

***BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH
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OCTOBER 2011***

THE PARISHES OF BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH

Dear Friends

The Feast of St Michael and All Angels, or 'Michaelmas' was celebrated on 29th September. Falling as it does near the equinox, it is associated with the beginning of autumn and the shortening of daylight. St Michael is one of the principal angel warriors, a protector against the dark of night, and it's an interesting connection that the Michaelmas daisy, one of the latest flowering plants in our gardens, blooming between August and October, has bright little flowers doing their own bit to also combat the advancing gloom of autumn and winter.

Five of our seven parish churches held Harvest Festival Celebrations before 2nd October this year, and maybe harvest and the autumn that it heralds, feels particularly early this year because of the hot weather we had in April/May. But whatever the reason, our harvest is now worldwide; and no longer bound by the seasons. At the time of writing, the new black grape vine in my greenhouse has been yielding bunches of sweet, ripe dessert grapes for nearly three weeks already, and the hedgerow elderberries were fully ripe and being eaten by the birds in mid August, the seasons rotate ever quicker it seems to me.

So before short, dark, days descend on us as the clock changes, it seems right to a pause for a moment and give thanks for all the bounty a generous God bestows on us, and to remember at the same time the less fortunate people of our world. A world where in many places the harvest has failed or is so poor that people continually live at a subsistence level, and a world in which many countries rely on foreign aid just for the essentials of life. Whereas, our harvest is no longer just what we grow and produce for ourselves, and because we are wealthy we are able to have the best the worlds harvest has to offer. ***Just think of the scale of the world's harvest, it stuns the mind with its magnitude, and yet people in some places go hungry everyday of the year, how sad is that!***

Father in heaven, all good gifts come from you.

*You send the sunshine and the rain, the light and the dark,
and it is through your love and care that we have a harvest to celebrate.*

*Thank you for providing so richly for our needs,
may we be willing to share the good things we have
with those who have little or nothing.*

*We ask your blessing on the worldwide harvest,
of the land, and of the sea,*

*Bless too the harvest of technology and factory,
of research and creative art.*

*May we live in harmony with your creation
and in every area of life*

produce only what is worthwhile, honest and good. Amen

With love, in Christ

Deirdre

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Mrs Valerie Upson 723078

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DIARY FOR OCTOBER 2011		
Thursday 6 th	10.00am	<u>Brandeston Coffee Morning, 100+ Club Draw</u> at Village Hall
Thursday 6 th	7.30pm	<u>Film Club</u> “Guys and Dolls” at Brandeston Village hall – see below.
Friday 7 th	10am-12	<u>Coffee Morning</u> at Kettleburgh Village Hall
Saturday 8 th	9am – 12.30pm	<u>Flu Clinic</u> at Framlingham Medical Practice
Saturday 8 th	7.30pm	<u>Brandeston’s Harvest Horkey</u> in the village hall – see below
Sunday 9 th & Sunday 16 th	10am – 12.30pm	<u>Drawing Class</u> at Brandeston Village Hall – see below.
Sunday 9 th	5.30pm	<u>Kettleburgh Harvest Festival</u> at St Andrews Church, followed by supper in the village hall at approx 6.45pm – see below.
Tuesday 11 th	7.30pm	<u>Greater Benefice Bible Study</u> at Hacheston Village Hall – see below.
Sat 29 th Oct		<u>Kettleburgh Harvest Hop with John and Mario</u> in village hall
Monday 17 th	12 - 3pm or 6-8pm	<u>Framlingham Friends of St Elizabeth Hospice drop-in session</u> at St Michaels Rooms, Framlingham – see below
Monday 17 th	7.30pm	<u>Mardle – Alastair Kerr will talk about his intrepid fundraising expedition “Challenge Sahara 2011”</u> at

		Easton and Letheringham Village Hall. £6 inc drink and nibbles
Saturday 22 nd	9am – 1pm	<u>Farmers Market</u> at Easton Farm Park
Saturday 22 nd	10am-5pm	<u>Choral Workshop</u> at St Michael's Church, Framlingham – see below.
Saturday 22 nd – Sunday 30 th		9 days of “spooky fun” at Easton Farm Park. Special Haunted Evening event on Saturday 29 th from 5 – 8pm. For info ring 01728 746475 or visit website www.eastonfarmpark.co.uk
Sunday 23 rd	6.30pm	<u>Songs of Praise service at Brandeston</u> – see below
Friday 28 th	6.30pm for 7.00 start	<u>Whist Drive</u> at Brandeston Village Hall – see below.
Saturday 29 th	7.30pm	<u>Kettleburgh Harvest Hop with John and Mario</u> in village hall – see below.
Sunday 30 th	8am – 1pm	<u>Autojumble</u> at Church Farm, Kettleburgh – see below

BRANDESTON FILM CLUB

The film club in 2011 will be held on **the first Thursday of the month at 7.30 p.m.**

Membership is £10 which entitles you to see 12 films throughout the year.

