

BLOFIELD NEWS

The parish magazine for St. Andrew & St. Peter, Blofield;
All Saints, Hemblington and St. Andrew, North Burlingham

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WELCOME

Blofield News is the monthly parish magazine for St. Andrew & St. Peter Blofield, All Saints Hemblington and St. Andrew, North Burlingham. It is sold in these churches and in local shops. If you live in one of our parishes and purchase a year's subscription we can probably deliver it to your home free of charge. If you live outside the parishes you can have copies sent to your home either by post or by email. A large print version is available to anyone who is having difficulty reading our standard publication.

For more information, please contact the editor, Gill, whose contact details are on the back page. The last date for submissions is the **15th of the previous month.**

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ALL THREE CHURCHES ARE OPEN DAILY FROM 9.30AM - DUSK

Hand sanitiser is provided.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Funerals

9th May, Pauline Gant aged 76 at St Faith's Crematorium

FRONT PAGE: Orange roses symbolize optimism, joy, happiness, enthusiasm, cheerfulness, positivity, excitement, liveliness, youthfulness, hope, peace, health, and wishes for success.

The RNLi has teamed up with award-winning Peter Beales Roses to create a new rose to celebrate 200 years of saving lives at sea which is a floribunda rose and will form part of Peter Beales' display at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show. The orange rose has been named 'With Courage' by the charity's supporters in homage to one of the RNLi's key values and the words of founder Sir William Hillary who said: 'With courage, nothing is impossible.'

LETTER FROM OUR RECTOR

By now, most of you will have heard of the announcement of my forthcoming retirement on September 30th this year. I will have been Rector of the Blofield benefice for 9 years and several months at this point. The news has also filtered out into the wider communities of the villages, including those of Upton and South Walsham.



One gentleman, who I spoke to a few days ago, was kind enough to comment that I must have led the church in Blofield well over the past 9 years 'because it seems a very busy church'. At this point, I was very quick to reply that the life and health of the church does not depend on one person alone, but that it is a community of people who work together, and each one contributes something to the growth and 'business' of the whole.

This is a very Biblical picture. When the apostle Paul writes about the community which is the church, he refers to it as a living organism. Indeed, he calls it a body where each member – each limb if you like - is equally as important, equally as vital to the health of the body as the next. It is not a Biblical picture at all to suggest there is only one who ministers in the church. The New Testament describes a rich variety of God-given gifts distributed amongst the local body of people that make up the worshipping, Christ-loving, Christ-following congregation of believers. And these gifts are given for the growth and good of the whole.

I was reading a comment in my morning devotions recently which reminded me that in the life of the church, each one of us are both givers and receivers. As part of the local body of Christ, we contribute our gifts of time, talent and energy, and we are also benefitted and helped by the gifts of others in the church to which we belong.

I am certain therefore, as my retirement date approaches, the churches that I am responsible for will have the gifts and blessing of God to nourish them during the vacancy and to continue to minister alongside the next person called to lead the benefice.

REVD. KEVIN BILLSON

June - Summer, the season of fruitfulness Prayers and reflections for each week

In June the trees and flowers bloom and show their fruitfulness, bringing blessing to all.

Week 1

Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked...But his delight is in the law of the Lord,...He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither.. *Psalm 1: 1 & 3*

Ponder...We all make choices how we live. Good choices lead to fruitfulness and blessings.

Pray: Father, life is sometimes complicated. Help me to make the right decisions, that I may flourish and know your blessing and peace. Amen.

Week 2

But blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. *Jeremiah 17: 7-8*

Ponder...When we trust God, we can draw strength from him so that when we face pressure or difficulty, we can know we are not alone and that we will still flourish.

Pray: Father, help me to trust you and to draw my strength from you. Amen.

Week 3

And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? So do not worry. *Matthew 6: 28-30*

Ponder... We all have worries, but it is good to remember that God is generous with his love and provision and that we can give those worries to him.

Pray: Father, thank you that I am precious to you and that you will provide for my needs out of your generous love. Amen.

Week 4

Jesus said, "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." *John 15: 5-6*

Ponder...Grapes grow on the branches, but only if those branches are grafted onto the vine stock. If we are to bear good fruit in our lives for ourselves or others, we need to remember that it is with God's help and strength; that we can rest in him and let him take the strain so that we can be a blessing.

