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**BRANCASTER, BRANCASTER STAITHE, BURNHAM DEEPPDALE, TITCHWELL, CHOSELEY**

**THE RECTOR: Interregnum**

**ASSISTANT PRIEST HUNSTANTON & SAXON SHORE BENEFICE:**

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**The Rev'd Sandra Ellison Tel 01485 298852**

Dear Friends,

I remember my first summer living in Brancaster back in 2002. One day in late July I remarked to a friend how quiet the A149 was for the main coast road. "Just you wait until tomorrow", she replied. She didn't like the school holidays. She found the change to her usual peaceful daily life difficult and refused to see anything positive in it. For others the transformation was to be enjoyed. The village came alive with new people to meet, friends welcomed back. For local businesses the influx of visitors is vital. For those visiting it is a time for relaxation, a time to rekindle friendships, to spend quality time with family members, to escape the often over busy daily lives of juggling home, work and family. A time to enjoy open spaces, the sand, the sea and fresh air.

For children and young people it is a time of change as they face perhaps nursery or school for the first time. Moving to a new class, new school, university or going out to work for the first time. Excitement of the new and unknown will be mixed with anticipation and perhaps hesitation. Of course the long August holidays weren't always a time for relaxing. The six weeks were an important time if food for the following winter was to be plentiful. Schools were closed and from dawn to dusk young and old worked on the land. It was hard, dusty, tiring work. Times change, understanding changes, the way things are done, the way things are achieved change. For some any change is difficult. Some want to remain with the old traditions, that which is familiar that which feels comfortable and has 'always been'. Others are able to embrace change to look forward to something new, something different.

And so it has always been, those who can embrace change and those who fight it. Many at the time of Jesus were unable to accept his new teaching of a totally loving God. A God for whom all people, men, women and children, those of a different race and background whatever their status on this earth were equally loved. Following his death those who followed the way of Jesus soon found issues with which to disagree. Peter - on whom Jesus had said the church would be built - strongly disagreed with Paul, the great evangelist to the gentiles (non Jews). Although they went their separate ways they were both firmly rooted in God's love.

The change to our coastal villages and towns during August is embraced and welcomed by many. The excitement, the joy, the laughter of both children and adults, making new friends brings pleasure to many. Many who live here spend their holidays here enjoying the beautiful countryside, the beach and visiting those places there is just not enough time to visit during busy everyday lives. However for my friend it may take a little thought on the part of some who come on holiday to turn down the exuberance a little, to respect the privacy of those whose home is here. Where ever you find yourself during August I pray that it will be refreshing and fulfilling.

Sandra Ellison, retired priest assisting during the interregnum.

## AUGUST SERVICES IN THE HUNSTANTON & SAXON SHORE BENEFICE

CW = Common Worship. BCP = Book of Common Prayer. HC = Holy Communion.

MP = Service of Morning Prayer (no bread and wine)

Family service= Shorter service with lighting of candles (no bread and wine)

### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>

10.00 am Hunstanton

### Midweek Communion

Holy Communion

### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>

9.00 am Holme-next-the-Sea

### Transfiguration

Holy Communion BCP

9.00 am Ringstead

Holy Communion CW

10.30 am Titchwell

Holy Communion for Families CW

10.45 am Brancaster

Holy Communion (said) CW

10.45 am Old Hunstanton

Holy Communion CW

10.45 am Hunstanton

Morning Prayer CW

### Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>

10.00 am Ringstead

### Midweek Communion

Holy Communion

### Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>

8.30 am Titchwell

### Tenth after Trinity

Holy Communion BCP

10.30 am " "

