

# VILLAGE VOICE

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

MAY 2018

## NEWS FROM BURROUGH GREEN READING ROOM

A survey was recently distributed to all Burrough Green villagers to obtain views and opinions about the Reading Room and its future. As a committee we recognise that a village hall needs to be a nice place to visit with events that are attractive to everyone within the community. We also wanted to find out what people expected from their village hall. Approximately 20 replies were collected and many of the suggestions and comments were about the general comfort and appearance of the hall. Thank you to those who took the time to reply - the winner of the Easter egg was Anthony Dean. The committee met and discussed the findings and are currently building a business plan which will include renovations to the kitchen area and more comfortable seating. Clearly, these things cost money and take time, but as a committee, we are determined that Burrough Green maintains a village hall for the future. Your support of events will only help us with this objective. If you are at all interested in joining our committee to help us with this work, or can offer assistance with events, we would love to hear from you.

Our AGM is scheduled for Monday 4th June at 7.30pm in the Reading Room and we warmly welcome community members to attend this meeting.

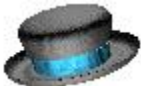
Bookings for the hall can be made through Joanne Harrison on 01638 508888 or via email [joanneread30@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:joanneread30@yahoo.co.uk)

## ROYAL WEDDING PARTY

To celebrate the Royal Wedding on the 19<sup>th</sup> May,

we are hosting an Afternoon Tea with home-made cakes and goodies 3pm - 5pm in the Reading Room.

There will be a tombola and a chance to catch up with friends old and new. Please come and support us if you can...hats optional!



With fingers crossed for a long, warm summer, Carla Nicholson: Chair  
Telephone 01638 508227  
email [carlanicholson@btinternet.com](mailto:carlanicholson@btinternet.com)

## ROYAL WEDDING TEA PARTY

SAT 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY. 3 pm

In the grounds of Carlton Church.



Please bring a plate of sandwiches, savouries or cake or buns to share with others, a mug for a cup of tea or a glass for cold drink. We will be providing tea, coffee, cold drinks and ice cream so please bring some cash for a donation to the church fabric fund in return.



Everyone welcome, bring along family and friends to celebrate Prince Harry and Meghan's Royal Wedding. Don't forget to bring a chair or rug to sit on. In the event of wet weather this village gathering will still go ahead in the Buxton's garage.

Many thanks Helen

## SCRABBLE and MAHJONG

We meet in May on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> 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

## OIL SYNDICATE -Burrough Green

The next syndicate order will be placed on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May. If you would like to be included in the delivery, please contact Pauline King on 01638 507796 or Dawn Hay via email to [dawnahay@gmail.com](mailto:dawnahay@gmail.com) by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 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).

Planning ahead, the next order placed after this will be during the second week of August.

## NEWS UPDATE

As some of you may recall, our tortoise escaped from his run and has been missing since the beginning of October. I am delighted to say that despite the harsh winter, he returned home safe and well on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April.



Dawn

## BRINKLEY DOGS

Thank you to all the dog walkers who clean up after their dogs on the public footpaths. If I am to continue cutting the Brinkley paths could they please encourage others to do the same or help by moving any they see not cleared up off the footpath. Thank you. Peter





**Brinkley Fete**  
**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2pm - 4.15pm**

Brinkley Fete is held in aid of Brinkley Memorial Hall and Brinkley Church, and is held in the tranquil setting of Brinkley Hall, near the centre of the village. This year Rev Nikki Mann, our Priest-in-charge, will open the Fete at 2 p.m.

For the Second year running we will have a Dog Show Section. There will be several categories available, these will be in the next newsletter. Entrants will be registered on the day.

Please support us, either by being a sponsor, (donating a prize for the Draw/Silent Auction) or a prize/bottle to any of our stalls. We also need plants, old china, bric a brac, homemade produce and items. (**NO** books please)

Can all donated items please be delivered to the Memorial Hall on Friday evening, June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6-8pm please.

We still need more volunteers to run our proposed stalls; also volunteers to set up on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>, between 9 - 11a.m. and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>, 9 - 11a.m.

We will send out more details in the Village Voice next month, stating final arrangements. We hope you and your family will come and support, or offer help in some way at our traditional village fete. If the day is fine, having tea and cake on the lawn is idyllic.

