



Hintlesham & Chattisham

T H E V I L L A G E L I N K

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'Ferret Down Trousers' World Champions celebrate Diamond Wedding

In October 1961, Harold Macmillan was Prime Minister, the farthing ceased to be legal tender and John Steed and Emma Peel first appeared on our screens as the Avengers. Walking Back to Happiness by Helen Shapiro was number 1 in the Hit Parade and, on October 21st, Chattisham residents Pat and Bryan Sandford tied the knot at Gestingthorpe Church in North Essex.

Friends, relatives and neighbours send their love and congratulations to Pat and Bryan on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

Pat, from Gestingthorpe in North Essex, and Bryan, from Glemsford in South Suffolk, were both brought up by their grandparents. They met at a dance in Sudbury Town Hall and were married in Gestingthorpe Church. Pat and Bryan have always been great animal lovers and bought their first dog whilst on honeymoon.

With their daughter Tina, they successfully raced pigeons and, also, set a world record for 'Ferret Down the Trousers' which was filmed for all TV News. They went on to meet and laugh with Princess Diana at the Suffolk Show.

After many years in the building trade for Bryan and chemist work for Pat, they moved to Orchard Corner in Chattisham where they worked for Dr and Hester Agate at the Old Rectory – in addition to seven other gardens.

They are now enjoying their well - deserved retirement in the community where they have greatly contributed.





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
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The village website address is: www.hintleshamandchattisham.onesuffolk.net

The View from Here...

District Councillor Dave Busby writes:

Is Bigger Always Better?

For the supply chain, the combination of Brexit and CoVid has generated the perfect storm. The news reports on the shortage of lorry drivers and the resulting shortages in goods. During CoVid, many smaller businesses struggled and had to sell out to larger companies. Councils have exacerbated the situation by approving applications for massive warehouses.

So, what are the consequences of this? Let's take an example of a local hotel chain who prior to CoVid had many contracts with smaller local suppliers – an approach encouraged by councils.

With their suppliers now under the control of huge national companies, the hotel chain is now in direct competition with much larger, prestigious outlets in the larger cities. Given the pressures on deliveries, the suppliers focus on honouring their larger clients leaving our hotel short of laundry, food and drink.

In the 'old' days the hotel could go to their supplier and collect the goods, but now these are transported to the large distribution centres before onward delivery. This has added an extra journey into the process – not desirable when there is a shortage of drivers. The hotel has had to resort to shopping locally when deliveries don't materialise, but this is frowned upon by the supermarkets who find shelves stripped of certain products.

The alternative – which is happening – is for the hotel to shut for a number of days and to cancel big events where supplies cannot be guaranteed. Weddings, parties and Christmas lunches are all under threat. Housekeeping staff have to work much longer hours as laundry is not delivered until the middle of the afternoon, if at all. The hotel sector does not operate on large margins and short-term problem-solving eats into these margins.

We can expect the situation to get worse before getting better. However, difficulties create opportunities and as a council we need to be aware of this and work much closer with our local companies to ensure the health of the local economy.

Dave Busby - District Councillor for Bentley
dave.busby@babbergh.gov.uk



Celebrations

The Link loves to report your big family events and celebrations. Do please let us know about those special birthdays, anniversaries, qualifications or retirements. If the day merits a cake or the popping of a cork, it deserves marking in the Link. A photo always adds to the story.

Please send your contributions to Villagelink2020@gmail.com

GENTS' BREAKFAST

(aka **Chaps 'n' Baps***)

Saturday 6th November 9-10am Community Hall

CALLING ALL MEN!**

Come and have a coffee and a rasher...

...and a good old-fashioned natter.

Contact: Roger Luxmoore-Styles 652423

*Errr....that'll be **bacon baps!** ☺

**Other genders are available (...and welcome)



Suffolk Local History Council

The Suffolk Local History Council is an umbrella group for all things history in the county. Our members consist of individuals, local history societies, family history societies and museums. One of our projects is the SLHC Recorders' Scheme, which has been running since 1953, and is unique to Suffolk. Its purpose is to record what is happening today, for tomorrow.

Indeed, the Record Offices throughout the country consist of documents, maps, photographs etc. which enable many of us to use for research purposes, be it family history, local history, house history, footpaths & bridleways, dissertations etc., and it is important that what happens 'now' is also adequately recorded.

