

# **Hockwold Village Magazine**

**September 2011**

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## Harvest Celebrations

September is traditionally the month of celebrating the harvest, and has been so since ancient times in Britain. The Anglo– Saxons called September Gerst Monath (Barley Month), or Haefest Month, as this was when they would harvest barley to make barley brew. If you would like to give thanks for the harvest then go along to the Methodist Chapel's Harvest Festival on the 4th & 5th September, or join with St. James' Church for their celebrations at the beginning of October. I'm not sure that either serve barley brew but apparently the Harvest Suppers are very good!

There are many events occurring in and around the village this month, with lots of opportunities to get involved. The Hockwold Country Fair is always looking for new committee members and currently requires a secretary—if you can help then please contact Tony Crosby, details on page 13.

There is a new article from Christmas Hill Farm, letting those of us without large acreage know what is happening in the farming calendar. I hope you find it interesting and informative.

Please do get in touch with any items you would like included in the magazine, especially local pictures for the cover. Thanks to Tim Fothergill for this months cover.

*Laura Sands—Editor*

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## PARISH COUNCIL

26th July 2011

Present: Mrs .P Raburn, Mr.T Gossage, Mrs. M Eade, Mr. T Fothergill, Miss. R Johns, Mrs. T Sismey, Mrs. L Arbour, Mr. M Denney.

1 Member of the public.

Apologies: Mrs. D Barrett, Squadron Leader Neild (RAF Lakenheath)  
Borough Councillors Mr. M Storey, Mr. A Lawrence

The council was pleased to welcome Miss Rebecca Johns to her first meeting as a member of the parish council. We now have a full council.

The tenancy agreements for the allotments are due for renewal in October, with this in mind we ask all present allotment holders to write to the parish council clerk, to let us know whether or not you wish to continue you tenure. All letters must be received by the 16<sup>th</sup> of September, to allow time for the allocation of any new tenancies to be arranged by the October deadline. Anyone wishing to go on the waiting list for an allotment also needs to apply in writing to the same address, as follows: Mrs G Taylor, 53 Station Road, Hockwold, Thetford, IP26-4JA.

We have been provisionally informed that the Lakenheath rail crossing will be closed at certain dates later in the year, due to the updating of the crossing. As soon as we have the full details we will get the dates to you.

There was no council meeting in August.

The next Council meeting will be at 7.30 pm On Tuesday September 6<sup>th</sup>, in the Methodist Chapel, South Street, Hockwold.

*Pat Raburn -Chairman.*

## Hockwold W.I

The next meeting is on Wednesday, 7th September, 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall when the speaker will be Doreen Reed, the title of the talk is "No socks to Wash".

We were very pleased to welcome two visitors to our meeting last month, I hope they enjoyed the evening and will come again.

*Anne Dyke*

# HOCKWOLD METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers appointed for Sunday morning  
worship at 11am as follows:

4th Sept. Mr. David Osborne (HF)  
11th Sept. Mrs. M. Chamberlain  
18th Sept. Rev. Barrie Morris  
25th Sept. Mr. N. Hodson  
(HF) - Harvest Festival



## Flower Arrangers

4th Sept. Mrs. Lil Gathercole  
11th Sept. All Ladies  
18th & 25th Sept. Margaret Allsop.

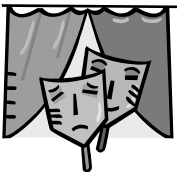
## Harvest Celebrations

You are welcome to come and join us as we celebrate Harvest. On Sunday 4th September at 11am Mr. David Osborne will lead our service. Then on Monday 5th September at 6.30pm we welcome our Thetford Minister—Rev. Steve Oliver. This is just a short service of Harvest Hymns followed by our Harvest Supper. Tickets for the supper are priced at £4.50 per person and can be obtained from Mrs. Margaret Allsop (828945) or Mrs. Ena Vaughan (828612). The evening will close with an Auction of Produce. Please do come along, and bring your friends, and support us. It is always a joy to see the chapel decorated in the old traditional way for a Harvest Festival. A warm welcome awaits.

(If you should care to make a donation of produce etc., the chapel will be open between 2pm & 4pm on Saturday 3rd September.) Many thanks.

*Margaret Allsop*

## HATS News



The *Hockwold Amateur Theatrical Society Annual General Meeting* will be held on *Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September* at 7.30pm at the *Methodist Chapel*.

We look forward to welcoming members, and anyone interested in joining, at the AGM. Please remember to bring membership fees - only paid up members are eligible to vote. As always, if you have any questions, give Gary a call on 01842 814679.



