

VILLAGE VOICE

BRINKLEY..BURROUGH GREEN..CARLTON..WESTLEY WATERLESS

MARCH 2017

THE RADDLESLEY BENEFICE

The Bishop of Ely is pleased to announce the appointment of the Revd Nicola Mann as half-time Priest-in-Charge of the Raddesley Group. Nikki is currently Assistant Curate of the parish of All Saints with St John the Baptist, Stamford, in the Diocese of Lincoln.



The Bishop of Ely will license Nikki on 5 September 2017. We welcome her and her family to the Diocese.

BRINKLEY FETE 2017

Happy New Year to you all. We have lots to look forward to this year,

This year, Brinkley Fete will be held on **Sunday, June 18th at 2pm.**

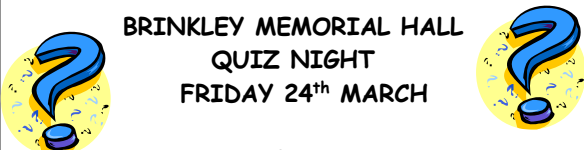
Please put that date into your diaries.

The date of our planning meeting will be **Monday, March 20th at 7.30pm** in **Brinkley Memorial Hall.**

We have some additional attractions for 2017, but at the moment we would like you to start collecting for us: old, chipped china (mugs, cups, plates) and any Brinkley produce you have been making; plus, start thinking about which plants you could divide and grow for our brilliant plant stall.

Martin & Ros

BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL QUIZ NIGHT FRIDAY 24th MARCH



Doors open at 7.00pm for a quiz start at 7.30pm
Tickets available for a minimum donation of £11.50 and includes supper.

A sold out event last year, so please get your bookings in early to ensure availability.

Tickets from Mike Lawford on 01638 507896 or mike@cricketfieldcottage.co.uk

NEWMARKET TOWN BAND & BRECKLAND BRASS



A BAND CONCERT FOR THE
LIFEBOATS

SATURDAY 11th MARCH at 7.30pm

THE JUBILEE CENTRE MILDENHALL
TICKETS £6.50 from Peter Day 01638 507651
(Brinkley)

BURROUGH GREEN OIL SYNDICATE

We will shortly be placing an order to the lowest bidder to refill our tanks.

If you would like to be included in the syndicate, please contact Pauline King on 01638 507796 or Dawn Hay via email to dawnahay@fsmail.net by Monday 6th March with details of your order.

Please be as accurate as possible and ensure all orders are accompanied by house name/number, postcode, telephone number and quantity of oil required (500 litres minimum).

SCRABBLE and MAHJONG

We meet in March on **Monday 13th** at 7.30pm in the Community Room at Sheriff's Court. Do come and join us in a game.. £2 includes refreshments.

Trish 01638 507495

MOBILE LIBRARY

The Mobile Library will be at BRINKLEY Memorial Hall on the 4th Wednesday of each month between 3.15-4.30pm; **22nd March** BURROUGH GREEN by the BUS STOP on 2nd Thursday of each month - **9th March** at 3.50 - 4.10pm

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Family Bingo

Sunday 19th March
2pm

Burrough Green Reading Room
Prizes, Teddy Tombola,
Drinks and snacks

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Everyone Welcome!

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CHRIS CLEMENTS


Myself and my family wish to thank all of those who attended the funeral of our beloved Chris Clements on 6 February 2017.

Chris moved into his bungalow in 2004 and throughout that time he had grown to love life in Brinkley. He felt proud that his family had lived in Brinkley for most of their lives and had wanted to carry on the tradition. He delighted in seeing people and loved to chat to all who he met. I can imagine those conversations will have included humour and wit!

I wish to thank you all for being such a supportive community to Chris. His wish was to stay in Brinkley and to be close to us all and that wish was carried out.

My kindest regards
Sue Cogger (Chris's mum)

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**THE BULL BURROUGH GREEN**

Hope you are all well and had a good February .... just to remind everyone what we have going on in the week here at The Bull. 

**Steak Night Wednesday** - 2 locally sourced sirloin steaks with all the trimmings and a bottle of our Corney & Barrow Wine for £29.95

**Fish and Chip Night -Thursday** - delicious fresh fish from Fish Burwell and homemade chips and peas £9.95

**Sunday Roasts** - served 12-4pm Every Sunday including a delicious range of starters and desserts.

**Mothering Sunday treat** - a free glass of wine for every mum eating.

We also are available to cater for parties of any size and any family celebrations including weddings. Feel free to call me on (01638) 508333 or drop me an email at [thebullburroughgreen@gmail.com](mailto:thebullburroughgreen@gmail.com).

We look forward to seeing you all soon 😊  
Ellie, James & The team at The Bull

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RECYCLING

Carlton - MONDAYS : Black bin - 13th & 27th March. Blue & Green - 6th & 20th March.

Brinkley, Burrough Green, Westley Waterless - Thursdays : Black sacks weekly.


Blue Lid - 9th & 23rd March. Green Lid - 2nd, 16th, & 30th March.

Ink Cartridges The Opportunity Group which meets at the Ellesmere Centre would be very grateful for your old ink cartridges to help with fund raising. Please drop them in the box on the gate at White Hart Cottage, High Street Brinkley or in the box at the Ellesmere Centre. Thank you.


