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SEPTEMBER 2021

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### **Food Donations**

Donations received at the church (there is a green lidded box in the porch) and the village shops are now being split according to need. During August these have been taken to Norwich Foodbank. Most wanted items on the list include: tinned tomatoes, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, UHT/long life milk, long life juice & tinned fish. They are well stocked with pasta! If you are in need of a referral, contact Citizens Advice on 0800 144 8848. For donation queries, contact Kathryn 456525 or sunflowerjones@hotmail.com.

Please don't be embarrassed to ask for help.

Holidays and harvest. It's a busy time of year for all of us. This is no exception for the Pump and Teddy Bear Festival committee volunteers.

Last month we told you we'd have a report for you about the 6-month trial of the Pump from the Festival team. Unfortunately, we will not be able to meet until some time in September. That being said, we have enough current funding from donations and advertisers to support printing this and the October edition.

Our advertisers were asked to commit to 6 months or less (which ends with this edition). We will be sending out

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We welcome your feedback. For example, would you be willing to pick up your copy from the shop or pub vs. home delivery? Do you want a printed copy or do you prefer the online version? Are you willing to volunteer to help? You can submit any feedback to the email below or drop a note in the box at 38 Long Street.

We hope you've had a wonderful summer filled with family, friends and laughter.

Our Mission is to be a self-funding, interesting and informative magazine that provides a vehicle for community connections by shining a light on local people, places and services.

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# COUNCIL NEWS

GREAT ELLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL www.greatellinghamparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk
NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER 2021 @ 7:30

Clerk: Mrs Melanie Eversfield Email: gepcclerk@gmail.com Tel: 01508 570700

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MASKS WILL BE REQUIRED.

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# VILLAGE QUIZ Friday 1st October 2021

7.00 pm for a 7.30 pm Start. We would like to invite you to enter a team or teams for this quiz. Teams should be no more than four people, there will be a raffle, and the bar will be open.

Admission £2.50 per person

To book a table, please phone Jean on 01953 453375, Pat on 01953 452492, or e-mail Jean or Dennis on dennis.leech@mypostoffice.co.uk

# Around the Village

4th Car Boot Sale, Rec Centre at 9am

10th Astro Talk, Rec Centre at 7:15pm

11th Norfolk Churches Sponsored Bike Ride 9am

24th Observatory Open Night from 7:30pm

25th Macmillan Coffee Morning, 10am-12noon

St Peters' Church, Little Ellingham

30th Bingo, Rec Centre doors open 6:45pm

Every Wednesday Chit Chat, Rec Centre at 10am



Find 2021 Bear Pictures and Car Treasure Hunt results/answers on our website at www.teddyfestival.org.



FREE ENTRY

# GREAT SEPTEMBER 2021

# 10am-3pm

**Great Ellingham Recreation Centre** 

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# Chit Chat Group Gt Ellingham Rec Centre / Wednesdays 10-12 noon

The last Chit Chat was March 18th 2020. I am extremely pleased to report that after 17 long, difficult months we are again 'open for business.' 37 people attended our first meeting! We were absolutely thrilled. There is such a need for groups such as Chit Chat. I will be looking for day trips and considering longer trips including a few days away. I am looking at a particularly interesting Scottish tour. We welcome suggestions for Wednesdays or interesting activities held elsewhere. When everyone feels it safe to meet comfortably, we can plan a programme for 2022 including our monthly lunches out and coffee mornings for charity.

I WILL ENDEAVOUR TO GET OUR BIRTHDAY LIST UP AND RUNNING AGAIN NOW THAT WE CAN MEET REGULARLY AND APOLOGISE THAT I HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO CONTACT EVERYONE DURING THE SHUTDOWN DUE TO COVID.

We welcome anyone to Chit Chat, regardless of their age, gender, religious beliefs or where they live. We provide a book which we ask everyone attending to sign each time and we are also supplying hand gel. I am a firm believer in remaining vigilant. Anyone who wishes to continue to wear a mask should continue to do so.

Ann Reeve

# **Breckand Astronomical Society**



Friday Nights

## September 10th

Planetary Imaging Techniques by Dr David Arditti British Astronomical Association

19:15 for 19:30 start £2.50 public welcome

Followed by coffee, brief AGM and observing if clear

Great Ellingham Rec Centre Watton Road NR17 1HZ

# September 24th

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# 51 Petanque Club Update

August has been a busy month for the Club, restoring a wonderful feeling of normality for us all. The social sessions have continued to thrive. Some of us enjoyed a couple of games followed by drinks at The Crown on a Friday afternoon; this was enjoyed by all and will hopefully become a regular date in our diaries – all club members and partners are welcome!

We have great news from one of our league teams! The Millers have secured top spot in Division 3, with two games remaining, having won three successive 4-1 matches against Bob Carter Leisure (a), Diss Flyers and The Foxes. They will be joining The Oaks in Division 2 next year – well done The Millers! In terms of The Oaks, following two consecutive 3-2 losses, at home against league leaders Norwich Diamonds and away in the local derby against G2 from Eccles, a 4-1 win at home against Bob Carter Sports kept the Oaks in 3rd place in Division 2 with two games remaining.

