# THE STREET







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## NEW YEAR

REMINDER:CHRISTMAS SHOPPING BUS TO NORWICH Friday 29 Nov, leaves Rendham White Horse 9am, Bruisyard approx 9.10am, Sweffling Church approx 9.20am, returns from Norwich approx 4pm. Ring Lynda 663325

> RENDHAM CHRISTMAS MARKET SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER 9.30am - 12.00 noon Rendham Village Hall Beautiful Christmas wreaths & delicious Christmas cakes can be pre-ordered, call Lesley 663 737. Come and find homemade mince pies, Christmas cards, decorations, , cakes, preserves, gifts, stocking fillers, tombola... PLEASE ALL COME!

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#### ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH RENDHAM CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT

On 29 September we celebrated our Harvest Festival with a service of Choral Evensong, taken by the Rev Martin Percival. The choir sang two pieces: *Thou visiteth the earth* and *Hark, hark my soul*. After the service a delicious Harvest Supper was enjoyed by 30 people. Many thanks to everyone who created the flower arrangements in the church, and to those who organised the cooking of the supper and the clearing up afterwards.

On 10 November our traditional Service of Remembrance took place, conducted by Prof John Tesh. Lesley and Richard read the names of those from Rendham and Sweffling who gave their lives in the two wars, and Denis placed the wreath on the War Memorial, and spoke the time-honoured words. Other well-chosen readings were given by Jo, Suzanne, Anne and Eleanore and the church looked beautiful with arrangements of poppies and red roses. The collection for the Royal British Legion amounted to  $\pm 110$ .

We have had all the church windows professionally cleaned and the result is amazing. On Christmas Day our service of Holy Communion (by extension) will be at 11.00 am and will be taken by Prof John Tesh.

Just a reminder that our Christmas Market and coffee morning will take place on 7 December in the village hall at 9.30 am to 12 noon. If you would like to order a lovely door or memorial wreath or even a Christmas cake in advance, please call 01728 663737 All are warmly welcome, do please come – WITH CASH! Charles Seely, Frances Hill, Churchwardens

CHURCH SERVICES RENDHAM & SWEFFLING Dec 19 - Jan 20				
	DEC 1	DECEMBER 8	DECEMBER 15	DECEMBER 22
RENDHAM	ADVENT	9.30 am MATINS	☆	9.30 am HOLY COMMUNION
SWEFFLING	9.30 am HOLY COMMUNION	☆	9.30 am MORNING PRAYER	5pm NINE LESSONS & CAROLS
<b>BENEFICE SERVICE 30 DECEMBER - CRANSFORD 10 am</b>				
*	<b>JANUARY 5</b>	JANUARY 12	<b>JANUARY 19</b>	JANUARY 26
RENDHAM		9.30 am MORNING PRAYER		9.30am HOLY COMMUNION
SWEFFLING	9.30 am HOLY COMMUNION		9.30am MORNING PRAYER	

#### **CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

Sweffling: 22/12 5pm Service of 9 Lessons & Carols Sweffling: CHRISTMAS EVE 11.30pm Midnight Eucharist

Rendham: CHRISTMAS DAY 11am Holy Communion by extension (w Prof John Tesh) OTHER CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE (if in doubt, please double-check!): CHRISTMAS EVE: 4pm Crib Service Badingham ★ 5pm Crib Service Bruisyard CHRISTMAS DAY Bruisyard: 9.30am Christmas Communion by extension



Cransford: 9.30am Christmas Communion Badingham: 10am Christmas Communion by extension Dennington: 11am Christmas Holy Communion



#### **RIDE & STRIDE 2019**

Rendham raised  $\pounds1,950$  in this year's cycling event organised by the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust. St Michael's Church directly receives half of the money for repair and restoration works.

The support of sponsors is greatly appreciated and in the past ten years they have given £14,557. **Richard Shattock** 

Many thanks to everyone who supported the MacMillan morning. coffee either donating, or helping on the day. We had a terrific result, total after all donations was £351.29, which cannot be achieved without your help! Thank you one and all. Lynda Newson



We managed to raise £1,564.36 after costs for The Children's Society at the 16 November Coffee Morning in Saxmundham. We want to thank Elmwood Nurseries Knodishall, HSBC Saxmundham, Tesco Saxmundham and Innov8

Hairdressers for providing us with raffle prizes; all the kind people who came to support us and, most of all, our hard-working stalwart committee who never give up making, baking and giving. Next coffee morning May 2020 Bank Holiday at the Dolphin Thorpeness.

The Children's Society are most grateful, thank you.



