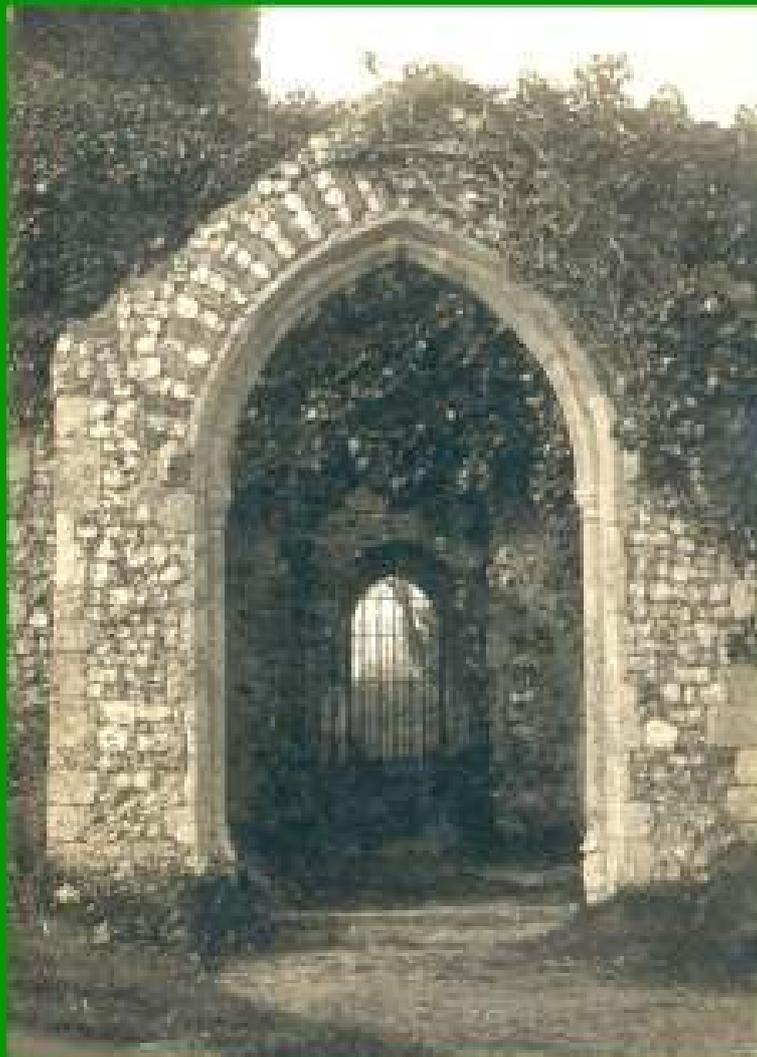


THE MARLPIT

THE COMMUNITY PAPER FOR THE VILLAGES OF GOUTISHALL,
HORSTEAD AND GREAT HAULTBOIS



May 2002



Village Diary

May 2002



Coltishall Sports & Social Club – See list in The Marlpit

Wednesday 1 st	7.30 pm	Jubilee Players, Auditions for Old Tyme Music Hall, Tithe Barn, Horstead, Director Neil Phillips
Friday 3 rd	7.30 pm	Hoveton, Wroxham & District Gardening Club, Hoveton Village Hall, Mr Charles Thacker on Clematis
Wednesday 8 th	7.30 pm	Wroxham Flower Club, Church Hall, Wroxham, Jean Crane, 'Jubilations'
Sunday 12 th	3 pm.	Group 5 Royal British Legion Rally & re-Dedication Service, Stalham Church
Monday 13 th	7.30 pm	Royal British Legion Meeting, Coltishall Church Room
Monday 13 th	7.30 pm	Coltishall Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, Rectory Road
Thursday 17 th	7.30 pm	Marlpit Editors Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 15 th	7.30 pm	Coltishall and Horstead Women's Institute, Resolutions & Celebration of Dorothy Girling's Birthday
Thursday 16 th to Saturday 18 th	7.30 pm	Horning Amateur Theatrical Society, "Memories are made of this. . . ", Horning Village Hall
Thursday 23 rd	7.30 pm	Jubilee Players, Social Meeting
Sunday 26 th	1.00 pm	Wroxham & Hoveton Lions Club, 50/50 Auction, Hoveton Village Hall

June 2002

1 st – 2 nd		Amenity Skip, Allotment Site, By Chapel Loke Entrance
Monday 3 rd	7 pm - Late	Coltishall Sports & Social Club, Fireworks, Disco, Barbeque
Saturday 15 th	2 – 5 pm	Jubilee Summer Fete, Church Meadow, Coltishall
Saturday 15 th	7.30–11.00	CEROC Evening, Coltishall Primary School, June 2002
Wednesday 19 th	7.30 pm	Coltishall and Horstead Women's Institute, The Perks Of The Job, John Allport.
Sunday 23 rd	6.00 pm	Summer Evening Garden Party, 'Gardeners Cottage', Great Hautbois

Future Events

Monday 3 rd June		Horstead With Stanninghall Parish Council, Jubilee Celebration, Tithe Barn
14/15/16 th June		Sew Creative Quilt Exhibition, Wroxham Barns
Saturday 15 th June		Jubilee Summer Fete, Church Meadow, Coltishall
Saturday 6 th July		The Friends of Coltishall Primary School, Summer Fair
Friday 19 th July		The Mike Groves Run 2002
Saturday 28 th September		Friends Of Coltishall & Spixworth Surgeries, Quiz Night
5 th /6 th October 2002		A Harvest Flower Festival, St John the Baptist Church, Coltishall

From the Editor



May has always been my favourite month of the year. The blossom is out, gardens and the countryside have come to life and look fresh and new again. It is an annual renewal time. May is here again but this year all the blossom and beautiful gardens seemed to have come to life with the glorious weather of this years April. Even the weather seems to have speeded up and made all of nature wake up early. The last month certainly has been lovely weather wise lets hope for an equally pleasant May.