October 6th – Guys and Dolls – 1955 version. In New York a gambler is challenged to take a cold female missionary to Havana, but they fall for each other and the bet has a hidden motive to finance a crap game. Starring Frank Sinatra, Marlon Brando and Jean Simmons.

November 3rd – Bright Star – The drama based on the 3 year romance between the 19th century poet John Keats and Fanny Browne, which was cut short by Keats' untimely death at the age of 25. Abbie Cornish and Ben Whishaw star in this bio-pic.

December 1st – Alice in Wonderland. 19 year old Alice returns to the magical world from her childhood adventure, where she reunites with her old friends and learns of her true destiny: to end the Red Queen's reign of terror. A fantasy starring Johnny Depp and Helena Bonham-Carter.

Sue Thurlow

BRANDESTON VILLAGE HORKEY – Saturday, 8th October at 7.30 p.m.

This year's horkey harvest supper will follow the same tried and tested successful format of a 3-course meal followed by live entertainment. It will again be **free** but to avoid waste and help with catering the procedure will be the same as 2010.

Guests will be required to buy a ticket beforehand costing £5 - then the price of the ticket will be *refunded* on arrival at the event. All Brandeston residents and regular supporters of

events in the village will be eligible to buy tickets.

Around 80 tickets will be available (governed by catering limits) on a first come, first served basis from 26th September - available from Sue Thurlow (685673) or the Thursday coffee morning. Last ticket sales on Thursday 6th October.

FLU CLINIC

A session will be held at Framlingham Surgery for Flu vaccination

Saturday 8th October 2011

from

9.00am – 12.30pm

No appointment is required

You are eligible for a flu vaccination if:

- You are age 65 years or over
- You are pregnant
- You have a chronic disease problem such as Asthma, Diabetes, Heart, Kidney or Liver Disease, or COPD
- You are the main carer for an elderly or disabled person

If you have any queries please contact the Receptionists on **01728 723627**

NEW!

Occasional Sunday Morning Drawing Classes

Brandeston 10 – 12.30am

Flexible, supportive, motivating classes.

Beginners and improvers particularly welcome

Classes on September 25th, October 9th & 16th, November 6th & 20th and December 4th.

£45 for a 3 session booking
(Also a regular Monday a.m. class at Walberswick)
For all enquiries and bookings please contact
helen.gilbart@virgin.net or tel: 01728 648326

KETTLEBURGH HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our service of thanksgiving will take place at St Andrew's Church on Sunday 9th October at 5.30pm and any flowers or produce for decorating the church should be taken on the Friday or Saturday. Please come to the service to thank God for the fruits of the earth and bring your gifts of packaged food, which is greatly appreciated by the Ormiston Trust Family Centre in Ipswich, and fresh produce which will be taken to Mills Meadow in Framlingham.

Following the service, at approximately 6.45pm we shall gather in the village hall for our traditional harvest supper. No ticket needed but do bring your own wine and we shall be grateful for donations towards the cost of the meal.

Everyone is welcome at either or both of these events so do book the date now.

VU

THE GREATER BENEFICE BIBLE STUDY

The Monthly Bible Study will meet on Tuesday 11 October at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room in Hacheston Village Hall.

This month we shall look at Paul's 1st Epistle to the Thessalonians, and our final readings for this year from St Matthew's Gospel, from Chapters 22 and 24. We shall also look forward to the readings which will form part of our celebration of All Saints.

Do please bring your own Bible – it doesn't matter which translation it is!

These evenings are entirely open and free. No prior knowledge of the Bible is necessary. Everyone and anyone who wishes to come is invited and will be warmly welcomed. The aim of the evening is to provide an introduction to the readings that we will encounter during the coming month at our services in Church. A cup of coffee or tea is a welcome feature of the evening.

This will be our second session. We hope that the first Bible Study was both interesting AND enjoyable, but we are still finding our way, and we particularly welcome feed back to make these sessions both helpful and entertaining.

RA

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A FRAMLINGHAM FRIEND OF THE HOSPICE?

