



The Broadsheet

The newsletter for Badwell Ash, Badwell Green and Long Thurlow

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A Special Thanks

The Parish Council would like to thank the Baalham, Flack and Kelly families for all the D-day decorations around the village this year.

They'd also like to thank Major Mark Saunders, Captain Dave Granger, Will Rogers, and Rev. Catriona Brinkley for their contribution to the village Remembrance Day Services on Sunday 9 November.

Thank you to everyone who attended the church service and Remembrance service.



Working together

Exciting Projects Underway Following Survey Results

The Parish is pleased to announce that our Community Survey Report is now complete and available for public viewing on our website. The results of the survey have been instrumental in shaping our community's future.

In a landmark collaboration, a new Community Working Group has been formed, bringing together representatives from the Church, the Village Hall, and the Parish Council.

This momentous partnership, a first of its kind for these three key community players, is dedicated to fulfilling the wishes of the Parish as expressed in the survey.

Our initial focus is on several major projects:

- **Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA):** The Working Group is actively seeking grant funding for this project. To address community feedback, a revised planning application will be submitted to reduce the size of the MUGA and increase its distance from nearby homes.
- **Village Hall Expansion:** Building on the previous excellent work of the Village Hall Committee, we are moving forward with the production of architects' plans for structural changes to enlarge the hall's footprint, allowing for the creation of new amenities that the



community requested, such as sports/function hall, an industrial kitchen, and a café/bar.

This is an incredibly exciting time for our community, and the Working Group is diligently working to bring these wonderful projects to life for everyone to enjoy. We will provide further updates on our progress in future communications.

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From the Parish Council

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Green ConneXtions

Practical Action for Parish Wildlife

A new, informal group of local volunteers, Green ConneXtions, was formed with a mission to carry out "practical stuff" to enhance wildlife across our Parish. Here's a quick update on their recent activities and how you can get involved.



Stream Clearing at 'Toad Crossing'

Working in collaboration with Suffolk Highways, volunteers have been busy cutting back brambles along one side of the stream at the 'Toad Crossing' on Hunston Road. The goal is to prevent

the stream from becoming overgrown and increase biodiversity in the area.

Building New Homes for Birds

Another project underway involves the construction of new bird boxes. Green ConneXtions kindly received from TMJ Interiors a donation of bird box kits, and the completed boxes will soon be placed in public areas around the Parish, providing vital nesting spots for local birds.

Get Involved: Upcoming RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch

Mark your calendars for January! Green ConneXtions encourages all residents to participate in the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch in the New Year. This annual event is a great way to contribute to national conservation efforts.

The Birdwatch takes place 23 - 25 January 2026.

If you want to get involved with any of the Green ConneXtions Projects then email the Parish Clerk at Badwellashpc@outlook.com



EV Charging

Powering Up Badwell Ash: Your Voice is Needed for EV Charging

We're happy to share that Badwell Ash has secured central government funding to install a limited number of on-street electric vehicle (EV) charging points around the village.

To make the most of this opportunity, we need your input! Your local knowledge will help us choose

locations that are practical, accessible, and beneficial to the whole community.

We'd love to hear:

- Where would an EV charger be most helpful to you?
- Are there spots with regular parking that could support a charger?
- Do you have suggestions based on accessibility, visibility, or safety?

Whether you're already driving electric or simply planning for the future, your feedback will help us build a more sustainable and forward-thinking Badwell Ash

Share your ideas with the Parish Clerk: badwellashpc@outlook.com

Let's power up our village—together.

Community Self-Help

New Community Self-Help Scheme to Tidy Up Badwell Ash and Long Thurlow

Badwell Ash and Long Thurlow residents are urged to volunteer for a new Community Self-Help Scheme aimed at improving the parish's appearance and safety.

Supported by Suffolk Highways, the initiative is designed to tackle various maintenance tasks around the villages.

By the end of November, three qualified volunteer Highways Rangers will be in place to supervise community volunteers on essential jobs, including:

- Clearing overgrown footpaths and verges.
- Cleaning and ensuring road signs are visible.
- Grass cutting and weed clearance.

Trimming hedges and painting street furniture.

This is a direct opportunity for residents to make a tangible difference in their local area.

