses for North Elmham.

Christmas Lights

The bigger tree has arrived.

Report from District and/or County Councillors

Mr. Bambridge reported that the old Swanton Morley airbase is on the list for possible development.

A significant improvement in roads would be required if this was to be considered. A SNAP meeting has recently been attended with North Elmham being an item on the agenda.

Police continue to keep a watchful eye on the village following the increase in vandalism and anti-social behaviour. A conference in London discussing flooding issues has been attended and any problems with local flooding should be reported to NSFA (Norfolk Strategic Flood Alliance). Interestingly, Italy has recently devolved certain powers to Regional Governments and this has apparently improved matters considerably in that country.

Annual Budget

Mr. Phillips produced the final draft of income and expenditure figures for the 2024/2025 year. This showed anticipated income of £60,924 and expenditure of £60,127. The tax base has increased slightly – from 502.6 to 503.9 – and it was agreed to leave the Band D contribution at £80.64. This will give a Precept of £40,635.

All members agreed to the above figures.

CGM Group and Grounds Maintenance For 2024

The contract runs from the beginning of March to the end of October. The only adjustment required will be the need to increase the cuts of the main field (playing field) from 15 to 17. CGM will be requested to quote and Norse will again be chased to establish whether they would be interested in tendering for the work.



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Pavilion Car Park: Road Sweeper Parking

The Chairman has spoken to the person involved and the vehicle has been moved. An offer has been made to sweep the village and car park once a month as a gesture of goodwill in exchange for continued use of the car park. This matter was carefully considered but it was felt that the facility should not be used for commercial vehicles and, as such, the offer would have to be declined.

North Elmham Living Sustainably (NELS) Group

This is considered by all members to be a good initiative which, in principle, is supported. It was mentioned that, in the fullness of time, the community land at Boars Hill may prove to be useful for this project. The Chairman is to talk to the Group leader.

To Consider Planning Applications and Determinations

Applications

1. College Farm, Broom Green – tree work (elm and blackthorn) –TRE/2023/0325/TCA – no objections.
2. Swallow Barn, Church Lane – conversion of barn to residential use (revised application) – 3PL/2023/0822/F – no objections.
3. 9 Cedar Close – change of use from residential to mixed use residential for proposed dog grooming salon within existing bedroom of existing bungalow – 3PL/2023/1075/F – no objections.

Determinations

1. 64 Station Road – change of use from cartlodge to home office/gym –3PL/2023/0959/HOU (approved)
2. Rackham House, 39 Holt Road – single storey side extension -3PL/2023/0937/HOU (approved)
3. Swallow Barn, Church Lane – conversion of barn to residential use (revised application) – 3PL/2023/0822/F (approved)

4. College Farm, Broom Green – tree work (elm and blackthorn) – TRE/2023/0325/TCA (no objection)

Correspondence

1. Breckland Council reminder for members right to a copy of the Register of Electors.
2. Offer from Breckland Council for Town and Parish Councils to apply for grant funding (£100 to £5,000) to plant community orchards.

Agenda items for next meeting

1. S106 monies (£15.1K) received from Breckland Council.
2. CCTV policy

Next Meeting

Wednesday, 3rd January, 2024 at 7.30 p.m.

ELMHAM SURGERY REFURBISHMENT PROJECT

We would like to make our patients aware that on the 12th of February 2024 we will commence a project which will see our 5 GP rooms refurbished and new flooring throughout the building. We estimate completion of the works by the end of March 2024.

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COUNTY SCHOOL

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Ray treated us to one of his inimitable Quizzes, which had us all laughing as we struggled to search our brains for the right answers, which we knew we had but just couldn't recall!

A good evening was had by all and we retired grasping our unknown gift of seeds and a delightful Christmas card and personal photo from our dear Chairman.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our AGM at the end of January. Results from this in March.

Meg White

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KING'S HEAD BOWLS CLUB

The King's Head Bowls Club recently held its AGM at the Hotel, and Roger (Chairman) and Martin (Club Captain) reported that the Club was in good spirit and looking forward to the next season. 2023 had proved to be a good year for the Club with many of the newer members playing a major role in the results.

We played in 4 leagues this year. The Elmham League, Dereham League, Mid Norfolk League, all played in the evenings and the Age Concern League which is played in the afternoons. We took part in 56 matches over the 4 month season which meant things got a little hectic from time to time, but all members of the club did well and enjoyed the season.