<b>Rotas</b>	<b>Cleaning</b>	<b>Flowers</b>
Sept 10:	Mrs Hardwick & Mrs Young	Mrs P Scott
Sept 24:	Mrs Arnold	Mrs A Fuller
Oct 1:	_____	Harvest
Oct 8:	Miss Annear & Anna Roe	Mrs K Mann

*Harvest Festival at St James's*

*Sunday 2 October, 6.30 p.m.*

*Harvest Songs of Praise with Readings*

*All your favourite Harvest Hymns:*

*We Plough the Fields and Scatter*

*Come, ye Thankful People, Come*

*To God be the Glory*

*To Thee O Lord our Hearts we Raise.....and More!*

*With the Reverend Kenneth Waters*



Now sing we a song for the harvest:  
Thanksgiving and honour and praise  
For all that the bountiful Giver  
Hath given to gladden our days.

For grasses of upland and lowland,  
For fruits of the garden and field;  
For corn, which the earth and the furrow  
To us and the husbandman yield.

O Thou who art Lord of the harvest,  
The Giver who gladdens our days,  
Our hearts are for ever repeating  
Thanksgiving and honour and praise. (*John Chadwick, 1840-1904*)

***Floral Tributes***

*If you would like a floral arrangement in the Church in commemoration of a wedding or birthday or in memory of a departed family member, please give Audrey Fuller a ring on 01842-828529 and discuss your requirements.*

**For Funerals - contact either a Funeral Director, or The Rector**

**For Baptisms & Weddings - contact: The Rector: The Revd Joan Horan: 01842-828034**

**For General Enquiries - contact: The Rector: The Revd Joan Horan: 01842-828034  
or: LFJ Hardwick, Secretary: 01842-811020**



Yes, it's that time of year again!

St James' Church

# Harvest Supper



Friday 7 October  
Hockwold Village Hall  
7 for 7.30 p.m.

*Please bring your own drinks and glasses*

*Sale of produce for WaterAid — Raffle—Entertainment*

**Tickets: £7.50 from  
Pat Mansey: 01842-827096  
Audrey Fuller: 01842-828529  
or any member of the PCC**

*Main Course by Shefs of Brandon  
Apple pies by PCC & Friends*

# HOCKWOLD CRICKET CLUB—NEWSLETTER

## A VIEW FROM THE BEACH.

By the time you read this our Saturday League season will be over for another year. If we win our two remaining matches there is still a chance that we may finish second and gain promotion. We play Holt at Home on 21<sup>st</sup>. August and then we are away to Heacham on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

The Sunday XI are currently laying third in their division, with four matches still to play. We believe that we have a very good chance of finishing in the top two, thus gaining us promotion for the second year running.

As mentioned last month, we recently held our annual cricket summer school. We had 14 young players attend the two days and again it proved a great success.

This season we have been asked by the West Norfolk Cricket League to host their annual President's Match, where the Division 1 winners play a selected team drawn from the entire five leagues. This is to be held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>. September, starting at 12.30. The bar will be open all afternoon and there will be a BBQ at the end of the match. Do come along and watch the action!

**Remember you can follow Hockwold CC by going onto our website:-  
<http://hockwoldcc.play-cricket.com>**

Nets and practice sessions are on from 5.30pm every Wednesday evening, so if you are interested in getting involved, come on down!

**We will be holding our Presentation evening on  
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>. October.**

*John Ruddick.*



### **September Anniversaries**

1st September	1951	First supermarket opened in London
2nd September	1666	Great Fire of London started
3rd September	1939	Second World War started
6th September	1852	First Free Library opened
7th September	1533	Queen Elizabeth 1st was born
9th September	1950	Soap rationing ended
19th September	1960	First parking tickets issued in London
22nd September	1955	ITV started
23rd September	1940	The George Cross instituted
26th September	1955	Birds Eye fish fingers went on sale
28th September	1745	First singing of the National Anthem
29th September	1758	Nelson was born
30th September	1928	Pencillin was discovered by Fleming

## It's That Time Again!

It never ceases to amaze me how quickly a year goes. It doesn't seem like yesterday that I was writing about the successes of the 2010 breeding season! However, as I write in late July, it's that time again!

Bitterns have gone from strength to strength, and it has been another record breaking year for the reserve. Reserve staff confirmed seven nests on the reserve, which is two more than last year. Amazing considering they only started nesting here in 2009 and it shows that these birds have really responded well to the work that has been done to encourage them.

It has been an interesting year for our two pairs of cranes. One of our pairs had not managed to fledge young until now. However, 2011 was their year and they fledged one young in mid-July. The young bird can now be seen flying around the reserve with its parents, which is a lovely sight.

