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EARL STONHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



It is that time of year again and we are looking forward to the beauty of Winter, the comedy of the Pantomime (6 & 7 December) and the joy of Carols on the Green (16 December).

Hare coursers have been seen in Mid Suffolk. If spotted, please **do not approach or challenge them** but report immediately to the police.

It is a shame that some people drop litter in our village; recently I cleared up the remains of a well-known meal deal from the verge and then a few days later there was a similar mess. I went back after a day to clear that up but someone had beaten me to it. The Parish Council is aware that many residents take it upon themselves to keep our village tidy in this way and we are grateful for the silent army of volunteers who do this.

On the matter of rubbish, the Parish Council has been informed by the District Council that the site at Tap Junction, where heavy plant, scrap metal and containers are stored, does not have any planning permission and the owners have been instructed to remove everything. As yet we have seen no action of this kind but we will continue to remind the District Council of the situation.

Our County Councillor, Matthew Hicks, has kindly agreed to finance a sign on the A1120 near the church, warning motorists that there is a road on the right which is not visible from a distance. Hopefully this will be erected soon so that motorists leaving the Parish Rooms will feel safer and more confident. Concerns have also been raised in the village about the speed of traffic in Fen Lane and we have requested that Suffolk County Council assess the situation for us.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next meetings will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on:

Monday 6 January 2020 Monday 2 March 2020 Monday 11 May 2020 (Annual Parish Meeting)

Finally, this just leaves me to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous and healthy 2020.

Colin Woods - Chairman



Please bring your empty bottles to the village recycling banks as this helps to raise funds for the village – thank you!





Box Office: boxofficestg@gmail.com or 01449 711448

EARL STONHAM QUIZ NIGHTS 2019 - 20

will be held in the VILLAGE HALL at 7.30pm on

MONDAY

11th Nov 9th Dec

13th Jan 10th Feb

Licensed bar open from 7pm.

Everyone most welcome!

£3 per person with teams of up to 6 players

~ VILLAGE INFORMATION ~

THE RECORDER



The Recorder is published every quarter. Don't forget you can advertise in the Recorder which is delivered to every house in the village. The cost for a full page is £30.00 (payable in advance), which is four adverts for the price of three and the money helps towards the cost of producing the Recorder. The advert will be included in four issues,

with the option of it appearing on the website via webmaster@earlstonham.org.uk

Please give the advert to Margaret Anthony (711779) or Deb Turner (711461). There is an e-mail address (Recorder@btinternet.com) so if you would like to send your contributions or advertisements electronically, it helps reduce preparation time of the Recorder. Cheques should be made payable to Earl Stonham Parish Council and sent to Deb Turner, The Cottage, Forward Green, Stowmarket, Suffolk IP14 5HZ.

MOBILE LIBRARY, VILLAGE LUNCHES & COFFEE & CAKE FRIDAYS

The Mobile Library will continue to visit Earl Stonham Village Hall ONCE EVERY 4 WEEKS. It will still be with us between from 12.20 - 12.45pm before moving on to Stonham Parva. On the days that the Library visits, a delicious lunch @ £4.00 per head will be provided by volunteers from various village organisations from 12.45pm in the Village Hall.

Everyone is welcome to come to these whether or not they use the Library. Just turn up and enjoy a very good value lunch on 29 November, 24 January & 21 February. No Lunch on 27 December but the Library van will be there. Coffee & Cake Fridays from 10.30-12 noon will be on 13 December, 10 January & 7 February.



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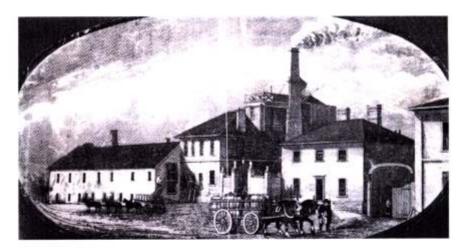
With the weather changing and the ground becoming wetter, it would be really appreciated if dog owners/walkers could ensure all dog poo is picked up and disposed of properly. Thank you very much

FROM THE LOCAL HISTORY RECORDER

This drawing of the former brewery at the Stonham crossroads came up on a social media site recently.

