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Village diary.

Warm Welcome lunch in the Jubilee Hall	Wednesday 4th November	11.30am
Village firework display – Glebe Meadow (p.7)	Saturday 7th November	4.30pm
Remembrance Sunday service – St. Margaret's	Sunday 15th November	10.45am
Parish Council Meeting in the Jubilee Hall	Monday 16th November	7.30pm
Teaspoon Club in the Jubilee Hall	Saturday 28th November	9.30am
Christmas tree lights switch-on – Jubilee Hall (p.17)	Saturday 28th November	5.30pm
Teaspoon Club with cooked brunch – Jubilee Hall	Saturday 2nd December	9.30am
Wild Winter Fair – Jubilee Hall	Saturday 12th December	2.00pm

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Around and about.

Bun, cuppa & chat.

Our next Bun, Cuppa and Chat veteran's event will be on Thursday 26th November, usual time: 2.30 – 4.00pm at the Mariner's Galley.

Pulham Market Society.

Wednesday 18th November at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall, The Green, Pulham Market
East Anglian Motorcycle Speedway: A Global Tour - Speedway during the Cold War era
A talk by Richard Mills
Annual Membership £15 – Guest visitors £5 per session. Refreshments included.
Secretary/Membership: Sue Smee *sue.smee@hotmail.co.uk*

Pennoyer Centre – Christmas craft fair.

Saturday & Sunday 7th and 8th November at 10.30am to 3.00pm.
Approximately. 24 stalls on both days all supported by local crafters, artisans and design makers. Gifts, textiles, Christmas decorations, glass, ceramics, wood, knitting, candles, soaps, chocolates and more. Free entry and car parking.
The café will be open selling light refreshments, homemade cakes and teas and coffees.

Pennoyer Centre – film night: The Devil Wears Prada 2.

20th November doors open 7.00pm, film starts 7.30pm.
Buy your tickets in advance online, or alternatively phone the Centre on 01379 676660, email: *admin@pennoyers.org.uk*

Denton Art Group – art exhibition.

We are holding an exhibition of our members' work in November – all welcome.
Denton Village Hall Saturday 14th November 10.00am to 3.00pm.
Free entry, refreshments available. Some paintings will be for sale.

Regular 'what's on' information.

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Editor's notes.

Happy November everyone.

This issue is packed full of reports of village social gatherings past and planned for. We have had Safari and Harvest Suppers and November will see fireworks on the Glebe Meadow and the Christmas Tree lights will be switched on.

It still feels a bit premature to invoke the "C" word partly due to the daytime temperature's refusal to give way to the season just yet. Still, we have had some rain and Starston is looking green again and that contrasts the vibrant autumn colours so nicely.

Starston wouldn't be Starston without the large number of villagers who give their time quietly and freely to support events and gatherings, maintain and service the church and the hall and simply organise stuff for everyone to enjoy.

There are reports in this issue highlighting the contribution of volunteers and I'd urge you to think about anything little or large you can offer to any of the village's public or voluntary organisations. It is a fun way to get to know more of your fellow Starstonites.

Karen O'Keeffe

Starston Fireworks Party.

Saturday 7th November 2026.
Glebe Meadow: 4:30pm – 5:30pm.



Due to popular demand, the village fireworks party will be held again this year from 4:30pm on Glebe Meadow. The format will follow that as in previous years i.e. the ticket price will include a hot dog, cupcake, sparkler, drink and fireworks.

Please reserve the date in your diary and if you would like tickets at £6 per person, under 5's free, then contact either:

Ann Leitch: *a_leitch@live.co.uk* or
Janet Broadhurst: *janetbroadhurst@aol.com*

‘In Flanders’ Fields the poppies blow’.

Six months in the life of a Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal organiser.



