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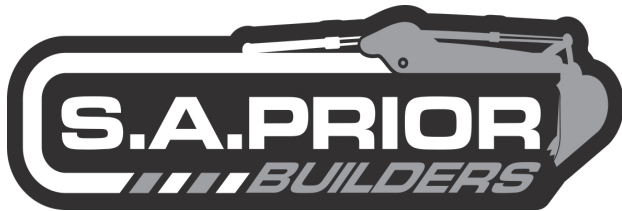
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I see this walk as a step by step process involving many people. The training, the challenge and the journey reflects our fight to overcome this evil. I am determined to join in and help. If you are too, please will you support me by donating to my just giving page and give what you can. Thank you.



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LET US KNOW YOUR THOUGHTS. WOULD YOU PREFER TO HAVE A DIGITAL VERSION EMAILED OR CONTINUE WITH THE PRINTED VERSION?

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Wildflower garden at Anchor Cottage. Photo by Peter Baldwin.

If you have any suitable photos for future issues, please forward to Christine at christine.bugle@gmail.com

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Bentley Parish Council website - <http://bentleysuffolkparishcouncil.gov.uk/>

Bentley (in Suffolk) Community Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/292599697915731/>

Other village websites are listed in the publication.

Parish Diary

AUGUST 2024

7th - Comrades - Village Hall - Blackmore Room at 7.30 pm
7th & 21st - Whist Drive - Village Hall from 7.30-9.00 pm
8th & 22nd - Scrabble Club - Village Hall Blackmore Room at 2.30 pm
8th - Open Mic Night - Case is Altered at 8.00 pm
11th - Community Service in Bentley Church at 3pm
13th & 27th - Tuesday Club - Village Hall at 2.30 pm
14th - Bentley Bluebells WI - Village Hall at 7.30 pm
17th - Horticultural Society Show - Village Hall from 2.15 pm
17th - Footpath Society Walk - from the Village Hall at 2.30 pm
31st - Monthly Quiz - Case is Altered at 8.00 pm

SEPTEMBER 2024

4th - Comrades - Village Hall Blackmore Room at 7.30 pm
4th & 18th - Whist Drive - Village Hall from 7.30-9.00 pm
5th - Parish Council meeting - Village Hall from 7.30 pm
10th - Tuesday Club Outing to Clacton - leaving Village Hall at 11.30 am
11th - Bentley Bluebells WI - Village Hall at 7.30 pm
12th & 26th- Scrabble Club - Village Hall Blackmore Room at 2.30 pm
12th - Open Mic Night - Case is Altered at 8.00 pm
13th - Community Surgery - Case is Altered between 10.30 and 12.00
14th - Children's Outdoor Party - Case is Altered - 1-3.00 pm
14th - Street Food Event - Case is Altered 4-8 pm
20th - Horticultural Society - Village Hall at 7.30 pm
21st - Footpath Society Walk - from the Village Hall at 2.30 pm
24th - Tuesday Club - Village Hall at 2.30 pm
28th - Macmillan Coffee Morning - Case is Altered from 10.00 am - 1.00 pm
28th - Beetle Drive - Village Hall - at 7.00 pm
28th - Monthly Quiz - Case is Altered at 8.00 pm

Other Activities in the Village

Toddler Group - Mon & Weds 9.30 am to 12 noon (Term Time only) - Village Hall
Holistic Yoga - Every Mon 7.30 - 10.00 pm - Village Hall
Aerobics Class - Tuesday 9.45 am (Term Time only) - Village Hall
Pilates Class - Tuesday 11.00 am to noon (Term Time only) - Village Hall (contact Jill Sharp for information - 01473 311546)
Carpet Bowls - Every Tues 7.30 pm & Weds 2.30 pm - Village Hall
Coffee at the Case - Every Friday between 10.30 and 12.00

BENTLEY VILLAGE AT CHURCH NEWS

CONNECT (Benefice Service).

Please note our service pattern has changed. The first Sunday of each month will now be a "Connect" service (Benefice) led by Rev Chris Willis and will move around the parishes each month.

