

**BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH
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THE PARISHES OF BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH

Dear Friends,

August is a month for holidays. It is time to get life back into balance again, escaping those bad feelings about the past as well as those worries about what the future holds.

That's why I want to write about the importance of living in the present - the importance of living each day as it comes, and of seeing and appreciating TODAY as we experience it. To do this is to give each day its true value.

This seems to me to be particularly important this year. As a nation, we've been putting a lot of energy into looking both backwards and forwards this year. The effect of doing so can lead us to think of both past and future events in terms of good and bad, "success" or "failure", of heroism or disaster.

A few examples: The Queens Diamond Jubilee has given us all an opportunity to recall our own experiences during the sixty years of the Queen's reign; this year has been the thirtieth anniversary of the Falklands; and more topically, there's a plethora of headline-catching Enquiries are going looking at, for instance, the Media, or the behaviour of certain banks. Whether or not we were ourselves touched by these events as they happened, we may find ourselves dredging through our own memories of the past, asking ourselves, "Did it really happen like that? Was that really what they did?"

On the other hand, we've also been encouraged to look forward; the Olympic torch's visit to Wickham Market was certainly intended to awaken our excitement? The athlete's training and preparation requires them single-mindedly to focus on their "event"; are we swept up in that excitement, preparing to greet our Olympic heroes with adulation or be depressed by their failure? Or do we feel stifled by the wall-to-wall media-coverage? Is there no escape from the alternative evaluations of roaring success or expensive flop? Is there a median point between exuberant delight and crushing disappointment?

It seems that the antidote to this exhausting roller coaster ride of extremes is simply to live each moment as it comes and each day as it happens.

To live in this way helps us value each other for what we are to each other, and value each day for what we can do in it. It gives us the stability to meet success and achievement with simplicity, and the strength to live through the trials and disappointments of life as we meet them. To live in this way enables us to cherish each day for the gift of life that it contains, and hold on to a sense of purpose in our lives. All of us need this, whether "Faith" or Religion does or does not have a place in our lives.

Wherever this August takes you, I hope each day will bring you relaxation, renewal and a sense of peace.

With my best wishes

Robin Alderson

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DIARY FOR AUGUST 2012		
Thursday 2 nd	10.00am	<u>Brandeston Coffee Morning, 100+ Club Draw</u> at Village Hall
Friday 3 rd	10am – 12 noon	<u>Coffee Morning</u> at Kettleburgh Village Hall
Friday 3 rd	6pm	<u>Concert</u> in the Priory Church of St Mary (Letheringham) – CANCELLED
Sunday 5 th		<u>Donkey Show</u> at Easton Farm Park
Wednesday 8 th		<u>All Day Games</u> at Easton Farm Park. For info see www.eastonfarmpark.co.uk
Friday 10 th		<u>Polly ffitch and Tessa Newcomb are running an all-day painting Session</u> at Polly's delightfully picturesque house and riverside garden in aid of Letheringham church repair funds. Cost for the day including lunch £20. Anyone interested please phone Polly on 01728 747449.
Friday 10 th	7.30pm	<u>Film Club</u> "Jane Eyre" at Brandeston Village hall – see below.
Mon 13 th – Wed 15 th	10am – 1pm	<u>Children's Holiday Club</u> at Charsfield School - see below.

Wednesday 15 th		<u>Family Fun Day and Teddies Picnic</u> at Easton Farm Park
Sunday 19 th	12.30 for 1pm	<u>Greek Afternoon</u> on Brandeston Playing Field – see below
Saturday 25 th	9am – 1pm	<u>Farmers' Market</u> at Easton Farm Park
Monday 27 th		<u>Magic Monday</u> at Easton Farm Park
Tuesday 28 th	6.45pm	<u>Easton Womens' Institute</u> is meeting on the Green in front of the Church at 6.45pm for a gentle ramble round the village, ending at The White Horse at 8.00pm with delicious snacks specially prepared by Chef Allister. Please ring Ann Parkinson on 01728 746879 if you are coming, as she needs to let Allister know the numbers.
Thurs 30 th		<u>Trip to Canterbury Cathedral</u> – see below.

