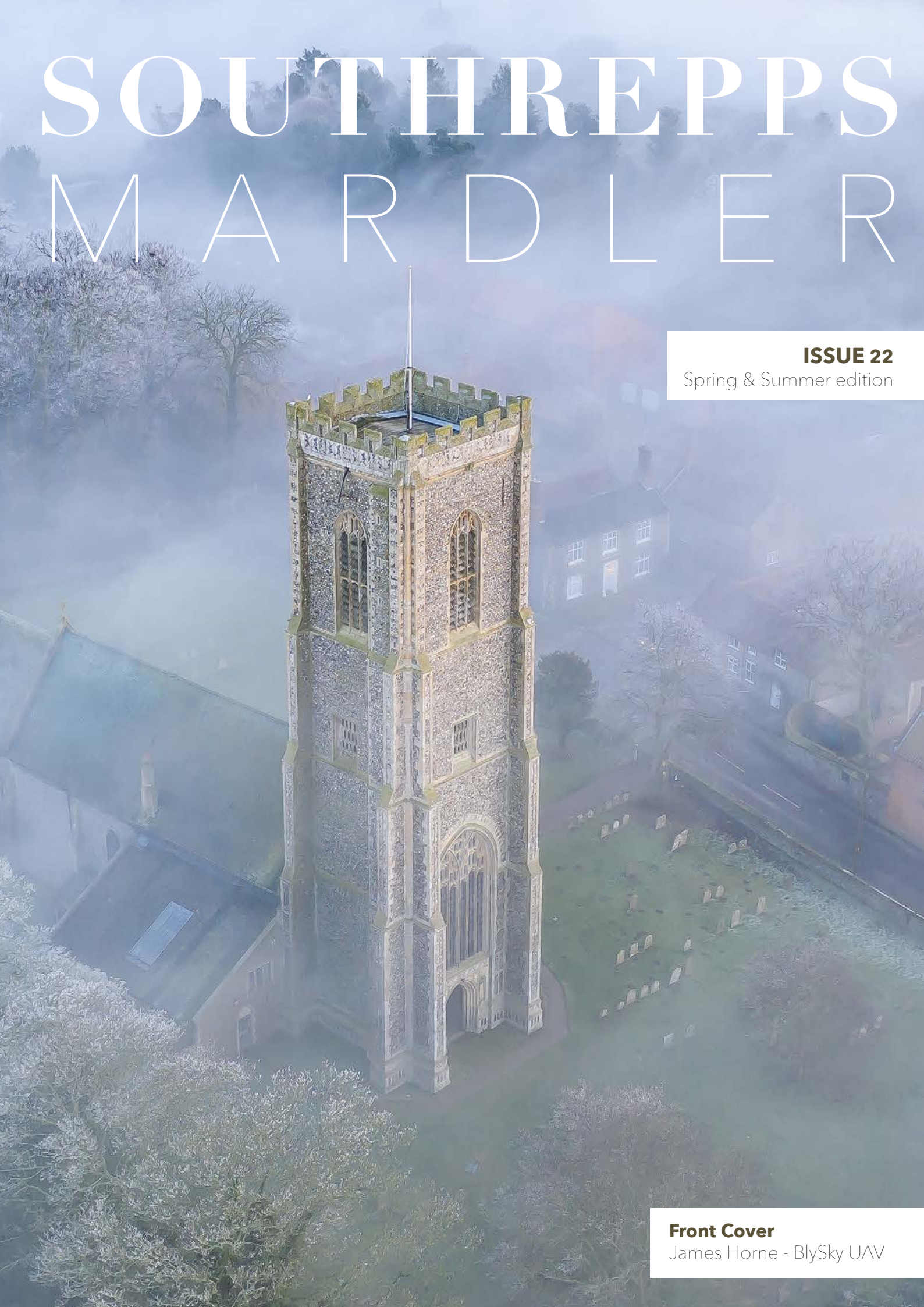


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James Horne - BlySky UAV

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We are grateful to the contributors and those who deliver the Mardler to all the residents.

If you have a story to tell or want to feature in the next edition, compile a puzzle, or perhaps you write poetry, then please contact us and we can discuss further.

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Village Website

www.southrepps.info

Full of village information and details of all the clubs and societies.

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FRONT COVER

Some of you may have seen our front cover which was taken by James Horne, our local resident. It's a still from a beautiful video he captured. To see the full video visit the southrepps.info website.

Useful Info

Southrepps Info website is full of information on our village. You can find out the latest news on what's going on in the village.

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Chairmans Corner



Malcolm Hilson

The RSPB encourage us to feed wild birds, which are threatened by reduced natural resources. They estimate that 27 million birds are killed annually in the British Isles by cats. This puts me in something of a dilemma! By feeding the birds, am I enticing them to this carnage? The photo of the cat in question was taken at 0645 on 11 April.. A blackbird suffered the same fate the following day. The RSPB recommend cat owners to fit their pets with collars and a bell.

One other thought recently was to encourage you to put all your empty glass in the bottle banks adjacent to the village hall. When the bin men collect the green bins, I hear loads of glass being tipped into the dustcart. Deposited in our bottle banks, this would be beneficial directly to Parish Council, and the village.

! STOP THE PRESS !

- Sue Arnold narrowly misses re-election
- New lady vicar for Southrepps.
- New planning application in for 15 dwellings off Long Lane.

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Southrepps Support Scheme

Malcolm Hilson

The Lunch Club continues to offer popular roasts and desserts for £4 a head on the second Wednesday in the month. Numbers are steady at up to 40, but new faces are always welcome. Our thanks to busy helpers and generous donors, as well as to Tavern Tasty for their support.

We ran another defibrillator training/refresher course on Saturday 23 March. Just 12 people turned up, but it was a worthwhile exercise. Thanks to Jim Begley the first responder, and to Steve Briggs who looks after the Lower St unit.

A St George lunch was held in the village hall on Sunday 28 April and the SSS AGM will be at 2pm, after the May lunch.

Please remember that we have a lightweight wheelchair and other medical equipment for loan (833327).

