
The Tuddenham Tattler

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MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

We hope that this well known saying will come true in our village on

**SUNDAY,
26TH OCTOBER
10.00am**

Why? Because on that day the lane behind the church, which was the original way through the village, is being made more accessible. James Baker, of The Greenways Project, heads a small group of volunteers who will be doing the work.

BUT we really do need more help. If you can only spare an hour you would be very much appreciated. The aim is to put down a firm path to make access easier and safer. Some residents always use that way to the church rather than walking along the very busy main road and have expressed their concern to the Parish Council who are paying for this work.

If we don't get enough people the project will cost much more.

So please spare some time on

26th October
from
10.00am onwards.

We need to know in advance who is available - please phone Parish Clerk on 785588.

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

Over 60s outing - see page 10 - Dick Sawyer, Helena, Taffy Roach & Audrey Green.

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WELCOME

T.A.D.P.O.L.E.S

A big welcome to all the people who have moved into Tuddenham during the summer:

to Heidi and Graham of 7, The Street. Heidi is keen on pursuing a technical career in the media. Graham is very interested in expensive cars.

to Brenda and Colin of Pheasant's Rise. Colin is an avid sportsman and very interested in wines. Their grandchild keeps Brenda busy.

to Toni of 19, The Street who is very keen on cats.

to Julia and Jeremy of Tuddenham House. Both are kept very busy with their two sons, Tom aged four and Monty aged two. Julia is very keen on interior design.

to Sam and his mother, Michelle, in The Street. Sam is very keen on football, dinosaurs and aeroplanes while Michelle enjoys gardening and drawing.

to Jane and Jeremy Hall at 1, The Granaries who have moved here from London with their three children Annie, aged ten, Jessica aged eight and George aged five. All the family are keen on cycling and might there be a "pantomimer" here?! In welcoming the Halls we say farewell to Ian and Carla and their children.

to Renée who has joined Trevor at Church View, The Street. She is very interested in social research. Leisurewise she enjoys cycling but finds it more tiring than she did in Holland where she previously lived.

to Linda at Bridge End Cottages who has been very busy decorating.

to Melanie of 4, The Street, who has moved from Ipswich to get away from the hassle of Town life. She and her daughter Brittany, who is eight months old, are enjoying our local countryside. She loves animals and would like to work with them eventually. What *is* amazing is that she really and truly enjoys cleaning and tidying!!

If you are new to Tuddenham you may not know about us - Tuddenham Amateur Dramatic People Of Little Experience - but for the last several years we have staged a pantomime in the February half term. This year is no different and casting for the 1998 production will be on Wednesday, 12th November, 7.45pm, at Poplar Farm. We are a little later than usual but we felt that 5th November was a bit antisocial.



Whether you are an existing or a resting T.A.D. P.O.L.E. or are new to the village please make a note in your diaries now - **all will be welcome.**



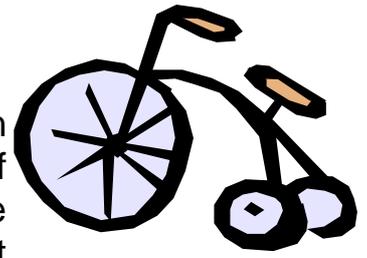
OLD SPECS!

Boots, the chemists, are running a special collection of old spectacles so they can be used in other parts of the world - especially children's and reading specs. They are working with Sight Savers International. Please leave your specs in the box in Boots.

Young at heart are our two birthday girls
At Rose Cottage and Manor Farm,
Where Janet and Amy do their twirls.
Congratulations and our wishes warm!

BILL ON A BIKE

For a couple of years now, since our younger son William became a cycling enthusiast after years of motorbiking, he has been saying "I'd love to have a go at the Land's End to John O' Groats ride! It would be a great challenge."



And this year he did. It didn't quite work out as he expected as the Australian friend who was due to go with him was taken ill a few days before departure. Planning the journey and deciding which end to start from was quite a strain. People kept giving him entirely opposite views on what to do for the best. The railway system was not conducive to taking a bike. Again contradictions were given about times, connections, and cost but finally he decided to start from Land's End.

He didn't realise that at first some of the roads were very steep but fortunately his leg muscles were able to take the strain. Sometimes the weather was not good but it was the challenge of completing the ride that spurred him on. He thoroughly enjoyed the changing beauty of the countryside and met many interesting people with some of whom he has

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Mouthwatering!

