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Dear Friends

In March this year, a new Archbishop was installed in Canterbury Cathedral in the same week that a new Pope was inaugurated in Rome. I am writing this letter on the day these two men met for the first time in Rome.

A few days before his historic meeting with Pope Francis, the Archbishop of Canterbury visited Suffolk. Although we weren't in the congregation at Aldeburgh, D and I were privileged, with many other people, to meet him and hear him talking about his job. I hope I can share with you the air of optimism which he gives to those who meet him.

I will not try to describe Archbishop Justin, except to say that he looks exactly like the photographs of him that appear in the newspapers. He is slight in build and unimpressive in stature, but his face glows with laughter, interest, thoughtfulness and compassion.

I cannot give you a full account of all he said, but while we were with him he spoke of his surprise at being called to this office, and of the joy that doing the job gives him; he says it is the best job in the world.

He spoke of the three priorities that guide him in all that he does:

The first is a call to all, and to members of the Church in particular, to a life of faith and faithfulness based on prayer; faithfulness to the example of Jesus Christ, to his teaching and his selfgiving service.

His second priority is a call to reconciliation. He has a reputation for this, having put his own life on the line when working with various warring groups in Nigeria and in other parts of the world, but he says that we all have a part to play in this. Reconciliation is what happens when we

acknowledge God's love, and allow it to flow through us to the people around us and particularly to those with whom we find it difficult to agree.

His third priority is evangelism. Not the sort of mass meeting spectacular along the lines of Billy Graham, but the quiet witness that makes known the reality of life through Jesus Christ and the healing and comfort we can receive through him.

The Archbishop believes that people all over the world are hungry for God's peace, and that they long for truth and integrity, for gentleness and virtue.

Archbishop Justin believes the Church's task now is to show the world what God's love means today. It is as simple as that.

I have to tell you, his optimism has rubbed off on us. We look forward to seeing how exciting the next ten or so years are going to be.

With love from

Church Matters .....



#### Discussion Group

Our Discussion Group in June looked at the concept of sacred places, which varied from well known religious sites to places in our own homes or gardens.

There will be no Discussion Group in July or August. We start again in September, so the next meeting will be on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September** at 10.30 am at Bickley in Harriers Walk.

Dates for July

PCC Meeting

There will be a PCC meeting on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 2 Black and White Cottages.

Confirmation Service with Bishop Nigel

This will be on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 3 pm at Kettleburgh church. Do come and support the candidates if you can.

#### FLOWER AND CLEANING ROTA

	Flowers	Cleaning
6th July	Mary Willson	Jayne Gibson
13th July	Mary Willson	Jayne Gibson
20th July	Emma Johnston	Emma Johnston
27th July	Emma Johnston	Emma Johnston
3rd August	Dot Blane	Dot Blane

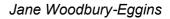
## Wedding of Hannah Wilson and Francis Wood

The church was full of family, friends and flowers for Francis and Hannah's wedding. The bride looked beautiful in a full length fitted gown with a long veil trimmed with lace. Hannah's sister, Nicole, was the only bridesmaid and she also read one of the four lovely readings. There was an atmosphere of radiant happiness which the weather could not dampen, although it was raining so much at the end of the service that no photographs could be taken outside.

Glorious music was provided by an organist and a trumpeter, and also by a harpist during the signing of the register. She continued to play after the service while some photos were taken inside the church.

We have come to know Hannah and Francis who have worshipped regularly with us for a year or more and it was wonderful to see their joy on their special day.

We wish them every happiness in a long and contented marriage and send them our love and congratulations. May God bless them and may they cherish each other as He cherishes them.





#### **ALL SAINTS CHURCH, EASTON**

is hosting

Sunday Cafe

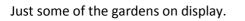
# Easton Village Hall Sunday 14th July open 10.00 - 11.30 am

Come and enjoy a cup of 'proper' coffee or tea with a croissant, homemade goodies or a soft drink, read the Sunday papers and have a chat **Bacon rolls now on the menu!** Storytelling and craft activities to amuse the children **Cyclists welcome** 

## Hidden Gardens of Easton Sunday 16th June

A big thank you to all those involved in our Hidden Gardens! We made a profit for the church of £581 after expenses. We want to thank Michael and Paul, Clare Owen for all the administrative "stuff", Jean and her team providing teas, Colin for looking after the money, and especially all the people who opened their gardens to the public for the afternoon and spent weeks beforehand preparing. We had lots of complimentary comments on the different gardens. A very successful afternoon!







