

CRATFIELD NEWS

June 2019



CHURCHYARD CLEARANCE
SATURDAY JUNE 8TH from 9.30am
Morning only - all volunteers very welcome

BARRINGTON ROY VINCENT CABLE

Unfortunately this sad news came too late for inclusion in last month's magazine.

Our condolences to the family and friends of Barry who died Monday April 22nd. His funeral was held on May 10th at the Waveney Crematorium, eulogies from the family and friends were read and tributes given by representatives from the Laxfield Museum and the Royal British Legion.

TRIBUTES

Candy and I were most upset to learn on Easter Monday of Barry Cable's death, too late for us to write in time for the May magazine. But we would like to place on record how, when we first arrived in Cratfield over 10 years ago, we quickly learned how much Barry did for Cratfield, for his own Laxfield and for the Fressingfield and District Branch of the Royal British Legion. He was a pillar of community and social life in the neighbourhood and his pub quizzes in the Poacher were legend. On a personal level, he was invariably warm, friendly, welcoming, generous and was in so many ways kind and helpful to us.

We are most grateful and will cherish his memory.
RIP Barry and thank you.

Jeremy Blackham

Barrington Cable whom I have known for over 30 years died on Easter Monday. He involved himself with the Laxfield Museum, The Royal British Legion, the Cratfield Dog Shows, Quizzes at the Poacher amongst other things.

When I got into a stew getting to grips with the computer he came to guide me through it all.

Barry himself would never ask for help. Even on the Thursday evening before he died he drove himself to a presentation in aid of the Royal British Legion, he refused to allow me to open his car door for him and said brightly that he would see me at The Royal Oak for the St. George's Day celebrations and read a passage.

Sadly it was not to be.

Thank you Barry.

Chrissie Kitchen

WELCOME

A very warm welcome to Natalie, Darren, Alice, Millie, Ollie and dogs Oscar (dalmation) and Archie (cocker spaniel) who have recently moved into Cantley Farm. We hope they'll be happy living here with us in Cratfield. Look out for saying hello to them at the next pop-up pub night.

TRACTOR RALLY

Thank you to everyone that supported the Tractor Rally on Easter Monday. 67 tractors paraded through the village on a beautiful, sunny day. £333 was raised in the café which has been sent to St. Martin's Housing Trust for the homeless in Norwich. So whether you baked, served, washed up, tidied up, directed traffic or collected money – THANK YOU

CHURCHYARD CLEARANCE

Over the past couple of years the Community Payback Team have done a very good job of keeping our churchyard in good order. However, due to certain circumstances this team no longer have access to power tools, **so it's down to us**. We are organising a clearance morning on **Saturday June 8th starting at 9.30am** and aim to do as much as possible before lunch-time. Several generous spirited people have already committed themselves to helping (no arm twisting was involved, really). But, the more the merrier! If you would like to help please come along, bring your own garden tools, strimmers will be particularly useful, also lawn mowers, wheel-barrows, shears, secateurs, rakes etc. Coffee, tea and biscuits will be provided.

PHOTOGRAPHY TIPS FOR JUNE

Photographing Pets

Photographing your pets can be good fun and very rewarding – but unless it's a slow moving tortoise you may need to juggle camera settings. Focus, depth of field and shutter speed are important things to work on. Make sure you focus on the animal's eye – that needs to be 'pin sharp'. Think about how much of your pet needs to be in focus – do you need from nose to tip of tail in focus, or just the head. The f-stop you choose will control this. There are phone apps available that can help you out (e.g. Simple DoF). If the animal is moving quickly you'll need a fast shutter speed – a 1000th of a second will freeze most of the action, but some blurring of the movement of the legs can be effective, so try out some slower speeds too. Try different camera positions – get down low, take them at the animal's eye level, Have fun and experiment!

