BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH PARISH NEWS APRIL 2015

A Letter from Tunstall

Dear Friends

Hatch, Match and Dispatch, are various events which occur in everyone's life from time to time, and all are occasions which make living a ministerial life what it is - what it is really all about. Obviously it is also about personal prayer, pastoral visiting, taking services on Sundays, chairing meetings, and even finding time to shop for groceries occasionally. But meeting people in the highs and lows of human life, when they look to their Church to help them celebrate, a birth, a marriage, or the life of a family member. And all these events become pastoral encounters with people from the wider communities in which I serve, and they are a joy and immense privilege.

Hatchings of babies, unlike baby birds and ducklings, isn't seasonal; they can and do occur at any time during the year. Whereas the **'matching'** season is just now getting underway. My first wedding of 2015 is on 2nd May followed by 7 more spread out over the summer months, with a finale the last of the year being held on New Year's Eve. **Dispatches** are the occasions where one notices most; year on year; the number of people lost to a community. Someone often well loved and respected by more than their immediate family. Someone who may have supported the life of the church for many years, often for a lifetime, and who are irreplaceable. Or, someone who was a stalwart of parish life and who also can never be replaced. And all these people have one thing in common, which is the legacy of memories they leave behind, which means that people will remember what they did for village life whether in the bowls club or on the parish council, or the allotment, or whatever for generations to come.

May all the blessings of this Easter season be yours, With love in Christ **Deirdre**

> The Church is the body of Christ We are an Easter people and Hallelujah is our song (Pope John Paul II)

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	Mrs Mary Baker	685807
Churchwardens:	Mrs Alison Molyneux	685244
	Mrs Mary Baker	685807
<u>Kettleburgh</u>		
Elders:	Mrs Jackie Clark	723623
	Mrs Valerie Upson	723078
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DIARY FOR APRIL 2015 (for further details of each event see below diary)

Wed 1 st	6.30pm	Compline service
Thursday 2 nd	10.00am	Brandeston Coffee Morning, 100+ Club Draw at Village Hall
Friday 3 rd	10.30am - 12	Coffee Morning at Kettleburgh Village Hall
Friday 10 th	7.30pm	Brandeston Film Club - "Mr Turner"
Friday 17 th	7pm for 7.30 start	Kettleburgh Quiz Evening at the Village Hall. Tables of 4. Tickets available from Jackie Clark 723623 or e-mail jwc51@btinternet.com, £7.50 per person inc supper. Licensed bar, raffle.
Friday 24 th	6.30 for 7pm start	Whist Drive at Brandeston Village Hall
Saturday 25 th	2.30pm	Plant Heritage Talk at Stowupland Village Hall
Sunday 26 th	9 – 11am	Parish Breakfast at Brandeston Village Hall. For information or tickets, ring 685807 or email <u>marybaker555@hotmail.co.uk</u>

<u>BRANDESTON FILM CLUB</u> 2^{nd} Friday of each month starting at 7.30pm at the village hall. Membership is £10 for the year.

April 10th	Mr. Turner (2014)	An exploration of the last quarter century of the great, if eccentric, British painter J.M.W. Turner's life.		
		Director: Mike Leigh Writer: Mike Leigh: (screenplay)		
		Stars: Timothy Spall, Paul Jesson, Dorothy Atkinson		
May 8th	A Good Year (2006)	A British investment broker inherits his uncle's chateau and vineyard in Provence, where he spent much of his childhood. He discovers a new laid-back lifestyle as he tries to renovate the estate to be sold.		
		Director: Ridley Scott Writers: Marc Klein (screenplay), Peter Mayle (novel)		
		Stars: Russell Crowe, Abbie Cornish, Albert Finney		
June 12th	The Imitation Game	During World War II, mathematician Alan Turing tries to crack the enigma code with help from fellow mathematicians.		
		Director: Morten Tyldum Writers: Andrew Hodges (book), Graham Moore (screenplay)		
		Stars: Benedict Cumberbatch, Keira Knightley, Matthew Goode		