#### EASTON & LETHERINGHAM VILLAGE HALL NEWS



Unfortunately we had to cancel our planned live music event in June featuring Ed's Little Sister as we sold no tickets, which was disappointing.

On a more up beat note, for those of you who haven't yet seen the newly landscaped front garden at the hall, do make a visit to look. It was a very neglected area and difficult to maintain, and had been left for a number of years. The committee looked at a number of options to use the space including off road parking spaces. However this was not possible due to extensive tree roots belonging to the two preserved yew trees and the space not being deep enough to comply with current highway requirements, as well as safety issues. Therefore the plan was to create a low maintenance garden and seating area, which would be pleasant on the eye and easy to look after, with the added benefit of increasing the usable outdoor space for those warm evenings! (See photos opposite.)

Thanks go to Jenny for her organisation of the works and garden design in partnership with Reuben Eaves of Reuben's Landscaping Design Ltd. Reuben very generously donated all the hard landscaping materials worth over £600, as well as a heavily discounted rate, as his way of giving something to the local community and meeting our low budget. VHMC wish to thank Reuben for his generosity.

Many thanks also to village hall neighbour Alun Thomas of Hunt Kennels, who stepped in to help our landscapers with a supply of water for the cement mixer and plenty of cups of tea for the workers. They couldn't have managed without you!

Do enjoy the new space; don't feel you have to be using the hall to come take a pew and watch the world go by!

lan Palfreyman

Village Hall Management Committee

www.elvillagehall.com







#### EASTON 100 CLUB June Winner Allie Green (No. 11)

Winning £43

Organised and run by the Village Hall Management Committee Contact Dave Stagg on 746054 or visit www.elvillagehall.com/members-&numbers.html for the last few remaining numbers.





## EASTON BELLES

"THE BELLES, THE BELLES"

AT OUR JUNE MEETING WE WERE MADE UP!

What a super meeting we had with Jacki Franklin advising us on the right colours to wear to suit our personal 'seasonal' tones. Pity the seasons haven't got it right at the moment so we can match our outfits accordingly!

Jane Pollock and Deborah Stocker were two willing volunteers to find the right colours to wear and Liz Yeatts had make up applied, again to suit her 'spring' personality.

WHAT A LOAD OF RUBBISH!

On Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> a warm, sunny evening, a few members set off on a village litter pick – with some surprising results! A members' evening followed with delicious strawberries, cream and homemade shortbread biscuits.

For our meeting this month (Tuesday 23rd) we are holding a BBQ at a member's home. If you would like to join us, please ring me on 746808 for details.

**Janet Prentice** 

#### LATEST NEWS ABOUT THE HIVE ENERGY PLANNING APPEAL

#### Public Meeting held on 30th May in Hacheston Village Hall

<u>Apologies</u> Ward Councillor for Easton, Bob Snell, explained that as Chairman of the Development Control Committee, he might have to determine in complete independence any future applications for this or other sites, so he presented his apologies.

**Present** 55 people attended the Meeting, chaired by Wig Darby from the No Hacheston Solar group. Those present included Dr Dan Poulter MP, Cllr Stephen Burroughes (County Councillor) and Cllr Tony Fryatt (District Councillor). Cllrs Burroughes & Fryatt were both members of the Development Control Committee that refused planning permission for the Hive Energy proposal. Another three District Councillors from the Control Committee were also present, together with the Chairmen from Easton & Hacheston Parish Councils. There were also three representatives from the Suffolk Preservation Society, which had strongly opposed the application. With all the expertise present, there was lively and informed debate.

**Reports** Dr Dan Poulter MP said that the District Councillors had done well to stand up to the Council Officers by refusing the application on good planning grounds. He stated that the Local Authority needed to have local rules and plans in place for siting such developments in the right place. Dr Poulter reported that Waveney District had more suitable brownfield sites and he would keep raising the matter with the Leader of the Council, with whom he held regular meetings. Cllr Burroughes explained that he was on a Green Energy Committee which sought to produce a coherent policy. He said that he would shortly be speaking to the Council on the matter and would do all he could to support those in opposition to Hive Energy's proposal. Cllr Fryatt said that a robust policy for solar energy was needed in the District Council's Local Development Framework because at present the matter was wide open for exploitation.

