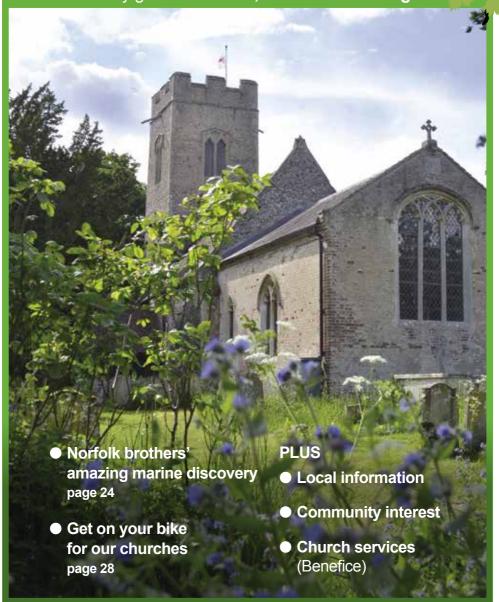


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Marlingford – opp. Bell	10.35am	Longwater – William Frost Way	12.32pm
Easton – opp. school	10.40am	Easton – opp. Bawburgh Rd	12.38pm
Easton – Chez Denis	10.41am	Easton – Chez Denis	12.39pm
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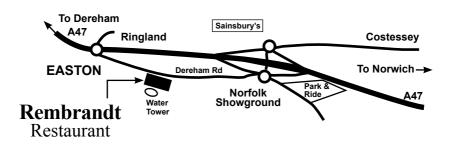
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Platinum Jubilee fun in our community

Well, Jubilee festivities took place in our area in spite of some challenging weather – those who decided to have their parties on Friday June 3 were lucky enough to enjoy a day of sunshine but even on the other days, street parties carried on though not necessarily outside in the street!

There was a very enjoyable garden party in Colton held for family and friends by Steve and Jo Finney on



Friday with some jubilee-themed food and an amazing Jubilee cake baked by Jo's mum, Sally.

Annette Hudson

As the celebrations began on the evening of Thursday June 2, invitations had been given to a group of friends to come to Marlingford Old Hall. The weather was kind and we enjoyed drinks and light refreshments as we waited for darkness and the



Flying the flag for Australia!

appointed time of the lighting of hundreds of official beacons

around the British Isles.
Countdown to 9.45pm
and the beacon was lit
by Edward, son of Jane
Knights. We toasted the

Queen and sang the National Anthem. A great start to the long weekend's celebrations, thanks to Jane and Edward.

My cousins in Australia watched the BBC coverage, particularly the pageant which began at about midnight there!

Our Queen is a beacon of admiration throughout the world.

Felicity Maton

Deadline for items for the September issue: Friday, August 26 Email as word doc to: annettegh57@gmail.com

YOUR

Colton

Summer barbecue!

Saturday, July 16 – Get yourself along to the Colton summer barbecue. There will be a prize raffle - bring your own drinks. Starts at 5pm.

Thursday coffee morning

All are welcome to the coffee morning every Thursday in Colton village hall from 10am to 12pm. Drink and biscuits: 50p. Bacon roll: £1.50.

Hall for hire

The village hall has been newly refurbished and is ready for hire for your event with room for around 50 people. Wet afternoon? Hire the hall's table tennis table, or maybe try carpet bowls. Contact secretary:

Vicky Green on 01603 881336

Table top sale

It would have been nice to see more folk at this event which was well advertised. Thanks to all who had tables – the sale raised £100. Please do support your village halls!



Easton

Easton Good **Companions**

Coming up:

On June 1, we hosted a royal quiz with Brenda Bell asking the questions, followed by a cream tea. June 16 saw a trip to **Peter Beales** garden centre in Attleborough. **Gal Tina** gave a talk about Norfolk squit on June 23. She spoke to our WI a few months ago and was a HIT.

- July 2: Special birthday for Brenda Bell
- July 7: we are celebrating Merilyn's special birthday and are holding a Beetle Drive.
- July 14: Fundraising coffee morning in Ann Dunbar's garden.
- August 4: Mike and Gwen's Golden Wedding anniversary.
- August 10: 67th birthday lunch at Glen Lodge.

Easton Good Companions is open to over 50s and takes place every two weeks, Thursday from 2pm.

Tony Perry

Easton Pop-In

Every Tuesday morning 10am – 11.45am. Come and meet your friends for coffee, tea and biscuits.