SERVICES IN AUGUST

Sunday 4 th	10am	Connect (Benefice) service at Brantham, followed by picnic in the vicarage grounds
Sunday 11 th	3pm	Community Service at Bentley, followed by afternoon tea led by Rev Chris
Sunday 18 th	10am	Joint service at Tattingstone
Sunday 25 th	10am	Joint service at Bentley

SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

Sunday 1 st	10am	Connect (Benefice) service at Tattingstone with Rev Chris
Sunday 8 th	10am	Holy Communion at Bentley
Sunday 15 th	10am	Lay Led
Sunday 22 nd	10am	Holy Communion at Bentley with Rev Chris
Sunday 29 th	10am	Lay Led

HARVEST FESTIVAL AND LUNCH 20th OCTOBER

Please see new date for our Harvest Festival and Lunch. The service will start at **11am NOT 10am (followed by lunch)**. We are asking for a minimum donation of £5 per person for lunch. Please sign up on the list at the back of the church or email Jane on ellispark5363@yahoo.com by 12th October if you would like to join us for lunch to enable us to cater accordingly.

HARVEST GIFTS

We will be collecting Harvest gifts of tins and packets of food for Homeless Families, as part of our Harvest offering. Please bring your gifts to one of our services on or before 20th October or deliver them to 19 The Link. West Villa has moved and is now East Villa. thanks.

EAST VILLA (FORMALLY WEST VILLA)

Continued thanks for the donations of towels and bedding that we take regularly to East Villa for those made homeless. They are always very gratefully received. Please feel free to contact Sandra on 01473 310383 or leave donations on our doorstep. Thank you. Your generosity is much appreciated.

SUNDAY SERVICES

If you would like to help at one of our services by reading the Bible or leading prayers please let us know. New voices are always welcome. Please speak to Peter Day, Jane Day, Ken Felgate or Sandra Mehen. Thank you.

LONELY? NEED A LISTENING EAR?

Do you know of anyone in the village who would like a visit at home, in a care home or in hospital? Would you like someone to visit you? Would you like someone to talk to, pray with you or for you? Please call Doreen or 311122; Carolyn on 311090; Jane 310518; Sandra 310383.

CAN'T GET TO CHURCH?

Do you need a lift to church?. Please contact Sandra on 01473310518 or Jane on 310518.

HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST RIDE/STRIDE EVENT – Saturday 14th September 9.00am – 5.00pm. Sponsorship money split between local church and Suffolk Historic Churches Trust. Contact Peter Day on 01473 310518 or peter.d47@hotmail.co.uk for sponsorship forms.

ST MARY'S CHURCH, BENTLEY

It costs £300 a week to keep your beautiful and historic church open. One way to support us is by giving via this QR code using your smartphone. There is also a link in the church building. Thank you for your support. It means a great deal to us as we try to keep the Church in good repair.



Church Contact Details for weddings, baptisms and funerals or other queries

Church Warden – Peter Day - 01473 310518

Assistant Priest – Rev Don Mehen – 01473310383

Administrator – Michelle Jowers

michelle@constablebenefice.org

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100TH ISSUE OF THE BUGLE



The Bugle started off in 1991 first as a monthly single printed A5 sheet. It then went to being produced bi-monthly and then quarterly. It provided Community News, an events diary and advertising for local businesses as well as a monthly joke! Issue 31 in 1993 gave news of Pond Hall Lane becoming a bridleway and previous issues show much hard work was undertaken by members of Bentley Footpath Society to clear and maintain the local footpaths, including re-surfacing with road planings! The village had a Youth Club and Table Tennis Club then as well as holding a yearly pantomime. It seems speeding traffic through the village was a problem as it is now. Here is a cartoon from the December 1994 issue..



The current magazine version was originally conceived as a more Bentley relevant publication than the In Touch magazine, by Adrian Mills, Mike Anderton, Sandra Mehen and Liz Whitman who was the editor. The first issue was for Dec 2007 – Jan 2008 and it combined Community and Church News. Robin Owen took over as Editor from issue 13 in December 2009 and carried on doing a sterling job until his retirement when the current editors took over in March/April 2022.

John Tombs, the Village Historian wrote many fascinating articles about the history of Bentley in the magazine. One explained how before the Armistice in World War 1, Britain's home population were facing starvation. Bentley's pupils had a holiday for the morning in which to pick blackberries on their often lengthy way to School. In the afternoon two teachers and some pupils carried baskets containing altogether 100lbs (45 kilos) to Bentley Station to put on the 3.40 pm train to London!

We hope The Bugle will continue in some form! **Christine & Marianne**

BENTLEY BOWLS CLUB

We are nearing the end of the season but unfortunately not doing too well, only picking up the odd point from most of our games. We have only won two so far. Hopefully we can do better in the few remaining games.

We have played our club triples competition with Kevin Benton, Deirdre Rose and Bill Slegg coming out as winners. Our Club pairs has also been played after being delayed a week because of the rain with Kevin Benton and Colin Rose being the winners. Well done to all who took part in both competitions. We had some very close games. Other club competitions are still being played.

