

Volume 37 / 1 February / March 2019

Happy New Year
2019



photo: St. Mary's Church by Hazel Mackintosh

The Creeping St. Mary Newsletter

Upper Langdales Farmhouse Cottages

Creeting St Mary, Suffolk



Retreat to our fabulous collection of lovely holiday cottages
offering peace and tranquility in a beautiful location

Relax and enjoy the serenity of Suffolk

01449 721246 | 07789 458923 | www.upperlangdalesfarmhouse.co.uk

Editorial Comment

A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO ALL

All New Year publications will have encouragement and admonitions to keep up those resolutions – dry January or lose those bulges? Get to touch your toes again or run a marathon? Stop staring at a screen and read a book? Eat more veg and get out more? Many will slip back into old habits and routines. However, this is not such a bad thing: while it is good to review our activities, it is bad to beat ourselves up about what is actually possible. Good advice is that we should all try to be better but not strive to be perfect, that way disappointment and failure lie.

This edition of the newsletter helps us better ourselves: Citizens Advice has tips about budgeting and where help is available if a cash crisis arises, as does the Creeping Welfare Charities; we can improve our knowledge of village history at St. Mary's church; feel less guilty about shopping on-line by buying at the Suffolk on-line Gift shop and supporting the local economy by using local businesses that advertise. Attend the talks and activities arranged by the Village Hall Committee, WI, Horticultural Society and Suffolk Wildlife Trust. Do your bit for the environment by supporting RSPB's defence of Minsmere Nature Reserve from modern pressures. Get peace of mind about your building project by consulting with mid-Suffolk and Babergh Building control experts. We can see that crime prevention is well in hand with Suffolk Police. Particularly good is the advice from The Rectory about avoiding stress by keeping ahead of deadlines and looking on the New Year as the start of a new chapter where we try and be better – not best.

So that covers the Happy. What about the Healthy?

Creeping St. Mary will be safer place when we have grit bins to cope with icy conditions and the speed radar is installed. Healthy activities include the Great East Run or more sedately, woodland management with the Suffolk Wildlife Trust or walking the many footpaths in the village. The health of pets is in our hands by spotting problems early, and contacting the vet asap.

Check the 'Dates to Remember' - Get tickets early for the Eastern Angles production in April – always a popular event. Support the activities arranged by the new Social Club Committee: the POP UP Community Cafe on 31st January and once a month after that – an event for young and old, so see if a neighbour would like to come -and the bar is open! Also, the Friday games and social evening on 15th March – again with a bar. Following the successful Christmas Eve party the committee are arranging new events to bring the village together. Socialising is a happy and therefore healthy activity .

Best wishes for 2019 – next December we may be in a very different place!
Many thanks to Kathryn Martin for chasing copy!

Joan Hardingham co-editor



CLARKE
FENCING LTD
TEL 01449 614939

For the best Fencing Products in East Anglia, why not come and visit our new premises:

Unit 3, Stowmarket Business Park, Ernest Nunn Road, Stowmarket, IP14 2ED

Not only have we expanded our premises but we have also expanded our product range:

Closeboard, Larch Lap, European Decorative Panels, Trellis, Post and Rails, Gates.

Sheds, Dog Kennels, Summer Houses and Children's Play Houses.

Electric Fencing for Horses and Cattle as well as Stock Fencing.

Decking, Planters, Picnic Tables, Sleepers.

Ironmongery, Wire Netting, Chainlink, Ronseal Preservatives, Tools.

Cement and Ballast, Ply Wood, Protective Clothing.

** Free No Obligation Quotations * ~ ~ * We Supply & Fit to Trade and Public **

Email: info@clarkefencing.co.uk

www.clarkefencingltd.co.uk

**E&D Boiler
Maintenance Ltd**



LOCAL, PROFESSIONAL, ESTABLISHED SPECIALISTS IN

Oil, Gas & LPG

Servicing, Breakdowns, Repairs and Installations

All makes covered including:

Grant, Worcester Bosch, Boulter Camray, HRM Wallstar, Vaillant, Baxi.



Telephone
01379 898574



Upper Church Farm, Finningham Road, Rickinghall, Suffolk, IP22 1LP

www.boilerrepairsuffolk.co.uk

CREETING ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Speeding through the village

The Parish Council continue to work towards providing a moveable speed radar sign. The most needed locations where speeding is an issue are All Saints Road and Flordon Road. These locations have been agreed by the Highways Department and it is hoped that posts will be installed opposite the village hall and on the green triangle (Jacks Green) and the radar sign will be moved between the two locations. Quotes have been sought and the County Councillor approached in order to secure some locality budget funding.

Noticeboard – Jacks Green

The noticeboard on Jacks Green is in a poor state and needs replacing. A licence has been received from Suffolk County Council to house a new noticeboard next the bench on the triangle at Jacks Green. The Parish Council feel this would be a more appropriate place and prices are being sought.

Grit Bins

Suffolk Highways have a new procedure for local Councils to purchase grit bins to replace grit heaps, which are being stopped. The Parish Council applied for two to be placed near to the flyover on All Saints Road. The locations were turned down as the road is on a gritting route. Our County Councillor is helping to try to overturn the decision as last year it was not gritted at all and is treacherous in icy weather. So, watch this space.