BRANDESTON FILM CLUB

August 10th - Jane Eyre – starring Mia Wasikowska, Michael Fassbender and Jamie Bell. The 2011 remake of Charlotte Bronte's wonderful story.

September 7th – Phantom of the Opera starring Gerard Butler , Emmy Rossum and Patrick Wilson. A disfigured musical genius, hidden away in the Paris Opera House, terrorizes the opera company for the unwitting benefit of a young protégée whom he trains and loves.

October 12th – The Debt starring Helen Mirren, Tom Wilkinson and Ciaran Hinds. An espionage thriller involving Mossad secret agents who track down a Nazi war criminal With suspense, starting action and surprising revelations.

Sue Thurlow

"On Your Marks" Holiday Club.



The parishes of our benefice and the Earl Soham benefice are planning to hold a fun-filled holiday club for primary age children in August.

The theme of the club will be based on the Olympics and will include craft sessions, drama, cooking, sport, music and Christian teaching. It is planned that this will take place in Charsfield School for three days; the 13th, 14th and 15th of August, from 10:00am to 1:00pm. It will be open to all primary school children from the parishes of Easton,

Brandeston and Kettleburgh as well as the villages in the Earl Soham benefice. There will be a charge of £1.00 per day to help cover expenses, and the children will require a packed lunch.

Children will need to be registered for the Club and numbers will be limited. You may register your child by ringing any of the following;

Mary Baker	01728 685 807
Margaret Skeet	01473 737 344
Heather Runacres	01728 685 736
Jo Reed	01728 685 794
Mary Vellacott	01728 685 423

We are looking forward to seeing you!

GREEK AFTERNOON

With the Olympic games taking place in London and many of us disappointed at not getting a ticket, Brandeston has decided to hold its very own event. At lunchtime on Sunday, 19 August, from 12:30 for 1:00 in marquees on the playing field, there will be a three course Greek-themed meal with music, dancing and organised games with gold, silver and bronze medals for children and adults. A bar will be provided. Tickets are £10 (£5 for children under 12) and will be available from the Coffee Morning and Pat Morgan (685378). This is your chance to enjoy the last of the British summer outdoors – and win your very own medal or cup.

Darryl Morgan

TRIP TO CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL – Thursday 30th August

Loes Deanery Synod Canterbury Pilgrimage

Departure from Hacheston Village Hall, 9 a.m. Return by 10 p.m. (approx.)

Trip includes

- Executive Coach Travel (Toilet and Drinks machine on board)
- Guided Tour of the Cathedral
- Worship in the Cathedral
- Free time to explore the city

Booking Arrangements:

Send cheque for £20 (payable to Loes Deanery Synod) to P. Keeble, Treasurer, Little Pond, Rookery Road, Monewden, IP13 7DD

Please enclose s.a.e. for confirmation

ADVANCE NOTICES

Saturday 1 st Sept	2.30 pm	Kettleburgh Flower and Produce Show at Kettleburgh Village Hall – see below.
Saturday 8 th Sept		The Church Bike Ride – see below
Friday 14 th Sept	7.30pm	Music at Michaelmas: A lively concert of traditional-style music, songs and humour at Brandeston Village Hall. Some familiar faces, some new. Wine, refreshments, raffle. Proceeds for Mid Suffolk Carriage Driving for the Disabled. Tickets £10. Phone Mary Moore: 01728 685354.
Monday 17 th Sept		The Mardles will be starting up again on Sept. 17 th , the first one being by Mr. Chris Miller, on the history of the Suffolk Punch horse from early times to the present colony at Hollesley.
Saturday 6 th Oct.		Day trip to Cambridge – it will be an opportunity to shop, sight-see and attend evensong. Cost will be £20 per person. It is important to ring Marion Brown (01728 746246) if you are interested in going on this trip as the coach is beginning to fill up.

