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The Monthly Village Magazine of Cockfield

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All is safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin...

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I had a call in the week from a resident asking to put an ad into Green Links for an item 'they were offering 'free to a new home' and that made me think. Occasionally we have For Sale or Wanted ads and sometimes items which are offered free, but could we make it a regular page? It's good to recycle and allow someone else to have the use of an item we no longer need and maybe realise some cash for it at the same time so starting next month Green Links will have a Cockfield Community Classified page for any item you have for sale, for recycling to a new home or something you are looking for. Ads will be free to insert but will be limited to the Green Links readership.

A lot of interest was shown last month in Jacky and Paul's Quiz, the answers are published this month, I did not do very well but I hope to do better at the Community Councils Speed Quiz on 14th November, more details in next months Green Links, it will be a bit different to their previous quiz and looks like being great fun.

Harvest is done and the days are getting shorter, I love the smell of autumn, the misty mornings, dew on the ground and spiders webs hanging from the most improbable of places, and of course the festive season is just around the corner. Maybe it's time to have a bit of a clear out in preparation for Christmas and advertise your no longer needed items on Cockfield Community Classifieds please send to janne@twerbs.co.uk or phone 828264.

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Suffolk Historic Churches (SHCT) Bike Ride Thank You

The Cockfield Normans, Ian Dowling and Tony Sheppard would like to thank all friends, acquaintances and complete strangers who have generously donated to the Suffolk Churches bike ride. On Sat 12th September, we cycled and visited many Churches from Stowlangtoft in the north to Mildenhall in the south. The weather was kind with a gentle breeze and mild temperatures. It was a record year for the two Normans in terms of Churches visited, miles cycled and, at the latest count (including promises), we have raised over £4,000 for SHCT (50% comes back to St Peter's), which provides invaluable support to maintain our beautiful Suffolk Churches.

A kind person told Radio Suffolk about the achievements of the Cockfield Normans and Norman Kelly was interviewed by Mark Murphy on Tuesday 15th September at 0955 resulting in both Normans being awarded "Make a Difference" certificates for going the extra mile.

The Just Giving site will remain open, so for those who intended to sponsor us but didn't quite get round to it, here is the link again.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/thecockfieldnormans>





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**Thank you for *Making a Difference*
during the Coronavirus outbreak**



36 Churches, 3 Pubs and a Bakery

Or The 2020 Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride

I usually sponsor a local rider on this annual event, so when John Gagen turned up at home with a sponsor form I thought he was just after a few quid, but then he said “No, this is your form, you’re doing it with us”, “OK no problem” I said “I’m in”.

The first practice run ended up in the Five Bells at Rattlesden where it was decided to ride to all the churches in the deanery and the village names started to be put forward, starting in the centre with Thorpe Morieux, Hitcham to the East, Milden to the South, Lavenham to the west and Rougham to the North, but making Rattlesden the last of the day and all the other 30 churches or places of worship in between and of course a couple of liquid fuel stops; all to be done from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm on Saturday 12th September; easy when you say it quick, it was clear we needed a plan!

On the day we (John, Steve, Mike, Adie and myself) started at 9.00 am at Gedding Church yard as we wanted to be at Thorpe Morieux to see Len Smith who was the first to be in attendance to sign in riders, then starting with an easy run through the first 5 churches, on to Kettlebaston perched on the top of quite a hill, worth it for the ride back down!! After signing in a few more churches and then up another hill to get to Bildeston Church, a bit more up and down to get to Chelsworth. Monks Eleigh was next and we all had a good look at the Vicar’s classic Ford Capri.

The church at Milden needs a special mention, not because of the hill to get to it but because of the character of this 11th Century place of worship, it is well worth a visit and is really the whole point of the Trusts work and why we all did this.



A few more ticked off and then into Lavenham and the massive village church at the top of yet another hill which was becoming a feature of the ride, at Market Square, Lavenham we paused for a light lunch. I headed for the bakery while the others headed for the Angel Pub, I made the big mistake of asking if the Jam doughnuts were fresh, the look of horror on the woman's face told me all I needed to know, they are baked fresh EVERY day was the reply, fortunately the mask I was wearing means that I couldn't be recognized again in Lavenham.

A long haul via Preston St Mary to Cockfield, my home village, and then on via the Bradfield's to our second stop, a swift one at the Red House Stan-ningfield, John seemed to know everyone there, so spent his time collecting sponsorship. At the top of yet another hill is the Church of Little Welneth-am, then on to the most northerly church in Rougham.

Time was moving on fast now but the last part of the ride was pretty flat so made good time to get to Woolpit via Hessett, Beyton and Drinkstone which just left a downhill run into Rattlesden, arriving just inside the time of 5.00 pm.



A grand total of 36 churches or places of worship visited which made for a good day out on a bike in Suffolk.

The last Pub was the Five Bells for a well deserved pint; by the time I got home I had 67 miles on the clock and a good excuse to not walk the dog.

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Cockfield Cinema

Friday 23rd October

Start 7.30 pm, doors open 7 pm

Cockfield Cinema continues on Friday October 23rd with a screening of A Beautiful Day in the Neighbourhood. At the time of writing our first screening is yet to happen, but we are both very grateful and encouraged by the response from all those who are supporting the Cinema for that initial screening.

