
THE STREET

RENDHAM VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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EDITION!**

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Above:
Rendham
White
Horse on
the new bar



Left: An
informative
notice on
one of
Rendham's
busiest
roads

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THE BIKESTREET BOYS WELL DONE HARRY FIELD AND FRIENDS!

The Bikestreet Boys made it to Land's End on Thursday 15 July – after 14 days' cycling as planned!

Harry Field would like to thank all those in the village for kindly donating to the fund-raising challenge he and a group of Woodbridge school friends took on in aid of St Elizabeth Hospice.

They left John O'Groats on 2 July and arrived (1 man down) in Land's End on Thursday 15 July – a crash near Newport resulted in a fractured elbow and broken fingers for one of the party. So far they have exceeded their £7,500 target and have raised over £10,000. If you would like to reward the boys for their effort and contribute to this wonderful cause, the JustGiving site is

<https://justgiving.com/fundraising/bikestreet-boys>



Thanks to everyone, who despite these strange times, have given us such a warm and friendly welcome to the village; it has really been very much appreciated!
Maggie and Johnny Burcham, The Corner House



JUNIPER BARN NEWS FAREWELL from Katie & Geoffrey

What a journey we have all been on these last 18 months! We are delighted that we have survived as a shop and café, and now come to the end of our five happy years running Juniper Barn. We are so grateful for the support we have had from so many in the village, and we really hope you will continue to cherish the shop and café into its new future. We will be here until the end of September, so please keep coming to shop, browse, meet friends, drink, enjoy the food and have a Katie's coffee and a cheese scone. We look forward to being customers ourselves for years to come.

Geoffrey and Katie Boulton



THE WHITE HORSE RENDHAM



EVENT AND UPDATE



We are delighted to invite everyone in the village to drinks to celebrate the refurbishment of the White Horse.

It will be on MONDAY 16 AUGUST FROM 5pm - 8pm.

We very much look forward to seeing as many people from the village as possible.

Whilst not everything has been finalised, that evening we hope to be able to introduce the new live-in manager and colleagues from Woodforde's brewery, who are in discussions to take on a lease of the pub.

It may take a week or so after that before the pub will be able to offer food, but we should be able to reveal at the drinks further details of the plans and timing.

David Robbie and Matthew Greenburgh

SUFFOLK CHURCHES BIKE RIDE & STRIDE SAT 11 SEPT 09:00 - 17:00

Once again on the second Saturday in September riders and striders will be taking part in the county-wide sponsored event which last year raised over £180,000 in support of its ancient churches and chapels. Over the past decade Rendham riders have collected over £15,000 to support repair of the county's many medieval churches, not least St Michael's, Rendham.

Details on how you can be involved including sponsorship, logistics, route-planning, from Richard Shattock (richard@lilyrose.plus.com).

More info at <https://shct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/>

You can set up a JustGiving page very easily to dispense with the need for paper forms.



WE ARE
MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING SATURDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

Rendham Village Hall
10.00am-12.00pm

£1 entry includes tea/coffee.
Bring & Buy, Cakes, Raffle, etc.
Donations/cakes most welcome.

*Please give your support
to this good cause.*

For enquiries ring Lynda 663325

RENDHAM
NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH
For Neighbourhood Watch & info
about village events, contact
Trev.salmon@btinternet.com
or tel: 01728 664199 if you would like
to be added to his circulation list

SAXMUNDHAM LIBRARY – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

It's been lovely to see so many of you visiting the new library - we hope you like it!



WE NEED VOLUNTEERS ASAP TO RUN OUR SUMMER READING CHALLENGE SESSIONS. The theme this year is Wild World Heroes. The challenge is open to all children & they need to read any 6 library books during the Summer Holidays. Children bring the books to you & tell you about them. At the end of the challenge, there's a presentation ceremony in September.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 10am -12pm & 2pm - 4pm and Saturday & Sunday 10am - 12pm. You can volunteer for one session or lots, we really appreciate your time! If you aren't able to access a computer, pop into the library & see a member of staff. Or you can access the application process at

<https://www.suffolklibraries.co.uk/about/jobs-volunteering/volunteer>

liz.gleave@SuffolkLibraries.co.uk 01728 652440

Mobile Libraries are operating on the normal schedule. Sweffling Church Thursdays & Sweffling White Horse Tuesdays. No stop in Rendham.

RENDHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

HIGHWAY ISSUES

We are still pursuing various issues, such as change of speed limit Rendham Hill, Sandy Lane and the Knoll and are hoping to have a meeting soon with Highways. But the 6 drains on Rendham Hill have been cleared and hopefully we will no longer have any problems with flooding.

District Cllr. Maurice Cook

– Sent the following report (Full report on Website)

Ward News

District News

Free Parking scheme extended to support vaccinations

New virtual hub for Lowestoft creatives

New Policy for commemorative benches

New Recycling campaign

New grant scheme puts nature first

Free community Health and Wellbeing drop-in event

Protecting East Suffolk historic environment

Surveys and consultations

Social media

VACANCY FOR COUNCILLOR

We still have a vacancy for Councillor so if you are interested, please contact Clerk, Chris Salmon on 01728 664199 or rendhampc@gmail.com to find out more information.

PARK NEW COMMITTEE – Held their first committee meeting, Cllr. Field Chair, Cllr. D'Angelo Turnbull Treasurer, Chris Bishop Secretary, Paul Jackson Fund raiser. Still to look at the signage, budget, and donations for use of field.

For more info about the Parish Council contact Chair David Willett or the Parish Clerk, Chris Salmon on rendhampc@gmail.com

**Next Parish Council meetings 7.30pm RVH
Monday 13 Sept, Monday 8 Nov**

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www.saxquax.co.uk

www.saxmundhamhealth.nhs.uk/

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symptoms at home

– your condition gets worse

– your symptoms do not get better after 7 days

Only call 111 if you cannot get help online

CONTACT YOUR DOCTORS ONLINE

If you need a repeat prescription these can be sent to:

dispensary.saxmundhamhealth@nhs.net

Please include your name, date of birth, address and details of all the medication that you are requesting.

FOOD BANK

Saxmundham food bank has asked if we could donate more protein, notably, small packets of fish fingers, sausages, cheese, packets of mince and other similar things if this sort. Small packets because they're easier to freeze / store.

Currently we are very short of tinned veg and breakfast cereal.

Donations have dried up significantly since Christmas so thank you, the people of Rendham, for your continued support.

Gina and Viv are happy to take donations on a Thursday and Brigitte is happy to drop off on Fridays. **THANK YOU!!**

Brigitte d'Angelo bdangelo@btinternet.com

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH RENDHAM CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT

The Archdeacon's Visitation for the churchwardens' declarations took place by Zoom on 10 June.

We are nearly back to normal having had two services in July, as we are used to. We look forward to being able to sing our favourite hymns again before long.

Churchwardens: Charles Seely, Frances Hill

STOP PRESS! HYMN SINGING wef 25 JULY!

RENDHAM VILLAGE HALL - ALL OUR YESTERDAYS, AND TODAY

The Electricity Survey.

Around this time in 1975, Rendham Village Hall was being used by a number of community groups. A children's playgroup two afternoons a week, a group called Roundabout Club once a fortnight, a social club every week, and a group called Good Companions every fortnight. The WI held bi-monthly meetings.

Concern had been expressed about the amount of electricity being used and by whom. A "little black book" was initiated with the purpose being to take daily metre readings and to record them for a three month period. The intention being to determine which group was using the electricity. An electricity sub-committee was formed.

Initial findings were that the Good Companions were using more electricity than the Children's Playgroup. This "electrifying" and "shocking" revelation was reported to the committee and resulted in a decision to continue the "little black book" for a further three month period. This "current" concern was because the hall was running at a slight financial loss. A review of hire charges was an option for future consideration.

TODAY AND COVID 19.

Throughout the period of the pandemic, the Management Committee has fully applied the restrictions imposed by law on what activities could be allowed to take place in order to prevent the spread of COVID. The hall has been re-opened at each opportunity that the Government Roadmap allowed. Pilates classes recommenced in May with restricted numbers and in accordance with comprehensive risk assessment to ensure clients exercise in safety. The hall was used as a polling station on 6th May as an exempt function. The Rendham Art Group was welcomed back in June fully compliant with our COVID protocol but with reduced numbers, using the building size formula applied for static user group classes.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2021

The date for the RENDHAM VILLAGE HALL AGM 2021 awaits confirmation. The RVHMC will decide in due course which restrictions will remain in place for user groups as we come further out of lockdown and learn to live with the ongoing threat of infection. The Committee remains focused on the responsibility of ensuring that Rendham Village Hall continues to be a safe, clean and viable village amenity.