KETTLEBURGH FLOWER AND PRODUCE SHOW – Sat. 1st September

This year's show will take place on Saturday 1st September with classes for vegetables, flowers, fruit, cookery, and photography. Come and view the entries from 2.30 pm. There will be refreshments, a raffle and a chance to chat. Surplus and donated produce is sold at 4.30 pm. Schedules available from Peter Arbon, 1 The Oaks, Brandeston (685304) or Claire Norman, 2 Redroofs, Kettleburgh (724372). The photography classes are as below:-

- Photographs: 1. The Best of British
2. Summertime

If you are able to help with the preparations on Friday or on the day itself please let Claire Norman or Jackie Clark know. Remember you don't need to be an expert to enter and if you'd like advice on how to stage something we're all willing to help. *Claire Norman*

THE CHURCH BIKE RIDE

Saturday 8th September 2012

It is almost time to think about the Church Bike Ride once again. How quickly time has gone. It can be a very enjoyable day (weather permitting). Each Church on the Churches open list will be serving refreshments, and there is always something of special interest in every church to see.

Half of the money raised goes to our own church and the other half goes to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust (where we can apply for grants towards repairs). Below is the list for the Loes area for the last 4 years of money raised.

Loes Area	2011 Total	2010 Total	2009 Total	2008 Total
Ashfield		171	81	76
Aspall			161	160
Badingham	247	274	308	422
Brandeston	874	1262	803	700
Bruisyard	185	200	368	174
Campsea Ashe	324	211	185	295
Charsfield	70	115	173	656
Cransford	444	735	335	550
Cretingham			90	
Dallinghoo		85	55	240
Debenham	310	350	96	230
Dennington	1114	783	994	1061
Earl Soham	283	290	279	267
Easton	122	91	168	61
Framlingham	431	655	696	668
Framsden	20	267	288	60
Hacheston	393	232	102	202
Helmingham	853	200	700	900
Hoo	140	236	266	233
Kenton	200	280	179	112
Kettleburgh	590	674	694	784
Letheringham	85	175	120	178
Marlesford		520	212	235
Monewden	65	35	90	55
Parjam	234	300	303	720
Pettaugh	165	169	207	143
Pettistree	312	250	483	462
Rendham	1564	807	303	300
Saxtead	314		341	352
Sweffling	285			100
Wickham Market	1080	1350	990	518
Winston		150	198	

Sponsor forms and lists of churches open are available from
Pat Peck – Kettleburgh 621144
Ruth Garratt – Brandeston 685233

Ruth Garratt

If you have the time, and enjoy cycling, why not give this a go?
You don't have to ride for miles and visit lots of churches – just plan a nice route, maybe with a picnic or pub lunch, get a few sponsors and have a lovely day. VB

FROM THE REGISTERS

MUFFY'S WEDDING

On 9th June **Muffy Katherine Claire Booth** (Kettleburgh) married **Neil Ross Wesley** (Hintlesham) at the Melton Registry Office, Lindos Centre, Saddlemakers Lane, Melton. A super lunch and venue for photos was provided by The Chequers at Kettleburgh, and there was a Big Party in the evening at Brandeston Village Hall. Dress was smart casual, but the bride wore an elegant full length white dress which had black lace over the bodice and one diagonal layer of black lace on the skirt. The couple did a rumba for their first dance, achieved after several formal lessons and lots of stepping on toes during practice sessions. (The bride's dress kept the toes out of the way on the night.)

Guests included friends and relations from all over England, and the bride's grandparents from Canada and Neil's friends from Italy. Unfortunately some close relations were unable to attend at the last minute due to ill health.

A quarter peel of Grandsire Doubles was rung at Brandeston church just before the evening party, so it could be heard from the village hall. All the ringers came for a drink afterwards. Each of the ringers had known the bride since she was a baby, so it was a very special quarter.

The couple live in Hove, near Brighton. Muffy works in HR for an NHS Health Trust, and Neil is a designer working for a company who specialise in kitchens and staircases.

Persephone

Booth

GLADYS (DENA) ATKINSON

On Saturday 7th July we buried Dena's ashes in Brandeston churchyard; they were buried in her daughter's, Judy Prime's, grave.

