

VILLAGE VOICE

BRINKLEY..BURROUGH GREEN..CARLTON..WESTLEY WATERLESS

NOVEMBER 2011

VILLAGE WEBSITES

Brinkley Autumn Supper



Brinkley Memorial Hall
Friday 4th November
7pm



Tickets : £15 Donation includes supper and a drink from the bar.

Vegetarian option available - just let us know
Available from: Franca Holden on 01638 508199

Join us for a fun evening and enjoy the 'sights and sounds' of autumn!

See posters around the village for further details
All proceeds in aid of Brinkley Memorial Hall

Fair Trade Coffee Morning

Friday, 4th Nov 2011

10am to 12.30pm

The Old Post Office, Bradley Rd, Burrough Green
CB8 9NH

Come and join us for refreshments and chat.
Try fair trade ingredients for your Christmas entertaining this year.

Selection of fair trade foods and cards available to purchase on the day and plenty of gift ideas to look at in the Traidcraft catalogue.

Also Aloe Vera health and beauty products available to purchase along with a selection of Phoenix cards for Christmas and birthdays.

Enquiries: Rachel Lewis 01638 507836

SCRABBLE & MAHJONG

November get togethers to play are on **Mondays 14th & 28th** at 7.30pm. Please ring Trish for the venue whilst the Community Room at Sheriff's Court is being refurbished. 01638 507495

RADFIELD HUNDRED GROUP

Our next meeting is on **Monday 21st November** at 7.45pm in Brinkley Memorial Hall. Our speaker at the meeting is Mr. Trevor Burlingham who will give a talk entitled, 'A Walk Around Suffolk'.

New members always welcome. Call Doris on 01638 507717 for more information on the Radfield Hundred Group.

THE BULL CHRISTMAS MENU

Bookings now being taken for Christmas
Menu available at the Bar or call 01638 507480
or email thebull2011@live.com

WINTER FAIR

SATURDAY 12th NOVEMBER
BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL

12noon - 2pm

COME ALONG AND HAVE HOMEMADE SOUP AND A ROLL OR A SAUSAGE IN A BUN FOLLOWED BY A DELICIOUS PUDDING.

BRIC - A -BRAC : CAKES : GIFTS : BOOKS
GAMES & RAFFLE

In Aid of Brinkley Church

Donations of items for the stalls would be most welcome. Cakes, Bottles, Gifts, Bric-a-brac, Books & Raffle Prizes, Please call Trish on 01638 507495, John on 507484 or Camilla on 507293 if you have items for the Fair or they can be taken to Brinkley Memorial Hall on the morning of 12th November before 11.00am if possible. Many thanks.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE



Brinkley Memorial Hall

Friday 25th November

7.00pm-9.00pm

Entrance: £1.50 (includes a raffle ticket)
A variety of exhibitors selling; quality gifts, jewellery, beauty products, children's books, greeting cards, cakes, toys, refreshments and more!



In aid of Burrough Green Playgroup

Save The Children

Soup and Apple Crumble Lunch

On

Thursday 10th November

12.00 - 3.00pm

Craft Stalls, Christmas Cards and Raffle

At The Old Rose & Crown

Carlton Rd, Brinkley

Tickets £8.00 from Fiona on 01638 507259

fionarosenberg@btinternet.com

Village Websites

www.brinkleyvillage.co.uk www.burroughgreen.com
Do have a look at the websites which contain lots of information about the villages and also have links to archive material. The Village Voice newsletter is available on both sites for the current month and several previous issues.

BINGO NIGHT

In aid of Burrough Green Playgroup

Saturday 12th November 7 for 7:30pm start
in Burrough Green Reading Room.

Please come along for an evening of fun!
Bring your own drinks and nibbles.

BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL

If you wish to hire the hall, please contact
Susie Shuter on 01638 508729

CATHOLIC SERVICES

NEWMARKET & KIRTLING

Mass Times

Saturday	6.30pm	Newmarket
Sunday	9.00am	Kirtling
	10.30am	Newmarket
Holy Days	9.00am	Newmarket
	12noon	Kirtling
	7.30pm	Newmarket

Our Lady with St. Etheldreda, Exeter Road,
Newmarket

Our Lady & St Philip Neri, Kirtling

Main Address: 14 Exeter Road, Newmarket, CB8 8LT.

Telephone: 01638 662492 **Email:** office@olise.co.uk

Brinkley contact, John Conti 01638 508304

KATY'S BABYSITTING

Katy Ensck - Aged 16
01223 291947 (Carlton)

I have passed a babysitting course and a first aid
course for young children.

MOBILE LIBRARY

The Mobile Library will be at Brinkley Memorial Hall
on the 4th Wednesday of each month between 3.15-
4.30pm. **Next visit is 23rd November 2011**

LOGS FOR SALE

£125 PER LORRY LOAD
LARGE BAGS OF KINDLING £2
Call Bill on 01223 290308

BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL

Programme of Forthcoming Events

Fri 16th December 2011, Christmas Concert, 7.30pm

Fri 27th January 2012, Burns Supper, 7 for 7.30pm

(book your tickets early, ring Franca 508199)

Fri 16th March 2012, Quiz Night & Supper, 7.30pm

RECYCLING

Brown sack dates for November are **Thursdays 3rd & 17th**.

Please use the recycling banks in the Memorial Hall
car park as the hall still gets revenue from them.
There are plastic, glass and clothing banks on site.

New recycling centre for East Cambridgeshire opens

A brand new state of the art recycling centre at
Witchford near Ely will open its doors for the first
time at 9am on Thursday 3 November. The new
Cambridgeshire County Council facility will replace the
old, small, open air site at Grunty Fen which will close
at midday on Wednesday 2 November. The new centre
will open from 9-6, seven days a week with a late night
opening until 7pm on Wednesdays to make it even
easier for you to recycle.

It will be under cover so you can use it in all weathers,
and split-level which means you won't have to climb
steps to deposit your waste.

The centre, which will be run by AmeyCespa on behalf
of the County Council, will offer lots of opportunities
to recycle everyday household items from paper, glass
and plastic bottles, to less commonplace items like
cooking oil, paint and electrical goods. The new facility
is part of Cambridgeshire County Council's drive to
offer the best services for local communities and to
increase recycling and reduce landfill. Councillor
Mathew Shuter, lead member for Enterprise and
Waste at Cambridgeshire County Council, said: "This
brand new facility is the first of its kind in the county
and we believe it will change recycling for residents in
East Cambridgeshire. Not only will it make recycling
more comfortable and convenient, but it will also help
residents recycle things like large rigid plastics,
cooking oil and plasterboard. I want to encourage
residents to visit the new centre with their recycling
and help us reduce waste going to landfill."
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/recycling

Linton Health Centre

Would you like to be involved in decisions about the
services we provide at the Health Centre? If so, we
are setting up a Patient Reference Group which will
enable you to give your views and help us set priorities
for the future.

You would initially help us to set the questions for a
patient survey and then later to discuss the results
and plan for the future. We anticipate using e-mail as
the main form of contact, but if you don't use e-mail
then pen and paper is still in use! To sign up, please
ask for a form at reception or have a look at our web-
site www.linton.gpsurgery.net We are really keen to
have all ages represented, so do please think about
how you can be involved.

BURROUGH GREEN READING ROOM

VILLAGE PARTY

The party held on Saturday 1st October proved to be very successful. It was great to see so many families and friends from the village enjoying the fun. We raised £416.00 for our funds and hope to hold a similar event in the Spring. Thanks to all who supported this event.

CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG

On Sunday 18th December the Reading Room committee will gather at 5-30pm to start carol singing around the village. The journey will end at the Reading Room for mulled wine and a festive tea. Villagers are invited to join us on route or back at the Reading Room at around 7pm. After tea we will continue our sing-along of Christmas songs. Proceeds will be divided between the Reading Room and Playgroup.

