

# HETHERSETT HERALD

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## Future In The Balance

**THE future of historic Hetherset King's Head is hanging in the balance following the surprise departure of landlord and landlady Greg and Lisa Snowdon.**

The departure of the popular duo leaves the pub with an uncertain future.

Greg announced the couple's departure via Social Media and, as a consequence, the pub has been closed for over four weeks whilst the owners try to find new tenants.

One possibility is that it could be taken over by a community-based group if no new landlords can be found. The historic building is protected under a South Norfolk Community register which means that, if the brewery decide to sell the pub, it has to be offered to a properly constituted and voluntary village group or consortium to run it as a going concern.

The Snowdons' departure came as a surprise to many of the pub's regulars . Greg Snowdon took to Facebook to



explain the couple's decision:

"I don't think it is a secret anymore but we have closed the doors for the last time today (June 30th). Thanks to everyone who has been with us on the journey. We leave poorer in pocket but richer in spirit. Please look after each other and support whoever follows in our footsteps. Thank you Hetherset - a slice of my life will always be here."

Many regulars at the pub responded with messages of support for the couple:

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Welcome to the latest edition of Hethersetts Herald. Once again we hope that it reflects the diversity of the village and looks at just a fraction of what is going on. A big thank you to everyone who has contributed to this edition. If you have any news or features about the village please don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

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The next edition of Hethersetts Herald will be online at the end of August



**THE above photograph was taken by the editor in 2010 when the King's Head won the commercial premises' section of the Hethersett in Bloom competition. The photo on the front page was taken in July this year. It's easy to see the contrast between the two**

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The following were typical of the comments left by customers on Facebook:

"Greg and Lisa made the King's Head a true village pub enjoyed by many."

"Greg and Lisa worked hard to turn the pub around,. It's a lovely pub and the village needs it."

Some of the responses to the message have been critical off the brewery as is illustrated below.

"Unfortunately large companies like Enterprise Inns are ruthless."

We understand that the couple's decision to leave may have been prompted by stringent rules and targets enforced by the owners Ei Publican Partnerships.

A spokesman for the owners told the Eastern Daily Press newspaper: "We can confirm The Kings Head, Hethersett, is currently shut while we search for a new operator to take over the site. We would like to reassure customers that we are committed to ensuring that this site remains an attractive and thriving pub at the heart of the local community."

# An Asset of Community Importance

HETHERSETT King's Head is included on South Norfolk Council's "assets of community value and community right to bid" register.

Assets of Community Value (ACVs) are buildings, land and amenities across South Norfolk deemed of specific importance to the people who use them.

It is also deemed that the closure or sale of these places or assets could damage local communities.

The Localism Act gave community groups the opportunity to be included on a register held by the relevant council.

If, once the asset has been listed, it is put up for sale, the community will be given the opportunity to purchase it through a Community Right to Bid process.

The King's Head is listed as "providing social well being to the local community." Hethersett Queen's Head is also included on the register.

# An Ale House From The 17th Century

## A History of Hethersett King's Head

THE King's Head dates back to the beginning of the 17th Century when it was a manorial cottage. It was built in three stages and has carried its present name since about 1650.

The original building which is on the left of the existing set-up consisted of a cellar, two storeys and an attic.

The current middle section dates from about 1700 and consists of two bays, one storey and an attic.

The final part (to the right) dates a little later and is single storey. Modern times



have seen the building extend at the rear and left.

Legend has it that the King's Head was an ale house in 1650 and it is likely that the landlord was one Thomas Chickering. The earliest recorded copyhold ownership of the "Publick House called the King's Head in Hethersett" was in 1689 when Thomas Weeting and Judith his wife sold to Ambrose Money.

The property passed in turn to Roger Gallard and, in 1704, to Thomas Randall, a rich Wymondham brewer. In 1739, one of his grandsons, the Rev Randall Burroughes, became the copyholder with the pub occupied by Sayer Ninn.

In 1780, John Stephenson Cann, who had established a brewery at Wymondham, became the owner. A piece of paper dated 1796 to 1803 lists sales of beef, mutton, veal, suet and capons to Mr Hewitt, late of the King's Head, Hethersett, from Matthew Coggle, a Wymondham butcher. The Wymondham brewery continued as owners.

In 1824 the owner William Robert Cann looked for partners and in 1845 Thomas Scrivenor is named as "Victualler King's Head." A victualler supplied provisions and a licensed victualler was an innkeeper who was allowed to sell spirits and wines.

It is likely that the King's Head was the social centre of the village in the 1840s. Local benefit societies held their monthly meetings and annual dinners there. Under the landlordship of William Ford, a benefit society and a Lodge of the

Manchester Unity of Oddfellows met at the King's Head in 1854.

A decade later, Cann's Brewery had become Cann and Clarke with landlord Thomas Grounds in charge at the King's Head. Thirty years later Morgans of Norwich were the owners with William Charles Willimott recorded as the landlord in 1896.

Waggoners, sometimes their passengers, people on horseback, pedlars and pedestrians would all use the pub on their way between local villages and towns. There is no evidence, however, that the pub was a coaching inn although horses may have been fed there and a wooden trough would have been provided outside the pub.

In 1961, the King's Head was acquired by Bullard and Sons and in 1985 it belonged to Watney Mann and subsequently to the Unique Pub Company and then its latest owners.

The photograph on page five is taken from the village archives and was captured by Norwich-based photographer Tom Nokes whose work is featured extensively in this edition of Hethersett Herald.

Nokes was active in the world of photography principally between 1904 and 1925 when he travelled extensively throughout South Norfolk. It is almost certain that the photograph was taken between these years.

The photograph clearly shows the three different sections of the building as outlined in our potted history.

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## Herald Comment

THE fight against litter in our village continues.

We all love living here but some of us seem to be more community-conscious than others. That's why we are supporting calls from various groups in the village to be a good citizen by helping to keep our village litter free.

The Hethersett Environmental Action Team (HEAT) and a number of individuals are wading in to improve our environment but it comes down to all of us to just follow two simple rules.

1/ Don't litter - bin it or take it home and

2/ If you see litter be a good citizen - pick it up and bin it or take it home.

We hope, as always, that you enjoy this edition of Hethersett Herald which we hope is brighter than ever thanks to the wonderful photographs sent to us.

# Hethersetts Big Weekend

A garage sale, fete and dog show at the jubilee youth club and Hethersetts Open Gardens day. What a weekend it was in the village at the end of June. Herald Associate Editors Roger Morgan and Gary Wyatt were on hand to report on the fun.

## Hot Dogs and Ghostbusters

ON a blazing hot day at the end of June, Hethersetts Youth Club held its annual Dog Show and Fete at the Jubilee Hall.

With temperatures in the high twenties there were plenty of hot dogs around and it was not a good day to be wearing a fur coat. However, our furry friends were well catered for with lots of water and shade available as well as paddling pools for them to cool off in.



The fete had the usual mix with book, craft and plant stalls as well as tombolas, a white elephant stall and raffles many of which were organised by local dog and animal charities. Inside the hall there were more stalls and a nice selection of cakes and refreshments to buy. The Ghostbusters car was there for all to see and admire

The dog show had classes including loveliest lady, best paw shaker, cutest puppy, waggiest tail and many more culminating with best in group and best in show. It was expertly compared again by Neville Greehalgh and judge, Zoe from Puppy School did a



Skye Plays Dead



## Words and Pictures by Roger Morgan

great job selecting the winners. One of the stars of the show was Skye an American Bulldog and English Pointer cross who won the best Heinz 57 award before giving an impressive performance of playing dead to take the best trick award as well. Dougie the Dachshund walked away with the waggiest tail prize.

All proceeds from the day will go towards the youth club.







# ***Summer Is Here So It Must Be Hetherset Open Gardens Time***

Gary Wyatt reports on the 2019 event

Big and small, exotic and down-to-earth, grand country houses and modern estates, they come in all shapes and sizes, our village gardens. On a fine warm June Sunday, in fact more bearable for garden viewing than the extremely hot and humid previous day, 14 village gardens were open to an eager public. As in previous years, we were often greeted by enthusiastic owners

Hetherset  
Open Gardens 2019  
Sunday 30th Jun  
10 am - 4pm  
organised by Hetherset  
Environmental Action Team



Proceeds shared between  
PACT and FINMBARS FORCE  
Programme £2 per adult,  
children free

 Social Club, Queens Rd  
Gardens may be visited in any order –  
look for the eco-friendly  
biodegradable balloons!

Refreshments, Plant sales,  
Composting advice and advice at the  
Social Club

Whitewash way  
Refreshments also available at  
Janey's Village Café, The King's  
Head and The Queen's Head

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LOCATIONS



keen to discuss their pride and joy, whilst others were content to just let visitors browse amongst the greenery.

It wasn't just cultivated plants that caught the eye either, as a lovely patch of wild Bee Orchids are to be found on an area of grassland in the village. I suspect most residents were unaware of their existence.

It struck me that a particular theme this year seemed to be statues and sculptures, varying from the 'male chauvinist pig in clover' through to classical nude figures via chickens, Bill and Ben and hanging constructions turning gently in the breeze.

We were asked to suggest names for the dragon in one garden, but I couldn't come up with anything better than Dragon McDragon Face.

All involved, both organisers and garden owners, are to be congratulated on their willingness to help.

Proceeds this year will be divided between the animal



charity PACT, and our own Finnbar's Force, set up in memory of one of our village children.

I hope you enjoy my gallery of photographs from the day.



## Get In Touch

If you have any stories or information you would like to see in the Hethersett Herald, please get in touch with us. You can find the contact details elsewhere in this edition.

# Treasure Hunt in Hethersett Gardens

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Roger Morgan explains how Hethersett's Open Gardens event turned into a special treasure hunt

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BBC Radio Norfolk's Treasure Quest team paid a visit to Hethersett on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> June, as part of the Open Gardens Day.

Presenter Sophie Little and driver Debs started their quest near King's Lynn and, after solving a number of clues, finished in Hethersett. It was Sophie's last outing in the radio car before going on maternity leave

The Quest Master, Paul Hayes, had arranged for the treasure to be placed somewhere in the village. After solving the last clue in Great Melton, the team arrived at the Social Club at about 11.40 am and started to search for the final prize. After rummaging through some bric-a-brac on the stall they discovered a brown envelope with the word 'Treasure' on it. Sophie then interviewed Open gardens organiser, Bridget Williamson live on air.





Photographs from  
Hethersett Open Gar-  
dens Treasure Hunt by  
Hethersett Herald As-  
sociate Editor Roger  
Morgan



## Phew What A Scorcher

The British record temperature of 38.7 degrees was set in Cambridge during the July heatwave and in Hethersett we were only just behind with temperatures of the middle thirties recorded and that's around the 100 degree mark on the Fahrenheit scale.

It was so hot that part of the A11 close to Hethersett was shut after the surface melted.



## Slowing Our Village Down

*Roger Morgan looks at how Speedwatch works  
as volunteers bring it to Hethersett*

Following the approval given by the Parish Council this summer, Hethersett has begun to participate in the Community Speed Watch scheme organised by Norfolk Constabulary. It has joined with around 70 other towns and villages in the county currently operating the scheme.

### **What is Community Speed Watch?**

Community Speed Watch (CSW) was launched in 2007 and is a project working across Norfolk empowering communities to play an active part alongside the Police and the Safety Camera Partnership in

**Community Speed Watch Area**

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS

Road Safety in Norfolk

Callout Number 0181221903

tackling the problem of speeding in their neighbourhoods. The scheme was trialled in Hopton and was quickly rolled out across a number of parishes within the eastern part of the county with great success.

### How does it work?

A group of willing volunteers have been fully trained in the use of state-of-the-art speed radar guns and the collection and processing of data. They will carry out random checks on vehicle speeds at designated sites around the village. They will record the details of vehicles which are significantly exceeding the speed limit and pass this information on to police.



Motorists will be made aware that checks are taking place by clear signage placed at the road side. Checkers will wear yellow fluorescent jackets and be clearly visible to drivers at all times. Checks will only be carried out during daylight hours.

### What happens next?

Drivers who are seen breaking the speed limit will receive a letter from the police advising them of the dangers of speeding, and reminding them of the law. If they are seen to be offending again either in Hethersett or in any of the other speed watch areas, they will be sent a second advisory letter. Persistent offenders who live in Norfolk, will be notified to the local Norfolk Engagement Officer for Police action.

### What are the aims?

Ultimately the aims of the scheme are to:

- Reduce death and injury on the roads.
- Improve the quality of life for local communities.
- Reduce the speed of vehicles to the speed limit.
- Increase public awareness of inappropriate speed.



Other Police forces across the country implementing 'Speed Watch' can show a reduction in overall average speeds, and a significant reduction in the proportion of drivers travelling well over the limit. This objective measurement is obviously a good indicator, but means little if people do not actually perceive that things are better. The good news is that they *have* noticed a difference.

If you would like to find out more about the Speed Watch scheme or join the team of dedicated volunteers please contact the Parish Clerk Annette Palmer:

Telephone 01603 810915 or email at [heversett-pc@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:heversett-pc@tiscali.co.uk)

## Speed Watch Update

THE new Speed Watch scheme in the village has generally been met with approval from residents, pedestrians, cyclists and indeed motorists. The team has received many positive comments and the vast majority of drivers are respecting the speed limits. There have been very few examples of excessive speeding to report.

