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Village Diary

Saturday 21st April	***7.30 pm***
Majella Yorston - A Song or Two - Jubilee Hall - see Page 12	
Saturday 28th April	***3.00 pm - 4.30 pm***
Drop In Youth Club - Jubilee Hall	
Saturday 12th May	***9.00 am - 5.00 pm***
PC Neighbourhood Plan Workshop - Jubilee Hall	
Tuesday 15th May	***7.30 pm***
Parish Council AGM + PC meeting - Jubilee Hall	
Tuesday 22nd May	***6.00 pm***
Welcome to Starston - Jubilee Hall	
Tuesday 22nd May	***7.30 pm***
Annual Parish meeting - Jubilee Hall	

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Harleston Spring Fair
The next Harleston Future event will be a Spring Fair on Saturday 5th May (9.30 am – 3.30 pm). In addition to the stalls selling crafts, plants, produce and street food, there will be a treasure hunt around town, face painting, Morris Dancers and the Too Many Cooks singing group. Other delights will be a raffle with amazing prizes, home-made toffee apples and Harleston's very own upcycled flag bags. To book a stall email ***eventsharleston@gmail.com*** or call Marilyn on 07896 649002.

Points of View
Friday 13th April / Saturday 14th April. Photography Exhibition - Cratfield Village Hall, Manse Lane IP19 0DJ
Chrissie Kitchen - Candy Blackham - Nick Eade - Geoff Moore
6.00 pm - 8.00 pm. FREE ENTRY. Pay Bar and Nice Nibbles. Donations in aid of Halesworth Dementia Carers and Prostate Cancer UK. ***Candyblackham@gmail.com***

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Saturday 5th May. 8.00 pm St Edmunds Village Hall, Hoxne, IP21 APN
For tickets go to the WVFC website....
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Rocking Foxes
Sunday 15th April. The Rocking Foxes Rock 'n Roll Hop with DJ Crazy!
Eye Community Centre, Magdalen Street, Eye. 2.00 – 5.00 pm. £5.50 per person with refreshments and cake included. We can show you some basic moves to get you started. Contact Sharon: 07542 036527
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Due to on-going restoration work date could be changed. More details: 01379 853967.

Adnams Cheese & Wine Evening
Pennoyer - Friday 27th April at 7.00 pm. Join us for an evening full of fantastic wine and delicious cheese from all over the world. £16 per person. Booking essential.

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Notes From The Editor

Last month in her editorial Sue invited you to have a go at compiling a crossword for Pigeon Post. This produced 2 responses, both good crosswords. One came from a 12 year old, the other from.. well, let's say someone a little older. Both were welcome and you will see them appear in the magazine over the next month or so.

So now I'm back in the Editor's chair it is my turn to issue an invitation. Whenever I pick up a magazine in a waiting room somewhere the first thing I look at is the cartoons. Have you ever looked at a cartoon and thought "*I could do better than that*" but the problem is you can't draw? Well, why not find an old family photo and add your own caption to it. If you want to have a go we will print them in Pigeon Post but probably only one at a time. I need to know who has sent them in but apart from that you can remain anonymous if you wish.

Here is one from me to get you started. I was 2 years old when this was taken and, as you can see, my mother loved posed pictures.

Michael

"For heaven's sake, British Telecom. I've been hanging on for 3 hours and all I want to know is can you install a Wi-Fi hotspot in our village hall?"

The Youngsters of Today?!

Believe it or not this year is the 200th anniversary of the publication of the novel which has come to be known as Frankenstein. It was written by a young lady who by the time it was published had had an affair with a married man, travelled across France with him and her step-sister in the midst of a revolution (and was reportedly upset at the less than warm welcome), given birth to a premature baby who subsequently died, married her lover after his wife committed suicide, been ostracised by polite society and had moved to Italy. Two further children also died and she was widowed in 1822 when her husband drowned. In 1823, at the age of 26, she returned to England with her surviving son. She developed a brain tumour and died in 1851 at the age of 53.

Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley,
née Godwin.
August 1797 – February 1851

Notes From A Starston Garden

It came, it lay, it melted away. Then came the reckoning. So how did the plants in my Starston garden survive the Beast From the East? Remarkably well, as it turned out.

