

THE HARE

NEWSLETTER FOR THE VILLAGES OF
HEVENINGHAM, HUNTINGFIELD AND UBBESTON



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The Hare is always looking for ideas and articles. Whether this be something relevant to your village or locality, or just something in which you have an interest and would like to share with others, then please contact us. We would welcome your input.

New look Hare

You will notice that we have dropped Huntingfield from the title and become "The Hare". With the re-opening of the Hub recent issues were also distributed to residents of Heveningham and Ubbeston (to cover the three villages that our hall serves). It has proved popular so we have decided to continue the wider distribution which increases our local readership to almost 500! To keep it free of charge we rely on our advertisers. At the moment we need some new contributions so if you know any businesses who would be interested in reaching a local audience there are further details on page 5.

It would also be good to have input from the other villages so if you feel the urge to put pen to paper and submit contributions from your village please contact us – details on this page. Your input would be most welcome. *The Hare Team*

Heveningham Hall events return



Fireworks

The Heveningham Hall Country Fair Trust are excited to announce that the annual fireworks will be going ahead on Saturday 6th November. You can expect the usual stalls, fairground attractions and the popular LED Drummers. The headline music act is Razorlight along with Freddie and the Freeloaders and the Norwich band, Little Red Kings.

Gates open at 4:30pm and the spectacular firework display will start after 7:30pm. Tickets are £35 per car in advance or £40 at the gate. Those walking to the event will pay £15 per adult and £5 per child (ages 4-14). Tickets can be purchased at Halesworth Golf Club, Laxfield Co-op, Halesworth Wine

Shop and the Huntingfield Arms or online at www.suffolk-fireworks.co.uk/tickets.

Christmas Market

The Christmas Market has grown in popularity. This year it will be bigger and better than ever and will take place on Saturday 4th December from 12-8pm. To add to the festive feel, there will be a synthetic ice-skating rink and a train ride to see Father Christmas in his grotto. This event will take place in the Orangery at the back of the Hall.

Call for Volunteers!



All our events rely on the amazing volunteers who look after the site and the public. Duties are varied - including patrolling an area, car parking, litter picking, assisting the public and helping in the tea room. The length of 'shift' is dependent on the number of

volunteers and the size of the event. If you are interested in joining the team, please email juliecollett38@gmail.com.

No date has yet been set for the Country Fair. We will be working with Environmental Health to ensure we are compliant with COVID 19 guidelines. All proceeds from these events go to Heveningham Hall Country Fair Trust, registered charity number 1095403

Kids Club

Kids Club is back!! On Friday 10th September we re-opened our doors to old and new members with a party led by Ryan from 'Fun Kids Entertainers'. A great time was had by all: many thanks to all the children who came and filled the Hub with laughter and general noise...you have been missed.

Kids Club is open to all between 5 and 11 years. Each session costs £1 per child running from 4-5.30pm. Future dates are listed on the back page.



Some children from Huntingfield have expressed a desire for a zip wire on the Millennium Green. Now, we all know that money doesn't grow on trees so to start fundraising for this piece of kit the children of Kids Club are being asked to collect prizes for a Tombola which will be held at the Christmas market in December. We need all the

children to ask your grannies and favourite aunts and uncles (in fact as many people as you know) to have a look in their cupboards and drawers for items of good quality that can be donated to the stall. Please bring them to Kids Club over the following weeks.

Sally Clarke

Petanque

Some of us have been battling hard in the competition arranged by the league during the summer and we have one game to play in the team knockout on 17th October. David Blackmore and myself are also in the semi-final of the pairs! Are we actually going to get Huntingfield Hares into a final? Watch this space!



Sunday October 3rd at 11am we have a home friendly game. If you fancy having a go, do come and join us. We are pleased to welcome four new players to our group who will hopefully be with us for this game. The first AGM in two years will be held in November and we will be debating taking part in the winter league. Those of us who have played this year had great fun being back on the piste. By playing more regularly we have all improved so practice does work. All being well we will be on that Piste much more going forward!