However, on July 18<sup>th</sup> one of the older residents on Churchfields felt compelled to leave his house and march down the road to verbally abuse the team carrying out a random check. They were told in no uncertain terms that they were wasting their time and that they should 'go home now.' He went on to say that he didn't want to live in a 'police state' and that there had never been any accidents on that stretch of road. Having said his piece he strode back home.

The team are taught not to respond to this kind of abuse and the perpetrators of it should contact the police directly to express their concerns.

R.M

**There is a second defibrillator in the village. This one is located in the warehouse of Tesco Express in Great Melton Road and has been added to the existing machine on the wall of the pharmacy, a short distance further down Great Melton Road.**

**The latest defib is available to the whole community and staff at Tescos have been trained in its use.**

# The Hethersett Art of Tom Nokes

## Photography Par Excellence

**HETHERSETT Archivist and Herald Associate Editor Gary Wyatt gave a fascinating talk on Edwardian photographer Tom Nokes at the inaugural meeting of the newly constituted Friends of Hethersett Library group.**

Gary illustrated his talk with slides of postcards of Hethersett produced by Nokes who was based in Norwich but covered much of South Norfolk including Hethersett with his camera.

Gary also gave a potted history of the art of photography and the Nokes family. He will be writing a major article on the photography of Tom Nokes in a coming edition of Hethersett Herald.

In the next two editions we will be featuring some of Nokes' images of Hethersett.

The next presentation being arranged by the Friends' Group will see Georgette Vale appearing as Queen Victoria on Wednesday, September 11th, at 6 pm. We will have more details of this in the next edition.

Meanwhile the group will also be launching an indoor games afternoon in the library on the first Friday of each month starting on September 6th. Again more details to follow.

For more information on coming events in Hethersett Library see later in this edition of Hethersett Herald.

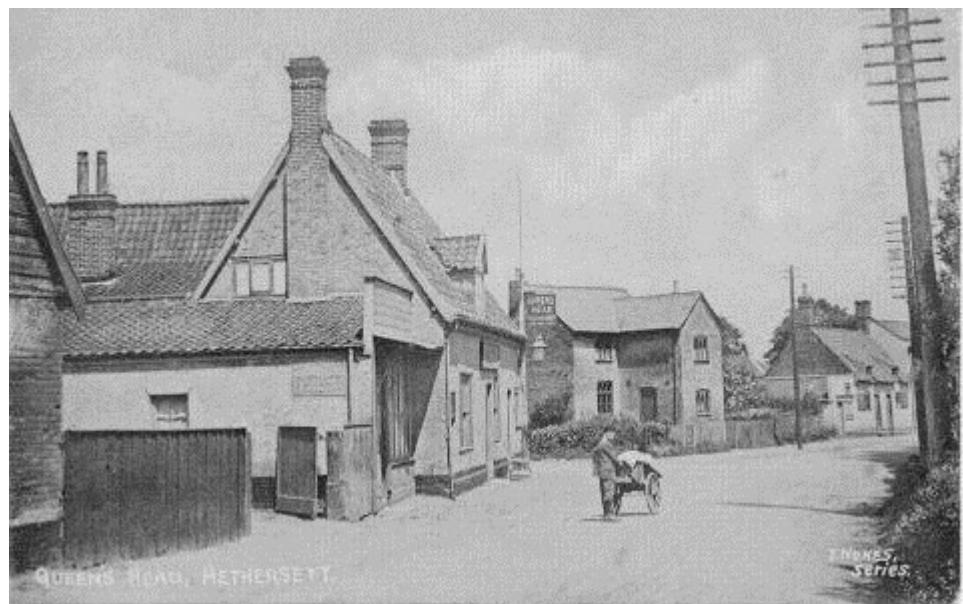


**Photographs From The  
Hethersett Archive courtesy  
of Gary Wyatt**

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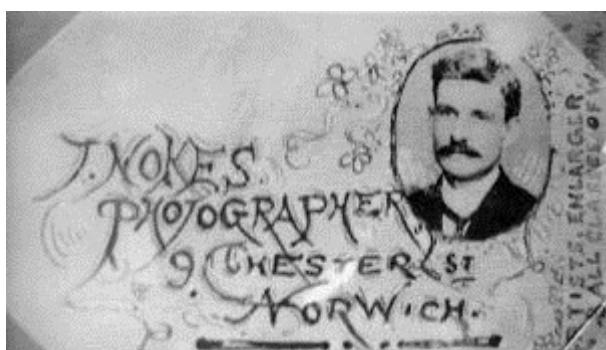


Key to the photographs -  
Page 19 - Cann's Lane and  
Melton Road.

Page 20 - Hetherset Rail-  
way Station (no longer in  
existence) and Hetherset  
Queen's Head.

This page -The top picture  
is entitled "Children's Pag-  
eant 1924." Obviously  
these youngsters are depicting "The Old Woman In a Shoe". Nothing more is  
known of this event but if anyone can enlighten us further we would love to hear  
from them.

Also on this page is a "Business Card" given out by Tom Nokes from his Ches-  
ter Street address in Norwich.



# Web Site Celebrates First Birthday

A Hetherset community website has celebrated its first birthday as it continues to go from strength to strength.

“All Things Hetherset” was launched on June 11th, 2018, along with its companion site “All Things Hetherset Classified.”

Over that time it has provided a platform for village help and discussion and has become an integral part of village life, providing a welcoming presence for existing residents and also those moving into the village.

The website currently has three moderators who are photographed above.

“The idea for the group was to piggy-back on the success of Wymondham Ways. In the age of social media, I feel this was the next step for our village to have an online forum for people to post community updates, events and for people to just keep in touch with what’s going on in the village,” said one of the founders Katy Adams.

Katy enlisted the services of her sister Sarah Lawrence and friend and Hetherset Herald columnist Hannah Harrison.

“Those who know us know that myself and Sarah grew up in the village and this will forever be our home. Along the way we found Hannah and they’ve both played a part in making the group the success it is today. I couldn’t ask for better people to help with the day to day running of the group.

“Our sole aim is to have a place where people in the community can come together and share everything - share their knowledge, their experiences and their passion for Hetherset. I hope people will continue to use the page to help the community grow,” Katie said.



# Village Screen Time Again

Hethersett Village Screen has announced its Autumn programme of films.

The season kicks off on September 8th with “Fisherman’s Friends” and this is followed by “Fighting With My Family” on October 13th, “Red Joan” on November 10th and “Yesterday” on December 8th. All films take place on a Sunday at 3 pm in Hethersett Village Hall. Further details of the films appear below.

## September 8th - Fisherman's Friends

The film is based on a true story about Port Isaac's Fisherman's Friends, a group of Cornish fishermen who were signed by Universal Records and achieved a top 10 hit with their debut album of traditional sea shanties.

The feelgood film stars Daniel Mays, James Purefoy, Tuppence Middleton, David Hayman, Noel Clarke, Dave Johns, Maggie Steed, Sam Swainsbury and Christian Brassington.



## October 13th - Fighting With My Family



Fighting with My Family is a 2019 biographical sports comedy-drama film written and directed by Stephen Merchant. It depicts the World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) career of professional wrestler Paige, portrayed by Florence Pugh. The film also stars Lena Headey, Nick Frost, Jack Lowden, Vince Vaughn and Dwayne (The Rock) Johnson, who also acts as a producer. Many of the scenes are set in Norwich to add a nice local flavour to the presentation.

## November 10th - Red Joan

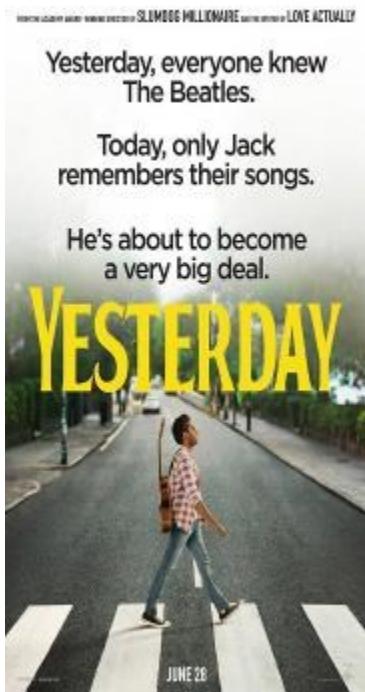
Joan Stanley is a widow living out a quiet retirement in the suburbs when, shockingly, the British Secret Service place her under arrest.

The charge is providing classified scientific information - including details on the building of the atomic bomb - to the Soviet government for decades. As the interrogation gets underway, Joan relives the dramatic events that shaped her life and her beliefs.

The film stars Sophie Cookson, Stephen Campbell-Moore, Tom Hughes and Dame Judi Dench.



## December 8th - Yesterday



Yesterday is a 2019 British romantic comedy directed by Danny Boyle and written by Richard Curtis and another film with an East Anglian connection.

It stars Himesh Patel as a struggling musician who, after an accident, finds himself the only person who remembers The Beatles. He becomes famous after taking credit for writing and performing their songs. The film also features Lily James as Himesh's childhood friend and love interest, Kate McKinnon as his manager and Ed Sheeran as a fictionalised version of himself.

Much of the action was shot in Suffolk with Lowestoft featuring prominently. We understand that former Rector of Hethersett, the Rev Di Lammas, has a small part in the action.

# Hethersett Life

with Hannah Harrison

WELCOME to the August helping of Hannah's Hethersett Life. Photographs on pages 25 to 28 features Hannah's take on the Open Gardens Sunday which is also covered elsewhere in this edition.



On Sunday, 30th June, Hethersett residents opened their gardens for Hethersett Environmental Action Team's Open Gardens 2019. The event is held every two years and went hand in hand with the garage sale on the same day. Proceeds from the open gardens will be split between PACT and Finnbar's Force charities, both very worthy causes.

Not many gardens participated, but the ones I saw were very impressive. I had two favourites; first was a garden on Haconsfield, which boasted some beautiful water features, full flower beds and beautiful trees. Secondly, a sub-tropical garden on Exmouth Close that invited you to sit in the garden and rest, whilst

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watching the much encouraged birds and fish in their pond. The owners of the property weren't in their garden at the time, but they had very kindly left a stack of information sheets, explaining each plant they had. This really went the extra mile!

Don't get me wrong, each garden was wonderful in its own way and did a good job of making me feel rubbish about my own garden, ha ha! Mine may not be perfectly mowed, nor is it the biggest garden in the village, but it is bustling with wildlife and I wouldn't have it any other way.

Thank you to all who participated. I'm really looking forward to the next open gardens in two years' time.



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Above is a montage of Hannah's Open Gardens photographs

## Some Good News For Wildlife

FANTASTIC news for wildlife. As of the 30th June, the sale of slug pellets containing Metaldehyde has been made illegal. People will of course still have remnants of these products in their cupboards which won't become illegal to own until Spring 2020. This is a huge step for our prickly hedgehog friends and other wildlife that either eat the pellets by mistake or eat the slugs that have ingested the pellets.

I know that slugs aren't exactly cute and fluffy but, believe it or not, they do

have a purpose! They eat decomposing vegetation which is ecologically important, not forgetting the fact that they provide food for hedgehogs and birds. Yes, I know that they cause havoc in the garden by eating your beloved plants, but "if something isn't eating your plants, then your garden is not part of the ecosystem" a great quote I came across a few days ago. Hedgehogs are a natural pest control, so if you're overrun with slugs then simply make your garden hedgehog friendly :)

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More shots from the Open Gardens Sunday

## Making a PACT For Charity

I CANNOT stress too strongly how important PACT (People For Animal Care Trust) is. They've been out to our property twice in the last year, once to collect a poorly juvenile blackbird who sadly didn't make it, and then to collect an underweight hedgehog whom they successfully overwintered. They seem to always be in need of volunteers and of course donations. If you follow them on social media that's the easiest way to see what they're up to, what they may need and how you can help. I read their summer newsletter when it came through my door recently. Interestingly they took in 300 hedgehogs last Autumn, 300! They successfully released 280 of them, that in itself is such a massive job, considering they also get lots of other wildlife through their busy doors. They also had 45 fledgling sparrows brought in by some roofers, which has since been reported to the police as it is illegal to disturb or move nesting birds. Luckily, all the sparrows are doing well.

PACT also has numerous pets (dogs, cats, rabbits etc) waiting to be re-homed. They are having a raffle on 19<sup>th</sup> August to help raise funds for the charity. Get in touch with them for more information or check their social media accounts. If you have some spare time, please consider volunteering for PACT, or fundraising for them. Even just shopping in the PACT charity shop in the village will help. The animals are counting on us! Don't forget, if you are concerned about any form of wildlife, give PACT a call on 01362 820775.

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## Going For a Stroll

A FEW times now, we've gone for a long walk through the fields behind St Remigius Church. It's a little overgrown at the moment with some stinging nettles so if you do give this walk a go then be sure to wear sensible shoes and trousers (unlike myself who insists on wearing shorts and flip flops).

It's such a beautiful walk, nothing but crops, trees, butterflies, birds and sheep! The sheep may not still be there at the moment as they often change fields, but they've been there on two occasions that we've seen. Lots of lambs, too! We always try to stay quiet and not disturb them too much, even though they don't seem to mind our presence! The walk eventually brings us out near the Church Farm shop. It's also great for our three year old daughter to run free, as there aren't any cars or roads to worry about.