Holy Communion for Families CW

9.00 am Burnham Deepdale

Holy Communion CW

9.00 am Ringstead

Holy Communion CW

9.00 am Thornham

Morning Prayer CW

10.45 am Old Hunstanton

Holy Communion CW

10.45 am Hunstanton

Holy Communion CW

4.00 pm Brancaster

Evensong

### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>

10.00 am Hunstanton

### Midweek Communion

Holy Communion

### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>

9.00 am Holme-next-the-Sea

### Eleventh after Trinity

Holy Communion CW

9.00 am Ringstead

Holy Communion CW

10.15 am Burnham Deepdale

Family Service CW

10.30 am Titchwell

Holy Communion for Families CW

10.45 am Old Hunstanton

Morning Prayer CW

10.45 am Hunstanton

Holy Communion CW

### Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>

10.00 am Ringstead

### Midweek Communion

Holy Communion

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>

8.30 am Titchwell

### Twelfth after Trinity

Holy Communion BCP

10.30 am " "

Holy Communion for Families CW

9.00 am Burnham Deepdale

Holy Communion CW

9.00 am Ringstead

Morning Prayer CW

9.00 am Thornham

Holy Communion CW

10.45 am Old Hunstanton

Holy Communion CW

10.45 am Hunstanton

Holy Communion CW

**EVENING PRAYER ON ZOOM** Each **Sunday** at 6 pm. Contact John Crofts for further details ([johnpcrofts@gmail.com](mailto:johnpcrofts@gmail.com)). There is always room for more on the computer screen.

### **MAKING SPACE CAFÉ, Supported by the Norfolk Community Foundation**

10 am - 12 noon **every Wednesday** at St Edmund's Church Hall, Hunstanton.

For Brancaster monthly lunches, please see page 4.

### **A FEW HOUSEKEEPING REGULATIONS DURING THE INTERREGNUM:**

Whilst we are without a rector our Rural Dean, Peter Cook, takes over that responsibility. Please contact Peter in the first instance **for all enquiries regarding weddings, funerals and baptisms.**

Peter's phone number is 01485 517157.

**The diocesan registrar is responsible for all memorials in a churchyard - headstones and plaques.** During a vacancy all requests for these must go through the registrar. The person/stone mason making the request should contact the registrar directly. Church wardens and priests assisting during the interregnum cannot give permission for these. For the registrar see [www.norwichdiocesanregistry.co.uk](http://www.norwichdiocesanregistry.co.uk).

### **ST HENRY WALPOLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, BURNHAM MARKET**

**Mass times:** Sundays 9.30 am; Fridays 9.30 am. Holy Days of Obligation: see noticeboard in Church porch. Further information: [catholicparishofwalsingham.org](http://catholicparishofwalsingham.org).

### **ST MARY'S, BURNHAM DEEPPDALE**

**Plant Stall at Deepdale Farmhouse gate** Thank you again to everyone who has contributed plants and who continue to do so, and to everyone who buys from it. Our total since the beginning of April is £798.06. We now have some produce for sale, so do call by and have a look. All proceeds go to the church building maintenance fund.

**Books in the Porch** Second-hand books are on sale again. Do come and have a browse. We would love to have more but please **not hardback books**, particularly technical, cookery or gardening books. These just do not sell and it gives us a lot of work to dispose of them elsewhere. Please take them to a charity shop yourself.

### **ST MARY'S CHURCH, TITCHWELL**

We are now more than half way through the year, and it is time to plan ahead for our harvest celebrations and thanksgiving for all that we gather from both land and sea. Please note the dates and times below; more information will be provided in the September magazine.

#### **September Harvest Celebration**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup>:** Harvest Supper in the marquee on the green by the church (bring your own wine). Tickets £15 from Susan Campbell 01485 210756. **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>:** Harvest exhibition and decorations in the church.

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>:** Harvest Thanksgiving Services: 8.30 am Holy Communion BCP. 10.30 am Family Communion CW. 5 pm Harvest Teas in the marquee.

For **Services in August**, please see page 2.

**Please note** that there will be no Stillness services during August, and that we will reconvene in St Mary's on **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September** at 4 pm. With my prayers and best wishes for you all,

James Monro (Assistant Priest, Hunstanton and Saxon Shore benefice).