The Village Hall is Covid compliant hence we are able to welcome cinemagoers under the latest rules. Of course we will continue to monitor and react to any changes in rules and guidelines which may affect the cinema. Any alterations in our plans or procedures will be posted to the website www.cockfield.org.uk/



Lloyd Vogel is an investigative journalist who receives an assignment to profile Fred Rogers, aka Mr. Rogers. He approaches the interview with scepticism, as he finds it hard to believe that anyone can have such a good nature. But Roger's empathy, kindness and decency soon chips away at Vogel's jaded outlook on life, forcing the reporter to reconcile with his own painful past.

The Cinema will operate under the following special conditions, always with the caveat that things may need to change between now and screening day:

To comply with social distancing and government guidelines for such public premises, and for the particular set up in the village hall, a maximum of 30 cinemagoers will be admitted.

Seating will be set out according to social distancing and to cater for couples, singles and where possible family groups of 3 or 4. Chairs must not be moved by attendees.

A one-way system for access, exit and use of toilets will be in force and indicated by signs.

Hand sanitiser will be available at the entrance and in the hall

We are monitoring the situation regularly, but as things stand it looks like a face covering must be worn whilst in the hall

No refreshments will be served but ice cream tubs will be offered at no charge.

Attendees may bring their own teas, coffees, other drinks, mugs, glasses etc.

All materials and litter must be taken away again at the end

There will not be a raffle and the interval will be shorter than usual

Once the screening is over attendees will be asked to leave the building via the marked exits and not gather for conversations.

Chairs will be stacked away by designated people. Attendees are asked not to help out.

Specific procedures will apply to the use of the toilets. These will be published in due course and announced in the village hall on the day.

A First Aider will be on hand in the event of anyone being taken ill.

Booking & Tickets

Admittance will be by advanced reservation only. No walk-ins will be permitted.

We will not issue tickets but use the reservation system for confirmation on the day

To reserve up to 4 places, please email cinema.tickets@cockfield.org.uk, or phone Julie Goodman 07815 497952 weekdays after 3pm or anytime weekends, or Neil Ashton 07900 880888 any time. Confirmation of your reservation will be issued.

To assist with the seating plan on the day, if reserving 2-4 places you will be asked for the number of family units – i.e. who are not socially distancing amongst themselves.

For contact tracing, at the time of reserving, the person booking will be asked for a contact email address or phone number (In line with government guidelines this information will be retained for 21 days).

Payment will be collected on arrival; exact money is requested.

Please contact one of the above if you have reserved places but cannot attend, so that the places can be reallocated.

The Cinema procedures follow prevailing government instructions and guidelines, and additional guidance provided by Community Action Suffolk (ACRE). As these rules and regulations are liable to change, we will adapt the plan as required. We are planning for a successful screening, with the safety of everyone involved as our top priority.

Please contact Julie or Neil as above If you have any questions.

www.cockfield.org.uk/community-council/cockfield-cinema/

Cockfield Community Council

Annual General Meeting 2020

This meeting will be held at 7:30 On Friday 20th November 2020, full details of how you can join the meeting will be in next months Green Links.

At this time we elect officers and trustees for the community. Reports are presented on progress through the year and where monies are being spent.

We welcome new trustees and volunteers, we need new ideas, new blood, new enthusiasm as we look towards the future.

There are so many ways in which you can help; if you don't have time to join the committee perhaps, when normality returns, you could spare a few hours to help set the village hall up for a dance or other entertainment, help out at an event or just bring us your ideas of what the village needs and how we can raise funds whilst providing a bit of fun for the residents of this wonderful community.

Please join the meeting, bring your ideas and help us to help your village.

Many thanks

Rod Williams
Chairman Cockfield Community Council

**Should you wish to have more involvement in the running of the Community Council by standing as a Trustee your nomination must be received by the Secretary
Janne Cutting-Keyton 01284 828264 or janne@twerbs.co.uk
7 days before the AGM**

Where in the UK?

In these difficult times with potential travel abroad on the back burner for the time being; what can the UK offer as an alternative holiday destination, now it is opened up again for us to explore.

How many can you identify. Answers Next Month



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Llyn Cau, Cadair Idris, N.Wales

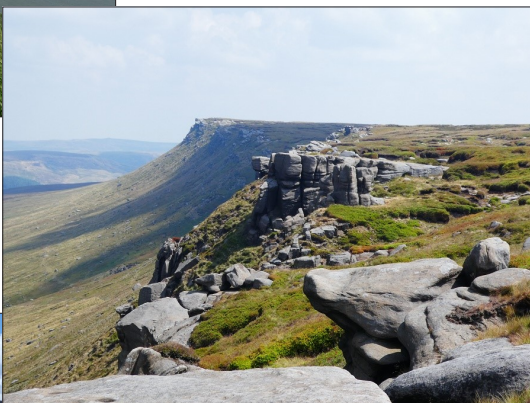


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Dorset

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Sussex



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Durham Dales





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Porthcurno, Cornwall*

*High Cup Nick,
North Pennines*



*Crib y Garth
(Black Hill),
Herefordshire*



*Worms Head,
Gower Peninsular,
S. Wales*

Cockfield Parish Council

Notes



Summary report of the Extra Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 27 August 2020 held by Skype Video Conference

A number of matters / actions arose from previous meetings:

Parking at Great Green Cllr Brinkley confirmed he had sourced 3.5 telegraph poles to create a physical boundary around the three-car parking bay at the corner of Great Green, but that further work was needed to agree the scope of refurbishment needed for the parking bay.

