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## Table Top Sale

**Saturday 7 November**

9am - 1pm

**Wenhaston Village Hall**

Refreshments

Admission 25p

Stalls £8

*In aid of Wenhaston Village Hall refurbishment*

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## Battery Recycling

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## Help For Heroes

*Coffee Morning*

*Wenhaston Church Room*

*11th November 10am - 12:30pm*

*Please come and support our men and women who are risking life and limb in Afghanistan.*

*Bring & Buy stall, Books and Raffle*

*£3.00 to include entrance coffee / tea and cake*

## Wenhaston Parish Council

An extract from a report about Wenhaston Village Hall, received from the Chairman of the Management Committee, is as follows:

*The boiler has been put on again and is functioning well. The Autumn/Winter seasons will give us the opportunity to fine tune settings, making the system as efficient as possible. We will also be able to assess costs from statistical information.*

*The Photo Voltaic system is running well. We are waiting for a re-quotation from Good Energy for buying back electricity. The Energy Saving Trust website allows comparisons with other providers so we will shortly be in a position to sell back our generated electricity.*

*The final grants have now been claimed but considerable efforts are going into future fundraising.*

*Phase II Refurbishment.* At the last Management meeting, it was decided that Phase II should be put on hold and the situation reviewed in November.

This letter is available in full online at [www.wenhaston.net/parishcouncil/](http://www.wenhaston.net/parishcouncil/) and on the Parish Council notice board at the Village Hall.

Due to the power failure on the night of the October Parish Council meeting there is no other report.

**Mary Pennock**

## Doggy Bin

The Parish Council is buying a 'Doggy Bin' to be installed on the Bramfield Road near to the entrance to Vicarage Grove. The Parish Council hopes that the irresponsible people who at present are putting the filled doggy bags in the ditch will use the bin.

**Mary Pennock**



## Our New Machine – At Last!

A few years ago we won the East Anglian Daily Times Wildflower Award, sponsored by Bernard Tickner (now Vice President of Suffolk Wildlife Trust). By adding money from our own funds we have recently been able to buy a new machine. It's called a flail mower and it will cut any low scrub. It has already been put to very effective use on Black Heath and Mill Heath (see picture) cutting bramble and bracken so that young heather and gorse plants can flourish. **Wenhaston Commons Group**

Photo © Michael Gasper

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## Wenhaston Gardeners

The new season of meetings kicked off with the AGM. A small turnout it has to be said. But we rattled through the business very quickly. Unfortunately no new members for the Committee were forthcoming. However our most pressing problem, namely the Secretary's post was overcome by Ros Curteis and Tony Gow agreeing to take on the position jointly. Hurrah.

Various things were mentioned of interest to members. Subs are to go up to £3.50 for single membership but joint fees remain at £6.

It has been decided to stage the Annual Show in July next year in the hope that an earlier date might beat the either too wet or too dry summer! The possibility was aired of an overnight outing to Sissinghurst and Sarah Raven's Garden in June next year. Wow – what a jolly!

Thanks went to Kathleen Orme for her stalwart work with the monthly Raffle and to President Ric Staines for stepping in to talk to us last season. All this was followed by Roger Harvey's lecture on plants for the Hot Border which gave us lots of ideas for our gardens.

We next meet on Tuesday November 10th and Ben Potterton will be giving his talk, 'A Fowl Night' postponed from last season. The words chickens, counting and hatched come to mind but no, we must be positive! The plant stall will be up and running again too. See you there.

*Cherry Wilkinson*

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## Wenhaston Energy Support Group

Warmer Wenhaston is back, November 2009.

This is a DIY project aimed at helping people who want to put in their own insulation - either themselves or with local labour - whether loft insulation, solid wall insulation, draught proofing or pipe lagging. Every household with a combined income of £40,000 or below can apply. Households with incomes over £40,000 who wish to be involved can benefit from the bulk buy. Just send a completed form to SCDC. There is a form included with this copy of Wenhaston Word, and forms will also be available at the Post Office. Goods will be allocated to households according to household income, the potential for carbon/energy savings and availability of funds. The completed form should be sent to Suffolk Coastal District Council (SCDC) who will process it. All information is completely confidential. The closing date for the form to be received by SCDC is 1st December 2009.