BOOK LAUNCH

A CRATFIELD MISCELLANY

“Tha’s wicked wot they done to that chapel”

***by Chrissie Kitchen
Edited by Nigel Cousins***

AT CRATFIELD CHURCH 6TH JULY 10.00AM - 4.00PM
Book signing Refreshments

All profits to be given 50% to Cratfield Church, 50% to Cratfield Village Hall. After costs, printing etc. Nigel and I have donated our time, which cost only the pleasure of compiling it.

The little book contains written interviews with local people, their lives growing up here in this village, a potted history, photos (some very old), a couple of Suffolk recipes and lastly a poem written by me. You will find the pieces both humorous and little poignant, hopefully, interesting to all. I hope you will enjoy this little gem of true stories from true Suffolk people. The reason for all of this is that we as Cratfield dwellers, unlike other villages I have noticed, have no book, as yet.

If you miss this launch the book can be purchased from me at my house Bell Green Cottage, Cratfield
Phone 01986 798764
e-mail chrissie.kitchen@yahoo.com

Thank you to all who helped me in my endeavours to achieve this work. A special thanks to the late John Brown and Tubby Revell. They would be tickled pink!

Chrissie Kitchen

HELP!

Heveningham Hall Country Fair
Saturday June 22nd & Sunday June 23rd

**More help is needed in the refreshment room in the courtyard.
Could you possibly help out on either of these days? Or, could you
bake a cake or some scones?**

If so please contact Emma Ward on 01986 785 343.
(Cratfield has benefited in many ways over the years from donations from the Country Fair, so it's good to contribute if we can.)



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The garden is further enhanced with stained glass artworks made by owner, Bev Kimpton (The Suffolk Craft Shed), crafts will be available for sale.

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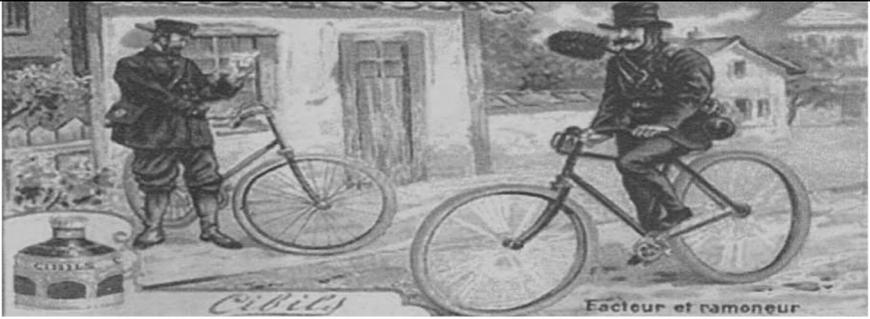
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HEVENINGHAM HALL VOUNTRY FAIR & CONCOURS SATURDAY 22ND & SUNDAY 23RD JUNE

This year's attractions in the main ring include:- **Joseph's Amazing Racing Pigs, Ye Old Redtail Falconry Display, The Devil's Horsemen, Spitfire Displays, Dog & Duck Show, Suffolk Punch Horses, Tractor Parade.**

Other attractions include Bungee Catapult, Sheep Show, Dog Show, High Lodge Clay Pigeon Shoot, Off-Road 4x4 Experience, Classic Vehicles, WW Military Vehicle Display, Gun Dog Scurry, Flower Exhibition, Nature Corner, Kimmy's Mini Zoo plus shopping, tasty local food & drinks stalls and lots of live music & entertainment throughout the weekend. Hemsby Lifeboat will also be entertaining the crowds with rescue displays on the lake.

Following its hugely successful inaugural year, Horsepower Hill, a timed drag race for invited classic, super and hyper-cars along the main estate road, returns bigger and better for 2019. Spectators can watch the action from track-side grandstands, plus there are large screens and live commentary during the event which takes place both days, weather permitting.

Heveningham Concours, now in its fourth year, once again sees around 50 of the world's rarest and finest cars grace the Kim Wilkie-designed grass terraces to the rear of the house in a spectacular display of engineering and design prowess. These include 10 outstanding Bentleys in celebration of the British marque's centenary. A new Concours Village featuring luxury brands including the English winemaker Gusbourne, auctioneer Bonhams and Mercedes-Benz is planned for this year and, once again, there is a separate aviation concours featuring some of the world's finest propeller aeroplanes.