(The Opportunity Group provides one to one care for children with special needs and their siblings, also provides respite for their parents/guardians.)
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**NEWS FROM THE ELLESMERE CENTRE**

Lots of New Classes and Groups


 **Teeny Tumblers** - Gymnastics for Preschool children has just started. There are 2 sessions 12.30-1.30pm and 1.30-2.30pm Please contact [info@teeny-tumblers.co.uk](mailto:info@teeny-tumblers.co.uk) to book your child on.

**Athletics** - 5-10years. A new and exciting class has started on Saturday Mornings 9.30am - 10.30am. Athletics is now run by Premier Sports so please bring your child along and give it a try. To register contact Gareth on [premiersport.org](http://premiersport.org) or just come along on Saturday morning.

 **Judo** - This is a new class on Thursdays 3.45pm for 5-10 year olds. Anyone interested in sending their children along please contact Colin at [colinfordham@btinternet.com](mailto:colinfordham@btinternet.com) or just come along on Thursday.

**Mature & Fit Group**- The Centre is open on Friday mornings (term Time only) from 11am-1pm for the more mature among you to come along and make use of our Carpet Bowls, Table Tennis, Badminton and Gym facilities. The cost is just £4 for 2 hours and a cup of tea/coffee and cake is included. Come along on your own and meet others or bring a friend. Call the Centre for more details.

**Forever Active** - We have a new class for the over 50's and those returning to a more active lifestyle. Classes on Wednesdays : 11am - 12 pm and will include a mixture of chair based and standing exercise. Please contact Ann Catchpole 07799 644053 for more details.

 **Open Mic Night this month is on Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup> from 7.30pm-music from 8pm.** Another great night of music - fully licensed bar and snacks available.

If you are interested in performing please contact Rob on 01638 507997.

**Date for your diary April 21st - Embraceable Ella** - music of Ella Fitzgerald sung by Joanna Eden more details to follow.

Details of all the above are on our website.

**The Ellesmere Centre, Stetchworth, CB8 9TS.**  
[www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk](http://www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk)  
Tel 01638 508212. Email [office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk](mailto:office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk).

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NHS HEARING AID CLINIC

NEWMARKET DAY CENTRE
Fred Archer Way, Newmarket.
Tuesday 28th March 1.30pm - 3.30pm
No appointment necessary.
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**CAMBRIDGE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service are committed to supporting the safety and wellbeing of residents in all of the communities that we serve.

The *Safe and Well* visit will provide us with sufficient information to support you and, with your permission, refer you to selected partner agencies who will be able to support you further. We will not share your data with marketing companies or for other purposes.

Our visit will last no longer than 60 minutes and is completely FREE of charge. Our visit will assess five key elements:

1. Fire safety in the home - including cooking, general safety and escape plans.
2. Falls prevention - including simple remedial action such as replacing lightbulbs or taping down loose carpet.
3. Alcohol use - Alcohol related illness in the over 65s is on the increase. We can provide you with helpful information.
4. Stay well and warm - Can you afford to heat your home? Do you have access to a hot meal? Do you have access to all the services available to you?
5. Crime reduction - We can provide advice on making your home more secure in addition to advice to make you less vulnerable to scams or fraud.

You are under no obligation to answer any questions that you do not want to, but the more information you provide us with, the better we will be able to support you. We can also provide advice in relation to promoting the health and safety of individuals with hoarding concerns, as well as providing valuable information to care providers.

During March, we will also be raising awareness of the fire risks associated with smoking, with national *No Smoking Day* on the 8th.

We often find smoking is one of many factors making someone more at risk of fire, for example, when combined with poor mobility, health problems or being elderly, it increases someone's chance of having a fire. Here are some tips to take on board or give to friends and family that smoke:

- Never leave a lit cigarette or pipe unattended.
- Always use a proper ashtray and make sure the contents are cold before you tip it in the bin.
- Never smoke in bed and avoid smoking in a chair if you are likely to fall asleep.

Most importantly, fit a working smoke alarm and test it regularly. Don't forget also to test the smoke alarms of those you love. If you have an elderly or vulnerable relative, friend or neighbour, pop by and make sure they have a working smoke alarm. If they don't, that is something we can provide as part of a *Safe and Well* visit.

**Eligibility**

To find out if you are eligible for a *Safe and Well* visit, Enquire online. Alternatively, if you are unable to apply online or have a query about an enquiry form that has

already been submitted, please telephone 0800 917 9994.

Opening days / times - All Year

Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm

Further enquiries

Visit our website and search for "Safe and Well"

For more information log on to [www.cambsfire.gov.uk](http://www.cambsfire.gov.uk), follow us on social media or call 01480 444500.

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FOUND IN WESTON COLVILLE

Beautiful long-haired, black and white cat

A beautiful, long-haired, male, black and white cat turned up in our stable in early February. The vet



says he is about 10 - 12 years old. He is very affectionate and would very much like to be reunited with his owner. I am guessing he may belong to somebody who has just moved to the area or has recently moved away, as in my experience this is the time cats most frequently go missing. Please can you give me a call if you can help find his home. Many thanks, Melanie (07890 296998)

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**WHAT'S ON AT THE RED LION  
BRINKLEY**

**Coffee morning** is early again -  
**Wednesday March 8<sup>th</sup>** at 10:30am.



**Family meal night** is **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>** at 5:00 for 5:30 and we'll be offering Shepherd's Pie and a chocolate berry sundae for dessert. Children and vegetarians catered for as always. £10 adults / £5 children. Please make a reservation by the Saturday for this.

**Steak night in March** is **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Two steaks and a bottle of house red for £29.

