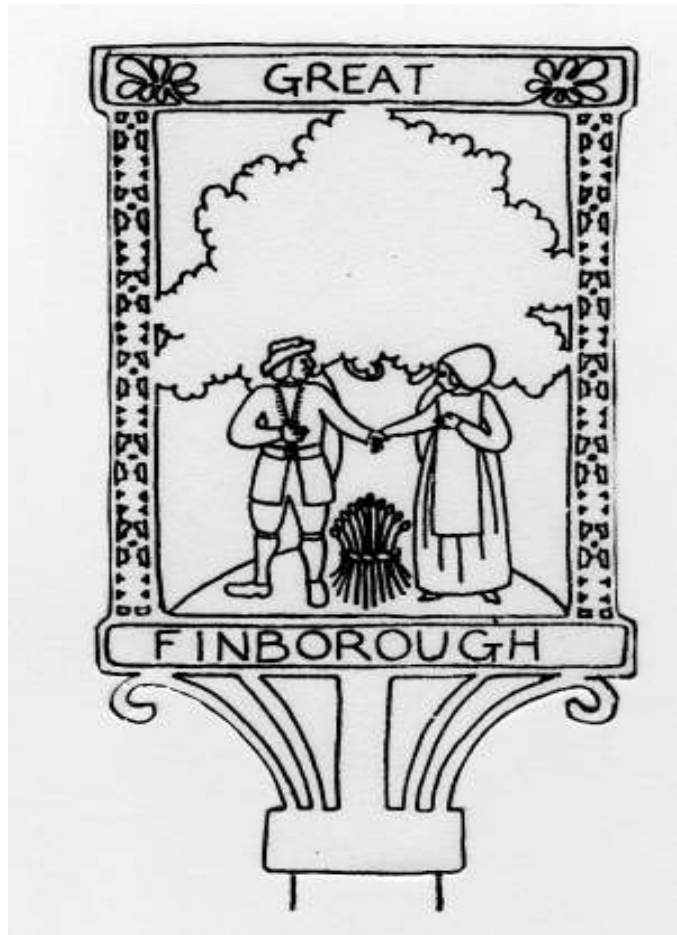


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VILLAGE DIARY – JUNE 2010

3	12.15	Ladies Lunch, Onehouse Church Room
5		Buxhall Women's Institute outing
10	4.30pm	Skylarks, Onehouse Church Room
10	7.30pm	St John's Table Tennis, Church Room
15	9.45am	Candlestick Club outing
16	7pm	Buxhall Women's Institute
17	6.30pm	Charity Bingo, Pettward Hall
19	2.30pm	Cricket Match & BBQ Picnic, Buxhall Playing Field
21	7.30pm	Community Council Meeting, Pettward Hall
24	4.30pm	Skylarks, Onehouse Church Room
24	7.30pm	St John's Table Tennis, Church Room
26	8.00am	Men's Breakfast, Onehouse Church Room
26	11.30	Primary School Summer Event and BBQ
26	7.30pm	Village Barn Dance, Boarded Barn
27	3.00pm	Onehouse Ramblers, Church Room Park
27		Suffolk Villages Charity Bike Ride
29	Noon	FHOBS lunch, Buxhall Village Hall

VILLAGE DIARY – JULY 2010

2	7.30pm	Potato and Praise, Onehouse Church Room
4	1-6pm	Finborough Open Gardens
29	Tba	Great Finborough & District Garden Club BBQ

ST JOHN'S TABLE TENNIS

Thursday Nights 7.30-9.30pm in the Church Room: 10 and 24 June 2010

Why not try a bit of gentle exercise with a game of Table Tennis? New and experienced players welcome. £1 per session. Give me a ring for further details.

Derek Ames (613328)

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Editorial

There is a bit of a bombshell, and not a blonde one, in this month's newsletter. Only the heading gives it away in the Parish Council's report. Richard Brice, our esteemed Chair of the Parish Council, has decided it is time to step down after years of dedicated service to the Parish Council. I'm sure you will all want to join me in thanking Richard for all his hard work on our behalf. As this is hot off the press there will be more information in next month's edition. Meanwhile, please note, no-one has stepped forward to bridge the gap but Parish Council meetings will continue as planned – and as advertised in the newsletter.

