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THE BENEFICE OF ST BENEDICT

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From your Parish Priest

In 1974, the world's population topped 4 billion. In only 50 years, ie by 2024, this will have doubled to over 8 billion. In 1974, only about a third of the population was living in urban communities, whereas by 2024 the continued drift towards towns and cities will mean that two-thirds of the population will then be urban. Some will argue that all these trends are inevitable. Statisticians will tell you that any reproducing population will grow exponentially until affected by some other external influence or competing organism – big or small! Theologians may tell you that this is God's wonderful creation doing exactly what God intended – as it says several times in Genesis "Go forth; be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth".

Well, we have certainly done a lot of that, although we haven't yet filled the earth. Indeed, the earth continues to supply what we need, even if we seem to demand more than we need or other than we need. The natural issues we face – climate change, bio-diversity, etc – arise simply from the steadily rising population and its consumption of resources, so that logically there must be some limit to the viable human population the planet can sustain. We can make efforts to reduce per capita consumption - and indeed we are – and we can become ever more efficient in using the resources we do continue to consume. But even if we reduced consumption by say 90%, there must still be some limit to the viable human population.

Elsewhere in the natural world, populations are limited or stabilised either by predators or by the supply of food and water – or the lack of them. The statistical trends would suggest therefore that humanity is subject to the same mechanisms, although we have the ability and technology to make other choices. Either we let population grow unchecked until such time as those limiting factors come into play – food, water, space, disease, war, etc – or we take other steps to control the overall population before these less bearable limitations take effect. And there of course is our challenge, because any form of humanly-arranged population control, for whatever purpose, is always fraught with moral, ethical, and indeed, for some, theological objections and pitfalls. Who gets to choose who stays in the ark, and based on what criteria?

"Growth is good, recession is bad" is the modern mantra, but in population terms that may come to haunt us. We need to grow in our understanding of our relationship with God's creation; we need to grow our capacity to share resources with all God's children; we need to grow in our care for the environment that sustains our population. So, yes, put solar panels on every roof, and fill the North Sea with windmills – we need all of that – but our descendants will still have to address population control, or nature will do it for them. Might it be better to start the debate, out in the open now, before the 'Brave New World' emerges by default?

With every blessing

David

St Michael and All Angels', Barton Turf

May I begin by thanking all those who helped clean the church before Easter. It really made a difference to how the church felt.

The March coffee morning raised £268 for Ukraine. With the money raised at the Mothering Sunday tea party and a donation from the Horning Walkers, we were able to send £500 to the Disaster Emergency Fund; a fantastic effort. A heartfelt thank you to anyone who contributed to that appeal in any way.

We had wonderful weather for our walk from the staithe to the church on Palm Sunday and a church full for the drama. The weather was also excellent for Easter Day which made the day very enjoyable with the scent of the flowers filling the church.

The April coffee morning raised £137 and the toasted hot cross buns were an extra treat. The next coffee morning is on **Saturday 21st May** from 10am until noon as usual.

Finally, our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on **Sunday 15th May** after the 9.30am service. This meeting is open to everyone on the church electoral role and is your chance to hear what has been going on at the church during the last year, ask questions and raise matters of concern. Do come if you can, we really value feedback from the community.

Barbara Pilcher, Churchwarden

St Peter's, Neatishead

Our church looked wonderful for our Easter Day Service and thanks must be given to Jane Fowle and the flower team for the beautiful arrangements that did much to raise our spirits. The displays were also still in place from the Experience Easter days that our primary school pupils took part in to experience the events of Holy Week and Easter. Thanks to our Rector David for organising this.

Cycle/Walk and Shop – Sat and Sun 7th/8th May, 10am to 4pm

We look forward to seeing you on the trail as we hope you will help us in our much-needed fundraising in aid of St Peter's Church. We hope for a sunny weekend! Please see map which will also be in our churches and community shop.

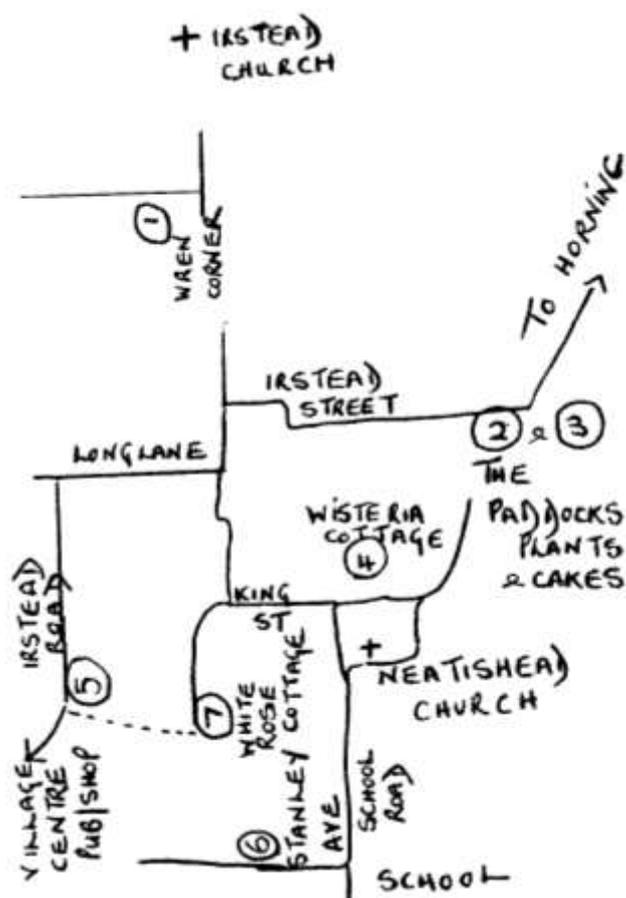
The plants and cakes will be at The Paddock, Hall Road, Neatishead. All donations will be gratefully received. Plants to the Paddock and cakes to The Paddock or Caro How, Cangate Stable. For more

information, please call Jane Fowle on 01692 630249.

Please now book your ploughman's lunch in advance (contact details below) with soft drink/tea/coffee, £10 per person, at White Rose Cottage, King Street, Neatishead NR12 8BW. Bookings are available at 15 minute intervals between 12 noon and 2pm.

If you have a couple of hours to spare over the weekend, we would very much welcome your help. Please contact Pauline (see below) for all enquiries, lunch bookings and offers of help.