Good Friday is April 14<sup>th</sup> and Easter Sunday is the 16<sup>th</sup>. We're already getting reservations for both so if you'd like to join us for either please let us know.

We're very grateful to everyone that came in during February. Thank you.

*Come Join Us!*

*Gwyn & Morris.*

**01638 508707**

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USED POSTAGE STAMPS

Many thanks to all those who left their used postage stamps with me. They have gone to the RNLI.

Now that the Christmas rush has ended I will take in the collecting box. However, used stamps for charities are welcome throughout the year and if you would like to let me have them please just pop them through the front door.

Many thanks.

David Smith The Old Forge, High Street, Brinkley.

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**THE MARSH MAIL** News from Linton Village College

8<sup>th</sup> March marks International Women's Day, a calendar event more commonly celebrated in other European countries. While some may question the ongoing necessity of such a day, the fact that we still witness women being denied equal rights and opportunities on account of their gender suggests that there remain equality issues that need addressing.

This year's theme, 'Be Bold for Change', is a plea for action to quash and challenge practices, laws and customs that prevent women from living full and equal lives. While it may be easy to cite international examples in which women are the victims of unfair treatment, there are also causes closer to home.

Recent gender pay gap research confirms that despite girls traditionally outperforming boys in examinations and greater numbers of women entering higher education, after a short period in their early careers, pay and promotion are very unequal for most of women's working lives. Furthermore, Harvard Business Journal highlights that only 24% of senior management roles are held by women and only 5% of executive positions. These stark statistics seem quite incongruous in 2017, as does the concept that women are literally 'worth less' in terms of an hourly pay rate. The gender gap has dramatically narrowed at LVC. In 2016, boys' academic performance was equally matched to girls, unlike previous cohorts. Despite the results showing parity between the sexes, the profile of intervention groups appeared to confirm entrenched gender stereotypes: pockets of girls deficient in confidence and self-esteem and some boys lacking intrinsic motivation and work ethic.

Despite much progress being made in terms of gender equality, there is still work to do to counter fixed mind-sets and barriers, for the benefit of both sexes. Pervasive views about 'laddish' and 'girly' behaviours, excusatory phrases such as 'boys will be boys' and notions of 'girls' subjects' and career paths need tackling too.

While gender has become a more fluid notion in modern day society, the ambition for all people to have the opportunity to be happy and successful remains a central motivation for schooling and one that over 50 teachers meeting at LVC on 8<sup>th</sup> March will be championing.

*Helena Marsh Executive Principal*

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VILLAGE WEBSITES

- www.burroughgreen.com
- <http://www.parish-council.com/Brinkley/>
- www.carlton-cambridgeshire.org.uk

Do have a look at the websites which contain lots of information about the villages and the school and have links to archive material. The Village Voice newsletter is available on Burrough Green & Brinkley sites for the current month and several previous issues.

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**CAMBRIDGE GLIDING CENTRE**

Open Day, Sunday 9th April,  
10am - 4pm.

Come and visit Gransden Lodge Airfield to find out about the sport of gliding.

All welcome.

Trial flights with our qualified instructors available on a first-come, first-fly basis, at discounted rates. Refreshments. Free admission. Free lessons in a realistic gliding simulator. Free talks about gliding and the airfield's wartime history.

Airfield entrance on the B1046 between Little Gransden & Longstowe opposite Gransden Lodge Farm (enter SG19 3EB into your SatNav).

More information online: <http://www.camgliding.uk/> or call the office on 01767 677077.

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BURROUGH GREEN PARISH COUNCIL NOTICES

Dog Fouling on the Green, Burrough Green.

It was raised at the recent Parish Council meeting that dog fouling on the green and near the play area, has started to become a reoccurring problem again. I am sure that all residents that own dogs will assist us by ensuring they collect their dog's waste and dispose of it in the Dog Waste Bin provided.

Under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 in England and Wales, local authorities can introduce public spaces protection orders, making it an offence not to clean up dog mess in certain areas. Under those orders, a person who doesn't clean up after their dog may face an on-the-spot fine of up to £80. These fines are known as fixed penalty notices. If a person refuses to pay they can be taken to the local Magistrates Court for the dog fouling offence and fined up to £1,000. The Parish Council hope that this notice will encourage all dog owners to act responsibly, and to improve the problem without the need to introduce fines for offenders.

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**Burrough Green - Speed Indicators**

Burrough Green Parish Council has obtained permission from Highways to install a portable speed indicator sign such as this.



Five sites have been identified in the village, a plan showing the locations is on the Burrough Green website.

Any comments, please contact the Clerk, [clerk.bgpc@gmail.com](mailto:clerk.bgpc@gmail.com)

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BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL

If you wish to hire the hall, please contact
Susie Shuter on 01638 508729

The charges to hire the Memorial Hall are £8.00 per hour for VV cluster and £11.00/ hour for outside. We cater for one off parties and Groups looking for a venue. The Hall can cater for 80 people

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**FOR SALE**

BOSCH TUMBLE DRIER £150  
HOTPOINT WASHING MACHINE £150  
FRIDGE £100  
All only 3 months old - Excellent condition  
Call Bena Cook on 01223 290779

**ELLESMERE GARDEN CLUB**

At the recent AGM the committee was re-elected unchanged and unopposed, so I suppose that means you are happy with what we are doing on your behalf! Details of the forthcoming programme, which will include talks, visits and a practical session, were given by our longstanding and longsuffering chairman Sandie Wilson (phone 01638 507542). Our treasurer gave us a summary of the healthy state of our funds, and we asked for suggestions for a charity to support for the forthcoming year. Just get in touch with a member of the committee if you wish to add a suggestion. Contact details and the programme for the coming year can be found on our website:

<http://ellesmeregardenclub.wixsite.com/egc1>

The next meeting is on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March** at 8pm in the Ellesmere Centre; a talk by John Walker entitled, "**The humble spud and other solinacea**". Come along to find out more about our popular food staple - especially important at the moment as we all clearly need to do a bit more home growing in the present economic climate!

