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The
**Village
LINK**

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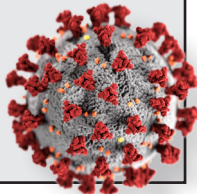
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Coronavirus & Cancellations

The Easter Bunny may be dancing for joy, but there's not much going on in the villages this month. Even the Easter Rabbit Show, due to be held in the Community Hall, has fallen foul of the virus. Inside The Village Link you will find details of what's on and off, offers of help, news, advice, reflections and a competition to win an Easter egg.

Despite everything ...
Happy Easter!



News from the Community Centre

The following activities are all cancelled until further notice.

- The Bar
- Bingo
- Darts
- Gardening Club
- Tuesday Circle
- Hall Lunch
- Stretch & Balance
- Coffee Stop
- Charity music event

CANCELLED

Many thanks to Rosie Lay, Manageress, for this update. More inside.



Hintlesham & Chattisham Community Hall
To book the Hall or Meeting Room 'phone
Richard on 07497 292699 (9.00am – 9.00pm only)

To talk about a wedding,
baptism or funeral,
please contact the Vicar,
Rev Jackson, at rev@kind.church
01473 657349

Facebook:
Hintlesham and Chattisham Churches

The View From Here ...

Rev'd Jackson Crompton-Battersby writes ... For those with longish memories and some age behind you, think back to Live Aid 1985 or find the U2 segment of it on YouTube. The concert was organised in order to reach out across the continents to the starving of Ethiopia and Somalia. U2 were next up and Bono was in one of his moods. He couldn't stand the whole rock-star-in-splendid-isolation thing on the stage. Part way through "Bad" he went walkabout. In front of the largest TV audience in history he jumped down from the mega stage to dance with a stranger. He'd just screamed out the refrain:

This desperation

Dislocation

Separation, condemnation

Isolation, desolation

Let it go

He felt the distance and nearly broke his back trying to bridge it. The rest is history; he danced with a stranger, held the heart of a billion people and showed them that Live Aid wasn't some coins chucked at the poor, but an attempt at becoming hand-in-hand. The band had no idea what was going on and in fury almost sacked him after he came off stage. Meanwhile Bono and his wife packed their bags and set off for the slums of Eritrea and worked there for six weeks with the sick and the dying.

Brothers and sisters and friends and parishioners, we are social people, we need each other, we are connected by default and by need. Right now all sorts of connectedness has been taken away from us; touch, proximity and smiling faces have been replaced by more news and less loo roll.

So, it's up to us, inspired by our God who is utter connectedness in His nature and love, it's up to us to reach out and connect. Don't let a week go by without ringing up half a dozen people and don't risk the game of "they're probably alright, not the sort to get lonely". Ring them. Get connected with local online groups, find out who needs us in virtual and in practical need.

I could stretch the U2 analogy too far, but the thing is we have the opportunity to emerge, this autumn, from the catastrophe stronger and more certain of each other's love and loyalty. We can emerge closer to God and less cynical of words like faith, hope and sacrifice. Your churches in Hintlesham and Chattisham will be with you and we will not lose our community or our faith.

God Bless you, *Jackson*

Hintlesham Church News

St Nicholas Church is open for private prayer during daylight hours. However, the spring clean which was due to take place on 1st April has been postponed.



Easter Egg Competition

The Hintlesham & Chattisham Easter Bunny has hidden Easter eggs throughout this month's Village Link. But just how many are there? Count them up and email your answer with your name & address to Easter Bunny HQ at Hint.Chat.Link@gmail.com by 9am on Sat 11th April. All entries will be put into a lucky draw to win the scrummy chocolate egg prize. No more than one entry per household please.



Gardener Wanted

Garden helper required for large cottage garden, flexible 3-4 hours per week for lawn mowing, strimming, hedge cutting etc. May suit a mature teenager. Please contact Janice Parish on 01473 652339.

Babysitter Available

I am available with plenty of experience. First Aid training recently completed.

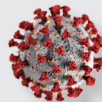
Please text me if you're interested. Amelia Moy, George Street. Text: 07547 922570



Hintlesham & Chattisham Friday Youth Club is postponed until further notice. Par-ents wishing to contact 4YP should call 01473 252607.