Brenda Daynes and Tony Perry

News from Easton Women's Institute

We need the bees

We all enjoyed hearing about the keeping of bees and the production of honey at out our July meeting. It is very important that people do all they can to provide the flowers that bees need as they are a vital pollinator of all kinds of crops that are harvested for us to eat! We were reminded that the big double flowers that look so good in our gardens are no use to bees as they do not produce the nectar or pollen they need.

Learn about lampwork

At meeting on Thursday July 14 at 7.30pm Christine Chapman is coming to demonstrate lampwork. I googled the term and found out that lampwork is a type of glasswork which involves melting glass to make beads. I'm sure it is more complicated than that but it does sound fascinating!

Outings to restart?

We are still recovering from the big break in our way of life caused by Covid when we were unable to meet for so long.

We always used to have an outing

in August instead of a meeting and we are currently gathering members suggestions as to whether we want to do something like that this year. Previous trips have been to Cley Visitors' centre, a ride on the North Norfolk Railway (pictured) and a day spent in Wells (in the rain!).

If any members have a suggestion for an outing we will get on and organise it!

Upcoming talks

In September we shall be having a talk by Juliet Webster called 'the Yellow Caravan'. This talk has been greatly enjoyed by other WIs in our area and we are looking forward to hearing it on Thursday September 8. Later in the year we are having talks about 'Gardens of East Anglia', 'Historic Braids' and 'Stuff and Folly at Christmas'.

If you are interested in hearing any of these talks or coming to a WI meeting to see what the WI is all about, you are welcome to come along to up to three meetings a year after which we hope you will join the WI.

Mary Blathwayt

Community and Fundraising Events





Don't miss this treat for the children!

Marlingford Movies Present, a summer holiday big screen presentation of -



Frozen

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Saturday 30th July 2022

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Join Easton Crafters on coach trip to live show

Easton Crafters are organising a trip to Peterborough on **Saturday 22nd October 2022** and would like to invite anyone who is interested in crafting to join them.

The show is organised by Stephanie Weightman and the Create and Craft team. There will be crafty celebrities and exhibitors with a range of different crafts including stamps, dies, decoupage, wool, sugarcraft etc.

You can join workshops or just shop for essentials.



There are refreshments at the venue and the coach will pick up at **Stratton Strawless, Hethersett,** and **Easton**.

• If you would like more information about the trip or our Crafting Club, please contact Janet on 01603 471144.

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Easton –Route: CEN 419	Thursda	y July 7;	Aug 4
6: Parkers Close	10.45am		NR9 5EE
8: Marlingford Road	11.05am	11.25am	
10: Marlingford Way	11.30am	11.50am	NR9 5HB
12: Kennedy Close		12.10pm	NR9 5EY
14: St Peter's Drive	12.15pm	12.45pm	NR9 5HF

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- Always request Photo ID and if unsure call the police.
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dialling tone before calling police or use a friend or neighbour's telephone instead.

- Do not rush into complying to the scammers demands / requests.
- If you have already given your bank details over the phone or handed your card details to a courier, call your bank immediately and cancel the card.
- For further advice, head to the Action Fraud website: actionfraud. police.uk or call 0300 123 2040.

Keeping our communities safe

You've heard of Neighbourhood Watch but do you know how it is organised these days?

It works locally as schemes or groups of neighbours from one or more streets, blocks of flats or small villages.

A scheme is run by a coordinator, who is a local resident working with neighbours to provide support, encourage activity and liaise with partners and other groups.

A resident wishing to start a new scheme in their area and become a coordinator of that scheme, should apply through the Join page of the website and then make themselves known to their local Association. An Association is made up of volunteers, who support and promote Neighbourhood Watch in

They will be able to get you linked in and supported through materials and training. Once approved, your scheme will show on our postcode search on our website as an NWN

approved scheme.

Starting a new scheme

If you are taking the leap to bring your community together, we can help you to start a new scheme or simply find out more about what a coordinator of a scheme does. We have also put together useful guides on how to communicate to your members using social media and how to raise funds, as well as a downloadable resource pack with useful leaflets and social media posts.

 If you would like more info about starting a scheme, visit ourwatch.org.uk/joinNW

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Easton Parish Council

Your Parish Councillors: Cllr Ben Moye – Chairman Cllr Peter Milliken – Vice Chairman Cllr Stuart Renders Cllr Peter McCarter Cllr David Lewis Cllr Jonathan Bailey

Annual meeting of Easton Parish Council

On May 23, 2022 Easton Parish Council held its annual meeting. Cllr Ben Moye was elected as Easton Parish Council Chairman and Cllr Peter Milliken as Vice-Chairman.