I discovered this absolutely deliciously tasty concoction at the Chapel Harvest Supper. Sometimes people are put off by any recipe which has *nut* in the title but if you are one of those you will be converted if you try this recipe.

¼lb mushrooms
 1lb onions
 ½lb ground cashew nuts
 ½lb grated carrots
 one grated apple
 1 tbsp chopped parsley
 1oz vegetable fat
 1tbsp vegetable extract
 (Visop was used by the Chapel Cook but marmite would probably do.)



Chop mushrooms and onions and fry in vegetable fat on low heat. Add extract and simmer for 20 mins. Add other ingredients, either steam for 1½hrs or bake for 30mins mk6/400°F/175°C. Use a loaf tin lined with greaseproof paper. Serve hot. If you wish to freeze it allow to cool then wrap in silver foil. Before serving, after freezing, place in oven for half an hour.

Recipe Reporter: What a bonus for busy housewives!

DATES

Several people have been asking us when we are going to have the annual village sale which we usually have in October. Others have asked about the Tattler Quiz.

The Quiz will be sometime in the New Year before the pantomime. Less tickets will be on sale as we have to reduce the number of people in the village hall to ninety - thirty less than last time because of fire regulations. Spring cleaning time, we feel, is the best time for the sale because instead of "throwing out" you can contribute any unwanted items to the sale. Dates to be confirmed later.

Reminding Reporter.

Community Fair

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

AT

CORN EXCHANGE.

10.00AM - 4.00PM

FOR PRACTICAL HELP & ADVICE ON WELFARE, MONEY MATTERS AND HEALTH, WITH ENTERTAINMENT, MUSIC AND A LUNCHTIME DEMONSTRATION ON HOW TO EAT WELL FOR UNDER A POUND!

IPSWICH INSTITUTE

The Reading Room and Library in Ipswich were open for the Heritage Day recently. Have you been? Are you a member? A year's membership costs just

Our commiserations to Margaret Whinney, Joyce Offord, Nancy Pitcher and Amy North after their recent falls. We hope to see them fighting fit

The New Ipswich Cemetery

If it hadn't been for Janet Welham noticing a brief report in The Star that the new Ipswich Cemetery was to be named "Tuddenham Fields" the first time we would have known about it would have been when the name went up.

Janet rang me up, as I had been away for the weekend, and we quickly went into action, telling everybody in the village what Ipswich Borough Council proposed. Most people were astonished and very annoyed that the council had not consulted the village. Some people wrote letters of protest. All received answers in the same vein stating that "A great deal of research and consultation has been made before deciding on the name Tuddenham Fields... one can never satisfy everyone..... sorry that you are not happy with our choice of name" etc.

A letter from the Parish Council Chairman protesting that no one had been consulted, a phone call to the leader of the council, David Ball, and a petition of over two hundred names finally resulted in an apology to the Parish Council and an agreement to change the name to "Ipswich Cemetery, Tuddenham Road." Janet Welham, Ralph and I attended a meeting of the Environment Committee on 18th September when the change of name was officially made.

Thank you to all who supported this village matter.

Revolting Reporter.

As I have talked to people over the years, I have found that many think that the Chapel is connected to the Baptist denomination in one form or another. Occasionally someone may say, "Are you Methodist?" Tuddenham Chapel is Non-Denominational, and comes under the auspices of Rural Ministries (formerly, the Datchet Evangelical Fellowship.)



It was the first Chapel purchased by the Fellowship, in line with the vision Pastor Goddard had, following a growing concern over "redundant and closed Chapels in rural areas."



Built in 1898 it had been closed for twenty years and was being used for storage purposes by a local miller.

It was in a bad state of disrepair but due to the dedicated effort of a group of Christian men from a London building firm giving their services free, bricklaying, plumbing, carpentry and painting, transformed the building, which was reopened in June 1963.



Today there are twenty four churches that come under the "umbrella" of Rural Ministries, from Bootle in Lancashire to the Isle of Wight and from Craven Arms in Shropshire to our part of the world. It seemed right thirty four years ago, due to the nature of the task, that denominational tags should be dropped and all work together to a common end.

So.... we are Non-Denominational. Why am I writing?

On

Sunday evening of 19th October, at 6.15pm,

Sophie Long, who lives at Culpho, will be Baptised by immersion, at the Chapel. We are not of the Baptist denomination, but agree whole heartedly with the express command of Jesus to "..... go and Baptise."