Looking ahead, we will have a practical demonstration of hanging baskets on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April**.

Don't forget you can always bring your friends as guests. Entry fees remain the same at £1 for members and £1.50 for guests, with annual membership also frozen at £15 per person or £20 for a couple. You won't find many groups you can join at such a bargain price - so do try us out!

**BRINKLEY WORKING PARTY**

**SATURDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2017.**

Looking around the village, there are things that will be/are in need of doing such as:

Cleaning all the road signs; cut back overgrown grass on footpaths; cut back overgrown brambles/branches/hedges on paths; litter pick throughout; clearing weeds from the roadside to enable drainage of rainwater et al.

If you are willing to lend a hand, please come along to the Memorial Hall, armed with any kit you will need, at 10.00am and let's get working! It would be nice to have some idea of numbers so please contact 07808 077545 or [buttercup696@gmail.com](mailto:buttercup696@gmail.com)

Many hands make light work!!

It would be good do this maybe four times a year from Spring to Autumn to keep on top of seasonal changes.

**BURROUGH GREEN READING ROOM.**

We are licensed to cater for 100 people and are available on various days of the week.

The charges are £8.00 per hour for village and £10.00 for outside.

To hire the Reading Room,

Please contact Joanne Harrison on 01638 508888

**BRINKLEY OPEN GARDEN**

The Old Rectory in Brinkley is opening its garden on 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> May as part of the National Garden Scheme. Refreshments will be served in the Memorial Hall during the afternoon to raise funds for Brinkley Church. If you can help sometime during the two afternoons by making cakes, serving teas, washing up, etc. we would be very grateful. There will also be a Tombola. Please make a note in your diary and let us know nearer the time.

Many thanks. Brinkley PCC

**BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL AGM**

**Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 8pm**

**in the Memorial Hall**

The Trustees are looking for residents from Brinkley and Carlton to join them in running the Memorial Hall. We have limited facilities in Brinkley and Carlton and do not want to lose the Memorial Hall due to lack of help to run it. The Trustees have worked very hard fundraising to improve the building over the last few years, putting down a new wooden floor and dry-lining the main hall. We are planning to refurbish the kitchen this year.

We are losing our Chairman in May and would ask for your help and support. It is not a very arduous or time consuming task and we are a very friendly committee, so if anyone can spare a few hours now and then, the Trustees would be very grateful indeed.

**Committee members are:**

- Mike Lawford
- David Cumpstey
- Franca Holden
- Susie Shuter
- Iain Clarke
- Andrea Crossman
- Tom Pinnock
- Hannah Pinnock
- Nick Beamish

If you are interested, please come along to the AGM or talk to one of us to see what we do.

Many thanks

Franca Holden Secretary & Trustee  
Brinkley Memorial Hall

**WESTON COLVILLE CINEMA CLUB**

On 1<sup>st</sup> **March**, the film will be *The Draughtsman's Contract* - a British film made in 1982 starring Janet Suzman and Anthony Higgins. Directed by Peter Greenaway and underscored throughout by the wonderful music of Michael Nyman, it's a sumptuous feast for the eye and ear, a murder mystery full of puzzles and clues and one of the very best British movies of the past 40 years.

For our April film, something a little radical, we're screening it in March! As we're both away on the 5th, it'll instead be shown on Wednesday, 29th March. Jacqueline's chosen a favourite oldie of hers: *Possession* tells parallel tales of romance across time, beautifully shot in London, Lincoln and Yorkshire. No need to take her or my word for it though - *Possession* is based on the Booker Prize-winning novel by A S Byatt, and, where two of the four main characters are university professors, the *Guardian* characterises it as 'an acid satire on academia'.

Both films will be shown in the Reading Room, 7.30pm, pre-screening talk, refreshments available, all welcome. Enquiries: Jacqueline Douglas 01223 291475 : jacquelinetheteacher@hotmail.com and Jeremy Newton newtonjed@gmail.com

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WESTON COLVILLE CIRCULAR WALK

Our next circular walk will be on **Saturday 4th March**. Meet at the Reading Room at 10am, BYO lunch, and maybe something to share. You can put your lunch in the fridge before we set off, if you'd like, and refreshments will be available.

Jacqueline and Alastair Douglas (01223 291475, jacquelinetheteacher@hotmail.com)

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**'WESTON COLVILLE: LAST STRONGHOLD OF THE MARSH TIT'**

Talk by Alex Inzani:

Alex has offered to give a talk and about his voluntary work for the British Trust for Ornithology with an enthusiastic team of villagers around Weston Colville. He says: 'Marsh Tits have declined sharply across the UK and Weston contains valuable clues on how to save the species. An unexpected bonus of the study is that the lives and loves of our Marsh Tits has all the intrigue and cliff-hangers of a soap opera... You'll never need to listen to Eastenders or The Archers again! Come along for all the juicy gossip on the outrageous scandals happening right in your gardens and woods, thinly disguised as respectable scientific research. You will also get the chance to name your local Marsh Tits for science and posterity.' Donations towards the work are most welcome. Reading Room, **Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm**. All welcome, refreshments available. Enquiries: Jacqueline Douglas 01223 291475 jacquelinetheteacher@hotmail.com

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CARLTON'S FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

We are all fortunate to live in this part of Cambridgeshire where there are so very many lovely outdoor places locally where we can spend time. Parish councils in our villages are tasked with ensuring that our footpaths, bridleways and by-roads are fit for purpose to the benefit of the whole community.

