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Come to the Fete and Duck Race!

On Saturday 5th July, the famous Bawburgh fete and Duck Race is due to return to the Village Green.



The Fete will start at 2:00pm on the Village Green.

There will be a wide range of stalls, including the ever-popular cake and bottle stalls. If you have donations for either, please take them to the Green in the morning.

The Kings Head will run their bar serving drinks and snacks.

The barbecue will be selling burgers and hot dogs.

There will also be a stall from John Innes and also the book stall.

Duck Race tickets are available from committee members in advance and on the day and are £2 each, with prizes of £100, £50, and four of £25.

The Children's raft race will start at 2:30pm.

The Grand prize Draw has

three prizes; a hamper, voucher for a meal at the Kings Head and a voucher for Glen Lodge.

The Grand Prize Draw will take place at 4:15pm.

The main race will start at 4:30pm.

Setting up usually begins at 9:30am with help needed in the Village Hall and on the Green.

This is the village's main fund -raising event and helps to provide money to maintain the fabric of the village and allows us to be able to put on other

If you are able to help, or you want more details about what is involved, please contact:

bawburghvhevents@gmail.com

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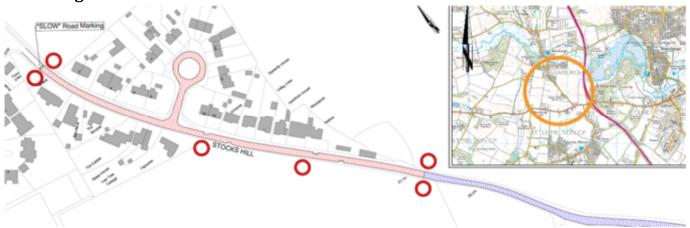
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Consultation over new village speed reductions

Norfolk County Council have started a consultation on lowering the speed limits in the village.



The consultation has already opened and will run until 10th June.

The plans will see the extension of the 20mph speed limit on Stocks Hill to go up the hill as far as the existing 50mph signs.

These 50mph signs will be removed and replaced by 40mph signs so that the speed limit on the remainder of Stocks Hill will be 40mph up to the Watton Road.

On the plan above, all the red areas will become 20mph and the blue areas will be 40mph.

Copies of the draft Orders, a plan and Statement of Reasons for making the Orders and copies of the Orders being updated can be viewed online at

www.norfolk.citizenspace.com

Copies are also available for inspection at Norfolk County Council, County Hall, Norwich, NR1 2DH and at the offices of South Norfolk Council, The Horizon Centre, Peachman Way, Broadland Business Park, Norwich, NR7 0WF during normal office hours.

Any objections and representations must be made in writing and must give the grounds on which they are made. All correspondence for the proposals must be received at the office of nplaw, Norfolk County Council, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2DH, marked for the attention of the nplaw Traffic Regulation Order Team by 10th June 2025. They may also be emailed to

trafficorders@norfolk.gov.uk

The officer dealing with the public enquiries concerning these proposals is Mr W Houghton and can contacted by telephone

0344 800 8020.

Puzzle Page: Battleships

Battleships is a logic puzzle based on the Battleships guessing game. In a square grid of 10 x 10 small squares there is an armada of battleships. There is one battleship with 4 squares, two cruisers with 3 squares, three destroyers with 2 squares and four submarines with 1 square. Each ship occupies a number of connected spaces on the game board, arranged either horizontally or vertically. The boats are placed so that no boat touches another boat, even diagonally.

The numbers at the bottom and right of the grid indicate how many spaces are occupied by ships in the corresponding rows and columns.

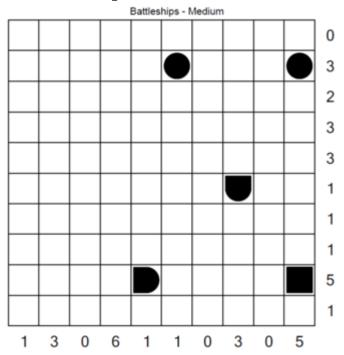
Occasionally, some squares contain predetermined ship or water segments as a clue to

help you get started with the puzzle. The goal is to work out where all the ships are.

This is a medium version.

The solution is on page 6.





https://sudoku-puzzles.net/battleships-medium/504/

Talks for Everyone

Do come to our talks. There's a wide range of topics – something for everyone Entrance, including tea or coffee: still only £3!

