



November 2020

# Wenhaston Warbler



## All change at the Village Hall

Several key Management Committee members will be standing down at our next AGM in February. My final

year as Chair and Secretary will finish then after 3 ½ years. Nick Amery has looked after the accounts for the last 2 years, and will be finishing at the same time. Peter Wildish will stand down as Vice Chair after 3 years and Jane Peters will stand down from her role of Booking Secretary after over 7 years. We have been really fortunate to have so many members serve for a long time and much has been achieved, but now there is an opportunity for new people to make their own mark and help the community. There are usually a dozen members, so duties are spread out and systems are well established and efficient. Longstanding members are happy to show new members the ropes.

**We need a Treasurer, a Booking Secretary, a Secretary and other new members. All positions are voluntary with the exception of the Booking Secretary's post, for which a remuneration is paid.** Please volunteer to help on the Committee so the Village Hall can remain open for us to enjoy events and socialising. **Contact Sally Amery on 01502 478847 or [sally.amery@gmail.com](mailto:sally.amery@gmail.com)**

## Blyth Woods news

Since our last report, the pond at Grove Piece is full of water – what a difference a month makes. Although the rain has been welcome, it was not appreciated when we spent two Saturday mornings, clearing the scrub to restore the pond on Malster’s Little Field. Alan put on his waders and cut down invasive willow and the rest of us lugged the logs out of the swamp, piling small branches to burn – they smouldered for a while between downpours.

Larger pieces were put in two heaps near the pond and will offer places for hibernation and shelter during the winter.

After much discussion, we took the regrettable decision to hold our 12 November AGM by Zoom. It would be lovely to see as many people as possible and give you an update on our plans and activities so please contact us and we will give details and support if needed.

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### **NOTICE OF AN AGM**

#### **BLYTH WOODS**

**7pm on Thursday 12 November 2020**

**To Be Held By Zoom**

**Please contact us for further details:**

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## Wenhaston Walks

On Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November a walk will leave from Wenhaston Village Hall at 10am. On Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> November Alastair Wilford will lead a walk starting at Eastbridge. Meet at the Eels Foot Inn for a 10am start. No lunch has been arranged - tel. no. 01728 830154 for the Eels Foot. (Contact Heather Phillips on 01502 478545)

*I. Bigwood*

## Pottering with Poppy

Poppy and I had a lovely walk this morning. There is no sun, no hint of blue sky but it is quiet there is no breeze and the only noises were distant ones. The train on the Halesworth line, a lorry some way off, all made more distant by the atmosphere. A classic autumn morning of mistiness, moisture and changing colours. It reminds me of childhood rhymes.

The damp has created pearly drops of moisture on the leaves of the trees, and there is the occasional plop as they get too heavy and fall to the leaf strewn floor of Vicarage Grove. There are jays collecting and stashing acorns. Their chatter is probably them arguing as to whose wood it is to gather acorns in.

Out into the light of Grove Piece and the atmosphere changes. The spiders have been weaving their webs between the grasses and the Bristly Ox Tongue. The small guelder rose trees that have been planted here have turned gorgeous colours of red and orange. Along with all the other plenty that is evident in the hedge rows I think it is already a really good autumn for fungi. They are erupting like little volcanoes from the woodland floor and there are others out in the open fields and hedgerows. There is a part ring of beautiful fresh Parass this morning, standing tall, some with large open caps others still conical that will gradually open and spread and all with their distinctive shaggy collar. There are many other types, some

shiny with moisture, some battered and broken, easily damaged by footfall of animals and humans. Their visible existence is short lived. What we see as mushrooms and toadstools are the fruiting bodies of a maze of underground fibres, that, given the right time and conditions,

pop up to show themselves in all their amazing variety. Meanwhile, Poppy is as ever hoovering up the overnight messages left by the passing creatures of the night and early morning. **Jo Small**

## People affected by Dementia “Worst hit” during Covid 19 Pandemic



A recent report by the Alzheimers Society states that people with dementia have been hardest hit by the Coronavirus, both at home and in care homes. 92 million extra hours have been provided by family and friends since the pandemic began in March.

Throughout the Covid 19 pandemic we have continued to receive many requests for support from local families needing a break from their caring role. The support we've provided has only been made possible because of generous donations.

Thanks this month go to our local District Councillor, Alison Cackett, who **has been knitting some fabulous dish/cleaning cloths** to help us with our winter fundraising. These are available for a minimum donation of £1, either from Alison direct on 01986 874442, or from "Hair Affair", one of our local hairdressers. Another way to show support us is **to purchase an HCDF wristband**. These are available from

the local pharmacy at Cutlers Hill Surgery, Boots Chemist and the Triple Plea pub for a minimum donation of £2. Look out also for our donation pots in local shops and pubs in the town. Your loose change is very welcome, as are any foreign coins/ notes that you have left over from trips abroad. Don't forget, if you wish to become a "Friend of HDCF" please contact Dave or Jackie Rich on 01986 875444. We have also been fortunate to have received donations of money from 2 local families whose loved ones with dementia passed away, and who have donated in lieu of funeral flowers.