We are nearing completion of the Draw tickets, and there will also be a Silent Auction: details next month. Please contact us if you can help in any way or have any specific question to ask us.

Thanks for all your help and support.

Martin & Ros Pates.  
01638 507240.



Brinkley fete.

**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.



**BURROUGH GREEN CHURCH FETE**  
**2 pm Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

Hopefully the date is already in your diary!  
If not please add it and help us make this another successful year!

Our final planning meeting is at  
The Hall, home of Lucy and Peter Talbot on

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 pm**

All very welcome, even if you haven't been before!  
Do please come and share a glass of wine with us and help finalise the plans for this event, we are still happy to have new ideas. If you are unable to attend but can offer any support, particularly on the day, please ring Lucy and Peter on 507060  
or email peterandlucyt@btinternet.com



**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; **1<sup>st</sup> May.**

BURROUGH GREEN by the BUS STOP on 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month - **23<sup>rd</sup> May** at 3.50 - 4.10pm



**RECYCLING**

**Carlton - MONDAYS** : Black bin - **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>, Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May.**

Blue & Green - Monday 14<sup>th</sup>, **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May.**

**Brinkley, Burrough Green, Westley Waterless - Thursdays** : Black sacks weekly. except **Friday 11<sup>th</sup>.**

Blue Lid - Thursdays 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> May.

Green Lid - **Friday 11<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May.**

**East Cambs Refuse Collection**

In light of the new contract for the Waste Collection at East Cambs District Council, residents can now purchase an extra Blue Bin for £25, which will be a one-off payment. Brown Bin is £40, which is an annual charge. Black bins will be collected weekly and the Blue bins collected fortnightly.

**Ink Cartridges Please recycle** your old ink cartridges for *The Opportunity Group* by putting them in the box on the gate at White Hart Cottage, High Street Brinkley or in the box at the Ellesmere Centre.

**ELLESMERE GARDEN CLUB**

Our first visit of the season is on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May to Alswick Hall**, Buntingford, Herts. Please meet at the Ellesmere Centre at 6pm to share cars. The cost of the evening is £10 per person to include a glass of wine on arrival, with proceeds going to the Air Ambulance. But preceding the visit, don't forget we have our much-anticipated annual sale:

**Ellesmere Garden Club Spring Plant Sale  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018, 10 - 12.30 Ellesmere Centre**

This is your chance to get the best bargains in bedding plants, perennials, vegetables and herbs, including plants from members' own gardens, and from local nursery Paugers Plants. As well as a great selection of choice plants there will be home-made refreshments to tempt you and a seasonal raffle.

So come along to the Ellesmere Centre, where you will find plentiful free parking and helpful keen gardeners to welcome you. Don't leave it too late or you will miss the best of the selection, as this is a very popular event!

Looking ahead to June - we have another visit, this time to **Moat House, Little Saxham**, on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June**. Again, meet at the Ellesmere Centre at 6.30pm to share cars. The £8 entry charge covers refreshments and a donation to the National Gardens Scheme.

Then **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June** sees our **BBQ** take place at Tim and Jean Gross's garden in Stetchworth. More details next month. Everyone is very welcome to join our visits, and if you are new and want to get in touch before coming along, just give Sandie a call on 01638 507542

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**CARLTON cum WILLINGHAM PC**

**Annual Parish Meeting**

At St Peter's Church

8pm Thursday 3 May 2018

ALL ARE WELCOME

A chance to air and share local issues.

Under discussion at the meeting will be the speed limits currently in operation within Carlton, Carlton Green and Willingham Green. Mr Derek Crosby who is the Traffic Management Officer at Cambridgeshire Constabulary will be giving us his advice on this matter at the meeting.

Drinks and nibbles will be served after the meeting.

A formal Parish Council AGM will start at 7.30pm, before the Parish Meeting.

Edith Osborn Parish Clerk

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**CAMBRIDGESHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**

**Come and play - Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service launches new interactive resource for young people.**

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service (CFRS) has launched a new interactive online learning site to promote fire and road safety to young people across the county.

Developed by Matmi, Sparkton is an online town that children can explore, play games and learn safety tips. From quizzes to spot the hazards, to testing road safety knowledge, there's lots to see and do.

