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How are we already three months into 2022? Time really does fly! Now that we've weathered Storm Eunice and are headed towards - hopefully - brighter weather, it's time to come out of hibernation as spring approaches.

Easter will soon be here - Keep an eye out for those hidden bunnies coming soon to the village! The Orpen Players will be performing their wonderful pantomime Cinderella, the charity stall at the allotments will soon be open again and plans are up and running for the Open Gardens event later in year, along with the celebrations for the Queen's Jubilee.

It's going to be a busy year!

Jacqui

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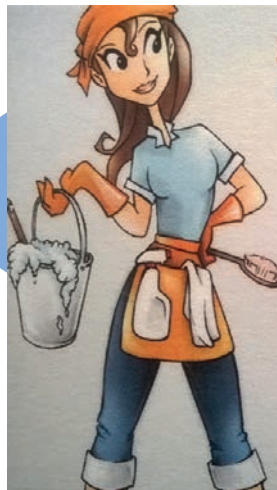
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West Bergholt Gardeners

Despite the continuing Covid restrictions, the Gardeners rounded off 2021 with a Christmas quiz evening which was slightly different from our usual format. However, with social distancing, Prosecco, nibbles, mince pies and gardening themed bingo, it turned out to be a fun evening.

We didn't meet in January, so the first meeting of 2022 was in February, when speaker Neil Ludmon talked about the "History of the use of Herbaceous Perennials". In March, we're learning of "Current Trends in Garden Design" from Steven Digby.

Our trips out have always been popular, so this year we have provisionally booked coach trips to East Rushton in July and RHS Hyde Hall "Glow" in November.

Guests are welcome to join us on these visits.

This year will also bring the long delayed Open Gardens event in June. Details will be circulating very soon. If you have a garden you are proud of and would be willing to open it to visitors for this village event, we would be very pleased to hear from you.

The next meetings take place at 7.30pm in the Orpen Hall on 25th April (Gardeners Question Time) and 16th May (Pruning, When, Where, How?). For further information, please contact Terry Claydon on 01206 241256 or 07707580822 or email: wbgardeners@gmail.com.



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Children's Play Area, Lorkin Daniell Field

For some time, the Parish Council has been concerned about the level of recreation provision for children in the village and in 2018 took the decision to renovate and upgrade the Play Area of the Lorkin Daniell Field. The whole project could cost in the region of £50,000 so funding sources had to be found and the development spread over a number of years. An Advisory Group, consisting mainly of the parents of users, representatives of the School and Bluebells, and a small number of Parish Councillors was formed and consultations on preferred changes to the area and favourite equipment took place.

A phased plan was produced which involved renovating old equipment, replacing that which was worn out and ensuring that appropriate safety surfaces were in place. Before Covid restrictions halted further progress, a Snake Swing and Nest Swing were installed. These have proved very popular and brought more children to the site.

Background informal consultations have continued on a Phase 3 and recently more formal soundings have established that an Aerial Runway is the main item on the wanted list and with the funding available, plans are being made to install one in the Spring in time for opening at the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. This fills a gap in providing for children of a slightly older age, as well as those from aged 5 (even Bluebells might use it under supervision!).

The Trust has decided to offer a contract to PlayQuip who installed the earlier equipment to our satisfaction. The equipment which has been inspected and tried out at Bures Play area, is of good quality and has a sound attenuation mechanism and a feature which minimises operational noise.

Children will be excited by this innovation but once established, experience of other providers is that they will create no more noise than when using any other piece of our equipment. All planning requirements and safety and legal liabilities will be met.

A location parallel to the tennis courts and 3m from it, starting at the Youth Shelter has been selected. This does not overlap with the football pitch but in order to meet the conditions needed for spectator safety, the football pitch will be rotated slightly from the corner nearest to the John Lampon Hall and the Aerial Runway will be closed for use during match times. The Trust is appreciative of the help and support it has received from the Football Club in implementing this plan. This position reduces the risk from children running across its path and minimises the impact on all parties who might be affected by this project.