Suggested route:



Annual Church Meeting – Sunday 22nd May, 10.30am, all parishioners are welcome. We will review the events of the last 12 months and look to the future, how we can maintain a workable worship schedule and continue to care for our building. At this meeting we elect our Churchwarden(s); this is the responsibility of the whole parish not just those on the electoral role, although you must be present at the meeting. To vote for the council members you are required to be on the electoral role but that can be organised. It has now become most urgent to find additional councillors to ensure our church is here for generations to come. I look forward to seeing you.

Pauline Simpson, 07818 599303
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Barton Turf Methodist Church

In 1951 Mrs R Canham aged 96 provided this information about our Methodist Church:

'Primitive Methodism in Barton Turf first started when a few Christian brothers and sisters met in a small cottage in the centre of the village. The numbers gradually increased to such an extent that the older people decided they needed a chapel.

In 1840 these men and women set to work. Mr Curtis gave his piece of garden to build upon, another could not give money, but offered some of his labour. With his wherry he brought in loads of stone over Barton Broad into the staithe. Neighbours with donkey-carts and boys with wheelbarrows carted the stone to Mr Curtis's garden. Labourers in the village built the chapel. Mr John Francis, who became class leader, provided and built beams on the roof.

When the chapel was ready for opening the whole village was at the door. Nobody was allowed in at first, other than the Minister, until he had prayed in each seat on the left side, in the pulpit and down the right side. A small stove provided heat and lighting was by candles on each seat.

In 1914 the chapel was re-built by a local firm, the old building being in a bad condition. The renovation was due to Mr F W Bailey, a local preacher and strong character of the chapel. Funds were provided chiefly by the parishioners, with the Circuit Fund helping in a small way.



Barton Turf Methodist Church

John Horner

Compared with the size of the village, there was a good sized Sunday School which, because of the large number of attendees, was held in the barn at Home Farm, with an Anniversary held each year.'

Over the last 65 years the building has been loyally maintained and cared for by John and Sheila Yaxley and daughter Diane Bradley. Many

people have received a warm welcome and joined in the worship, including several visiting via the river. Regular services continued right up to the start of the Covid pandemic in 2020. Covid restrictions and guidelines prevented the building being opened, due to its size and layout.

It is with great sadness that the decision has finally had to be made to close the building, due to diminishing numbers. The very last closing and thanksgiving service, open to everyone, is to be **Sunday 15th May** at 2.30pm, led by North Norfolk Methodist Circuit Superintendent Rev C Telfer from North Walsham.

Diane Bradley, Church Steward

Easter at St Michael's, Irstead



**In memory of those we have loved
and those who loved us**

A very special thank you to all those who helped to decorate St Michael's for the Easter festivities. It was lovely to see the church look so beautiful with the variety of spring colours after the absence of floral arrangements resulting from the recent Covid pandemic. An encouraging sign as we hopefully return to a sense of normality. Do continue to take good care of yourselves and stay safe.

David Murrells, Churchwarden

Coffee Morning in Horning Village Hall

The April Coffee Morning raised £187.90 towards the upkeep of St Benedict's Church. The next one will be on **Saturday 7th May** at the usual time of 10am to 11.30ish again in Horning Village Hall. All are welcome to come for coffee, scone and to chat with old and new friends. There will be homemade cakes, etc and of course a raffle.

Gillian Jeckells

In Memory of Elsie Farnworth (aged 98)

of the Parish of Neatishead

16th August 1923 – 13th February 2022

Elsie had been a stalwart of St Peter's Church since her arrival in the village over 30 years ago. A committed church goer and servant of St Peter's, undertaking flower arranging, cleaning, refreshments, duties as a sides person and long serving member of the Parochial Church Council. Elsie's husband, Jack, undertook much of the upkeep of the fabric of the church. In the days when St Peter's Annual Fete was held at Holly Grove, Elsie took charge of the Bric a Brac stall – whatever was offered, Elsie made sure it was clean and acceptable to offer for sale and it was always one of the biggest fundraising stalls.

Many of us remember Elsie for her immaculate appearance, her high heels, worn even when walking to Irstead Church for services, and her beautifully painted nails. Elsie was a great walker and would dismiss offers of a lift however well intended.

I was fortunate to see Elsie a couple of weeks before she passed away and although very weak her determination to read the Holy Communion service through with Rev'd David and myself, showed her true spirit and determination not to give in until it became no longer possible. Elsie continued to worship at church until about 3 years ago. Sadly, the pandemic did not allow her to return as her health by this time was sadly deteriorating.

St Peter's Church has lost a good friend, her commitment and service has been second to none - no longer are we to be greeted at the door by her smile and warm welcome but we are all so much richer for having her in our lives.

Our sympathies are with Elsie's family at this time. Elsie's funeral was held at St Peter's Church on Friday 18th March.

Pauline Simpson



Funeral Procession for Elsie Farnworth

In Memory of Irene Atkins (aged 95)

On Thursday 17th March, St Michael and All Angels' Church, Barton Turf, was full as people came to celebrate the life of Irene Atkins, and to pay their respects. Many in and around Neatishead, Irstead and Barton Turf will have known Irene through her deeply committed involvement with the WI, the Mothers' Union, and various congregations including the Baptist Church. Her ninety-five years contained laughter, generosity and love in abundance. As family memories attested, not a small bit of mischievous humour too. All of this was rooted in Irene's deep and joyful Christian faith and her dedication to others as a pillar of the community.

Family was always at the centre of Irene's life, and moving tributes came from those who knew her as a mother and mother-in-law, as well as a grandmother ('nan'). Her funeral service was modelled on that of her beloved late husband, Peter, with whom her ashes will be interred. The service included Psalm 121, which begins with the words 'I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills'. This psalm, as Pastor Ian Bloomfield told those present in his address, reminds us of the Yorkshire hills Irene so deeply treasured, but it also points us to the source of comfort and strength on which Irene drew: 'my help cometh even from the Lord'. Hers was a life vividly infused with the love of God – the God to whom we now commend Irene with thanksgiving and praise.

The Rev'd Taylor Wilton-Morgan
Assistant Curate, Benefice of St Benedict

Mari Copperwheat

Our dear daughter passed away peacefully on Thursday 14th April. Her family cannot thank you all enough for your love and attention we received during this very sad time.

