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Wenhaston Allotment & Leisure Gardeners Association

As spring approaches so does the opening of the first allotment in Wenhaston for some considerable years.

The allotment site has been cleared and ploughed and the thirteen available plots marked out. There is just the boundary fence to be completed and then it will be time for the draw to allocate individual plots to members.

It is hoped that the draw will take place in the village hall at a date to be fixed in the middle of February. Parish Council Chairman Bernard Orme assisted by Parish Clerk Mary Pennock will make the draw. All members and friends are welcome to witness this historic event that will enhance once again the green credentials of Wenhaston. **Gus Jones**

WALGA Secretary

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Deadline for March 2009 issue is 20th February 2009

Music Corner by Chris Dunn

Friday 13th February 7:30pm. The Cut Arts Centre, Halesworth. North Suffolk Youth Orchestra and Concert Band. Music by Schubert (5th Symphony), Mozart (Horn Concerto), Lloyd Webber etc (Musicals). Tickets: £6 and £4 (under 16's) The Cut Box Office 0845 673 2123 www.newcut.org

News from the Church

Christmas already seems months ago, but I do not want to let it pass without saying how much we enjoyed having so many people at the annual Carol Service. We all had the chance to enjoy singing many of the popular carols and to listen once again to the familiar readings of Christ's Birth. It was a happy occasion with which to begin the Christmas Celebrations, helped of course by the mincepies and mulled wine after the Service.

As we move into a New Year we are already looking ahead to the various special celebrations and events which we hope to hold during the year. We are hoping to celebrate St.Peter our Patron Saint this year and we are planning a weekend of Celebration on the 27th/28th June. We very much hope that the Village will join us and enjoy the events - more news next month.

There will as always be many of the usual fundraising events as once again we are faced with the mammoth task of raising funds to enable us to pay our Parish Share. This year the figure is $\pounds 17,000$. Quite a challenge for such a small group of parishioners! But we do very much appreciate the support which we receive at all our fundraising events

Flying the Flag

Wednesday 3rd December To celebrate the birth of Harry Wyer. Grandson of Derek Roberts.

Margaret Goldstone

News from the Bus Shelter

The other morning I went to a meeting of the Wenhaston Energy Support Group to talk about public transport - buses in particular. It's clear that a regular bus service is essential to those who haven't got cars, but car owners can save themselves money and help to reduce Wenhaston's carbon footprint by taking the bus for some journeys.

The members of the group each happily pledged to take a bus journey before their open meeting on 19 February. I'll be looking forward to hearing how they got on.

I also found that the website <u>www.transportdirect.info</u> gives useful guidance on journey planning using public transport, especially for those wanting a long distance adventure by bus.

Michael Gasper, Transport Officer, Wenhaston Parish Council

St. Peter's Church Services for February

1st No service at St. Peter's (9:30am Team Service at Halesworth) 8th 9:30am Parish Communion with Baptism 15th 9:30am Parish Communion 22nd 9:30am Parish Communion

Wenhaston Methodist Church

Services for February Sunday Services at 10:30am 1st Rev'd Robert Soanes S 8th Iris Baker 15th Mary Read 22nd 9:30am United at St. Peter's

Wednesday 25th Ash Wednesday Service 4:00pm Rev'd Robert Soanes

Tuesday Meetings at 2:30pm 3rd Women's Fellowship Open Afternoon 10th Fellowship Meeting 17th Women's Fellowship Rev'd Robert Soanes

17th Women's Fellowship Rev'd Robert Soanes 24th Fellowship Meeting

Saturday 7th 10:00 - 11:30am 'Pray a While' on a come and go basis for prayer and meditation.

All Welcome at Any Event

Thank You

With grateful thanks to everyone who gave donations for the Parkinson Disease Society in memory of 'Dumpy Hammond'. From Heather Hammond and Family. A total sum of £523.58 was received.

Footpath Walking

Both walks in February will leave from Wenhaston Village Hall at 10:00am. The morning one will be on Tuesday 3rd. The all day one on Tuesday 17th will be to Bramfield for lunch.

For any other help contact Heather Phillips 01502 478545.

http://archive.wenhaston.net

The Wenhaston Archive Project Website

Help Needed at Wenhaston Pre-School

We are looking for a voluntary treasurer to be responsible for paying bills, paying in cheques, keeping the accounts, etc. It is estimated that this job would involve an average of 1-2 hours a week. This important position gives the opportunity to make a valuable and essential contribution to the life of the Pre-School. Further information from the Pre-School or 01502 478163.