CORONAVIRUS - VULNERABLE AND SELF-ISOLATING RESIDENTS

Maria Ward writes ... In these unprecedented (and a little scary) times, I have seen some wonderful examples of people looking out for their neighbours. It really restores my faith in human nature. For those of our residents who are vulnerable and self-isolating, the following people have offered to help where they can. Please do call on us if you need us. Stay well, stay safe. Much love (from a distance) to you all.



Name	Address	Number
The Ferdinandos	Wilderness Hill, Hintlesham	652080
Steven Wright	Timperleys, Hintlesham	07805 095 126
Simon and Lindsay Maynard	Duke St, Hintlesham	653817 / 07887 883600
Maria Ward	George Street, Hintlesham	652748 / 07771 831426
Malissa Heffer	Copdock	07816 097249
Lynette Overing	Duke Street, Hintlesham	07594623720
Emily and Phil	Duke Street, Hintlesham	652583 /07961173738
Cris Langton		652357 / 07958 522079
Nick and Sonia Harvey	Duke Street, Hintlesham	652676
Cathy	Priory Road, Hintlesham	07725 970529
Angela Nicholls	Duke Street, Hintlesham	652827 / 07811 429049
Emma	Hintlesham	652141
Julie	Timperleys, Hintlesham	07906 119129
Michelle Groves	Duke Street, Hintlesham	07540 979114
Kevin Knuckey	Duke Street, Hintlesham	07771 643303

Hall Lunch

I have thought a great deal about should we or should we not have Hall Lunch over the next few months. Very sad to say, my decision follows the Prime Minister's advice and we must put it on hold!

Once the Government advises us that we can get together again, I will start the lunches.

Hope you all understand. Keep safe,

Stephanie and the Hall Lunch Team



Time for a Chattisham Brew

The Rural Coffee Caravan Cafe at Chattisham Church

will be going ahead on Tuesday, 21st April at 10am. Lots of precautions, of course. Wrap up warm, as we might meet outside if it is fine. Bring your hand gel, even your own mug, keep a distance if you wish, and no handshakes only bows or booty bumps.



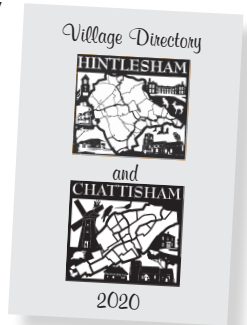
The Hintlesham Dog Walkers

The group had a great turnout after appearing on the front page of last month's Link. The next scheduled walks are on Sunday 28th March and Sunday 3rd May, but there may be an extra walk in April. Watch out for details appearing on Facebook. To keep everyone safe, dogs and their owners will be kept at least 2 metres apart. Newcomers are especially welcome, and more details are available from sarah@knuckey.plus.com

The Village Directory

The Village Directory is a brilliant resource to discover organisations and clubs in our community. It's especially useful for newcomers to the villages. The current edition is being updated, but in the meantime you can find the latest entries online at:

www.hintleshamandchattisham.onesuffolk.net



News from The George

Daniel, Natasha and the team here at The George would like to let you know that we aim to be here supporting the villages as best we can. After 16 years of being part of this community, I hope you know we are truly invested.



We have taken professional advice and are following Industry and Government guidelines to endeavour to keep everyone as safe as possible. Hopefully, our 5-star hygiene rating proves we have excellent practice already.

We will be offering a collection/delivery service (Hintlesham & Chattisham) within published hours from our takeaway menu. Plus, if you have a favourite (our famous homemade Pie) on the Main menu, a discount will be applied. Flyers will be distributed shortly, so all will have menus and contact details.

We respect and understand those who wish to socially distance themselves and will look forward to seeing you in the future when this situation has stabilised.

We wish everyone continued good health.

Christian Groups



Christian Groups for children and young people (Pebbles, ECHO and FAnTa) will start again after the Easter holidays, depending on government advice. Boulders will restart in September.

