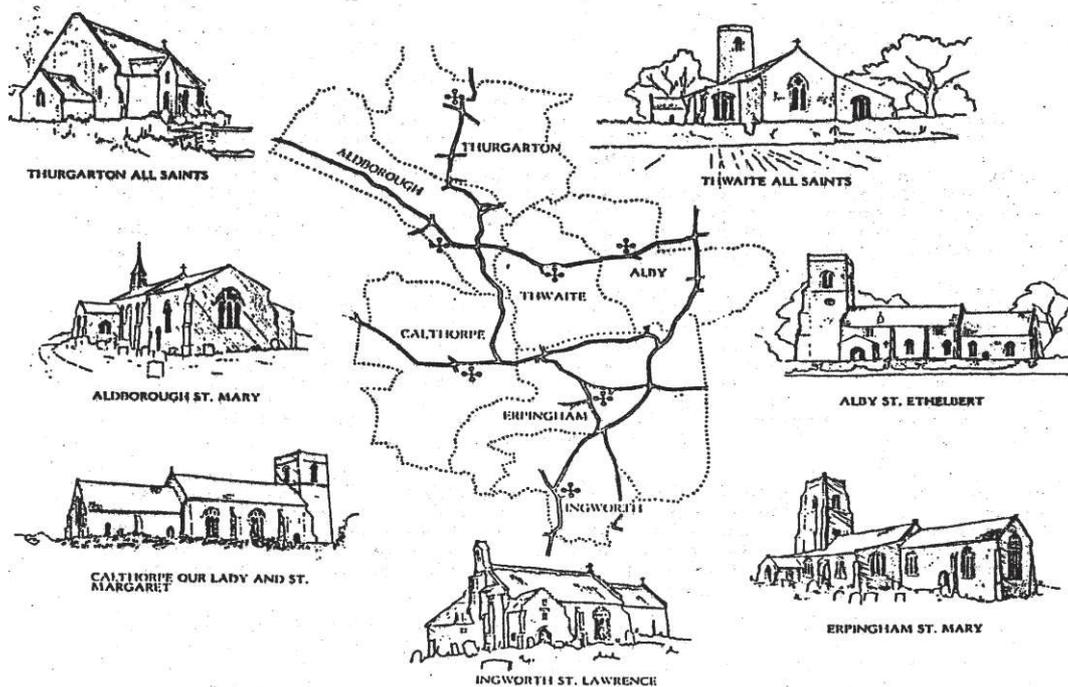


# KEEPING IN TOUCH

# JUNE 2011

News from the Scarrowbeck Group of Parishes

Alby, Aldborough, Calthorpe, Erpingham, Ingworth, Thwaite, Thurgarton



## CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Communion unless marked M=Matins E=Evensong

JUNE	7th Sunday of Easter 5th	WhitSunday 12th	Trinity Sunday 19th	1st Sunday after Trinity 27th
ALBY	↓ ↓	6.30 E	--	--
ALDBOROUGH	↓ ↓	11.00	8.00	11.00 Family Service
CALTHORPE	↓ ↓	--	9.30	--
ERPINGHAM	↓ ↓	9.30	--	9.30
INGWORTH	↓ ↓	11.15 M	6.30 E	--
THWAITE	↓ ↓	9.30 M	11.15	6.30 E
THURGARTON	Group Eucharist 10.00			

## WEEKDAY SERVICES

Wednesdays 9.15 at Ingworth  
 Thursdays 7.30pm at Calthorpe (2nd, Ascension Day, HC, 9th Benediction)  
 at Erpingham (16th HC, 30th Benediction)  
 Fridays 17th 9.30 at Alby  
 24th 9.15 at Aldborough  
 and 7.30pm at Erpingham (Corpus Christi transferred)

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**FROM THE RECTOR**

The view was fantastic. To the right the uninhabited rocks of the western isles, to the left the inhabited islands of Tresco and St Mary's. Our holiday on the Isles of Scilly was relaxing and special. It was nice for me to renew my roots with Cornwall, the county of my birth; nice for Eleanor to spend time with family in Devon and Somerset either side of our journey.

