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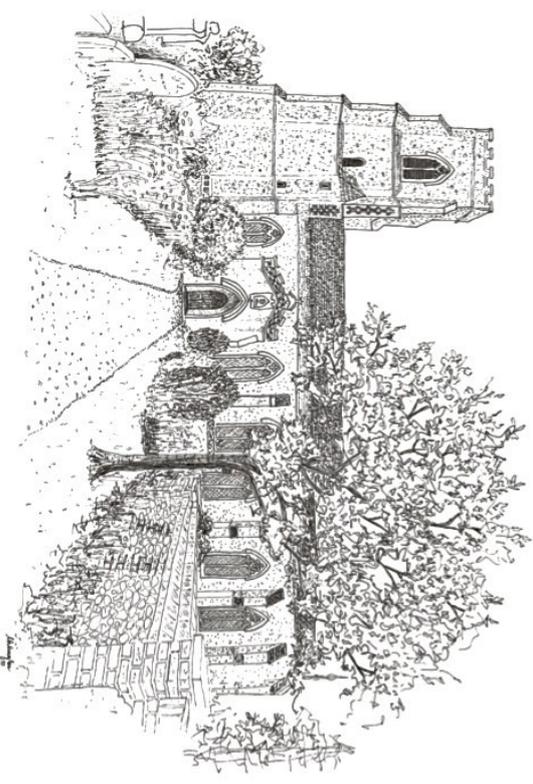
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A full listing of over 120 streamed services are in our daily Powerpoint slides downloadable [here](#). This document was uploaded Tuesday 14 April and will be updated regularly.

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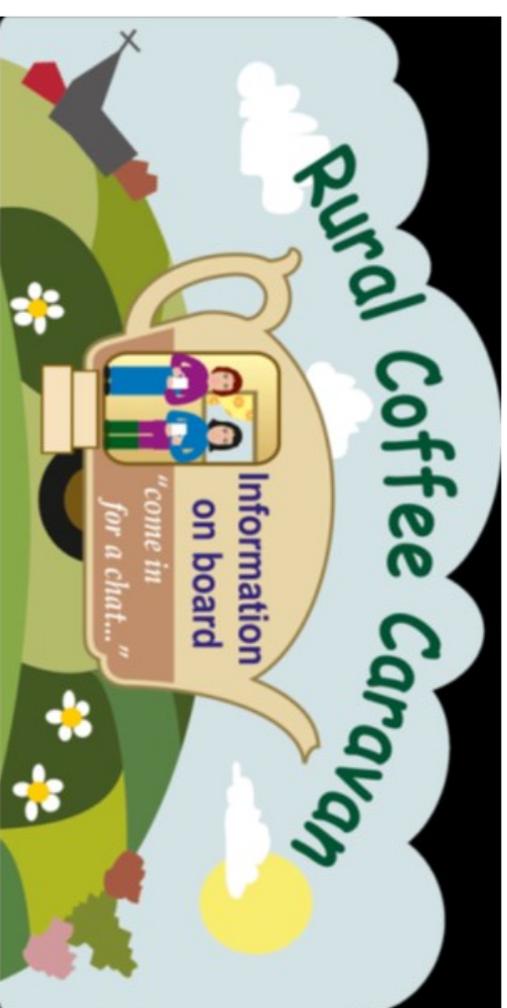
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Tina Newell

Buxhall Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer

t: 07767 163706

From the Editor

Dear all,

I hope that you will be able to share this late edition of the Broadcast with those who won't be able to access it through electronic means—we have been advised not to produce paper copies of the newsletters because of the obvious risk of transmission, and so I would be grateful if this could reach as many as possible.

I have left in all the adverts as I want to make sure that these names are still in your mind when we get back to normal. I won't be charging existing advertisers for on-line adverts during this time.

I look forward to the Buxhall Broadcast being back in proper circulation as soon as possible. Take care,

Lesley



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Continued from p23, Penny Otton

Effective immediately, schools will be able to order vouchers directly from supermarkets or shops in their communities to be emailed or printed and posted to families, and they will have their costs covered by the Department for Education.

Bus passes can be used before 9.30am

Suffolk County Council is allowing concessionary travel for those with elderly and disabled bus passes early in the morning (before 9.30am). This is to allow these residents to access the exclusive early morning shopping times that supermarkets have arranged for these people.

Public transport services reduced

New timetables are now in place for most public transport services, including buses, trains and community transport until further notice. Suffolk County Council is advising those who must use public transport to check with their local provider to find out the latest timetable. Further details can be found at www.suffolkonboard.com or by calling 0345 606 6171.

Funding available for food banks

Suffolk County Council has made £60,000 available to support food banks in Suffolk. It is not yet clear how this funding can be accessed. I will update you as and when more information about this funding becomes available.