We aim to have a Recorder (or it can be a team) in each Suffolk parish to be the ears and eyes of what is happening at the grass roots level.

Would you like to be the

Local Recorder for:

HINTLESHAM & CHATTISHAM



The Suffolk Local History Council runs a Recorders Scheme throughout Suffolk. We administer a network of volunteers to ensure that the 'present' is adequately recorded at local level for the 'future'.

A Recorder will note significant happenings in their parish and collect their local parish magazines, leaflets, election pamphlets and newspaper cuttings. At the end of each year, they are asked to submit a short report summarising the activities of their parish. The reports are deposited at the Suffolk Record Office and available to future researchers together with the collected items.

If you are interested, please look at the Recorders Pack by visiting www.slhc.org.uk to acquaint yourself with the guidelines of the scheme. You do not need to be a historian; you do not need any qualifications other than an interest in your parish. In return you will receive a copy of the SLHC Newsletter and be invited to the annual conference specifically for Local Recorders. To volunteer to help in this important work, please contact recorders@slhc.org.uk

SESAW News

Pat Ferdinando writes...

I am reminded by Ollie, the resident top cat at SESAW, the 27th October is National Black Cat Day. There are many other annual celebrations including the Hedgehog Awareness Week in May but they need our help all the time, particularly during Guy Fawkes preparations. Please take great care to check for the little chaps under the bonfire BEFORE you set light to it.

This has been a bad year for fly strike with hedgehogs suffering horribly. Should you come across a hedgehog, particularly in daylight hours, please do not leave it for several days. Take it to a hedgehog rescue or bring it to SESAW immediately. Advance apologies to those with a sensitive stomach but many arrivals have been unfurled to reveal maggots eating them alive. Our prickly friends are now classified as vulnerable on the Mammal Society's Red List

Whilst on the subject of seasonal events, don't forget to keep your cats indoors and your dogs calm as we approach Halloween and the fireworks season. The evenings are drawing in and it's time to capture the reluctant Ollie before dark because cats at SESAW are kept in at night.

Suffolk & Essex Small Animal Welfare Tel: 01787 210888 www.sesaw.co.uk



CHATTITUDE GRATITUDE

Chattitude was re-launched on Sunday 12th September with an Art Workshop.

The weather was perfect for everyone to be spread around the Chattisham churchyard, it was great to see both adults and children enjoying themselves whilst displaying their artistic talents.

Local artist Kieran Smith gently motivated and advised everyone individually adding to the relaxed vibe of the occasion. Although it was designed to be fun we also needed to find out what people were looking for, we had loads of feedback which has been immensely helpful in deciding on the format for future classes.

A big thankyou to everyone who came along and made it special.

Many thanks to Printing for Pleasure for helping with posters and flyers and for donating all the paper and card also to Ted Flack for the collection of reference books.

Details of future events will appear in the Link so please watch this space.

COFFEE STOP

Welcome back on 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month

Drop in between 10-12

on Wednesdays 13th & 27th October

at the Community Hall

Come and meet your friends or bring a neighbour and enjoy a cup of coffee and cake.

Unlimited coffee, tea £1 Homemade cake, cheese scones 50p

More info from Margaret Langton 652210

H&C Parish Council Meeting Notes -

Notes from the meeting of the Parish Council held in the Community Hall on Thurs 9th Sept.

There were 8 Parish Councillors present with our County and District Councillors plus 1 member of the public.

National Grid and pylons are rearing their heads once again which led to some debate, as this will affect our area. Our County Councillor, Christopher Hudson, is very much in favour of using a sea route which will be non-invasive but if this is not adopted, then undergrounding should be the next option. If pylons are used then there will have to be a third line running through our villages to cope with increased power from off shore wind farms, a possible new nuclear power station at Sizewell etc.

Dave Busby, our District Councillor, reported that Babergh had come third out of a hundred Councils competing for Council of the Year. They were also awarded Gold for their Virtual High Street and Silver for Planning. He also advised that the Police Forum meetings will be starting again at the end of September.

There was concern that a considerable amount of vegetation had covered much of the footpath at Silver Hill and was becoming dangerous to walk along. Highways should be informed again.

The telephone box in Duke Street has now been completed both inside and out. A wonderful job has been done by Dennis Plenty to renovate the

box and the Parish Council are very grateful. Books should now be placed back and a neighbour has volunteered to monitor this. We just need the Chattisham box to have the same result.