If you know someone newly arrived and living in the village, or friends and neighbours who are moving on, please let me know. 15 June 2010 is the next copy deadline for material for the combined July/August newsletter. Please put 'newsletter' in the header if you are emailing. Norman and I welcome visitors so if you need to contact me 'phone, email or call in to Park Cottage any time. The kettle is always on.

Sally Gooch

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Outgoing Parish Council Chairman's Report – 2009/10

Formal matters

The Parish Council comprises seven councillors. They all live in the village, are unpaid volunteers and do not receive gratuitous expenses. During the year ended March 2010 the Council comprised:

- Richard Brice (Chair)
- Mark Brewster (Vice-Chair)
- Debbie Ball
- Cathy Croome
- Sue Green
- John Matthissen
- Liz Michie.

We have a Parish Clerk, Giles Hill - who is also Clerk to Hitcham Parish Council – and is a paid officer of the PC. (Giles' contact details are in Who's Who). We also have a Village Caretaker, Nigel Pinney, appointed in January.

The Parish Council (PC) met on 11 occasions in the last twelve months. The precept – that is the amount of the rates retained for the Parish – was agreed at £6,100. That means that a Band D property will pay around 40 pence per week towards the Parish. In real terms this has reduced per property for some years. The money is used to pay for local requirements, such as repairs to the Pettiward Hall, street lighting and to build some funds for future development of the Hall and other community facilities.

The PC commented on 13 planning applications in the last year. 11 were supported and two rejected. One of these was for retrospective planning permission for an extension to Plot 116 on the Gipping Homes development. The second was to the drive at Finborough School in Finborough Park which, at the time, we believed should be considered in the context of other prospective developments in the Park.

Local democracy

The PC has carried out a Village Appraisal during the year, the results of which are currently being analysed for subsequent report to the village.

As reported in the Village Newsletter, the PC decided to adopt the power of well being which extends its powers to act in the best interests of the community.

Keeping residents in touch

Ten newsletters were prepared under the editorship of Sally Gooch which are delivered and are free to all households in the village. The newsletter is self-funding by virtue of the advertising it carries. There is also a village website managed by Todd Manning (see Who's Who).

Parish Councillors have also delivered the Mid Suffolk Messenger to residents on behalf of Mid Suffolk District Council.

Representing village views

One of the principal roles of the PC is to represent our neighbours by giving views on, or dealing with, a plethora of subjects. During the last twelve months this has included:

- Speeding and Community Speedwatch
- Hedges
- Footpaths and stiles
- Trees
- Stowmarket development
- School bus
- Dog fouling
- Household waste in litter bins
- Salt bin installation
- Common land
- Play area management
- Provision of allotments
- The Chestnut Horse.

Community facilities

Working closely with the Community Council and, where appropriate, other organisations we have worked hard to improve local facilities, including:

- The Play Area

- The car park
- Pettiward Hall – there have been a number of minor repairs during the year
- The triangle near the village school, which was refurbished by Suffolk County Council and now has been planted with a Tulip Tree
- The field behind Pear Tree Place, which MSDC has agreed will pass to the PC for the use of the village
- Provision of Welcome Packs for new residents
- We have also won £10,000 funding for a new youth shelter

Thanks

On behalf of everyone in Great Finborough I would like to thank all those who give so freely of their time for the benefit of the community, including: Parish Councillors; Community Council Trustees and Members; our Tree Warden, Rodney Self; Newsletter Editor, Sally Gooch; Website manager, Todd Manning; and, finally, Vivian for looking after Hall Bookings.

Richard Brice

My name is Julie Parr and I am an Ofsted Registered Childminder in Great Finborough. Spaces currently available please contact me for details. I live with my husband and two sons. We have a dog and two cats as pets. I attend a number of toddler and music groups. At home I have a large enclosed back garden. Indoors I have a wide selection of games, toys and craft activities. For further information please call 678882 or 07760 667867.

More news from the Parish Council

Parish Council Vacancies

There may be one or two vacancies on the Parish Council occurring during the next 12 months, due to existing councillors having increased work commitments outside of the Parish Council. The main role of a parish councillor is to represent the views of all residents of the parish.

Other duties include:

- As part of a local council you have responsibility for running local services, including: open spaces, play areas, the village hall, the village website, etc
- Deciding on how much money to raise through the council tax in order to deliver the council's services
- Influencing and shaping the long-term development policy for the parish, and as part of the planning process, commenting on planning applications in the parish
- Improving the quality of life and the environment in the parish
- Working to identify issues that are important to the lives of the residents you represent
- Working to bring about improvements through local projects, lobbying other service providers and working in partnership with other parishes and agencies.