A friend in Iowa enquired anxiously if I'd already had flowers poking their little heads out of the ground. Well I had, but the crocuses and the miniature iris emerged from the snow unbowed, although a little battered. The daffs, which were in bud when the blizzard arrived, sulked for a few days before pulling themselves together. However their stems seem a little shorter than usual.

The perennials were well protected. Apart from the blanket of snow, which is a surprisingly good insulator, the new shoots at the base also had protection from last year's decaying top growth which I tend to leave in place until the spring. So now the Sedums, the hardy geraniums, the catmint and the Salvias are raring to go.

Slightly to my surprise the worst affected plant has been the white Buddleia in the front garden. I hack it down by about half in the autumn, then in March or early April I prune it properly to about 45 cm above ground level. This year I may have to cut it down further than that because all the new shoots on the taller branches, which had been pretty perky, are now decidedly wabbit. And there was me thinking that Buddleia was as tough as old boots.

All in all I'm delighted to say that my plants have proved pretty resilient. Snow? What snow?

Dee The Gardener

Topical Tip

If the bad weather has delayed the planting of your seed potatoes, it's time to get your first and second earlies in the ground, with the main crops following later in April.

Pigeon Post Photo Competition

We are pleased to announce that the East of England Co-op has agreed to sponsor the prizes for this year's Pigeon Post Photo Competition. Our grateful thanks to them.

We hope you are already planning the pictures you will enter for the competition. The closing date is not until 31st August but as the seasons change so will the kind of pictures you are able to take. The full rules for the 2018 competition can be found on the Pigeon Post tab of the Starston Village website: ***http://2015starstonvillage.co.uk/starston1/pigeon-post-photo-competition-2016/***

Workshop for Photographers

As reported last month, the judge for the Pigeon Post Photo Competition, Frances Crickmore, has offered to lead an informal 'photo shoot' session on her dairy farm in Flixton for anyone who would like some professional guidance on their photography skills. Her farm comprises marshland beside the river Waveney and there is an abundance of wildlife there. The day would be open to a small group of adults and children and her idea is that everyone could set off to take their pictures and she will lend a hand to those with less experience. As she knows the area so well she would be able to suggest good vantage points and what to look out for. She has suggested that participants might like to take a picnic.

So far we have only had one person express an interest in this workshop. If no-one else comes forward we will reluctantly have to tell Frances that the workshop is not required. If you are interested please contact Sue Moore (852387) or Michael Bartlett (852318) as soon as possible.

Roscoe Rules – OK?

Following his first adventure at Crufts last year, Danehaven Roscoe (he owns the Steer family, or likes to think he does!) came away with a First and Second in the Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever breed classes this year. He's got his eye on winning Best of Breed next year so he can appear on TV. Many thanks to his breeder and handler, Chris Goldspink (Aunty Baba) of Danehaven Tollers at Foulsham, Norfolk.

Rosemary Steer

Parish Council News

Since January 2018 the Parish Council has held three meetings, including a public consultation meeting on the Greater Norwich Local Plan (GNLP).

The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who attended the consultation meeting on 6th March (about 25 people), and those who were unable to attend and provided their reflections via email. The key points identified were:-

- There is support for organic controlled housing growth in the parish
- There is support for development on an individual infill basis
- The Parish Plan 2008 survey results on housing development still hold in 2018
- As at July 2017 there were no sites proposed for development within the parish (deadline for sites submission as part of the current consultation was 22nd March 2018 via ***www.gnlp.org,uk***)

The village is in the early stages of developing a Neighbourhood Plan, the statutory tool introduced via the Localism Act 2011 for communities to shape development where they live. Questions raised included:-

- Does the GNLP sufficiently address infrastructure requirements for proposed development sites and the impact these developments will have on the surrounding areas?
- Is social housing best located in "service villages" which have community facilities such as shops and regular public transport, rather than in "other villages" which are defined in the GNLP as having very limited facilities?
- Should consideration be given to the village setting up a Housing Trust to provide social housing for the benefit of local people, with the control as to who can have access to housing stock remaining with villagers?