Our next fund raiser will be a **Race Night in the Bentley Village Hall on October 5th 2024**. We hope you can join us as these events bring in much needed funds to keep the green in good order. The Friday night club roll up is still being well supported and we would welcome anyone who would like to try the game of bowls to come along and have a go from 6.30pm. The entrance to the green is in Grove Road, just past the Old Postmasters House and building plot. You just need flat soled shoes. We have woods in the hut for you to use.

Lillian Calvert, Secretary

Thank you

Christine and Family would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and words of comfort and support that they received following the death of Roger Baker. It was so appreciated.

Christine Baker and Family

OVERGROWN HEDGES

Bentley Parish Council respectfully reminds parishioners to check that their hedgerows and plants are not, inadvertently, obstructing or impeding pedestrian access along public footways. Council asks that any such growth (width and height) is cut back in order to avoid any unintentional accident or injury to pedestrians, cyclists, mobility scooters or motor vehicles.

If any parishioner is aware of a particular problem site, please notify the Clerk in order that appropriate action may be taken.

Mobility Scooters are finding it difficult in some areas to use narrow pavements. Residents should ensure that their hedges are sufficiently cut back to ensure the full width of the footway is available to pedestrians.

Thank you for your help.

Joy Scott, Clerk, Bentley Parish Council - clerk@bentleysuffolkparishcouncil.gov.uk

BENTLEY (SUFFOLK) HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

First of all my thanks to all who assisted at the coffee morning and plant sale when the committee was very 'short of staff'. Also for the wonderful sum of money raised.

It is 3rd July and it's raining and rather chilly where has summer gone?

We recommence our monthly meetings on Friday 20 September 2024. Sadly the speaker has had to cancel for health reasons. A replacement is being arranged.

GARDENS TO VISIT

Henstead Exotic Garden. Sunday 25th August 11am - 4pm. Refreshments available

The Old Rectory Ingham. Sunday 4th August 11am - 4pm. Refreshments available

The Priory, Laxfield Rd, Badingham, Woodbridge. Sunday 25 August - 11am - 5pm

Pam Lovell

Annual Horticultural Show

Saturday 17 August 2024 in the Village Hall

Doors open at 2.15pm

Please come along and support those who work very hard to produce exhibits of a very good standard.

There will be a raffle, sales table, and teas

HELP STOP SPEEDING IN BENTLEY

Speedwatch is operated in the Village by volunteers with the authority of Suffolk Constabulary.

Are you concerned by vehicles speeding?

Are you able to volunteer for just an hour each fortnight?

If so please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council, Mrs Joy Scott by email at clerk@bentleysuffolkparishcouncil.gov.uk

Be part of the team. Full training is provided.

BENTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Bentley Parish Council Meeting took place at Bentley Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 11 July 2024

Six Councillors, District Councillor Dave Busby, Tree Warden, Footpath Warden and 3 members of the public attended the meeting. Apologies were received from three Councillors, District Councillor H Davies and Speedwatch Co-ordinator.

Planning – One planning decision was received. Solar Farm has gone out for re-consultation. No changes to the planning application. Deadline for comments 6th September and will be discussed at the Parish Council meeting on 5th September.

Reports were received from County Councillor Georgia Hall and District Councillor Dave Busby, District Councillor Helen Davies & Speedwatch Co-ordinator.

Matters discussed

- Brockley Wood – Expecting to make a public announcement shortly.
- Overgrown Footpath 12 – has now been cut.
- Change of Bank & Online Banking
- Gate into School Field from the Case
- Horse Chestnut Tree – Junction Grove Road/Capel Road
- Purchase of new printer
- Lorry Watch
- Wild life sanctuary in the Copse
- Affordable Housing
- 20's Plenty Campaign
- Traffic calming /Weight Restriction – Survey being undertaken by SCC in September
- Parish Infrastructure Investment Plan was discussed.
- Playing Field Society – Hoping to hold the Firework Event this year on 2 November providing different groups can take on some of the tasks.

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m. Full draft minutes are available on the P C website <http://bentleysuffolkparishcouncil.gov.uk/>

COMMUNITY SURGERY

Our Community PC, Kate Jarrett, will be using The Case coffee mornings to hold a regular Police Surgery together with the Chair of Bentley Parish Council.

On these occasions they will be available to have a chat about any local concerns you may have.

The next session is on Friday 13 September, 10:30am to 12:00pm.