All proceeds & profits from Heveningham Concours and the Country Fair go into a charitable trust which funds a local dementia unit, various cases of need locally and has contributed substantially towards building a new centre for a Community Nursing Find where the local hospital was closed. It also supports local schools with equipment and Heveningham Concours provides a full 'i-mobility' design scholarship at the Royal College of Art.

TICKETS

Country Fair (in advance/on the gate) – Adult £15/£18, Children (5-14) £6/£8, over 60 or disabled £13/£16, Family £37/£42, Children under 5 FREE, Dogs FREE, Parking FREE.

Concours Tickets (in advance/on the gate; all include entry to the Fair) Adults £25/£28, Over 60 or disabled £23/£26, Family £57/£62, Children FREE with accompanying paying adult, Parking FREE, Concours Souvenir Catlaogue £20/£20, Dogs are not permitted on the Concours.

CRATFIELD CONCERT TEAS

For anyone new to the village you may not know that during the summer St. Mary's hosts a series of Sunday afternoon concerts of Chamber Music.

The concert interval teas have become very famous and a cook-book is even being produced. The teas are provided by teams of Cratfield ladies (and a few men!).. All the monies raised go to the Church Restoration Fund. Over time teams change and we find ourselves needing some extra help. We need some cake bakers and/or people to be part of a team to set up, serve teas and cakes and wash up. If you feel you could support us by helping in one way or the other at one of the concerts listed below we would really appreciate it.

Please contact the Team Manager to volunteer to bake or help out at one of the dates. Thank you.

TEAM MANAGER	CONTACT	DATE OF CONCERT
Pat Thompson	01379 586463	June 30 th
Diane Bullock	01379 586404	July 14th
Maisie Lister	01379 586587	July 28th
Sue Seabon	01986 798617	August 11th
Sue Ackerley	01986 798606	August 25th
Sue Ackerley	01986 798606	September 8 th



VILLAGE HALL NEWS

A huge thank you to everyone who assisted with the dog show – especially to Rebecca Sannick for organising the day, Judge Kate Cook, Mark Abell for the straw bales (thus enabling everyone to sit down!), John O'Brien for his time and PA system, Rick Hadingham for use of the field, Carolyn White & Natalie Lloyd-Evans on the registration desk and Susannah Ellis for approaching local business for raffle prizes. Not forgetting everyone else that helped in the kitchen, baked cakes, cleared up, washed up and took down the new marquee, set out the arena, parked cars (and anyone else I have forgotten!).

The photos can be viewed at www.kerrytarrantphotography.co.uk – use the drop down menu under 'events and client galleries' to find them.

Friday 7th June – Pop-up Bar with food by Cratfield Kitchen

Many thanks to Dennis and Lesley and Paul and Caroline who ran the bar last month and anyone else 'behind the scenes' – your help is all very much appreciated! First orders at 6.00pm with last orders 9.45pm – please note the bar closes at 10.00pm and the hall closes at 10.30pm.

Note for future pop-up bars (first Friday of every month) in July we will have 'The Wrap Man' providing the food (not the RAT man as some people thought they heard mentioned!) and in August we are running our own BBQ – and will endeavour not to run out – so make a date in your diary to get there early.

Wednesday June 5th – Cratfield Gardening Society

From Caroline Marfleet – Don't forget the next meeting will be held on Wednesday June 5th and the topic will be propagating, taking cuttings and seed sowing. To save a mess in the village hall the meeting is to be held at Church Farm House, Cratfield from 7-9.00pm. I will supply pots, some compost and suitable plants from which to take cuttings, but do bring gardening

gloves and secateurs if you have them or need them. Any queries, please contact Caroline Marfleet by email – marfleets@doctors.org.uk or phone 01986 799048 or 07969603509

Sunday 1st September – Horticultural Show

If you need another schedule or have any queries please do contact Carolyn White on 799187. There are plenty of classes for fruit and vegetable or flower growers of any ability and children can enter any class free of charge this year.