The club also got back to playing several of the "in-house" tournaments which are always well contested.

Results for the year were as follows:

- ▶ In the Mid Norfolk League, Steve Gilbert led the team to win the league with a clear 10 point lead over Swanton Angel, the runners-up.
- ▶ Caroline Dixon led the Dereham League team to 2nd place in Division 2 of that league and secured promotion for next season.
- ▶ President's Cup winner was David Phillips with Allen Motterham (Motty) a close runner-up.
- ▶ Woodhouse Shield winner was Martin Phillips having beaten Nigel Ferry in the play-off.
- ▶ Roger Duffield won through to win the Singles Knock Out beating Sarah Stimpson in the final.
- ▶ Sally Lloyd regained the Ladies Cup again this year with June Howes as runner-up.
- ▶ The Brian Baker Shield was won by Steven Howman with Cathy Duffield and Jo Bell as runners-up.

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If you are thinking about having a try, please contact Martin 668409 or Lilian 668007. The season will start in April 24th when we will be holding open practice sessions. We would be happy to see you.

*Martin Phillips
Club Captain*

OUR ELMHAM

If you have recently moved to Elmham, you probably looked carefully at what the village has to offer. We who are involved with the News have lived here for years and know the comings and goings of village life.

We know Elmham is one of the larger villages in the county – with a long and interesting history behind it, being mentioned in the Doomesday Book. Sometimes we wish we could go back and be a fly on the walls of the village pubs – how we would love to hear the banter. Would we understand the way of talking, bearing in mind the locals had strong local accents and used different language to today's speech.

So, we decided to take a look at our village with fresh eyes. If we were looking for somewhere different to live and had a young family, we would know we needed a school nearby – and a surgery, which dispenses your prescriptions! Elmham has a lot more to offer.

We have a well stocked shop with newspapers too, a Post Office which also has a brilliant café, two public houses, and a fish and chip shop. Over the railway line is a garage, always on hand for help and advice. There is also a vehicle repair centre close by.

The village is well served with different bus routes coming through, so if you

don't have a car you don't always have to rely on taxis or friends!

The Memorial Hall has a large hall which was a memorial to the fallen from the two world wars and another smaller hall which in the past was the Methodist Chapel, both are available to hire. There used to be a Congregational Chapel too, that is now a family home.

We have a large playing field with a football pitch, a pavilion and a basket ball area. The popular tennis club meet and use tennis court which has floodlights. There are two bowls greens, one at the King's Head and one next to the tennis courts. As well as this green space, Elmham has the Diamond Jubilee Green in the centre of the village complete with play equipment for the younger ones and trees and benches, to take your ease on. Years ago, we had the railway line through the village going to Norwich one way and Wells next the Sea, the other way. That too is ideal for walking.

Then on the top of the hill keeping an eye on us, stands St Mary's church, still standing proudly after 900 years.

Next to the church are the Chapel Ruins, a small Norman chapel, which was converted into a small castle whose defensive banks and moats still surround the site. Behind the ruins you can walk around several parish owned large fields called the Cathedral Meadows where dogs are allowed and there are some wonderful views across the Wensum valley and plenty of wildlife to see.

Behind the church we have Millennium Wood, a fenced-in haven for dog walkers and off Back Lane not far from the old railway station is another wood, Prince William Wood which can be accessed from the main road and through Orchard Close.

All in all, we think we think we are lucky to live here and hope that you will feel that way too.

Janet Woodhouse

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KNIT AND NATTER

We had no January meeting as it would have taken place too close to the New Year holiday, however, some of us met for a lunch together, which for a change, was all natter and no knitting. Many thanks to the Teapost staff, who were up and ready to offer us a full menu, so soon after the break.

Unfortunately, on that day, we were all distressed by the news that Pat Newson, one of our longest serving members, had sadly passed away overnight. Pat's sister, Daphne, who is also a member of our group, had phoned me earlier to let the group know. We immediately sent a sympathy card to her family. We understand that the funeral will be arranged to take place in North Elmham, and we will have details later. Over our 11 years Pat had been one of our most prolific and enthusiastic knitters and had produced many, many beautiful hand knitted baby clothes and children's jumpers, and had helped with local events, and had had a positive input into which charities we supported. At our meetings, we always have a session when we show each other our knitting over the last month. Pat always had a bag full to show us. She will always be in our thoughts and sadly missed.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 6th February 2.00pm til 4.00pm in the Pavilion.