We are having a requiem mass for her at St John of the Cross, Aylsham NR11 6AY at 10am on **Tuesday 3rd May**. This will be followed by a short service at the graveside and committal at St Michael and All Angels', Church Road, Barton Turf, NR12 8YU at 11.45am. Everyone is very welcome to both services and at the Wayford Bridge Inn afterwards for refreshments.

Keith and Pauline Copperwheat

Barton Turf and Irstead Parish Council

At our March meeting we adopted a report, prepared by Norfolk Wildlife Trust, proposing site management suggestions for the Claypits Common at Barton Turf. The objective is to enhance the common for wildlife and as a community asset. A Parish Council working party of residents made an immediate start in March with significant clearance work of undergrowth, the removal of some small trees (willow and sycamore) and the coppicing of some larger ones. The intention is to create larger areas of open water to improve their ecological value and to improve the visual interest and attraction of the common. Work to dig out the ponds will have to wait until late autumn to keep wildlife disturbance to a minimum and will be done in two or three phases. Maximum depths are expected to be increased to 4-5 feet in the centre of the ponds with sloping sides. A grant will be sought from NNDC Sustainable Communities Fund to pay for this work and some ancillary improvements, eg another seat, interpretation and history boards.

The NWT report also proposes that the grass areas be managed for both recreation and wildlife value. This requires a differential mowing scheme, keeping long grass in the wetter area near the westernmost pond, short, regularly mown grass across the middle and northern edge and an intermediate area between the two depending on practicalities. Brambles, which have particularly high wildlife value, will be retained but confined roughly to their present location. Some logs will be left on site to create additional insect habitats.

Detailed wildlife survey work, started last year, is being continued with the help of NWT and knowledgeable local residents with more than 600 different organisms of all kinds being identified so far. Results of these detailed surveys can be requested by sending an email to wfv.nib@gmail.com. Bat and further moth surveys are planned for this year. A photographic record of the changes to the appearance of the site has been started.

The NWT report is available on the Parish Council website. Any thoughts or queries from residents regarding the proposed changes would be welcomed. Please respond by email to contact@bartonturfirsteadpc.org.uk by **20th May**.

A history of the site has been prepared by Michael Brandon-Jones (NIBCHG) from 1810 onwards. Photos from the last century indicate its appearance and use has changed dramatically.

Glenn Neave, Chairman



New Victory Hall

The next ever popular Quiz Evening at New Victory Hall is on **Saturday 21st May** - doors open from 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Bring your own drinks and nibbles! Teams are a maximum of six but no problem if you are not a six, we can find a team for all those wishing to come. Please call Pauline on 07818 599303 to book - £5 per person. There is a prize for each member of the winning team. It is a light hearted and fun evening so come along and join us for a good time in friendly company.

NVH Events Committee



The Farmers' Market

Our Farmers' Market this month is **Saturday 14th May**, and next months' Farmers' Market will be **Saturday 11th June** and will include a car boot sale.

Pauline Simpson, 07818 599303



Village Screen

Those who attended the April screening of 'King Richard' were disappointed we were unable to show the entire film due to a faulty DVD. As this film was popular, we have arranged for another screening on **Monday 9th May**.

We have a really great selection of Oscar nominated films to offer for our summer season starting with the American romantic drama musical 'West Side Story' (12A 156 mins) on **Monday 2nd May**. This is the 2021 version directed by Steven Spielberg with all the wonderful music and dance sequences.

In June we will be showing 'Belfast', a semi autobiographical film directed by Kenneth Branagh. Our July film will be 'The Duke', starring Helen Mirren and Jim Broadbent and the August film, 'The Phantom of the Open' starring Mark Rylance, is another true story.

So, make a note in your diaries for the first Monday of the month!

We look forward to seeing you on **Monday 2nd May** at 7pm for 7.30pm to see 'West Side Story' and the following week to see Will Smith in 'King Richard'.

Tickets are £5 and advance booking is preferred by calling Christine on 01692 631347. Contactless payment is an option and unreserved tickets will be available on the door, numbers permitting.

Village Screen Team



It seems that the price of everything is increasing right now and we are especially grateful to anyone who has kindly made a donation. Our costs too are also increasing so if you haven't yet had a chance, the donation box will remain in White House Stores.

We are looking for new people to join us. We are a small and happy team: the start of the month is quiet but it all gets a bit busier during the last ten days! I only joined just over a year ago - it has gone so quickly - and I thoroughly enjoy it. If you are interested in lending a hand, please get in touch - I'd love to hear from you.

Sue Clayton
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Knit and Stitch

Please note we will be meeting on **Wednesdays 11th and 18th** this month from 7-9pm in the Community Room at the New Victory Hall. Whatever your project or level of skill, you will be made most welcome. If you need some help to understand a pattern or unpick a problem there will always be someone there to lend a hand. Along with the community and many other local groups we will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June - watch out for the crowns around the villages.

Claire Penstone-Smith
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Horning Flower Club

At our April meeting we were entertained by Lorraine Thompson, from Thetford, with flower arrangements 'In the Style Of'. She illustrated the American style using placements within a framework, the European style introducing the parallel design, a clever alternative to hand tie and finished with a typical Constance Spry triangular arrangement.

The competition 'An Easter Door Wreath' was won by Doreen Dean.

Our next meeting is **Monday 9th May**, in Horning Village Hall at 2pm, when Wendy Goodliffe entertains us with 'Over the Rainbow'. New members are always welcome, come as a visitor first to see if you enjoy the afternoon. For further information contact Carole on 01692 536270.

Carole Swan, Secretary

Neatishead Art Group



We meet 7-9pm on Thursdays in the New Victory Hall community room. Work on your own project at your own pace. All interests and ability levels are welcome.

Members are happy to offer guidance and criticism if required. Cost is £2 per session; pay only when you attend. There is no membership fee and no obligation. Interested? Contact:

Jim Clinch
 01692 536890 art@sukiya.plus.com



Gardening Club

Daffodils, tulips and flowering shrubs brought a bit of welcome colour to our April meeting spring show. It was a good practice run for our annual show later in the year. We also had a beautifully illustrated talk on Humphry Repton and his landscaping work in East Anglia.

There will be a plant sale at our Meeting on **Monday 16th May** at New Victory Hall, and Sarah Hammond will be talking about British cut flowers.

