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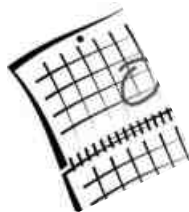
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What's On?

There are lots of events planned in the village during the year - these are the ones we know about at the moment. Please share any others you have planned.

Hepworth Angels	Mondays@1930	see page 6
Café Hepworth	1st & 3rd Thur.	see page 7
Morning Prayer	10th February	0930@St Peter's
Holy Communion	24th February	0930@St Peter's
Parish Council Meeting	7th March	Hepworth Pavilion
Pancake Day Extravaganza	10th March	see page 18
Kirbie Singers	30th March	see page 15
Annual Parish Meeting	4th April	see page 10
Annual General Meeting	2nd May	Hepworth Pavilion
Cheese & Wine Night	8th June	} see page 18 - } info to follow
Bingo & Buffet	14th Sept	

Would you like to help?

Many village events are being supported by **Hepworth2Enjoy**. This is an engaged, friendly collective of Hepworth villagers who come together to put on village events and to help others put on village events, providing people-power, experience, and bags of enthusiasm! We now have a small budget to help events on their way. We are always looking for ideas & volunteers - please contact Clare (250 660) or Sue (250 037).

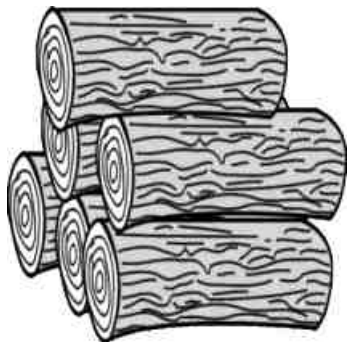


Hepworth Allotment Scheme

A number of parishioners have registered their interest in having an allotment in the village. The Parish Council is moving forward with the scheme, and is currently looking for a suitable site. If you, or anyone you know, has a piece of land they would be willing to put forward for this scheme please contact the Clerk on 01359 250037.



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Did you know?

The Parish Council has prepared a Welcome Pack for people new to the village.

Do you have a new neighbour?

Copies from
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and can also be found on the
Village Website at

<http://hepworthvillage.co.uk>



Hepworth & District WI

It is with much regret that Hepworth & District WI decided to close at their meeting in January. It was especially sad after celebrating our 70th Anniversary last month when we welcomed back some ex members and friends and had a very enjoyable evening. Unfortunately our numbers have dwindled and every WI needs a reasonable group of members some of whom are willing to take on the committee tasks which although not heavy do require some time and effort.

Fourteen years ago Barningham WI joined with Hepworth WI as both WIs had few members and together they had a much better sized WI. This worked well for a number of years but now we have even fewer members and it is the right time to close. Although nationally the WI is gaining numbers in towns and cities there are fewer women in rural areas who feel they can join the WI and help run their local branch. We know this is a mixture of the subscription cost, age, driving at night and not wanting to take on extra responsibilities.

Fortunately there are still a number of local WIs in our area including Stanton, Walsham le Willows, Great Ashfield & Badwell Ash and Rickingham who all would welcome new members.

There is also the possibility of a new WI arising from the ashes maybe later this year or next year. This WI could meet in the morning and maybe cover more than one village but we must wait and see.

In the meantime I have joined Stanton WI and am looking forward to getting to know members there. If you want to find out more the WI please ring me or look online at the west suffolk federation <http://j.mp/WI-suffolk-west>

Brenda Last 01359 221307



Hepworth Art News

After all the festive action of December, on 7th January, the art club resumed. We had a gentle morning easing ourselves back into painting mode. It didn't take long though (after a good deal of catching up with news), before we resumed where we had left off!

At the time of writing, we have painted garden birds which coincided with the Great Garden Bird Watch. Aptly, following birds, we painted winter trees - which have their very own special appeal and shapes (not to mention challenges!). Our programme for the rest of January and February includes painting and making bookmarks. A new venture for us - a follow up report next time!