RENDHAM MUMMERS Winter Solstice Sunday 22 December 2019 From 6.30pm for 7.30pm start The Knoll, Chapel Road, Rendham arking in recreational field · Seasonal refreshments · Please bring a HAT COLLECTION IN AID OF 'FAMILIES IN NEED

#### SUNDAY 22 DECEMBER

from 6.30pm; 7.30pm performance at the Knoll, Chapel Road, Rendham As the darkest day descends let the Rendham Mummers be your shining light. This year's play 'Death Stole the Sun' crosses cultural borders into Essex, pitches Good versus Evil and even gives the good Doctor a makeover and will be performed as

always with a mix of professionalism, slightly dodgy props and a big dose of comedy, upholding the Mummers motto of 'never knowingly over rehearsed'.

After the performance there will be a cart and torch light procession down to the Rendham White Horse where a warm welcome and good beer awaits.

This year's chosen charity is Families in Need (FIND) who for 30 years have offered a lifeline to people in Ipswich and the surrounding areas who are experiencing poverty and despair and is a very worthy cause especially at this time of year. For more information about what this great charity does their website can be found at: www.findipswich.org.uk

Seasonal refreshments and food will also be served before and during the performance. We look forward to seeing you all on the night.

Keep up to date with all things Mummers by following us on Facebook. Mark - AKA The Green Man and Spiritual Leader of the Mummers Clan



#### **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.



#### LOCK UP YOUR HOUSES & OUTBUILDINGS WHEN YOU'RE NOT AT HOME

For Rendham parish matters: Rector: Rev Martin Percival evmepercival@gmail.com Benefice website: www.upperaldebenefice.com

**BELLRINGING PRACTICE** Good exercise every Friday 7.30-8.30pm Rendham. To try it out, call Jonathan Stevens 01728 664074

#### **RENDHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER : November meeting**

#### NEW PARISH COUNCILLORS



Following the resignation of Cllr. Croucher who served for more than 13 years and the resignation of Cllr. Strachan, this left the council with two vacancies. At the council meeting on Monday 11 November Carl Maddon Thomas of Lady Whincups and Brigitte D'Angelo Turnbull of Sartoria were co-opted to the council which means that the council now has its full membership.

#### PARK

The Parish Council is interested to hear your views about the use of PARK - Play Area for Rendham Kids. You may be aware that the Parish Council, on behalf of the village, now owns the PARK. We would like to know if you or your family use the PARK? How would you like to see the PARK developed?

Some of the ideas may include the following: Taking your children or grandchildren to the PARK or swings ☆ Picnics ☆ Just playing ball ☆ Walking around ☆ Organised Events ☆ Gym equipment

If you have any thoughts or ideas about how the PARK should be used please let us know, contact any Councillors or Chris Salmon Parish Clerk Tel: 01728 664199 or email rendhampc@gmail.com

The current committee that runs PARK has disbanded; would you like to join a new one that is being formed?

**SCC Councillor** Stephen Burroughes was unable to attend the meeting but sent the following report with the following headings (full report on the website):

Illegal Cigarettes seized in Lowestoft

New and improved recycling centre to open next month in Bury St Edmunds New and improved public right of way for reconstruction in Bury St Edmunds SCC leader announces cabinet reshuffle

Tender to build Lake Lothing crossing in Lowestoft underway

Gritting lorry fleet gets personal touch in gritter naming competition

Barrow Primary School scoops sustainable Travel award

First time central heating systems for Suffolk residents in fuel poverty

Launch of Annual Public Health & Wellbeing Report



**District Councillor** Cook was unable to attend but sent the following report with the following headings (full report on the website): East Suffolk Business and Community Award Winners Community Partnership Workshops; Changes to carton recycling - see page 7 for more details East Suffolk to host Cyclo-cross World Championship; Gold award for Greenhouse Café, Felixstowe; East Suffolk Business Festival returns 4-18 November; Strategy launch for the East Anglia fishing industry; Cultural Lowestoft – a celebration on the edge, putting arts, heritage and cultures at the heart of the local vision in Lowestoft and Great Yarmouth; Dog owner from Witnesham fined for failing to clear up after pet; Deadline of 4 Dec for residents to have their say on engagement in management of operations of Southwold Harbour Management Committee; Runners raise over £1000 for charity

For information about the Parish Council contact Chair David Willett or the Parish Clerk, Chris Salmon on rendhampc@gmail.com Next Parish Council meeting 7.30pm RVH Monday 13 January

#### **JUNIPER BARN NEWS**

TUESDAY 10 DECEMBER from 7pm: Christmas meal pop-up in conjunction with The Crown@Glemham: contact Juniper Barn for more details.