Mackenzie Place Bus Shelter Action: Cllr Brinkley to obtain quotations from a local contractor to refurbish the Bus Shelter at Mackenzie Place.

New Adventure Playground: Action Play & Leisure have provided alternative quotations for replacing the existing woodchip with new. District Cllr Arthey has offered to contribute £1,000 towards this work from his locality budget. The contractor has been advised that he cannot commence work until 21/09/20, due to the extent of tree improvement works needed at and around the playground area.

New Notice Board: An order has been placed with AJ Joinery to manufacture a new notice board and 2 No. support posts. Cllr Williams confirmed that it has been manufactured but is awaiting delivery of the safety glass and lock.

Cutting Grass on Verges: Suffolk County Cllr to pursue the need for SCC Highways to cut the verges on all designated cycling safety routes throughout the village to reduce the safety risk to cyclists. Cllr Lindsay will write to SCC Highways again requesting urgent action on grass cutting the verges of C & U roads throughout the village, which was scheduled for early June, as SCC Highways maintain that the verges were cut. Cllr Lindsay has also taken photos of the overgrown pavement from the Old Windmill to Mill Corner and has written to SCC Highways.

Village Survey Questionnaire: The Chairman of Elmsett Parish Council has provided an editable version of their questionnaire. However, Cllrs decided to defer preparation of a new Village Development Survey Questionnaire until they have more clarity over the direction of Government's new Planning Policies.

Safe Walking Route from Mill Corner to the School: The Clerk is awaiting details of the appropriate contact at SCC, before arranging a site meeting to determine the viability of this.

Earls Meadow: Cllr Morley has walked around the greens with the Tree Surgeon and agreed a scope of work this year's tree management requirements.

Pavilion Action: The Pavilion Working Group will take a decision on behalf of the Parish Council, once the scope of remediation work and pricing has been agreed with the Loss Adjuster and the Contractor.

Noticeboards : Cllr Levett has refurbished the noticeboards at MacKenzie Place and the Abbey.



Cllr Williams confirmed that he had asked C Limmer to quote for replacing the support posts on the noticeboard at the Three Horseshoes, whilst Cllr Levett will refurbish the noticeboard. Cllr Williams also confirmed that he had asked AJ Joinery to quote for manufacturing a new Notice Board at Cross Green.

Quiet Lanes Cllr Southgate confirmed that he had submitted to SCC a proposal for designated quiet lanes in Cockfield (principally Perrydown Lane).

Public Participation Session:

County Cllr Lindsay circulated his report prior to the meeting, but was unable to access the meeting, so was not in attendance to highlight any issues.

District Cllrs Arthey & Maybury were not requested to provide reports for the Extraordinary Meeting, however Cllr Arthey confirmed that the Parish Council's complaint about the lack of visibility splays to the entrance of the development at land to the west of the Plough & Fleece had been investigated, enforcement action taken, and the visibility splays installed.

Seven members of the public articulated their objections to Planning Application DC/20/03216, which included but were not limited to: inappropriate location/rural location, overbearing scale of development, too extensive operating hours, industrial appearance out of keeping close to the conservation area, light/noise pollution, whether this heavy engineering operation should be classified as B1 or B2 development, potential expansion, increased traffic/potential accident risk, the adverse impact to neighbours and errors of fact contained in the application.

District Cllrs Arthey and Maybury agreed that they would request that this Application be referred to BMSDC's Planning Committee for determination.

Planning Applications Received for Parish Council consultation:

DC/20/03116: Planning Application. Erection of new workshop building with the existing access to the site from the A1141 upgraded. Land to The East Of, Sudbury Road, Cockfield, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 0LN (Consultation Submission Deadline Extended until 31st August 2020). **The Parish Council objects to the current application. (Full details of the Parish Council's response can be seen on the BMSDC Website).**

DC/20/03216: Application for removal or variation of a condition following grant of planning permission B/16/01157 dated 13/01/2017 and subsequent appeal APP/D3505/W/17/3170002 Town and Country Planning Act 1990. Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 - To vary condition 5 (Plans & Drawings) to include additional single storey extension. Condition Number(s): 5 - listing of refused plans and documents

Conditions(s) Removal: Condition 5 - New drawings attached and renamed. Approved plans changed following client requirements: Roundwood House, Windsor Green, Cockfield, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 0LY. (Consultation Submission Deadline Extended until 31st August 2020). The Parish Council objects to this application. (Full details of the Parish Council's response can be seen on the BMSDC Website).