Eileen Cotterill, 01362 668380

SCHOOL NEWS

Sheep class have been so busy since returning for 2024! We had a little move around during the Christmas break and our children love our new layout - our loose parts area is even bigger, we have more creative areas and even added more investigative areas!

We started our new History unit, learning about aeroplanes. We will learn about the

first flight and the Wright Brothers over the next few weeks.

The children have already created beautiful prints in their art sketchbooks. We are amazed at their creativity!

In PE, the children have dazzled us with their incredible dance moves, using different movements to form standing and floor shapes. We have started to work alongside a partner, creating short routines.

We continue to use our indoor and outdoor provision, as well as our dedicated Welly Day area. We love observing the changes each day, particularly the ice that has formed in our water tray and large tyres!

Whales class have jumped straight back into their learning after the Christmas break. We are studying the destruction of Pompeii by Mount Vesuvius in history and are discovering how we can use archaeological evidence to draw conclusions about the past. We have also begun reading 'Escape from Pompeii' in English, and by half term we will have written our own exciting disaster stories! Alongside this, in geography we are learning about the volcanoes of Europe - especially current given the recent volcanic activity in Italy and Iceland! We are also lucky this term to have a teacher come from the County Music Service to teach Whales how to play the ukulele - such fun!

Last term in Lions class the children made a moving toy using cams. Firstly, the children learned about types of cam and types of movement. Then they designed their toy before making the frame. Measuring, sawing and securing with glue were some of the skills that they employed, and the finished articles looked wonderful. This term we are listening to the story The Golden Horsemen, a story set in the Golden Age of Islam, an era of great discovery and invention in the city of Baghdad. The story has captured their interest and the children will be writing their own stories set in that historical age.

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Figures collected by Breckland Council show that average earnings are well below the national average. Breckland is 320th out of 346 local authorities in terms of the percent of jobs paying less than the living

wage. The need for help in our community is as great as anywhere else.

This is why the Church Larder is so important, but without continued support from the more fortunate members of the community it will soon run out of money. It relies on donations of food left in the church as well as funds in a church community account which derived its money from a percentage of the takings at events such as the Garden Fete.

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NEW BRECKLAND LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION

Breckland Council have a new consultation running at present, which closes on 19th February. Therefore, the Parish Council urges residents to submit their comments before that date. As most of you will know, the ugly prospect of the New Town has been deemed to be inappropriate by Breckland, at least for this current Local Plan review. However, this still leaves the difficult issue of other new housing for the District, particularly where it should be located.

This new consultation asks for views on various topics, with the most important and relevant for North Elmham being 'alternative development strategy options', and 'further measures to protect Breckland's countryside'/ 'towns, villages, countryside'. To view details of these and the other two topics go to Breckland's website where you'll be directed to the 'Commonplace' consultation pages. Alternatively, you could go to an information stall in Dereham Marketplace from 10am–1pm on Tuesday, 6th February.

Given the timing of the consultation, the Parish Council will sign-off its response at the meeting on 7th February, so the comments and opinions expressed here are in draft form but are a summary of what's previously been presented.

Alternative Development Strategy Options

Six options are presented, each with different implications in terms of housing numbers for North Elmham, ranging from 0 new houses to 285. The Parish Council feels that some organic growth is suitable for the village, helping to support local businesses, the school etc. but that larger-scale growth would spoil its character. Therefore, Option B is favoured, which would see 80% of the new growth across Breckland going to the market towns,

with the remaining 20% to Local Service Centres such as North Elmham. This option would result in 53 new houses for our village.

Towns, Villages, Countryside

This topic is also referred to as 'further measures to protect Breckland's countryside' elsewhere on the website, and it contains the issue of whether settlements such as North Elmham should retain their settlement boundaries, or if Breckland should instead develop a criteria-based policy for deciding where new development should be allowed, including potentially outside current boundaries.

The Parish Council feels that the policy of having settlement boundaries should be continued. This is largely because a) any criteria-based policy is likely to make it easier for development in what is currently designated as countryside to take place, with developers' lawyers finding it possible to exploit any loopholes; b) new housing allocations are already invariably permitted outside existing settlement boundaries, with the boundaries then being redrawn to include them making a change of policy unnecessary; c) if settlement boundaries are abolished it will make it even less likely that so called rural exception sites for affordable housing will be made available, as landowners would understandably hold onto land to sell for more profitable market-housing schemes.