### **HOLME-NEXT-THE-SEA CHURCH FETE**

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> August**, 2 to 5 pm at Whitehall Farm PE36 6LH. Traditional fete with fun and games for all. Hunstanton Concert Band. Refreshments. Free entry, free parking.

### **BRANCASTER PARISH COUNCIL**

Council has agreed a new **streetlight maintenance** provider, who will take over the contract in September. If you are reporting a streetlight fault, please do so directly to the Clerk, as all lights in the Parish are maintained by the PC. As with all such reports, it is really helpful to be precise about locations, as so many houses have names not numbers – using the What3Words App on a phone is the simplest way. Regarding who is responsible for issues which may arise, it is best to report **pot-holes, footpath issues, overgrown hedges and signage problems** to Norfolk County Council directly.

Council received three **grant applications** recently. It agreed to fund the School Trip to the Norfolk Show at a cost of £600, gave £4,400 split between the two Churches to help maintain the graveyards/cemetery, and will contribute to National Coastwatch when their funding position is clear after other grant applications. A reminder that Council can give grants to organisations in the Parish which are of general benefit to residents; application details (policy/form) are on the website, and the Clerk is always happy to give advice.

Plans are progressing for an **open "Town Hall" meeting** – this is likely to be on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** in Brancaster Village Hall – please look out for details on boards, website or Facebook in the near future. To help Members of the Public to have **input into Council meetings** more easily, we now have two sessions at the start and end of our meetings – all such meetings are open to the Public, and agendas are published the previous week.

We have been asked about **collecting prescriptions from the Surgery.** Burnham Surgery can deliver prescription medicine to those who are over 70 and infirm and to those with a disability which prevents them from getting to the surgery and have no other means of picking it up. Deliveries to Burnham Deepdale, Brancaster Staithe and Brancaster are on Tuesdays between 9.30 am and 1.30 pm and the recipient must be at home to receive the medicine. Please call the surgery on 01328 737000 to arrange. Those who need to reach the surgery for appointments should use the community car scheme.

Council has agreed to new arrangements regarding the **Chain at Brancaster Staithe Harbour** – the National Trust will be explaining these in detail in coming months with a view to them being in place for next year.

You may be aware that the Scolt Head and District Common Rightholders' Association are engaged in **legal action against Council.** This is ongoing, and therefore we cannot comment further. We will keep you informed when we can refer to the details publicly.

The next **meeting of Council** will be on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August** in Brancaster Village Hall at 6.30 pm. Contact details for the Parish Council: [www.brancaster-pc.gov.uk](http://www.brancaster-pc.gov.uk) (note change); email [clerk@brancaster-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@brancaster-pc.gov.uk).

### **BRANCASTER HOT SPOT LUNCHES**

Following our very successful monthly Community Hot Spot lunches during the winter at Brancaster Village Hall, where members of our community enjoyed a nourishing lunch of soup, sandwiches, buffet, puddings, and tea and coffee, we hope to provide these again this winter. However, **we do need more volunteers,** even for a couple of hours, to help us set up the hall the night before, make soup or sandwiches or generally help us on the day. So any help from anyone would be hugely appreciated to enable us to continue to run our monthly Community Hot Spot lunches. If you are able to assist us in any way, please contact either Mary Gardiner on 01485 210442, Babs Wade on 01485 522273, or email [hotspotlunches@gmail.com](mailto:hotspotlunches@gmail.com).

For those attending our lunches, if you require transport assistance please ring Mary Gardiner.

### **CIVIL EMERGENCY PLAN**

As a result of the fire in Brancaster Staithe last July Val Carpenter and William Gardiner are charged by the Brancaster Parish Council to advise them on the setting up of a Parish-wide Civil Emergency Plan.

This group should comprise members of the parish and others with specific information, skills, local knowledge and have access to machinery that may be needed in the event of a civil emergency.

Please join us at the meeting to draw up a plan of action and register of key contacts on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September** at 6.30 pm in Brancaster Staithe Village Hall.