Tuesday June 10th 7:30pm in the Village Hall

David Van Edwards: The History of the Lute

David Van Edwards is a lute maker; during his talk he will tell us how the lute spread all over Europe after its introduction from Arabia in about 1250 AD. By the renaissance it had become our most important musical instrument. To meet the demand for lutes an almost industrial scale of manufacture arose in South Germany and North Italy, exporting instruments in a very modern seeming international trade. It rose to prominence in waves spreading across Europe from Italy in the eighteenth century. In England its high point

coincided with the reigns of the Tudors Henry VIII and Elizabeth l when some of its finest music was written. David Van Edwards will cover some of this history using paintings to show how the lute became so central to life in renaissance and baroque Europe.

Tuesday July 8th 7:30pm in the Village Hall

Mary Fewster: Norfolk Breweries

Mary Fewster is a regular and popular speaker with us. In July she is going to talk to us about ale brewing in Norwich and Norfolk, from its early beginnings to today's national companies.

Jenny, Lin & Mary



MP's Month

One of the things I love most about this time of year is seeing more of us out and about, enjoying the fresh air and the peace and beauty of our part of Norfolk. Whether it's a gentle stroll down to the village or a ramble out across the fields, you can really feel the seasons changing in the hedgerows and hear it in the birdsong (I heard my first cuckoo last week).

That's why it's all the more important we make sure our lanes are safe for everyone using them. I know many in Bawburgh welcomed the 20mph speed limit through the village centre – it's a sensible step that makes a big difference, especially with children, dogs, cyclists, and walkers all sharing the space down by the river.

But I've heard from a good number of you recently about concerns further out – particularly on Watton Road and the Bawburgh Road heading towards Marlingford. The message is loud and clear: some drivers are still treating these roads like a race track. These are narrow, rural lanes, and they simply weren't built for speed. When someone's flying round a blind corner, it's not just reckless – it's dangerous.

We need to be clear: speeding puts lives at risk. It's not fair on those who are doing the right thing – whether that's local families, horse riders, or older residents getting out for a walk. We've got a duty to each other, especially in a community like ours where people look out for their neighbours.

I'm pushing to make sure we take this seriously. I'm speaking with our local highways officers and police about what more can be done. That might mean more signage, better road markings, or even enforcement if that's what it takes. We shouldn't have to wait for a serious accident to happen

before action is taken.

In the meantime, if you see a pattern of dangerous driving or speeding in a particular spot, do let me know. The more evidence we have, the more I can do to push for change.

Let's enjoy our beautiful village safely – and make sure it's a place where everyone, from the youngest to the oldest, can walk, ride or drive with peace of mind.

As ever, if I can be of any help or support please email me at

ben.goldsborough.mp@parliament.uk

or visit my website

www.bengoldsborough.co.uk

to book in at my next advice surgery.

Ben Goldsborough, MP

New electric vehicle charging point installed

The new charging point has been installed at the Village Hall.

As mentioned last month, the Village Hall has

been fitted with solar panels and part of the deal was to include a vehicle charging point.

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St Walstan's Day

You are warmly invited to join us for our

St Walstan's Day Service on Sunday 1st June at 11am in the church.

This will be followed by a

bring and share lunch at Marlingford Village Hall

A chance to enjoy food and fellowship with friends old and new.

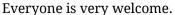
Rev Laura Montgomery

Coffee Morning

The May Coffee morning was busy and lovely, with thanks to Richard Greengrass for his delicious lemon cake!

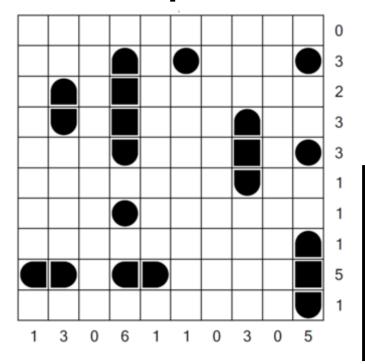
Altogether £118 was raised for the Village Hall.

The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 7th June from 10:30am.





Battleships solution





for advice and estimates call us on 07899916136 07775885239

Church Services - June

1st 11am St. Walstan's Day

Service of Holy Communion at Bawburgh with procession to St Walstan's Well for final prayers and blessing. Following this there will be a Bring and Share lunch at Marlingford VH. All Welcome

8th 10am Whit Sunday. Pentecost

Service of Holy Communion,

Easton.