The new initiative has been developed through a collaboration with a number of other fire services in England and Wales, including Cheshire, Leicestershire and Nottingham, where it has already proved popular.

The educational game is targeted at children aged seven to 11 in Key Stage Two and can be accessed from home or at school, across all different devices and platforms. It has been designed to help the next generation learn about fire and road safety in safe environment.

Head of Communication for CFRS, Hayley Douglas said: "Keeping people safe from fire and other emergencies is fundamental to everything that we do, and engaging young people is a big part of that. We already work with young people in schools and through our Firebreak courses, so this new online resource is a great addition for us.

"Sparkton is a fun resource that will educate young people on the importance of fire and road safety and how to keep themselves safe now and in the future. It's also a great way for them to learn more about the fire service, and what we do in the community.

"By working with Matmi and in collaboration with a number of other fire services, Sparkton provided excellent value for money and has the potential to develop and make new content."

You can start playing on Sparkton at: <http://www.cambsfire.gov.uk/games/sparkton/>

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**WEST WRATTING TENNIS CLUB**

The new tennis season begins on 1<sup>st</sup> May. The d'Abo Tennis Club at the Recreation Ground in West Wrating is a great place to play!



Members also benefit from being able to enter the club's Wimbledon ballot. The club will hold its annual Supper Party on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm.

For more information on membership visit [www.westwratingtennis.co.uk](http://www.westwratingtennis.co.uk) or phone the club treasurer Mark Holme on 07768 443223.

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



**Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> - Coffee Morning**

**Friday/Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> - Mexican Food Nights.**

The menu is on the website and this is always a busy one. Please make a reservation if you'd like to join us for some authentic Mexican food.

**Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> - Family Meal, 5:00 for 5:30pm,**  
Make a reservation by the Saturday please.

**Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup> - Quiz at 7:30pm**  
Please let us know if you're bringing a team.

**Opening hours.**

Rolling into hopefully better weather we're going to stick with the hours we've been experimenting with since January and will continue to open 6:00 - 9:00pm on a Monday and remain closed Tuesday and Wednesday. The two Bank Holidays on May 7 and May 28, we will only open in the evening at 6:00.

We're now offering our Sunday Brunch/Lunch menu from 10:30 - 2:30 on a Sunday and then from 2:30 - 4:00 we'll continue to offer the Sunday Lunch page only and the bar will close at 6:00pm. We've reduced the Sunday Lunch prices a little bit with a new one, two or three course menu formats and now have three roasts available every week instead of two.

We've also moved things around a bit. The bar and toilets are now in the smaller room on the right-hand side.

A special thank you to everyone that came in over what turned out to be a long hard Winter to make sure we're still here for everybody this Summer.

*Gwyn & Morris.*  
**01638 508707**

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**ELLESMERE ARTS**

**GRAND CENTRAL VARIETY SHOW**

**Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018**  
**7.30 pm**  
At the Ellesmere Centre

**RELIVE THE HEYDAY OF THE 1950'S AMERICAN  
VARIETY SHOW**

**£10 (to include American supper)**  
**Dress: 1950s**

To book tickets: [Ellesmere1950snight@outlook.com](mailto:Ellesmere1950snight@outlook.com)  
or 07990 513836  
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**MARSH MAIL - News from Linton Village College**

The beginning of May marks the start of the formal exam season in schools. Students at Linton Village College have been building up to this with revision in preparation for sitting the new, tougher 9-1 GCSE exams.

Before the Easter holidays we held a Study Skills evening for Year 10 and 11 parents and students including revision strategy workshops and resources, and a focus on the importance of wellbeing as part of a healthy and balanced approach to studying.

LVC staff were fortunate to benefit from a key note by a neuro surgeon on the teenage brain and the science of memory on our last training day. We also have a team of mental health champions that have received professional development from an Educational Psychologist to develop the skills to identify, promote and support students with mental health.

Stress and trauma can have a substantial negative impact on students' ability to learn, retain and recall knowledge and skills. At the very time in which teenagers are being tested in a significant number of lengthy examinations, they can find themselves under immense pressure to achieve academically, or as a result of other challenges in their lives.

We work very hard as a school to help our students to achieve a balanced and healthy approach to their academic endeavours. While it is important that they study hard and make the most of the learning opportunities afforded to them during their time at Linton Village College, we also ensure that this is not at the cost of personal wellbeing.