DC/20/03315: Full Planning Application - Erection No1 dwelling and garaging (following demolition of existing barn). Earls Hall Farmhouse, Earls Hall Road, Cockfield, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP30 0JD. (Consultation Submission Deadline 3rd September 2020). **The Parish Council supports this application. (Full details of the Parish Council's response can be seen on the BMSDC Website).**

Finance matters:

It was agreed to accept the quotation from S Bradnam for tree maintenance work to around the pond and trim back trees around the Great Green.

In order to facilitate the new play equipment it was agreed to accept the quotation from S Bradnam to cut down a small Lime Tree and Bush at the Playground, Great Green and grind out the stump and to raise the branch curtain of a 2nd Lime Tree at the Great Green

It was agreed to accept the quotation from Leon Brown to reduce the crown of the Poplar tree on the Great Green. The work to be undertaken as soon as possible due to the detection of weakness in the tree and ongoing safety concerns about sizeable branches falling off during high winds. .

It was agreed that the quotation from Action Play and Leisure Ltd to replace the existing wood chippings in the playground with new for £2,370.00 + £474.00 VAT be accepted.

Pavilion Update: The Clerk advised that the final measurement of settlement cracks have been conducted and that discussions are continuing with the Loss Adjusters over the scope of repair and decoration required. The Contractor has been instructed to submit a revised quotation for the reduced scope of work. The Pavilion Working Group will take the decision on behalf of the Parish Council as to whether to accept the quotation and report back to the September meeting.

Re-opening Pavilion: Cllr Williams and the Clerk produced a Covid 19 cleaning regime checklist for the Cleaner's use and the Cleaner has undertaken 2 No. Covid 19 cleans in August.

Neighbourhood CIL: Cllr Morley confirmed that Jonathan Presley had completed the original scope of refurbishment of the culvert at Bruffs Line however further damage had been identified. Cllr Morley and the Clerk will meet with the Contractor to agree the extent of further repairs, which will be funded by the Provisional Sum allowance contained in the Parish Council's approved CIL 123 Bid B14-18.

Correspondence: A letter of complaint about Parking had been received from a Cross Green resident. The council would respond to the matters raised. The Clerk was asked to check the Parish Council's legal position on parking enforcement.



The Council noted a letter and donation had been received from a temporary resident of Cockfield, by way of thanks for the friendship shown by the village and as thanks for the village facilities (Earls Green, Bruffs Line & Jeffreys Green) available to visitors.

The Parish Council may be contacted through the Clerk, Steve Ball by email at parish.council@cockfield.org.uk

Next Meeting - The next Ordinary Meetings of the Council will be held on Thursday 29th October 2020 at 7.30pm

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ARRANGEMENTS

In line with Government advice, the Parish Council have not been holding physical Ordinary or Extraordinary Parish Council meetings, in public at the Village Hall but have held them via Skype Video Conferencing. A decision relating to the Parish Council Meetings beyond September will be taken at the meeting on the 24th September published on the village website along with details of how to access the meeting should it still be held remotely.



Cockfield Parish Council

Vacancy for one councillor

The Parish Council is seeking to co-opt an additional member to the Councillor. This is subsequent to the position not being fulfilled through the electoral process. Previous efforts in filling this position have unfortunately been unsuccessful and we are again reaching out to the village.

Why become a Parish Councillor?

Parish Councillors are elected representatives who volunteer their time freely to work on behalf of local residents. Individuals may also be co-opted at the discretion of the council if there is a vacancy. By becoming a parish councillor you can become a voice for your community, somebody who residents will look to for help, guidance and support. You will be involved in local decision making and strategic planning for the benefit of the people you serve. Seeing your community change for the better, as a result of decisions you have helped make, is something that can give you a sense of achievement and pride.

What are the roles and responsibilities involved?

A Cockfield Parish Councillor is one of 9 individuals, supported by the Parish Clerk, who are elected to represent the voice of residents within the village. This will involve engaging with local residents to ensure that their views are heard, understood and addressed.

As part of the Parish Council you will have responsibility for managing local services and amenities such as the play areas, Greens, amenity land, bus shelters, cemetery and other Parish assets.

As part of the Parish Council you will help to make decisions regarding the finances involved in delivering local services. You will be involved in working to protect and improve the built and natural environment of Cockfield. This may involve contributing to long term policy development or being part of the team that assesses and comments on local planning applications. Working where needed on short term local projects.

Liaising and working in partnership with other organisations, agencies or neighbouring parish councils where necessary.

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What skills will I need to be a Parish Councillor?

A Council Committee benefits from diversity and we welcome interest from people of different ages, backgrounds, experiences and, abilities both practical and administrative. Good communication skills, problem solving, analytical thinking and being a team player are all advantageous attributes.

How much time does being a councillor take?

As with anything, what you get out of being a Parish Councillor will depend on what you are able to put in. How much time you are able to commit is largely down to the individual and what level of involvement you are hoping for. As a minimum, you would be expected to attend the monthly Parish Council meetings held one evening per month. In addition, you will need to be free to attend the meetings of any working groups for example Greens Management, Planning consultation, CIL Projects

How long does a Parish Councillor serve for?

Once elected, Parish Councillors can sit on the Parish Council for a maximum of 4 years. If after that time, you wish to stay in post then you will need to stand for re-election.