TEAM NEWS

Your benefice team of elders are Mary Baker, John Bradfield, Jackie Clark, Graeme Hall, Carol Rook, Jane Slade, Jane Woodbury-Eggins, Valerie Upson and Eileen Leach as an honorary elder. Elders are commissioned by the bishop to serve in their parish and or benefice for three years, after which time the commission may be renewed. Valerie, based in Kettleburgh (where she is also Churchwarden and Electoral Roll Officer) will be recommissioned on **Sunday 12 April** at 11:00a.m at a seven Parish service at Kettleburgh. You are most welcome to attend and give your support to the important work that is undertaken to support our priest Deirdre and everyone in our villages.

BRANDESTON CHURCH'S ANNUAL MEETING will take place in the church on Tuesday 21st April at 7.30pm. New members of the PCC will be elected at the meeting. All those on the church electoral roll are entitled to vote and active churchgoers are entitled to stand for election. Written nominations are welcomed, in advance of the meeting, for the 2 posts of Churchwarden. For more information, please ring 685807 The formal meeting will be followed by refreshments **We look forward to seeing you.**

Mary Baker

BRANDESTON WHIST DRIVE - FRIDAY, 24 APRIL 2015

The next Whist Drive will take place in Brandeston Village Hall on Friday, 24 April 2015. Doors open at **6.30 p.m.** to enable a prompt start to play at **7.00 p.m.** The cost is just a mere **£2.50** per person. This entry fee includes your choice from a selection of fine wines or fruit juices and a lovely spread of great, locally-produced refreshments, which will be served in the interval. Any profits go towards the upkeep of Brandeston Village Hall together with various other locally-based charities. All are welcome to attend, especially any newcomers to the game.

If you feel that you would like to join us, please call either Pam or Rick on **685920** to book your place at the tables. This advance warning enables us to ensure that the correct number of players are able to attend. It also helps us to gauge the approximate number of tables and amount of food and wine required for the evening.

We look forward to seeing you.

Pam and Rick Reade

Plant Heritage Suffolk Group Warmly invites you to a talk

'The Well Connected Gardener: Alicia Amherst, Founder of Garden History' by Sue Minter

Sue's experience includes: work on restoration/re-planting of the Palm House at Kew; curator of the Chelsea Physic Garden 1990-2001; director of horticulture at the Eden Project until 2006; now a horticultural consultant

Saturday 25th April 2015 at 2.30pm Stowupland Village Hall IP14 4BQ

Plant stall including rare and unusual plants Delicious refreshments available for purchase Free to members £5 entrance fee for non-members New members and non-members are most welcome www.suffolkplantheritage.com NCCPG Reg. Charity 1004009 Local Contact: Margaret Palmer 01206 299832

COMPLINE is a service of Night Prayer, ancient, with its origins back in the C6th and St Benedict, where in the monastic life it marked the completion of the working day, and the start of the grand silence. Compline provides us with a time of silence for reflection and contemplative prayer, and the 1928 version which has been used in these parishes for over 20 years has a gentle rhythm to it, which for me and other regular followers is addictive. And it is something I have a mind to try occasionally during the year, a Friday evening and the end of a working week comes to mind, as does weekly in Lent and during Holy Week . So on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week 2015 we will meet at **6.30pm** normally seated in the choir pews ,as a reminder that it was a monastic 'office' and we let out the tensions of the day and shift our attention back to God. It is not lengthy (20 minutes or so) and for many it is the perfect end to a busy day, and sitting in a familiar church at dusk can be an oddly comforting experience. It is also a perfect preparation for what is to follow later in the week, so if you are a 'fan' or never tried it, now is your chance and the dates are:

Monday 30th March in Hacheston Tuesday 31st in Parham Wednesday 1st April in Easton

Deirdre

9th and 23rd May	2.30 -	Easton Bowls Club
	4.30pm	
$9^{th} - 31^{st}$ May		Suffolk Walking Festival – see below
Saturday 23rd May	7.30pm	Live theatre performance of "Oysters" by
		Eastern Angles at Brandeston Village Hall.
		Tickets £8 (£7 for concessions)
Sunday 24 th May	10am – 4pm	Spring Plant Fair at Helmingham Hall
30th/31st May		Festive Weekend of Music and Flowers in
		Brandeston – see below
Saturday 13 th June	4 – 6pm	Kettleburgh Village Fete in the Chequers Garden
10 th July	10.30am –	Cats' Protection Coffee Morning at Manly,
	12 noon	Kettleburgh

EASTON BOWLS CLUB

Are you willing to have a go at lawn bowls?