The focus on self-regulated study is not only to develop successful independent study skills for students, but to help them to achieve a responsible and sustainable approach to their educational pursuits. We are proud to have a very strong track record for students' engagement in learning and employment after their time at Linton Village College. GCSE examinations are an important stepping stone in our students' futures. Leavers' day at the end of May marks an important rite of passage and celebration before students embark on independent study and their examinations.

*Helena Marsh*

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**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  
[joanneread30@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:joanneread30@yahoo.co.uk)  
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**NEWS FROM THE ELLESMERE CENTRE**



**Open Mic Night is on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May** and this month our featured band is **Camisayo**, a young folk/blues band from Cambridge. Come along and join us and listen to some great performers for just £3 entrance fee. Refreshments available and fully licensed bar.



**Let's get moving-Health Walk-** our first walk will be on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 2.30pm. The walk will be at a steady pace and will last for approx 45minutes. This is a new venture

so we will adapt the walks when we get a better idea of who would like to come along. Walks will be slower and shorter on alternate weeks for those of you who are less able and would like a gentler pace. Walks are intended to be open to everyone. All welcome including well behaved dogs. There is no cost for the walk but after the walk refreshments will be available at the Ellesmere Centre for a small cost.

**Tai Chi-a new class will be starting at the Centre on Thursdays.** A free taster session will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> June - more details to follow but if you are interested let the office know.



**MAY COFFEE MORNINGS**



The Coffee shop is open from 9am-12pm as follows:-

**Pop up Cafe with Ana- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May-** Come along and try some of Ana's famous cakes.

**Christian Aid Coffee Morning - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May.** Please come along and support this great cause and enjoy a hot drink and some homemade cake.

The Centre Bird Box with the camera in now has a **Blue Tit's nest** in and we are looking forward to watching the eggs and hopefully chicks appear over the next few weeks. Come along and have a coffee and watch the birds -the Gredley room is free any time except Tuesday mornings. There are also several nest boxes around the field, binoculars are available.



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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).

**MOWING**



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

The church yard is cut by volunteers; we really need more help to keep it



looking as welcoming as possible.

There is a mower and petrol supplied for you, we just need a little of your time. Please ring Lucy Talbot on 507060 if you can help. Thank you.

**THE BULL BURROUGH GREEN**

**New opening hours from 7<sup>th</sup> May**

Lunch available Tuesday - Saturday 12 -2pm



Monday 5 - 9pm.

Tuesday 5 - 10pm : Wednesday 5 - 10pm.

Thursday 5 - 11pm : Friday 5 - 12midnight.

Saturday 12noon - 12 midnight.

Sunday 12noon - 10pm.

Fish and Chip night : Thursday 6 - 9pm.

Roast Dinner Sundays 12noon - 4pm.

Open Bank holiday Monday 12noon -7pm.

**80's Night**  
**Saturday May 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**8 'til late, Fancy Dress, Buffet and Music**

Keep the date : July 7<sup>th</sup> :Our first Family Fun Day, Bouncy Castle, Bungee Run, Face Painting, BBQ and Live Music

**Rob and I look forward to welcoming you**

**01638 508333**



**THE 3 COUNTIES COMMITTEE**

**SPRING CLOTHES & PLANT SALE**

ON **THURSDAY 17TH MAY, 2018** 10.00 AM-3.00 PM

AT GREAT THURLOW HALL, BURY RD, GREAT THURLOW CB9 7LF

(BY KIND INVITATION OF MR AND MRS GEORGE VESTEY)

**COME AND EXPLORE THIS BEAUTIFUL GARDEN**

GARDEN ADMISSION £20 & TWO COURSE LUNCH (ADVANCE BOOKING PRICE ONLY)		GARDEN ADMISSION £5 ON THE DAY REFRESHMENTS
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BROWSE OUR STALLS, DO SOME SPRING SHOPPING AND HAVE A LEISURELY LUNCH

THE GARDEN WILL CLOSE AT 4 PM
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**RAF WRATTING COMMON**

**May Memorial Service Sunday 27 May 2018**

A short open-air service will be held at 1 p.m. on Sunday 27 May 2018 at the RAF Wratting Common Memorial, to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the airfield on the last Sunday in May (Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>) 1943 and to remember all those who served at the airfield, especially the 260 who gave their lives in the cause of freedom. We look forward to seeing some of the Veterans who served with XC Squadron, 1651 Heavy Conversion Unit and 195 Squadron. Cadets from 1451 (Haverhill) Squadron of the Air Training Corps will be on parade. The Memorial is situated at Weston Woods Farm, Weston Colville, CB21 5NR and all are very welcome to attend the service.