Saturday 12th October – Cratfield Photography Competition

The three categories this year are – Suffolk Seasons/My Suffolk Weekend/ Secret Cratfield and the new fun category – Cratfield Pets. You can enter as many times as you want in any or all categories. The photos must be either 12"x8" or 8"x6" - and can be either portrait or landscape, matt or gloss finish. Further details can be found elsewhere in the Magazine.

100 Club draw held at Nova

1st Sandra Chivers No.38 £15.00, 2nd Mick Chave No. 54 £10.00, 3rd Dennis Rockall No. 94 £5.00. Congratulations to all the winners.

Reminder for the 100 Club, if you have mislaid your Application/ Renewal Form please place in an envelope either £6.00 (for 6 months) or £12.00 (for a year), cash or cheque with your name and address and place in Vine Cottage, Bell Green post box.

Please let me know if you have any suggestions that can be put forward to the Village Hall Committee to improve Cratfield Village with the residue from the 100 Club, – Heather Hargood

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JUNE

"Spring being a tough act to follow, God created June." Al Bernstein

"If June could talk it would probably boast it invented romance." Bernard Williams

"It is the month of June, the month of leaves and roses, when pleasant sights salute the eyes and pleasant scents the noses." Nathaniel Parker Willis

"Wow, looks at all the pretty flowers and all those flies!" Peter Sparrow

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News from across the Benefice

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(So David needs all the help there is to be had.)

Ordination to Priests

Assistant Curate and deacon, David Mulrenan will be ordained a priest during a Service of Ordination at the Cathedral of St. James and St. Edmund, Bury St. Edmunds at 3.30pm on Saturday 29th June, 2019 along with Rebecca Artiss. Both David and Rebecca will serve our benefice assisting David Burrell.

Should anyone wish to attend the service they should reserve tickets by phoning David Burrell on 01986 798136.

First Communion at Brundish

Following on from the last article David Mulrenan celebrates his First Holy Communion as an ordained priest at St. Lawrence's. Brundish at 11.00am on Sunday July 28th. The Chantry Singers will be there and it is hoped as many people as possible will be able to come and enjoy this special occasion.

Tannington Tea Party

2.00pm, Saturday July 27th in St. Ethelbert's Churchyard

Please put this date in your diaries or on your calendars. Come and enjoy a cream tea and cakes in what we hope, gorgeous sunshine! If that is too much to wish, well we will run into the church or under the gazebo! If you would like to help in anyway please call new Churchwarden Chloe Cross on 07714 734756 or David Mulrenan on 07881 481745

JUNE

“I wonder what it would be like to live in a world where it is always June.”
L.M. Montgomery

“It was June, and the world smelled of roses. The sunshine was like powdered gold over the grassy hillside.” Maud Hart Lovelace

“And since all this loveliness can not be Heaven, I know in my heart it is June.” Abba Woolson

The case of the missing shades

The Valley of Lost Things is the place on the Moon in Ariosto's epic poem **Orlando Furioso** where all things missing on earth can be recovered. It is the celestial left luggage office where everything eventually ends up. All the umbrellas you ever lost are there. Lost fortunes can be found, and lost reputations restored. Long John Silver could be reunited with his leg, his hand and his eye. In Ariosto's poem Orlando is mad - Astolfo the Prince of England restores Orlando to sanity by travelling to the moon and returning to earth with his lost wits in a flask.

Whenever I lose anything, I amuse myself by imagining that it has turned up in **the Valley of Lost Things**. It is the place where my driving licence, last seen in a dodgy night club in 1993, is located. There are a couple of wallets and some credit cards there. Gleaming in some lunar corner is the prized silver Sheriff's Star lost in a farmer's field by my inconsolable nine-year-old self. It is the place where all my forgotten memories of happy times have gone.