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## Bustling With Life

MY garden has been bustling with life recently, with a few families of Blue Tits, Great Tits and Coal Tits hopping around. The Jackdaws seem to have calmed down and we only seem to get one or two now, so that's making the fat balls last longer. In my column last month, I explained that I hadn't seen many juvenile Coal Tits, Blackbirds or Robins. That's all changed now! We've got around three juvenile Blackbirds who come right up to the back door, they are so beautiful and inquisitive. A few young Robins have been popping in with a bedraggled looking mum/dad and the Coal Tits are competing with the other tits for food. However, I've yet to see a juvenile Wood Pigeon in the garden (although I've seen them elsewhere in the village) We also saw a large amount of Long Tailed Tits, which we hadn't seen for months and months. It was a joy to hear their familiar *chip chip chip* as they descended down our large tree. Sadly, a few weeks ago I

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found a dead juvenile Blue Tit in the garden, it had no obvious wounds so I'm unsure what happened. Things like this really upset me, so I dug a small hole and buried the little love in my garden. The garden was unusually quiet for a few days afterwards which made me think it was a Sparrowhawk, but its unlikely as they wouldn't leave their prey behind.

The hedgehogs who visit us appear to be doing really well. I was out there one evening and saw four, yes four, all at one time. I was so happy. I love that they feel safe enough to be in our garden. We still have a cheeky ginger cat stealing their food though! Not that I can blame him, after all it IS cat food I feed them at 10 pm every day, weather permitting. I sit out there and wait for them to come, sometimes they come right up to me and eat by my feet which is such a privilege. If you can make your garden hedgehog accessible then I can assure you that you won't regret it, they are lovely animals.

We still have a lot of Grey Squirrels coming in, literally eating the bird feeders again! I must make sure I only buy metal feeders from now on, if not they will just chew through them. They may be cheeky and destructive but I really have a soft spot for them. I've also not seen many Frogs or Toads in the garden this year which is unusual, but there's still time I suppose.



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## Water Refills

A team of volunteers and myself are still busy preparing the launch of Refill Hetherset. We are in need of local businesses to get on board, so if you are a business owner reading this and want to be a part of a local environment scheme such as this one, please contact me.

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## Tidying Up The Village

There's been two consecutive litter picks, one just before the open gardens and one in July. The turnout for both wasn't overwhelming considering the population of the village, but it's something. I think that word is slowly getting out and that each pick will see more and more volunteers. It's a great excuse to get outdoors and see more of Hethersett, whilst being more environmentally aware and cleaning up our village. Not to mention, so satisfying to clean it all up!

We meet outside the Methodist Church, where hi-vis vests, rubbish bags, litter pickers and gloves are provided. You will be given a route and then you meet back at the church 60-90 minutes later. The next pick is scheduled for Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September, starting at 2 pm. Please come along and support your community, anyone is welcome.

## Making Us Feel Welcome

This July, some friends, my daughter and I attended messy church at St Remigius for the first time ever. We had such a great time! We aren't a religious family and this is why we've never been before. We weren't sure what it would be like let alone if we would even be welcome.

I couldn't have been more wrong. Everyone made us feel so welcome and took the time to get to know us. Lots of toys and games were available to play with, the Vicar read a short story and then we sang a song or two. By that time, the indoor picnic was ready (because why WOULDN'T it be raining in July, eh!). A yummy spread was laid out and we all ate on picnic blankets. We are really looking forward to the next one on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> of September 4-6 pm.

**First Steps Playgroup has had a very successful year, with numerous grants and lots of newcomers. The last few weeks have been a tad quieter as things wind down before the summer holidays but there was a really exciting last session party before we all went off for six weeks and we're already looking forward to next term.**

# Hannah's Hetherset Life

## Large and Small On Display

Since my daughter was born over three years ago, we've been attending the annual tortoise open day at the village hall.

We don't own a tortoise and we don't plan to, but it's such a fun day. They have huge tortoises on display and teeny tiny tortoises too, with lots of information about them and how to care for them.

There's a few things to do once you've seen the tortoises, including tombola, raffle, gift shop and bouncy castles. There's a hot dog stall too, but at £4 per hot dog you might need to take out a small loan! There's also teas, coffees, ice creams and cakes (the main reason I attend).

All of that is outside the hall, but inside is where the important stuff happens - the tortoise health checks. So, inside the hall you'll see lots and lots of people waiting for their pets to be checked out, it's very surprising to see how many people own a tortoise.

Try and go to the one next year if you can, it's a fun day out and really interesting to learn about our slow, hard backed friends.

That's all for me this month, more in September. Take care, Hetherset friends.





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# Partnership Renewed

Park Farm Hotel has announced its continuing partnership with Norwich City Football Club for the coming Premier League season.

The partnership will see the Hethersett hotel and leisure complex and the football club retain its mutually beneficial and strong relationship into its fifth year, having first entered into a partnership in 2015.

Announcing the move on its official website Norwich City stated: "Park Farm Hotel and Leisure is a blissful retreat set in 200 acres of idyllic countryside. The facilities offered allow Norwich City's players to prepare for matches, and offers the perfect spot for a luxurious long weekend, a truly memorable occasion or simply somewhere to relax and unwind for the day.

Michael Bannister, Business Development Manager at Park Farm said; "Park Farm Hotel and Leisure is once again proud to partner with Norwich City Football Club.

"We look forward to their success in the Premier League this coming season."

Sam Jeffery, Norwich City's Head of Partnership Activation added; "We are delighted to be able to extend our partnership with Park Farm. The support of local partners simply cannot be underestimated for a self-sustaining club, and we're therefore very thankful for David, Richard, Michael and all the team at Park Farm's continued backing.

"The hotel and leisure facilities are of the highest quality and this is a sentiment shared by Stuart Webber and the footballing staff. We look forward to continuing this association for many years to come".

# Homes Hit By Summer Power Cut

**WELL** over 100 homes in Hethersett were left without power on July 22nd after a major overhead power fault.

Homes were without power for up to three hours. The initial call was received by UK Power around 4.30 pm.

UK Power said: “We were investigating a high voltage overhead electricity line fault which caused a power cut in the local area.”

On their website they stated they became aware of a problem at 5.08 pm which is slightly confusing as an earlier message timed at 4.39 pm clearly stated that engineers were on their way to deal with the problem.

Initially over 450 homes were left powerless but this was then reduced to 164, with most homes back on by 7.30 pm.

## Hethersett Herald What's On

### King's Camps Re-Visited

**HETHERSETT Old Hall School** will once again be teaming up with King's Camps this year to launch Summer holiday sports camps for young people..

Summer camps will run from 5th to 9th August and 12th to 16th August. More information is available by telephoning 01142 632 160.

# Memories of May

TRIBUTES have been paid to long-term resident May Shakespeare who has died.

May was a well-known figure around the village and wife of The Rev Daniel Shakespeare who died a number of years ago.

## Herald Obituary

St Remigius Church was full for a thanksgiving service at the beginning of June.

The service was led by the Rev Martin Gray and a full appreciation of Mary's life was printed in the July edition of the village Good News magazine from which the following details are taken.

Mary was born in Kilkenny in Northern Ireland on 14th July, 1922. She had five sisters and a brother and grew up on a farm. She joined the ATS on the outbreak of the Second World War.

The ATS was the women's branch of the British Army. It was whilst serving that she met her future husband Dan when they were posted together in Scotland. Dan was a sergeant in the Highland Light Infantry.

The couple were married in February, 1942, and, at the end of the war, Dan became a welfare officer for British Rail. It was during this time that they moved to Hethersett. May worked for Bonds department store in Norwich (now John Lewis) where she was head of the stationery department.

Both were highly active members of St Remigius Church. May was a member of the Mothers' Union and the couple were heavily involved in the work of the Children's Society. For many years the couple lived in Central Crescent before May moved to Carlton House Care Home two years ago.

"I never ever heard May say a bad word about anybody - in fact exactly the opposite. She always seemed to be able to focus on the best in people. She was a great example of someone who truly loved their neighbour," Rev Gray said.

Family friend Harold Kerslake paid tribute to May in Good News: "May and Dan became great friends of the Rev Mary Kerslake and myself and for more than 50 years we enjoyed happy events such as Hethersett Pantomime, Communicants Guild, Holiday Club, coffee mornings and Mothers' Union. May was an ardent supporter of the Mothers' Union for well over 50 years.

"She carried on for some 16 years after Dan's death and continued to support the Children's Society with box collections and Christingle church services and raised more than £20,000 over some 20 years from box collections in Hethersett and the Meltons."



## Duncan's Chooses The Charities

VILLAGE stalwart Duncan Pigg BEM was given the enjoyable task of choosing the recipients for money raised from the 2019 Hethersett pantomime.

Cinderella ran for a week in January and was the pantomime group's 50th production. Once again the panto was a sell out and a bucket collection at the end of each show raised a record £3,171 for the Big C cancer charity. This was made up to £3,200 from pantomime funds.

The committee agreed that founder and president Duncan Pigg should decide where 75% of the proceeds from the shows should go.

Duncan agreed to £750 going to each of the following - East Anglian Air Ambulance, Norfolk Accident Rescue Service, Hethersett Jubilee Youth Club and Norwich Cathedral organ fund.

In addition the group agreed to give £500 to Hethersett Pensioners in memory of panto stalwart June Bulcock who died in February and £500 to Hethersett Doctors' Surgery which is raising funds to improve its front door and convert existing space into an additional consulting room.

Over the past 50 years the group has given £121,950 to charity:

"A big thank you to everyone who has supported us over the years, allowing us to contribute to so many worthy causes," said group chairman Neville Greenhalgh.

As reported in the previous edition of Hethersett Herald, the pantomime group was named community fundraiser of the year at the South Norfolk Community awards.

Our photograph above shows the cast in the 2013 production of Cinderella.

# Players To Please Once Again

HETHERSETT Players Drama Group is back in business.

The group announced on Facebook that it will be taking to the stage once again in 2020. At the time of going to print a programme still had to be announced but we will keep you up to speed with dates and other details as soon as we have them.

The Players announced their resurgence on their official website: "Hethersett Players, are proud to announce that we have begun to prepare for a new performance in 2020 . Let's create more memories and smiles! All will be revealed soon, we promise .

"In 2020, Players will bring a brand new performance to the village. Please follow us on social media to keep up with the news and contact us if you wish to join," the website states.

"Being part of Players is a great way to express that creative urge. A friendly group of like-minded people who want to put on performances for the community to enjoy and to be part of something fun. No matter what role you would like to do within Players, we have something for everyone from acting, front of house, backstage, props, scenery or many other areas. Join Hethersett Players and be part of the magic. Visit our website and register your interest at <https://hethersettplayers.co.uk>."

The Players' group was founded in 1969 by 12 members of the Women's Institute Drama Group, who joined a drama class in the village run by Norfolk Education Department. It remained under the Education Department until 1975 when it became an independent group. From 1979 to 1987 there was also a junior section.

The first production was Bonaventure in 1969 and the last play performed by the original group was 'Tons of Money' in the Player's 25th Year (1994). The society used to perform a play every Spring with a less formal evening in November.

Following a successful murder mystery evening in 1997 the Players' numbers diminished to such an extent that it was impossible to continue and they finally disbanded in 1999

In late 2003, the enthusiasm and interest amongst people in the village gave renewed drive and motivation to restart the Players and they were reformed in March, 2004. The inaugural production was Agatha Christie's 'Afternoon at the Seaside' which was performed in May, 2004 as the finale to an evening offering traditional end of the pier entertainment and a fish and chip supper.

Following an additional drama workshop later in 2004 the players first full length

production, the comedy thriller “Tomb with a View”, took place on 20th and 21st May, 2005.

Players sadly folded in May 2016 after 14 shows.

Many of the Players also take part in the hugely successful Hethersett Panto-mime Group, recently awarded a community accolade!

“Please do support us with your attendance at our shows so that we can ensure amateur dramatics remains at the heart of Hethersett. We look forward to seeing you at our next production.” they add.

The above history of Hethersett Players is taken from their official website.

## Dangerous Disregard for Safety

THE ridiculously dangerous riding of bikes in the middle of Hethersett roads is back.

Youngsters, showing no regard for either their own safety or those of other road users. are riding down the centre of the road and doing wheelies in front of motorists.

Hethersett Parish Council is leading the fight against this particular type of anti-social behaviour.

“The Parish Council is aware of residents safety concerns surrounding a group of young people on push bikes. The latest update received from PC Boden is that he is identifying the individuals responsible for this and educating them appropriately. PC Boden hopes that these incidents will stop, but requests that residents report any similar incidents to him. His contact details are Christopher.Boden@norfolk.pnn.police.uk,” the council states.

## We Are On Facebook

Hethersett Herald is on Facebook. You can follow us at

<https://www.facebook.com/Hethersett-Herald-196216690775010/>

**SALENA Dawson of Hethersett firm Dawson's Law looks at new rules regarding letting fees and the way this will affect landlords and tenants.**



# No More Letting Fees

FROM 1<sup>st</sup> June, the ban on letting fees began. This means that letting agents are no longer able to charge tenants upfront fees when they rent a property.

