

# FOCUS

EVENTS AND NEWS FROM WALDRINGFIELD VILLAGE HALL

Nov/Dec 2019

## Hello from your editor

Is it too early to think about Christmas? Clocks have gone back an hour, nights are getting darker earlier and **Strictly Come Dancing** is back on a Saturday night!

You will notice in the dates section that you can get into the Christmas spirit early by coming to the School's **Nativity Play** at the Village Hall on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December** at 2.30pm, just ring the school so we can plan numbers (01473 736276). Refreshments will be available (for a donation) from 2pm.

**Sarah Wood (Headteacher of Waldringfield Primary School)**

## Winter Talks 2019 -2020

7.30 pm in the Village Hall Adults: £4 Under 19: No Charge

**Thursday 7th November** Benjamin Britten-Life, Work and the Suffolk Coast

*Lucy Walker of the Britten-Pears Foundation will give a richly illustrated talk with plenty of extracts from Britten's music.*

**Thursday 5th December** A History of Tea and Tea Drinking

*Andy Schooler will give a light hearted talk and there will be a chance to sample some unusual teas.*

**Thursday 9th January** Gallipoli

*Neville Stein on why the 1915—1916 campaign was fought, on why it turned into a disaster for the Allies and on the extent of its immediate and wider impact.*

## Waldringfield Church Field Trust AGM

The Annual General Meeting will be held on 2nd December at 7.30pm in the Kennedy Room. As usual there will be a short meeting with updates on the field followed by seasonal refreshments including mulled wine and mince pies.

**All are welcome to attend.**

I have recently created a Waldringfield Village Hall Facebook Page. Please follow us on Facebook to keep up to date with all the events and news at the Village Hall



## Coffee Mornings:

Please support these popular mornings. The next two coffee mornings will take place on November 7th and December 5<sup>th</sup> both at 10am-12 noon.

As usual, our December coffee morning will have a Christmas theme, and we will be having our very popular hamper raffle.

Donations of items such as sweets, biscuits, chutneys, wines, or any other suitable items will be greatly appreciated.

Free glass of mulled wine and a mince pie for all those attending (as long as stocks last!).

**Bookings:** [waldringfield.onesuffolk.net/our-village/village-hall/](http://waldringfield.onesuffolk.net/our-village/village-hall/)

'Focus' [headteacher@waldringfield.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@waldringfield.suffolk.sch.uk)

## Waldringfield Gardeners

**Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November** Pumpkin Party 3.00pm @ The Village Hall, followed by Pumpkin Parade to the beach @ 5.00pm  
Details Betsy Reid 736506 [betsyr@talk21.com](mailto:betsyr@talk21.com)

**Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> November** AGM & seed swap, with mulled wine & mince pies. 7.30pm @ Dormers Membership renewals will be due, new members welcome. Followed by mulled wine & mince pies.

Please let us know if you are coming.

Contact [keithpierce1000@hotmail.com](mailto:keithpierce1000@hotmail.com) or [betsyr@talk21.com](mailto:betsyr@talk21.com)

**Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> November** Wreath making / Floral Workshop 9.30am @ The Village Hall. £8 plus kits from £7 No experience necessary, professional help will be given.

Details Alexis Smith 736257 [g1dik@btinternet.com](mailto:g1dik@btinternet.com)



## A Day at the Opera

The Ipswich Bach Choir are coming to Waldringfield again, this time for a singing day of opera choruses! We shall be meeting in the morning to learn to sing a group of the most famous songs, then will break for lunch (bring your own sandwiches, but soup and coffee will be available). We continue until 3.30 when we will show off what we have learnt to an audience (admission free). If you enjoy singing - or think you might - why not join us? If you'd rather listen, please come to our free concert!

**9 November 2019 - 10 am (for 10.30) to 4 pm**

**Sing-through at 3.30 at which an audience is welcome (free admission)**

**Waldringfield Village Hall**

**Soup, tea and coffee provided. Bring your own lunch**

**Cost: £12**

**To book, email [ipswichbachchoir@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ipswichbachchoir@yahoo.co.uk) or just turn up on the day**



## Christmas Artisan Fayre: Waldringfield's first ever Christmas local craft fayre Saturday 7 December 10am -3pm.



There will be a wide range of local artisans and some lovely gifts to buy, including jewellery, textiles and prints, wood and leather items, pottery and art, Christmas crackers and cards.

The Kennedy room will be filled with food: Honey, jams and chutneys, cakes, sweets and Christmas puddings. Mr Angry Tomato will be selling a wide range of home grown chilli products- including his prize winning chilli jam!

The WI will be providing refreshments and there will be a raffle with great prizes to win.

**Do please come along. Admission is just £1.**

Please also spread the word amongst family, friends and work colleagues Please invite family and friends and Do ask for a poster or small flyer- your help is welcomed in advertising this event!