Poetry Corner

Look at the Stars

A poem by John Meehan

The night still and silent stars shine bright in the ink black sky.
In their constellations that are as old as time.

Wondering.

Are we alone in this universe so vast?

As we gaze

A magic spell they cast

Memories of the past

Of love ones lost

Those far apart but always in our heart

Our Wishes and dreams to place among the stars.

Of life and love perfect.

Wishes of endless happiness.

Slowly the minds drifts among the mysteries of the stars

Imagination running wild

Are we alone?

©



Southrepps Society

Carol Needham

In October Stuart Walters fascinated us with his enthusiasm for “Bumblebee Conservation.” He advised us how we could help their survival. For the last meeting of 2018, we welcomed Tony Moore who gave us a most interesting talk on the development of chairs through the ages with beautiful examples to look at.

29 members attended the Christmas Bring and Share Supper in December followed by a Norfolk quiz.

In January local resident Nigel Brand introduced us to the humble snowdrop in his talk “a Mania for snowdrops.” He brought samples of many varieties with lots of specimens for sale. As usual the AGM was held in February attended by 27 members who enjoyed an excellent

supper of Baked Potatoes with fillings.

For the first meeting of our new season in March Peter Purdy assisted by Sheila Denny gave a presentation on the exciting “Aylsham Roman Project” at Woodgates Nursery. Members were invited to visit when digging starts again



in the summer.

On 4th April, we carried out our annual litter-pick. We had our highest ever turnout of volunteers and covered most of the village. The main road through Upper Street was the worst place with discarded coffee cups, cans and wrappers. As usual volunteers were rewarded with refreshments at the home of Diana Quay.

The meeting on 25th April was a presentation by Megan Dennis from Gressenhall Museum entitled “Voices from the Workhouse.”

Visitors are always welcome. Posters are displayed in the PO, the Church Porch and Warren Road noticeboard as well as the Village website. For any information on meetings or village history, please phone 01263 834242.

27th June
BBQ 7:30pm Village Hall

26th September
Life and Times of the North Walsham & Dilham Canal
David Revill

31st October
North Norfolk Railway
Andrew Munden

5th December (tbc)
Christmas Supper
Village Hall 7:30pm

27th February 2020
Annual General Meeting 7.30pm





ELECTIONS - 2nd MAY 2019

There were no Parish Council elections held on 2nd May 2019 due to insufficient nominations. Therefore the people who stood were uncontested and automatically elected. We welcome back again - Lesley Sparrow, Roger Swift, Louis de Soissons, Louise Marriner, Tish Peal and Graham McCabe.

Elections were held on 2nd May for District Elections and the persons nominated will be Sue Arnold as a Conservative Party Candidate and Nigel Pearce as a Liberal Democrat. We look forward to the outcome.

SOUTHREPPS COMMONS TRUST

It has taken nearly 3 years to transfer the Commons from the Parish Council to Norfolk Wildlife Trust and we are just waiting for confirmation from the Land Registry that this has now been completed.

WELLSPRING ROAD

The road is collapsing and it is important that the "CLOSED ROAD" signage is NOT MOVED to one side – this is vital to stop an accident. You could be fined up to £1,000 for this. Please think of others who may utilise the road and do not appreciate that it is being undermined.

It could cause a cyclist or motorcycle to have a truly nasty accident.

We understand that it is tedious but the road has had to be closed whilst the situation is monitored and assessments made.

COMMUNITY LITTER PICK

The Council would like to thank the 20 plus volunteers who turned out on a chilly morning to complete this yearly initiative. Thanks to every one of you – it really is a fantastic achievement.

Our appreciation to the Southrepps Support Scheme for organising and co-ordinating this.

DOG FOULING

PLEASE PLEASE pick up after your dog IT IS AN OFFENCE not to and you can be heavily fined. If you see this happening and know who it is let NNDC Environmental Team know. Offer a dog bag to help – the person may have forgotten. Do we need any more dog bins??

VILLAGE HALL

Over the past year the Parish Council has worked alongside the Village Hall Committee in a proactive way to ensure the longevity of the Village Hall. We have supported the installation of new heating together with a new concrete pad/walkway. The primary reason for this was to ensure safety for our disabled hirers and to improve the overall appearance of the area. The cost of this work amounted to £5,200 for the access and £3,200 for the heating improvements. We are sure that you will agree that your money has been well spent for the benefit of our residents and users.

SOU02 - VICTORY HOUSING - LONG LANE

There is no update on this at the present time however, we are aware that it may be re-applied for in due course.

RECREATION GROUND AND CAR PARK

The work at the recreation ground was finally completed and due to the original contractor walking away and the invoice rescinded there was an excess of funds. These funds were returned to the donators in order to keep a clear audit trail. We have received a tree report to inform the Council of any work which may need addressing over the coming months/years.

Changing facilities have recently been installed alongside the Village Hall and the unit is being painted.

SPEEDWATCH

We are STILL seeking more members to join the team otherwise this community initiative may fold. This is a deterrent against speeding within your village – please come forward and help. Pick up that phone or email us.

SAM2 - FLASHING SPEED SIGN

The SAM Team undertake an amazing job moving the unit and we are going to supply regular updates from the data unit on the Parish Council website for all to view.

OTHER INFORMATION

A grit bin has been provided to Lower Southrepps at the junction of Bramble Lane to help on frosty mornings.

ALLOTMENTS

These are currently all rented but if you would like to be placed onto the waiting list please let us know.

WHITE VILLAGE ENTRANCE GATES

In our quest to try and slow the traffic down within the centre of the village the Parish Council applied for funding towards the White Gate initiative via the NCC Parish Partnership Scheme. We have been successful and are hoping to have these up and installed by the Highways Team in due

course. The total cost of this work is £4,000 approx. We hope that it will have the desired outcome.

Glass Bottle Banks -PUT YOUR EMPTY GLASS JARS/BOTTLES IN HERE!!

It may take a bit more effort but every bottle counts towards income to your community please contribute.