Carlton Parish Council have been utilising funds available to them to improve paths within their area over the last year. Last summer, working parties from the village laid road planings on the by-road leading from the kennels down to Willingham Green and then back to Weston Colville on the worst soggy wet areas of the road in order to facilitate its use during the winter months. The parish council are aiming to further improve the surface of the by-road using more road planings later this summer.

Many people use this route on a regular basis for recreational purposes such as walking, running, riding, cycling and exercising dogs.

A dog bin was installed at the head of the by-road a couple of years ago with the aim of allowing dog owners to "scoop poops" and then deposit them. It is in fact an offence to leave your dog's faeces lying around in a public area which includes footpaths, bridleways and by-roads. Most owners are being responsible about this, but there are still a minority who allow their animals to leave excrement on these public areas to the annoyance of other users. So do please remember to take a plastic bag with you when exercising your dog, and then deposit it in the bin provided.

Complaints also continue to be made about horse riders using the millennium footpath which runs along the length of Church Road in the village. This path is there for the use of pedestrians only. Horses have been leaving their deposits on it, and the surface has broken up in a couple of places where hoofs have disturbed the surface material.

A request therefore for everyone to be mindful not to abuse these outdoor resources we have, thus allowing their continued and appropriate use by everyone in the community.

Stephen Roberts. (Chairman of Carlton Parish Council)

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**STAN STARVIS**  
Died 13<sup>th</sup> March 2004

In Loving Memory of my darling husband  
Stan.  
Loved and remembered always.  
Still sadly missed.  
Your ever-loving wife, Betty.

**BURROUGH GREEN PARISH COUNCIL ARE  
LOOKING FOR A NEW COUNCILLOR**

You may be attracted to a certain subject, i.e: rights of way, planning, play area, allotments or even finance.

**Burrough Green Parish Councillors:**

- ✓ Are available for PC meetings, held approximately six times a year after 7pm in the evenings. Usually the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday.
- ✓ Attend the odd training sessions
- ✓ Attend occasional consultation events and informative local authority meetings.
- ✓ Undertake any actions delegated to them from meetings.
- ✓ Receive and respond to PC emails in between meetings.
- ✓ May help with the Village activities or Village Litter pick etc.

**TO BE A COUNCILLOR YOU NEED TO:**

- ✓ Care about getting the best for your community.
- ✓ Have a willingness to represent your electorate.
- ✓ Want to make a difference.
- ✓ Undertake training courses.
- ✓ Adhere to the Code of Conduct.
- ✓ Register your interests.
- ✓ Have the time.
- ✓ Be committed and enthusiastic.

**CAN YOU BE CO-OPTED OR ELECTED AS A COUNCILLOR?**

You must:

- ✓ Be a British Citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union;
- ✓ Be 18 years of age or over
- ✓ During that 12-month period resided in the council area; or
- ✓ Have during the whole of the 12 months preceding that day occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in the council area; or
- ✓ Have during that same period had your principal or only place of work in the council area; or
- ✓ You can also satisfy the criteria to be elected if you have lived in the council area or within 3 miles of it for the whole of the 12 months preceding the "relevant day".

**You cannot stand as a Parish Councillor if you:**

- ✗ are subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order
- ✗ have, within five years before the day of the election/co-option, been convicted in the United Kingdom of any offence and have had a sentence of

imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of over three months without the option of a fine

- ✗ Work for the council you want to become a councillor for (but you can work for other local authorities, including the principal authorities that represent the same area).

**WHERE TO FIND MORE INFORMATION:**

If you may be interested in the vacancy for a Parish Councillor, but would still like more info, please contact the Clerk by email at clerk.bgpc@ymail.com.

**HOW TO APPLY:**

Please send your application in writing/email to The Clerk, 3 Scott Avenue, Mildenhall, Suffolk IP28 7LT or clerk.bgpc@ymail.com, stating why you think you are suited to the position and how you meet the eligibility criteria and what areas you may be able to take a delegated responsibility in.

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***What's on at The Boot
Dullingham***

Open: Mon - Friday 11 - 2.30 & 5 - 11

Saturday & Sunday 11am - 11pm

Food: Monday - Friday 12 - 2pm

Fresh rolls made every day

Wednesday Fish n Chip Night

5pm to 7.30pm. Eat in or Takeaway

£7.50

**SATURDAY 18th MARCH
ST PATRICK'S DAY EXTRAVAGANZA!!
RUGBY SIX NATIONS
IRELAND v ENGLAND**

K.O. 5pm

THEN THE WORLD ACCLAIMED IRISH BAND!!