If you would like to serve your community and become a Parish Councillor, please contact the Parish Clerk – Giles Hill (see Who's Who)

Speeding on Valley Lane

The Parish Council has received reports of pedestrians being narrowly missed by cars on Valley Lane. It urges all motorists to drive very carefully along this lane. Please respect for pedestrians. **Giles Hill**

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News from the Community Council

Allotments

The possibility of using some land behind Pear Tree Place is now not an option. The use of other parcels of land within the village is being investigated.

Village Hall

The architect has requested another meeting to try and move things forward. Discussion again took place regarding the use of the Finborough School's proposed new sports hall. However it was the opinion of those present that we still proceed with investigation into the architect's plans.

Youth Engagement

Numbers are down. The children who attend are mostly in the younger age group. There is also a shortage of helpers. The last bingo session was held in aid of the Youth Engagement and £37 was raised for funds. A youth shelter, for which the parish received funding, will be erected on the bottom field. Also, in time an all weather pitch.

The Car Park

Has been reported as being 'dangerous' in the frost and snow and it was decided to purchase, through the Parish Council, some salt bins for use in Oak Close and Middlefield Drive, as well as the car park, particularly the entrance.

Village Hall

The insurance claim for the fire damage in the kitchen will cover the purchase of a new kettle and microwave. A brand new cooker is being donated. The claim is to be made by the Parish Council.

Structure of Community Council

The Community Council will now meet bi-monthly, instead of every month. Next meeting 21 June.

Cathy Croome

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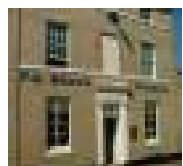
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News from your District Councillor

Just a brief reminder this month that seedling native trees are always welcome, and as you weed your flowers and vegetables, please dig out any little trees and pot them up or move to a shady corner until autumn. Long tap roots, especially oaks, should be shortened to encourage fibrous roots which will establish better when re-planted.

In the coming winter we are making the new Ipswich Children's Hospice Tree House Appeal one of our tree planting projects, and every free tree will save a pound to be spent on special play equipment and other project needs. Their planting scheme calls for 2000 trees, so there is some way to go! To get in touch with me see Who's Who. **John Matthissen**



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Keith Cooper

Tips on avoiding the misery of hay fever

At least 1 in 10 people in the UK suffers from hay fever and for those who suffer with it, the coming Summer months can be a miserable time. By taking a few simple precautions now, in addition to medication, you can minimise your hay fever symptoms. Hay fever is caused by an allergy to pollens. The effects of hay fever can range from being quite mild, to having serious effects on your normal daily life. Common symptoms include a runny, itchy or blocked nose, sneezing and itchy, red, swollen, watery eyes.

The peak season for hay fever is usually May to September. This can vary, depending on where you are in the country and what you are allergic to. There are a number of effective treatments people can buy from their pharmacist including antihistamine medicines in the form of tablet or liquid, inhalers, nasal sprays and eye drops. There are also a number of natural and herbal remedies available from pharmacists and health food shops. You can also take steps yourself to improve your symptoms.

Top tips to avoid the misery of hay fever:

- Keep doors and windows closed when the pollen count is at its highest
- Vacuum and damp dust regularly with a damp cloth to remove any lingering pollen or spores
- Avoid cutting grass, large grassy places, and camping
- Shower and wash your hair after being outdoors, especially after going to the countryside
- Wear wrap-around sunglasses when you are out
- Bring in washing, and close windows before the evening when pollen falls as the air cools
- Keep car windows closed, and consider buying a pollen filter for the air vents in your car.

If you have asthma as well as hay fever you may already have a self-management action plan from your doctor or nurse telling you what to do when your asthma gets worse. For those who don't, speak to your doctor

or nurse who can develop a plan with you. By adjusting your asthma medication you could control your symptoms.

- Smear Vaseline inside your nose. It helps stop pollen and spores settling on the lining of your nose
- Regularly splash your eyes with cold water. This will soothe and cool your eyes and will also help to flush out any pollen.
- Keep pets out of the house. Pollen and spores collect on their fur and are likely to be carried back into the house.
- Stop people smoking in your home. Smoking and breathing in other people's smoke irritates the lining of the nose, eyes, throat and airways that can make hay fever symptoms worse.

