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## Wortham & BURGATE Letter

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### A REQUEST FOR THE GOOD SAMARITAN

On Thursday, 1st March, at about 8.00 p.m. during the worst of the Beast from the East, I was driving to Diss station via Church Lane, Wortham, to collect my daughter when we got badly stuck in a snow drift. To cut a long story short, I was helped by a chap who was coming past the Tennis Club towards the same hazard. He stopped in time and, as we both had shovels, managed to get me out, with a lot of pushing, digging, and shoving.

When free, we both reversed away and I never saw him again. He was, I think, in his 50s with a Northern accent and heading towards Magpie Green. He has my shovel and I have a bottle of wine to thank him - if you can help identify this chap, then please call me on 01379 650021.

It was doubly important because the following day was my 70th birthday which could have been spoilt somewhat without this Good Samaritan.

*Peter Johnstone*

## WORTHAM WALKERS

We walk on the first Tuesday of each month. The next walk is on 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

### A report from John Scott on our morning at Needham Market on 6<sup>th</sup> March:

We met in the car park of the Limes Hotel on the High Street – only five of us, but we had a delightful morning setting off as planned along the cattle tunnel under the railway line by the station and diverting off the planned route to have a coffee at Alder Carr Farm Barn Cafe.

Here we had a companionable chat before progressing further along our route, which excluded the banks of the River Gipping which have suffered from the heavy rain and snow recently and would have been too slippery. This was a break from tradition but worked well as three of us did not want to have a meal afterwards (though Julie and John did stay for lunch where we had parked).



- The next walk will be further along the Gipping valley and will be led by Pam & Alan, who tell us:



This is an interesting re-walk which took last time approximately two hours. Visiting such places as Darmsden Church and Hall as well as walking along the banks of the River Gipping. The walk as usual will start at 10.30 from the Lion pub in Needham Market.

The best way to get there is to travel south on the A140 towards the A14. Pass under the A14 and take the B1078 towards Needham Market; proceed on this road and go under the railway bridge and turn immediately left into Lion Lane following the road round to the crossroads, and the pub is situated across the road.



There is a large car park there and lunch will be available for those who want it.



Friends of Botesdale  
Health Centre

### Patient Transport

CAN YOU HELP ?

This increasingly busy service is in need of more volunteer drivers.

If you have a car, time to spare and would like to help please phone Val Goodwin on 01379890190 for details.

As you may be aware, there have been significant changes to the government's benefits system and Universal Credits are being rolled out across the country.

There will be a full-service roll-out in the county commencing April 2018 and this may affect your child's eligibility for Free School Meals. We would urge you to **apply before midnight on 31 March 2018** as if you are eligible you will be entitled to free school meals for the next four years regardless of any change in your circumstances. If you apply after 1 April 2018, it could take up to three months to verify your eligibility.

The school benefits from additional funding, known as Pupil Premium funding, for all our pupils who are eligible for Free School Meals and we get this funding for six years, even if the child was only eligible on the day they applied. This funding is £1,320 per child each year (for primary schools) and £935 per child each year (for secondary schools). Over the six years, this equates to £7,920 (for primary schools) and £5,610 (for secondary schools) for each eligible child. As I am sure you will agree, this is a considerable amount of funding for the school to support your child's learning.

We can use this funding in many ways such as by reducing fees for after school clubs, school trips or even extra staff to teach your child. If you believe that your child could currently be eligible for free school meals (even if they have Universal Infant Free School Meals or they would rather not sit in the school dining hall) and you have not yet applied, we would please ask that you consider applying to allow the school to get this extra funding to benefit your child

If you are currently in receipt of any of the benefits listed below, then you can apply easily online at [www.suffolk.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals).

- Income Support
- Universal Credit
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Guaranteed Element of Pension Credit
- Employment & Support Allowance (income related)
- 28 Day Working Tax Credit run on
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit (without Working Tax Credit) & an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190

You will be told instantly whether you are eligible, and it only takes a few minutes to apply. We would be very grateful to get as much Pupil Premium funding as possible before the new benefits system is introduced as it will continue for the next six years. Your support is much appreciated.