**MICK'S KITCHEN
'TIL LATE**

GUINNESS £2.50 PINT ALL DAY

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**DULLINGHAM FLOWER CLUB**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 8pm**

The Taylor Hall,

Church Close, Dullingham

**Come & enjoy a demonstration by**

**Brenda Tubb**

**entitled**

**'Challenges'**

Admission £5 to include refreshments

Raffle - Accessories

Please contact Lesley Bird

for further information

Tel: 01638 507658 or 07786 817154

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DON'T SWALLOW UP YOUR NHS
LOCAL NHS REVEALS THE COST OF
PRESCRIBING BASIC MEDICINES

Health Chiefs in Cambridgeshire are urging local residents to buy basic medications from pharmacies instead of getting them on prescription.






Last year your local NHS spent over £4 million on prescribing medicines that can be bought easily from local pharmacies or supermarkets. This includes £1.5million on prescribing pain relief (paracetamol), £1.2 million to treat upset stomachs, £550,000 on antihistamines and £320,000 to treat heartburn and indigestion.

All of these medicines can be bought at local pharmacies or supermarkets for less than it costs the NHS to prescribe.

Sati Ubhi, Chief pharmacist said "We want the public to really think before they visit the GP, is this something that I can treat myself? Is there a medication I can buy for this over the counter? A packet of paracetamol can cost as little as 25p for 16 tablets at a pharmacy. But if you go to your GP with your ache or pain and get a prescription, the total cost to your NHS is approximately £45*. We all have a responsibility to look after our own health and look after our NHS."

DON'T SWALLOW UP
YOUR NHS

Last year your local NHS spent over £4 million on prescribing medicines that you can buy easily from local pharmacies, shops or supermarkets. This included:

 <p>Pain relief (paracetamol)</p> <p>Cost to your local NHS: £1.5 million</p> <p>Cost for you to buy £0.25 (16 tablets)</p>	 <p>Upset stomach treatment</p> <p>Cost to your local NHS: £1.2 million</p> <p>Cost for you to buy £1.00 (6 capsules)</p>	 <p>Antihistamines (hayfever)</p> <p>Cost to your local NHS: £550,000</p> <p>Cost for you to buy £2.75 (30 tablets)</p>	 <p>Heartburn & indigestion treatment</p> <p>Cost to your local NHS: £320,000</p> <p>Cost for you to buy £2.00 (200ml)</p>	 <p>Travel sickness treatment</p> <p>Cost to your local NHS: £93,000</p> <p>Cost for you to buy £2.30 (10 tablets)</p>
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STAY WELL THIS WINTER

*All prices are based on an online search for the cheapest available product in your local pharmacy or supermarket.

NHS Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group

This is how much the local NHS spend on medicines and how much they cost patients to buy:

- Pain relief (paracetamol) - cost to NHS £1.5 million, cost for patient to buy 25p (16 tablets)
- Upset stomach treatment - cost to NHS £1.2million, cost for patient to buy £1 (six capsules)
- Antihistamines (hayfever) - cost to NHS £550,000, cost for patient to buy £2.75 (30 tablets)
- Heartburn and indigestion treatment - cost to NHS £320,000, cost for patient to buy £2 (200ml)

- Travel sickness treatment - cost to NHS £93,000, cost for patient to buy £2.30 (10 tablets).

Sati Ubhi, Chief pharmacist added "Keeping a selection of essential medications at home can help you treat common conditions at home such as colds, coughs and flu and avoid unnecessary trips to see your doctor."

Further information on self-care visit <http://www.cambsandpeterboroughchoosewell.co.uk/>

*The £45 the NHS spends on a prescription if you see a GP is made up of the GP consultation time, the cost of the medication, and dispensing fee.

St George's Supper
Saturday 22nd April



7pm till late

Bangers and Mash Supper
with Traditional English Puds
Paying bar

Join us in Burrough Green Reading Room
for a St George's get together
Old fashioned sing-a-long, poetry,
games and quizzes

Ticket Only ~ £10 per adult available from Jo 508888
By Sunday 16th April Marilyn 508177

ARTICLES FOR APRIL VILLAGE VOICE

To
villagevoicenewsletter@btinternet.com

01638 507495
by 20th MARCH 2017 please

CONNECTING CAMBRIDGESHIRE - CARLTON

We are pleased to announce that another new fibre green cabinet near you has gone live within the past month and is now accepting orders for high-speed fibre broadband.

To learn more about how you can upgrade to Superfast Broadband please visit our '[How to get superfast broadband](#)' page on the Connecting Cambridgeshire website.

Please note that whilst the green cabinet has gone live in Carlton, you will need to check with an internet service provider if your premises can order a service. Please also note that some postcode checkers (including the BT ADSL checker) have not yet been updated with address details. BT are working to resolve this as soon as possible but in the meantime you should be able to check availability using your telephone number rather than an address.

If you can't order a service once you have checked with a provider then please visit our '[my area](#)' pages for the further details about coverage in your area.

Kind Regards

The Connecting Cambridgeshire team

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So what I would advise you to do is make contact with your Internet Service Provider (ISP). You must decide whether you wish to stay with your present ISP, or whether you wish to change. Different companies are varying in the package which they are offering such as varying levels of provision and the cost of a router. ISP's use an electronic database allowing them to check on your anticipated broadband speed, and can consequently offer you a router/package suiting this anticipated speed.

In all probability, you will need a new upgraded router to obtain superfast broadband. The company you deal with will advise you on this when you contact them. This will normally be sent out to you by post. The current wait between finalising a new contract with your ISP and delivery of the router is approx. 2-4 weeks. On the same day that you receive the router, a contractor employed by your ISP will come to the village and physically connect your properties broadband supply at the new green cabinet. I believe that some ISP's are offering a "take up" package whereby the person coming to the village will also attend your house and set up your new router as well. However, I do believe that most ISP's are charging extra for this to be done too.