This year's service is particularly special as, to mark both our 75 Anniversary and the RAF 100 we are scheduled to receive a fly-past by an RAF Dakota at 2 p.m., hence the slightly later start time of 1 p.m.

The Douglas C-47 Dakota is without doubt one of the most successful aircraft designs in history. It became one of the world's most famous military transport aircraft and saw widespread use by the Allies during World War Two and subsequently by Air Forces and civilian operators worldwide.

It is intended that tea and cake will be available while we await the fly-past.

For further information please email: rafwrattingcommon@gmail.com

We are always pleased to hear from anyone interested in getting involved with the Airfield Memorial. With just two services per year to arrange, as well as year-round general maintenance, this is not an onerous project to assist with but is very rewarding. It is hoped that, with the continued support of people in the locality, this key community asset will survive for many generations.

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**2523 LINTON AIR CADETS.**

Eleven cadets from Linton attended this year's Easter Camp. It was a huge success with both cadets Ward and Miles hitting bullseye in the archery. The main exercise run by the RAF Regiment regulars is always popular but couldn't top the camp highlight - an air experience flight in a Chinook!

With one camp behind us we can now look forward to sending cadets to RAF Northolt, Cranwell and Syerston for our annual, aerospace and RAF100 camps. In total we will have filled our allocation of over 30 camp spaces this summer.

For those remaining back on the squadron there will still be plenty to do. With the "Youth First Aid" qualification training and "Entry Level Award" for health and safety being two nationally recognised qualifications being completed on the squadron.

With the hotter weather also comes our paddle sports events. We have had an excellent allocation of basic

kayak and canoe training throughout the summer and these are always very popular.

It's not just the cadets who get a chance to experience the very best of the RAF. The Corps is committed to staff development and this summer we will be sending squadron staff to train the trainer first aid courses, expedition and Duke of Edinburgh training courses.

We will be looking to recruit to Linton Squadron this summer. Cadet numbers have been very high and stable, but we now have enough staff to accommodate more cadets on squadron. Please give me a call if you would like to join as a cadet or as an adult volunteer.

*CI Brad Wright*

2523 (Linton) Training Officer

[training.2523@aircadets.org](mailto:training.2523@aircadets.org) 07943 873272  
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**WESTON COLVILLE EVENTS**

***Weston Colville Cinema Club***

Our choice for Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May is a wonderful film from rural France, following the warm reception that Jean de Florette received in January. For details, see posters at the Reading Room or look on the Reading Room website: [www.thereadingroom.org.uk](http://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.

***Talk - Horseheath Hall: a lost Cambridgeshire House***

Janet Morris of West Wickham History Club will tell us the interesting story on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be available, and all are welcome. Donations, no ticket required

*For all events in Weston Colville - refreshments available, all welcome, details on our website. [www.thereadingroom.org.uk](http://www.thereadingroom.org.uk)*

*Enquiries: [jacquelinetheteacher@hotmail.com](mailto:jacquelinetheteacher@hotmail.com)  
01223 291475*  
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*23<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2003*  
  
*In Loving Memory of  
George Jaggard  
A Dear Brother-in-Law  
Still Sadly Missed  
Love Bet*

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**FOR SALE**

Two pieces of chipboard each 4' x 4'6" available, formally used to extend dining table  
Collection only £10 (Brinkley).  
Contact 07808 077545.  
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**ARE YOU UNDER 25?**

**COULD YOU USE UP TO £500 ON A PROJECT?**

The Elizabeth March Charity has funds to support an educational project for anyone under 25 living in Brinkley. But we need you to contact us and tell us why we should be funding your plans.

This is how it works:

- You explain what you would like the money for and how you intend to spend it. The application must be in writing and include how much money you need.
- The Trustees consider the application. We decide whether we can support you and how much we can afford to provide. This could be up to a maximum of £500.
- We provide the funds and you complete your project.
- You send us details of how you spent the money - we expect you to provide evidence of what you did with it.