You can be prepared for the effects of hay fever by listening to your local weather forecast, which will list the pollen count as being low, moderate or high:

Low - A low count means that concentrations of pollen in the air will not be high enough to trigger hay fever for the majority of people.

Moderate - A moderate count may mean symptoms for some sufferers, but they shouldn't be too severe.

High - High and Very High counts will cause suffering to most people with hay fever and can be used to judge when to take medication or avoid outdoor activity.

Sally Hogg, Head of Health Improvement Partnerships, NHS Suffolk

Potato and Praise

There will be a Potato and Praise, organised by Onehouse Parish, on Friday 2 July at the Church Room, Onehouse. The event commences at 7.30pm and Mike Arbon will be the musician for the evening. Ticket: £5 for adults and £3 for children from me (736025) or Gloria (676198). We look forward to seeing lots of members of our Benefice family there! You can be sure of a warm welcome!

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News from The Primary School

We are now into the Summer Term and things are progressing quickly for the new outside areas being developed so that Red Class and Blue Class can learn outside as well as inside. You will have noticed the new pathway into the school. We are currently organising a new fence and gate and together these will provide a safer route into school for our children, passing through the lovely Squirrel Garden. Thank you to the volunteers who have started working on the garden with our school children. We look forward to some lovely produce.

As part of the curriculum Red Class and Green Class are going to visit *The Sealife Centre* at Great Yarmouth and are looking forward to that. Blue Class, as part of their Geography project, will be visiting Felixstowe. We will be welcoming the new children who join us this September for *Come and Join In* after the May half term giving opportunities for the children to meet their new class teacher and their new school friends.

On a slightly sad note we have an issue with dogs being allowed to foul our playing field to the back of the school. It is not only unpleasant but it is potentially harmful to the children. Please can dog walkers be mindful of the fact it is a school playing field, and find an alternative area for exercising their dogs. Many thanks for your continued support.

Stephen Dodd

Ladies' Lunch in the Church Room, Onehouse

This month the Ladies' Lunch will be slightly different. It will be a Summer Lunch on 3 June at 12.15pm. Instead of a speaker we will have time to talk among ourselves. Maybe we can steer our conversations towards a discussion about who or what we would like to listen to at our lunches in the coming year. We have several speakers booked but it is good to have input from those who support the project.

We have been meeting bi-monthly for almost three years and in that time have raised about £700 for charity. This was never the intention of the gathering but it is thanks to the attendees generosity that we have been able to do this. If you want to attend please let me know by Tuesday 1 June on 676123 so that we have enough food for you.

Arlene

News from the Friends of Great Finborough Primary School

World Cup Summer Event

Great Finborough Primary School Summer event on Saturday 26 June
11.30am to 2.30pm. Come for:

- BBQ and refreshments
- Summer draw
- Table football with a twist
- Side stalls
- Face painting
- Bouncy castle

and much much more. BBQ tickets £2.50 for adults, £1.50 for children.
Buy in advance available from a member of the Friends or from the
School Reception. Please come along and enjoy the fun.

Squirrel Gardens

The children are planting tomatoes, sunflowers, herbs and peppers. We
are planning to build a shelter in the garden for the children to sit and
reflect on the garden. A few changes also need to be made to
accommodate the new entrance to the school but should be on the way
soon. Does anyone have an old pasting table they do not need any more?
This would be the ideal size for the children to use for potting up and to
do their activities on. If you do please contact one of the team.

We still have some seeds for sale at discounted prices to raise money for
the garden. If you would like to purchase any vegetable or flower seeds
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prepared to donate to us or let us sell for you on a 50/50 basis, please
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John Davey

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Great Finborough & Buxhall Under 5s



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Coming soon....tickets for our Grand Summer Draw, these will be on sale in various prominent places, or call me anytime. We have many wonderful prizes including our star prizes....



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We are planning to refurbish the role-play area within the pre-school and your fundraising efforts are going towards making this possible, as well as subsidising our trip to Easton Farm Park.

Jane Nunn 736881

Launch of new disabled access guide helps patients

The Disability Access Guide to Suffolk is a brand new online guide which will, for the very first time, mean that disabled people in the county can view access information at over 600 healthcare facilities in the county. It will help people with all kinds of disabilities, not just those who need wheelchair access.