**Fighting Fund** At the Meeting, Chrissie Darby thanked everyone for their donations to the fighting fund. She said that there were now sufficient funds for Richard Buxton to instruct a barrister, Richard Turney from Landmark Chambers, to represent No Hacheston Solar at the Inquiry. Richard Buxton and his colleague, Lisa Foster, were doing all they could to keep the costs down. They would only step in when either the opposition group or Richard Turney thought their input was necessary. Fund raising was continuing in order to cover these and any other costs that this Inquiry may incur in order to reach a successful conclusion.

<u>The Planning Inquiry</u> The Inquiry will take place in Hacheston Village Hall and has now been extended to four days - 25, 26 & 27<sup>th</sup> September & 1<sup>st</sup> October.

The importance of fighting this Appeal has been highlighted by recent news that a Hive Energy/ Moser Baer solar development near Silverstone (which is nearing completion) has changed the layout without permission, as well as increasing the rows of panels and removing gaps within rows. The local Parham Airfield site (now well into construction) also wishes to alter its layout by increasing the panels from 64,200 to 80,212 and doubling the number of inverters.

We must stop Hive Energy's Appeal to prevent this ever happening at Hacheston.

Jill Temperton

If you would like to be kept informed about the latest information concerning the Appeal or wish to contribute to the Fighting Fund <u>please email: nohachestonsolar@hotmail.co.uk</u>



## Easton Pre-School News

It was lovely to be part of the village May Fair meeting everybody at our face painting and biscuit decorating stall. Thanks to all the parents and staff who helped.

#### A date for your diary :

## Friday 19th July

All welcome Annual BBQ starting at 3pm Teddy Parachute from Church tower at 5pm (£1 to enter a soft toy with homemade parachuteplease make this prior to coming!) Prizes awarded for 'Best Decorated', 'Best Flyer', 'Nearest the Target' and 'Best Adult-engineered Parachute' (new prize this year!) BBQ food available £1 per sausage in a roll and £1.50 for a burger. Tickets can be purchased prior to the day or on the door. Teas/coffees/soft drinks available. Face painting, raffle and cake 'bring and buy' stall. Great fun for all the family!

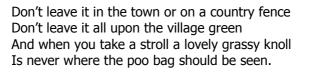
Enquiries about the event above or if you would like to visit us at Pre-School please ring 746935. Bring this article to us and get your first session free!

#### Dog Warden's Plea

If your doggie does a poo Then you know what you should do Just bag it up and place it in a bin.

> It isn't very neat to leave it in the street Where folks will go and dip their tootsies in.

> > Don't put it on a rock or leave it on the shore Don't hang it on a tree or on a wall And please, I wish to state just never desecrate The churchyard – that is really worst of all.



Dog walkers everywhere I beg of you take care Be strong and stand out in the crowd Keep our village clean, a pleasure to be seen And make your doggie very proud.

Maggie Perkovic - published by kind permission of the author



Go with the Flow Youth Bus in Easton

Tuesdays fortnightly This month : 2nd, 16th and 30th July Time: 6.30pm - 8.30pm. Location: Village Green Age : School Year 6 upwards. Possible Activities include...Wii, X box, TV/Films, Cooking, Craft, Games....

More details : <u>http://gowiththeflow.onesuffolk.net/</u>



## HOLDING COURT?

Some alert readers may have seen or read about unusual goings-on in Ipswich Crown Court recently. Perhaps an explanation is due.

