

# The Badwell Broadsheet

The newsletter of Badwell Ash Civic Parish, covering Badwell Ash, Long Thurlow & Badwell Green Issue #76 June 2020

## From the Parish Council Chair:

There is little I can write about this month as to what the Parish Council are doing, for like us all, we too are preoccupied with the effects of Coronavirus.

We are holding "virtual" meetings and using electronic communication to ensure any business can be carried out. This in order to protect both the Clerk and Council members.

That said any business that needs to be done is being carried out but in a safe manner.

Our long term plans are now on hold but will be started as soon as it is safe to do so.

Rest assured your interests and those within the Parish of Badwell Ash are being attended to wherever possible.

Keep well and stay safe.

*Clive Hawkins.*

*Chairman Badwell Ash Parish Council*

## From the Parish Clerk

Everything is still on hold or cancelled but the Parish Council has two vacancies.

The first is for a Parish Councillor in Badwell Ash and the second is for a street cleaner in Badwell Ash ( we found one for Long Thurlow). Details for both vacancies can be supplied by contacting me either on badwellashpc@outlook.com or 01359 259045.

*Carole*

## Covid Update

Suffolk looks to be on course for the sunniest spring since records began way back in 1929. According to the Met Office, we have enjoyed more than 642 hours of sunshine in the last three months - that's 34% above average. While enjoying the sunshine, and although the government is relaxing some lockdown measures, do still be careful of maintaining **social distancing**.

According to local sources there has been at least one Covid-19 death in Badwell Ash, and also deaths in Walsham and Elmswell.

**Crime** has not stopped because of lockdown – thefts from outbuildings are still occurring locally, with ride-on mowers being a particular favourite.

## Local Shops and Amenities Roundup:-

(Please note this is not a complete list)

**Brown Bins** The council has restarted its garden recycling bin collection service, which had been suspended. Previous collection days apply.

**Recycling Centres** in Suffolk have re-opened, but you need to book a time slot online to visit your local Recycling Centre as part of this phased re-opening. Go to [www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk/](http://www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk/)

**Bury St Edmunds market** is reopening Wednesdays and Saturdays, for food stalls only.

The market will have reduced opening times, from 9am until 2pm, and will adopt a new layout to ensure that social distancing is adhered to. Traders will also provide contactless payments where possible and will use hand sanitiser. The second and third phases will see other traders able to sell on the market and operating hours reviewed.

The latest guidelines seem to be saying that some other shops will be opening in the middle of June.

**The Apex** is starting to sell tickets for shows in 2021. Will Young, Fairport Convention, Crooners, Think Floyd, The Chicago Blues Brothers to name just a few. **The Theatre Royal** is being a bit more cautious and is consulting with the public over what they want. They have sent out a questionnaire and will make decisions following that.

**Thornham Walks** are opening again on June 1st. Some of the walks have paths that are very narrow in some places so choose your route carefully if you go.

**The White Horse** in Badwell is closed and no longer offering takeaway food.

**The Bull** at Bacton is offering takeaway food and alcohol. See their facebook page or phone 01449 781982 to order and find out what's on the menu each day.

**Rolfes the Butchers**, in Walsham is open, and also providing a 'click and collect' service via its website [www.rolfesbutchers.co.uk/](http://www.rolfesbutchers.co.uk/)

**Field of Dreams** in Thurston IP31 3RA is open Friday and Saturday 9am - 5pm, Sunday 9am until 3pm for fresh fruit, veggies, salad and plants. They are selling home grown strawberries for £3.50 a punnet. They also deliver veg boxes.

**Wyken Vineyards Farmers Market** is open for collecting pre-ordered food, plants, seeds etc on Saturday mornings 9-11am. Find out which stalls are offering what, and how to preorder at their facebook page.

Wyken Hall is also opening its **gardens** for free Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays & Sundays 2-5pm

**Hillcrest Nursery and Farm Shop** in Stanton have extended their opening hours.

Mon-Friday: 9am-5.30pm

Saturday: 9am-5.30pm

Sunday: 10am- 4.30pm

Customers who want to go to the plant nursery do need to go into though the farm shop.

Only 1 person per household in the farm shop, and a maximum of 2 in the nursery.



**RE-OPENING**  
SHOPPING BY  
APPOINTMENT ONLY

Appointments - Monday-Saturday 9am-5pm  
CLOSED Sundays to restock

**BOOK YOUR TIMED SLOT ONLINE NOW**  
[www.woolpitnurseries.co.uk](http://www.woolpitnurseries.co.uk)

AS WE HAVE LIMITED SLOTS PLEASE COME TO BUY, NOT TO BROWSE

In order to keep you and our staff safe we have the following systems in place:

- Timed slots available, book online  
Please ONLY come if you have a confirmed time slot
- A STRICT ONE WAY SYSTEM
- 3 metre distance markers
- Hand sanitiser
- Trolley disinfectant
- Perspex guards at the tills

Please download our greenhouse map to plan your visit before you arrive

Thank you for your understanding

Old Stowmarket Road, Woolpit, Suffolk, IP30 9QS

**Clarkes** of Walsham will be open on a restricted basis. Delivery services are operating as normal to all customers. Phone the sales department on 01359 259259 or visit the website [www.clarkesofwalsham.co.uk](http://www.clarkesofwalsham.co.uk)

Collections from the Trade Counter are only available to Trade Customers on a prepaid basis.