During the First World War, wild red poppies emerged from the battle-scarred fields and the graves of newly buried soldiers across the Western Front, providing a bright glimmer of hope for the future. Inspired by the sight, Lieutenant Colonel John Macrae, a Canadian doctor, wrote the poem, In Flanders’ Fields in 1915, which six years later, provided the inspiration for the newly-formed British Legion (later the Royal British Legion or RBL) to adopt the red poppy as a symbol of remembrance for those from Great Britain and the Commonwealth who died in the service of their country. The first Poppy Day was held on 11 November 1921, with the sale of the poppies raising a remarkable £100,000 to help veterans with housing and jobs in the aftermath of the First World War. The following year, the Poppy Factory was founded in Richmond, Surrey; it is still in existence today, now producing millions of poppies each year.

Over a century later, the red poppy is a universally recognised symbol of Remembrance; Armistice Day (11 November) and Remembrance Sunday are commemorated annually across the country; and the Festival of Remembrance at the Albert Hall and the parade at the Cenotaph are key features in the life of the nation. Most importantly, children and young people, through schools, cadets, scouts, guides and battlefield tours, are learning about Remembrance, not just for those who died in the First and Second World Wars, beyond the living memory of anyone aged under 80, but for those who have died while serving their country in the decades since. In 2025, the RBL Poppy Appeal, which runs from mid-October to 11 November, raised £56.6 million to support the Armed Forces community and their families, 32 million poppies and 135,000 wreaths were distributed nationwide.

Have you ever wondered though how the trays of red poppies and the collecting tins get into the local shops, schools, supermarkets, cafes, pubs and so forth during the Poppy Appeal? Or where the thousands of wreaths laid in churches and at war memorials across the county on Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday come from? Or how all the cash and card payments collected locally find their way into the national Poppy Appeal funds? The answer lies in the 59,000 volunteers who supported the Poppy Appeal last year.



Here in Norfolk, there is a paid county RBL Poppy Appeal Manager who supports a network of volunteer Poppy Appeal Organisers (PAOs), each with a district of one or more (sometimes many more!) towns or villages. Each district will have other volunteers who collect in supermarkets, do street or house to house collections or help to distribute the tins into schools and shops and other static collection points. As the PAO for the Dickleburgh and Long Stratton Districts I cover a ‘double patch’, or perhaps more accurately, a ‘long stretch’ which runs from Scole in the south to villages north of Long Stratton with several others east and west of the A140.

My year starts around July with a local seminar for the county’s PAOs organised by our Poppy Appeal Manager. In August. I check my list of venues and the stock I have left from last year - tins, boxes of poppies, wreaths, school packs, and other merchandise such as reflector poppies, wooden crosses and car poppies and then order any new stock I need, including the much sought after dated poppy pins. Around mid-September, the Royal Mail van arrives with lots of boxes of goodies, and I have a couple of weeks to prepare and label all the tins and sort out the merchandise and school packs.

I love working with the schools, although the school packs provided by the RBL, containing festival bands, pencils, reflector poppies, stickers and slap bands, are ‘one-size fits all’ and the pupil numbers in my 15 primary schools range from 17 in the smallest to more than 180 in the two largest. Some schools won’t take the slap

‘In Flanders’ Fields the poppies blow’. (cont.)

bands (designed to be ‘slapped’ round the wrist, but some children are more inventive in their use!) and others want enough paper poppies for all pupils and staff when they attend local Armistice Day commemorations. So, I customise many of the school packs to suit the size and needs of the different schools.

In early October, I start delivering the tins and poppies to the schools and static points and to the house-to-house volunteers. I also organise collections at a local supermarket, with volunteers and the Army Cadets running a stall there for three or four days during the Poppy Appeal, and I provide parish councils and other local organisations with any wreaths they need for Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day. However much I plan, I still end up doubling back on myself or visiting some villages more than once as the opening times of the different types of venues are so variable, with many pubs closing on Mondays and Tuesdays and some not opening until mid- afternoon, half day or all day closing for some shops, and volunteers and parish clerks leading busy lives and not always being in when I want to visit!