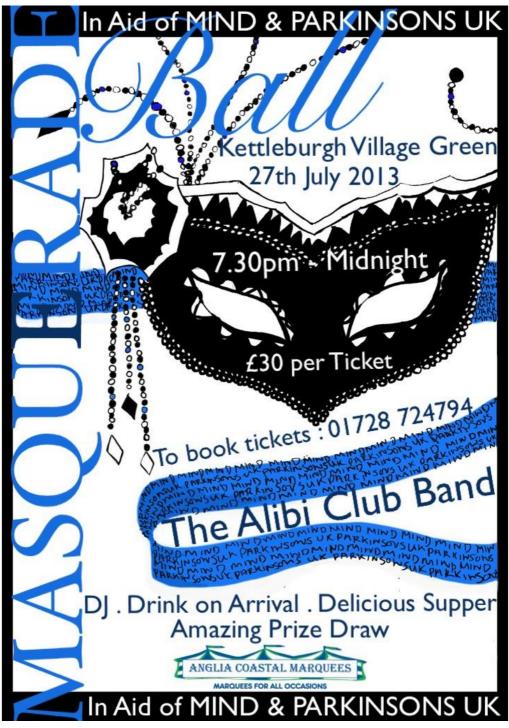
Each year, The Queen appoints a High Sheriff in each county of this country; the holder of this historic office is traditionally responsible to The Queen for the safety of justice within the county, for the protection of her judges and magistrates and for overseeing the workings of the justice system. Of course, nowadays, the office is largely ceremonial, because the justice system is administered by a Government Department, and the security of the judges and of prisoners is delivered by contract.

Traditionally each High Sheriff appoints a chaplain; in years past, his role was to hear the confession of condemned criminals, administer absolution and witness the death penalty. Happily there is no call for this task today. This year, the High Sheriff of Suffolk is Sir Edward Greenwell, who lives near Orford. For reasons too complicated to explain, he asked me to act as his Chaplain for his year in office. He was sworn in (it is an impressive oath of office) before the Resident Judge in Ipswich Crown Court in April, during which ceremony I had to lead prayers. Since then I have accompanied him on a number of visits to various parts of the justice system located in Suffolk.

It was on one such visit to the Crown Court, two weeks ago, when the High Sheriff and I were sitting either side of the Judge who had just sentenced a prisoner, that a member of the public left the public gallery, ran across the court, climbed onto the bench and attempted to assault the Judge. As you can imagine, it was the High Sheriff and I who became the first line of defence, but we were quickly relieved by Police, court officials and the man's parents. The man's actions constituted contempt, a serious offence, and the following day he found himself sentenced to a term of imprisonment.

Robin Alderson





## **SPORTING FIXTURES FOR JULY**

#### **Easton Cricket Club**

Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> XI	v	Long Melford	Home
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies XI	V	Woodbridge	Away
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> XI	V	Brockley	Away
	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	V	Eye	Home
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday XI	V	BT & Waldringfield	Home
	Ladies XI	V	Cambridge	Home
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> XI	V	Dunmow	Away
	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	V	Stradbroke	Home
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	Sunday XI	V	Southwold	Home
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> XI	V	Woodbridge	Away
	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	V	DBSL	Away
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday XI	V	Carribeans	Away





#### BOWLS CLUB SPORTING FIXTURES FOR JULY

Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup>		\//oldrinafiold		Homo
	V	Waldringfield	Woodbridge League	Home
Thu 4th	V	Woodbridge	Fynn League	Away
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	Harr	nmond Trophy Trip	oles Competition – All Day	Home
Tue 9 <sup>th</sup>	V	Dennington	Woodbridge League	Home
Thu 11 <sup>th</sup>	V	Tunstall	Fynn League	Home
Tue 16 <sup>th</sup>	V	Laxfield	Woodbridge League	Away
Thu 18 <sup>th</sup>	V	Melton	Fynn League	Away
Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup>	V	Otley	Woodbridge League	Home
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup>	V	Hollesley	Fynn League	Away

## Wild Flower Meadow



I thought villagers might be interested to know that the small field on the left when turning into the Cricket Club entrance has been sown with a wildflower mix under the Stewardship Scheme. I understand from Jonathan Duggan that the scheme covers a period of five years or so.

Although there is a sparse showing of rape from previous crops, the grass and wildflowers are growing well, with some flowers just beginning to show, like Vetch and Speedwell.

Also, our bank on the far side of the garden is now showing well. This is maintained as a wildflower bank. Cut at the end of February, then left for the cowslips and dandelions as they are a well sought early source by bees. Now showing mainly white and blue colours. Normally finishes with purplish knapweed in autumn, after which it is cut, allowed to dry, then raked off to drop seed for next year.