The brewery was demolished and replaced by a substantial malting which was in turn destroyed by fire in the 1970s. On the right hand side of the picture we see the house and the Brewer's Arms (The "Stonham Tap") which are both still standing. The building on the left appears to be a malthouse standing roughly on the footprint of the later building, but it seems to be somewhat less substantial and appears to lack a kiln. At different times there were plans to construct a branch canal to this point from the Gipping Navigation and a branch from the main railway line, but these never came to fruition. A shamewe could have been enjoying regular through trains from Stonham to London.

John Jones



EARL STONHAM VILLAGE HALL 2020



10th January
Coffee & Cake Friday
10:30 – 12 noon
Rural Coffee Caravan to visit

24th January Library Van 12.20 Lunch for £4.00 from 12.45





7th February Coffee & Cake Friday 10:30 – 12 noon

21st February Library Van 12.20 Lunch for £4.00 from 12.45





6th March Coffee & Cake Friday 10:30 – 12 noon

20th March Library Van 12.20 Lunch for £4.00 from 12.45





3rd April Coffee & Cake Friday 10:30 – 12 noon

17th April Library Van 12.20pm Lunch for £4.00 from 12.45





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EARL STONHAM PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following have been submitted for consideration by the Parish Council

- Notification for Prior Approval for a proposed change of use of Agricultural Building to Dwelling house – Fen Barn, Fen Lane, Earl Stonham IP6 8QE – Application DC/19/03482
- Full Planning Application Change use of site as commercial livery and training stables and retention of two stable buildings and a horse walker – Beechwood Farm, Forward Green IP14 5EQ – Application DC/19/03566
- Planning Application Erection of detached annexe for use as living accommodation by dependent family members – Holly Bank House, Broad Green Road, Earl Stonham IP14 5HU – Application DC/19/03928
- Non Material Amendment to 3017/16 Change in roof design from catslide to gable end - Beehive Cottage, Larters Lane, Earl Stonham IP14 5HB - Application DC/19/04010
- Application for Listed Building Consent Installation of door and windows to rear elevation following removal of existing door and window – Weylands Farmhouse, Forward Green IP14 5EW – Application DC/19/04092
- Non Material Amendment Changes to fenestration Fen Barn, Fen Lane, Earl Stonham IP6 8QE – Application DC/19/04126

If you wish to comment on any planning application, please contact

MSDC Planning Department or go to:

http://planningpages.midsuffolk.gov.uk/online-applications/

Please remember, if you wish to comment online, you MUST register on the website AND log in to ensure your comments are noted

ABBA & BEE GEES

MUSIC EVENING

7.30pm — 25th January 2020 - Earl Stonham Village Hall



Tickets: £15.00 - food included

Bar available

To book call Deb on 711461 or email recorder@btinternet.com

Feel free to wear clothes from the Disco days!

As the shorter days and darker nights of autumn are now upon us, I was delighted to learn that the Rural Coffee Caravan has launched its **Warm Homes** initiative, helping people in Suffolk to stay warm and well at home.

For some, it can be a struggle to pay heating bills, or to cover the cost of insulating your home, but the Rural Coffee Caravan can provide advice on what help and support might be available. They can help with:

- · Personal advice to keep your home warmer and more energy efficient
- · Getting your home properly insulated, including draught proofing
- Practical assistance and advice on switching energy supplier, SMART meters and community bulk buying schemes
- · Advice on grants and benefits
- · Emergency repairs to boilers and heating (subject to terms)
- Eligibility for emergency fuel payments
- · Loan of temporary heaters in event of emergency
- Advice on central heating installation for homes which have never had a boiler or radiators

Being truly prepared for winter also means thinking about others in the community — perhaps an elderly friend or neighbour? We already have a great sense of community here in Suffolk and much to be proud of with some of our local volunteering initiatives and partnerships, but as the colder weather is upon us, please take the time to look out for others who may be vulnerable and less able to manage alone. Especially during colder months, hot meals and drinks can help to keep us warm and for those who are less able or perhaps live alone, taking time to eat and keep up energy levels can easily be overlooked. Having at least one hot meal per day and several hot drinks throughout the day can really help to sustain heat and I know that those who deliver care in our communities, whether professional services or family carers, play a vital and selfless role in supporting those in need.

