

THE STREET



RENDHAM VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Clocks go
back on
Sunday
29th
October.



OCTOBER / NOVEMBER 2023

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★ Caribbean-Themed Evening ★

Fast forward to Saturday 4th November 2023, 6.30pm in Rendham Village Hall, where we are having a themed Caribbean evening of food, music and fun. Enjoy a live and authentic Caribbean steel band playing a range of traditional and popular music.

You will receive a welcome cocktail (alcoholic/non alcoholic), a 3-course meal served at table by Rendham's own 'Pirates of the Caribbean' home on shore leave from the privateer 'Hispaniola', licensed

bar, raffle and prize for the best themed Caribbean costume. Caribbean dress is optional, come as you please. Tickets available at £25 PER PERSON.

Contact Denis - d.moore003@btinternet.com (tel. 01728 663 446).

Rendham Fete 2023 - The Results Are In!



A huge thank you to Paul Jackson and the team for delivering another great Fete in 2023 which raised a brilliantly fantastic £8,709.97 before costs. Costs and expenses came to £2,878.54. This includes things like the food for the BBQ, printing the draw tickets and programmes, paying for the arena events, toilet hire and so on, but also includes the costs of buying replacement signage etc proposed last year. After

costs, the net amount raised was £5,831.43.

Last year, the fete planners decided to retain £1,754.22 to cover the replacement kit and act as the start-up 'pot' for the next year's fete. In the end, we did not spend as much as anticipated and therefore this year we have decided to distribute £6,000 which will go to: The Church £2,100, Village Hall £2,100, Amenity Fund £ 900, Park £ 900. The amount retained for 2024 is therefore £1,585.55. Finally, grateful thanks, once again to Jean Palmer for doing a sterling job as Fete Treasurer.

David & Jane Silvester

Fete 2024 - SAVE THE DATE!

Next year, Rendham Fete will be held on Saturday 6th July 2024.

As you may have seen via the Village Happenings email, we have offered to run the Fete in 2024. As ever, we need many hands to continue to make it successful. If you are able to help, please get in touch (and a big thank you to those that already have!).

David & Jane Silvester david.silvester.t21@btinternet.com



CHRISTMAS SHOPPING BUS TO NORWICH

We are hoping to run the Christmas shopping trip again this year, if the cost has not increased much, and we get enough support to fill the bus. The date will be 24th November, leaving Rendham White Horse at 9.00am, Bruisyard at 9.10am, Sweffling church at 9.20am returning from Norwich at 4.00pm. Please ring Lynda on 663 325 to book your place.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH / VILLAGE HAPPENINGS EMAIL

If you wish to receive the Neighbourhood Watch / Village Happenings email please email Trev.salmon@btinternet.com

Explore the Countryside and Raise Funds with Ride & Stride 2024



Rendham has achieved much in the past decade of Ride & Stride. We have been one of the highest achieving villages in terms of money raised, often with only a handful of cyclists. But this year all the regular cyclists were unable to participate, and so there will be nothing from the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust in 2023. Funds raised really do make a difference to a small church like ours. It's an historic building which needs to be looked after!

Suffolk has a fantastic number of interesting churches and it's a really pleasant time of the year for a cycle ride. You get to see the county in a different way when you're hopping on and off your bike. You just plan whatever route you like and go along from church to church, getting your form signed by the volunteers in their respective churches, who always greet you with the offer of a drink and biscuits or cakes. Plus, by getting yourself sponsored you will be raising funds for one of Rendham's (only two) historic buildings. So make a note in your diary to get involved on **Saturday 14 September 2024**.



SMOKEY PAWS

NATIONAL DOG DAY WALK AND COFFEE MORNING

Rendham's Dog Day Walk. We had a record number of dogs out-15! Great to see dogs with owners, borrowed dogs (5), and the dog-less.

Thanks to all bakers for providing an amazing array of cakes, scones and sausage rolls. Thank you Frances and her team of helpers for hosting the coffee/cakes. Donations totalling £123 were made in aid of the [Smokey Paws](#) charity. Gina Purvis

COMMUNITY CAFE

At Rendham Village Hall

Open from 10 am to 12 noon
on the 1st Tuesday of the month
from the 3rd October.