County Councillor's Report ;

Sizewell C power station consultation - Suffolk County Council had stressed the need for everyone take part in the latest round of consultations. This was launched by EDF Energy on Friday, 4 January and ending 29th March. This stage seeks views on the developments needed to enable construction, and EDF Energy had revealed proposals and various options for road and rail improvements in the area that would be affected .See

www.edfenergy.com/energy/nuclear-new-build-projects/sizewell-c/proposals/stage-3

The 2019 Great East Run Sunday, 22nd September

entries open on Monday 7th January 2019 and is expected to sell out quickly with over 2,000 people registered on the reminder service. The formal launch will be in February. The number of places has been increased by 500 to 4,000. It will follow the same route as in 2018, starting on Russell Road between Suffolk County Council and Ipswich Borough Council head offices, finishing in the Ipswich Town Football Club stadium. Full details are on the official website www.greatrun.org/great-east-run

The Business Energy Efficiency (BEE) Anglia project 100th grant

These help businesses be more environmentally friendly in Norfolk and Suffolk and provides free support to eligible organisations visit www.beeanglia.org or call 01473 350370

Matthew Hicks - County Councillor for the Thredling Division

Tel : 01728 628176 Mob : 07824 474741 matthew.hicks@suffolk.gov.uk

IPSWICH MICROWAVE CENTRE



**70 CHILTON ROAD, IPSWICH
01473 725699**

**For all your
Microwave
needs, sales
and
accessories
FREE
ESTIMATES**



Trading since 1990

Television / F.M & D.A.B. Aerials
Aerial & Satellite servicing
Extra points / Sat linked to all rooms
Telephone extensions fitted
Equipment set up and explained
Telephone : 01449 722729

**Delicious
homemade
cheeses, Guernsey
milk and home-
reared beef.**



Sales off-farm Fri 4-6pm, Sat 3-5pm or
collection by prior arrangement.

Whitegate Farm, Norwich Road, CSM



Dyson Repairs

**We service We Repair
We collect We return
Free Estimates**

Telephone : 01449 722729



Farm Shop &

Deli

your village shop

Alder Tree award-winning ice cream

- made here on the farm -

our own free-range eggs

***NEW: lamb and pork
from the farm***

**cheese, olives, scotch eggs
fresh-baked sausage rolls**

**Bread & pastries from
Woosters Artisan Bakery**

Beers, wine & spirits

Suffolk Food Hampers

Fresh fruit & vegetables

Plant Centre: quality plants from Katie's

Gardens - Barn Cafe - Haberdashery -

Sugarcraft - Country Studio Gifts - Pottery -

**Suffolk Cycle Breaks also rare breed pigs,
chickens & ducks, farm trail, play area**

www.aldercarrfarm.co.uk t: 01449 720820

Beautiful You Nails



**Qualified Nail Technician with over 10 years experience.
Specialising in Acrylic Nail Extensions, Shellac Gel and
much more.**

***** 10% discount for new clients *****

Based in Creeting St Mary

Some appointments for December still available

Contact Sam on

Tel. 07807 006011

Please check out my work and customer reviews on

www.facebook.com/beautifulyou87

Representations to Mid Suffolk District Council

We have considered the following planning applications:

Ref: DC/18/05591 - Full Planning Application - Erection of garage serving plot 4 of dwellings under construction - Land Adjacent To 54, All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary – No Objections

Ref: DC/18/05612 - Submission of details under Application 4188/15 relating to Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale for hybrid application of 52 dwellings and new training facility, workshop and parking area (housing only) - J Breheny Contractors Ltd, Flordon Road, Creeting St Mary, Ipswich Suffolk IP6 8NH - Object

Ref: DC/19/00043 - Full Planning Appn - Erection of an agricultural storage building - Little College Farm, Creeting Hills, Creeting St Mary, IP6 8PX – No Objections

Ref: DC/19/00075 - Full Planning Application - Erection of 3no. dwellings with garages - Land South East Of, All Saints rd, Creeting St Mary, Suffolk – No Objections

Recent Planning Application Decisions

DISCHARGE OF CONDITION(S) TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Proposal: Discharge of Conditions Application for DC/18/01001 - Condition 5 (Refuse Bins and Collection Areas) Condition 7 (Archaeological Works).

Location: 3 All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary, Ipswich, Suffolk IP6 8NF

Ref: DC/18/03440 - Proposal & Location of Development: Full Planning Application - Erection of detached outbuilding - College Farm, Creeting Hills, Creeting St Mary, Ipswich Suffolk IP6 8PX – GRANTED

Ref: DC/18/03420 - Proposal & Location of Development: Householder Planning Application - Erection of a single storey extension and replacement of existing windows and roof coverings. Bucks Head Cottage, Norwich Road, Creeting St Mary, Ipswich Suffolk IP6 8P – GRANTED

Ref: DC/18/03421 – Application for Listed Building Consent - Erection of a single storey extension and replacement of existing windows and roof coverings - Bucks Head Cottage, Norwich Road, Creeting St Mary, Ipswich Suffolk IP6 8PB – GRANTED

Ref: DC/18/04397 - Householder Planning Application - Erection of 1 and 1/2 storey extension - 54 All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary, Ipswich, Suffolk IP6 8NF - GRANTED

Ref: DC/18/04102 - Outline Planning Application (all matters reserved) - Severance of garden and erection of 2No dwellings with garages. Kenzel, Creeting Bottoms, Creeting St Mary, Ipswich IP6 8PH - GRANTED

Discharge of Conditions Application for 0138/17 - Condition 10 (Archaeological Works) and Condition 11 (Archaeological Works) Location: Land Adjacent To 54, All Saints Road, Creeting St Mary, Suffolk

Jennie Blackburn (Parish Clerk)

01449 721369 (answer phone) or email clerk.csmpec@yahoo.co.

For details of meetings and copies of Parish Council Meeting minutes see the village web-site. For concerns or queries for the Parish Council, contact the Parish Clerk come along in person to the next meeting.

BARTONS BICYCLES LTD
5 MARRIOTTS WALK
STOWMARKET
TEL: 01449 677195



Children's Cycles
Mountain Bikes
Electric Bikes

Adults Cycles
Hybrids
Repair Workshop
Servicing to all makes

Mobility
Racing Bikes
Accessories



Andrew Bingham
INDEPENDENT FUNERAL SERVICE

Local Caring Independent Funeral Service

24 Hour Personal Service

Qualified

Experienced

www.andrewbingham.co.uk

01449 771666

The Nutshell, Milton Road South, Stowmarket, IP14 1EZ



Golden Charter
Funeral Plans



CREETING SAINT MARY WELFARE CHARITIES

The Creeting Saint Mary Welfare Charities Trust is a small Charitable Trust that can provide assistance for those in conditions of need, hardship or distress by reason of, age, illness, unemployment, the need to continue in further or higher education.

SOME EXAMPLES OF POSSIBLE GRANTS

Annual grants to those receiving state pension in financial need.

Grants toward the relief of general hardship.