Pray: Father, help me to rest in your love, to work in partnership with you so that the fruit from my life becomes a blessing and that I may know your joy. Amen

Revd. Canon Judith Wilson

**THREE CHURCHES TOGETHER
BLOFIELD, HEMBLINGTON AND NORTH BURLINGHAM
SERVICES FOR JUNE 2024**

Sunday	Blofield 11.00am	Hemblington 9.30am	North Burlingham
2nd June	Holy Communion	Morning Worship	Joint at Hemblington
9th June	Morning Worship	Holy Communion (Service for Big Green Week)	Joint at Hemblington
16th June	Holy Communion	Morning Worship	Joint at Hemblington
23rd June	Morning Worship	Holy Communion	Joint at Hemblington
30th June	Benefice service at Hemblington at 10.30am		

Benefice Morning Prayers:

Tuesdays at 9.00am using Zoom with Rev. Kevin (link sent out each week).
Thursdays at 9.00am at Hemblington Church.

For the arrangement of home communion, in cases of illness or where a person is unable to leave their home, please contact a member of the ministry team (telephone numbers on page 2).

Collections and Giving to our churches

We are grateful for all the offerings, gifts and donations that we receive each month. These can be given at each service (both Blofield and Hemblington Churches now have secure card readers) or online by using BACS or standing order.

Bank details for each church are detailed below:

BLOFIELD PARISH CHURCH	ALL SAINTS CHURCH HEMBLINGTON	ST ANDREWS CHURCH NORTH BURLINGHAM (North Burlingham PCC)
Sort Code: 09 01 55 Account No. 31794180	Sort Code: 30 96 17 Account No. 00040822	Sort Code: 30 99 97 Account No. 30101668

BLOFIELD CHURCH

WEDNESDAY MORNING BENEFICE SERVICE AT BLOFIELD CHURCH



The Wednesday morning services are at 9.30am
and follow a pattern of
Holy Communion and Morning Worship:

5th June - Morning Worship
12th June- Holy Communion
19th June - Holy Communion
26th June - Morning Worship

The service is followed by coffee and chat
in the West End - All welcome.

OPEN TO GOD

**The “One to One” prayer ministry will take place by the high altar after
the 11am service on Sunday, 9th June.**

A clarification to convey what really happens in the sanctuary:

You do not have to pray out loud. It is an opportunity for you to receive the
focus of God’s love and blessing for you, while the leaders are praying for
you out loud.

We believe that this can be a healing experience of strengthening our trust in
God.



Maureen and Liz

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND TO GIVE THANKS MONDAY MORNING 9.00AM – 9.45AM

Blofield church is open every day for people to visit or to be still and pray for
the work of the church, our families, our own community and the wider world.

On Monday mornings, we come together, to help carry the burden through
prayer and faith, for those in need of healing in our church family and known
to us as individuals. All are welcome to join for this quiet time of prayer.

THE CHURCHES OF THE BLOFIELD BENEFICE Caring for our church family

Looking after our church family and the wider community is very important to
us. Our churches are open every day for you to visit.

If you or someone you know needs support, would like a phone call, or who
has something special to celebrate please let Rev. Kevin, Rev. Sue or the
churchwardens know, so that we can make contact.



PLAY CHURCH

BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

Come and find your happy place at

Blofield Church

Church Road Blofield NR13 4NA

Wednesdays from 1 – 3 pm during term time

Come and join us for an afternoon of fun and friendship and a chance for babies and toddlers to learn and play in a safe, welcoming & well resourced setting.

The group is run by experienced early years volunteers and the leaders are DBS checked.

Healthy snacks are provided for children with tea and cake for adults served at the end of the session.

SUMMER TERM

5th June - 17th July

There is no charge but a donation bowl and SUMUP machine are available for contributions to help with running costs.

Contact Yvonne on 07720942955 or yvonnemack60@gmail.com or Barbara on 01603 714519

Picnic in the Churchyard

Wednesday 17th July

All welcome to join us for this fun annual event.

Bring a picnic for lunch outside.

Games, ice creams, water play, tea and cake.

BLOFIELD CHURCH ARE COLLECTING FOR THE





ST ANDREW AND ST PETER CHURCH

In 2023 you have donated a total of **1641 kg**

Since you started giving, you have donated a total of just over **5781 kg**
Based on the average weight of the food boxes we supply, this would be enough food to feed just over **642** local people who are in crisis, for **3** days.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

www.norwich.foodbank.org.uk email admin@norwich.foodbank.org.uk tel 01603 251733
GFI Aid No. X722368 Reg. Ltd Co. No. 7051996 Reg. Charity No 1143528 Reg. in England & Wales

The collection basket is in the church porch where it is collected daily and delivered to the Norwich warehouse on Ivy Road on a weekly basis. From here it is distributed to families and Foodbank Centres in the city and surrounding areas.