Julie Collett, Captain, Huntingfield Hares

Race Night

Come and join us at The Hub for a 'racey' evening on Saturday 20th November. First race starts at 7.30pm



With 8 sponsored races and the popular "Roll a £1 for a bottle of Scotch" competition, there are lots of opportunities to win prizes and help us to raise funds for our Millennium Green.



Entry is free and if you are a group of six or more, you can reserve places by contacting Julie Collett

(details on the back page). You can also enter into the spirit of the races by wearing a racing-related outfit - the best dressed will win a bottle of wine. Bring along your own refreshments or pop to The Arms for supplies.

We bet you will have a great evening!
Millennium Green Trustees

Hundred Club results

As you may know, for £12 a year you can join the 100 Club which exists to raise £600pa for the Huntingfield Millennium Green charity. There is a draw every month with £30, £15 and £5 prizes going to the lucky winners. If you already have one of the one hundred 2020-2021 lucky numbers you have probably already heard from Julie, Marian or me asking if you would like to renew your membership, but if you would like to join there are still a few spare numbers available so please give me a call on 01986 798169 and you will be very welcome.

July

1st	Suzi Angove	£30
2nd	Tony Howe	£15
3rd	Tom Mercer	£5

August

1st	Julie Collett	£30
2nd	Jana Thompson	£15
3rd	Lori Kingsley-Adams	£5

Sue Brewer

Neighbourhood plan



Neighbourhood planning is a government initiative that enables local communities to influence and take forward planning proposals at a local level. Plans can help determine

the location of new development, provide guidance for what new buildings should look like and grant planning permission for particular types of development.

The area to be covered by the plan will be decided by the Parish Council. Once this is agreed the whole point of a neighbourhood plan is that it is community led.



A planning group will need to be organised who can then consult people locally to find out what is important to them about where they live,

what they would like to improve and what their vision is for the local area. The group will also need to gather evidence to back up these ideas. Using this feedback and evidence, they will write the planning policies that will help to make the vision a reality. At all junctures the community will be consulted.

Once the plan has been agreed by the community it is submitted to the district council who will check that the correct procedures have been followed before carrying out a public consultation and then approved.

There will be a lot of hard work involved in developing the plan and it will be time consuming. However, once completed it will allow our community to make our own decisions for the future of our village.

More detailed information can be found at www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/neighbourhood-planning/.

If you are interested in applying to join the Neighbourhood Plan Group please email the Hare at huntingfieldhare@gmail.com.

Helen Cannon

Mobile Library

The mobile library will be visiting
Tuesday 5th October and **Tuesday 2nd November**
at the following locations and times:
Heveningham, Forge House 10.30-10.50
Huntingfield, The Hub 15.10-15.30

Arms events

There are still some places left for the Roaming Dinner – details on page 5.

The **Market on the Green** will continue through October and November – on the 9th and 13th respectively. It could be a little chilly but a bacon roll and cuppa will soon warm you up! Foodwise, we are holding a monthly food focus starting with a **Curry Night Buffet** on Wednesday 20th October. For the next month it will be an **Italian Evening** on Thursday 18th November.

Tuesday November 9th - monthly charity quiz

£2 per person - Maximum 4 per team. Money from our first quiz will go to Huntingfield Millennium Green. Bottle of wine for the winning team and the opportunity to choose the next charity.

We are already taking bookings for Christmas so please ask for our Christmas menu and book early to avoid disappointment. If we dare mention that season, we are planning an extravaganza on Saturday 4th December to turn on the tree lights – reindeer racing and live music too.. so put the date in your diary.

Steve & Sara

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The advertisement for Budding Ideas features a green background with a grid pattern. At the top left is a logo with a tulip and the text "BUDDING IDEAS". To the right are three photographs: a close-up of a spider on a flower, a garden bench in a landscaped area, and a fan palm. At the bottom are two circular award medals from the National Landscaping Awards 2003, one for "Best Newcomer Award" and one for "Award Winner". Contact information is provided at the bottom right.

