



## **By-Election For District Councillor - cast your vote on 9 July**

Wenhaston Village Hall is our Polling Station and will be open 7:00am-10:00pm for you to vote.

Stop Press!

### **A Chance To Sing at Snape**

Young singers aged between 11 and 20 have an opportunity not to be missed at Snape Maltings on July 12th if they act quickly. A Singing Day will be held there, led by Vetta Wise and hosted by the North Suffolk Youth Choir.

The choir, formed just over a year ago, has performed successfully at concerts in Southwold, Lowestoft and Oulton Broad. Most recently the singers were invited, together with other local and internationally known choirs, to take part in the Housewarming Party held at The Maltings to open the new performance space.

The day will be led by Vetta Wise who is an experienced choir trainer and vocal tutor who moved to East Anglia from South Africa in 2002. She formed the North Suffolk Youth Choir to give young singers the opportunity to sing together and to develop their musical skills.

If you are aged between 11 and 20, enjoy singing at whatever level and would like a day extending your musical and performance ability, why not come along?

Application forms and further details are available from Shirley Smith 01502 722906 [shirleyesmith@lineone.net](mailto:shirleyesmith@lineone.net).

**Registration day is Wednesday 1st July.**

## **Open Garden and Bargain Sale**



At 'The Garden House',  
Blackheath Road, Wenhaston  
Saturday 25th July, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm  
COFFEE LUNCH TEA  
Admission 25p

Money raised in aid of the  
Wenhaston Village Hall  
and Wenhaston Pre-School

For more information contact  
Anne Harvey: 01502 478248

### **Big Black Cat**

Do you own a big black cat with golden eyes? He is beautiful and for 3 - 4 days a week he eats at our house in The Street, Wenhaston, with our cat - then disappears.

We would love to know where he comes from and where he goes to. We are happy with this as he is very handsome, and our cat likes him, but we would love to know his story. Please ring Rita and Colin 01502 478 418

**Looking for a service, gift idea, treat or tradesman?**

See pages 5, 11 and 12

[www.wenhastonword.co.uk](http://www.wenhastonword.co.uk)

The Wenhaston Word Website

Email the Word: [word@wenhaston.net](mailto:word@wenhaston.net)

Wenhaston Word Deadline Date

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## Wenhaston WI

Our meeting started on a sad note. We stood in silence to remember Wyn Lewis, who had recently died. As June Lewis had joined our W.I. while Wyn was president she gave a short eulogy.

Moving on to happier things, we were reminded that the next meeting was our garden party; it is to have an old fashioned theme to reflect our birthday year 1919.

This brings us neatly to our speaker, Ann Holland, who gave us a pictorial guide to the 'History of the Seaside'. It wasn't until the mid 1700's that visits to the seaside became popular. From cartoons drawn it would appear that the bathers wore practically no clothes. This was changed in Victorian times as men began to ogle the swimmers through spyglasses. Things then went to the other extreme with segregated beaches and bathing machines.

The medical profession began to extol the healthy virtues of sea bathing. One Dr. Richard Russell even wrote a dissertation on sea water. He recommended bathing in the water in the winter before 10:00am and drinking sea water three times a day.

George III bathed at Weymouth, while the band stood in the water playing 'God Save the King'.

It wasn't until the railways that people from afar could visit the sea. One year fifteen excursion trains from Burton on Trent to Lowestoft were laid on. On the first August bank holiday after the war 50,000 people visited Yarmouth. With the present recession perhaps this will be repeated.

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## Wenhaston Methodist Church

Sunday Services for July at 10:30am

5th Ina Gray

12th Margaret Gooderham

19th Rev'd Leslie Richards US S

26th Laura Lawrence

5:30pm Faith Tea Village Hall

6:30pm Songs of Praise Rev'd R Soanes

Collection for Action for Children (NCH)

Tuesday Meetings at 2:30pm

7th Women's Fellowship Rev'd Ken Tracey

14th Communion Service Rev'd Robert Soanes

21st 3:00pm Garden Tea at Iris Baker's

28th No Meeting

Saturday 4th 'Pray a While' 9:00-10:30am on a come and go basis for prayer and meditation.

## Recycling Plastic Bottles

The Recycling Centre at Beccles requests only clean plastic bottles, no tops and no labels.

Will now take plastic carrier bags.

I can collect from your home. Thank you.  
Andrew Taylor 01502 478692 for collection.