Brian Boon, Orchards, School Lane



#### Wellie Boots for July

isaster, yet another disaster! Is there nothing about the English weather that doesn't end up as a disaster in one way or another? After a very wet and miserable spring, we were then greeted with the encouraging news that at least this would bring forth a bumper crop of fruit when late summer came around. What everyone forgot to tell me was that this

was not good news at all for young fruit trees, which need careful handling. Consequently, because of our recent abnormally high winds, our three year old Victoria plum trees have already split through the sheer weight of fruit. Even if they can be saved, having been bound, propped up and the fruit crop severely reduced, there will always be a permanent weakness, so they will probably have to be replaced in the autumn. So, check your fruit trees at once, especially the younger ones, and if they seem overladen, carefully remove some of the fruit – better a lower yield than lose half your tree. Also keep a careful watch for the next couple of months as fruit develops quickly and weighs heavily, so further action may be needed later on, such as removing blemished fruit or the central apple from each cluster.



Even more doom and gloom came about when I had to evict one of the mallards from her nest after a month, and, as I expected, all the eggs were addled and unfertilised. Obviously her mother had never told her about the birds and the bees

beforehand, unlike her wayward cousin Priscilla. Having been fed and nurtured in our garden for three or four weeks, Priscilla and babies suddenly vanished completely, so we feared the worst. Then, the day before Hidden Gardens, imagine our delight and amazement when she suddenly re-appeared complete with all the kids in tow. But her secret was out the next day when they were recognised by several neighbouring gardeners. Seems she'd been doing the rounds of several of the village ponds. She says she was 'on her 'olidays', but I'm not so sure. I think perhaps she's no better than she should be and will do anything for a handful of grain or a slice of bread - so be warned. Perhaps that's why she's ended up with seven brown babies and one golden yellow, although she swears it was a surrogacy. But she's a wonderful mother, can't take that away from her, and how she manages to shepherd eight kids twice a day over a busy road to the Deben without incident, I'll never know. Talking of holidays, don't forget to give your conservatory plants their annual break for the next couple of months or so by just moving them outside into a suitable position. They will appreciate it and reward you well when they are brought back in during early September. Meanwhile, don't forget that



elsewhere well-established plants may not need watering but newly planted ones, bedding plants and plants in containers will all need regular watering. And talking of water brings me round to ponds and fish who should now be on their high protein summer diet as they have already frantically set about their breeding season. The next few weeks may also see signs of distress caused by shortage of oxygen which is easily controlled by a small pump or cascade.

Naturally, following Hidden Gardens, many of the village gardens are now resplendent with urns and pots brimming over with brilliant floral displays, manicured lawns and beautifully trimmed beds and borders. Yes, it was a lot of very hard work, but greatly appreciated, as were the strenuous efforts put in by the usual band of cheerful helpers on the Village Green the previous weekend. I've no doubt all our gardens are now looking the best they have done for the last two years – well worth the effort and now we can relax and enjoy our gardens for the rest of the summer. However, to maintain them in peak condition, urns and pots especially will need a monthly feed as they use up a lot of energy producing magnificent blooms. Of course, now that we should be getting some really hot weather (ha-ha-ha), set the mower higher than usual so that if it does become very hot the lawn will not dry out so quickly.



Delilah came round the other day just in time to go back and give some of her perennials the "Chelsea Chop" and to study "dead-heading" – will that girl never learn? Most perennials will respond favourably to cutting back – otherwise known as the Chelsea Chop. When the initial flowering is more or less over, chop off the spent heads and if you do this shorter at the

front but taller at the back, this should give you a larger expanse of late flowering. Dead-heading is more about dealing with individual plants and flowers such as delphiniums, lupins, hollyhocks, foxgloves, etc (only after the main "spike" is spent and then only if you don't want to save the seed). But be careful about dead-heading roses as many of them will produce a brilliant display of hips at the end of the season and it would be a sin to miss out on these. As usual, I got carried away during recent visits to local garden centres and bought far more than I should, so now they have to be potted on for use later, or even next year. Delilah (yes, it's her again) potted on too late last year then wondered why they came to "nowt". On examination I could see it was because they were "pot-bound" even before she started, so the rooting system had stayed put. When potting-on you need to get hold of pots that are substantially larger and use a mix of multi-purpose and home-made composts. Should you then find the plant to be pot-bound, tease out the roots gently before re-planting about one inch below the pot rim and water very well. Do not allow to dry out, but also don't allow them to sit in water for long, as this too can be fatal.