April did however see the passing of HM Queen Elizabeth, The Queen Mother, and I think we must all have been moved by the ceremonies before and during her funeral. Our nation has undoubtedly lost a lady who was greatly admired and loved for her many qualities, not least her devoted service to others. It set me thinking about the amount of time that people give in service to their communities all over the country and in our villages especially. Just look in your Marlpit this month and see the number of events that have been organised. Look at the clubs, association and societies that flourish here. Think of the ordinary people who are giving their time and effort in our service as the Queen Mum did. I think they are all quite amazing and an example to us all, as she was.

Some people who have given great service to us all as staplers and deliverers of the Marlpit have retired from this voluntary work in the last few weeks. The Editors would like to thank Edith and Horace Lincoln, Ann Stamp and her husband and Albert Durrell for all their hard work. We would also like to welcome Jill Howkins and Chris Howett in to the Marlpit team.

We also have to announce that Dorothy Airs is retiring this month, Dorothy has for some considerable time worked for The Marlpit. She has served as an Editor, Advertising Manager and latterly as our Treasurer. Most organisations can manage to get by with a few committee members, a secretary and a chairman can usually be drummed up, but just try getting a good Treasurer to volunteer. Nobody wants to know. Dorothy however took on the role and managed it superbly. We will miss her immensely and we wish her and Rick all good fortune in their new home. She has also found us a willing replacement. We welcome Ben Hubbard as our new Treasurer from 1st May.

Ben's first job as Treasurer will be to count up the donations for The Marlpit from those little brown envelopes. Please do not take any envelopes to Dorothy after the 1st May. Please give any envelopes outstanding to Ben and not Dorothy (see back page for address and telephone number) or to any Editor, if more convenient. If there are any readers who have not been seen by a collector and would like to make a donation please contact Ben or any Editor.

Finally, you will find within this edition details of our new Web Site. The Marlpit will be 25 years old this month. We were launched as a Community Newspaper in 1977 during Silver Jubilee Year and we felt it was fitting during Golden Jubilee year to communicate in the modern way not only to Coltishall, Great Hautbois and Horstead with Stanninghall but also to the whole world via the World Wide Web. Please read our article about the Web Site, look at it on your computers and please let any Editor have your ideas for developing this new innovation.

BG



Dear Sir

Planning Application Ref. Env/C/2001/5005 By Longwater Gravel At Grange Farm, Horstead

I am writing to object to the above planning application for our village.

What really concerns me is the increased traffic levels and pollution that we will have to suffer if this gravel extraction goes ahead. This village and the next one, Coltishall, already have large amounts of traffic thundering over its roads, which includes extremely large lorries. There are no pelican crossings or even zebra crossings; I have to risk life and limb every time I attempt to cross the road. It wouldn't be quite so bad perhaps if the cars, lorries, etc. actually stuck to the speed limit, but many do not. It is an absolute nightmare taking my daughter to school, we have to cross the road several times and each time it is more and more dangerous as the traffic levels build.

How can you even contemplate allowing even more huge lorries access through our village without planning for road improvements or pedestrian safety measures? If the company really has no other option but to extract gravel from this site, why can't you install a proper infrastructure first?

I suffer from asthma, thankfully it isn't too bad, and I have been much better since moving here. However, if the traffic is going to increase even more, then my health will no doubt suffer even more. I am not the only person with this complaint, there are many asthma sufferers and many of them are children. There is a primary school in the next village and a lot of children walk from Horstead to Coltishall, so does this mean that we will have to prepare for an outbreak of childhood asthma caused by pollution. Parents will stop walking their children to school to avoid the pollution and go in the car, therefore, increasing the traffic and subsequently the pollution. It is a vicious circle that can be avoided if firms like Longwater Gravel found sites away from villages and didn't cause so much disruption to the environment, instead of taking the easy option which obviously will cause so much distress to the inhabitants of this lovely area.

I do hope you will reconsider your position and if planning permission does go ahead then please make sure there are plenty of traffic calming methods and enough pedestrian crossings to ensure the safety of our children.

However, I hope that you will realise the detrimental effect this will have on our village and the surrounding area.

Yours faithfully

Jayne M Downing

Cc Longwater Gravel.
Editor of The Marlpit.

Dear Mrs Queripel

Thank goodness you have had the courage to write to the Marlpit regarding the subject of bonfires. I thought it was only me who grumbled about selfish people lighting fires during the daytime, but no, here you were in black and white fighting for the right to dry your washing outside.



As a mother of two small children (4 years and 1 year old), you can imagine the mountain of washing I have to get through. Especially with the 1-year-old, being a boy he is a muck magnet (for the want of a better description), he can go through several outfits in a day. My poor washing machine is never off; I wash every day and look forward to fine, dry days when I can hang the clothes outside rather than round the radiator. (My kitchen hasn't got the space for a tumble drier). So imagine my frustration when the day dawns fine and dry, maybe even with a bit of sunshine and I go out to put my washing on the line, only to find billows of smoke wafting over my garden or just the smell of smoke in the air. I have to take my washing back in and wait either for another fine, dry day or for the bonfire to go out.

I don't want to sound like a right misery – although I probably do to those of you who have to have a bonfire to get rid of garden rubbish, etc., especially when it is quite difficult to get rid of garden waste. But please before you light your bonfire, check the time and if it is during the daytime when maybe washing lines are full, could you please wait a few hours until after teatime perhaps. After all the clocks have gone forward and we can now look forward to lighter evenings, so that should give you more time to have a bonfire. And the poor people with heaps of washing to get through would be extremely grateful.

Thank you once again Mrs Queripel for raising this subject, it was brave of you!