Grants for students who are in higher or further education.

Help with aids to cope with disability not available from state funding.

Grants towards maternity costs.

Grants towards funeral expenses.

Help towards cost of personal Pendant Alarms for the elderly.

The Trust is intended to benefit the residents of Creeting Saint Mary, however, in exceptional circumstances the Trustees may consider applications from persons who are resident outside the Parish.

TRUSTEES: Mr. P. Stephenson (Chair) Mr. D. Primmer (Hon. Clerk)

Mrs. M. Aldred, Mrs. P. Day, Mrs. K. Martin,

Please make any enquires to :

Mr. D. Primmer, 30 All Saints Road, IP6 8NF Telephone 01449 721514



CHANGES DOWN ON THE FARM

Alder Carr Farm has been part of the village since 1981 when the Hardinghams bought part of the old Houghton Park Farm to grow fruit and vegetables; for 35 years this was the main aim. People have been wondering where the crops have gone. Pick-your-own strawberries and raspberries with wholesale veg were the mainstay of the business and many people from the area helped with the harvest. Sadly things move on – year-round availability in the supermarkets meant there was no longer the seasonal thrill of eating field-grown summer strawberries. Local producers used to come the farmers' markets held there, however the convenience of supermarket shopping changed that. It is no longer economic to grow crops on a small scale – leeks and potatoes are grown in 100ha fields; strawberries in peat bags in tunnels on tables to keep the price down and produce is flown in from all over the world. Now Alder Carr has a new crop – grass - and a local farming family -the Pembertons from Finborough will be grazing sheep and cattle where the Brussels sprouts once grew! The farm shop, as the only shop in the village, has become increasingly important; it has always prioritised local products and the ice cream business, the busy cafe and craft shops continue to thrive.

Build it right

with Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils Building Control

Building control has a team of surveyors who work across the district to advise and ensure the safety of buildings. We're keen to raise awareness of all the services we run and felt it was time to shed a bit of a spotlight on building control.

If you are thinking about building an extension, internal alterations i.e. removal of walls, converting your garage or creating an annexe your council can help.

Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils, have a dedicated, independent and impartial team with specialist knowledge in the construction industry. They can help guide you through the processes to make alterations to your home, whilst meeting mandatory Building Regulations.

We understand fitting home improvements around your job can be a challenge. Our team will find a way to support you that fits in with your diary. Inspections can also be booked by 10am on the day too, so no need to forward plan if that's not your style.

If you want to find out more about the services your local council offers, just speak to one of the team by heading to the Councils' website at: <https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/building-control/> and <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/building-control/> - we'll be happy to help or provide you with a quote.

The council also deals with demolitions and dangerous structures. Contact us online here:

<https://www.babergh.gov.uk/building-control/dangerous-structures/> and <https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/building-control/dangerous-structures/>





From the Rectory

Child of God



The clock ticks, the deadline approaches. Why is it always so close to the wire? For days now the computer screen has said 'From The Rectory' and I have pressed the button 'later' when inspiration didn't come. Whatever happened to all those resolutions to start earlier, to be prepared, to de-stress life? Now the clock ticks, the moment of reckoning approaches and a blank page seems to smile a mocking smile. A common experience, one with which we are all too familiar.

New Year is the time for resolutions. Each year I promise myself I will do better. Earnestly I resolve to turn over a new leaf; open a clean, blank page on which to write the next new chapter for my life. But this blank page mocks me as well. By February it is clear those good intentions have fallen by the wayside once again; for one good reason. None of us is an empty book. The blank pages on which you and I will write this coming year are just the latest in a rich collection of the chapters of our lives; some joyful, some funny, others tragic or painful. Some chapters we long to dwell on or return to, while others we prefer to leave undisturbed as much as possible. Few chapters turned out the way we thought they would when the year began; all are a part of us; all have helped to make us the people we are. Yet how much of the intricate detail have we missed?

Whatever our achievements in our own eyes, and the eyes of the world, each of us is a Child of God, loved by him not for what we do but because we are. This is the one constant truth that runs like a watermark through all the pages of all our lives. This is the foundation truth we so often miss as we strive to write ourselves a better story for the coming year.

So as the clock ticks, and the deadline approaches, the page is blank no longer. The detail can wait. The foundation is laid.
The Reverend Phillip Payne

CHIMNEY SWEEP

ECO SWEEP CHIMNEY SERVICES

- NEW POWER SWEEPING METHOD USED FOR A MORE THOROUGH CHIMNEY CLEAN THAN BRUSHES.
- INDUSTRIAL HEPA FILTERED VACUUM.
- FULLY INSURED.
- INSURANCE RECOGNIZED CERTIFICATES ISSUED.
- SPOTLESS, RELIABLE AND FRIENDLY SERVICE.
- ALL CHIMNEYS, WOOD BURNERS, AGA, BOILER FLUES SWEEP.
- GUILD OF MASTER SWEEPS CERTIFICATED MEMBER.



TEL. 01359 232335

Tuscan Oil Fired Boilers

Invest in a new boiler!

- ✓ Reduce heating bills by up to 20%.
- ✓ Made in Suffolk
- ✓ Compact size.
- ✓ Quiet operation.
- ✓ **FREE 5 year warranty.**

www.hounsfieldboilers.co.uk

sales@hounsfieldboilers.co.uk

Tel.: 0845 680 8153

Hounsfield Boilers Ltd.

Helping Hands



All aspects of Home & Garden Maintenance carried out

Painting & Decorating

Tiling

General DIY

Decking, Patios & Fencing



Any type of work considered
No Job too small - need a helping hand?

Call Kevin

01473 839006 - 07513107911

ROOFLINE - PLUS



Look Up !

BUILDING & ROOFING CONTRACTOR

**CHIMNEYS REPOINTED
REBUILT/REMOVED**

HOUSE/WALL REPOINTING

**FASCIA REPAIRS
GUTTERING/ROOF REPAIRS**

**30+ YEARS EXPERIENCE
ALL WORKS GUARANTEED**

**FOR FRIENDLY ADVICE AND
A FREE CONSULTATION CALL**

01449 763218 - 07500 823292

Footpaths and Bridleways

The footpath (FP5A) that runs from All Saints Road, between Tudor House and The Old Forge down to Low Road has re-opened after temporary closure due to building work. However there is flooding near the top end. The developer told me this would stop due to general drainage on the site. In the meantime, he'll try to prevent the path flooding.

