

VILLAGE VOICE

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

FEBRUARY 2018

BURROUGH GREEN OIL SYNDICATE

A very Happy New Year to you all. Although a very welcome sight over the festive period, I'm sure the snow also brought with it an increase in oil consumption.

If you would like your tank topped up, please contact Pauline King on 01638 507796 or Dawn Hay via email to dawnahay@gmail.com by **Saturday 10th February** 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

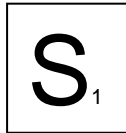


We really need more players. We are a small friendly group and meet in the very comfortable Community Room at Sheriff's

Court at 7.30pm;
in February on

Mondays 12th & 26th. Do come and join us in a game.. £2 includes refreshments

Trish 01638 507495



??????? **QUIZ NIGHT** ????????

FRIDAY 23rd MARCH
7. for 7.30pm
Brinkley Memorial Hall

£12 per head donation at the door to include supper.
Bar and raffle, bring your own nibbles.
Teams of 6, please book your team and table by contacting Susie on 01638 508729.

Please book early as this is a popular event.

THE BURROUGH GREEN BOOK CLUB

Our next event will be on Thursday 22nd March 2018 at 7:30pm in The Bull Pub. Delicious fish and chips on offer, whilst enjoying a discussion about the book. No need to have read it just come and join us for a drink. Very casual. The book we will be discussing is called 'Elizabeth is Missing' by Emma Healey (www.emmahealey.co.uk) and it's a story surrounding dementia.

Doesn't sound exhilarating but it's been very well received and won the Costa First Novel award.

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## MOBILE LIBRARY



The Mobile Library will be at BRINKLEY Memorial Hall

on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month between 3.00-4.00pm; - **6<sup>th</sup> February.**

BURROUGH GREEN by the BUS STOP on 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month, at 3.50 - 4.10pm - **28<sup>th</sup> February.**



## NEWMARKET FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS

Thank you to everyone who continued to support the Food Bank collections particularly around Christmas. The joint collections at Brinkley and Dullingham during the Christmas period amounted to nearly 100 Kg and included 18x1Kg Christmas puddings, 10 large tins of shortbread and 200 small packets of biscuits as well as all the more usual basic products. The collections continue in the church porches every week and donations are very welcome.

Ring Alix Allan for more information on 01638 508268.

## TREASURER VACANCY

**St Augustine's Church, Burrough Green**

Due to our previous treasurer moving away from the area we are looking to appoint, with immediate effect, a treasurer for Burrough Green Parochial Church Council.

If this is a role you would be interested in, and you wish to find out more about what the post involves, do please contact Church warden, Lucy Talbot, on 01638 507060 or email: [peterandlucyt@btinternet.com](mailto:peterandlucyt@btinternet.com)

## THE BULL CLUB - OVER 50'S

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February**

**7pm**

We meet on the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm in The Bull, Burrough Green.

All Over 50s are welcome to come along for a drink or stay for supper. We especially welcome those who live on their own and those who don't like going to the pub by themselves.

## **PUT THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY**

By kind permission of Adrian and Belinda Hull

**BRINKLEY FETE**

**will be held on**

**Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

## NEWS FROM THE ELLESMERE CENTRE

### LET'S GET MOVING IN 2018

#### **Mature & Fit Club:** -

On Friday mornings from 11am-1pm the Centre will be available for the over 65's to come along and use the facilities for just £2 each for 2 hours. (Badminton 12-1pm only), Squash, Table Tennis, Curling and Carpet Bowls will be available, or you can have a workout in the Mini-Gym. Just go to the office and tell them what you would like to do, and they will get the equipment out for you. This is a trial event so please let us know if you are interested.

**Walking Football** will restart in April. If you would like to come along and have a go please email the office and we will send you a reminder of the date nearer the time. All abilities are welcome-you just need to be over 50.

**Walking Netball**-will start at the Centre if there is enough interest so please contact the office with your details if this is something you would be interested in.