Yours sincerely

Jayne M Downing (Mrs)

To the Editors

Sir

As I was going to Norwich, via Frettenham and St Faiths I noticed that the island boat house, situated at Coltishall common, had it's flag at half mast as did the small garden centre in Frettenham and a public house or two, all in respect for the passing away of the Queen Mother.

Did Coltishall Parish Church have it's flag at half mast? NO it didn't. It didn't have any flag flying at all.

May I through the Marlpit question why our church did not have a flag at half mast? Do we not posses a flag? Or did the Church Elders deem it unnecessary to show respect to a much loved Lady.



T H Elvy
Coltishall

Editor's Note: Please see an apology from the Priest-in-Charge in 'The Churches'

Thank You

Mike North and family wish to thank friends and neighbours for their kindness, support and messages of sympathy following the sad loss of CHRISTINE. You have all been so understanding at this difficult time but we would like to thank especially Doctor Mansfield, Margaret, Glenda and Jenny for the dedicated care and attention shown to us over the past few months. Many thanks to Loma Wood for the beautifully conducted service.

M North

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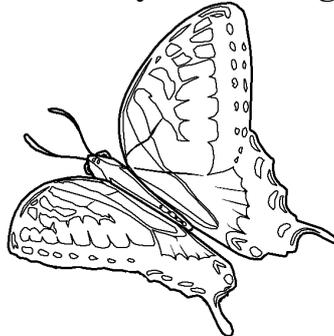
Thank You

Jean and Enid would like to thank everyone who made a donation to Aylsham Hospital Day Centre in memory of their late mother Mrs Gertrude (Peggy) Cooper of Green Lane, Horstead.

The total amount was £142.

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Butterfly Gardening



What could be more delightful, on a warm summer's day than a garden full of butterflies? Our own native butterfly population is on the decline, with some species already extinct and the fear is that many more will follow. Help to combat this by packing your containers and borders with nectar-rich flowers and plants, not only will you attract wildlife, but you will be providing an absolute riot of colour in the garden for you to enjoy too.

Creating a butterfly garden is easy and fun.

Here's how:

- 1) Sow a variety of annuals and perennials like poppies, scabious, zinnias and marigolds, plant butterfly attracting shrubs like, lilac, buddleia and lavender.
- 2) Butterflies are cold blooded and need sunlight to warm their bodies, so choose a sunny site where they can be left undisturbed.
- 3) Adult butterflies feed on nectar and are most attracted to red, yellow, orange, pink and purple very fragrant flowers.
- 4) Caterpillars require a plentiful supply of food as well, which differs from that of the adult butterflies, good choices would be stinging nettles, nasturtiums and grasses, maybe we could even learn to live with the devouring larvae of the cabbage white.
- 5) An organic garden is always best in order to attract wildlife, never use chemical sprays in a butterfly garden.
- 6) Arm yourself with a butterfly book and enjoy identifying them in your garden, and who knows you could even spot one of our rare butterflies 'the beautiful swallowtail'.

Sara Zahdeh

Well Done Bikers



I was privileged to be invited with my Grandson and Husband to attend on Easter Sunday an incredible sight of well over 200 Bikers of all ages from the Ian Wright, Cromer, 'Where Are We Going Motorcycle Club'. After assembling at Cromer Pier, escorted by the Police they arrived at the Rainbow Break Home, Sheringham and the sight and sound of the bikes was something fantastic and unbelievable.

The Rainbow Break Home gives holidays and respite care to disabled children and adults, usually a much need break for parents and carers. The purpose of the visit from the Bikers was to deliver Easter Eggs for the Break Homes.

I cannot praise the Bikers and Police enough for a splendid time allowing the children to climb up and sit on the bikes. Obviously, all the bikers could not get into the drive but the road was lined on both sides for a considerable distance.

After a pleasant stay the Bikers then moved off to make a visit to Woodlands Residential Home for the Elderly in King's Lynn, leaving behind pleasant memories, happy faces and a wall of Easter Eggs of every size and type of egg available.

Daphne Knights

Traidcraft Fair-trading



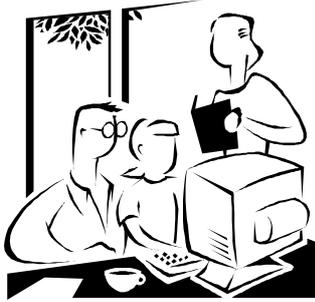
A big thank you to everyone who has bought Traidcraft goods over the past year. The profit from buying 'in bulk' means that donations of £50 have been made to both Coltishall and Horstead PCC. So as well as supporting 'fair-trade' our local churches have benefited as well.

Spring catalogues now available from Sue Hill, 737661.

The Two Villages Art & Craft Fair

Due to the pressure of other commitments it is very much regretted that The Marlpit will not be able to sponsor the Arts and Craft fare this year

The Marlpit Website



The Marlpit is proud to announce the launch of their website. This has been done to coincide with the 25th Anniversary of The Marlpit. The Marlpit can now be found at www.themarlpit.com.

The site was designed by Ronnie Zahdeh, and includes many of his innovative ideas. You will be able to browse an archive of the magazine starting from the Christmas edition.

The website is currently in its early stages. Plans to expand the website include the history and a tour of the villages with information on Coltishall, Horstead and Great Hautbois.

Please visit our website and let us know what you think and advise us on what we should include for the future.

Growing Up With Ben

The other day Ben and I had a 'boys' day out at Mundesley . . . hitting some golf balls, kicking a football, flying a kite etc. The only requirement was that we stopped on the way back at 'Tavern Tasty Meats' a Rare Breed Survival Trust Butchers at Swafeld for some of their sausages. No problem there (I even remembered to do it. . . probably because it related to food). These butchers do an excellent variety of sausages and usually have some cooked 'samples' for customers to try. It must have been all the exercise because Ben 'demolished' all the samples in no time at all in what I, and hopefully the butcher, could only take as 'approval'. While we were ordering our 'supplies' one of the butchers brought out a carcass of a half of a pig, laid it on the worktop behind the counter and proceeded to 'attack' it with a large chopper.