## Wenhaston Energy Support Group

Wenhaston Energy Support group seeks new members!

Anyone with enthusiasm for reducing our carbon footprint, with lots of ideas and able to give two hours a month to meet up, will be welcomed. WESG is not another 'talking-shop' but an active group - log on to the website [www.wenhastongreen.org](http://www.wenhastongreen.org) to see what has been done so far. Want to know more? Then why not drop a note in the Energy Group pocket in the Village Hall, email [suzigow@btinternet.com](mailto:suzigow@btinternet.com) or [jclaxton@rclaxton.ndonet.com](mailto:jclaxton@rclaxton.ndonet.com), or talk to any of the group members.

## Low Energy Bulb Library

Have you borrowed this yet? It has all the latest bulbs so it is well worth borrowing before you buy them. If you would like to borrow it, then contact Tony Wollin at Heathlands, Hog Lane, Blackheath 01502 478241, or put a note in the Energy Group pocket in the Village Hall.

Janice Claxton

## Footpath Walking

The morning walk on Tuesday 7th July will leave from Wenhaston Village Hall at 10:00am.

The all day walk on Tuesday 21st July will be led by Pam and Ken Whiteland. Meet at first car park on Bungay Common, next to golf club, at 10:00am for a walk round Bath Hills to Earsham Queen for lunch.

For any other help contact Heather Phillips  
01502 478545. *HPP*

### Village Hall Surgery

There will be no Southwold Surgery at Wenhaston Village Hall on Thursdays 2, 9 or 16 July.  
Contact 01502 722326

## Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council

Hastoe Housing has asked the Parish Council to name the affordable housing site. It was decided that the name be Lewis Close. The land was acquired from the Leech family, and Lewis is a family Christian name.

Cllr T Tate, the Parish Council representative to the Village Hall Committee, announced that phase 1 has been completed on the Hall.

It was decided to inform Mr John Goodyear of SCC and Mr John Davies of SCDC to proceed with Star Hill Footpath, the route being down the right hand side, and to get confirmation that this would go to the Star Pub entrance not just to the end of the Common Land.

There will be an election for a District Councillor on Thursday 9th July. The polling station will be in the Village Hall.

The Clerk will be on holiday from 23rd June to 8th July. If you have any problems please contact one of the Councillors.

*Mary Pennock, Clerk*

[www.wenhaston.net/parishcouncil/](http://www.wenhaston.net/parishcouncil/)  
Agenda for July meeting now online.



### Play Golf - Its good for You and Fun Too!!

Golf is a social game and is great for keeping you in trim, every round you play you walk between 4 & 8 miles and burn around a thousand calories, and it is perfect for gently burning fat. Even the simple act of swinging your club or bending down to place your ball on its tee helps keep your joints supple and muscle groups in trim.

### Learn to play Golf

Our PGA professional Richard Davies is running a series of beginner group lessons for people of all ages. The course includes 5 X 90 minute lessons covering the swing, chipping & putting  
**all for £45.00.**

These lessons are a very enjoyable way to see whether you would like to take up this great game and of course keep fit! All equipment will be supplied for use.

### Ladies Golf Experience Weekend 18th & 19th July 2009 (2pm to 5pm)

Please call 01986 875567 ext 24  
for further information

[www.halesworthgc.co.uk](http://www.halesworthgc.co.uk)

### Space Available!

Advertise your event or business in a display box this size for less than  
£9.00.

## East Suffolk Association for the Blind

The East Suffolk Association for the Blind have organised an exhibition for equipment supplies and service providers, for the visually impaired community in and around Lowestoft, to be held on 6th July 2009 from 10:00am - 3:30pm at the Over 60s Club, Clapham Road, Lowestoft (next door to the library). Free admission.

*Mark Davis, Operations Manager*

## **Wenhaston Primary School Awarded Artsmark Silver**

Arts Council England has awarded an Artsmark Silver to Wenhaston Primary School in recognition of the school's commitment to, and excellence in, arts education.

Since Artsmark began 9 years ago, almost 10,000 awards have been made, with 1649 schools receiving the award this year.

Sue Brinkley, Head teacher of Wenhaston Primary School, said: "I'm delighted that the Arts Council has recognised Wenhaston's dynamic arts education programme. Our students have really enjoyed working with musicians, artists, writers, dance and drama specialists, and I'd like to thank all our staff for their hard work in achieving this award."