**Healthy Walks**-will be running from the Centre in the future. These will be open to everyone and more details will follow when Julie and Linda have completed the training. If you are interested in hearing more about these please let the office know.



**Crash & Burn** - Joanna Eden returns to the Ellesmere Centre on **February 24<sup>th</sup>** with Leigh to perform this new musical comedy cabaret with some of the old material from 'The Unbearable Pleasures of Being a Woman' and additional new material and songs which are guaranteed to make us laugh. Crash & Burn was a winner at the Brighton Fringe and looks like being another great evening. Tickets available from the office £12.50.



**Coffee Morning on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February**-in aid of **Action Aid** a charity which helps to empower women and children throughout the world. Action Aid endeavour to educate women so that little girls as young as ten years old are not forced into child marriages and subjected to FGM, giving them the chance of an education and a brighter future. Please come along to the centre and join Sally & Julie for a hot drink and cake between 9.00am and 12pm to help us raise funds.

#### **STAFF VACANCY AT THE ELLESMERE CENTRE** -

To cover the office for 4 hours (maybe more) a week over 2 evenings from 3.30-5.30pm. Plus 1 weekend a month (this will be mainly phone cover from home). Will need to be available to cover for some staff holidays. Please apply in writing to the address below.

For a full list of all our activities and classes please visit our website or email the office.  
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).

### **ELLESMERE GARDEN CLUB**

Greetings! We hope you are all ready for the coming gardening year, which for our club kicks off with the AGM on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February**. In conjunction with this short business meeting we will be treated to a talk on "**Getting the most out of your roses**" from Ian Limmer.

This is the time of year that annual subscriptions are due: £15 per person or £20 for a couple, so please see Kath at the meeting, or any other committee member. This is great value, and don't forget the benefits of membership - a reduced entrance fee of £1 for monthly meetings, and discounts on purchases at Simpsons and Scotsdales in Fordham.

Looking ahead, on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March** we welcome John Hewson who will talk on "**Sweet peas and dwarf pinks**". This is a topic we haven't had for several years, so do come and enjoy!

Our meetings start at 8pm in the Ellesmere Centre, and after the main event we have refreshments and raffle. Non-members are always welcome, and as membership runs from February each year, if you join or renew at the time of our AGM you will get the best value from the club.

For more information please contact Sandie on 01638 507542.

### **RECYCLING**

**Carlton - Mondays** : Black bin - 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> February.  
Blue & Green - 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> February.

**Brinkley, Burrough Green, Westley Waterless - Thursdays** : Black sacks weekly.  
Blue Lid - 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> February.  
Green Lid - 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> February.

**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.)

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



February has us dreaming of warmer weather and getting the garden started. Our January break was excellent and had us planning and looking forward to the sun. Hopefully the start of the year has been good to everyone reading.

**Coffee Morning** this month lands on **Valentine's Day, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February.**

We will open for dinner reservations that evening as well, so if you're looking for a low-key night out give us a call.

**Our world cuisine nights on February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>** will feature Italian food and it should be a lot of fun.

**Family meal will be Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>** and the menu will be on the webpage soon.

**Quiz night is on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>** and if you are thinking of joining us please call ahead as January's quiz was well attended.

We are continuing to remain open on Sunday nights for dinner, and on Monday nights we are offering a two for one deal on pints of our cask beers.

Morris & Gwyn  
01638 508707

**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.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Lots of events coming up to make a note of.**

**CARLTON**

**Carlton Safari Supper - Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March.**

Join us for an evening in Carlton. Four venues in the village will host each stage of the meal. More details to follow Please contact [helencoppen@gmail.com](mailto:helencoppen@gmail.com) to register your interest in tickets as limited to 40 guests.

**Carlton Royal Wedding Afternoon Tea**

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May.** Everyone welcome, please bring a plate of sandwiches or cakes to share. We will be supplying hot and cold drinks in return for a small donation.

**Carlton Macmillan Coffee morning**

Sept date to be confirmed.