I was curious as to the impact this would have on Ben, who until this point in time had only seen the carcass of a chicken and had probably not associated other 'meats' with the animals he sees in the fields.

At the time it seemed to have no impact at all as he did not make any comment.

Later on however he related the event to his Mum. . . 'you'll never believe what happened next Mum, this man brought out this absolutely huge chicken and started to cut it up with a chopper'.

It's a rare breed indeed that has chickens that size, not to mention the eggs.

Ben had received from his Aunt a Batman Diary/notebook and he proceed to write in the book. When his Mum read it, it stated 'Batman and Robinson and Ben'. 'Don't you mean Batman and Robin?' she asked. He however, insisted he was correct. Later that day I was handed this book in order to see how his writing had improved. 'Batman and Robinson and Ben' I read 'surely you mean 'Batman and Robin?' Ben paused and then stated he would have to check it with his Batman video. However, he gave it some more thought before stating 'I think I may be confusing it with the blackcurrant drink!'

MD



Horstead With Stanninghall Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting

April 2002

Annual Parish Meeting: This took place in the Tithe Barn on Saturday 13th April at 2.30pm. What a disappointing turn out - out of the 820 electors on the electoral register only 10 joined the 9 members of the Parish Council at this meeting.

The Chairman, Mr John Neville, opened the meeting by welcoming those present. He thanked all Councillors, in particular the Vice-Chairman and the Clerk. He then expressed the Council's sadness at the death of Mrs Christine North. He introduced Mr Michael Blackburn as the new member of the Council. He continued by thanking Mrs Benton, who had resigned during the year, for her work during her term of office. He also thanked Mr Mallett, and Mr Shaun Murphy as District and County Councillors, and finally Mr David Burrows for cleaning the bus shelter and litter picking in the regions of The Mill, Mill Road and Playing Field.

Mr Neville continued by giving a report of the Council's activities during the year, ending 31st March 2002 - At present the work was dominated by the Mineral Extraction Schemes within the parish boundaries. The Council had objected to the Longwater application and a petition of objection, containing 240 signatures, had been forwarded to Norfolk County Council. There were a number of points to be dealt with before this application could go before the planning committee - 1) Highway access; 2) Further noise survey; 3) MOD are concerned regarding the proposed pond, included in restoration plans, causing extra flights of birds.

To date there had still not been an application from Tarmac.* Petitions for signature against this scheme have been placed at the Pharmacy and Post Office.

A New Code of Conduct has been laid down by Central Government. This officially comes into force on May 2nd and will be fully discussed by the Council at their next meeting.

Norwich Road/Rectory Road Corner: Verbal confirmation has been received that a scheme to alleviate the problems has been included in the budget for 2002/2003.

Parish Precept: This has been set at £5,500 and Mr Neville gave details of how this had been arrived at.

Mill Project Report: Mr Brighton reported that the scheme is virtually finished. The project has been awarded a grant from the Landfill Tax but this has to be done through the Broads Authority. Unfortunately they are in the process of re-organisation so the proposed projects cannot be undertaken until this re-organisation is completed.

Horstead Playing Field Fund: The slide show organised by Mr Neville was very well attended and a total of £260.50 was raised and donated to the fund. Many thanks to all who attended, donated raffle prizes, Mrs Lawrance who ran the raffle, and Mrs Bunn and Mrs Gould for their help with the refreshments.

* Editor's Note: Since the publication of these Minutes an application by Tarmac has been received and is included in this edition of The Marlpit

SCHEDULE 3

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995

NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 8 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION ACCOMPANIED BY AN ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

REF: ENV/C/5/2002/5004

Parish

Horstead with Stanninghall

Site

Trafford Estate

Grid Ref: 6258031830

Applicant

Tarmac Southern - G Gunby

Proposal:

Sand & gravel extraction

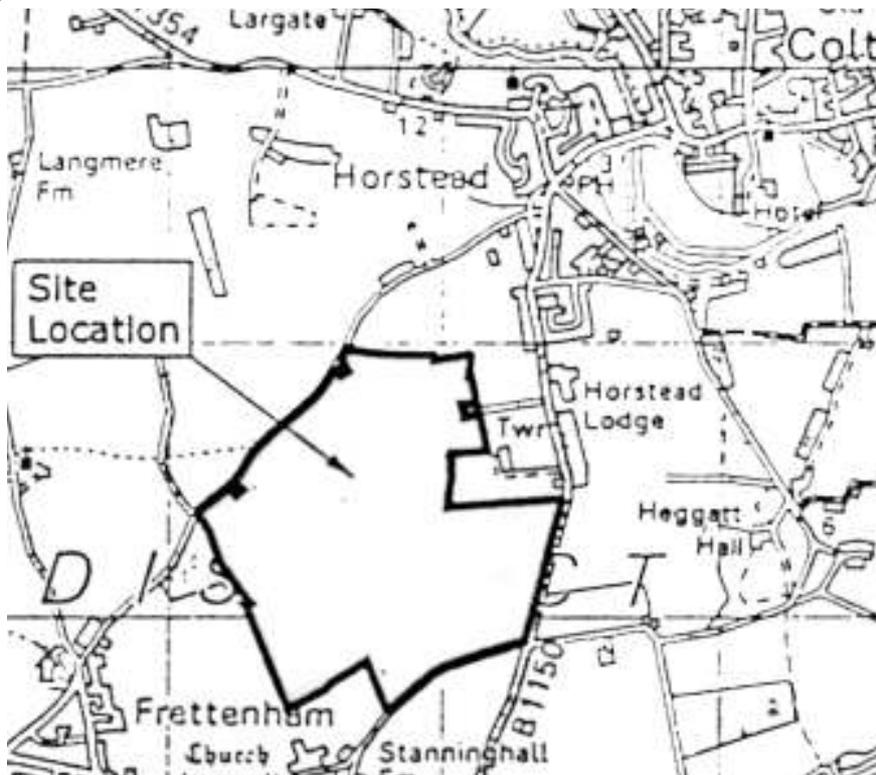
A planning application for the above proposal has been made to the Norfolk County Council and members of the public may inspect copies of application, plans and other documents submitted, at the Department of Planning and Transportation, Norfolk County Council, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2SG, or at the District or Borough Council office during reasonable hours until 17th May 2002. A copy has also been deposited with the Clerk to your local Parish/Town Council, where applicable.