**Mags Lambert**

Resource Manager (Admissions & Transport)

Directorate of Health, Wellbeing and Children's Services

Suffolk County Council, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, IP1 2BX



**OPEN DAY 2PM**  
**15 APRIL 2018**

## **WORTHAM BOWLS CLUB**

Wortham Bowls Club has been serving the people of Wortham and the surrounding villages for over seventy five years and is looking forward to another successful season in 2018

### **GIVE IT A TRY !**

Fresh air, great company and friendly competition

New members very welcome

Free coaching every Friday evening

All ages and abilities welcome

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL**

**BRIAN 01379 890701**  
**OR**  
**BERNIE 01379 786821**

The green officially opens at 2pm on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018 and once again everyone will be welcome, including potential new members interested in trying their luck at bowls.

We plan to continue with the very popular Friday evening informal roll up sessions. The first session will be on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2018 with existing members available to welcome potential new members and play some bowls in the sunshine. Start time 6:15pm each Friday until September.

The first home matches will be vs Diss & District Bowls Club on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May and vs Bildeston Bowls Club on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018. Thereafter, there will be two fixtures each week until the end of August 2018.





**MID MORNING COFFEE  
BREAK**



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**or**

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**WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU.**

**CHRIS MOYSE'S SHOW  
MONDAY - FRIDAY, 10:00 - 13:00**

## Burgate Village News



Don't forget – **the kettle's on** every Tuesday at the Church Hall in Burgate. Do come along and enjoy a hot drink and homemade cakes, meet your neighbours, catch up with old friends, bring children. 10.00 am until 12 noon. Look for the 'A' board by the side of the road.

### Did you know.....

..... that you can hire Burgate Church Hall for meetings, parties and other social events? It has a very well- equipped kitchen with excellent cooking facilities, fridge, microwave and dishwasher. Toilet facilities are modern and are fully disabled accessible.

### Poppy Appeal 2018 – help wanted

After 21 years unstinting volunteering, Sheila Howard has decided that it is time for her to step down from organising the annual Poppy Appeal in Burgate. Over this time she must have overseen the collection of thousands of pounds for the Royal British Legion, and we all owe her a great debt of thanks for that.

We are now looking for someone to take over the reins. If you feel you could spare some time for this very worthy cause, please get in touch with Sheila on 01379 898 712 and she will be pleased to let you know what is involved.

## Burgate Plant Sale

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 2.00 pm  
Burgate Church Hall

Come early for the best selection of plants for your garden, all reasonably priced.  
There is ample parking and refreshments will be available.



#### Church Flowers

1 <sup>st</sup> April	Fee Robertson
8 <sup>th</sup> April	Jennie Labdon
15 <sup>th</sup> April	Jennie Labdon
22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Shudy Walker

#### Hall Cleaning

Judi Tann



Saturday 7 April, 7:30pm

# Goodbye Christopher Robin

Domhnall Gleeson, Margot Robbie, Kelly Macdonald

Saturday 9 June, 7:30pm

# Gary Oldman as Winston Churchill

2018 Best Actor – Oscar & Bafta

# THE DARKEST HOUR

[www.palgravecinema.co.uk](http://www.palgravecinema.co.uk)

Book online, where trailers can be seen and reviews read.

**TICKETS £5 each**



## Group Hires with Borderhoppa Community Transport

Did you know that, along with our door-to-door dial a ride and outings service for members, not for profit community groups can hire our minibuses for their own outings?

Go to destinations of your choice, visit your favourite places or enjoy shopping trips with your group.

Our requirements are very simple. Your group must register with us as a not for profit organisation, cost of our annual group membership is £15, and tell us what your group does and when and where you would like use of a minibus.

If you would like to make a booking or would like more information, then please call 01379 854800 or visit [www.borderhoppa.org](http://www.borderhoppa.org)

## Beyond the Wall

### Spring!

After a last harsh *au revoir*, winter weather has become the sort of spring we're used to. The combination of winter bareness and spring colour has its own beauty and is a reminder of how lucky we are to be situated in the lovely grounds of the Thornham Magna estate.



Making the winter

profitable use of the site's resources is always a priority, and while was doing its worst, the team was busy looking at ways to bring customers to the various enterprises. The old and worn marquee has been replaced by two new easily erected tents; they'll be available to hire for events, as will the recently cleared wing of the glasshouse complex.



When I met the garden manager, Phil today, he wasn't apologising for compost and soil stains. Rather for speckling of black paint collected while painting the gutters. The small, dedicated staff at the walled garden does wonderful work with the clients; they also have to turn their hands to the essential maintenance of the gardens and buildings.