As previously documented, our other pair, named "Little and Large" successfully fledged one young in 2009 and 2010. After these previous successes, we had high hopes for them this year. Unfortunately it wasn't to be and despite their having two attempts at nesting, neither attempt was successful, which was very disappointing.

Our largest resident bird of prey, the marsh harrier has also had a fantastic year. To date, a total of eighteen nests have produced over 40 young this year. Its easy to become blasé about these birds, as they do seem to be widespread across the marshlands of East Anglia but you may be surprised to hear that as recently as 1971, there was only one pair in Britain, and they are still rarer than golden eagles in Britain to this day (although there aren't many golden eagles in East Anglia admittedly!)

After a disastrous winter, which saw bearded tit numbers half from 110 pairs to around 50 pairs due to the cold weather, I am pleased to say that numbers seem to be picking up again, and there are lots of family feeding parties to be seen across the reserve. These resilient little birds are not only capable of producing several broods a year; they are also capable of breeding during their first year, so this should help the population to recover.

Sadly it has been another frustrating year for those beautiful but elusive golden orioles, and it was very difficult to tell whether they nested. There were two males and a female present, and they certainly kept a low profile!

These are just some of the birds, with the exception of golden orioles, that can be seen all year round at Lakenheath Fen. If you would like to see some of our specialities, the best chance is to come on one of our guided walks, which run throughout the year. They are listed with these articles each month, so if you are interested in attending, just give us a ring.

## **RECIPE—Poor Man's Potatoes (Patatas al Pobre)**

As autumn approaches and it gets a little cooler, then this month's recipe is a great one, a classic Andalucian dish that is a wonderful accompaniment to hearty meat dishes, especially sausages. It is simple to make but really flavoursome, with a delicious hint of the Mediterranean. Adjust the amount of garlic according to your taste. I also like to add some sliced courgettes about 15 minutes before the end of the cooking time, they add another texture, and anyone with an allotment or veg patch is probably trying to find recipes to use them up at this time of year.

### **Ingredients**

2-3 onions, sliced, red onions work really well with this dish  
3-4 medium sized potatoes, cut into uneven segments (6-8 per potato)  
2-3 green peppers, cut into largish slices  
As much garlic as you like, chopped  
4-5 bay leaves, fresh if you have them  
Courgette, thick sliced (optional)  
175ml (small glass) of white wine  
15 tbsp olive oil



### **Method**

Add 5 tbsp of olive oil to a heavy bottomed pan and heat, fry the onions in pan very slowly on a medium heat until they are soft and start to turn golden, about 25 minutes. Add the white wine and allow to reduce for 5 minutes. Add the green pepper and the bay leaves and cook for about ten minutes on low heat. Add the potato slices and the garlic, cover the pan and cook on low heat until the peppers and potatoes are soft. Stir occasionally to stop it from sticking. This should take about 20 minutes. Drain the oil, add the mixture to a warmed dish and serve.

Enjoy!

*Tim Fothergill*

# A Month on the Farm

This article will, hopefully, provide you with a bit of insight into one of your local farms. Christmas Hill Farm is just down the road towards Lakenheath. Our farm comprises 700 acres of Fenland Peat and Breckland Sand. We breed and rear Traditional Breed cattle and Rare Breed sheep which we sell through our Farm Shop and through Pedigree sales.

August is usually a quiet month after a hectic lambing and calving period followed by hay and silage making for winter feed. Now is the peaceful time when we watch the young animals growing, in the warm summer days.

Flies are a problem for the animals in August so we treat the sheep to prevent 'Fly strike' (when fly eggs hatch into maggots that attack the

sheep's skin) and the cows need protection from 'biting flies' that pester their eyes and shoulders. It is also a good time to catch up with 'housekeeping' on the farm e.g. cutting the grass verges and pulling up the poisonous Ragwort. We do that by hand because we are members of the Countryside Stewardship Scheme and that forbids the use of chemicals. We feel strongly about protecting the local wildlife and increasing the biodiversity of the farm. Although it's hard work, it's worth it to see the wildlife flourish.



August sees the swallows gathering ready for their departure to warmer climes; the partridges have reared their broods and can be seen running around; the swans are guiding their grey cygnets about in the ditches and we have seen otter tracks and herons on the farm, so we assume that there are plenty of fish in the dykes.

The Show season is drawing to a close. Christmas Hill Farm has great success this year, winning Championships at the Norfolk and Suffolk Shows and, just this month, a Whitefaced Woodland ewe lamb claimed Reserve Champion at the Wayland Show.