Once the form is processed, the insulation and other materials will be bulk purchased and made available for successful applicants to collect from the Village Hall at a date to be notified.

All who fill in the form and submit it by the deadline will be included in the project, subject to demand. For further information please contact: Teresa Howarth (SCDC) 0800 0288938, Christian Figg (SCDC) 0800 0288938 or Janet Dillaway (WESG) 07764 255453.

**The New Recycling Service** If you have any queries once it has started, you can contact Customer Services at Suffolk Coastal Services on 01394 444000 or 01394 444050, or ask a member of the Energy Support Group.

*Chris Lavender*

## Commons Work Parties in November

Sunday 8th Blackheath - meet 10am at far west end of common by BMX track. Work will involve removal of overgrown gorse in that area where heather survives underneath.

Tuesday 10th Blackheath - meet 10am at seat by pond.

Sunday 22nd Bickers Heath - meet 10am by seat. Work will involve continuing scrub removal from area running down to Low Road.

*Jonathan Alder*



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

The Wenhampton Website

### Wenhampton United Football Club

Home Fixtures for November **PTP**

7th	Res	v	Stowupland	KO 2:00pm
14th	1st	v	Ipswich RVRs	KO 1:30pm
21st	1st	v	Halesworth	KO 2:00pm
28th	Res	v	Thurston	KO 2:00pm

### Coffee Morning

Saturday 21st November 10:00am - 12noon  
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### Autumn Fair

Saturday 14 November  
11.30-2.30 Wenhampton Village Hall  
*Stalls Raffle Tombola*



### Music Corner

Sunday 22nd November at 3:00pm.

The Cut Arts Centre, Halesworth.

The Hoffmeister Ensemble (String trio).

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*Chris Dunn*

### Footpath Walking in November

The morning walk on Tuesday 3rd will leave from Wenhampton Village Hall at 10am.

The all day walk on Tuesday 17th will be led by Kate Draycott, Pat Neale and Susan Gillingham. Meet at Wissett Plough Inn at 10am and order lunches. It will be a circular walk via Chediston. For any other help contact Heather Phillips 01502 478545. **HPP**

### In Memoriam

In memory of David "Dumpy" Hammond who passed away on November 10th 2008  
At Peace

### SHCT Sponsored Cycle Ride

Congratulations to Lindsey Hammond who visited 22 churches and raised £137.90. Also thanks for the generous donation received for £15. We are grateful to all the sponsors and to those who were stewards in Church.

*Margaret Bloomfield*

### Wenhaston WI

It was a busy meeting in October with many upcoming WI events in the calendar. We shall be selling potted bulbs and gift items at the annual village Bazaar on December 5th, but before that there are outings to Snape Maltings, a Gilbert and Sullivan evening at Ipswich and our own 'Coster Evening' at Wenhaston Village Hall.

Our Shoeboxes to Rumania are packed and ready to start their long journey.

Our speaker, Anne Beckett-Allen of Rosedale, spoke on her life as a Funeral Director, with emphasis that death is the final taboo in our modern world and urging that we all plan for the inevitable. We take care to carefully arrange so many of the big occasions along life's journey – but not always this one! Nowadays we can choose to 'go out in style', whether in an eco-fashion or with more exciting arrangements such as the creation of a diamond from our own ashes.

We next meet 7:30pm, Wednesday 4th November at Wenhaston Village Hall for our Annual Meeting.

*Eileen Heaps*

### WI Jumble Sale

I would like to say a huge 'Thank You' to all the people who worked so hard to make the event a success. We raised £420.50p clear profit. Thanks again, we couldn't have done it without you.

*Helen Bowyer*

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### Hey For Christmas!

Kick off the Christmas season delightfully when the Village Hall joins forces with Circle 67 to present a lavish celebration of old-fashioned country style Christmases on Thursday 3 December.