A new Friends of St Elizabeth Hospice group is being set up in Framlingham.

Anyone interested in joining is welcome to attend drop-in information sessions on Monday October 17 at the St Michael's Rooms in Church Street, from 12 noon to 3pm or 6pm-8pm.

Friends Groups are made up of volunteers and supporters who wish to work together to help raise money for the charity, which provides specialist services free of charge for patients throughout Suffolk, including the Framlingham area, and family support. The informal information sessions will include a rolling presentation about the Hospice and a chance to meet Hospice staff and members of other Friends groups. Refreshments will be provided.

St Elizabeth Hospice costs £6.6m a year to run and relies on fundraising and donations to meet the majority of these costs.

To find out more email fundraising@stelizabethhospice.org.uk or call 01473 723600.

*Suffolk Singers
Invites singers to
A Choral Workshop
Fauré Requiem
Directed by Claire Weston
Saturday 22nd October
St Michael's Church
Framlingham
10.00 - 5.00pm
£15 adult, under 19s free
Bookings: Alison Bestow 01473 625070
www.suffolksingers.co.uk*

Everyone is welcome to join us.

The workshop will be under the direction of Claire Weston and we will be working on Fauré Requiem. There will be rehearsals in the separate vocal parts in the morning and we will come together to rehearse in the afternoon. We will be accompanied by Jon Hutchings on the organ for a performance at the end of the afternoon.

The price is £15 for adults and free for those aged under 19. This includes the loan of a score and yummy cakes in the breaks.

It will be helpful if participants have a little previous experience of singing with a choir or reading music.

Bookings are now open.

Please ring Alison Bestow on 01473 625070 or e-mail alison.bestow@btinternet.com to reserve a place or find out more information.

SONGS OF PRAISE

On the last Sunday in July All Saints Brandeston changed its format for BCP evensong to a Songs of Praise. Members of the congregation introduced each hymn with a short history of its origin and the service included a meditation on God the Weaver. It was so appreciated that the format will be repeated on Sunday October 23rd at 6.30pm.

We look forward to seeing anyone who enjoys heartily singing their favourite hymns and friends from across the benefice will receive a warm welcome too.

BRANDESTON WHIST DRIVE - Friday 28th October, doors open 6.30 pm

The October Whist Drive will take place in Brandeston Village Hall on Friday, 28 October with doors open at 6.30 p.m. enabling a prompt start to play at 7.00 pm. All are welcome, especially those who would like to play this game of skill and chance for the first time.

There will be a wide selection of good, local food and a choice of fine wines to ensure that the evening is an enjoyable, social occasion. If you would like to participate, please call either Pam or Rick Reade on (01728) 685920. This advance notice helps us to work out more precisely how many tables are required and to cater accordingly.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Pam & Rick Reade

KETTLEBURGH HARVEST HOP – 29th October

We welcome the return of John & Mario to Kettleburgh Village Hall on **Saturday 29th October at 7:30p.m** for a second Harvest Hop. This popular duo filled the Village Hall two years ago. There will be the opportunity for dancing, or just sitting and listening to the wide variety of music that they play. Tickets, held at the same price as 2009, are £8.50, which includes supper. There will be a licensed bar and a raffle. Demand for tickets is expected to be high, so be sure to buy yours early. All profits will go towards maintenance of the Village Hall. Tickets will be available at the Coffee Morning on 7th October, at Kettleburgh Harvest Supper on 9th October, by telephone on 723623, or on the Village Hall page of the Kettleburgh website.

JC

The Kettle Autojumble

The Kettle will be boiling for you at Church farm, Kettleburgh

Sunday 30th October 2011

From 8am – 1pm

Entry for adults & children £3.50

Pitches £12 – to book telephone 01728 724858 and day before 9.30pm

Sponsored by:- Clarke & Simpson

Andy Tiernan Classics

In aid of Wolverstone Wish Appeal

Help rewarded with social evening at the Chequers

ADVANCE NOTICES

Sat 5 th Nov.		Brandeston Bonfire Night in the meadow behind the Old Vicarage by kind permission of Mr. And Mrs. John King. Hot Dogs and mulled wine available. As usual a BIG FAT FIREWORK per family to Martin Churchhill on the morning of the event.
Sat 12 th Nov.	7.30pm	“Opera and More” at Brandeston Village Hall – see below.
Fri 18 th Nov.	7pm for 7.30 start	Kettleburgh Quiz Evening at the village hall. Quizmaster Graham Hillier will be there to pose some challenging questions, and supper is included in the ticket price of £7.50. Tables of up to 4 people. Licensed bar. Raffle. For tickets contact Vickie Neilson on 723226
Sat 19 th Nov		Quiz Night at Brandeston Village Hall. Please enter your team of 6 players with Sue Thurlow (685673) by Thursday, 17 th Nov. Tickets - £5 per person including sausage supper.
Sat 3 rd December	9.30am – 5pm	Bury St Edmunds Day Out (from Brandeston) – see below