A reclaim for approximately £620 has been made for the glass recycling units within Southrepps. Thank you for each and everyone of you for every bottle – they all count and add up. Please keep collecting them and making the effort to put them in the bottle bank bins – it does make a difference to your community.

FUTURE MEETING DATES - 2019

Wednesday 30th May – Village Hall (Annual Parish and Annual Parish Council)

25th July – Lovers Southrepps, 26th September and 28th November – Village Hall

WANTED PARISH COUNCILLORS

We are seeking additional Parish Councillors. Please contact the Clerk if you would like to join us. The work is interesting and you will get to know about your local area and have an input into decisions which may affect your community. Training is offered and you will get the full support of the Council. The majority of all the work is done by the Clerk.

Southrepps Info website is full of information on our village. You can find out the latest news on what's going on in the village. We have many contributors to the website and it links you to many local group's websites.

www.southreps.info

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Notes from a Common Man

John Houlgate

It is with mixed emotions that I set about penning my final "Notes"; it will be the fortieth. I am not predicting a rapid loss of grip on my perch, but merely drawing attention to last month's commendably seamless transition of Southrepps Commons from our Parish Council to Norfolk Wildlife Trust. This remarkable accomplishment concludes a three year process somewhat more successfully than another three-year epic grind that I can think of. And like the parallel process, we haven't arrived at the end but only a new beginning; one door closes and another opens.

Just over three years ago, our Parish Council recognised a perfect storm was brewing, were it not to address three problems with The Commons: 1) the falling numbers and increasing ages of Volunteers prepared to put in the winter hours needed to look after the place; 2) the boardwalk (a timber structure sitting in a bog!) would soon need replacing for a cost way above what our village could afford; and 3) the principal funding was a Countryside Stewardship grant which expired in 2018 and was unlikely to be renewed.

So why not just leave the place alone and let nature take its course? Expressions of shock and horror aside, the Council would be breaking the law, because it is a Site of Special Scientific Interest and part of a Special Area of Conservation, making it just about as legally protected as a Bacton sand martin. And for good reason, with over four hundred plant species and rising (surveying is exhaustive and on-going), water voles, otters, and a rare place where you can still see glow worms, Southrepps is extremely lucky to have the five sites which collectively make up The Commons.

Cue, Norfolk Wildlife Trust; whilst not large, Southrepps wouldn't be their smallest reserve, which singular honour goes to one very elderly and venerable Hawthorn tree at Hethel, south of Norwich. (The protected area is a whopping 0.025 hectares, making it the smallest County Wildlife Trust reserve in the country!) Invitations were sent, NWT came, and Southrepps Commons Trust enjoyed well-deserved plaudits for an exemplary site. All credit to our loyal Volunteers for showing what

can be achieved when a group of like-minded people pull together.

For NWT to take on The Commons, with appropriate covenants, was a lifeline which the Parish Council sensibly grabbed. But, having to wind-up Southrepps Commons Trust comes very hard, which is why I admit writing with mixed emotions. The Trust grew out of a disparate group of residents who managed The Commons from 1990 until we turned it into a Registered Charity in 2005. Of the original members from those early days, I only know two who still live in the village, Ivan Bailey and Ian Cashmore, whilst of the others, I am proud to say that I helped build Jubilee Boardwalk with Ed Potter, Vic Purdy and John Daniels. Later on I built the extension to Scouts' Pond with its dipping platform, and our information kiosk at the car park. I was involved for eighteen years, getting to know some wonderful people without whom the project would have failed, leaving our village so much the poorer.

Southrepps Commons Trust was special, a fact recognised in awards from "Campaign to Protect Rural England", "Norfolk County Biodiversity Group", NNDC Environment Awards and The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service.

We worked for the Parish Council but they left us to our own devices and their trust was not misplaced. We developed techniques involving drag-sheets, a huge, bespoke hand-cart and ultimately a petrol winch.

Our mower is the mother of all such machines and a beast to handle. But our strongest, largest, most valuable and all-round impressive resource is the human one, the Volunteers. When I tell anyone involved in voluntary work that we routinely ran working parties of sixteen to twenty people on Sunday mornings throughout autumn and winter, they are very impressed. Despite my dire predictions, numbers have picked up; we call it the 'Pilates Effect', and if you don't know why, look into The Vernon Arms on a Friday morning. If the group needed a motto it would be written around "motivation" and "friendship".



So, what for the future? Again our Volunteers deserve much credit for their positive attitude to change and determination to make it work. NWT makes reassuring noises and calls us a “Dependent Volunteer Group”, which means we carry on much as before. Sadly, our superb web-site has to go, although its glorious gallery has transferred to NWT, and we have started a new blog to replace the popular previous one: see links from Parish Council and



Photo by Duncan

NWT.

All in all, the Parish Council has one less thing to worry about, the dog-walkers can stride out (taking their little presents with them!), the botanists are happy, and we're getting The Pit returned to its land-mark status. The old order changeth but good people are running the new. Southrepps Commons Trust bows out gracefully with heads held high.



Talk - New Light on the History of Norfolk's Commons

Wednesday 10 July - 7.30 - 9pm

Tom Williamson will describe the results of recent research, carried out as part of the 'Wildlife in Common' project, into the history and archaeology of Norfolk's common land.

Leader: Professor Tom Williamson (UEA)

Venue: Southrepps Village Hall

Booking details: Booking essential, meeting point given on booking. Email, wild@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk or phone 01603 598318

Guided Walk - Exploring the Common

Monday 8 July - 10 to 11.30am

This fantastic common, which is one of five in the village, is a SSSI full of wildflowers, insects and birds. Discover just some of the flora and fauna on this beautiful common and learn how the site is managed.

Leader: Margaret Downland, Southrepps Volunteer Group

Location: Southrepps

Booking details: Booking essential, meeting point given on booking. Email, wild@norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk or phone 01603 598318

Minibeast Magic on the Common

Friday 12 July 2019 - 3.30 to 5pm

With bug pots in hand we go in search of some of the weird and wonderful minibeasts found on the common – don't worry we will provide all the equipment, just bring yourself. Take part in a minibeast hunt, games and craft activities.