WE ARE ALSO SUPPORTING LOCAL FAMILIES IN OUR VILLAGE WHEN APPROACHED.

Thank you to everyone who donates regularly to help families going through challenging times. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Please contact Yvonne on 07720942955 for more information.

Bellringers' News



The custom of our "band" (the collective noun bellringers) at Blofield is to read a prayer before ringing and I have included below one of our prayers, new for 2024.

Bellringing is a sociable activity, once mastered allowing you to visit other towers too. It also represents excellent cardio and upper body muscular exercise, and a mental challenge when learning and ringing new "methods" or tunes. On Sundays, we usually just ring "call changes" - where one sequence is repeated until the conductor calls a change.

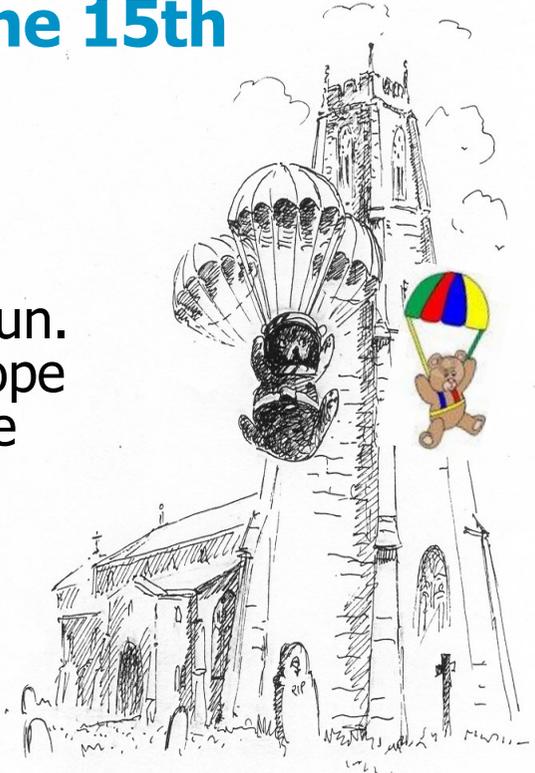
We are always open for new volunteers, young and older, to learn. If you are interested, please speak with one of the ringers on a Sunday, or come to our Thursday practises from 7.30pm. If you are interested to learn, you will be taken to the Mancroft training centre in Norwich to learn the basics and then the world of bellringing is yours.

"Heavenly Father, we pray for all who are called by the sound of the bells to worship in Christ's Church; may all who respond praise you with joy and show forth your love and goodness in their lives, in Jesus' name. Amen"

Roy Allgood

Blofield Church's Summer Garden Party Saturday June 15th 1pm to 4pm

Bring your teddy
for parachuting fun.
Wind him on a rope
up the side of the
tower and watch
him float down



Also many garden games, train rides for
children, treasure hunts, stalls,
teas, ice creams
FREE ENTRY



Blofield Church

presents a

concert by

**The Choir of
Gonville & Caius College
Cambridge**



**on Friday, July 5th
at 6.30 pm**



**Tickets £10 at the door
Include cheese and wine (at Interval)**

(payable by cash or card)

Blofield Church, Church Road, Blofield NR13 4NA

Contact us at blofieldchurch.org.uk or Friends of Blofield Church on Facebook

Blofield Church

OPEN DOORS 2024

Everyone is welcome to join us at Blofield Church on the first and third Thursday every month from 12.00 midday. We provide a homecooked, two course lunch, lots of chat/conversation, friendship, laughter and a little bit of crafting.

In June we meet on Thursdays the 6th and 20th

Further details telephone Jenny 01603 712968

Blofield & District Gardening Club Plant Sale With Refreshments at Blofield Church on Saturday, 11th May.

We were delighted to see so many people come to the plant sale and visit the church for refreshments. It was a lovely sunny day, adding to the success. Children were invited to take part in planting activities too. We would like to thank everyone for donating plants, cakes and volunteering.