**Mid Suffolk Driving for the Disabled
and
Suffolk Opera**
Present

“Opera and More”

Saturday 12th November 2011

7-30pm

Brandeston Village Hall

Tickets £10
including buffet supper
and 1 glass of wine

Contact Patience for more details:
01728 685996

BURY ST EDMUNDS DAY OUT

Brandeston's Christmas coach trip is back. It will take place on Saturday, 3 December but for a change, and by public demand, will be going to Bury St Edmunds. The Christmas lights will be on and the town offers lots of sightseeing, pubs and restaurants plus good shopping and a market. The coach will leave the Queen's Head at 9:30 and we aim to be back by 5:00. Tickets cost £10 (£5 for children) and are available from Pat Morgan (685378) or the Coffee Morning.

Darryl Morgan

PAST EVENTS

MARRIAGE

I am pleased to record the marriage of **Tristan Vanhegan** and **Sophie Abbott** which took place in Easton Church on Saturday 27th August 2011. Sophie is a local girl as she was brought up at Pitman's Grove, Apsey Green, Framlingham - actually almost in Kettleburgh. Her parents are Mike and Gill Abbott and her grandparents, Peggy and Wilfred Meadows, lived at Uplands in Borretts Lane, Easton - the house where Tony and Jayne Gibson live today. So the family has strong Easton/Kettleburgh roots.

Sophie attended Thomas Mills High School and then went to Caius College Cambridge to read Law. She graduated with a First and is now a solicitor in the City. Tristan is on the management ladder at Marks and Spencer.

Sophie looked stunning in her dress of antique lace embellished with tiny pearls, a medium length train in a fish tail to a pool at her feet. The three bridesmaids - Emily Woodward (formerly of Horseman's Cottage in Easton), Fiona Trenor and Hawan Griffiths (these two both City solicitors) - were all dressed in beautiful slim dresses coloured 'crushed raspberry'. The best man was the bridegroom's brother, Ivor Vanhegan.

The reception was held at Wood Hall, Sutton, which is beautiful - even better because it was a warm sunny evening.

The couple left on Monday morning for a three week honeymoon in Indonesia where they intended to travel every four days and to learn amongst other things diving and local cooking.

We send them our love and good wishes. May they be much blessed by God.

Graham Vellacott

BRANDESTON 100+ CLUB

Winners for September 2011 were

First prize - £25 - Roy O'Brien," Church View", The Street, Brandeston.

Second prize - £10 - Richard and Jenny Ives," Fenners", Mill Lane, Brandeston.

The next will be on Thurs 6th October.

Don Evans

KETTLEBURGH GREEN TRUST LOTTERY

The results of the September draw are as follows:

1st Prize Claire and Paul Norman

2nd Prize David Harris

Trevor Jessop

NOTICES

KETTLEBURGH TOWN ESTATE CHARITY

This parish charity is, at the discretion of the trustees, able to make small grants to first year students in higher education who live in Kettleburgh. Any resident who will be starting a

course at college or university this autumn is invited to make application in writing before 31st October to the secretary Valerie Upson, Fieldings Kettleburgh.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH BRANDESTON APPEAL

The Rev Robin Alderson writes:

With the members of the Brandeston Parochial Church Council, I would like to give my personal thanks to everyone who responded with such generosity to our appeal for donations to the programme of repairs to the fabric of Brandeston Church.

When we made this appeal, we had about half the funding required to complete the necessary work, which had been estimated to cost about £46,000.

Now, the amazingly open-handed response of Brandeston parishioners and of many other people with connections to All Saints Church, and with grants from a number of grant-making bodies, more than £20,000 further funding has been raised, and we anticipate some further grants by the end of the year. This has enabled us to set the work in progress.

In the next week or so, you should see the contractors begin to work on the outside of the Church. Once the external repairs have been completed, and after time has been allowed for the fabric to dry out, the internal work will begin, and we hope that by Easter next year, all will be complete.