If you are interested?

The best way to discover if being a Cockfield Parish Councillor is right for you, is to come along to one of our meetings (Currently via Skype), meet the team and see us in action. Alternatively in the first instance feel free to contact the Parish Clerk and have an initial discussion.

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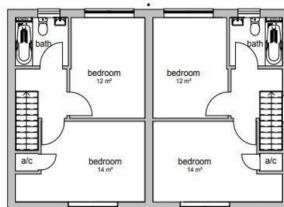
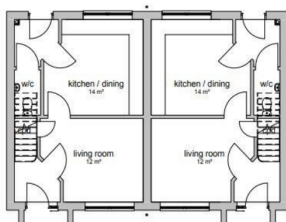
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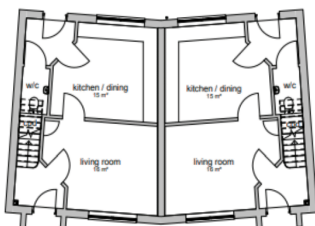
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Cockfield United Football Club

Sunday League at its finest!!

Our season proper got under way on the 6th of September with V3.0 of our Sunday side travelling to play against West Suffolk Wolves at Fornam St Martin, in true Sunday league fashion we arrived to find the pitch was hurriedly being marked out. We are not sure if they had simply forgotten or had been out for pre season “training” the night before but the final state of the pitch speaks for itself. After a half an hour delay the game kicked off, after a slow start we grew into the game and came out 2 – 1 winners, the Wolves goalkeeper keeping the score respectable for the home side. The following



Sunday (13th) we entertained higher league Lakenheath up the Green in the Open Cup, after another slow start we allowed the opposition to take the lead but we settled down and were back in the game courtesy of a Josh Mealey 25 yard screamer. 2nd half we really found our stride and raced into a 4 – 1 lead, although Lakenheath did come back into with two late goals we booked our place in the next round thanks in no small part to a spectacular goal line clearance from Gladwell, 4 – 3 it finished.

Vets Tough Start

After what seemed like an age away the Veterans started with two cup Semi Finals from last season. First up it was the Suffolk Veterans Cup against a very strong Woodbridge Town side (played at Bourne Vale, Ipswich). Woodbridge looked to avenge a defeat we inflicted on them during last season, that coupled with a lack of pre season ultimately led to a 6 – 0 defeat but we can hold our heads up high that we made it so far in the competition. The following Sunday saw the League Cup Semi Final against Westbourne Warriors (played at Ipswich Wanderers, Ipswich). After holding firm for 90 minutes the score was 1 – 1 against the higher level opposition, which brought on the words that no player let alone a Veteran wants to hear EXTRA TIME. The boys held on valiantly and after a getting to 3 – 2 it all got too much and they succumbed to a 6 – 2 defeat. Two heroic efforts from the boys against two of the top teams in the league.

Finally to the Saturdays

On the 12th both Saturday started their league campaigns after what felt like a life-time since our last competitive games. The First Team travelled along the Orwell to Woolverstone whilst the Reserves entertained Achilles Reserves up the Green. The

Firsts got off to a slow start (anyone notice a theme here??) and were punished by some sloppy play in the first 20 minutes. Although we had the better of the play for the rest of the encounter we couldn't take our chances where the home side did, final score 3 – 1 to the home side. The Reserves hosted Achilles Reserves up the Green knowing that it would probably be one of the toughest encounters of the season and how true that came to be with the Visitors, full of former Senior Level players, making a blistering start. Luckily the referee blew for the sanctity of half time with us 6 – 0 down. With strong words rattling around in the players ears we stepped out for the 2nd half immediately with more fight about us, although we didn't trouble the scorers chart our performance was much better holding the visitors to 0 – 0 in the 2nd half, full time 0 – 6.

Not the start that three of our sides would have wanted to make but plenty to work on in training and we all know with players we have we can put it right in our next games.

October Fixtures

With lots of Suffolk Cup games (from last season and this) and with the current situation we find ourselves in our fixtures are subject to regular changes, so if you like to see up to date fixture please follow us on social media Twitter - @CockfieldU or Facebook – Cockfield Fc or contact the club via email joebrinkley90@gmail.com . Alternatively you can go to fulltime-league.thefa.com and search Macron Suffolk and Ipswich for Saturdays (Divisions 2 and Inter A), search Bury and District Sunday league (Division 3) and Norfolk and Suffolk Veterans League (Division 2 South).

If there is anyone interested in joining the club, in either a playing or other capacity please don't hesitate to contact us. You can reach us either through social media Twitter - @CockfieldU or Facebook – Cockfield Fc, or by contacting the club Secretary via joebrinkley90@gmail.com

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Children's Page

October - Halloween!

Having problems carving a pumpkin then paint one instead you can still make a spooky face.

Make a paper Bat Garland by cutting out bat shapes and sticking them onto a string then hang it up.