How to get Involved

Residents interested in becoming a community volunteer are asked to contact the Parish Clerk by emailing badwellashpc@outlook.com

Community Volunteers Needed

Community Volunteers Needed to Boost Emergency Preparedness

Badwell Ash and Long Thurlow are calling for residents to sign up as volunteers to help strengthen the villages' Community Contingency Plans against severe weather, emergencies, and unexpected challenges.

The Parish Council is working to build a more resilient and connected community, and is asking for local support to ensure everyone is prepared to help one another when the need arises.

Volunteers are needed for a range of tasks, and even a small commitment of time can make a significant difference.

Ways you can help include:

- Checking in on vulnerable neighbours.
- Coordinating local resources.
- Assisting with community communication.
- Sharing specific skills, such as first aid, 4x4 driving capability, or radio

and digital communications expertise.

Even if you can only spare an hour of your time, or simply want to be on a contact list to offer help, the Parish Council urges you to get in touch.

How to Volunteer

If you are interested in helping to make Badwell Ash and Long Thurlow better prepared, please email the Parish Clerk at badwellashpc@outlook.com to express your interest and learn more about the scheme.

Discover more...

To gain a full picture of the Badwell Ash Parish Council's projects and future plans, including detailed information about the new Community Self-Help Scheme, visit their official website: <https://badwellash.suffolk.cloud/>.

The site is the best resource for

reading the latest edition of the Broadsheet, minutes of meetings, and important local updates. Whether you're curious about local governance, neighbourhood planning, or simply want to stay informed about community life, the website is your go-to source.

If you are inspired to take part in the Community Self-Help Scheme or any other initiative mentioned in the Broadsheet, please contact the Parish Clerk directly via email: badwellashpc@outlook.com. Get involved and help make a tangible difference in Badwell Ash and Long Thurlow!

Great Ashfield & Badwell Ash WI

Midge Hawkins - 01359 259399

That time of year has nearly arrived! The weather has been fairly kind to us, considering what other countries have been enduring and we hope that you have enjoyed a good year.

9 October 2025 – Our speaker, Pip Wright, spoke about Witches in and around Suffolk. Just in time for Halloween! Records go back to the middle of the 15th century of people predicting the future who came to be called witches, even though there was no law against it. Later that century, a new law was brought in by James I, and many were hanged. Matthew Hopkins is the name we have all heard of. A vicar's son, who took it upon himself to wage war against witches. It was a fascinating talk.

18 October 2025 – Coffee Morning & Craft Stalls. We had a successful morning, even though attendance was down.

23 October 2025 - One of our members, Sue Monaghan, was chosen to be a model for a Fashion Show organised by the South West Federation WI. All the fashions came from ICE in Ixworth. The show was well attended.

13 November 2025 – Evening meeting at 7.30pm. Our speaker was Lynda Brignall, who spoke about her 42 years as a Midwife. Her talk went back to biblical times to the present day. Many centuries ago, there were no proper midwives. They were women who were called upon in the community to help others give birth. They were often healers, and when things went wrong at the birth, these women started to be called witches, and many suffered because of this. Today, a Midwife is very experienced and their training is extensive. An extremely interesting talk.

Our next three meetings – all listed below – are to be held in the Lord Thurlow Hall at Great Ashfield at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated. Our meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month. Afternoon meetings are held in the months of December, January and February each year and are from 2.30 to 4.30pm.

11 December 2025 – Afternoon Meeting. Christmas Dinner and our speaker is Mike Wabe, talking about Father Christmas Myths & Mistletoe. This is a members-only meeting.

8th January 2026 – Afternoon Meeting 2.30pm in the Lord Thurlow Hall, Great Ashfield, and our speaker is Michelle Freeman from Crafty Foxes. Michelle's motto is 'if you have time for a crafty coffee, then you have time to make wonderful items to befit your home or as a gift'.

12th February 2026 – Afternoon Meeting at 2.30pm. This is a members' meeting and we hope to have a member of SARS with us talking about Life Saving Techniques.

