

# FEBRUARY / MARCH 2022

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## RENDHAM FETE 2022 - PLANNING

MEETING - Rendham Village Hall, 7:30pm, Tuesday 8 February. Enjoy tea and cake and hear the plans. *Paul Jackson* 

#### **RENDHAM 'BIG BANG' FETE 2022**

I have started the process of seeking PRIZE donations for the BIG BANG DRAW, which underpins the Fete. Most I hope will be similar to the past, but with all the recent changes, including those new friends who have come to the village, I am hoping that there may be new contacts for prizes, donations or novel ideas. If you can help please contact Roger the Human Cannonball / Draw Co-ordinator! Many thanks rogerbennion@btinternet.com (663 737).



ACC SPRING FLOWER SHOW We are planning a COVID safe Flower Show in Sweffling Hut on 2 April 2022. Exhibits

to Hut 9-10am. Judging at 10am. Entry forms in Village Halls and on Village websites. Show opens at 2pm. Entry £1 (includes tea / coffee). Under 12s free. Presentation at 3pm with raffle. Enquiries please contact Lynda on 663 325.



MEET THE ARTIST Juniper Barn, 5:30-7:30pm, 8 February. Ruth Finn trained and worked as a theatre set, costume designer and scenic artist. She now

paints and lives in Suffolk. We're delighted that Ruth will be exhibiting and selling her work at Juniper Barn from 2 Feb - 31 March. Join Ruth for a complimentary glass of Prosecco and enjoy the exhibition on 8 Feb. *Claire Cornier* 

**Diary Dates - Bruisyard Village Hall 'Dead Funny'** - An entertaining talk by Ron Bossingham, drawn from his years in the funeral business. 7 for 7:30pm, Sat 12 March. Tickets £10 on the door, incl glass of wine or soft drink. **'The Poison Garden'** - A talk by Matthew Tanton Brown, 7 for 7:30pm, Sat 2 April. Tickets £10 on the door, incl glass of wine or soft drink. More info www.bruisyard.com

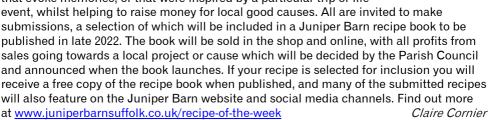
COMEDY NIGHT - Sweffling White Horse, 17 Feb. £8 entry. An absolutely cracking line up. More info: <u>Swefflingwhitehorse@hotmail.com</u> QUIZ NIGHT - Peasenhall, 12 Feb, 7:30pm. Info: peasenhallassemblyhall@hotmail.com

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## JUNIPER BARN'S RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Juniper Barn's Recipe of the Week is all about bringing food, drink and the wider community together through the sharing of recipes that evoke memories, or that were inspired by a particular trip or life



EASTER LILIES - ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH 2022

This year we are planning to have memorial lilies in Rendham Church at Easter. Lilies in memory of family and friends will be on display over the Easter weekend and throughout the following week, the names of those to be

remembered will also be displayed and read out at the morning service on Easter Sunday, 17 April. If you would like to order a lily, or lilies, in memory of someone dear to you, please fill in the form at the back of St Michael's Church before the end of Sunday, 3 April. Lilies cost £3.50 each with the proceeds going to Church funds. Please order and give your money to either Lynda Newson (663 325) or Lesley Bennion (663 737). Many thanks.

**Music Club Choir** Tom Appleton Conductor Suffolk Baroque Players IS Bach Easter Oratorio

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VILLAGE SHOP CAFÉ B&B

Magnificat in D major

Aldeburgh

Saturday, 26th March at 7.30pm Snape Maltings Concert Hall

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ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH. RENDHAM - CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT - We celebrated Christmas with a service of Holy Communion conducted by the Rev. Martin Percival. Our Choir was reduced to only four members but nevertheless sang 'In the bleak midwinter' with true feeling and led the congregation in the carols.

Our Christmas Market, which was held in the Village Hall on December 4th, was an ungualified success and raised the wonderful sum of £1,053.51 which will be of the greatest help to the church. Our thanks to all the stallholders, all the generous contributions, and especially to Lesley and her team for all their hardwork in making their beautiful wreaths and paddles, and to Father Christmas for his jolly appearance but most of all, thanks to those who came and supported us. Charles & Frances

DEADLINE FOR APRIL / MAY 2022 STREET': 17 MARCH 2022 - Email Helen Greenburgh: hpaygre@aol.com (07775 894146) + Judith Mellor:rendhamstreet@gmail.com (hard copy to Gables Farm, Sandy Lane, Rendham) IT IS ESSENTIAL TO EMAIL BOTH EDITORS. The Street welcomes items for publication, but we reserve the right to edit. It is the responsibility of contributors to provide accurate details, PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE. We are limited to 8 pages so may not be able to publish everything we receive. Priority is given to dated village events. All items submitted for publication must carry a name & contact no / email address.

### **RENDHAM PARISH / PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER**

At the beginning of every PC meeting there is a 15 minute Public Forum in which villagers can raise matters. All are welcome. It is important that everyone is able to show interest in what's going on in the village and make a contribution.