Easton Bowls Club will have open Roll Ups every other Saturday starting on 9th May at 2.30 p.m. until 4.30 p.m. Come and have a try, bowls are available and if you have previously bowled come along. If you cannot make the 9th; there is the 23rd and in June the 6th and 20th are Saturdays. The last Roll Up will be on August 29th. The only stipulation to rolling a wood on the green is absolutely flat soled shoes. Sorry no heels or stilettoes.

The green is at the top of Cemetery Lane and there is a clear sign on The Street, **Bowls Club**, pointing up the Lane.

For any more information please contact Charles Pollock on 01728 747343.

SUFFOLK WALKING FESTIVAL 9th - 31st May 2015

We are fast approaching that time of year again when the air will start warming up, the bluebells will be blooming and the Suffolk countryside will be enticing us to dig out our walking boots and start exploring. What better way to do this than to join in the annual Suffolk Walking Festival which takes place 9th - 31st May. The programme is packed with over 90 guided walks around medieval villages, market towns, along the coast and through gentle landscapes across the county.

The eclectic mix of walks includes Sketch Book Strolls for children (there's also one for

adults) with a local artist around Brandon Country Park; a seven mile hike called Food Glorious Food through Thetford Forest to the award-winning restaurant at the Elvedon Hall Estate for lunch; A Scottish Visionary and His Fairytale Village, starting from Thorpeness along the coast as well as Beachcombing for Beginners on Felixstowe beach.

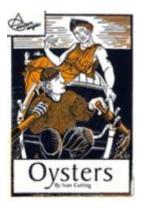
You can follow in Benjamin Britten's footsteps along 'Curlew River' and learn about the composer, his music and the wildlife that inspired him; walk the Horseshoe Trail and learn about horse racing in Newmarket; explore the Ponds of Helmingham Hall, walk in the footsteps of Thomas Gainsborough around Sudbury or learn about John Constable as you amble through 'Constable Country'.

There are far too many walks to list completely here, so please visit www.suffolkwalkingfestival.co.uk to look at the programme and to book your tickets. You can also pick up a brochure from you local tourist information centre.

We hope you will be inspired to join in this fun and sociable festival to enjoy Suffolk at its very best.

Date	Time	Walk	Duration
9 th	19.00	3. Curlew River – In Britten's Footsteps, Snape Maltings	2-3 hrs
11 th	10.00	9. Fantasy Village & WWII Trenches, Thorpeness	3 hrs
12 th	11.00	15. Dunwich Heath Health Walk	1 hr
12 th	14.00	16. A Walk around Eye Castle, Eye	1.5 hrs
13 th	10.00	17. The ponds of Helmingham, Helmingham Hall	3 hrs
13 th	10.30	18. Radar & Redshanks, Bawdsey Quay	5-6 hrs
13 th	19.00	20. Wander to the Waterfront, Ipswich	1.5 hrs
14 th	10.30	21. Benjamin Britten's Aldeburgh, Thorpeness	4 hrs
17 th	10.00	32.A Scottish Visionary & his Fairytale Village, Thorpeness	2 hrs
19 th	09.00	38. The Helmingham Estate Walk	4 hrs
20 th	10.00	43. Thornham Estate, Past, Present & Future	2 hrs
20 th	11.00	44. Across the Marshes to the Castle, Orford	2 hrs
24 th	10.00	55. Fantasy Village & WWII Trenches, Thorpeness	3 hrs
24 th	10.30	56. Sunny Southwold	3.5-4 hrs
25 th	20.30	60. Nightjars over the Heath, Snape Warren	2 hrs
26 th	10.00	62.A Scottish Visionary & his Fairytale Village, Thorpeness	2 hrs
26 th	10.30	63. Some Suffolk Secrets, Bawdsey Quay	3 hrs
29 th	20.30	82. Nightjars over the Heath, Snape Warren	2 hrs
30 th	19.00	86. Curlew River – In Britten's Footsteps, Snape Maltings	2-3 hrs