If you haven't room to plant a tree to mark this special Jubilee year, then here's an idea to bring some 'royalty' into your garden - Victoria and Prince Albert. They are varieties of rhubarb - the first was bred by Joseph Myatt of Deptford and introduced in 1837 in honour of the new Queen. It had long red stems and tasted much better than any rhubarb grown before (which had been used mainly for medicinal purposes).

The Prince Albert variety followed in 1840. A reduction in the sugar tax in the mid 19th century helped make rhubarb a more popular pudding ingredient.

Rhubarb is supposed to be good for you too! A well-known Norfolk plantsman was said to have rhubarb every day of his life - he lived to be 95.

Wendy Price



Neatishead White Horse Bowls Club, Three Hammer Common

The Club has been open for just over a month now. The green is playing exceptionally well. We all feel so rejuvenated. Good to be out in the fresh air, enjoying the games and banter. As you read this we should have had our game with Overstrand. So lovely going back and seeing familiar greens. I'll let you know in June how we got on. Weekly Rollups every Saturday reception 1.30pm play 2pm Visitors are most welcome.

Cathy Smith, 01692 630602, NIB articles
Denver Gurney, 01603 783334, Chair



Community Gym – View from the Gym Floor!

Whenever I visit a gym it always strikes me that it is full of people who don't need to be there. All those men and women with toned and muscley (is that a word?) bodies, that should be out in the fresh air.

When I have been foolish enough to join a gym I am always guided around by a young person in shorts (why shorts? It must be hell in winter). I am shown machines that appear to have been designed by the Marquis de Sade. This takes 10 minutes and then they beat a hasty retreat. They must all be ironing their shorts.

As well as the healthy and fit, gyms should be full of physical wrecks. People that have just recovered from debilitating diseases. Men that have been through surgery. Women who think that they might need surgery.

What I want is somewhere that has a trainer who has time for you, has not recently been born, has a membership with a wide age range and machines that are easy to use.

After three months' membership, I think I've found it. Open three mornings a week, with members from 30 to 80 years old, no queues for equipment, a trainer who will create a programme suited to your needs, reviewed regularly, and machines I can understand. Just don't tell everybody or there will be queues. Run by the community for the community and held at New Victory Hall. Call Gary, our professional personal trainer. Just don't tell everybody or there will be queues and Gary won't be able to remember everyone's name, as he does now. And don't tell Gary it was me what wrote this!

Alan Marshall, Gym Member

Neatishead Community Gym is local, friendly, low key, for everyone who wants to get and keep a little bit fitter. Come and try us out with a free taster session. We are open Sundays, Mondays and Wednesdays 8.30am to 12.30pm. For more information www.neatisheadcommunitygym.com or email gym@victoryhall.info or call Gary on 07387 876216. Thanks, *your Community Gym.*



Neatishead, Irstead & Barton Turf Community Heritage Group – Parish Boundaries

In medieval England most of the country was divided into church parishes with their own parish priest. The parishes of Neatishead, Irstead and Barton Turf were in an administrative area known as Tunstead Hundred. The old course of the river Ant, which marks the

parish boundary between Barton Turf and Stalham is called the Hundred Stream. In the late 19th century, the word 'parish' took on a secular meaning and since 1895 the local Parish Council, elected by the public, administers a civil parish.

A benefice within the Church of England is an ecclesiastical parish or group of parishes under a single minister, perhaps supported by a curate. Today Neatishead, Irstead and Barton Turf are in the same benefice, but that was not always the case. In 1755 Irstead and Barton Turf were united in one benefice, a union that continued until 1883. However, due to a shortage of clergy in May 1917, the two parishes were re-united. In the 1960s Barton Turf and Smallburgh were joined with Dilham, and Neatishead and Irstead formed a separate benefice. For a short while in the 1980s Barton Turf was a single benefice before joining with Irstead and Neatishead in 1990.

Last month we enjoyed a walk to the Barton Turf Parish Boundary at the Hundred Stream and hope to arrange further walks in the summer to discover the Irstead and Neatishead Parish Boundaries.

Meanwhile there will be another chance to see some local historic maps at the Farmers' Market in the New Victory Hall on **Saturday 14th May.**

Michael Brandon-Jones, NIBCHG

Wroxham, Hoveton and Belaugh Twinning Association

Good news at last: our French friends in La Pommeraye and Montjean-sur-Loire are coming this year, **11th-16th August.** We are so pleased that they have got a group together, a bit smaller than normal but they may find more and we will be delighted to see them. We shall have a committee meeting soon and will be resurrecting our visits, hopefully, of two years ago to the Broads Museum in Stalham, the Neatishead Radar Museum, St George's Whisky Distillery and Bressingham and, of course, our Barn Dance and dinner in New Victory Hall.

Book Club on Zoom on the third Wednesday of the month seems to work as we have a few members who cannot physically attend. We may have some face to face meetings in the summer. Since January we have read 'Shuggie Bain' by Douglas Stuart, 'Behind the Scenes at the Museum' by Kate Atkinson and April is Ruth's choice of 'Hamnet' by Maggie O'Farrell. Pat can supply more information 01603 782375 pat.barkergreen@btinternet.com

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Queen's Platinum Jubilee Villages' Celebrations 2nd, 4th, 5th June

All the details for each of the events can be found on the programme inside this issue of NIB. Don't forget your

tickets for the Party at the Palace Event on **Saturday 4th June** at New Victory Hall and the Big Jubilee Lunch in The Street, Neatishead on **Sunday 5th June**. Tickets are now available from the White House Stores. No tickets are needed for the Lighting the Jubilee Beacon event on **Thursday 2nd June**.

Any proceeds from the events will be put towards purchasing a commemorative tree for each of the villages as part of the Queen's Green Canopy initiative - more details will appear about this later in the year.

Helpers: We are looking for helpers to set up and clear away for each of the events which will involve a lot of chair and table moving. If you can lend a hand please get in touch with Claire Penstone-Smith, 07760 643739 or 01692 630580, claireps@btinternet.com.

Road Closure: Please be aware that The Street in Neatishead, in front of the White Horse Inn will be closed from mid morning to mid afternoon on **Sunday 5th June**. When exact details are known all residents will be contacted before the day. Diversions will be put in place

We do hope you will be able to join us to celebrate this very special and possibly once in a lifetime event with many talented local groups taking part to entertain us. Don't forget to come dressed in your best red, white and blue!