We can look at all sorts of projects, but they need to have some educational purpose. We have helped a range of overseas travel projects, provided money to help buy special equipment for A-level studies and helped with the costs of attending courses and events with the Guides. If you are applying to an apprenticeship scheme, or to a university, the award could help towards the purchase of books, IT, material, equipment and so on. If you are not sure whether your idea is suitable you can email the Trustees (Briony Gimson, Belinda Hull, Hannah Pinnock and Judith Haste) at elizabethmarchbrinkley@gmail.com before you apply.

We can consider applications at any time, but preferably by 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 as our resources are limited, so the sooner you get in touch the sooner we can let you know whether we can help. The Trustees will make their decision by the end of August 2018.

**Please apply to:**

**elizabethmarchbrinkley@gmail.com**

**ELY MUSEUM**

Ely Museum is changing. We moved to the Old Gaol on Market Street 20 years ago and now our displays and facilities are worn and tired. We need better toilet and kitchen facilities for the schools and groups who visit us and we want to put in a lift to help people get around the building.

We are planning to fix these problems with a redevelopment of our building on Market Street, refurbishing the Grade II listed historic building and extending above the existing 1997 block. We received initial funding support from the Heritage Lottery Fund

in 2017 and have been working with an architect and designers on what our transformed museum might look like.

The redesigned museum will have new gallery displays exploring the history of Ely and East Cambridgeshire, from what was here before the Fens were formed, who first settled here, what has happened here and how people have lived. Based on surveys with visitors and local people we have learned that many people are very interested to learn more about the unique Fenland landscape and its impact on people's lives throughout time.

A project like this takes a while, and we will be making our second round application to the Heritage Lottery Fund this summer. If we are successful the project will start in 2019, with the museum closing to the public for building work in autumn 2019 and reopening for summer 2020.

A key part of our project will be a new programme of events, activities and volunteering opportunities. If you are interested in local heritage, keep an eye out for updates on our website [www.elymuseum.org.uk](http://www.elymuseum.org.uk)

**EAST CAMBS BULLETIN**

**Scams and Rogue Traders**

East Cambs District Council are offering support and initiatives to local communities to help protect local residents from the financial and emotional harm caused by scams and rogue traders. They are offering copies of the 'Little Book of Big Scams', Posters and booklets, Door Stickers to deter cold callers and Scams and Fraud Education talks to local groups. If anyone is interested in accessing this scheme, please contact the Clerk ([clerk.bgpc@ymail.com](mailto:clerk.bgpc@ymail.com)), or East Cambs District Council Community Protection Team on 01954 284635.

**Vulnerable Neighbours**

The Parish Council would like to encourage local residents to keep an eye out for any vulnerable neighbours. At certain times of the years, with bad weather and dark nights many elderly, lone or disabled residents sometimes need a helping hand or just some company. It is also important to keep an eye out for crime, and scams/rogue traders etc. and alert vulnerable neighbours to make them aware. We would ask that all residents continue to look out for each other, as we are sure many of you do.

**PRIEST IN CHARGE REPORT FOR THE RADDESLEY GROUP**

I can't believe I have now been in post for nearly seven months!

I am very pleased to be here with you and am very grateful for the warm welcome I have received and the enthusiasm for God, the Churches and its people that I see. My induction ceremony was a wonderful event, well organised and attended, including so many different people from the community. My grateful thanks to Lily and you all for such a warm and inspiring evening.

I remain impressed at how well the churches work individually and together as a group. It has been interesting watching and learning how things work here, particularly with regard to having six churches and open churchyards! I know you all share my enthusiasm to grow our churches, serve our communities and to continue to be places where people can meet and grow with God and to meet and support each other on our life's journey.

I would like therefore to say thank you to you all. Thank you to Lily whose administrative support has been invaluable. Thank you to our churchwardens for overseeing and running the churches so well, and for always being a welcome ear to my questions and suggestions!

Thank you to all the PCC members for their care, guidance and all that they bring to us.