Knowing what's going on in our communities isn't always easy, especially when many of us are busy with work commitments. We are lucky to live in such a beautiful county as Suffolk, but at the same time, living in a rural county can also bring challenges. The Rural Coffee Caravan visits communities across Suffolk, delivering information and friendship — equipped with coffee, tea and homemade cakes, the team bring along all sorts of helpful information, but crucially they offer a friendly environment on your doorstep for a chat and a cup of tea. For further information, contact 03456 037686, or visit in person. Further details, including locations, can be found at www.ruralcoffeecaravan.org.uk

For more information, please visit my website www.drdanielpoulter.com or telephone on 0207 219 7038. My email address is daniel.poulter.mp@parliament.uk



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Thousands of illegal cigarettes seized in Lowestoft raids

Trading Standards has successfully targeted Lowestoft retailers in illegal tobacco raids, seizing 21,880 cigarettes and 10.9kg of rolling tobacco. The raids, which took place in October, involved officers from Trading Standards and Suffolk Police who targeted four different premises in the town. The cigarettes and tobacco failed a visual inspection as genuine products. Investigations into the seizures will continue and

shop owners will face a formal interview.

It is illegal for anyone to supply and possess-for-supply such tobacco, be it smuggled, bootlegged or counterfeit. With these cheap products on the market, it is easier for young people to become hooked on smoking and makes it harder for people to quit and remain smoke free.

Another consideration of illegal cigarettes is the fire risk they often pose. When genuine cigarettes are left for a period of time, they are designed to self-extinguish, reducing the risk of fires starting if left unattended. In the last twelve months, our Trading Standards team has led four successful prosecutions against those who have sold illegal tobacco. Sentences passed by the judge have seen total fines running into tens of thousands of pounds, alongside suspended prison sentences.

It is an activity we simply will not tolerate; it has a negative impact on public health and honest businesses. We will continue to pursue traders of illegal tobacco. You can anonymously report someone for selling illicit tobacco by calling the national Citizens Advice consumer helpline on 03454 040506.

Suffolk's gritting fleet gets personal

On 14 October, SprEd Sheeran, Benjamin Gritten and Grit Rhys Jones joined the ranks of Suffolk's gritting service as Suffolk Highways announced its newly named gritting fleet. During the summer, Suffolk Highways asked attendees at the Suffolk Show to suggest names for its 41 gritting lorries as part of its first ever Gritter Naming Competition. The service received over 500 suggestions, the names were then judged by a panel including Councillor Mary Evans and BBC

Radio Suffolk's Mark Murphy. The people who suggested the winning names were invited to Suffolk Highways' depot at Phoenix House in Ipswich for a certificate presentation and photo with some of the gritting fleet. Suffolk's gritters now have their names proudly displayed on the front and side of their cabs and are ready to grit the roads when the weather gets colder.

It has been fantastic to see the enthusiasm from Suffolk's children and adults during Suffolk's first ever naming of the gritters. Residents will be able to follow the gritting activity on Twitter at <u>@Suff Highways</u> during the season and if they spot one of the newly named gritters in action they can send a picture to us on Twitter at <u>@Suff Highways</u> #WinterReady

Braking Point returns to help young adults stay safe on Suffolk's roads

The Suffolk Roadsafe board is working with 16 and 17-year-old students to encourage young people to stay safe on Suffolk's roads. The board is a partnership between Suffolk County Council, Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service, the Police and Crime Commissioner, Suffolk Constabulary, Highways England and the East of England Ambulance Service.

The Road Safety Team's Braking Point project relaunched in the week of 7 October and will be visiting 20 schools across Suffolk to deliver the Braking Point play. The play, delivered by Performance in Education, is designed to encourage the safe behaviours of both drivers and passengers. Once the theatre tour ends, just before the autumn half-term, the Road Safety team will provide classroom-based follow-up sessions in schools, which will continue to run into 2020. These sessions are designed to change student behaviour by normalising sensible decision making on the highway. These interactive sessions have been shown to shift students' attitudes to road safety and to provide them with more knowledge which they can take forwards as they become responsible drivers on Suffolk's roads. Find out more at:

www.suffolkroadsafe.com/education/braking-point---passenger-and-drivereducation

First time central heating systems for Suffolk residents

A further 200 Suffolk homes without central heating will soon be able to have their first ever system installed.

