

KEEPING IN TOUCH

OCTOBER 2006

News from Alby, Aldborough, Calthorpe, Erpingham, Ingworth, Thwaite & Thurgarton

CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Communion unless marked M=Matins E=Evensong

OCTOBER	16th Sunday after Trinity	17th Sunday after Trinity	18th Sunday after Trinity	19th Sunday after Trinity	All Saints
	1st	8th	15th	22nd	29th
ALBY	--	3.30 Harvest Evensong	--	--	
ALDBOROUGH	8.00	11.00	11.00 Family Service	11.00	
CALTHORPE	--	9.30	--	9.30	
ERPINGHAM	9.30	8.00	9.30	8.00	
INGWORTH	11.15 M	9.30	11.15 M	6.30 E	
THWAITE	11.15	--	6.30 E	9.30 M	10.00 Group Eucharist
THURGARTON	3.00 Harvest Evensong				

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Wednesdays 9.15 at Ingworth (18th St Luke)

Thursdays 7.30pm at Calthorpe (5th HC, 12th Benediction)
at Erpingham (19th HC, 26th Benediction)

Friday 13th 9.15 at Aldborough

First Thursday each month, 10.15 Prayer Group at Aldborough in Prince Andrew's Chapel

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FROM THE RECTOR

At the end of this month we sadly say 'Goodbye' to John Smith who has been part of this benefice for the last three and a half years.

As a newly ordained priest, working in a voluntary capacity, he has contributed to the life of our six churches in a generous and wholehearted way.

We shall miss him a lot, but wish him well as he leaves us to assume greater responsibilities.

By the time of his last service with us – the Group Service at Thwaite on 29th October – details of John's move will already have been made public.



Fr Brian

GROUP SERVICE for All Saints' tide

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**Sunday 29th October, 10.00
at All Saints' Church, Thwaite
Celebrant & preacher: Fr John Smith**

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There will be no other act of worship in our six parish churches on this day.

HARVEST SERVICES (continued)

Sunday **1st October** Evensong **3.00** at **Thurgarton Church**

Sunday **8th October** Evensong **3.30** at **Alby Church**

and Harvest hymns & Charity Auction (for Big C & Alby Church)
7.30pm at **Alby Horseshoes**

BENEFICE CHOIR

The choir is now an established part of our worshipping community with a small but increasing repertoire of music. Although all four singing parts are covered by the singers, we would benefit from more voices and would welcome new members. We do not meet very often (roughly once a month). If you would like to find out more, please contact Stephen Burrell (01263 768209) or Ian Andrews (01263 732780).

CHILD PROTECTION ISSUES

From time to time it may be a sensible idea to remind people of established arrangements within the benefice. Each parish has adopted the diocesan guidelines on the Protection of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults. Each of us directly involved with this work has had a Criminal Records Bureau Enhanced Disclosure check. Should ever the need arise, if you have any concerns, your first point of contact is Ian Andrews (01263 732780) who is the 'Named Person' for this benefice.

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JOINT PCC MEETING

The PCCs of all six churches will meet
on **Tuesday 31st October** at **7.30**
in **Aldbrough Church Room**

A planning meeting

as we look to the future and seek to be sensitive to needs and opportunities.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP TUESDAY 24 OCTOBER

In Aldborough Church Room at 2.30 pm

SPEAKER: MRS MARGARET BRADLEY

TOPIC: ISRAEL – PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE?

Our speaker has visited the Holy Land many times, so has much to share with us. Little did we know when we invited her to speak that the subject would be so topical.
ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US

NEWS from ALBY CHURCH

£703 was raised at the recent Garden Party at John & Valerie Alston's home at Alby Crafts. Many thanks to everyone involved, all who came, and especially to John & Valerie for the use of their beautiful garden.

ALDBOROUGH COMMUNITY BUS - the fourth in our series of tales

Aldborough to Holt every (almost) Friday morning

The bus departs from the **Black Boys**, Aldborough, at **9.30**, with further pick-ups in **Tinkers Close**, **Margaret Lilly Way**, at **9.32** and the **Old Forge** at **9.34**. Following the most rural and scenic of our scheduled North Norfolk routes, the next stop is at the Post Box in Matlaske Street at 9.40. Plumstead bus shelter (opposite the church) and the Council Houses are passed at 9.44 – no trade here for many years. Baconsthorpe comes next; stops are opposite the Council Houses and near what was the village shop at 9.50. On into Hempstead, with stops at the bottom of Chapel Lane (near the bus shelter) and Marl Pitt Road at 9.55. Heading cross country around Pond Hills woods we proceed to Edgefield, initially travelling away from Holt to begin "The Loop". First stops are opposite the Council Houses and the Green (War memorial) on Holt Road at 10.00, followed by a run down Norwich Road to The Street, turning down Chapel Hill and into Ramsgate Street to stop opposite the bus shelter at 10.05. We continue up the hill to turn into Rectory Road for the final scheduled stop at the Council Houses at 10.10 – once well patronised but sadly there have been no passengers for some years. The route finally rejoins Holt road and proceeds into town, arriving at the bus stop outside the Alliance & Leicester BS (opposite the war memorial) at **10.20**. The return journey leaves this bus stop at **12.00**.