We would welcome any new members to join us. We are not a huge group, but a very friendly one, and we invite you to come and see what we are all about. All new visitors have 1 free meeting and then pay £3 for each of the next 2 meetings before deciding whether or not to join. This includes a raffle ticket and refreshments. Please feel free to ring me for any further information on 01359 259399.

Wishing you all the compliments of The Season and a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Village Hall update

Clive Hawkins - Chairman of Trustees



Since the last article about the Village Hall, more improvements have taken place. This time it's to the long-overdue installation of a new heating system in the larger of the two halls. A system that's more efficient and cost-saving, whilst adding to the green footprint, bringing extra benefit for all users and the community.

Our thanks go to our funders for their further support in this latest development.

This installation completes our five-year plan to restore the Village Hall to being an attractive, viable village facility for everyone's benefit. Benefits that have already seen increased use and hiring.

Last month's wine tasting evening went down well, no pun intended. Well attended and enjoyed by all, the event raised £674 for the hall's charity. Our thanks go to our sponsors, Mulberry Homes and Suffolk Green Punch; the raffle prize donors, and, of course, to everyone who attended.



no doubt enjoyed by many. More on this next time.

What next, we hear you ask? A Quiz Night on Friday 23rd January, another with a little difference. This time with Jacket Potatoes plus toppings, what better on a cold January night? Tickets are £12 including a potato and £5 without. Early booking advised to avoid disappointment. Go to our email address - badwellashvh@btinternet.com.

Keep a lookout for more events in the New Year and further news about the Village Hall by visiting our website, going to our Facebook page or contacting us at badwellashvh@btinternet.com.

In closing, the Trustees of the Village Hall thank you for your continued support and wish you all a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

By the time the next issue of the Broadsheet is read, our Christmas Fayre will have taken place and will be

Carpet Bowls

Clive Hawkins

With the new heating in the large village hall, the members of the Bowls Club look forward to the more comfortable environment in which to both play and socialise.

Having been unable to attract any new club members, we have had to withdraw from the Bury League Cup and, more recently, regrettably, also from the Bury League competition for the same reason. The rules require us

which we have been unable to do. That said, our Tuesday club nights continue.

We obviously still seek new members, and with a view to attracting more, we are to hold an open afternoon on **Saturday, 24th January, from 2pm until 4pm.**

All are welcome to find out about the game and give it a go. Tuition will be

given. Please come and give it a try; it could be the game for you.

Any enquiries or questions, contact Clive on 01359 259399 or email clive@agenthawkins.plus.com

A reminder that the club will not be open on Tuesday, 23rd and 30th December.

Catch the Simonds bus to Bury St Edmunds!
Your easy link to the Wednesday market day!

Show your concessionary bus pass, and travel on the 10.15am 73 bus to Bury FREE!!

Badwell Ash Running Club

Hi, we're Sasha, Keeley, Beth, Katie & Liam, and we started Badwell Ash Run Club to help people get moving, feel good, and enjoy some time outdoors whilst bringing the community together. Running or walking with others is such a great way to lift your mood, boost your energy, feel motivated and make new friends. It isn't about how fast or far you go. It's about showing up for yourself, feeling good and enjoying the company along the way.

It's hard to believe it's already been nearly two months since we started the club. We never expected more than 15 people to be interested, yet our group has grown to over 140 members, with more than 20 people joining us at each run. A huge thank you to everyone who has come along so far. Your energy, enthusiasm, and support have made our first couple of months such a success. We are incredibly grateful, and we can't wait to see what the future brings.

Our runs are completely free to join and open to everyone, no matter your pace, age, or experience. Dogs, children, and buggies are always welcome too. Some people come for the exercise, others for the chat, but most importantly, everyone leaves with a smile. We usually meet at the village hall bus stop sign for our group runs, to head out for relaxed, road, mixed and trail routes around Badwell Ash and the surrounding lanes.

You can join our Facebook group, Badwell Ash Run Club, to keep up with event details and updates, and to be part of our lovely online community. It's a great place to share your runs, post photos & your wins, get

support and stay connected between our meet-ups.

If you've been thinking about getting more active, meeting new people, or just trying something different, come along and join us! Bring a friend, bring the energy, we're a friendly bunch. You'll always be welcome.