Leader: Norfolk Wildlife Trust and Southrepp's Volunteers

Meeting point: School Common, entrance opposite Antingham and Southrepps Primary School

Booking details: No need to book, just turn-up and join in

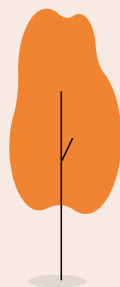


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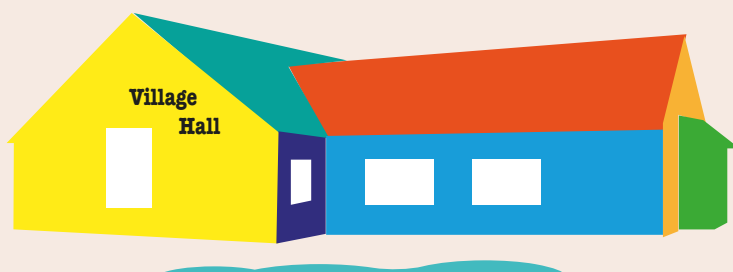
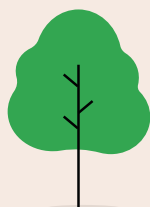
Village Bash



LIVE MUSIC - FOOD & DRINKS
CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES
SPORTING EVENTS
LIVE EVENTS - STALLS - EXHIBITIONS
CHURCH OPEN DAY
HORTICULTURAL SHOW
NORFOLK DAY CELEBRATION



MORE INFO WILL BE RELEASED NEARER THE TIME

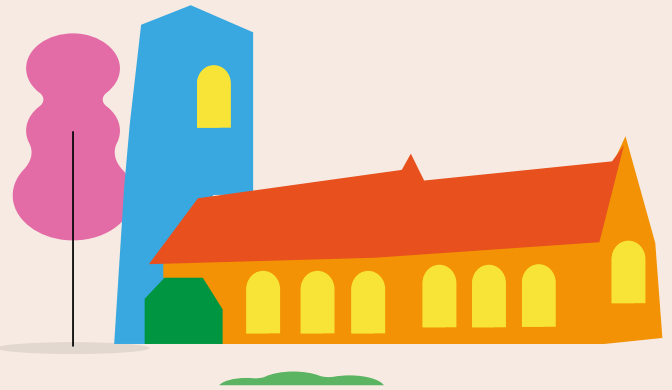




SAT 27 JUL

10am-10pm

A CELEBRATION OF OUR VILLAGE AND NORFOLK DAY



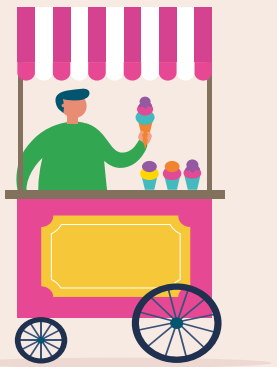
We need your help



We are in need of your help to make our village event a great success



Volunteers - to do a couple of hours on the day
Parking locations
Stalls - selling local produce
Games



If there is anything that you would like to do or help with, PLEASE contact us.

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WEBSITE: SOUTHREPPS.INFO/VILLAGEBASH





Fruit and Vegetables

1. Plate of 4 Tomatoes. Any size. One variety
2. 1 Cucumber. Any variety.
3. 1 Lettuce. Any variety with roots.
4. Plate of 4 Potatoes. One variety
5. 3 onions trimmed.
6. 3 Courgettes. Same variety.
7. 3 Beetroot washed with roots. Trim leaves to 3"/8cm.
8. 6 Dwarf or French Beans. One variety.
9. Longest Runner Bean
10. Any other Vegetable. (Not Root vegetable)
11. Any other Root vegetable. (Not potato or beetroot.)
12. A vase of 4 Culinary Herbs. (1 stem of each.)
13. 3 stalks of Rhubarb. (Trim leaves to 3"/8cm.)
14. A plate of Soft Fruit. One variety - either 6 Strawberries; 6 Raspberries; 6 Gooseberries; 3 bunches of Black, White or Redcurrants.

Cookery

15. Victoria Sandwich with jam only filling.

16. 3 Cheese Scones

Flowers

17. 1 Specimen Rose
18. Sweetpeas. 5 stems. Same variety.
19. 5 sprigs of Lavender
20. 3 yellow flowers. 3 varieties. (not shrub.)
21. Any flower. 3 stems. 1 variety.
22. Vase of perennials. 3 varieties. 1 stem of each.
23. Flowering Shrub. 1 stem/branch.
24. 1 Hydrangea stem with flower.

Floral Arrangements

25. A Summer Basket 18" x 18"/46cm x 46cm max. No height restriction
26. Table arrangement for a Dinner Party 12" x 12"/31 x 31cm max - No height restriction. (may include candle)
27. Buttonhole for a Wedding

Sponsorship

| | |
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| Bouncy Castle | £160 |
| Bands 1 | £200 |
| Band 2 | £100 |
| Band 3 | £200 |
| Insurance | £143 |
| St Johns | £96 |
| PA System | £100 |
| Kids Fancy Dress | £50 |
| Dog Show | £50 |

Sponsored

We are seeking support to help our event be really successful.

We are keen to support local business and if you sponsor we are happy to have your advertising signs up. There will also be a programme book on the day giving full details of all the events and activities which will also include your advertising.

If you are able to sponsor a particular event or you may just wish to kindly donate a small amount. All monies will be gratefully received.

Please call Shelley on 07920 583773 or email southreppsvillagehall@gmail.com for more information.



SOUTHREPPS VILLAGE HALL

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 278536

David Pemberton - Chairman

Since the last edition of The Mardler, the Village Hall has enjoyed further success. We organised a number of quiz nights in the hall which proved to be incredibly popular and really helped raise funds for the upkeep of the Village Hall – thank you to everyone that came along and supported us. As we come into Spring we are going to take a short break from quizzing and focus on events that make the most of the nicer (hopefully) weather.

