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CRATFIELD NEWS

December 2016



We at the Cratfield News would like to wish all fellow Cratfieldians, and those others who get the mag, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

CONDOLENCES

Our sincere sympathy to Chris, Clive, Roger and their families on the death of David their father who passed away on Thursday November 17th. David was a much respected member of the village and farming community of Cratfield for very many years.

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SUNDAY 11th	December 23rd	SUNDAY 25th
6.30pm Evensong D.B.	7.00pm Carol Service D.B.	9.30am Family Service followed by H.C. D.B.
Sidesperson: D. Peacock	Sidesperson A. Edmunds	Sidesperson: D. Peacock
Reader: R. Harrison	Reader P. Baker	Reader: A. Edmunds
Isaiah 35:1-10 James 5: 7-10 Matthew 11: 2-11	To be advised	To be advised

If you cannot fulfill these requirements please contact Margaret Thompson

News from St. Mary's

Please come and join us for our candlelight Carol Service on December 23rd. There will be refreshments afterwards.

Christmas Day service is 9.30am Family Service followed by Holy Communion

St Mary's Community Walk

Need an excuse to get out of the house, experiencing a little Christmas excess or just fancy a walk with friends, then come and join us for a community walk

on Sunday 8 January starting at 15.00hrs

We will walk for about 45 minutes and on level ground – probably round the little globe.

There will be simple activity for children on the walk.

We will start and end up at the church with tea and teacakes and weather permitting a bonfire (with marshmallows to toast if that is your thing!). Join at the start or join us en-route.

If you would like to join us but are not up for a gentle walk then come along for the tea and cakes from 15.30.

No Charge – Sociable dogs welcome. Every one welcome.

Dear Friends,

December is here and I would like to raise the 'C' word. Christmas is coming and there are many services that I know you enjoy and would not want to miss.

6.30pm Sunday 4th December in Brundish Church **ADVENT Carols** (Not Christmas Carols)

Advent is the time when we prepare for Christmas. It is a season that has its own hymns and carols and this service reflects that. With Choral music and some instruments as well.

Christmas Carol Services for all

Sunday 11th December Worlingworth Church
11.00am Sunday 18th Bedfield Church
2.30pm Sunday 18th December Monk Soham Church
6.00pm Sunday 18th December Hartismere House
6.30pm Sunday 18th December Wilby Church

Crib Service



7.00pm Friday 23rd December Cratfield
3.00pm Christmas Eve Worlingworth **Crib Service**
4.00pm Christmas Eve Laxfield **Carol Service**
6.30pm Christmas Eve Brundish **Carol Service**
9.30pm Christmas Eve Worlingworth **Midnightmas**
11.30pm Christmas Eve Brundish **Midnightmas**



Family Communion for Christmas

9.30am Cratfield

9.30am Wilby
10.30am Monk Soham
10.30am Laxfield

David



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A special thank you with

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7.00pm Friday December 23rd



Please come and join us to celebrate

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Stay after the service, have some food, something to drink

and come together as a village at this very special time of the year.



A poem for Christmas

What the Donkey Saw

No room in the inn, of course,
And not that much in the stable,
What with the shepherds, Magi and Mary,
Joseph, the heavenly host -
Not to mention the baby
Using our manger as a cot.
You couldn't have squeezed another cherub in
For love or money.

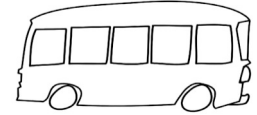
Still, in spite of the overcrowding,
I did my best to make them feel wanted.
I could see the baby and I
would be going places together.

U. A. Fanthorpe



Reminiscing with (the late) Tubby Revell

Dear thas wicked wot they du bout tha chapel, Mr. Vincent went to sort ert out, but they still pulled ert down, b.. wicked thas the truth on ert.
Hiv you heard o Naylor's bus? That was blue an a hull lot on us git on tha bus ter Haleswuth, gue on outens, pitchers then moight hiv fish chips, cor tha was lovely them days.



Me, "Tubby how long were you in the RAF?"
Tubby, "Stayed till I come out o course."



Me, "Tell me, what sort of tricks did you get up to as a boy?"
Tubby, "Scool at Cratfield, scool marm was Miss Hadnun (Hadingham) sorta limped. Cor she's suffin fierce took us on scool garden plot, boy she knew how ta grow taters, tunups, sprouts, letus, taters, she shew us all them things. Cor we was real naughty shink we wuz, spy on folks what never drew their cutens, spy on gals what went to the loo.... hell if wernt suffin bad.
Coss I won all them garden prizes, took em all."



"Mr. Brown the posman from Bell Farm he called me Tobia, hell if I know why. Cor we had plenty er good nights in tha ole Bell, play darts an Jolly Farmers two an fours.

Yanks used ter be about here, pinch any ole bike go to the pub.

Brown family roight noice they were wont let the Yanks drink all on ert, siff ut for us boys, the gals loiked em tho..."

"Mr. Bush owned the Maggie in Harleston, int tha a rummun cos we looked arta em shoppen and takin them here there an wot hiv yer, they left us this enda the row, we did look arta em well."

"Gordon, my brother, he hulled a barra in the pond we all got wrong fer that we did. One noight us boys we hid a few and on boiks well we tried to steer and fell orf and tried to clammer back orn when this ole pleeceman showed, hell we got on our boike never you worry.

He hallered git you together a goin all that snow hullen some on us wint arse over hid, but that dnt matter a lot, ole pleeceman dint seem to gather ner nearer."



"Coss Oi can remember when tha hut went up, watchen that go up was enough to make a cat laugh, struth at was. We were only boys at the toim."



"Tubby it's been a real pleasure."
"Thas all roigh moi dear, yew tek care."
"You too, thank you Tubby."