I hope this summary will help raise awareness in the consultation and encourage residents to participate in helping to decide the location and nature of future development in the village. The Consultation can be viewed from: brecklandlocalplan.commonplace.is

*Michael Rayner, Planning Lead,
North Elmham Parish Council*

Elmham News

2023 REVIEW

The Elmham News is delivered for free throughout North Elmham for 11 months of the year—December and January are combined so that we and the printers can have a well earned rest! Looking back at last year here are some snippets from each month in 2023.

JANUARY: We wrote about the doings of village organisations – these were all mentioned, the Kings Head Bowls Club, the Tennis Club, Gardening Club, Royal British Legion, and Wives Plus All. These organisations do keep us informed about the dates and times of their meetings and are always ready to welcome new members. Some clubs competitions and visiting speakers who give a talk, always interesting and enjoyable.

If you are new to the village and you see something you may be interested in, go along and give it a go.

FEBRUARY: We reported that the Elmham News won the best A5 magazine in the National Parish Magazine Awards 2022. We had participated many years before and came 13th. So of course the Elmham News team were bursting with pride!

The competition stipulated the recipe for a successful magazine is a good range of content and a keen sense of what is relevant to our readers. With all your content contributions and hard work of the team I think we still continue to provide that today, what do you think?

MARCH: December 1977 saw the beginning of Elmham News and Meg being the only one still on the News Committee who was involved at that

time was presented with a bouquet in recognition of all her hard work for the past 46 years on the News.

Eileen Cottrell invited two electricians working in the Pavilion to join the Knit and Natters – they hastily declined and left!

APRIL: As ever Dave Appleton's wild life photographs were stunning, please remember to read his pages. Perhaps in years to come a book might be published!

Ian Nickerson from the village was retiring from work in his flower shop. He said as a youngster he wanted to be a painter and decorator – he was pleased he chose flowers instead!

MAY: We read how the Guides had a wonderful time SLEEPING ON A TRAMPOLINE, yes really, then waking up at 6am and starting to bounce again! Wish I could join them, do you think they would have me?

A thank you from Sharon Moore who raises funds for Cystic Fibrosis. At a bingo evening at the Memorial Hall £950 was raised with just that session. Sharon was delighted.

JUNE: We read about the tribute to Gerald Marsh who was a stalwart of the Bowls Club which is at the playing field (to me it will always be called the Green Field).

Tony Langford said of Gerald 'he liked a joke and when he started there was no way of stopping him – then out came the 'Bones' which Gerald could play at speed.

A very personal piece from Geraldine Leeder about her breast cancer. We were all rooting for you Geraldine.

JULY: We had an article about fruit picking, both here eg black currants, blackberries on Mr Don's estate and in the immediate area there were places to go to pick strawberries and gooseberries. If you had a bike, a flask of tea and a sandwich, the world was your oyster for picking soft fruit.

This seasonal work was ideal for mums who didn't work outside the home. They rode in gangs for miles to help the

economy and their wages paid for new school clothes for the following term. Happy Days!

The school as usual was extra busy. The Lions class had visited the Houses of Parliament, Greenwich Park and a trip down the Thames. Lucky Children! (What memories those children will have.)

AUGUST: There was a plea for a community car scheme to be set up here. This would be a boon for people who do not have a car available during the day to attend medical appointments – or even the hairdresser. This scheme would be run by volunteers.

We loved the poem called 'Life and Death' as this is the way we all would like to go!

We had a short piece about the railway line running thro' Elmham and on to the coast at Wells. There was also a branch line which curved away at Broom Green and on to Foulsham ,Melton Constable and finally ending at Wroxham. How evocative the smell is of a steam train, putting your head out of the window and getting your face covered in smuts. Happy days once more.

SEPTEMBER: Ian McIntosh had been busy taking photographs of the Rood Screen in church. This was a project he was working on. He said it was sad to see the state of some of the panels. We know that the rood screen was hidden away during the Reformation and was only found in the late 1800's face down in some of the pews. Thank God for those who hid them for us to see.

Bev Marshall said she was going to jump, out of an aircraft at 10,000 feet, for Leeway Domestic Violence and Abuse Services...and she did! Well done Bev.