Copies of the environmental statement will be available for sale, while stocks last, at the cost of £50.00 per copy from Norfolk County Council.

Anyone who wishes to make representations about this application should write to the Norfolk County Council by 17th May 2002. Members of the public can, by prior arrangement, speak at meetings of the Planning and Highways (Regulatory) Committee, where applications are decided. Please contact the Department of Planning and Transportation for further details.

Signed: for Acting Director of Planning & Transportation Norfolk County Council

Dated: 19/4/02



**Coltishall Parish Council Meeting
Monday, 15th April 2002**



The meeting was pleased to welcome Police Constable Brown.

There is always public concern about the 'lack of policing' and it was reassuring to hear that there are now two night patrol cars in operation and that every effort is being made to increase the frequency of a ward beat officer.

Reported crimes for the Coltishall area for the period January to March were just 8 whereas for Norwich, for example, 134 reported crimes in a night is not uncommon.

The police are reliant upon the observations of the public and you are asked to take the number of any suspicious vehicle and give a good description of any suspicious character.

The old chestnut of speeding was raised and it was again evident that improvements to road safety are generally only made when there has been a serious accident. Why can't they be proactive rather than reactive? Is initiative and forward thinking removed from the mentality of those employed in this capacity before they are given the job?

Finally, parking on the double yellow lines in Coltishall you all know where by now. Complaints are being 'investigated'. If you do it, you may be photographed and reported.

The new 'Rules of Conduct' are having an impact on your Parish Council in the same way as for other Parish Councils. One Parish Counsellor has resigned (We are hoping to hear from him and print his response within the Marlpit ...Ed.).

Mountain Bike Track/Skateboard Track potential sites are being investigated within Coltishall (your Marlpit will report progress on this one).

A problem hitting village halls across the county arises from the Disability Discrimination Act, which requires village halls to provide disabled access and toilets. The intention is commendable but the cost of implementing it is a major problem. Where is the funding to come from? Advice is being sought from Broadland District Council in this respect.

Coltishall Community Association (CCA) reported on the progress within the last year. It would seem that whilst the CCA maintains the playing fields upon which the Coltishall Football Club and Coltishall Cricket Club play, neither of these two clubs pays anything towards this use and, it would seem, has no intention of doing so. There cannot be many such sports that you can take part in without some financial contribution and the present attitude of these clubs is questionable in the least. We invite them to explain their reasons to the Marlpit we will publish their letters.

MD
Editor, The Marlpit

Coltishall Parish Council

Vacancy for a Parish Councillor on the Coltishall Parish Council

Please Call the Clerk on 07887 528300

Commons Management Committee



There have been two meetings of the Management Committee, both of which missed, unfortunately, the Marlpit deadline but, nonetheless, there has been activity concerning Commons maintenance.

Malcolm Robson has resigned from the position of Clerk to the Committee and was formally thanked for his service to the Management Committee. Mrs Barbara Elvy has agreed to fill this vacancy and this edition of the Marlpit has the address and telephone information on the back page directory of the magazine.

The Commons boundaries are to be marked with set boundary stones to be placed in accordance with the Land Registry map to clarify the position for all concerned with the Commons and a seat is in the process of being repaired ready for re-siting. Cracked it!! We hope! The resurfacing of the Car Park in the Lower Common seems to be holding well and it was agreed to make a well obscured storage area for a limited amount of aggregate so that regular maintenance can continue.

The car park on the Upper Common is currently being used by Highway contractors solely during the period of the current road works – the chairman agreed this in the interests of road safety for the village with the contractor agreeing to level off the surface when they have completed the contract. However, this does not deal with the problem of the van parked without permission on private land and now having been vandalised. Despite attempts to contact the owner nothing has been done and it had been decided to post a notice on the vehicle giving 28 days notice that an injunction will be obtained for its removal.

To safeguard the Upper Common, car park signs are to be erected stating, ‘No overnight parking’ and ‘Parking during the day limited to 1 hour only’.

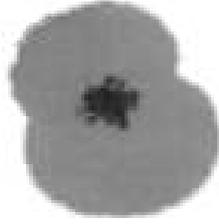
The committee clearly has a conservation responsibility as well as a safety role in relation to the maintenance of the three Commons. Consequently a number of trees have been lifted to encourage appropriate growth and one tree near the boundary wall on the Lower Common has been removed in the interests of safety. Concern had been expressed about the Russian Vine protruding into the river and causing silting on the Lower Common. A number of trees have fallen as a result of recent high winds and where they constitute neither hazard nor obstruction they will be left for wild life habitat otherwise, they will be removed.

The Broads Authority has been approached concerning both drainage and mooring on the Lower Common, both to be pursued as a matter of urgency.

Well, that’s it for the moment, it’s a bit like the swan, steady and stately on top but paddling like mad below!

M D W

The Royal British Legion



At our April meeting the exhortation and Silent Tribute, which included a silence in memory of H M the Queen Mother, were led by our Chairman, Bob Jennings.

