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## HISTORY CORRER

#### A Ledger Of George Turner, J.P.

The Rev George Turner was Justice for the Loes Hundred and a volume of some of the cases he handled survives. Several cases are local people and make interesting and at times, amusing reading.

Jan 1813- "Complaint by John Collins of Brandeston that on the evening of Sunday 3rd January 1813, William Hall, the younger of Brandeston aforesaid, labourer, did violently assault the said John Collins, by violently kicking him twice in his private parts and several times in other parts of his body"

20th Sep 1813 -"Charles Jackson of Kettleburgh, farmer, complaineth and maketh an oath that Rose Bartram of Kettleburgh, servant in husbandry, on the night of Sat 18th, did, after she had gone upstairs as if going to bed, go down again, unlock the door, and let herself out and was absent from the house, all, or the greater part of the night at a public house in Kettleburgh known as the Chequers, without knowledge of him, Charles Jackson, her said master, leaving the house open" (Rose had been accompanied by another girl who lived in the house who faced similar charges, P.D.)

4th Sep 1815 -"Complaint by William J. Garrett of Kettleburgh, farmer, says on oath, that on Fri 25th August now past, Bailey, the wife of Bailey of Easton and Snell, wife of Snell of Easton, woodman, with Lucy Flegg, a single woman of Easton, did persist in gleaning wheat in a field of him, the said William Garrett in Easton, contrary to the orders of him and did threaten and shamefully abuse him." (Strange that the clerk did not write the Christian names of the married women but was quite happy to name the single girl. I suppose it wouldn't have taken a genius to work out who the others were! Many farmers allowed the poor to glean provided they asked permission. I feel these ladies had upset him on a previous occasion.)

28th July 1817 -Complainent John Punchard, of Cretingham says on oath that on the afternoon of Sun 27th July, Sarah Smith of Cretingham, single woman, did violently assault him by slapping his face in the churchyard of Cretingham, immediately after divine service, in the prescence of the congregation, without any provocation whatever." (Oh yes? It seems very likely that he had wronged the girl somehow and was more hurt by the public knowing, than by the blow!)

Peter Driver



#### **05 December 2018**

As I sit to write this month's column, it seems hard to believe that Christmas and New Year are already behind us — soon the daily routine of work and school journeys will return and as we look ahead to the New Year, I would like to start in wishing all of you a very happy and healthy New Year.

After enjoying some much needed time at home in Suffolk, I am looking forward to the return of Parliament. Of course, the business of Brexit negotiations look set to dominate the Parliamentary agenda for the foreseeable future, but the day to day business also continues and I am looking forward to continuing to supporting the interests of Central Suffolk and North Ipswich as your Member of Parliament.

By the time this edition comes to print, Parliament will most likely have held its vote on the Brexit Withdrawal Agreement. Whatever the outcome of that vote, I remain optimistic that working together, we can find a positive and successful way forward.

As we embark on a New Year, my priority, as always, is to work hard for residents in Central Suffolk and North Ipswich and the big issues that matter to you. This includes the final push to achieving 100% coverage of superfast broadband. We are getting closer all the time, but there are areas where it remains stubbornly out of reach. The same applies to mobile phone coverage and I am looking forward to hosting a further summit meeting early in 2019 as we look to improve Suffolk's digital infrastructure.

I shall also be working hard with my fellow East Suffolk MPs and County and District Council colleagues to secure the funding for the four-villages bypass along the A12, north of Ipswich, as well as for safety improvements to the A140 near Brome.

I will also continue to champion our food and drink producers and farmers here in Suffolk, working in partnership to help secure the best possible Agriculture Bill and I am very much looking forward to welcoming a delegation from the NFU in Suffolk to Parliament early in 2019.

In partnership with my fellow Suffolk MPs and our local Government colleagues, I shall continue to support our schools and early years' providers and remain committed to making sure that every child here in Suffolk receives the very best start in life.

Finally, I look forward to continuing to support our NHS and local health services as best I can, especially continuing to work with our CCGs as they work to support and enable the delivery of improved mental health services.

## **From The Reverend Graham Hedger**

Another year has flown by and we enter 2019. It only seems yesterday that we were planning for the millennium, with the dome and the prospect of IT meltdown with the millennium bug. Time moves on and we enter 2019 full of....? Yes, you can enter in the words that describe how you feel in January 2019.

Writing before the vote in Parliament on Brexit, it could be a year of momentous change, of economic uncertainty, or damp squibs, just like the millennium bug. What I do know is that 2018 has shown us that we have great difficulty in 'doing disagreements well'. Some of the way that opponents have lambasted one another has demonstrated that confrontation is not a good way forward.

In a letter to the church in Rome St Paul writes 'If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all...'. What a challenge for politicians and also for us as we live our lives in the local community. From time to time issues arise in villages that divide us. We take entrenched positions and perhaps miss a bigger picture. Wouldn't it be good, if as we go through 2019, that we seek to live peaceably with all? If at times we do disagree, then to do it with a willingness to listen to the other person's point of view and perhaps even to be changed by their arguments.

I don't know what is in store for us in 2019 but my prayer is that it will be a year of God's blessing on us.