Predictably, included in this first quarter's programme is Winter Landscapes. We are probably not going to be brave enough to paint en plein air but we do have some reference photos. Some of which were of Hepworth when the 'Beast from the East' struck during March last year. If, at the time of writing, the weather forecast is accurate, we may even have more reference photos. The following week will be Line Drawing (not dancing!), and the next week painting Reflections. Life Drawing will finish off February - though hopefully not our artistic ability! Hopefully, by the time March arrives, the days will be brighter and certainly longer. Our Still Life at the beginning of March will be on the theme of Shrove Tuesday. Then, just to add a tone of reality, we have included 'Rainy Days - lots of Drips! To cheer us up and to look forward to good things to come, the following week, we shall paint a Seascape or two. Finally, to complete the first quarter of 2019 on a floral note a Seasonal bowl of flowers.

Stay warm!

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Hepworth Singing Angels

Are singing with great gusto every
Monday at 19.30 in the Church.
All abilities welcome.



Hepworth Over 60's Christmas Lunch



John and Margaret would like to extend a huge thank you to all involved with organising this event. This includes all who help with our car boot sales and to those who act as postboxes for our Christmas raffle. Our Giant Hamper was won by Mrs Planton who lives in Hepworth and is also our oldest resident. There were 15 other cash prizes as well as vouchers distributed around the village.

Our thanks also go to everyone who helped on the day by putting up trimmings, laying tables, waitressing, washing up and helping to clear up at the end. We couldn't do this without you, our thanks to you all.

We wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

Café Hepworth



1st & 3rd Thursday
of each Month in
Hepworth Pavilion
between 10.30 – 12.00

Proper Coffee and Biscuits for £1.50

All Welcome!



We are a local, informal, friendly garden club. Green Fingers meetings are held at Hinderclay Village Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 1930 in the evening. Annual membership subscription is £12 and our monthly meeting fees are £2 for members (and £4 for non-members) with refreshments included. You would be most welcome to join us.

20th February

Consider the Lillies - Terry Young

20th March

SPRING SHOW - HISTORY, DESIGN & MAINTENANCE OF THE HERBACIOUS BORDER By Lucy Skinner of Wooton's Wenhaston (There will be plants for sale)

+ much, much more.

For more information, ring

Ali Carr: 01953 688112 or Val Hobson: 01359 251977

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Letter from Reverend Bladen - February 2019

Dear Friends and Neighbours,

As I write this letter the New Year is only a few weeks old, it's traditionally the time of new beginnings, or at least for making resolutions, even if we don't keep them. We resolve to do things differently or in a new way; to become healthier, to eat better, drink less, exercise more, to give up smoking, to see more of our friends, to find work or a new job, to make time for the things that are important and the list goes on. It's about making changes, or at least resolving to make changes, that will make for a better state of health and quality of life. I think it's interesting that right at the beginning of the year, we in church celebrate the Baptism of Jesus. Baptism for Jesus was the beginning of something new. It was from that point on that Jesus' work and ministry on earth really began. But it was more than just a resolution to be different... along with it came confirmation of who he really was. You might remember that as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven opening and the Holy Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: 'You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.' God confirmed who Jesus was... he confirmed his identity, there's something important about that.

I think each one of us has a deep need to know who we are. That's probably why so many people take a great interest in looking into their genealogies and ancestries. Who we are... our identity is really important. Out of knowing his identity, out of knowing who he really was Jesus too could live as the person God had made him to be. And that's the same for each one of us. The way we live comes out of knowing who we are. The Bible has a lot to say about who we are and our identity. As we get to know God so our identity becomes clearer. Did you know he calls us; beloved, greatly loved, his children, sons and daughters of the most high, his friends, joint heirs of his kingdom.

Our new years resolutions may be long forgotten but it's never too late to discover who we really are and how much God loves us... and to discover a new way of life. Jesus said he came to bring us abundant and overflowing lives, I love the Message translation of the Bible which says, "I came so they can have real and eternal life, more and better life than they ever dreamed of."

God Bless

Cathy

P.S If you would be interested in being baptised or confirmed please do contact me and we can arrange to have a chat about it.

Save the Date!