On 7 October it was reported that Suffolk's local authorities have secured an additional £760,000 of funding from the Warm Homes Fund. This will enable the installation of 204 first time central heating systems in eligible, fuel-poor

households across Suffolk over the next three years. Around four million UK households are in fuel poverty, unable to affordably heat their home to the temperature needed to stay warm and healthy. As well as being on low incomes many of these households are also faced with the additional burden of relying on heating systems that are inefficient and expensive to run.

I would encourage anyone who does not have a central heating system and finds it a challenge to afford their energy bills to contact Suffolk Warm Homes Healthy People on 03456 037686 quoting the Warm Homes Fund or visit www.greensuffolk.org/whf to find out more.

Matthew Hicks – County Councillor for the Thredling Division Tel: 01728 628176 Mob: 07824 474741

E-mail: matthew.hicks@suffolk.gov.uk



New parent?

Our Tree for Life scheme offers new parents living in Mid Suffolk and Babergh a free tree to mark the arrival of a new born or newly adopted child.



Small garden or renting? ... No problem.

We have a potted tree option too.



For more information and how to apply, head to: www.babergh.gov.uk/tree-for-life www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/tree-for-life





General Election - December 12

As you will be aware, a General Election has been called for Thursday 12 December 2019. We will be sending out the Notice of Parliamentary Election next Friday (8 November) and we would be grateful if you could ask for this to be displayed on all parish noticeboards. The issue of the Notice of Election also triggers pre-election period – which restricts some activities. You can find out more in this guide by the Local Government Association.

Haughley and Thurston adopt Neighbourhood Plans

Two communities have seen their Neighbourhood Development Plans adopted as part of Mid Suffolk's Development Plan, making them the fifth and sixth areas in the district to complete their Neighbourhood Plans. Read more on our website.

More free swimming for youngsters

Following successful summer take up, Mid Suffolk District Council has extended its free swims offer during half term and will also be running the initiative over the Christmas holidays too which aims to help promote healthier and active lifestyles in the districts

Please promote the free swimming ahead of the Christmas holidays from 20 December 2019 to 5 January 2020 inclusive at Mid Suffolk Leisure Centre and Stradbroke Swimming Pool.

Fly-tipper billed more than £1,500 for dumping waste in Stowupland

Mr Andrew Wall, who was living in the High Street, Needham Market at the time of his offence, dumped 12 sacks of household waste in November 2018 in Stonebridge Lane, Stowupland.

Sgt Brian Calver from the Suffolk's Rural Policing team found the sacks during a routine patrol. Following a guilty plea, the court fined Mr Wall £1,000, along with costs of £477.41 and a victim surcharge of £100.

The Suffolk Waste Partnership, which consists of all the Suffolk councils including the County and partners, is also hoping to launch a campaign over the winter aimed at reducing fly tipping in Suffolk.

Volunteers mark World Mental Health Day

On World Mental Health Day (10 October) Stowmarket Voluntary and Statutory Partnership (VASP) raised awareness by promoting mental health services available in Suffolk. They invited residents to join them to find out more about the mental health services available in their town offering tea, coffee and cakes to those passing their town centre market stall.

Free recycling talks for residents

Suffolk's Recycling Centres offer free 'Reduce, Reuse and Recycle - not a Waste of time!' sessions to interested parties to learn more about ways to reduce waste and recycling.

Neighbours, parish or community groups are invited to set up a session, offering an ideal additional or alternative way to access information about recycling which is also available on the Suffolk Recycling website.