Our Farm shop has had a busy month with all this hot weather. BBQ packs have been selling like hot cakes! We have just held our final summer outdoor event at Rougham Airfield where we got some fabulous comments about our homemade Burgers and Sausages - always lovely to hear!



# Hockwold Country Fair Committee



*We are looking for a new secretary and new members—  
can you help?*

Unfortunately our current secretary has had to step down from the committee and we are therefore looking for a replacement.

If you have some spare time to get involved in the monthly organising meetings and to do general secretarial duties at times in between those meetings then please get in touch.

We are always looking for new members with fresh ideas. If you would like to get involved in organising one of Hockwolds main events and have some free time as previously mentioned then do get in touch.

Our first meeting to start organising next years Country Fair is on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm

You can contact me on 07876 780100

*Tony Crosby (Chair) - on behalf of Hockwold Country Fair Committee*

**Hockwold Country Fair  
Sunday 17th June 2012**

## HOCKWOLD ARTS AND CRAFTS GROUP UPDATE

There has been quite a lot of interest and I will be in touch with everyone that has contacted me with a date and time for our first meeting which will be in September due to the Bank Holiday. If anyone else is interested or knows someone that would be please ask them to contact me. They don't have to live in Hockwold to join. The aim would be to have an Art Group for all levels, beginners and experienced, with help available for beginners if needed.

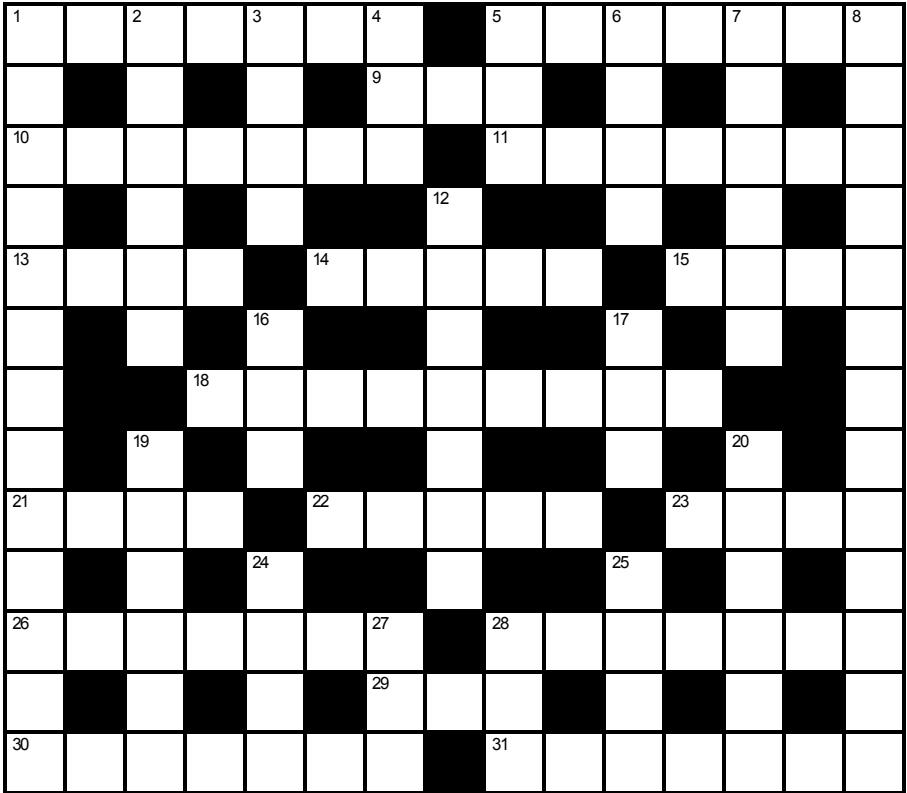
There would also be a Craft Group where you could share your particular craft, learn one or just sit and chat with like minded people. If you have always fancied having a go at something but not known where to start hopefully someone will be able to show you. With all of the talented people in our village it would be nice to get together on a regular basis maybe once a week in the evening in the Village Hall.

If you are interested and would like to get involved or have any ideas please contact me on:

**Sheila O'Brien Tel: 01842 827141  
or email: sheila.obrien2@virgin.net**



# GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD 148



**ACROSS**

1. Washing. 5. Sweepstake. 9. Epoch. 10. Anxious, easily agitated. 11. Underground prison cell. 13. Capital city of Norway. 14. Top surface of a step. 15. Give ground, yield. 18. Republic occupying most of the Southern part of South America. 23. Days falling roughly in the middle of each month. 24. Principle or belief. 25. Very small amount. 28. Merciful or tolerant. 30. Very knowledgeable person. 31. Large nocturnal bird of prey. 32. Very strong emotion. 33. Pitifully sad & lonely.