Emma's Column

August saw a well-attended extraordinary meeting when Matt Bostock and Argus Hardy from the Wilderness Reserve presented a new planning application for the Valley Farm site comprising four additional 1 and 2 bedroom holiday lodges placed individually around the lake and the field running parallel with Brick Kiln Lane with a connecting track and additional tree planting. A number of concerns were raised by local residents including the increase in local traffic, the loss of views across the valley, the environmental impact and the expansion of the development of the project. As a result, based on the feedback the Councillors did not feel they could support the application on behalf of the parish and voted unanimously to submit comments to the planners outlining the above worries.

We were back to our usual business in September. The Speed Indicator is still in progress and waiting for the funding to be cleared – hopefully this will be installed fairly soon. A local resident requested an additional handrail for the steps to the village green by the pub which all agreed would be a useful addition.

We also agreed to look at developing a Neighbourhood Plan. This is a government initiative which would enable us to influence and take forward planning proposals at a more local level. It is a complex process that would need a team of dedicated individuals to take forward. If you are interested there is more information on page 3.



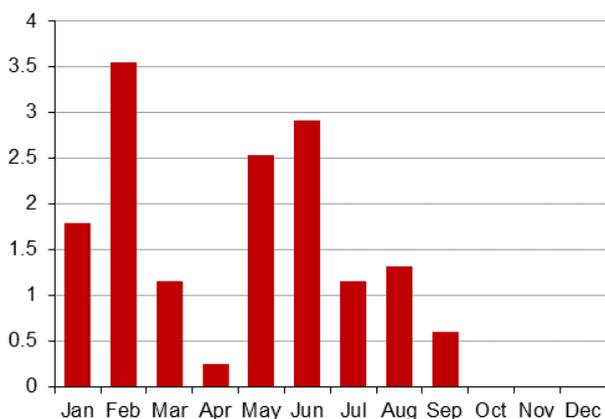
There was also a lively discussion regarding the local public footpaths, their maintenance and signage. East Suffolk Council are responsible for the management of local paths but it is our responsibility to “police” them and report any issues. It was

suggested that we set up a group of footpath ‘wardens’ who would be willing to occasionally walk local paths and report any problems. As there are quite a few paths it would be ideal to have a number of walkers involved. If you are interested in joining the team or have any ideas on this please email huntingfieldhare@gmail.com who will then feedback to the Parish Council.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, 10th November, 7pm at The Hub. Agendas and minutes for all meetings can be accessed via the website.

Emma Ward
Chair, Huntingfield Parish Council

Weather report: August - September 2021



Ah, autumn has arrived but the summer has gone missing. I even thought that September was going unreported because of the lack of rain but Tuesday night and Wednesday morning redressed that by a small amount. However, up until today (29th Sept.) it has been one of the warmest Septembers on record.

However, as I write, the outside temperature is just 12C and with a 20mph wind that equates to just 10C with the wind chill.

So, what of rainfall? Well, it's been very dry with August 2021 totals below those of 2020 at .32" (8.7mm) less. September 2021 totals were 2.58" (65.5mm) less than 2020. A quite a dry late summer? Cumulatively we are about 1" (25.4mm) behind last years rainfall total to end September so there is only a small difference. Having said that, areas close-by have had torrential downpours showing how hit or miss the nature of rainfall is in the eastern areas. Looking ahead, the next few days continue unsettled with temperatures around average for the time of year.

Keep safe - vaccinated folk are but will still contract covid, no-one is exempt!

Richard Tyler

Advertising in the Hare

The Hare relies on advertisers to fund the free distribution of the magazine in paper format to local residents. At the moment we have space for a few new advertisements. The readership is currently estimated at around 500 through the three villages.

The cost for a year (6 issues) is as follows:

1/8 page = £30

1/4 page - £50

1/2 page = £65

Full page - £100

Please pass on details to anyone you think might be interested in supporting us. Contact info is on the front page.

The Hare Team

Huntingfield Christmas Market

11th December 2021, 12pm-2.30pm



The Millennium Green Trust are delighted to announce that they will be hosting a Christmas Market on Saturday 11th December. Running from 12pm to 2.30pm, there will be a number of stalls selling Christmas gifts and treats as well as a raffle, tombola and much more.

