# Wenhaston

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#### Landfill Site At Thorington

Suffolk County Council are currently consulting on the Final Consultation Version of its Waste Core Strategy and accompanying Sustainability Appraisal. The consultation period is from Monday 27th July to 5:00pm on Friday 9th October. The Strategy sets out a planning framework for the location and distribution of waste management facilities and identifies strategic sites for Residual Waste Treatment facilities and Non-Hazardous Landfill sites.

The former quarry site at Thorington is identified in the Plan as a strategic Non-Hazardous landfill site and your views on this proposal are welcomed.

As part of our consultation process we are holding an open invitation 'drop in' session between 3pm - 8pm on Friday 4th September at Bramfield Village Hall where you will be able to discuss the Plan with Council officers.

All the documents are available on the Suffolk County Council web site www.suffolk.gov.uk/Environment/MineralsAnd WastePlanning/WastePlanning

Further information from Graham Gunbyon 01473 264807.David Botwright,Minerals and Waste Planning Policy Officer

### Hastoe Housing

A meeting has been arranged for anyone interested in the affordable housing in Narrow Way.

Wednesday 2nd September 3:00pm - 7:00pm Wenhaston Village Hall

#### Looking for a service, gift idea, treat or tradesman? See pages 5, 9 and 12

# Stop Press! WEA Update

Due to Jury Service, the start date of the WEA 10 week Autumn Course 'How To Look At Pictures' has been set back one week and will now commence on Friday 25th September. Your chance to 'Meet The Tutor' event on 11th September is unaffected (see page 3).

Kathleen Orme, 01502 478708

Wenhaston Village Show 6th September in the Village Hall Vegetables, Fruit, Flowers, Flower arranging, Photography, Baking & Preserves and Crafts Plant and Produce Stall - Donations Welcome

1:00pm - 4:00pm Visitors Welcome Admission 50p : Children free Raffle - Teas

#### **Funeral Service**

**Walpole** - Bridget Hansine, dear sister of Nigel and Alan, died peacefully at Foxearth Lodge Nursing Home, Saxtead, Suffolk, on 10th August, aged 78. Funeral Service and Thanksgiving at St.Peter's Church, Wenhaston, on Friday, 28th August at 12 noon. Donations rather than flowers, please, to the Alzheimer's or Parkinson's charities. **Nigel Walpole** 

#### Dance - No Road Map

The dance sessions for the mature – and it's up to you whether you consider yourself mature enough, birth certificates are not required re-start in the Church Hall on Thursday 17th September, 4:30pm - 6:00pm

No Road Map is a sequence of exercises set to music that are specifically designed for the mature body, concentrating on alignment, balance and co-ordination.

Thereafter, it's dancing to great music of all kinds, combining the targets of the warm-up with steps and moves that are attuned to the mature. Motor memory and spatial awareness get a good workout too!

With time and practice the dances are within everyone's grasp. The sessions are committed fun and the results are improved movement abilities and strength.

Please ring 01502 478544 if you'd like more info Sandra Redsell

See advert on page 3.

#### Wenhaston Methodist Church

Sunday Services in September at 10:30am

- 6th Rosemary Remy
- 13th Rev'd David Read S
- 20th Rev'd Graham Thompson
- 27th Rev'd Robin Searles Harvest Festival US

Tuesday Meetings at 2:30pm

- 1st Women's Fellowship Gladys Sexton
- 8th Bible Study
- 15th Women's Fellowship AGM Rev'd Pam Bayliss

22nd Bible Study

29th Healing Service

Saturday 5th 'Pray a While' 9:00-10:30am on a come and go basis for prayer and meditation

#### **Commons Work Parties in** September

Tuesday 8 Bickers Heath 10am. Meet by seat. Sunday 27 Blackheath 10am. Meet by seat at Black Deek pond. Work will include removal of overgrown scrub surrounding the pond. Jonathan Alder

#### St. Peter's Church Services September

6th 9:30am Team Service at Halesworth 13th 9:30am Parish Communion 20th 9:30am Special Service for 'Back to Church Sunday' 27th 10:30am We join the Methodists for Harvest Festival Service

#### **Bell Ringing**

Wenhaston practice nights in September are Fridays 11th and 25th between 7:30pm -9:00pm at St Peter's Church. Visitors are welcome to come and watch and new ringers are always welcome to join us.

For details of practice nights at other towers please contact the Wenhaston Tower Rep. Becky Canham

#### Youth Club News

The last of the six outdoor youth club sessions took place on July 17th and having been blessed with good weather on the previous five occasions we did encounter some rainy weather that night. However this did not prevent the youth club tennis tournament from taking place! Twelve youngsters took part and as the rain fell and darkness descended Hayden Streeter defeated Guy Parker 6-4 in the final. Well done to both these players, who played to a very high standard, and to all others who took part.

