

THE STREET



**EASTER DAY
9 APRIL**

RENDHAM VILLAGE NEWSLETTER



APRIL - MAY 2023

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ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH RENDHAM

Early in February the fall of some plaster at the west end of the church resulted in the decision to close St Michael's except at service times. The area is still cordoned off, but we expect daytime opening will be resumed by the time this is printed. Our service of Holy Communion (by extension) on Easter Sunday, 9th April, will be at 9.30 am.

We look forward with anticipation and joy to the Coronation of King Charles III on Saturday 6th May, which will be a time of celebration in Rendham and everywhere in Britain. We are hoping to mark the special occasion with a floral tribute in the Church.

The PCC AGM will be held in April, date to be confirmed.

Charles Seely & Frances Hill, Churchwardens

GOOD FRIDAY IS 7 APRIL. EASTER DAY IS 9 APRIL.

BENEFICE EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

- 9.30am Eucharist (Cransford)
- 9.30am Holy Communion by extension (Rendham)
- 10.00am Holy Communion by extension (Badingham)
- 11.00am Eucharist (Dennington)
- 5,00pm Holy Communion by extension (Sweffling)



ADDITIONAL EASTER-RELATED SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 6 Bruisyard 7pm

Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY

April 7 10.00am

Procession starts at Cransford Chapel to Cransford Church

CHURCH SERVICES RENDHAM & SWEFFLING APRIL - MAY 2023

	APRIL 2	APRIL 9	APRIL 16	APRIL 23
RENDHAM	PALM SUNDAY	EASTER DAY		9.30am Holy Communion
SWEFFLING	9.30 am Holy Comm	See details above	9.30am Matins	

BENEFICE SERVICE 30 APRIL - BRUISYARD 10 am

	MAY 7	MAY 14	MAY 21	MAY 28
RENDHAM		9.30 am Matins		9.30am Holy Communion
SWEFFLING	9.30 am Holy Comm		9.30am Matins	WHITSUNDAY



EASTER LILIES AT ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Because of the problem with the Church roof and ceiling, unfortunately we will not be doing our usual commemorative lilies this year. We have refunded those who ordered lilies and we look forward to a bumper Lily display next year! *Lesley Bennion*

Rendham Neighbourhood Watch/Village Happenings

Contact Trev.salmon@btinternet.com or tel: 01728 664199 to add your name to his circulation list for Neighbourhood Watch & info about village events.



RENDHAM LITTER PICK 2023



Thank you to the 26 volunteers who helped with this year's Litter Pick which took place from 25 Feb - 12 March. Thanks also to the people who pick up litter during their walks around the village throughout the year.

As in previous years we were supported by Rendham Parish Council and East Suffolk Norse and covered the whole of the village as well as going as far as the A12 and down part of Deadman's Lane. Lots of litter was collected. *Thank you again for your wonderful support.*

Jackie Dyer

COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNINGS RENDHAM VILLAGE HALL

Our EASTER COFFEE MORNING will be on April 11th where there will be tea & coffee and Hot Cross Buns 9:30 - 12:00 noon.



The MAY COFFEE MORNING will be on 9th May.

(Last meeting before the summer break)
Everyone is welcome to come along, these mornings are proving to be a popular social meeting place, great coffee provided and lots of books to read!

There will be a short break over the summer months, and the Coffee Mornings will start again in October. Please keep a look out for dates and times.

Mary Gregory



THE ANNUAL ACC SPRING FLOWER SHOW



Sweffling Hut 1 April 2023

Staging 9-10am Judging at 10.00am

Entry form is on the Village Website

<http://rendham.onesuffolk.net/assets/Events/IMG-20230305-0001.jpg> but

it's too blurry to include here!

Show opens at 2pm, Entry £1.00 (includes tea/coffee). Under 12's free
Full show - items Bulbs/shrubs and flower arrangements and also young peoples classes

Prize giving 3.30pm followed by Raffle

Enquiries ring Lynda on 663325

Please come and support us!



FRAMLINGHAM SURGERY 01728 723627

Dispensary: 01728) 723957

www.framlinghamsurgery.co.uk

SAXMUNDHAM SURGERY:

LAMBSALE MEADOW 01728 602022

www.saxmundhamhealth.nhs.uk/

Use the 111 or 119 coronavirus service if
- you feel you cannot cope with your symptoms at home
- your condition gets worse
- your symptoms do not get better after 7 days
Only call 111 or 119 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

RENDHAM VILLAGE HALL – ALL OUR YESTERDAYS, AND TODAY

From the handwritten minutes of a Rendham Village Hall Management Committee Meeting around this time in 1989, discussion took place regarding the redecoration of the hall.