Delivering the tins has other challenges – roads are closed, usually without any proper diversion offered - one year, I had to walk 300 yards along a country road to a pub as a burst water stopped me going any further in the car. Another time when we had biblical floods, I was drenched in Long Stratton, sloshed through three inches of



water across a school playground and was unable to reach another school as the village was cut off! Narrow lanes, some with grass growing up the middle, are routine, as indeed is negotiating tractors. A first this year was driving to the (full) car park at the end of a narrow 200-yard school drive, waiting until the bin lorry drove off after emptying the bin, before doing a 5-point turn and then meeting a massive food delivery truck reversing up the drive as I drove back to the road!

After 11 November, the tins and remaining stock are collected, the cash counted by me and other volunteers, either manually or with an RBL counting machine, which looks and sounds like a large version of Arkwright’s till, and banked through the Post Office. I sort and log all remaining stock and either store it for next year or return it to the Poppy Appeal warehouse. I send out thank you letters to the organisations who have had Poppy Appeal tins for us, visit the Cadets to thank them in person, and complete the RBL paperwork. Then it is time to put my feet up and look forward to Christmas!



Last year, we raised £6,300 across the Dickleburgh and Long Stratton Districts. On behalf of the armed forces community, my thanks to the organisations who put tins out for us, the supermarket and café for letting us collect in-store, the schools for supporting the Appeal with the children, the Army cadets and all the volunteers for giving us their time and, of course, all those generous folk who donated to the Poppy Appeal and wear their Poppy with pride.

Please contact Mandy Carter, the Harleston PAO, details at the front of Pigeon Post, for queries about the Poppy Appeal in Starston and the Pulhams, and me for queries about Dickleburgh, Thelveton and Rushall.

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Starston Warm Welcome (SWW).

As many of you know, Starston has a Warm Welcome, which is on the first Wednesday of each month, held in the Jubilee Hall from 11.30am – 2.30pm, where tea, coffee, and a hot meal are provided, including dessert.

There is a core of ten attendees, and the sound of laughter and chatting is a delight to hear, and from the kitchen it's almost like a reunion of long-standing friends, even though before SWW most people did not know one another.

Aside from birthday celebrations, with the blowing out of candles on home-made cakes baked especially for the occasion, the highlight seems to be the bingo. This is overseen by Herbert. Everyone joins in and the winners are rewarded with the choice of a prize!







It does though, take a lot of work and organising from the team in the background, and here is where we are starting to struggle…we need a team of volunteers to take this forward, so please if you have any interest at all, make contact with Janet Broadhurst. There are various roles that need to be filled, from picking up and dropping off, morning set up, cooking a meal – or part of it, perhaps a main, or vegetables, or dessert, serving the meal, to the clear up, dishwasher emptying and locking up of the Jubilee Hall.

Once this merry band of volunteers are in place, the rota will be circulated, and will be mainly self-organising, but with Janet and Ann in the background should any major issues come up.

It would be such a shame to see this come to an end. Activities like this are vital to small villages, but life is busy, and without a core team of volunteers, it is unsustainable moving into the future.

If you have any spare time, or are interested, here are the contact details.

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Janice Brooks



What's on at Harleston Library.

Tel: (01379) 852549 Email: *Harleston.lib@libraries.norfolk.gov.uk*

This month we will be joining the town in celebrating 150 years of Harleston's iconic clock tower. Look out for our clock tower themed display on the board in the Children's Area.

We will be decorating Keepsake Clock Bags in a special Art & Craft Club on Wednesday 18th November. Places are limited so please contact the library to reserve your space. Suggested donation £3.00, which will be going towards the upkeep of the Clock Tower. Bags and everything else you need included.

On Monday 23rd November we will be asking our Lego Club group to construct Lego clock towers and on Wednesday 25th November we will be holding a Clock Tower Celebration Family Time with themed crafts and activities.

On Monday 2nd November Janine will be here on hand for 'Tea & Tech' to give you a hand with any tricky I.T. problems you may be having. She will be back for an extra session on Wednesday 4th November when we will also be holding an Electric Blanket testing session so bring your electric blanket in for a safety check, no need to book.

Check our website for our regular dates for your Diary (activities are free of charge with refreshments available). Details available on our website and at Harleston Information Plus.

A Day in the Life: it takes a village to run a Church.