Further details in the next edition of the Hare but please be sure to save the date. If you would like to book a stall contact Julie Collett (juliecollett38@gmail.com).

The Millennium Green Trustees

Hub News

It was lovely to see people from all three villages at the Hub re-opening event in August. Yes, the weather did change our plans slightly, but a lovely afternoon was had by all.

Please look out for the posters on the Hub for further details of these. Also, dare I say it, but plans are in hand for Christmas! All these events are, of course, open to all. Need any further details, please let me know. Hope to see you at an event soon.

The Hub Trustees

Roaming Dinner

The Church, The Arms and The Hub are hosting a 'roaming dinner' on Friday 8th October comprising 3 courses at 3 locations. The evening begins at 6.15pm with Canapes and drinks at the Church. Mains will be hosted at the Arms with a choice of Chicken Breast or a large Stuffed Mushroom, both served with spinach, potato and bacon rosti, cheese sauce and vegetables. Deserts at The Hub will be Apple Crumble or Fruit Pavlova.

Payment of £21.50 per person is required on booking with the Arms.

Macmillan Coffee Morning



**Saturday 23rd
October in The Hub
10.30 – Midday**

Please come along and enjoy Coffee and Cake and 'make a

difference'. Donations of Cakes and cookies to myself or bring to the Hub. Thank you

Sally Clarke

The Hub trustees are delighted that fellow trustee Ken Burnett has chosen the Hub as one of the charities he is supporting while walking the Camino in Spain; this is a 500 mile 'stroll' along the Pyrenees from



France to Santiago de la Compostela. Ken is approaching the half-way point as we write this and is doing well, although he is battling painful feet and, possibly, other parts as yet undisclosed. Please help the Hub and encourage him to keep going by donating generously to Ken's Just Giving Page www.justgiving.com/fundraising/kenburnett-thehub.

The trustees have been busy arranging various events over the next few months. Details of all these events are on the back page. Some of them are regular favourites like the brunch and bingo, and other events are new to the Hub, i.e. pottery, painting & Halloween Night.

Budding Ideas

Well, I don't know about you, but I don't think it's been a great summer for a number of reasons. From a gardening perspective our weird weather with a run of hard frosts in April, grey skies in May, a brief flurry of sunshine at the end of June and since then not a great



deal of sunshine or, more importantly, rain. It's almost a relief for autumn to arrive with falling leaves, colder mornings and the night drawing in!

Having said that, the shorter daylight hours are not a great help as we are now into one of the busiest periods in the gardening calendar, carrying out autumn tidy ups and preparing the garden for the coming year.

Autumn is the perfect time to give your lawn some additional attention: you can give it a boost by the application of an autumn weed and feed treatment which will work on killing off any moss, broad leaved weeds and promote strong root growth to help the lawn cope with cold, wet conditions and disease. Once the application has been given time to take effect - usually a couple of weeks - then scarify your lawn with a spring-tined rake. Pulling out all the accumulated debris, thatch and dead moss will breathe new life into your lawn.

If you are really serious the next job is aeration. Using a large garden fork, spike the lawn down to a depth of at least four inches and follow up with a top dressing of sharp sand/peat free soil, brushing across the surface and into the holes. This is particularly effective on compacted areas and allows nutrients and air to the roots, all essential if you want a strong healthy lawn.



Sharp lawn edges are a must - you can get away with slightly unkempt borders if the edges are neat and precise. Use a half moon spade to cut your edge, either by eye or by laying out a bit of hose/rope if you are creating undulating edges. Alternatively, for a straight, more formal edge, use a thin straight plank of wood and cut along the edge. I do cheat a bit by installing a permanent metal edging strip which maintains the edges that would deteriorate over time and avoids the need to re-cut – a light trim is all that is required.

Now is a good time for pruning roses to reduce long leggy shoots, help avoid wind damage over winter and allow for a more compact and tidy shape. Always prune to an outward facing bud. Climbing roses can



also be given a tidy and it is easier at this time of year to see where to prune and where to tie in. If you have had a problem

with black spot make sure you gather up all the fallen leaves and either burn or bin them. Don't put them in your compost which will allow the virus to overwinter and then re-infect your plants.