Reader's Corner

Our new literary corner features some great reads and new releases for the season and beyond, from picture books to mystery and classics, there's a little bit of something for everyone!



It fell from the sky - Picture book

It fell from the sky on a Thursday. None of the insects know where it came from, or what it is. Some say it's an egg. Others, a gumbdrop. whatever it is, it fell near Spider's house, so he's convinced it belongs to him.

This charming story, accompanied by characterful illustrations, teaches children important life lessons about greed and the importance of sharing.

The Charmed Wife - Olga Grushin

Cinderella married the man of her dreams--the perfect ending she deserved after diligently following all the fairy-tale rules. Yet now, thirteen and a half years later, things have gone badly wrong and her life is far from perfect. Fed up and exhausted, she seeks help from a Witch who, for a price, offers love potions to disgruntled housewives.

But Cinderella doesn't ask for a love spell to win back her Prince. Instead, she wants him dead.

Nothing is quite what it seems in this modern fable about what happens when a young woman decides to stand up for herself in the kingdom of men.



Two Terrible Vikings and Grunt the Berserker - Fiction 7-9

It's not easy being the WORST at everything!

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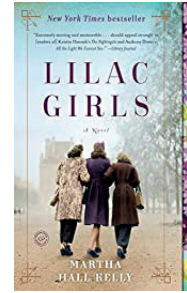
And will Twisty Pants, Dirty Ulf and Elsa Gold-Hair help vanquish this foul fiend?

Wuthering Heights - Emily Bronte

One of literature's most haunting and disturbing masterpieces, Wuthering Heights weaves the tale of the orphaned Heathcliff and his obsessive love for the troubled Catherine Earnshaw.

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Lilac Girls - Martha Hall Kelly

New York socialite Caroline Ferriday has her hands full with her post at the French consulate and a new love on the horizon. But her world is forever changed when Hitler's army invades Poland.

Kasia Kuzmerick's carefree Polish youth disappears as she's drawn deeper into her role as courier for the underground resistance movement.

Ambitious young German doctor, Herta Oberheuser finds herself trapped in a male-dominated realm of Nazi secrets and power.

The lives of these three women are set on a collision course when the unthinkable happens and Kasia is sent to Ravensbrück, the notorious Nazi concentration camp for women. Their stories cross continents--from New York to Paris, Germany, and Poland--as Caroline and Kasia strive to bring justice to those whom history has forgotten.

West Bergholt Allotment



This is the time of year to sit inside in the warm and think about what to order for this year's growing season - that is, if you have done all the hard work of preparing your allotment already! If not, it is time to get going when the weather is kind, as we don't know what will be coming in the next few months!

Hopefully a cold spell will kill off some spores of the potato blight which plagued us last year. At least with everyone taking away the diseased plants off site in the council recycling bags, we haven't got a reservoir of blight around. Perhaps it is time to consider blight resistant varieties of potato, but of course that doesn't help with the tomatoes, which also suffered badly in the damp conditions last summer.

On a more positive note, the site is looking very good with only a few plots needing attention before the new season.

Although the site is full at present, if you would like to go on the waiting list please email wballotments@gmail.com with your contact details.

As we are participating in the Open gardens scheme this year on 12th June, we have a chance to showcase how good allotments can look with colourful flowers and vegetable plants.

The Charity Stall is closed for the winter but will reopen at the end of March, hopefully with a bumper crop of rhubarb.

We are all looking forward to a successful new season and a great harvest this year.

Lynda Robinson

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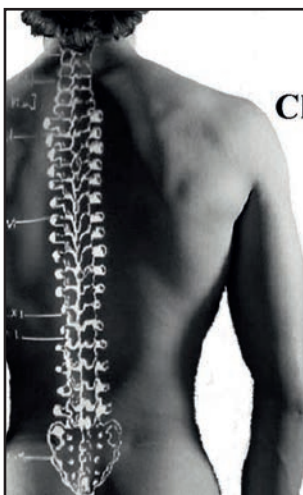
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SESAW

It's time for a cat's eye view of SESAW with a story just as good as Ken's dog-tale last month.