The 1940's Afternoon Tea which we held for the first time last year, will be returning and we hope lots of you will be able to join us again. We will also hopefully see the return of the inter-village rounders match later in the Summer, so keep your eyes peeled for that.



Before that though we will be having the Southrepps

Village Bash! Organisation is well under way as the Village Hall, the Church and Village Groups come together to put on a day of fun, food and music. It'll be a great Village event, so make sure you're there on Saturday 27th July.

In the meantime, please remember us for your next event. The Village Hall can be booked via our website at www.southrepps.info/villagehall or for further information visit our Facebook page



Sunday 26 May Southrepps Village Hall - 2pm to 5pm
(Doors will open at 12 noon for those entering for set up)

Enquiries

If you would like to find out more about the village hall and the prices to hire please contact:

Shelley

Tel: 07920 583773

Email: southreppsvillagehall@gmail.com

Go to

www.southrepps.info/village-hall

To get detailed information and booking information

£5 PER PERSON

Ticket includes unlimited Tea & Coffee, Scone with jam and cream

BAKE OFF COMPETITION

Categories: Sponge, Loaf Cake, Cupcakes, Biscuits categories. Bonus category "Show Stopper"

You may enter as many categories as you wish. Judging will be done by the Events Committee team. Once judging is completed we would like to sell them off and donations will be made to Southrepps Village Hall.

BEST DRESSED TABLE COMPETITION

Bring your vintage crockery and decorations to impress.

BEST DRESSED TEA POT COMPETITION

Floral arrangement in a tea pot

LIVE MUSIC BY "THE BLUEBIRDS"

Singing a range of 40s music

40'S DANCE DEMONSTRATION

With Maggie and partner. You are welcome to join in

1940'S FANCY DRESS

Optional but encouraged

BRING YOUR OWN

Your ticket includes unlimited Tea or Coffee which we will fill your tea pots or cups with. Also you will have a scone with jam and cream. You are invited to bring your own sandwiches, soft and alcoholic drinks and treats for your party.

ACCESS TO THE HALL

We shall open the hall from 12 noon to give you plenty of time to decorate your table. You may leave and come back at 2pm as the hall will be staffed.

Please reserve your seats or tables

Email: SOUTHREPPSVILLAGEHALL@GMAIL.COM

Place: Vernon Arms. Telephone: 07920 583773

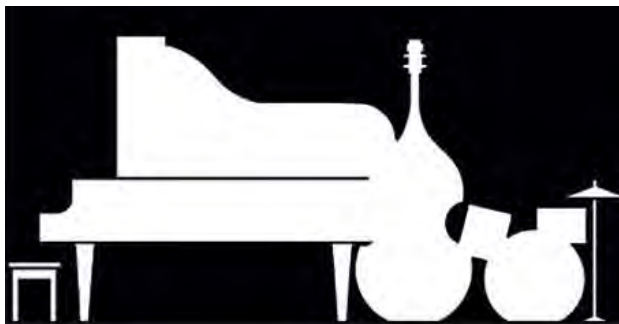
All Proceeds go to SOUTHREPPS VILLAGE HALL (CHARITY NO 278536)

SOUTHREPPS CHORALE

Musical Director: Stephen Richards



Accompanist: Cathy Al-Bay



SUMMER CONCERT

SONGS OF PEACE

A summer concert with choir and jazz trio (piano, bass and drums)

including:

“Songs and Sonnets” by George Shearing, *“Little Jazz Mass”* by Bob Chilcott
and *“Songs of Peace”* by Will Todd (Norfolk premiere)

Aylsham Parish Church

Saturday 20th July 2019 at 7.30pm

Tickets £12 (under 18's free) from Olga, tel. 01263 834030

Or email: info@southreppschorale.org.uk



There are a few vacancies in all voices, particularly soprano and bass. If you are new to the village or not and would like to sing, we rehearse in the Village Hall on Tuesdays at 7.30pm. Contact our Musical Director in the first instance.

Stephen Richards, Musical Director

Tel: 01263 834411

www.southreppschorale.org.uk

Sue Arnold

NNDC Ward Member for Roughton | Portfolio Holder for Planning and Housing

ELECTIONS

By the time you read this the District Elections will have taken place. It is my hope that I will be elected once more to represent Roughton Ward and I would like to thank all who supported me. If not re-elected my best wishes to Nigel.

Best wishes too to the new Southrepps Parish Council. This is an interesting role though not always an easy one.

An amendment on my last report. The District Council expenditure on refurbishment of the many loos should have read £600,000. It is so important our loos are fit for purpose. We live in a holiday area and it is vital our loos give a good impression.

The new Local Plan is taking shape and public consultations will shortly be taking place. Firstly these will concentrate on the urban areas.

The Tennis Hub and Sports Centre is taking shape in Cromer.

The expected funding from the Lawn Tennis Association was unfortunately not forthcoming but the Council are hopeful of finding funds from other sources.

The Splash in Sheringham- anyone driving past the site will see that work has commenced. It is intended that the old Splash will remain in use until the new one is ready.

Sandscaping scheme at Bacton is now under way. The original initiative for this was to protect the gas site but the Council has committed funds to enable

more sand to be placed in order to protect the adjacent villages of Bacton and Walcott. Unfortunately in spite of consultation with the RSPB, who had full knowledge of what was proposed, problems arose over the netting being placed on the cliffs and the impact this could cause on nesting sites for sand martins. Most of the netting has now been removed, it is necessary to net the lower part of the cliff as once the sand is in place this area will be covered in sand. This scheme has been five years in the planning, and is a ground breaking scheme for the UK.

The Deep history coast project is rapidly coming to fruition- there is a lot of information on The Council's web site. The launch of the trail of this exciting project will be advertised very shortly.

The Big Society continues to fund local projects and Southrepps has recently benefited from a grant to upgrade the heating in the village hall.

The District now has Six Blue Flag beaches, more than any other district in the country.

We also have four green flags for our parks.

Lastly an update (or rather a no update) on the land in Long Lane. Up to press no new application has been received, though it is expected one will be forthcoming eventually, hopefully a better designed one.