Tickets will cost £4.00 for adults (children free) which will cover the tea.

If you would like to join us please contact Angie 507194 or Mandy 507217 or Marilyn 508177

BURROUGH GREEN AND DISTRICT ARCHIVE GROUP

Our thanks go to the Burrough Green Fete Committee for the £200 donation from the Fete funds. This will mean our work can continue for some time to come.

Thanks also go to the 4 Parish Councils for their donation of £25 each which again ensures we are able to pay for the upkeep of the website for another year.

Due to the refurbishment of Sheriffs Court, we have been unable to meet since July but our work will continue sometime in November.

ONLINE TRAINING

This has also been suspended due to the refurbishment, once work is completed we hope to have improved facilities and anyone wishing to get online and receive basic computer training are most welcome. Contact Marilyn 508177

BURGLARY

On Tuesday 11 October between 2.15pm and 4.30pm a house was burgled in Burrough Green. The thieves came in through the back of the house and forced open a window and took quite a lot of valuables.

There was also an attempted house break-in in Great Bradley in September.

WANTED

Air rifle - for use by a sensible adult.
Please call 01638 508323

BRINKLEY PARISH COUNCIL UPDATES

Subsidised Bus Service Review

Cambridge County Council wants to hear your views on changes and reductions being proposed to bus services which are supported by financial contributions from Local Councils. There is a survey available for individuals to complete. Deadline is 9th December. Survey is available as a paper copy by calling 0345 0450675, online at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/busreview. Council hope many will complete the survey.

Come and join your neighbours in the Brinkley Village Spring Litter pick

Meet at the Memorial Hall, 10.00 a.m. on Saturday 12th November with gloves and black sack and make the village look pristine.

Village Notice board

You will probably have seen that the notice board on the High Street has been refurbished. The PC would like to thank Mark Whittaker for this.

Green Park Residents - Street Lighting Survey

Cambridge County Council are responsible for the street lighting, however Brinkley Parish Council are keen to pass on the views of residents. Therefore, if you are a Green Park resident, please let the Clerk know your thoughts on the street lighting.

There are three questions below:

1. Do you think the lighting is adequate on Green Park? Please give comments.
2. Do you think the lighting times are acceptable? If not, please make suggestions?
3. Are there any improvements that could be made?

You can email the Clerk at clerk-brinkleypc@hotmail.co.uk or drop a note through her door at 9 Beechcroft.

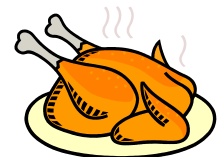
Next Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 7th December at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.



TRADITIONAL HOME REARED (OVEN READY) BRONZE TURKEYS AND FREE RANGE GEESE.

ORDERS NOW BEING TAKEN FOR CHRISTMAS.



Ian Wylie, Park Cottage, Carlton.
Tel: 01223 290907



NEWS FROM LINTON VILLAGE COLLEGE

DERBYSHIRE POST

On Friday 7th October you may have seen a group of around 800 young people, many in fancy dress, in procession along the local paths and fields. They giggled as they went, accompanied by two teachers on guitars and a trio of unicyclists. This was a LVC first: the whole of the school out on a 11km sponsored walk, the three unicyclists excepted. The walk was the brainchild of our recently rebooted Friends of LVC, who have been making amazing efforts in recent months to raise more money for the school. The focus of their fundraising is the new school building which needs equipment in the indoor student common rooms which we just cannot afford from our funding allocation. It is this kind of money for 'extras' which makes strong PTAs and Friends groups so vital to schools and we are tremendously grateful for their efforts. The Student Council has already chosen the furniture they would like for these areas and I think we now have raised enough money to make their dreams come true.