As we age more and more items are consigned to **The Valley of Lost Things**. Losing glasses is an integral part of the healthy ageing process. The last Bank Holiday was very warm and bright, and my wife and I had arranged to go for a walk with friends. But Anne could not find her sunglasses – she looked everywhere – at least twice – to no avail. To look any more would have been fruitless and besides we were running a bit late. Anne decided to do without them. Fortunately, our friends are expert sunglasses losers and have numerous spares in strategic locations. They lent Anne a pair.

Over the next few days we looked for the missing shades but with no luck. We searched everywhere. On every shelf. On the floor. Beneath every item of furniture. We thoroughly examined the bed – the bed, believe it or not, is actually quite a successful hunting ground for mislaid items in our house. We finally had to consign them to **The Valley of Lost Things**. It was either a trip to the Moon or a visit to **Boots** in Halesworth.

Then, a couple of days later, at breakfast time, they miraculously turned up. Anne upended the toaster to clear out the crumbs before making her toast and to her great surprise and joy out popped the missing shades.

Its easily done – some might think. Anne must have put them down absent mindedly on a shelf and they slid off into the toaster slot. Things tumble into toasters every day. It is no big deal.

I am not so sure, however. I like to think that our toaster is a kind of portal between earth and **The Valley of Lost Things**. I live in hope of other lost items making their way back through the portal in our toaster. Maybe one day my Sheriff's Star will pop up embedded in a piece of Hovis. Quite how the portal would handle intangible items like lost memories and reputations remains to be seen. Other things, such as Long John's body parts, the **Marie Celeste** or **Atlantis** might be a squeeze – but the science of the space time portal in our toaster is an early stage. When it comes to retrieving mislaid objects, I like to think, anything is possible.

Nigel Cousins

The Rectory, Noyes Avenue, Laxfield

Dear Friends

“You Christians think you are so good” don't you?

“On the contrary,” I replied, “I think I am not good at all.”

“Yet you feel able to stand in front of your congregation and tell them where they go wrong; you are nothing but a hypocrite.”

“That would be true if that is what I did”, I retorted a little bit stung. “When was the last time you were in church?”

“What has that got to do with it?”

I could go on and on with this conversation but many people have all sorts of ideas about what Church is yet never darken its doors at all and would certainly never think of saying a prayer. Without prayer where is our hope, for hope is gift from God that is found and unwrapped in prayer. *‘For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world but that the world through him might be saved.’*

Sometimes people will stay away from Church because they feel unworthy and they will be held up to judgement if they were to come through the doors. But when you think of the nature of Jesus, his teachings and his promises, you can appreciate why the opposite is true, ‘we are not good enough, not to go’. Prayer however does not just happen in Church and it is important to remember it is the God of hope and love to whom we pray. If we pray earnestly then we find we are taken out of self-pity and self-hurt into hope. Through prayer we do not force God to give us his love, the love is given freely through prayer we accept it.

Christians then do not think they are better than others or holier but we do know we are loved for who we are by God who is better than others and is holy. He does not promise to make our lives wonderful and flawless but he does promise to be with us at all times in the highs and the lows. And it is this above all things that we go to church for. Because no matter who or what we are we know we are loved and we know you are loved too.

David

St. Mary's Church Services – June 2019

Sunday 9th	Sunday 16th	Sunday 23rd
6.30pm Evensong DB	9.30am Holy Communion DB	8.00am Holy Communion AV
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Acts 2:1-21 Romans 8:14-17 John 14:8-17, 25-27	Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15	1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a Galations3:23-29 Luke 8:26-39

NOTES

For anyone that came to the 'EMMAUS' talk I have an update – on the Wednesday following the day they came to Cratfield they were burgled. All their laptops, credit cards, vehicle keys, money and valuable information were taken. Cecile felt it reinforced to the 'Companions' even more that they are a family and that this is their home.

So WATCH THIS SPACE - Cratfield will put on an event to help replace some of their losses.

Date for your diary

HARVEST SUPPER

Saturday 21st September. 7.00pm

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