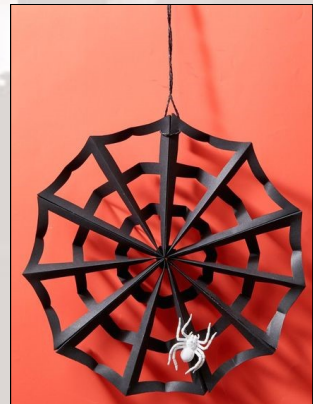
If you have a paper plate paint it black and attach pipe cleaners for legs & will make a spider, paint on eyes or cut holes in the plate and turn it into a spider mask.



Fold a square of paper in half, and half again and again then cut shapes out, open it up and you have a spiderweb decoration, you could even add a spider.

If you have an old tissue box cover it in paper or paint it use the opening as a mouth and add paper eyes and teeth or use a toilet roll middle.

Have Fun!





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Dear Green Link readers,

We welcome a number of new children and staff to our school this term. Nine new children have joined us across the school and we have four new TA's, and one new teacher, Mrs Card in Birch Class. All our children have returned to school but school life is very different as you can no doubt imagine. Staggered start, break and lunch times, no whole school assemblies, working and playing in our 'bubbles', lots and lots of hand washing and cleaning! When we asked some of the children what it was like to be back Albie and Ralph said, 'I've liked seeing all my friends again' and that they liked being back as 'we made shields!' Alexia said 'Lunches are the best.' In Willow Class the children are learning to play the drums, Djembe. So far Ella thought her favourite bit was getting to play the drums and making lots of noise. Jemma told me she was looking forward to learning different tunes and Jake said he found it really fun.

This term we are focussing on a number of topics which will include visits to Framlingham Castle by Oak Class and West Stow by Birch class. Willow class are completing an orienteering challenge and mapping work, and Lime Class will be looking at seasonal changes and making some local walks.

Our new children in Reception have already started their weekly Balance Bike Workshops. Sam said 'I'm looking forward to the ramps and wearing a helmet' Seth loved riding the bikes and Amelia liked riding her bike and is excited for the ramps.

A great start to the term!
Best wishes,
Mrs Harkin
Head teacher

Gardening Tips for October 2020

Flowers

- This is a good month for planting new herbaceous perennials as the soil is still fairly warm and the plants will develop new roots quickly. Make sure you label as some plants will not show any sign of growth until spring.
- Dahlias – as soon as the first frost has blackened the foliage and stems cut down to about 6 inches above ground. I tend to leave my Dahlias in the ground and cover with thick mulch of grit/gravel over the top of the plant to protect from penetrating frost. Alternatively you can lift them, cleaning off soil and removing any damaged tubers. Turn the tubers upside down to allow the stems to dry out. Then place either in clean dry straw in a hessian sack or in wooden trays and cover with a thick layer of horticultural vermiculite.
- You can also lift Begonia tubers and Gladioli corms. Remove any dead leaves before storing dry over the winter months.
- Prune climbing and rambling roses once they have finished flowering and tie in the stems to protect from wind damage.
- Clear up fallen rose leaves but don't compost those showing signs of black spot.
- Protect half hardy plants with fleece or store in a frost free greenhouse.
- Ideal time for , winter pansies and dwarf spring bulbs such as Narcissus, Chinodoxa , Scilla and Iris. Make sure pots are well drained by adding grit to a soiled based compost such as John Innes No.3.



Fruit and Vegetables

- Now is a good time to plant spring cabbage.
- If you plan to grow beans next year you can start preparing the site by digging trenches and filling with well- rotted manure.
- Reuse old grow bags in the greenhouse by cutting away the top and sowing late salad crops.
- When you harvest your cabbages leave the root in the ground and make a cut across the stem this will encourage a flush of smaller leaves.
- Cut yellowing asparagus foliage to within 5 cm of the ground.
- Divide congested clumps of Rhubarb with a spade and replant healthy looking Rhizomes (Thickened root).
- Remove netting from fruit cages to allow the birds to catch and eat any residual pests.
- If you haven't already done so cut back the fruited canes of your summer fruiting raspberries leaving the new green canes for next year's crop. Tie in next year's raspberry canes to support wires or fencing.



Trees and Shrubs

- Planting is best done between October and April. Avoid planting in waterlogged (water sitting on the soil surface or pooled in the bottom of the hole) or frozen (too hard to get the spade in) soil.
- Container grown plants can be planted any time of the year, but are easier to care for if planted in autumn or winter, as they need less watering than those planted in



- Bare-root and rootballed trees and shrubs are only available in autumn and winter. They should be planted immediately, but if this is not possible, then they can be heeled in (temporary planting in the soil to prevent the roots drying out) until planting is possible.
- Ensure that you prepare the planting site by digging the hole no deeper than the roots and if possible 3 times the diameter of the root ball. Then add organic matter. If the soil is very poor you can add something like 'Rootgrow', which is a type of fungi that helps roots to establish. Firm the soil with your boot and water in.
- Continue to water Camellias and Rhododendrons in pots with rain water to swell the flower buds which are forming.

Lawns

- Clear up fallen leaves regularly to allow light to reach the grass
- You will probably mow your lawn for the last time this month before winter takes hold.