*Stephen Roberts (Carlton's Broadband Champion)*

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BADEN POWELL SCOUTS

Since converting to the Baden Powell Scouts two years ago, our sections have continued to thrive - both Beavers and Wolf Cubs have waiting lists. We do have spaces in our Scout and Senior Scout section and would love to hear from any young people (11-14 for Scouts, 14+ for Seniors) who would like to come and join us. We offer a mix of traditional scouting skills and fun activities - we are serious about being Scouts including our uniform, but we also want everyone to enjoy themselves and have fun. We also offer as much outdoors activity as we can - once the clocks go forward our hikes and camps season begins! (although we don't stop hiking just because of rain and mud!) Last term we covered knots, made horror movies, did a 'MasterChef' invention evening, map reading, crime prevention, attended Remembrance Sunday, covered the history of scouting and much more. If you would like to come and give it a go, please contact Mark Burton on the number below and come and try us out for a couple of weeks.



maburton@hotmail.co.uk 07513 408137

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**Cheveley Acorns Pre-School**

Our Pre-School was established in 1991

We are a charitable organisation run by voluntary

Committee/Parents/Carers, and a committed qualified staff.

We currently have vacancies for children from two years.

For More Information, or to arrange a visit contact pre-school manager Mrs Jenny Simmons  
On 01638 731004



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SUPPORT WORKERS WANTED

ADULTS WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES- WEST WRATTING

We are recruiting for support workers to join our team in West Wrattling. We are a family run residential care home providing support to 11 adults with learning disabilities. We aim to deliver person centred care to assist in developing and maintaining independence.

We are looking for pro-active, fun, caring staff to support with every day tasks and leisure activities. Part time and Full time posts available. Shifts include days, evenings, weekend and sleep ins. No experience necessary, full training will be given. Driving Licence required.

Hourly rate starting from £8.10 (Non-experienced)
For more information please contact Rachel or James (01223) 290600 or email

yewtreecottage@outlook.com

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## **MARCH SERVICES**

### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March Lent 1**

9.00am Holy Communion Brinkley  
Rev'nd Chris Barter  
10.30am Family Worship Burrough Green  
Anthea Kenna  
Genesis 2: 15-17: 3: 1-7 Romans 5: 12-19  
Matthew 4: 1-11

### **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March Lent 2**

9.00am Family Communion Stetchworth  
10.30am Morning Prayer Dullingham  
Rev'nd Robert van de Weyer  
Genesis 12: 1-4a Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17  
John 3: 1-17

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March Lent 3**

9.00am Family Communion Burrough Green  
Rev'nd Chris Barter  
10.30am Morning Prayer Brinkley  
Alastair France  
Exodus 17: 1-7 Romans 5: 1-11 John 4: 5-42

### **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March Mothering Sunday**

10.30am Holy Communion Dullingham  
Rev'nd Canon Linda Church  
10.30am **Mothering Sunday Service**  
Westley Waterless  
Carol Taylor  
3.00pm Evensong Stetchworth  
Alastair France  
Exodus 2: 1-10 2 Corinthians 1: 1-7  
Luke 2: 33-35

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On the 19<sup>th</sup> February, the Archdeacon of Cambridge announced the appointment of Mrs Nicola Mann to the living of the Raddesley Group of parishes, comprising Brinkley, Burrough Green, Carlton, Dullingham, Stetchworth and Westley Waterless.

Despite this number of villages, our relatively small size and revenues raised, the new appointment as Priest-in-charge will be a part-time one.

Nicola Mann, with her husband and their 3 children will move into the Dullingham Rectory in July, after their children's summer school terms end; and her duties will commence then, although her actual Induction Service will not take place until 5<sup>th</sup> September, in one of our Group churches.

It was with great pleasure that the Churchwardens from our group met Nicola Mann in late January, and were struck by her friendliness and geniality, and also by her clear interest in taking up the Raddesley appointment.

We learned of Nicola's early years spent in Barbados, prior to her prolonged time in rural Kent, near Ashford, where she played an active part in church life. She became ordained, and appointed as Assistant Curate at the Church of All Souls, Stamford, in 2014.

We very much look forward to welcoming Mrs Mann as our new Priest-in-charge.

John Robertson,  
Churchwarden, St Mary's Church, Brinkley.

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Dear all

I have just returned from a three week visit to India. The first week was holiday - we were in Kerala and spent some time on a houseboat travelling along the backwaters and then much higher up in Munnar where we stayed on a coffee and cardamom plantation, visited tea plantations and saw the tea pickers. I can remember that when I was a child there was a picture of tea pickers on packets of tea that my mother used to buy and the scenes that I saw were exactly the same - hardly anything seemed to have changed. The only noticeable change was that most of the picking is now done by shears with a box on one blade that catches the tea tips as they are cut. Some places where it is difficult to use shears are still picked by hand however.

The Cambridgeshire Ecumenical Council (which includes the Diocese of Ely) has a link with the Diocese of Vellore in Tamil Nadu and the second part of the trip was with a group representing the link and exploring climate change. We had a Climate Change conference last June in St. Ives and there was a reciprocal conference in Vellore whilst we were there. Most of us know about climate change but it does not really have any immediate effect for us. In India most schools have Eco clubs which are trying to raise the awareness of climate change. The weather patterns are changing - farmers knew when to plant crops and when the monsoon rains would come. In Tamil Nadu there are two periods of Monsoon rain. In recent years however they have not come at the expected time - in some years one of these has failed altogether and in 2015 was much heavier and caused major flooding in Chennai. Small farmers that we met had lost all their crops at that time - either broken down so that they could not be harvested or seeds washed away so that they were left with nothing.