In addition - Can you help with any Christmas decorations to make the hall festive? If you are having a clear out or buying new this year, don't discard the old, donate them to the fayre. We are also looking to borrow Christmas CDs

Contact Michelle Pierce: [michelepierce1000@hotmail.com](mailto:michelepierce1000@hotmail.com)



**Waldringfield History Group** is delighted to announce that Robert Simper, local author, publisher, sailor and partner in the family seafood business "Simper's Silver Harvest LLP" has agreed to come and talk to us. The talk will be open to non-members and is entitled:  
**The Eastern Shore of the River Deben.**

**Date: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019 in the Village Hall at 3.30pm.**

Tickets are £5 each and will include our famous afternoon tea (tea or coffee, cake and scones). If you would like a ticket for this event, please contact Jane Hall at [waldringfieldhg@gmail.com](mailto:waldringfieldhg@gmail.com). Tickets will also be on sale at both the November and December Village Hall coffee mornings and via Alyson Videlo and Margaret Lake at Waldringfield Sailing Club.

Waldringfield Wildlife Group (WWG) **talk on 14th December starting at 11am - preceded by members meeting at 10.00am refreshment break at 10.45am.**

The talk is followed by members shared Christmas lunch

The WWG talk is entitled **Big Gulls Need Friends and is delivered by Steve Piotrowsk**

Steve has been studying gulls at Orford Ness since they started breeding there in the 1960's and has monitored their migration from Suffolk breeding sites to Iberia and West Africa. Steve will detail changes in the gulls habit from nesting in natural habitats to roofs on urban areas where they are regarded as a nuisance.

**Waldringfield**



**Wildlife Group**

**Yoga class** Wednesday mornings 10am to 11am for more information contact Ian Bentley 07877 358163 or [ian@yogawithian.com](mailto:ian@yogawithian.com) website [www.yogawithian.com](http://www.yogawithian.com)

**PILATES:** Tony Boardman will be running a new course of 6 Pilates lessons at 9:30 am, starting on the 11<sup>th</sup> November.

Cost: £51 for the 6-week term or £10 for a single drop-in class.

Tony has 10 years' experience of teaching the Joy of Movement and is a STOTT Pilates certified instructor

**Tony Boardman**

Moorlands Cottage, Burton End  
Stansted CM24 8UE

07964 325783 [www.tonepilates.co.uk](http://www.tonepilates.co.uk)

**TONE** pilates

**SAVE THE DATE:** The date for the Pantomime will be Saturday, 15th February 2020. More information in the next edition of FOCUS

**Village Hall Lottery - £1 per number  
per month**

“You’ve got to be in it to win it”

To join or request further information  
contact - Nigel King, Promoter,  
01473 736060 or  
[ngking@btinternet.com](mailto:ngking@btinternet.com)

**A Concert of Light Entertaining Music.  
Performed by members of the Trianon Music Group  
Strings and Singers**

Held at our Village Hall on Saturday March 7th starting  
at 7.30pm, Tickets £10

Tickets to go on sale in the New Year - for further  
information contact Nigel King - 01473 736060 or  
[ngking@btinternet.com](mailto:ngking@btinternet.com)

**REGULAR EVENTS**

- Monday** Pilates 9.30am *Tone Pilates 07964 325783*  
Post Office Van 11am-12.30
- Tuesday** Social Club/Badminton *John Nayler 736228*  
Parish Council Meetings *Parish Clerk 01394 271551*
- Wednesday** Yoga 10-11am 07877 358163  
Post Office Van 11am - 12.30  
Art Group *Liz Kennedy 736637*  
Bridge *Norman Rea 736577*
- Thursday** Art Group *Kit Clark 736670*  
History Group (Sep-March) *Gareth Thomas 811745*  
Wine Club (monthly, check dates) *David Eaton 736754*
- Friday** Post Office Van 11am-12.30  
Tone & Stretch 1-2pm *Di Taylor 07748 611730*  
Ballroom Dancing (occasional Fridays) 5-6pm

**The Mobile Grocery visits on Tuesdays**

Sullivan Place every Tuesday from 9.50am to 10.25am as from next week.  
Specialising in local produce both fresh and for the store cupboard. No plastic packaging.  
If they haven't got it they will get it for you!

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> November Pumpkin Party 3pm  
7<sup>th</sup> November Coffee Morning 10am  
7<sup>th</sup> November Winter Talk 7.30pm  
9<sup>th</sup> November A Day at the Opera: Ipswich Bach Choir 10am  
27<sup>th</sup> November Waldringfield Gardeners AGM 7.30pm  
30<sup>th</sup> November Wreath Making/ Floral Workshop 9.30am
- 2<sup>nd</sup> December Waldringfield Church Field Trust AGM 7.30pm  
5<sup>th</sup> December Coffee Morning 10am  
5<sup>th</sup> December Winter Talk 7.30pm  
7<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Artisan Fayre 10am-3pm  
11<sup>th</sup> December School Nativity Play 2pm  
12<sup>th</sup> December History Group Talk 3.30pm  
14<sup>th</sup> December WWG members meeting and talk from 10am