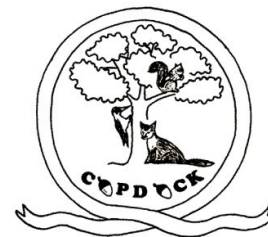
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July was a busy month with children attending Quadkids athletic events during the first week. Our older children took part in the bikeability scheme. This taught them how to stay safe on their own bikes when preparing for cycling on the road.

The Federation sports day was a huge success at Copdock and Washbrook village Hall and field. Well done to all of the children for their commitment and determination as part of their races. And well done also to White team for taking 1st place; a very close win!

Year 2 children from both schools visited Suffolk One to explore some STEM activities, and our Year 4s came together for a sleepover in the school hall. They had lots of fun, though probably not much sleeping happened after an exciting evening playing games and eating around the campfire! The school year ended with Foxes and Adders classes having their final trip together with a fun filled day at Pleasurewood Hills, followed by a leaver's assembly and a PTA celebration BBQ at Bentley Primary School, where everyone shared their memories of the Year 6 children and celebrated their time at school. (see page 25 for photos).

As we review another year, we sit back with pride. Our pupils enjoy school, respond well to high expectations and participate fully in the life of our school, fulfilling responsibilities with confidence and supporting each other's well-being. ([OFSTED May 2024](#)). We could not achieve this without our dedicated staff team; a special thank you to each and every one of them.

The new term starts in September when we will be formally welcoming our new reception children and their families. If you would like to find out more about joining our school community, we would be happy to share information about how to apply.

Bentley CEVC Primary School PTA 100 club **Congratulations to the winners**

June

1st - Marsh Revell
2nd - Chris Daynes
3rd - Alison Hopgood

July

1st - Alison Hopgood
2nd - Dot Tessier
3rd - Richard Daynes

August

1st - Janine Bonnett
2nd - Pam Rayment
3rd - Lorna Richards

It's Your Move

Members of St Mary's Church and teaching staff from Bentley Primary School would like to thank Charlie Partridge for coming and helping with "It's Your Move", on Monday 15 July in St Mary's Church, Bentley. It's an event run for Year 6 pupils to talk through the process of graduating to High School. Charlie an ex Head Boy at Bentley Primary and Deputy Head at East Bergholt gave encouraging pointers and a real insight into what the pupils could look forward to when starting their new schools.

Charlie completed his GCSEs in June and will himself be progressing to Suffolk One to continue his studies. Charlie was nominated by a teacher at his High School for a Penrose Learning Trust Award for Team Player of the Year. There were many nominations for the award and Charlie made the final three. The award ceremony was held at Colchester Rugby Club on Monday 15 July where he won the Award and was presented with a Certificate and Trophy.



We would all like to congratulate Charlie on his achievement and thank him for all the help offered to support and encourage younger pupils. We wish you all the very best for your future.

St Mary's Church Bentley and Bentley Primary School

PTA SUMMER FAYRE

A great day was had by all at the PTA Summer Fayre on 22nd June on the Parish field.

Prizes galore on this raffle stall!

The PTA raised in the region of £1400, an amazing total which will go to PTA funds used to support the School.

They plan to hold another one next year. Hurrah!



WILDLIFE NOTES

Turtle Doves

There are a few species of bird that vie for the “sound of summer” award. Perhaps it is the scream of swifts, low over village rooftops; Cuckoos doing their onomatopoeic best or Nightingales with their rich melodies. I love them all but would argue that the gentle “turr-ing” of the Turtle Dove wins by a short head.

It is a shame that this sound has greatly diminished over the last 30 years. Changes in land use here and unsustainable levels of hunting in western Europe (c.900,000 – yes nine hundred thousand, were shot in the western flyway countries of France, Spain and Portugal in 2019) are the primary reasons. Turtle Doves are migratory, our birds spend the winter in Mali and Senegal, south of the Sahara.

A nationwide survey in 2021, estimated the UK population at just 2,100 pairs, down from 135,000 in the 1960s. Back then, your Ladybird book of Garden Birds would have featured Turtle Doves. At that time, birds would rear 3-4 broods, today that number has halved.

But enough of that doom and gloom. I don't like writing that sort of stuff, but it is useful to set the scene.

What is uplifting is that there is an international coalition fighting for the Turtle Doves revival. A Species Action Plan was written which identified the causes and set out the case for their recovery. One, stop that level of hunting and two, support and work with landowners here in the UK to provide the right conditions to allow adults to get in good condition and youngsters, when they fledge to have the ideal foraging habitat.

This autumn will be the fourth year that hunters in the aforementioned countries will not be allowed to shoot Turtle Doves. Monitoring after the first two years of this ‘zero harvest’ has shown that the population in the western flyway has gone up by 25%! That is an incredible story.