For those who look at life with a faith informed by Christ's life, death and resurrection, the view is worth sharing, both as we look towards others, and as we rediscover ourselves. In this, faith helps each day to be a holy-day.

Fr Brian

**FROM THE REGISTERS**

**Funeral** at St Faith's Crematorium 12th May Lenny Wright

**GROUP SERVICE**  
**Sunday 5th June , 10.00, at Thurgarton Church**  
***There will be no other act of worship in our six parish churches on this day.***  
Please note venue (not as originally arranged)

On **Sunday 3rd July** the **Group Service** will be at **Thwaite Church** at **10.00** and then

**THE BIBLE TRAIL** will begin  
**Celebrating the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible**  
in the churches of the Scarrowbeck Benefice  
**3rd July to 7th August**

**INGWORTH CHURCH** – Introduction to the trail, *including a Children's Trail*

**ERPINGHAM CHURCH** – From scroll to book – early Bible manuscripts

**CALTHORPE CHURCH** – Printing changes things – the Bible from Wycliffe to Tyndale

**ALDBOROUGH CHURCH** – The making of the King James Bible

**THWAITE CHURCH** – Taking the Bible around the world

**ALBY CHURCH** – Bibles since the King James version

**WANTED** a second hand 'Jerusalem' and 'New International Version Bible' that you would be willing to lend to us as part of a display at Alby Church for the duration of the Bible Trail. Please phone Helen on 01263 768209 if you can help.

***During Open Churches Week, 31st July - 7th August, there will be  
flower festivals and other events at some of the churches.***

We recommend following the trail in the order above, but all the churches' displays stand on their own and any one of them would be worth a visit if you haven't time to visit them all!

For further information please ring 01263 768073 or 768209

**Week beginning Sunday**

**PRAYERS FOR THE PARISHES**

JUNE 5	Thurgarton: Harmer's Lane, The Street, Cromer Road
12	Erpingham: Calthorpe Road, Chapel Road, Cromer Road
19	Ingworth: Cromer Road, Priory Lane, Gulgate Lane, West End
26	Ingworth: Banningham Road, Butts Common

**Pilgrimage to Walsingham  
Saturday 4th June**

**An open invitation to take part in a day pilgrimage to the Anglican Shrine at Walsingham**  
Worship in the shrine church, relax in the beautiful grounds, and enjoy a meal in the shrine refectory. To book a place and for more details, contact Fr Brian, 01263 768073.

**NORWICH COMES TO ALDBOROUGH!**

The **Cathedral Library** is a great place which needs to be used by the wider community.  
Canon Peter Doll, Canon Librarian of Norwich Cathedral, will be the main speaker at the next meeting of **Ingworth Deanery Synod**, to be held on **Wednesday 22nd June**, at 7.30, in **Aldborough Church Room**.

**CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

**Tuesday 28 JUNE - 2.30 -4 pm**

\*\*\*\*\*in THE CHURCH ROOM, THE GREEN, ALDBOROUGH\*\*\*\*\*

TOPIC: MEMBERS' CHOICE

At our May meeting [which has taken place after the deadline for this notice], members will have chosen the topic for this month. So, if you were not there, come and enjoy a 'mystery' afternoon! We never fail to surprise, and we often delight!!

NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE. DO JOIN US!



Prince Andrew's Chapel  
Aldborough



*Living the message of Jesus in North Norfolk*

You are welcome to join us on  
Sunday mornings at 10.45.  
(for about an hour)

We meet as members of God's family,  
to learn how to apply what the Bible teaches to our lives, and to encourage one another.

Tea, Coffee and Conversation are available after the services!