NHS Suffolk led the implementation across the health service providing sponsorship for the project. It has been compiled by the disability charity *DisabledGo*, in conjunction with Suffolk Mental Health Partnership and Suffolk Community Healthcare. View the guide at www.disabledgo.com. For those without internet access, simply call or visit one of Suffolk's libraries where a member of staff will help. NHS Suffolk is looking into ensuring the information is also accessible to those without easy access to the internet. **Carole Taylor-Brown, Chief Executive of NHS Suffolk**

Wolf in a Wood

Following the success of *Wolf in a Wood*, premiered in Great Finborough in 2009, the company returns for performances at the Pulse Festival, Ipswich. There will be two performances in the spooky basement of the Spiral Car Park under the New Wolsey theatre! Also, shorter, outdoor family versions of the show at Wingfield Barns and Dollops Wood, Polstead. Don't miss the chance to see the wolves in one of these atmospheric settings.

'mysterious, funny, thought provoking and completely unlike any piece of theatre I had seen before. A brilliant idea, excellent acting...and a great talking point afterwards' Sue Green

9 June: Wingfield Barns

near Eye IP21 5RA. 7pm. £4. Box office 01379 384505. Booking essential.

10 June: Pulse Festival, Ipswich. Underground Spiral Car Park, Civic Drive IP1 2AS.

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Ancestors in Great Finborough

I have searched the Great Finborough website (which I just love looking at by the way) for contacts in the village as I am interested in family history. Reading some of the names listed on your councils made me smile as I have 'met' their ancestors as I have researched mine. Robert Roper and Charlotte Nunn were married in St. Andrew's Church on 5 April 1860. Charlotte was born in Little Finborough in 1833. They sailed to New Zealand in May 1860, arriving in NZ in August 1860. Poor things - they must have been freezing as it was mid winter!

Robert's father was Richard and his mother was possibly Elizabeth/or Harriet. Children that have Richard Roper listed as father on the marriage certificate were: John Richard Roper (married Susan Proctor at Great Finborough in 1839), Mary Ann Roper (married Joseph Welham at Great Finborough in 1839), Harriet Roper (married John Smith at Little Finborough in 1846) and James Roper (married Ann Gowers at Buxhall in 1855).

Charlotte's father was Robert Nunn and her mother was Mary Harper. They married on 12 October 1831 at Great Finborough. Charlotte's siblings were: William Harper Nunn born about 1831 at Thorpe Morieux (no descendants), John Nunn born 1837 at Little Finborough. The others were born in Combs: Mary Ann Nunn born 1839, Robert Nunn born 1841, Henry Nunn born 1846, George Nunn born 1849 (no descendants).

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Great Finborough & District Garden Club

Our May meeting was a particularly well attended Annual General Meeting so thanks to all those who came along, although I suspect it was less to do with the mundane business of running our Club and more to do with the selection of plants that members donated for us to sell; and, particularly, the delicious cakes that were kindly produced by women on the Committee. Our next evening meeting will be the annual Club barbeque to be held on 29 July. Full details will be provided next month.

Most importantly the 2010 Village Open Gardens will be held on Sunday 4 July in aid of the EACH - Tree House Appeal. If you might be interested in opening your garden to help us in our efforts we would be delighted to hear from you. It is not necessary to be a member of the Club to participate but you will receive an invitation to the prestigious President's Lawn BBQ.

If you are interested in joining the Garden Club or would like to join us for any event you will be very welcome. Membership is £12.50 per household per year. Non-members can attend meetings for £2 per person. For further information contact me or John Davey at john@abbeyclassics.co.uk - see Who's Who. **Judith Cameron**

Charity Bingo

This month's bingo will be on Thursday 17 June at 6.30pm in Pettward Hall. Money raised will go towards Great Finborough Primary School. There will be Bingo, raffle and refreshments. All welcome. Children to be accompanied by an adult. Please come along and join in the fun. If anyone has any unwanted raffle prizes they wish to donate, please feel free to bring along on the night or contact either Mari (770032) or me.

Sharla Goldsmith

Recipes Required

I am looking to produce a cookery book to raise funds for St Andrew's Church. The book will probably be entitled 'Bread of Heaven'. I would like you to send me your favourite loaf recipe. It can be either a favourite cake loaf or meat loaf, nut loaf or even bread loaf recipe. The more the merrier. Please send them to me at 16 Middlefield Drive, Great Finborough, IP14 3AH or email me at rbergstrom@talktalk.net as soon as possible.