To breed, Turtle Doves need an abundance of accessible seed, preferably from low-growing wild plants, they nest in thick scrub and need access to fresh water. So, here in the UK, Operation Turtle Dove works with over 300 farmers and landowners in the south-east and Eastern England, focussed on the core areas where birds persist.

Turtle Doves shift around the landscape, moving several kilometres on a daily basis, so having a network of farmers working together is really important.

And there is very encouraging news this year in core areas of Essex where we work, with numbers at all the best sites going up. It is too early to say why this is, and one doesn't want to get carried away, but I class these signs as one of recovery and cause for optimism in bringing back the sound of summer.

Mark Nowers
Turtle Dove Conservation Adviser, Essex



Pic 1 - A Turtle Dove above a Collared Dove.

Turtle Doves are slightly smaller and have the rich burnt-orange and black patterning on the back.



Pic 2 - A juvenile Turtle Dove feeding on supplementary seed broadcast by a Turtle Dove friendly farmer



Pic 3 - Turtle Doves perform a display flight fanning their tail. The black and white band really stands out.

photos by Jan Lewis

The Case Pub Bentley Garden Party 2024

On Sunday 14 July we held our annual Garden Party for Bentley residents. The weather, after messing about for weeks, decided to settle for the day and even favoured us with some sunshine. The theme was Hats, and there were some beauties, including one which had graced Buckingham Palace - twice!

Although the event isn't intended as a fund-raiser, because of the generosity of those who baked and those who bought, ate and took home for later, we were able to send a magnificent **£475** to our charity for this year, the Alzheimer's Society.

So huge thanks to everyone who helped to achieve this wonderful result by baking, buying, manning stalls, entertaining us with music, running the bar and generally pitching in as you always do to make this a great village event. You know who you are - and ... same time next year?

And a date for your diary – Our Macmillan Coffee Morning is coming up on Saturday 28 September so please don't put your wooden spoons away just yet.

Gill Pink



NOTES FROM THE CASE



Suffolk's first Co-operative Pub!

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email: chair@thecasepubbentley.co.uk



Probably like all our customers and supporters we are still waiting for summer to arrive and hoping for a glorious Indian summer during August and September and possibly into October. We can only wish! While we're all waiting why not visit the Case as we have a full programme of events for the autumn. We have held some great events so far this year, since our 10th Anniversary back in April, and would like to say a **huge thank you** to all those volunteers who have helped plan, organise and run them. These different events have already raised well over £1000 for our chosen charity of the year, the **Alzheimer's Society**.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Our annual **MacMillan Coffee Morning** is being held on, **Saturday 28 September**, from **10am**. This well established, popular event at the Case, is always well attended and has been running for many years now. Due to it's popularity it has raised many thousands of pounds for this great charity. As always cake donations on the morning are very much welcomed and greatly appreciated. This year there will also be a stall selling jig-saw puzzles. The bar will be open from **10am – 1pm**, reopening as usual Saturday evening, 6pm – 10pm.

Community Officer Visit

On **Friday 13 September**, **Kate Jarrett**, our **Community PC**, will be attending our Friday Friends coffee morning to hold her **Police Surgery** for this area. If you have any questions for Kate or are concerned about a community matter please come along and have a chat. The Chair of our **Parish Council**, **Marianne Munday** will also be there to discuss any issues concerning Parish Council matters. Tea, coffee and biscuits (and sometimes cake) are available all for just a small donation. Friday Friends coffee mornings are held every Friday **10:30am to 12:00pm**. All ages welcome!

Charity Book Sale and much more

We will be holding a charity second hand book sale in aid of the **Alzheimer's Society** on **Saturday 9 November**. The sale will be from **11am**. Teas, coffees, biscuits and cakes will be available and the bar will also be open. Along with the book sale there will also be a **craft stall**, **bric-a-brac stall** and a **raffle**. We hope to have more information about what will be available closer to the time. If you have **good quality** second hand books that you would like to donate please contact chair@thecasepubbentley.co.uk.

Open Mic Nights

Our Open Mic Nights continue to be very popular and very busy. The next two evenings are **Thursday 8 August** and **Thursday 12 September**. Music starts at around 8pm. As always a PA is provided, new performers are always welcome to join us. Further enquires and dates, please contact Dave on 07885 963882 or look on our website or Facebook page.

Quiz Nights

Quiz nights are a firm favourite with many in the village and those visiting the area, so do come early if you want to guarantee a table. **Quiz starts at 8pm.** As always teams are up to 6 people, entry £2 per person. First prize, £36 in pub vouchers. Losers are awarded a wooden spoon. Our next two quiz nights are **Saturday 31 August** and **Saturday 28 September**. All profits from the quiz and raffle will go to our charity of the year the **Alzheimer's Society**.