Mid Suffolk District Council

Note that the green waste service has been postponed. The contact centre has been closed but the number can still be used. I have sent various updates to the clerk, Tina Newell.

From Penny

I hope you are all ok. I know how good your community is in helping those in need, but if you still need help please do not hesitate to get in touch

All the very best

Penny

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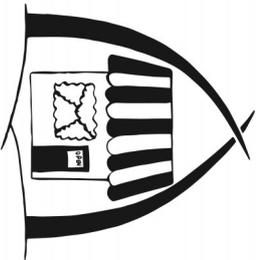
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From Combs Rectory

One of the 'foundational texts' for my Christian faith is from the book of the prophet Micah, *'He has showed you O man what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God'* Ch 6 v 8.

Last month I wrote that perhaps this present pandemic might cause us to have a greater regard for our neighbour and that certainly seems to have been the case. In some places there are those actively seeking others to whom they might give support. Nearly all our villages have been 'leafleted' with information. Those kind volunteers do not do it for the thanks they receive – but nevertheless can I thank them on your behalf?

And this support extends to our national life as well. There has been an enormous outpouring of praise for our NHS and all those who 'enable' society to continue, from delivery drivers to teachers, to food shop workers and carers. We know who we are really dependent on.

Our government has put in place extensive supportive measures to try to maintain businesses with the same employees so that when this emergency is over start-ups can occur swiftly and income levels be maintained. Substantial sums of money have been written off for the NHS and a great deal rightly spent to bolster its capacity. Obviously there are issues – and it is good the government are held to account for their actions. But let's remember that when this is over there will be much to rebuild; some charities and churches which have taken on some of the 'social care' work in recent years will be very hard pressed to continue. National and local taxes will have to rise. Perhaps some national infra structure projects and our own local ideas will have to 'bite the dust'? We will have to pay and we will need to play our part in rebuilding....

Then will come the time for all who have shown wonderful 'social and community conscience' let alone those with overt Christian faith, to say yes we are prepared to do the difficult thing – we are prepared to make some sacrifice in our own lives – by paying more into national and local funds and work for that better community.

I echo those words written thousands of years ago by the prophet Micah and pray that we may all do justice and love mercy towards all people and put aside that sense of entitlement and selfishness that is not the hallmark of someone who walks 'Humbly with their God' or indeed has a social conscience.

We are living in a time of great change – forced upon us. Our predecessors rose to the challenge, let's hope and pray that we may all come out of this a stronger and kinder society, prepared to do what is right from our own income and skill for the benefit of all in this world and recognise those who do Gods work. It's a challenge – not for others but for each of us. May God bless us all - until we meet again

Rev Chris

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COVID-19 Update

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Latest SCC information is available here: www.suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19

SCC meetings

Suffolk County Council have cancelled meetings for the foreseeable future. During this time, the Chief Executive will use her emergency powers to make any necessary decisions on behalf of the Cabinet / Council through the delegated decision-making process, but with consultation with myself and the other group leader. Details of any decisions made will be published on the SCC website.

App and phoneline launched to support vulnerable residents

The free app, called Tribe Volunteer, can be downloaded from the Apple App Store and Google Play Store. The telephone number for those in genuine need of help is freephone 0800 876 6926 and will be staffed from 9.00am—5.00pm, seven days a week.

The service will mean willing volunteers, charities, town and parish councils, community and religious groups can all log their details and offers of support on an app, while people who need help can phone to request support. As the number of offers and requests grows, they will be matched so that the right help can be given where it's most needed.

This support could include delivering groceries, medication or essential household goods, in line with Government social distancing guidelines.

School closures and free school meals

More information about school closures in Suffolk is available here: www.suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/schools-guidance

To support children eligible for free school meals, schools will be able to purchase meals or vouchers for supermarkets or local shops.

The government has also confirmed that the total value of vouchers offered to each eligible child per week will exceed the rate it pays to schools for free school meals, recognising that families will not be buying food in bulk and may therefore incur higher costs.

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Buxhall Country Glamping

is now in its fourth year and many visitors have returned to enjoy our site again and again. We were awarded the Visit England Gold Award from the start and work hard to maintain those standards.



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Buxhall WI

Although all our meetings and events are cancelled until further notice, members continue to keep in touch by post, phone and the internet.

An idea introduced by Gill, to email a photo or two during each week of past WI outings and events to rekindle happy memories, has quickly gathered momentum to become an almost daily occurrence. Such emails now include personal updates from members, offers of help and local news items of interest such as this one received from on Glynis on 7 April.

"A Swallow this morning waiting for me to finish my chores in the stable. We have them nesting in the stable every year"

Other members are using their time and talents to make crafted items such as headbands for the nurses so that it makes a mask more comfortable to wear, for use in various health and care centres including Intensive Care Units.