The Equestrian, Feed and Garden store is for prepaid collections only. Please telephone 01359 257451 to place your order.

The Country Store is scheduled to reopen June 1st.

**Lawes**, at Bacton, is open for deliveries only. Email orders to [sales@jlawes.co.uk](mailto:sales@jlawes.co.uk). The EmZo café remains closed.

## **Hexagon Newsletter online only**

Due to printing and distribution problems at this time the church newsletter's June issue will only be available online. Find it on the Badwell Ash website on the Church page: [badwellash.onesuffolk.net/st-mary-s-church/](http://badwellash.onesuffolk.net/st-mary-s-church/)

## **Proposed New Cemetery at Badwell**

The existing cemetery in Richer Road was opened over 150 years ago and has now almost run out of space for burials. There are just seven plots left. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) decided that despite people's preferences to be cremated nowadays, that there will always be a demand for burials and therefore, there was a need to find land suitable for another cemetery. A proposal to re-use of the older part of The Richer Road cemetery was rejected by The Diocese and therefore it was necessary to try and find a suitable alternative.

A plot of land off The Broadway was generously offered to the PCC by Richard Pratt. Richard offered this land to the PCC free of charge subject to the PCC obtaining planning consent for its use as a cemetery. A planning application was submitted to Mid-Suffolk District Council in August 2019 but, unfortunately, this was rejected as the Council required a traffic survey and further environmental information on the suitability of the use of the land before they would consider granting consent. Subsequently, to comply with the council's requirements a detailed environmental report and a traffic survey was commissioned by the PCC and submitted to Mid-Suffolk together with a re-submitted planning application and we are pleased to advise that, as a result, full planning consent was granted by the council on the 1<sup>st</sup> May. The planning consent is subject to a number of Conditions which will have to be satisfied before any work to create a burial ground can start on site. These include an archaeological evaluation of the site, a further environmental study, landscaping, car parking and a new vehicle access off the Broadway. The cost of all this work will all have to be met by the PCC as the Parish Council have decided, to date, not to provide any financial support. Additionally, due to the coronavirus lockdown, all fund raising has had to be abandoned so, unfortunately, the provision of this village facility will inevitably be delayed.

*St. Mary's PCC*

## War Memorials

At the end of WWI, it was decided to honour the men from this village who had fallen with a war memorial which took the form of a stained glass window, the east window in the side chapel. There is also a brass plaque which identifies each of the fourteen men who died during the Great War. The inscription on the plaque says:

*“To the Glory of God this window was presented by The Parishioners in Proud and Loving Memory of the Men of Badwell Ash who gave their lives in The Great War 1914-1918.”*

- 1914 Herbert Gardner, Kings Royal Rifles.  
1915 Albert Muskett, 1st Suffolk Regiment.  
Harry W. Symonds, 2nd Suffolk Regiment.  
1916 George S. Buckle, 8th E Surrey Regiment.  
1917 William Nice, 8th East Surrey Regiment  
Walter Wilding, 25<sup>th</sup> Northumberland Fusiliers.  
William E. Largent, 8th East Surrey Regiment.  
Arthur E. Boughton, 6<sup>th</sup> Bedfordshire Regiment.  
Leslie H. S. Symonds, Royal Flying Corps.  
1918 John Nice, 7th Suffolk Regiment.  
Robert E. Dewing D.S.O., Royal Engineers.  
Arthur E. Rose, 6<sup>th</sup> Northampton Regiment  
Ernest Redit, Royal Field Artillery.  
Frederick A. Wilding, 7th Suffolk Regiment.

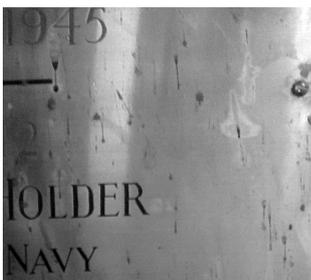
More details of these men and all those who came from the village and who fought in WWI can be found on the Badwell Ash History Website at <http://www.badwellashheritage.co.uk/badwell-ash-history/the-first-world-war-1914-1918/>

At the end of the Second World War a second brass plaque was erected to commemorate the three men who lost their lives between 1939 and 1945;

Leslie Holder – Royal Navy  
John Smith – Royal Air Force  
Charles Blackburn – Royal Army Service Corps.

Details of these men can also be found on the Badwell Ash History Website at [www.badwellashheritage.co.uk/badwell-ash-history/men-who-fought-in-world-war-ii-who-came-from-badwell-ash/](http://www.badwellashheritage.co.uk/badwell-ash-history/men-who-fought-in-world-war-ii-who-came-from-badwell-ash/)

Since they were erected in the church, the two brass plaques have become badly disfigured as a result of the church's resident bats which are protected by law. A recent bat survey by The Bat Conservation Trust confirmed that the church is home to Pipistrelle, Long eared, Serotine and Natterer's



bats. Unfortunately, bat urine is very corrosive and this has etched into the brass of the two plaques causing serious disfigurement and damage. The PCC therefore sought to restore the plaques and, once restored to protect them from the bats. A detailed survey of the plaques was carried out by the Diocesan Brass Adviser and a quote to restore the two plaques was obtained from a conservator. At the same time, the PCC applied for grants to assist with the cost of the restoration and the PCC has now been awarded two grants totalling some 90% of the cost of restoration. However, there is a 10% or £250 shortfall and the PCC is looking for further donations to make up the shortfall.