By the time this edition of the Derbyshire Post is published we should have moved into the new facilities. Our reception will be towards the middle of the site and from that point we have access to new office spaces, a staff common room and work area, the upper and lower school common rooms and the amazing cylindrical library. Phase 2 will then have been completed. Our work is far from done, however. Back in 2003, when Clive Bush was the Principal at LVC, the Local Authority struck a deal with the College Governing Body. In return for agreeing to allow Granta Special School to be sited on some of the LVC playing fields, the Local Authority agreed to a building plan for our school which would do the following: replace the Vic Hallam buildings, improve the sports facilities, create a coherent design across the site which was in keeping with the 1937 listed building and remove the need for the mobile classrooms by building new ones. When I was appointed, the LA turned this into a three phase building programme. Phase 1 and 2 are now finished, but in 2010 I was informed that there would be no funding for phase 3 as capital funding for school buildings had been cut. This leaves us stuck with an incomplete building schedule and a number of mobile classrooms. When we converted to academy status in 2011, a glimmer of hope returned: the government was inviting bids for building work from a centrally held government pot. With our own plans at an advanced stage, we felt sure of success, only to be told that our building had too many 'Art Deco' style features in it to qualify for the per metre square unit funding that was available.

So a new local campaign starts: let's get our LVC phase 3 building work completed and rid the site once

and for all of its mobile classrooms. Our community deserves better and our students deserve better.

Caroline Derbyshire
Principal

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**Community news from Linton Village College**

**\*Saturday Workshops\***

November will see the launch of several new Adult Community Learning Saturday workshops including:

- Trampolining
- Sugar craft: Xmas modelling
- Life drawing and portraiture
- Floristry designs for Xmas
- Writing for publication
- Colour, style and make up.

For more information please contact Adult Community Learning dept. on 01223891233 and select option 4 or email [adulteducation@lvc.org](mailto:adulteducation@lvc.org)

**\*Brand New Fitness Suite\***

The LCSC fitness suite has been in need of updating for some time now and 'finally' it will be given the facelift it deserves.

Now seems like an apt time to thank all of those regular users and members who have stuck with us over the past year (and beyond), we really do appreciate your support and hope that the refit will go some way in showing our appreciation.

Works will include:

- Current resistance and CV equipment will be replaced with the latest range.
- Carpet will be replaced with hard floor.
- Fitness Suite will be re-decorated.

This does mean that the fitness suite itself will be closed for around a week in December whilst work takes place, however the result of this will be a brand new and refreshed area that we hope members can be proud of.

We are currently finalising details but will keep you informed of progress and closure dates etc. via info at the sports centre and also our website.

To access our website please visit: [www.linton-sport-fitness.co.uk](http://www.linton-sport-fitness.co.uk). You can also email any questions to [lcsc@lvc.org](mailto:lcsc@lvc.org) or call us on 01223 890248

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Carlton Oil Syndicate - Next order date Mon. 7th November.

Please inform Helen Coppen of your requirements before the 7th. Email helencoppen@toytidy.com or call 01223 290795

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**WANTED**

Grazing and shelter/stable/yard wanted for two horses. Prefer electric and water supply. Fencing must be safe and secure. Please call Jayne 07795007523.

## ELLESMERE GARDEN CLUB

For our last meeting Linda Gascgoine from Simpsons Nursery talked to us about "Wildflower Gardening" for over an hour, without a single slide but holding everyone's attention with her own distinctive style.

We now have a couple of months before talks feature again because on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November we will be having a demonstration of Christmas crafts. Part of this demonstration will be hands on with the opportunity to make a planter for Christmas decorated with serviette work. If you'd like to join us please let Judith know on 508336 so we can make sure there are enough pots. As if that were not enough temptation, there will be mulled wine and a raffle too!

As a club we have been invited to a couple of special of exclusive Christmas shopping evenings at Scotsdales on 16<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> November. Again, please contact Judith if interested.

Looking ahead - our Members' Christmas party is confirmed for 7th December at the King's Head, Dullingham. More details to follow...

### Burrough Green Brownies

1<sup>st</sup> Burrough Green Brownies meet weekly in Brinkley during school term. For girls aged seven to ten.