Many thanks to all parents who have volunteered to help over the past year - this has helped the sessions to run well. At the AGM there was a discussion on the age categories for the new term - if you have any views on this then please let Alison, David or myself know. For the first session we will have the usual 8+ rule and then see what the numbers are like

The new rota will be out soon with the following dates on for this term: September 18th, September 25th, October 16th. November 6th. November 20th, December 4th and December 18th **Richard Wakelin** 

#### **Eat For A Worthy Cause!**

The Queen's Head in Bramfield is pleased to announce that it has started to raise money for the Halesworth Community First Responder (CFR) Team. Every day one dish will be highlighted on the menu and for every one of these dishes it sells the Queen's Head will donate 20p to this very worthy cause.

CFR's are unpaid volunteers that are trained by the East of England Ambulance Service to attend 999 emergency calls in their community to provide vital first aid until the paramedic arrives, particularly important as we live in a rural area. As well as covering Halesworth our local CFR team are sometimes called to surrounding villages such as Wenhaston, Mells and Bramfield.

All the equipment that CFR's are trained to use and carry with them to emergency calls, such as defibrillators (which may be required if the patient is suffering a heart attack) needs to be paid for by the local community.

To book a table or for more information call the Queen's Head on 01986 784214 www.queensheadbramfield.co.uk .

#### Mark Corcoran

#### **Church Jumble Sale**

This will be on Saturday 12th September in the Village Hall at 2pm. I should be delighted to hear of anyone who can help on the day or donate goods for sale. We shall get ready from 10am, and 1 am able to collect goods if necessary. *Margaret Bloomfield* 

#### Footpath Walking in September

The morning walk on Tuesday 1st will leave from Wenhaston Village Hall at 10am. The all day walk on Tuesday 15th will be led by Heather Phillips and Ian Denney. Meet at Blythburgh Church Car Park at 10am for a walk via the river and heathland to Southwold Pit Stop Café for lunch. Return to Blythburgh by bus.

For any other help contact Heather Phillips 01502 478545.



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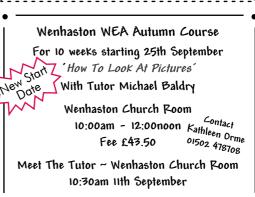
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#### Grand Jumble Sale Saturday 12th September Village Hall 2pm

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#### **Mothers' Union**

There was no meeting in August but we hope that all our members have had a good summer. We trust that our leader, Margaret Goldstone continues to make progress after her operation, strengthened by all the prayers and good wishes she has received.

On September 9th we resume our meetings in the Church Room at 2:30pm when we shall say the Wave of Prayer and discuss 'Communications'.

An early reminder - on Wednesday 14th October the Suffolk Archdeaconry of the Mothers' Union will have a day in Wenhaston. A buffet lunch will be served in the Church Room from 12 noon. In the church will be a Bring and Buy stall, Produce and Cakes, and MU literature including Christmas cards and calendars, diaries etc. A guided tour of the church will take place at 1:30pm, and we finish the celebration with a Eucharist Service at 2:30pm in church, Rev Liz Cannon presiding, and our Diocesan President, Catherine Prophet preaching. Teg and cake will be served after the service and we invite anyone interested to come along and join us for the day. Margaret Bloomfield

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#### As we liked it

The Circle 67 Players want to thank everybody who helped and supported us when we presented As You Like It on Church Common on Sunday afternoon 26 July. As always, we are especially grateful to members of the Commons Group for preparing the acting and audience areas, and to Sue and Tony Gow who provided a hospitable dressing-room (with a delightful garden outside) at Wayland Cottage, and also helped to erect a 'backstage' gazebo on a day gusty enough to blow our beautiful 'Forest of Arden' set out of the production.

A report of the whole week's tour of As You Like It is posted on our website at www.circle67.co.uk, hosted for us by Blythweb. Peter Lewis, Chairman Circle 67 Players

#### **Fishing Equipment Thefts**

Over recent weeks there has been an increase in fishing equipment thefts across Suffolk. Items have been stolen in burglaries and whilst people are out fishing especially at night when fishing rods are left outside tents.

Police would like to advise people to UV pen mark all of your equipment with your postcode so if the property is recovered it can be easily identified and returned to the rightful owner. Pens can be obtained from your local Police Station. Police Direct

#### Wenhaston WI

We were pleased to welcome guests from New Zealand to our August meeting and trust they found Tony Brown's slice of Suffolk life 'Laughter is Medicine' truly entertaining as it was packed with incidents and local characters he has encountered over the years.