Walks closest to Brandeston and Kettleburgh:-



"Oysters" by Eastern Angles at Brandeston Village Hall Saturday 23rd May at 7.30 pm

Tickets £8 (£7 for concessions)

The region's leading touring theatre company, Eastern Angles, is coming your way.

They are back on the road with their latest touring production, Oysters, written and directed by Eastern Angles' founder and Artistic Director Ivan Cutting.

This play is inspired by real-life experiences of boat-builders, Oyster farmers and townspeople living on the Essex coast.

Mo has just turned fifty and is busy restoring an oyster dredger recovered from an Essex riverbed. Helping him bring the boat back to life is Angie, a young apprentice with a chip on her shoulder. When a piece of Mo's beloved dredger goes missing their lives are up-ended and the past floats to the surface.

Oysters has been researched and developed as part of the Pioneer Sailing Trust Land and Sea project, which is focused on restoring the 1893 Oyster Smack Priscilla www.pioneersailingtrust.org.uk

Tickets for the Eastern Angles Spring Tour always sell fast...so book early!

To book your tickets please contact Mary Baker 01728 685807 marybaker555@hotmail.co.uk

Oysters is sponsored by Ipswich Building Society & Abellio Greater Anglia

Helmingham Hall **Plant Heritage** PLANT HERITAGE AT HELMINGHAM Helmingham Hall IP14 6EF SPRING PLANT FAIR SUNDAY 24TH MAY 2015 10:00 AM-4:00 PM Adults: £7 (includes entry to gardens) **Children: Free!** FREE PLANT FOR FIRST 800 VISITORS! Specialist nurseries - National Plant Collections Garden Tours - Plant Doctor & Workshops Live Music & entertainment - Local food & drink Rare and unusual plants www.suffolkplantheritage.com www.helmingham.com NCCPG Reg charity 1004009 Tel: 01473 890799 t @helminghamhall

FESTIVE WEEKEND OF MUSIC AND FLOWERS – being planned for 30th/31st May

All Saints' Church and the front lawns of Brandeston Hall (by kind permission of the Headmaster) will become a focus of entertainment with

Cream Teas, Flower and Plants stalls, Face Painting etc.

Music by the brilliant Castleton Brass Band,

The **Stradbroke Junior Brass**, The **Rabble Chorus The Westrefelda Morris Dance Team** and more

A Grand Evening Concert with vocal, instrumental and keyboard entertainment with refreshments,

And of course

The Church decked with flowers to view, with quiet music accompaniment and stewards on hand to talk of the church history.

All this and much more planned

More news to come next month.

Janet Weston

MAURICE GEORGE SCOTT

With sadness we record the death of Maurice Scott, aged 84 years, at his home, Brook Farm, Kettleburgh on Thursday March 12th, 2015. Maurice was well known in the community with his friendship, experience in country life and his considerable knowledge of horses both locally and throughout the county. I think of how he used to go up to Appleby in the summer to trade and just to enjoy the fellow horsemen, their company and their yarns. Both he, and his wife Sue, have kept several horses and hunted them ever since they have lived at Brook Farm and that is a long time. We have seen him too in social and family life as faithfu, generous and true in all his life.

There will be a full obituary in next month's magazine, by which time we will have held a funeral service for Maurice. We thank God for Maurice's life and pray that he may rest in peace.