Please contact Cris Langton (cris.veloso.langton@gmail.com, 07958522079) or Mary Luxmore-Styles (maryls@btinternet.com, 07833665381) for info or to be added to our contact lists.

From the Chair of the Parish Council ...

As I write this the UK and indeed the world is in the grip of a pandemic that few if any of us have ever experienced. The constantly changing advice given to us by the Government must not be ignored. It is vital for everyone to heed this and pull together to ensure that this disease is both controlled and brought to an end as quickly as possible. I appreciate that the closures of many activities in the Community Hall and elsewhere will affect people, but they are necessary for everyone's protection and the decisions to do so were not taken lightly.

What I am sure of however, is that the Community spirit that exists in our two villages will help us all, in the possibility of tougher times to come. Now more than ever, is the time to keep an eye on your neighbours, let them have your phone number and invite them to call, if only for a chat or if you can help them in other ways, then please do so.

Thankyou.

David Marsh

Chattisham Book and Discussion Group

We meet at 3pm on Wednesday, 1st April at the Church. This month we are reading "The Cut Out Girl" by Bart van Es. It's a 5-star reviewed true story of how Jewish children were taken into Dutch families during the war so they survived. If you would like to join us, please contact chattishamchurch@gmail.com



The Chair of the H&C Community Council writes ...

The Social Club have decided, in light of Government recommendations, to close the Social Club Bar until further notice. This is to protect both staff and customers alike from infection.

The Hall currently remains open; however, nearly all organisations have cancelled for the foreseeable future. A few activities in the Hall are commercial enterprises and the Hall remains open for them to operate as small businesses, so important to their proprietors. This will continue as long as it complies with the emergency regulations and we are able to maintain the cleaning regime.

HCCC also holds itself ready to offer space for any self-help enterprises within the village. Again, as long as it is allowed, and activities are compliant.

The two villages have a history of being very supportive to their residents and already, offers of help are being made. If you are not already signed up, we would urge you to join the Facebook pages, and to check the websites where information will be posted. Form mutual help teams with neighbours, for we have no idea where or when this virus may spread. Stay well and safe.

Tym Moore – Chairman HCCC

Re-wilding with John Cousins

Chattisham Church,
Friday, 24th April @ 7.30pm

John Cousins has years of experience farming locally at Flowton and working in nature conservation with wildlife trusts. He will de-mystify 'Re-wilding', returning land to the wild, tell us about his visit to Isabella Tree's re-wilded farm, and explore with us how practical and sustainable it is. Refreshments provided. Parking and WC @ Church Farm.

Tickets £7.00 via Eventbrite or on the door.
Numbers limited to 40.

NOTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL ON THURSDAY 12th MARCH 2020 at 7.30 pm.

Present at the meeting were 6 Parish Councillors and 5 members of the public. Apologies for absence were received from County Councillor Christopher Hudson, District Councillor Dave Busby and Parish Councillors John Whyman, Chris Leney, Jamie Bostock, Ben Cox, Debbie Archer and Stephanie Coupland.

Due to the number of Councillors absent from the meeting, it was decided that most agenda items requiring a decision would be delayed until the April meeting when a more representative number of Councillors would be present.

Unfortunately, due to the latest advice from the Government regarding the Coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic, the April Annual Parish Meetings and Parish Council AGM meetings have been cancelled with the possibility they may be held on May 14th and May 21st respectively.

We are very lucky to live in a caring and close-knit community and I am sure that there is, and will continue to be, plenty of help available for the most vulnerable residents of our two villages.

Stay safe.

Peter Eaton 18th March 2020

BOWLS CLUB



Frank Wilkin reports ...

Our season has been brought to an abrupt end due to the corona virus. Suffolk carpet bowls has cancelled all remaining fixtures, league and cup.

There will be no summer league either, therefore no bowls in the near future.

After recent results we sit 2nd in the league.

Results

Hint & Chatt	7	Nayland	3
Hint & Chatt	8	Old Felixstowe	2
Hint & Chatt	6	Offton & Willisham	4

There are no dates in the immediate future, so everybody keep safe and healthy.