The Badwell Ash History Society

Catherine Walsh – info@badwellashheritage.co.uk

History Exhibition 2025 and why recording our past is important.

On Saturday, 11 October 2025, the history society held its annual exhibition in St Mary's church. In this village, we are incredibly lucky to still have our recorder books, which give a snapshot of the social history of the time, recording house prices, school events, weddings, local businesses, and much more, spanning from 1960 to the early 2000s. These records and are always a source of fascination, hilarity and much conversation. This year was no exception. The role of the village recorder in this format may have disappeared, but we are still recording life in this village through The Broadsheet and Hexagon magazines, and this year they were all on display, charting social history in Badwell Ash from 1960 to the present day.

So why is recording our past important? Everything we do as human beings is a record of the here and now. If you were one of the brave souls who took a trip up the tower of our Grade 1 listed medieval church up the tiny spiral staircase with only a head torch

to light your way, then the tightrope like narrow ledge across the top of the bells and finally the wooden step ladder and through the tap door out onto the landing at the top of the tower where you were rewarded with a panoramic view as far as the eye can see. The village boundary and how our village has grown and diversified over the generations is clear to see.

This theme was reflected in the other exhibits, including video footage of a summer fete and party from the early 1940s, the village pram race in the 1980s, and footage of the restoration of the church clock over the last 15 years. New this year was a tithe map from 1838, and why Richer Road is named after Thomas Richer, who was listed in the 1841 census as 'an independent' who lived in Parkers Farmhouse, setting up a charity for the poor of the village, also serving as a magistrate and church warden. Also, on display were the farm accounts from Shakerland Hall, ranging from 1908 to the 1950s, giving a fascinating insight to life on a farm, from how

many animals were kept to what crops were grown and what things cost. Other exhibits included Roman coins and the Badwell brooch found by local landowners. The brooch may be part of the find of Saxon pottery now on display at Ipswich Museum and excavated by Basil Brown of Sutton Hoo fame during the 1930s.

Lastly, there was an exhibition about the old school in Richer Road, which closed in 1970 when a new school was built on The Street. If anyone has any memories, information, or stories about the old school, please contact us via the website badwellashheritage.co.uk or our Facebook page. We would love to hear from you.

Badwell Ash History Society is a group of individuals interested in the history of our village. If you, too, are interested and would like to find out more, please come along to our next meeting on Tuesday, 13 January 2026, at the White Horse pub at 7pm.

St Nicholas Hospice

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St Nicholas
Hospice Care

Local hospice invites community to Light Up a Life remembrance events this autumn.

St Nicholas Hospice Care is once again inviting people across West Suffolk and Thetford to come together for its annual Light Up a Life remembrance events, offering a meaningful way to remember those they miss during the festive season.

This year's events will be held at local churches across the area, including Sudbury, Newmarket, Bury St Edmunds, Lavenham, Thetford, Haverhill, and Mildenhall, with services starting in late November and continuing throughout December.

Each gathering will feature music, readings, and moments of reflection, providing comfort and connection for all who attend.

The hospice warmly welcomes everyone, whether or not they have a direct connection to St Nicholas Hospice Care. As in previous years, attendees are invited to have the

names of those they wish to remember read aloud during the event. Names can be submitted via the hospice's website.

To find your nearest event, submit a name for remembrance, or make a dedication online, please visit www.stnicholashospice.org.uk/lightupalife or call the charity's Supporter Care Team on 01284 715566.

St Nicholas Hospice Care provides compassionate support for people living with dying, death, and grief throughout West Suffolk and Thetford. The charity relies on the generosity of the local community to continue its vital work.

Light Up a Life

2025: dates, times and venues:

- Bury St Edmunds: St Mary's Church, IP33 1RT on December 7 at 4.30pm
- Mildenhall: King's Church, IP28 7EF on December 9 at 7pm
- Newmarket: All Saints Church, CB8 8ES on December 11 at 7pm
- Haverhill: St Mary's Church, CB9 8AX on December 13 at 3pm
- Bury St Edmunds: St Nicholas Hospice Care, Hardwick Lane, IP33 2QY on December 14 at 3.30pm (booking required).