Hot topics on social media

- Warning of conservation officer scam calls
- Free swims

For agendas and minutes of council meetings, please visit the Democratic Services homepage

District Councillor Suzie Morley – 01449 711306 / 07976 927226 – suzie.morley@midsuffolk.gov.uk



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EARL STONHAM VILLAGE HALL

Autumn is always a busy period for the hall with both our own Theatre Guild and the Stowmarket Operatic group using the hall for rehearsals.



Taken together with the bookings by the Diocese, regular pub and quiz nights and Computer Club, there is something going on virtually every day of the week. This has led to some disappointment when villagers have asked to make last minute bookings, so

please do think ahead if you have a specific date for a function in mind.

On 1st September, the hall committee helped organise the Picnic on the Green. This was really well attended, with great entertainment provided by the Theatre Guild with their 'Musical Mayhem.' Perhaps something like this could become a regular event and make the Village Green the centre of the village again, even if only for a day a year. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions for a future event, please get in touch.

Unfortunately, the planned Abba and Bee Gees music evening did not attract enough bookings to make it worthwhile – possibly something to do with it being half term week - so we have postponed it to **January 25th**. We do need a good number of people for this to be a successful evening so please do come along if you can and join in the fun. Details on how to book are elsewhere in the Recorder. We are also planning an Antiques Valuation evening in the new year, date to be announced.

The Theatre Guild Pantomime this year is 'Percy and the Holy Grail' – another one by the same author as last year and a variation on the more usual King Arthur theme. As ever, the Theatre Group members have been working really hard rehearsing so please come along and support this. Details of how to buy tickets are also elsewhere in the Recorder.

As reported in the last issue, we arranged with the Fit Villages programme to start a new Exercise Class at the hall, aimed at those less able to take part in the more strenuous activities. Classes are initially subsidised but so far, the take-up has been disappointing and is unlikely to continue unless more people sign up. This is a pity as I feel certain there are many people in the village that would benefit from this.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who has supported us throughout the year and wish all villagers a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

Tony Turner Chairman - Earl Stonham Village Hall Management Committee 07710 018743

Dates for your diary

Pub Nights:

Quiz Nights:

Saturday 14 Dec Friday 10 Jan/14 Feb/13 Mar 2020 11 Nov/9 Dec 2019 13 Jan/10 Feb/9 Mar/13 Apr 2020

Computer Club:

25 November 2019 9 Jan/17 Feb/30 Mar 2020



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Saturday December 14 (Festive Food)
Friday January 10 (Sausage & Mash)
Friday February 14 (TBA)
Friday March 13 (TBA)

Held in the Village Hall 7.00pm onwards Food served - £10 each

Bookings for food are needed by the Tuesday before the event - please send to Recorder@btinternet.com or call Tony (07710 018743) - thank you!

Look forward to seeing you there



Sunday's- Earl Stonham Village Hall 9:30-10:30am

Monday's- Stowupland High School 7-8pm

Tuesday's- Cedars Community Centre 7:30-8:30pm







Amy's Zumba Army

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There is a large hall with dance floor & stage. Ideal for barn dances, parties, discos or drama productions.

Tables & chairs can be set up for dining or for Quizzes or Bingo evenings & there is a newly refurbished club room where smaller groups can gather.

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Charges for the hire of the Village Hall PER HOUR from April 2019:

For Earl Stonham Residents		For Non-Residents	
Clubroom	£ 8.00ph	Clubroom	£ 9.00ph
Hall	£ 8.00ph	Hall	£ 9.00ph
Hall & Clubroom	£14.00ph	Hall & Clubroom	£16.00ph
Over 6 Hours (All Areas)	£95.00	Over 6 Hours (All Areas)	£105.00
Over 6 Hours (Club Room)	£50.00	Over 6 Hours (Club Room)	£ 55.00

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Newspapers & Magazines Boulton Bros 01473 830948



Glass Indigo Waste Management 01842 820804



Textiles/Clothing 08000 827198

Please note that the number for Textile Recycling has changed and is now as above.

The 08000 number is correct - not 0800



Once a month, Christians in the village, who attend different churches, meet together to pray for issues affecting the parishes of Earl Stonham and Stonham Parva (including issues arising out of national and international affairs) and for individuals who would like prayer for a particular need.