Baptism in this case is an outward, public declaration of faith, following a work of inward grace in our lives. (In other words a testimony to conversion.)



Our second Alpha Course is "up and running" with eleven of us meeting and I

TUDDENHAM CHAPEL

would ask you to consider coming along when we have our third

course, probably in March, next year. You may think "Its not for me" but it has proved to be a really interesting evening, sharing a meal together, getting to know people, plus some thought provoking videos on a variety of subjects linked to the Christian Faith. Its very relaxed.... if you don't like it you stop coming.



The bottom line is this.... if Jesus Christ is not who He said He was - he was not a good man - but a deceiver who has perpetrated the biggest hoax in the history of the world.



But if He is who He said He was...
WE NEED TO TAKE NOTICE.

Its good to live in Tuddenham. Next February we have been in the Chapel for ten years. Thank you for your friendship

As readers have previously been advised, our Rector, the Re. Canon Henry Lunney commences his well earned retirement on Monday, 5th October. Henry and Claire have given twenty years of unstinting service to our Parish in company with Westerfield and for the last fourteen years Witnesham also.

Many families in the village will have had Henry officiate and guide on joyful occasions - weddings, baptisms and confirmations, and officiate and comfort on those unavoidably sad occasions - sickness and funerals of loved ones. No doubt that many people who know Henry and Claire will have fond memories of their ministry and service in our community. Whatever the occasion, one could always rely on Henry giving of his time, humour and/or understanding required by such an occasion, and his presence and personality will be sadly missed. He and Claire will be moving from the Rectory in Westerfield to their new home in North Ipswich, which is not the end of the earth, and we would hope that contact will be maintained for many years to come.

There will be a suitable send off for Henry and Claire on Sunday, 5th October on completion of Henry's Clerical duties on Sunday morning. This will comprise a buffet lunch with suitable presentations to both. We take this opportunity to wish them both a long and happy retirement with their children and grandchildren, and safe journeying to Aldeburgh and Northumbria.

Jim Punton.

St. Martin's News

As in all walks, life goes on. Services will be maintained in our Church as usual, to which end Ministers have been arranged to conduct services through to January, 1998.

To assist those wishing to attend and support St. Martin into the future these are:

First Sunday:

0800 Holy Communion

0930 Family Service

Second Sunday:

0930 Holy Communion

Third Sunday:

0930 Morning Prayer

Fourth Sunday:

0930 Holy Communion

Fifth Sunday:

Combined Service in one of the three Benefice Churches or in Witnesham Baptist Chapel.



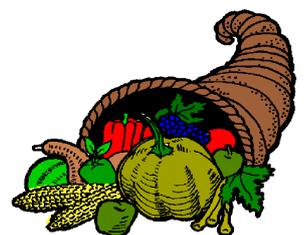
Festival Services over Christmas and New Year will be advised later.

The future of the Benefice Churches will only become clear(er) after the three Parish Church Councils have met with the Bishop on the evening of 17th November, 1997. It has already been made clear that some parishes have from 6 months to 2 years with a pulpit vacancy. During this period without a Priest and pastoral needs requiring a Priest or the Church should be communicated to either of the Church Wardens - Alan Forsdike or the writer or our Treasurer, Dr. John Arthur.

You will be kept advised of any changes or new developments.

Thank you all for your continued interest and support.

Capt. Jim Punton.





Eating Out

Have you looked for cheap wholesome food in Cambridge? We found a simple yet clean coffee shop in St. Andrew's Street. It is a glass roofed area next to the Baptist Church, near the Post Office and Emmanuel College, and down the road from Christs College.

"Livingstone's" Coffee Shop serves afternoon teas and delicious lunches; baps, jacket potatoes, salads, cakes and pastries. Fair trade chocolate, tea, coffee and mugs and postcards are available at the till. There is a children's play area. Livingstones operates with the help of many volunteers with no service charge on the bill and any tips given going to charity.

"As you come to him, the living stone - rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him - you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."

1 Peter 2, 4-5.

Poltering for a galloona on the flatimore

Early in 1911 a great storm swept the shingle off the beach between Thorpness and Aldeburgh. Fishermen began finding coins (galloonas) in the mud (flatimore) and soon the national press was spreading stories of gold and silver for the taking. For a few weeks the "East Coast Klondike" took place as hundreds of visitors descended. A Treasure Trove Inquest at Aldeburgh followed.

Some of the coins remain at the Aldeburgh Museum though some were stolen.