It is an amazing achievement that this amount of money has been raised in such a short space of time for a small village like Brandeston, and I am immensely grateful to all those who have supported All Saints Church in this way.

FRAMLINGHAM MEDICAL PRACTICE

Dr Moffat's Patients – Registration information

Dr Moffatt retired from Framlingham Surgery on 31.8.2011. We have not yet been able to recruit a new GP to take over from Dr Moffatt.

Until we recruit a new partner the following arrangements will apply to patients who were previously registered with Dr Moffatt:

- 1) You will be registered with 'Framlingham Medical Practice'
- 2) If you want to make a routine appointment, you will be able to see any of the other doctors of your choice
- 3) If you want a 'same day' appointment, you will be offered an appointment with the Duty Doctor if your doctor of choice is not available.

As soon as we have recruited another GP we will let you know.

Framlingham Medical

Practice

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 valerie.butcher@talk21.com, tel: 724777.

Please send e-mails in Microsoft Word format (97), PDF or jpg for pictures/scans.

Covers are always welcome too!

CHURCH CLEANING

Brandeston

2nd Marian Hutson and Julia Elson
9th Jane Mitchell and Louise Paget
16th Christine Matthews and Don Evans
23rd Helen Fletcher and Karren Piper
30th Peter and Trish Smyth
6th Nov Ruth Garratt and Mary Baker

Kettleburgh

Pat Peck
Val Butcher
Margaret Meadows
Sue Scott
Alison Gibson
Jackie Clark

CHURCH FLOWERS

2nd Sue Rainbird
9th Helen Saxton
16th Ruth Garratt
23rd Bel Goldie-Morrison
30th Jackie Hounsell
6th Nov Eve Crane

Anne Bater
HARVEST Anne Bater
Lucy Howell
Lucy Howell
Katie Harris
Katie Harris

TIMES PAST

Whilst Frederick Cullum was still the miller in Kettleburgh, from 1871 he employed a journeyman miller from Hoxne to help him. Alfred Aldred who lived at Water Mill House was twenty seven years of age. He married at Kettleburgh, the same year, Rachel Kent, a daughter of Henry and Lydia Kent. He was a master glazier who lived with his family at what is now 'Langhurst'.

By 1874 the newly weds had moved to Saxstead Windmill. It is pleasant to think that our inheritance of Saxstead Mill was served by a man who learnt his trade and owed his experience to working with the water and wind mills in Kettleburgh.

The same year Charles Austin, the owner of Brandeston Hall and the surrounding estate died. Consequently a sale of some of his farm equipment was arranged for Michaelmas 1875 at a farm he owned in Kettleburgh, probably Brook Farm.

Alfred Aldred attended the sale. According to the Framlingham Weekly News, under the influence of drink he stole two horse rugs and a horse bit. The miller was brought up before the magistrates at Framlingham Petty Sessions where the case was adjourned on two surities of £20..0..0 each together with one of £40..0..0 from his solicitor.

When the case came up again on October 20th 1875 it was said that the value of one horse rug was half a crown, (2 shillings and 6 pence or 12½p. The owner Mr George Willis, a farmer from Sweffling had driven to the sale in a horse and cart, having with him a rug and a whip. He left these in the yard between four and five p.m., the rug had been found at Saxstead Mill by the police. Alfred had reached the sale about half past three; there were testimonials to his previous good character. He was further charged with stealing the second horse rug from an Easton man and the bit from a Dennington resident. It was stated that the prisoner had been drinking on the morning of the sale and was "freshy" before he started from his home for Kettleburgh. He was sentenced to fourteen days imprisonment for each of two offences, the terms to run consecutively. A harsh sentence, perhaps Alfred Aldred had enemies. In later years he was a much respected figure in the neighbourhood. In 1897 Alfred Aldred, now fifty three, bought the Kettleburgh Water Mill where he had lived and worked as a young man for £300..0..0 from the Cullum family. This included the Mill, Mill Meadow, the windmill site and an adjoining meadow on the Hoo bank of the Deben. He continued to run Saxstead Windmill and Kettleburgh Watermill with the help of William Robinson in Kettleburgh. We have photographs of Alfred and Rachel Aldred taken at the Water mill.

Milling was now in serious decline and the Water Mill, soon after 1900, ceased grinding corn. In 1910 Alfred Aldred died and the following year Rachel sold the Kettleburgh property for £260..0..0. She died in 1928 aged 93.

Thus Kettleburgh's connections with Saxstead Windmill finished.

W.M.W