Thank you Trevor for allowing me to tell the tale.

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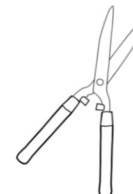
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Gibbons' This is the Record of John
Lo, How a Rose Uprising (medieval carol)
The Lamb by Taverner

People from all parishes are welcome to this pre-Christmas service.

Flooding on Manse Lane

Few people can have missed the canal that has formed outside my home in Manse Lane. This is due to a blocked road drain and the heavy downpours of 21st and 22nd November. I have informed the Highways Authority, but this now has to be done online and I haven't much confidence that they'll take immediate notice. If the water hangs around and we get freezing nights, we'll have ice-skating on the lane and I'll sell hot chestnuts from my door. More soberly, it will become a lethal patch for motorists, walkers and riders. It might jolt the council if as many village residents as possible contact them. Please go online to Suffolk Coastal, select the flooding section and fill in the boxes. The location is IP19 0DJ, outside Field Cottage. I'm going to ring them too and hope to speak to a human.

Natalie Lloyd-Evans

POACHER EVENTS FOR DECEMBER

Thursday	1 st	Quiz Night
Tuesday	6 th	Men's Discussion Group
Saturday	10 th	Mc2 Band
Tuesday	13 th	Ladies' Discussion Group
Wednesday	14 th	Book Club
Saturday	17 th	Hedonists (Jazz & Blues)
Wednesday	21 st	Acoustic Night

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6 December

Christmas Quiz for Kids

Can you unscramble the following word to reveal the region where Santa Claus comes from: PANDALL?

In the '12 Days of Christmas' song what were the 10 Lords doing? What guided the three wise men to Bethlehem to visit the baby Jesus?

On what night does the Christmas season come to an end:

a) Fifth Night, b) Eighth Night, c) Twelfth Night?

What Christmas product was invented by a London sweet-maker named Tom Smith?

What is the missing word from this famous Christmas song 'Ding DongOn High': a) Happily, b) Joyfully,

c) Merrily?

What was the name of the boy who was left home alone in the famous movie 'Home Alone'?

When Jesus was born in the stable, what did his mother place him in to sleep: a) a basket, b) a manger, c) a cot

What present did Harry Potter receive for his first Christmas at Hogwarts: a) an invisibility cloak, b) a wand, c) a broom stick?

What is Boxing Day also known as: a) St. Martin's Day, b) St. Joseph's Day, c) St. Stephen's Day?

What was the name of Jesus' father?

Which reindeer had a very shiny nose?

How many doors are there on an Advent calendar?

What are the two main colours of Christmas?

What form of transport does Santa use to deliver all our presents?

What gifts did the three kings take to baby Jesus?

What meat do we traditionally eat with Christmas dinner?

What two things do we traditionally give to our friends and family at Christmas?

What brought Frosty the Snowman back to life: a) a hug,

b) a scarf, c) a silk hat?

Can you name all nine of Santa's reindeer?

E-mail to suecratmag@aol.com (or drop your answers in at Crane's Cottage). The first all correct answers received will win some Christmas Chocolates. GOOD LUCK!

Applications

a) Change of use of land and erection of cart lodge in conjunction with conversion of existing barn permitted under DC/16/2718/PN3 Silverleys Green

b) Details as required by conditions 12, 13, 14 and 15 of Planning Permission Consent C/13/0911 School Farm Church Road Cratfield Suffolk IP19 0BU Decisions

a) For the demolition of an existing dilapidated poultry shed

Manor Farm Heveningham Road Cratfield Suffolk IP19 0DA

Ref. No: DC/16/3831/FUL. Status: Application Permitted b) Erection of Duck Shed and Feed Bins

Cratfield Hall North Green Cratfield Suffolk

Ref. No: DC/16/3036/FUL Status: Application Permitted

c) Discharge of condition no.3 of DC/16/1310/LBC

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Ref. No: DC/16/3533/DRC. Status: Application Permitted

Defibrillator Relocation

Clr Sannick is obtaining quotes for the electrical work.

Millennium Meadow and Play Area Policy

Councillors agreed to some minor amendments, C/F to the next meeting.

Village Update

Play Area

- The play area is inspected regularly and the Chair has completed the weed kill.

- The Chair reported a can of expandable foam had been sprayed along the length of the slide and left to set hard. This caused the slide to be closed for a few days during half term and it took a considerable amount of elbow grease by volunteers to make it reusable. The Chair expressed thanks to Cllrs Sannick and Baker.

- Clr Oliver has ordered the new goal posts and will fit ASAP.

- The Play Area Equipment report has been received and any maintenance issues will be attended to.

Village Maintenance

- Councillors discussed the railings around the village sign and have agreed to repaint them in spring.

- A Parishioner expressed an interest in an allotment (all are currently rented) and an existing allotment holder agreed to share his.

Councillors discussed the possibility of increasing the allotment area and will discuss further in the spring.

Correspondence

- Invitation to the Annual Town & Parish Council Budget Liaison Event.

- SCDN Site Allocations Specific Policies Development Plan Report.

Any Other Business

- Missing North Green and Silverleys/Swan Green signposts – Clerk to report.

Items for next Agenda

- Play Area Equipment Report

To confirm next meeting date/time:

- Tuesday 10th January 2017 at 7.15pm – All Parishioners Welcome!

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VILLAGE HALL NEWS

**The Village Hall Annual General Meeting was held on November 17th
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Carolyn White-Treasurer, Juliette Weaver-Minute Secretary, Jo Nunn-Booking Secretary, Robert Sannick-Parish Council Representative, Natalie Lloyd-Evans-Parochial Church Council Representative, Heather Hargood-100 Club Organiser, Mandi Pope, Dennis Rockall and Robert King.

A very successful 2016 was reported

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Dates for your diary for 2017

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