Date for diaries:

**PRINCE ANDREW'S CHAPEL "BUZZ CLUB" invites you to  
IT'S A KNOCKOUT!**

**FUN Team Games for children aged 5-11 yrs  
Saturday, 16th July, 2:00-4:00  
on Aldborough Green**

**A FREE EVENT with drinks & HOT DOGS to end the afternoon!**



**CLUB for 5 - 11 year olds  
CRAFTS AND ACTIVITIES**

Thursdays in term time 6 pm - 7.15 pm at Prince Andrew's Chapel

## **THAT WEDDING!**

**A HUGE thank you** to everyone who attended 'The Big Royal Wedding Breakfast' on Friday 29th April at Aldborough Community Centre in aid of the 'Cots for Tots' appeal at the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital (Charity No: 1048170). We are thrilled to announce that **the event raised £1,035, and 150 breakfasts were served** alongside coffee and scrumptious cakes. A fun morning was had by all with a fantastic raffle and tombola, face painting and tattoos, and the most incredible cake stall!

Without the support of the village this event would not have been possible, so thank you so much to all those who donated produce for the breakfast or tombola and raffle prizes, and a very special thank you to our hard working team that helped set up and run it, especially the incredible kitchen crew who cooked the most fabulous breakfast!

**We are continuing to fundraise to help to buy 4 more cots for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and we are planning to do a sponsored walk later in the summer, so if you were unable to attend and would like to make a donation please visit our website [www.justgiving.com/harveyandjack](http://www.justgiving.com/harveyandjack)**

Antonia, Stuart & Jack

[What a buzz there was in the Hall that morning! Perhaps we should do more morning events? with food of course. It was good to see such a wide age range there, and from all over our area. Thanks to Antonia for her good idea and for seeing it through. Editor.]

## **ALDBOROUGH GARDEN CLUB**

On **Thursday 16th June** there will be an outing to The Mowle, Ludham. Information from Christine Carlson, 01263 761715.

The annual **Flower and Vegetable Show** will be on **Saturday 23rd July**. The schedules are now in the shops.

## **ALDBOROUGH & THURGARTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **YOUR VILLAGES STILL NEED YOU!**

There was no election for members of the Parish Council on 5th May because only five people applied. The following people will become parish councillors at the AGM of the Parish Council in May: Dennis Bacon, Tony Baillie, Martin Elliott, Ruth Elliott, John Hammond. This Parish Council should be made up of seven councillors so two additional people will be co-opted; this will take place at the June meeting of the Council. It is very encouraging that the Parish Clerk has already received letters from four people who would like to be considered for co-option. However, if you feel that you have ideas and skills and can spare a few hours a month to help look after the interests of our communities, then it is **NOT TOO LATE** to apply. Please write a letter, or an email, to the Clerk explaining very briefly the reasons why you would like to be considered and give examples of your current or previous involvement in the community. All letters of interest **received by Friday 3rd June**, including those already received, will be taken into consideration at the June meeting of the Parish Council. Parish Clerk: John Payne

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22 Abbey Park, Beeston Regis, SHERINGHAM, Norfolk, NR26 8SP

**Next meeting on Monday 6th June at 7.30 in the Community Centre.**

## ALDBOROUGH & THURGARTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING in April

(Editor's choice of items from the minutes)

Present: All Parish Councillors, the District Councillor and 59 members of public.

**Chairman's Report:** Recalling his involvement with the Parish Council first as Clerk and then as Councillor over the past 8 years, John Padgham indicated that he had enjoyed his time as Chairman. In spite of the representations made by the Parish Council about the Local Development Framework, no notice had been taken and that was the main reason why he had decided not to stand for re-election this year. He commended Councillors Sue Peters and Heather Tamplin for their hard work in bringing about the installation of the new play equipment, which is proving very popular; he had written to Norfolk County Council objecting to the obtrusive sign that the Parish Council had been obliged to erect. He expressed his thanks to all the Parish Councillors, to the Clerk and to District Councillor Peter Willcox and to County Councillor Diana Clarke for their help and assistance.