OCTOBER: We wrote a piece about the old hump back bridge over the Wensum on the way to Billingford, which as young school children we swam/paddled there, or just got splashed! The bridge was declared unsafe but in July 1952 it took a couple of goes with gelignite to blow it

up. Sad faces from the children – where could another bridge be found?

The Brisley and Elmham Cricket Club said the weekend of August 19/20 will be remembered as one of the greatest periods in the history of Brisley and North Elmham cricket clubs. They took the last 7 wickets for 20 runs to win in the T20 Final at Manor Park . Well done.

Once again the idea of a new town nearby has reared its ugly head, we wrote about it all over again.

NOVEMBER: All the seats in the village were listed and a map showing where they are sited. There are 21 seats in Elmham and if you are out for a walk and need a rest you are probably not too far away from one of these seats ,many of them were given in memory of someone, either a family member or a close friend, or the seat given by a village organisation. We know of one of these seats which is regularly used by many different walkers because they love the view, and it is convenient for a spot of lunch!

An article called "Serendipity" was a lovely story about June Webb's mother who was mentioned in a music programme on the radio and a Jim Reeves record was played for her.

DECEMBER: We always feature church news at the end of the magazine. The dates and times of services are there and Elmham and Worthing always write and let us know what is happening in their churches, whether it is to do with the religious side of the church or money making events badly needed as we all know churches are expensive buildings to maintain.

Our grateful thanks to all of our regular writers and a warm thank you to those who suddenly think 'oh I can write to the News about that' which is just what we want.

Having just gone through this last year's Elmham News to pick things out for this review I think we generally have a good mix of interesting topics.

Janet Woodhouse

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| Tue 6th | Knit and Natter | Pavilion | 2.00 pm |
| Wed 7th | Parish Council Meeting | Pavilion | 7.30 pm |
| Thu 8th | Wives+All | Memorial Hall | 7.30 pm |
| Wed 14th | Tea @ Two | Memorial Hall | 2.00 pm |
| Fri 23rd | Gardening Club Dinner | Memorial Hall | 6.30pm for 7.00pm |
| Wed 28th | Mobile Library | The Heath to Orchard Close | 2.30–5.20pm |
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ELMHAM WILDLIFE

In December I gave a talk to the Elmham Wives Plus group about how the local birdlife changes through the seasons. As well as changes through the seasons of the year, we also explored some of the changes that affect our birdlife over longer timescales. There are several birds that we've lost in North Elmham: Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, Red-backed Shrike, Nightingale, Willow Tit, Tree Sparrow and Corn Bunting to name but a few. Then there are a number of formerly common species that are still holding on, but rapidly heading towards extinction: examples include Cuckoo, Turtle Dove, Swift, Swallow (photo 1), House Martin, Spotted Flycatcher (photo 2) and Willow Warbler. On the other hand some species have arrived here in recent times – Red Kite (photo 3), Marsh Harrier, Buzzard, Little Egret (photo 4), Great White Egret and Cetti's Warbler for instance. Some of you will even remember a time before Collared Doves (photo 5) arrived.

There are lots of reasons why bird populations increase or decrease – sometimes the reasons are clear, other times less so; sometimes there's one single reason and other times there are a number of factors contributing. Habitat destruction is a common cause of decline, often linked with modern farming practices or the construction of new properties and roads. Legislation restricting the use of certain pesticides or prohibiting egg collecting, for example, have had a positive impact. Climate change is a big one, leading to the loss of some species and the arrival of others. The decline in insect abundance is another major negative factor – though this itself





is linked to both climate change and habitat destruction.

The thing that stood out to me when preparing the talk was just how many changes in our birdlife could be traced, at least to a large degree, to climate change. As the planet warms, species' distributions tend to shift towards the poles. That means that for those of us in the Northern Hemisphere, we see species arrive that formerly occurred only to the south of us, and we lose species that might continue to be found to the north of us. With birds we see this most clearly with migratory species that are dependent on insects, like Cuckoos, Spotted Flycatchers and Willow Warblers, disappearing from much of England but, for now at least, remaining common in Scotland. We also see birds that are dependent on wetlands, like the egrets for example, shifting north from parts of southern Europe where their former haunts are becoming too arid. But in most cases, the decline in the south of their range is much more rapid than any increase in the north – overall the population trend is nearly always downward.