Meetings will normally be held at 2.30pm on the third Monday of the month in the Parish Room. However, in December we shall meet on Monday 2nd, returning to the normal schedule in the New Year. To confirm the date and venue if you would like to join us, or if you would like to request prayer for an issue or individual, please contact Maggie Podd (07939 912080)

Friends of Mendlesham Health Centre (incorporating Bacton Surgery)

CHRISTMAS FAYRE
FRIDAY 29th November 8.45am - 12 noon
Mendlesham United Reform Hall (opposite the shop)

Can you help out with a donation for any of the following stalls for this year's Fayre?

Tombola - Prize Draw - Books - DVDs - Jigsaws Preserves - Cakes

Contributions to any of the above would be greatly appreciated and may be left at either surgery, from 25th November (cakes on the day to the hall)





Certain things we always do at certain times of year,

And one of them I'm strict about as shortly you will hear.

As you scramble through the Easter eggs to buy the turkey crown,

Everything inside my house, I'm turning upside down,

From attic down to cellar and each room inbetween,

Jeff thinks it's a funny time to do the big spring clean,

But can you guess dear reader what disturbs my inner essence?

Of course I'm not spring cleaning — I'm looking for my presents!

A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all my past, present and future customers!



For all your sewing requirements, please ring Pauline on 01449 711384 or email pbirchnall@gmail.com

Church Charity Collections

Thank you to everyone who contributed so generously to our recent collections:

21 July	The Hopgood Foundation	£182
25 August	Forward 2	£232
15 September	Bible Society	£190
13 October	Farming Community Network	£335

The total raised so far this year is £2096.

Forthcoming collections are:

17 November | Ipswich Winter Night Shelter

1 December Children's Society

24 December Sight Savers

19 January East Anglian Children's Hospice

If you won't be in church on the appropriate Sunday and would like to contribute to one of these collections, please speak to John Jones (711448)



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EARL STONHAM WI



This time of year – leaving Autumn and heading towards Christmas – is always a busy time for any group or society. There's the Christmas dinner to fit in, the Christmas cards to organise for the group, the Secret Santa gifts to buy, so much to do, so little time – this must be why you haven't joined us yet!!!

My extra job, and a very enjoyable one, is sorting out the programme for next year. This is now done and we have a full calendar of speakers – the topics include Chocolate Craftwork, Queen Victoria, the Work of an Armed Protection Officer, Ipswich Waterfront and the military daughter of one of our members will be talking about her Tour of Duty in Afghanistan.

We also start off the New Year with a brand new president – Chris Double – and we wish her all the best in her new post. Our long serving secretary – Lindsey – is going into the New Year with a brand new knee and we wish her all the best as well!

A number of members, and non-members, get together to play **Mahjong** in the Parish Room at 7pm on the fourth Monday of the month. New players are always welcome and you don't need to have played before.

WI PROGRAMME 2020

Jan 21	Artistry in Cocoa C Brighty
Feb 18	Ipswich Waterfront A Day
Mar 17	Beach Bonkers K Osborne
April 21	Behind the Bathroom Door L Jones
May 19	WI Resolutions Meeting
June 16	Queen Victoria G Vale
July	Outing - to be confirmed
Aug 18	Artbox S Murray
Sep 15	Armed Protection Officer B Roberts
Oct 20	AGM
Nov 17	A Tour of Duty S Williams
Dec	Christmas Meal

If you would like to attend any of our monthly meetings, we would be delighted to see you in the clubroom in the village hall on the **THIRD TUESDAY** of each month at 7.30pm. For more details please contact Christine Double on 766665 or Lindsey Stone on 711602





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Earl Stonham Computer Club



The Computer Club is open to everyone who uses or wants to learn how to use computers or tablets/smartphones. We have a number of experienced users who are able to provide help & advice but the meetings are also a social affair with everyone usually learning something new.