Alan Davey, Chief Executive, Arts Council England, said: "Arts Council England is committed to great art for everyone and we believe that the earlier children are creatively inspired, the more likely they are to have a lifelong engagement with art.

Artsmark sets the standard for an outstanding arts offer in schools and it's great to see so many new schools attaining the Artsmark award this year. The award recognises Wenhaston's passion for the arts and belief in the power of creativity."

A school must dedicate a minimum of 10% of its curricular teaching time to the arts to receive an Artsmark; 12% wins a Silver Artsmark and 15% qualifies for Artsmark Gold. An Artsmark school also provides teachers' professional development and involvement with local artists and arts groups.

Our thanks go to The Star in Wenhaston. After their recent quiz night, they donated the fantastic sum of £80.00 to our After School Club for which we are hugely grateful. Well done to them and we look forward to the next one!

**Wenhaston Primary School**

## **Rogue Traders**

Police are warning residents to be on the alert after receiving reports of potential rogue traders operating in our area.

Never agree to have any work done if you are not happy or feel pressurised. If you think you need any gardening or work on your house you should get several quotes from legitimate companies before agreeing to have any work done. Do not let anyone into your home without proper identification and if in any doubt please call officers immediately using 999.

**Police Direct**

## **Well Done (again!) Wenhaston**

As a result of another very successful collection in Wenhaston, £678.17 has been raised for the work of Christian Aid with some of the world's poorest and most underprivileged people. This is an excellent contribution to the Halesworth and District Group total of £5294. On behalf of the 'Group' I would like to say a sincere 'Thank You' to everyone who organised, collected and donated so generously during Christian Aid Week.

**Chris Dunn**  
**(Local Christian Aid Treasurer)**

## **Oh Deer!**

I would like to thank everyone who has enquired about my health and wellbeing after my accident with a red deer on the A12 at Yoxford recently. Fortunately apart from my car being wrecked I was lucky to escape with a few minor injuries.

As we live in an area where there are large numbers of deer, I say to other drivers be extra vigilant at twilight and after dark and not to drive too fast. I was travelling at 50mph and it was amazing to see how my car was damaged after impact with an animal that just came out from nowhere! Anyway I have got wheels again so all has ended well.

**Sandra Canham**

[www.wenhaston.net](http://www.wenhaston.net)

The Wenhaston Website

## Local Services *(More on page 11)*

### Retail

#### **Maggie's Discount.**

16A Thoroughfare, Halesworth, Suffolk  
IP19 8AH. Children's & Baby Wear. Knitting  
Yarns and Ladies Clothes. Tel: 01986 874652  
Proprietor: Margaret Ferrari.



### Vehicle Bodywork

#### **Kevin Aldridge.** Holton Workshop.

Bodywork and accident repairs.  
Tel: 01502 478171 Mobile: 07801 291795

### Private Hire

#### **Rodney Fosdike.** Holton, Halesworth.

One-way or return. Tel: 01986 872829.  
8-seater vehicle if required at any time.

### Food and Drink

#### **Family Butcher: K.W. Clarke.** Bramfield.

Well-stocked village shop with freezers and  
greengrocery. Opening times - Shop: 8am to  
5pm. Half-day Saturday. Tel: 01986 784244

#### **Market Fields,** Holton Road, Halesworth.

Grocers/greengrocers, freezers & off-licence.  
Seasonal local produce. Household items.  
Tel: 01986 872134

**Marybelle Milk Products.** Will Austin. Fresh  
milk to the door. Tel: 01986 784458

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#### **Julie Grooms.**

Mobile Hairdresser & Beauty Therapist.  
Tel: 01728 454394 Mob: 07713 733422



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Gift Vouchers available. Narrow Way.  
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by appointment, Narrow Way.  
Tel: 01502 478541

### Accommodation

#### **Trish Gower.** Local holiday cottage

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family reunions available. Tel: 01502 478078  
www.suffolkcoastalcottages.co.uk

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**Carpenter & Joiner:** David Cox, Blackheath  
Road, Wenhaston. Tel: 01502 478668

**Handyman.** For Property/Garden Maintenance  
and Projects:

David Smeaton-Small Tel: 01502 478743

#### **Martins Garden & Property Services**

Garden and property maintenance work  
undertaken.

Please call 07881 950333 for an estimate.