Upfront fees have been a financial burden for prospective tenants often adding hundreds of pounds to the cost of renting, even before the first month's rent is due. Such upfront fees have been charges to tenants for viewings, credit checks and reference gathering.

A criticism laid at letting agents has been that the fees are exploitative and not in proportion with the true charges of undertaking such checks

Parents with children embarking on a stint at university have been particularly burdened, as often the upfront fees also included the initial registration fee (per student) and additional administration fee for provisions to ensure the parents were guarantors.

Generation Rent (Campaigns for professionally managed, secure, decent and affordable private rented homes in sustainable communities) estimate that the average renter pays an upfront fee of £400.

Therefore, on the face of it this new law banning letting fees is great news for tenants. However, now that the letting fee upfront costs land on the landlord could we see the landlord passing them on to tenants through an increase in rent.

In the end it seems that the tenant will still be paying albeit perhaps not the whole amount of the previous upfront fee. For tenancies already in place the fees can continue until 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2020.

However, the good news is that deposits will be limited to five weeks upfront payment rather than limitless as they previously were. If you are a landlord or tenant and require advice call us on 01603 327280. Advice is often given on a fixed fee basis

# Media Watch

## Weird Norfolk . . . . Weird Hetherset

The Eastern Daily Press included a story in its Weird Norfolk section featuring the strange tale of the Hetherset Faines.

The ghost cows of Hetherset allegedly once roamed the village, their saucer-eyes glowing in the dark.

The story is taken from the Hidden East Anglia website, under a section about creatures related to Black Shuck, the mystery black dog of East Anglian legend.

"The Faines: These were animals the size of calves with saucer eyes which frequented Hetherset," the website says, "one of them was on Mill Road and the other, which my informant met 25 years ago, the Gravel Pit Lane. He was coming home late one night when he met it and felt a little 'gust' of wind, which took him off his feet.

"He saw it going away shedding a light right and left like a bicycle lamp. The mother had seen it lots of times. When she was walking with her husband she used to 'scringe' to him to give it room to pass."

This information, Hidden East Anglia reveals, is from Walter Rye's Recreations of a Norfolk Antiquary, published in 1920. The EDP informs us that Mill Road is now filled with houses, but in the late 1800s, when the Faines allegedly stalked the area, it was sparsely populated. The Faines were also thought to inhabit the parish pit.

The article also quotes Bill Morton on our sister website "Hetherset A Norfolk Village at War." A number of years ago Bill, who has sadly died but lived at the time in Australia, sent us a major piece of work detailing his years growing up in Hetherset. The article quotes the following passage: "In the gravel pit there was a hermit living in a shanty he had put together. If we boys would go down there he would hide and would not speak to us."

Bill also told us: " I cannot remember at what age I became interested in ghost stories and there seemed to be a ghost story for almost every Norfolk village. Hetherset had a ghost story, a headless dog called old Chuck who ran around the village at night although I never found anyone who had ever seen him."

Hetherset A Village At War is available at: <https://hethersetatwar.weebly.com/>. And covers the village from 1910 to 1950.

# Media Watch

THE Eastern Daily Press newspaper featured Hethersett double act Mal and Kim and the doggy treats they are providing from their new stall on Norwich Market.

We featured Mel Abel and Kim Cooper back in August 2017 when they brought their Cuppie Hut to the Memorial Playing Field.

The Cuppie Hut opened on Norwich Market in November of last year and has launched a sweet cupcake treat for dogs so as not to leave them out. The “pupcake” contains banana, peanut butter, oats, cream cheese and a peanut butter and gravy bone on the top.

The newspaper informs us that the chief tester for the cake was Mrs Cooper's Dachshund Frankie.

Back in 2017 we had the following to say about the Cuppie Hut which was a converted horsebox.

“Imaginatively entitled the Cuppie Hut, the horse box has been turned into a fully functional kitchen and, when we visited on July 21st, it was doing a roaring trade on a field full of youngsters who had just broken up from school for the summer holidays. The couple have always enjoyed baking and socialising and feel that the Cuppie Hut is the ideal way to combine those two loves.”

Today the Cuppie Hut is located at stall 19 row A from Tuesday to Saturday from 11 am to 3.30 pm.

You can read the full story from the Eastern Daily Press by going to the following link:

<https://www.edp24.co.uk/news/the-cuppie-hut-norwich-market-dog-pupcakes-1-6132383>



# Media Watch



The pictures of Kim and Mel on this and the previous page were taken in the Cuppie Hut on Hethersetts Memorial Playing Field in August 2017.

HETHERSETT Parish Council is concerned at the frequency of grass cutting in public areas in the village.

The council currently has a contract with NORSE to cut the grass around the village sign and in the public area in Great Melton Road every three weeks. The current gap between cuts is closer to five weeks, councillors were told at their July meeting.

“The service they are offering at the moment is not the service they promised us,” said council chairman Adrienne Quinlan.

# Media Watch

## No Winners In This School Dilemma

THE Eastern Daily Press covered the story of a Hethersett family and the stress they have suffered from not being able to gain a place for their son at Hethersett VC Junior School. They

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went to a county council appeal but were still refused a place.

Sadly this is nothing new. In a former life I was chair of governors at what was then Hethersett VC Middle School and had to turn away a number of pupils who also went to appeal and were refused a place.

Refusing children a place at the school was the most heart-breaking decision I and my fellow governors had to make because there were no winners with the situation.

We had to find a balance between admitting as many youngsters as possible without putting unrealistic pressures on staff and facilities and it was an impossible balancing act.

It all became extremely stressful for pupils, parents and governors who were always on the same side but often came into conflict through no fault of their own. Let's hope that, with new schools promised for the village, all children living in Hethersett will find places at schools of their choice in the village as the situation as highlighted by this latest case is intolerable..

# Herald Health With Rowan House

***Rachel Pailes from Rowan House Well Being Centre in Queen's Road, Hethersett, gives some more tips on how to achieve a feeling of well-being.***

## Well Being – What is it?

IS it relaxing bubble baths and regular massage treatments? Regular exercise and eating well? Taking time out from the stresses of daily life? Perhaps a little of all of these?

When setting up Rowan House it was really important that the name clearly represented what we were trying to achieve. We already had the historical name of Rowan House, but how did we define our centre and give our clients a clear representation of our vision. More recently we gave our branding and website a complete overhaul and this question came to the font of my mind again.



We're all pretty familiar with the term 'health'. It is generally associated with traditional medicine and usually perceived as the absence of illness and the presence of bodily freedom. It is a term used easily in everyday conversation, for example: 'I am in good health' or 'I feel healthy' and is perceived by most as one of the underpinning factors of a good quality of life. But what about the term 'well being'?

That's a bit more fluid and often has a different meaning for people. The term well being has been around for many years but has traditionally been associated with psychological well being and happiness. However, as awareness has grown around the issues and importance of mental health and words such as 'self-care' and 'mindfulness' have become more commonplace, well being is now recognised as a complex, multi-dimensional concept.

Stratham and Chase (2010) described it as an attempt to de-medicalise illness. Phrases historically associated with well being include the ability to fulfil goals, happiness, life satisfaction, quality of life, self-acceptance, purpose in life, environmental mastery, positive growth, positive relationships and autonomy.



However, these are dimensions of well being and not really a definition.

So how can we define well being?

What is clear between academics is that:

- Well being is subjective:
- Well being is a dynamic phenomenon- yet most of the time it is stable in most people.
- Every individual has a 'set point' of well being and will strive to return to that point
- External forces can challenge that state of equilibrium (physical, psychological and social).

We use our skills and resources to cope with these challenges (physical, psychological and social)

Well being is thought to be stable when we have the resources needed to meet life's challenges. However when life's challenges outweigh resources, well being is compromised.

It is also important to note, however, that if there are no challenges in life, then this can lead to stagnation, which can also compromise our sense of equilibrium, which in turn will affect well being in a different way.

It's all a bit of a balancing act isn't it? A concept which led neatly to our devel-

oped and expanded concept:

## Discover Life's Natural Balance

So what does this mean for us?

In many ways, and whether we like it or not, the pursuit of well being is firmly in the hand of individuals. Martyn 2002 defined the idea as 'whatever we do to make the most of our lives by coping with our difficulties and making the most of what we have'.

Within my practice as a physiotherapist I can relate to this concept and like this simplified definition of well being. Disability does not necessarily need to compromise well being if individuals have the appropriate resources for example the right equipment and access to therapists and fulfilling activities. Injury may temporarily impact one's sense of well being but, with the right support and rehabilitation, the equilibrium can be restored. Well being, however, is unfortunately all too often compromised when access to the most appropriate and timely 'resources' is not available, meaning that challenges are not dealt with. This is where Rowan House comes in.

We continue to build an ever-growing community of coaches, therapists, and practitioners, our goal being to create a place where people can come to heal their minds and bodies, indulge in a spot of self-care and meet others doing the same.

Rachel@rowanhousecentre.co.uk

## Road Closure Into August

BURNT House Lane in Hethersett is due to be closed until the middle of August for repair work to the foul sewers beneath the road.

The lane will be closed for half a mile from Colney Lane. Work began on July 15th and is planned to take 26 days.

During the closure there will be a diversion via Little Melton, Henstead Road, Queen's Road and Norwich Road.

## Footpath Warden

HETHERSETT could soon have a footpath warden if an idea put forward by the parish council comes to fruition.

At the July meeting, councillors agreed to the idea in principle and the matter will now be discussed by the council's development committee. The warden or wardens would be responsible for checking on footpaths around the village and reporting any problems back to the council.

# News From the Parish Council

## Wartime Anniversary To Be Celebrated

HETHERSETT is preparing to celebrate the 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE) Day in style.

VE Day was celebrated on May 8th, 1945, and marked the formal acceptance by the Allies of the unconditional surrender of Nazi Germany.

Now threequarters of a century later, Hethersett is gearing up to mark the occasion with “some kind of village” celebration.

A decision hasn’t been made on the nature of the celebration, but the parish council will be taking the lead. At their last meeting before the summer break, councillors voted unanimously to form a small organising group.

The possibility of events such as a village fete, street parties and other forms of entertainment will be discussed over the coming months.

### Parish Shorts

The parish council is in negotiations with developers of housing in North Hethersett for the siting of additional dog bins in Shop Lane and Back Lane.

This year’s open gardens day proved a big success, councillors heard, with 254 people visiting the 14 gardens on display and raising £821.90 which will be split between the PACT and Finnbar’s Force charities. The council thanked the Hethersett Environmental Action Team (HEAT) and Bridget and Don Williamson for organising the event. Cheques will be presented to the charities at a future parish council meeting.

## Coming Meetings

**THERE is no full parish council meeting in August although the planning committee will meet on August 5th and 19th if necessary to discuss any planning applications concerning the village.**

**The newly constituted Memorial Playing Field Development group, which is open to the public, will meet in the village hall on August 5th at 7.30 pm.**

**The next full council meeting will be on September 16th in Hethersett Village Hall at 7.30 pm.**

# News From the Parish Council

## Environmental Concerns Over Cycleway

A resident expressed concern at the July meeting of Hethersett Parish Council about the environmental impact that continuing the cyclepath from the Wymondham direction along the B1172 could have.

Originally the path was due to break at the junction of the B1172 and the Old Norwich Road but additional funding has now made it possible to continue it along the B1172 with a parallel cyclepath making its way along Old Norwich Road.

A resident from Hall Close told councillors that extending the cycle path would mean the destruction of hedgerows currently inhabited by hawfinches. Without a “buffer” of greenery local residents could be subjected to petrol and diesel fumes, leading to respiratory problems. Taking away ditches could also make the area more susceptible to flooding,” the resident claimed, adding that a solution would be to place the cyclepath on the opposite side of the B1172.

Councillors agreed to enquire about the latest position and to raise the concerns with Norfolk County Council.

### More Parish Shorts

Each of the village's district councillors has a budget of up to £1,000 for worthy community projects, the parish council was informed.

The new parish office in Hethersett Library could be up and running as early as September. Final negotiations are well advanced and the parish council is planning on purchasing appropriate furniture.

The matting around the kick wall on Hethersett Memorial Playing Field is deteriorating and will need replacing at some point in the future. The parish council will discuss the possibility of funding a replacement in the coming financial years. Members heard that the equipment is guaranteed for 15 years but not the matting. The parish council has agreed to pay over £1,800 for the repair of play equipment in the main children's area.

# News From the Parish Council

## Last Village Phone Box To Go

HETHERSETT will soon be without a public telephone kiosk.

The last kiosk at the corner of West Croft and Mill Road (pictured opposite) is to be demolished.

Only nine calls have been made over the past 12 months and parish councillors have been asked whether they have any objections to the removal of the structure.

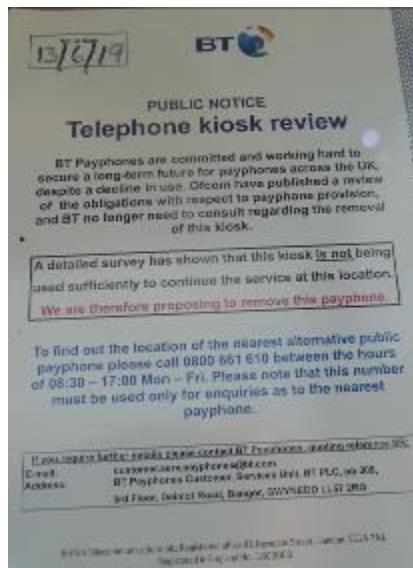
Councillors unanimously agreed at their July meeting to support the removal.