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If you befriend a stray please ask a vet or rescue centre to scan for a chip and have your own cats microchipped, we are just as important to our humans as dogs are to their owners. Speaking of canines, we have a friendly pair of seven year old dogs looking for a home where they can be absolutely spoilt.

Dougie and Hazel love their cuddles but tend to tell other dogs off so would be better as the only pets. Hazel is rather bossy and Dougie's sight is poor but that does not stop him, although sometimes he returns from walks in someone's arms! If you can offer this delightful twosome a loving home with a very secure garden, please phone for an appointment to meet them.

That's enough from me, rest assured the chatty Chihuahua will be back next time, hopefully having learned that people sometimes need to read the feline point of view and a prime example of the superior species is me, Ollie (the Black) Cat.

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Can you find the 15 spring-related words in the puzzle below?

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GREEN
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BLOSSOM
BIRDS
SPRING

Spring Quiz

Do you know the answers to these spring-themed questions?

- 1: What is the official name for the first day of spring?
- 2: What does the word "equinox" mean?
- 3: Which ancient building was constructed facing the direction where the sun rises on the first day of spring?
- 4: Was Spring always referred to as spring?
- 5: In Roman mythology, who was known as the goddess of spring?
- 6: True or false? Tornadoes are more prevalent in the spring.
- 7: In the Southern Hemisphere, which month marks the start of spring?
- 8: According to legend, if a groundhog doesn't see his shadow when he emerges from his hole on Groundhog Day, Spring will arrive early or late?
- 9: In China, the start of spring corresponds with what annual celebration?
- 10: What is the name of the condition that is marked by an excessive fondness for flowers?

1: Spring equinox; 2: Equal night; 3: Great Sphinx; 4: No, until the 16th century, the first season of the month was Lent; 5: Flora; 6: True; 7: September; 8: Early; 9: Chinese New Year; 10: Anthropile

Women's Institute

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INSPIRING WOMEN

In December we celebrated our Christmas Party. On arrival, members handed in their Secret Santa gift. Mulled wine or cordial was handed out by the committee with warm sausage rolls and mince pies. Susan Leng had prepared quizzes with quizmaster, Sheila Boxshall, in charge.

A splendid Father Christmas arrived and distributed the gifts from the Secret Santa box. A game ensued using playing cards and the evening ended with the National Anthem.

At the January meeting Susan Leng, our archivist, displayed various items which gave members the opportunity to see how meetings had changed in

the last 100 years.

A member brought along a Swiss Gardening Magazine with information about our WI because she sends the Village Bulletin to a friend who lives there.

Even more members attended our February meeting with entertainment by 'The Hoolies' a sea shanty crew. A secret ballot on whether to keep Jerusalem or not took place but an overwhelming vote was 'yes'. We have been delighted to welcome 6 new **members**.

Herby spring chicken pot pie

Minimise your washing-up with this delicious one-pan chicken pie with spinach and herbs and topped with crispy filo pastry. It's ideal for busy weeknights.

Ingredients

2 tbsp olive oil , plus a little extra for brushing over the pastry
bunch spring onions , sliced into 3cm pieces
250g frozen spinach
6 ready-cooked chicken thighs (or see tip, below)
350ml hot chicken stock
½ tbsp wholegrain mustard
200g frozen peas
200ml half-fat crème fraîche
½ small bunch tarragon , leaves finely chopped
small bunch parsley , finely chopped
270g pack filo pastry

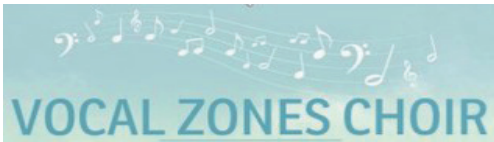


STEP 1

Heat oven to 200C/180C fan/gas 6. Heat the oil in a large, shallow casserole dish on a medium heat. Add the spring onions and fry for 3 mins, then stir through the frozen spinach and cook for 2 mins or until it's starting to wilt. Remove the skin from the chicken and discard. Shred the chicken off the bone and into the pan, and discard the bones. Stir through the stock and mustard. Bring to a simmer and cook, uncovered, for 5-10 mins.