The above tale was "spun" by Tom Plunkett at a recent Ipswich Museum lunchtime

Ipswich Museum

Have you been to a lunchtime talk at the Museum? They are varied in content and last about an hour. For example, on 5th November, a Wednesday, there is a talk by David Jones called "Magic Lanterns" with a demonstration of the magical world of Victorian magic lantern slides with comic, fairy tale, scientific and moving examples. Oh, and the lamentable tale of the moral downfall of Miss Kitten will serve to instruct the audience in the importance of not encouraging followers!

Over the half term on Wednesday, 29th, and Thursday 30th October, 10.00-12.00 and 1.00-3.00pm, you have the chance to visit the streets of Old Ipswich being rebuilt in the Museum, and to learn more about the town in Tudor and Stuart times, its period houses and the men who built them.

On 1st November an exhibition to celebrate 150 years of Ipswich Museum opens - "Marvels of 1847 - How Ipswich Museum began."

The wonder of Ancient Egypt is the subject of three lectures on 11th & 25th October and 8th November. These are on Saturdays at 2.00pm and last 1 ½ hrs with speakers from British Museum and Fitzwilliam College,

Tuddenham Parish Council

The Parish Council meeting, on 16th September 1997, was an important one. Three new councillors and a new Chairman were chosen.

In view of the changes we now print the complete list of councillors with their telephone numbers. They represent you on the council so do contact them with your views...

Bill Pipe, Chairman,
785272

Nancy Pitcher 785637

David Lugo 252315

Janet Welham 785488

Philip Harvey 785055

Margaret Taylor 785314

Malcolm Rees 785712

Jo Kelm 785728

The council thanks Joan Bloomfield, Frank Wells and Kevin Kerry for their contribution to the Parish Council over recent years.

P.C. Brian Malster, our new Village Liaison Police Officer came to the meeting and has undertaken to arrange more speed checks in the village following complaints from several residents about speeding cars.

Residents have asked that the speed limit be extended to include the houses up to "Wayside" so as to slow down cars before they reach the double bend and the Clerk is to follow this up. Highways are already repairing some defects in the road but more problems were raised and the Clerk has contacted them since the meeting.

Residents have been inconvenienced by the increase in lorries passing through the village and Margaret Taylor is to find out more about the recent lorry survey carried out by local villages.

The front page article brings your attention to the **"Back Lane" day, on 26th October**. Volunteers are so necessary to this project succeeding - please phone 785588 and join us!

Next meeting is on 2nd December, 1997.

Parish Clerk, 785588.

Soup and Sweet

Tuddenham St. Martin W.I. are holding a Soup and Sweet lunch on 18th October at 12.30pm in the Village Hall.



A talk will be given by Dr. John Arthur on

"Alexander Paton,

A Tuddenham Benefactor".

Tickets are £3.50, including the refreshments. Please phone Jackie Lugo on 252315 by October 10th for tickets.

Mobile Library

The bus calls at The Fountain Car Park on;

October 14 & 28th

November 11 &



25th

at 9.40am.

“Are you free tomorrow to help with transport for the Over 60s’ outing to Felixstowe?” asked Monica Pipe. Having checked with Helena, now 6½, who wanted to know whether such an outing could include time on the beach, an ice cream and an invitation to join the group for a “Fish and Chip” tea at Cordy’s Alexandra Restaurant, and

chatting and watching the activities at the ferry we returned to the sea front, parking close to the restaurant. This allowed some to sit on the beach and go for a paddle; sorry Eileen and Audrey, I didn’t get a picture of you in the sea! Others enjoyed the sea air and anticipation of the tea.

Cordy’s is a fine, traditional place

The Over 60s’ Felixstowe Outing

therefore was a suitable outing for the last but one day of the Summer Holidays, we enthusiastically agreed to help.

It was a glorious, warm and sunny early September afternoon. Helena’s slight disappointment at not giving a lift to Amy North, our neighbour, was compensated for by her first meeting with a “Cyber Pet” owned by Violet Offord’s nine year old grandson, Christopher. He joined us and with Dick Sawyer ensuring I went in the right direction out of Tuddenham our car set off for the first rendezvous point.

“Some people like a wander round the shops” Monica had said, but this time, apart from Violet who valiantly took Christopher shopping for a book he was keen to find, an ice cream stop at Felixstowe Ferry was the popular choice.