Glenn Neave 01692 536690

(Barton Turf & Irstead Parish Council)

Mike Godfrey mike.godfrey113@btinternet.com

(Neatishead Parish Council)

for the NIB Villages Platinum Jubilee Committee

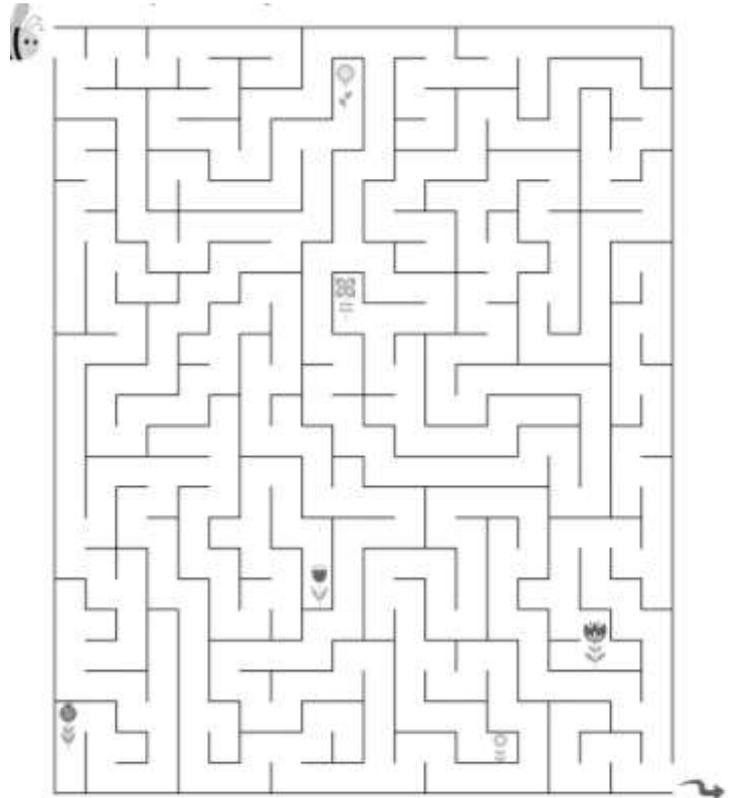
NIB Churches Jubilee Displays

There will displays of 'Notable Events during the past 70 years' to coincide with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations from **Monday 30th May** to **Sunday 12th June** in each of the NIB Churches - St Peter's Neatishead, St Michael's Irstead, St Michael and All Angels' Barton Turf. We hope you will have the opportunity to visit the churches which are open daily to see these displays which will complement the NIBCHG display in NVH on **Sunday 5th June**.

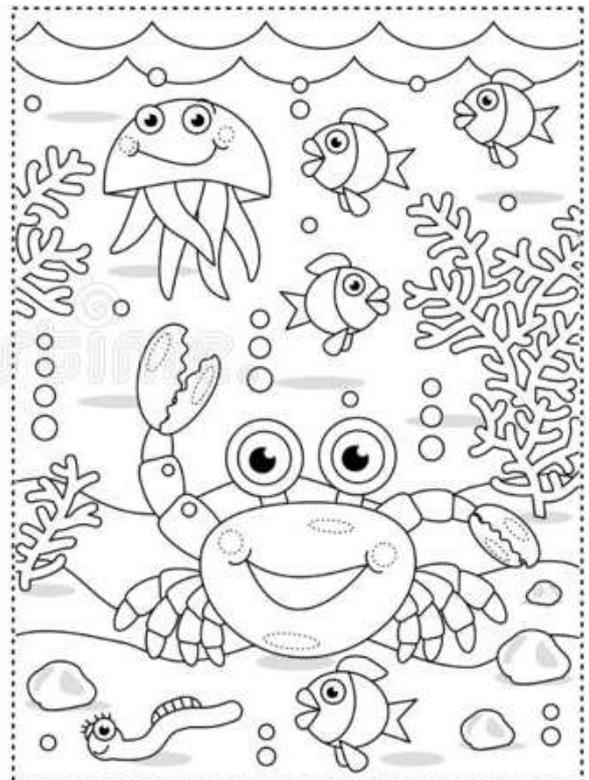


NIBS Kids

Help Buzzy find his friends!



Find the ten differences between the two pictures, then colour them in. Find another colouring opportunity on back page!





St Benet's Abbey, Free Guided Tours

1st May to 28th September
2pm Wed, Sat and Sun,
weather permitting.

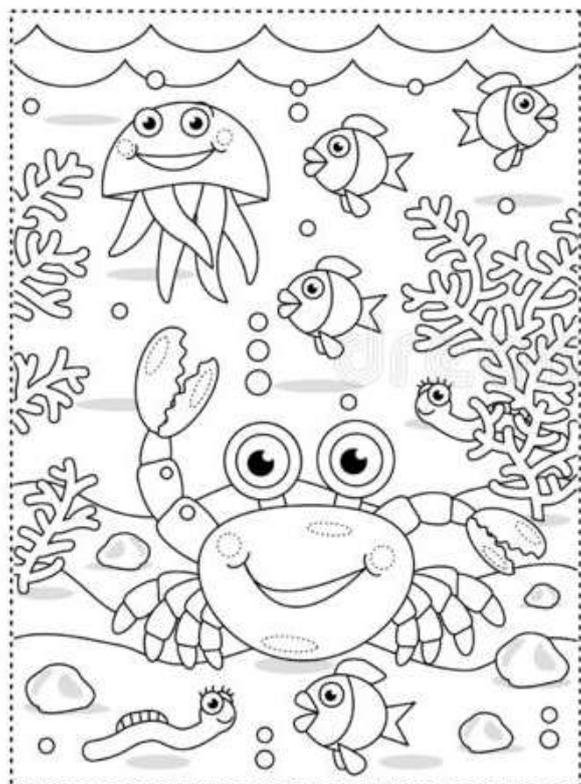
Let the guides bring 1,000 years of history and stories about this special place to life for you. To prebook your tour go to the NAT website:

www.norfarchtrust.org.uk/project/st-benets-abbey or www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/guided-tour-of-st-benets-abbey-tickets-317559718667 or turn up at the tour start point near the gatehouse/mill and path to the river moorings for 2pm.