STEP 2

Stir in the peas, crème fraîche and herbs, then remove from the heat. Scrunch the filo pastry sheets over the mixture, brush with a little oil and bake for 15-20 mins or until golden brown.



Your West Bergholt based Vocal Zones Choir finally restarted on Tuesday 7th September 2021 at our new venue at St Mary's Church, New Church Road. We had a good turn out with new members signing up, which was good to see... and hear!

It took a few sessions to get used to singing again but everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves and it was great to get together.

We decided our Christmas event would be held informally at our local Queens Head pub... our first public outing since December 2019!

There was a great turnout and plenty of the audience enjoyed singing along with us. The free mulled wine, sausage rolls and mince pies were a welcome sight so a big thank you to Lisa and her team.

After a short Christmas break, choir started again on Tuesday 18th January 2022. Once again we were delighted to welcome a number of new members.

Why not join us for a great friendly evening of singing?

No need to book, just come along and enjoy singing with like minded people. Absolutely no auditions needed! We sing a variety of song genres.

First taster night is free then £5 each week you attend. We meet at St Mary's Church, New Church Road, West Bergholt, 7pm until 8.45pm.

We are still maintaining practical Covid protocols to keep you as safe as possible.

Please ask for more details if you are at all worried.

You will be made very welcome!

For more information please contact Ann Long on 07596 071636 or Linda Truluck 07545 572157

Thank you – We look forward to seeing you.

VOCAL ZONES CHOIR

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to join us then it is £5 per week on a pay as
you go basis.

For more information please look at our
website www.vocalzoneschoir.co.uk or our
Facebook page, or contact Linda Truluck
07545 572157

The Orpen Players – Cinderella is back

Despite all our efforts during a very difficult time, we found ourselves in the unfortunate position of having to cancel our pantomime earlier this year. We were of course very disappointed that we had to make this decision, but at the time for safety reasons and given the level of uncertainty, it was the right thing to do. A lot of hard work by director, cast and crew had been made up to the point of cancellation, so you can imagine how we all felt.

However, we are delighted that we're now going to stage "Cinderella" for everyone's enjoyment at the Orpen Hall over the Easter period.

Performance dates are:

Monday 18th April:

Matinee 2:00pm

Evening 7.30pm

Friday 22nd April:

Evening 7.30pm

Saturday 23rd April:

Matinee 2:00pm

Evening 7.30pm

Doors open 30 minutes before curtain up

Tickets go on sale Monday 28th March and are priced at £8 Adult/ £5 Children and are available to order via email, from: tickets@orpenplayers.co.uk or by calling Mike on 01206 240512.

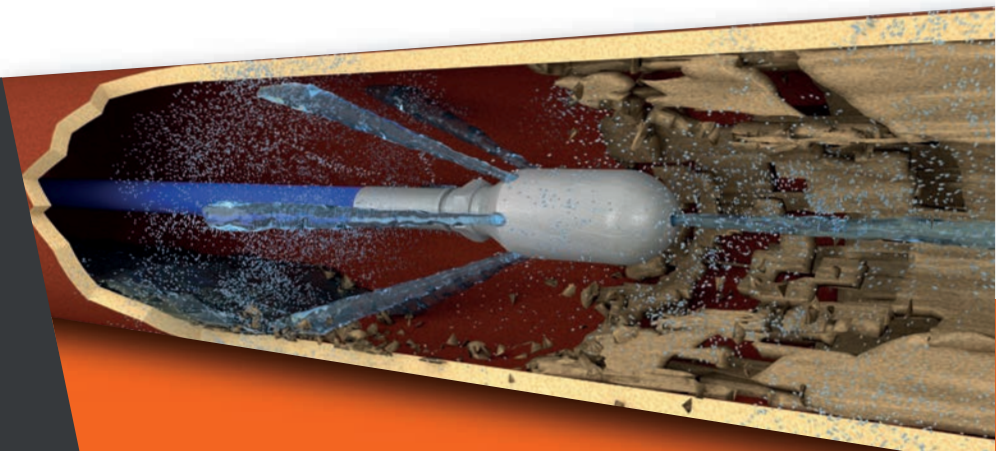
We look forward to seeing you there.