Denis Moore, Chairman Rendham Village Hall Management Committee

CHURCH SERVICES RENDHAM & SWEFFLING Aug - Sept 21

	AUGUST 1	AUGUST 8	AUGUST 15	AUGUST 22
RENDHAM		9.30 am Matins		9.30 am Holy Communion
SWEFFLING	9.30 am Holy Comm		9.30 am Matins	

BENEFACTICE SERVICE 29 AUGUST - BADINGHAM 10 am

	SEPT 5	SEPT 12	SEPT 19	SEPT 26
RENDHAM		9.30 am Matins		9.30am Holy Communion
SWEFFLING	9.30 am Holy Comm		9.30am Matins	



THE LINTOTT FAMILY

A VALEDICTORY BY JAMES MORFORD

As perhaps one of the longest resident Rendham families – possibly only beaten in my knowledge by the Mellor family of Rookery Farm - I could not let Roger and Simone Lintott slip quietly away from Upper Grove Farm as was their wish, without comment from both a personal and local historical perspective.

Roger tells me that his grandparents Fred and Edith, with their four children, arrived at Upper Grove Farm in 1927, complete with motorbike and sidecar, that had been used to establish a milk round built up by Fred in the tiny Surrey hamlet of Dockenfield, near Farnham, where the family originated.

Upper Grove Farm at that time consisted of 92 acres of land with farmhouse and buildings and was bought for the equivalent price today of a very small family car! A further 23 acres and buildings were later bought back to the farm in 1947 for only a few hundred pounds!

An interesting feature of the garden was a derelict, Tudor style roundhouse made from ash poles, clay lump and thatch, but was sadly then deemed unsafe and along with lurid stories of a farmworker having hung himself inside, was then pulled down.

Grandfather Fred was rather non-conformist and was very involved with the Rendham Congregational Chapel – and Percy (Roger's father) remembers two round-trips with the motorcycle and sidecar on a Sunday in order to get the whole family to the service!

Sadly on New Years eve 1947, Fred collapsed and died whilst 'at plough' with Percy, on one of the farm's remotest fields. Percy took over the working of the farm, which included a dairy herd, firstly for his mum, until marrying Roger's mother Betty in 1953, becoming full tenants and finally passed full ownership of the farm on the death of grandmother Edith in 1963.

My first personal memories of Roger come at this stage when he became an exact class contemporary of my sister at Fairfield School – a very happy little school in Saxmundham.

Roger would now claim that Rose was his first girl-friend – unknown to my sister – who no doubt treated the upright, quiet, clean and very polite Roger appallingly! - not that Roger has changed much over the years.

Roger's sister Tessa and I joined the school later, with Tessa younger than me – (obviously!) There then followed many halcyon days of seemingly endless summer sunshine wandering free over the countryside with birthday tea parties and alike at both ours and other respective homes and farms.

Having gone our respective ways to school and university etc, we met up again in later years when I came back from overseas and bought land in Rendham – at the 'proper' Grove Farm, as I would constantly remind Roger!

In the meantime Roger had started working on the farm with Percy on leaving school in June 1970 at the princely sum of £3 - per week, plus keep.

On leaving Chadacre College in 1972, Roger returned to work full-time on the farm with Percy who sadly died very suddenly in 1994, when Roger and Simone took over the reins of the farm and diversified by developing a very successful hay and straw business, as nearly every owner of a horse or pony in Suffolk and beyond knows!

Robert, their son, grew up on the farm and trained at the Royal Agricultural College in Cirencester and ended up living, working, and marrying a West-Country girl, which is largely responsible for the move now to the South-West and to enjoy George, Robert's son and next generation of the family.

Personally, I was left with a very heavy heart when Roger told me of his decision to retire and sell up after working the farm for over 50 years, although Tessa, a trained nurse, remains local and happily married to Austin Holmes of B&A Holmes Plant Hire, whose diggers and enormous excavating machinery I always seem to be behind wherever I am on the county's roads, being a constant reminder.