The situation regarding the FP/Bridleways that are routed across the A14 rumbles on (there are 4 in all, FPs 4, 32A, 54 and 30). A chap from Suffolk Highways contacted me to ask if I was aware of a culvert running underneath the A14 between Fen Lane and All Saint's Road. I wasn't - but I am now! He said it may be possible to utilise it as an alternative to FP4. The idea of utilising it as a possible replacement of FP4 (the footpath that goes from Jack's Green Road to St Mary's Church via crossing the A14) would, in my opinion, be of little use as it would not provide a practical alternative and would be best to extinguish it. In mid- December I advised him that there is another culvert adjacent to the entrance to Riverside Farm, Kettle Lane (Coddendam Road) which is where FP57 emerges (but goes no further). This would be a very effective as a replacement for all of the three routes I'm trying to get extinguished. It could link to FP57, by the river to Hungercut Hall to meet with FP55.

Please let me know if you have issues about any footpath in the parish and remember that a map of all the paths can be seen on the board outside the Diamond Jubilee Village Hall and on the one beside the river (near the entrance to Alder Carr Farm).

Paul Scully Tel: 01449 721461

e-mail: paul@impressions41.plus.com

***Ed: the map and definitive statment can be seen at
www.suffolk.gov.uk/assets/Roads-and-transport/public-rights-of-way/Creting-St-Mary.pdf and
<http://www.creting-st-mary.suffolk.gov.uk/footpaths-bridleways>***



GUDGEONS PRENTICE

SOLICITORS

TELEPHONE: (01449) 613101 | EMAIL: info@gudgeons-prentice.co.uk

BUTTERMARKET | STOWMARKET | SUFFOLK | IP14 1ED

www.gudgeons-prentice.co.uk

GUDGEONS PRENTICE are local solicitors and specialist in:-

Wills and Probate

Powers of Attorney

Residential Conveyancing and Commercial Property

Landlord and Tenant

Divorce, Financial Matters, Separation, Child Welfare and Other Family and

Matrimonial Matters

CREETING ST. MARY VA PRIMARY SCHOOL



Winter Teasels: courtesy Jacqui Mann

A voluntary aided (VA) school has its running costs provided by the Local Authority but a foundation or trust (usually religious and here is Church of England), contributes to capital costs and has a substantial influence in the running of the school, retaining influence over school admission policies, staffing and curriculum.



TERM DATES 2019

Spring Term 3 Jan — 5 Apr
Summer Term 24 Apr — 24 July
Summer Half Term 27 May — 31 May
Autumn Term 24 Sep - 19 Dec
Autumn Half Term 21 Oct - 28 Oct
PD days 23 Apr, 5 & 6 Sept, 19 Oct.

Head Mrs. Christine Friar
school telephone 01449 720312
office@creetingstmary.suffolk.sch.uk
www.creetingstmary.suffolk.sch.uk



The Wider World

Sometimes we should look up and consider our impact on the wider world. We all use electricity and a major contributor in Suffolk is Sizewell nuclear power station. There have been hard fought debates about whether

EDF's (Électricité de France) Sizewell C should be built at the site - and the need for energy has won the argument but the details are still being considered. This decision has other implications including the effect on Sizewell's immediate neighbour, Minsmere – the RSPB's flagship reserve hosting a multitude of wildlife – not just birds, - one of the most important areas in Europe. The chief concerns for the RSPB are: the disruption to wildlife during construction with noise, light and dust from a huge industrial site with a peak of over 5000 workers with accommodation for 2,500 workers in 3-4 storey Portakabins and parking for 1500 vehicles, plus a caravan park for 400 vans; their ability to manage water levels on the reserve and the potential erosion of Minsmere's coastline - the construction involves two 3km long pipes extending into the sea passing under the shingle banks – which are to be reinforced and raised to 10m along the front of the power stations and will affect the pattern of coastal erosion. Expected electricity production is for 60 years. see:

www.edfenergy.com/sites/default/files/summary_document.pdf

The RSPB is asking people to support its plea to EDF to publish how it is going protect Minsmere nature reserve - which is not mentioned in the summary document. To have your say go to: **www.rspb.org.uk/sizewellc**
For another view see **www.shutdown-sizewell.org.uk/**



This consultation runs until 29th March 2019

RSPB ANNUAL BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH

Did you join over 400,000 people watching birds between 26 & 28th Jan?
If not try next year - find out the top 10 birds from the rspb website.

FEED THE BIRDS

Now is the most important time to feed the birds; continuity is essential as birds come to rely on feeding station. Provide a range of seeds; hygiene is essential - clean feeders and tables regularly to prevent disease spread; food scraps can be fed in small quantities as long as they are not salty or mouldy.
<https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/advice/how-you-can-help-birds/>



CREETING ST MARY SOCIAL CLUB

csm_socialclub@outlook.com

The Village Social Club

This has a new Social Club Committee, which has with lots of new ideas for activities such as the Pop-up Cafe lunches (when the bar will also be open). This will be the first of many community events to be held during the year. All are very welcome and the £2 'membership' fee will be returned to you by means of your first drink voucher.



The Rural Coffee Caravan delivers information and friendship across Suffolk parishes with limited facilities. It befriends people and offers an information hub.