HEMBLINGTON CHURCH

Friends of All Saints Church, Hemblington

Churches Count on Nature and Great Big Green Week 8th – 16th June: do drop in to see an exhibition in church, illustrating the wildlife that has been spotted in and around the churchyard. It is also a celebration that the church has achieved the silver level award of the A Rocha UK Eco-church scheme. Norfolk Wildlife Trust is organising a wildflower walk and a discussion on **Wednesday morning, 12th June**. If you are interested in joining this, please contact the churchyard conservation officer at the NWT.

Saturday morning, 22nd June, BADCOG will be raking and clearing the churchyard after the wildflowers have been cut. If you would like to see how this is done, or indeed give a hand, do please come along (10:30am – 12:00 noon).

“Art in a Country Church” – do come along and enjoy a **free Art Exhibition** in All Saints Church over the weekend of **Saturday, 8th June and Sunday, 9th June**. A great opportunity to enjoy the treasures of this lovely little Medieval church and the wildflowers in the churchyard too - See *poster on next page*.

We are looking forward to a visit by the **Round Tower Churches Society on Saturday, 6th July (2:30pm)** – the first church of three that afternoon. All are welcome to join in with their trip.

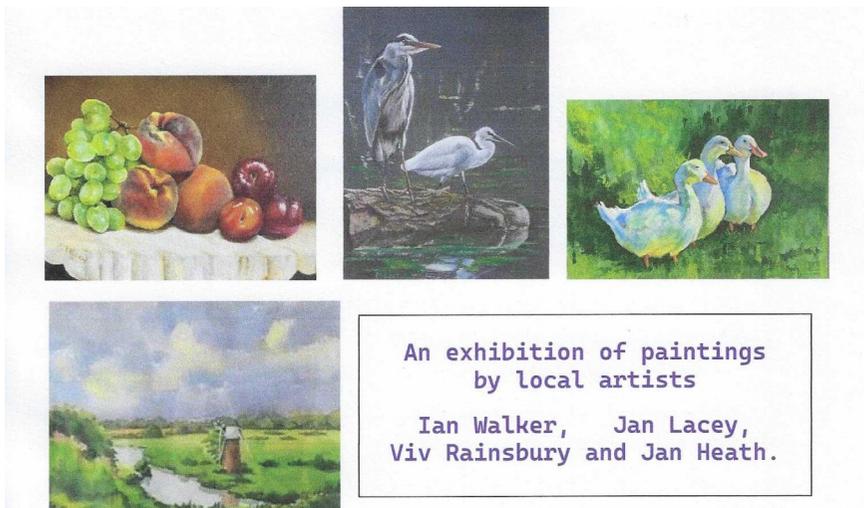
Details: <https://www.roundtowers.org.uk/church-tours/>

If you would like to know how you, too, can help secure the future of the church, please contact the Friends' Secretary:
email: hemblington@gmail.com or phone: 01603 715804.

Art in a Country Church

All Saints Church, Church Lane, Hemblington
near Blofield, NR13 4EF

Weekend of Saturday and Sunday,
8th and 9th June 2024



An exhibition of paintings
by local artists

Ian Walker, Jan Lacey,
Viv Rainsbury and Jan Heath.

Free entry

Refreshments available

Paintings for sale - cash or card

The exhibition will be open on
Saturday 8th June between 10:00am - 4.30pm
Sunday 9th June between 11:00am - 4:30pm

Church website showing how to find the church:

www.hemblingtonchurch.org.uk

Make & Mardle

The dates for the next Make & Mardle sessions will be held on:

Tuesday, 25th June & Thursday, 25th July.

These will be held in Hemblington Church from 10am to 12noon.

There will be coffee & cake with optional craft.

All are welcome: for further information call 01603 270360 or 716970

"Churchwardens' Accounts of the 16th Century"

This was the title of an illustrated presentation by Adrian O'dell M.A. of Past Scapes Landscape History Presentations, held at the little Medieval church of All Saints at Hemblington (near Blofield) on Saturday afternoon, 27th April. The chair of The Friends of All Saints, Mrs Slater, welcomed attendees to the meeting, outlining the aims of the group - to raise funds to keep the church fabric in good repair. She was also pleased to confirm that the church had recently achieved the silver level in the A Rocha UK eco-church award scheme, an excellent outcome for such a small church.

Adrian O'dell outlined the historic nature of the role of churchwarden, and the many and varied responsibilities they have undertaken over the centuries. His well illustrated talk discussed the costs incurred in building and repairing churches, payments to craftsmen and others (including children collecting stones from fields and catching vermin), purchasing and curating vessels, fabrics and bells for use in services, and some of the lighter side of Medieval life, including church ales and plays. The presentation was very well received, encouraging several questions afterwards, and churchwarden Simon Mutten, well expressed the gratitude of all for such an interesting talk.