Citizen's Advice

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Mid Suffolk

With it coming up to Christmas, I want to do more shopping online, but there have been things in the news about delivery problems. I'm worried about not receiving things on time or packages being lost. What should I do if my parcel goes missing?

When you're online shopping, it's not always clear who to contact if things go wrong.

As a customer, your contract is with the seller from whom you bought the item from. It's the seller's responsibility to make sure the item is delivered to you. They should chase the courier to find out what happened to your order if there's a problem.

If your parcel hasn't arrived:

- Check the delivery address you gave the seller, to make sure it's correct.
- Then contact the seller and ask where your order is.

- If the seller claims they've delivered it or doesn't know where it is, you can ask for a redelivery. You might be able to get a refund in some circumstances where the delivery time was essential, and you let the seller know ahead of time.

Under the Consumer Rights Act 2015, you can ask the seller to deliver the item to you again if the item wasn't delivered either by an agreed date, or within a reasonable time - usually within 30 days. If the new delivery fails to come within a reasonable time, you can ask the seller for a refund.

Another problem people face is when parcels get left in different places, for example, outside or with a neighbour.

If your item was delivered by Royal Mail:

- And they left your package with a neighbour or in a certain place because you told them to, it's not

the seller or Royal Mail's responsibility if it gets lost.

- If they leave it somewhere you hadn't instructed, it's the seller's responsibility if it gets lost. You should contact the seller to ask for a redelivery or a refund.

If the item was delivered by a courier:

- Check your terms and conditions or account details - they might include other places for delivery, like your porch or a neighbour's house. If you agreed to them, it's not the seller's or the courier's responsibility if your order goes missing. However, if you did not agree to this, then it's the seller's responsibility if your order goes missing.

If you ordered something from a private seller or you're still having trouble after trying the tips above, you can find out more via the Citizens Advice website at <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/>.

Reorganisation of you local councils

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As I have written previously in this magazine, the central government, in its wisdom, has decided to shake up local government. This is taking two forms: devolution (which will result in a mayor for Norfolk and Suffolk being elected next May) and also reorganisation of the current two tiers of councils into unitary authorities, each delivering all council services for an area. Ultimately, this may be beneficial, but change is disruptive, and we will have to go through some pain before we gain. Other parts of the country have already gone through this process, but now East Anglia is in the spotlight for reorganisation.

Over the last few months, two proposals have emerged for reorganisation in Suffolk: 'One Suffolk' - A single unitary council for the whole county, which would combine all the

services of the current district, borough and county into one 'mega-council' serving all 760,000 people who live here.

The alternative proposal is to divide the area into three smaller councils, one based around Ipswich, one for Bury St Edmunds and the west of the county, and one for the central and eastern part, which would include these villages. This proposal, 'Suffolk to the power of three', is the one I have been involved in developing.

It retains the 'local' in local government and seems to be much more popular with residents than a single council. There won't be a referendum on these plans - ultimately, the minister for local government will decide between the two different proposals. However, there will be a consultation process on

the two plans, which is already likely to have started by the time you read this. Whilst the reorganisation of councils may be of marginal interest to most people, councils provide a host of services that people rely on and appreciate: housing, planning, adult social care, highways, environmental health, home-to-school transport, and many more. So, can I encourage you to take part in the consultation? It will be well publicised and only take a few minutes of your time. Your input could make the difference in persuading the minister to make the right choice.

In the meantime, I remain your County Councillor until the elections expected next May. If you need help with anything related to the county's services, please get in touch.

Green Dilemmas - Biodiversity Net Gain

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In the UK, biodiversity has declined significantly over the last few decades, with England becoming one of the most nature-depleted nations in Europe. In February 2024, the Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) legislation was introduced to try to address the impact of development on wildlife.

The idea is to try to ensure an overall improvement to habitats for wildlife when a new development takes place. Developers are legally required to achieve a minimum 110% BNG (120% in Mid Suffolk).

Ecologists have come up with a way of 'scoring' land where development is being planned as follows:

- Size - the land area in hectares
- Distinctiveness - the area is categorised into one or more habitat types from a possible list of about 130 types (based on the

geology and flora), and each habitat type has a score according to its rarity.

- Condition - a score is assigned based on whether the condition of the land is poor, moderate or good.
- Strategic significance - if the land is part of the local area nature recovery strategy, the score is uplifted.