Val and William are fully aware we probably don't know all the people who should be alerted to this meeting and who it would be desirable to have in attendance, so please let such members of the community know about this meeting and extend an invitation to them.

For pre-meeting information please contact: Val 07521 887470 or William on 07836 217366.

### **PLAY EQUIPMENT FOR THE BRANCASTER STAITHE, BURNHAM DEEPPDALE VILLAGE HALL PLAYING FIELD**

The Village Hall Committee is considering the installation of play equipment in an area of the playing field. In order to move this proposal forward, they are seeking letters or emails of support from the local community. Please send your emails to [bsbdvh.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:bsbdvh.secretary@gmail.com) and letters to the Village Hall c/o Appletrees, Orchard Close, Brancaster Staithe, PE31 8BN. If you wish to support this proposal, please get your emails/letters to the committee by the end of August.

### **BURNHAM MARKET AREA COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME (BMACCS)**

Volunteer drivers always wanted. Journeys can be local or long distance. Mileage expenses are paid in line with HMRC guidelines. Our drivers choose to do anything from less than one journey a month to several trips a week. Passengers are primarily taken for medically related appointments. Please ring Linda on 07851 322 580 to book a driver or discuss joining the team.

**ART EXHIBITION** featuring work by Judi Tussaud (Polito), Deane Clark, Jo Cowell and Sally Broughton, opens in Brancaster Staithe Village Hall, **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July till Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July**, 10 am – 5 pm daily. Everyone welcome.

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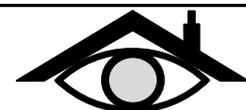
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**Nature walks** Reveal Nature are running a series of their nature connection experiences, enabling you to explore the natural world in different ways.

**Biofluorescent Night Walks**: **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August, Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September.**

**Microscopic Marvels** (family friendly): **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July, Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August.**

**Aromatic Adventures**: **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September. Forest Bathing: Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September.**

Visit the website or follow us on social media (@deepdalefarm) for more information about our events, and to book [www.deepdalefarm.co.uk/events](http://www.deepdalefarm.co.uk/events).

If you or a friend run a craft or nature-related course and are interested in using Deepdale Farm as a venue, please get in touch with us – [enquiries@deepdalefarm.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@deepdalefarm.co.uk)

## **DEEPDALE & BRANCASTER STAITHE TENNIS CLUB**

Everyone is welcome to play on our courts. If you are a visitor, you can book a court for up to an hour and a half and pay online via our website – [www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/DBSTennisClub](http://www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/DBSTennisClub)

**Coaching** During the school holidays Becky Palmer our LTA coach will be offering coaching on **Wednesday mornings** on the following dates: **26<sup>th</sup> July, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> August**. Sessions for 4-7 year olds will be from 10.45-11.30 am (£1 per session), Sessions for 8-11 year olds will be from 11.30 am-12.30 pm (£2 per session). There is no need to come to every session but you **must book in** with Carrie Hendry via email [juniortennis@brancasterstaithe.co.uk](mailto:juniortennis@brancasterstaithe.co.uk) and **pay in advance via BACS** to Deepdale and Brancaster Staithe Tennis Club a/c 20195022 sort code 20 30 81. **No pay, no play**. Numbers will be strictly limited.

## **BRANCASTER CAMERA CLUB**

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August** at 7 pm in Brancaster Staithe Village Hall. The subject for the evening is 'Seaside'. If there are any visitors in the area with an interest in photography we would be pleased to see you. We are a small, but friendly club.

For more information contact Sue Till on 01485 210013 or Wendy Calow on 01553 674725.