The caravan will be attending at all the pop-up lunches

Creting St Mary Social Club

Pop up Community Cafe

Thursday 31 January 2019
Thursday 28 February 2019
Thursday 21st March 2019

@ the Village Hall 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Soup and bread £3.50

With tea \ coffee & cake £4.00



Creting St Mary Diamond Jubilee Village Hall

Our Hall has now been completely redecorated by committee members and very welcome help from volunteers too. It all looks very fresh and inviting and also the floor has been professionally resurfaced. We are told that this is now a very excellent surface for dancing. Our rates remain very competitive, and we offer full WIFI facilities, and a large car park. Also on offer are the the smaller lounge area and the meeting room. Regular Yoga, Dance classes, WI, and Keep Fit take place. Details via the Village Website or call Chris Bingley on 01449 720324

Village Hall Committee



The Tide Jetty

by Tony Ramsay,

Fri 5th April 7.30pm

Creeting St Mary Jubilee Hall

£12 (£10 concessions)

Once again Eastern Angles are out on the road with their 2019 Spring Tour with ***The Tide Jetty*** by Tony Ramsay, a Norfolk based playwright. Set in the 1860s, two brothers, Tucky and Nathan grow up on the banks of Breydon alongside tomboy, Eliza. The three are inseparable as children. Tucky, the eldest, is a bit of a lad, whilst is Nathan quieter and more inward. As they grow older, inevitably as Eliza turns into a woman they both fall for her. They are haunted by an accident which tears them apart, but reunited must face not only the past but an uncertain future.

Tickets from; David Allan 01449 720061 and Glynis Clint 01449 720740
Creeting St. Mary Social Club

Creeting St Mary Social Club ***Evening of games and friendship.*** **Friday 15th March 7-10p.m.**

Try indoor bowling from 7 to 8pm - children welcome with adult supervision.

Other activities: table tennis, pool and table football,
with things for the younger children to do too.

Bowls club starts at 8pm

The bar will be open and tea coffee and hot chocolate are available
Come with ideas for a regular Friday get together with activities and bar

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE VILLAGE HALL

57 people gathered at the Jubilee Village Hall on Christmas Eve to celebrate the start of the festivities, starting with children's games under the gentle guidance of Glynis Clint, and continued with a buffet supper provided by those attending, a variety of mildly challenging parlour games with a drink or two at the bar ending at 11p.m. The pool and football tables were in use, and people were happy to drop in. A very happy atmosphere made it a most enjoyable event. Thanks to all who assisted: from decorating the hall, delivering the invitations, helping on the night and clearing up afterwards. It was an encouraging start to the new form of Social Club when we hope to put on an event at least a monthly for all ages and interests throughout the community.
Kathryn Martin (Chairman CSM Social Club)

Dates to Remember



CHURCH SERVICES



St. Mary's Church, Creting St Mary

St. Peter's Church

Services for February 2019:

Sunday 3rd, 9.30 am at Creting St Peter, Morning Worship

Sunday, 10th, 11 am at Creting St Peter, Prayer Book Communion

Sunday 17th, 9.30 am at Creting St Mary, Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th, 9.30 am at Creting St Mary, Holy Communion

Services for March 2019:

Sunday 3rd, 9.30 am at Creting St Peter, Morning Worship

Sunday 10th, 11 am at Creting St Peter, Prayer Book Communion

Sunday 17th, 9.30 am at Creting St Mary, Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th, 9.30 am at Creting St Mary, Holy Communion

Sunday 31st is Mothering Sunday and there will be a special Mothering Sunday service at 4 pm at St Mary's.

Lent:

Lent begins on Wednesday 6th March (Ash Wednesday) and there will be a service of Holy Communion at 7 pm at Creting St Peter.

There will be services of Compline at 7 pm in the Old School Room (Vestry) at Creting St Mary on Mondays during Lent, starting on the 11th March. Don't forget, Pancake Day – Shrove Tuesday in on the 5th March.

Nigel Smart Church Warden 01449 720100

For further details about services in Coddensham, Creting St Peter, Crowfield, Earl Stonham, Stonham Parva, Gosbeck, Hemingstone, Stonham Aspal and Mickfield

Priest-in-Charge Revd. Philip Payne 01449711684

Email. revphilippayne@btinternet.com

Village Hall Pop-up Community Cafe - 31st Jan, 28th Feb and 23rd Mar - see advert.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS - tba

contact Jennie Blackburn (01449) 721369 clerk.csmnpc@yahoo.co.uk

PANCAKE DAY Tuesday March 5th

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: 20th March for April / May edition

VILLAGE SOCIAL AND GAMES EVENING Friday 15th March 7-10pm

EASTERN ANGLES *The Tide Jetty* April 5th 7.30pm

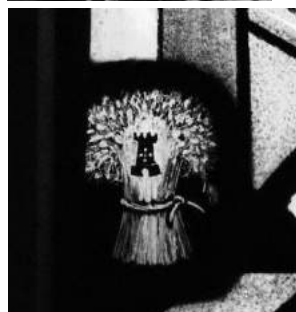
A BIT OF HISTORY

Creting St Mary church is considered to have one of the best collections of Kempe & Co glass in all East Anglia. There are figures of Saints, Old Testament Prophets and Patriarchs. In the north aisle are excellent Annunciation and figures of St George and St Alban which show that the company could still hold its head up in the early decades of the 20th Century. On display during the 2018 History Day in Creting St Mary, there was a Did You Know? feature entitled "1837 - Charles Eamer Kempe" describing his company's trademark symbol on the stained glass windows. As a trademark, the firm used the image of a golden wheatsheaf, or garbe, taken from Kempe's own coat of arms.

https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/9/90/Kempe_maker%27s_mark.jpg

G:\DCIM\105_FUJI\DSCF5265W8B.JPG

You need to look closely at the windows in the church and you may find them. I counted four windows containing Kempe's small wheatsheaf symbol; 2 of each of the above.



Paul Scully

Tel: 01449 721461 e-mail:

paul@impressions41.plus.com

Talk by Suffolk historian Clive Paine

at Creting St Mary church

Friday 14th June

(contact Paul Scully for times)

organised by David Haynes.

Clive will demonstrate the detective skills needed to spot long-lost windows and doors; how to read the clues in historic buildings that reveal their past; the way in which the church was built and also to look at the furnishings.



**ANYTHING
SUFFOLK**
Celebrating Suffolk life & landscape.

Suffolk Prints, Calendars & Gifts

Shop online at www.anythingsuffolk.co.uk

Tel: 01449 721599 | Email: anythingsuffolk@gippingpress.co.uk

Anything Suffolk Online Gift Shop

This new online shop www.anythingsuffolk.co.uk showcases over 50 local artists and photographers, celebrating the rich life and landscape of our beautiful county:

Suffolk themed fine-art prints, calendars, books and gifts - ideal Christmas gifts for any lovers of Suffolk.