New Parish Councillor - At the meeting on the 10th January 2022, Mrs Jacqueline Norman was co-opted to the Council which now means the Council is up to full strength.

Good News about the Council Precept - The Council made the decision not to increase the Precept this year, therefore it remains at £2,800. Aware that any increase does affect people's pockets.

District Councillor Maurice Cook - Sent the following report (Full report on website)

- Survey of East Suffolk businesses
- Beach Hut project delayed
- Supporting customers to access council services
- Further funding to benefit local communities
- Southwold residents to vote on Neighbourhood Plan
- Survey and consultations

County Councillor Stephen Burroughes - Sent the following report (Full report on website)

- Children & Adult Care at the heart of our New Budget Plan
- Annual Public Health report focuses on Mental Health impact of Covid-19
- Katch Electric Taxi Bus service now running to Snape Maltings
- Approval given for extra £20m investment in Highway Drainage and Footpaths
- Architecture and Building Award win for 'The Hold'
- Significant investment in firefighting equipment secures safer future for Suffolk
- Over 10,000 new LED streetlights installed across Suffolk

**Tree Warden's Report** - It's a lengthy report with lots of useful information, especially about Mistletoe (Full report on website)

Village Sign - Cllr. Gleeson, with the help of four people, turned the sign around. This is to preserve the paintwork for a few more years. There is some deterioration of the base but ok for now. Thanks were given to the helpers.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee - The PARK committee are in the early stages of planning something for June to celebrate the Jubilee. Watch this space.

S137 contributions - This year the Parish Council has given donations of  $\pounds 100$  to each of the following charities: East Anglia Air Ambulance and St Elizabeth Hospice.

CHURCH SERVICES - FEB / MAR 2022 Feb 6 - 9:30am Eucharist - Sweffling Feb 13 - 9:30am Mattins - Rendham Feb 20 - 9:30am Mattins - Sweffling Feb 27 - 9:30am Eucharist - Rendham Mar 2 - 7pm Eucharist - Sweffling Mar 6 - 9:30am Eucharist - Sweffling	Mar 9 - 7pm Compline & Address - Sweffling Mar 13 - 9:30am Mattins - Rendham Mar 16 - 7pm Compline & Address - Sweffling Mar 20 - 9:30am Mattins - Sweffling Mar 23 - 7pm Compline & Address - Sweffling Mar 27 - 9:30am Eucharist - Sweffling Mar 30 - 7pm Compline & Address - Sweffling	er Pick - 26 Feb - ntact Jackie 664 118 180@hotmail.com
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NATURE NOTES FEB . MAR 2022 I have always been surprised how seldom I see Lapwings in

the valley, considering how close we are to the Alde estuary where they are common, and how they are equally likely to use inland fields. Early in January however, there was a fair sized flock (some 200) on the airfield at Parham. They were loosely spread out,



feeding. Mixed in with them were a number of gulls. Common Gulls in fact, which do visit our fields in the winter. What is happening here is something which I have seen before, and which is well documented. The gulls in these groups are each watching the Lapwings around them, waiting for one to catch a worm (Lapwings are better at finding worms than gulls). When a worm is found, the nearest gull flies up and tries to steal it. Success will vary - a

small worm will be more quickly swallowed by the Lapwing. This behaviour is called 'kleptoparasitism', not a word easily slipped into conversation. But we do like to have a name for things.



Fieldfares and Redwings, which I always talk about in the winter, were fairly scarce here up until the New Year. Since the cold weather in early January, I have been seeing them more. In the fields near Dernford the sheep have been feasting on fodder turnips. On parts of these fields which the sheep have cleared, there have been a good number of Fieldfares (at least 100) feeding on the ground, with a few Redwings and even a couple

of Songthrushes. If they hang around, they can be well seen from some of the dogwalking paths.

Missing from this assembly of thrushes were Mistle Thrushes, although I have been seeing them around. Listen to the loud rattling call they make as they fly. They are large thrushes, with white underwings like Fieldfares, but with plainer, grey-brown upperparts. One was singing from a tree near our house during storm 'Barra', a common habit which has given it the name Stormcock, at least in the books. It is quite a simple song, like a short Blackbird, but very loud, clear and far-carrying. One of my very favourite bird songs.

Several people have been telling me about seeing more of the deer which we find in the area. Commonest of the larger deer which we have here are the fallow deer. In summer, the coat is reddish brown, with prominent white spots. In winter, the coat is duller brown, but tends to be variable so that people have told me about grey, very pale, or almost black individuals. The famous 'White Hart' is a Fallow Deer. The males (or Bucks) carry antlers from August to April, large, with several points and recognisably flattened (palmate) at the tip. I have to say that I have not often seen these locally, most of mine being females (does) or younger bucks. Recent wet weather has made the fields muddy, so that deer tracks are easy to find. Deer tracks ('slots') are cloven, with two long parallel toes. Those of the Fallow Deer are narrower than those of the Red, with more tapered, pointed tips. Geoffrey Abbott

WATCH THIS SPACE for news of Rendham's Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration. Plus save the date. Sat 5 June, for Bruisyard's celebrations. Details coming soon but to help the Bruisyard PC plan numbers, email <u>annessart@gmail.com</u> (638 793) if you may wish to attend. 4