Hepworth Annual Parish Meeting

Thursday, 4th April @1900
Hepworth Pavilion



The evening will start at 7.00pm with a very entertaining talk by Mike Wabe, Thetford Town Crier (who will be in full regalia). This will be followed by free refreshments at 8.00pm and the Annual Parish Meeting commencing at 8.15pm.

There will be information available on local groups and clubs. Come along and find out what is going on in your village and have your say about what you would like to see happening in the future. For more details contact the Clerk on 01359 250037.

Hepworth Lottery

Date	First Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize
10.11.18	Autumn Cottage	24 Church Close	Autumn Cottage
17.11.18	7 Church Close	12 Church Close	Maltings Farm
24.11.18	Randall	Stone Cottage Mark	Hunt
1.12.18	39 The Street	22 Church Close	24 Church Close
8.12.18	Willowdown	Maltings Farm	R.Vernon
15.12.18	Poplars	22 Church Close	Ferguson
22.12.18	39 The Street	Autumn Cottage	Randall
29.12.18	-----	--- Holiday week ---	-----
5.1.19	M.Allen	30 Church Close	Horrex

Thanks to everyone who took part in the lottery in 2018.

For more information about Hepworth Lottery, call 01359 250 048



A NATION'S TRIBUTE
11TH NOVEMBER 2018
100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE

Hepworth Remembers

James William Baldry

James was born in 1898 in Walsham le Willows. By the time he was 2 years old he was living on Church Lane Hepworth with his parents, brothers and sisters. James' father was a mailcart driver and continued in that role when the family moved to Diss when James was a boy. James was 20 years old when he died. He was killed in action in the Egyptian Theatre of war, Syria - 30th April 1918

James' mother died in 1930. His father, who was farming Red House Farm, later remarried and ran the shop next to Chestnut Cottage in Hepworth. This shop burnt down in 1937. He moved in with his son Thomas, his new wife and their son Ken at the council house down the road. In 1939 James' sister, Mrs Dorothy Parberry and his brother Walter, were living at Willow Cottages which were between North Common crossroads and the Council houses in Hepworth, near to their brother Thomas.

Walter William T Butcher

Walter was born in Stanton in 1890. He lived in Duke street and on the High Street where his father worked on the farm, using threshing machines. By 1911 the family were living at Hepworth Turnpike. Walter was 20 and a farm labourer. Their home was next to Poplar Farm. Walter's father was living on Church lane Hepworth in 1939.

Walter was 32 years old when he died on 24th November 1918 at the General Hospital Alexandria. He was serving with 1st East Anglian Mobile Section Army Veterinary Corps whose main task was to look after the horses, mules, dogs and pigeons and other animals the army used.

George Egbert Claydon

George was born in Wattisfield in 1888, and lived with his Thatcher father, mother and siblings. In 1911 George was 23, a farm labourer, living with his widowed mother, two sibling and baby nephew at Hepworth Turnpike, next but one to Scaces Hall Farm. He married Ellen M Sturgeon in 1916.

George was killed in action on 21st September 1918 age 30

Ellen had been born in Hepworth and continued to live here at least to 1939 when she was on Church Lane. George's sister Agnes married Harry Vincent Filby who was also killed and is also one of our Hepworth Soldiers.

A meeting of the Hepworth Parish Council took place on Thursday 3rd January 2019 at the village hall where the following items were discussed.

Attendees Mr D Stannard (Chairman) Mrs N Yorke, Mr A Yorke (Vice Chairman) Mrs M Waterson, Ms L Robinson Mrs M MacPherson, Mrs Sue Yeomans (Parish Clerk), Cllr J Spicer, Cllr C Bull
Members of the Public: There were no members of the public present

1. Apologies - Mrs R Vernon, Mr G Bloomfield

2. Declarations of Interest - There were none

3. Minutes of previous meetings - minutes of Meeting 1st November 2018 were agreed and signed.

4. Matters arising from previous meetings:

Allotments - The owners of the land opposite the church, and next to the church, to be contacted to see if they would be willing to put forward an area for allotments.