New wines

We are always striving to improve our selection of drinks on offer to our customers and this time we have been focusing on our wines. Due to popular demand, from this September we will be serving a new Argentine Malbec and a California White Zinfandel Rosé. Both can be purchased by the glass or by the bottle.

Visiting Street Food

At the moment our next visiting street food vendor will be on **Saturday 14 September**, when we have one of our favourite street food vendors returning to us, **Suffolk Spiced Fusion**. Darren and Poppy will be serving their north Indian cuisine from 5pm until 8pm. To pre-order please call WhatsApp on 07931 887293. See our website or Facebook page for a menu closer to the date. **As before, food can be eaten inside the pub from 5pm. Families welcome.** Look for further information in the pub or on our website or social media for our August street food vendor.

Suffolk Magazine

Some months ago we were interviewed by the editor of the Suffolk Magazine to celebrate our 10th anniversary as Suffolk's first community owned cooperative pub. An article about the pub telling our incredible story will be in the August edition of the magazine.

STOP PRESS! – Children's Party

We will be holding an outdoor children's party on **Saturday 14 September from 1pm – 3pm** and would like to invite all Bentley primary aged children (and younger) to come along to join in with the fun. The entertainment will include balloon artist, face painting, party games, fancy dress competition and mini disco (TBC). Further information will be available closer to the time. The pub will be open from 12 midday.

For the **August Bank Holiday** weekend we will be open:

Saturday 24 August 6pm – 10pm

Sunday 25 August 12noon – 3pm

Monday 26 August (Bank Holiday) 12noon – 3pm.

We hope to see you soon.

BENTLEY COMMUNITY STORES

This article is written by two of our volunteers, mother and daughter, Ali and Izzy. It highlights some of the benefits of volunteering in the shop.

We have been volunteering at the shop since summer 2023, and during this time we have gained so much from the experience.

Izzy “I volunteer at the shop to gain experience and social skills to help me get a good job when I am older. Currently I am in Year 9 at secondary school and my ability to communicate with others has greatly improved since I started volunteering as well as my confidence.

Ally “I am a teacher working as a SENCO at a local nursery. I volunteer at the shop so I can support the local community as well as supporting my daughter learning valuable work and life skills. I enjoy talking to the customers, and learning something new each time I am in. When starting at the shop we were made to feel welcome straight away, put at ease with the help and support from the volunteers already in place. For us as residents we were surprised about how well stocked the shop was, and we are still familiarising ourselves with everything on offer.

Opening hours are:

Monday to Friday	9am to 1.30pm
Saturday	9am to 12 noon
Sunday	9 until 11am

You can contact us at info@bentleystores.co.uk with your ideas or suggestions.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Fireworks “Back with a Bang?”

After the hiatus last year, we are considering running the fireworks again this year, but require additional manpower if the village would like to keep this much enjoyed event.

We would like to outsource the various aspects of this event. This could be to other village organisations, or individuals who are interested and committed. We also aim to hand over some of the planning aspects. The school PTA have offered to assist, the Church may be happy to supply the teas and coffees as usual and I have volunteers for the fireworks, and hopefully car parking.

I would like to hold an informal meeting at The Case pub on **Thurs 08 Aug from 19:30 onwards**, if you would like to be part of the village fireworks team in any capacity, or your organisation would like to assist please pop along.

If you are unable to make the pub feel free to contact me.

Tim and Jan Hamstead timhamstead@yahoo.co.uk



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING 2024

THE CASE IS ALTERED, BENTLEY

We are delighted to tell you we will be once again holding our very popular **Coffee Morning** in aid of **Macmillan Cancer Care**

on Saturday 28 September, 10am to 2.00pm.

In the past you've been fantastically generous with donations of cake and savouries, and we know this year will be no different. Your contributions can be dropped off at the pub from 9.00am on Saturday.

As well as cakes and savouries, there will be tea and coffee, and the bar will be open from 10.00am. You can buy cakes to take home for later, **and there's a chance to win a luxury hamper.**



All are welcome – see you there!



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The Scrabble Club meets on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 2.30 pm in the Village Hall Committee Room.

If you would like a gentle game of Scrabble, a cup of tea or coffee and a chat please come along and join us.