SATURDAY 21 AND MONDAY 23 DECEMBER from 9.30 am – 2.30pm and TUESDAY 24 DECEMBER from 9.30 am – 1.00 pm: Start your celebrations at one of our popular Christmas Brunches Book early to avoid disappointment!

No plans for Christmas Day? Why not enjoy a traditional Christmas lunch with all the trimmings in Juniper Barn, join in the fun and JUNIPER & BARN celebrations. All welcome – no charge, but contributions gratefully accepted. Bookings essential, limited places.

We will be closed from 2.30pm on 24th December and will re-open on Thursday January 2nd 2020.

We wish everyone in Rendham a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you in 2020. www.juniperbarnsuffolk.co.uk 01728 663773

The evening planned for 30 November in Rendham Village Hall with the production of A Christmas Carol & Ebenezer Scrooge is sold out!



#### ALL OUR YESTERDAYS RENDHAM VILLAGE HALL - ANOTHER GEM

Around this time in 1974, the Village Hall Management Committee discussed the prospect of putting on a film show one night during the week. It was costed at £12. The committee agreed that this was too expensive and the idea was dropped. A subsequent cheese and wine party was organised with an entry charge of 50p and 15p for an extra glass of wine.

Denis Moore, Chair, RVH Management Committee

(£12 in 1974 was roughly equivalent to £113 today and 50p to just under £5.)

THE TREE IN WINTER HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

Trees in winter: the Christmas tree, mistletoe in the branches, crunching leaves on the ground.... perhaps most of all winter offers in mitigation for the miserably short days a chance to see the magnificent skeletons of older deciduous trees. As William Carlos Williams put it in his 1930s poem Winter Trees:

All the complicated details of the attiring and the disattiring are completed!

A liquid moon moves gently among the long branches.

Thus having prepared their buds against a sure winter the wise trees stand sleeping in the cold.

Winter also gives greater prominence to conifers, not just because of their starring role as Christmas trees. In theory, there are only 3 native species of conifers, Scots Pine, Juniper and Yew, but given that tree species have been imported since at least Roman times and given that new species are required to cope with climate change and disease, the concept of native tree is somewhat questionable.

The reason why, prior to human intervention, there are only 3 compared to circa 40 deciduous native tree species is that conifers were out-competed by flowering trees; they first came into being around 140m years ago, 200m years after the early conifers, and their canopies were much more effective at capturing light. This meant that conifers tend naturally only to occur where the land is too poor to support the broader structure of deciduous trees. Indeed, globally there are only around 600 species of conifer, whereas there are over 600 species of oak alone.

Even if new conifer plantations are now discouraged, there is still the pleasure of the visit to a Christmas tree farm where, as another American poet, Robert Frost, put it: "the young fir balsams like a place /Where houses all are churches and have spires." Matthew Greenburgh

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ST ELIZABETH HOSPICE www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk 01473 723600 Shops in all our local towns, pay them a visit to buy or donate items. Check website for more details

Next concert: 7.00 PM Saturday, 14 December 2019, at Framlingham College

## **Phoenix Singers BENJAMIN BRITTEN**



Tickets: £15, under 18s, £7.50, available from Hall Farm Butchers, 25, Market Hill, Framlingham, Juniper Barn, Rendham, William Glasse

william@glasse.org.uk, 07802 597071, choir members, and at the door. charity no. 1076549



☆ ALDEBURGH Christmas Lights switch-on Saturday 7 December 6.30pm - 8pm, plus Dickensian & Victorian-themed events all day long

FRAMLINGHAM: no official switch-on, but Saturday 7 December 10am - 4pm Festive Fram shopping event, plus Father Christmas in his grotto, plus Friends of St Michael's Framlingham Christmas Tree Festival alongside the rest SAXMUNDHAM & LEISTON: no details available

Quite a lot going on in Aldeburgh at The Red House, carols, concerts etc https://brittenpears.org/events/

FRAMLINGHAM SURGERY 01728 723627 Dispensary: (01728) 723957 www.framlinghamsurgery.co.uk SAXMUNDHAM SURGERY: I AMBSALE MEADOW 01728 602022 www.saxquax.co.uk

Have you ever thought about being a First Responder? It might be something you would like to do. Contact Ken Goddard on 663609



**Thursday 12th December** 7.00pm - St Michael's Church Framlingham

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**Choral Music** for Advent and Christmas

#### THE CHOIR OF JESUS COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE Directed by Richard Pinel

Tickets: £15 Centre Nave reserved £10 unreserved E i jeconcert10@gmail.com for enquiries an to book; or buy tickets in person at Framlingham Library. Telephone enquiries 01728 621255

IN AID OF THE FRIENDS OF ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH

The Rabble Chorus sing carols St Michael's church Framlingham 19 December 7pm - 10pm in aid of Emmaus Homelessness Charity Ipswich

DOGS A POLITE REMINDER: please remember to pick up after your dog, or at least kick it off the path into a ditch! Another way to be a responsible dog owner is to ensure that your dog isn't stressed if left home alone, isn't barking because it is distressed, & isn't upset by New Year's fireworks or other loud bangs.

