



Worlington Pump

June / July 2022

Worlington Village Jubilee celebrations

When: 5th June 11:00am - 4:00pm

Where: Worlington recreation grounds

Bring your picnic and we will supply;

ice-creams, Sausage rolls, cakes, face painting,
bouncy castles, craft tables, games

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Children's competition for best decorated crown
(bring your own or make one with us)

Create a commemorative piece of pottery
with DKW's Ceramic in the village hall

cost applies

Thank you to;

Worlington Hall Hotel for kindly providing cakes and sausage
rolls.

Full bar and teas and coffee and games thanks to **Worlington
Cricket Club**

Bouncy castles thanks to **R & K castles**

Alan Marshall PC for -ice-creams

Revd's Reflections

Have you recently looked through a magnifying glass?

A couple of years ago I took my grandson to an activity centre for pond dipping. It was a grey day and very chilly but interesting. The 'grown-ups' got completely involved in the exercise and became as excited as the children in what they were able to find.

My first attempt at dragging the net through the water appeared to have brought up nothing but weed, but after focussing my eyes I could see small creatures wriggling in the water. My grandson and I identified all we could see and were then invited to place the insects in a special viewing container which magnified everything even further.

It was really incredible to see the captured insects so clearly, but even more amazing was the sight of hundreds (literally) of tiny microscopic water fleas and minute beetles that had not been visible to the naked eye (well not mine anyway!). It was fascinating to see such abundance in a very small amount of water - even more astonishing was the fact that under a more powerful magnifier we could have seen even more!

This experience gave me a different outlook and respect for the hidden world around me in a way that I had not done before. Even walking back to the car (just missing the rain!) I was absorbed in reflecting on what was being trod underfoot in the puddles!

I have always admired God's handiwork – the cleverness of season, harmony and new life, but how much more I wonder still remains to be noticed and praised!

My attention has been drawn to the book of Isaiah (chapter 40 v12) The Lord asks us to consider his handiwork - 'Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance?'

Rain or shine, the earth trembles with life, and we are the most precious of his creation. He has placed us in a most amazing world yet sometimes we are unable to see what is literally beneath our feet! As we, along with so many in our world, witness scenes of cruelty and destruction, see the devastation that famine, illness and drought brings, it's a struggle and great sadness to witness so much evil co-existing with life-giving beauty.

Let us be reminded that God desires so much more for us than what we see at the moment. We can be harbingers of hope – believing that God has not withdrawn from our world but is very much part of our lives and evident in those willing to see with his eyes and work for the transformed vision of others!

Revd Gill

All Saints Church Services

Sunday 5 th June	11:00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 19 th June	11:00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 3 rd July	11:00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 17 th July	11:00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 31 st July	9:30 am	Holy Communion (St. Mary's, Barton Mills)

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Bird Talk

With unseasonably warm days coming in April and much warmth in May as well spring seemed to me to arrive spectacularly and suddenly this year. For example our choisya shrub was its usual green unspectacular self and then within two days it was covered with its delightful startlingly white pompoms.

Likewise, the lime trees in the church yard had buds for ages then within a couple of days they were in full leaf which means I can't see the great tits and the blue tits en route for the feeders. Nor can I see the wrens that sometimes flit around the base of the tree nearest our kitchen window. But that is spring which, reassuringly, happens every year and the compensations well outweigh the disadvantages.

I say spring comes every year and so it does but there have been enormous changes in my lifetime. On the 27th of April 1947 scientists at Oxford University recorded the first egg laid by a great tit at their "living laboratory" in Wytham Woods. This year, only 75 years later and in the same place, they recorded the first great tit egg on the 28th of March – virtually a full calendar month earlier. There are complex reasons but the broad heading of climate change is the culprit.

What are we doing to our planet? If we can't heed this stark warning the long term future looks bleak indeed for our descendants and who will they blame? This is a strong reminder, were it needed, that we are collectively at fault for the harm being done and it is incumbent on each one of us to curtail bad practices and take personal responsibility for our actions.

I read a more light hearted report recently about bird behaviour. Scientists were studying the movements of a dozen magpies so attached minute geo-recorders to

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the middle of their backs where they couldn't peck them off. Within minutes the birds had removed them all from each other's backs. The scientific conclusion – the magpies are brighter than us!