We send our love and sympathy to Sue, Kathy, Victor, Tracey, Jemma, Molly and Martin. May they know God's comfort and peace. *GV*

PAST EVENTS

KETTLEBURGH CHURCHYARD

We have let the light in ! For the first time in fifty years Church Farm can see at least three other houses. And this is because part of the churchyard hedge has been coppiced which means cut down to promote new growth. This operation took two mornings of chain saws, hooks and small machinery and a very willing band of helpers. This will encourage a new hedge in just a few years with the addition of some maple whips in the gaps. For this we thank the great team of Graham, Tim, Kevin and Alfie, Trevor, Patrick, Victor and Tracey and John for their very hard work.

While clearing the brambles from the south corner of the churchyard the seat donated in memory of John Field who used to live at Watermill House reappeared. Graham very kindly took the seat home, repaired and restored it, thank you. KPCC

KETTLEBURGH GREEN TRUST LOTTERY

The results of this month's draw (the last of the 2015/16 season) are as follows -1st PrizeRuth Darton2nd PrizeJim Cavanagh & Helen KayEntries for the next season's KGT Lottery are now being accepted, the application form is
available from the Kettleburgh website.Trevor Jessop

BRANDESTON 100+ CLUB

Prize winners for March 2015 were as follows :-

First prizeSteve and Sally WesternSecond prizeIan and Jenny Harvey

The draw for April will take place at the village hall on Thursday, 16 April

Mark Hounsell

NOTICES

BRANDESTON PARISH COUNCIL

The term of the sitting councillors will come to an end in May and several of the present members are intending to step down. There will, therefore, be vacancies and it is a great opportunity for residents to be involved in village life and decisions that can be made at a local level.

In recent years there have never been more candidates than places available, so there has been no election. Councillors have simply been co-opted, but if there are more candidates than places available there will be an election in the usual way.

Anyone interested in serving on the parish council please contact David Risk – current chairman – on 685294

FLAUNT YOUR FLOWERBEDS FOR ST ELIZABETH HOSPICE

Green-fingered supporters are needed to open their gardens to the public from May to September, in aid of St Elizabeth Hospice.

By opening your garden for one morning or afternoon this summer you can make a difference and help St Elizabeth Hospice continue to improve life for over 2,000 local people living with a progressive illness every year.

St Elizabeth Hospice is looking for a wide variety of displays. So whether your garden is traditional or contemporary, tranquil or tropical, cosy or large, why not invite others to admire your horticultural skills whilst raising funds for your local Hospice? You could even get the entire village involved, with the whole community opening their gates and sharing their glorious gardens with the public.

If you would like to open your garden this summer, or for more information, please call 01473 723600 or email fundraising@stelizabethhospice.org.uk

"Hold a Fish and Chip Supper to help spinal cord injured people rebuild lives after injury"

GREAT BRITISH FISH AND CHIP SUPPER - Friday 15th May 2015

Want to eat Fish and Chips, while raising money for charity? Hold a fish and chip supper on Friday 15th May 2015 whilst raising awareness of spinal cord injury and supporting SIA's vital services. You can hold a fish and chip supper in your own home, at work or hold a larger supper at your local community centre.

SIA will provide a fundraising pack containing hints and tips, recipes, invitations and donation envelopes. By inviting 8 friends and asking them to donate an additional £5.00 means you will raise at least £40.00 from your supper but we will also give you additional fundraising ideas to raise even more money for SIA.

In 2015 we want to make the batter matter and raise $\pounds40,000$ from everyone holding suppers. Last year we raised $\pounds20,000$ from the suppers.

The money raised from the suppers will help the Spinal Injuries Association offer support to individuals who become paralysed and their families, from the moment a spinal injury occurs, and for the rest of their lives by providing services and publications which enable and encourage paralysed people to rebuild lives after spinal cord injury.

Every year in the UK over 1,000 people experience a spinal cord injury and there are an estimated 40,000 spinal cord injured people in the UK alone.

Community Fundraising Manager, Elizabeth Wright, says, "The Fish and Chip Supper is a wonderful opportunity for a great evening with friends and family. We are also encouraging people who work to hold a Fish and Chip Lunch in their work places to raise even more funds. You may be even a local community group wanting to run a fun evening with your group.