We would like to welcome Julie Ducksbury to the Pre-School staff. Julie started work in the middle of January and the kids already love her. We are still looking for another staff member, to work four mornings a week, with at least an NVQ level 2 in a relevant qualification. A job share is possible. If you are interested please contact the Pre-School or 01502 478163 for further details and an application form. Closing date for applications Friday 6th February.

Our theme this half term is animals and the children are particularly enjoying playing in the vets corner, looking after, amongst other animals, a cuddly panda and tiger! We are hoping to visit Africa Alive with the children just before half term. *Fiona Adams, Chairperson*

Dates for Your Diary

20th February - Deadline for March WW

26th March - Energy Support Group AGM

24th and 25th May - Archive Weekend

For events in the local area go to www.blythweb.net/calendar/

The Childrens' Society



Coffee Morning and Box Opening Thursday 19th February 10:30am to 12:00 Wenhaston Church Room Bring & Buy Stall, Raffle All Welcome

Wenhaston Village Hall Quiz

February 24th 7:30pm



Teams of 4 £12 (includes light refreshment) Bar Available Quizmaster Mr John Blades

Entry forms from Club Pockets and the Post Office In aid of Wenhaston Village Hall



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Valentine Messages

To my gorgeous gardener, Roses are red, violets are blue, Your garden is lovely, and so are you.

No bus shelter? Never mind - you can share my brolly anytime. Just don't be a drip! from you-know-who...



Mothers' Union

Father Edward presided at our Corporate Communion on 14th January and chaired our AGM. It is always good to start the year with a Communion service. It was interesting to be reminded of all that was achieved in 2008 and to look forward to 2009. The branch did particularly well in its fund raising and giving to the MU Mothering Sunday appeal, TWAM, Away From It All Holidays, MU Literacy Project, Carlford Unit at Hollesley Bay and a few others. We ordinary members are very grateful to our Secretary, Treasurer and Committee for all that they do for us in keeping the MU on track.

At the AGM Margaret Goldstone kindly agreed to be Branch Leader, Jane Gamble is Minute Secretary and Pat Kemsley Treasurer. June Lewis was presented with a plant to say thank you for a successful year.

The February meeting on 11th will be a talk by Moira Cooke of the Tanworth Starfish Fund.

On Thursday February 19th we have our Box Opening Coffee Morning for the Childrens' Society in the Church Room from 10:30am to Noon. There will be a Bring & Buy Stall, a Raffle and, of course, refreshments. Happily, Mollie Bunn is now well enough to co-ordinate the morning and we do hope that lots of you will come along and support her and the Society. Margaret Bloomfield

Books

If anyone has good quality books that they no longer require, I should be pleased to take them for the Church Book Stall. Thank you.

Margaret Bloomfield 01502 478502

Small Ads

- Found
- Ladies ring found, Bramfield Road.
- Ewok toy found, in The Street. Now dried out!

Dawn Scother

Are you, or do you know of, Dawn Scother in the Wenhaston area?

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Wenhaston WI January Report

'Why do we like a picture?' Wil Harvey asked us at the beginning of his talk on 'Painting People'. It could evoke a memory; humour, tragedy; an historical record; or even a touch of mystery. Sometimes a vibrant colour might catch the eye; to the extent that a particular picture would compliment the décor of a room.

Wil then went on to point out some of the details to look for in a painting; the way an artist contrasted colour and the actual structure of the work.

With this in mind Wil showed us some slides of paintings executed throughout the ages, starting with the famous painting of the dead man in the French cave up to Contemporary and Computer art. We stopped on the way to view several paintings completed during our WI's birthday year, 1919.

At the conclusion of his talk Wil showed us several examples of his work. They were excellent; the one portrait that was particularly outstanding was that of Maurice Stammers.

Our meeting in February will be our birthday bash. There will be no business - no raffle, just an evening of fun and pleasure. We will be wearing our party frocks, drinking bubbly, and consuming elegant canapés. We might even make the Suffolk and Norfolk Life if not the Tattler! **FJJ**

Wenhaston Gardeners A Round Peg in a Square Hole

And I thought I was going to be writing about chickens! But it was not to be as our publicised speaker was unable to come. However we were fortunate to welcome back the excellent Matthew Tanton-Brown from 'The Place For Plants' who stepped into the breach with a lively talk on pests and diseases. He covered many of the gardener's worst enemies, brought exhibits for us to look at (dead and alive!), and gave tips on how to combat them. Did you notice the splendid nettle rearing its head again? At least not as poisonous as rhubarb if you're thinking of making a brew.

So in the months to come, in gardens all over Wenhaston, don't be surprised to see strange Morris dancing at dawn (stamping on lily beetles), shadowy figures at dusk, bucket in hand, (snail collecting) and people out digging square holes... ..Square holes for planting so that the roots don't go round and round for ever. So simple when you think about it.