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West Bergholt Cricket Club Colts Training 2022

ALL STARS!

Our very popular All Stars sessions will be back this Summer! **Sessions will run for 8 weeks from 28th May until 16th July, each Saturday, 9-10.** This is a fun, active way for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to begin learning how to play the game at a friendly club. To sign your child up to play at West Bergholt go to the website below, enter your postcode and select West Bergholt Cricket Club. www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars



GIRLS ONLY CRICKET!

We are very keen to see more girls enjoying learning to play cricket at West Bergholt Cricket Club. Girls are welcome to attend the mixed All Stars Sessions and Colts sessions which we run, but some girls prefer to play against only other girls instead. This year we are running two girls only sessions and, who knows, if there is enough interest maybe we can even set up a girls team!

GIRLS ONLY DYNAMOS CRICKET

Our friendly Dynamos cricket sessions are for new comers and those that may have played a little before. These exciting sessions are primarily aimed at girls in Year 2-4, and **will run for 8 weeks from 26th May until 14th July, each Thursday, 4:30-5:30.** To sign your daughter up please go to the website below, enter your postcode and select West Bergholt Cricket Club.

www.ecb.co.uk/play/dynamoscricquet

GIRLS COLTS SESSIONS

We will also be running Girls Only Colts sessions on a Saturday morning between 10:30 and 12. These coaching sessions are aimed at older girls (Year 4 and above). For more details please contact Jo Wilkinson by email: jowilkinsonsemail@gmail.com



St Mary's Parish Church

It was great that we had our new vicar, Revd Heather Wilcox, with us for our Christmas Celebrations. A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the services possible, especially all the children who took part in the wonderful outdoor Crib service on Christmas Eve!

You may have noticed that the bell at St Mary's has been silent for several months. This is because the bell is broken! We're working on getting it fixed because we would love to be able to ring it as part of the Queen's Jubilee celebrations during the weekend of 4th and 5th June.

We're looking forward to being part of the village festival at the Orpen Field on Saturday 4th June. We're also hoping to have a special service on Sunday 5th June, followed by afternoon tea. More details will be available on our website, Facebook pages, and in our church newsletter

nearer the time.

We're also looking forward to welcoming you all to our Easter Services. There will be a number of events, including a Celebration Service and an informal tea-time praise service on Easter Sunday 17th April. We're also planning an Easter Egg hunt in the churchyard!

From 1st April, all our Sunday morning services will start at 9.30am. We have a mixture of services, including Messy Church, communion and an informal café style church each month. You're warmly invited to any of these services. Whether you have never been before or haven't been for a long time because of Covid, or because life just gets in the way sometimes, we would love to see you and look forward to welcoming you. Full details of all our services and events can be found on our website: stmaryswestbergholt.co.uk



Bluebell Pre-School Learning Through Play

Bluebell Pre-School employs Staff who are qualified to encourage the development of your child in all areas of the Pre-School curriculum, as defined by the Education Authority.

We are open from 9.15am to 3.15pm. Full day care and sessions available for 2 - 5 year olds. Sessions are held in two large halls daily.

If you would like to know more or put your child's name on our waiting list, contact Jackie Leach on 07855 715 658

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The Tom Bowdidge Youth Cancer Foundation

I always love writing for the March edition of the Village Bulletin because it's a time when we can look forward and think of brighter, warmer days which we can spend together unlike the past two years. Spring, Mother's Day and Easter just bring such lovely thoughts to mind.