*The vinery laid out for refreshments*

Passing park visitors have discovered our refreshment stop, and are dropping by in increasing numbers.

The good news is that we may have the possibility of enough volunteers to set up a rota for weekend opening.

We're all looking forward to sunnier days to enjoy the first full season of new plantings.

*Cleared for action: the glasshouse room, and the vegetable garden*



### **VENUE HIRE**

#### *Marquee*

Max. 50 people seated; max. 75 standing

#### *The Vinery*

Max. 40 seated; 50 standing

*The above includes marquee, tables, chairs, kitchen facilities and toilets*

*For details and prices contact Beyond the Wall*

01379 788700



(Extract from Royal British Legion's  
'The Poppy' magazine, 26 March  
2018)

As I write these words, the finishing touches are being made to the brand-new Defence and National Rehabilitation Centre (DNRC), a purpose-built centre dedicated to helping Servicemen and women recover from serious injury.

Since 1947 the main facility dedicated to helping Servicemen and women recover from injury has been Headley Court in Surrey. Headley Court has played a vital role in the life of the Armed Forces and has been a centre not just of healing and recovery, but also of innovation.

Now the time has come to build a new centre – a larger facility, one that uses all the latest rehabilitation technology and is purpose-built to meet the complex needs of people who have survived injuries that might have been fatal just ten years ago.

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, the Legion has invested **£5m** in this state-of-the-art Ministry of Defence facility near Loughborough, due to open in October. Our specific contribution is going to the **Complex Trauma Gymnasium**, which will be at the heart of the centre's exercise therapy program.

Whether someone is living with single or multiple amputations, spinal injury, muscle damage, serious fractures, or other serious injuries, it is essential that they receive top quality care and, if possible, are returned to Service quickly. That is the purpose of the Complex Trauma Gymnasium, which will feature two main areas: a full-size sprung basketball court and a dedicated cardiovascular area which will include specially adapted equipment such as treadmills, cross-trainers and rowing machines.

The advanced specialist care provided by the DNRC is just one of the many ways the Legion helps the Servicemen and women who have served their country.

**We are dedicated to funding projects like these that support our Armed Forces Community, but we can't do it without you.**

Please consider taking a moment to donate to the Royal British Legion. Any amount, large or small, will strengthen our ability to help those who need us.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Guy Upward, Assistant Director of Fundraising: Individual Giving  
[www.britishlegion.org.uk](http://www.britishlegion.org.uk)



The opening of the DNRC represents an important advance in the support Servicemen and women receive as they recover from injury.

Thanks to a range of factors including improved body armour and speed of helicopter evacuation, Servicemen and women today are able to survive injuries that would previously have killed them. This is great news, but it also means that there is a real need for injury rehabilitation services.

The facility at Headley Court in Surrey has done a sterling job of injury recovery for more than 70 years, but it has been limited by its size and layout. Now with an increased need and a host of innovative new treatments available, the time is right to join the Ministry of Defence in investing in a purpose-built state-of-the-art facility to treat the men and women who have put themselves in harm's way.

### **Integrated Treatment Zone**

At the heart of the new DNRC is the Integrated Treatment Zone. This will allow the Centre to achieve something that was never fully possible at Headley Court – consolidating the widest possible range of specialist elements in a central campus, all connected by enclosed walkways.

It will incorporate not only assessment and treatment rooms, but a large-scale sports hall, specialist gymnasium, pool and hydrotherapy facilities and a running track. By making all these services readily available and interconnected, the Centre will offer Servicemen and women the best chance at injury recovery.

### **Complex Trauma Gymnasium**

Made possible by the kind supporters of The Royal British Legion, the Complex Trauma Gymnasium will be a centre for rehabilitation for people with a wide range of injuries including amputations, fractures, spinal cord injury and other serious conditions.

The Complex Trauma Gymnasium will feature a full-size sprung basketball court and cardiovascular suite filled with a range of custom exercise equipment. Here, Servicemen and women will benefit from the very best in exercise therapy, as well as sessions in physiotherapy and occupational therapy. The facilities on offer are of outstanding quality, and the entire layout has been designed with the patient journey in mind.