General Maintenance and planning

- Collect healthy dead leaves and add to compost heap.
- Don't forget to raise patio containers on to pot feet to avoid pots becoming waterlogged.
- Take photos of your garden to help with planning for next year.
- Don't forget to keep the bird feeders and water baths topped up
- Weather permitting make time to give evergreen hedges a final trim to keep them looking neat and tidy over the winter months.
- Resist the urge to cut back dead foliage on all perennials so that wildlife such as hedgehogs have somewhere to shelter. Also during the winter months some plants provide architectural interest especially with a dusting of frost.



Happy Gardening.

I'll be back with more tips in February.

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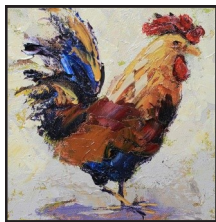
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Cockfield Community Council News

October 2020

Community Council Trustees met virtually in mid Sept to consider what events we can arrange to year end.

At the time of writing we remain on track to arrange the Cinema showing of Military Wives on Fri 25 Sept, this restricted to 30 attendees. This is our first attempt at putting on an event, considerable thanks go to the Village Hall Management Committee for making the Village Hall COVID 19 compliant. On this first occasion we will not be providing a bar or refreshments but you are more than welcome to bring your own.

We plan for the cinema to again take place on Fri 23 Oct, this time showing It's a Beautiful Day in the Neighbourhood. Tom Hanks portrays Mister Rogers, a timely story of kindness triumphing over cynicism, based on the true story of a real-life friendship between Fred Rogers and journalist Tom Junod.

Next month the winners of the Cockfield Show will be announced in Green Links, it will be good to see the pictures.

We are planning for a virtual speed quiz on Sat 14 Nov which you can attend from home. There would be no material ceiling on the number of participating teams all a team would need is either a laptop, tablet or smart phone with internet connection. We are very hopeful that this initiative will be very well received. Please note the date and watch out for further details!

Finally we are delighted to confirm that we will again have a Xmas Tree on the Great Green. Once finalised we will publicise the day and time the lights will be switched on.

Report Ian Levett

Computer Corner

Editing Text on iPhone or iPad

An iPhone / iPad tip this month. When you are creating an email or a text, or indeed in any app where you are using the keyboard, you often need to go back over the content and edit it. Many people tap somewhere just past the required location to position the cursor approximately where required, then use the backspace key to remove the text to be edited.

From the time of the very first iPhone, it used to be the case that you could press and hold on the screen and at that location a magnifier would appear, in which you could easily see the text and the cursor. You could then drag the cursor to the exact location for precise editing.

In a classic case of it ain't broke but we'll fix it anyway, a while ago now Apple abandoned the magnifier. Instead of the clear visual indication offered by the magnifier, Apple changed it to just a slightly longer version of the cursor. Positioning the cursor became quite challenging as your finger could easily interfere with seeing clearly where the cursor is.

Although I still much prefer the original magnifier, there is a way to position the cursor accurately which is much more effective than pressing and holding on the text itself.

This works on both iPhone and iPad. Whilst in the normal edit mode, creating or modifying an email or text for example, *press and hold the space bar*. The keyboard greys out, and still pressing and holding, you can drag your finger around the keyboard region, and in the actual text area the cursor will mirror your finger movement. When the cursor is at the location you want, just lift off and you can resume editing. The big advantage of this method is that finger and cursor are nowhere near each other, making it much easier and more reliable to position the cursor just where you need it.

Neil Ashton

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Cockfield W.I.



My hopes of an Indian summer for September came true, enabling garden meetings to continue in glorious sunshine. We shall carry on with these sessions so that our members can meet if they wish, through the coming months. The latest restrictions mean it's definitely not possible to resume monthly meetings but we can now, meet in groups of up to six, indoors with social distancing. So, no need to pile on the winter woolies and coats! Transport is available if required.

We did not have an Annual Meeting this year and as the President and committee agreed to continue in position until May 2021, we were able to fulfill the constitutional requirements by submitting the necessary documents and reports to both members and Suffolk West.

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Best wishes
Brenda C

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Dear Friends

October is one of those months when the Church's calendar goes quiet. We're not celebrating any festivals and we continue in what we call 'ordinary time'. However, there are other initiatives going on, one of which I would like to highlight this month.

As you have probably been aware there has been a lot in the news lately about 'Black lives matter', quite rightly following the death of George Floyd in the USA. This was followed by the focus on slavery - and the toppling of the statue of Edward Colston in Bristol which led to the questioning of some of the other monuments we have in Britain erected in the memory of people involved in slavery in the past.

Whether that is right or wrong is not for me to make a comment on, but what I do know is that slavery continues to exist across the world today. It exists here in this country too. It's known as 'Modern Day Slavery', it is the severe exploitation of other people for personal or commercial gain. Modern slavery is all around us, but often just out of sight. People can become entrapped making our clothes, serving our food, picking our crops, working in factories, or working in houses as cooks, cleaners or nannies. From the outside, it can look like a normal job. But people are being controlled – they can face violence or threats, be forced into inescapable debt, or have had their passport taken away and are being threatened with deportation. Many have fallen into this oppressive trap simply because they were trying to escape poverty or insecurity, improve their lives and support their families. Now, they can't leave.