There was a suggestion about using it as a small book library but it was felt that the current structure, which is grey rather than the traditional red, would not be suitable for such

an idea, particularly as there is already a book exchange in Back Lane.

Currently the notice from BT reproduced opposite is inside the box.

It includes the wording: "A detailed survey has shown that this kiosk is not being used sufficiently to continue the service at this location. We are therefore proposing to remove the payphone."



# Changes To Bus Service

NORFOLK County Council has announced changes to the Service Nine bus which goes through Hethersett from 29th July. From that date the service will be operated by Semmence Coaches.

The service will start at Silfield and no longer serve Attleborough and Besthorpe.

Pupils with Norfolk County Council issued passes to Hethersett Academy will be transferred over to the Semmence Service for the start of the academic year in September Route Nine tickets and season passes purchased from Konectbus will not be honoured by Semmence on the new service nine for journeys to and from the Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital.

The new service will go from Silfield to the hospital via Wymondham, Hethersett and Little Melton.

Further information on the new service is available by contacting Semmence Coaches on 01953 602135 or via email at [sales@semmence.co.uk](mailto:sales@semmence.co.uk) or Konectbus Tel: 03300 539358 email: [feedback@konectbus.co.uk](mailto:feedback@konectbus.co.uk) .

A copy of the new timetable is below.

<b>Saturday &amp; Timetables</b>	<b>Monday To Friday (Excluding Bank Holidays)</b>					
Wymondham (Silfield), Green Lane	07:14:00	08:49:00	10:49:00	12:49:00		
Wymondham, Station Road	07:18:00	08:53:00	10:53:00	12:53:00		
Wymondham, Cross, NatWest	07:20:00	08:55:00	10:55:00	12:55:00	14:20:00	
Wymondham, Hewitts Lane/Sheffield Road	07:26:00	09:01:00	11:01:00	13:01:00	14:24:00	
Hethersett, Mill Road/Meadow Close	07:34:00	09:09:00	11:09:00	13:09:00	14:31:00	
Hethersett, Steeple Tower/Ullswater Drive	07:39:00	09:14:00	11:14:00	13:14:00	14:35:00	
Little Melton, School Lane/Mill Road	07:45:00	09:20:00	11:20:00	13:20:00	14:40:00	
N&NU Hospital (stand B)	07:55:00	09:30:00	11:30:00	13:30:00	14:50:00	
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N&NU Hospital (stand B)	09:35:00	11:35:00	13:35:00	15:15:00	16:20:00	17:15:00
Little Melton, School Lane/Mill Road	09:44:00	11:44:00	13:44:00	15:24:00	16:29:00	17:24:00
Hethersett, Steeple Tower, opp Ullswater Dr	09:50:00	11:50:00	13:50:00	15:30:00	16:35:00	17:30:00
Hethersett, Mill Road/West Craft	09:55:00	11:55:00	13:55:00	15:35:00	16:40:00	17:35:00
Wymondham, Hewitts Lane/Sheffield Road	10:04:00	12:04:00	14:04:00	15:44:00	16:49:00	17:44:00
Wymondham, Cross, NatWest	10:10:00	12:10:00	14:10:00	15:50:00	16:55:00	17:50:00
Wymondham, Station Road	10:11:00	12:11:00	14:11:00			17:51:00
Wymondham (Silfield), Green Lane	10:15:00	12:15:00	14:15:00			17:54:00
<b>AM SCHOOL TERM TIME ONLY</b>						
N&NU Hospital (stand B)	08:05:00					
Cringleford, Roundhouse Way	08:09:00					
Cringleford, Church	08:15:00					
Cringleford Intwood Road	08:16:00					
Cringleford School	08:18:00					
Hethersett Academy	08:30:00					
<b>PM SCHOOL TERM TIME ONLY</b>						
Hethersett Academy					<b>Mon &amp; Fri</b>	<b>Tu,We,TH</b>
Cringleford, Roundhouse Way					15:00:00	16:00:00
Cringleford, Church					15:05:00	16:05:00
Cringleford Intwood Road					15:07:00	16:07:00
Cringleford School					15:09:00	16:09:00
N&NU Hospital (stand B)					15:11:00	16:11:00
					15:16:00	16:16:00

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# Hethersett Social Club



Hethersett Social Club was due to hold its annual charity open day on Saturday, 27th July, raising money for the Norfolk Diabetes Trust.

The day included a charity bowls tournament, a barbecue, tombola, cake stall, children's craft activities, Zumba, Scalextric, a variety of stalls and evening entertainment from Stardust Duo in the lounge. We will have a report in the next edition of Hethersett Herald.

## Club Opening Hours

Monday - Closed

Tuesday - 7pm to 11pm

Wednesday - 7pm to 11pm

Thursday - 7pm to 11pm

Friday - 5pm to 11.30pm

Saturday - 12pm to 12am

Sunday - 12pm to 6pm

For more information on club activities telephone 01603 811195 or visit the official website at:

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

# Hethersett Matters

**WE regularly feature scams in this publication. In this edition we look at some of the latest to avoid. This column is put together in partnership with Norfolk Trading Standards and Norfolk Police.**

RESIDENTS should be on their guard against doorstep cold callers offering to 'pressure wash' driveways.

The advice from Trading Standards is simple: "Never deal with anyone who cold calls offering to undertake work on or around your property."

If you are concerned about possible rogue trader activity in Norfolk contact Trading Standards through their partners the Citizens Advice consumer help-line on 03454 04 05 06.

Looking for a Trader you can Trust? Try a Norfolk Trusted Trader. To search the directory and read feedback from customers visit [www.norfolk.gov.uk/trustedtrader](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/trustedtrader).

On a similar theme Trading Standards has also received reports of doorstep cold callers offering to 'lay tarmac'. The cold callers are claiming the tarmac is 'surplus from another job nearby'.

Finally this month there have been reports of elderly people being targeted by individuals purporting to be police officers or traffic wardens.

The victims are being approached whilst parked in a car park and are told that they have parked illegally or broken a speed limit and a photo has been taken of their car for 'evidence'.

Victims are advised that they will face a substantial penalty fine unless they pay a smaller upfront fee immediately. Victims who opt for paying the smaller penalty, will be directed to a parking meter and asked to enter their card and PIN. These parking meters have been tampered with by the suspect in order to retain the card.

Once the victim inserts their card and are asked for their PIN, the victims are shoulder surfed for their PIN by the suspect. Once victims input their PIN, the card is retained by the machine and victims are told by the suspect to seek help from the company who operates the parking meter or their bank.

Action Fraud are providing the following advice to protect yourself from this fraud:

If you are suspicious about the authenticity of the fine, do not pay it until you have verified it with your local council

Always shield your PIN from view when using an ATM or payment machine, and never share your PIN with anyone.

If your bank card is retained by an ATM or payment machine, contact your bank immediately to inform them.

People have also received telephone cold calls claiming to be from 'Mastercard'. These take the form of recorded messages.

During the call the message states that a large payment, usually several hundred pounds, has been made to a foreign account. The message then provides options to 'block all further transactions' and to speak to the 'fraud team'.

There may be a number of variations to these calls stating different amounts or reasons for the call.

Always be very wary of claims made during telephone cold calls. If you receive this or a similar recorded message call the advice is not to interact with the call and hang up.

If you are concerned about the security of a credit card account contact your card provider directly using the Customer Service number printed on the card - never use details provided in a cold call.

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## Record Number For Village Clean Up

**THE regular monthly Hethersett litter picks continues to increase in popularity.**

**A record number turned up for the latest pick, attracting 30 people aged from three to 88 for the event organised by Hethersett Environmental Action Team (HEAT).**

**The photograph opposite shows just some of those who took part in the latest litter pick.**



# Helping to Beat Summer Boredom

By Helen Tyler

With the worrying trend for increasing 'screen time', it is understandable that parents are in search of healthier summer family activities and dogs could be the answer! As children begin to embark on the long school holidays, parents everywhere will undoubtedly be fearing the dreaded 'I'm bored' announcement from their offspring. For families for whom dog ownership isn't an option due to work commitments, there is now a part-time, alternative solution which allows them to get out and about with a canine companion in the local area.



Barking Mad South Norwich, a local leading dog sitting service provider, is currently offering animal loving families, with children aged five or above, the opportunity to join their host community and experience having a friendly dog to stay. Walks, play and all the fun associated with caring for a lovely pooch are included, at a time to suit the individual family.

There is a growing trend for children to lead a largely screen-based lifestyle nowadays, with smartphones and gaming consoles becoming more enticing than playing outside. A two year study funded by the government was published, which shockingly stated that,

"12% of children (c. 1.3 million) never visited the natural environment in the previous 12 month period."

Dogs have been proven to encourage us to exercise, get out and about more and generally improve our well-being. This has been documented by Deborah L. Wells of the School of Psychology, Queens University, Belfast, in 'The Effects of Animals on Human Health and Well-Being' which concluded:

"This particular companion animal can contribute to a significant degree to our well-being and quality of lives."

We are currently seeking more volunteer dog cuddlers in the local area to care for dogs whose owners are away. This is an ideal opportunity for families, or teaching professionals, who cannot commit to full time dog ownership during term-time, to experience the joy and life enhancing benefits of canine companionship, at a time to suit them.

Every Summer, Barking Mad witnesses families whose holiday time is transformed by visiting dogs. They arrive with all their own food, bedding, toys and treats, with all insurance and administration taken care of by ourselves.

There is no need to provide anything other than your time and affection and a loving home environment. If you are real dog lovers and have some free time this summer, we would love to hear from you! You can call 01603 340595 or visit [www.barkingmad.uk.com](http://www.barkingmad.uk.com) to find out more.”

**Barking Mad is part of the Franchise Brands plc group of companies and is the UK's favourite dog holiday company, as verified by TrustPilot. Contact Barking Mad at [www.barkingmad.uk.com](http://www.barkingmad.uk.com) to find your dog's home from home today. Helen Tyler lives in Hethersett.**



## Contacting The Parish Council

Parish clerk Annette Palmer can be contacted by telephone on 01603 810915 or by email at [hethersett-pc@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:hethersett-pc@tiscali.co.uk).

The parish office is currently upstairs in the village hall and is open on Monday and Thursday mornings between 10 am and midday.

Contact details for the village's parish councillors are available at <http://hethersett-parish-council.norfolkparishes.gov.uk>.

The parish council also has its own Facebook page.

# Hethersett School Watch

## Lola Joins Vets

A Scout from Hethersett Academy joined veterans of World War Two to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the D-Day landings.

Year Seven pupil Lola Smith (pictured opposite) travelled to Normandy, France, to represent Norfolk Scouts at a ceremony remembering those who took part in the Allied invasion of Nazi-occupied France.

Over 150,000 Allied troops crossed the English Channel on the first day of the invasion, landing on the beaches of Normandy on June 6th, 1944.

The campaign's victory signalled a turning point in the war, leading to the defeat of the Nazis less than a year later.

In a ceremony at Bayeux War Cemetery, Lola met some of the many veterans who had travelled to Normandy for the commemorations.

She helped lay a wreath from Cringleford Scouts and over 8,000 red roses in memory of the thousands of soldiers who lost their lives in the attack.

The above story is taken from Hethersett Academy's official website and used with permission.



# Hethersett School Watch



Hethersett Academy's talented pupils took to the stage of a Norwich theatre for a packed evening of music and performing arts.

Over 100 musicians, dancers, and actors from Years seven to 11 put on the school's end-of-year showcase in front of a sell-out audience at the Norwich Playhouse on Monday, June 24th.

The programme took in solo performances including Bach's "Prelude in C Minor" and "Hallelujah" by Leonard Cohen, rock classics by Oasis and Catfish And The Bottlemen, hard-hitting drama, and a Cinderella-inspired dance routine.

The school's choirs and orchestra came together for the grand finale medley from Les Misérables. Head of creative arts Thomas Hilton said: "The students were a credit to the academy with their talent, enthusiasm, and discipline throughout the evening."

# Hethersett School Watch



# Council/Government Contact Numbers

Below are the contact details for people you may want to get in touch with on village matters:

## **Member of Parliament**

Our MP is Richard Bacon who can be contacted through the following:

Email - [Richard@richardbacon.org.uk](mailto:Richard@richardbacon.org.uk).

Address: Grasmere, Denmark Street, Diss, Norfolk, IP22 4LE.

Telephone: 01379 642097

Web site: [www.richardbacon.org.uk](http://www.richardbacon.org.uk)

Facebook - Bacon4SouthNorfolk

Twitter - @Bacon4SNorfolk

## **Norfolk County Council**

Our Norfolk County Council representative is David Bills who can be contacted on 01603 813041.

## **South Norfolk Council**

Our South Norfolk Council representatives are Adrian Dearnley, Phil Hardy and David Bills. David can be contacted on 01603 813041 or at [dbills@s-norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:dbills@s-norfolk.gov.uk), Phil on 07985 695668 or at [phardy@s-norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:phardy@s-norfolk.gov.uk) and Adrian on 07957139880.or at [adearnley@s-norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:adearnley@s-norfolk.gov.uk).