We have had a super summer, with a garden party on a sunny evening in July closely following our 90th Anniversary all-day outing on a boat on the Norfolk Broads complete with lunch, live jazz and good weather. More enjoyable outings are planned over forthcoming months.

Meanwhile we shall be collecting small useful personal items for the annual 'Shoeboxes to Rumania' appeal - always a challenge to fit items into, literally, a shoebox! These are then taken, with thousands of others, to poor villages and distributed among the families there.

Congratulations to WI member Dilys Grimwade who scored top marks (55/55) in the fiendish Quiz organised by our WI area office at Ipswich.

We next meet 7:30pm, Wednesday 2nd September at Wenhaston Village Hall when John Wood will talk about the Northumberland Coast.

Any ladies who would like to come and join Wenhaston WI please see the enclosed flyer for information on the benefits of membership and for contact details. *Eileen Heaps* 

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# Local Services (More on page 9)

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#### Silver Studded Blue Butterfly Explosion

Concerted efforts by the Commons Group, over the past few years, has resulted in a dramatic increase in the numbers of this rare and endangered species of this butterfly colonising new sites on Blackheath Common.

Previous numbers sighted were alarmingly low, since the original re-introduction - at most only twenty four in 2006 - however recent surveys have recorded sixty two (30 males and 32 females) inhabiting not only the original site but also new areas of Blackheath Common.

Bracken clearance and the encouragement of new Bell Heather growth by the Commons Group has benefited this Biodiversity Action Plan for conservation of this species of butterfly - bare patches of heath has also encouraged the spread of Black Ants with which this species has a symbiotic relationship. *Richard Havard* 



Silver Studded Blue Butterfly Photo © Richard Havard

#### Letter Received

Having received a rather intimidating and inaccurate letter about the holiday development at 'New Farm' Blackheath, I for one would like to see this go ahead, the protesters never lived here when we had the stench from the chicken huts to put up with, now that would have been something to protest about. We live in a beautiful place why not share it with other appreciative people, as we who are long term residents have shared with the new comers. Good luck to Jim and Karen. Heather Hammond, Blackheath

#### **Thank You**

The Village hall Committee would like to thank Alan and Judith Middleton-Stewart for opening their garden once again to help to raise much needed funds for the Village hall.

A total of £614.40 was raised.

The Village Hall Committee would like to send their best wishes to Judith and hope she is feeling better. Mary Pennock

#### **Be Alert**

Police are urging all residents to be alert when dealing with any doorstep callers. Never agree to have any work done if you are not happy or feel pressurised. Do not let anyone into your home without proper identification and if in any doubt please call officers immediately using 999. Police Direct **Music Corner** by Chris Dunn Saturday 31st August 1:10pm, St Edmund's Church, Southwold The Blythburgh Singers. Informal lunchtime concert of choral music. Free admission - retiring collection.

#### Saturday 5th September 7:30pm,

Holy Trinity Church, Blythburgh, Halesworth Community Choir and Syzewell Gap. "Ballads of Blything Hundred" Composed and conducted by Bridget Cousins. Tickets £8 at the door.

#### Saturday 19th September 7:30pm,

The Cut Arts Centre, Halesworth. Scintillo String Quartet. Music by Beethoven, Mendelssohn and Grieg. Tickets £8 (Concessions £6) Box Office 0845 673123 or book online www.newcut.org

#### **Saturday 26th September** 7:30pm St Edmund's Church, Southwold.

Martucci Ensemble. Music by Handel, Janacek, Mozart and Schubert. Tickets £10 Tel. 01502 726161

#### **Cancer Research UK**

As a result of the door-to-door collection in June £341.48 was raised in Wenhaston, contributing to a Halesworth Committee total of £4535.65 . Sincere thanks to all who helped with the collection and to the many people who donated so generously. Jackie Chenery

#### **Happy Birthday Brian**

Jane, Wendy and Paul wish Brian a Happy 70th Birthday on 6th September.



Enjoy your day!

Photo of Brian Nolloth from the Wenhaston Archive

http://archive.wenhaston.net The Wenhaston Archive Project Website

#### **Quiz Night**

Wenhaston Bowls Club is hosting a Quiz at the Village Hall on Friday 9th October starting 7:30pm A licensed bar will be open from 7:00pm. Teams of four are invited to what should be a fun evening when you might even win a prize or two. Tickets cost £16 per team, to include half-time refreshment, and can be obtained on a 'first come first served' basis from Chris or Jan on 01502 478066 or Bob on 01986 798143. Chris Sibthorpe

#### Suffolk Historic Churches Trust

The Annual Cycle Ride takes place on Saturday 12th September. I shall be seeking stewards to sit in the church porch to sign the cyclists in, please, and I should be delighted if anyone is able to cycle or walk in aid of Wenhaston Church. The sponsor forms will appear in Margaret Bloomfield church shortly.