There are some very special people in life who seem to take on the challenge of making everyone else's life a little bit easier, they give their time, resources and love to everything they touch, and this month I want to highlight just some of the amazing band of volunteers who keep St. Margaret's Church running. Rosemary Steer handles the church rotas and onboards any new volunteers.

Kevin Murphy

Kevin moved to Starston in 2020, and lives just off Church Hill, which is really handy for a Church volunteer. Kevin is on the rota, probably twice a year to open and close the church each day. The church is open from early morning and closes just before dusk OR just before it starts to get dark, one of the key parts of closing is to make sure there is no-one inside, which hasn't happened on his watch so far!





Joy Brooks

Joy moved to Starston 2016, and lives on Railway Hill. She started arranging the flowers at St. Margaret's a couple of years later. She loves being in the Church, especially by herself so that she can concentrate and enjoy arranging the flowers in the cool, quiet peace. She uses flowers from her garden and has a kind friend who lets her forage for any additional foliage. There is a flower rota for the year, and she usually does it twice a year and for a couple of weeks at a time.

Simon Limbrick

Simon has lived in Starston for eight years. In June this year, it was announced that he was the new Tower Captain and was handed the keys to the St. Margaret's tower by Herbert Websdell at the Bells Festival.



As the new Tower Captain he leads the ringing team, and is responsible for organizing practice sessions, Sunday service ringing, and weddings and funerals, and acts as the main liaison between the ringers and church authorities. Encouraging new ringers is a key part of his role. As a music teacher and professional musician, Simon is happy surrounded by music of any kind and is delighted to head the Starston bellringing team.

Linda Savage

Linda and her husband Frank moved to Starston in 2013 and live off Railway Hill. Linda a florist, initially joined the flower rota. Then along came a request to become a member of the Order of Holy Dusters and so began the church cleaning. Frank goes round and sweeps the bat droppings off the pews and Linda follows with polish and a duster, and even their granddaughter helps, so together they make the perfect team!

Paul Grimble

Paul lives in Harleston, and he has been the St. Margaret's organist since 2021. His interest in music began at an early age, when his Uncle Roy, who was a church organist, encouraged him to play. Long before that his parents had arranged for him to have piano lessons.



He has been playing at St. Margaret's for about five years taking over from the late Sheena Duncan Paul says that the organ at St. Margaret's has a lovely touch and a good variety of sounds, which makes such a difference.

Unfortunately, I am unable to highlight everyone but acknowledge and thank all the volunteers who take the time to look after our lovely St. Margarets – long may they reign!

Anyone interested in joining the volunteer group or needs more information, contact Rosemary: *rosemaryasteer55@gmail.com*

Janice Brooks

Parish Council report.

It is with a mixture of deep regret and warm appreciation that I must report that Janet Broadhurst has stepped back from the Parish Council after many years of service. Janet has been a hugely valuable councillor, fulfilling an astonishing number of roles during her period of office: as the Footpath Warden she kept a watchful eye on the state of this precious village network; she has studiously coordinated the village Emergency Plan, and during the unsettling days of Covid was a discreetly supportive friend to many; more recently she has been, together with her husband Geoff, the driving force behind the Warm Welcome lunches. I know I speak on behalf of countless people in the village in offering Janet our heartfelt thanks.

This means we will soon be advertising a vacancy for a new councillor. Please contact me or Philip Astor if you might be interested in serving the community in this way.

The Parish Council has a dedicated section on the village website, where you can access a wealth of inspirational material, such as the Council's policies and papers from past meetings.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 16th November at 7.30pm in the Jubilee Hall. If you would like to attend the meeting, or you would like any matters raised in the public forum, please do email me in advance.