Thank you to all who share in the ministry and mission of the Group including our vergers and organists and those who read, rota, keep records, clean, maintain, protect, decorate, sit on committees, lead prayer, prepare the churches, prepare services, welcome, pastoral visit, provide flowers, provide refreshments, serve as foundation governors, prepare the newsheets and make bookings; to the Messy Church team and all those many people who serve God on our behalf in a huge variety of sacrificial ways both within the church and the community.

Thank you too for all who financially support the church and its mission.

There are lots of things to be thankful for and a lot of good things going on in the parishes including the worship, the fellowship and the service to the community and to one another. Messy Harvest saw twenty-eight children come through the door, Remembrance Service, Special Evensongs and all the Christmas services had good congregations and community participation. Many Charitable causes have been supported with Tracey Murphy and friends Big Advent Sleepout raising over £3000. These are all things to celebrate.

However, we clearly do face some significant challenges in how to grow our congregations and all age

groups within them and how we will ensure that our financial resources will continue to support our ministry and mission into the future particularly with regard to meeting the increased parish share.

We will need prayerfully and boldly to consider ways to generate new and increased opportunities for outreach and growth in the year ahead. We already have tried a Hot Chocolate Communion and have some new things planned for the year ahead including Pancakes and Pledges, Healing and Wholeness Service, Midweek monthly Communion and All Souls Service. In addition to the concerts, fetes, auctions and Messy Church's already planned.

We will also be running a Lent Course and then preparation for Confirmation courses. With a Confirmation Service being held in our Group on 30 September this year.

We will be looking more at stewardship campaigns and a number of our churches have already started to review giving and to reach out to the local communities for help in financing the upkeep and ongoing mission of our churches.

God is doing remarkable things in our church and our community, and it is our great privilege that we are invited to share in this. May God bless and multiply all we do.

Thank you again for all you are and all you do. God's rich blessing be with you,

Nikki

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**RADDESLEY BENEFICE WEBSITE**

On the website you can find out more about our churches, services, what's on and useful information about baptisms, funerals and weddings; [www.raddesley.com](http://www.raddesley.com)

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 Church wardens ; details as below.

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**MAY SERVICES**

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

10am Midweek Communion Carlton

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

9am Holy Communion BCP Brinkley  
10.30am Pet Service Burrough Green  
*Acts 10: 44-end; John 15: 9-17*

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May Ascension Sunday**

9.00am Holy Communion Stetchworth  
10.30am Morning Prayer with Baptism Dullingham  
7.00pm Deanery Service Burwell  
*Acts 1:1-11; Eph. 1: 15-end; Luke 24: 44-end*

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May Pentecost**

9.00am Holy Communion Burrough Green  
10.30am Morning Prayer Brinkley  
*Acts 2:1-21 Romans 8:22-27 John 15:26-27:16:4b-15*

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

6.00pm Healing Service Dullingham

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May Trinity Sunday**

10.30am Holy Communion Dullingham  
6.00pm Evensong Stetchworth  
*Isaiah 6:1-8 Romans 8: 12-17 John 3:1-17*

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**Marvellous May**

We have sun! Or at least we did when I wrote this! May is a lovely month as the flowers continue to bloom, the days get longer, and we carry with us the joy of Easter. God's amazing love for us has been clearly demonstrated and we wait for the celebration of Pentecost with the coming of the Holy Spirit.

When the Holy Spirit came after Jesus ascended, believers began praising God in many languages, languages that they had not learnt. I am sure this symbolically emphasises the unity God desires for us to have with one another. As St Paul writes "There is no longer Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus."

All are one in Christ. There are no outsiders, none that are lesser than ourselves. In Christ there are no excluding boundaries, let us not be the ones to create them.

May the Holy Spirit empower us with love for our neighbour, and with neighbour being the whole circumference of the globe. Amen

Nikki

"If you judge people, you have no time to love them." Mother Teresa

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**Have you been Confirmed?**

If you would like to be or are not sure if you have been or not (I wasn't until a few years ago!) Do contact me. Bishop Stephen is coming to Dullingham in September, so you can be confirmed locally.

**Healing Service**

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 6.00pm in Dullingham Church

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**PET SERVICE**

Would you like your faithful friend blessed?

Join us on

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May 10.30am at Burrough Green Church**



**FOOD BANK**

Don't forget that the Food Bank operates all year round and donations are gratefully received. There is a box in Brinkley Church Porch.

Thank you.

**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 |

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