A new councillor was appointed, Mr Jonathan Bailey, who has served on Easton Parish Council previously and will be a great asset to the team.

In addition to routine business, councillors approved the end of year accounts and the Internal Auditor's report.

Planning: Updates on planning matters were discussed including the aim to achieve planning permission for the new community centre in the next couple of months. The aim is to commence the building work in October 2022 with completion in the summer of 2023. A resolution was made to accept the transfer of a parcel of land lying to the west of Bawburgh Road from Norfolk Homes Limited.

SAMs signs: The SAMs signs were discussed as Norfolk County Council has requested removal in Easton because of the post locations.

Councillors expressed concern if accidents occur and there was also some confusion as, in

2017, the locations were acceptable and installed by Wescotec in liaison with Norfolk County Council Highways.

Annual parish meeting

The annual parish meeting followed the council meeting on the same day. The new chairman provided his report and it was noted the council had achieved all objectives set in the previous year. Other reports from SNC and NCC, Cllr Dewsbury and local community groups and clubs were all welcomed and accepted. Councillors expressed their appreciation of the good work being done in the village.

There was some discussion on speeding, controls and measures requested and due to be implemented.

EASTON

New trees: It is planned to plant some new trees, in conjunction with the Platinum Jubilee. These will provide some shade in the play areas and all will be native specimens.

Minutes of all meetings are available on the Easton Parish Council website and all residents are welcome to attend council meetings.

Play area improvements



Fresh look for College Heights Under 5s play area.

Refurbishment work has been carried out in the under 5s play area and the large area at College Heights. This involved resurfacing worn areas and painting older equipment. The areas are greatly improved and now ready for children to enjoy during the long summer break.

Easton Covid Recovery Fund

The funding previously set aside by Easton Parish Council is now available for the next round of grant applications. Grants are for the benefit of residents of Easton and the application must be for a charity, voluntary or community organisation or group. Full details can be found on the Easton Parish Council website and an application form can be downloaded. Grants of up to £2,500 are available.

Jubilee bench: The new commemorative bench is a Chatham House design and has been built by Ian Wickham. It will initially be situated in the open space in Peacock

Close and then later will be sited at the new community centre once it is completed.

Easton Parish Councillors have been making good progress and hope residents will agree it is an exciting time.

We hope you enjoy the summer sunshine and our open spaces with your friends and families.

Easton Parish Council

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Marlingford and Colton Parish Council

Your Parish Councillors: Mr J Morse, Chairman Dr Paul Hammerton, Vice Chairman Cllr Mr Steve Clarke Cllr Prof Carole Farrow Cllr Mrs Elizabeth Plater Cllr Mr David Woods Cllr Mrs Caroline Agate

Proposed Honingham Thorpe Developments: As you may have seen in local media, plans are being formulated by the Clarion Group and Latimer Developments for a major housing development at Honingham Thorpe which would comprise up to 4,000 houses to be built over a period of 20 years. The plan for the development is in its early stages but an application is expected in the near future. Details of the project can be found on the website clarionhg.com. The council wants to ensure that residents' voices are heard in the process and would be grateful if you would inform them of your views. In the meantime, the Parish Council intends to consult with other parishes and organisations on the matter.

Proposed PhotoVoltaic (PV) Solar Farm: A solar farm (PV) development with a generating capacity of over 30 megawatts is being proposed west of Colton Grange. Once completed, output would be sufficient to supply power to the equivalent of 9,500 homes. The power generated will, however, be used to supply the present and future developments at the Food Hub. Details of the proposal can be found on maleyssolar.co.uk

• If you have any comments on this proposal, please contact South Norfolk Council Planning or the Parish Clerk or come along to the next parish council meeting.

Traffic Issues: Discussion on the proposed improvements to the A47 and the final western link section of the Norwich ring road are continuing. With the ongoing renewal of the A11 from Spooner Row to the Thickthorn roundabout which will continue until summer 2023, the Parish Council is concerned about the increase in traffic through our villages as drivers look for alternative 'rat runs'. The Parish Council has two SAM 2 (Speed Activated Monitoring) units, one in each village. These machines record the speed of passing vehicles and we are continuing to closely monitor

the speed and volume of traffic in the next few months.

If you are becoming more aware of increased traffic, please contact the parish council and we will compile this information to pass on to Highways and the local police.

Increase in the cost of living and available support:

As inflation increases, many of us will have to deal with higher bills. If you, or someone you know, is struggling with the rise in the cost of living there is assistance available. **Norfolk Warm Homes** can offer help or advice on saving energy and benefits.