There is also an image gallery and information about the contributors.

Gipping Press Ltd, the company behind AnythingSuffolk, have worked with local artists for many years; scanning and reproducing fine-art prints that are faithful to the originals. Now anythingsuffolk.co.uk has a library of over 200 Suffolk pictures online and the number is growing.

No original artwork is sold but each reproduction is uniquely numbered, embossed and beautifully presented.

There is also a variety of other Suffolk printed products available with more to be added to the collection in 2019.

We invite all local artists/ photographers to submit images for publishing to anythingsuffolk@gippingpress.co.uk. Commission will be paid for any work sold. This image library is unique collection and the site will be promoted further throughout 2019.

Thank you for your interest in www.anythingsuffolk.co.uk. We hope you enjoy browsing, celebrating your home county and supporting talented local contributors.

Danny Cuff, Gipping Press

Creeting St. Mary Women's Institute

Have you considered joining the WI?

Do you want to socialise and make new friends?

theWI
INSPIRING WOMEN

We would love to see you at our meetings held at the Village Hall at 7:30pm on the second Wednesday of the month. unless otherwise stated.

We are a friendly WI who welcome members from a wide area. Refreshments are enjoyed after our meetings. We also have walking, lunch and patchwork groups. If you would like to drop in to one of sessions, give me a ring.

Hazel Mackintosh 01449 720753

Creeting St Mary WI Activities

Our December party was a great success, around 50 of us, including our guests, sat down to a delicious buffet supper provided by members. This was followed by musical entertainment which was much enjoyed by all. Comments suggested this was our best party yet!

We commenced 2019 with our speaker, Mary Payne, talking to us about her experiences of living in the Falkland Islands. She and her husband Philip, at that time still in the RAF, spent 19 months there from 2002, together with their son. They had little time to prepare for this posting, but were all very excited to be going there. The Base is about 35 miles from Stanley on a road roughly resembling Fen Lane, but requiring a land rover! They were able to visit some other islands during their stay and wonder at the wonderful wildlife, and the rugged and treeless landscape. Penguins, sea lions and albatross were the specials, especially in the breeding season affording close up views. Many find it very hard to settle in this very isolated place, but Mary relished it and said she could easily go back and live there if offered the opportunity.

Our next meeting will be on Feb 13th for a talk entitled 'West Suffolk Sight' All are welcome at 7.30pm.

Chris Bingley



*Professional :: Friendly :: Competitive :: Fully Insured
Tree Work Specialists, Fencing & Garden Services*

Tel: 01449 722795

Mobile: 07825 678760

Email: info@arctreesurgery.co.uk

www.arctreesurgery.co.uk

P B S Plumbing & Bathroom Services



A Reliable & Friendly Local Service

Bathrooms, Showers, Kitchens & Radiators,
All Household Plumbing Requirements,
Maintenance & New Installations.

Mobile - 07870 989 422.

Evenings - 01449 720095.

* FREE ESTIMATES * ALL JOBS CONSIDERED*

AVAILABLE EVENINGS & WEEKENDS

ROOFLINE - PLUS



Look Up !

BUILDING & ROOFING CONTRACTOR

**CHIMNEYS REPOINTED
REBUILT/REMOVED**

HOUSE/WALL REPOINTING

**FASCIA REPAIRS
GUTTERING/ROOF REPAIRS**

**30+ YEARS EXPERIENCE
ALL WORKS GUARANTEED**

**FOR FRIENDLY ADVICE AND
A FREE CONSULTATION CALL**

01449 763218 - 07500 823292

You Grow It, I'll Mow It!

Grass Mowing
Hedge Trimming
Strimming
Turfing
Fencing



Call Nigel (01449) 721025

Rosie Hancock

Certified in Reflexology,

Indian head massage,

Swedish Massage

Also Private Physiotherapist

01449 614308

or 07947787343

**HIGH FLYERS
SELF-STORAGE**

**20' X 8' X 8' CONTAINERS
(1,172 CU.FT)**

**AVAILABLE
FOR RENT**

**HIGHFIELDS FARM, BATTISFORD,
STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK IP14 2HL**

TEL: 01449 722122

WWW.HIGHFLYERSCLOTHING.CO.UK



Stowmarket Wildlife Group - Suffolk Wildlife Trust

We are a group of volunteers who care deeply about wildlife, for its beauty and diversity and importance to everyone's existence. We support the Trust's aims and vision for a Living Landscape - with nature reserves, Sites of Special Scientific Interest and County

Wildlife Sites forming networks of linked-up habitat.

We look after local wildlife reserves: Work parties maintain Combs and Bonny Woods

SWT Magazine delivery; The Trust's magazine is delivered to local members, saving postage costs.

We organise local events: talks at Stowupland village hall and guided walks. The complete programme can be downloaded from www.suffolkwildlifetrust.org/wildlifegroups or by email swtstowmarket@gmail.com or contact us through John Thompson 01449 676471

COMBS WOOD

Work on the rides were completed by the winter work parties on Sunday mornings. The results were a good showing of oxlips and early purple orchids, wood garlic, bluebells, celandine, violets and wood anemones in April and a host of orchids occurred in June. The usual migrant birds were present, supplementing the indigenous species we expect to see. It was a bonus to hear two song thrushes singing. The pearl washed fritillary butterfly, which I had not seen previously seen in Combs wood appeared in June in good numbers enjoying the thistle flowers on the rides.

LOCAL TAWNY OWL PROJECT

The boxes at Crooks Farm, Muntons copse, Bonny Wood (2), Dagworth and Baylham Hall were all unused. The Combs wood box was in use by a single non breeding Tawny. Our much larger Suffolk project involving 47 nest boxes showed a similar trend with only 16 pulli being ringed. The British Trust for Ornithology is concerned in this apparent a decline in numbers.

EVENTS

Our first event is CREATING WILDNESS : Michael Strand on Wednesday 27 February at 7.30pm. Stowupland village hall. Admission is £2.50 including refreshments. Other events: a walk at Bonny Wood, talks on buzzards, wildlife crime and tree diseases.