We're thrilled to welcome Lindsay to our team as Fundraising Lead. She will be working on all things fundraising so watch out – she has some great ideas, and I cannot wait to tell you about them. I'm sure many of you will get to meet her when we start getting out and about.

Obviously once again the Christmas Fayre couldn't happen, but can we thank those of you who carried on supporting us by buying online and telling everyone about our work. Every penny was desperately needed as the money pot is emptying very fast. Sadly, that means our needs are still very much in demand and we are having to deal with some tough stories.

Looking towards March and I hear in the carrot patch that those fluffy bunnies will be seeking out their hiding spaces for the Easter Holidays. Let's hope the weather will be good to encourage everyone to get out and explore the village. A massive thanks goes to Jenny Noakes and Knit One, Down One, once again who are responsible for the success of this much-loved event.

The Foundation will also be holding its first Spring Draw with some egg-citing prizes (sorry)!!! Please look out on social media for all the details and on the noticeboard in the Co-op.

Finally talking about the Co-op – THANK YOU for your continued loose change you pop in the money pots. Over £5000 has been raised which is fantastic!!



the Tom
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West Bergholt Jubilee Festival 2022

By the time you read this we'll probably be just about 10 weeks away from this year's Village celebrations coinciding with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Saturday 4th June 2022, starting at 12pm.

You'll recall plans are in place for an U16's fun run, starting at 11:45 on the Poor's Field, with tennis, football, trampettes and cricket sessions for U11's in the afternoon on the Lorkin Daniell field.

For those maybe less sporty, or prefer an afternoon off, plans are also being finalised for craft and cooking workshops.



In the John Lampon Hall will be a Royal Craft show to which it's anticipated local children will provide items they have made to display; we don't know as we write this whether we've yet managed to get a fly past (fingers crossed!).

Our raffle could see you winning up to £100 to spend on Amazon; look out for tickets being sold before the day.



The new trees to the front of the Hall are anticipated to be planted by the time you read this Bulletin, with their plaques being revealed on the day to honour the tree's sponsors and her Majesty's Jubilee.

It is also hoped the zip wire will be in place before the Festival and will be opened by the lucky winner who gets to ride it first.

In the evening, from 4.30pm, we'll be entertained by local bands Loxley's Corner and Silence the Sirens. For a sneak preview, search them out on Facebook.

If you live near the Lorkin Daniell field, we'll apologise in advance for the sound

that might emanate from the field until 8.30pm, with the bands playing on a 'farm trailer' similar to that you'll have seen at Heathlands fireworks in the past.

They'll be plenty to eat during the day, so please bring along folding chairs and tables or picnic blankets if you wish to sit down and eat and drink whilst you list watch the bands.



Also, if you'd like to book yourself a £10 slot for a stall for your charity, club, company or craft on the day, you'll be able to start setting up from 9am. Please email hall-admin@westbergholt.net and you'll be sent a form to fill in and return with your £10. The more the merrier!

So, we look forward to seeing as many as you as possible on the day enjoying the Festival, whether as a spectator or participant, or maybe even both.

Our next Fete meeting is on 28th March at 7.30pm in the Hall. If you'd like to come along, it is never too late to volunteer.



See you all on 4th June!



1st West Bergholt Scout Group

After the return to face-to-face meetings in September 2021, the Group has got bigger and better: we have 71 young people and there are more looking to join.

We had a fantastic response from families, who donated presents for those spending Christmas in the Men's Night Shelter, Beacon House or Women's Refuge. In January 2022, over 40 of our young people and leaders helped to plant over 600 trees in four hours in Great Horkesley.

After investing new youngsters last term, the Beavers have tackled the Teamwork Challenge (with lots of team games and activities) and the Communicator Activity Badge (covering codes, use of mobile phones, etc) and we are moving on to the Emergency Aid, Skills Challenge Award, Health & Fitness Activity Badge, Experiment Activity Badge and Musician Staged Award.