On the subject of fallen leaves, the other falling leaves in your garden provide a fabulous resource. If you don't have

space for a dedicated compost system then rake them up, put into black bags, add a cup or two of water and poke a few holes in the bag. Put them somewhere dry and dark and wait for them to dry out and rot down. You might need to add a little water every so often to keep the process going.

Once all the leaves are down the bare bones of the garden are easier to see so this is a perfect time to plan. Consider the contribution your trees, shrubs and plants make to the overall feel of the garden and how that can be enhanced - you might want to add colour, scent or



move plants to improve the overall structure. Half the skill of gardening is assessing what works and what does not. Take a step back, sit, take time and the plants will show you the best way forward.

Lori Kinsley-Adams, Budding Ideas

Is your home safe from fire?



Please contact Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service if you:

- Have concerns over fire safety in your home
- Do not have working smoke alarms
- You cannot hear your alarms at home

Safer Home Visit

SFRS offer a free visit by a specialist prevention practitioner, community fire volunteer or operational crew. They are dedicated to saving lives by working with the community, discussing fire safety and offering advice to eliminate or reduce the risk of a fire occurring in the home. Free smoke alarms will be fitted if you do not have any.

Call Fire Business Support on 01473 26058

Local History recorders needed



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.

New footpaths?



The Ramblers Association have recently completed the first stage of a process to save footpaths which have been lost over time, some of which they are looking to potentially have re-instated. They have mapped these lost paths and the results are now available online. The next stage is for members of the public

to access the map and suggest paths they think will add the most benefit for people. The Ramblers will then research these to see if they can be saved and have until January 2026 to submit an application to do so.

You can help by accessing the map of our local area and marking any of the lost paths you think would be advantageous based on the criteria listed below.

Please note that the inclusion on the map does not mean that you have the right to walk the paths.

The Ramblers suggest that priority should be given to paths based on one or more of the following:

- Resolving dead-ends and gaps within existing routes.
- Routes with specific benefit for walkers, for instance footpaths and routes which enhance walker safety.
- Routes which contribute to or create circular routes for leisure use.
- Routes to help people travel through or around heavily developed areas and/or connect urban and rural spaces.
- Routes which aid access to sites of particular historical and/or natural interest



You can access the map and further details online at www.dontloseyourway.ramblers.org.uk/ where you will be asked to register before accessing.

Helen Cannon

Church Chat



September has been a busy month for the PCC with two weddings, two interments, churchyard clear up day, Ride and Stride and, of

course, the Harvest Supper. It was good to see so many people enjoying themselves at this event and a good opportunity to welcome our new Priest in charge, Dominic Doble and his wife Liz. Dominic wasn't sure what to expect from the evening but soon came to the opinion that we are a 'close community'.

October continues to keep us on our toes with the '3 course Roaming Dinner' on Friday 8th – details on p 5. On Saturday 9th at 2pm there is a Memorial service in the church for Felicity Griffin. Her ashes will then be interred in the churchyard alongside her parents, husband and younger brother. The Harvest Festival will take place on Sunday 10th. Please join us at 10am for a service of hymns, readings and giving thanks. All donations of fresh and ambient food will go to the Community Larder in Halesworth.



The Act of Remembrance will commence at 10.50am on Sunday 14th November around the War Memorial on the village green. The

church will be marking Remembrance Day by uncovering a beautiful altar cloth that, along with the altar rails, was given by the whole parish in memory of the Huntingfield men who were killed in WW1.

In October 2018 Jenny Blackmore visited the War Graves of our fallen men and laid a poppy cross on each grave (see The Hare, Issue83 from Dec20-Jan21 – huntingfield.onesuffolk.net/assets/Hare/HuntingfieldWarGraves.pdf). She kindly took a photograph of each memorial stone and these will be displayed in the church over the weekend of 13th-14th November. We hope you will find time to pay a visit. There will be tea and cake available from 2-4pm on both days.