## **Hethersett Parish Council**

Clerk to the council Annette Palmer can be contacted on 01603 810915. Parish council chairman Adrienne Quinlan can be contacted on 01603 814379.

The Parish Council usually meets on the third Monday of each month at the Village Hall. The planning committee meets on the first and third Monday (depending on planning applications).

Agendas of meetings are displayed on village noticeboards at Churchfields, Hethersett Library, Hethersett Post Office, the Memorial Playing Field, and Hethersett Village Hall. Copies of minutes are held at the library or are available from the clerk. The parish council office is open at the Village Hall (upstairs) on Monday and Thursday mornings between 10 am and 12 noon.

Email: [hethersett.pc@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:hethersett.pc@tiscali.co.uk)

Website – [hethersettpc.info](http://hethersettpc.info)

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# The Scott Willoughby Column

From This .....



To This .....

IT is said that a picture can paint a thousand words and certainly this is true when it comes to Hethersett King's Head!

The pictures on this page were taken nine years apart and sum up the parlous state the building is in



# The Scott Willoughby Column

at the present time. But of course this isn't just about bricks and mortar but about the pub as a vital part of the local community. Indeed it has been included on a South Norfolk register of important community assets.

The success of a genuine village pub such as the King's Head, relies on the ability and enthusiasm of both the owners and the landlords. Let's be charitable and say that on a number of occasions over the past few years the two haven't exactly meshed and that has been to the detriment of the village.

There is no doubt that the last landlord and landlady did their best to bring back some of the community spirit to the King's but it seems they were fighting a losing battle that eventually defeated them. The King's Head is a hugely historic building having been an "ale house" for centuries. It can also be a highly attractive one as well

What is needed is a definite commitment by the owners to find landlords who are committed to making the King's Head an integral part of the local community as it once was. Landlords need to have an understanding of what a community is and how it functions. The community register does protect the King's if the owners are unable to find new landlords. In that case, before the pub could be converted to a private dwelling, it would have to be offered as a going concern to a local group. Whether such a group would come forward is another matter. Running a business with everything that entails could prove a touch too daunting for local volunteers although it has been achieved to great effect in other parts of the country.

Those of us who have lived in the village long enough will remember how resplendent the King's looked in summer when it was in full flower and at Christmas when it was lit up and highly decorated with Santa, his reindeer and his sleigh.

Many years ago we lost the Greyhound Pub as a licensed premises. It would be a travesty and heart-breaking if the King's Head went the same way. Let's hope we will have some good news from the owners sooner rather than later and the King's Head will not just be left to decay and deteriorate.

On the subject of photographs, we hope you like the range and number of photo-

graphs used in this edition of the Herald. It's been a colourful time in the village with the Open Gardens event and summer in full swing and that helps us to produce a bright edition.

## Serious Side To An Amusing Picture

We are forever going on about dog mess in the village and quite rightly so. Leaving dog poo on pavements etc is both anti-social and potentially dangerous to children as we have pointed out numerous times in the past. So I was amused when I saw the following picture on a Hethersett social media site and then it got me thinking that this might not be a bad idea - a kind of community spirit with exercise thrown in.

### Take In The Signs

We all have things that annoy us and probably shouldn't. One of my pet hates is event advertising that springs up around the village and particularly on the verges along the B1172.

I have nothing against people advertising fetes, open days and many other coming events. What bugs me is people's apparent inability to take them down when the event is over. This is a real case of "we really want to get our event known but once we have achieved it and the event is gone we aren't at all interested in taking the posters/boards down."

This kind of thing is endemic of our modern society - a matter of ignoring something once its use has ended. Promotional material soon becomes litter and rubbish. To me it's also a case of "we'll put the publicity up and some other idiot with no connection to the organisation or group can take it down." It really is irresponsible. This rant was triggered by the latest rather garish boards on the road advertising an event in July and still up over a week after that event. You will undoubtedly know the ones I am referring to.



## Mid Summer Madness

WE may not have had a fully flaming June but July more than made up for it with record temperatures which were a nightmare for wildlife. It was excellent news for those who on holiday but the water dishes that I filled up every day dried out in hours.

Fish in the pond died from asphyxiation due to the high humidity and even my cats stopped eating and started staying out all night. In the middle of this female hedgehogs

(hedgehog fathers are perpetually absent) are trying to raise their young. Please remember to put out low sided dishes of water every night. If a small visitor has found water in your garden the night before it will visit again in the hope of finding more. If there is none there then they could have wasted hours without fluid. Starvation is bad but dehydration is worse.

We had one tiny little hoglet brought in during July that was probably about three weeks old and around 70 gm but it was totally lethargic and very very cold.

Hedgehogs of that age are incapable of keeping themselves warm and need either their siblings or a heat pad to maintain their body temperature. We placed this little scrap of life on a heat pad with water and three different kinds of food but it had lost all interest in life and died during its first night with us. Hoglets can survive all sorts of things if they have that spark which makes them refuse to give up. Unfortunately not all of them have it and just waste away, refusing to eat or drink.

All the other hogs we had in care have made their own way out of the outside run so our duties have been reduced to provisioning three separate feeding areas each night and watching them being visited by hedgehogs of all sizes. Sadly (trying not to be miserable) from next month we will be slipping into autumn and the problem of the autumn juveniles and that means that we have to be ready for them with all cage repairs and cleaning done.



# Hethersett Hedgehogs



Hedgehogs have been receiving a lot more publicity than in previous years and are fortunate to be championed by people like Dr. Brian May from Queen who has his own rescue centre. TV channels are also doing their bit by having various short series devoted to hedgehogs.

Locally we have people like Herald columnist Hannah Harrison who posts about the hedgehogs in her Hethersett garden. The photos in this month's article have all been taken by Hannah. There are now 45 hedgehog-lovers on our Facebook page who are doing their best to make life easier for our prickly friends.

There are all sorts of rescue centres giving a wide range of information and disinformation on hedgehog care much of it conflicting. But because it comes from would be 'experts' it is all believed while some of it should be dismissed. For the best, and most trustworthy, information look at the website of the British Hedgehog Preservation Society. They really do know what they are doing. PACT in Hingham will give help and so will Hallswood Animal Sanctuary to the north of Norwich.

It was Hallswood's advice that saved the life of one of our tiniest hoglets which refused to eat and was wasting away. They told me to try it on some beaten egg. It devoured it with gusto and weighed over 1 kg when it was released back into the wild. I relate this story as some well-meaning centres say you must not give them anything but specially prepared hedgehog food which is expensive and which most of my hogs have refused to eat. Meat-based dog or cat food is ideal.

If you have a story to tell of hedgehogs in your garden please tell me through our Facebook page so that I can add it to the next article.

# Making The Most of Your Home

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*Summer can be the ideal time to sell your property. Here we team up with Stratfords Estate Agents of Great Melton Road, Hethersett, to tell you the best way to make your home attractive to buyers if you are thinking of selling.*

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WITH plenty of buyers motivated to move before the winter months set in, summer can be the perfect time to sell your property. If you're selling, or considering selling, then read some of our pointers to help you sell quickly this summer...

## Kerb appeal

As is always the case with selling properties, a first impression can make or break a sale with a poorly presented property often putting off buyers before they have even set foot in the home. In the summer this is especially important as buyers will often drive or walk past a property before they decide to book a viewing. With the summer sun shining a light on any less-than-perfect parts of the exterior of your property, you should ensure that flowers are planted, weeds are pruned and lawns are mowed. Extra attention to details, such as ensuring that the front door has been cleaned and the windows are streak-free will pay dividends in your selling process.

## Accessories

A neutral interior will appeal to a mass market and increase the scope of your property in terms of potential buyers, but if you are looking to make the most of the summer then don't be afraid of colour. Using accessories to add colour around your home that reflect the brighter summer season – such as burnt orange and lemon – will make your property stand out from the crowd in those all-important photographs.

## Lights

When we think of summer, we all first think of sunshine and brighter evenings – so make the most of this light when presenting your home for sale. Get rid of heavy curtains and dark blinds which can make a room feel smaller and prevent the light from entering a room. Buyers want to feel that rooms are bright and spacious. So if possible, have windows and doors open throughout the house to create a light, airy feeling (as well as bringing in those fresh summer scents).

## Set dress

Set dressing refers to the arranging of a room or space in order to paint a picture of the kind of lifestyle which could be enjoyed in your property. Never is it more

important to set dress your garden than throughout the summer months, with potential buyers wanting to know that they will be able to enjoy the outdoor space which your home provides. Tempt potential buyers by showing off your outdoor spaces with garden furniture, fire pits and barbecues.

### **Viewing times**

During the summer months, many people like to start work early and leave early in order to benefit from the longer evenings; make sure that you can accommodate as many viewings as possible by being flexible with your viewing times. Allowing people to view your home early in the morning, as well as in the afternoon will help bring more people through the door as well as showing off your property in a favourable light

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## **An Intriguing Character**

**WE hope that you enjoyed the flashback photographs taken by Edwardian photographer Tom Nokes earlier in this edition.**

**Many of these were featured in the book “Discovering Old Norfolk - The Road to the Past” which also includes a picture of an intriguing Hethersett character where the caption pulls no punches. It has this to say:**

**“The groom was Stephen Knapp. A notorious village character less than 5 feet in height. He had served several prison sentences in the old Norwich Castle prison ranging from poaching to various acts of indecency. For many years he lived in a garden shed. In middle age he married Emma who was no paragon of virtue but she was a clean and tidy housewife. Tom has photographed the happy couple as they returned from church on foot being showered by confetti.**

**We would be delighted to hear from anyone who knows anything about Mr and Mrs Knapp.**

# Groups and Societies

## Hethersett Methodist Church

The church holds shoppers' coffee mornings every Saturday from 10.30 am until midday. Everyone is welcome and tea and coffee is served. The art and craft group meets on Wednesdays from 10 am until midday. Further information is available from Tina Greenhalgh on 810364.

## Messy Church

The latest messy church family event in St Remigius took place on July 5th and featured games and a picnic. A harvest-themed messy church will take place on September 14th.

## Women's Institute

Hethersett Women's Institute enjoyed a group meeting with neighbouring institutes. Mark Mitchels spoke on the subject of "Black Ivory and the Involvement of Great Britain in the Slave Trade." He explained how a triangle of trade between the western part of Africa and the West Indies provided us with such commodities as sugar, tea, coffee, tobacco and chocolate. The trading of slaves became illegal in 1833.

At a later meeting Ashley and Charlotte Baxter spoke about their 10-week adventure with their three children to Russia and the Far East with just a rucksack of clothes. They lived simply with the natives wherever they went and kept a diary of events.

## First Steps

First Steps Stay and Play Baby Group for 0-5 year olds broke-up for their summer break with a party in Hethersett Village Hall. They said farewell to a number of regular visitors who will be going onto nursery or school in September. The youngsters were entertained by magician Neil Reeve.

First Steps will start its Autumn term on September 10th.

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## Mothers' Union

Hethersett Mothers' Union enjoyed a presentation by Georgette Vale on Norfolk heroine Edith Cavell. Dressed as Edith, Georgette presented a dramatic depiction of her last hours before her execution on October 12th, 1915.

Georgette's presentation was centred on the prison in Brussels where Edith was incarcerated after her arrest and until her death at the hands of a firing squad.

Edith was initially buried in Belgium but her body was later repatriated and buried in the grounds of Norwich Cathedral Close.

Georgette will be giving her presentation on Queen Victoria at Hethersett Library on September 11th. We will have more details of this in the next edition of Hethersett Herald.

## Hethersett Society

Dr Richard Aldridge gave a talk with slides on the ancient sites of the Peloponnes in Southern Greece. Starting at Kalamata, he took members through the peninsula which has been inhabited since prehistoric times. Dr Aldridge ran through the history of the area from the Mycenaean civilisation through the Roman and Byzantine empires.

## Probus Club

Former sergeant instructor Darren Fuller, an active member of BLESMA (the British Limbless Ex-Servicemen's Association) talked about the work of the association. It is dedicated to helping former service men and women to lead independent and fulfilling lives. In 2020, BLESMA will be celebrating its centenary and currently has over 4,000 members.

Darren saw active service in several trouble spots including seven tours to Northern Ireland. He lost his right arm below the elbow in a blast in Afghanistan. He was discharged in 2014. Members held a collection at the end of the presentation for BLESMA.

# Groups and Societies

## Heart of Hethersett Bereavement Group

The Heart of Hethersett Bereavement Group meets every two weeks on a Tuesday in the lounge at Woodcote Sheltered Housing complex in Firs Road from 5.30 until 6.30 pm and has a mixture of films, talks and social time. Coming meetings will take place on July 30th, before taking a summer break.

The group also welcomes people who are lonely and/or suffering from depression and anxiety. It is supported by Ivan Fisher Independent Funeral Home.

## Hethersett Dementia Support Group

The Hethersett Dementia Support Group organises a cafe on the third Tuesday of each month in Hethersett Methodist Church Hall from 10 am until midday. Light refreshments are served free of charge. The café provides an opportunity for dementia-sufferers and their carers to meet and chat over a tea or coffee, participate in activities such as singing and also listen to guest speakers.

The July café was held on Tuesday 16th and concluded with a sandwich lunch with strawberry scones and cream. Dementia Group chairman David Bills, who is also the village's representative on Norfolk County Council and South Norfolk District Council, thanked all the helpers that have made the café such a success: "This really is what the village of Hethersett is about," he said.