Planning

(DC/21/04585)

Re-submission of erection of a detached dwelling at Ashdown, The Street, Chattisham. The Parish Council still recommended refusal as the conditions against the proposal set by Babergh some months ago, remain the same.

(DC/21/04818)

Although in Washbrook, our Parish Council was asked to comment on the part rebuild of a single storey rear extension at The Orchards, Chattisham Road. There was no objection.

(DC/21/00060)

Solar Farm to the East of The Channel, Burstall Hill. A full Application has now been proposed after more information was needed by Mid Suffolk and Babergh. The Parish Council still recommend refusal for the same reasons as noted in the February minutes. With several of these large solar farms seeking permission at this time, it was thought that it will 'industrialise' a considerable area of best and most versatile land listed in a Special Landscape Area.

Craft Fair

Sunday 10th October

At Whatfield Village Hall

SAT NAV IP7 6QU

10.00am – 4.00pm

Refreshments available



Success
AfterStroke

Big Charity 1115218

Lots of stalls selling a wide variety of crafts so come along, bring all your friends and family and start your Christmas shopping, buy birthday presents or just treat yourself.

All proceeds to go to Whatfield Primary School and Success After Stroke



Planning ahead at The George!

Book now for Christmas

- Pre-Christmas Menu
- Christmas Eve - Quiz & Raffle
- Boxing Day Lunch
- New Year's Eve - Pie & Quiz

Take-Away's
Isolation lunches
Outside Catering

01473 652 408

Visit www.gfood.uk for more details



200 Club rebranded and gets a makeover

H&CCC Monthly Draw (formerly known as the 200 Club) - The Community Fundraiser

Following the retirement of Annie Eaton as co-ordinator, Liz Stones will be taking over as Promoter of the Monthly Draw, ably assisted by Jill Warner.

Many thanks to Annie for her time and dedication over the last 6 years in managing the 200 Club and raising thousands of pounds for the Community Council to support its work in providing Community facilities.

Going forward, the Monthly Draw will take place on the last Friday of the month in the bar at the Community Hall at 7pm, following a newly introduced *Happy Hour*. Everybody welcome!

If you are not a member of the Monthly Draw, you can join by contacting Liz Stones on liz.stones3@gmail.com Membership is £12 per year, ideally paid annually in January.

Winners of the September Draw will appear in the November edition of The Link owing to the change of Draw date.



CHURCH MINI – FÊTE

Jenny Cox writes

Thank you so much to everyone who supported this event.

Lots of fun was had bowling for the pig, four people tied for first place, it was agreed to draw their names from a hat and Liz Avis won!

Books are still on display in church with a note explaining how to pay for them.

We raised £289 pounds for church funds.

We were also able to welcome 17 cyclists who were taking part in the SHCT annual bike ride. Thank you to those who rode for our churches.

Hintlesham Gardening Club Kings Seed Buying Scheme 2021-2022

After a disappointing summer this year we need to start thinking about next summer and there is nothing more cheerful than browsing through the colourful pages of seed catalogues and planning next year's crops. So, to motivate you we are offering you the chance to participate in The Kings Seed buying scheme. Kings Seeds offer competitive prices and a 50% discount on group seed orders of over £200.

Catalogues with order details are now available from Mary Williams, **Field End, Duke Street, Hintlesham** in the car-port, Margaret Langton, **Suffold, Chattisham Road, Chattisham** in the car-port, Jenny Cox, 39 Timperleys or Hintlesham Barns at College Farm. Please help yourselves. The deadline for ordering is 31st October.

For more information contact Cathy at Hintleshamgardeningclub@gmail.com or Mary on 01473 652632 or Margaret on 01473 652210.



BOWLS CLUB

Frank Wilkin reports...

We have just had our 1st A.G.M. for two years with one or two changes to our committee.

Dennis takes over as Chairman, I go back to Vice Chairman. After 35 years as treasurer Don has decided to retire, what a great job he has done over the past years. Glen takes over from Don and I am sure will carry on in the same vein. Jenny has decided to retire from running afternoon bowls after well over 20 years. Well done to her for her service to the afternoon club. Tuesday afternoon bowls will be temporarily suspended until we can find somebody else to run it.