#### **Village Hall Surgery**

There will be no Southwold Surgery at Wenhaston Village Hall on Thursday 24th September, Contact 01502 722326

#### **Table Top Sale**

Wenhaston Village Hall will be holding a Table Top Sale on Saturday 7 November 9am-1pm. Proceeds from admission (25p), refreshments and table charge (£8) to Village Hall refurbishment. To book your table contact Becky 01502 478842, email: villagehall@wenhaston.net See advert next month Michael Gasper

Wenhaston Bowls Club Quiz Friday 9th October 7:30pm at Wenhaston Village Hall Bar Available from 7:00pm Teams of 4 £16 (includes half-time refreshment) Tickets available contact Chris or Jan 01502 478066 or Bob 01986 798143

#### **Dates For Your Diary**

20th September - Deadline for October WW 9th October - Bowls Club Quiz Night 22nd October - St Peter's Quiz Night 7th November - Table Top Sale 5th December - Christmas Bazaar 31st December - New Years Eve Party For events in the local area go to www.blythweb.net/calendar/

#### **New Years Eve Family Party**

Book the date now - village party in the Village Hall on New Year's Eve. There will be food, entertainment, dancina, raffle and a bar. All ages welcome. More details to follow.

Michael Gasper



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#### Evening Bus Connections from Norwich

Tony Goldson (County Councillor for Halesworth) has asked me to research some information about the problems caused by the lack of an evening bus from Norwich to Halesworth (and Wenhaston). He needs hard data to use in his campaign to improve this service and to get a better evening connection from Norwich. In particular it would be useful to know how many people are directly affected - this may be people who would like to work in Norwich, or attend the Norwich City College, or UEA or even implications for visiting Norwich Hospital.

If you or your family use the Norwich bus service please let me have your thoughts. You can contact me at Blythweb (01502 478712) or email tourism@halesworth.net

> Tim Heaps Chairman: Halesworth Tourism Group

#### Wenhaston Energy Support Group Greener Homes Interest Free Loans

Thinking about renewable energy installations such as solar water panels? You might be interested in the Ipswich and Suffolk Credit Union 'green' interest free loans, a scheme supported by Suffolk Coastal District Council. Loans are available for energy saving goods and renewables.

Why not pick up a leaflet from the Energy Group pocket in the Village Hall, or contact the Credit Union on 01473 690690?

#### Low Energy Bulb Library

If you think that the energy light bulbs are ugly and don't fit your fittings just contact Tony Wollin and borrow the light bulb library. It is a case full of different kinds of bulbs to fit every kind of lighting. He is at Heathlands, Hog Lane, Blackheath. Ring 478241 for more information.

To find out more about the Energy Group go to our website www.wenhastongreen.org Janice Claxton

### www.wenhaston.net

The Wenhaston Website

#### Wenhaston Sports Club

The village Sports Club will be especially active in the next month.

The Wenhaston Wheelers' monthly bike ride will be on Sunday 30 August, starting from the Village Hall at 10:30am. Everybody is welcome to join us on the special ride - you don't have to be a club member! The route will be agreed at the start to accommodate all riders, beginners or the more experienced veloistes.

On Saturday 5 September at the Tennis Courts by the football field we will be having a Tennis Fun Day. Tennis activities and games for youngsters will be in the morning from 10:30am to lunchtime. Then a barbecue lunch for all, after which there will be a tournament for players of all levels of expertise. All we need is good weather and lots of entrants, so, young and not so young please come along for this enjoyable event.

After this event, the tennis court will be closed whilst the surface is being re-painted. This should be done in five days from Monday 7 September to Friday 11 September, but we can't totally be sure of this as the weather will affect the drying time. The multisport and skateboard areas will be open for use as usual, except for a brief period during which the multisport court is to be power-washed.

Keen tennis players may like to be aware of the Fun Tournament being arranged by our colleagues at the Halesworth Tennis Club on Sunday 20 September. In aid of the East Anglian Air Ambulance, all players, men and women, are welcome. There will be refreshments provided, a raffle, and play starts at 10am, finishing at 2pm.