The next café will be on Tuesday, August 20th, from 10 am until midday. Further information is available by e-mailing [hethersett dementia2016@gmail.com](mailto:hethersett dementia2016@gmail.com) where you can leave a contact telephone number and somebody will get back to you within 48 hours.

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# Groups and Societies

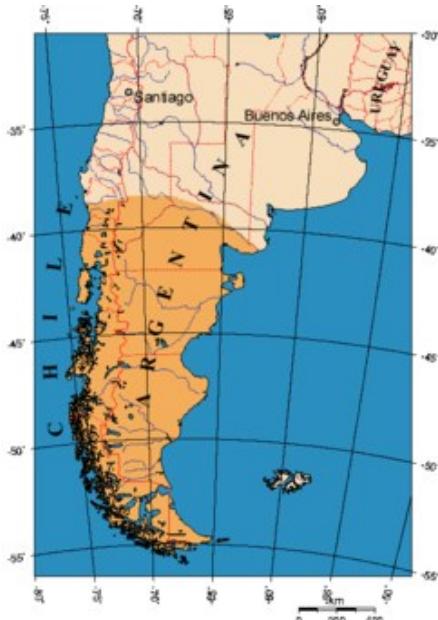
*Herald associate editor and Hetherset Society member, Gary Wyatt, reviews the society's July meeting.*

THE talk at July's meeting of the Society was given by Martin Philpot, a retired teacher and keen long-distance cyclist. An initial slide showed a list of his trips over the last 20 years or so, including Norwich to Moscow (2003), to Naples (2005) and to Krakow (2015), plus rides on other continents including Australia, South Africa and South America.



The main subject of this talk was his journey through Patagonia in 2014. By the way, Martin paid tribute to the patience of his wife who has stuck with him for more than 40 years despite (or maybe because of) his long absences.

Martin rides a Thorn Nomad bike, which is of exceptionally strong construction, very rugged and able to carry heavy loads. He takes all his clothing, tent and other equipment with him in panniers, front and rear, a masterclass in packing it seems.



Patagonia is not an independent country but rather a general area bridging the border of Chile and Argentina and extending down the tip of South America to Tierra del Fuego. Languages spoken include Spanish and Welsh (derived from early farming settlers from Wales).

Martin's trip started north of this area in the capital of Chile, Santiago, and initially followed the 1200 km Austral Road, or Southern Way, constructed in the 1970s and 80s by the now deposed General Pinochet but never fully surfaced. Long stretches remain as rubble, but there is little traffic as a result.

The road winds through spectacular scenery of virgin forests, mountains and glaci-



ers in the southern section of the Andes. I found Martin's slides of glaciers particularly interesting. He mostly wild camped, but made use of the occasional roadside motel or hostel for a slightly more comfortable night and a shower, although some of these places looked pretty scary to me.

Martin was badly bitten by bedbugs in one hostel. He made friends of fellow cyclists, including a family who were spending two or three years ambling north to Canada, educating their two children on the way.

He also spent some time trekking rather than cycling, including in the Fitz Roy mountains and to the Moreno Glacier, again with spectacular scenery. As he got further south, it became extremely windy and he found the journey very difficult, but eventually reached Tierra del Fuego after a five hour stormy ferry ride from Punta Arenas.

This completed a journey of some 3000+ miles, amazingly without a single puncture. This was an excellent account of a very interesting journey, given by a very amiable speaker.

There is no meeting of the Society in August, so the next is on Monday, 9th September at 7.30 pm in Hethersett Methodist Church Hall, when Anna Meek will speak on the Galapagos Islands, so another trip to South America is planned for members.

Non-members are welcome to any meeting for a £2 charge but membership for the full year is only £7.

## Good News Magazine

The village Good News magazine is looking for people to help distribute the publication. Anyone interested in delivering to various parts of the village should contact Monica Moore on 811731.

# Groups and Societies

## HETHERSETT and DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

*By Leslie Dale - Committee Secretary*

At Hethersett and District Horticultural Society's meeting on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June, Dr Ian Bedford talked of "Butterflies" and "Butterfly Gardening" and deviated briefly into "Moths. It is not often that someone's hobby interest develops into a career. Our speaker was one such lucky person. He demonstrated a considerable knowledge in entomology and butterflies in particular. We looked at the characteristics of butterflies and how to differentiate them from moths; their metamorphosis process, and a few of the 59 native species along with some of the more spectacular international visitors. Mention was made of certain slug baits and pesticide residues finding their way to hedge rows and rivers, clearly not helping the regeneration of those species. Wasps and parasites were also bad news. Good news came in the form of recommendations to grow hawthorn, prunus cherry, crocus, sea thrift bugle, candy tuft, buddleia, asters, sedum, lavender, sunflowers and wall flowers, something to suit all "tongue" lengths of the varying species. Decaying fruit left on the garden would attract butterflies. The society meets at 7.30 pm in the Methodist Church Hall, Great Melton Road. All are very welcome - occasional visitors are charged £1.50 and refreshments are included. On Wednesday 21st August, Lesley Cuneen will be "Garden Visiting".

WE are looking to improve and expand our groups and societies section. If you would like your organisation to be featured in Hethersett Herald please contact the editor via e-mail at petersteward@lineone.net.

Reports of events and meetings can also be sent to the above email address.

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**If you enjoy reading Hethersett Herald please pass details on.**

# Groups and Societies

## Hetherset Pensioners' Association

By Marilyn Savory

WE had a regal visitor at our June meeting as Queen Victoria gave her an insight into her world. Victoria was depicted by Georgette Vale and is pictured on the right.



On July 8th, members enjoyed an afternoon strawberry tea and a very informative talk given by Paige Pope from the Snettisham Dogs Trust. Paige brought her dog Pippa along who was an instant hit with all members. Pippa introduced herself to everyone, spending the afternoon being patted and stroked. A very friendly and laid back pooch.

We meet the second Monday of each month 2-4 pm at Hetherset Methodist Church. (excluding August). I hope our future meetings will whet your appetites to join us. Our coming programme is:

September 9th - Ann Reeve Norfolk Dialect.

September 11th - Outing on steam train from Wymondham to Dereham. Afternoon tea on return trip. (fully booked)

October 14th - "The South Park Stompers" in memory of June Bullock who sadly passed away last year. June was a member of the Pensioners for many years and will also be missed by the cast of Hetherset Pantomime and the many residents of Hetherset who knew her.

November 11th. Phyllida Scrivens "A Jewish Boy's Quest for Freedom and his Future"

December 9th - Christmas afternoon tea. - "Blue Skies Band". Music from the 1940s.

For more information please contact me on 01603 931292 or via e-mail at [Marilyn.savory41@icloud.com](mailto:Marilyn.savory41@icloud.com). Come along and see what's on offer, we are a friendly bunch with plenty of room to expand our membership.

# Groups and Societies

## Norfolk Association for the Disabled

*By Angela Farrington*

### **Wymondham and Attleborough Branch also covering Hethersett.**

The May meeting saw us all on a coach to Rollesby Broad for lunch. We had an enjoyable meal in the restaurant followed by tea and/or ice cream on the decking overlooking the Broad. It was made all the better for the glorious sunshine.

June found us back in the Methodist Church hall for a social where John Slater entertained us with a couple of quizzes, the first on Norfolk and the second general knowledge. As usual it was a great success and was followed by tea, sandwiches and cakes.

July was our strawberry tea back again in the Methodist Church hall. We were entertained by two hand bell ringers. They gave us information about bell ringing and how they are designed to be rung. They played several tunes, some known to us and others not so familiar but all very musical and beautiful to hear.

This was followed by our famous strawberry tea where we all tucked into various sandwiches, scones with clotted cream and jam followed by strawberries, cream and shortbread biscuits.

### **Upcoming events**

There will be no meeting in August.

**September 5<sup>th</sup>** Coach trip to Gorleston Pier Hotel for lunch followed by a walk along the promenade, weather permitting.

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>** social at Methodist Church hall. Entertainment will be either feely bags or a quiz. Followed by tea, sandwiches and cakes.

**October 8<sup>th</sup>** AGM. This is where we get together with our other groups in Norfolk and hear about their activities over the last 12 months, then usually there is an interesting talk followed by raffle and tea and cakes.

**November 7<sup>th</sup>** Methodist Church hall. Activity to be advised.

**November 24<sup>th</sup>** trip to Drayton Players. Always a popular event.

**December 10<sup>th</sup>** Christmas lunch at Park Farm Hotel.

**January** we have no social in January but will have a visit to the Hethersett Pantomime.

# Groups and Societies

All newcomers welcome.

Anyone interested in joining our group as a disabled member, or anyone looking to volunteer to help at our meetings and on trips out or for any other enquiries Please contact

**Rob Reeve 01603 810440 or Angela Farrington 01603 810342**

## Out and About

Promoting Toadwatch



SEVERAL Hethersett groups and organisations were involved in the Destination Wymondham Day on July 27th.

It was a day of celebration to mark Norfolk Day and, despite the inclement weather after days of heatwave temperatures, there was plenty happening to keep everyone happy.

# Out and About

Hethersett Singers ran a stall in Central Hall designed to attract more members and Hethersett Parish Councillor and leading environmentalist Dr Anne Edwards was on hand to promote eco ideas and the local toadwatch scheme.





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Thank you to everyone that has contributed to this edition of Hethersetts Herald. If you have enjoyed reading this e-magazine please pass on details to friends and relatives so that we can increase our readership.

# Hethersett Herald What's On

*The following are just some of the regular events taking place in Hethersett. If you have an event you would like to see featured in Hethersett Herald, please send details including its date, time and venue to the following email address:*

**petersteward@lineone.net**

## **Regular Events:**

**Hethersett Croquet Club** meets on the Memorial Playing Field from 2.30 pm on Wednesday and Saturdays.

**Hethersett Methodist Church Art and Craft Group** meets in the Methodist Church Hall from 10 am on Wednesdays. Further details available from Tina Greenhalgh on 01603 810364.

**Hethersett Table Tennis Club** meets in Hethersett Methodist Church Hall from 7 pm on Fridays.

**Hethersett Methodist Church Shoppers' Coffee** takes place on Saturdays from 10.30 am until midday.

**First Steps pre-school Group** meets in Hethersett Village Hall on Tuesdays from 10 am during school term time.

**The Heart of Hethersett Bereavement Group** meets in the lounge of Woodcote Sheltered Housing complex from 5.30 to 6.30 pm on alternate Tuesdays. All welcome, light refreshments available free of charge.

**Hethersett Dementia Support Group's** monthly café takes place in Hethersett Methodist Church Hall from 10 am until midday every third Tuesday.

**Hethersett Short Mat Bowls Club** plays two sessions each week in Hethersett Village Hall. The first is on Tuesday afternoons from 2.15 pm for a 2.30 pm start and the second is on Friday evenings at 7.15 pm for a 7.30 pm start.

We will have a list of September coming events in the next edition.

## Colourful Display Assured



THERE will be plenty of colour on display when the Paint With Us Art Group holds its autumn exhibition in Hethersett Village Hall on Sunday, November 17th.

The group has been encouraged by the popularity of previous exhibitions.

The Paint With Us exhibition will take place from 10 am until 4 pm.

Refreshments will be available. Parking and entry is free and artwork and cards will be on sale. Our photographs on this page were taken at a previous event.



# Hethersett Herald What's On

## Star Throwers' Dates

OVER the years numerous Hethersett people have been helped by the Wymondham-based cancer charity Star Throwers. So we are always happy to promote their coming events.

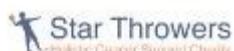
They will be holding an open day on Friday, August 2nd, from 10 am until 4 pm at their centre - 30 Melton Road, Wymondham. It will give the public a chance to see how the charity supports local people affected by cancer.

There will be a chance to meet staff, volunteers and therapists and to hear talks about Star Throwers and its services.

Eight days later the charity will be holding a garden party from 11 am until 2 pm. There will be garden games, refreshments, a Pimms tent, stalls, entertainment, raffle and tombola as the charity celebrates its 10th anniversary. Entry is by a suggested donation of £2 for adults and £1 for children and this includes a free hot drink or squash.



Star Throwers volunteers pictured at the Destination Wymondham event on July 28th



### Star Throwers Garden Party

Saturday 10th August

11am - 2pm

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Entry  
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(Suggested donation -  
includes free hot drink or  
squash)

# Hawk Talk

with Mel Perkins

HETHERSETT Hawks/Yellow Brick Mortgages visited Eaton Park on a warm Wednesday evening for the second of four Division One local derbies against Norwich Stars.

The temperature in the pits matched the weather as in any local derby and it was Craig Norton, making his first League appearance since transferring down the B1172 in the winter, who made the difference for the Hawks. He teamed up with Leigh Cossey for a 7-3 win in heat four which put the Hawks six points up and Norwich, despite a couple of heat wins and a superb performance from Norfolk Champion Paddy Wenn, never really looked like pegging that lead back. Overall a good solid team performance from the Hawks.

Norwich 87, Hetherset 92. Hetherset scorers - C. Norton 19, L. Cossey 17, H. Hamill 15, B. Loombe 11, D. Adams 11 C. Lyth 10 G. Morgan 7 K. Adams 2.