About now would be also an ideal time to attempt some soft-wood or semiripe cuttings from weigela, ceanothus, hebes, hydrangeas, rosemary, etc, so gather together your pots, cutting compost and rooting hormone. Then collect your cuttings from the current year's growth just below a leaf, strip off the bottom leave and dip the lower portion into the hormone liquid or powder and plant into your pots of cutting compost. Place the pots into a polythene bag, tie the top and then put into a warm, sheltered spot out of direct sunlight (or a propagator would be ideal). All being well, you should be able to pot-on in a few weeks' time. But of course, if you want instant effect, you are spoilt for choice. Fuchsias, penstemons, lavender, roses, geraniums, lavatera, spiraea, etc – the list is endless, so go to it.



But summer, when or if it arrives, will not be with us for long, so why not at least get around our lovely county? Take Minsmere for example – almost every day this month they have various activities going on, focusing mainly around wildlife. Then there

are various open gardens, great value for very little expenditure. Choose from two excellent ones for the British Red Cross - Riverside House in Clare on July 14<sup>th</sup>, and/or Tollemarche Hall at Offten on 24<sup>th</sup>. Or dozens more throughout Suffolk or further afield. And if picnics are your style, Barham Hall on 6<sup>th</sup> with the Ipswich Concert Band, or Ickworth House on 28th for Shakespeare's "As You Like It", may take your fancy. But whatever else you miss, don't miss Suffolk Dog Day at Helmingham Hall, all day on 28th. Or, for something much closer to home, Letheringham Riverside Party is on Sunday afternoon, 7th July, with the Maverick Festival at Easton Farm Park for the whole weekend of 5th-7th. The whole month is chock-a-block with other activities, so if you possibly can, get out there and enjoy yourselves. Life's too short to stay at home unless you have to.

Happy visiting,





#### **Neighbourhood Watch**



#### Warning over Council Tax Re-banding Scam

Suffolk Trading Standards are warning residents to be cautious of letters received advising that they are entitled to a Council Tax refund as their property has been re-banded.

A number of complaints have been received from Suffolk residents advising that the letter states that "the company can help them apply for a reduction in their council tax bill". The company offer their assistance for a fee.

You can have your band checked free of charge by <u>contacting</u> <u>your local Valuation Office.</u>

If you feel that the band on your home is wrong, then all you have to do is contact your local office and explain why you think it is incorrect. They will also ask you to confirm that the details they hold about your home are correct. They will listen to your views and if they agree that the band is wrong, they will change it. Bands can occasionally go up as well as down.

If you have received a similar letter, please report the matter to Citizens Advice Consumer Service on 08454 040506

#### Theft from Letheringham Church

Police are appealing for information after a flat 3ft by 18" brass image of a knight and sword was stolen from the church at Letheringham sometime between Friday  $14^{th}$  and Friday  $21^{st}$  June. Anyone with information relating to this theft or the whereabouts of the stolen item is asked to contact Suffolk Police on 101 reference LE/13/635

John Owen



## WELL DONE NOOSIE!

ON THE WEEKEND OF 22/23 JUNE, JOHN NEWSON COMPLETED THE RBLR 1000 MILE MOTORCYCLE RIDE AROUND ENGLAND IN AID OF THE POPPY APPEAL. HE MANAGED TO RAISE AN IMPRESSIVE £710 IN 21 HOURS AND 1031 MILES. OVER 200 MOTORCYCLISTS TOOK PART. HIS 'IRON BUTT' WAS FINE APPARENTLY (AND HE WAS CERTIFICATED), BUT HIS SHOULDERS WERE PAINFUL AFTERWARDS! HIS THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED.



## Appeal for furniture donations to St Elizabeth Hospice shops

St Elizabeth Hospice is urgently appealing for donations of furniture to sell in its shops.

Donations of sofas, tables, chairs, wardrobes and cabinets are all welcome and will be re-sold in the Hospice's shops which stock furniture in Bury Street, Stowmarket, Foxhall Road, Ipswich, and Great Eastern Square, Felixstowe.