**Re-instatement of Pond on The Green:** Christine Carlson outlined the proposal to establish a wildlife pond on the lower part of The Green, with shallow edges but a deeper centre for planting with local plants and encouraging wildlife. The proposal came from the Wildlife Group in the village but had received considerable support locally as well as from NCC and NNDC. An Environment Officer from NCC has inspected the proposed site and is currently investigating a number of matters that need to be clarified. A grant of up to 80% of the costs could be available. A trial bore hole has been sunk and the water levels are being monitored. There is no recent record of children drowning in village ponds. There were a number of individual expressions of support for the proposal as well as some questions about the effects of a drought, especially on the wildlife, and a comment about safety concerns. However, there was overwhelming support from the meeting.

### **Reports on Councillors' Areas of Responsibility**

**Recycling Banks – HT** expressed her concerns about the inability to distinguish between glass, plastic and other materials and the habit of leaving bags around when the bins are full. The new contractors engaged by NNDC are in the process of replacing the bins and extra space may be needed.

**TB - Community Centre** The renovation of the toilets, including the provision of disabled toilet facilities, has now been completed. The dishwasher and a refrigerator have been replaced.

**BM – Planning** – The Local Development Framework Site Specific and the proposed policy for the Re-use of Rural Buildings as Dwellings have now been adopted by NNDC following Public Examination by an Independent Inspector. Two adjacent sites in the

parish are the only ones allocated for residential development in spite of the Parish Council's attempts to get other sites included.

**JH – Footpaths** are in good order but will need cutting once the rain arrives.

**ME – Health and Safety** – No significant issues this year, although the amount of "paper juggling" has increased. Three children have fractured limbs using the new play equipment.

**SP – Play Areas** – The new equipment has been installed and is proving very popular with local children and their parents. She wishes her thanks to all her helpers to be recorded. Steve Cushing indicated that, because cars are being parked across his driveway, he is experiencing access problems and there is a constant noise nuisance. The Chairman repeated his advice to enlist the support of the police. A proposal by Jenni Nicholls that thanks be expressed to SP was met with immediate and prolonged acclamation.

### **Reports by County and District Councillors**

**DC** had sent her report indicating that her main involvement has been in helping to resolve highways issues. She is still pressing for changes to the **gritting route** through the village. She referred to NCC's support of the new play areas through the Playbuilder Scheme and offered her congratulations for the successful outcome, especially as the funding had been threatened. She also offered her congratulations to Tina Casburn and her Team at Aldborough School for the fantastic development and the spectacular opening.

**PW** is not standing for re-election this year. He thanked the Parish Council and all the parishioners for their support over the last eight years and said how much he had enjoyed working for and with the Parish. He outlined some of the highlights of his time as a District Councillor, which included the Sheringham Tesco saga and his disappointment with the outcome of the Local Development Framework but said it might be possible to bring forward an exception site in the Parish. The Chairman thanked PW for his work for the Parish and for his attendance at meetings of the Parish Council.

### **Reports from other organisations**

**Jane Maguire – Aldborough Players** – Last year's summer production of "Outside Edge" was a great success, as was the Pantomime "The Lost Prince". There are now 73 adult Players and 12 junior Players. Since 1993, there have been a total of 229 Players. They have continued their School visits and during the year have made some theatre visits and had

attended some Drama Workshops. This year's summer production is Noel Coward's "Hay Fever".

**Keith Good – History Society** – Membership of the Society is free! Work on the History of Houses and their Occupants in the Village has continued, and should be published in the next year

**Tim Knight** – The **Cricket Club** had a mixed season last year, when the First Team was relegated and the Second Team finished mid-table. First Team matches this year will continue to be played at Holt because home facilities do not meet League requirements. The Club made a very successful tour last year to Stratford-upon-Avon. The Youth Team are joining a League this year. A request to install a bench in memory of Ron Dobbie has been approved by the Parish Council but they would prefer it to be sited close to the Black Boys, although the Club would prefer to site it opposite John Brown's House, where the roller used to be stored. The meeting by a large majority supported the Club's preferred site and these views will be taken into account by the Parish Council. Finally, a request was made to the Football Club to cease using lime for their pitch markings as it destroys the grass.