Recently the Brownies enjoyed a fantastic evening at Mildenhall & District Museum. The museum very kindly opened its doors for them to explore: The Mildenhall treasure, Anglo Saxon heritage, the Victorian & Edwardian era, the great Air race to Australia. They discovered a lot about what life was like in the past working the land of the Fens and Breckland around Mildenhall.

The Museums website is: [www.mildenhallmuseum.co.uk](http://www.mildenhallmuseum.co.uk)

The Brownies have successfully completed their Science Investigator interest badge; the girls enjoyed making acid indicators, musical instruments and used chromatography to test food and ink dyes.

We are really pleased that this term our unit is full but we do have a waiting list, so if anyone would like to register a girl who is not yet 7 or would like more information then please contact: Margaret Whalley 01638 716939

**RAF WRATTING COMMON- Remembrance Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November-** There will be a short Service at the Memorial on Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> November at 12 noon. The Memorial is situated at Weston Woods Farm. Cadets from 1451 (Haverhill) Squadron of the Air Training Corps will parade. A few veterans will also hopefully be in attendance. We will be remembering all those who served here and throughout the world and all who continue to serve. All are welcome. WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.

## DOG FOULING

Most of the dog owners in Brinkley are so diligent about clearing up after their dogs and it is much appreciated as the village paths and verges have been so much cleaner.

BUT we are now getting dog mess left on the grass verges along the High Street which is very unpleasant. The footpaths are quite narrow and this often means children and adults might need to walk on the verges to walk together. PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG. It is the law after all.

It would also be appreciated if dog owners could be more careful on the field footpaths as children can safely run on these away from the road but the dog mess is getting bad on these. Please show consideration for others.

### Burrough Green Oil Syndicate

Do you need to order more Heating Oil? We will shortly be putting in an order to the lowest bidder to refill our tanks. Please contact either Pauline King on 507796 or Lucy Talbot on 507060 or by email to [p.talbot@homecall.co.uk](mailto:p.talbot@homecall.co.uk) by **Wednesday 23rd November 2011** with details of how much you will need. Please be as accurate as possible, (N.B. Minimum order is 500 litres) and make sure that orders are accompanied by **house name/number, postcode and telephone number.**

*Christmas Concert  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 7-9pm  
at*

*The Ellesmere Centre - Stetchworth  
festive refreshments from 6.30pm*

*We would welcome any performers - groups, clubs or individuals to help us enjoy an evening of festive entertainment!*

*Give Sally Pope a ring 507997  
Join us for some seasonal Cheer!  
raising funds for the community*

### DULLINGHAM FLOWER CLUB

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2011  
at 8.00pm**

The Taylor Hall, Dullingham

**David Wright Hosts a Demonstration  
Entitled 'Let it Snow'**

Members £3 Non-members £4  
Refreshments - Raffle - Accessories

Please contact Lesley Bird for  
further information

01638 508850 or 07786817154

NOTE - XMAS SUPPER & DEMONSTRATION  
ON THURSDAY 8TH DECEMBER

**Village SOS Live in the East of England**  
**Tuesday 15 November 2011, 10.00am - 3.30pm,**  
The Burgess Hall, St Ivo Leisure Centre, Westwood  
Road, St Ives, PE27 6WU

Village SOS Active is a new campaign launched to help people in rural areas set up and run community enterprises. The campaign launched on 10 August as part of a six-part television series from the BBC called Village SOS.

Villages SOS Active will deliver a national advice line and expert support to rural communities inspired by the TV series to set up and run their own community enterprises, from shops and pubs to broadband services and transport systems.

In the East of England, the Village SOS Active campaign is being delivered by Cambridgeshire ACRE in partnership with the Plunkett Foundation and Locality, using funding from the Big Lottery Fund.

As part of this campaign, Cambridgeshire ACRE is running a one-day event designed to inspire local rural communities to take the first steps in setting up a community enterprise.