**DOWN**

1. Capital city of England. 2. Disorderly & disruptive. 3. Death or destruction. 4. Affirmative. 5. Young man. 6. Melody. 7. Cardinal number. 8. Over there. 12. Small remaining quantity. 16. Attempt. 17. Hostelry. 19. Stimulus, or boost. 20. Popular ball game for 2 or 4 players. 21. A Spanish dance. 22. Forgive or reprieve. 26. Abominable snowman. 27. Gelatin used as a thickener in foods. 29. Weight equal to 2,240 lbs. 30. Supernatural creature of folk tales.

# SUDOKU

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**Solutions for September Sudoku and Crossword will be in October edition of the Hockwold Village Magazine.**

## AUGUST SUDOKU

### CROSSWORD 147 SOLUTION

#### ACROSS

1. Indict. 4. Eschew. 7. Via. 8. Aisle.  
10. Inert. 12. Visitor. 15. Vie. 16.  
Ice. 17. Readmit. 18. Kent. 19.  
Ugly. 20. Origami. 23. Ear. 24. Nut.  
26. Cranium. 28. Winch. 29. Occur.  
30. Mar. 31. Libido. 32. Italic.

#### DOWN

1. Italy. 2. Clever. 3. Kiwi. 5. Spirit.  
6. Watch. 9. Seventeen. 11. Energetic.  
13. Stamina. 14. Timpani. 20. Or-  
chid. 21. Inmost. 22. Towel. 25.  
Lyric. 27. Neat.

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Friends of St. Mary's Church, Feltwell

# Craft Fair

**Sunday 25th September**

**10:00am - 4:00pm**

**Porter's Barn, Old Methwold Road, Feltwell**



Artwork, Engraved Glass, Walking sticks,  
Jewellery, Cards, Cakes, Ironwork, Decorated  
china and much more  
Lunches, Refreshments, Raffle.

## HOCKWOLD entertainments

### ***"THREE PARTS LIGHT FOR HOCKWOLD"***

SATURDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2011 Tickets: £7

Doors open 7.15pm Show starts 7.45pm

Bar

Raffle

Norfolk champion Keith Skipper and two of his colourful colleagues are beating a squit-laden trail to Hockwold Village Hall on 10 September.

Keith will be joined by comedian Pat Nearney and singer Danny Platton to form "Three Parts Light" as they continue their world tour of local fleshpots!

Do come and join us for what promises to be a fun evening of Norfolk squit. Don't miss out ...reserve your seat now.

*Tickets from Ann 01842 827713 Rebecca 827268*

*Post Office and Bulldog Garage*

# CHARITY GARDEN PARTY

The **Friends of Brandon Station (FOBS)**  
are holding a Garden Party  
at **Riverside Lodge, High Street, Brandon, IP27 0AU**  
on **Sunday 4th September** from **12pm - 6pm**  
to raise funds towards the refurbishment of Brandon Station which  
has been leased from Network Rail.

Among the musical attractions will be blues guitarist **John Price** and **Thetford Singers** repeating a popular programme of **Songs from West End Shows** which includes South Pacific, Oliver, Jesus Christ Superstar, Les Miserables and West Side Story. A surprise guest appearance will be followed by a **Tea Dance** with **Pip Jepson** on the piano while the W.I. are serving teas.

All the usual local produce stalls will be backed up by Tony's Barbecue and a well stocked Licensed Bar featuring Brandon Brewery's Real Ale. Rowing Boats will be available for hire and the Riverside Gardens and Marquee offer pleasant relaxation. Entrance fee, payable at the gate, is £2 for adults, free for children. Parking is restricted to stall holders, performers and disabled but there is ample nearby



## METHWOLD COMMUNITY TENNIS

**FROM EASTER UNTIL OCTOBER**

**MONDAY 6.30 - 9.30**

**TUESDAY 6.30 - 9.30**

**WEDNESDAY**

**CLUB NIGHT (MEMBERS ONLY) 6 - 9**

**GET BACK INTO TENNIS 6 - 8**

**THURSDAY 6.30 - 9.30**

**FRIDAY 6.30 - 9.30**

**SATURDAY 9 - 12**

**SUNDAY 9 - 12 (TBC)**

### MEMBERSHIP

£25 Adults, £20 Concessions, £15 Junior.

Entitles you to play free during opening times (subject to court availability)

### PLAY AND PLAY

£5 per court per hour, £4 concession



Courts can be booked in advance, please call Methwold High School on  
01366 728353  
Or email  
fitness@mhscloud.net

## URGENTLY NEEDED

Ladies from 15 years onwards to play Darts for our Village Club Darts Team, on Tuesday Evenings.