**Robin Gilkes – Community Bus** had a very successful year and NCC have promised the same funding for this year. New drivers have been recruited and trained and the services are well used.

**Thomas Brown – Football Club** The First Team are mid-table and the Reserve Team are challenging for promotion to Division 2.

**Ruth Bayes – Keeping In Touch** 785 copies are printed each month as well as a large e-mail circulation. Thanks were expressed to Bob Guess for his help in encouraging advertisers to renew their adverts, and to the volunteers who helped with distribution.

**Ruth Bayes – St Mary's Church** Church membership is better than statistics might suggest, as a variety of styles of service attracts different people each Sunday. She pointed out that Aldborough Church is the only one in the Scarrowbeck Group to have a service at some time every Sunday.

**ME – Prince Andrew's Chapel** The Sunday morning attendance of between 20 and 30 is being maintained. The Buzz Club has 12 - 15 each week. After the success of last year's "It's a Knockout" on The Green, the event is to be repeated this year on 16th July with a free barbecue afterwards. (The Chairman pointed out that Mr Nick Geere had made a barbecue, which was stored at John Brown's House. It is available for use by the community.)

**TB – John Bacon Charity** – There has been no

meeting of the Trustees this year and no distribution has been made. The Reverend Brian Faulkner has suggested that the Trust might be wound up and its capital transferred to another Charity. The Clerk is looking at this suggestion. Ruth Bayes made a strong plea for the Trust to be continued because there was little work involved in its administration and because of its long-standing historical connections with the Thurgarton part of the Parish.

**BM for Sue Metcalf – Allotments Society** At the AGM all the officers had been re-elected. All the plots (some of which are sub-divided) are currently let. The Society has faced a substantial increase in their insurance premium this year and are struggling to find cheaper alternatives. The Society will soon be hosting the next Meeting of the County Association.

**Dee Jupp – Village Care** – The Lunch Club attracts about 50/60 persons each time, in spite of meal costs having been increased after the NCC subsidy was withdrawn. Volunteer drivers continue to provide a good service in aiding attendances at The Surgery and other places. Requests for this service average between 10 and 12 each month. A cheque for £3,000 (being the late Dora Leonard's legacy of £1,000 and a donation of £2,000) has been given to the Parish Council as a contribution towards the costs of the revamped play area. The Annual General Meeting will be held on 29th June 2011.

**Dr Philip Wood – The Surgery** Dr Fleming joined the practice in February last year and a teaching medical school for 10/12 students will begin in October.

Work on the extension is proceeding well. He described the current funding arrangements under which the Primary Care Trust contributes up to three fifths of the practice costs and thanked the villagers for generous donations. An Open Day is to be held on a date to be announced. A Patient Participation Group will be established and the Practice is seeking potential members. There are now 2,800 patients.

**Christine Carlson – Garden Club** now has over 50 members. The Open Gardens Day in June 2010 raised £1,000 for the Air Ambulance and £500 was donated to the Church Room for new curtaining.

**Ruth Bayes – The Church Room** is well used. Thanks were expressed to the Garden Club for the gift of the new curtains.

**BM - Countrysiders** The numbers attending have reduced so the meetings may well be moved to Aylsham. He commended all parents to encourage their children's attendance.

**Victory Housing** to be approached about road surfaces in Tinkers Close and repainting garages in Margaret Lilly Way.

### **GOOD INTENTIONS FUNDRAISING TEAM**

Tickets for the Hog Roast on **Sunday 17th July** are now being reserved and are going fast. Please note if anyone has reserved tickets, they must be paid for by the end of May. Contact 01263 768076.