All welcome to a bottomless
cup of coffee or tea
and a tea cake for £3.
Savouries will also be available
for purchase.

Coffee Morning for Macmillan Nurses on 30th September -



Rendham Village Hall 10.00am to 12.00pm.
£1.00 entry to include tea/coffee, Cakes, plants raffle etc. Please give us your support, if we can make £403 this year, the total for Rendham Coffee mornings since we started will smash £5,000.00. *Lynda Newson*

Aldeburgh Music Club Concert - Saturday 11th November, Snape Maltings Concert Hall, 7:30pm. Enjoy Vivaldi *Gloria*, Handel *Dixit Dominus*, Vivaldi *Ostro Picta*, and Handel *Eternal Source of Light Divine*. Find out more and book your ticket at brittenpearsarts.org or call Snape Maltings on 01728 687 110.

Visit 'The Rural Coffee Caravan', meet your neighbours and enjoy free tea, coffee and biscuits at Sweffling Hut. From 10am - 12noon on 27 Sept, 25 Oct, 22 Nov. www.ruralcoffeecaravan.org.uk

What's On in Sweffling?

- Feel Good Book Club, 7-9pm, Sweffling White Horse (WH), 9 Oct, 13 Nov, 11 Dec
- Knit & Natter, 7-9pm, Sweffling WH / Hut, 23 Oct, 27 Nov
- First Thursdays Supper Club, 7:15pm, Sweffling WH, 5 Oct, 2 Nov, 7 Dec, 4 Jan
- Craft & Chat, 10-12noon, Sweffling Hut, 2 Oct, 6 Nov, 4 Dec
- Silver Jewellery Making Workshop (10 places), Sweffling Hut, 14 October, 11am - 4pm. Tickets £70

Plus, Film Nights, Christmas Decorations workshops and more - visit www.sweffling.onesuffolk.net for full details of all activities.

CHURCH SERVICES - OCT / NOV 2023

	OCT 1	OCT 8	OCT 15	OCT 22	OCT 29 - Benefice Service, 10am
RENDHAM		9:30 Matins		9:30 Eucharist	
SWEFFLING	9:30 Eucharist		9:30 Matins		
	NOV 5	NOV 12	NOV 19	NOV 26	
RENDHAM		10:55 Remembrance Service		9:30 Eucharist	
SWEFFLING	9:30 Eucharist		9:30 Matins		

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, RENDHAM - CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT

Visitors to St Michael's often comment on the flower arrangements which so enhance our church. During August, these were commissioned in memory of the parents of one of our congregation. If anyone would like to make the same gesture of remembrance, the Flower Team will be happy to carry out their wishes. Please ring 663 737 for further information.

On Sunday 17th September, a Service of Thanksgiving was held in Bury St Edmund's Cathedral to mark the 50th anniversary of the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust. Over the years St Michael's, in common with all the ancient churches of Suffolk, has benefited hugely from grants from the Trust, as well as from money raised by Ride and Stride, which Rendham cyclists have long contributed to through sponsorships. Long may the Trust continue to do its valuable work.

All donations given at our Harvest Festival Evensong Service on Sunday 24th September were transferred to IP17, the Saxmundham Food Bank.

Christmas Wreaths are again available this year, supporting the maintenance of the fabric of St Michael's Church. To order by Friday 24 November, please contact Lesley Bennion 663 737/ email: lesley.bennion@gmail.com.

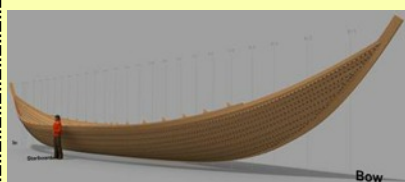
This year, instead of the Christmas Market, there will be The Rendham Christmas Coffee Morning 2023 at the village hall on Saturday 2 December, raising money for our local Charity IP17 GNS (Good Neighbours Scheme), which is totally reliant on donations and grants for their work.