A contemporary colour scheme of apricot walls, grey woodwork and white windows was agreed. Other issues relevant at that time were the tuning of the piano and installation of a ramp to facilitate wheelchair access. A decision to sell the table tennis table at the summer fete was agreed. Clearly it was not in demand, that very same table lies dormant to this day in the shed! The Poll Tax was being rolled out in the UK and concern was expressed that the hall liability could be in the region of £1450. At that time, RVH was not registered as a charity. That status situation was much later rectified and is maintained to this day and we pay community charge at a lesser rate.

Denis Moore Chairman RVHMC

THE KING'S CORONATION IN RENDHAM



CORONATION PARTY 6 MAY 2023
AT 6 PM ON THE
RENDHAM PARK PLAY GROUND



The Ceilidh Band is booked,
bar, refreshments and toilets
So whether a Royalist or Parliamentarian,
dancer or non dancer,
come along and enjoy the evening
SPECIAL GUEST APPEARANCE!



All we need now is for you, your friends and
relations to come and make it a memorable
party! Entry is free. *Paul Jackson*

RENDHAM FETE 2023 SATURDAY 1 JULY

THE FETE DRAWS CLOSER!
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



We need more volunteers to help set up on the
Friday and assist at the fete on the Saturday.



Liz Pilgrim needs unwanted gifts and jewellery for the **mystery parcel stall and jewellery stall**

Please could you remember to put aside unwanted items we could sell on the **White Elephant stall**

Roger Bennion has done a super job with **raffle prizes**. Once issued can we try and sell as many **raffle tickets** as possible. This covers the cost of arena events.

Please get involved – it's fun!

And in any case come along on the day to experience the free entertainment and enjoy the food and drinks on offer.



Our fete will start at 1230 on Saturday 1st July 2023 at the Grove Farm Meadow, Rendham.

Paul Jackson 01728 664064 pauljackson133@btinternet.com

If you have any new ideas, it's not too late!
NEXT MEETING IS 11 APRIL 2023 AT 7.30 PM VILLAGE HALL
PLEASE COME! EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

LET'S HAVE A GREAT FETE !

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

RENDHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

TWO VACANCIES FOR COUNCILLOR – YOUR PARISH COUNCIL NEEDS YOU !!!!!
'DON'T LET IT FAIL'

Following Cllr. Robinson retiring there are two vacancies. The Parish Council thanked her for her time on the council.

Should you be interested please contact the Clerk Chris Salmon on 01728 664199 or rendhampc@gmail.com to find out more information. It is important to be involved in the parish and to know what is going on. There are usually six meetings a year for about two hours on a Monday evening.

The Parish Council is involved in many things. For example, they were responsible for bringing the PARK playing field into ownership of the Parish Council, and are currently involved with the UK networks re the substation. They also respond to planning permissions, report highways problems etc. They also manage the Amenity Fund which pays for the newsletter and other items.

Spring Bulbs

East Suffolk council are offering a variety of Narcissus for Parish Councils for free for planting on public land. Cllr. Bennion has applied for a bundle – 500 for planting on the village greens. They will come in November.



Dist. Cllr. Maurice Cook sent a report which it is also on the website (Headlines)

East Suffolk Council budget approved

Suffolk councils secure £2.2m to improve tenants' quality of life

International cycling events £600,000 boost to local economy

Design team appointed for Seafront Vision project

Applications now open for Community Pantries grants

New defibrillator available for Kesgrave community

Local youngsters inspire new-look castle themed play area

Imported food products surrendered following vehicle spot check

Pitch perfect ... with help of Enabling Communities Budget funding

Surveys and consultations

RENDHAM'S DEFIBRILLATOR is on the Village Hall wall near the door - yellow box. The code is C123 Remember to ring 999 first.

MONDAY 15 MAY
RENDHAM
ANNUAL PARISH
MEETING 7pm
PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING 7.30pm
VILLAGE HALL

Church Clock

The Parish Council is aware of the clock not keeping time and is looking into how to manage it.

New Parish Clerk needed

The Parish Clerk Chris Salmon has, after sixteen years, decided to retire.

If you are interested, please contact Rendhampc@gmail.com or ring to discuss 01782 664199



Have you ever thought about being a First Responder? Contact Ken Goddard on 663609

A message from your editors: DO YOU VALUE THE STREET? If you do, then please send us copy in good time so that we can give you a worthwhile village newsletter!

NATURE NOTES FROM OVER THE RIVER

(it's been a while since we included any, so enjoy these while the world wakes up!)