## **ALDBOROUGH PLAYERS**

**5th Summer Production**

**Noel Coward's 'Hayfever'**

**9th, 10th and 11th June**

**at Aldborough Community Centre**

A very glamorous evening's entertainment  
featuring some very talented local people  
dressed in some 1920s style costumes

Tickets are now on sale at the Spar and Post Office  
£5 Thursday evening, £6 Friday and Saturday

**Annual Barbecue on 19th June** at the Church Room, The Green. Open to new prospective members, so if you fancy becoming part of this group, please come along, or contact Jane Maguire (761578), Nick Wade (768707) or Alison Haynes (768033)



## **THE MOST FUN SCHOOL IN BRITAIN!**

That's **Aldborough Primary School**, according to a national competition organised by bestselling children's author Jeremy Strong and supported by Puffin Books.

Jeremy is renowned for his trademark silliness and good humour, but for his Campaign for Fun he asked children from across the UK to make HIM laugh HIS socks off. Entry forms were distributed to schools, libraries and bookshops nationwide, encouraging school children and classes to use an A3 sheet of paper in any way they liked in order to prove that their school is the most fun in Britain.

Out of over 400 submissions Aldborough Primary's imaginative entry, replete with pop ups, wheels and flaps depicting why they should be chosen as the most fun school, has now been picked as the winning school by Jeremy himself. Aldborough will be awarded a trophy, £200 worth of Puffin books and a special Silly Ceremony from the Master of Fun, Jeremy Strong himself, on 19th May.

As well as being Britain's most fun school, Aldborough is also one of the UK's highest achieving ones, consistently performing well in both SATS and Ofsted reports. Also, it's not scared to buck national trends: there's no school uniform and no homework. "Our objective is to create both a centre of learning excellence and a centre for the community, with an ethos that encourages not only respect and education, but also fun!" says Head Teacher Tina Casburn.

Jeremy Strong, best-selling author and former teacher, says: "Aldborough School's entry was just spectacular. The Campaign for Fun set out to doom the gloom. Humour is one of the most potent, positive forces for learning. Everyone learns faster and better when they are laughing and enjoying themselves, including teaching staff. The Campaign for Fun has proved a great way to introduce more fun and creativity into learning and get children bubbling with excitement, leisure and pride at what they have learnt."  
T.C.

**THE NEXT FARMERS MARKET in aid of The Friends of Aldborough Primary School will be on SUNDAY, 5 June, 10.00 - 1.00, in Aldborough Community Centre.**

There will be markets on the first Sunday of each month.

### **ALDBOROUGH WILDLIFE GROUP**

Three outings planned for June:

Wednesday **8th June** – Evening trip to hear nightingales and nightjars

Saturday **18th**, Visit to Holt Lowes and/or Holt Country Park for wild flower identification

Saturday **25th**, Visit to Sculthorpe Reserve – to see birds of prey and warblers

For more information, contact Christine Carlson, 01263 761715, or Bob Eke, 768759,

[bobeke@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:bobeke@tiscali.co.uk)



### Do you care about Village Care?

Do you come along to Lunch Club? Has Village Care provided transport for you to the surgery or other medical appointments? Are you a volunteer - a driver, lunch helper or one of those who, through Village Care, have offered a helping hand to others in the village? Are you just interested in what Village Care does?

Then come to the **Annual General Meeting/ Cheese and Wine Party** on **Wednesday, 29th June at 7.30 in the Church Room.**

By popular request it will begin, like last year, with music performed by children from Aldborough School. The 'business' meeting will be quite short and the music, cheese and wine will be worth coming for!