The Cub Packs have celebrated Chinese New Year, worked on the Emergency Aid, Local Knowledge

Activity Badge, the Communicator Activity Badge, had a karate session and are preparing for a hike and sleepover, museum visit, pancake day and other activities before Easter.

The Scout Troop has been working on the Modelmaker Activity Badge (with a trip to the Warhammer Shop), a half-term hike and sleepover and older Scouts are undertaking the Expedition Challenge. They are also going to have a karate session and an activity camp.

Before the end of the year, we have a Group camp and sailing sessions at West Mersea planned.

Congratulations to Rowan Hopkins who has been selected to attend the World Scout Jamboree in Korea in 2023. Sarah Sanderson and Ruth Riminton have been awarded their Wood Badges. Every adult who has taken on a role with the Group has enjoyed the experience and I would encourage anyone who might be interested to contact me.

Kevin Sturdy



Woods Bowls Club Keepers Green, Braiswick



We are a very friendly lawn bowls club that is open to all ages and abilities throughout the spring & summer months of April to September.

The club consists of a mixture of male and female members with ages ranging from 'Thirty-somethings' to sprightly Nonagenarians! You are never too young or too old to play Lawn Bowls.

New to Bowls?

Most people find bowls an easy sport to start playing, the basic skills are not too hard and it does not require any great physical strength or athletic ability. We are always on the lookout for new members and we offer discounted membership fees for the first year to all new members!

What's happening in 2022?

We are now starting to prepare the green and clubhouse for the new season. As our Open day in 2021 was so successful in attracting new members, we have entered more teams in the

competitions & leagues we take part in.

Like to have a go??

In conjunction with Bowls England's BOWLS BIG WEEKEND our annual open day is SATURDAY 28 MAY from 12pm. There is no charge, all equipment will be supplied just bring some flat shoes.

If you are interested but cannot make our open day, please call our club secretary on 01206 863854 and he will arrange a suitable time to meet you at the club.

Alternatively, email us at:

woodsbowlsclub@gmail.com. We are on Facebook: 'Woods Bowls Club', and our website is www.hugofox.com/community/woods-bowls-club-8629/home.

We look forward to seeing you soon!



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RFO:	Andrew Savage			
Councillors:	Jenny Church	Joel Fayers	Bob Tyrrell	Vacancy
	John Gili-Ross	David Short	Vacancy	

Parish Council meetings are held every fourth Wednesday of each month except August and December, unless otherwise advised (see notice boards). During the meeting the public are invited to raise any issue for consideration by the Parish Council during the "Questions from registered electors" item.

For general enquiries, email the Parish Council using westbergholtpc@googlemail.com or telephone the Clerk on 01206 240772. Contact made in this way will be dealt with by the Clerk or forwarded to relevant Parish Councillors. For specific enquiries about matters dealt with committees, email the contacts provided below, although please also copy to the Clerk.

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Village Notice Board

Sunday

Service of Worship, St Mary's Church
Bowls Club, 7.30pm Orpen Hall.
Contact John Rookard, 01206 619497

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Monday

Bluebells Preschool, 9.15am - 3.15pm, Orpen Hall.
Contact Jackie Leach 01206 241677
Baby & Toddler Group, 9.15-11.15am.
Term time only. St Mary's Church Hall.
Kelly's HIIT, 9.30am, Scout Hut.
Contact Kelly 07453 859583
WB Cubs, 6.30pm-8pm Scout Hut.
Contact Kevin Sturdy 01206 240549
Gardeners Association, 7.30pm 3rd Monday.
Contact Terry Claydon 01206 241256
SG Karate Club, 8.30pm-9.30pm Scout Hall.
Contact Stuart Glister 01206 365150