My talk was about birds, but if I had focussed on insects the changes would have been even more dramatic. On the plus side we have gained lots of new species – though as with birds, local gain does not mean that their global population is increasing. Negatively, we are losing lots of species too – and even more obviously, the total insect

abundance is plummeting. Clancy's Rustic is an example of a moth we have gained thanks to climate change – not recorded in the UK until 2002 but now resident and spreading north. I caught my first, second and third examples here last year (photo 6). The large and extremely spectacular Garden Tiger (photo 7) is an example of a moth that we're losing. It was once a very common species in gardens but is now much rarer – I've caught a handful here over the years but the only one I've caught in the last couple of years was when I was visiting the Lake District. In the last 45 years they've declined by 88% in the UK with southern England bearing the brunt. Their downfall has been linked to climate change, in particular warm, wet winters and springs. Garden Tiger caterpillars (known as Woolly Bears as they're so hairy) are one of the favourite foods of Cuckoo, so this is also a good example of where the decline of a single insect species is directly connected with the loss of one of our most famous and iconic bird species.

The loss of species, and perhaps especially the decline in their abundance, should concern us. We should be concerned simply because we are losing amazing and beautiful animals from our environment, but more than that, we should be concerned because we cannot survive without them. Our environment is not merely a nice thing out there to enjoy when we get a chance, it's the fabric of our existence. We are part

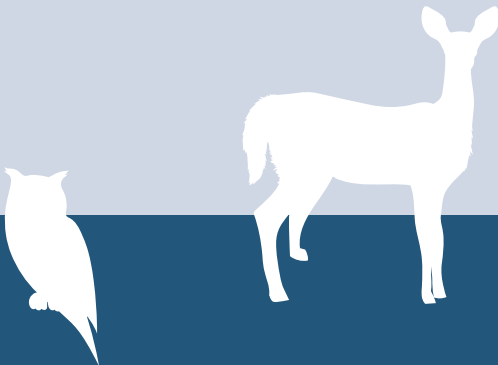


of the ecosystem, dependent on other animals and plants whether for food, clothing, medicine, waste disposal and hygiene or just simple enjoyment and our mental health. When we fail to look after our environment and the species that live around us, we are failing to look after ourselves.

The good news is that we can all do something about this. Each and every one of us can help. You may have seen the piece in October's Elmham News entitled, "Making Positive Changes: Our Village and the Environment" (page 25). Following on from that the North Elmham Living Sustainably (NELS) group has formed and anyone in the village is invited to come along to our first event at the Eastgate Centre (on Eastgate Street) on Saturday afternoon, 24th February (see the advert on page 18). Do come along, but if you can't make it then you'll still be very welcome to join NELS (contact Nicola at nicolaruthearle@gmail.com).

Thankfully there is still lots of wildlife to see around the parish or in your gardens if you take the time to walk slowly and stop frequently to look and listen. If you have anything interesting to share please do drop me an email me at appleton.dave@googlemail.com, or phone me on 668431 or message me via X (formerly Twitter) at @ElmhamMeadows.

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BRISLEY AND NORTH ELMHAM CRICKET CLUB

The summer season formally ended on Friday October 20th with the Norfolk Cricket Awards Dinner held at the Mercure Hotel in Norwich and it was a special evening for Brisley and North Elmham Cricket Club. 3 tables, more than any other Club, were present to witness a record 5 trophies picked up by the Club. The team collected both the Division 2 West title and the T20 Cup while Josh Hall won the Division 2 Batsman of the Year and Saturday vice-captain/midweek captain Callum Futter the Division 2 Bowler of the Year as well as the President's Award for overall Best Bowler across all Divisions.

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WIVES PLUS ALL

At our last 2023 Wives Plus All meeting in North Elmham Memorial Hall on Thursday 14th December we were given an interesting, illustrated talk by North Elmham resident Dave Appleton on "Elmham Wildlife through the Seasons". Dave is well known for his regular Elmham Wildlife articles in the Elmham News. Thank you, Dave for your very interesting and knowledgeable talk. After Dave's presentation, members enjoyed a shared Christmas buffet supper.

The first meeting of Wives Plus All in 2024 will be our AGM.