#### FRIENDS OF ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH RENDHAM

The Friends of St Michael's is a secular charity, established to raise funds to help preserve the fabric of the church. We only provide funding to ensure the church remains at the centre of the village as its most important historic monument. We need new Trustees with some IT skills for just one meeting a year. We've repeated this request several times this year! If you have any spare time and think you could help, please contact Helen Payne hpaygre@aol.com



Watercolour: Tory Lawrence, 2012

#### BRUISYARD EVENTS

Go to www.bruisyard.com for info

#### Bruisyard Dec-Jan dates:

18 Dec - Soup and Pudding, Bruisyard VH 12.304 Jan - After Christmas party, BVH, 7pm for 7.30pm15 January - Soup and Pudding, Bruisyard VH 12.30

Saturday 21 December 2.15pm - 3.15pm BVH EARTHDANCE NIA: An exciting new dance workshop, a fusion of healing arts, martial arts & dance. Suitable for all levels, no experience needed. In the run-up to Christmas, come feel the joy of Nia through movement.

£10pp Further details & booking www.earthdance.uk Jen Johnson 07989 620271 jen@earthdance.uk

### SWEFFLING EVENTS

For more Sweffling info, go to http://s651433387.websitehome.co.uk



Friday 6 December 7:30pm Sweffling Church

Leiston Royal British Legion Brass Band's annual concert with Christmas music and carols. Tickets £8 includes interval refreshments Ring Diana (01728 663578) or Sheila T. (663518) to book or pay on the door.

Everyone has a role to play in tackling the climate crisis www.greensuffolk.org.uk Compost Bin Offers - The Suffolk Waste Partnership has compost bin promotions. Find out more at

https://www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk/ https://getcomposting.com/special-offers/

#### **Changes to carton recycling**

Cartons and Tetra-paks can no longer be placed in household recycling bins.

New industry regulations require cartons to be sorted separately from cardboard and cartons should now be taken to local recycling centres. Check out what can and cannot be recycled in household bins at

www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/features/recycling-in-suffolk/

LEISTON DUMP Winter Hours OPEN 9am – 4pm Thursday – Tuesday CLOSED WEDNESDAYS



SATURDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2020 BRUISYARD VILLAGE HALL 7pm FOR 7.30pm MIRAIKER'S COMIC SATIRE An evening's humorous treatment of current leaders & politicians using purpose-made puppets

£10.00 incl Ploughman's Supper Advance booking to Teresa 01728 663515 and Albert 01728 663567

The rural coffee caravan is coming to Dennington Village Hall on Monday 3rd December for all your energy advice and information! Why not come along to find out what's available for YOU and your home. We have funding to help reduce your energy bills!

- HOW MUCH could you save by switching energy supplier? Bring your bills and we'll show you! We've already saved attendees thousands of pounds.
- HEATING GRANTS you could be eligible and not realise it.
- · INSULATION have enough? Can we help?
- TAKE HOME a FREE Room Thermometer
- PLAY with our demo Smart Meter We can explain the myths and benefits.

Complete a quick & easy questionnaire for a

FREE Carbon Monoxide Alarm or a

on board

- FREE Energy Saving Lightbulb.
- FREE Walking Stick Ferrules & Slippers
  exchange

#### Dennington Village Hall

**3rd December** 

- 10 am 12 noon
- FREE Refreshments

#### **Rural Coffee Caravan WARM HOMES**

Helping people in Suffolk stay warm and



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DON'T FORGET! To avoid clashes, there's a village diary for Rendham, Sweffling & Bruisyard in Juniper Barn accessible to all wishing to book a public event.

SAXMUNDHAM LIBRARY Go to the library over the holidays! Saxmundham Library 01728 652440 www.SuffolkLibraries.co.uk

THE FREE HOME LIBRARY SERVICE - If getting to the library, or mobile library, is a struggle volunteers from Suffolk Library Home Service could help. Contact Saxmundham Library on 01728 652 440.

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