A happy medley of party, concert and theatre, *Hey for Christmas!* will have tables to sit at, mulled wine to warm you, with a cash bar and refreshments to sustain you, while the celebrated Circle 67 Players give us dramatised stories and readings from well-loved classic and more recent Christmases, and traditional country carols to folk tunes you may not have heard before but can easily join in choruses of and will remember long after. See the ad in this issue for details. We look forward to seeing you here.

*David Smeaton-Small*  
Chairman Village Hall Committee

### Wenhaston Flower Club

Very many thanks to all those who came, helped or gave a donation to the Flower Club's Charity Evening last month. £485 was raised for Cancer Research (UK) which was an excellent result as well as being a very happy evening. Many thanks.

*Jean Spindler*

## Local Services *(More on page 7)*

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## St. Peter's Church Services

### November

- 1st No service (9:30am at Halesworth)  
8th 10:50am Remembrance Sunday at the  
War Memorial followed by Service  
15th 9:30am Parish Communion  
22nd 9:30am Parish Communion  
29th No service (10:30am at Chediston)

### Bell Ringing

Wenhaston practice nights in November are Fridays 13th and 27th between 7:30pm and 9:00pm at St Peter's Church. *Becky Canham*

### News From The Church

The Harvest celebrations in Wenhaston were as always appropriate for the season. We were particularly pleased to welcome the children from the Village School together with their families and friends, to their Harvest Celebration in the Church. They came laden with Gifts of Fruit, Vegetables and numerous tins with interesting contents, but best of all was the wonderful scarecrow which accompanied them! After the Service the perishable food was taken to the Halesworth Day Centre and the tins of food will be sold at our Autumn Fair and money raised will be sent to the Air Ambulance, which is the school's charity for 2009. We look forward to the children coming again next year with an even better scarecrow!

We joined with the Methodists at the Chapel for a joint Harvest Service in a beautifully decorated Chapel and enjoyed singing the traditional Harvest Hymns.

The Harvest Supper organised by Churches Together in Wenhaston was again very successful with both good food and enjoyable entertainment. Thank you to the many people who cooked and helped at this event. As a result of the evening we were able to send £181 to Christian Aid earmarked for the Emergencies Appeal Fund.

We have our Autumn Fair on Saturday 14th November in the Village Hall. We look forward to seeing all our readers at this event.

*Margaret Goldstone*

## Wenhaston Methodist Church

November Sunday Services at 10:30am

- 1st Rev'd Robert Soanes S  
8th 10:50am Remembrance at St. Peter's  
15th Gordon Frary  
22nd Iris Baker  
29th Rev'd Pam Bayliss Advent S  
Tuesday Meetings at 2:30pm  
3rd Women's Fellowship Pam Reed  
10th Bible Study  
17th Women's Fellowship Judy Baker  
24th Fellowship Meeting  
Saturday 7th 'Pray a While' 9:00-10:30am on a come and go basis for prayer and meditation.

### Thank You For Your Support

As we now have bins for recycling Andrew Taylor will no longer be collecting plastics.

### Mothers' Union

Wenhaston Mothers' Union was delighted to host the Archdeaconry Service on 14th October. The day began with a delicious Ploughman's Lunch in the Church Room served by Fressingfield Branch. Joyce Goddard and Valerie Ellis then treated the audience to talks on the history and content of the famous Wenhaston Doom painting. Halesworth and Southwold branches were in charge of stalls which did a roaring trade as did the Diocesan Literature stall where we could buy Christmas goods and diaries etc. Later we all took part in a celebration Eucharist lead by Rev. Liz Cannon. We were delighted to welcome our new Archdeacon, Judy, to the service and thank her for pronouncing the Blessing. Our retiring Diocesan President, Catherine, gave the address, and various branch members did the welcoming, collection and paraded banners. It was a real MU day which I'm sure everyone enjoyed. The profit from the day was donated to the MU Diocesan Fund.

November 11th, we shall have a DIY afternoon starting at 2:30pm. This means that we do not have a speaker, but use the time for a discussion or maybe something more frivolous! Please come along and add your two penn'orth!  
*Margaret Bloomfield*

## Local Services (More on page 5)

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