All WI members send their best wishes to all readers of the Buxhall Broadcast during this period of isolation and encourage everyone to continue to **'Stay In, Stay safe and Stay well'**.

Hilary: (737671)





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Great Finborough and District Garden Club

The garden club has little to report this month as our meetings have been cancelled for the foreseeable future.

Looking on the bright side, the weather has been glorious and all the gardens that I have seen on my limited trips through the village are beautiful and well tended. The daffodils have done very well this year and been a cheery sight when much else seems worrisome. They say that gardeners are never satisfied, but a little rain would now be welcome! However do not forget that a late frost is still possible so remember to protect those vulnerable new plantings.

Our planned programme is on hold until we receive further direction from the government, but members will be informed as soon as possible when meetings and social gatherings can be restarted.

Please bear in mind that if meetings are permitted by September, that will be time for the AGM and we are always looking for volunteers to join the committee.

Finally, if you are interested in joining the garden club or would like to join us for any event you will be very welcome. Membership is only £15.00 per household per year, due in September. For further information contact: Judith Cameron judyandian@btinternet.com or 672978.

From The Registers

Great Finborough Funeral and Interment

Michael Bridger

23 March 2020

Died 16 February 2020, aged 76.

Combs

Funeral

Betty Pallant

12 March 2020

Died 17 February 2020, aged 90. Funeral at West Suffolk Crematorium

Little Finborough

Dorothy Mary Spain

31 March 2020

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In these days and weeks of extreme conditions, there is no telling when our little club will meet again. Our opening meeting in April was cancelled as is the first meeting in May. We have booked a day trip to Wimpole Hall near Cambridge for the June meeting. This is a National Trust property and with them all being closed at the moment there is no telling whether it will take place. If things do change, I've got your addresses and phone numbers and will let you know what is happening. In the meantime, keep safe and healthy.
 Keith (736598)

From Chris Childs and Pauline Higham

The Church of England website has extensive resources specially written at this time of pandemic. Many people are suffering from isolation and fear. Please be in touch with Pauline or me. We may be able to point you in the right direction or help ourselves. Our Bishops and clergy are manning a 24 hour helpline for NHS Staff and of course we are here too for you all.

You will know that our churches are closed and we are aware of the distress this is causing to several people from the wider community, especially those who have just lost loved ones. Pauline, Alison and I are here ready to talk to any of you by phone, as are other members of the Ministry Team.

Christians are called to think of others before themselves and although this is tough the danger of re-opening is too great at this stage. At a national level I know that the 46 Diocesan Bishops are holding very regular Zoom Meetings with each other and this is a 'hot topic'. In the meantime we are continuing with support through the weekly pew sheet accessible from the parish websites and www.achurchnearyou.com.

Thank you especially to Lisa Hicks, Andy Little, Maggie Vincent and Suzannah Spurgeon for their supportive work.

Chris and Pauline

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Buxhall and District Community Council Village Show Buxhall Village Hall Saturday, 12 September 2020

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SECTION 1 – VEGETABLES

1	5 Potatoes - any colour	6	2 Courgettes - equal size
2	5 Onions - any colour	7	5 Runner beans
3	5 Shallots	8	5 Tomatoes - any variety
4	3 Carrots with foliage	9	1 Marrow
5	3 Beetroot with foliage	10	Any other specimen vegetable

SECTION 2 – FRUIT

1	5 Apples - dessert any variety	3	5 Plums - any variety
2	5 Pears - any variety	4	5-10 of any other fruit

SECTION 3 - FLOWERS

1	3 Dahlias	4	10 Stems of mixed flowers
2	3 Roses - any variety	5	Pot plant - any
3	3 Chrysanthemums		

SECTION 4 - BAKED GOODS

1	4 Cheese scones	4	Lemon Drizzle Traybake
2	1 Victoria Sponge, buttercream filling	5	4 Sausage rolls
3	1 Loaf of bread - any form	6	4 Ginger biscuits

SECTION 5 – PRESERVES

1	Strawberry jam	3	Lemon curd
2	Stone fruit jam - any variety	4	Chutney - any type

SECTION 6 – ARTS AND CRAFT

1	A Stuffed toy	4	A Picture – any size and any medium
2	A hand crafted item from wool &/or fabric	5	An item or any art form from recycled materials
3	A hand crafted item from card &/or paper	6	A photo A5 or A4 "Around Buxhall village"

SECTION 7 – CHILDREN (Ages a) 7 and under b) 8 and above

1	Heaviest marrow	3	4 Chocolate crispie cakes
2	A picture made from garden foliage - max A3 size	4	A vegetable character made from a minimum of 3 vegetables