Reporting on the last County Committee meeting, Bob pointed out that the County Rally at Thetford on Sunday 16th June would include service exhibitions and displays, a Hog Roast and Beer Tent, a car boot sale, trade and craft stalls, etc. Three bands have been booked for the event which will make for a great day out to which members of the public will be welcome to come along and enjoy it.

Some 400 Legion Standards will parade in London on Tuesday 4th June as part of the celebrations for H M the Queen's Golden Jubilee. There will also be a parade of Legion Standards on Thursday 17th June at the Royal Norfolk Show.

The main topic of our meeting was the extremely successful Quiz Evening which raised £373 for our Branch Funds. Our most sincere thanks go to our President, Jack Campbell, who organised the event and took on the role of Quizmaster; to Harvey and Irene Meadows who took care of the marking and scoring; to our Welfare Secretary, Margaret Montgomery, and her team of ladies who produced such a splendid meal (and did the washing up); and finally, of course, to all who supported -the event and to those who donated raffle prizes.

Not only does this excellent result stabilise our finances but it also shows the high esteem in which the Legion is still held.

It might be the appropriate, therefore to appeal for another kind of support which is needed to ensure the Legion's work is carried on in the district - NEW MEMBERS.

Next year will see the 80th anniversary of our local branch. During that time many ex-Service people, widows and dependants have been helped through difficult times with grants from Branch funds or the Poppy Appeal Fund. On occasions the annual total of grants made even exceeded the total collected in the district during the November Poppy Appeal Week!

Also during that time the Branch has won many awards including, in 1935, the prestigious Earl Haig Cup - awarded to the most efficient and progressive small branch in England and Wales.

Such a tradition should not be allowed to just fade away. If you agree why not join to help. You do NOT, repeat, NOT have to have been in the Services - but just a willingness to keep the Legion's work alive in the district.

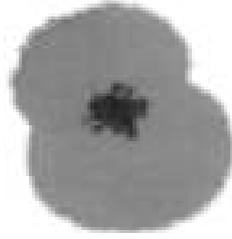
Ring Bob 738335; Benjie 738325; Charlie 737544 - or better still come to our next meeting to meet us.

Don't leave it to somebody else. YOU come.

Next Branch meeting, Monday 13th May, Coltishall Church Room, 7.30 pm.

Group 5 Rally, Sunday 12th May at Stalham Church, 3 pm.

The Royal British Legion – Women’s Section



The April meeting of 16 Women’s Section was held at the home of president Mrs G Childs in Buxton on Wednesday, 10th April.

Cheques were issued as follows: The Royal British Legion – Women’s Section HQ £15, HQ Benevolent Fund £15 and County £30.

We hosted the Group Meeting in March with nearly 50 in attendance. Our speaker was the Rev Lorna Woods.

Next Group Meeting will be at Reepham on Thursday, 6th June.

Table Top Quiz will be held at 16 British Legion Club on Monday, 27th May.

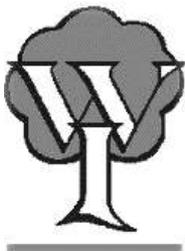
The Festival of Remembrance will be held at the Royal Albert Hall on Saturday, 9th November.

A Darts Match was held on Friday, 19th April, and the final will be at Swardsdon on Friday, 10th May.

P M Carter
Chairwoman

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Coltishall and Horstead Women’s Institute



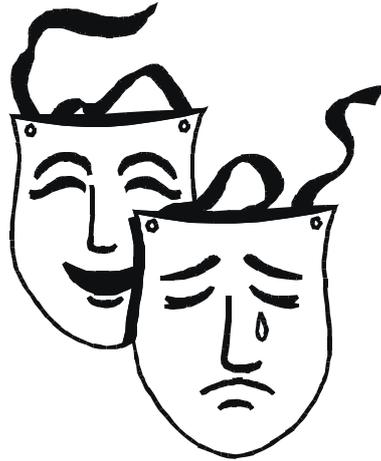
Few of us can aspire to celebrate our 100th birthday with the innate charm and wisdom unique to Miss Dorothy Girling - let alone receive a special card from the Queen and have the village bells ringing in our honour!! Dorothy is a perfect ambassadress for our W.I., respected and fondly welcomed at all our meetings. She held 'Open House' all day on Wednesday 17th April at her home and we, in turn, will celebrate her one hundredth birthday at our meeting on Wednesday 15th May in The Church Rooms.

Despite the fact that many of us were familiar with the House of Commons, having an official Guide to take us around the Parliament Buildings was most instructive and we much enjoyed the coach trip there in April. This was followed next day by a presentation of the History of Masquerade and Venetian Masks given by Mrs Janet Steel. Again, although many of us felt we knew Venice, few had previously been aware of the varied and wondrous masks and disguises adopted for the Annual Masquerade interwoven with local history. I think we saw Venice for the first time and enjoyed our unusual meeting!

'Resolutions' will be discussed at our meeting on Wednesday 15th May and, as always, those non-members interested in joining us are welcome to come along at 7.30pm to the Church Rooms on the third Wednesday of each month.

Peta McCurley

Jubilee Players
May 2002



Springtime is traditionally a time for new beginnings and having a bit of a clear out. We, at the Jubilee players, seem to be no exception (I think this might prove to be rather an unfortunate metaphor, but we shall see!), two of our valued members have decided to step out of the limelight and take a well earned break for a while.

Wizz Fairhurst our secretary and in my eyes Super-Mum (where does she get all that energy from?) has decided to take a break from all the secretarial duties to concentrate on her family and her newest arrival, Roseanne. I am amazed that she managed to choreograph the pantomime whilst heavily pregnant and return not long after Roseanne's birth to see the pantomime through to completion. Hopefully, Wizz will be returning after a break and Wizz, on a personal note, should you decide you'd like to be secretary again, that's fine by me!