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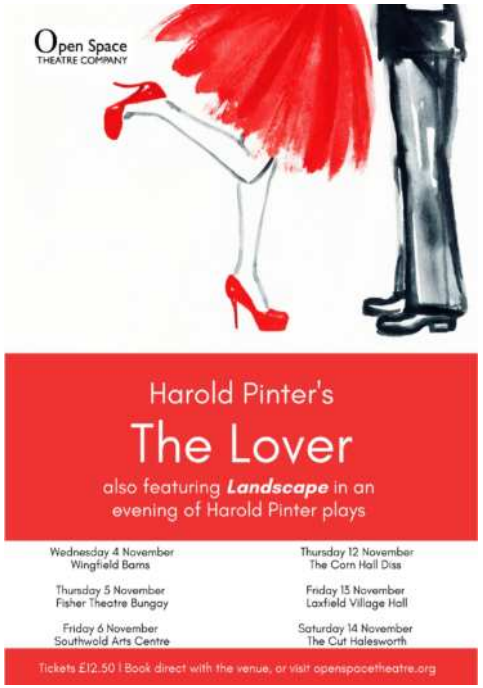
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Benefice Letter.

Remember! Remember! November is upon us already, and for many, fireworks will be lighting the skies and most probably not just on 5th November!

One date that stays firm is 11th November. On this day at the eleventh hour of the eleventh month people fall silent to remember those who have died or those who have been affected by war and conflict both in the past and the present. Remembering can sometimes be sad and painful.

During Remembrance Sunday Service I use the following prayer focusing on the poppy. I share the words as it can be used wherever you feel you may like to remember.

“Look at the poppy in your hand. Poppies are bright and cheerful flowers: say thank you to God for the lives of those who have died in war, remembering all the joy they brought to families and friends, and all the good things they did for their home and their country.

Then look at the red petals: Red can remind us of danger and harm. Ask God to be close to those who are still facing danger each day, to give courage to the armed forces, and compassion to all who help others.

Place your whole hand over the poppy: Poppies are also fragile and need to be handled gently. God cares for those who are hurting and those who are sad. Ask God to comfort all who are grieving the loss of someone they love.

Finally place a finger on the centre of the poppy: ask God to help you play your part in working for peace in the world.”

There are Remembrance Sunday services within our benefice on Sunday November 8th. It will be a privilege to share with you as we “Remember”.

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Notes from a travelling Starston gardener.

In March I left my Starston garden to its own devices and travelled with my partner in crime to India, where we visited three of the country's tiger reserves. Needless to say we wanted to see tigers, but our guides, all of them expert naturalists, were delighted when we told them that we were interested in all aspects of the natural world - other animals, birds, butterflies and plants.

In Satpura National Park we asked about the bundles of dry vegetation stacked like wigwams round many of the trees. These were the remains of Lantana – not the pretty little bedding plant but a shrub which has become highly invasive in the forests of central India. The ones we saw had been uprooted and will be burned.



Later in our trip we had a guided walk in the grounds of the Lodge where we were staying and saw a strangler vine, which does what it says on the tin. It's not invasive as such, but is not good news for the tree it strangles.

We also had a guided walk in Satpura National Park's Buffer Zone, which also does what it says on the tin. It's a buffer between the surrounding farmland and villages, and the Park's Core area which is completely out of bounds. However, local people are permitted to forage in the Buffer Zone where they harvest the young leaves of the Indian Ebony tree. These leaves are allowed to dry out, which makes them unbreakable. They are then sold to be used as the "paper" in the manufacture of bidi, the local cigarettes.



Even more important is the Mahua tree. The oil extracted from its seeds is used for cooking, skincare and soap making; the seed cake left after extraction of the oil is a fertiliser. Our guide, Mehul, picked up some of the flowers which had been shed. They have a high sugar content and are fermented to produce the local hooch. We didn't try it - sloth bears and langur monkeys get tipsy just by eating the flowers.

Our verdict on the trip: food great (naans to die for), accommodation great (it included a posh tent and a tree house), wildlife great (yes, we did see tigers).

Dee the Gardener

Safari Supper.

The concept of people from the village gathering together and sharing food prepared by each other is something that really appealed to me. I've lived in the village nearly three years but by no means do I know everyone yet. Meeting, eating, sharing stories and getting to know each other better showcased Starston's true community spirit. I was made very welcome at Tim and Anna Nursey's home along with some wonderful, interesting villagers. The food and company were unrivalled, we shared tales, reminiscing of days gone by and enjoyed plenty of laughter.