Transport to games no problem.

Experienced and beginners welcome.

Anyone interested please call:

Judy on 01842 827339 or

Julie on 01842 828233

## MINI MARKET

Every Saturday

9am to 10.30am

Hockwold Village Hall

Dot Barrett

T: 01842 827 227

Rebecca Johns

T: 01842 827268

EXERCISE CAN BE FUN

# AEROBICS

## EVERY MONDAY NIGHT

### 7.30 TILL 8.30

HOCKWOLD VILLAGE HALL

MALE AND FEMALE ALL AGES WELCOME : £ 3.50

## Sovereign Bridge Club.

Duplicate Bridge Club The Sovereign Center, Trafalgar Industrial Estate, Downham Market.

Monday afternoons 1.30pm to 4.30pm  
£1.50 per session, including a Tea break.

Contact: Ray Waller 01842 827120  
Jean Wright 01366 383247

## MOTHER & TODDLER GROUP

*A chance for you and your child to meet new people.*



*Please phone  
Cam for details*

*01842 827288*

## YOGA

with Chrissie

Lakenheath Village Hall

Friday 10am—11am

Enquiries to Anne Cross

T: 01842 860038



# HOCKWOLD VILLAGE CLUB

Main Street, Hockwold

Activities include

**CRICKET, BOWLS, DARTS, POOL, BINGO, CRIB, WHIST**

**DON'T FORGET WE ARE OPEN SUNDAY LUNCHTIMES:**

**12NOON—2PM**

Your Club needs your support to survive during these difficult economic times. Please support it.

Club facilities are available to members for functions such as birthday parties (child or adult), christenings, anniversaries, etc.

It's FREE if your event takes place during normal opening hours!

Outside normal hours a small charge applies.

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

<b>Quiz</b>	<b>11th September</b>
<b>Whist</b>	<b>14th &amp; 28th September</b>
<b>Bingo</b>	<b>21st September</b>
<b>Home Cricket Matches</b>	<b>4th &amp; 18th September</b>

## **NEW MEMBERS WELCOME**

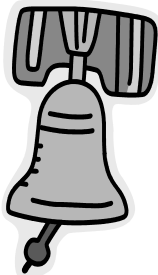
Membership £5 per year;

OAP £2.50 per year    Juniors £2.50 per year

## **SANTON DOWNHAM—Car Boot Sales**

Sunday 4th September

and the first Sunday of each month until October



## **St. James' Church, Hockwold**

### **WANTED**

Would you like to keep the bells of St. James' Church, Hockwold ringing? Can you come along on a Monday evening between 8pm and 9pm? Can you climb a stone spiral staircase? If so, then a warm welcome awaits you, but children must be accompanied by an adult.

*For further details, telephone Sue Annear (01842) 815430*

# WHAT'S ON—SEPTEMBER 2011

Thurs	1st	Art For Pleasure—Weeting Village Hall—10.30am
Fri	2nd	Yoga—Weeting Village Hall—10am—11am
Sat	3rd	Mini Market—Village Hall—9am Come and Sing—Thetford United Reform Church—1.30pm
Sun	4th	Harvest Service – Methodist Chapel—11am Cricket—Village Club Charity Garden Party—Riverside Lodge, Brandon—12noon-6pm Santon Downham Car boot RSPB Lakenheath—Farewell To Migrants—8am
Mon	5th	Aerobics—Village Hall—7.30pm Bell Ringing—St. James—8pm Bridge—Downham Market—1.30pm Harvest Supper—Methodist Chapel—6.30pm
Tues	6th	Feltwell Art Club—7pm Parish Council—Methodist Chapel—7.30pm
Wed	7th	Friendship Club —Village Hall —2pm Hockwold W.I.—Village Hall—7.30pm Hockwold Country Fair Committee Meeting—7.30pm
Thurs	8th	Art For Pleasure—Weeting Village Hall—10.30am HATS A.G.M.—Methodist Chapel—7.30pm
Fri	9th	Yoga—Weeting Village Hall—10am—11am
Sat	10th	Mini Market—Village Hall—9am Sponsored Bike Ride—Norfolk Churches—9am-5pm 'Three Parts Light For Hockwold' - Village Hall—7.15pm
Sun	11th	RSPB Lakenheath—Run For Wildlife—11am Quiz—Village Club
Mon	12th	Aerobics—Village Hall—7.30pm Bell Ringing—St. James—8pm Bridge—Downham Market—1.30pm
Tues	13th	Feltwell Art Club—7pm