Also, Brian Lloyd has decided to retire as our Chairman and step out off the stage and into the audience. I first met Brian last October when we auditioning for Jack and the Beanstalk and I will miss him greatly, as I am sure will the rest of the Jubilee Players. I would like to say thank you to Brian on behalf of us all for all your hard work over the years for the Players; we really do appreciate it and look forward to your continued support.

Now onto the next project - the Old Tyme Music Hall - auditions will be taking place in the Tithe Barn on Wednesday 1st May and as usual I would like to make a plea for new members. As a bit of a newcomer myself to the Jubilee Players, I can vouch for the warm welcome you will receive and the huge amounts of fun that can be had by joining in. Not necessarily on the stage, but behind the scenes, although the Prompt is not one job I recommend, as I seemed to get my fair amount of stick from the pantomime cast! But please come along and have a go, you never know where it might lead!



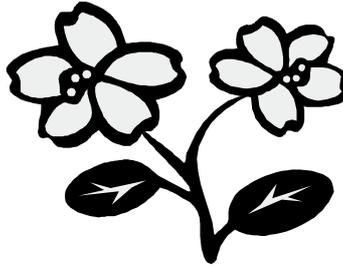
Diary Dates

Wednesday 1st May, Auditions for the Old Tyme Music Hall, Tithe Barn, Horstead, 7.30pm, Director will be Neil Phillips

Thursday 23rd May, Social meeting at Cynthia Goslings, 16, Banningham Road, Aylsham, 7.30pm (01263 732857

Jayne Downing
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Wroxham Flower Club



Open Meeting
Wednesday, 8th May 2002
The Broadland High School, Wroxham

Doors open at 7.00pm - Start: 7.30pm. Tickets: Members £3.50 - Visitors £6

Tonight the demonstrator will be Jean Crane of Bishops Stortford. The title of her demonstration will be 'Jubilations'. The sales table will have lots of Flower Arranging goodies at reasonable prices. Refreshments will be served.

New members who wish to join are always welcome, you do not have to be a Flower Arranger. Please telephone for more details.

Freda Lane
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Hoveton, Wroxham & District Gardening Club



Friday 3rd May 7.30 pm Hoveton Village Hall a talk by our own President Mr Charles Thacker on Clematis. I am sure we will all enjoy the evening with his excellent slides, and Norfolk County humour, on a subject close to his heart.

Unfortunately, the Club failed to retain the Quiz Cup, losing to Cromer by only 1 point. A very enjoyable evening, thanks to Mike Clements and Ray Durrant for their brain power.

New members always welcome.

Any queries Pam Culley (782041

Amenity Skip

1st - 2nd June

May Bank Holiday Weekend

Allotment Site

By

Chapel Loke Entrance



Hello!



The Friends of Coltishall Primary School would like to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves, and give you an idea of some of the things we do for the School.

“The Friends” are made up of an annually elected group of parents and staff, with Mr. Jones, the Head Teacher as President, and are backed by volunteers who help at special events throughout the year. The aims of “The Friends” are to “Advance the education of the pupils of the School by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities for education at the School” (not normally provided for by the Local Education Authority)

Various fund raising events are held throughout the year, past events have included, Spring and Christmas Fairs, Quiz Nights, Sale of Calendars and Tea Towels, Discos and a Craft Workshop. Since last Summer almost £2,400 has been raised. The money raised in the past has been used to purchase computer tables for the classrooms, a shaded area in the playground and most recently white boards for the classrooms. Looking to future projects, we would very much like to provide a “trim track” for the playing field.

Date for your diary: Summer Fair – Saturday 6th July – 11 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.

We look forward to welcoming you to our future events.

Friends of Coltishall School Invite you to



A CEROC Evening

Coltishall Primary School
Saturday 15th June 2002



7.30 - 11.00 pm

Complete beginners welcome. Come and try it! No need to bring a partner

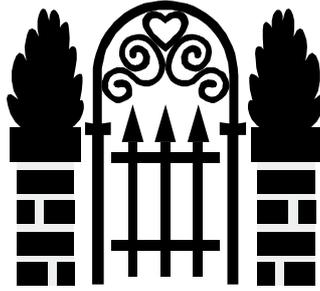
Tickets Only £3

From Coltishall Primary School on 737481
Annette on 736663 or Ceroc Anglia on 01362 690171

Bring you own drinks - nibbles provided

What is CEROC? **CEROC** is an exciting and stylish form of modern jive. It is very easy to pick up. . . even if you've never danced before you'll be Cerocing by the end of the evening. It can be danced to any type of music. No special clothes are needed just casual wear. You don't even need to bring a partner as our teaching method ensures that everyone mixes together.

Summer Evening Garden Party



A chance to visit an Award Winning Garden
'Gardeners Cottage'
Great Hautbois

A Midsummer Garden Party will be held on Sunday, 23rd June at 6pm
Tickets £5 to include wine and canapés
Obtainable from Zena Garrad (738371 or Pat Morris (738437

This is a really beautiful garden and not to be missed

Friends of Coltishall Church

Coltishall Primary School Summer Fete 2002



The Friends of Coltishall Primary School are organizing a Grand Summer Fete this year on Saturday 6th July between 11am and 2pm. There will be all the usual stalls, something for everyone and this year there will be a fancy dress competition for the children too. Please put this date in your diary and help to make the Fete a really successful event, raising those all-important funds for school and thereby helping all the children from these villages in our community school. Thank you.