The Remembrance Day Service will be held on Sunday 12 November at 10.55 am.

Charles Seely & Frances Hill

BADINGHAM Harvest Festival & Lunch

Saint John The Baptist's Church, Harvest Festival, 1 Oct, 11am (we will be supporting the Food Bank). Harvest Lunch, Badingham VH, 1 Oct, 12:30. Join us for a delicious lunch



followed by a fascinating talk from The Sutton Hoo Ship's Company about the reconstruction of a replica Saxon Long Boat used in The Sutton Hoo Ship Burial. Tickets are £13.00 pp from Ann 638 288 or Badingham Cafe. Young people, 18 or under, are free. Everyone is welcome to both attend both events or just one. See you there!



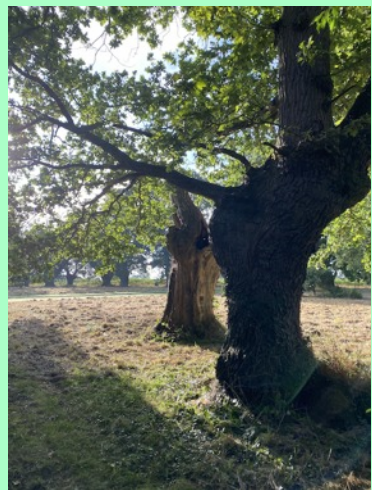
Rendham Village Hall - All Our Yesterdays and Today

From the minutes of an RVHMC meeting around this time in 1997, it was reported that a spate of vandalism had taken place which had resulted in 3 panes of glass being smashed at the village hall alongside a cast iron ventilation panel. Two cars were also damaged and the police were informed. The suspects were believed to be teenage skateboarders in the car park but nothing was ever proved. It appears that

skateboarding in the car park was quite popular. The downside to this innocent activity was that the 'boarders' sat on parked cars and left piles of drink cans and 'fag' ends behind. (For the benefit of our younger readers, smoking used to be a popular recreational activity and 'fag' is a slang term for a cigarette!). Health education and cost has changed things somewhat in relation to the 'fags' but skateboarding is now an Olympic Sport having first featured in the 2020 Tokyo games.

Another item on the agenda involved an expression of sadness by the committee following the demise of the piano kept in the hall and used for events. Apparently, an infestation of woodworm brought about its downfall. But all was not lost when another Rendham resident donated an electric organ which also generated a range of musical rhythms for the organist to supplement during musical renditions. *Denis Moore, Chairman RVHMC*

FREE TREE AND HEDGEROW PACKS FOR RENDHAM COMMUNITY / PROJECTS



Free Tree Packs and Hedgerow Packs are again available for Parish Projects. Rendham village can claim a total of 2 Tree Packs, each of which contains 50 cell-grown saplings i.e. 100 trees in total. This year there are different types to choose from so we can order, for example: 2 Eastern Claylands packs or 1 Eastern Claylands and 1 Riparian, or 1 Riparian and 1 Oak & Hornbeam Standard etc (specific details are available). Additionally Rendham can claim 100m of hedging. This year packs are collected from Nowton Park, Bury St Edmunds on the 22-23 November. Should anyone be interested please do let me know. The Woodland Trust also provides a scheme for Landowners.

Tracy Gleeson, Rendham Tree Warden



COFFEE AND BACON ROLLS

21 October & 18th November, 10am - 12pm. Badingham Village Hall. Please join us for a get together and chat over a bacon roll - vegetarian, vegan and gluten free options are available also. All welcome.

On November 18th we are combining our Coffee and Bacon Roll Morning with a Christmas Gift Sale.

We will also be having a table for Christmas Gifts and a Christmas Raffle at the Winter Sale on November 24th. If you have any items that would make good gifts and are no longer useful to you or a Raffle Prize, we would be very pleased to receive them for our stalls. Please contact Ann - 638 288.