If you are completely new to computers, you can come along and try out different machines to see which may be the best for you. We can also provide individual help on using PCs, Macs, iPads etc as well as having talks on special topics including photo scanning and computer security. If you tell us what you would like to learn, we can cover it. Meeting dates vary (due to availability of hall & team!) but the next ones will be on Monday 25 November, when we will talk about making labels, Thursday 9 January 2020, Monday 17 February & Monday 30 March at 7pm in the Club Room at the Village Hall. If you would like more details, either give Tony a call on 07710 018743 or check the website www.earlstonham.org.uk

Cost of each session is £3.00 with one glass of wine and nibbles included in the price!

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The Bowls Club have vacated the site, and as no negative feedback was received from the development proposal outlined in the Autumn Recorder, the Trust has decided to explore applying for outline planning permission for housing development of the site. This will involve paying for an initial consultation with the planning officer and

providing various supporting reports & documentation all costing of course! Clearly, if successful, this outlay will be recouped as no other viable long term option presents itself.

As always grants are available from the Trust for educational purposes and specific financial need for Village Residents. With Christmas approaching, do contact one of the Trustees if you think assistance is required for yourself or another. Alternatively download an application form from the Village website or write to Jennie Griffiths at Cornfields, Wicks Lane IP14 5HL or ifrgriffiths@yahoo.co.uk. All enquiries are dealt with confidentially.

The play equipment on the Recreation Ground is inspected weekly by volunteers but do contact one of the Trustees mentioned below if you have any concerns. The Trust meets next on **Thursday 5th December.** In the meantime, a very Merry Christmas to all.

Colin Woods - Chairman (678137)
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EARL STONHAM CRICKET CLUB



Another season has flashed by and, having given time for the dust to settle, we shall shortly begin preparation for 2020 – it's only a number but we are approaching one-fifth of the way through the twenty-first century...!!

The Saturday team, in Division 5 of the Marshall Hatchick Two Counties Cricket Championship, despite some notable individual performances, struggled to find a way to win more than the occasional game which was a great frustration to the players. However the spirit remained good to the end and we are hoping that next season may bring more success. Stephen Lewis, as captain, worked so hard to try to turn things around and we are grateful to him for all his efforts.

The 2nd XI, facing the challenge of Division 2 in the Hunts County Bats Suffolk Cricket League after successive promotions, finished a very creditable 4th under Luke Edgar's leadership. This was a pleasing outcome. Next season an even stiffer test faces the side as, after a reorganisation of the league, they find themselves in Division One. We wish them a successful season.

The President's Day this year was used to mark the 'Thirty Years On' anniversary of the first season when games were played by the reformed Earl Stonham Cricket Club after Stowmarket CC moved back into the town. John & Ed Player and family, as ever, gave the day great support and we were very pleased that a number of ex-members came to Stonham to join us. A few of them even dusted off their old cricket gear and played in the game alongside some current players and Vice-Presidents.

Among those at the ground during the day were Howard Newton, who came across from the Dordogne, where he now lives, Peter & Kay Wilkinson, Graham & Tom Bosher, Duncan & Stuart Turner, Stephen 'Deanie' Dix, Billy Dix, Mike Stickland, Jeff Lewis (who clearly doesn't understand T20 cricket!), Dave & Pat Foster, Betty Rush, David & Frankie Wicks, Jennie Griffiths (without Derek who was off on a rugby tour!!) and of course, our super-supporters Colin & Christine Edgar. Colin, as many of you may know, played for the club more than fifty years ago in its earlier incarnation.

It was a good day, with much reminiscing prompted by the photographs on the walls inside the pavilion and others loaned to the club for the occasion by Jane Porch. We were very pleased that Jane, David & Daniella and Sharon & Steve, were able to join us at different times during the day although sadly, Tony, who has been such a great supporter of the club, was not well enough to be there.

The beautiful weather helped everything go with a swing and the day concluded with a barbecue which was much enjoyed.

As I said at the beginning of these notes we are now looking forward to next season and the club's Annual General Meeting will be held on **Monday December 2nd at Stowupland Crown, beginning at 7.30 pm.** Anyone interested in joining the club is very welcome to attend. Another way to find information about Earl Stonham Cricket Club is to visit the excellent website at **www.earlstonhamcricketclub.co.uk**

With all best wishes for Christmas and the New Year from all at ESCC.