David Harrison

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Money generated through the sale of items posted by Suffolk Constabulary on the site will support the Constabulary's charity 'Safer Suffolk Foundation'. This Foundation aims to support projects and organisations that are looking to address policing, community safety and quality of life issues for those people living and working in Suffolk. **Police Direct** 

#### **Reports From Wenhaston School** Maddie's After School Club Report

Our fabulous after school club is now open Tuesday/Wednesday and Thursday nights and we have Jayne, Charlotte and Mrs Cassels running it who are really cool. We do loads of activities like cooking, arts and crafts; go for walks and to the park and go swimming. We have snacks and desserts like yummy ice cream. You should all come to meet your friends and hang out it is really cool.

#### Olivia's Music Report

We had a visit from the Halesworth Middle School Orchestra who played 'Mercy' by Duffy and a song by Nirvana. They let us all have a go on their instruments and we got to play on xylophones, clarinets, ukuleles, guitars, double bass, flutes, tambourines, violins and violas. We had a great time learning how to play 'Mercy' and we then got to play it with them. It was an awesome afternoon.

#### Jacob's Golf Report

Year 4 went to Halesworth Golf Club for a Tri-Golf Festival with other local primary schools. There were different courses to play where you could score points. At the end Mr. Armstrong told us who had won. It was a very exciting day.

#### Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council

The Parish Council would like to thank the Parishioners who have cut back their hedges and verges. This I am sure will give better visibility for motorists.

Suffolk Coastal was unable to accept the name for the new housing in Narrow Way. The Parish Council have looked at old maps of the Village and have come up with the name of Blowers Piece.

Hastoe Housing will be holding an open day on September 2nd at the Village Hall, 3pm -7pm for anyone who is interested in the Houses.

The planning application for New Farm, Blackheath Road, was discussed and by seven votes to four this application was supported by the Parish Council.

Suffolk Coastal Services will be holding a 'Wheelie Bin' event at the Village Hall 1 pm-3pm September 7th , to give Parishioners information regarding the new bins that will be supplied to householders. Every household will be sent a leaflet in the next few weeks.

Mary Pennock, Clerk

#### www.wenhaston.net/parishcouncil/

#### **Thorington Thanks**

The organisers would like to thank those who supported so generously the Church fundraising weekend in June and made this event such a success. A total of £4070 was raised. Again many thanks to everyone.

Trish Gower

#### **Open Gardens**

Thanks to everyone, especially the garden owners, those who helped with the catering on the day and the home bakers. Also the bus drivers, quiz setter, raffle prizes donors and gatherer, the printer and of course all those who bought a programme and supported the event. A wonderful team effort that raised £700 for the village sports facilities. *Ann, Anne and Cathy* 

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#### Law and Order

Keeping Law and Order was always in people's minds. In 1272 Henry III ordered a watch to be mounted each night in every village by men from the village. One or two constables were to be appointed to carry out these duties. This was not a job that was very popular as only expenses were paid.

The earliest list of Constables in the Record Office show in 1680 Abraham Nolloth and John Spalding were the lucky ones! One could not serve two years running, but Abraham Nolloth drew the short straw again in 1695.

Many local laws were to be respected. Beatings to vagrants, not coming to church on four successive Sundays, hanging out a lantern without a light, selling ale without a licence, cutting turf on the common, making a dunghill and many others including abusing and beating the Constable!

They were responsible for the upkeep of the stocks, Whipping Post and Ducking Pond. Sometimes the Constables combined their job with that of Surveyors looking after the Highway. This system lasted until the 1850s when the County Police Force took over. *Keith Johnceline* 

#### News from the Bus Shelter

Anyone studying at Lowestoft College might be interested to know that our 601 Anglian bus changes into a 608 at Lowestoft and then calls at the college. It also stops at James Paget Hospital before coming to rest at Market Gates, Great Yarmouth. *Michael Gasper, Wenhaston Parish Transport Representative* 

#### Wenhaston Allotments

We would like to thank all those of you who supported us at the Garden Fete on 25th July and at the Strawberry Teas on 16th August. We raised a total of £249.40 which will help us greatly towards our improvement schemes. David Smith



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Well, how was it for you?

The summer, I mean! Despite the lack of promised BBQ weather we still seem to be short of water in our little coastal micro climate. I have just about been able to keep watering from my underground rain water cistern and the water butts. The grass is an uninteresting shade of beige and my sweet peas have mildew. Hey, ho.

But the Show must go on and indeed it is nearly upon us. I'm sure there are many of you who have been nurturing and cosseting your prize specimens come rain or shine. Entry forms are still available from the Post Office and Tony Gow at Wayland Cottage, Narrow Way. Please note that all entry forms must be in by 8:00pm on Wednesday September 2nd and that is to Tony at the above address. Good luck, everyone. Cherry Wilkinson

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