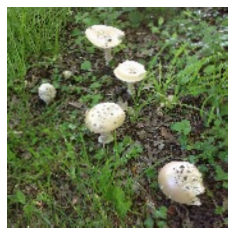
So thank you for many happy memories and every best wish to the Lintott family on their future journey!

James Morford

NATURE NOTES : FUNGI IN RENDHAM

Mushroom/toadstool, bracket, cup, are terms generally used to describe the larger fungi of which there are more than 1000 species in the UK.

Autumn is when most mushrooms appear, but St. George's Mushroom traditionally occurs on the Saint's day in late April and is present on Rendham Green, at the top of Chapel Road, where, later in the year Cloudy Caps can be seen amongst the leaf litter in October.



In June this year, an early-season Amanita species, most likely The Warty Amanita appeared on The Green. Close by, the hoof-shaped Tinder Bracket Fungus occurs on trees. This species was found on The Alps' 5000 year-old ice mummy, 'Ötzi', in 1991, as a means of tinder for lighting a fire.

The Warty Amanita



On, and around The Knoll, a species of Agaricus appears most years in August. Cutting the bottom of the stem (stipe) produces an immediate chrome-yellow colouration indicating that it is likely to be the poisonous Yellow Stainer.

Agaricus xanthodermus, the poisonous Yellow Stainer

Later in the year, Parasol Mushrooms occur along Sandy Lane, and, as late as November, Blewits can be found in the churchyard.

Many other species of the larger fungi are seen each year in Rendham and correct identification of specimens requires careful, and sometimes, microscopic examination.

Richard Shattock

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT

Tracy Gleeson attended a Suffolk Tree Warden Network (STWN) Day Event in Debenham at Two Fields run by Jeannie Buckingham. Two Fields is a community supported mixed farmscape that is taking part in the STWN Growing Trees from Seed initiative. Our Guest speaker was the marvellous Mr Wells, founder of Barcham Trees in Ely. Mr Wells spoke about how to achieve strong growth in our saplings. His advice was expansive but there are a few 'take-homes' I thought I'd share. The first is to pick the best quality seeds/fruits - so pick up the plump oaks and not the tiddlers or deformed. Secondly, if a deer or rabbit nips the top of your sapling one night, do not despair as it most probably will shoot again and make another leader. I say 'probably' as a sapling's ability to grow is really based on how good its root's energy stores are. If, when it regrows, there is more than one leader, just prune to a straight one heading skywards. Next, do not be afraid to lift (pot or field) your saplings and repot/relocate. When lifting, clean off the roots and prune the tap roots to encourage lateral root growth. Repotting in a good compost is most important so the roots can get nutrients and air easily. Finally, when growing from seed not every successful germination should be grown on. Grade, and only grow on the strongest. All this is subject to the overriding principle that you should get your sapling into the ground in its final location as soon as you possibly can as it will do better in both the short and long term.

There is a growing interest in just letting trees self-seed and then either leave in place or lift and relocate. This is an equally valid way of tree propagation. Growing trees from seed as the STWN is finding out is very labour- and time-intensive. If I could ask anyone locally who has a small-leaved Lime or a Wild Service tree in their garden, wood or field to let me know. The STWN would very much like to collect their seeds this autumn, as these trees are scarce and could do with a boost.

Tracy Gleeson

PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Please contact Chris Salmon, Parish Clerk to find out more 01728 664199 chris.salmon2@btinternet.com

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Call Ken Goddard on 663609



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Dates for your Diary

AUGUST

16 Village Drinks Rendham White Horse 5pm-8pm
Sometime in August: RVH Management Cttee AGM, RVH 7.30pm

SEPTEMBER

11 Ride & Stride SHCT Bike Ride 9am - 5pm
13 Rendham Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm
25 MacMillan Coffee Morning RVH 10-12

DEADLINE FOR OCT/NOV 2021 'STREET': 17 SEPT 2021

Email Helen Greenburgh: hpaygre@aol.com (07775 894146) AND Judith Mellor: rendhamstreet@gmail.com (hard copy can be sent to Gables Farm, Sandy Lane, Rendham)

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