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The Norfolk Warm & Wise project is a partnership between the Citizens Advice offices in Diss, Thetford and District, and Norfolk Citizens Advice.

They are also able to offer support to those struggling with energy costs. More information can be found at **cadat.org.uk**

The Norfolk Assistance Scheme (NAS) helps people who are in financial hardship and cannot pay their living costs. There are many reasons why this might happen including redundancy, work hours being cut, being on a low income or benefit, waiting for Universal Credit payments, home emergencies such a fire or flood, having a special educational need or disability, having mental health issues or being in ill health or having left an abusive relationship. If you are eligible, NAS can provide emergency financial help, supply essential household goods and furniture and give support, guidance and advice. For more details go to **norfolk.gov.** uk/care-support-and-health/

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Parish Council and public inclusion

Parish Council Meetings are usually held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm (except August). The next meetings will be held on

- Tuesday July 12 at Marlingford village hall
- Tuesday September 13 at Colton village hall
 At each meeting there is an exportunity for members of the

opportunity for members of the public to speak and raise any issues they may have. You are also

welcome to simply come along and listen to the meeting. Councillors look forward to welcoming residents to the next meeting.

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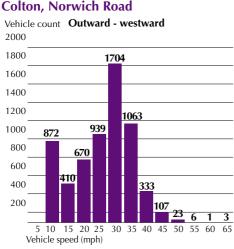
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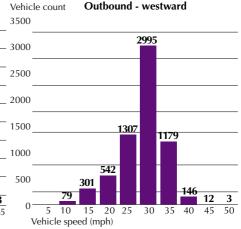
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Fun and games served at tennis summer camp

The Tennis Centre at Easton College is running a tennis summer camp from August 1 to August 5.

There are fun and games with matches and activities for children aged seven to 14 years from

9.30am to 3.30pm. The cost is £125 per child for five days or bookings per day at £30.00.



• To book, call 01603 731302.

Coffee break quiz

What links the answers?

1 Singer who played Bombalurina in the movie adaptation of Cats.
2 Knowing Me, Knowing You host.
3 British children's comic that featured Dan Dare.
4 1980s 'Caravan of Love' band.
5 LA Confidential actor.
6 Main character in well known Harper Lee novel.
7 Hannibal Lecter's adversary.
8 Sea-themed character based loosely on Keith Richards.
9 British Labour party politician who died suddenly in 2005 aged 59.
10 The first female presenter on BBC Radio 1 in 1970.
Answers on page 28

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Historic maritime discovery by Norfolk brothers



The Wreck of the Gloucester off Yarmouth, 6 May 1682, by Johan Danckerts.

Picture: Royal Museums Greenwich/Wikimedia

By now you will know that the wreck of one of the most famous ships of the 17th century which sank 340 years ago while carrying the future King of England, James Stuart, has been discovered off the coast of Norfolk.

Since running aground on a sandbank on May 6, 1682, the wreck of the warship the Gloucester had lain half-buried on the seabed, its exact whereabouts



Brothers Julian (L) and Lincoln (R) Barnwell with the ship's bell.

unknown until Norfolk based printers, the Barnwell brothers, together with their late father Michael and two friends including James Little, a former Royal Navy submariner and diver, found the site in 2007 with the Gloucester split down the keel and remains of the hull submerged in sand. The time taken to confirm the identity of the ship and the need to protect an 'at risk' site, which lies in international waters, is the reason that its discovery has only

The Gloucester represents an important moment in British political history: a royal shipwreck causing the very near-death of the Catholic heir to the Protestant throne at a time of great political and religious tension.

just been made public.

Now a major exhibition is planned for Spring 2023, the result of a

brothers, Norfolk Museums Service and academic partner UEA. Running from February to July at Norwich Castle Museum and Art Gallery, the exhibition will display finds from the wreck – including the bell that confirmed the ship's identity – and share ongoing historical, scientific and archaeological research. Prof Claire Jowitt of the UEA, a world-leading authority on maritime cultural history, is a cocurator of the exhibition. "Because of the circumstances of its sinking, this can be claimed as the single most significant historic maritime discovery since the raising of the Mary Rose in 1982," she said. Iulian and Lincoln Barnwell are licensed divers and Honorary Fellows in the School of History at UEA. Lincoln said he was partly inspired to search for the wreck after watching the lifting of the Mary Rose on television as a child. The Gloucester was commissioned in 1652, built at Limehouse in London and launched in 1654. In 1682 it was selected to carry James Stuart, Duke of York, to Edinburgh to collect his heavily pregnant wife and their households. The aim was to bring them back to King Charles II's court in London in time for the birth of a legitimate male heir.

partnership between the Barnwell



The ship's bell, dated 1681.