A Christmas Carol Service is planned for Sunday 12th December, details will be in the next Hare. *St Mary The Virgin, Huntingfield, PCC*

Huntingfield's War Grave



At the back of the church on the right you will find the Commonwealth War Grave of Lance Sgt. John Newsome Knell. He was born in Eye in 1917 and lived in Wenhaston. His grandparents, John and Caroline Newsome, lived at the Schoolhouse in Huntingfield and his aunt, Louisa Knell, was a teacher at Heveningham school. When John was 10 his father died and we can only assume he would often visit his grandparents in Huntingfield.

John joined the 54th Regiment Reconnaissance Corps and went off to fight in WW2. He was wounded and returned to Ipswich Hospital. Sadly, he didn't recover from his injuries and died on 7th January 1942 aged just 24 years. He is buried next to his grandfather, John Newsome, who had died the previous year aged 94. His Aunt Louisa lived in Huntingfield until her death in 1957.

Sally Clarke

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Nature Notes

We are now heading into autumn, or fall, as our American cousins call it, which is a really good name as leaves are certainly starting to drop from our local trees. The



leaves turn into some amazing colours as the sugars they contain are absorbed back into the tree - nothing is wasted in nature. Frosts cause the leaves to fall more quickly so if the cold weather holds off until late autumn these rusty red colours will be even more spectacular.

Migration of the humankind is always in the headlines, but perhaps less noticed in the natural world where it is happening both in and outside of the UK. While autumn sees some birds leaving us for warmer climes, birds from the colder countries, north and east of Britain, are heading in the opposite direction to spend the winter here in what is a, relatively, hot country.

Swallows and Martin's can be spotted collecting in flocks on telegraph wires looking rather like musical



Whitethroat

notes. Much harder to spot are the warblers, such as the Blackcap, Whitethroat and Chiffchaff, who will be creeping through local garden hedges. They will be fattening up on ripe fruit (blackberries are a

favourite) and insects such as the Crane fly (Daddy long legs) which are super abundant this year. They fully fuel up and can actually double their body weight - thankfully they don't have to queue for fuel!

These birds will then be flying south: some smaller birds can fly an amazing five hundred miles in a day, to winter south of the Mediterranean while others, such as the Swallow, spend our winter in South Africa itself, lucky them!

A few weeks ago I was pleased to be invited to participate in a bio blitz on the Wilderness Reserve which is part of the Heveningham estate and also takes in land at Sibton and Blyford. A team of Suffolk environmental specialists from many different genre, led by estate environmental expert Steve Piotrowski, spent the day in a wide variety of habitats

searching out a wide variety of flora and fauna. Hundreds of species were identified, many of them new for the estate, and a full list will be available when it has been checked and collated. These ranged from mature veteran trees to tiny flies and included, amongst other groups, insects, birds, mammals, plants, fungi and amphibians.

One of my favourites on the day was the beautiful Silver-washed Fritillary which is a stunning large, deep orange butterfly with a pattern of black spots on the upper wing. The underwing is green and suffused with silvery streaks, hence it's name. They are fairly common



throughout Europe but have only been recorded in Suffolk fairly recently. Judging from the numbers that we found they are thriving in the woodlands on the estate and they were certainly a wonderful sight as they sucked nectar from Hemp Agrimony flowers.

On behalf of all the participants I must thank the Wilderness staff for providing a delicious outdoor wood-fired breakfast and a lunchtime banquet that kept us all well-fuelled for what was a long, but very exciting day spent in our natural habitat.

Tony Howe

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Ubbeston Parish Council

The last meeting of the Parish Council was held on the 13th September. It was a brief meeting, but we did discuss plans for the Queen's Jubilee next year.

Although we have no facilities within the immediate village we are hoping to be involved in an event at the Hub. If anyone has any ideas how we should celebrate please let us know via the clerk.

Thanks to Nigel Youngs for moving the SID every 4 weeks. At the next meeting we will look at the DATA and have an idea of percentage of vehicles that do speed through the village. This will be 8th November, 7pm in the Hub. Do you want to be kept up to date with happenings in the village? If so, contact me to be added to the email list.