The 'Beast from the East' appears to be having a final (?) go at us, a couple of days before spring, if you call 1st March spring. Just before the snow, I walked beyond Botesdale's Fen Lane bridge on a bright and cheerful afternoon—not a cloud in the sky. A dozen thrush-like birds flew to the trees above me, with a cheerful 'chatter'; they descended to the fields beyond the lane's 'gate'. (Still no latch). They were Field Fares in early spring plumage, the size of our Mistle Thrush, but flocking together unlike our similar-sized bird. I am often asked what it is, so thrush-like but a much more colourful plumage. They were looking to the north as they settled in the field but continued with their 'chatter', wisely stating with inward knowledge, 'it is too early to make the long migratory flight north'.



During a morning walk on two occasions I have seen a Wren. It moved quickly and does not wait to be identified. It is our second smallest bird and has an upturned tail. Most likely heard before being seen. An angry 'chatter' and then a lovely song—very loud. Surprisingly so for such a small bird. It sings summer and winter. It is widely spread in our gardens, woods, marshes and reed beds. I had not seen a Redwing this winter until the following morning when one flew above our garden, its colours lit up by the rising morning sun. It is the size of a small thrush with pale under parts and I imagined I saw its under-the-wings flash of red.

This winter series of BBC Nature Watching taught us to distinguish the four large-sized blackbirds. The Raven, the Crow, the Rook and the Jackdaw. I recently saw a blackish large bird flying over our valley. And what is black to dark brown in the winter light? This bird I recognised by its flight. The size of a large Crow, it took a few wing flaps and then glided in a straight line. It did not circle like a buzzard but seemed to have a purpose in its straight-line journey. It was a Harrier, probably a Marsh Harrier from our Redgrave Fen. Perhaps one of last year's two male Marsh Harriers on the lookout for other remote breeding areas and having been told by the Fen's other male Marsh Harrier that it was not wanted this year.

A fellow Rickinghall nature observer recently told me he had noticed a bright watchful 'eye' observing him from nearby woodland ground cover. On nearer inspection, it belonged to a bird. It was the watchful eye of nature's best camouflaged bird, the Woodcock. It may have been a resident bird or one of several thousand that come here in the winter. The female is practically invisible on her nest in the daytime. I recall seeing a pair in late spring on Thetford Chase (we were listening for Nightjars) flying ('roding') together in the dusk. They have known fly paths through wooded areas which gamekeepers are aware of and the birds are caught in nets. Trees were planted in rows to become pathways and became 'roding' areas.

A bird you may have read about this winter but may not have seen is the Hawfinch. It is uncommon. I once saw one (sadly a dead one) in the hand of my grandfather who had picked it up in his garden. I must have been about ten years of age at the time, but it made quite an impression on me. This year hundreds of them have come from continental mainland, possibly in search of berries. (Perhaps they have taken turns in replacing the winter arrival of Waxwings of which there have been very few this year). Hawfinches have very strong beaks and can crack a cherry or an olive nut for the pip. Presumably not interested (like us humans) in these fruits delicious flesh. The area to see them locally has been the Arboretum at Munford. A local watcher was fortunate enough to see them this year, presumably guided by a group of fellow watchers with bins or scopes.

I think I had better stop here and start scraping up some of the six inches of deep snow around our home! I hope you are reading this in more clement weather!

## Wortham and Burgate Sunday Club

Meet at Wortham Village Hall from 10.00am to 10.45am  
(followed by coffee and cookies) once a month during term time.

Dates for Spring Term 2018 are:

**6<sup>th</sup> May : 3<sup>rd</sup> June : 1<sup>st</sup> July**

Stories



Games



Crafts

Singing



and lots of fun and friendship



All children aged 4-11 welcome.  
Just turn up or ring Lyn on 788479  
for more details

### Friends of Wortham Church



On Friday 23rd March twelve people enjoyed a willow weaving course at Wortham Village Hall. Jo Hammond demonstrated different techniques and helped individuals to make a fruit basket. It was the most enjoyable day with everyone taking home a very useful and attractive basket. The course was a full day which included lunch. £285 was made for support of the church.

## The Sheila Rush Page

### Mothering Sunday

A lovely Mothering Sunday service was held at St Mary's Church, Wortham on Sunday 11 March. The service was taken by the Revd Ginny Manning and the organist was Myra Pinnell. Children from Wortham Primary School played a large part in the service. They gave lots of readings, collected the posies and took them to the altar to be blessed and then distributed them to the mothers in the congregation; they also took the collection. A reading for a Mother's Love was given by Lyn Pelham Burn, and prayers were given by Cathy Hume.