Jason Rudderham, Retail Area Manager at the Hospice, said: "Over the last year we have had nearly 1,400 donations of furniture, which is fantastic, but over the summer period donations tend to decline. We are appealing to supporters to donate any furniture they no longer need. Our shops are great for the environment as they allow goods to be reused and recycled and the funds raised enable St Elizabeth Hospice to continue to provide free hospice care for local people."

St Elizabeth Hospice costs £8.7m a year to run and relies on the income generated from its shops as well as from fundraising, events and donations. The Hospice's volunteer drivers collect suitable items for free from your home, Monday to Saturday. To donate furniture please call 0845 259 0319.

## Recipes from Allister at The White Horse

Rump of Lamb, with Pea Puree, Broad beans, Peas and Silverskin Onions, Pressed Boulangere Potato and Mint Jus. Serves 4

This is a current menu dish that is all about spring and summer. It takes some of the best quality ingredients in season at the moment and simply puts them together. The rump of lamb you can pick up for around  $\pounds 3$  each from most good butchers and it won't leave you wanting like a few cutlets or chops might. You can get the hard work out of the way the day before if you wish so it will be just a case of bringing it together at dinner time. Give it a go and I hope you enjoy it as much as we do!!

#### **Ingredients**

4 prepared lamb rumps For the puree 200g good quality frozen peas 50ml milk 50ml cold vegetable stock Salt 1/2 lemon Juiced For the Jus 200 ml Beef Stock 6 fresh mint leaves, sliced finely Tbspn redcurrant jelly Splash of red wine

#### For the potatoes

(depending on the size of your tray) 700g peeled potatoes 1/2 onion thinly sliced 100g butter A few sprigs of thyme 150ml seasoned vegetable stock

#### For the garnish

A few more quality peas A few good quality frozen or fresh broad beans A few silverskin onions Knob of butter Pea shoots, optional

*First of all...* get the boulangere potatoes out of the way. This is the most time consuming part but they are so worth it.

Pick the thyme down removing all the stalks and woody bits.

Slice the potatoes as thinly as possible. A mandolin or veg slicer is great for this if you have one.

Line a shallow baking tray with baking parchment, and begin to layer the potatoes covering the bottom of the tray and slightly overlapping. Sprinkle a few of the onions on with some of the butter, thyme and a little of the stock. Continue this until the last layer is just above the top of the tray. Cover with foil and bake in a moderate oven.

When the potatoes are tender (about an hour) remove the foil and crisp the top for about 10 minutes.

Remove from the oven and place another tray on top with some weight and press until cold.

When they are chilled remove from the tray and cut into desired portions.

**Next...** get the puree made. Have some iced water ready to hand! Put the peas into some boiling water and cook until just tender. Refresh them in the iced water to retain the colour. Place them in a food blender with a drop of the milk and stock to loosen the puree. Add lemon juice and salt for seasoning, taste and pass through a fine sieve or chinois and set aside. Again this can be made well in advance.

**Now to finish...** Preheat the oven to 190°c. Take an oven proof frying pan and warm slightly. Season the lamb rumps with a little sea salt and place fat side down in the pan, rendering a little off. Seal the meat on all sides and place back on the skin side and pop them in the oven for around 8 minutes. Place the boulangere ptotatoes in the oven on a tray to with a knob of butter on top to warm through.

When the lamb is ready remove from the oven and rest for a couple of minutes in a warm place, reserving the pan and the juices.

Put the silverskins in a pan with a bit of butter to colour slightly. Now put the broad beans and peas in some boiling water to cook as quickly as possible. Put them in with the onions and put to one side.

Now put the red wine in the lamb pan to deglaze, add the jelly and the stock and reduce to a sauce consistency, add the mint at the last minute

Warm up some puree and put a good smear in the middle of the plate, scatter some pea mixture around and place the potato on the plate.

Slice the lamb into three pieces and arrange on the place.

Spoon over some mint jus and garnish with some pea shoots.

Enjoy!