Dena was the Prime family's grandmother; the family lived in the Old Chapel, Brandeston, for a long time in the 70's and 80's. Judy (known as Jude) died in 1993 following a long illness.

Dena was known and loved by many people in Suffolk and fifteen people gathered around the grave, as they thanked God for her life. Dena died on 25th November 2011 (aged 93 years) in a Residential home in Winchester. She was the grandmother of Simon, Mike and Vikki – we send them our sympathy, our love and our prayers. May she rest in peace. GV

PAST EVENTS

BRANDESTON FETE

It didn't rain at this year's fete – the first dry one since we moved to the Queen's Head. Unfortunately, though, the wind was the strongest it's ever been on fete day. There were running repairs on several tents but that didn't stop the crowds from coming and joining in the fun. We had the usual mix of stalls plus some new ones and all contributed to raising £4,459 for All Saints and the village hall.

The Tug of War was good fun yet again except that Brandeston's men lost their title to a well organised Rest of the World team. Enough said about that – let's move on to the Ladies team. In their first year at the fete, Brandeston's women showed the men exactly how it should be done by beating another really strong Rest of the World team. Rumours that the women are considering challenging Brandeston's men next year haven't been denied.

In the children's Tug of War, it was difficult to work out where the children were from but there were definitely some Brandeston children on the winning side - as there were on the losing side. They looked as if they could beat the men as well, actually.

Thanks to everyone who ran a stall or game on the day, all who helped prepare for the fete and who tidied up afterwards, to Brandeston Hall School for lending us their PA system and to Ollie Coote at the Queen's Head for allowing us to hold the fete in his gardens.

Darryl Morgan

KETTLEBURGH FETE 2012

Any village fete, usually an annual event, takes shape over many months and develops a momentum of its own. In Kettleburgh this year, planning began in March. The committee was made up of representatives from the Church and the Village Hall, traditionally the two village organisations that benefit from the financial results. Meetings were held in the Chequers, a fitting venue as it is in the garden that the fete is held. Each year, as well as continuing all the ever popular traditional stalls, the committee try to find a novel attraction and this year it was decided to ask Iain Sanderson at Kettleburgh Hall to display his prototype electric sports car. In the event this car was substituted for a V8 – one of only six ever to be produced. It made a stunning impression on the meadow beside the tranquil River Deben, alongside the temporary bridge that lead from the car park and the field where the cowpat was to be deposited.

Another important aspect of planning is publicity. As well as roadside posters and our larger than life fete figures, notices in the local press, in shops, online and on air, publicity is promoted by selling draw and cowpat tickets in Framlingham. Donations for the Grand Draw do not appear without a great deal of effort and this year over 90 individuals and organisations were contacted, resulting in a magnificent array of prizes.

As the day itself approaches checks on the weather forecast become ever more frequent, as well as endless emails and phone calls to ensure that there will be enough willing hands and feet to carry out all the preparations. Gazebos and marquees appear like topsy, the goods

collected around the village get sorted and transported from the Village Hall to the pub, scaffolding and tarpaulins frame the stalls where throwing and kicking are the aim, cakes are cooked, bottles are arranged and ticketed for the tombola, plants are potted and labelled, and again, the forecast is checked....

So finally, as 4:00p.m approached, all the stall holders were ready for two hours of selling their wares, music drifted across the public address and our MP Dr Dan Poulter arrived, with his donation to the Grand Draw of a signed bottle of House of Commons whisky, to open our fete. By 6:00p.m the cake and bottle tombola stalls were empty, there were some very wet faces and T-shirts from the Wet Sponge sideshow, a few lucky people carried coconuts, lots of photos had been taken and everyone was ready to find out if they had been lucky as prize giving began. Only a couple of spots of rain fell during the fete, but as the forecast suggested something more serious overnight, a stalwart few remained in the garden to clear away. This made the work on Sunday morning that much easier and quicker, so that by lunchtime the garden was almost restored to normal. There are far too many names to mention for thanks at such an event, and of course we are also grateful to all those visitors from outside the village who attend.