Two favored hymns were sung: He's Got The Whole World In His Hands (with actions) and One More Step Along The Way We Go. A vote of thanks was given to the children by Revd Ginny and the service ended with The Blessing and The Dismissal. After the service, the children came around with refreshments.

### Benefice Service

There was just one service in the Benefice on Sunday 25 February – at St Mary's Church, Wortham and was conducted by the Revd Adrian Watkins with organist Peter Cresswell. This service is where seven churches come together to worship and celebrate the Holy Communion. The Reading was given by Lyn Pelham Burn and the Gospel by Reader Graham Reardon. Intercession Prayers were given by Revd Ginny Manning. Holy Communion was celebrated, and the service ended with The Blessing and Dismissal.

### Good Companions

The Good Companions Club held its first meeting of the year in Wortham Village Hall on Tuesday 13 February which was its AGM. Chairman Betty Garnham welcomed the return and gave her report. Tom Davis, Outings and Events organiser about possible forthcoming summer trips. The treasurer's Report was circulated. All Officers were willing to stand for another year, as were the Vice Presidents, Mrs S. Bawden and Mrs V. Bloomfield. Membership fees will stay at £5 for the year. There will be a Spring Bingo on Monday 16 April at Wortham Village Hall, 7:00 for 7:30 pm start. Club Member Betty Locke celebrated her 80th birthday in January and was presented with a bouquet of flowers by the club. During the tea break she sent round tea and wine to all the members. The afternoon ended with bingo and a draw.

### Wortham Bowls Club

The club will be opening its green on 15 April and everyone will be welcome especially potential new members interested in trying their luck (It's a great game to play.)

The club held its pre-season dinner and presentation evening on Tuesday 20 March at The Manor House. 30 members and guests attended. Chairman Bernie Trigg presented the prizes for the 2017 competitions.

**Men's Singles:** Charlie Gooderham; **Handicap Singles:** Stephen Potter; **Three Wood Pairs:** Derek Frost and Irene Chandler; **Wood Plate:** Richard Pursehouse; **Four Wood Pairs:** Richard Pursehouse and Peter Jenner; **Two Wood Singles:** Richard Pursehouse; **Three Wood Plate Open:** Richard Pursehouse and **Ladies' Singles:** Rachel Garnham. A large Raffle also took place.



# WORTHAM *ES* OPEN GARDENS 2018



CALL FOR  
GARDENS



Wortham will be opening its gardens again on the weekend of the 16th and 17th of June, 2018.

In the past this event has not only raised much needed money for the maintenance of the village hall, but has also been a very enjoyable social occasion. In order to make 2018 equally successful we need volunteers willing to open their gardens. It doesn't matter how big or small your garden is, or whether it is manicured or natural, all gardens are interesting. If you would like to volunteer your garden, or if you would like to have a chat about the possibility, please phone or e-mail me.

Joy Cornish

*(on behalf of Wortham Village Hall Committee)*

Family.cornish@gmail.com

Tel: 01379 309538



## Rickinghall & District Community Bus



The first 18 months has proved very successful with respect to vehicle usage: some 3,500 people journeys per annum. With respect to financial support: fares collected are adequately covering running expenses although we must bear in mind that the vehicle warranty expires in June 2018. Clearly the vehicle replacement in say 3-4 years, at a cost of some £3,000-£35,000 must be our long-term planning.

Our County Councillor, Jessica Fleming, is confident that if we can acquire 50% of replacement costs through donations etc., we would be in a good position to apply to grand fund the remainder. It is my opinion that with support from more Parish Councils, (Rickinghall and Botesdale already substantially contribute), plus voluntary donations that continue to arrive, the future of our community bus is secure.