Wroxham & Hoveton Lions Club



50/50 Auction 2002

Sunday 26th May

Hoveton Village Hall

Viewing from Mid-day

Auction starts at 1pm

(Auctioneer - Martin Fox)

Hot and Cold Drinks and Sandwiches available

Wroxham & Hoveton Lions Club require cycles, lawn mowers, tools, electrical goods, paintings, furniture, musical instruments, crockery, bric-a-brac, etc, etc for their Annual 50/50 Auction. To arrange for collection please complete a form at the Lions Shop in the Precinct or Telephone 01603 782172 or 01603 738599. Alternatively items may be delivered to the Village Hall before 11am on the day of the Sale.

Please, no Jumble and do not deliver to the Village Hall before the Day of the Sale

Proceeds of the sale will go to local charitable causes



Coltishall Parish Council Golden Jubilee Celebrations



Free Commemorative Gift For All Children Under 12 Years Old

If you would like your child to receive a free commemorative gift from Coltishall Parish Council can you call the Clerk or any member of the Parish Council to register

Clerk - Sue Hayes - 07887 528300

The Mike Groves Run 2002

We did it once and liked it so the following year did it again and still liked it. Now for the third time we will do it and hope that everyone likes it.

The Mike Groves Run 2002 will be on the Friday 19th July starting once again from the Football Club at 7.30 pm. The course will be the same and as before there will be a medal for all who participate and an engraved cup for the fastest local lady and fastest local gent.



All proceeds will go to Quidenham and hopefully the amount raised will take the total for the three runs to over £2,000. The first two runs generated £1,293 so to achieve the rest will require the maximum entry (sponsored if possible) and donations from local shops and traders. If you ran last year please do it again, you know you enjoyed it.

If you did not run, why not? You missed an interesting course? If you have a broken leg, just come and watch. Any other ailments, please send a 'sick note'. You can tape 'Corrie' and 'The Bill'. So get out your trainers, mark your calendar, and then meet me at 7.30 on the Friday 19th July.

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Horning Amateur Theatrical Society

"Memories are made of this. . ."

A fun filled evening of song and dance from the 1950's, 60's and 70's.

Make a date in your diary to come along to Horning Village Hall
Thursday 16th to Saturday 18th May at 7.30pm

Please note doors open 30 minutes before each performance

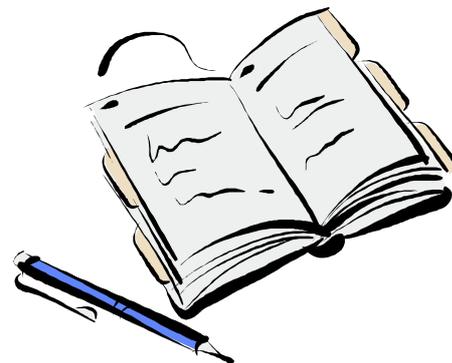
Tickets are available on 01692 631436 or 01603 782846

Coltishall Sports & Social Club

Entertainment for May & Jubilee Weekend

May			
Wednesday	1 st	Quiz Night	8.30 pm
Saturday	4 th	Karaoke/Disco	8.00 pm
Saturday	11 th	Live Music Peter Long	8.30 pm
Wednesday	15 th	Quiz Night	8.30 pm
Friday	17 th	Horse Race Night	8.30 pm
Friday	24 th	Live Music Fick & Fin	8.30 pm
Saturday	25 th	Starlight Karaoke	
Wednesday	29 th	Quiz Night	8.30 pm

June			
Sunday	2 nd	Live Music Pyvarotti	
Monday	3 rd	Fireworks, Disco, Barbeque	



Coltishall Sports & Social Club

Coltishall Jubilee Celebrations

Monday, 3rd June, 2002
7 pm till Late

Village Hall, Rectory Road, Coltishall



Fireworks spectacular → Barbecue → Disco → Fun for the kids → Raffle

Everyone welcome

Tickets: £2.50 per adult. Children free

Tickets available from the Post Office, Pharmacy, or Social Club
Or contact 01603 737835

Adoption



We are particularly looking for
new families for older children

Open Meetings
22 May 2002
19 June 2002

Starting at
7.30pm

Contact:
Adoption & Family Finding Unit
3 Unthank Road, Norwich, NR2 2PA
01603 617796
E-mail: adoption.unit.socs@norfolk.gov.uk





The Primary Post Bag

STARLIGHT children's foundation

Brightening the lives of seriously and terminally ill children

"Sock It To Me!" BBC Tomorrow's World Presenter Asks Local Kids



Do readers of The Marlpit have as many problems as I do finding matching socks in the morning? I usually fall back on wearing yellow on the left and pink on the right, but maybe help is at hand! How about designing a special pair of your own which you can't miss?

I'd like to tell everyone in your area about a brilliant competition for children between 3-18 years old which allows them to do just this. Design a Sock for Starlight is a project which asks kids to draw, paint or even create a collage of a sock they would like to wear - a really fun means of encouraging children to be inventive. A winning entry from each of four age categories will then be manufactured by Sock Shop and 50p will go to charity Starlight Children's Foundation for each pair sold.

Aside from being able to march into a shop, point to your socks and say 'I designed that!', each winner gets £100 worth of art and design materials and a further £500 cash for their school.

Starlight is also asking for a donation of £1 per entry to help it grant the wishes of seriously and terminally ill children such as one little girl who wrote to them recently asking: "Dear Starlight, please can you arrange for three stars to be named after me, my brother and my sister so that they can still speak to me in heaven". Starlight got in touch with the International Star Registry and her wish was granted.

Call 0207430 1642, email socks@starlight.org.uk or pop into your nearest Sock Shop for an entry form) or if like me you've just the wrong side of 18 years, you can still make a donation by sending a cheque to Starlight Children's Foundation, 11-15 Emerald Street, London, WC1N 3QL. A schools pack is available for teachers - an ideal way to relieve exam stress during the summer term.

Entries have to be in by 31st July. I hope some clever kids will soon put me out of my sock misery!

Yours sincerely

Adam Hart-Davis
Author and Presenter of BBC Tomorrow's World