# WHAT'S ON—SEPTEMBER 2011

Wed	14th	Whist—Village Club
Thurs	15th	Art For Pleasure—Weeting Village Hall—10.30am
Fri	16th	Yoga—Weeting Village Hall—10am—11am
Sat	17th	Mini Market—Village Hall—9am
Sun	18th	Presidents Match—Cricket Club—12.30pm RSPB Lakenheath—Superb September—10.15am
Mon	19th	Aerobics—Village Hall—7.30pm Bell Ringing—St. James—8pm Bridge—Downham Market—1.30pm
Tues	20th	Feltwell Art Club—7pm
Wed	21st	Friendship Club —Village Hall —2pm Bingo—Village Club
Thurs	22nd	Art For Pleasure—Weeting Village Hall—10.30am Breckland Free School Public Meeting—7pm
Fri	23rd	Yoga—Weeting Village Hall—10am—11am
Sat	24th	Mini Market—Village Hall—9am
Sun	25th	RSPB Lakenheath—Talk—11am Craft Fair—St. Mary's Church—Feltwell—10am-4pm
Mon	26th	Aerobics—Village Hall—7.30pm Bell Ringing—St. James—8pm Bridge—Downham Market—1.30pm
Tues	27th	Feltwell Art Club—7pm
Wed	28th	
Thurs	29th	Art For Pleasure—Weeting Village Hall—10.30am
Fri	30th	Yoga—Weeting Village Hall—10am—11am



# RSPB Lakenheath Fen Nature Reserve

## What's On In September



**Sunday September 4    Farewell to Migrants    8am-11am**

Join us on this walk to look for migrants before they depart for Africa. Highlights may include hobbies, yellow wagtails, chiffchaffs and wheatears. **Adults £6/ Children £3 (RSPB members half price)**

**Sunday September 11    Run (and Walk!) For Wildlife    11am**

Join us for our annual run (or walk!) around the reserve. There will be courses of 2km, 5km and 10km. All of the proceeds will go towards the society's work. Refreshments and goodie bags will be provided after the run. **Suggested donation of £10 per participant.**

**Sunday September 18    Superb September    10.15am-1pm**

September is an interesting month on the reserve. On fine days, parties of bearded tits can be seen showing off on the top of reeds. The local hobbies can be seen feeding up in preparation for their migratory journey south. Also, numbers of wildfowl will be increasing. **Adults £4/ Children £2 (RSPB members half price)**

**Sunday September 25    Talk: The RSPB Reserves In The Fens    11am-12pm**

Information Officer David White will talk about the RSPB reserves in the Fens. This will include accounts of the Ouse Washes, the Nene washes, the Hanson-RSPB wetland project, Fen Drayton Lakes and of course Lakenheath Fen. **Adults £4/ Children £2 (RSPB members half price)**

### Costs

Unless otherwise stated, events are **£4 for adults, £2 for children for (RSPB and Wildlife Explorers members half-price.)**

**Other Information:** Most events have outdoor components so please dress appropriately. Stout-footwear and warm, waterproof clothing are strongly recommended. We suggest you bring a torch to evening events.

Registered charity no. 207076

**For all enquiries and bookings, please contact: 01842 863400**

**or email: [Lakenheath@rspb.org.uk](mailto:Lakenheath@rspb.org.uk)**

**RSPB Lakenheath Fen Nature Reserve, Station Road, Lakenheath,  
Brandon, IP27 9AD.**



# Sabres Educational Trust

## BRECKLAND FREE SCHOOL PUBLIC MEETING

Parents: do you want to find out more about our  
Free School?

Date: Thursday 22nd September 2011

Time: 7pm

Venue: Breckland Middle School, Brandon

At this meeting we will explain the Admissions Process, consult with you about aspects of school life and give you the opportunity to learn more about our vision for the school.

We expect our final answer from the Department for Education by January 2012. The opening of our Free School is considered to be probable because it expands parents' choice about which school to send their children to.

We have named it BRECKLAND Free School so that pupils from Brandon and the surrounding villages feel welcome at our school.

Find out more on our website: [www.SabresEducationalTrust.com](http://www.SabresEducationalTrust.com)

## ***COME AND SING!***

For this year's Thetford Festival how about coming along and singing with Thetford Singers?

Whether you are an experienced singer who would like to join in with a local group, or whether you enjoy singing in the bath and would like to have a go at harmony with others, whatever your past experience - you are very welcome to join us on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** to sing music from the musicals West Side Story, Oliver and South Pacific.

We will be singing at Thetford's United Reformed Church in Earl's Street - arrive from 1.30 pm to start singing at 2.00pm. Participation costs just £3 with a free concert for family and friends at 5.00 pm. No booking necessary – just turn up! More information from Leaping Hare, King Street or visit [www.thetfordsingers.org.uk](http://www.thetfordsingers.org.uk).