Refreshments were available for all who wished to stay, following which was the AGM of The Friends group. Money raised by the group has funded the specialised repair work to the west window and surrounding brickwork in the tower, identified as required by the architect in the church's five yearly survey.

If anyone would like to learn more about the work of The Friends of All Saints, please contact the secretary via email: hemblington@gmail.com or visit the website: www.hemblingtonchurch.org.uk.

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Blafelda (Blofield) Probus Club

The club provides an enjoyable social meeting point for men who are retired or about to retire. We meet for lunch on the third Wednesday of every month at THE RAM, 108 The Street, Brundall NR13 5LP at 12 noon for lunch at 12.30pm. If you are new to the area it is a good way to get to know people.

Lunch is followed by a talk, often on a subject of particularly local interest. We have vacancies for members so if you are interested contact Alex Mason (alexwmason@yahoo.co.uk/Tel. 01603 716735) or Mike Cole (mikecole@uwclub.net/Tel. 01603 713839).

Blofield Court House Village Screen (see page 19)

THE HOLDOVERS (15) - Friday, 14th June

Matinee 2.30pm (Tea, cakes, ice-creams); Evening 7.30pm (Bar, soft drinks, ice-creams). Tickets: £5 from S & S Mitchell Newsagents, The Street, Blofield. Enquiries to 01603 712306.

Blofield and District Gardening Club (see page 19)

All are invited to attend the Gardening Club's "Gardening Naturally" talk, on **Wednesday, 12th June at 7:30pm** at The Margaret Harker Hall, Blofield. Guests are invited to come along to see what happens at Club meetings (£2:50) and new members will be warmly welcomed (£10 fee for the whole year).

Local contact for information: 01603 715804; Club website:

www.blofieldgardeningclub.org.uk.

Blofield Parish Council

All are welcome to meetings which take place on a **Monday at 7:30pm in Blofield Courthouse Main Hall** unless otherwise notified. This month's Parish Council Meeting is on the **17th June**. The monthly Parish Council Meetings include discussion on any new planning applications. In addition to being published on the council website, the Agendas and the venue of meetings are always posted on the 3 village notice boards located adjacent to Blofield florists Shop, Blofield Library and Blofield Heath Village Shop. For more information, please visit: www.blofield-pc.gov.uk or email: clerk@blofield-pc.gov.uk.

Keep Blofield Special

We are a small group of volunteers who like to keep our villages looking reasonably free of litter. We meet monthly for about an hour's litter-picking. Litter-picks for June take place on:

Monday, 3rd June, meet at Heathlands, Blofield Heath at 9.30am.

Monday, 10th June, meet at the Old Court House, Blofield at 9.30am.

Anyone is welcome to join us, there is never a shortage of litter unfortunately! The informal litter-picking around our two villages by walkers and dog-walkers is also very much appreciated, thank-you.

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BADCOG - Blofield and District Conservation Group.

An active group which undertakes site management of local wildlife habitats, BADCOG holds fortnightly work parties on Saturday mornings starting at 10.30am and finishing no later than 1pm. Anyone can come and join in for as little or as long as they like or just to see what we do.

The next working parties will be:

8th June, Lingwood Church - Cut and clear conservation area;

22nd June, Hemblington Church - Cut and clear conservation area;

6th July, Blofield Church – Cut the whole conservation area and clear half.

Further details and any changes to plans will be on the website www.badcog.co.uk.

Blofield Preschool Playgroup, Margaret Harker Hall

A friendly, committee-run playgroup for children aged from 2½ years old. Free 'Early Education' funding for 3 and 4 year olds and full access to the 'Early Years Foundation Stage'. Open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday during term time. Sessions available 9.10am – 12.10pm, 12.10pm – 3.10pm, or 9.10am – 3.10pm. Call us on 01603 712498 for more information or to arrange a visit. For further details follow us on Twitter: @BlofieldPreSch or visit our Facebook page at:

<http://www.facebook.com/BlofieldPreSchoolPlaygroup>.

If you would like your child to be added to our Waiting List, please email us on blofieldpreschool@outlook.com.