In addition, there is a separate scoring process for hedgerows and water courses.

The land is given an overall 'biodiversity units' score by multiplying all these factors together. Arable land has a relatively low distinctiveness score and will tend to attract a low biodiversity units score. This type of land is some of the most nature-depleted non-brownfield land.

The developer must now show how they will achieve a 120% increase in this score. The simplest way for developers to fulfil their BNG requirements is to create habitat on-site within the boundary of the proposed development. Where this is not possible, the main alternative is to buy units from registered off-site habitat banks.

Most wildlife organisations, like Suffolk Wildlife Trust, believe that, when done well, BNG should help to mitigate the impact of development on wildlife.

There are, however, concerns about how the process may work in practice. One concern is that we may lose unique elements of on-site habitats, such as a toad migration site, only to be replaced by lower-quality habitats elsewhere. Another concern is that whilst larger off-site habitats might be beneficial, there is a danger that certain areas become built up without any local biodiversity provision.

There are also worries about the government wanting to water down the legislation. A recent consultation proposes removing BNG requirements for smaller sites, potentially affecting the vast majority of new developments. There is also new planning legislation currently going through parliament, which will weaken protection for nature.

BNG is potentially an important tool for protecting wildlife. Like a lot of well-meaning legislation, the devil is in the details, and citizens will need to play their part in making sure the process is monitored and effective.

Recipe - Festive Mini Pork & Black Pudding Pies

Jungle Gym - tips for surviving in the urban jungle.

Hi Jungle Gym here...

As autumn arrives, with longer nights and chilly evenings, what better way to survive in the jungle than spending time with friends and loved ones, keeping warm and celebrating together..

Try my festive mini pork & black pudding pies...

Ingredients:



Pastry

250g plain flour
125g suet
75g mixed seeds
3 teaspoons garlic powder
2 large eggs
1 teaspoon ground pepper
1 teaspoon salt
2-3 teaspoons of water
1 egg for glaze
Nigella seeds

Butter spread for greasing a 12x cupcake tin.

Filling

100g sausage meat
100g black pudding

50g diced onion
25g caramelised onion chutney

Equipment:

Food mixer
Wooden spoon
Bun tin x12
Cling film for pastry
Large and small pastry cutting rings
Rolling pin
Scales
Mixing bowls

Recipe:

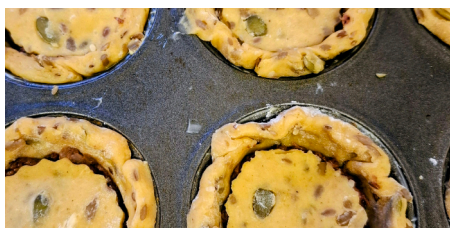
Pastry:

- Add the flour, suet, mixed seeds, garlic powder, salt, and pepper to the mixer bowl.
- Whizz together until combined. Slowly add the eggs until the mixture comes together.
- Add additional water to ensure the pastry is pliable.
- Remove from the bowl, wrap in Cling film, and cool in the fridge.

Filling:

- Add sausage meat, black pudding, onion, and caramelised onion chutney to the mixer bowl. Whizz together until evenly blended.

Constructing and cooking the pies:



- Turn the oven on. Grease the 12x cupcake tin with the butter spread. Remove the pastry from the fridge and place it on a floured kitchen worktop.
- Roll out until you achieve a pastry thickness of about 1.5mm.
- Using a large cutter (99mm), make 12 circles of pastry. Arrange each piece in a buttered cupcake tray..
- In addition, make 12 more discs using a 30mm cutter.
- Place a large teaspoon of the mixture into each pie. Then, arrange a small pastry circle on top of each pie.
- Bring the edges of the pastry together over the small pastry piece. Arrange the pies so they are completely covered.



- Wash the pastry with an egg wash. Sprinkle with Nigella seeds, and place in an oven at 200°C or fan 180°C for 15 - 18 minutes, until golden brown.
- Remove from the tin and place on a cooling rack for 15 minutes.

Then indulge yourself in a hearty festive snack.

Haughley Hoofers - North west clog dancers

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We're your locally based team of North West Clog Dancers.