Starting a community business is a proven way to revitalise your village and boost rural pride. From running shops and pubs to libraries and swimming pools, generating your own renewable energy or setting up a broadband service, the ways to get involved and help your community are only limited by your imagination.

Why not come along to this event to hear how others have launched their very own rural revival, starting community businesses that have breathed new life into their villages and created jobs.

Aims for the Day

By the end of the day, attendees will:

- Have heard from a range of inspirational speakers on rural community and social enterprise;
- Have been able to access free training and coaching; and
- Have received general advice and signposting for their own community requirements.

Event Attendees

This event will be of interest to:

- Parish Councillors and Clerks
- Village Hall Management Committee members
- Community leaders
- Civil Society Sector staff
- Local Authority staff who support rural communities or community-owned projects

To book your place, please visit [www.villagesos.org.uk](http://www.villagesos.org.uk) and click on the yellow 'Book Your Place' button.

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Want to get out more?

Can't find a reliable babysitter?

I'm eighteen, experienced with children of all ages,
I've been CRB checked.

Call Joanna on 01638 507700 (Brinkley)

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NEWS FROM THE ELLESMERE CENTRE

**NEW DATE: The Beer Festival** will NOW take place in November- Friday 11<sup>TH</sup> - "Open Mic" night, Beer, Bar and Bacon Butties, Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> - live music from "The Hot Dogs", BBQ and Bouncy Castle - something for all the family. There will be a chance to try some of the different beers available at the real ale bar whilst enjoying the music. There will also be an ordinary bar and a Pimms bar for those not so keen on real ale!



**Table Top Sale** A chance to clear out your cupboards before Christmas **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November** 9.00am to 1pm Set up from 8.00am £5.00 (own table) £6 (inc. table hire). There is limited

space so book early to avoid disappointment. Any donations of small items will be sold in aid of the Ellesmere Centre.

Please note correct times for Zumba and Pilates at the Centre

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|----------|---------------|------------|
| Monday   | 9.30-10.30am  | Pilates    |
| Tuesday  | 9.25-10.25am  | Zumba Tone |
| Tuesday  | 10.30-11.30am | Pilates    |
| Tuesday  | 7.00-8.00pm   | Zumba Tone |
| Tuesday  | 8.00-9.00pm   | Pilates    |
| Thursday | 6.30-7.30pm   | Pilates    |
| Thursday | 7.30-8.30pm   | Zumba      |

For details call Alison Wilson on 01638 507784  
07752 360839

**Open Mic nights** will become a monthly event from November onwards. Check website for details.

**Quiz Nights** will start in the New Year every other month-details to follow.

**5K Ellesmere Centre Family Fun Run**-together with Kettlefields School we will be holding a 5K run and a run around the field for children. Proceeds to be split between the Centre and the school.

**Sponsored Zumbathon** in January to shed those extra pounds gained after Christmas.

**Handyman**- If you have any time to spare and could volunteer a few hours to help at the Centre please give us a call as we have various jobs that desperately need attention.

**Recycling**- Please recycle your newspapers in our new paper bank (these should be in bundles either in carrier bags or tied up if possible) and help us to raise much needed funds for the Centre. We are now able to recycle cans-aluminium preferred-so please leave in the boxes provided. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE RUBBISH AT THE RECYCLING AREA AS THE OFFICE STAFF HAVE TO SORT THIS OUT IN THEIR ALREADY LIMITED HOURS. THANK YOU. CCTV IN OPERATION !!

The Ellesmere Centre 01638 508212.