Clerk to place advertisement in Hepworth Herald asking for landowners to come forward and offer up land.

Village Sign replacement - A strong objection to replacement of the sign has been received from a parishioner. The existing sign was designed and made by villagers in approximately 1977 and he felt it should be retained. It was decided the existing sign is too badly worn to be restored and reused. It will be restored as well as possible and hung in the village hall. Two people have expressed an interest in making a replacement, discussions are ongoing.

5. Receive reports and hear from members of the public present - Report from Cllr Spicer

Flooding at Reeves Hall - no flooding currently. As soon as flooding is across the road and the ditch can't cope it is to be reported to Cllr Spicer, who is still vigorously pursuing the issue.

Fairview - Cllr Spicer will ask the County Council to write to the owner of Fairview and thank them for cutting back the hedge at the corner of North Common and The Street.

School Transport - there is nothing new to report.

Report from Cllr Bull

The Duke of Marlborough planning appeal has been dismissed. The Tree Preservation Order at Thatchers Meadow has been approved. The application at Spring Bank Farm is ongoing. From 1st April 2019 West Suffolk Council will merge and become a District Council, with a Chairman but no Mayor. Bury St Edmunds Town Council may consider applying to have a Mayor. (The current Mayor is assigned to West Suffolk Council and not Bury St Edmunds Town Council as commonly believed).

Members of the Public - none present

6. Finance - The following accounts for payment were agreed: -Chq 923 - Mr J Beales, Hepworth Social Club Over 60's Lunch (S137 Local Government Act 1972)- £250.00; Chq 924 - Clerks Salary Oct-Nov 18 - £415.60; Chq 925 - Mr A Yorke, expenses Battles Over - £127.80; Chq 926 - Clerk, for Battles Over Expenses distributed to volunteers - £111.72; Chq 927 - HMRC Qtr 3 - £28.00; Chq 928 - Clerks Expenses Nov-Dec 18 - £74.00; Chq 929 - Neel Shearer, Website Hosting Jan 19 - Jan 20 - £30.00; The Budget was reviewed and approved; The Precept Application of £7001.00 was approved. Clerk to submit. The Clerks Annual Salary was reviewed and increase agreed to SCP13, £11.45 per hour Clerk 02/19

7. Trees in Remembrance Planting Scheme Proposal - The Hepworth Tree Warden, has proposed the planting of 13 trees to commemorate the 13 fallen soldiers from Hepworth in WWI. The Parish Council unanimously supported the scheme and ask the Tree Warden will locate a suitable site. It was agreed to provide 150-180cm range trees from £26.40 to £39.99 each, which totals at £343.20 to £519.87 inc VAT, plus the cost of protection. Clerk will apply to the available S106 fund for a grant once project details are finalised. The Parish Council asked the Clerk to write and thank the Tree Warden for his work on this project.
8. Clerks/RFO Report:
1. Bank Balances @ 19 Dec 2018 Community (current) account £5,198.84 Business Saver account £1,832.21;
 2. Cllr Spicer has allocated £50 from her Locality Budget towards the purchase of bulbs for planting around the village. The necessary application has been submitted and approved, monies will be released as soon as purchase is made. – Clerk to diarise purchase of bulbs in July 19;
 3. A telephone call was received from the coordinator of the Community Bus Scheme. He expressed his disappointment at the £100.00 donation award, ringfenced in the Budget, towards the scheme. He had been expecting a much higher donation.
 4. The Battle's Over expenses have been settled. A total of £239.52 was spent. £150 was donated by Cllr Bull from her Locality Budget, the remaining £89.52 was paid from the Parish Council funds. Over 80 parishioners attended the event, which was a resounding success.
 5. Notification has been received from the Pension Regulator that minimum pension contributions will increase on 6 April 2019. As we have no eligible staff in an automatic enrolment scheme no action is required.
 6. Clerks Expenses have been increased by £5.00 per month to £30.00 with effect from 1st November, as agreed at the meeting 6 th September 2018.
 7. Speed Watch Sessions – 10 Nov 18 = 5 vehicles; 6 Dec 18 = 2 vehicles
9. Planning Applications - There were no planning applications.
10. Footpaths - Market Weston Road – Cllr Yorke to liaise with County Council Representative to organise a group of volunteers and date to clear the path, including Health and Safety etc.
11. Highways - There were no issues other than those discussed and noted elsewhere in this report.
12. Correspondence - Request from Walsham Parish Councillor for information and cost of upgrade of streetlights in Hepworth to LED. Councillors could not remember date, but Hepworth streetlights were upgraded by either Suffolk CC or Borough Council (no recall of which) and we were not required to fund it. Clerk to send response.
13. Questions to the Chair - There were no questions
14. Any other business - Cllr McPherson asked that 2 Parish Council representatives be appointed to Hepworth Charities, there is currently only 1. To be addressed at the AGM on 2nd May 19.
- The meeting closed at 9.10pm

