BRANDESTON COFFEE MORNING



EVERY THURSDAY IN THE VILLAGE HALL THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

10:00 - 12:00 TEA, COFFEE, BISCUITS

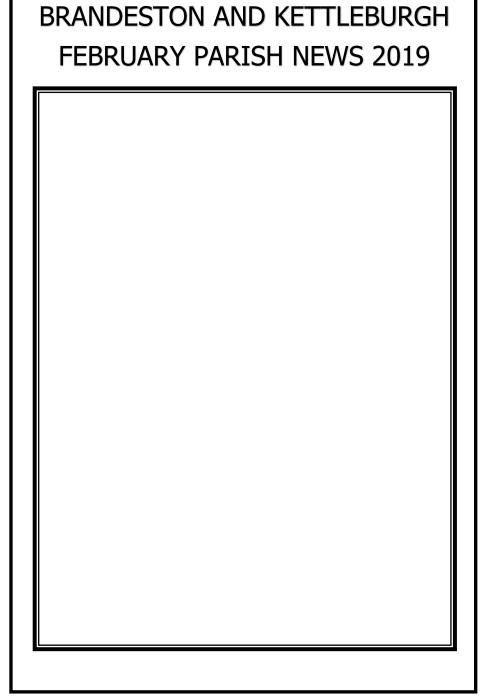
There is a good selection of second-hand books and eggs for sale, and a mobile Post Office which has an excellent selection of cards.

PROCEEDS TO VILLAGE HALL FUNDS

KETTLEBURGH COFFEE MORNING



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



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To arrange a Funeral, Wedding, or Baptism or for pastoral emergencies please contact Graham Hedger.



Magazine Cover Thank you to Janet Weston who is providing regular drawings. If you would like to draw a picture for the cover please contact jan_baldwin123@hotmail.com or Mary Baker Tel:01728 685807

The Deadline for contributions for the March edition by February 18th. Please email: jan_baldwin123@hotmail.com or post to: Priory Barn, Brandeston, Brandeston Road, IP137AU. Thank you.

HISTORY CORNER

Country Life in the Early 20th Century by Peter Driver

In 1983, Pamela Steele-Jessop, a well- known and respected teacher, very interested in local history, recorded the reminiscences of Mrs Foulsham of Bedingfield. She had been born in the village in 1915 and described the living conditions of farm labourers about one hundred years ago......'They lived in a cottage. It had two good bedrooms, one tiny, and two rooms downstairs. The cottage was one of a block of four with the group having a communal wash house. This had a copper and a brick oven and the four cottages were supposed to take turns to use it. They did the wash in there and boiled and blued (1) it before hanging it out. I think they had an old-fashioned mangle. One room was like the dining room and the other room was where the crockery and other things were kept. There was a bowl where they washed their hands and pails of drinking water. They got the drinking water from the pond in the road.'

Charlie Crowfoot, who lived in Monewden about this time (early 1900s) described living conditions then'It was the children's job to strain the wigglies out of the water.' (He meant the dragonfly larvae, tadpoles etc!) People would put boards in the sides of the pond where they got the water so the reflected breeze would push the pond weed back. The water was rarely drunk but was used to brew 'small beer' (low alchohol) as a means of purifying it. All the family drank this. Later, houses that had a bore and pump, would allow cottagers to come and get water from them but this was not possible for remote cottages. (Mains water didn't get to this area until the 1950/60s.) Charlie continued...'My Grandfather weren't too well off. Quite a few of their meals were just vegetables, boiled in a large pot then they would put dumplings in. Sometimes they would have a hock of pork. My Grandfather's favourite meal was a large onion set on the side of the fire to toast. He would then cut it open and put a big lump of butter in. That was our Sunday night tea, that really was delicious. Another thing he would eat, was grated horse radish with salt and pepper with bread and butter. They used to have a five stone sack of flour that used to come from Occold mill and stood on a stool. They had one bake up a week and made enough bread to last the week as well as pies and buns.'

I often think when some small thing goes wrong in the house, what right have we got to complain? I feel that we should count our blessings. We are lucky to be living in the 21st Century.

Note (1) Blued- blue bags, which contained small amounts of ultramarine and when added to the final rinse, enhanced the whiteness.

'PEOPLE WITH A PASSION

The series continues on 28th February 2019 in Brandeston Village Hall with Paddy Fielder talking about his life as a GP in this area.

Nibbles and a welcome drink will be available from 7:45pm and the talk will start promptly at 8:00. It will take about 45 minutes or so and there will be plenty of time afterwards for questions. Entry is £5 at the door and the evening is usually over by 9:15pm.