15th 10am **Trinity Sunday**

All Age Service with Holy Communion, Colton

22nd 10am **1st Sunday after Trinity**

Service with Holy Communion,

Marlingford

29th 10am St Peter's Day

Service with Holy Communion,

Easton

Communion at home can be arranged for those who because of illness or frailty are unable to come to the Sunday service.

If you have any queries about services, baptisms and funerals, you can contact Laura on 01603 744551 or by email at:

eastonbeneficeoffice@gmail.com

In the absence of Rev. Laura, please contact Lin Gibson, acting church warden, by email

lin.gibson 34@gmail.com

Or ring

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Doin' Different: Norwich Castle Tapestry

During the past five years, volunteers have been stitching a tapestry to be hung in the restored Castle Keep, which is due to reopen this summer.



The new tapestry is a sequel to the famous, 1000 year old Bayeux Tapestry of the Norman invasion. The new work begins with William the Conqueror studying plans of Norwich Castle. In the next scene local folk hero Hereward the Wake leads a rebellion against the invading Normans. The final scene shows Emma, the sixteen year old wife of the Earl of East Anglia, Ralph de Guarder, as she hands over the Castle keys to a Norman soldier.

Emma was born around 1059 and died in 1096. In 1075 Emma and Ralph were married. At their wedding feast her brother and her new husband planned a rebellion against the invading forces. But things went wrong, Emma's brother was captured and imprisoned but Ralph escaped and fled to Denmark, hoping to gather more troupes, while his young wife was left to defend the town and castle against a Norman siege. The stone Castle that stands at the centre of the city today, had yet to be built, at that time it was a simple wooden Motte and Bailey. The siege lasted for three months but eventually a compromise was reached, Emma was given safe passage for herself and her soldiers in exchange for the Castle keys. She fled to Brittany where she was reunited with her husband. They stayed there, living comfortably and raising three children. Emma later took part in the first Crusade in 1096.

When the Castle reopens we will be able to see the twenty metre long tapestry telling the story of Norwich Castle siege. It has been designed and sewn in the style of the Bayeux Tapestry and made in sections which will be invisibly sewn together.

With other Friends of Norwich Museums, I was lucky enough to be invited to 'Add A Stitch' to the tapestry. I look forward to pointing out my stitch which is on the very last picture, as Emma hands over the keys to Norwich Castle.

The illustration above shows part of the design for the tapestry.

Jenny Press

50 / 50 Club Winners

In May, the 50 / 50 Club winners were:

- Gary Seaman
- Lucy Wright
- Geoffrey Marks
- Jean Blake
- Lin Gibson

If you would like to join the 50/50 club, just talk to Tishy Bayne at the next Coffee Morning.





Bawburgh Cooks

Martin Payne introduces us to his own adaptation of a traditional French recipe

Martin's Pork and Prunes in Cider

"I first encountered this when staying in the Limousin region. The cook's husband had forgotten to buy a cheap bottle of Armagnac, so instead, to his horror, she used the whole bottle of an extremely expensive Armagnac he'd bought as a self-indulgence. The result was amazing!

Here I simplify the cooking process, and substitute cider for Armagnac, which produces an almost equally delicious result at far less cost. I use a slow cooker, but a casserole will do equally well (see 6 below)." Serves 4

Ingredients

500g pork shoulder, diced, and dried with kitchen paper
1 large onion, chopped
2 garlic cloves, peeled and chopped small
500 ml dry cider

250g pitted prunes 1tbsn olive oil 1 rounded tsp Herbes de Provence (or mixed herbs) Salt & pepper

Method

- 1) In a large saucepan, fry the pork in the oil at moderate heat, turning it until all sides are lightly browned. Set aside on a plate.
- 2) Fry the onion and garlic for about ten minutes until soft.
- 3) Return the meat to the pan.
- 4) Add the salt, pepper, herbs and cider. Stir well and bring to simmering.
- 5) Transfer to a slow cooker or pre-heated casserole.
- 6) For slow cooker: set at Medium for an hour then at Low for 6 hours, stirring in the prunes one hour before serving.
 - For casserole: place in oven pre-set at 170 degrees (fan 150 degrees) for 2 hours, stirring in the prunes one hour before serving.
- Serve with mashed potatoes and green vegetables.