## **THE WHITE HORSE**

Join us Marshside for **Norfolk's 'Original' Annual Brancaster Oyster Festival** with *Nyetimber*, Marshside on **Friday 18<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August**, 12 noon 'til late. Oysters shucked by our chefs and served in a variety of ways - Po'Boy, Bloody Mary and more! Chat with Ben and Cyril, *Brancaster Oysters* and Bobby Groves, Author of *Oyster Isles*, and experience a *Nyetimber* masterclass. Live music all weekend, full gig list online [www.whitehorsebrancaster.co.uk/events](http://www.whitehorsebrancaster.co.uk/events). No need to book, just come along and enjoy.

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## **THE JOLLY SAILORS**

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**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July**, 12.30 pm *65-piece Norfolk ROCK CHOIR* sing in the garden, collection for Hunstanton RNLI. **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July**, 8.30 pm *Head over Heels 'Abba Duo'*.

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August**, Charity Quiz: join us for a fun evening and you could win an ACI £100 voucher. All proceeds to Big C, Norfolk Cancer Charity.

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August**, 8.30 to 11 pm, *THE METROS* in the garden.

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September**, 12 noon to 6 pm *Family Fun Day*. New Garden Games, Bouncy Castle, Charity cake sale (Big C, Norfolk), Pizzas and Ice Cream!

Keep your eyes peeled on social for more Nelson's Shantymen Jolly gigs throughout August in addition to their rehearsals every Monday, 7 pm.

**Simon, Nick, Caitlin & The Jolly Sailors Team**

## **NEWS FROM BRANCASTER VILLAGE HALL (BVH)**

### **Brancaster Village Stores And Post Office**

It is pleasing to report that, following a period where the Post Office has not been operating due to challenging staffing issues, it is on the cusp of being reopened, initially on a part-time basis. Following the repair of the phone link and computer system, the Post Office will open on a fortnightly schedule from the date and on days (and times) detailed on the website below. John Wareham, the Chair of Trustees, along

with the Management Committee, is working hard to have the Post Office opened for five days a week as soon as possible, when it is also intended to extend the shop opening to seven days a week. (July opening hours 9 am to 3 pm).

**Bar 71 Summer Party** Bar 71 Summer Party will be held on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July** from 4 pm until late with food, drink and music available.

**“A Year And A Day Show”: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

Raising Cain Productions will be bringing their one-man show to Brancaster following their successful visit in March. Full details can be obtained on the website listed below.

**Bar 71** The Quiz nights and Darts and Pool Leagues continue: details are to be found on the website listed below.

**Regular Groups** For more information on all future events and our regular groups – Yoga, Baby and Toddler Group, Coffee Morning, Beginners’ Pilates, Fitness Fusion and the Mobile Library – please visit our website: [www.brancastervillagehall.co.uk](http://www.brancastervillagehall.co.uk)

**NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL (BY THRIFT CLASS)**

So much has happened there isn’t room to tell it all, but THANK YOU to everyone who gave us money towards some of the following things. Our class walked to the beach and we learnt all about salt marshes. We saw the plant thrift, which is what our class is named after. The Jolly Sailors let us have a stall at the beer festival and we made over £750! Thank you to everyone who helped. Quite a few of us children worked all day. There are so many things we need and this will really help us. We want lots of new toys and a new library and things like cookery ingredients.

The Deputy Mayor of King’s Lynn came and gave us all coronation coins. He had a lovely uniform and told us about what he does to help everyone living here. The owl man came and taught us about owls and then he let us hold an owl. It was so cute. We couldn’t believe that they eat things whole and then digest the meat and make the bones and feathers and fur into pellets.

The whole school went to the Norfolk Show and we had a WONDERFUL time. All the photos are on our blog <https://www.stmaryfed.org.uk/class-page-thrift>. We sang with Gareth Malone and we were right next to him. It was really exciting and we saw some of our teachers on TV.

We are looking forward to our annual picnic at School Farm, run by The Robert Smith Trust. *Update – a wonderful time was had by all.* And then we’re having a pyjama party and a beach trip and sports day and we’re doing an opera and going to Ken Hill again, and then on the last day of term it’s leavers assembly in the church. See how busy we are! But we are still working. Mrs Bocking gave year 2 a maths challenge today. It was hard but we did it! And we went into Year 3 in Samphire class. It was so good we wanted to stay!