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The Southrepps Great War Project

Chris Shaw

Following on from the last edition of the Mardler we thought you might like to know how the project to name all those from Southrepps who were involved in the Great War is progressing.

We have researched and included all persons who were born in the village and/or lived in the village and who contributed to the War effort.

One of the major problems encountered has been the loss of about 60% of the soldiers' records during the 1940 London Blitz, however we have managed to construct small 'biographies' for each of the individuals including their lives outside military life.

So what have we established so far -

24 men from the village lost their lives and are remembered at St James' Church.

Another 13 men with a village connection were also killed and are remembered elsewhere.

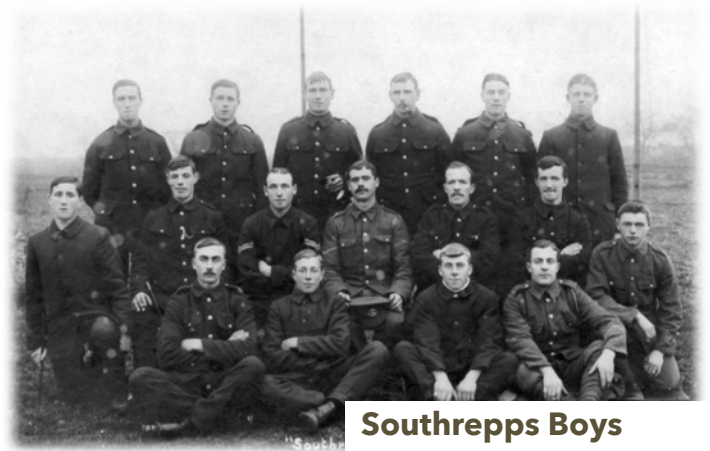
We may imagine that all the men lost their lives in France and Belgium but that assumption is incorrect. 23 of the 37 men actually died on the battlefields of France and Belgium. The battlefields of the Great War also encompassed the eastern Mediterranean and involved the armies of the Ottoman Empire where 4 men died in Turkey, 3 at sea on torpedoed troopships, 2 in Palestine and 1 in Bulgaria.

The remaining men died at sea near the UK (2) or in England of their injuries or sickness (2).

The survivors so far number 116 and we have another 20 names who we believe served in the war but we know little more than that at present.

Within the survivors group we know of 5 women who served with the Red Cross in their Voluntary Aid Detachment.

7 men were captured by the enemy and became prisoners of war - 3 men were held in German camps, 2 in Bulgarian camps and 2 in Turkish camps. Conditions in these camps were not good, food was in short supply and medical help was minimal. As a result one of the Bulgarian PoW's died as well as the two Turkish PoW's. Their deaths are included in the figures above.



Southrepps Boys

You might expect that most of the men would have enlisted in the Norfolk Regiment but that only applies to about 40% of them. The rest were serving in other county regiments and some even joined Scottish regiments. Quite a number of them joined the Royal Navy and the Royal Flying Corps. Many of the older men were recruited by the Labour Corps.

The most common surname that crops up in the list of soldiers is Hewitt, we have found 16 of them.

The family who were most involved probably goes to the Claxton's - they produced 4 soldiers and a Red Cross VAD - all survived.

A number of the men were commended for acts of bravery, the Military Medal being the most common award.

When you consider that the population of the village at the outbreak of war included about 800 men, women and children then the effect upon the community must have been quite dramatic. The soldiers didn't all depart at the same time but even so the village would have been a different place.

So what will we do with all the information gathered to date? A book would probably have limited appeal and would be expensive to publish so we are looking to put the information online so it can be disseminated to a larger audience.

However before that happens we are planning to have a display at the village fair on 27th July so do come along and see what we've found out about the Southrepps Boys.

The Great War Project Team



Royal British Legion

Malcolm Hilson

The local branch fulfilled its remembrance obligations in support of the service at St James on Armistice Day/ Remembrance Sunday. The Standard was carried, and an exhibition marking the end of WW1 was on display, and was well received. Thanks to Colin Needham and Chris Shaw for their enthusiastic help in putting this together. There is a separate item on the continuing follow-up project. It was good to see a full church and to record a generous collection, shared with the Legion.

Our Poppy Appeal was again well supported and raised £1,800. Many thanks to those who donated, and collected, also to Graham McCabe and Tony Wilkinson for co-ordinating.

The annual dinner was held at the Vernon Arms on 15 February.

6 June 2019 is the 75th anniversary of D-Day. The Legion will be marking the occasion with commemorative events on both sides of the Channel. A micro-brewery in Hampshire is brewing a special ale "Pegasus" to mark the anniversary.

The branch needs new members and a new Standard Bearer. Call 833327 for details.

In Remembrance

Alyson Browne



It is with a heavy heart that I have to tell you that Alyson died on 11 March 2019. Alyson was admitted to the N & N hospital on 3 March and shortly after suffered a massive stroke from which she never regained consciousness.

Alyson had been diagnosed with Myeloma two years ago, a condition which she mainly kept to herself. A popular member of our community, she took part in everything the village had to offer; a staunch volunteer for LAMS (life after multiple sclerosis), she looked forward to Mondays at the village hall to help out; she enjoyed talking to the patients who became friends. A crowded church paid tribute to Alyson's life, which was certainly exciting and adventurous. A mother of three and stepmother of two, with nine grandchildren in all. In the 1970's she became a travel director, taking groups of all sizes all over the world. In 1979 she was a pioneer taking a small group through Europe, Russia and China, where foreigners were mostly unseen by the Chinese at that time. She continued this work until Colin retired, when they went to live in France, giving them the opportunity to indulge in their love of skiing (Colin described her skiing style as 'beautiful').

After many years they returned to the UK and decided to come to Norfolk where Colin was born. Alyson loved Norfolk and Southrepps, where she felt at home, a place to put down roots and enjoy her beloved dogs. She will be sorely missed by all who knew her. A beautiful lady.

CB

Kathy Black



A generous care-giver and lover of the natural world was lost by the village on 20th February when Kathy Black passed away. Her warmth, quick sense of humour and kindness will be remembered by many local people.