28th February: Paddy Fielder: Stories From A Rural GP - None To Sharp

28th March: Liz Cobbold: Inside The Wonderful World Of Wine

Note the changes of date and speakers in both February and March; the talk by Robin Aitchison on Napoleon has had to be postponed and will now take place on 28th November in the next series.

> Darryl Morgan For Brandeston Village Hall

December's Candlelit Chapel Evening Thank you

Many thanks to everyone who supported this event, either by coming along or by donating a raffle prize. It was lovely to see so many people in the Old Chapel, especially those who had not been before, and we still had room to spare! We raised a magnificent £700 which will be put to good use as there are a few things which could do with some attention - pointing, windows etc. A lot of people said how nice it would be to have a summer event at the chapel and we will give that some thought - so watch this space. Please let us know if you would like to help in any way.

> Thanks again and best wishes for 2019 Helen and Karren

From The Reverend Graham Hedger

February heralds a significant event in the life of the benefice as Carol Cook is commissioned as an Elder. For Carol, this has been a long journey and involved a lot of training. She has been an invaluable member of the ministry team since my arrival in May and we look forward to the Archdeacon of Suffolk commissioning her on Sunday 10th February at 6.30 in Marlesford Church. I do hope that lots of people from around the benefice will come to support her.

Elders form an essential part of ministry in many parishes, especially as we are seeing larger groups of parishes joined together with one priest. I hope that over the coming years we will see an increase in their numbers. Once upon a time, ministry was seen as the preserve of the ordained person. In the 19th century there were major battles fought between different parts of the church about the role of lay people in visiting, saying prayers or even reading a lesson in church.

Times have changed and over the past 40 years there has been a growth in ministry of lay people. There is still a long way to go as we seek to recover the principles set out in the New Testament for every member of the church having a role or 'ministry' within the life of the church. One of the exciting things about the life of the seven churches within the Orebeck Benefice is the number of people who are willing to give of their time and talents in a variety of ways to serve God and the local church. This is something to celebrate and build on as we seek to serve God in the coming days.

Thank you

To all those who work 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

Easton

22 December Thomas Pike and Jennifer Moor



Church Cleaning Date	Brandeston	Kettleburgh
3.2.19	Julia Elson Kelly Jeffery	Claire Norman
10.2.19	Jane Mitchell Louise Paget	Anne Bater
17.2.19	Helen Fletcher Karen Piper	Pat Peck
24.2.19	Ruth Garratt Mary Baker	Val Butcher
3.3.19	Christine & Colin Matthews	Margaret Meadows

Kettleburgh Monthly Craft Club

Tuesday 5th February - 7pm to 9pm - Kettleburgh Village Hall

Keen on crafts but never seem to have the time to do any? Why not pop along to our monthly craft club. We are a mixed bunch of all ages and interests and all very friendly! The club is run for the community and is non-profit making so please consider popping along – it would be great to see you!

We work 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, share ideas and be inspired!

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

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Saxmundham mobile library route 7
Calling every 4 weeks on Thursdays



Brandeston Village Hall Film Club

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



Brandeston Film Club begins a new year on Friday February 8th at 7.30pm in the village hall. New members are always welcome and the programme contains films that are thought provoking, entertaining or just for fun. Our first film, 'Mama Mia, Here We Go Again', is pure fun in the sun!

An international subtitled film is in the year's programme and others in-

clude some history, comedy and action drama.

The £10 per year subscription gives you 11 films and each evening there is coffee and biscuits midway while you discuss the film or simply socialise with other members.

Please note there is no film in August.

February 8 th	Mama Mia – Here we go again.	Five years after the events of Mamma Mia! (2008)	
		Sophie prepares for the grand reopening of the Hotel Bella Donna as she learns more about her mother's past.	
		Director: Ol Parker	
		Writers: OI Parker, Story by Richard	
		Curtis	
		Stars: Lily James, Amanda Seyfried, Meryl Streep	

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Church Flower Arranging Date	Brandestor	1	Kettleburgh
3.2.19	Helen		Pat Peck
10.2.19	Jackie		Claire Norman
17.2.19	Marion		Claire Norman
24.2.19	Alison		Mary Mooney
3.3.19	Eve		Mary Mooney
BRANDESTON OCTOBER 100+ CLUB 1st No— 2nd No—		1st Prize -Kari Sherrington Simon Poacher 2nd Prize - Persephone Booth	

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