TUESDAY CIRCLE



At March's meeting David and Karolyn Howlett gave us an illustrated and informative presentation on "British Inventions", where the patent had been secured by another!

The April meeting on "Strange customs in Felixstowe" is postponed for the foreseeable future.

WALKING BOOTS READY?



The Walking Group's next meet is on Thursday 16th April: Meet at 10am in Whatfield. Park by the Village Hall and Playing Field just beyond the School.

More details from Barry on 652632.

THE CULTURE CLUB

Caroline Farrall writes ...

Following the government's announcements, I am going to temporarily close the club down until we are through the COVID-19 pandemic. No more events will be organised for the foreseeable future.

Once we are through this situation, all being well, some future events will be arranged.

If you are interested in receiving information about future cultural events when the club does resume, please contact me at events@carolinescultureclub.co.uk



Mobile Library

Next visit: Wednesday 22nd April
at playing field car park between 3.05 – 4pm.

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No Wills & Kate, but here's the date, for the fete

Here's something to look forward to "on the other side" of the virus. Hopefully the weather will be perfect, the burgers sizzling and music and laughter filling the air. The Church fete will be on Saturday 4th July 2020.



Prize Money 200 Club

March 2020 Draw

- £50 L Cole - Hintlesham
- £40 S Harvey - Hintlesham
- £30 D Wortley - Hintlesham
- £20 S Presley - Chattisham
- £15 D Coe - Chattisham
- £15 S Hyde - Hintlesham



The Michael Deakin Charity Golf Day

This year's Friends Charity Golf Day is due to take place on the 6th April at Hintlesham Golf Club. All proceeds to the Churches Restoration Fund. In the event of changes to the day, golfers will be individually emailed. Entry forms from Peter Hollis: pjhollis20@gmail.com



Hintlesham Golf Club

We are open, but not quite as usual. We are continuing to follow carefully the official guidance from the UK Government and Public Health England.

It is of vital importance for us to be able to ensure that any and all procedures are in place to support the health and well-being of our customers and staff members.

As yet, there are no directives specifically aimed at Golf Clubs, perhaps because we provide a safe(r) environment on the Golf Course itself with the opportunity to enjoy outside activity in a non-confined space.

Our beautiful course remains open, and although the restaurant is now closed, we are offering a take away service. There will be more details soon on our website.

We will continue to keep in touch with you. Stay well and thank you for your continued support.

From us all at Hintlesham Golf Club

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR VIRTUAL PLANT SALE PROCEEDS TO BOTH CHURCH RESTORATION FUNDS

Our village growers are already busy pricking out tomato and flower seedlings for pots, tubs and borders so a 'Virtual Plant Sale' seems the way to go.

By mid-April, we plan to put pictures and prices of everything online and some info on noticeboards. Orders can then be placed by email or phone.

Plants can be picked up or delivered from Sat 2 – Sun 10 May

Exact details will be sent to you once we have organised the process so please send your email address or phone no to Mary Williams or Margaret Langton if you would like to take part. barryandmarywtb@gmail.com or phone 652632 margaret.langton@btinternet.com or 652210. Update will be in May Link



WHAT'S ON - APRIL 2020

Sunday 12	Easter Sunday		
Thursday 16	10.00 am	Walking Group	Whatfield Park
Tuesday 21	10-12	Coffee Caravan Café	Chattisham Church
Thursday 23	St George's Day		
Wednesday 22	3-4 pm	Mobile Library	Playing Field Car Park
Friday 24	7.30	John Cousins talk	Chattisham Church

Lights, Camera, Cross, Action!

All Church services are suspended. However, check out the Benefice's YouTube Channel where they hope to stream services and have regular faith related videos for the villages of Hintlesham, Chattisham, Elmsett, Aldham, and Kersey. A search on Youtube should take you to: https://youtu.be/vpTD_C_bcrM



The deadline for the May edition is: 5.00pm Wednesday 15th April

The magazine welcomes contributions. Please include your name and contact details. Any views expressed by contributors are not necessarily shared by the magazine's committee.

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Final Words

"In a world where you can be anything ... Be Kind."

The late TV presenter, Caroline Flack