The Starston Parish Council response to the GNLP will be finalised at the meeting on 20th March.

The District and County Councillors have reported that:-

- £2 million has been spent by South Norfolk Council to upgrade the Long Stratton Leisure Centre
- New refuse bins are to be charged for in the future; consequently householders may want to consider ways of protecting their bins from theft

Two councillors have met with the NCC Trails team to identify best practice examples and available resources to develop a Starston circular walks leaflet / on-line information on parish walks. If you are interested in taking this project forward on a volunteer basis, please contact John Formston or Ann Leitch for a comprehensive briefing.

The bridge over the Beck has been reviewed by NCC bridges team. The report includes works that need to be undertaken and stated that there was no confirmed date for the work to commence. NCC has advised that volunteers are not allowed to assist with any work to the bridge.

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War Hero Pigeon

A carrier pigeon that successfully collected top secret messages from France during World War Two is getting a blue plaque. Mary was part of the National Pigeon Service and was seriously injured three times by enemy falcons and gunfire. She would deliver messages to the pigeon loft of her owner Cecil "Charlie" Brewer, which was behind his boot-making workshop in Exeter, Devon.

Mary was awarded the Dickin medal, the highest award for animal bravery, and the blue plaque from the Exeter Civic Society is its first to honour a partnership between an animal and its owner. Mr Brewer trained homing pigeons and in 1940 placed his prized bird, Mary, at the disposal of the service. Mary was dropped behind enemy lines and despite being wounded three times and once going missing for 10 days, she always completed her missions. Upon her return, Mr Brewer would then nurse her back to health and at the end of the war they both received medals. Mary won the Dickin Medal for her gallantry and outstanding endurance and Mr Brewer was decorated for his war services as Special Constable with responsibility for control of war pigeons in the area.

The Dickin Medal is effectively the animals' Victoria Cross. 70 have been issued to animals who have displayed conspicuous gallantry or devotion to duty. Mr Brewer raised money for charity by giving talks about Mary for many years before he died in 1985 aged 90. The story of Charlie and Mary is also being turned into an animated film which is due to be completed next year.

⇒ A new grit bin is now in situ at the junction of Wood Lane / Hardwick Road. At the time of writing (early March), it is yet to be filled by NCC Highways team.

Cllr J Broadhurst has worked very hard to complete the Starston Emergency Plan. Many thanks to everyone who has responded to the community survey. The plan will be finalised at the Parish Council meeting on 20th March. Summary details of the plan will be on the Parish Council tab of the village website, along with all the agendas, minutes, reports and SAM2 information.

Clare Crane
RFO & Parish Clerk,
Starston Parish Council

Majella Yorston – A Song or Two

Saturday 21st April – 7.30 pm in the Jubilee Hall

There is still time to book for a delightful musical evening with the singer/guitarist Majella Yorston. Advance booking is essential as we can only seat 40 people in the hall.

Majella has toured widely as lead vocalist/guitarist with bands across the UK and Europe and as a Solo Artist has appeared in Cabaret, Revues, Variety Shows and Festivals. She has performed on a number of BBC Radio programmes.

With material ranging from folk to rock and roll there'll be plenty of tunes to hum along to plus some lesser-known gems to enjoy. With her velvety voice, engaging performance style and trademark guitar, this will be an evening to remember.

To hear some examples of Majella singing visit her website at: ***https://www.majellayorston.co.uk/***

Tickets cost **£10** and can be booked with Michael Bartlett: 01379 852318 or by emailing ***mike@jack-ilott.co.uk***

Book Now To Avoid Disappointment

Later This Year in the Jubilee Hall

Saturday 23rd June
The Starston Summer Spectacular

12.00 noon - 6.00 pm on the Glebe Meadow
Hog Roast, Bouncy Castle, Table-Top Sale, Beer Tent + other attractions

Friday 13th July
Starston Village Summer Social

6.00 pm - 9.00 pm on the Glebe Meadow & Jubilee Hall

Free Entry for both Events
Details to follow but book the dates now

A Place To Call Home

Many years ago now I was involved with a charity in central London working with people who were homeless. I led street teams befriending teenagers living in cardboard boxes in an area called "The Bullring" near Waterloo; older men who were sleeping rough in Lincoln's Inn Fields and young people who had run away from home, arriving in London at Kings Cross railway station. I noticed that the majority of younger people had come from care institutions, and many of the older people had mental health problems. What most of them craved was being part of a community and having something to live for, not simply having a roof over their head.