If you'd like to join the 'Bawburgh Cooks' team and contribute your favourite recipes please get in touch with me:

Mary Wilkinson - mary01@clara.co.uk





John Innes

Peas are one of our research crops at the Field Station. A recent joint JIC research paper has been published on peas and received excellent media coverage. It was an international research collaboration building on the iconic pea experiments of Gregor Mendel 160 years ago. The research has resulted in genetic resources with the potential to revolutionise pea breeding, helping to develop more sustainable, resilient and nutritious pea crops worldwide.

The John Innes has a collection of 3,500 varieties of peas kept in the Germplasm Resource Unit and 700 were chosen for their wide range of diversity.



Darryl Playford

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Wild about Bawburgh

Honeybees are most likely to swarm this time of the year (May to July), although in the right conditions they can swarm anytime from April to September.

We are very privileged here in Bawburgh today, as we have the expertise of our local beekeeper, and Parish councillor, Peter Markham. We were extremely fortunate to hear Peter talk about honeybee keeping at one of the 'Bawburgh Talks' meetings at the Village Hall last year. The evening proved very interesting with Peter's wealth of knowledge on honeybees clearly evident. When there is a swarm, he is the first person people turn to for advice.

Honeybee swarms are not dangerous, if you don't provoke them; the bees just want to find a new home for their queen and it is important to allow these bees to establish new colonies. Swarming is a totally natural process, triggered by colony size, the age of the queen, and the

availability of food sources. They tend to swarm in the warmer part of the day, between 11am and 4pm on sunny days. Global warming will undoubtedly affect bees as it changes climate extremes, seasons, and natural food sources for the bees.

Interesting Facts:

- Honey bees sleep 5 to 8 hours a day, when night -time darkness prevents them from collecting pollen and nectar.
- There are over 270 species of bee in Britain, including bumblebees, mason bees and mining bees. About 250 species are solitary and do not live in colonies. Many are becoming extinct.

Lin Gibson



Honeybee Swarm in tree, St Walstan Close June 2024.

Photo with thanks to Peter Markham





Honeybee Swarm on a hedge being 'captured' by Peter Markham.

Nic Lord's Garden. St Walston's Close May 2025.

Photo with thanks to Nic Lord.

Once retrieved, honeybees are unloaded from the collection box onto a wooden ramp. They then take themselves with the Queen protected in the middle into the nucleus box. The swarm will be later transferred to a standard (WBC) beehive. Photo with thanks to Peter Markham June 2024

Youth Club

In the Village Hall Meets on the last Friday of every month from 6:30pm – 8:00pm (for children of 6 years and above). £2.50 entry per child.

Friday 27th June



Facebook Group: 'Bawburgh Youth Club' Contact: Bawburghyouthclub@gmail.com

Bawburgh playgroup

Takes place every Friday during term time at the Village Hall from 9:30am to 11:00am. Entry £1.50 (£2 for two children) includes snack for the children and tea/coffee for parents

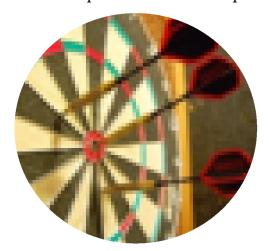
Contact:

Jo on 07840384646

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Social Evening

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The Garden Shed - June

PRUNE WISTERIA - When they have finished flowering (around the middle of June), prune all this year's new shoots back to a spur leaving no more than about 6 inches of growth. At the same time, train, tie-in and tidy the plant so there are no loose, trailing shoots. If there is any doubt about how hard to prune, err on the side of a light trim and then in the new year, when the foliage has all died back, you can prune again, reducing each side shoot to just 2 or 3 inches.

PRUNE EARLY FLOWERING SHRUBS - Spring flowering such Philadelphus, shrubs as Amelanchier, Deutzia, Weigelia and Rubus all produce their flowers on shoots grown last summer so should be pruned now. Mature shrubs should be pruned hard, cutting back most of the flowering stems to a healthy new shoot and taking the oldest growth (but no more than a third or quarter of the plant) right back to the base. Young shrubs should have the weakest growth cut back with the rest pruned just to shape and size. After pruning is done, weed, water and mulch, and take semi-ripe cuttings from healthy, straight, nonflowering pruned stems.

BIENNIALS - such as Wallflowers, Honesty, Foxgloves, Forget-me-nots and Aquilegias: Sow them now in a seed tray, and prick them out into pots (so that each plant can develop healthy roots and foliage) before planting them out in the autumn, ready to flower next spring. (Annuals on the other hand grow, flower and set seed all in one growing season.)