The next meeting is 7th March 2019
 Annual Parish Meeting 4th April 2019
 Annual General Meeting 2nd May 2019

THE REAL HOUSEWIVES OF HEPWORTH VILLAGE

(A tongue in cheek,
long-suffering farmer's wife
view of life on the farm.)

Life on the farm is full of ups and downs, highs and lows, elation and frustration. There are few ways to escape the hum-drum, the sheer hard work and the long hours of life on the farm. A high for us is a day away from the farm routine, a justifiable escape in the form of the Agricultural Show. An institution which is part and parcel of rural life. Show dates are just before Harvest, so this is a time when the arable workload is less, but not so for the lesser spotted “Livestock Farmer”, so planning ahead for one day out is meticulous, ensuring that all disaster angles are covered.

As to the Shows we attend, diplomacy also plays its part, and, as we are both Narfolk folk, living in Sarfak, we attend both the Narfak and Sarfak. The Sarfak is more rural and countrified. The Narfak, larger and a bit more, not upmarket, but, how can I put it, more organised, is on larger scale, and, I think, a bit more impersonal. These Agricultural events seem to come around with alarming regularity in May or June of each year, and are one of the high spots of the farming year. We receive invitations to attend at various stands for refreshments, a traditional thank you for the business transactions of the past year. And so, once or twice a year, us wives get to dress up and really go to town with our outfits as it's early summer and time for the “County Show”. I test out my “outfits”, all colour co-ordinated with matching bags, shoes, hats scarves etc. All dug out of various drawers, wardrobes, boxes and shelves. I should have an inventory really, but I am ashamed/proud to say I have many posh frocks, but not many occasions to wear them, left over from a different era in my life, so this is a time for indulging myself. These get-ups” are very different to my usual attire of track suits bottoms and a hoodie, and I relish the opportunity to dress-up for a change. Trouble is, I have so many clothes I have to whittle it down to two or three and then deliberate for a week before hand, and then finally consult Him Outdoors for his candid input. Always candid, always non-flattering and certainly never ever a compliment. I think sometimes I should have trotters and floppy pink ears to get a response.

For the week before the “show” wives talk with each other as to what to wear this year. The one thing always set in stone is that the dress code is totally dependant upon the weather. Not too hot: sunburn, and not too cold or wet either: sogginess doesn't go with “the get-up”. And even if Him Outdoors and his farming fraternity could order the weather, they would still disagree, they always do. Weather watch takes place and is updated daily.

Concert by
The Kirbie Singers
St. Peter's Church, Hepworth
30th March 2019 at 2pm

Followed by refreshments

Any donations will be divided
between choir and the church



Along The Street:

November 2018: 1 Session, 5 vehicles logged. Max speed = 44 mph

December 2018: 1 Session, 2 vehicles logged. Max speed = 36 mph

Although we have had the Speed Indicator Device (SID) operational for several months this is the first general report of the data gathered for the month of 8th Dec to 8th Jan. The data obtained was from Incoming traffic at the A143 end of the village.

Total number of vehicles: - 10617.