WENSUM VALLEY BIRDWATCHING SOCIETY

The start of the new year, and a very wet one it was, meant the annual bird count of species in the Wensum Valley, traditionally held on the first Sunday of the year. This informal count takes the form of a competition for those who want to join a team and submit their total of species seen, but it can just be a relaxed day out observing species in the valley for others. 35 members participated, in teams of up to 4, and the competition was won by the Dereham Boys, unsurprisingly, with an excellent haul of 81 species seen. Driving around the area was a bit less relaxed than usual this year because of all the rain, and I personally have not driven through so much flood water for a long while! At one point we did have to make a three point turn and find another route because the flood looked too deep. The event does have a more serious side in that it provides plenty of material for our ever busy recorder, David Gibbons, to start our 2024 records.

Before Christmas around 40 of us celebrated with our customary social get-together, but with a difference this year. As well as the usual display of wonderful

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There will be a raffle
and refreshments

ALL WELCOME

food contributed by the members, and a series of table quizzes to keep us all working hard, we had a presentation from Charles Sayer. Charles is a local landowner who has supported the club over the years, and he talked to us about agriculture through the years, and how time, science and Brexit have affected it. His talk was followed by a lively discussion while the mulled wine was being made ready! We made a good job of polishing off the food, and an interesting evening was enjoyed by all.

Future Events

Outdoor meetings: Everyone is welcome on these guided walks. See the website for meeting times and places.

Sunday 25th February: Scuthorpe Moor HOT.
Sunday 31st March: The Brecks, including Lynford Arboretum and Santon Downham

Indoor meetings: These are all held at Great Witchingham Village Hall at 7.30 pm, and visitors are welcome for a small charge Thursday 15th February – Molotovs and Merlins by Gordon Hamlett. Thursday 21st March – Wild Ken Hill by Dominic Buscall (Dominic founded and manages Ken Hill and we will follow this by a guided walk in late May).

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As you may know, a photograph was taken of the Legion members at Bryan and Gerald's memorials and published in the December edition of the Elmham News. Due to an unforeseen event, Eileen Bent our Poppy Appeal collector for over 40 years was not able to take part in the photograph. However, with the aid of modern technology, she has been included as you will see above.

The next meeting is Thursday 1st February at the Kings Head at 8.00 pm. New members are more than welcome.

Mike Aston Branch Sec

ST MARY'S CHURCH

Dear Friends,

After the excitement and joy of Christmas, January can feel like a long and rather bleak month. As we move into February, we sense the lengthening of days and

hopefully some bright winter sunshine. In the Church calendar, we celebrate 'Candlemas' on 2nd February (or the nearest Sunday – this year, 28th January).

Candlemas remembers 'the Presentation of Christ in the Temple', when the infant Jesus was taken to the Temple by his parents, Mary and Joseph (Luke 2:22-38). It's a charming story and the subject of many paintings down the centuries – perhaps most notably the 17th century work by Ludovico Carracci. We see Mary handing her baby to an old man called Simeon. God had promised Simeon that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah, and this was the moment!

Simeon gave us the beautiful canticle usually referred to as the Nunc Dimittis, Lord, now you are dismissing your servant in peace. Then he blesses Mary and Joseph and tells her that Jesus is destined for great things, although there is a dark undertone, when he tells Mary that a sword will pierce her soul. He is foreshadowing the grief and agony Mary will experience when her son is arrested and crucified some 33 years later.

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There is another character in this story, who is often overlooked. The elderly Anna, a widow who spends all her time in the temple, fasting and praying. She, too, can see that this child is the one promised by God. Overwhelmed with joy, she begins to praise God and to speak to everyone she meets about this child and the promise of redemption.

February is also the month when we see signs of new growth, especially aconites and snowdrops. The snowdrop has a nick-name, the Candlemas Bell, popping out of the earth like little candles with their delicate bell-shaped flowers and reminding us of God's promise.

Happy Candlemas!

WORTHING NEWS

Happy New Year everyone! Are your Christmas decorations now down and stored safely away? Well done, hope you had a cracking Christmas. What's next on the "agenda" I ask? Time to get the frying pans out as PANCAKE DAY is just around the corner.

Here you go mums & dads, and children, your time to raid the kitchen cupboards to use up eggs, flour and milk on TUESDAY, 13th February - Shrove Tuesday, the day before the start of Lent.