Blofield Tennis Club

Following completion of our second hard court, we are inviting new members to join and enjoy regular tennis throughout the year. It is a great time to start, or get back into tennis at this friendly club, welcoming players of all standards. We offer:

- Four high quality courts, two grass, two hard.
- Daytime and evening social play.
- Group and individual adult and junior coaching with LTA licenced coaches.
- Fun tournaments for mix of ability.
- League team play.
- Family, adult and junior membership packages.

Call Diana Gilder 07799 506809 to discuss membership and arrange a **free** taster session, or join via the website.

Website: www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/blofieldtennisclub

Email: blofieldtennisclub@btinternet.com.

Margaret Harker Hall, Yarmouth Road, Blofield, NR13 4LE

Aid for Animals

We have some lovely, young rescue dogs looking for good homes. If you are interested and can give a good, loving home then please ring Margaret at Aid for Animals on 01603 716883.

NOTICE BOARD

Brundall Local History Group

Our meetings with talks are on Saturday afternoons at 2.30pm in Brundall Memorial Hall, Links Avenue, Brundall, NR13 5LL. Admission is free to members (a subscription of £15 per annum) and £3 to visitors who are very welcome.

For further details visit our website: www.brundallvillagehistory.org.uk.

Heathlands (see p.18)

Members benefit from cheaper bar prices. New Memberships are always welcome, and forms are available in the Bar. £10.00 for a family including children under 17; Single membership £5.00. Non-Members are welcome to visit. Do not forget we have SKY TV in the club. We also have rolling TV adverts for companies to advertise. If you are interested, please call in and talk to us or ring 01603 714164. We have plenty going on at the social club over the next month. Please see Heathlands Facebook Page for up to date news at www.facebook.com/heathlands.socialclub/ and website.

The Monday Club (Heathlands Day Centre, Blofield Heath)

Our club is flourishing and is now meeting every two weeks. Our catchment area is Blofield, Blofield Heath, Hemblington, Pedham, Little Plumstead and Brundall. We welcome lonely, isolated, elderly and disabled people. Coffee, hot lunch and afternoon refreshments are available as well as activities, entertainment and outings, and most of all companionship. If you or anyone you know would benefit from joining us please ring Sarah Russen on 01603 714800 for a friendly chat. We are always short of voluntary drivers, if you would be happy to help on a regular or occasional basis, please ring Sarah.

Blofield Heath W.I. (see page 19)

We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at Heathlands Community Centre at 2pm. The next meeting will be on **11th June**. New members are welcome.

WEA Blofield Branch

The Blofield branch offers interesting short courses to local people. The Court House is comfortable and well-ventilated, and all will be offered a warm welcome as well as an interesting excursion into a fascinating culture. If you would like to know more about the WEA locally, please contact the local branch: Blofield.branch@wea.ac.uk or 'phone 01603 537029.

Brundall & Blofield Good Neighbour Scheme

If you need practical support with small light jobs in or around your home, local lifts to appointments, shopping, prescription collection, or maybe just a chat - give us a call and we will do our best to help. Please call us on **Freephone 08006889677** to speak to a Duty Officer or leave a message.

Thinking about becoming a volunteer? It's local, rewarding and flexible, and will fit around your life. We have vacancies in the Blofield area now. Please contact one of our Duty Officers for more information on Freephone 08006889677 or leave a message.

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Extend (Movement to Music for Older People & Disabled Adults)

MONDAYS: Class is held weekly barring Bank Holidays. Registration at 1.45pm Cost: Class starts at 2.00 pm for 1 hour - £5.00 per person at Brundall Memorial Hall, Links Avenue, Brundall. Gentlemen and ladies are welcome. A range of apparatus is used as we exercise in both standing and seated mode, accompanied by music. For more information please contact Jenny Hall on 01508 494443 or xxfap57@qfqfq.plus.com.

Hemblington Parish Council

Meetings take place every two months, normally on the last Monday of the month. They start at 7.30pm and held at the Heathlands Community Centre, Woodbastwick Road, Blofield Heath, NR13 4PH. This month, there will be no meeting, the next meeting being **29th July**. Information is available on our noticeboards and our website: <http://hemblingtonparish.org.uk>.

Hemblington Pre-School

Hemblington Pre-School operates from Heathlands. A maximum of 26 children may attend at any one time. It is open during term times on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.30am until 12.30pm and on Wednesday from noon until 3 pm. All children share access to a secure enclosed outdoor play area. Ofsted Rated - Good. If you require further information (particularly during these uncertain times) then please call 01603 712616 (office hours) or contact: Fiona Trimble on 07716869506 and visit our website: www.hemblingtonpreschool.com.