At the leavers assembly we have to say goodbye to Mrs Preston, which is really sad because she is always there for us, as well as goodbye Mrs O who is lovely. Oliver is going on to his next school and some other children are moving to new schools, but we also have new children coming who have already had visits and it was nice to see them. We are very excited because Mrs Woodrow isn’t going and will be our head next term. The children return for the Autumn Term on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**.

**Ink Cartridges** Brancaster primary school kindly requests that you save your ink cartridges from your printing machines for us to recycle and earn a few pennies. The parents and children will regularly check collection boxes (the pretty red polka dot ones) in the local church porches. We and all the children thank you for your continued support. (Parents & Friends Association)

**NATIONAL COASTWATCH INSTITUTION (NCI) BRANCASTER NEWS**

Since the last news report there have been three reportable incidents on Brancaster Beach, with people stranded on a spit and inflatables caught on an outgoing tide. Fortunately these incidents ended successfully, with no injury. Inflatables are a real hazard on the open sea and should be kept away from tidal currents such as those of Brancaster. We are pleased that Paul K is a newly-accredited Watchkeeper: congratulations to him.

NCI Brancaster were delighted to be chosen as the beneficiaries of the Round the Island Kendal Cup race entry fees held by Brancaster Staithe Sailing Club. Congratulations to race winners Sarah and Bruce! Our thanks to the Commodore and members, and also to the Vice-Commodore for inviting Watchkeepers Richard B and Sarah T to watch the race from the safety boats. NCI Brancaster will also be at the Old Hunstanton Flower Festival on 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> July and would welcome enquiries on the service or any other matter.

Our Water Safety Officer role is now active, and Watchkeeper Henk will be seen out and about in the community and on the beach with our water safety message. We are very grateful to the Norfolk Community Foundation (through the Chiplow Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund) and NCI National Office, who have helped to provide the resources we need to deliver this important message to the community. If there are any local organisations (schools, scout groups, etc) who might be interested in hearing more about this water safety initiative, please contact [henk.van.welsen@nci.org.uk](mailto:henk.van.welsen@nci.org.uk). John Allen (Station Manager) represented NCI Brancaster at the prestigious Royal Norfolk Show Community Champions tribute. Watchkeeper Anthony represented NCI Brancaster at a "Paella and Fizz" evening at the Bishop of Norfolk's house.

Finally, we have been on social media again, asking for more volunteers. We struggle to fill all of the watches, meaning the station may occasionally be unmanned during the busy summer weekends. Please contact [richard.burrows@nci.org.uk](mailto:richard.burrows@nci.org.uk) if you are able to regularly commit to 4 hours per week to help us out. We remain grateful to the RWNGC for all its assistance, and of course, to our volunteers who help to make Brancaster beach safe for all users.

### **NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL TRUST**

Brancaster Staithe Harbour occupies an important place at the heart of the local community. It's where local residents come together to share in activities they love, catch up with one another, and enjoy the magnificence of this special place. It is also a popular stop-off point for holidaymakers exploring the beautiful North Norfolk coast.

The National Trust is proud to own and look after this special place. We do this by employing a Harbour Master and Assistant Harbour Master to provide safety information, providing navigation buoys and navigation information, and through the ongoing maintenance of the harbour facilities and infrastructure. We also work to safeguard the harbour's long-term future by raising income from things like moorings and launch fees.

If you have visited the harbour recently, you may be aware that we are introducing some changes to how we manage the chain on the hard. Owners of small boats and tenders attached to the chain are being asked to register their craft with us, so we can contact them if there is a problem with their boat. From next year, places on the chain will be subject to a fee and they will be allocated via a public ballot, which will open for entries in August. The ballot will give priority to local people and those with tenders. This is a fairer system than the current first-come, first-served, approach. After several years in which mooring fees have been kept fairly constant, we are also having to adjust these in light of the increased costs of running the harbour. This will allow the continued investment that is needed to keep the harbour safe and well-maintained. More information about these changes can be found on the Brancaster Estate page on our website, notices around the harbour, or you can speak to the harbour master, or get in touch with us at [norfolkcoast@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:norfolkcoast@nationaltrust.org.uk).