Now September might seem an awfully long way away but already the Committee have been putting their heads together over the Annual Show schedule. Here are the subjects for the Craft and Photography classes. Get those thinking caps on and creative fingers twitching!

Crafts

A Cushion. A Handmade Rug. A Wall Hanging max size 24" x 24". A Painting framed or unframed any medium. A Greeting/Christmas Card any material. Any other Craft Item. A Collage of a Tree made from natural materials (up to age 15).

Photography

Water. The Best of Friends. Leaves. A Wenhaston Scene.

Next meeting: Tuesday February 10th Bob Coutts, Head Gardener at Somerleyton Hall, will speak to us on 'Gardening For Spring'. Hold on to that thought! **Cherry Wilkinson**

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Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council

Mr Roger lves was the chosen candidate for the Parish Council vacancy.

Suffolk Coastal Local Development Framework has indicated six sites for possible development, they are:-

Land at and surrounding Blackheath Farm Land off St Michaels Way and Narrow Way Land west of Herons Nest, Church Lane Land off Coles Hill and Blyford Lane Land at Glenholme, Blackheath Road Land adjacent to Brick Kiln Farm, Mells The Parish Council is addressing these issues.

Hastoe Housing will commence the affordable houses in Narrow Way as soon as the archaeological survey has been completed.

Star Hill Footpath. The legal teams at Suffolk County Council and Suffolk Coastal have agreed that as there is no known owner of the Star Hill Common land, under the 2006 Commons Act they can't proceed. However, under the Scheme of Management, SCDC can do any work that they seem fit, but would have to accept the maintenance and liability for a footpath. The Parish Council are waiting for an answer from SCDC.

The Parish Council has decided that due to the lack of support for a bus shelter opposite Green Blades they will not pursue this matter.

The Police have requested me to asked parishioners to be vigilant as there seems to be minor petty crimes going on in the village at the moment. Please make sure that your property, garages and cars are locked and when going out at night time perhaps leave a light on.

Balances at the bank are £16,396.47. Mary Pennock, Clerk

Oil Theft

Towards the end of 2008 100 gallons of heating oil were stolen from a tank outside a residential property on Blackheath, Wenhaston.

Anyone with information is asked to call Leiston Police on 01986 835300.

Police Direct Team

Thank You

I would like to thank every one who sent me Christmas Greetings with love and support and in return I wish you all a Healthy Happy 2009. Mary Stammers

Village Hall

Pockets

To all affiliated groups - Please don't forget to check your allocated pocket in Wenhaston Village Hall for your new 2009 affiliation form, payment receipts and any other information. Becky Canham

Surgery

There will be no Southwold Surgery at Wenhaston Village Hall on 19 February. Contact 01502 722326

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The Wenhaston Website

Commons Work Parties

Sunday 8th February 10:00am. Bickers Heath. Meet at the seat. Work will involve continuing scrub removal in areas worked on last year.

Sunday 22nd February 10:00am. Mill Heath. Meet by telegraph wires in middle of common. Work will include further gorse/scrub removal in area worked on at the December work party. Jonathan Alder

Wenhaston United Football Club

Fixtures for February all KO 2:30pm. PTP

7th	Res	V	Wickham Market Res
21st	1 st	v	B.T. Trimley
28th	Res	v	Mendlesham Res

Wenhaston Sports Club

The Club is pleased to let the village know that the power-wash cleaning of its all-weather courts at the Playing Field is now complete. The tennis court is available for members' use and the multi-sport and skateboard areas are ready for anyone to use.

For further details, bookings or information, please contact me on 01502 478757.

David Harrison

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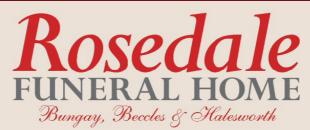
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Wenhaston Energy Support Group

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We'll probably run this project again, any comments please tell us.

Solar Water Panel Installations. As expected, prices have risen in the New Year, but still offer excellent value for money, and you can see more panels appearing on roofs round the village. Contact Solarworks on 0800 781 4004, or ask one of the satisfied householders.

Wenhaston Green Website. <u>www.wenhastongreen.org</u> Now up and running. Ideas needed, please for what *you* would find helpful.

Dates for Your Diary. Open Meeting Thursday February 19th Church Room 7:00pm to 9:30pm with refreshments. Please come along. A.G.M. Thurs. March 26th Church Room at 7:00pm. Everyone welcome. Coming soonZero Waste Week! If you would like to be involved in this, or want more information on any of our projects, just call Janice Claxton on 01502 478158 or email her at info@wenhastongreen.org or talk to anyone in the group. **Janet Dillaway**

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