Emmaus started in France shortly after the Second World War, when homelessness was a big issue. The first Emmaus Community was founded in Paris in 1949 by Father Henri -Antoine Grouès, better known as Abbé Pierre. He was an MP, Catholic priest and former member of the French Resistance who fought to provide homes for those who lived on the streets of Paris.

Locally, people who otherwise would be homeless can join Emmaus as a companion, living alongside the Anglican Community of All Hallows. Companions receive food, accommodation, clothing and a small weekly allowance. For many, the greatest benefit is a fresh start. In return, companions are expected to work 40 hours per week or as much as they are able in the charity's social enterprise.

To join the community, individuals sign off unemployment benefits and agree to participate in the life and work of the community and abide by its rules, for example not bringing drugs or alcohol into the community. Emmaus Norfolk & Waveney offers a place for as long as the individual is happy to comply with the basic ground rules. For some this may be weeks or months, for others it may be longer - even for life.

Like any flourishing community Emmaus is most successful when everyone makes a contribution. For Emmaus companions this means working together in the social enterprise to generate funds needed to support the community and the those who call it home. The Emmaus model has a huge impact on restoring confidence and self-respect. Based at Ditchingham, you will find an extensive second hand furniture shop, with a coffee shop and children's playground for customers to enjoy. A list of circular walks from the Emmaus car park is available on their website ***www.emmaus.org.uk/norwich***.

If you want to make a difference for someone who is homeless, you can:-

- Give Emmaus your unwanted goods (they will collect large items)
- Buy items from Emmaus (either at the shop or online at Preloved/ Gumtree/ Freeads)
- Be a volunteer
- Help make goods ready for sale
- Join them in the orchard for a drink and cake

Ann Leitch

Starston Miscellany

Jubilee Hall Curry Evening

Curry evenings are generally very popular and this was no exception, with a room full of happy faces taking in the wonderful aromas from the various curries on offer with accompanying poppadums, Bombay potatoes, naan bread and bhajis. Thanks to Dee McCall and her Jubilee Hall team for organising a delicious selection and pudding to follow. A simple quiz during the meal allowed the participants to take a breather between courses (and/or second helpings) and went down well.

A French themed gastronomic evening has been booked for Saturday 17th November so put this in your diary. The last one was a hilarious evening with many coming in fancy dress and the Hall decorated accordingly.

John Formston

St Margaret's Church, Starston

Sunday 8th April at 12 noon in St Margaret's Church: The Annual Vestry Meeting followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parochial Church Council. These meetings are to deal with the election of churchwardens, officers and members of the Parochial Church Council. The church belongs to the village and it is an opportunity to find out what has happened during 2017 and to discuss future ideas and proposals for the church.

If you need any further information please contact Ruth Cawcutt, PCC Secretary: Email ***rcawcutt1@btinteret.com*** or telephone 852087.

Thank You, Jo

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Starston Litter Pick

A band of merry men, women and children ventured out on a cold but gloriously sunny Saturday in February to clear litter from grass verges and hedges in and around Starston. Sadly, most of the litter is thrown from passing cars – takeaway meals packaging, cans and plastic drink bottles being the majority of items collected. Some of the more unusual objects included a cat's litter tray (with accompanying split black plastic bag of used cat's litter), full tins of paint, and the weathered skull of a muntjac deer.

Many people in the village clear litter on an ongoing basis from the roadside as they walk around the village. This is much appreciated. In addition, this year the Parish Council has organised two community litter picks. On the chosen February Saturday, some folks cleared litter on their road at a time that suited them. Others joined in a community effort, gathering to share tales of horrid hedgerow rubbish, hot drinks (much needed as it was cold) and delicious coffee cake (thanks Jane!). There were also games of table football and pool/snooker to rejuvenate tired litter pickers on our return to the Jubilee Hall. Overall, a productive and jolly occasion.