Chris Bielby, Countryside Manager

### **BRANCASTER OIL COOPERATIVE**

I shall be ordering oil on **Thursdays**, 17<sup>th</sup> August, 7<sup>th</sup> September, 28<sup>th</sup> September.

Maria Spink 01485 210155.

### **BRANCASTER STAITHE MOBILE POST OFFICE**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday:** 4 – 4.30 pm; **Wednesday:** 1.10 – 1.45 pm, in the layby or The Drove opposite Dalegate Market.

### **MOBILE LIBRARY**

**Thursdays monthly**, (? 24<sup>th</sup> August) check date at number below. **Brancaster:** Village Hall 1.55 - 2.25 pm, and Mill Rd 2.30 - 2.40 pm; **Brancaster Staithe:** Old Posting House 2.50 - 3.05 pm, and Dale End 3.10 - 3.25 pm; **Burnham Deepdale:** Layby 3.30 – 3.45 pm. Please note this information is subject to change or amendment. Enquiries call 01603 222303.

### **WELLS LIBRARY**

Plenty going on at Wells Library. eg: Help with computer skills, free sessions (please book) **Wednesdays** 11 am - 1 pm, or **Mondays** 5.30 - 6.30 pm. **Wednesdays:** Knit and Natter; Book Club (monthly). **Fridays:** Just a Cuppa, 11 am – noon; Crafting for children (term time) 3.30 – 4.30 pm. **Saturday** Lego Club 10.30 - 11 am. .... And lots more. For information and to book please ring 01328 710467.

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As always, if you spot something unusual, call the police on 101, providing as many details as possible, such as descriptions of people and cars, including number plates. But if you believe a crime is in progress, then always dial 999. If you do not wish to leave your details, you can call anonymously, or via Crime Stoppers 0800 555 111; your call is free and confidential.

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### **STANHOE AND BARWICK WI**

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August** A flower arranging demonstration by Crystal Dyball.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September** Claire Howard will be demonstrating jewellery-making.

The Reading Room, Stanhoe. 2 pm. Visitors are most welcome. Our charge is £5, which includes refreshments. Please contact Valerie (01485 576261) for further details.

**PHOENIX LADIES** There will be NO meeting of Phoenix Ladies in August. We meet again on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September** when Alirae Bunkle will demonstrate some “Crafty Ideas”. Enjoy the rest of the summer and we look forward to seeing you all again in September. For more information please contact Sue on 01328 730859 or email [suisted@btinternet.com](mailto:suisted@btinternet.com).

There is also a web site: [burnhammarketandnortonvillagehall.org.uk](http://burnhammarketandnortonvillagehall.org.uk)

With best wishes to you all - Hilda, Melinda and Sue

### **PAINT the MUSIC! EXHIBITION AT BURNHAM OVERY BOATHOUSE**

**20<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> August.** Open 11 am -5 pm daily. Musically inspired paintings by Jane Williams. For the complete experience QR codes enable you to listen to the music while you look at the paintings. The Charlie Pyne Jazz Trio will be performing at the exhibition in the evening of Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 7-9 pm.

Tickets now available from: [www.burnhamoveryboathouse.co.uk/events](http://www.burnhamoveryboathouse.co.uk/events) or

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/jazz-at-the-boathouse-tickets-623581327537>.

**BURNHAM MARKET CRAFT FAIR Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August**, 9 am – 5 pm. Free entrance, over 100 stalls on the greens, parking at North Street Car park and on the playing field off Creak Road. Stalls include original art, jewellery, plants, textiles, ceramics, cards, woodwork, pottery, basketwork, furniture, glassware, photography, aromatherapy, metalwork and more. There will be a traditional Hog Roast, ice cream vendors and a Punch and Judy Show.