Suffolk Sweep

Chimney Sweeping Services



Member of the European Federation
of Chimney Sweeps

As a member of the Guild of Master Chimney Sweeps I am committed to providing a professional service, ensuring your chimney is kept clean and your home safe.

My services include:

The sweeping of open fires, all solid fuel appliances, gas and oil boiler flues.

Safety inspections and smoke testing.

Carbon monoxide and smoke alarms supplied and fitted.

Insurance company recognised certificates issued.

Fully insured

The safety of your home is paramount and all services are carried out in strict accordance with current regulations and approved sweeping methods.

**Telephone John on 01449 737513
or text SWEEP to 07858768162**

Needham Market and District Horticultural Society

If you enjoy gardens and growing, then consider joining us in 2019.

We are a friendly group that meet at Needham Market Community Centre on the first Thursday of the month at 7:30pm.

Meetings run from February to December with an August break. Outings are in May, June and July when gardens at their summer best.

Our modest membership fee is £5 p.a. and you can join at any meeting.

February 7th a talk on Alan Bloom of Bressingham Gardens.

March 7th - Simon White of Peter Beale's Roses, Roses A – Z and look at new introductions.

Our modest membership fee is £5 p.a. and you can join at any meeting.

Other subjects for 2019 are Dry Gardens and Drought Resistant Plants, Butterflies and plants that attract them) and The Spring Garden. Our visits will include RHS Hyde Hall and Woburn Abbey Gardens. These and a harvest supper are open to members and guests for a fee.

<http://www.nmdhs.onesuffolk.net/>

Joint Events Organisers; Pamela Cook, 01449 768640 and Hazel Mackintosh, 01449 720753

Sudoku - medium

Harder one? let us know.

complete the grid using the numbers 1-9 using each number only once in each row, column or 3x3 box.

Solution on Page 29.

	1				7		4	3
9					4	5		
	7							
	9	8			1	4		
5			2	8	9			1
		7	4			8	6	
							9	
		4	1					8
7	5		3				1	

07786 381682

Anglia Garden Design & Landscaping

For a friendly service call Sharon

07786 381682

www.angliagardendesign.com

WILLIAM J CROCKER

PAINTING &
DECORATING
SERVICE



TEL: 07814 240840

WWW.WJCPAINTERS.CO.UK

EMAIL: WJCPAINTERS@HOTMAIL.CO.UK

Creeting St Mary Neighbourhood Watch

Bill Mackintosh, Creeting St. Mary Neighbourhood Watch representative receives and passes on advice from Suffolk Police. 01449 720753

wmackintosh1500@suffolkbroadband.net

Suffolk's Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), Tim Passmore is proposing to raise the policing element of the council tax by £2 a month and wants to hear the public's views.

This increase would allow recruitment of 29 police officers enhancing police visibility and increase the Constabulary's capacity to deal with more complex investigations. It would allow 24 Suffolk police staff investigators and a share of 45 police staff with Norfolk an investment in technology to deal with modern-day challenges. This proposal will see eight new police officers in our county town and a squad of 21 officers to fight drugs and serious violence.

Full detail of how this is accounted and to take part in the survey go to the PCC's website www.suffolk-pcc.gov.uk.

The PCC will present his proposal to increase the policing element of the council tax to the Police and Crime Panel on January 25th for their approval. The papers for this meeting will be published five days before on Suffolk County Council's website, www.suffolk.gov.uk.

For Police advice: www.suffolk.police.uk/advice

To report something use www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us or anonymously call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit www.crimestoppers-uk.org



SUFFOLK
CONSTABULARY

POLICE  NNECT

Keeping you informed, keeping your community safe

Police are appealing for help to locate a 56-year-old woman missing from her home in Mill Road Kedington.

Joanne Bytham was last seen at home at 9.30 on Tuesday 8 January. She was reported as missing to police at 9:30pm last night. She is described as white, five foot three inches tall, blue eyes, of large build with auburn shoulder length hair wearing glasses and usually a Pandora charm bracelet. She is believed to have taken her purple Mini convertible car, DU06 RVA seen on that day on the A12 at Gorleston, heading towards Great Yarmouth. Anyone with information should contact Suffolk Constabulary on 101, quoting CAD 414 of 8 January 2019.



NEW CHIEF CONSTABLE

Steve Jupp

Steve Jupp was selected by Suffolk's Police and Crime Commissioner, Tim Passmore and an appointments panel in January. Steve joined Suffolk Constabulary in 2015 as Deputy Chief Constable from Nottinghamshire Police where he was responsible for Crime Investigation and Reduction. He has served with the Metropolitan Police and the West Midlands Police. Current Chief Constable, Gareth Wilson retires in April.



REGISTERED OSTEOPATH

Louise Mallender BSc (Hons) Ost Med

Back & Neck Pain, Joint Problems,
Repetitive Strain, Poor Posture
Muscle Tension,

Station Yard, Needham Market, IP6 8AS

01449 678250 07789 935190

email: louisemallender603@hotmail.com

www.ineedosteo.co.uk

Registered with the General Osteopathic Council

I've had my Universal Credit payments reduced for missing an appointment. I don't think this is fair as I had a good reason for not being able to attend. Now I am struggling to make ends meet. What should I do?

If you think the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) has made a mistake in reducing your payments, you can ask for the decision to be reconsidered.

Contact the department as soon as possible setting out why you disagree with the decision. Make sure to include the date of the decision and your personal information, including your National Insurance number.

You can ask for this reconsideration in your Universal Credit online account, using a form on the government website, in writing or over the phone. Your local Citizens Advice can help you

put together this information.

If the DWP does not change its decision you can appeal, although this could involve going to a tribunal and may take some time to be heard.

If you're struggling to make ends meet, you can apply for extra help. Ask the DWP for a hardship payment. This is usually a loan and will be deducted from future Universal Credit payments. You can apply for this payment through the Universal Credit helpline, or by asking at your local Jobcentre Plus office.

You may also be able to apply for financial help from your local council. Speak to your local Citizens Advice to see what help is available to you. Citizens Advice Mid Suffolk can provide advice on this or any other issue, including employment, housing, benefits and family law. You can contact them on 01449 676060 or go to the Advice Centre on 5 Milton Road South, Stowmarket. For more information and our opening hours go to midsuffolkcab.org.uk.