Born in December 1959 in St Albans, Kathy had a happy childhood and chose to make looking after people her path in life. She trained as a nurse at Addenbrookes, making lifelong friends amongst her fellow trainees. Her first marriage introduced son Sam and daughter Rosie into her life and she later brought them to Southrepps, with new partner Emmanuel. She nursed in Aylsham and North Walsham after being Day Service Manager at Meadow Cottage, Overstrand, where she met another professional carer, Gordon Black. They married at St Mary's Church in Northrepps in 2009, living locally there for a while before moving back to Southrepps in 2012. Happily settled in Apple Tree Cottage, Long Lane, they enjoyed the advent of grandchildren, the company of cats and dogs, and the abundant wildlife in the surrounding countryside. They also managed to travel widely before illness impacted her mobility.

Kathy was naturally creative and loved bright colours. She made beautiful dolls, all types of knitwear and other textiles, and painted, producing thoughtful gifts for her friends and family. She shared her skills with youngsters at a craft club at the village school. She was also a founder member of the Southrepps Chorale.

Her funeral was held at St James on 18th March and her ashes were interred in the graveyard there on 15th April.

submitted by Diana Quay



Title: The adventures of Buttercup Nursery Class at Antingham and Southrepps Primary

We can't believe we are nearing the end of a whole academic year with our new nursery class at Antingham and Southrepps and what an adventure it has been! We feel that it is about time we shared a snapshot with you.

With Spring in full bloom the children have been spending even more time outdoors and exploring the seasonal changes in their environment. New skills have been put into action through activities such as ladybird hunting, worm charming and creating bug houses for the emerging mini beasts. We have also renovated our vegetable patch in preparation for planting some broad beans.

When not investigating their own curiosities, the children

are often immersed in a book and we have been proud of the imaginative and creative ways they choose to bring them to life, using them as inspiration for their own stories and bringing in similar books to share with the rest of the group. We are very grateful to Norfolk Library service for adding another stop for us on their mobile library route!

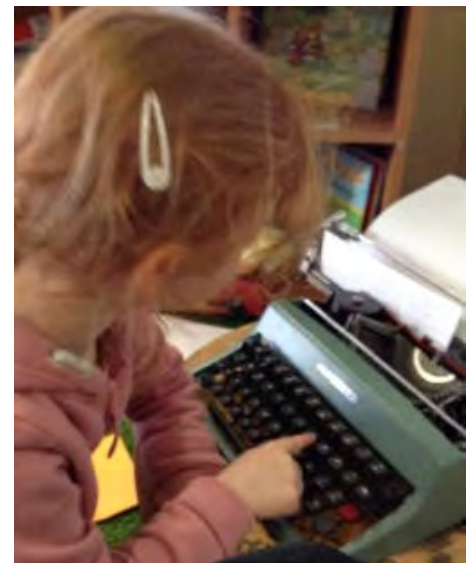
If you would like to know find out more about our nursery or school provision then please don't hesitate to call on 01263 833282. If you have a 2yr old who is nearing 3yrs and you would like them to experience a session why not come and join us for our weekly 'Stay and Play' session.

Details are below:

Antingham and Southrepps Primary School
Buttercup Nursery Class
Stay and Play



When: Every Wednesday afternoon 1:30pm-3:00pm
Come and play, explore our environment and find out what we are all about.
This offer is available to 4 children (aged 30months upwards) on a first come first served basis.
£1.50 voluntary contribution per session welcomed.
To find out more about our early years provision or to confirm your interest in Stay and Play please contact:
office@antinghamandsouthrepps.co.uk



Southrepps Football Club



Time has flown by since our last update! We've gone from being a few games into the start of the season to being a few games from the end of the season. As I type, we lie 5th place in the North East Norfolk League Division 1. Whilst not quite top we do have a number of games in hand to overcome the deficit.

As well as a good account in the league we've had our usual good runs in the cup competitions.

The most recent cup game was the semi-final of the Cromer Lifeboat Cup. Sadly, we came away losing 4-1 (despite us scoring after 7 seconds).

Again, another final and another loss. This time it was the final of the Benevolent Cup where we sadly came away losing 1-0 to local rivals Gimingham.

I've saved the best news till last with the cup run.... Yes, we've finally gone and won one!!!

This time we came away beating Cromer Youth OB's in the League Cup final 3-0. Excellent all-round team performance from the lads.

Away from the pitch things are looking up. Having spent the winter months sitting on the outskirts of the village the changing facilities have now been transported up the high street and on to the recreation ground. Thank you kindly to Saxon Motors for helping out.

Finally, thank you once again to all the volunteers for helping out with the pitch and the changing facilities, its looking like we'll be back in the village next season!

Walcott Lighthouse Inn NEN League - Division One Section 1

| POS | TEAM | PTS | W | D | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS |
|-----|------------------|-----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 | Cromer Youth O B | 15 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 30 | 31 | -1 | 25 |
| 2 | Southrepps | 15 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 32 | 25 | 7 | 21 |
| 3 | Gimingham | 15 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 46 | 27 | 19 | 20 |
| 4 | Hickling | 15 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 38 | 36 | 2 | 20 |
| 5 | East Ruston | 15 | 6 | 2 | 7 | 19 | 29 | -10 | 20 |
| 6 | Aylsham 'A' | 15 | 6 | 1 | 8 | 29 | 46 | -17 | 19 |



Southrepps Bowls Club

David Harding

Many North Norfolk Bowls Clubs have already closed and unless we get some support from Southrepps Village Community it looks as if we will go the same way.

We have a total membership of 29 of whom 25 are playing members. The total includes TWO, yes TWO playing members from Southrepps and ONE non-playing member who is our Club President, John Harrison.

Our other TWENTY SIX members come from; North Walsham, Trunch, Mundesley, High Kelling, Knapton, Erpingham, West Runton and Edingthorpe. They do so because they think we have a beautiful little clubhouse with a good bowls green and most importantly a friendly group of people. They all have bowls clubs nearer to their homes which they could join but prefer Southrepps despite the additional travel costs.