Trevor Spall Hon Chairman ESCC





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EARL STONHAM OVER 60'S (The Golden Circle)



Our last outing of the year, in early September, was a visit to the Norwich Castle Museum & Art Gallery. Visitors were able to browse the many galleries on their own. Guided tours of the Battlements, the Keep and Dungeons are available at certain times. Seats and lifts, as well as an excellent café helped to make it an interesting day out.

In October we were back in the Parish Rooms for the Harvest Festival. Major James from the Salvation Army and an American, talked of his life in Alaska, Washington and now Stowmarket. The meeting finished with the auction of the fruit, vegetables and flowers donated by members. The money raised was donated to the New Life Church food bank.



Our annual meeting takes place in November. Once again we will be going to the Country House Hotel at Claydon for our Christmas lunch in early December.

The programme for 2020 will be published in the next edition of the Recorder. Thanks to the input from members, the Club hopes to produce a programme that will appeal to a wide variety of interests. Please ring Joan on 711294 if you would like more information on the Club's activities.

The Golden Circle wish all its members, families and friends a Happy Christmas and New Year. We thank all those who have joined us on our outings and supported the Club throughout the year.

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The normal pattern of services as shown below continue - there are many special occasions over the coming weeks:

Season of Remembrance

Service of Light when we remember those who have died Sunday November 3 at 3.30pm in Earl Stonham Church

Remembrance Sunday Sunday November 10 at 10.50am



The media may not get so excited about Remembrance Sunday this year as it 101 years rather than 100 since the end of WW1 but it is still just as important and we shall be marking it as usual. We start in Church before moving to the War Memorial in the churchyard for the 2 minutes silence. Then back into church for the rest of the service with coffee afterwards and a chance to catch up with friends and neighbours.

Christingle Sunday December 1 at 4pm



This much-loved service for children of all ages (from a few days old to those in our second or third childhoods) involves candles, oranges and sticky sweets. The part where the only light comes from our candles is awesome. The collection from this service go to The Children's Society.

Toy and Gift Service Sunday December 8 at 11am



In the run up to Christmas we collect Toys and Gifts for people at the Women's Refuge in Ipswich. During this informal service we bring gifts for children and/or women who are in difficult circumstances. We don't wrap the presents so that they can be sensibly given, although separate gift wrap is appreciated.



Carols on the Green

Monday 16 December at 7pm on Forward Green

Organised by the Parish Council around the Christmas Tree. Wrap up warm, bring a torch and enjoy!

Carols by Candlelight in Earl Stonham Church on Christmas Eve Tuesday December 24 at 6.30pm

Midnight Mass starting at 11.30pm at STONHAM ASPAL CHURCH Christmas Day at 11am Holy Communion at Earl Stonham (NOT 10am)

Sunday December 29 at 10am At Earl Stonham, Holy Communion shared by all 8 parishes

Usual pattern of services

Children are welcome at all our services

1st Sunday in the month 11am Holy Communion

2nd Sunday in the month 11am Morning Prayer

3rd Sunday in the month 11am Holy Communion

4th Sunday in the month 10.30am Together on Sunday

5th Sunday in the month shared Communion service across our Group of Parishes, December 29, 10am at Earl Stonham

Midweek services

Morning Prayer

8.30am each Tuesday

Holy Communion

10am on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday each

month in the Parish Room

NB: The last Wednesday Morning Communion Service before Christmas will be on December 11 but if anyone would like Communion brought to them at home, or arrange for visits at home or in hospital, please contact one of the Ministry Team.

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Reader	Henry Stanford	01449 711742
Churchwardens	Jane Porch	01449 711809
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COFFEE AND CAKE ON FRIDAY In the Village Hall 10.30am till 12 noon



These continue to flourish and are run by the Church to help to build our community. Everyone is welcome for coffee/tea/juice and cake. Toys for small people to play with and sometimes there is local produce for sale.

Further dates will be 13 December, 10 January and 7 February.



VILLAGE INFORMATION PACK

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CAROLS ON THE GREEN

Followed by refreshments

Monday 16 December - 7.00pm

A very warm welcome to all Please bring candles & lanterns



Earl Stonham Parish Council would like to thank all involved:

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