If anyone is interested in helping the PCC by making a donation towards the balance of the cost of this work, however large or small, would they please contact Howard Newman, Treasurer, St. Mary's PCC Tel: 07770 400349 or email [howardandrew1949@gmail.com](mailto:howardandrew1949@gmail.com). Thank you.

*St. Mary's PCC*

## Badwell Ash History Society Spring 2020

We hope that all are keeping safe and well during these uncharted times.

As many of you will still be confined to home we wanted to let you know that we have been slowly adding new topics to our website so do please keep checking from time to time, if you are interested.

The latest articles relate to The Great Fire of Badwell Ash in 1723 and a history of Badwell Ash Windmill. [www.badwellashheritage.co.uk/](http://www.badwellashheritage.co.uk/)

The Suffolk Archives have recently updated their website as they have now moved to their purpose built premises on the Ipswich Waterfront, The Hold, albeit that it is temporarily closed at the moment due to coronavirus. Their website address is [www.suffolkarchives.co.uk/the\\_hold/](http://www.suffolkarchives.co.uk/the_hold/) and if you're interested in the documents they hold on Badwell Ash, simply type in "Badwell Ash" in the search bar. The National Archive at Kew in London, [www.discovery.nationalarchives.gov.uk/](http://www.discovery.nationalarchives.gov.uk/) is also temporarily closed but is always adding further articles which might be of interest to some of you.

Wishing you all good health and safety.

*Pat  
Chair, BAHS*

## Great Ashfield & Badwell Ash WI

We are all getting used to the lockdown and feeling very lucky that we live where we do. We are in touch with our members by way of a monthly Newsletter and we are all in regular contact via email plus we occasionally bump into our members whilst out exercising. The Suffolk West Federation also sends out to us a fortnightly online newsletter called Hive which covers all the WI's in their federation. These publications contain information, ideas of things to make and do and ways of helping others in our community.

Unfortunately due to the Coronavirus all our meetings have been cancelled for the foreseeable future. We will keep appraising the situation as things change with the Governments directives.

Like everybody else we will all try to help others where and when we are able to. Hopefully it will not be too long before we can all meet up again.

I urge you all to Keep Safe and Well or as Boris has now said – Stay Alert.

My best wishes to all.

*Midge Hawkins – President*



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During this difficult time, OneLife Suffolk are here to support you by offering our FREE services in the safety of your own home. Our dedicated teams can help you stop smoking, offer advice and support with managing your weight along with how to get active safely during this time. Our Children's team are also running a fun, informative programme for all children in Suffolk to participate in, which includes free webinars accessible from our website.

Please see our website, [www.onelifesuffolk.co.uk](http://www.onelifesuffolk.co.uk) for more information about how we can support you and your family, alternatively speak to a member of our Client Services Team on 01473 718193.

**The Badwell Broadsheet** is funded by Badwell Ash Parish Council. Articles, information about local events, notices and feedback are welcomed. For any of the above, please contact the editor Sarah Brown on 259625 or email [badwellash@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:badwellash@hotmail.co.uk). Next Deadline: July 19<sup>TH</sup> 2020

**We can't print what we don't know about.**

## Wash your hands of coronavirus scams!

Friends Against Scams aims to protect and prevent people from becoming victims of scams.

### STOP. Be aware of people offering or selling:

- Virus testing kits
- Vaccines or miracle cures – there is currently no vaccine or cure.
- Overpriced or fake goods to protect yourself from coronavirus such as anti-bacterial products.
- Shopping or medication collection services.
- Home decontamination services.

### CHALLENGE. Question communications and encourage others to do the same.

- Don't be rushed into making a decision. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.
- Only purchase goods and services from legitimate retailers and take a moment to think before parting with money or personal information.
- Don't assume everyone is genuine. It's okay to reject, refuse or ignore any requests. Only criminals will try to rush or panic you. If in doubt, speak to someone you trust.
- If someone claims to represent a charity, ask them for ID. Be suspicious of requests for money up front. If someone attempts to pressurise you into accepting a service they are unlikely to be genuine. Check with family and friends before accepting offers of help if you are unsure.

Be a good Friend, help to protect your family, friends and neighbours from scams.

**Read it.  
Share it.  
Prevent it.**

#ScamAware  
#Coronavirus



### PROTECT. Contact:

If you think you have been scammed, contact your bank first.  
For advice on scams, call the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on 0808 223 11 33.

To report a scam, call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040.

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Scams Team

To learn more about different types of scams, visit: [www.FriendsAgainstScams.org.uk](http://www.FriendsAgainstScams.org.uk)