We have supported local businesses where possible, we love to meet in The Vernon, whether we're playing bowls or not! We have tried to be good community neighbours by agreeing to the Village Hall going ahead of us with a grant application we were about to submit. We have agreed to local organisations having storage at our club premises.

We have offered, and continue to offer:

- No joining fee.
- All age groups welcome.
- Free coaching from a qualified coach.
- A warm welcome to beginners, we will loan you bowls until you are sure you want to join. All you need initially is a pair of flat bottomed shoes.



- A warm welcome to experienced players.
- Social events throughout the year.
- Afternoon and evening league matches @ £3 per match for beginners or those who only wish to play infrequently.
- Members can elect to pay £100 per annum, or two instalments of £50, which will entitle them to play in as many league matches as they are selected to play in.
- "In house" Club competitions £3 entry.
- "In house" Fun competitions with BBQ's.
- Target bowls.
- Club practice sessions (roll ups) £2 for 2 hours.
- Carpet bowls throughout the winter £2 for 2 hours.
- Bowls "Open Event" with Southrepps Village Bash on Saturday 27th July 2019.

The following clubs have recently been lost to their communities, probably forever:

Bacton, Felmingham, Hill Farm, Tungate, Reepham.

Unless we get some "new blood" joining us soon, we will inevitably go the same way and I think that would be a shame. So do our members. So, please come along and "have a go" to see if bowls is for you. Ring me on 01263 721060 or 07780861737 to arrange a free session at your village club.



CONTACT David Harding
Tel: 01263 721060 - 07780 861737

MORE PAWS

Hi There - I wanted to introduce you to my friends, old and new.



Alf



Buddy, one gorgeous rescue



Clive the ginger ninja



Dennis enjoying the garden



Ella waiting for Charley



Finn, new arrival to the village enjoying Southrepps



Flynn and Flo



George and Lola rescue hounds, enjoying a stroll through the cornfields



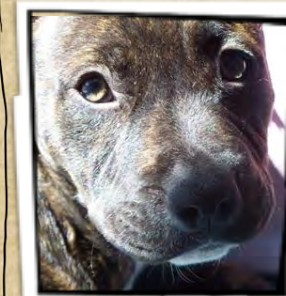
Humphrey and Daphne with Venys, sadly no longer with us



Hurry up Mums throw the ball Charley and Ella



Lola enjoying her bed after a walk



Lucy Lou



Roxy and Lily Teds little sisters



Molly looking forward to her next adventure



Ted, Rosie's little brother



Macy



Nico enjoying his surroundings



Robin



Millie



Wolfie enjoying a trip on the broads



Rosie, Ted's big sister



Charley 



Come for a Cuppa

Ruggs Hall, St James Church
for Tea & Cake

This is a monthly event held on the last Wednesday of every month from 2:30pm.

Come and chat and enjoy a cup of tea and homemade cake. Tea & Biscuits for £1 and Cake for 50p.

For more information call 01263 834242

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**3rd Wednesday of each month
10:00am till 12pm
St. James Church**

For more information please contact:
Anna de Soissons - Tel: 01263 833718



We're pleased to announce our special 10th Festival Programme.

Below is an exciting outline of the week's events; more details will follow soon. Festival Passes, which grant access to all concerts, are on sale now.

All concerts take place in St James's Church, Southrepps (except the masterclass).

Wednesday 7th August, 7.30pm

Tenth Festival Celebration Recital Tom Primrose accompanies for returning artists and alumni of the Southrepps Young Artist Programme in this celebration of our first ten years

Thursday 8th August, 12.30pm

Love and Death

Ben Johnson and Martin James Bartlett This unique programme explores themes of love and death (inspired by Bartlett's debut album of the same name), weaving together songs and solo piano works by Bach, Liszt, Wagner Schumann and Prokofiev.

Thursday 8th August, 7.30pm

Benjamin Baker - Violin
Daniel Lehardt - Piano

The celebrated violinist Benjamin Baker returns to Southrepps with his regular recital and chamber music partner, Hungarian piano virtuoso Daniel Lehardt.

Friday 9th August, 12.30pm

Southrepps Chorale

The Southrepps Chorale performs a programme influenced by jazz, including Chilcott's 'A Little Jazz Mass'.
Stephen Richards conducts.

Friday 9th August, 7.30pm

Southrepps Sinfonia play Bach, Britten and more. David Parry returns to conduct our resident orchestra. Highlights include Bach's First Keyboard Concerto with Martin James Bartlett, and Britten's Serenade for Tenor, Horn and Strings featuring Ben Johnson and horn player Martin Owen, another artist of international acclaim making a welcome return to the festival.

Saturday 10th August 12.30 - NB. Venue to be announced

Sean Shibe - Guitar

Another festival favourite, Sean Shibe returns with a special solo recital.

Saturday 10th August 7.30pm

The Burning Fiery Furnace - Benjamin Britten Our first staged production. Britten's dramatic church parable is conducted by Tom Primrose and stars Ben Johnson (as King Nebuchadnezzar), Ben McAteer, Benedict Nelson, Lance Nomura, Adam Temple Smith, with players of the Southrepps Ensemble.

Sunday 11th August, 11.30am

Coffee Concert

Sunday 11th August, 7.30pm

Michael J. Waudby Gala Concert



Festival Pass on sale now for £70. This gives the holder access to all Festival concerts

Order your pass or individual ticket requests by contacting the Festival Treasurer on 01263 834691 or by email at maggietranter@hotmail.co.uk

Individual concerts are as priced as follows:

Wednesday 7th August

Voice and Piano Recital "Love and Death" - £20.00

Thursday 8th August

Love and Death - £10.00

Ben Baker and Daniel Lehardt - £20.00

Friday 9th August

Southrepps Chorale - £10.00

Southrepps Sinfonia £20.00

Saturday 10th August

Sean Shibe - £10.00

Britten: Burning Fiery Furnace - £20.00

Sunday 11th August

Coffee Concert - £10.00

Michael J. Waudby Gala Concert - £20.00

Festival Pass:

Access to all concerts - £70.00