# **Feltwell Surgery**

**www.feltwellsurgery.co.uk**

## **!!!! Patient Alert !!!!**

Did you know there is a newly formed patient participation group to help patients become more involved with their care?

We also aim to provide practical support, advice and information wherever possible.

We want to hear from you so that we may represent you.

**Give us your**

## **Bright Ideas**

We want your FELTWEEL SURGERY to be the best surgery around and we can only do this with your help.

Visit the website and follow the links to Feltwell Patient Participation Group to see what we're doing.

You can email us at :

**fsppg\_toni@intamail.com**

and we'll work together

# Do you run a club, group or offer facilities for early years and/or youth provision?

Do you operate in any of the following villages and surrounding areas;

Methwold, Stoke Ferry, Gooderstone, Foulden, Northwold, Mundford, Weeting, Hockwold, and Feltwell?

*If so, would you like to meet other groups in the area and share ideas and experiences?*

We are hoping to create a database of all early years and youth groups in the area and to run networking meetings that would be open to both voluntary and professional groups.

If you are interested in sharing ideas and experiences with similar groups please contact one of the following co-ordinators for "Methwold Area, Youth Access"

Katharine Pike, Extended Schools Cluster  
Co-ordinator, Weeting

Sarah O'Donnell, Momentum (Tel: 01603 263209 )

Sharron Freemantle, Northwold Youth Club (Tel: 01366 727675)

Alternatively, e-mail us at: [maya-group@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:maya-group@hotmail.co.uk)



## **Cyclists**

**Would you like to take part in a sponsored bike ride in aid of St. James' Church, Hockwold and the Norfolk Churches Trust?**

**For further information, please contact:  
Sue Annear, telephone (01842) 815430,  
or email: [sue.annear@gmail.com](mailto:sue.annear@gmail.com)**

Further details are available on the website:  
[www.norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk](http://www.norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk)

**10th September 2011**

**9am - 5pm**





## **SWEET NOTHINGS**

In aid of Hockwold cum Wilton United  
Charities  
The answers:

1	Still best before nine (5,5)	After eight
2	They are smug types (8)	Smarties
3	Bunkum (6)	Humbug
4	Planet (4)	Mars
5	Restoratives (10)	Refreshers
6	New but well used British measure(4,8)	Mint Imperial
7	Cinders' friendly ally (7)	Buttons
8	Plant's sharp point with weights (9)	Thorntons
9	Muddle lets trump in (8)	Truffles
10	Confused rams shall mow bog plants (12)	Marshmallows
11	French goodies (3,4)	Bon bons
12	Sweet crop (6,5)	Barley sugar
13	Subject to discuss (5)	Topic
14	Eat out (6)	Picnic
15	Cooking Eastern Mediterranean with great pleasure(4,7,7)	Fry's Turkish Delight
16	Fiddle the answer (5)	Fudge
17	The long run (8)	Marathon
18	Reward for a mutiny (6)	Bounty
19	Grand dances after sane side slips over them (7,5)	Aniseed balls



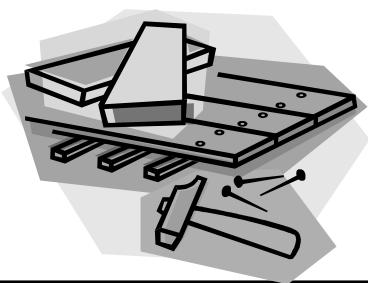
## For Sale - Solid Oak Flooring

Due to a slight miscalculation I have 19.65 square metres of Natural Solid Oak Rustic flooring left – it is 18x130mm. It is light oak brushed and oiled in various lengths (400-1700mm) and is tongued and grooved. There are 9 packs of 2.184 square metres each. I also have 7 packs of the glue which should be enough to stick the flooring down.

The flooring looks ever so nice and I am very pleased with it but I have run out of house to put any more down.

Reasonable offers will be considered.

The planking is available for immediate collection.



Please contact:

Nick Ross – 01842 760007 (day)  
or 01842 827244 (evening)  
or email [nick@nsross.co.uk](mailto:nick@nsross.co.uk)

## Hockwold-cum-Wilton Village Hall

Facilities available -Hall, Kitchen, Meeting Room, Changing Room, Bar Area, Stage.



£95 for a full day's hire,  
£9.50 per hour for the Hall  
£5.50 per hour for the meeting room.  
£50.00 deposit to confirm the booking

Lettings Manager - Wendy Bland **01842 828733**  
or call at Hockwold Village Shop