Average number of daily vehicles (excluding Sundays) 450

Average speed for ALL vehicles during the month:- 33mph

No. of incidents of 40mph to 50mph:- 1099

No. of incidents of 50mph to 60mph:- 35

No. of incidents of 60mph to 70mph:- 2

Highest two speeds recorded:- 61mph and 68mph

Please get in touch with Richard Hinton on 01359 251 484

Hepworth Village Christmas Get Together 16 December 2018



Hepworth2Enjoy (H2E) hosted our second Christmas Get Together on Sunday 16 December. About 35 residents came along for mince pies and mulled wine. It was a lovely friendly, relaxed afternoon with many of our regular supporters and some welcome new faces. Everyone who attended was entered into a Free Draw. Prizes included 2 lovely hampers, Christmas decorations, beautiful glass tree hangings, mosaic place mats and various other items.

The H2E Christmas Get Together is funded entirely from profits made during the year at our various events. Although we do not set out to make a profit when putting on our events, it sometimes happens that we do! We feel throwing an annual tea party is a lovely way to use the profits. All the raffle prizes were generously donated by helpers and village residents. I would like to thank everyone who donated prizes, gave up time to prepare the hall, made teas and mulled wine, did the washing up or contributed in any way.



If you would like to dip into the H2E team and help with any of our events, our would like help in putting on an event of your own, please contact Clare Jones-Davies on 250660 or Sue Yeomans on 250037 or approach any of the team members.

Recipe for Curried Parsnip soup - Louise Robinson

2 parsnips	1 medium sized onion
1 tin of coconut milk	Medium curry powder
1 vegetable stock cube	1 litre of water

1. Slice the onion and gently fry it in veg oil till soft
2. Add chopped and peeled parsnips
3. Add 2 teaspoons of medium curry powder and fry gently for 2 mins.
4. Dissolve stock cube in 1 litre of boiled water and add to parsnips (the water should just about cover the veg)
5. Simmer till parsnips are soft.
6. Liquidize the mixture then add the coconut milk, reheat and stir till smooth.

Eat with a fresh crusty roll!



Hepworth Weather (as measured on The Street)

November 2018: Max. Temp: 16.1C 6th
Min. Temp: -2.1C 21st
Total Rainfall: 49.3mm
Wettest Day: 11.8mm 10th

December 2018: Max Temp: 14.3C 2nd
Min. Temp: -1.3C 25th
Total Rainfall: 60.3mm
Wettest Day: 10.0mm 20th

November 2018: A mild and rather dry month with few windy days. Only 1 air frost recorded and hence much bloom in the garden still at the end of the month. Foggy mornings on the 22nd and 23rd.

December 2018: Another mild month with rainfall about average. Ironically, in such a mild month, that Christmas Day should dawn with the first 'hoar' frost of the winter. 'Sleet' (rain and snow together) showers observed early morning of the 14th.

Kindly provided by Richard Hinton. See the latest weather and historical Hepworth weather data at <http://j.mp/HepworthWS>



Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

Would you be interested in joining a neighbourhood watch scheme in Hepworth? The aim of a NWS is to look out for each other, keep in touch with policing news and any crime issues that can help raise awareness.

Please contact Cllr Louise Robinson if you are interested on 01359 251066, 07939816581 or by email at fioremundi50@gmail.com

Pancake Races and Scrumptious Pancake Tea Party

Sunday, 10th March from 4pm

Hepworth Pavilion

4pm start and the afternoon will include **Pancake Tossing Races** - for Men, Ladies, and Children

Bring your own frying pan to participate (pancakes will be provided)

Followed by a scrumptious selection of sweet pancakes, tea, coffee and squash

Tickets £3.00 adults/
£1.50 children



Hepworth 2 Enjoy (H2E) will be organising the Pancake day, but also has plans up its sleeve for more village fun later in the year, including:



Cheese and Wine Quiz Night - Saturday 8th June

Bingo and Buffet Evening - Saturday 14th September

If you would like to attend any of these events, please put the dates in your diary, and tell your friends!

If you have any other ideas of things you want to see being organised in the village, or you can help us make some of our plans reality, please contact Clare (250 660) or Sue (250 037) for more details of how to get involved in this fun and friendly village group.

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