To top it off at the end of the evening everyone gathered at the Taylor's. Sadly, I still didn't get to meet everyone, there were so many people as the event was so well supported. This surely means there is an opportunity for another gathering in the not-too-distant future. As well as being a great community event it was also a fund raiser for the church.

I can't wait for the fireworks night, closely followed by the Christmas tree lights switch on. I shall endeavour to meet more people at these events. Starston is like a lettuce, a little gem of a village.

Demelza Scholes

Harleston Choral Society.

We are delighted to be performing Saint- Saëns' Christmas Oratorio, Cecilia McDowall's Christus Natus Est, and many seasonal favourites for our Christmas Concert this year on Saturday 5th December at Harleston Sancroft Academy, Wilderness Lane IP20 9DD at 7.30pm. We are selling tickets online and are offering a limited number of EARLY BIRD tickets at £12. Full price tickets are £15. (Click the QR code to purchase tickets online.)

We are honoured to be introducing Elizabeth Roberts as our soprano soloist this year. Elizabeth has performed at The Royal Opera House in Covent Garden, The Royal Festival Hall and featured at the opening ceremony of The London 2012 Olympics. We are so lucky to have her! We also welcome back Harley Jones as baritone. Harley sings in Ely Cathedral Choir and impressed us all with his beautiful voice at our summer concert. For more information visit *www.harlestonchoralsociety.org.uk* contact *caroline@rodbourne.org.uk*

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November quiz – anagrams.

Notable Norfolk Names

Unscramble these notable people, past and present.

Example: THE ZIRY FABLE ELIZABETH FRY

1. Note lions hora
2. More thin jual
3. Meger pye mark
4. Maned Jossy
5. Vail the cled
6. Aimie opale
7. Trim near huit area
8. Dull briar chard
9. Chive dolled monday
10. Rair bell rope swat
11. Courage over veng
12. Claim ino oval

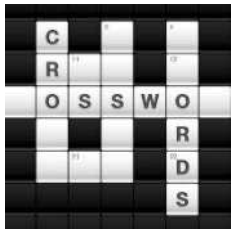
Answers to the October quiz (Dingbats).

1. Bear necessities
2. Missing the point
3. Time is money
4. Forbidden fruit
5. Growing old
6. Down to earth
7. Victoria Cross
8. The days are numbered
9. Dead ringer
10. Head in the sand

Answers to the October crossword.

Across.

1. Embezzling
7. Affaire
8. Baled
10. TUI
12. Endows
13. Quiff
14. Zulu
15. Same
16. Erupt
17. Bunded
18. And
20. Lever
22. Fluidly
23. Expendable



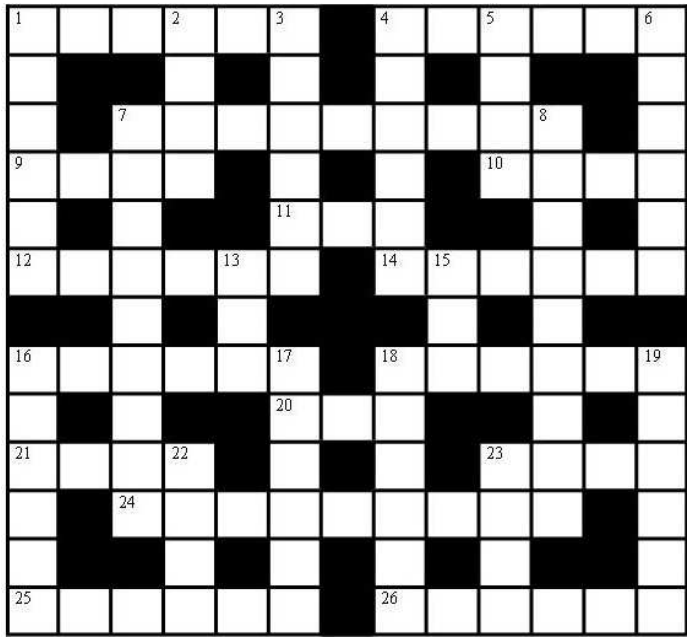
My apologies for the missing clue for 21 down last month. It was:
'Entirely empty (4)' (sic).