SECTION 8 – BRITISH HUMOUR IN THE GARDEN – Make the Judges Smile

1	A single vegetable – your 'longest, heaviest, most misshaped, ugliest or humorous vegetable. Must be accompanied with a fetching name.
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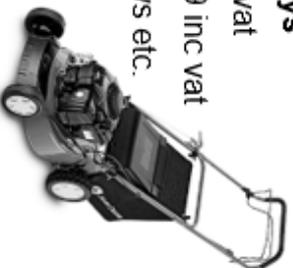
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Buxhall and District Community Council Chairman's Annual Report 2019/20

"To support recreational facilities, playing fields, playgrounds, community centres and other amenities of a similar character for the benefit of the community residing in Buxhall and the neighbourhood in the interest of social welfare...improving the conditions of life of the persons for whom the facilities are primarily intended." Community Council Constitution 2020.

After a short furlough, 2019 saw the Community Council reformed by long-standing Council members, under John Biles' expert Chairmanship, reinvigorated and keen to meet the aims of the Council. On behalf of the residents of Buxhall I thank them all.

Torrential rain saw lesser Bonfire Night festivities cancel, but we pressed on and had a successful, if a little windy, family event upon which we will build in 2020.

Bangers, Beans and Bingo goes from strength to strength, always oversubscribed, bringing together the community for some family fun and simple honest food.

The Community Council has contributed £1500 on behalf of the village to the **Parish Council's** exciting playing field redevelopment and eagerly wait for the project results.

These unprecedented times we are currently living in will end and we will return to normal life, hopefully a little more appreciating of our friends, our community and the value of simple pleasures. Although all our events are cancelled until further notice, we are continuing to plan for the return of the autumn Village Show for your home grown or artistically created 'produce' and the ever popular Bangers, Beans and Bingo as soon as is possible.

The Community Council is your Community Council. If you have ideas or can offer your time to support events or to join the Council please contact me via buxhall_community_council@btinternet.com or 01449 736665.

Finally, I would like to personally thank the generosity of individuals and businesses from across Buxhall who have supported the BCC and without whom we could not exist.

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Ben Thomas
BCC Chairman 2020

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The Little Ernie Lottery - fundraising for Buxhall Village Hall

Dear Fellow Villager,

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Please continue to help the village by supporting the Little Ernie Lottery. It helps keep the village hall going which plays an important role in our community, providing a centre for social and sporting activities.

Q: How does it work? A: Very simply! Annual subscriptions are available at £6 per entry- with **no limit** imposed per household or per person—although all entrants must be over 16*. Each subscription received is allocated a number, and ten monthly draws (June to March) are held per year with three prizes, **£30, £20 and £10 being awarded. Winnings are doubled for the Grand Christmas draw in December. Winners are drawn monthly in public at a village event and announced in the Buxhall Broadcast. Prizes are paid by cheque and delivered directly to the winners.

***The law stipulates that children under 16 are not allowed to directly participate—so all entries must be in an adult's name. Your signature at time of entry is taken as evidence that you and all lottery subscribers applied for are over 16.**

****Please note: prize levels are dependent on a subscription level of 200 participants. In the event of a smaller number of participants, payment may have to be scaled back—although the chances of winning will remain as great. Last year an extra bonus was added at the discretion of the Management Committee due to the fantastic take up.**

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Arthur Hicks.



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Buxhall & Shelland Church Fete 2020 – CANCELLED

Sadly, we have taken the difficult decision due to the Covid-19 pandemic (Coronavirus) to cancel this year's Fete, which was to take place on 1 August in the grounds of Copinger Hall.

Everyone involved in the fete has made this decision with a heavy heart, knowing how much the Fete is looked forward to and enjoyed by people. However, given the situation - particularly relating to large gatherings and the likelihood that this will continue for some months - it was felt better to end any uncertainty. Ultimately, the health and wellbeing of visitors to the Fete and those involved in running it is our priority and we are sure cancellation is the correct course of action.

Nobody knows, of course, just how long the Government's lockdown will last or indeed when and how this might be relaxed and large gatherings allowed. Even when this happens, many people will no doubt have mixed feelings about attending such gatherings?

We will monitor developments and, if the restrictions are removed over the Summer, it may be possible to hold some sort of village event in place of the Fete, which could potentially be held on the playing field - so look out for any further announcements.

We look forward with energy and optimism to next year's Fete, which we will try to make better than ever in what we hope will be happier times... so stay tuned and stay safe.

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Fete cancellation

You will have read above of the sad but inevitable decision made to cancel the Church Fete this year. It is of course a social and community event for the whole parish where we can all come together in a spirit of fun and enjoyment as well as raising funds for the churches of Buxhall and Shelland. We all appreciate the sadness.

Hopefully we shall be able to come together as communities in the early Autumn and celebrate once again - but probably in a different way.

Rev Chris