Lingwood & Burlingham Parish Council

All meetings are held at the Lingwood Village Hall, Parish Council Meeting Room, Station Road, Lingwood, generally on the 1st TUESDAY of the month starting at 7.30pm. This month, it will be on the **4th June**. Planning consultation meetings are sometimes held between meeting dates when planning proposals have to be considered within 23 days. 15 minutes is allocated at the start of all meetings for public participation. Parishioners and the press are welcome to attend any Council meeting. For information, the website is : <https://lingwood-burlinghamparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk>.

Monday Munch at St. Lawrence's, South Walsham

On the first Monday of each month, the churches of Fishley, South Walsham & Upton organize a get-together in St. Lawrence's Church between 12.30 and 4.00pm. We provide light lunches, tea, coffee and cakes, and lots of chat! The next meeting is on the **3rd June**. There is no charge, but donations are always welcome. From time to time, as funds allow, we donate to various charities and often have raffles in aid of specific causes, for example, Macmillan, Breast Cancer and Great Yarmouth foodbank. A warm welcome is extended to people in the Benefice, we would love to see you. Just come along any month.

HEATHLANDS

Heathlands Management Committee Meeting is on **4th June 2024**.

FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS:

THURSDAY, 6th June - D-Day Celebrations: We invite you to come along to Heathlands Community Centre to commemorate the 80th anniversary of D-Day. The anticipated schedule is as follows:

18.45: Heathlands will open; 19.00-21.00: BBQ will be served; 21.15: Beacon will be lit. This event will be organised by locals, and very much an event for all to contribute and to make a success. We endeavour to play some appropriate music and invite you to come along and join in with a sing-a-long, Feel free to dress up for the occasion (land girls etc). Also, bring along a lamp to light at 21.15 which will "represent the light of peace that emerged from the darkness of war". Beacons will also be lit across the country, and on the five beaches of Northern France where Allied troops landed.

SUNDAY, 9th June: Picnic in the Park. Come and join in. BBQ will be served from 1.30pm. Music from 3.00pm - 4.00pm and then 4.30pm - 5.30pm. Also, we suggest to bring a chair. Hopefully, we will see you all there enjoying the James Bond music. Free entry.

FRIDAY, 14th June: Family Night. Nippy Chippy will be on the field. Hopeful of games etc. and a table tennis table for you to have a go.

SUNDAY, 16th June: EUROS football. England game is on at 8.00pm. The Club will be open for this

TEA and CHAT - 18th June from 2pm to 4pm. There will be lots of tea, cake, sausage rolls, etc. Raffle and plenty of chat. Come and join us.

SUNDAY, 30th June: Floating Greyhounds will be performing on the field from 3.00-5.00pm. BBQ from 2.00pm

Dates for diaries - Summer Beer Festival; 16th - 21st July: Music on Friday, Saturday and Sunday

We would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who attended the quiz on Friday, 3rd May. The evening raised an amazing £424 for the Blue Cross and British Heart Foundation through quiz entries, raffle and silent auction. We hope you enjoyed the event and we are incredibly grateful for your support. Clare & Clare London Marathon Finishers.

HEATHLANDS SOCIAL CLUB

Your club is open from Tuesday through to Sunday. Come and join us. We usually have 3 ales on tap from various breweries, plus Lagers (Birra Moretti, Stella Artois, Carlsberg), Guinness, Magners, *Lacons LGR and Camden Pale Ale*. We also have lots of wines, spirits, soft drinks and snacks.

Members benefit from cheaper bar prices. New Memberships are always welcome and forms are available in the Bar.

Opening hours:

Tuesday - Thursday: Doors open 7:30pm, closed at 11pm.

Friday: Doors open 4:30pm, closed at 11pm.

Saturday: Doors open 5:30pm, closed at 11pm.

Sunday: Doors open 2pm, closed at 6pm.

The Blofield & District Gardening Club

All are invited to attend the Gardening Club's "Gardening Naturally" talk, to be given by Annette Hurt on **Wednesday, 12th June (7:30pm)** at The Margaret Harker Hall, Blofield. The members' competition is "**A rose in a vase**". There will be refreshments, a £1 'Bring and buy' stall, and a raffle too.

Guests are invited to come along to see what happens at Club meetings (£2:50) and new members will be warmly welcomed (£10 fee for the whole year).