**BRINKLEY**

**Quiz Night - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March (see front page)**

**Brinkley Fete - Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June**

**AUCTION IN BRINKLEY**

Upsizing or Downsizing - we can collect items you no longer need!



**SATURDAY 28<sup>th</sup> APRIL - 2pm**  
**Viewing Friday 27<sup>th</sup> 6pm - 8pm**

**and Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> 10 - 1.00pm.**

It has been 2 years since Brinkley's popular Auction of useful household goods and interesting 'collectibles' was held. A sale is now planned for Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2018. More details will be in next month's Village Voice, but it is never too early to earmark that special item you would be prepared to sell on a 50/50 basis or to donate to the Auction: raising much needed funds to maintain Brinkley Church.

If you can help with this event, we will be very grateful.

Please contact John on 01638 507484 or e-mail [villagevoicenewsletter@btinternet.com](mailto:villagevoicenewsletter@btinternet.com).

**BURROUGH GREEN**

**Book Club - Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March (see front page)**

**COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATOR SEMINAR**

The Community Heartbeat Trust will be demonstrating the use of defibrillators and explaining how the equipment works and its benefits to the community in saving precious minutes in the treatment of sudden cardiac arrest.

**BURROUGH GREEN READING ROOM**

**SATURDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 2018 At 11am**

The more people that know how to use the portable defibrillator installed in our community, the more chance there is of saving the life of a victim of Sudden Cardiac Arrest.

Everybody is welcome, and no special skills are required, just your willingness to play an important role in the event of a medical emergency.

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**BURROUGH GREEN PARISH COUNCIL TAX PRECEPT 2018-2019**

We have calculated that our precept request this year must increase by £774.06. This would equate to an increase of £3.77 per household over the year, or 31p per month. This was agreed at the January 2018 meeting by Full Council.

The justification for this much needed increase is that we need to build up our diminished reserves for future Community Projects, and the need to provide Data Protection Services due to the Government introducing the new General Data Protection Regulations in May 2018. This increase will show on your 2018/19 Council Tax Bill.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Clerk on [clerk.bgpc@ymail.com](mailto:clerk.bgpc@ymail.com) or Tel: 07712 232920

**CATS DEATHS ON CARLTON GREEN ROAD**

Hello All

My name is Karina and I live at 171 Carlton Green since June 2002. 15 years of peaceful existence with my 2 dogs, 3 cats and 20 chickens.

However, 2017 was the worst year of my life. Five, yes, 5, cats were killed by speeding cars on the road in front of my house: (the cats were non-concurrent). The first cat was 11 years old and was murdered and found in front of no. 167; the second cat was 2 years old and I did actually watch the entire episode. The cat heard me talking to the dogs on the start of their walk and run from the field to the gate and under a car; (the cat is at fault, and the car is at fault). The third cat was a new kitten and I found him dead in front of my verge. He was 6 months and 1 day. Then I adopted twins and again one was killed in front of no. 172 at 6 months and 2 weeks, and the last one was murdered on Christmas Eve, in front of no. 169. Two, cats escaped the culling, they are 8 and 7 years old. All the cats died during daylight hours.

About 8 months ago I placed 2 signs, SLOW, CATS CROSSING. It made no difference. Apparently, Carlton Green Road is 60 miles per hour speed area. How ridiculous is this?

I raised the subject with Stephen Roberts and Kate Homan and both tried to convince me calmly and logically that the council will not take any action or invest any funds in an area of 7 cottages. However, nobody yet talked to the council. Apart from me. A few years back, before the killing of five cats I rang Highways and asked if we could have 30 mph signage. The answer was 'No', because people do not observe road speeds. Now how stupid a reply is this? People do not observe many rules and consequently many of them are in prison. Probably not enough of them.

To conclude, I would like to ask all of you, your teenage children, friends of teenage children, visitors, contractors, delivery couriers, etc, to SLOW DOWN. Please, please, please.