Julie Collett, Clerk. ubbestonclerk@outlook.com



Heveningham Parish Council

Our sign has been repainted and is looking splendid! Thanks to Lois Hunt and her team for completing this for us. Planning permission has been granted for the shelter and the go-ahead has been given to the builders - hopefully work will start in the next few weeks.

Traffic continues to be a problem in and around the village of Heveningham. We are hoping to attend a meeting with both County Cllr Stephen Burroughes and Highways very soon to help with ideas to improve the situation. The next meeting will be 24th November at The Hub, Huntingfield. Agendas and minutes of the meetings can be found on the Council's website.

Julie Collett, Clerk. heveninghamclerk@gmail.com

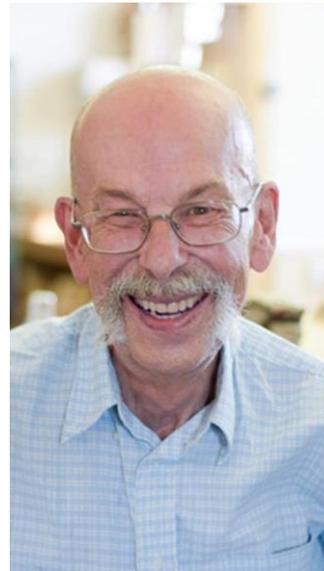


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Bob Pearce



There will be an opportunity to remember Bob Pearce, a resident of Huntingfield who passed away in May 2020.

A celebration of Bob's life will take place at the Huntingfield Arms on the afternoon of

Monday 4th October. Friends and colleagues are all welcome from 12pm onwards. Food will be available between 1-3pm.

Please pass on this information to anyone who knew "Antique Bob".

orchid fitness



Nikki Hambling

Pilates classes

Thursday morning at Huntingfield HUB

- Mixed ability 9 to 9.40 and 9.50 to 10.30 am
- Beginner 10.45 to 11.25

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- Zoom and pre recorded classes
- Personal training

Spaces available. Pre booking is essential .

Please contact me on

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Local council news

Our County Councillor, Stephen Burroughs, presents a monthly report on what is happening in Suffolk. If you are interested his report can be read online:

<http://huntingfield.onesuffolk.net/huntingfield-hare/county-councillors-report/>

Notes from the sheep pen..

What a terrific summer we've had, but oh, what we would do for a drop of rain! Since our lambs were weaned the team have been



pushed to find enough fresh grass to keep us all satisfied. They were fortunate that the land at Henham having hosted the music festival was ideal for grazing, after much litter picking of course. Consequently, we are all munching away near the coast doing just as we are designed to do and turning grass into edible food for you humans!

His Nibs tells me that Heveningham looks like a desert: it will recover once the rain arrives and then we'll be back. Unlike the grass, we are in exceptional shape and, just like you folk, vaccinated to the hilt. Our lambs are wormed every 6 weeks, the last one specifically for the 'Barbers pole' worm which is a particularly nasty little so-and-so, named because its markings resemble that of an old-fashioned barbers pole! Most treatments are mainly precautionary, but, on this occasion, there has been some talk in his farming press that suggests this year is particularly bad for that little b****r!

The younger members of his Nibs family have been off sourcing our replacement sisters and to date a little over 600 young ewes have been purchased. Old floppy hat was detailed to buy the new boyfriends which involved a trip to mid-Wales where he bought 22 new chaps at the National ram sale. We haven't seen them yet, but he tells us they have nice bottoms - all we want is good looking ones! It's worth noting that the poor fellas have a high burn out rate and 40% replacement is quite normal.



Many of you noticed the sheep dog trials Lucy organised on North Park. They were very successful, with competitors coming from all around the

country. Lucy ran the refreshments with the proceeds going to Macmillan nurses and was very grateful to Sally for the extra cakes and the Estate for what is an ideal venue.

When next you hear from me I should be safely in lamb and looking forward to the festive season. Until then I leave you with his Nibs favourite saying: "fail to prepare and be prepared to fail".

Baa to ewe all!

..and the cowshed

A moo to you all after a bit of a break!