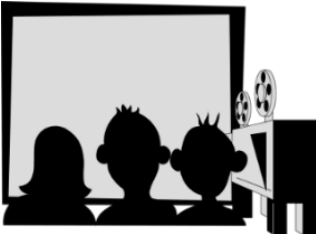
If anyone has any other fundraising ideas, or would like to make a donation in their will, please contact us .

With the support of the Peartree Centre we have managed to restart the Art Course for our families that commenced prior to lockdown. We are also meeting families there to carry out respite assessments.

Thanks to Seva Newrick, Peartree Manager, and her staff and volunteers, for making this possible. t

***For further information regarding HDCF please contact us on [information.hdcf@btinternet.com](mailto:information.hdcf@btinternet.com) Teresa Fyfe HDCF Chair***

## Young People's Film Night



On 2<sup>nd</sup> October, it was lovely to welcome eleven children to our first Film Night under Covid restrictions. We watched "Horrible Histories – the Movie" which was all about the rotten Romans and their attempts to control Boudica in Britain. It was funny and at times rather disgusting, but the adults and children all enjoyed it. Thanks to Wil Harvey for both practical and technical support and to the Parish Council for giving us financial support for this project We hope to hold another film night at the beginning of November, as long as the restrictions allow. We also plan to hold a Zoom Family quiz night before Christmas.

***Revd. Alison Alder***

## Reminder -Art Workshop with Annie Rice

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***Annie Rice, St Michael's Way, Wenhaston. [anniericeartist@gmail.com](mailto:anniericeartist@gmail.com)***



## Protecting our Environment



In the midst of the Covid-19 crisis, it is difficult to keep ourselves focused on the wider challenge of climate change, and the continued damage being done to the natural world by human activity. Our Environment Weekend, which was due to take place in St Mary's Halesworth on the first weekend in May, had to be cancelled because of lockdown. It was due to be a showcase of local campaign groups, charities, and conservation groups in the area. We had hoped to celebrate the beauty of the natural world, through displays and worship, and to promote practical ways local people could become involved in speaking up for a more sustainable future.

As we approach a time of increased restrictions and dark winter nights, we would like to take this opportunity to establish an online group where we can share concerns and ideas, promote campaigns and explore individual and collective ways of responding.

I am planning an initial meeting via Zoom on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7pm. If you are interested in attending, want to promote a local organisation or want to find out more about how you can get involved, please contact me at [alisonalder@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:alisonalder@hotmail.co.uk) or 01502 478855.

## **Violet Jackson**

Thank you to everyone who has sent me such kind messages about my mother, Vi. She loved Wenhaston, her many friends and her sociable village life very much. Her best time was when she was teaching: she thought that ensuring children have the opportunity to learn about the world was the most important thing we can give them. She had a real interest in her pupils and what happened to them, and would be very happy to think she'd had a part in helping so many of us to make the most of our lives. Thank you to all of you who helped her stay part of the village for so long.

***E.Chinoy***

## **St Peter's Church**

There is not much to report this time. Due to all the restrictions we have cancelled our fund raising events which has meant that our finances have suffered. However, we have received generous donations from some of our members and supporters, which has helped considerably. We have a target of £21,096 to pay the Diocese, of which we have paid £12,500 to date. The Team Expenses of £3,828 have been paid in full. It is very tough at present but we trust we will get through with God's help.

We are pleased that during the year, we have managed to recruit three new members to the PCC. Thank you, Felicity, Anne and Cyrilla for joining us. It is always good to have new views and input. On 1<sup>st</sup> November, Bishop Martin will preach at the service in Halesworth at 10am. If you wish to attend, please let Rev Jane know as numbers are limited. On Remembrance Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> November, there will be an Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at 10.50am.

1 <sup>st</sup> November 10am	Team Service in Halesworth No service at Wenhaston
8 <sup>th</sup> November 10.50am	Remembrance at War Memorial
15 <sup>th</sup> November 11.15am	Eucharist in St Peter's
22 <sup>nd</sup> October 11.15am	Pause for Thought
29 <sup>th</sup> November 10am	Team Service at Halesworth No service at Wenhaston.

**Wenhaston Methodist Church**  
**All Sunday Services at 10.30 am**

1 Rev Robert Soanes HC

8 No Service

15 Julie Warren

22 No Service

29 Rev Louise Morrissey

Our church will be open for services at the above times, with current regulations observed, including the wearing of masks. Space on the ground floor of our building is limited to enough for socially distancing our members. We would welcome anyone to join us, who can go upstairs to the gallery, which is spacious and where social distancing can be observed. Please wear a mask.

***Iris Baker***



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