Marion Jackson, St Benet's Abbey Guide

And here is a little taster, an insight into Guiding at St Benet's Abbey

Today it is my turn to take the guided tour at St Benet's Abbey, so I check the weather forecast. Good, it's going to be dry. Now it's time to check my bag to ensure I have everything I need with me for the tour, such as prompt cards, guide book, emergency information, leaflets and mobile phone. I then check over my means of transport to St Benet's, which is my trusty bike. The journey will take me 30 minutes and is 9 miles each way. I love cycling because it gives me a chance to unwind and mentally prepare for the tour. As the tours are free and no need to book, I never know if anyone will be waiting. I always arrive at least



10 minutes before the 2pm tour start time just to check around and inside the mill, as I don't want any surprises when I go in there with my tour group. One time I arrived to find singing coming from inside the mill and found a folk group from North Elmham having a wonderful atmospheric time. They told me that they had hired a wherry to bring them to St Benet's and had enjoyed a lovely picnic before going in to the mill to sing. Another time I could hear banging and unfortunately found a family knocking a football about inside the mill as if it was the most normal and acceptable thing to be doing.

I always love it when I see visitors milling around the information panel at the start point for the tours, because I am hopeful that they are waiting for the tour. Sometimes visitors just happen to be there at the right time without realising that one is about to start. They are often the visitors who get most enjoyment from the tour because it was an unexpected bonus.

Today, I have a small group, some have come especially for the tour and others just happened to be passing and have joined in after I mentioned I was about to start. They are a mix of ages and some are on holiday, whilst others are on a day trip from home. Some have come by boat and others have walked. None have been to St Benet's before but those on holiday have passed by the site and decided to visit this time. I find they are very attentive and interested in what I am sharing with them about the history of the site and the stories. They follow me into the mill and gasp when they turn and see the old gatehouse still intact inside the mill walls. They point at the carved man and beast, wondering about their significance. We chat about the graffiti and why the mill was positioned right over the Gatehouse. We then head towards the 'Talking' bench and listen to Bishop/Abbot Graham (now retired) speaking. I select the plainsong to accompany us as we move towards the cross. I conclude my tour with a visit to 'The Chequers Pub' which now sadly has to be conjured from the imagination, as it no longer exists. The group has hung on my every word and a couple of them say how much they've enjoyed the tour, and how it has brought the site to life for them. They ask questions and say they will be recommending the tour to their friends and family, which is so good to hear and very rewarding. The enjoyment given to the visitors and the positive feedback received is why I love being a volunteer guide at St Benet's Abbey.

Marion Jackson, St Benet's Abbey Guide



WHERRY YACHT CHARTER CHARITABLE TRUST UPDATE

On **Sunday 1st May** Olive and Norada, two of our wherry yachts, will be escorting pleasure wherry Hathor to How Hill before the wherry yachts return to our base at Wroxham. These first trips will be refresher and new crew training for our volunteers only, but then they will be available for charters and scheduled sailings.

Hathor will be moored near Toad Hole Cottage, How Hill, from **1st May** until **30th September**. On many days WYC volunteers will open the wherry for visitors to look around her Egyptian-themed interior, free of charge, though donations are always welcome. She will also act as our education wherry with school groups visiting How Hill brought down to see her and to learn about some of the history of wherries on the broads. Hathor will be sailing to Barton Broad and back on various dates, including some special fully catered trips featuring delicious home-made food. She will also sail to Womack Water to be on view during Ludham Open Gardens on **Sunday 25th June** before returning to How Hill.

Scheduled day sailings on our wherry yachts include firm favourites to Salhouse Broad, Ranworth, South Walsham and How Hill, and Steam and Sail in partnership with the Museum of the Broads' launch 'Falcon'. And this year there are trips on the Thurne above Potter Heigham, taking in the peaceful surroundings of Hickling and Horsey for the first time in a number of years. We are also offering a few luxury day sailings on pleasure wherry Ardea, the last wherry to be built in 1927. With dates from May right through to September we hope you will find something to suit. The full list of trips, pricing and online booking are available on our new website at www.wherryyachtcharter.org or please email bookings@wherryyachtcharter.org.

There will also be Broadland Heritage and Wherry Experience residential breaks based at How Hill with sailings on our wherries. Details and booking for these are via www.howhilltrust.org.uk.

As those passengers who've been on our charters and trips know, in today's world people are increasingly choosing an experience instead of gifts for special occasions. In fact many of our customers charter a wherry for a special family event. We've helped to celebrate significant birthdays, anniversaries, retirements and even the occasional family or friend's reunion with guests from many miles away. If you have a special occasion coming up to celebrate, why not charter a wherry (or two). Each of our vessels can

carry up to twelve passengers at a time and come complete with skipper and crew.



Olive on the Broads

Following the last two years with restricted activities due to the pandemic, we are keen to welcome as many passengers as we can this year. Every penny of income from our trips and charters goes to the upkeep of our wherries Hathor, Ardea, Olive, Norada and White Moth, so please do help us fill our sailings and gather new supporters. An email or Facebook share can go a long way, or dare we say a good old-fashioned conversation!

Volunteering with WYCCT is a rewarding experience with a serious aim. There really is a role for everyone with the charity and we would encourage people to find out more at

www.wherryyachtcharter.org

via email jk@wherryyachtcharter.org

or visit our wherryyachtcharter Facebook page

Dawn Atter



Wot's up with the Weather?

March's monthly total rain was only 23.2mms/0.91", just 46% of average, so a dry month following a wet February. The highest daily total was 8mms/0.31" on 30th, with high pressure dominant throughout. It was the sunniest March in England since 1929.

Up to and including the 19th April we've had a mere 7.2mms/0.28" of rain, just 16% of average, with little prospect of significant rain for the rest of the month, another low total is expected.

The highest daily total to date is 2.4mms/0.094" on the 6th and the highest daytime temperature to date is 19.2°C on the 13th, the lowest overnight temperature so far is -2.9°C on 2nd/3rd. After a brief arctic incursion with hail showers on the 1st and 2nd, temperatures have recovered to well above normal with high pressure dominating from the 9th.

Peter Mills



Wroxham & Hoveton Lions Club

We will once again be inviting local primary schools to take part in ROAR 22, inspiring children to think big and dream big. This is a Lions supported nationwide competition in association with 8billionideas, the award winning education company. The inspirational and fun learning experience, enables children aged 7 to 11 to discover how to use their imagination in exciting new ways, learning how to work in teams, developing their communication and presentation skills and boosting their self-confidence and self-esteem.