The final result this year was £3035.31. You will be able to see the accounts and lots of photos of the day on the village website. The date for next year has been fixed for Saturday 8th June.

JC

CATS' PROTECTION COFFEE MORNING – Friday 6th July

Thank you everyone who made the journey to support the event in spite of the non-stop rain. Guests included Dr Daniel Poulter and his young agent and a representative from Cats' Protection Headquarters at Haywards Heath, Sussex. Mr Bill Clark entertained us with recorded music which was much appreciated. The event raised £421 which included donations received from friends. With repeated thanks.

KL

KETTLEBURGH GREEN TRUST LOTTERY

The results of July's draw are as follows:

1st Prize Ken & Pauline Redmond

2Nd Prize Persephone Booth

Trevor

Jessop

BRANDESTON 100+ CLUB

The July draw for the Brandeston 100+ club took place at the Village Hall and the winners were :

First prize with ticket number 13, Mr and Mrs Mark Hounsell, Fairfields, Mill Lane Brandeston.

Second prize with ticket number 77, Mrs Goldie-Morrison, of Wheelwrights, Low Street, Brandeston.

The next draw will take place on Thurs 2nd Aug

Don Evans

NOTICES

KETTLEBURGH PANTOMIME

The next production by the world famous Kettleburgh Players will be 'Red Riding Hood'. Auditions will be held on Thursday 6th September and Thursday 13th September, in Kettleburgh Village Hall, starting at 6.30 pm.

Rehearsals are held on Thursdays and we try to start at 6.30 and finish at 8.30 pm. It is a school night!

We welcome anyone who is 8 years or over or at Key Stage 2.

So, if you want to try for a part - speaking or non-speaking, or put your name down as a helper in any way at all, please come along.

We usually have a break for half-term and Christmas and the production dates will be the week before half-term in February 2013

Do come along and give it a try - it's fun! Oh, yes, it is!

If you need further information, my number is 01473 737 123 or

lizmarzetti@btinternet.com

Looking forward to seeing all the old hands and some new ones, I hope.

Liz Marzetti

LINK ROMANIA SHOEBOX APPEAL 2012



Many people now contribute to this charity each year, and this is just a reminder to start thinking about items for box(es) this year. Leaflets to attach to the shoeboxes will be available at Kettleburgh coffee mornings, at the back of Kettleburgh Church and at Kettleburgh Harvest Supper. If you would like to know more about the appeal, contact Jackie Clark (723623) or take a look at the website:

www.linkromania.co.uk/shoebox-appeal There is a link on the Kettleburgh website (Church page). This is the 21st year of this charity. Apart from shoeboxes for Christmas (which now include shoeboxes for the elderly), current projects include: supporting children's prisons and schools in Bulgaria and the Ukraine; working parties in Moldova; a church built in the shanty town of Dallas, Iasi. Last year out of a total of 41,877 boxes

delivered to families in Romania, Moldova, Albania, Bulgaria and Ukraine, 19 were sent from Kettleburgh. JC

INTRA-VILLAGE ROUNDERS

Following the tremendous success of last year's event, I am pleased to confirm that Suffolk Sport & Rounders England will be hosting its 'Intra-Village Suffolk Coastal Rounders Tournament' for the second consecutive year.

Although the venue is still to be confirmed, it will be in the Woodbridge /Halesworth /Framlingham area of the county and the date will either be the **16th or 30th of September**.

Preliminary info

- **Mixed squads of 15 max, 9 minimum**
- **Minimum age 16**
- **Refreshments available on the day**
- **A fun, friendly and relaxed day for all the family and a great excuse for some village bonding!**
- **ALL VILLAGES ARE INVITED**

If you would like to register your village for the event please get in touch and I will be happy to provide you with some further information.

Hosting

If you reside in a Suffolk Coastal village and are interested in hosting the tournament, please get in touch with me directly.

