

**BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH
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THE PARISHES OF BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH

Dear Friends,

Looking back in the diary it seems impossible that it is almost three years since the formation of 'The Greater Benefice', with my licensing as Priest in Charge of Brandeston, Kettleburgh and Easton, and the licensing of Robin as Assistant Priest. The date was actually Wednesday 21st November 2007!

I write this because I am so thrilled at the growing links and shared life and mission between our seven parishes. From exchange of pulpits, to Greater Benefice services, to our highly successful Lent Course, we have gradually, and very naturally grown into friendship in Christ.

And with Deirdre's ordination and the growing awareness of the importance of Elder Ministry, we are richly blessed.

This was made very abundant to me last Sunday in Hacheston, when we met for shared evening worship as a prelude and preparation for the Alpha Course.

There was a real 'buzz' after the service at which Leonard Payne preached so effectively, and as we met for refreshments and fellowship, I thanked God for the enrichment to our common life in Christ which had made all this possible.

How much more effective is our proclamation of the Gospel, and its witness in our communities, when we break out of our narrow 'parochial boundaries', and demonstrate a wider awareness of limitless possibilities of mission in our parishes and deaneries.

May God bless you all,

Harry Edwards

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DIARY FOR OCTOBER 2010		
Friday 1 st	10am-12	<u>Macmillan Coffee Morning</u> at Kettleburgh Village Hall – see below
Thursday 7 th	10.00am	<u>Brandeston Coffee Morning and 100+ Club Draw</u> at Village Hall
Friday 8 th	7.30pm	<u>Brandeston Film Club</u> – “Le Chateau de Ma Mer” at Village Hall – see below.
Saturday 9 th	7.30pm	<u>Brandeston Village Horkey</u> at Village Hall – see below.
Sunday 10 th	5.30pm & 6.45pm	<u>Kettleburgh Harvest Festival and Supper</u> at Church and Village Hall – see below.
Monday 18 th	7.30pm	<u>Mardle</u> at Easton & Letheringham Village Hall – see below.
Saturday 23 rd	9am – 1pm	<u>Farmers’ Market</u> at Easton Farm Park. Free entry, home grown and home made produce, plenty of parking, usual childrens’ activities and an opportunity to see the new Suffolk Punch foals.
Saturday 23 rd	7.30pm	<u>Olde Tyme Music Hall Evening</u> at Kettleburgh Village Hall
Friday 29 th	6.30pm for 7.00 start	<u>Whist Drive</u> at Brandeston Village Hall – see below

KETTLEBURGH COFFEE MORNING

The Coffee Morning at Kettleburgh Village Hall on Friday 1st October will be part of the *Macmillan Big Coffee Morning* & for this month only proceeds will go to the Macmillan Cancer Appeal.

Please support us and bring your friends with you and please give generously.

Thank you

Mary Mooney

BRANDESTON FILM CLUB

8th October – Le Chateau de Ma Mere. We loved Le Gloire de Mon Pere. This French film is in the same genre – a charming story.

12th November – Rebecca (1940 version) – a welcome classic

10th December – Members to select a favourite Christmas film.

The film club is always held on the second Friday of the month in the village hall. New members are always welcome – membership is £10 for the whole season. Once you have become a member all films are free.

Sue Thurlow

BRANDESTON VILLAGE HORKEY – Saturday, 9th October at 7.30 p.m.

As revealed in *the Brandeston*, this year's horkey harvest supper will be free. The aim is to make the horkey a significant annual event once more. But to avoid spurious bookings and so help in catering, the guidelines (also available on the web) are as follows:

Guests will be required to buy a ticket before the event, 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 18 September. Buy them from Darryl Morgan (685378), Sue Thurlow (685673) or the coffee morning.

KETTLEBURGH HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our service of thanksgiving will take place at St Andrew's Church on Sunday 10th 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

MARDLE – Monday 18th October 7.30pm at Easton and Letheringham Village Hall.

Lucy Wyatt, local farmer and author, will give an illustrated talk on Boudicca. A donation of £6 includes a glass of wine and canapés. If you have not yet visited one of our Mardles, come along, you will get a warm welcome as well as the chance to learn about our famous local East Anglian queen.

OLD TYME MUSIC HALL – Saturday 23rd October
Kettleburgh Village Hall 7.30pm

An evening of fun and laughter. Sit with a drink in your hand and allow a stream of talented people to entertain you! Join in with community singing – the old ones are the best!

If you feel like coming in costume, there will be a prize for the best hat.

The MC's decision will be final!

Enjoy a delicious supper and all this for only £8.50 and £5.00 children under 12.

Box Office 723623

Robert Marzetti

WHIST DRIVE

The next Whist Drive will be on Friday 29th October at 6.30pm for a prompt start at 7.00. Great, locally produced refreshments and a choice of quality wines are included in this evening of skill and fun at only £2.50 per head. New participants are always welcome – you do not need any previous experience of Whist, we can quickly teach you all the basics.

If you are interested, please phone Pam or Rick Reade on 685920 to book a place, so that we know how many tables are needed. We look forward to hearing from you.