There we met up with Beryl Coates who had taken Amy North, Mrs. Mann and Mrs. Lugo. Sue Mann came with Ollie, Peggy, Janet and Dawn. Monica had driven Audrey Green, Taffy Roach, Eileen Offord, Nancy Pitcher, and Audrey Old who appeared perfectly comfortable riding in the boot.

After a time of enjoying ice creams,

with silver cutlery and teapots serving excellent locally caught fish, chunky chips and trays of cakes. Our waitress quickly appreciated the popularity of the chocolate eclairs and kept disappearing to the kitchen for more. It was an excellent tea and I can understand why the group makes return visits there.

Then time for home. Some of the party were “caught” by my camera as we left - evidence, I think, that everybody had a good time. Sue Mann told us “The Sea Cat” was due to pass at around six o’clock so our party, having seen it approaching, made a detour to the viewing point by the docks where we had a fine view.

Having been “visitors” to the group for the afternoon Helena and I felt welcomed and enjoyed sharing the event with everyone. So thank you and see you on next year’s trip?!!

Pauline Procter

Harvest Supper

On 13th September around forty people gathered in the Chapel for the Harvest Supper. Our hosts, Tony and Elaine French, welcomed us and Roger offered round drinks. Terry and Beryl Green were the cooks - actually Terry looked so natural in his "pinny" I wonder if he always does the cooking at home?!

The supper was super! Vegetarians, and even "awkward vegans" such as my daughter and I, were catered for with a three course meal fit for King Kong, much less a king.

After supper we were told where to sit ready for the after meal entertainment - no, not Terry dancing (phew) but a quiz. This was a well balanced set of questions (I consider myself something of an authority as the "setter" for the Tattler Quiz - see page 4) which excelled at finding the best team on the night..... mine!! As Tony gave out the prize he suggested I had bribed the question master. Well I don't even know Margaret and Ralph Taylor - you ask our retiring Reporter!

I am sure I speak for all present when I say this was a lovely village event; relaxed, friendly and welcoming. What could be better?

Thanks to all who

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Harvest Festival

I had to say a poem out loud in the Chapel. The poem was called "Blackberry Time". A box was stood on the floor and I said to Mr. French that it needed painting. It was standing on the floor because I wasn't high enough.

Kirsty and Katy sang a song and Kirsty and Katy were playing with Kirsty's "Tamicotchi" all through the service. Katy played the piano but she didn't play with the "Tamicotchi" then.

Alex said a poem and Sophie helped with the service and read from the Bible.

Ian read the Bible and he helped me turn the pages in the hymn book.

Sarah kept laughing when they did the timbrels and Jennifer, Lorna, Laura and Emma also did them.

Some girls and ladies sang "The Trumpet" song. Karen, Beryl and Elaine said a poem about time.

Somebody made some blackberry pies and I had two. Mr. French said that Mrs. French has NEVER made him a blackberry pie.

William Lopez

Editor: Imagine Elaine NEVER making a

MRS. D.O. READ

RGN MSSCh MBChA

(Chiropodist)

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It seems about time we thanked all the people who help us with The Tuddenham Tattler.

The deliverers are stalwart in their dedication and without them the whole project would fail.

Malcolm and Pauline Rees have been great helping us with the printing. Without them? No way, José!

Volunteer writers? What, you think everyone has to be forced into it like you were that time?! No, but seriously..... it is the different styles and viewpoints that bring The Tattler to life, so "Good on yer!"

What, more helpers? Well I had to mention Ralph and Paul, the lucky men to have chosen your editorial staff as wives. Their patience at Tattler time is boundless - DID YOU HEAR THAT PAUL!!!

Thank you most of all, however, to our readers. Without you it would all come to naught.

Editor.

Happy Birthday
to William
Jennings,
Howard
Weller, Fay
Compton and
to the two
kids "outside
the limit" -



If you would like to contribute to future issues of The Tattler, submit adverts or make any comments please phone *Ropey Reporter* on 785314 or

SUFFOLK FESTIVAL

I have written about this before but I thought I would include it again as this time I am in time to tell you before the event finishes!

Up to 15th October there are some very interesting days to be had if you enjoy watching people excel at music, dance and drama. At the Corn Exchange adults and children are competing for prizes and honour in various skills. You can sit in and choose "your winner" for next to nothing. It is rivetting!

For all those who are competing this year, am I too

We are still looking for photographs to enter in our competition - closing date is end of the year. Any photo, taken by anyone, at any time on any camera as long as it was taken in Tuddenham!

Please take your entries to Pear Tree Cottage and **YOU** might win the big prize!