For more information or request a fundraising pack call Elizabeth Wright on 0845 071 4350 or email <u>fundraising@siafishandchips.co.uk</u> or visit <u>www.siafishandchips.co.uk</u>

PEDAL FOR A PURPOSE WITH HOSPICE'S SUFFOLK SPORTIVE CYCLE EVENT

Cyclists, join St Elizabeth Hospice's Suffolk Sportive and pedal for a purpose this April.

The local charity are holding their annual cycle event on Sunday 26th April and it's suitable for cyclists of all abilities.

Starting and finishing in the gorgeous surroundings of Alton Water, riders have a choice of a 40 or 80 mile routes or a shorter family ride, taking participants through the scenic Suffolk countryside; or an off-road circuit around Alton Water.

The routes have been planned with the assistance of experienced cyclist Matt Kerr, a Hospice supporter and member of Ipswich Bicycle Club. Matt's mother Ann was cared for by the Hospice, and died there after a year-long battle with lung cancer.

Joanne Rodger, Events and Challenges Fundraiser at St Elizabeth Hospice, said: "Our cycling events have always proven popular, and we hope this fantastic location and our great range of routes will help get cyclists of all abilities involved in supporting their local Hospice.

"We ask participants to raise as much sponsorship as possible - any funds you raise will make a difference and goes towards providing vital care and support to our patients and their families."

Registration is open now and is £30 for the longer routes or £12 for the family and offroad routes. To sign up now, visit <u>www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk/events</u>

St Elizabeth Hospice improves life for people living with a progressive illness in East Suffolk and South Norfolk.

It costs millions of pounds a year to run and relies on fundraising events like the Suffolk Sportive, as well as gifts in Wills and the income generated from its shops to meet the majority of these costs.

MOBILE LIBRARY 2015

Saxmundham Mobile Library calls every 4 weeks on Thursdays on the following dates for 2015:

Stop	Village	Location	Time
7A	Dallinghoo	Village Hall	0945-1000
7B	Charsfield	South View, The Street	1005-1030
7C	Monewden	Church	1040-1050
7D	Otley	Spring Park	1100-1120
7E	Otley	Village Stores	1125-1215
7F	Ashbocking	The Green	1225-1245
7G	Helmingham	Forge	1250-1300
7H	Framsden	Village Hall	1410-1425

19 Feb, 19 Mar, 16 April, 14 May, 11 Jun, 9 Jul, 6 Aug, 3 Sept, 1 Oct, 29 Oct, 26 Nov, no visit on 24 Dec

7I	Earl Soham	The Old Stores	1440-1455
7J	Cretingham	New Bell PH	1505-1525
7K	Brandeston	Queen's Head PH	1530-1550
7L	Kettleburgh	Church Rd	1555-1610

VILLAGE WEBSITES

For up-to-date information about your village, visit these websites: www.brandeston.net www.kettleburgh.suffolk.gov.uk

MAGAZINE ARTICLES

Please send, deliver or e-mail any contributions for the magazine by 15th of each month to: Mrs Val Butcher, Woodlands, Church Road, Kettleburgh, IP13 7LF or e-mail <u>valerie.butcher@talk21.com</u>, tel: 724777.

Please send e-mails in Microsoft Word format, PDF or jpg for pictures/scans.

Janet Weston is providing regular drawings for our magazine cover, for which we are very grateful. If anyone else would like to draw a cover sometime, you are very welcome.

CHURCH CLEANING

Kettleburgh

Anne Bater

Val Butcher

Alison Gibson

Margaret Meadows

Pat Peck

Brandeston

- 5th Jane Mitchell and Louise Paget
- 12th Helen Fletcher and Karren Piper
- 19th Ruth Garratt and Mary Baker
- 26th Christine Matthews and Kelly Jeffery
- 3rd May Marian Hutson and Julia Elson

CHURCH FLOWERS

5 th		EASTER	Anne Bater
12^{th}	Eve Crane		Anne Bater
19 th	Nancy Demetriadi		Anne Bater
26^{th}	Ruth Garratt		Eiluned Davies
3 rd May	Jackie Hounsell		Eiluned Davies