Dates of the meetings are shown on the Bugle diary page. **Robin Owen**

TUESDAY CLUB

It's that time again when the Tuesday Club would like to let you all know what we have been up to since the last issue of the Bugle. Frazier was back with a session of Chair Aerobics and we welcomed Charlie Haylock who gave a very interesting talk on the making of the film 'The Dig'. We also had Fay who gave us an insight to the Wonderful world of Stinging Nettles, I think we all learnt a few things from her very interesting talk. We had our first outing to The Flora Tea Rooms, Dunwich where all members enjoyed Lunch. Gary from the Coffee Caravan brought various leaflets and gave a short talk on the activities that they do for the surrounding Villages. He also brought along two large Cream Sponges which our members enjoyed with Tea after the talk.

In the coming weeks we have more interesting talks and Entertainment. On Tuesday 16th July we welcome the Song Birds, Singers Linda and Maria. 30th Frazier will be with us to enjoy a session of Kurling and Boccia. In August we will have Kim a Nurse, who will talk a little about her work and hopefully will give us a demonstration on CPR. 27th August Harbour Lights will entertain us with Music and Song. We are then into September, how the months are flying by. We have our second outing of the year. Our Members will be going for Lunch at the Esplanade Hotel, Clacton, members meet at the village hall 11.30am. 27th August Josie from J Candles Suffolk will give a talk about the making of her candles she will bring some along for Members to see. Hopefully there is something in the coming events that will interest you so please come along.

Catherine Sweeney, Secretary

BENTLEY CARPET BOWLS

The opening match of the summer league season saw us travel to Copdock. This match turned as a result of losing a count of 5 shots at the very end of two games which eventually we lost resulting in an overall 0-10 loss.

Our home match against Belstead was a close affair but once again we were unable to sustain a lead in games and lost 2-8. With an outdoor match on the same evening we were playing Burstall away and were stretched to just get a team but they responded well and came away with a very commendable 7-3 victory.

Against our friends from Harkstead we had our usual sociable and enjoyable evening and managed to record an 8-2 win. Stutton were our visitors in the final game of this sequence and although they played very well we were just better on the day and won 8-2. Our next matches are against Belstead away and Burstall at home.

A note for your diary, a **Beetle Drive at Bentley Village Hall on Saturday 28th September 2024 at 7.00 pm start**. Tickets £5.00 including Supper and a free glass of drink.

Tickets from David & Veronica Howe 01473 310344

CAPEL ST MARY LIBRARY

Capel Library welcomes everyone. As the sun is beginning to pop out a bit more now, why not take stroll down to our library? You'll also be seeing more of our book donations trolley outside, so why now have a browse!

The Friends of Capel Library Community Cinema



The Friends of Capel Library
Community Cinema

Tuesday 20th August 2024 at Capel Library
Doors Open: 7pm, film Starts: 7.30pm
Tickets in advance: £4.50 members, £5 non-members
On the door: £5.50
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SUFFOLK LIBRARIES

August's film is **Baltimore**, where Debutante Rose Dugdale enjoys a life of privilege, but her rebellious nature soon leads her down a militant path. Her sympathy toward the IRA evolves into radicalization and culminates in an armed raid on an Irish estate.

Please keep an eye out on the Capel Library facebook page for details of what Septembers film will be!

This year Suffolk Libraries is doing it's own bespoke reading programme, called the **Reading Quest**. This will be going between the **13th July-13th September**. It aims to inspire children and families to read together over the summer holidays and to take part in simple, fun activities based around books and reading.

The activities are suitable for the whole family and can be accessible for all needs and abilities. They can be done in the house or while on holiday. As children complete activities, they can tell library staff about them and collect rewards. A new reward is unlocked each week across the summer so families are encouraged to visit weekly.

Families can do as many activities as they like and read as many books as they want across the summer!



SUFFOLK LIBRARIES WHERE I BELONG

READING QUEST

Reading Quest Sessions

Below are the times of Capel's Reading Quest sessions

Saturdays: 10am till 12pm
Sundays: 10:30am till 12:30pm
Tuesdays: 10am till 12pm
Tuesdays: 2:30pm till 4:30pm
Wednesdays: 10am till 12pm
Thursdays: 10am till 12pm
Fridays: 3pm till 5pm

suffolklibraries.co.uk/reading-quest

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Keep an eye on the Capel St Mary Facebook page for more information.

Home Library Service

Do you or someone you know struggle to get to the library? We have volunteers ready and waiting who can bring the books to you. Just give us a call at the library and we can discuss how the service can benefit you, a friend, neighbour or a loved one.