#### **Painting & Decorating:** Karl Andrews.

26 Maltings Close, Halesworth.  
Tel: 01986 874926

**Roger Best.** Garden Design, Planting Plans.  
Consultation and Landscaping.

East Nook, Hall Road. Tel: 01502 478305  
Mobile: 078866 17745

#### **S Rudd Drain Services.**

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sinks cleared. Patios/driveways cleaned.

Drains and soakaways repaired.

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**Wenhaston Tiling:** All floor and wall tiling  
undertaken. Call Robert on

01502 478740 Mob: 07941 381206

### Newsagent

**Patrick's.** Market Place, Halesworth.

Delivers in Wenhaston from 6:30am.  
Tel: 01986 875229

### Funeral Services

#### **Rosedale Funeral Home.**

Arcadia House, 19 Market Place, Halesworth.  
Tel: 01986 875588

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### **I wonder how many D Day veterans are living in Wenhaston?**

The 65th anniversary of this magnificent concentrated effort to save our island in the last war was commemorated on 6th June in Normandy.

I do know at least one survivor - who drove his jeep up onto Gold Beach - to join the fray. He lives with me! Are there any others?

*Dorothy Franklin*

### **RBL Wenhaston and District Branch**

Meeting opened with Exhortation and Silent Tribute. Vice Chairman John Levy welcomed all to meeting, in absence of Derek Doy, Chairman. We all sent our good wishes to Derek and were thinking of him.

We have a new member transferred from another branch. We have sold County raffle tickets. We sent £10.00 for bottle stall at Newmarket Race Day Saturday 8th August. Also £200.00 for Benevolent at County. The sick have been visited and helped.

We have members, Standard Bearer and Parade Marshall attending the County Rally at Felixstowe on 5th July.

Secretary Sue Doy was congratulated on becoming the Mayor of Southwold for ensuing year and hoped she would have a successful one.

President Mrs Onyett had a full RAF uniform given her. It was suggested to offer it to a museum.

The next Group meeting is Monday 27th July at Beccles RBL Club 7:30pm. All welcome. Next Wenhaston Branch meeting is Monday 14th September 7:30pm Star Inn. No meeting in July or August.

*Sue Doy*

### **Cold Callers**

Suffolk Police and Suffolk Trading Standards are warning people to be on their guard for companies that target the vulnerable by cold-calling for the purpose of selling mobility equipment. These calls are often followed by a personal visit from a salesperson who uses hard-sell techniques to persuade the customer to buy mobility aids that they might not want.

For further advice or anyone who feels that they might be a victim of this type of sales technique, please contact Suffolk Trading Standards on 0845 4040506. *Police Direct*

### **Mothers' Union**

Jenny Dickson was in the chair and lead the prayers at the June meeting in the Church Room. We sang 'For the Beauty of the Earth', and the notices were as follows:-

On 13th August there will be an Outing to Somerleyton Hall. Tel 01502 478378

The 'Mothering Sunday' raffle raised £60 which will be used to purchase two birthing kits for the third world.

The amount raised at our Childrens' Society Box Opening and Coffee Morning was £826.49. Mollie Bunn thanks all concerned.

Our speaker was David Bird who told us about his work as a volunteer chaplain at St Elizabeth Hospice in Ipswich. David had been a volunteer for seven and a half years, and related some of his experiences as a chaplain. He also told us that it costs 5.5 million pounds annually to run the hospice, so fund raising is paramount.

Recently there was a Ladies Midnight Walk which will hopefully raise £200,000. However, small personal donations do make a lot of difference. The amount left in wills has decreased with the economic situation but more people are buying from the 10 charity shops. David was thanked by June Lewis.

Our Garden Meeting will be on July 8th at Spindleberry, by kind invitation of Margaret Goldstone and will commence at 3:00pm.

*Margaret Bloomfield*

**OSKAR FOXTROT PRESENTS**  
**FATAL FAME**

**BE WHO YOU WANT TO BE...**  
 By Sarah Corbett, Andy Durham and Phil Corbett  
 The New Cut Halesworth  
 Friday July 17th at 7.30 pm  
 Tickets £9/£7  
 Tel: 0845 6732123

**Special Wenhaston offer!**  
 10% discount on presentation of this voucher.

*To claim your 10% discount take this Wenhaston Word issue with you when booking tickets*