To take part and get started, you will need:

- 125g plain flour
- 1 egg
- 300ml milk

And so, the fun begins. If you've no recipe of your own, try this one below, how to make your pancakes:

- Sift flour into a bowl and make a hole in the middle. In a separate bowl, whisk together the egg and milk and pour them into the hole.
- Whisk the mix with some flour and gradually start adding the rest of the flour until you have a smooth batter. Cover the bowl and leave for 30 minutes.
- Heat a frying pan to a medium heat and spray some cooking oil. Using a ladle, pour some of the mixture into the pan and tilt the pan until it spreads out evenly.
- Cook one side of the pancake until it's golden or lightly brown and toss or flip it over, or if you are not brave enough, use a slice or palette knife will help. Cooking time will depend on the hob but it's usually about 45-60 seconds on each side.
- Make sure to spray cooking oil before each pancake and cook until the batter is finished.
- Stack all pancakes and add your favourite toppings which could be some scrummie and mouth watering layers with perhaps syrup, lemon, fruit, ice cream or even chocolate, but enjoy while you can before any fasting begins during Lent.

I wonder however, who will succeed in tossing their pancake and leaving it stuck on the ceiling?

The Christian tradition of Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday 14th February for 40 days and ends Saturday 30th March. This is when many Christians prepare for Easter by observing a period of fasting, repentance, moderation and spiritual discipline. Time is set aside for reflection on Jesus Christ – his suffering and his sacrifice, his life, death, burial and resurrection. With this in mind, Worthing Church will be holding a luncheon, we hope you are able to join us.

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February Services

11th and 25th both starting at 10.30am Refreshments will be available after each service together with an opportunity to meet up and share in some friendly banter. We hope you can join us.

**Advance Notice: Annual Easter Sunday
Duck Race – 31st March, 12 Noon,
Worthing Riverbank**

For all Worthing church events and information please contact Celia Daniel on tel: 01362 668928 or email: c.daniel784@btinternet.com



SPOTTED IN CAMBRIDGE

When we were visiting the Cambridge Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology in Cambridge in November last year we spotted this Walrus Ivory Plaque in the attached photo.

The interpretation note that accompanied it read...

Walrus Ivory Plaque representing Christ in glory, with the Virgin Mary and St Peter. The Latin inscription around the figure of Christ translates as

"All of you see my hands and feet" 10th or 11th Century North Elmham.

A little bit of the history of our village from a thousand years ago. I don't know if it was in a permanent, or a temporary exhibition at the museum, but I but thought it might be of interest to your readers.

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4TH FEBRUARY – SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

| | | |
|----------|-------------------|----------------|
| 9.30 am | Wood Norton | Morning Praise |
| 10.30 am | Bawdeswell + Zoom | Holy Communion |
| 10.30 am | North Elmham | Holy Communion |
| 10.30 am | Stibbard | Holy Communion |

11TH FEBRUARY – SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT

| | | |
|----------|-------------------|----------------|
| 10.30 am | Bawdeswell + Zoom | The '10.30' |
| 10.30 am | Worthing | Holy Communion |
| 10.30 am | Foulsham | Holy Communion |
| 10.30 am | Stibbard | Morning Praise |

14TH FEBRUARY - ASH WEDNESDAY

Holy Communion at Foulsham

18TH FEBRUARY – 2ND 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

| | | |
|----------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 10.30 am | Bawdeswell + Zoom | Holy Communion |
| 10.30 am | North Elmham | Holy Communion (Iona) |
| 10.30 am | Wood Norton | Holy Communion |
| 4.00 pm | Foulsham | Sung Evensong |

25TH FEBRUARY – 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

| | | |
|----------|--------------|---------------------|
| 9.00 am | Guist | Holy Communion |
| 10.30 am | Bawdeswell | Word & Praise |
| 10.30 am | Foulsham | Holy Communion |
| 10.30 am | Worthing | Iona Morning Praise |
| 10.30 am | North Elmham | Morning Praise |

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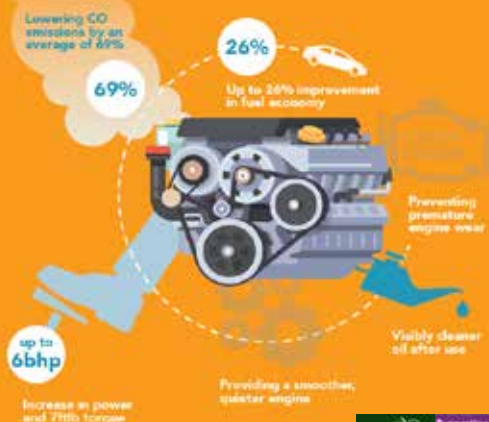
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