We are hoping to get a third team up and running in time for next season, mainly made up of new members, to play in Division 3.

Some of you may have noticed some work going on at the terrain in August. We're delighted that we've been able to extend the terrain by 6 metres so we now have a total of 10 pistes (lanes) which we can increase to 12 by using the area behind the scoreboard. This enables us to host 24 pairs at a time, which we will be doing on Sunday 26th September for our Bob Bruce Memorial Pairs competition.

The Summer Season will be coming to an end soon but they'll be plenty going on at the Club throughout the coming months. We play in a Winter League and social games carry all year round. If you fancy giving Petanque a go and join in September, the cost will be just £5 until the next full year begin – less than the cost of the average bottle of wine!



# Thursday 30th September

Great Ellingham Recreation Centre

Sessions will be back at the normal times:

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After a long summer holiday when the sun has shone for some of the time (!), we are now preparing to welcome the children back to school for the new academic year. In Class 1, Mrs Chamberlin, Mrs Spurgeon and Mrs Williams are looking forward to getting to know our new Reception children. We have 28 four year olds joining us this year, all of whom visited the school in July so they know a little of what to expect. It's always amazing how quickly our new children settle into 'big school' and how well all the other children settle into their new teaching groups.

With absolutely everything crossed, we hope that we can open the school in a more normal way this September and that we have finally come to the end of 'bubble school'. It will be so nice to see all the children playing together across the playgrounds and field at lunchtime and for staff in different classes to be able to spend time with each other. However, as always, we will organise the school in the safest way possible for children, staff, parents and the community.

On behalf of all staff, I would like to wish the Year 6 leavers every success in their 'new adventure' as they prepare for high school. We have thoroughly enjoyed working with them over the last 7 years and know that they will continue to make us proud as they continue their educational journey. As I often say to them 'you can take the child out of Great Ellingham but you can't take Great Ellingham out of the child'.

Thank you to everyone in our community who helps us 'grow' our children. It really is a whole village endeavour.

Here's to a successful 2021-2022 and an Indian summer...

Julie Dekker

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We have started sorting ourselves out post Covid restrictions and trying to get to some sort of normality. We have two services each month as will be seen from the service listing. Everyone is welcome to attend any of our services.

It is with regret that it has been decided not to open the church building each day as we did pre Covid restrictions. We have experienced several acts of anti-social behaviour recently and feel it is not an appropriate time to leave the church building open unattended. This is not what the church wishes as it should be an oasis for those who require a time of solitude, peace and prayer. Maybe those responsible will decide to change their habits from being destructive to something constructive. We shall continue to monitor the situation.

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COFFEE, TEA & CAKE Saturday, 25th September 10 am to 12 noon St. Peter' Little Ellingham

# Great Ellingham Methodist Church Sunday Services

5th 2.30 pm Rev J Horton

19th 11 am Rev J May Harvest Festival

# St James', Great Ellingham

Our August service in St James was a benefice service, café style with music group. The 'café' service is moving in September to make way for a Holy Communion. Please check the services listed in the magazine, on the notice board or website for more information.

Don't forget the Norfolk Churches Trust Cycle Ride/Walk/Drive is back on Saturday 11th September! Dust off your bicycles or boots and raise some money for your church by raising sponsorship to visit as many churches as possible. Sponsor forms are available in church and, as per last year, we will provide a 'snack stop' for visitors during the day. Any funds are gratefully received.

The church is entirely funded and maintained by money received in the parish, at services or through events. As with many charities, the income was significantly decreased during last year so we welcome any amount, small or large. If you are able to make a regular donation, that helps throughout the year – if you would like bank details to set up a direct debit, please contact Kathryn: 456525 or sunflowerjones@hotmail.com.

The Norfolk Churches Trust Cycle Ride/Walk/Drive is back! We look forward to our annual sponsored Bike ride in aid of the Norfolk Churches Trust. Norwich Diocese has the highest number of ancient churches in England apparently, with many classified as Grade 1 or 2 listed buildings. Keeping them in good condition is a seemingly never ending task.

Contrary to what some people believe, the church gets no state funding and relies totally on money donated by its congregations, the general public and grants from various bodies. The money raised for this event is split between the Norfolk Churches Trust and the church nominated by the participant. Any help would be much appreciated. All the money raised goes to the upkeep of the building.

### Sunday Services

5th	10.30 am	Rockland St Peter	Family Service and Baptism
	4.00 pm	St James, Great Ellingham	Afternoon Worship
12th	10.30 am	St Peter, Little Ellingham	Holy Communion
	4.00 pm	St James, Great Ellingham	Cafe Church
19th	10.30am	Rockland All Saints	Holy Communion
	6.00 pm	St Peter, Little Ellingham	Prayer and Praise
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