Local contact for information:

(01603) 715804; Club website: www.blofieldgardeningclub.org.uk

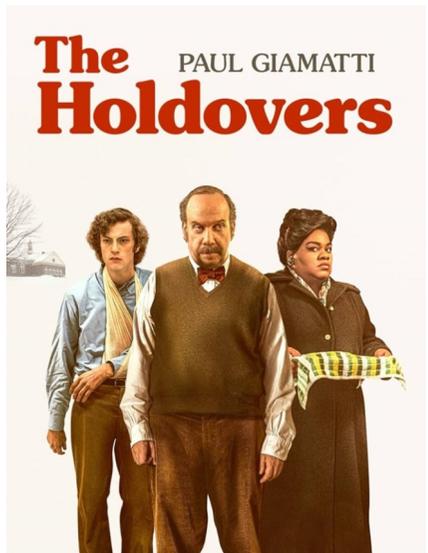
Blofield Court House Village Screen

THE HOLDOVERS (15) Comedy/Drama (2h 14m) - Friday, 14th June

From acclaimed director, Alexander Payne, 'THE HOLDOVERS' follows a curmudgeonly instructor (Paul Giamatti) at a New England prep school who is forced to remain on campus during Christmas break to babysit the handful of students with nowhere to go. Eventually, he forms an unlikely bond with one of them - a damaged, briny troublemaker (newcomer, Dominic Sessa) - and with the school's head cook, who has just lost a son in Vietnam (Da'Vine Joy Randolph).

Matinee: 2.30pm (Tea, cakes, ice-creams);
Evening: 7.30pm (Bar, soft drinks, ice-cream).

Tickets: £5 from S & S Mitchell Newsagents, The Street, Blofield.



BLOFIELD HEATH WI

Blofield Heath held its May meeting on 14th May, the speaker was Richard Matthew, who spoke of The Story of Robert Toppes, the founder of Dragon Hall in Norwich. A very interesting talk especially to the members who are familiar with the history of Dragon Hall and to also to those members who were not familiar with its history. Next meeting will be held on **11th June 2024** at Heathlands.



WINE AND CHEESE EVENING



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CONCERTS IN UPTON

**Upton Village Hall
Friday, 7th June at 7.30pm**

The **Lowestoft Longshoremen** (Shanties and Songs of the Sea).

**St Margaret's Church
Friday, 19th July at 7.30pm**

An Organ recital with various organists to mark 121 years since the famous Holdich Organ was installed.

Tickets for each concert £10 (with a complimentary glass of wine) - available from the Upton Community shop or Email: rjinghamells@btinternet.com



GRAND FETE

**1st July from 12noon to 4pm
at Upton Village Hall**

Music – refreshments – games – big raffle – children's games and much more! - Arranged by the Friends of Upton Church.

SUDOKU FOR THIS MONTH

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SOLUTION TO MAY SUDOKU

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*The solution will be in next month's
(July) Blofield News.
Good luck!*

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JUNE Diary



03 Monday	Keep Blofield Special	Heathlands
03 Monday	Monday Munch	St Lawrence's, South Walsham
04 Tuesday	Lingwood & Burlingham PC Meeting	Lingwood Village Hall
04 Tuesday	HMC Meeting	Heathlands
06 Thursday	Open Doors	Blofield Church
06 Thursday	D-Day Celebration	Heathlands
07 Friday	Concert	Upton Village Hall
08 Saturday	BADCOG	Lingwood Church
08 Saturday } 09 Sunday }	'Art in a Country Church' - Art Exhibition	Hemblington Church
09 Sunday	Picnic in the Park	Heathlands
10 Monday	Keep Blofield Special	Blofield Court House
11 Tuesday	Blofield Heath WI	Heathlands
12 Wednesday	Blofield & District Gardening Club	Margaret Harker Hall
12 Wednesday	Norfolk Wildlife Trust	Hemblington Church
14 Friday	Village Screen	Blofield Court House
14 Friday	Wine and Cheese Evening	St Lawrence's Centre, South Walsham
14 Friday	Family Night	Heathlands
15 Saturday	Summer Garden Party	Blofield Church
16 Sunday	EUROs Football	Heathlands
17 Monday	Blofield PC Meeting	Blofield Court House
18 Tuesday	Tea and Chat	Heathlands
20 Thursday	Open Doors	Blofield Church
22 Saturday	BADCOG	Hemblington Church
25 Tuesday	Make & Mardle	Hemblington Church
30 Friday	'Floating Greyhounds' Performance	Heathlands

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