Pam and Rick

Reade

ADVANCE NOTICES

Fri. 12 th Nov.	7pm for 7.30 start	Quiz Evening at Kettleburgh Village Hall
Mon 25 th Nov.	7.30pm	Mardle at Easton and Letheringham Village Hall. Author and historian Charles Freeman will talk about Christian Relics. More of this next month.
Sat. 27 th Nov.		Brandeston annual Christmas Dance with Tyler Kemp. Tickets £11 per head, available from Chris Bays 685668 and Fred Mugglestone 685661 after 6th. Nov. As before please bring own drinks and a plate of finger food or a sweet as requested on ticket.
10 th , 11 th , 12 th Feb 2011		Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs at Kettleburgh Village Hall

PAST EVENTS

THE CHURCH BIKE RIDE

The weather was much kinder than the forecast; everyone arrived home safe and dry. Kelly had a long ride and arrived home in time to do the last stint of sitting at the Chapel – well done Kelly.

The Oswald family, with friends from London, had an enjoyable day and cycled 42 miles. Well done the Oswald family, especially Lucy and Timothy.

Charles Freeman cycled 46 miles, which was tremendous.

John and Chris visited about 20 churches, stopping at the Crown for refreshments, then to Framlingham Church to ring the bells for a wedding. They then continued, visiting several more churches before arriving home, both looking quite good. They both said the road between Parham and Framlingham was a bit scary, feeling the wind from the cars as they whistled past.

Thanks to everyone who sat at the Church and Chapel, and to everyone who sponsored the riders. A big thank you to the cyclists, and also to peter for the lovely decorated bicycle wheel which was greatly admired.

More details in the November mag, i.e. money raised and numbers who visited the church and chapel.

Ruth Garratt

KETTLEBURGH VILLAGE PRODUCE SHOW

A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped in any way with the running of this year's show. Many people are involved setting out the hall, preparing the entry cards, stewarding and completing mark sheets and prize cards. In the afternoon others help with the raffle, teas, the auction of produce, and finally clearing the hall. Our show is always well supported – some classes having 10 entries or more and the judging is always a very serious task. If you entered this year, thank you for your support, and if you didn't then please have a go next year. If you have any ideas for new classes or for the subjects for the photographs please let us know, we really would welcome some suggestions.

*Claire Norman
Kettleburgh Village Produce Association*

BRANDESTON CLERK - THANK YOU!

I would very much like to thank all those who contributed in anyway to the happy occasion on Sunday 15th August when a splendid Tea Party and presentation was arranged at the Village Hall ,totally without my knowledge and the surprise was complete , thank you everyone .

David Risk

I was appointed Clerk to Brandeston Parish Council in 1960 and presented with a large suitcase containing a variety of books and papers comprising the records of correspondence and financial statements .As the council had been without a clerk for a while it was overdue for a meeting! A date was fixed and I cycled round the village with notices .At the meeting the minutes were read and notes taken in order to produce new ones all these were done in hand-writing as well as any ensuing letters .. When the time came for the accounts to audited ,I added up the figures to check that they tallied with the bank statements, I had to obtain an "audit stamp " from Saxmundham Post Office costing 2 Shillings and sixpence (12.5 pence today's money) then take the books to the Council (Blythe) offices where they were left for 2/3 weeks when I would get a phone call to collect them and maybe answer a query or two , much easier than todays proceedure . After a few years Ruth or Liz (wife or daughter) typed out the minutes etc using carbon paper which cut down on the handwriting but there was an increasing amount of paperwork from councils and other bodies so in 1988 I decided to step down . During my time as clerk I had six Parish Council Chairmen viz Charles Austin , David B Risk , Sir Ronald Garvey ,Jim Lomax , Tom Girling and Les Brock. Following the Parish Council elections in 1988 I was voted onto the council and to my surprise immediately as chairman of the council ,the first job was to find a clerk ! Don Moorman was appointed , he was working in London and did not always manage to get home so I recall on one occasion being clerk and chairman .Later Anne Hayward ,Jenny Ives , Robert Warner , Graham Rice and Mark Hounsell (both Graham and Mark have done two periods) have served as Parish Council Clerk , whilst it may be an interesting job and easier to communicate and produce paperwork you do get a lot back ! One of the commonest complaints is the delay in answering (or not at all) letters or queries so making progress difficult.

There are a good number of Parishes who have difficulty in finding or keeping a clerk so we are lucky to have people to do this task.

BRANDESTON 100+ CLUB

The winners for September were:-

First Sue Rainbird

Second Peter Arbon

The October draw will take place on 7th at the village hall.

Don Evans

KETTLEBURGH GREEN TRUST LOTTERY

The results of the KGT Lottery for September were as follows:

1st Prize: E. Davies

2nd Prize: J. Young

Trevor Jessop

NOTICES

CLEANER NEEDED

Brandeston Village Hall is looking for a new cleaner. After a stint of 3 years our current cleaner is moving on to full time employment so we are looking for someone to help us. It would involve 2 hours or so a week. Anyone interested please call Darryl Morgan (685378) or Sue Thurlow (685673).