For more information visit [www.theburnhammarketcraftfair.co.uk](http://www.theburnhammarketcraftfair.co.uk).

**JUST A REMINDER** Do check the diary page as we always list events as soon as we are aware of them, so you can note the date and await fuller information nearer the time.

## DIARY DATES 2023 – updated monthly

**BVH** = Brancaster Village Hall,    **BSDVH** = Brancaster Staithe & Deepdale Village Hall

- Weekly:** Monday: Mobile Post Office, Deepdale layby, 4 - 4.30 pm  
“ Yoga 6.30 - 8 pm, BVH  
Tuesday: Baby & Toddler Group, 9.30 - 11.30 am, BVH (Term time only)  
“ Mobile Post Office, Deepdale layby, 4 - 4.30 pm  
Wednesday: ‘Making Space’ Coffee Morning, St Edmund’s Hall, Hunstanton, 10am  
“ Coffee Morning, 10.30 - 11.30 am, BVH  
“ Mobile Post Office, Deepdale layby, 1.10 - 1.45 pm  
“ Yoga, 6 - 7.15pm, BSDVH  
“ Fitness Fusion with Katie 6 - 7.15 pm, BVH  
Thursday: Beginners Pilates with Sarah, 12.30 - 1.30 pm, BVH  
“ Art Group 2 - 4 pm BSDVH  
“ Mobile Post Office, Deepdale layby, 4 - 4.30 pm  
**Monthly:** Thursdays: **Mobile Library:** Brancaster BVH 1.55 - 2.25 pm;  
Mill Rd 2.30 - 2.40 pm; Brancaster Staithe: Old Posting Hse 2.50 - 3.05 pm;  
Dale End 3.10 - 3.25 pm

### JULY

- Fri-Mon 28<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> Art Exhibition 10 am-5 pm, BSDVH  
Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Summer Party from 4 pm, BVH

### AUGUST

- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Parish Council Meeting, 6.30 pm. BVH  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Church Fete, Whitehall Farm, Holme, 2-5 pm  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Brancaster Camera Club, 7 pm BSDVH  
Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Burnham Market Craft Fair, 9 am – 5 pm  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Mobile Library (see page 9)

### SEPTEMBER

- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> Primary School re-opens for Autumn Term  
“ 5<sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting, 6.30 pm. BSDVH  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Civil Emergency Plan Meeting, 6.30 pm, BSDVH  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Titchwell Harvest Supper (see page 3)  
Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> Harvest exhibition and decorations, St Mary’s church Titchwell  
Thurs-Sun 21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Deepdale Festival [www.deepdalefestival.co.uk](http://www.deepdalefestival.co.uk)  
Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Open ‘Town Hall’ meeting, BVH (Details later)

### EDITOR’S NOTE

Please leave any notices/articles for the Parish News **by 4.30 pm on the 19<sup>th</sup> of the month** (earlier is always welcome) either in my postbox at the gate of Marsh Head, Main Road (opposite The Jolly Sailors), Brancaster Staithe, PE31 8BJ **or preferably**, if possible, email me at [ch81@btinternet.com](mailto:ch81@btinternet.com).

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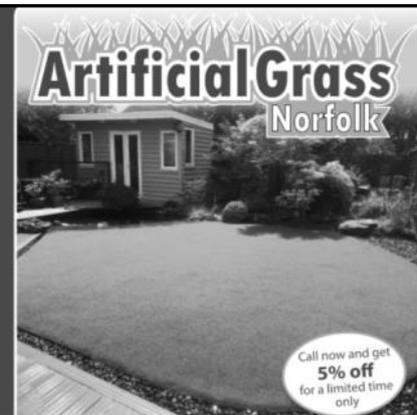


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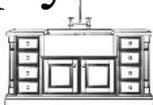


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