### **Oskar Foxtrot - Fatal Fame**

Many of us dream of our name up in lights, of fame and fortune and the trappings that they bring. But what happens when this dream becomes reality and an ordinary life suddenly becomes extraordinary? *Fatal Fame* tells the story of Susie Sparrow, a young factory worker who finds herself catapulted to 'stardom' after winning a lottery to live for three weeks in the 'A-List Experience' complex in an old disused military airbase. Fame here is not real, but it might as well be as every possible whim is catered for and every scenario created from Oscar ceremonies to stadium gigs to TV chat shows. As Susie Sparrow reinvents herself as Susannah Nightingale, she starts to lose grip on what is real and what is fake, leaving family and friends behind. Becoming ever-more immersed in this fictional world of pretend fame, she discovers a dark side to the experience – and to herself. The question is: can Susie redeem herself before it is too late? *Fatal Fame* examines the culture of being famous for fame's sake and asks many important questions about the cult of celebrity in today's world.

The musical features 13 brand new songs, a cast of 35 and a live band. It is award-winning Oskar Foxtrot's tenth new musical and its fifth to tour in Suffolk following hot on the heels of recent successes *Black Shuck*, *1066* and *Dunwich – A Ghost Story*. Wenhaston's Phil Corbett continues to write song lyrics for the company while the rest of the writing team is made up of his daughter, Sarah and her husband Andy who married in Wenhaston 11 years ago.

Readers of the Wenhaston Word can save 10% on ticket prices if they take this copy to the Cut when buying tickets and show the advert with the discount offer.

**Sarah Corbett**

## Wenhaston Word Small Ads

440 copies of Wenhaston Word are printed at Blythweb each month and then delivered to all homes and businesses in Wenhaston and Mells. Also available at Halesworth Library.

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### Wenhaston United Football Club

We have just completed our most successful Season ever, the 1st Team finishing fourth in the SIL Division 1 and the Reserves thirteenth in the Intermediate 'B' Division.

We played the Wenhaston Charity Cup and Shield in May and raised £350 to be split equally between Multiple Sclerosis and the East Anglian Air Ambulance. Our thanks to Halesworth Town for taking part in these games.

Our Annual Presentation night has been held and 70 people sat down. Awards were made to Adam Smith (1st Team Player and Players Player of The Year), Scott Curtis and Chris Gramlick (Reserves Player and Players Player) and Ryan Kerslake (Most Improved Player).

The AGM has taken place and there are no changes to the Club Officials.

We thank all our players, officials and sponsors especially Ivan Bremner, who after fifteen years is retiring from sponsoring the Reserves, and also Neville Mann, our man with a flag who is also retiring, and look forward to the coming Season.

**PTP**

## Small Ads

### Wanted

**Garden Shed Wanted** - ideally around 8ftx12ft, in fairly good condition, happy to pay a reasonable price, will dismantle and collect. Please call Fay 07940 937593.

Advertise items for sale and wanted for just 25p per word (min £3).  
Photo £5. 'Lost' and 'Found' items FREE.

### Allotment To Share

Would a suitable person like to share a private allotment for a share of the vegetables?

Please leave contact details in confidence at Blythweb, The Street, Wenhashton.

### Fax Services

Need to send a fax in the UK?  
Call into Blythweb, The Street, Wenhashton.  
Faxes sent from just £2.00.

### Bell Ringing

There was lots of curiosity surrounding the daytime ringing on Friday 29th May. It was a visiting band from Tadcaster in Yorkshire.

Wenhashton practice nights in July are Fridays 10th and 24th between 7:30pm - 9:00pm at St Peter's Church. We will be joined by ringers from Southwold. Visitors are welcome to come and watch and new ringers are always welcome.

For details of practice nights at other towers please contact the Wenhashton Tower Rep.

*Becky Canham*

### Jewellery Appeal Continues

Diabetes UK are continuing their fundraising Appeal for unwanted or damaged jewellery and watches. Readers of Wenhashton Word have been extremely generous to date with fourteen full packages sent off from here.

Well Done Wenhashton!

If you have suitable items to donate they can be left at Blythweb's office in The Street.

*Eileen Heaps*

## Dates For Your Diary

20th July - Deadline for August WW

2nd September - Mobile Blood Unit

6th September - Village Show

7th September - Wheelie Bin Roadshow

For events in the local area go to  
[www.blythweb.net/calendar/](http://www.blythweb.net/calendar/)

### St. Peter's Church Services for July

5th No Service at St. Peter's  
(Team service at Halesworth 9:30am)  
12th 9:30am Parish Communion  
19th No Service at St. Peter's  
(we join the Methodists 10:30am)  
26th 6:30pm Evensong

### Wenhashton Gardeners

Off we went to Norfolk in the charabanc for our eagerly awaited trip. Priory Maze, in the morning, proved to be interesting but sad as it has been allowed to get into a very neglected state. Intriguing plants and an attractive lay-out showed us what it should have been like. After lunch we moved on to Corpusty Mill and here was a garden lovingly tended and full of wonders. Quirky, yes, with its follies and wacky sculptures but a classically beautiful garden none-the-less. It's a shame it's not more open to visitors but, I suppose, if it was it would lose some of its charm - and certainly it was lovely having it to ourselves.