After a successful Craft Fair in April the proceeds of £327 will be added to the monies in our shop collection tin and the sum of £380 donated to the Ukraine Appeal. Our next Fair will take place on **Sunday 22nd May** and we hope you can pay us a visit and enjoy the varied crafts on offer. Then relax with some refreshment and a bacon butty or cake.

Community at Heart Lottery results are in! A winning ticket is potentially a week away and we thank you for your continued support. If you haven't signed up yet visit our page

www.communityatheartlottery.com/support/wroxham-and-hoveton-lions-club

Would you like to volunteer to help in the shop? If so, when we're open, drop in and talk to a member of staff or ring Lion Terry on 01603 784093.

As you can appreciate, our fund raising could not be carried out without our members devoting time, effort and a willingness to help those less fortunate both at home and abroad. So, if you are a person who would be willing to help our small team, we'll be happy to see you on one of our Zoom meetings. Just let us know your email address and we'll send you an invite to join us online. Our meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm. For more information, please contact our Membership Chairperson, Lion Lydia Spight via our 'Learn More' link on our website www.wroxhamandhovetonlions.org Alternatively, give me a call on 01603 781310.

You can follow us on Facebook, Twitter or our website. We look forward to seeing or hearing from you.

Lion Mick Holden, President



News from Wroxham Bure Valley Rotary Club

Our recent AGM looked back on a very successful 9 months with meetings both at Wroxham Barns and on Zoom. Some great speaker presentations, hugely successful fund raising of over £12,000 for both local and international causes, including support for Ukraine, Shelterbox, End Polio Now, our own charity Rotary Foundation, a new water borehole for Kambule school in Africa, the East Anglia Air Ambulance, Nelson's Journey, Fresh Start New Beginnings, the Nancy Oldfield Trust, the Vidyal Trust and many more. We have completed a number of local community projects, including helping man the Covid centre at Hoveton Village Hall, planting purple for polio crocuses around various local villages, litter picking, erecting the Hoveton Christmas tree and manning the entrance gates at Marsham Show. Not only have we achieved all this we have had great fun and fellowship while doing it!

In early summer, we will once again be manning the entrance gates at the Strumpshaw Steam Fair; this year a four day event running over the Jubilee holiday from **Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June**, gates open at 9am. Also, an early date for the diaries, our Classic Car Show at Wroxham Barns will take place this year on **Sunday 18th September** from 10am, and will be run in conjunction with Wroxham Barns, and 1st Hoveton & Wroxham Sea Scouts.

You can support us and the many local and international charities we donate to, through the Broadland Council Lottery Scheme – simply go online at www.communityatheartlottery.com and sign up, selecting Wroxham Bure Valley Rotary Club as your chosen cause. You can also support us directly by visiting our page on the www.totalgiving.co.uk web site.

To find out more about us and our many and varied activities you could come along to one of our meetings. Meantime, we hope everyone stays safe and remember, in the true Rotary spirit of 'Service above Self', we have members ready and willing to help out in the local community wherever the need arises. If you fancy joining us for a vibrant, sociable, active and fun club experience, please contact our president, Peter Milsted, on 01603 782733 or 07850 742337.

Peter Milsted



NIB Wildlife Friendly Villages Group

We have two walks planned for May and June, both led by Jerry Simpson.

1. Dawn chorus walk on **Saturday 7th May**

This walk will start from the main Barton Broad boardwalk car park at 5am and last for about 2 hours. Participants will be able to experience one of the wonders of nature and perhaps learn to recognise some new bird songs. Please note: the walk will only take place if weather conditions are favourable.

2. Marsh walk on **Saturday 11th June**

Roger Lamb has very kindly given us permission to do a guided walk on his marshland in Barton Turf to see the wonderful display of marsh orchids. We may also be lucky enough to see swallowtail butterflies as well as other marshland species. The walk will start at 10am and last for about 2 hours.

If the weather is unsuitable the walk will be postponed until **Saturday 18th June**.

There are a few places available for both of these free events. If you would like to book a place on either of these walks please phone Sophia on 07443 658400 or email wfv.nib@gmail.com.

Sophia Hale-Sutton, Secretary



Wildlife Notes

In April's wildlife notes I mentioned that we should look out for little gulls passing through Barton Broad at the end of the month. The one which turned up on the 21st March, two days after I had written my notes, was quite early and was still showing its winter plumage as it hadn't yet gained its chocolate brown head colouration.



Common tern at Barton

Jon Kelf

They are very dainty gulls with grey coloured upper wings and dark, almost black, coloured

underwings and spend much of their time flying around picking small items from the surface of the water. It has stayed around and when I saw it on the 18th April it was looking very smart with its full head colours now showing.

Although there had been some signs of activity around my camera nestbox by the local blue tits I was getting a bit concerned that they were not going to use it this year. However, to my relief on the 14th April there were feathers and moss lining the bottom of the box and since then a blue tit has roosted in the box overnight as the birds continue to add more material to the nest. I will update you next month how they progress.

I recorded my first common terns at Barton on the 13th April, the birds having travelled all the way back from Africa. It is good to hear their calls again and already they are investigating the tern raft and persuading the roosting cormorants to vacate.

In May we should look out for the first swifts of the year and the fast-flying Hobby which will be looking for its favourite dragonfly prey. The first blue coloured damselflies will be on the wing mostly Azure and Common damselflies but some blue tailed ones are likely. Broad bodied chasers will be a dragonfly to look out for, a large species which is an early coloniser of new ponds, and towards the end of the month Norfolk Hawkers will also be about patrolling dyke edges. Our first blue butterfly of the year, the Holly Blue, has already started to appear but should be abundant in May. It has pale blue underwings covered with tiny black spots and dashes and size wise is quite a small butterfly. If you are fortunate, you may see the first swallowtails at the end of the month. Early bumble bees will be in your gardens, a small species with thin yellow and wider black bands on the upper body and with a distinctive orange tip at the bottom.

Finally, a plea to all dog walkers. As it is now nesting season please keep your dogs on the lead whilst using our local footpaths as ground nesting birds can easily be disturbed even by well-behaved dogs.