Regular Events in the Library:

- **Tot Rock & Stay & Play:** Thursdays during term time 9.30 onwards; songs, and stories followed by a more social play session with free refreshments.
- **Minecraft:** Children of all ages welcome and those under eight must be accompanied by an adult. Please bring with you your tablet or phone equipped with Minecraft Pocket Edition or Minecraft Windows 10 Edition. Try to remember to charge your device beforehand! Contact the library for more details.
- **Lego:** Every 4th Saturday we hold our Monthly Lego Club. It is £1.50 per child which includes a drink and a biscuit. Each month has a theme, but you can also build what you like. At the end of the session a prize is given to the most creative build, as voted for by fellow creators. So, join us 10.30-12.00 for some building fun.
- **Sunday Crafts** is every week from 10.30 to 12.30. All children & families welcome, no booking is required and there is no charge. Come and get crafty at Capel Library.

Don't forget we sell cards, stamps and book tokens.

LIBRARY OPENING TIMES

Monday:	Closed	Friday:	2.00pm-5.30pm
Tuesday:	9am-12.30 & 2.00pm-5.30pm	Saturday:	9.00am-3.00pm
Wednesday:	9am-12.30	Sunday:	10.00am-3.00pm
Thursday:	9am-12.30		

Telephone: 01473 311699

e-mail: capel.library@suffolklibraries.co.uk

Web: www.suffolklibraries.co.uk

THE FRIENDS OF CAPEL LIBRARY

The Friends of Capel Library 100 Club- Draw results

June

£20 JVC Smith
£10 Simon Lowe
£ 5 Keith Nicholls

July

£20 Gillian Wood
£10 Angela Stevenson
£ 5 Mike Garrod

Thank you for your support. **Bob Perkin**

BENTLEY REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH

... "*There is* therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus,"

(Romans 8v1)

In the UK we have recently had a general election, and now have a new government. The election was announced ahead of time, so we knew when it was coming.

Unlike the election, however, the Lord Jesus Christ will return at a time known only to God, and when we least expect it. "But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night;" (2 Peter 3v10)

Further, whilst not everyone votes in the election, every human being who has ever lived will be judged by Him when He returns: "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ;" (2 Corinthians 5v10)

Finally, the results of the election determined who will be in government for the next few years, but the judgment of Christ will determine each person's destination for all eternity.

Are you ready for this? The only way to be ready is to repent of your sins, and believe and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ, the only Saviour of sinners.

** We'll be at the church all day Saturday 14th September - please drop in for a cup of tea **

Weekly Services

Prayer and Bible Study – Tuesdays 7pm

Worship Services – Sundays 10.45am and 3pm

For further information (or for a FREE Bible (King James version)), please do get in touch:

Tel. Admin: 07814 465222 www.bentley-reformed-baptist.uk

FOOTPATH SOCIETY

Walks in August and September from the Village Hall

Saturday 17th August at 2.30 pm

Saturday 21st September t.b.a.

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John Wheals. 01473 310569

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Photos from the PTA celebration BBQ at Bentley Primary School for the Year 6 leavers. Cake by Zoe.



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School visits have been keeping me busy and trying to educate our youngsters to make better choices as they grow up. I have been helping Ipswich out the past couple of weeks with Crucial Crew. This is a scheme carried out throughout Suffolk, designed at year 6 children. They are given key safety messages from different services. The Police input covers a wide range of topics including ASB and internet safety.

I was also involved in the Skills Escalator days held at Suffolk One college in July. This is a similar setup but instead designed for year 2 children.

Speeding remains an issue for most areas, I have seen our community speed watch volunteers out which is a great deterrent. I'd like to thank all the volunteers for taking the time to support the scheme. If there are any other areas that would like to set up a scheme, please let me know and we can get the ball rolling.



Parking around schools, the complaints have dropped off the radar but come September when there are new cohorts of parents, this will soon be at the forefront again.

We know that there is more Anti-social behaviour when it's warmer and the days are longer. It's not just the Police that deal with Anti-social behaviour, I work closely with Peter Watson and Ian Rafferty from Babergh and Mid-Suffolk District Council community safety team to tackle any long-term issues.

Neighbour disputes, I'm aware of neighbour disputes that have been getting out of hand. These initially start over a boundary issue. Disputes over boundaries is not something that the Police can help with. You will need to seek advice from Solicitors/property surveyors. These disputes have been ending up with threats being made, intimidation and unsavoury behaviour. This is when the Police can get involved. These disputes are having a detrimental effect on the people involved. In cases like these we will often recommend mediation. The mediators from Anglian Care Trust are completely impartial and work towards the best possible outcome.

PC Katie Jarrett 582

Community Police Officer for Claydon, Copdock and The Peninsular

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