By the way, it was a joy to visit some of our own village gardens on the Open Day. So varied and all a credit to their owners. And the allotments - what a wonderful first year they seem to be having. Thanks to the Sports Club for arranging it.

July 9th Trip to Cambridge. Depart 8:30am Village Hall. Cambs Botanic Gardens - time to wander and take refreshments at the Café. The coach will take the College garden group to Newnham at 2:15pm. A pick up point will be arranged for those going into the town at 4:30pm for return journey.

Seats still available for this super day out. Cost £20. Phone Jenny on 01502 478 815.

*Cherry Wilkinson*

## Transition Status

Did you know that there is a move to establish Halesworth as a Transition town? This could include the local area.

What is Transition status? Well, if basically you believe that the world's oil supplies are running out and that we need to completely rethink our use of this resource, and if basically you believe that climate change is underway and we need to rethink lifestyles to lessen our individual impact, then you might well be interested in Transition. There are Transition towns throughout the world. Locally they include Bungay and Norwich, and others.

If you would like to find out more contact Malcolm on 01728 668237.

## Archive Exhibition 2009

Thank You to all the helpers at the two day exhibition, to the church ladies and Football Club for the refreshments; special thanks to Rebecca and Martin for all your time you gave us; to Charlie Mills for narrating the DVD; to those who gave donations, helped with the stands and Blythweb. All the team, well done.

*Arthur Musk*

## Wenhaston Allotments Association

If anyone in the village has a small garden shed they no longer want, then our members might well be interested in taking it off your hands! We are also looking for a larger shed which we can use as a communal shelter! And don't forget to visit our stall at the Garden Fete on the 25th July - we should have lots of good home grown and home made goodies for sale at sensible prices.

*David Smith*  
01502 478535

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## Local History Matters: 20

### *Punishments*

The Parish Constable was a volunteer appointed every year by the Justices of the Peace. He was in charge of the Stocks, Whipping Post and Ducking Stool. The first two were placed outside the church while the Ducking Stool was at the village pond, by the Church Room.

At the quarter sessions at Beccles in 1774, Sarah Culver was publically whipped for stealing three loaves from the house of John Stratford of Wenhaston. In the Constable's accounts in the 18th century various amounts were being paid for the mending and upkeep of the Stocks, Whipping Post and Ducking Stool so they must have been used quite a bit!

During the Peasants Revolt of 1381 it was reported that William Deye of Shadingfield entered the house of John Mekeway in Wenhaston and threatened to behead him if he did not pay a fine to him.

Transportation was a means of punishment. 24th March 1820 Benjamin Bunn had been sentenced to death for breaking into the house

of Rev C Collins and stealing money. He was reprieved and transported for life.

5th July 1824 Robert Gissing was sent off for seven years for stealing a quantity of beans, while on 5th August 1824 James Woodgate was reprieved from a death sentence for stealing a grey mare pony from James Newby and transported for 14 years.

In Whites Directory of 1844 it stated that there were Petty Sessions held at Wenhaston every third Wednesday. At Yoxford Petty Sessions a number of local cases resulted in fines, hard labour or being sent for trial.

Moral judgements came under the power of the Church. Penances were performed. One example was in December 1732 Priscilla Ludbrook was accused of Fornication. She had to wear a white sheet and hold a white rod. Standing first in the porch, she then walked up the aisle to the priest at the altar, and pinned on her chest was a paper detailing her crime. At the altar she had to stand throughout the service and sermon, then turn to the congregation and falling to her knees, make her peace.

*Keith Johnceline*

## Local Services *(More on page 5)*

### Wenhaston Archive Project

Village Views 2009 DVD £10.00,  
Archive Notelets £6.00 (for 8)  
Hall Farm Remembered Booklet £5.00

Available to buy online  
<http://archive.wenhaston.net/dvd/index.php>  
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*Purchases support Wenhaston Archive Project*

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