Email [office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk](mailto:office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk)

[www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk](http://www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk)

## NOVEMBER SERVICES

### 6<sup>th</sup> November 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent

8am Holy Communion Burrough Green  
9am Holy Communion Carlton  
10.30am Morning Prayer Dullingham  
*Amos 5:18-24 1 Thessalonians 4:13-end*

### 13<sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday

10.55am Remembrance Service Dullingham  
10.55am Remembrance Service Westley Waterless  
3pm Remembrance Service Carlton  
*Matthew 5:1-12*

### 20<sup>th</sup> November Christ the King

9am Family Communion Westley Waterless  
10.30am Family worship Burrough Green  
*Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24 Ephesians 1:15-end*

### 27<sup>th</sup> November Advent Sunday

9am Family Communion Stetchworth  
10:15am Family worship Dullingham  
11.15am Family worship Brinkley  
*Isaiah 64:1-9 1 Corinthians 1:3-9*  
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Dear Friends,

I write on a glorious sunny Autumn day. There is something so special about the light as moves towards winter isn't there, that brings an intensity of colour to the landscape. We still have a few brilliantly coloured dahlias surviving in the garden and they look extraordinarily vivid in the autumn light. I always think of these plants as God's final, joyous, exuberant fling before the colours of nature change to more muted tones. Although I suppose we do have wonderfully red berries to cheer us up in the midst of winter.

I do love this time of year and the church festivals that come with it. All the festivals in the next few weeks invite us to widen our perspective, to allow our memories to inform and change the present before we move on to the great themes of Advent where we are invited to consider the great prophets of the past and the coming of Christ, not just at Christmas, but at the end of all time.

But firstly, Remembrance Sunday. An occasion whose ritual gives expression to the collective memory of the community in honouring those who gave, and continue giving their lives so that ordinary people can live in peace. We will be having three services in the Raddesley Group; Dullingham and Westley Waterless will be at 10.55am, Carlton's service will be at 3pm.

I make no apology for repeating much of what I said last year at this time. Whist I think Remembrance Sunday is a very important day, if it is the *only* day that we think about those who are serving their country in the armed forces, and those who have lost their lives, then we should be ashamed of ourselves.

We should make time to think and pray for those who serve and their families every day, not just once a year. But somehow it seems easier to remember those who died many years ago than those who died yesterday. In remembering and honouring our war dead we make present once again the grim reality of warfare acknowledging the human sinfulness that continues to bring untold suffering to millions. Whilst it is vitally important to recognise the sacrifice of those who gave their lives in the two world wars it is just as important we remember those who are facing the same challenges today. If our focus is only on the past then the temptation is to enshrine that past in a haze of glory that does nothing to equip us in committing ourselves to work for justice and peace in the world we find ourselves today. The best way we can honour those who died and continue to die in human conflict is to face up to the appalling consequences of human sin that continues to claim the lives of men, women and children throughout the world and do all we can to bring peace and hope.

With love and prayers,

Pauline

01638 508990 [revpauline@btinternet.com](mailto:revpauline@btinternet.com)

We welcome into our church family Jake William Emmanuel Orgill baptised at Burrough Green on 23 October.

Our thoughts and prayer are with the family of Frank Knight whose funeral was held at Stetchworth St Peter on the 19th of October.

### PRESENTS GALORE

#### Rowley Mile Racecourse

**Saturday & Sunday 26th, 27th November 2011**

Presents Galore is **THE** place to buy your Christmas presents. There are over 100 stands selling unusual gifts in all price ranges.

You can buy firepits for your garden, luxury cashmeres, wonderful clothes, food, stocking fillers and everything else you can think of. You hardly need a list. You will be so inspired you will be searching for recipients rather than the other way around.

The stunning racecourse becomes the ultimate department store. The entrance fee is £5.00 but you have free car parking on the doorstep and once paid can come in and out, so you can rush back and forth to the car laden with presents.

There are restaurant facilities on site so meet all your friends and for once you can enjoy Christmas shopping. Done and dusted in one day - or two if you cannot resist returning.

[www.presentsgalore.org](http://www.presentsgalore.org)

**In Aid of Macmillan Cancer Support**

### ARTICLES FOR DECEMBER VILLAGE VOICE

To [villagevoicenews@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:villagevoicenews@tiscali.co.uk)

By 22<sup>nd</sup> November please