Staying on bird behaviour. Other than one worrying gap of a few weeks there have always been blackbirds in our back garden. Starting in early January I got much amusement from the antics of two males who were competing for the territory. They had frequent chases and fluttering aerial fights that are really no more hand bag affairs but fun to watch. Usually the dominant bird wins and we have a male and female pair but this year they must have declared a draw so we have two pairs who seem to be living in harmony.

Perhaps the reason for the two pairs is that twice a day I put out dried meal worms which blackbirds love so there is plenty of easy food. Or it was easy to start with; I have mentioned before that starlings have for years nested in the putlocks on the south wall of the church tower and despite their decline they still do, and they also love the mealworms. As soon as I appear they are there – I am sure many of you have this experience with birds in your garden – and I am fascinated by how they get the timing right because my timing is variable. The robin, who used to come, has been crowded out but some sparrows brave the attention of the starling's big beaks.

I saw my first swallow on 9th April. I have now seen two and Ann Thornalley tells me there is a pair nesting in her barn with the horse so I imagine they are the two birds I see from time to time. But only two! – do two swallows make a summer? They have been sparse at this end of the village for years so I hope there are more in other parts of Worlington.



The swifts were a couple of days late on 9th May so it was a relief to see them. Two of the CCTV boxes have birds in them but there aren't that many flying around the tower yet so I do hope the numbers increase.



Friends in Mildenhall are excited because they have two pairs of swifts in two of the twelve boxes they put up last year which is really good going. By luck the occupied boxes have cameras so they are going to be kept well entertained this summer. They also have plenty of house martins building nests under the gutters of houses in their area. Last year a pair nested at the other end of Church Lane and it would be really nice if they developed into plenty.

I reported in the last issue that chaffinches and green finches had returned to our garden; but they were only fleeting visits and we haven't seen them since. However Jenny Cross has cheered me up by telling me they have many chaffinches on their feeders at the other end of the Lane.



Finally, if you go across the footbridge at The Staunch look out for a pair of grey wagtails which the ever reliable Miles Davies reports are nesting there.

Don MacBean

Peter Merrick

Peter Merrick, age 89, who with his wife and son had lived in Worlington for 39 years, died on Wednesday 18th May at West Suffolk Hospital after many weeks of illness.

His funeral will be at 11.30 on Thursday 9th June in All Saints Church, Worlington.

Concerts in Baton Mills Church

Sunday, 5th June, 3pm, Midnight Oil Jazz Quintet, £15 per person,

Friday, 15th July, 7.30pm, Felix Simpson and Terry Adams Band, £15 per person,
Tickets from Alan Butcher (01638 713534) or Liz Jarvis (01638 593728)

Proceeds to St Mary's, Barton Mills, Charitable Preservation Trust-

Sunday, 9th July, 7pm, Organ Recital by David Poulter, £10 per person.

Tickets from Frances Lewis (01638 713155) or Dave Traher (01638 718328).

Proceeds for St Mary's, Barton Mills, Church funds

Worlington Cricket Club

The cricket season is well underway and so far the weather has been kind to us.

The first team are challenging at the top of the table having sealed victory in all but one of their first six fixtures.

The second team have had another challenging start to the season gaining a single victory to date, but sit nicely in mid table in their league.

The ladies got their season off to a good start with victory over Haverhill and have been competing well taking part in both midweek and Sunday cricket for the club.

The youth section continues to go from strength to strength with 100 juniors of age ranges from 5 upwards turning up to practice and improve their skills, whilst most importantly having fun.

Food truck Fridays – after the success of the visit from Waffle & Co the club will host varying food trucks. All welcome please keep an eye on our social media channels for more details.

Are you a budding cricketer? We are always looking for new players of any ability to join our family friendly club. If you are interested then please pop along and have a go.

Volunteers wanted – the club will again be raising money for the East Anglian Air Ambulance over the August bank holiday. If you can spare an hour or two helping on the bar of BBQ please can you get in touch.

Our contact is worlingtonbeerfestival@gmail.com. We hope to see you all their enjoying yourselves and raising money for a good charity.

Enjoy the summer!