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Tuesday

Bluebells Preschool, 9.15am - 3.15pm,
Orpen Hall.
Contact Jackie Leach 01206 241677
Pilates, 9.30am-10.30am, Scout Hut.
Contact Mrs Smith 01206 564348
Pilates, 6pm, John Lampon Hall.
Contact fleur.parks@gmail.com
Kelly's HIIT, 6.30pm & 7.30pm, Scout Hut.
Contact Kelly 07453 859583
((BOUNCE)) 6.30pm -7.30pm, Orpen Hall.
Contact Kerry King 0788 636 9450
Vocal Zones Choir, 7pm, St Mary's Church Hall.
Contact Ann 07596 071636 or Linda 07545 572157
Badminton Club, 8pm-10pm Orpen Hall.
Contact Ian Hersey 01206 243378/07754140707

Wednesday

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Bluebells Preschool, 9.15am - 3.15pm, Orpen Hall.
Contact Jackie Leach 01206 241677
Ladies Afternoon Badminton, 2.30pm - 4pm
Orpen Hall.
Contact Carol Felton 01206 240126
WB Knitting & Crochet Group, 3rd Wednesday,
2.30pm - 4pm, house group Meeting.
Contact 01206 242015
WB Beavers, 5pm - 6.15pm, Scout Hut.
Contact Kevin Sturdy 01206 240549
Slimming World, 5.30pm and 7.30pm, Heathlands
Primary School.
Contact Nicky 07957 656 939
Women's Institute, 1st Wednesday, 7.15pm,
Orpen Hall.
Contact Jacqui Hunns 01206 240712
WB Scouts, 7.30pm - 9.30pm, Scout Hut.
Contact Kevin Sturdy 01206 240549

Colne Valley Flower Club, 3rd Wednesday,
7.30pm, Orpen Hall. Contact 01206 241155
History Group, 2nd Wednesday, 7.30pm,
Orpen Hall, (visits between April & September).
Contact Gill Poole 01206 240512
Parish Council Meeting, 4th Wednesday, 7.30pm,
John Lampon Hall
W.B. Scouts, 7.30pm-9.30pm, Scout Hut.
Contact Kevin Sturdy 01206 240549

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Thursday

Open House, 9.00 -11.00am (in term time),
St Mary's Church Hall
Bluebells Preschool, 9.15am - 3.15pm, Orpen Hall.
Contact Jackie Leach 01206 241677
5T's, 2.30pm-4pm Weekly, St Mary's Church Hall.
Kelly's HIIT, 6.30pm, Heathlands School.
Contact Kelly 07453 859583
Bowls Club, 7.30pm Orpen Hall.
Contact John Rookard 01206 619497
Colchester & District Model Railway Club, 8pm,
Armoury Farm.
Contact www.colchestertermc.org

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Friday

Bluebells Preschool, 9.15am - 3.15pm, Orpen Hall.
Contact Jackie Leach 01206 241677
WB Concert Band, 6pm-7pm (Training) 7pm-9pm
(Band), Heathlands School.
Contact Karen Wilson 01206 824157
WB Cubs, 6.30pm-8.00pm, Scout Hut.
Contact Kevin Sturdy 01206 240549
Bergholt Youth Group (BYG), Alternate Friday,
6.30pm-8pm, John Lampon Hall.
Jamie Bowden 07581 202960
Wired, 1st Friday, 7pm-9pm, St. Mary's Church
Hall.
Contact Mark Partridge 01206 241617
Orpen Players, 8pm Orpen Hall.
Debbie Hornigold 01206 242111

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Saturday

NEEGOG Model Railway Club, 2nd Saturday,
2pm, St Mary's Church Hall.
Contact Martin Long 01206 240443
((BOUNCE)) 8am - 9am & 9.15 - 10am, Orpen Hall.
Contact Kerry King 07886369450
Kelly's HIIT, 9am, Daniel Lorkin Field.
Contact Kelly 07453 859583

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Sunday

((BOUNCE)) 9.30 - 10.30am, Orpen Hall.
Contact Kerry King 07886369450