We are all now used to sorting out our rubbish into the landfill, composting and re-cycling bins but in India there doesn't seem to be any sort of rubbish collection in most places so I suppose it's hardly surprising that all rubbish is just dropped. One lady said to us "How can we get rid of all this plastic" meaning the plastic bottles and plastic bags that are seen everywhere. We suggested having a container at church in which people could to put all their empty bottles which could then be sent for re-cycling. However, she said that there was no re-cycling available, it would be too expensive. We did visit an 'Eco-park' in one town. This is a private operation and the site worked in a similar way to that of Amey but on a much much smaller scale

and not at all mechanised. In that town rubbish was collected and the streets seemed a lot cleaner. The plastic, glass, tin etc. collected here was sent for recycling. We visited one school that had invested in a lot of solar panels to generate electricity which, with sunshine all year round should give a good return. Several other schools we visited would like to have these too but, as here, they are expensive.

I came away feeling that the question of climate change is much more immediate in India with floods that cause devastation and loss of life and, on the other hand, a lack of water for crops, taps only on for a set number of hours per day in the hottest season and even water trains having to be sent to areas in Northern India in recent years due to a drought. We only have the one world - we should try to conserve it as much as we possibly can.

Lily Whymer  
Churchwarden, St. Peter's Stetchworth

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Until Nikki Mann becomes our Priest -in-Charge please contact your Churchwarden if you need the services of a minister. They will be able to advise you of the person to call.

**Burrough Green:** Lucy Talbot Tel: 01638 507060, email: [peterandlucyt@btinternet.com](mailto:peterandlucyt@btinternet.com)

**Westley Waterless:** Ms. Deborah O'Riordan, Tel: 01638 507741, email [d.a.oriordan@btinternet.com](mailto:d.a.oriordan@btinternet.com) and Mrs Liz Gibson, Tel: 01638 508600, [lizgibson@me.com](mailto:lizgibson@me.com)

**Brinkley:** John Robertson Tel. 01638 507484

**Carlton:** Stephen Roberts 01223 290372 or [Stephen.roberts28@btopenworld.com](mailto:Stephen.roberts28@btopenworld.com).

**Rural Dean:** Rev'd Michael Banyard tel: 01638 721616 e-mail: [banyardmg1@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:banyardmg1@yahoo.co.uk)

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**CATHOLIC SERVICES**

**NEWMARKET & KIRTLING.**

Mass Times

|           |         |           |
|-----------|---------|-----------|
| Saturday  | 6.30pm  | Newmarket |
| Sunday    | 9.00am  | Kirtling  |
|           | 10.30am | Newmarket |
| Holy Days | 9.00am  | Newmarket |
|           | 12noon  | Kirtling  |
|           | 7.30pm  | Newmarket |

Our Lady with St. Etheldreda, Exeter Road, Newmarket

Our Lady & St Philip Neri, Kirtling

**Main Address:** 14 Exeter Road, Newmarket, CB8 8LT. **Telephone:** 01638 662492

**Email:** [office@olise.co.uk](mailto:office@olise.co.uk)

Brinkley contact, John Conti 01638 508304

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**ELY'S BEST LOVED QUIRKY EEL FESTIVAL IS BACK!**

**28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL TO 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2017**

Ely is preparing itself once again for its four day extravaganza to celebrate the origins of the humble eel. Organised by the Visit Ely team, Ely's Eel Festival Weekend runs from 28<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> May. This year, as always, we see the return of the Eel Food Safari which runs all weekend where a selection of local food outlets provide special dishes inspired by the eel theme.

The Eel Parade kicks off Saturday's Eel Day with a colourful array of eels processing through Ely's High Street, down to the river where a whole host of eel related activities take place. Special highlights include the Town Criers' Competition and the World Eel Throwing Competition (no eels will be harmed in this competition, just stuffed toys!). Can you beat the World Record of over 17 metres? The full programme of arena events includes music, dancing, a living history encampment and a street food scene (including eels!). Rounding up the weekend is the ever popular two day Food and Drink Festival where over 60 artisan and specialist food and drink traders will be showcasing their wares. We have an amazing Street Food Scene, comprising of a range of culinary delights which will tantalise your taste buds with the unusual, yet exquisitely crafted combinations. We also have a beer tent and cocktail bar with some easy listening live music to enjoy.

This year we welcome into our fabulous Cookery Theatre internationally renowned chef Theo Randall and current MasterChef's winner Jane Devonshire who will be demonstrating a variety of dishes alongside some of our much loved local chefs.

New this year is our Kitchen Pantry on St Mary's Green with a selection of goodies to help stock your pantry, some handy gadgets and beautiful kitchenware along with a seating area and some scrumptious light bites. Also the chance to personally meet and greet our celebrity chefs for a Q&A hour plus book signings at our "Audience With" sessions which will be held at Oliver Cromwell's House. Check out our website for booking details.

All in all, Ely will make the perfect place for a Spring Bank Holiday visit. For the full Ely Eel Festival programme check out [www.elyeelfestival.co.uk](http://www.elyeelfestival.co.uk)

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