It's always satisfying when predictions turn out right. As I had hoped, by early March, the fields near the middle of Sweffling, which had held turnips for the sheep, were full of winter thrushes. It was quite a sight, and I hope that many people (the paths here are popular for dog-walking) were able to see them. The birds were mostly Fieldfares – sometimes several hundred of them – more than I have ever seen anywhere before! With them were a smaller number of Redwings and even a few Mistle Thrushes, picked out by their rattling calls.

Mistle Thrushes are not just migrants; they are resident birds and breed in the village. Listen for their song, often remarkably early in the year, always delivered from very high in a tree. The song is something like a Blackbird, but simpler with just a few short phrases. It is very loud and carries a long way, a wonderfully evocative reminder in late winter that spring is on the way. The 'rattling' call resembles one of the old-fashioned wooden football rattles, (if anyone remembers them!). It is often given when the bird is flying away.

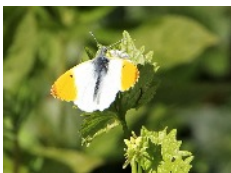
Our winter Garden Bird Watch went quite well, with most of the usual suspects turning up, like Blue Tits, Great Tits, House Sparrows and Dunnocks. The RSPB website on which we



record it helpfully saves the results from past years, so it is easy to make comparisons. As usual, our commonest birds were Blue Tits, although I find them almost impossible to count as they carry seeds off to eat them out of sight. Some birds, like Blackbird, were fewer than before, and Collared doves absent altogether, although I know they are still seen in most parts of the village. One surprise was Goldfinches, which we haven't seen in the garden for the whole winter, but which turned up just in time for the count, feeding as always on the Niger seed. In past years we have seen a lot of them, up to twelve, sometimes in the company of Redpolls and Siskins (none of these this year).



I am always keen to promote flowers in the garden which appear early. They are important in providing pollen or nectar for the earliest emerging insects. A friend tells me that his earliest bumblebees have been using his Winter Honeysuckle. There are a couple of species. Both have creamy or white flowers, flowering quite surprisingly from the middle of winter. They have short flower tubes (for a Honeysuckle) and abundant pollen – both ideal for the earliest bees, which mainly have short tongues. Winter Honeysuckles grow well here – several neighbouring gardens have them. They grow to a medium shrub, but they are almost indestructible and can be controlled as necessary. Plant one, ready for next winter. I prefer *Lonicera fragrantissima*, which has the bonus of a wonderful scent, but there is also *L. standishii*. Later Honeysuckles have longer flower tubes and are night scented, both features favouring pollination by moths. There is so much to look out for at this time of year. Migrant birds are arriving, starting with the Chiff-chaff.



The next wave of butterflies is emerging, notably Orange Tip and Holly Blue. There is a whole succession of wildflowers (I would pick out Primroses and, later, Cowslips in the lanes and verges). But the common ones are important. At an excellent talk on bees recently, I learned that the most important flower for sustaining the early-emerging bumblebees, which gardeners won't want to hear, is the Dandelion!

Geoffrey Abbott

THE BUTLEY FERRY



Butley Ferry

BUTLEY FERRY is open for passengers 8 April - 8 October. The ferry service, run as a large rowing boat, is available for walkers and cyclists and links the footpaths at Gedgrave Marshes at Orford with Capel St Andrew and Butley. The ferry is open from 11.00am to 4.00pm at weekends and bank holidays. £2.50 for adults £1.50 for children under 12 and for bicycles. Dogs cross for free. It is weather-dependent, so check ahead. If you are organising a group and need the ferry during the week please contact us on 07913672499 to see if a ferryman will be available. Minimum charge £30 for this service.

More info at <https://www.aldeandore.org>



SWEFFING TENNIS CLUB - BBQ 2 JUNE 4.30pm

WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS - OPEN TO ALL

Last year SWEFFLING TENNIS CLUB had an excellent non-slip surface laid. It is now very much a professional standard court. We would very much like to encourage new members to join this family friendly club. We have a variety of subscriptions: families, households, individuals, and juniors.

We will be holding our annual BBQ on 2nd June from 4.30 pm. We have a tennis coach coming between 4.30 - 6.30 who will offer a free session to younger members, and any others who would be interested in joining the club. We are offering up to 14 months membership to anyone who would like to join the club before 1st June – our annual renewal date.

For all information, please contact Sue Rusack, club secretary: SueRyderR@rusack.myzen.co.uk. Please let me know if you would be interested in coming to the BBQ, as further details will be sent out in May. In addition, if you would like a trial practice game please get in touch.