The next community litter pick will be on **Saturday 22nd September**. If you would like to help, but are unavailable on this date, rubbish bags, high visibility jackets and litter pickers are available from John Formston - Tel: 853042.

Want To Heat Your Greenhouse?

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All money raised will be added to our next charity dinner, April 21st (St George's).
Last charity dinner raised £215 for Air Ambulance.
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Letting Go

Friends of mine found a litter of baby hedgehogs in their garden, the mother killed, and they weak from hunger. They took the orphans into their home and cared for them through the winter. When the orphans woke from hibernation they did not at first want to leave the security of their shed, but gradually over the summer they got braver and foraged for their own food. Come last autumn one of them was back in the shed for its hibernation.

My friends still leave out food for the hedgehogs, and sometimes they need it, and sometimes they don't. The important thing is to make sure they do not become too dependent, or they won't learn to live a proper hedgehog life. We can't keep wild things confined or keep them dependent. That makes them into pets, not independent, free creatures. But we can make sure we are there for them when they need us.

Cecil Day-Lewis in his poem "Walking Away" remembers the first time his child made a bid for independence and maturity during a game of football. It was a struggle for him to let go, and let his child start on the journey to adulthood. Finally he concludes:

"That selfhood begins with walking away,
And Love is proved in the letting go."

This year April begins on Easter Day. The darkness of winter is over. The countryside returns to life and colour. The world is fresh and green with the promise of summer to come. The cross has done its worst, and Jesus, who was dead, is alive again and seen by all those who loved him.

We think that in our modern world we are so enlightened. Last month was full of reminders of suffragettes, and growing equality of opportunity for women. But 2,000 years ago the first person to see the risen Christ was Mary Magdelene, and it was she who took the message to the menfolk. She didn't want to leave him and go to tell the others what she had seen, but Jesus said, "Don't cling to me." So she left him and went to give the good news to the others. Over the six weeks that followed that first Easter Jesus was seen by large numbers of people.

It was a struggle for Mary to let go of the Lord, and go to tell the others. It was a struggle for Jesus to leave behind his earthly life with his friends. Jesus will never abandon us, but he will set us free, otherwise how could we ever hope to grow into the independent, loving creatures that he knows we can be.

Yours in Christ,
Gale

Two roads diverged in a wood, and I -
I took the one less travelled by,
And that has made all the difference.
Quote from the poem "The Road Not Taken" by Robert Frost

County Council News

I begin my report with a massive thank you to everyone who helped out with the cold snowy conditions that hit all of Norfolk in early March. Especial thanks to all of the local farmers who helped with snow clearance on our roads and all local volunteers who used our grit bins that are placed around our towns and villages. Thanks also to our highways teams across the county that worked around the clock with other agencies to keep our roads clear. Thankfully the snow did not last too long but what it showed here in Norfolk is that everyone worked together and looked out for one another.

Thousands of primary school children across the county will be learning valuable safety skills and advice at interactive workshops this year thanks to a project led by Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service. Crucial Crew is a multi-agency project which has been running in Norfolk for more than a decade and welcomes year six (aged 10-11) pupils from schools across the county. It helps children stay safe at home, in the community and online and sessions are fun and interactive. As well as learning about fire safety in real-life scenarios, children also take part in short bitesize workshops. This year's topics include warnings about fire safety, household emergencies, sexting, seaside safety, healthy relationships, alcohol and drug awareness, road safety and first aid.