ALDBOROUGH GARDEN CLUB

All are welcome to the next meeting, on **Thursday 19th October**, at **7.30** in the Church Room. The speaker will be Mr T. Fuller and his subject will be Ornamental grasses.

ALDBOROUGH & THURGARTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Meeting on **Wednesday 18th October** at **2.30** in the Church Room,
to celebrate the birthday of the Institute.
Competition: Your favourite birthday card



BLOOD MOBILE

At the recent visit to Aldborough, 34 people gave blood, 31 units of blood were collected, and 3 of the donors were new. The organisers thought this a very successful result. The van will be back in December – date not yet known. A BIG 'Thank you' to all donors.

ALDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Next meeting on **Wednesday 4th October** at **7.30** in the Community Centre. Please note that meetings will be on Wednesdays for the next few months, because of pantomime rehearsals.

From the minutes of the September meeting (Editor's choice!)

In matters arising – replies still awaited for several items (inevitable at holiday time?).

- NCC Highways advise that the spelling of 'Thurgarton' on the sign at Alby Town will be amended when resources are available.
- NNDC has inspected the tree outside First Slip Cottage and the Clerk is to request removal of lower branches to a height of 6 feet.
- Norman Lamb, MP, to be given a copy of the Village Appraisal and Plan, at his constituency visit on 8th September
- Some maintenance work is to be carried out in the children's **play area** (bench and roundabout).
- The **precept** (the small part of Council Tax available for Parish Council needs) will remain unchanged at **£4,200**. The costs of the parish elections in May 2007 will be funded by using the recycling credit.
- Letter received re closure of 12 beds at Cromer Hospital: the Clerk to reply.
- Norfolk Parish Training Partnership provide training courses for 'Chairmanship and Engagement'. Any interested person should contact Jane Maguire.
- Discussion re **threat of removal of subsidies for rural Post Offices** (full details in last month's In Touch). There is a petition to sign in Aldborough Post Office and a website petition at www.norfolk.org.uk
- NNDC will replace the missing Thwaite Hill Road sign.
- **Planning application** received to establish use of barns behind Aldborough Hall as business usage.
- Minute books for 1968 to 1985 will be deposited at Norfolk Record Office after being on display at the Appraisal launch.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

Will new planning approaches in North Norfolk affect you?

There will be an Open Meeting

**to discuss the Aldborough & Thurgarton Parish Council's submission on
25th September, 7.30, in the Community Centre,
and an exhibition on
Monday 2nd October, 5.00 – 7.30, also in the Community Centre.**

**The public consultation takes place for six weeks
from midday on Monday 25th September until midday Monday 6 November.**

Exhibitions will be shown Monday – Friday, 9.30-4.00, at Cromer Council Offices and at other venues throughout this period. Further information or guidance on 01263 516321 or 01263 516318

Only comments received between midday 25 September and midday 6 November will be accepted for consideration. The consultation documents will be available to view at NNDC offices, or on-line at www.northernorfolk.org/ldf **from Monday 18 September** and will also be available in paper copy or as CD ROM, from NNDC offices, at your local N.Norfolk Library, at any of the exhibitions, or by post (£10 for post & packing, CD ROMs mailed free of charge).

Parish Councillors are aware that there will be strong opinion and will be available to anyone who wishes to approach them at times other than at the public meeting. There will be a suggestion box at the Open Meeting.

ALBOROUGH & THURGARTON APPRAISAL REPORT & PARISH PLAN

About 40 residents attended the launch of the Appraisal report at the Community Centre on September 8th. They were among the first to read the twenty page full colour report giving the highlights of the survey results, plus the associated Parish Council Action Plan.

Every household should receive a copy by the end of September; if your house doesn't, please call 01263 761580. Questions about the results or the Parish Plan should be addressed to the Parish Council.

The Parish Council acknowledges the financial assistance received from the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs [DEFRA] which assisted with printing costs.

[Editor's footnote: the Parish Council has already responded to some of the views expressed by residents – this month in the decision to keep the parish precept at the same level.]

ALDBOROUGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Table Top sale raised £60 for the Centre and gave a welcome fundraising opportunity to others. The Church stall raised £80 towards the costs of maintaining the churchyard. Thank you to all supporters.

- **RACE NIGHT** - another evening of fun and food will be held in the Community Centre on **Saturday 21st October**. Tickets will soon be on sale at Spar and the Post Office.

ALDBOROUGH CHURCH ROOM

HARVEST SUPPER on **Michaelmas Day, Friday 29th September, 7.15 for 7.30.**

Tickets restricted to 72 people, £6 for adults, £3 for 16s and under, from the Post Office, Anne Bettany (768681) or Ruth Bayes (768063).