Matt Peachey



Swift Rehabilitation

Clare Scarff was trained in swift rehabilitation by the late Judith Wakelam – Feltwell 07773 226963. Clare is also on Facebook at Wildlife Lounge. She cares for many species and is happy to give advice.

Don MacBean



Tuesday Coffee Morning

All Saints' Church, Worlington

Tuesday 28th June, 10:30 am - 12:00 noon

Tuesday 26th July, 10:30 am - 12:00 noon

Join us for coffee and homemade biscuits. If you haven't been before, do join us and meet your friends and neighbours. We meet on the last Tuesday of each month.

We would love to see you!

Easter Flowers & Teas

What a treat to open the door of All Saints Church and be greeted by the sight of the porch decorated with spring flowers, bunting and even bunnies!

After the austere season of Lent, to be able to view the Church full of the most glorious blooms, tulips, daffodils, lilies and all that Spring has to offer, is such a wonderful treat. The scent too is just gorgeous!

In the afternoon, we held our Easter Teas with scrumptious cakes and teatime treats on offer. It was a lovely afternoon and the first time the Church had been open for such an event since lockdown which made it really special.

Lovely too seeing old friends and supporters stay and spend some time with us.

Our huge thanks too for bakers and for everyone who supported what we hope will be many more other events we used to have.

Ann and Val, on behalf of All Saints PCC



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Due to the Pandemic, we realise that many groups have been unable to meet for some time, therefore if your group is now in a position to meet again and you need assistance with any running costs associated with this, please contact the Clerk; worlingtonparishcouncil@live.com to apply for a donation.

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Next Parish Council Meeting
SUNNICA UPDATE / PLANNING
Thursday 16th June 2022 at 7:30pm

in the Village Hall - followed by the Village Hall Trustee meeting.

Agenda available on www.worlington.onesuffolk.net 5 days before the meeting.

If residents have any items they wish to be added to the agenda, please contact the Clerk no later than a week before the meeting date.

If residents have concerns or questions over any activities carried out by the Parish Council, please contact the Clerk TEL: 07712 232920 or email worlingtonparishcouncil@live.com, or alternatively contact the Chair, Nick Foster on 07495 764609.

Charity Quiz Night

Freckenham Village Hall
 In aid of Suffolk Refugee
 Support
 Friday 24th June 2022
 7.30pm

Free entry – bar open from 7pm
 Raffle prizes and donations welcome
 Teams of 6 maximum
 Booking essential as space is limited
 Contact Jacqui Burke on
 07770 477688 or Messenger



For information about the work of SRS visit
<https://suffolkrefugee.org.uk>

Date for copy for the next edition by: **Friday 22nd July**. Please send articles to Rob Garry (01638 715611) pump@worlington.org.uk or Ellen Clowes (01638 712043) ellen.clowes@btinternet.com. Thanks.



What's on in Freckenham June & July 2022

At last more things are happening in Freckenham! Various things to celebrate the Jubilee, anyone welcome to come along.

Friday 24th June Quiz Night in aid of Suffolk Refugee Support. Free entry, raffle prizes and donations welcome but booking essential as space limited, Jacqui Burke 07770 477688 or messenger. Max team of 6. Doors & bar open 7pm for 7.30pm.

Monthly Farmers Market with some Crafts 25th June. 10 – 12 noon, free entry, refreshments of bacon rolls, cakes & hot drinks in aid of hall funds. All our regular food stalls and varied range of craft stalls.

Chippenham Fen by Natural England Talk Friday 1st July doors & bar open 7pm, talk 7.30pm and then **Walk** Sunday 31st July, meet at village hall car park and car share, then back at hall for refreshments in aid of village hall funds details still being finalised.

Saturday 30th July Praise the Roof concert at St Andrew's Church, doors and bar open 6.30pm for 7pm start. Favourite hymns, interval then last night of Proms. Free entry but donations appreciated to Church upkeep.

Film Nights – need volunteers who want to be involved with this.

Weekly classes please keep looking at the Freckenham website, Facebook or phone V Hall mobile 07542 198 933 to ask what's coming up! **Table Tennis** has started back 7pm Tuesday evenings £3 a person text VH mobile 07542 198 933

<https://freckenham.suffolk.cloud/freckenham-village-hall/village-hall-weekly-events/>.

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