Many thanks  
Karina

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

With the cabinet reshuffle in January came the announcement of Justine Greening's resignation and a new Secretary of State for Education: Damian Hinds. During my two years as Principal at LVC, there have been three different ministers in this top position. Nicky Morgan was known for her focus on character education, Justine Greening for using schooling as a vehicle for social mobility. We are still awaiting details of Mr Hinds's vision and values.

In many ways, it is great that since Blair's 'Education, education, education' pledge in his 1997 speech, schooling has become a more pressing priority for the government.

However, Greening's exit signals yet more change for the profession. Given the amount of turbulence since 2010, teachers are understandably anxious about what policies the new Secretary of State may introduce to make his mark.

In recent years there has been substantial profile given to ministerial priorities including free/grammar schools, free breakfasts/lunches and school funding, to name a few. This has been against a backdrop of significant government-driven reform that has seen the removal of National Curriculum levels, new, more challenging, primary and GCSE testing and a hike in accountability.

The doorstep manifesto released by the Headteachers' Roundtable, a national non-political educational think tank of which I am a member, has the following guiding principles:

1. The pace of educational change should not be affected by party politics;
2. Schools must be able to offer all their pupils the chance to thrive;
3. Educational change should begin by identifying the desired outcomes for children;
4. Prioritising high quality teaching & learning and the curriculum will lead to world class assessment and accountability;
5. The teaching profession should be centrally involved in developing future education policy.

In 2012, Mr Hinds published an All-Party Parliamentary report in which he stated a need to "focus first on quality of teachers and teaching". I hope that his 18 years in the hospitality industry has given him a disposition to listen to and serve the education community.

People are incredibly important in education, but it is children, not political preferences, that need to be at the centre of education policy.

Helena Marsh

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WESTON COLVILLE CINEMA CLUB

On Wednesday 7th February we're showing a multi-Oscar winning western directed by and starring Clint Eastwood. Our choice for Wednesday 7th March is a beguiling, heart-warming tale of what happens when outsiders come into a small community on the west coast of Scotland. For details, see posters at the Reading Room or look on the Reading Room website: www.thereadingroom.org.uk. Alternatively, email to subscribe to our mailing list. 7.30pm, donations, pre-screening talk, refreshments will be available, and all are welcome.

CIRCULAR WALK

Our next walk will be Saturday 3rd March at 10am. Meet at Weston Colville Reading Room, BYO lunch, and maybe something to share. Refreshments will be available, and all are welcome.

For all events in Weston Colville. All welcome, details on our website. www.thereadingroom.org.uk
Enquiries: jacquelinetheteacher@hotmail.com
01223 291475

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

Brinkley contact, John Conti 01638 508304

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

ARTICLES FOR MARCH VILLAGE VOICE

To

villagevoicenewsletter@btinternet.com

01638 507495

by 20th FEBRUARY 2018 please

THE BULL BURROUGH GREEN

We hope all our customers had a great Christmas and a good start to the New Year. New Year's Day was thankfully dry, and we had a good turnout of classic cars.



Valentines dinner - £39.99 for three courses, booking essential.

We have an Evening of Magic on Friday 23rd Feb. Three course meal and prosecco £34.99. Only a few tables left.

March brings us Mother's Day, book early to avoid any disappointment.

Tuesday's are steak night, it's really picking up so make sure you book.

Wednesday lunch is 10% off for the over sixties.

Fish and chips, eat in or take away on Thursday evenings.

Rob and I look forward to welcoming you
01638 508333

BRINKLEY PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ANNUAL MEETING.

SUNDAY 15TH APRIL 2018

following the 10.30am Morning Service.

Please join us for refreshments after the service in St Mary's Church Brinkley and find out more about your village church.