PHOENIX SINGERS

NEXT CONCERT

JS BACH SAINT JOHN PASSION

Saturday, 1st April 7pm

Framlingham College Chapel

Elenor Bowers-Jolley soprano, Katherine

Nicholson alto, William Searle tenor, Philip

Tebb bass, Hugh Pakenham bass

Kingfisher Sinfonietta

Tom Appleton conductor

Tickets from

<http://phoenixsingers.onesuffolk.net/>

Also available from Hall Farm Butchers, William Glasse, choir members and at the door.



ALDEBURGH MUSIC CLUB

NEXT CONCERT

ROSSINI PETITE MESSE SOLENNELLE

Saturday 27 May 7.30pm

St Bartholomew's Church, Orford

Christina Johnston soprano, Diana Moore

mezzo soprano, Peter Davoren tenor, Philip

Tebb bass

Jonathan Rutherford piano, Christian White

piano, Ben de Souza accordion

Tom Appleton conductor

Tickets from

<https://www.aldeburghmusic.club/>

Also available from choir members and at the door.



CONCERTS AT CRATFIELD AT THE CUT ARTS CENTRE HALESWORTH SUNDAY 30 APRIL 3PM – 5PM

Programme: John Ireland - Sextet Brahms - Clarinet Quintet Tickets: £16. <https://concertsatcratfield.org/>

SAXMUNDHAM LIBRARY

Check website for the fortnightly SAX WRITING GROUP, the FRIDAY READERS BOOK GROUP, art & craft, baby bounce, talks and events.

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Sweffling Church:

27/4, 25/5 0925 - 0945

Sweffling White Horse:

14/4, 12/5 0935 - 0950

Bruisyard Village Hall:

1005 - 1020 same dates



RENDHAM WHITE HORSE

01728 666527

Check Facebook page for updates



Monday & Tuesday closed
OPEN Wednesday - Saturday:
12pm - 2.30pm & 6pm - quiet
Sunday: 12:00 - 3pm



Food served:
Wednesday - Saturday
12pm - 2pm & 6-8pm
Sunday 12pm - 2pm

BYGONES MUSEUM OPEN DAY SWEFFLING SUNDAY 14th MAY 11am - 4.30pm

Vintage and Classic Cars, Tractors, Stationary Engines, Motorbikes and Auto Cycles, Display of Push Bikes

Household Bygones
Traditional Music Players
The Spinners and Ruggers



Private Exhibits and Demonstrations

1900's Working Kitchen in Action
Horticultural and Agricultural Bygones

LUNCHES AND REFRESHMENTS

Admission free but collections for East Anglian Air Ambulance

All exhibits subject to availability

DIARY DATES

APRIL

- 1 ACC Flower Show, Sweffling Hut, starts 9am
- 1 Phoenix Singers concert, Fram College Chapel 7pm
- 7-9 EASTER - SEE PAGE 2
- 8 Butley Ferry opens
- 11 Community Coffee Morning RVH 9.30am - 12noon

MAY

- 6 Coronation Party, Rendham PARK, 6pm
- 9 Community Coffee Morning RVH 9.30am - 12noon
- 27 Aldeburgh MC concert, Orford Church 7.30pm

JUNE

- 2 Sweffling Tennis Club BBQ 4.30pm

Suffolk Show

31 May - 1 June 2023

Gallopers-Sands at White House Farm Gt Glenham open Saturdays 10am - 4pm

<https://www.gallopers-sands.co.uk/>

RENDHAM FETE 1 JULY

Don't forget the Food Bank! <https://www.ip17qns.com/> and check out their Facebook page

The Cut, Halesworth:

INK FESTIVAL 13 - 16 APRIL

A celebration of the spoken word: new plays, musicals, comedies, physical theatre, plus films, street performances and more.

<https://thecut.org.uk/events/ink-festival-2023/>



Suffolk Walking Festival 13 - 28 May 2023

Over 70 walks in every corner of Suffolk.

Check out <https://suffolkwalkingfestival.co.uk/>

WALKING IN SUFFOLK website with walks to download / print for free, from 1/2 mile to 12+ miles to suit all abilities

<https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/suffolk/>

DEADLINE FOR JUNE/JULY 2023 'STREET': 17 MAY 2023

Help us ensure every issue of *The Street* is packed full of news and events that are relevant to Rendham and the surrounding parishes. So please - send us your news!

Email Helen Greenburgh: hpaygre@aol.com (07775 894146) AND Judith Mellor: rendhamstreet@gmail.com **PLEASE NOTE: IT IS ESSENTIAL TO EMAIL BOTH EDITORS**

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