At long last a planning application has been submitted for a Long Stratton bypass which has been campaigned for by local people for many years. Ahead of that is the new roundabout on the A140 to replace the existing Hempnall crossroads which is one the most dangerous junctions in the county. Currently there is a public consultation on the plans for the roundabout, asking local people, and those who use this junction, for their views, information, issues or concerns that may help us improve and finalise our plans. The consultation questionnaire can be found at ***www.norfolk.gov.uk/hempnallcrossroads***

The Norfolk Community Biodiversity Awards 2018: These awards are run by the Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership (NBP) to recognise the achievements of individuals and groups whose voluntary actions make a difference for wildlife and people. There are five award categories, Saving Species, Young People's Achievement, Churchyards and Cemeteries, Groups, Nature for Health and Wellbeing. To nominate please go to ***www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/CBANomination*** or download a form at ***www.norfolkbiodiversity.org***

South Norfolk Community Awards: Nominations are now open for the seventh annual South Norfolk Community Awards. There are eight categories and nominations will close on 29th April. These awards celebrate the valuable contribution volunteers make to South Norfolk. The awards will be hosted by BBC Radio Norfolk's Nick Conrad, and will coincide with the National Volunteers Week (June 1st - 7th).
To nominate please call Emma Eltringham on 01508 533945

My next surgery will be at HIP on Saturday May 5th at 10.00 am.

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Local Films in April

Pennoyers Film (Pulham St Mary) **Note: 2 Films this month**

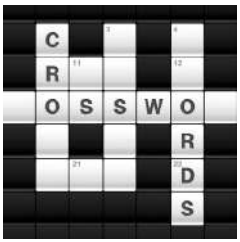
Title: Paddington 2 (PG)
Date: Wednesday 4th April **Time**: 6.30 pm
Cost: Adults £5.00 in advance, Children £3.00 in advance
Further adventures of Paddington Bear and the Brown family.

Title: Goodbye Christopher Robin (PG)
Date: Friday 20th April **Time**: 8.00 pm
Cost: Adults £5.00 in advance, £5.50 on the door
The story behind the Winnie-the-Pooh books
Booking advisable - phone 01379 676660. Ices available.

Harleston Film (Masonic Rooms, Thoroughfare, Harleston)
Title: Goodbye Christopher Robin (PG)
Date: Thursday 26th April **Time**: 2.00 pm and 7.30 pm. Doors open ½ hour before.
Cost: £4.00
This film provides us with a rare glimpse into the relationship between author A.A. Milne and his son Christopher Robin whose toys inspired the magical world of Winnie the Pooh.
Book with Harleston Information Plus on 01379 851917.

Alburgh Film (Alburgh Village Hall)
Title: Murder On The Orient Express (12A)
Date: Friday 20th April **Time**: 7.30 pm Doors open 6.30 pm
Cost: £4.00 on the door.
When a murder occurs on the train he is travelling on, celebrated detective Hercule Poirot is recruited to solve the case.
You are welcome to bring your own take-away to eat in the hall beforehand.
Ice creams available in interval.

Answers to the March Crossword



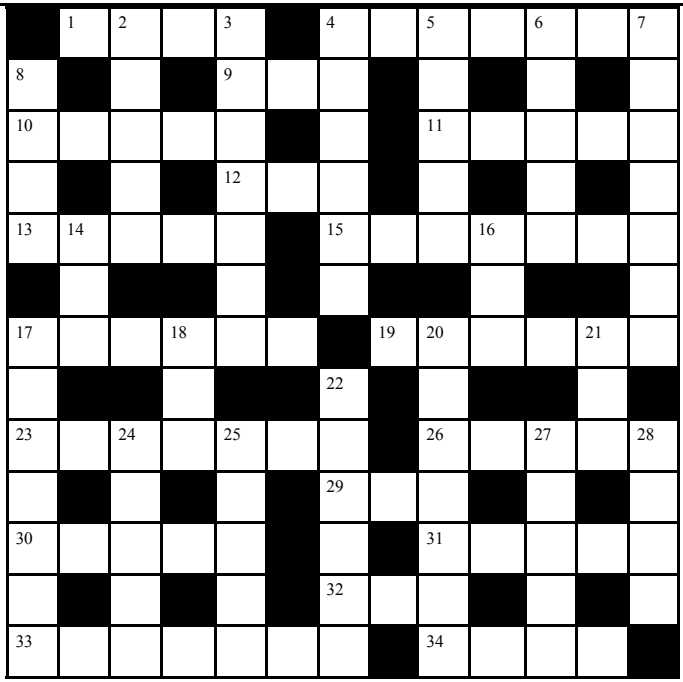
ACROSS

1. Redshank
4. Teal
6. Crow
7. Wheatear
9. Pheasant
10. Ibis
12. Serin
14. Eagle
19. Smew
20. Redstart
21. Nightjar
22. Kite
23. Wren
24. Whinchat