RENDHAM PARISH / PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

SCC Cllr Stephen Burroughs

Report tabled and placed in full on the village website. Main headings are

- a) Suffolk Trading Standards unveils its 200th no cold calling zone
- b) Update on Gull Wing construction
- c) Award Success for social Care
- d) Formal opening of £1.3 million Suffolk Fire and Rescue Service training centre
- e) Council fears new energy proposals will harm Suffolk's coastline

The Knoll

Cllr. Bennion has been involved in obtaining 500 free bulbs. They will come in November where, with the help of volunteers, we intend to plant them on the Knoll and some on Rendham Green.

Tree Wardens Report – Cllr. Gleeson



First, I wish to highlight *Erinaceus Europaeus*. No, it's not a tree but a hedgehog. Inhabitant of both deciduous woodland and gardens - rural and urban. It's a predominantly nocturnal creature and solitary except during the breeding season which usually starts early April when they emerge from hibernation.

Gestation of the young is about 1 month and they usually have 4-6 little ones that are blind at birth and have softened spines for a while. Their numbers are in decline

due to loss of habitat, road kills, badger and fox predation. Note it's not just loss of habitat.

Many minds are thinking about how to help and here are a few ways you can. Create wild corners in gardens and fields, check bonfires before lighting, create 13 cm holes at the base of solid fencing to allow free passage, check greenhouse and other garden netting for hedgehog entanglement and try and avoid use of chemicals and slug pellets.

In dry springs and summers leave out bowls of meaty dog or cat food if you see them about (they are insectivorous but also kill young birds and snakes). Water and not milk is the best hydration for them.

Leave log piles for nesting and make sure any ponds have a slanting side. They can swim but they need to be able to get out of the pond. As they are likely infested with ticks, mites and fleas keep your pets away from them. Full report on the Rendham website, rendham.onesuffolk.net

Parish Council Representatives

PC representatives will attend one of various meetings being held to highlight the need for centralised organisation of the varied infrastructure projects affecting the region.



Dennington Harvest Festival 11am, 8 Oct. Everyone is very welcome to this family friendly service. Any produce – fresh or tins and packets – will be taken to The Salvation Army in Woodbridge.
Harvest Lunch 12.30, 8 Oct, Dennington VH. Tickets will be £12.50 pp, £5 for children under 13 and free to under 5s. Tickets available from Julie Steward on 638 272 / juliesteward@hotmail.co.uk or Veronica Maberly at vmaberly@keme.co.uk / 07885 756 425.

NATURE NOTES OCT - NOV 2022

By October, most of our summer migrant birds will have departed south. A few Swallows and House Martins may be seen late, as these birds sometimes have an extra, late brood. In fact, both of these birds were quite scarce in Sweffling this year, which is very worrying for such once-common birds. Swallows were a bit more numerous by August, with several families on the wing, indicating successful breeding. Young Swallows can be recognised by having shorter tails, more like a House Martin, and in a good view a duller red chin. It is the adults which have the long tail streamers, noticeably longer in the male than in the female.



Two of the scarcer migrants turned up at Dernford in August. I have been preparing to write an elegy for the Spotted Flycatcher which has declined so drastically in the village, but I hear from a couple of friends that they are still in a few gardens. A couple of juveniles spent some time on our roof, I hope from a family which bred nearby although I had seen no sign of them until then.

The other summer migrant is the Hobby, a small fast-flying falcon which catches its prey in flight, specialising in Swallows and Martins, and larger insects such as dragonflies, all of which it catches with its feet. Hobbies are well established in East Suffolk, but mostly on the coastal marshes and Sandlings heaths, but they do occur in the valley, and I see the odd one most years. This year one was flying above the house, in company with Black-headed Gulls, all catching flying ants, which were swarming on a warm, humid afternoon.

By late autumn, look out for those insects which like to hibernate inside the house. Most commonly seen indoors are the Peacock butterfly, (looking almost black when its wings are closed) and until recently when its numbers declined, the Small Tortoiseshell. Nowadays, our houses are too warm for butterflies to hibernate, and they usually find their way out again. Next come the Wasps, whose large queens need to hibernate, and seem to like to hide behind curtains. Needing even more respect are the queen Hornets, alarmingly large insects, also needing to survive the winter to found new colonies next spring. At the time of writing there seem to be plenty of Hornets about, usually minding their own business, but often coming to outside lights, (and sometimes through open windows), at night. Look for them, and many other insects feeding up for the winter, on the yellow-green clusters of flowers of the Ivy.