ROSES – To keep any rose flowering as long as possible dead-head daily. Do not just pull off the spent petals but use secateurs and cut the spent stem right back to the next leaf or bud below it however far down that is. This will bring on a side-shoot, which in turn will carry more flowers.

HEDGES – June is too early to cut hedges because not all young birds have left the nest. Wait until July when the hedges can have a proper trim.

GREENHOUSE / **ALLOTMENT** - Tomato plants, courgettes, squashes, runner beans and sweetcorn can all be planted outside now the nights are warming up; and aubergines, peppers, melons, cucumbers and more tomatoes started in a greenhouse. To ensure a steady supply of fresh salad leaves, keep sowing small amounts every two or three weeks.

Regularly pinch out side-shoots on tomatoes. It is best - and easiest - to do this first thing in the morning when the plant is turgid and they will snap off easily in your fingers.

HOEING - The secret of effective hoeing is to always do it in dry weather and preferably in the morning so that the weeds will cut cleanly from the soil and then dry out and die during the day.

APPLES & PEARS – It is a good idea to selectively remove the smallest fruit at this time of year before the tree does it for you, indiscriminately, during the 'June Drop!' To produce good sized fruit, remove any that are damaged or diseased, and reduce each cluster to just two fruits that are not



touching each other. Not only will the remaining fruit grow and ripen better as a result but also the risk of damaging the branches by the weight of the fruit later in the year is greatly reduced.

> With thanks and acknowledgements to Monty Don. For more tips and advice visit his website www.montydon.com

> > Marion Malone





Useful Numbers

Emergencies 999 Police:

non-emergencies 101

101 is available 24 hours a day, seven days a

week.

Beat Manager: James Smith

james.smith2@norfolk.police.uk

Wymondham Police Station: 01953 424242

N.H.S. Direct: 111

Bawburgh Parish Clerk: Nicola LeDain

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Peter Markham 01603 811339

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Village Hall Bookings: Kathy Watchorn bookings@bawburghvillage.co.uk

Bawburgh School: 01603 742329

Road problem reporting: www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/ roads/report-a-problem

Our Bus

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

The 806A leaves the Kings Head at 10:00am and goes to Wymondham, arriving 10:37am

It returns from Wymondham at 12:18pm and gets back to the Kings Head for 12:55pm

Tuesday and Thursday

On a Tuesday and Thursday, the 808 leaves the Kings Head at 9:06am. It travels to Longwater and arrives at 9:32am in time to catch a connecting bus to Norwich City

There are two return buses. The first leaves at 11:15am and gets back to the Kings Head at 11:37am.

The second bus leaves Longwater at 12:50pm and gets back to Bawburgh at 1:10pm.

<u>Park & Ride</u> – is managed by Konectbus. www.konectbus.co.uk 0330 0539358. 510 serves Hospital and 511 the University ONLY from Costessey Park and Ride.

Thickthorn Timetable: first bus to City Centre (Bus Station) from 0635 Mon-Fri, 0700 Sat. 0915 Sun

Last bus from City Centre (Bus Station) to Thickthorn P&R 1930 Mon-Fri (later on Thursdays), 1845 Sat. 1720 Sun.

Please note that Bawburgh News copy date is the 20th of each month or earlier if possible, please. **Check your village Website at:** www.bawburghvillage.co.uk

Diary dates June 2025

| Sun | 1st | | St Walstan's Day |
|-----|------|---------|-------------------------------|
| Tue | 3rd | | Grey bin collection |
| Fri | 6th | | Brown bin collection |
| Fri | 6th | 9:30am | Playgroup (Village Hall) |
| Sat | 7th | 10:30am | Coffee Morning (Village Hall) |
| Tue | 10th | 7:30pm | Talks for Everyone (Village |
| | | • | Hall) |
| Tue | 10th | | Green bin collection |
| Thu | 12th | | Mobile Library: |
| | | 9:55am | Stocks Hill |
| | | 10:15am | Church Street |
| Fri | 13th | 9:30am | Playgroup (Village Hall) |
| Fri | 13th | 6:30pm | Social Evening (Village Hall) |
| Tue | 17th | _ | Grey bin collection |
| Fri | 20th | | Brown bin collection |
| Fri | 20th | 9:30am | Playgroup (Village Hall) |
| Tue | 24th | | Green bin collection |
| Fri | 27th | 9:30am | Playgroup (Village Hall) |
| Fri | 27th | | Youth Club (Village Hall) |
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For the latest calendar details, see:

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