Craig

Down.

1. Eject
2. Bambi
3. Zeal
4. Load
5 . Grandest
6 . Jurywoman
9. Exiled
11. Unusually
12. Effuse
13. Quadbike
18. Ardeb
19. Drone
20. Lyre
21. Void

November crossword by Dahlia.



Clues across.

1. Lives (6)
4. Go after (6)
7. Keeping boys ears warm since 1854 (9)
9. Anticipation of danger (4)
10. Otherwise (4)
11. Fish eggs (3)
12. These Lads kept us entertained in 1964 (6)
14. Short poems with lines ending with similar sounds (6)
16. The acyl radical derived from acetic acid (6)
18. A craft. Or to set said craft in motion (6)
20. I am here; in France (3)
21. Spice derived from nutmeg shell (4)
23. Go around (4)
24. St John's wort (9)
25. A molecule almost identical to another (6)
26. Players in a cricket team (6)

Clues down.

1. Dodger (6)
2. Expensive, expression of affection (4)
3. A perfect night sky (6)
4. A D.I.Y. essential (6)
5. Deep affection (4)
6. Long legged birds, or something to keep legs dry (6)
7. Where your MP might sit (9)
8. Used for cooking utensils and aircraft (9)
13. Do this to a table or a fire (3)
15. A group of people who own their own properties (1,1,1)
16. Regard with pleasure (6)
17. Arranged sequentially (6)
18. An oily or waxy substance (with or without e) (6)
19. A German town in Hesse, or the past tense of capital punishment (6)
22. The Plague village (4)
23. A long hollow cylinder or a transport system (4)

Benefice services in November (tbc).

	1st Nov All Saints' Day	8th Nov Remembrance Sunday	15th Nov 2 before Advent	22nd Nov Christ the King	29th Nov Advent 1
Pulham Market	9.30 Communion	10.45am Remembrance	9.30 Communion	9.30 All Age Worship	10.00 Benefice Communion + Healing
Pulham St Mary	8.00 BCP Communion	10.45am Remembrance	11.00 Communion	11.00 All age Worship	
Starston	11.00 BCP Communion	10.45am Remembrance	11.00 BCP Morning Prayer	11.00 BCP Morning Prayer	
Dickleburgh	9.30 Patronal	10.45am Remembrance	9.30 Morning Prayer	9.30 Communion	
Thelveton	11.00 Morning Prayer		3.00 Evening Service	11.00 Communion	
Rushall	7.00 All Souls' Service	3.00pm Remembrance			

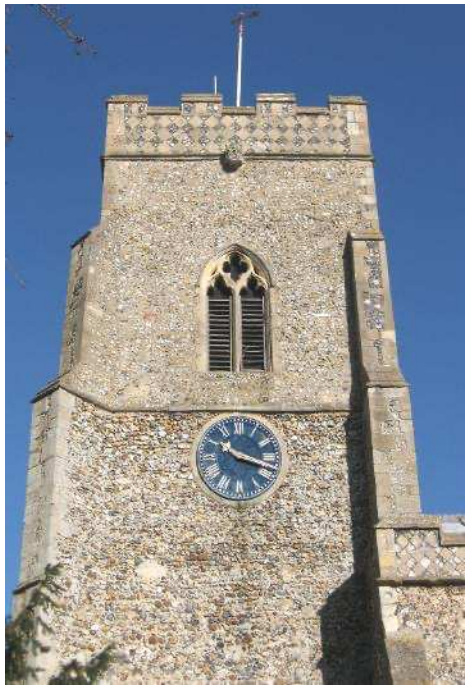
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Dickleburgh	9.30am	1st Sundays (breakfast from 9am)
Starston	11.00am	2nd Sundays (breakfast from 10.15am)
Pulham St Mary	11.00am	3rd Sundays (breakfast from 10.15am)
Pulham Market	9.30am	4th Sundays (breakfast from 9am)

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