

# Wortham

## Altar Flowers for August

3rd & 10th Mrs S Leeder  
16th Wedding

## Church Cleaning

3rd Cathy Hume  
10th Sheila & Janet  
17th Elizabeth Clark  
24th Paddy Richards

## Shoebboxes

It's time to start thinking about the Christmas Shoebboxes for our service in October. If you can fill one (it's great fun) or perhaps do one with a friend, hopefully we can reach our target of 200 boxes this year. Leaflets will be distributed with the September magazine and will also be available from the Post Office and the church.

## Sponsored Cycle Ride

The Suffolk Historic Churches Trust annual Cycle Ride will be on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September between 9.00am and 5.00pm. If anyone would like a sponsor form please ring Sheila Rush 788124.

### FRIENDS OF WORTHAM CHURCH EVENTS

#### Craftsman's Quest

The Craftsman's Quest was launched by Sue Heaser on behalf of the Friends of Wortham Church on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June in the church. This Family Treasure Hunt runs all summer and the closing date for returning your entry form is 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 with the prize-giving on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October. The first prize is a Sunday Carvery Lunch for a family of four at the Park Hotel, Diss. 'Quest' booklets are now on sale at Wortham Post Office Stores for £10. (and see page 5 of this magazine).

#### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Bring and Buy Sale at Batteleys Cottage, The Ling, Wortham. Refreshments, cakes, bring and buy and plants will be on sale. Please start thinking about plant cuttings and seedlings to bring along to this event. More details nearer the time.

#### Friday 7th November

Advance notice. 'Rookery Puds'. An evening of fabulous puddings served at The Rookery, Wortham. Tickets £15. More details later.

Please check the Friends of Wortham Church website for information: [friendsofworthamchurch.weebly.com](http://friendsofworthamchurch.weebly.com)

#### Pottery Workshop

Eleven people travelled to John Chipperfield's at Brockdish on 19th June and enjoyed the most amazing day of hands on experience with John and Penny. Learning about the history of pottery making followed by a demonstration, everyone proceeded to create their own art work. A delicious lunch provided by the Friends was followed by a viewing of John's beautiful artwork. At the end of the day everyone had produced several pieces of work proud enough to be left for glazing. A great day and raising about £200 for the Friends of Wortham Church.

## ROWLAND MORAY WALLACE RASH 1927-2014

Many paid tribute to Moray Rash at his funeral on Monday 7th July at St Mary's Church, Wortham. Moray made many substantial contributions to the village over the years and the large congregation included representatives from the farming community, the NFU, village organisations and those who had worked on the farm, past and present. Father Michael Thompson led the service, the reading was given by Rev. Ginny Manning and the eulogy by Michael Jeffery, a friend of the family. The church had been beautifully decorated by ladies of the village and was a lovely floral tribute to Moray. Donations to EACH and Help for Heroes in memory of Moray can be made c/o Rosedale Funeral Home, 63 Victoria Road, Diss IP22 4JE

**Thank you** The whole family were deeply grateful to all of you who supported us at Moray's funeral. The flowers in the church were some of the loveliest that I have ever seen, all done with care and affection. I cannot thank you enough. We would also like to thank everyone who sent letters and cards. Your kind words and thoughtfulness were a great comfort. The service, the flowers and the peaceful churchyard seem to be an appropriate place for Moray to rest in his home village.  
*Geraldine Rash*

## PROPOSED AED (automated external defibrillator) UNIT FOR WORTHAM VILLAGE HALL

Parish Councillor Jenny Piper is to lead a small committee of volunteers to raise funds for an AED unit to be located at Wortham Village Hall. The idea was put forward to the Parish Council at a recent meeting where it received enthusiastic support. The Parish Council will take over the responsibility for the equipment once it is installed as a community asset.

The initial cost for an externally located and secure machine which is accessible at all times will be approximately £2-2500 and it is hoped this will be met by donations and fundraising in the village. These machines are totally safe and anyone can use them.

Interesting facts – the chances of survival with CPR alone 9% – CPR and AED 50% – AED alone within 3-5 minutes 74% !!

If you would like to make a donation, help with fundraising or want to know more about the project please contact Jenny Piper 788461 or Maureen Ling 783236.

## GOOD COMPANIONS

On Tuesday August 5<sup>th</sup> Wortham Good Companions Club will devote their meeting to commemorate the declaration of World War I on August 4<sup>th</sup> 1914. The meeting, at the Village Hall, will start at 2.00pm with various reports, poems etc, all relating to that War. The names of Wortham men and relatives of members who gave their lives will be read out, followed by the Royal British Legion Silent Tribute. There will be a tea break from approximately 3.00 - 3.30pm followed by a sing-a-long of World War I songs led by Jennie Francis and friend. There will be a draw to help with expenses.

The meeting is open to anyone wishing to commemorate the war, especially those who lost relatives. Please let us know if you would like to join us and give us the name of any relative lost and where they lived at the time of their death.

E E (Betty) Garnham Chairman / Hon. Treasurer 642127

Sheila Rush 788124

The Good Companions club went to the 2014 Wisbech Rose Fair Flower Festival held in the magnificent parish church of St Peter and St Paul on 2nd July. There were also floral displays in Trinity Methodist Church, the Baptist Church and the United Reformed Church. The theme of the arrangements was 'I know a place'. This year sees the 51st anniversary of the first Rose Fair Flower Festival which was started to raise money for the maintenance and restoration of the church. At first rose buds were sold in St Peter's Church garden to raise funds and over the years the Rose Fair has grown and other churches and organisations have joined in to create the popular event it is today.

**Village Hall** A date for your diary - 'Quiz' - November 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Village Hall Diary for August**

Ballroom	4th, 11th, 18th, 25th	7.00 - 8.30
Yoga	12th, 19th, 26th	10.00 - 11.30
Good Companions	5th	2.00 - 4.30

**Hall Booking Secretary** Mike Burgess Tel. 898037

**Mobile Library** Wednesday 6th August Wortham Post Office Stores 2.40pm to 2.55pm

**Twinning**

The weekend of 4th to 7th July, Wortham and Burgate played host to another successful visit from our twinned village of Hédé-Bazouges in Brittany. There were 40 guests and to our delight 16 of them were under 18. Thanks to the schools in Wortham and Hartismere they all had a chance to spend a day forging links with local youngsters. The rest of the time great fun was had by all. A zoo visit, canoeing in Bungay, garden parties, Tug o'War in Magpie Green, barn dance at Howards Nurseries plus many trips out to the surrounding area. The hosts, their guests and members had a memorable weekend. New members welcome! Ring Chris 898338