ERPINGHAM WITH CALTHORPE VILLAGE HALL

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 17th November

7.30pm

Form a team of four or come on your own and join a team

Coffee and cakes available

Raffle

Tickets £2 a person available from

01263 768209, or 761704, or 768655

All profits from the Quiz night towards refurbishment of the Village Hall

OPEN GARDENS

We hope to have this event in Erpingham & Calthorpe **in early July** next year. We have already had 4 volunteers to open their gardens. If you think you could do so then please let us know on 01263 768209, 768655 or 761704. This gives us plenty of time to prepare in advance! Small or large, parks department or wildlife - it doesn't matter. Variety is the name of the game. If *you* like your garden then others will too. It would be good to have additional activities going on as well. Any ideas? - do let us know.

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ERPINGHAM VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB

Recent results:

	<u>£10</u>	<u>£5</u>
14-8-06	98 D.Clayton	46 L.M.Sandy
21-8-06	68 G.Eagles	39 A.Pegg
28-8-06	60 S.Dennis	77 J.Postle
4-9-06	22 R.Rayner	157 Mrs.Gibbard

ERPINGHAM with CALTHORPE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Marsham W I will be joining the meeting in Erpingham & Calthorpe Village Hall at **7.30** on **Wednesday 25th October**, to find out what goes on 'Behind the scenes at Sainsbury's Supermarkets'.



THWAITE COMMON MANAGEMENT

As many of you will be aware, Thwaite Common has not been grazed for some years now, since the removal of long-standing but unauthorised fencing. In that time, scrub and trees have grown up, making the site less accessible for walkers, and many of the more interesting wild flowers, such as the colourful orchids and the tiny milkwort have started to decline, as they cannot compete with the taller grasses that now grow unchecked by grazing.

In the intervening years North Norfolk District Council, who are legally responsible for the care of the Common, and Norfolk Wildlife Trust, who provide guidance on management work, have been investigating the possibility of fencing parts of the site so that grazing can be re-introduced. The latest information we have received from the Department of Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), who oversee the legalities of fencing on commons, is that their permission

is not required for temporary fencing to permit grazing. This is due to temporary fencing being permitted under the Scheme of Regulation, a legal document which sets out what the District Council can and cannot do on Thwaite Common.

So, as I write, preparations are being made to fence the western end of the Common and graze for the next 2 -3 months; further grazing will take place for up to 5 months next year. Grazing will be monitored to assess the effectiveness of the grazing to control scrub and permit the more fragile wild flowers to grow and changes to the grazing regime may be made if necessary. The temporary fence will have several access points on to the Common, so that local residents and walkers can continue to enjoy walking there.

Helen Baczkowska, Conservation Officer,
Norfolk Wildlife Trust

HAVE YOU MADE YOUR WILL?

There's a very good reason for making one in November.

A Will Aid solicitor will draw up a basic will and won't charge a fee – instead you can choose to make a donation* to the Will Aid charities (including Christian Aid and 8 other leading charities). Find a local participating solicitor at www.willaid.org.uk 0870 60 60 239

*Suggested donation is £75 for a single will or £110 for a pair of mirror wills

INGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Editor's choice of items from the Clerk's report of the September meeting:-

- Repair/replacement of **street names**: the Clerk was asked to contact NNDC to have *The Street* prioritised as urgent.
- **Flooding works** in The Street would be undertaken in the next few weeks.
- **Renovation of the Green**: the Clerk was asked to express thanks to the NCC for the successful outcome. He would also ask that the view for **egress from Priory Road** should be reviewed on safety grounds.
- The **Precept** for 2007-2008 was set at **£1750**.
- The Council reviewed the proposal to **transfer the management of the Social club to the Parish Council**. The transfer could not be conditional as a future Council would not be bound by a decision 'today'. Further details of the financial burden would be sought.
- Re **Dog Control**: the Clerk to request the same level of control as provided by existing legislation, namely, no dog fouling within the village (as defined by speed restrictions) and no dogs allowed on the playing field.
- The Clerk was asked 1) to establish if the work planned in 1994 for the **river channel on the Bure** was ever to be completed.
2) to contact NCC about the **poor surface of Green Lane** between Cromer Road and Beeches Lane.
3) to contact Adventure Playgrounds re **replacement of rotten play items**.
- David White suggested **the Church as a venue for village events**.
- The **next meeting** will be on **Monday 18th December**, at 7.30.



AYLSHAM MUSIC presents

A PIANO RECITAL
at St Michael's Church, Aylsham
on Thursday 19 October, 1.00 pm

Daniel Evans - Piano
Entrance £6 Children under 16 £2

Programme to include Mozart and Chopin
Refreshments available from 12.15

Challenging poverty – The Church Urban Fund supports churches and projects tackling poverty in a practical way in England's poorest communities. Did you know that 11.4 million people, including 3.4 million children, live in poverty in Britain? There are over 300,000 single homeless people in Britain. Some of our rural churches support the Church Urban Fund particularly at harvest time – pick up a leaflet to find out more.

THANKS for a particularly generous donation recently received from a reader in Erpingham, and for welcome stamps from someone on the mailing list.

Thanks to all the advertisers! New adverts appear from time to time, but there is still quite a long waiting list (kept in strict date order).

THE NEXT ISSUE Copy please by **Monday 16th October**.

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