40 million people are estimated to be trapped in modern slavery worldwide:

1 in 4 of them are children.

- Almost three quarters (71%) are women and girls.

Over 10,000 were identified as potential victims by the authorities in the UK in 2019. As you can see, it is a massive problem. In the Anglican Church we are calling the week of 12-18 October 'Freedom Week', and then 18 October is 'Anti-slavery' day. In the benefice we will be praying and supporting those who fight against modern day slavery. I hope that you will join us in doing this. Let's work together to stamp out Modern Day Slavery!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank those who took part in the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride for the whole of our benefice, but in particular to the Cockfield Normans, Norman Kelly and Norman Gregory - who notched up a huge number of miles and Churches on their bicycles. Thank you also to all those who sponsored them. St Peter's Parochial Church Council is truly grateful!
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I've just had my hours cut at work. I'd like to take on a second job, but there's nothing around. It sounds ridiculous to talk about Christmas now, but I'm already worrying! I usually start buying the kids a few presents early to spread the cost - but that's going to be impossible this year. How can I make less go further, without going into debt?

I'm sorry to hear about the cut in your hours, and what it means for you.

One way to stretch household finances is to shop around for the best deals on your mobile phone and broadband (depending on the details of your price plan), and on utilities, such as electricity. Installing a water meter can also sometimes bring savings.

It's worth checking your insurances and subscriptions - cancel any you don't need and shop around for the others. It's normally cheaper if you don't leave it until just before the renewal date.

If your children are school age there may be help available with uniforms, technology and free school meals. Citizens Advice website, www.citizensadvice.org.uk has more details.

A fall in income may mean you're eligible for benefits, especially if you're a parent or carer. The benefits checker, turn2us.org.uk is particularly useful.

It sounds like you're normally very organised, and I'm sure this will stand you in good stead.

Make a list of the cost of your priority outgoings - such as housekeeping and essential travel - against your new income.

It's easy to slip into overdraft, or miss a payment, and it can then become more and more expensive - and stressful - to get on the right track and out of debt. Likewise, think carefully about any 'buy now pay later' deals - they're not always the best option long term.

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Summer Reading Challenge – Silly Squad

This is running until the end of September so it's not too late to complete the challenge! We have medals and certificates as usual and there's lots of fun on the Summer Reading Challenge [website https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)



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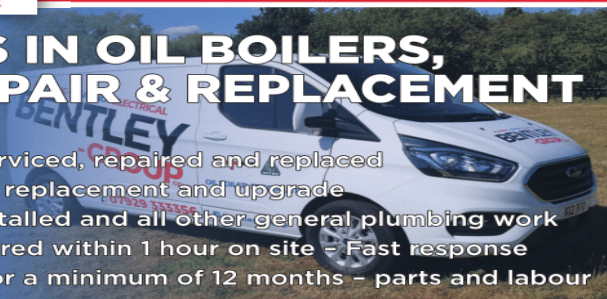
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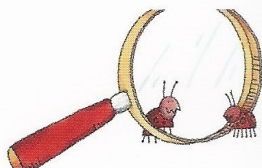


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In February 2015 we introduced a new email system to broadcast information to our community on events, activities and other topics of interest. This system evolved from the original eVine system and has a number of advantages including the ability for recipients to control their own subscription.

Our broadcasts sit alongside Green Links and the website as key methods of engaging with our community. For example when events are published in Green Links, we are able to use the broadcasts to let you know of updates and changes as they happen.

So we really want as many people as possible to subscribe to receive our broadcasts. Of course not all emails will be of interest to every subscriber. But since the introduction of the new system we have issued 135 broadcasts - an average of around 5 per month - so it is not a significant addition to the number of emails you already receive.

To subscribe, please visit our website at www.cockfield.org.uk and follow the link in the footer of any webpage. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at neilka@btinternet.com.

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Although these days my opportunities for doing so are few and far between, it has always been good down through the years to spend time in the Devon countryside where I grew up. I enjoy walking in the hills and fields surrounding the village that I know so well. I am sure that those of you reading this all have special places that you enjoy visiting and spending time in. Some places evoke memories of past experiences both good and bad. I wonder how often we have wandered in our minds to these places.

The paths I walk in Devon when I am actually there are ones that I walked as a child through familiar landscape as did generations before me. Many changes have taken place in the village I grew up. In some fields where we used to play and climb trees, housing estates have been built. Yet the fields and woodland on the hillsides around cannot change for the whole area is designated an area of outstanding natural beauty and is therefore protected. So the old well worn paths remain and they often lead to some interesting places. It is of course important to keep to these old paths since straying from them at some points will mean you get lost, stray into areas that are private or find yourself in thick undergrowth or swampy ground.

Many centuries ago in the Bible a prophet named Jeremiah spoke a word from God to the people, "this is what the Lord says stand at the crossroads and look and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls..... (Jeremiah 6v16). It was a call to pause, reflect on where they stood in their relationship with God and then walk in obedience to God. This would result in rest and real peace. Although we live in the twenty first century and our society is far different from Jeremiah's nevertheless the same call comes to us today.

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