*Gordon Lawrence Community Bus Co-ordinator.  
Tel: 01379 897109, 24/7 answerphone*

## *Attention residents of Wortham* **TEA'S MADE**

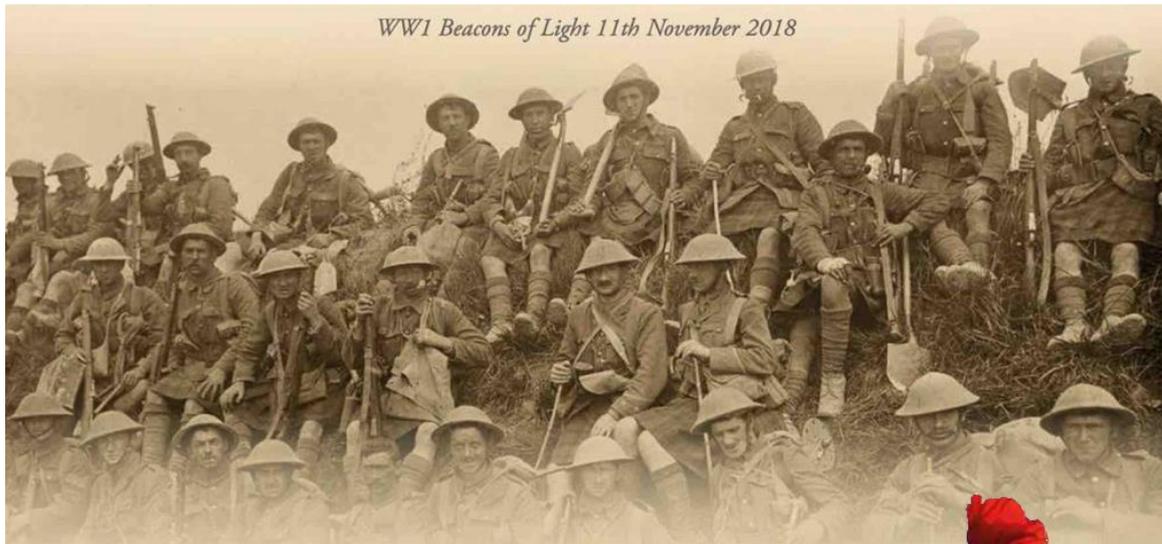
You are invited to a weekly meeting with a difference. There are no agendas, no objectives and nothing on sale. The event is nothing more than an opportunity to meet new neighbours or old friends over a cuppa and a piece of homemade cake in a relaxed atmosphere. We meet every week in Wortham Village Hall on Wednesdays, between 2 and 4 pm.

Some of our regulars are among the 50 or so people who live alone in the Wortham area and they look forward to a weekly outing to have a natter. We try to avoid discussions on health problems, Brexit or Donald Trump, but we don't always succeed!

And the price for this get-together over tea, coffee and cake? Anything you like. We must pay for village hall hire and refreshment supplies and they're covered by voluntary contributions.

For more information call Miriam Quinn on 01379 898864. Or just join us on Wednesday afternoon. Our weekly natterfest resumes **every Wednesday starting this month on 4th April.** No reservation is necessary.

**BATTLE'S OVER - A NATION'S TRIBUTE**  
**11TH NOVEMBER 2018**



Wortham & Burgate Parish Council is planning to hold an event on 11 Nov. 2018. This event is planned to include the lighting of the beacon, a non-religious commemoration of those who died and fought, the Last Post and fireworks to finish.

The Parish Council Clerk would like to contact as many family members of those involved in WW1 and invite them to attend. Please can you help me by sending any contact details to my email address below.

We are also looking for a bugler to play the Last Post at our event, and to join 999 others around the country in a synchronised playing of the Scottish lament. So if you know of anyone who might be prepared to do this for us, please let me know.

Netty Verkroost



## WORTHAM AND BURGATE PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual Parish Meeting for Wortham & Burgate will be held on Tuesday 3 April in Wortham Village Hall from 7pm - 7.30pm. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

### VILLAGE HALL DATES FOR YOUR APRIL DIARY

Wortham Morning Yoga	Tuesday	17, 24	10:00 – 11:30
Wortham Midday Yoga	Thursday	19, 26	11:45 – 13:15
Ballroom	Monday	09, 23, 30	18:30 – 20:30
Tea's Made	Wednesday	04, 11, 18, 25	14:00 – 16:30
Pilates	Wednesday	04, 11, 18, 25	09:30 – 10:30
Gentle Exercise Mornings	Thursday	05, 12, 19, 26	09:30 – 10:30
Gentle Exercise Evenings	Wednesday	04, 11, 18, 25	19:30 – 20:30
W&B Parish Council	Tuesday	03	19:30
Good Companions	Tuesday	03, 17	14:00 – 16:30
Good Companions Bingo	Monday	16	11:00 – 23:59
Benefice	Thursday	19	18:30 – 21:30
Private Function	Saturday	21	10:00 – 12:00

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