A TB incident has hampered cattle movement in the area so none of our spring calving sisters have come from Essex this year. Those of us that remain have been tested four times since December with only one confirmed case in a purchased calf from Shropshire. We are now clear and will move to annual testing after another clear test in the new year. It is such a time-consuming exercise

that the team wouldn't wish upon anyone.

Our autumn calving sisters are now popping out their babies: 75 so far, with two sets of twins and 15 to go. One of the twins was born blind and has to be hand-reared. Lucy is loving it - it recognises her voice and follows her about. When you travel north on the A12 you can see the girls opposite the entrance to Henham Park: due to the drought conditions they are on full winter rations consisting of grass silage made in June and fodder beet grown locally. Don't forget that we live outside 365 days a year and thrive really well in the fresh air on the sandy soils near the coast.

This summer we have suffered badly with flies - so irritating and a major problem for younger cattle as they transmit an infection called New Forest disease, sometimes referred to as 'Pink eye' (not dissimilar to conjunctivitis in you humans). It's very uncomfortable and without prompt action they will go blind. Fortunately, Lucy and his Nibs are pretty competent at injecting into the eyelids and recovery is rapid. The worst area to experience the problem are the low-lying marshes where the flies are more lethargic. The fly season will soon be over but along comes our next danger period when we have to be vaccinated against 'Pasteurella' and the dreaded 'Blackleg' Thanks to a vigilant team things have been going pretty smoothly for us so far.

Sadly, Jack our 19yr old apprentice is leaving to take up lorry driving having recently passed his Class 1 test. We will have to get used to old floppy hat feeding us again: well, there are worse things I suppose? Meeting Jack in an HGV could be one of them!!

The team are constantly looking forward because floppy hat says "You can't fatten a cow on market day".



On that note, moo to you all from Pat, as in cow...

What's on – dates for your diary

October

1st Kids Club, The Hub, 4-5.30pm (see p.2)
3rd Petanque Home Friendly, Millennium Green (see p. 2)
5th Mobile library (see p.3)
8th Roaming Dinner (see p 5)
9th Market on the Green, 11am-1.30pm (see p.3)
10th Harvest Festival Service, 10am (see p. 8)
14th Rural Coffee Caravan, The Hub, 2-4pm
15th Kids Club, The Hub, 4-5.30pm (see p.2)
16th Hub Brunch, 10.30am
19th Creative Writing Group, The Hub, 6-8pm
20th Curry Night at The Arms (see p.3)
22nd Bingo at The Hub, 7pm
23rd Macmillan Coffee Morning, The Hub (see p.5)
29th Kids Club Halloween Party
31st Halloween Stories at The Hub

November

2nd Mobile library (see p.3)
6th Heveningham Hall Fireworks, 4.30pm (see p.1)
8th Ubbeston Parish Council Meeting, The Hub, 7pm
9th Charity Quiz Night at the Arms (see p.3)
10th Huntingfield Parish Council Meeting, The Hub, 7pm
12th Kids Club, The Hub, 4-5.30pm (see p.2)
13th Market on the Green, 11am-1.30pm (see p.3)
13th Pottery Painting and Supper, The Hub
16th Creative Writing Group, The Hub, 6-8pm
18th Italian Night at the Arms (see p.3)
20th Race Night, The Hub, 7.30pm (see p.2)
24th Heveningham Parish Council Meeting, The Hub, 7pm
26th Kids Club, The Hub, 4-5.30pm (see p.2)
26th Bingo at the Hub, 7pm
27th Hub Brunch, 10.30am

Regular events at The Hub

Pilates Thursday a.m. (contact Orchid Fitness for details 07899 888778, nikkihambling@gmail.com)
Coastal Leisure Learning There are a variety of classes at The Hub. Check their website for details:
<https://www.coastalleisurelearning.co.uk/new-page-61>

Forthcoming Dates

4th December – Christmas at the Arms (see p.3)
10th December – Kids Club Christmas Party (see p.2)
11th December – Huntingfield Christmas Market (see p.5)
12th Carol Service at St Mary's (see p.8)

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