We warmly invite you to come along to our **free** taster afternoon on Sunday, 25th January. We will be welcoming you into Haughley Village Hall, IP14 3NS, between 2.30 pm and 4.30 pm to join us in learning a couple of North West Clog dances. You don't need to have any previous experience. All you need is a pair of trainers on your feet and the wish to get a little regular exercise. There'll be a relaxing break halfway through, where we can get to

know each other better over tea, coffee and homemade cakes.

Dancing is good for us, offering mental, physical and emotional health benefits. It provides an enjoyable way of exercising in a social environment, helps our balance and improves our memory.

Throughout the cold winter months, we meet for an hour and a half every Sunday evening to practice. Meeting regularly gives us the opportunity to form close friendships.

If you eventually feel confident enough, you may like to join us in giving displays during the year at dance festivals, W.I.s and various village events.

You can find us on Facebook, or contact us by email at janetbauer3545@gmail.com.

We look forward to meeting you on 25th January, with the promise that it will be plenty of fun. If you are a musician and would like to come along, we will be thrilled to have your company.

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As the festive season approaches, we'd like to take a moment to thank all our loyal customers for your continued support throughout the year. It's been a pleasure serving you, and we're truly grateful for your trust in us. Wishing you and your families a joyful Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year!



Pre winter check £35 plus VAT

Includes the following checks:
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CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS



Garage closes 5pm
on Tuesday 23rd
December

Reopens at 8am
on Monday 5th
January



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Craft Fair

Christmas Tree Lights Switch On!

St. Mary's Church Badwell Ash

Sat. 6th December 1.30pm - 5.00pm

Porch Plants
Beer, lager and mulled wine
Refreshments
Toy and Bottle Tombola
Arts and crafts
Face painting
Glitter tattoos
and lots more....

A fundraising event for
St. Mary's Church
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07714 273669 for more
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Christmas Eve Carols by Candlelight



St. Mary's Church Badwell Ash, 5.00pm

Traditional readings and carols
24th December
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QUIZ NIGHT

WITH JACKET POTATO
[OPTIONAL]

FRIDAY 23RD
JANUARY 2026

Doors open 6:45pm | Quiz Starts 7:30pm

BADWELL ASH VILLAGE HALL, IP31 3DG

Quiz Ticket = £5 pp - Teams of 6 ppl max

Quiz Ticket + Jacket Potato = £12 pp

Choose up to TWO toppings:

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Join us on **Sunday 21st December** for a festive **out and back run** to spread Christmas cheer and support our local community. Choose to run, jog or walk.

ENTRY IS FREE - INSTEAD WE ASK that in return that each participant brings a food donation for our local food bank, managed by Catriona Brinkley, our Priest.

All donations will be delivered that evening to individuals and families in need within our area, with any surplus support being shared further out to surrounding areas.

Please sign up on Eventbrite so we can prepare accordingly.

Suitable items include **tinned meals, soups, pasta, rice, cereals, tea, coffee, biscuits, long-life milk** and other **non-perishable foods** that will help someone in need over the Christmas period.

The run will be 15mins out, and then 15mins back, so you can choose whether to run, jog or walk - however you'd like, we will all start and finish together.

Children and dogs are very welcome to join in the fun!
Spectators are also welcomed to come and support!

Please arrive at 11.00am. The run will start at 11:30am.

Afterwards, everyone is invited back to the Church for refreshments, including cakes, teas, coffees and cold drinks.

All proceeds from these will be donated to St Mary's Church.

Dress in your favourite Christmas attire or Santa hat (or outfit!) and enjoy a morning of running, giving and festive spirit to make a difference this season. Let's come together to make this Christmas a little brighter and share the warmth of good food with those who may otherwise go without.

Parking Notice:

Parking in the village is limited, so please be mindful of this and park sensibly. If you live in Badwell Ash, we would appreciate it if you could walk down where possible. Parking is available along The Street and at the Village Hall Car Park.

Disclaimer:

Please note that St Mary's Church does not have toilet facilities. By attending this event, participants acknowledge that they take part at their own risk. The organisers and St Mary's Church accept no liability for any personal injury, loss of property or damages arising from participation.



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