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Buxhall Women's Institute

Whilst the speaker is only part of our evening, a good one does add to the quality of the meeting. Deborah Preston proved that. She was Executive Housekeeper at the Dorchester and the statistics she quoted regarding the number of rooms, miles of corridors, and staffing were mind boggling. One point she stressed time and time again was the importance to the Company of the cleaners. Without their input a room would not be ready for re-occupation and revenue lost.

We then had a Group meeting held at Stowupland Village Hall where we entertained by Neil Lanham on the subject of his mother, entitled "Ruby and her Horses". This was a combination of storytelling, folk songs and slides and I am sure stirred the memories of many, particularly those lucky enough to have lived in Suffolk all their lives.

Our Institute was responsible for the buffet. At 6 o'clock there were four empty trestle tables. Half an hour later they were laden with a super range of eats! Catering is part of our W.I. image. It is what we are good at and it was a celebration of everyone's skill in producing such a wonderful mouth watering selection. As we put our contributions onto the tables I felt so proud of us all. We catered for 120 people that night.

The walk set off and finished at the Dog in Norton. 20 of us covered over three miles and were joined by four others for a very nice meal at the pub. On 5 June we are going to Carters Vineyards for a wine tasting and afternoon cream tea. Next meeting 16 June. The speaker is Edward Crichton on the subject 'Antiques Roadshow'. Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start. Visitors welcome.

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Buxhall and Great Finborough over 60's Candlestick Club

Our first outing of the year we again joined with Onehouse, Harleston and Shelland on a mystery trip. This proved to be very interesting as we turned up at the National Stud in Newmarket. An excellent guide joined us on the coach as we toured around the 300 odd acres of grassland and paddocks seeing the mares with their foals. We had their ages, colours, owners and lots more details explained. It was really a marvellous experience. The stallions were in their loose boxes waiting patiently for the stud groom to bring the mares to see them.

A delicious meal had been arranged before we finished the afternoon in Newmarket for a little bit of shopping. Many thanks to Katie Ellis for organising it and letting us join them.

Our next outing is on 15 June, a Tuesday this time with pick up times as before: 9.45am at Great Finborough Old Chapel, and 9.50am at Buxhall Village Hall. We will be visiting Langham Glass in Norfolk. Names please to me or Katie Ellis (736430). New members are always welcome.

Keith Proctor

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptism at St Andrew, Great Finborough
18 April **Jasmin Amber Rose Heyns**



Burial at St John the Baptist, Onehouse
18 April **Keith Donald Gamble** Aged 77 years

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Onehouse Ramblers

The next walk will be on 27 June. Meet at Church Room Park at 3pm for a walk of about 5 miles.

Derek Ames

Skylarks Children's Club

We had lots of music, fun and dance at our Skylarks session on 13 May when Rosemary Oliver kindly visited us bringing with her songs and musical instruments for the Skylarks to play and sing - and dance too!

They each made a musical instrument of their own from a cardboard shoe box lid and different sized elastic bands and played together with Rosemary at the end of the session. It sounded quite impressive! We all had great fun and thank Rosemary sincerely for coming.

Next sessions on 10 and 24 June: 4.30-6pm in Onehouse Church Room. Any child aged between 5 and 9 years living or worshipping in Onehouse, Harleston, Shelland, Great Finborough or Buxhall who would like to join Skylarks, please contact me or Christine Hagger (736487). **Derek Ames**

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Friday	Great Finborough	8.00 – 8.30am

Sunday 6 June

Sung Eucharist	Buxhall	9.30am
Reflective Morning Prayer	Shelland	9.30am
Holy Communion	Finborough	11am
Family Service	Harleston	11am
Evening Prayer	Onehouse Church	6.30pm

Sunday 13 June

Matins	Buxhall	9.30am
Holy Communion	Shelland	9.30am
Family Service	Onehouse Church	11am
Holy Communion	Harleston	11am
Celtic Evening Service	Finborough	6pm

Sunday 20 June

Fathers' Day Family Service	Shelland	9.30am
Holy Communion	Finborough	11am
Family Communion	Onehouse Church	11am
Flower Service and Baptism	Buxhall	3pm

Sunday 27 June

Benefice Eucharist	Onehouse Church	10.30am
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Sunday 4 July

Sung Eucharist	Buxhall	9.30am
Reflective Morning Prayer	Shelland	9.30am
Holy Communion	Finborough	11am
Family Service	Harleston	11am
Evening Worship	Onehouse Church	6.30pm

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