## WELCOME HOME BERTIE!

Easton resident Bertie Banham (aged 12) has just returned from sailing the Atlantic Ocean. He flew to Antigua on 3rd May and returned on 13th June. He island-hopped to Tortola in the British Virgin Islands, had a rough five day passage up to Bermuda, survived an emergency forestay situation and then travelled 1,900 miles to the Azores encountering dolphins, flying fish, turtles and whales along the way. What an incredible journey, we are so proud of you Bert.

Pippa, Georgina and Flo Banham



We hope to welcome you all to the

#### LETHERINGHAM

## ANNUAL RIVERSIDE PARTY

to be held on

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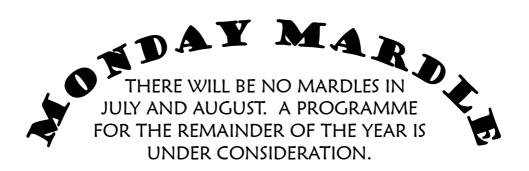
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## Moses and the Red Sea

Nine year old Joey was asked by his mother what he had learned in Sunday School.

"Well, Mum, our teacher told us how God sent Moses behind enemy lines on a rescue mission to lead the Israelites out of Egypt. When he got to the Red Sea, he had his army build a pontoon bridge and all the people walked across safely. Then he radioed headquarters for reinforcements. They sent bombers to blow up the bridge and all the Israelites were saved."

"Now Joey, is that really what your teacher taught you?" his mother asked.

"Well no Mum, but if I told it the way the teacher did, you'd never believe it."



Alun S Thomas, MH and Lydia Freeman, MH Joint Masters of the Easton Harriers Hunt request the pleasure of your company at the

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## HUGE GARAGE SALE!

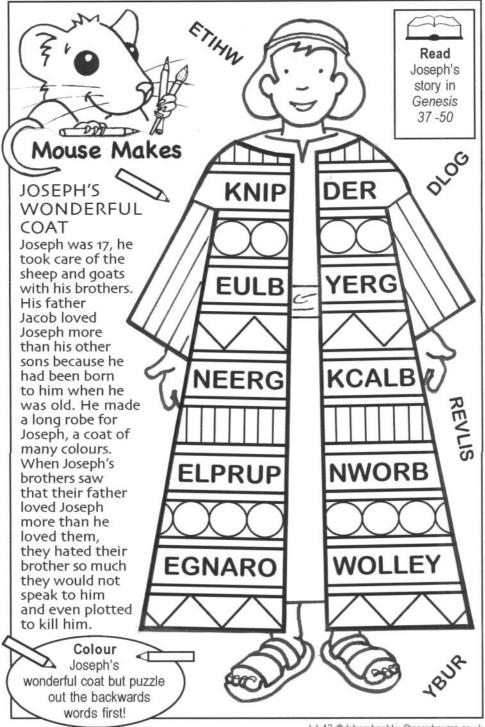
Saturday 20th July from 10.30am until 3.00pm Rock Barracks, Sutton Heath

I am organising a huge garage sale for fundraising to help the charity SSFA who support all soldiers and their families when they are in need. The money raised at this event will not leave Rock Barracks - it will directly help us here.

I will be selling maps of the estate for £2 near the Mace shop on the Otley Road. They will show all the houses taking part and of course map the route around the estate.

We are hoping that this will be a big event and would love you to come and join us.

Mrs Abbi Barnard 07784 142518



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A copy of the latest signed minutes of the Parish Council can be read on the back of the village noticeboard.

## **Easton Events**

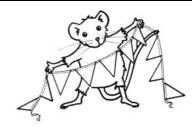
July

- 2nd Youth Bus 6.30 pm V Green
- 9th Parish Council mtg 7.15 pm V Hall
- 14th Sunday Café, 10-11.30 am, V Hall
- 14th Puppy Show and Open Day, 3 pm, Kennels
- 16th Youth Bus 6.30pm V Green
- 19th Last day of School Term
- 19th Pre-School BBQ & Teddy Parachute Jump, 3pm V Hall
- 23rd WI mtg (see article for details)

**Contributions** to the next Parish Magazine should arrive by the 20th of the month before, either by email or by handwritten piece, please.

My email address is :clareowen2002@yahoo.co.uk or handwritten pieces to me at 5 Harriers Walk, Easton IP13 0HA.

> For Village Hall Bookings contact Jenny McEvoy by email jenny.unicus@btinternet.com



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