Picture: UEA

The ship had set sail from Portsmouth with the Duke and his entourage joining it off Margate, having travelled by yacht from London. At 5.30am on May 6, the Gloucester ran aground some 45km off Great Yarmouth following a dispute about navigating the treacherous Norfolk sandbanks. The Duke, a former Lord High Admiral, had argued with the pilot for control over the ship's course. Within an hour the vessel sank with the loss of hundreds of the crew and passengers.

The Duke barely survived, having delayed abandoning ship until the last minute.

The ship's bell, manufactured in 1681, was later recovered and, in 2012, it was used by the Receiver of Wreck and Ministry of Defence to decisively identify the vessel.

There is a video on YouTube if you would like to see more. youtu.be/26pC2jdH9gk

A reflection on the life of Sir Edward Evans-Lombe 10th April 1937 – 20th May 2022

Lmet Sir Edward in 1994 when L moved to Marlingford. At church, he and Marilyn, Lady Evans-Lombe, made me welcome and I soon became involved in fundraising events organised by them. He was a barrister, then a high court judge but made time to return to Marlingford Hall and work on projects in the surrounding area. He was a founder of, and played cricket at, the 'MCC' -Marlingford Cricket Club - he also played at Great Melton. He promoted the natural maintenance of the waterways and meadows for wildlife and migrating birds. When I lost my dog, he gave me a puppy from a litter born at Marlingford Hall. Ferdie was my close companion for 17 years. On his family's property, Edward organised off-road walks for people and dogs, and bridle paths for horse-riders He became chair of the Choir

He became chair of the Choir Endowment Fund of Norwich





Sir Edward Evans-Lombe.

Cathedral and although he and Marilyn had moved to Great Melton, I saw them sometimes when I went to Choral Evensong. I remember the eve of the Millennium when family, friends and employees gathered on a hilltop on the estate and a huge beacon was lit. We each received a special mug (pictured left) with ciphers meaning 2,000 and 'the Peace of Christ': a fitting reminder of a wonderful and caring man. Edward's funeral was at Marlingford Church on 31st May.

Felicity Maton

The Rambling Vine

Thinking about finding the right words

'Ambitions.trouble.skinning', 'corrode.sized.masking', 'tuxedos. mass.condition', 'storm.unit. limitless', or 'loved.able.blackbird'? Any of those might describe my usual Sunday morning. For those who haven't got the slightest idea what I'm on about, each is a place: the porches of Easton, Bawburgh, Marlingford and Colton churches, and my front door. The system called 'What Three Words' divides the entire surface of the planet into three-metre squares, then associates three words with each square. There's a phone app which uses GPS to locate the phone and give the words which identify the square it's in. The aim is to provide a precise location in an emergency but people are also using it to have fun: one way is by setting up treasure hunts where each clue gives three words which lead to the place of the next clue. It got me thinking about how we might put things on a map of our lives with three words. Thinking of life events, perhaps a wedding might be 'church.rings.love', or a birthday 'cards.cake.gifts', or Christmas 'Jesus.stable.angels'. For more everyday things we might be

'rushed.desk.stressful' at work, or 'novels.pool.relaxed' on holiday – or more often than not, 'tent.beach.rollercoasters' if you were to be talking about my family! It can be quite a good challenge to think about a special point in our lives and think of the three words which sum it up most accurately. And what words would put our spiritual lives on the map? For most of us at times, our spiritual lives are at 'doubtful.confusion.searching' when we'd rather be at 'worship. joyful.secure'.

And where is God on that map? Sometimes it feels like 'absent. silence.obscure.' At others 'soaring. glory.transcendent'.

But perhaps the most important location is where we are on God's map and I think the words start with 'beloved'. God loves us more than we can understand which is why God came in Jesus. He died, so that we can be forgiven for every sin and rose again so that we can know we are rescued for eternal life with God. So in God's eyes, whichever three metre square of our planet we are in, we are at Beloved. Forgiven. Rescued.

Rev Laura Montgomery

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Answers to quiz on p23 – The link is birds: 1 Taylor Swift; 2 Alan Partridge; 3 The Eagle; 4 The Housemartins; 5 Russell Crowe; 6 Atticus Finch; 7 Clarice Starling; 8 Jack Sparrow; 9 Robin Cook; 10 Annie Nightingale.

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