Dorothy Wedge (Secretary)

### **ERPINGHAM BELL RINGERS**

Erpingham Church tower was built in the 15th century and has watched over this parish for 600 years. The original bells are now far flung: one is in a church in Papua New Guinea! The current bells are from another tower in Norwich and were hung here 20 years ago. The oldest of these dates back to the early 1400s. This bell and its five colleagues continue to ring and are now seeking new people to try them out. If you have never rung before and would like to learn, or, if you once rang and would like to refresh your skills, or if you would like to see what it's all about, you are welcome to come along to a practice night. You do not need to be a regular church goer, or need to be very strong, but you must be willing to have a good joke. We meet most Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm. If this has struck the right chime with you (excuse the pun) please ring Rob Goodliffe, 01263 768635, to check we will be ringing in the week you wish to come.

[If you want to see a photo of bell-ringers in action, have a look at the benefice website, [www.scarrowbeckbenefice.org.uk](http://www.scarrowbeckbenefice.org.uk)]

### **ERPINGHAM with CALTHORPE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

President: Tel. 01263 768279 Secretary: Tel. 01263 761350



On **Wednesday 22nd June at 7.30**, in the Village Hall, Mr Kevin Hegarty and The Minstrels, in costume and with period instruments, will be demonstrating The music and life of Tudor England. Visitors welcome.

## ***GARDEN FETE***

**SATURDAY 25th JUNE**

**2.00 – 4.00**

**in the Rectory Garden, School Road, Erpingham**

Teas    Cake Stall

Books and Bric à Brac      Bouncy Castle

Tombola and Raffle      Plants and Produce

Furry Ferrets and Patting Pony!

Contributions to various stalls would be gratefully appreciated.

Raffle prizes and small lucky dip prizes especially welcome.

Bring on the day or ring 01263 768209 for collection if necessary

**All proceeds in aid of Erpingham and Calthorpe Churches**

Friday 10th June 9.00 - 9.45  
**Messy church event**  
**in Erpingham Church**  
with children, parents and staff of  
Erpingham School.  
All invited to come and take part.

## **Erpingham Stay and Play**

An exciting free 'Stay and Play' session  
for children aged 6 months to 4 years  
at Erpingham Primary School.  
Every Tuesday from 9:30 until 10:30.

## **Erpingham Forest Friends Parent & Toddler Group**

Aylsham Children's Centre and Erpingham Primary School are offering a unique opportunity for parents and children of pre-school age to stay and play in our fantastic Forest School area.

**Venue: Erpingham Primary School**

**Time: 10-12, term time from Monday 13th June and every Monday after**

**Cost: Free      Drinks and snacks served picnic style**

Sessions will be led by Nicola, our Level 3 Forest School leader,  
with the support of Elaine, our Level 1 Forest School staff member.

An opportunity for your child to discover nature and the outdoors.

Come and meet all our forest friends

with a great pond and pond-dipping platform, bird-hide and nest-boxes.

Bug hotel      Natural sculpture area      Plants and animals

Build dens - Make mud pies - Discover mini beasts

Create art from found natural objects

Woodland story-telling, sitting on wooden logs

(or in our outdoor classroom if it's raining!)

Sessions **must be booked in advance** through the office at Erpingham Primary School

**Places limited to 15 children      Contact Serena in the office on 01263 761365**

### **ERPINGHAM VILLAGE HALL**

**200 CLUB - recent results : £10**

18-4-11	21	D.J. Nichols
25-4-11	61	G. Dennis
2-5-11	45	Abigail Payne
9-5-11	98	T. Peacock

**£5**

200	Rev. B. Faulkner
171	Albert Sharpe
142	L. Weller
102	P. Wilcox

### **FREE CHAIRS**

We have bought new chairs for Erpingham with Calthorpe Village Hall so you'll sit a lot more comfortably next time you come. We would like to give the old chairs to any deserving group or groups. They're perfectly usable, and mostly in good condition, plastic and stackable. About 50 orange, and 20 grey/black. If anyone knows anyone who would like some please call Stephen Green on 761350 or Stewart Casimir on 768992.