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST MAGAZINE

Is there anyone in Brandeston who would be willing to deliver the quarterly SWLT magazines to members living in the village? At present they come to me along with those for Kettleburgh and Monewden but I really have enough to do delivering those and would really like to find someone to help with Brandeston. If you could help with all or part of these please give me a ring.

Claire Norman 724372

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

As you all know, thankfully we have a reasonably crime free life in the vicinity of Kettleburgh, but at the risk of boring some of you, perhaps others might be interested to be made aware again. This month (apologies to those who are aware) a short note on a

police initiative called ' HORSE WATCH ', which operates in Suffolk and other counties. As the name suggests, it is a scheme aimed at horse/donkey/pony owners, which if you join (no cost involved), you can be advised of equine thefts, tack/horsebox thefts, advised of suspicious persons/vehicles seen at premises with horses etc. It is a two-way system, whereby horse owners can also advise police of 'intelligence' re the sighting of such persons/vehicles and the like. Advice can also be given to you re preventing equine thefts. If anyone is interested, please email 'horsewatch@suffolk.pnn.police.uk ', or telephone 01473 613994 to ask further questions or to join.

A small reminder - central heating oil thefts are 'slightly' on the increase, as are hay thefts (apparently hay prices have increased quite a bit this season).

As usual, if anyone has questions/problems, they can speak to me on 723226, and hopefully I can assist, and if not I will ask one of my old colleagues! *Derrick N*

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, PDF or jpg for pictures/scans.
Covers are always welcome too!

TIMES PAST

Little is known about Brandeston Hall in the early years of the 18th century, when the Revett's reign as estate owners ended. In 1809 John Revett V, heavily in debt, died at the age of 59. It was feared that creditors might seize his body, so in the middle of the night some of the tenants and servants carried him secretly to the church for sanctuary. His widow, Catherine continued to live at the Hall as a tenant for life whilst a case dragged on at the Court of Chancery. Eventually, probably early in 1820, just before her death, a surveyor was sent to report on what was happening. Part of his eyewitness account follows:-

'The Mansion which is a very large Old fashioned Building, wants some repairs by what I could see from the outside. I was not admitted by Mr Burrows, Mrs Revett's Footman, as he said his Mistress was very indisposed and he should not like her to be disturbed. In fact this Man, from what I could observe, takes upon himself not to let anyone into the house, but when he pleases, without even consulting Mrs Revett and this I found corroborated by a great many people in the neighbourhood. It was difficult to know whether Mrs Revett be alive or dead, as the only persons that are in the House with Mrs Revett that I could learn, was Miss Burrows, the footman's daughter who I understand has the care of Mrs Revett together with an old woman. There is also a Dairy Girl and Burrows Son, who acts as Stable boy. But if anyone goes to the Hall I understand, no one is admitted without Mr Burrows, the footman being present, first to know their Business, this may be very correct and may be by Mrs Revett's orders, but by what I learn, the people of the neighbourhood say that Mrs Revett is not the Mistress of her own House.... It is now ten years since Mr Revett died and if one may Judge from the dilapidated state of all the outbuildings belonging to this Mansion as well as some of the outside part of the House, nothing has been done.

The roof of the House appears to want repairing and the tiling is in a very uneven state in parts, consequently the water must get in. Looking thro' the Window of the Drawing room a part of the Wainscot is decayed. Not being allowed by Mr Burrows to go inside, I concluded this damage to the wainscoting in the Drawing room, must be caused by the wet. If it is not kept right, the whole will very soon go to decay. I found the water spouts stopt up and the water running and damaging the Walls of the house and I should not be surprised if I could have got inside to have seen that some of the rafters are decayed from the inevitable manner a part of the roof appears to be in.

The Outbuildings are large and Numerous, the Granary over each house and Cart house wants some repairs. The Rafters have some of them sunk and the Ceiling giving way in places owing to the laths being rotten. The Fowl house, of which there are two rows, are going fast to decay for want of being repaired in time. The Pig stys are also getting into the same state, there being no doors to the Swill houses and part of the Tiling of which causes the wet to damage and rot the Timber. The neathouse (cow-house) is also in a very bad state.'

The surveyor's report on the various farms was equally critical, the whole estate being in a ruinous and tumble-down condition. Catherine Revett died in June 1820 at the age of 68.

W.M.W

A full list of services can be found in the middle of the magazine

CHURCH CLEANING

Brandeston

3rd Peter and Trish Smyth
10th Ruth Garratt and Mary Baker
17th Kelly, Megan and Connie Jeffery
24th Marian Hutson and Julia Elson
31st Jane Mitchell and Louise Paget
7th Nov. Christine Matthews and Don Evans

Kettleburgh

Fay Clarke
Claire Norman
Liz Marzetti
Anne Bater
Pat Peck
Val Butcher

CHURCH FLOWERS

3rd Helen Saxton
10th Jackie Hounsell
17th Sue Rainbird
24th Eve Crane
31st Ruth Garratt
7th Nov. Alison Molyneux

Anne Bater
HARVEST
Pat Peck
Pat Peck
Katie Harris
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