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Active Wellbeing Co-ordinator
Suffolk Sport

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COME TO EASTON TODDLER GROUP

For a coffee and chat whilst your child plays in a safe environment.
TUESDAY MORNINGS 9.45 – 11.45am AT EASTON VILLAGE HALL.
Just come along, or for more info contact Nicola on 01728 684098 or
naowens@btinternet.com

GET ON YOUR BIKE IN FRAMLINGHAM FOR ST ELIZABETH HOSPICE

Cyclists are asked to get into gear for a fundraising ride called On Your Bike! in aid of St Elizabeth Hospice.

Whether you are a serious cyclist or want a family ride out, you will be welcome to take part in the event on Sunday 2nd September starting from Framlingham College.

There are four distances to choose from all starting from: 75 mile, 50 mile, 15 mile or a family three mile ride.

Cyclists are asked to raise sponsorship and all proceeds will help the Hospice, an independent charity which costs £8.7m a year to run, provide services free of charge for patients in Suffolk and Norfolk as well as support for their relatives and carers.

Entry fees in advance are £15 for the longer rides and £7 for the 15 mile circuit. The family three mile ride is £4 per person or £20 for a family ticket (max two adults and three children). Rides start between 9am and 10.30am.

To register online for On Your Bike! visit www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk.

Please note that the family ticket is not available for online registration. Please contact the Hospice for a registration form on 01473 723600.

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!

MALAWI 2012

Sue Tobin and her children, John and Jane, have returned after their 5th annual visit to Malawi. As Brandeston and Kettleburgh have supported their efforts with the Nansambo School project and the Mua Mission Hospital it was thought people might like to know what was happening now.

The family had an excited welcome by the school and were greeted by the Group Village Headman, Chief Kamoto, the Nansambo Minister, the Rev. Jeffrey Asidi among other dignitaries. After touring the school and speaking with the Teaching Assistants they had funded, regular staff and children, the supplies brought were formally handed over. This was done in public so all knew it had been donated which helps with accountability for the gifts given.

These included stationary, 2250 (60 page) exercise books, 2500 pencils, 200 rulers, 200 erasers and 300 biros, together with 29 footballs and netballs. Over 700 books were also given, approximately 240 teaching books for Maths, Science and English together with just under 500 story books in both Chichewa, the main local language and English, the official language. Some of these will form a library.

Sue and her family were entertained by the children who sang and read poetry in English whilst the younger ones performed traditional dances. Another day was spent at the hospital where donations of medicines, first aid kits and knitted babywear were given.

At the moment Sue's fund is concentrating on education which is so important if the young are to realise their potential in the future. The plans for 2012-2013 are:-

1. To sponsor 4 more pupils, making a total of 12, who pass the Primary School Examination to attend the Balamanja Secondary School.
2. To pay 4 full-time Teaching Assistants and review the level of funding for them in light of the devaluation of the Kwacha currency.
3. Continue to provide regular supplies of stationary items to the Nansambo Primary School..
4. Now that a Nansambo library has been started, books to add if the ones already provided are looked after.

All this together with the re-painting and minor repair work of the 5 classrooms and 2 toilet blocks previously built by the Fund, and a programme of annual maintenance and repair of the borehole to provide fresh, clean water.

We have also been given a wonderful wooden carved Bible to join the ebony Nativity Figures, the Mulombaw Noah's Ark and the World. It is incredible how people who live in one of the poorest countries are able to produce such a high standard of workmanship which we would find hard to follow.

W.M.W

CHURCH CLEANING

Brandeston

5th Helen Fletcher and Karren Piper
12th Kelly, Megan and Connie Jeffery
19th Ruth Garratt and Mary Baker
26th Kelly, Megan and Connie Jeffery
2nd Sept Marian Hutson and Julia Elson

Kettleburgh

Fay Clarke
Claire Norman
Pat Peck
Anne Bater
Pat Peck

CHURCH FLOWERS

5th Ruth Garratt
12th Jackie Hounsell
19th Marian Kirton
26th Helen Saxton
2nd Sept Alison Molyneux

Dinah Reed
Nicky Hill
Nicky Hill
Alison Gibson
Alison Gibson