Finally, and less alarmingly, houses also attract hibernating Lacewings. There are several of these, but the one which comes indoors is the Green Lacewing – bright green, with transparent, clearly veined wings. Lacewings are the gardener's friends – in summer their larvae consume large numbers of aphids!

There is just space to mention the obvious features of nature in the autumn, the colours and fruiting shrubs of our countryside. Our local hedges are rich in shrubs which stand out in colour from now onwards. I am always impressed by the bright gold of the Field Maple, as well as the Hazel, and the purple colour of the Dogwood. All of these are widespread in our hedgerows. Both hedgerows and gardens now have ripening berries, a vital source of food for some of our resident, as well as winter migrant birds. Watch for these on the berries of Pyracantha, Cotoneaster, Hawthorn and others from now on.

Geoffrey Abbott



Discover an innovative menu, bringing you a taste of international cuisine, as well as traditional British dishes, and all made with the finest local ingredients. Dogs welcome too.
Visit rendhamwhitehorse.co.uk or call 666 527.
Kitchen Hours: Weds-Sat, 12pm-2pm / 6pm-8pm, Sun 12pm-2pm. Closed Mon & Tues

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE - Sweffling White Horse from 09:35- 09:50. 27th Oct, 24th Nov and 22nd Dec.

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Dispensary: (01728) 723957
www.framlinghamsurgery.co.uk

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01728 602022
www.saxquax.co.uk

St Elizabeth Hospice 01473 727776



www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk

Donations of clothes, toys, household items gratefully accepted.

SAVE THE DATE

Rendham Fete 2024 - 6th July

Local Dates for your Diary

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| SEP | 27 | Rural Coffee Caravan, Sweffling Hut, 10am |
| | 30 | Macmillan Coffee Morning, Rendham VH, 10am |
| | 1 | Badingham Harvest Festival & Lunch, Badingham Church, 11am |
| | 2 | Craft & Chat, Sweffling Hut, 10am |
| | 3 | Rendham's Community Cafe, Rendham VH, 10am |
| OCT | 5 | First Thursday's Supper Club, Sweffling White Horse, 7:15pm |
| | 8 | Dennington Harvest Festival & Lunch, Dennington Church, 11am |
| | 9 | Feel Good Book Club, Sweffling White Horse, 7-9pm |
| | 14 | Silver Jewellery Making Workshop, Sweffling Hut, 11am-4pm |
| | 21 | Coffee & Bacon Rolls, Badingham VH, 10am |
| | 23 | Knit & Natter, Sweffling White Horse, 7-9pm |
| | 25 | Rural Coffee Caravan, Sweffling Hut, 10am |
| NOV | 2 | First Thursday's Supper Club, Sweffling White Horse, 7:15pm |
| | 4 | Rendham's Caribbean-Themed Evening, Rendham VH, 6:30pm |
| | 6 | Craft & Chat, Sweffling Hut, 10am |
| | 7 | Rendham's Community Cafe, Rendham VH, 10am |
| | 11 | Aldeburgh Music Club Concert, Snape Maltings, 7:30pm |
| | 13 | Feel Good Book Club, Sweffling White Horse, 7-9pm |
| | 18 | Coffee & Bacon Rolls + Christmas Gifts Sale, Badingham VH, 10am |
| | 22 | Rural Coffee Caravan, Sweffling Hut, 10am |
| DEC | 24 | Christmas Shopping Bus to Norwich, Rendham White Horse, 9am |
| | 27 | Knit & Natter, Sweffling Hut, 7-9pm |
| | 2 | Rendham Christmas Coffee Morning, Rendham VH |
| | 4 | Craft & Chat, Sweffling Hut, 10am |
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Select & Collect at Saxmundham Library - Find out more - visit www.suffolklibraries.co.uk/select-and-collect

DEADLINE FOR DEC / JAN STREET: 17 NOVEMBER 2023

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