STAGECOACH EAST

CHANGES TO BUS ROUTE 11 & 12

From 18th February there will be changes to routes 11 & 12 between Cambridge, Bury St Edmund's & Ely. Buses on route 11 will only operate between Bury St Edmund's and Newmarket off peak. There will be a minor alteration to the 12 timetable which will enable customers to change buses at Newmarket Bus Station for onward travel to Cambridge/Ely.

full details and copies of the timetables for these Stagecoach services can be obtained by contacting them directly on 01223 433250,

Cambridge.enquiries@stagecoachbus.com or on www.stagecoachbus.com

FEBRUARY SERVICES

Sunday 4th February 2nd before Lent
9.00am Holy Communion Brinkley
10.30am Family Service Burrough Green

Proverbs 8:1,22-31 Colossians 1: 15-20 John 1: 1-14

Sunday 11th February Sunday before Lent
9.00am Holy Communion Stetchworth
10.30am Morning Prayer Dullingham

2 Kings 2:1-12 2 Corinthians 4: 3-6 Mark 9: 2-9

Tuesday 13th February Shrove Tuesday
6.30pm All Age Pancake Service Westley Waterless

Wednesday 14th February Ash Wednesday
7.00pm Ash Wednesday Communion Brinkley

Isaiah 58: 1-12 John 8: 1-11

Sunday 18th February First of Lent
9.00am Holy Communion Burrough Green
10.30am Morning Prayer Brinkley
6.00pm Evensong Carlton

Genesis 9: 8-17 1 Peter 3: 18-end Mark 1: 9-15

Sunday 25th February 2nd of Lent
10.30am Holy Communion Dullingham
3.00pm Evensong Stetchworth

Genesis 17:1-7,15-16 Romans 4: 13-end Mark 8: 31-end

The Right Vintage
February and soon with it Lent seems to have come around so quickly! The good thing is that any New Year's resolutions/ determinations made can be reinvigorated or for those who don't make them a good opportunity arises in Lent to reflect and take a spiritual health check.
I have been reflecting this week on the Wedding of Cana, where the wine runs out at a large wedding feast and Jesus performs one of his first miracles. With not a supermarket in sight, social disaster is looming, and you can just imagine the servants panic as they run out of wine, but Mary Jesus's mother in effect says 'Don't panic! Take what concerns you to Jesus' and then crucially 'Do what he tells you'.
Because when we take things that concern us (ourselves, those around us, the World) to God we need to let go trustingly and then listen for how we might need to play our part. This might be in terms of seemingly physical inaction (prayer, meditation, laying things down) or action (giving our time, our treasures, taking the first steps towards reconciliation).

At the wedding Jesus performs an action, a miracle, beyond what was desired or expected. He turns the water into wine and not just an OK wine but a vintage variety, the very best of wines! But they needed to bring the problem to him, trust him and respond to his direction (fetch the water, listen to instructions).
Lent is a good time then to do a 'spiritual health check' to consider the closeness of our relationship with God, are we taking everything to God in prayer, and is a response (action or stillness) needed from us to bring the best 'vintage' of an answer?
May a closer walk and talk with God this Lent bring 'shalom' peace and wholeness to you all,

Nikki

PS Do contact me if you would like to know more about the Lent Course running Monday evenings 19 Feb to 19 March

If you wish to book a baptism, wedding etc., please contact Nikki. Her usual working days will be Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday, of course, or one of the Churchwardens; details as below.
Rev'd Nikki Mann 01638 507980
The Vicarage, 23 Station Road, Dullingham. CB8 9UJ

Burrough Green: Lucy Talbot Tel: 01638 507060, email: peterandlucyt@btinternet.com
Westley Waterless: Ms. Deborah O'Riordan, Tel: 01638 507741, email d.a.oriordan@btinternet.com and Mrs Liz Gibson, Tel: 01638 508600, lizgibson@me.com
Brinkley: John Robertson Tel. 01638 507484
Carlton: Stephen Roberts 01223 290372 or Stephen.roberts28@btopenworld.com.
Rural Dean: Rev'd Sue Giles 01223 812726
e.mail : suethovic@btinternet.com



**Saturday 21st April 2018
4.00 - 5.30 pm**

**AT THE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH,
HIGH STREET, STETCHWORTH**

ALL WELCOME
Come and join us - have a go at various crafts (adults too!) refreshments available
Ring 01638 507576 for more details

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