RAINFALL AT C.S.M. 2018.

Month..	Rain in mm.
<u>DECEMBER</u>	<u>43.0</u>
Last Year	64.00
Total for 2018	474.00mm
Total to end Dec.. 2017	464.0mm
Dec. 5 year Average	40.3mm
Annual 5 year Average	514.0mm

STOWE VETS ADVISORY

Do you have an animal emergency?

When our pets are sick or injured it can be difficult to know if they need emergency care. Here is our list of 'must see' dog or cat emergencies that should be treated right away, so phone the surgery immediately.

- If you notice a change in your pet's breathing: If your dog is gasping or your cat is open-mouthed and panting.

- If your pet has eaten something poisonous: Common household poisons include paracetamol, lilies, and antifreeze (cats), grapes, raisins and chocolate (dogs).

- If your pet has suffered a traumatic injury from a fall or road traffic accident. Stay calm and keep your animal warm and dry.

- If your pet suffers non-stop/very frequent seizures: these might look scary, but your pet won't be in pain because they will be unconscious. Ensure they are in a safe place.

- If your dog is retching/gagging and their abdomen looks bloated; this could be a sign of gastric torsion (GDV) – a life-threatening condition that occurs because the stomach has become filled with gas. It mainly occurs in larger breeds and should be treated immediately.

- If your pet receives an injury to the eye from a scratch from a thorn, or a hard blow prompt action may prevent loss of the eye.

- If your pet is struggling to give birth
If your pet has been in labour for more than two hours.

This is not a complete list, but we hope that you will find this guide useful. In the event of an emergency, or if you have any questions or concerns about your pet's health, please call Stowe Veterinary Centre on 01449 613130.

Sudoku solution (pg. 25)

8	1	2	5	6	7	9	4	3
9	6	3	8	1	4	5	2	7
4	7	5	9	3	2	1	8	6
3	9	8	6	7	1	4	5	2
5	4	6	2	8	9	7	3	1
1	2	7	4	5	3	8	6	9
2	8	1	7	4	6	3	9	5
6	3	4	1	9	5	2	7	8
7	5	9	3	2	8	6	1	4

GENERAL INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

Creeting St Mary Newsletter:

Editors

Content: Joan Hardingham, Alder Carr Farm,
creetingnewsletter@gmail.com

Liason with contributors and advertisers:

Kathryn Martin,
creetingnewsletter@gmail.com

Advertising: Jennie Blackburn (01449) 721369
clerk.csmnpc@yahoo.co.uk

Advertising rates are on page 3.

Distribution: Kathryn Martin (01449) 720491

Newsletter deadlines: the 20th of the months of:

September (Oct-Nov edition i.e early December and Christmas events)

November (Dec-Jan edition)

January (Feb-Mar edition)

March (Apr-May i.e. Easter)

May (Jun-Jul i.e. all those mid- summer events)

July (Aug-Sep - the summer holiday events)

Agendas and dates are placed on the village noticeboards during the week prior to the meetings, and also on the website.



Creeting St Mary Parish Councillors

Name	Portfolio
Sue Haynes	Chairperson
Kim Barker (previously Fulcher) - recently appointed Councillor	
Roger Coton	SALC
Nigel Smart	Village Hall Management Committee
Paul Scully	Footpaths and Bridleways
Jan Palmer	Blacksmiths Field
Hugo Craggs	CiL and Sustainability

To contact any of the parish councillors, please, contact the Parish Clerk first

Parish Council Clerk : Jennie Blackburn (01449) 721369;
clerk.csmnpc@yahoo.co.uk

Creeting St Mary Website

Alastair Rogers: (01449) 720580 a.s.rogers@qwic.co.uk;
www.creeting-st-mary.suffolk.gov.

Diamond Jubilee Village Hall Hire:

Richard Hyde Tel: (01449) 720024; creetingjubileehall@gmail.com

Creeting St Mary Social Club: csm_socialclub@outlook.com.

Creeting St Mary Neighbourhood Watch Representatives:

Bill Mackintosh: (01449) 720753

Sue Haynes: (01449) 722570

Creeting St Mary Footpaths Paul Scully 01449 721461

e-mail: paul@impressions41.plus.com

Creeting St Mary Welfare Charities Mr. D. Primmer, 30 All Saints Road,
Creeting Saint Mary, IP6 8NF Telephone 01449 721514

County Councillor for the Thredling Division: Mathew Hicks

Tel: (01728) 628176 ; matthew.hicks@suffolk.gov.uk Twitter: @HicksCllr

Mid Suffolk District Councillor: Suzie Morley Tel: (01449) 711306/07976
927226; suzie.morley@midsuffolk.gov.uk

Member of Parliament for Central Suffolk and North Ipswich

Dan Poulter Tel: (01728) 726588 ; daniel.poulter.mp@parliament.uk

Twitter: @drdanpoulter

RE PARISHES:

Creeting St Mary, Coddendam, Creeting St Peter, Crowfield, Earl Stonham,
Stonham Parva, Gosbeck, Hemingstone, Stonham Aspal and Mickfield

Priest-in-Charge Revd. Philip Payne 01449711684

revphilippayne@btinternet.com

CSM Newsletter – Advertising Costs

Bi-monthly issues (June/July; Aug/Sept;

Oct/Nov; Dec/Jan; Feb/Mar; Apr/May)

Deadline 20th of month previous.

One insertion (depending on space)

Full page - £20

1/2 page - £15

1/4 page - £10

1/8 page - £5

Series of 6 adverts:

Full page - £108.00 (inside)/£125.00p.a.
(outside)

1/2 page - £75.00

1/4 page - £48.00

1/8 page - £24.00

An editorial piece about your business

(approx 100 words) can be put in annually.

Page 31 Feb / Mar 2019

The Mustard Pot Veterinary Surgery

For a professional caring service



Tel: 01449 722 198

Coddenham Road, Needham Market, IP6 8NU

A member of Stowe Veterinary Group
www.stovevets.co.uk