#### Thank you

To all those who worked hard throughout the year to clean our churches, arrange flowers, maintain churchyards, participate in services, ring bells, sit on PCCs and committees, help with fundraising and the 100 and one other things that go to maintain the life of our local churches...**A VERY BIG THANK YOU**.



#### **Registers**

#### **Funerals**

6 December Donald Jennings age 88 Kettleburgh 19 December Christine Blyth age 89 Easton



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## WICKHAM MARKET FLOWER CLUB NOVEMBER REPORT by Mandy Pryke

Our last meeting of 2018 was spectacular. There was a stunning foyer arrangement created by Jan and Jenny of a Santa's sleigh with more bling than you can imagine, stacked with icy arrangements and a sack of toys.) Stalls this year were our Surprize £1 parcels, Silly Suffolk Spoons, Raffle and a heavily loaded Sales table, selling anything from a packet of sewing needles to handbags and tree baubles to puzzles.









Our demonstrator for the evening was Beryl Cotton whose topic was "Having the time of our Lives." The curtains to the stage were closed and we listened to Slade singing "So here it is, Merry Christmas." Beryl talked about the build up to the festive time. The shopping, the cards, presents and the cooking. Sometimes in all the hustle and bustle of our busy lives we forget important things like staying in touch with friends and family living away. Remembering to tell people you love them. The first arrangement was a large wreath design with white Avalanche roses and Lisianthus and was beautiful on its own, but Beryl lifted it onto a stand and hung upside down Amaryllis' and icicle lights around it. The other arrangements were stunning pieces of driftwood, amazing glass pots, long trays and bowls with selections of Cerise Gladioli, Red Amaryllis, Soft Ruscus, Phormium Tenax, Kentia Palms, Charlie Brown Cymbidium orchids, peachy roses, and a vast variety of foliage. The stage truly became a sight to behold. Beryl said she had enjoyed her time with us and we had been a super friendly club.

Our next meeting is in Wickham Market Village Hall on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm when our demonstrator is going to be Lee Berrill and "Natures Song". Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February is a Hands-on workshop. The first visit is FREE. Please contact June Allum on 01394 384803 for more details. The Charity we will be supporting in 2019 is 'Over the Rainbow'. There will be events throughout the year to raise funds for this worthy cause.

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Over The Rainbow Children's Charity' is a new Charity founded in 2015.aiming to enhance the lives of children who are living with a serious or life-threatening illness, by providing financial support for specialist equipment for day to day living or to organise special days to make their wishes come true.

**BRANDESTON OCTOBER 100+** 

**The KGT OCTOBER LOTTERY** 

CLUB

1st Prize - Ruth Darton

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2nd Prize - Joan Cook

#### **Kettleburgh Monthly Craft Club**

# Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January from 7pm to 9pm Kettleburgh Village Hall

Is your New Years resolution to take up a new hobby or find time for an old one?

How about popping along to your local community craft club. Now in our third year we have worked on lots of different projects including; scrapbooking, card making, knitting, lace making, drawing, tapestry, crochet and colouring in! It's a great way to make new friends, learn a new craft, share ideas and be inspired!

If you would like any more information please do not hesitate to aet in touch.

Angela 01728 621447

or email me <u>angela.wright17@btinternet.com</u>
Cost £3 to cover hall hire. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided. Hope to see you there!

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#### **'PEOPLE WITH A PASSION**

The third series of these talks resumes on 24 January 2019 in Brandeston Village Hall with Brendan Baker talking about Money.

The format will be the same as previous years with nibbles and a welcome drink being available from 7:45 pm and the talks starting promptly at 8:00. The talks take about 45 minutes or so and there will be plenty of time for questions. Entry is £5 at the door and the evening is usually over by 9:15.

**24 January:** Brendan Baker: **Money** (What it is and is not)

28 February: Paddy Fielder: Stories From A Rural GP (To be

confirmed)

11th

**28 March:** To be confirmed

Note the changes of date in both February and March; we've had a clash of hall bookings and consequential speaker availability problems so the speakers in February and March are to be confirmed. More information will be in the February edition of the magazine.

Darryl Morgan For Brandeston Village Hall

#### **Brandeston Village Hall Film Club**

Held on the second Friday of each month Organised by Richard and Mary Mitson-Woods Tel:01728 684026



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| Jessica Chastain and Daniel Eruhl. Dir: Niki |
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| Caro. The account of keepers at the Warsaw   |
| zoo Antonina and Jan Zabinski who helped     |
| save people and animals during the German    |
| invasion.                                    |
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May I congratulate the good people of Brandeston for turning the village street into a Christmas delight with their wonderful lights display. My grandsons gave it ten out of ten! (Thanks to people from other villages who helped light up this dark season). May I wish all who read this little monthly epistle, a very healthy New Year.



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#### **KETTLEBURGH COFFEE MORNING**



FIRST FRIDAY
EACH MONTH FROM 10:30 - 12:00 NOON
SAUSAGE ROLLS, TEA/COFFEE (DONATIONS)
PROCEEDS TO VILLAGE HALL FUNDS

#### **BRANDESTON COFFEE MORNING**



# THROUGHOUT THE YEAR 10:00 - 12:00 TEA, COFFEE, BISCUITS

There is a good selection of second-hand books for sale and we also take orders for fresh bread and eggs, along with the mobile Post.

Office which has an excellent selection of cards.