*Jerry Simpson, 01692 630674
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DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE EDITION – 19th May 2022

Diary Dates for May 2022

Monday	2 nd	7 for 7.30pm	Village Screen Cinema 'West Side Story', NVH
Wednesday	4 th	10.15am	Mobile Library, Pennygate, Barton Turf NR12 8BE
		10.35am	Mobile Library, Ex-Post Office, Barton Turf NR12 8BB
		10.55am	Mobile Library, Staithe Road, Barton Turf NR12 8AZ
Every Thursday		7-9pm	Neatishead Art Group, Community Room NVH
Saturday	7 th	5am	Dawn Chorus Walk, Barton Broad (advance booking required)
	7 th	10-11.30am	St Benedict's Church Coffee Morning, Horning Village Hall
	7 th	10am-4pm	Norfolk Broads Yacht Club Open Day, NR12 8TS
Sat-Sun	7 th -8 th	10am-4pm	Cycle/Walk & Shop, Neatishead Church Fundraising Weekend
	7 th -8 th	10am-4pm	Plant Sale, The Paddock, Hall Road, Neatishead
Monday	9 th	2pm	Horning Flower Club, Horning Village Hall
	9 th	7 for 7.30pm	Village Screen Cinema 'King Richard', NVH
Wednesday	11 th	7pm-9pm	Knit & Stitch, Community Room NVH
Thursday	12 th	10 til noon	Friends & Neighbours Coffee Morning & Speaker, NVH
Saturday	14 th	9am-noon	Farmers' Market, NVH
Sunday	15 th		St Michael & All Angels APCM after 9.30 Service
	15 th	2.30pm	Closing and Thanksgiving Service, Barton Turf Methodist Church
Monday	16 th	7.30pm	Gardening Club Meeting, NVH
Wednesday	18 th	1pm	Neatishead, Barton Turf & District WI, NVH
	18 th		Book Club on Zoom
	18 th	7pm-9pm	Knit & Stitch, Community Room NVH
Thursday	19 th	7.30pm	Neatishead Parish Council Meeting, NVH
	19 th		NIB Deadline for June Edition
Saturday	21 st	10 til noon	Coffee Morning, St Michael & All Angels, Barton Turf
Saturday	21 st	7 for 7.30pm	Quiz Night, NVH (Doors open 7pm, Quiz starts 7.30pm)
Sunday	22 nd	10.30am	St Peter's APCM, Neatishead Church
	22 nd		Wroxham & Hoveton Lions Craft Fair, Hoveton Community Centre
Wednesday	25 th	10.10am	Mobile Library, Pitt Corner, Neatishead NR12 8BT
Thursday	26 th	10 til noon	Friends & Neighbours Coffee Morning & Speaker, NVH
Tuesday	31 st	7pm	Barton Turf & Irstead Council Parish Meeting, NVH
Saturday	28 th	10-11.30am	Hope Café, Neatishead Baptist Church
Sunday	29 th		St Micheal's APCM after 9.30 Service
30 th May to 12 th June			NIBCHG Displays in the 3 Churches

Future Dates

Thurs-Sun	2 nd -5 th June	Strumpshaw Steam Fair
Thurs-Sun	2 nd -5 th June	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration Weekend
Thursday	2 nd June	8-10pm National Evening of Celebration at Cricket Ground, Barton Turf
Saturday	4 th June	7-11pm Platinum Party at the Palace on Big Screen, Bar & BBQ, NVH
Sunday	5 th June	10-3pm Free Boat Trips, Nancy Oldfield Trust
	5 th June	Road Closure for Street Party – The Street, Neatishead
	5 th June	11.15-11.45am Open Air Inclusive Faith Service, The Street, Neatishead
	5 th June	Jubilee Street Party starting from noon, The Street, Neatishead
	5 th June	2-4.30pm Afternoon Tea & NIBCHG Display, NVH
Saturday	11 th June	Car Boot & Farmers' Market, NVH
	11 th June	Marsh Walk, Barton Turf (advance booking required)
Saturday	9 th July	Barton Turf & Irstead Fete, Barton Hall

Local Services and Contact Numbers

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Benefice of St Benedict

Whilst the various legally-enforced COVID restrictions have all now lapsed, church and public health authorities continue to recommend a range of COVID precautions, particularly for larger indoor social gatherings or when local infections rates remain high, as is currently the case in North Norfolk. Accordingly, we encourage our congregations to maintain hand cleansing when entering/leaving church and to respect and care for those who feel they need to maintain social distancing. Holy Communion in one kind (ie just bread) will be available to all, but we would hope to re-instate the distribution of the wine at Communion in the near future, when infections rates have reduced sufficiently.

Services for May 2022

1 st May	Easter 3	9.30am HC + APCM 11.00am HC (BCP)	Horning Irstead
8 th May	Easter 4	8.00am HC 9.30am HC + APCM 11.00am HC 6.00pm ES	Irstead Ashmanhaugh Horning Barton Turf
15 th May	Easter 5	9.30am BHC + APCM	Barton Turf
22 nd May	Easter 6	8.00am HC(BCP) 9.30am HC + APCM 9:30am MP 11:00am MP	Barton Turf Neatishead Ashmanhaugh Horning
26 th May	Ascension Day	10.30am HC	Horning
29 th May	Easter 7	9.30am HC(BCP) + APCM	Irstead

HC : Holy Communion MP : Morning Prayer
ES : Evensong BCP : Book of Common Prayer
BHC : Benefice Holy Communion
APCM : Annual Parochial Church Meeting



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Barton Turf Methodist Church

Pennygate Lane, Barton Turf NR12 8BQ

The very last closing and thanksgiving service, open to everyone, is to be held in the chapel on **Sunday 15th May at 2.30pm**, led by North Norfolk Methodist Circuit Superintendent Rev C Telfer from North Walsham.

www.northnorfolkmethodist.org.uk/bartonturf.htm

Wroxham & Hoveton United Reform Church

We have fully reopened, in line with Government guidelines, please see our website for the most up to date information (wroxhamurc.org.uk). Do join us for any or all of our services.

JAM (our Children's Church) welcomes all children aged 4 to 14. We meet from 10.15 to 11.45am in the Church Hall. We have Bible stories, cooking, games and lots of fun whilst learning more about Jesus. For more details please contact Chris Billing on (chris.billing@ukbis.com) or phone 01603 783992.

The Community Café meets for coffee and cakes from 10.30am to 12noon on Thursdays. We look forward to seeing friends old and new, after this difficult time.

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