Finally we have arranged two friendly matches against Offton and Willisham which is good news at last. One being on Wednesday. 13th October, away, the other one Wednesday 27th October at home, so there will be no club nights on these two dates.

Contact Frank 652506



TUESDAY CIRCLE

September's cake & catch up was attended by 23 members keen to have a good chat.

7th October Fish and chip supper (numbers to Chris ASAP)

14th October 5pm Tour of Tomatoes, Bramford (9 spaces).

4th November Lisa Kellet (author) to speak.

All meetings 7.30 in Main Hall.

2nd December 7.30 Xmas meal at Golf club.

Numbers and menu choice ASAP.

Looking forward to seeing you all.

Contact Hilary 652109

MOBILE LIBRARY

Mobile library van visits Timperleys at 3.05pm until 4.00pm each month on the following dates: 6th October, 3rd November, 29th December

HALL LUNCH

THURSDAY 21st October, 12.30pm

Community Hall

If you have not been before and would like to come, please contact Stephanie (652297) to book your place.

Looking forward to seeing you

WALKING GROUP

This month,

Stephanie Coupland writes...

Thursday 14th October meet Copdock/Washbrook near the Red Telephone box just as you enter the Village. Park along side of road. Walk across footpaths in that area, approx 2hrs. ALL WELCOME INCLUDING DOGS!

Contact Stephanie on 652297



RURAL COFFEE CARAVAN

TUESDAY 19th October 2021

Chattisham -

Church Farm Barn 10 - 12 noon.

Hintlesham - The Green, Timperleys 2 - 4pm

Please come along for a chat and a cup of coffee and cake.

Everyone welcome

Further details about the Rural Coffee Caravan can be found at www.ruralcoffeecaravan.org.uk

FAnTa

CHRISTIAN YOUTH GROUP

FAnTa: Christian youth group ages 13+.

Friday 15th October, 17:30-19:00 @ St Nicholas Church, Hintlesham.

Please text Chris to join the whatsapp or email groups. 07958522079 cris.velloso.langton@gmail.com

Then on every 3rd Friday of the month.

Change of meeting time: FAnTa will now be meeting from 5:30-7pm on third Fridays of the month

Do you need a babysitter ?

I am available with plenty of experience First aid training completed within the last year and I can drive.

Amelia Moy, George Street

If interested please contact me on 07547 922570

CRAFT AND CHAT GROUP

Margaret Engle writes ...

We are hoping to hold an informal monthly Craft and Chat Group in Chattisham Church, starting on Tuesday October 26th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Drop in when you're free, bring your knitting, sewing etc. with you or simply come along for a chat.

Tea and coffee will be provided.

For further details, please contact

Margaret Engle on 652646 (evenings only)

TIME TO REMEMBER

St Nicholas Church, Hintlesham

Sunday 7th November

Drop in between 3 – 4.30pm to remember someone you love by lighting a candle and stay for a cup of tea if you wish.. All Welcome.

There will be a box at both churches for you to leave a prayer request if you can't come on the day.

More info from Stephen Ramsey 652585



CHURCH SERVICES OCTOBER 2021

3 October	Harvest Festival & Communion by Extension (Rev Waller)	9.30 am	Chattisham
10 October	Mini Messy Church is back in Hintlesham this month only - activities for children, discussion group for adults, & refreshments for all!	9.30 am	Hintlesham
17 October	Holy Communion (Rev Jackson)	9.30 am	Chattisham
24 October	Family Service & Communion (Rev Jackson)	9.30 am	Hintlesham
31 October			Service online

NEXT MONTH:

7 November	Communion by Extension (Rev Adrian Waller)	9.30 am	Chattisham
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NB: These services may be subject to alteration.

Please check the website or look out for Notices on Church Notice Boards.

Click www.kind.church/handc for the latest church news, events and service times.

The deadline for the November edition of The Village Link:

10am Wednesday 20th October 2021 – but the earlier the better please!

The magazine welcomes contributions, but reserves the right to amend, shorten or reject any article or advertisement submitted for publication. Any views expressed by contributors are not necessarily shared by the magazine's committee.

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Final Words

'I've left my Mercedes parked downstairs, and you know what they're like on this estate. They'd have the wheels off a Jumbo if it flew too low.'

John Challis aka Boycie in Only Fools and Horses

John Challis 1942-2021