DOWN

1. Recipe
2. Diocese
3. Nihang
4. Tithing
5. Lords
8. Asti
11. Ice
12. Sam
13. Raw chin
15. Arse
16. Leanish
17. Detach
18. Attest
19. Sinew

April Crossword by Ariadne



CLUES ACROSS

1. Cross rodents (4)
4. 60s pop group (7)
9. Piper's son or slang for a lady of the night (3)
10. If you have a complaint, leave it here (5)
11. Helps Di out of her tricky situation (5)
12. To compete with a rival (3)
13. Signal the inspector (5)
15. Are ewe feeling tired? Or maybe just off-colour? (7)
17. A ship laden with treasure (6)
19. Billy from Bradford City – a foul bird (6)
23. A variety of mineral or an Isle (7)
26. Planet in our solar system with only 1 moon (5)
29. Your fridge is ordering its own food and you can't do a damned thing about it. (3)
30. According to a nineteenth century account, Starston's 'consists of two complete manuals, C C to G, 56 notes, ...'. (5)
31. A semiaquatic carnivorous opossum with dark-banded grey fur and webbed hind feet, native to tropical America (5)
32. Elver's parent (3)
33. Excreted (7)
34. Common name for sodium carbonate (4)

CLUES DOWN

2. Snake specialising in arithmetic (5)
3. Could be Shakin', could be a Cat (7)
4. A unit of electrical current (6)
5. What Eric did before he became a Python? (5)
6. Fancy name for a bracelet (5)
7. What astronomers seek? (7)
8. Tight lipped shellfish (4)
14. What you need if you're up the creek and can't find a paddle (3)
16. If a brown cow asks for money? (3)
17. Publicans need one of these if their customers can't read (7).
18. What's left to us after the full 60 minutes (3)
20. Compounds containing CH3CO (7).
21. Produces formic acid. Do not disturb (3)
22. What this crossword needs to be before it's sent to the printers (6)
24. Golden, booted, sea and more (5)
25. A small perennial herb (5)
27. No sign of this in the Waveney (5)
28. Probably with chips (4)

Benefice Services in April

	1st Easter Day	8th Easter 2	15th Easter 3	22nd Easter 4	29th Easter 5
Dickle-burgh	9.30am All Age Communion	9.30am PC	9.30am BCP Matins	9.30am PC	
Pulham Market	9.30am Easter Communion	8.00am HC 10.45am Memorial Hall	9.30am HC	9.30am SW	
Pulham St Mary	8.00am BCP Easter Communion 9.30am Messy Communion	9.30am HC	9.30am Matins	9.30am HC	
Rushall	11.00am Easter Communion	11.00am HC	11.00am SW	11.00am SW	
Starston	11.00am BCP Easter Communion	11.00am BCP Matins	11.00am BCP Communion	11.00am Great and Small	10.00am Benefice Communion
Thelveton	11.00am Easter Communion	11.00am BCP Matins	With Dickleburgh	11.00am SW	

Monday 23rd: 10.00am Patronal Communion Service at Shimpling

Key To Services

HC: Holy Communion **PC**: Parish Communion

BCP: Book of Common Prayer **SW**: Sunday Worship

CC: Café Church

Starston PCC Secretary: Ruth Cawcutt.
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Web Site for Information on all Services: ***http://www.thebenefice.org.uk/***

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Community Services

Local Buses - from Starston to Harleston and Starston to Long Stratton and Norwich	For information Ring: **0871 200 22 33**
Border Hoppa - dial-a-ride service	Ring: **01379 854800**
Police - (non-emergency)	Ring**: 101**
Safer Neighbourhood Team	**Email:** sntharleston@norfolk.pnn.police.uk
Report Power Cuts	Ring **105**
NHS Emergency & Urgent Care Services (Including Emergency out of hours chemist)	Ring**: 111** when it's less urgent than 999
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