### ***Erpingham Café Church at the Village Hall***

**Sunday, June 19th at 5:00 p.m.**, lasting roughly an hour, is the next informal time together.

Subject: ***Why the Father's Garden?***

Come and enjoy time to chat and to listen to Charles and Megan Foster,  
followed by a shared tea together.

The emphasis will be on informality and helping people to find out more about,  
or deepen, their Christian faith.

## **ERPINGHAM with CALTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**

Items from the report of the first meeting of the new Council in May (Editor's choice)

Chairman Norman Smith welcomed fellow councillors and 3 members of the public and in the first item of business he was re-elected Chairman *nem con*. R Goodliffe was elected as vice-Chairman *nem con*. B Foord was co-opted to fill one of the two Council vacancies; one vacancy remains.

**Under finance** the Accounts for 2010-2011, the Annual Return for 2011 and the budget for 2011-2012 had been circulated to members and were approved. Mr K Benford was re-appointed Internal Auditor for 2011 and the Clerk was re-appointed as Responsible Financial Officer.

**Under matters arising** from the March meetings Norfolk County Council Highways had advised that they had ordered a sign to discourage HGVs from entering Blacksmiths Lane. The next Highways Rangers team visit is due and the Clerk would raise with them the condition of the edge of the highway opposite the re-named Erpingham PH.

**On planning:** applications for a caravan site on Cromer Road and the cart shed/holiday conversion at Wolsey Farmhouse had both been withdrawn. The Council had no objection to the air source heat pump at 8 Aldborough Road, and had supported the application for extensions at Woodbine Cottage which is now permitted. The Council had no objection to the extensions at Erpingham VC primary School.

**On other matters:** the Council were concerned that the daily opening hours to 1 am might become a local nuisance, and suggested a restriction on the License Application for the Erpingham Arms.

**In his report the Clerk** confirmed he would be preparing the Annual Report and expressed concern over the cost to the Council of work for North Norfolk District Council at elections.

**In members' reports** the Chairman advised that the **discussions on the Diamond Jubilee celebrations** were progressing well.

**An open meeting will be held in Erpingham Village Hall at 7.30 pm on  
Tuesday 14th June  
to encourage village participation in the design of the new Village Sign.  
All villagers are welcome.**

## **THWAITE COMMON**

The common is looking lovely - brambles all cleared ready for the cattle which we are told will come as soon as it rains. Having had such a wet winter and with spring producing huge water-logged areas, it seems incredible that the ground is now so dry!!

But the pretty bright blue milkwort has reappeared on the ground nearest to the Weaver's Way (although in tiny amounts) - testament to the benefit of grazing! (It had disappeared with the growth when grazing ceased). Ladies smock is blooming and the apple trees and gorse are in full flower. Orchids should soon appear by the time you read this. Ash trees look less abundant, easily beaten by the budding oaks. So maybe the old saying 'oak before ash, we're in for a splash' is going to come true!! Better gather what rain we can for the garden.

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**INGWORTH CHURCH** now has some handsome new gates, in memory of Hubert Sheringham. They were dedicated last month and there will soon be some photos on the website. Their craftsmanship makes them worth stopping to have a look at, especially the clever two-way hinges.



**Thank You** for all of your support and donations for the RACE FOR LIFE. Together you helped me raise **£747.81** for Cancer Research.  
Charlotte





presents

a lunch time concert in St Michael's Church, Aylsham,  
on Thursday, 16th June at 1.00.

Mark Oldfield Baritone Schubert, Tchaikovsky,  
Timothy Lole Piano Ravel and English songs

Entrance £7, children free. Refreshments available for £4 from 12.15

### Retired people needed to boost Norfolk businesses

**Are you a retired or semi-retired person  
looking to pass on your business and  
management knowledge and experience?**

**Are you a business, charity, local group or  
voluntary organisation looking for some free  
professional help with something?**

If so, **Norfolk Knowledge can help**

because it is specifically looking for people and projects in the North Norfolk area.

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