Four Hetherset riders made the long trip to South Wales to contest the first National Round of the British Youth and Junior Grand Prix at East Newport. George Larter-Dixon rode well to score 12 points in the Under-12s, missing out on the B Final by a regional countback. He finished second in the C Final. The other three riders were in the tough Junior category and struggled to adapt to the tight, almost circular, track. Charlie Lyth made it to the B Final where he came third. Paul Delaiche (2nd) and Daniel Longlands (3rd) were in the C Final.

## July 6th/7th

Hawks faced a daunting task of two matches in one day in Suffolk against the League's top two teams and when they arrived at Whitton Sports Centre to face Ipswich without Harley Hamill (work) and Leigh Cossey (ill overnight) they feared the worst. A heavy defeat did not tell the full story of some excellent teamwork and an outstanding performance by McKenzie Loombe. Highlight was the 7-3 win by



Charlie Lyth and Paul Delaiche over England international Ash Hill.

Ipswich 111, Hetherset 68. Hetherset scorers - C. Lyth 13, B. Loombe 10, G. Morgan 10, D. Longlands 9, P. Delaiche 9, M. Loombe 8, K. Adams 6, N. Longlands 3.

Credit due to Hamill and Cossey for joining up with the team in the afternoon at Great Blakenham where they each put in three substitute rides.

Four home riders were unbeaten but the Hawks battled away for points despite fatigue setting in. So a day that had more positives than negatives despite the scores.

Great Blakenham 104, Hetherset 75. Hetherset scorers - B. Loombe 12, G. Morgan 12, C. Lyth 11, P. Delaiche 10, L. Cossey 9, D. Longlands 7, H. Hamill 5, M. Loombe 4, N. Longlands 3, K. Adams 2.

Racing was much closer in midweek when the Hawks B team travelled to Eaton Park for a Division Two match with Norwich B. Norwich looked stronger on paper but the Hawks led after a topsy-turvy eight heats. A calamitous 7-2 in heat nine gave Norwich the advantage and they never lost a race after that apart from a consolation 7-3 for the Hawks in the final race. It was an entertaining evening made more so by the inclusion of the mercurial Jason Barker on his retro ladies frame! Charlie Lyth was outstanding. Norwich B 80 , Hetherset B 78. Hetherset scorers - C. Lyth 20, G. Morgan 14, P. Delaiche 11, B. Loombe 10, D. Adams 8,

D. Longlands 8, J. Barker 7.

Four Hetherset riders were on duty in the Home Internationals at Ipswich. Craig Norton (8 points) and Harley Hamill



## Photographs by Jenny Melvin



(5 points) helped Ireland to third place in the Senior event while Dan Longlands scored 5 points for Wales who finished second in the junior event. Charlie Lyth rode for the Ireland Junior Select and scored 10.

### July 14th

South East and Eastern Grand Prix Series Round 6 at Hethersett:

Hawks were hosts to 48 riders of all ages from all over the region for round six of the South-East and Eastern Grand Prix series. Harley Hamill was the only home winner - in the Seniors - but Charlie Lyth (2nd Under-18s) Paul Delaiche (3rd



Under-18s) and Jamie Thompson (3rd Veterans in his first match) reached "A" Finals. There were encouraging signs from a number of the club's recent recruits at Under-8 level, the best being Luca El Labany.

UNDER-8 A Final - 1 Connor Jarret (Norwich), 2 Isaac Powling (Kesgrave), 3 Mazie Baker (Ipswich), 4 Frank Spauls (Norwich). B Final - 1 Logan Farber (Great Blakenham), 2 Samuel Ridley (Hellingly), 3 Luca El Labany (Hethersett), 4 Alex Thompson (Hethersett). C Final - 1 Max Pugh (Hethersett), 2 Oscar Copland (Hethersett).

**UNDER-10 A Final** - 1 Luca Woodhouse (Kesgrave), 2 Oscar Hammond (Kesgrave), 3 Ollie Edwards (Kesgrave), 4 Harvey Schumake (Kesgrave). **B Final** - 1 Lily Parr (Kesgrave), 2 Will Blackmore (Norwich), 3 Harry Ridley (Hellingly), 4 Emil Gowers (Ipswich). **C Final** - 1 Mitchell Baker (Ipswich), 2 Charlie Spurgeon (Kesgrave), 3 Alfie Ellis (Hellingly), 4 Dylan Geer (Hellingly). **D Final** - 1 Lewis Smith (Hethersett).

**UNDER-12 A Final** - 1 Charlie Parr (Kesgrave), 2 Ryker Jolly (Kesgrave), 3 Shaun Kell (Norwich), 4 Detlan Baker (Ipswich). **B Final** - 1 George Larter-Dixon (Hethersett), 2 Alicia Ellis (Hellingly), 3 Paul Edwards (Hellingly).

**UNDER-14 A Final** - 1 Noah Woodhouse (Kesgrave), 2 Torsten Jolly (Kesgrave), 3 Kai Gowers (Ipswich).

**UNDER-18 GIRLS A Final** - 1 Phoebe Hammond (Kesgrave), 2 Josie Kell (Norwich), 3 Tabby Nierop (Norwich).

**UNDER-18 BOYS A Final** - 1 James Porter (Ipswich), 2 Charlie Lyth (Hethersett), 3 Paul Delaiche (Hethersett), 4 Tom Blackmore (Norwich).

**SENIOR A Final** - 1 Harley Hammil (Hethersett), 2 Jamie Medler (Norwich), 3 Fraser Harris (Ipswich), 4 Steven Hammond (Kesgrave). **B Final** - 1 Katie Adams (Hethersett).

**VETERANS A Final** - 1 Steve Jolly (Kesgrave), 2 Steve Copping (Norwich), 3 Jamie Thompson (Hethersett)

The Club had three winners in round five of the Norfolk GO-RIDE series at the Memorial Playing Field - Leigh Cossey (Senior), Charlie Lyth (Under-16) and McKenzie Loombe (Under-14).



## July 20th/21st

Hawks had a busy but successful weekend which climaxed with the crowning of a double East Anglian Champion. Three members contested the second national round of the British Youth and Junior Grand Prix at Eaton Park and all performed well. Luca El Labany produced two good passes on his way to sixth place in the Under-8s. In the Under-18s Paul Delaiche won the B Final to finish fifth while Charlie Lyth took third place in the A Final, a position he now holds in the series



It was Charlie Lyth who stole the show at the East Anflgian Championships which were the first regional events to be staged at the recently re-opened Spixworth track. He produced four immaculate rides to win the Under-16 title with a maximum and then stepped up to win a very competitive Under-19 event. Following a difficult third place in his penultimate ride he sped to the front in his last race and, with the promising youngster Noah Woodhouse holding out his main rival Adam Cooper, Charlie took the Under-19 crown as well.



There were also podium positions for Ben Loombe, who has done so much to put the Spixworth track back on the scene, and Glyn Morgan. Both lost race-offs for second place - Ben in the Seniors and Glyn in the Veterans after shedding a chain in a heat.

Three Hethersett riders are now in Poland to contest World Championships and represent Ireland in international matches. They are Leigh Cossey, Craig Norton and Harley Hamill We will have a report on their progress in the next edition.

# Promotion Push Gathers Pace

THE weather could yet play a vital part in Hethersetts and Tas Valley's promotion push towards Division One of the Norfolk Alliance Cricket League.

With just four matches to go, Valley are handily placed but could have been in an even stronger position had rain not wrecked their chances of even more victories and points.

Valley's remaining quartet of matches will see them come up against their two closest rivals for the divisional title and that means their fate is in their own hands, providing the weather doesn't intervene again.

Hethersetts' remaining fixtures see them home to Great Witchingham on August 3rd, without a game on August 10th, home to Martham on August 17th, away to Bradfield on August 24th and home to Ashmanhaugh and Barton Wanderers on the final day of the season - August 31st.

Hethersetts opened July with a frustrating afternoon, one of those days when the weather makes a farce of the game. Their match against Garboldisham was abandoned with Hethersetts being awarded a paltry six points whilst their closest rivals - Bradfield and Ashmanhaugh - beat the rain to play a full game and take the maximum 25 points.

When Valley got down to business on the pitch, they found the going to their liking with maximum 25-point hauls against Mattishall and Norwich. Valley batted first against Mattishall and hit 253-6 with Ben France hitting 100. They then bowled Mattishall out for 201 with Tom Collishaw taking 4-22.

Against Norwich, Hethersetts hit 207-5 with Ben France unbeaten on 65. Norwich replied with 141 all out with Collishaw taking 3-12.

The final game of the month saw Valley make the long journey to Downham Market fearing that the month would end as it began with a washout. Thankfully the morning rain relented sufficiently for a 20-over game to be played. Downham batted first and were humbled to 62-9 from their 20 overs. Hethersetts made short work of their target, hitting 64 without loss in just 7.2 overs to take 24 points from the possible 25 and give them 74 from a possible 75 in the three matches played in July.

Current leading positions in Division Two of the Norfolk Alliance are overleaf:

Norfolk Alliance Division Two	Played	Points
<b>Hetherset and Tas Valley</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>248</b>
Ashmanhaugh and Barton Wanderers	11	224
Bradfield	11	224
Martham	11	192

The club's Saturday second string are in a comfortable mid-table position in Division Four of the Norfolk Alliance. With five games remaining they are in fifth place but too far behind the leaders to contemplate promotion but far enough ahead of the bottom clubs to have no fears about relegation.

The Saturday third team are seventh out of 10 in Division Three South East of the Norfolk Cricket League and the fourth team are 7th out of 12 in Division Four South East of the Norfolk League.

## Valley To Host Finals Day

**HETHERSETT and Tas Valley Cricket Club will once again be hosting the Norfolk Over-40s Social Cricket League finals day.**

**This year's event will take place on Sunday 1st September from midday. Teams from throughout Norfolk have been competing in three geographical leagues throughout the summer. The winners of the three groups and the best placed runners-up will come together for semi-finals, followed at 3 pm by a final and play-off for third and fourth place. Both pitches at the ground will be used.**

**As well as the cricket there will be a barbecue and a bar will be available throughout the day. Hetherset and Tas Valley are currently in second place in the South Norfolk section.**

# Treasurer Wanted

Hethersett Athletic FC is looking for a willing volunteer to become treasurer. The club says that the time required for the post is around two to three hours per week at home. Small remuneration would be considered for someone with relevant experience/qualification.

Hethersett Athletic is a community club supporting four adult and nine youth teams.

The club states that the position would be ideal "for those with youth players involved, those willing to support the community and volunteer driven clubs or those in retirement or semi retirement who are looking to keep the cogs turning..

An understanding of Microsoft Excel is needed.

## Have You Missed an Edition?



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# Cricketing Summer School For Youngsters

Following England's fantastic World Cup victory, Hetherset and Tas Valley Cricket Club's Director of Coaching and First XI captain Ben France has announced a summer camp at the club's Flordon headquarters from 31st July to 2nd August. This is ideal for junior cricketers wanting to improve their cricketing skills. After Flordon, France will be taking his cricket school to Dereham Cricket Club, Saxlingham Cricket Club and Great Melton Cricket Club.

Full details and how to book are on the poster below.

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# News From Hethersett Library

## Library Opening Hours

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Monday: 1.30-7 pm

Tuesday: Open Access Only

Wednesday: 11 am - 7 pm

Thursday: 1.30-7 pm

Friday: 1.30-7 pm

Saturday: 11 am-4 pm

Sunday: Open Access Only

Open Library Users who have had their library cards activated for open access will now be able to gain entry to the building from 8 am until 7 pm every weekday and from 8 am until 4 pm on Saturdays and from 10 am until 4 pm on Sundays.



During Open Library Hours when the building isn't staffed residents will be able to return and borrow books, use computers but won't be able to borrow CDs or DVDs.

The library will be closed for Summer Bank Holiday on 26th August.

The poster on the next page gives an overview of coming events in Hethersett Library for August and the following page gives details of the summer reading scheme.

Hethersett Parish Council will soon have its own office in the library. Plans are now at an advanced state to provide a parish office for the public within the building.

You will also find details of the latest meeting and coming events of the Friends of Hethersett Library elsewhere in this edition.

# Hethersett Library Events

## August 2019

- **Knit & Natter:** Mon 12th & 19th 14:00-16:00
- **Colour me Calm:** Weds 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th 11:00-12:00
- **Lego Club:** Fri 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

### Summer Reading Challenge Events:

- **Code-a-Pillar & Space Story Time:** Friday 9th 14:00-15:00
- **Slime Workshop:** Wednesday 28th 14:00-15:00
- **Space Craft Sessions:** Thurs 8th, 15th & 22nd

### Book of the Month

This Month our book group read **Far From True** by Linwood Barclay. As always, come and read their reviews and take a copy for yourself!

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# SPACE CHASE

Summer Reading Challenge 2019

## What's On at Hethersett Library

**Wednesday 31st July-** Python Project. Locate the International Space Station using the Python Code. Booking essential! You must have some experience of coding. Ages 9+ with a library login.

**Friday 9th August-** Code-a-Pillar & Space Story Time. Come along and help our code-a-pillar find the moon! free fun space themed code-a-pillar session with storytime. Numbers are limited so please book by phoning us during staffed hours or coming in to see us.

**Wednesday 28th August-** Space Slime. Try your hand at making different types of slime! You can take home what you make. £5 per child, please book at your library. Suitable for children aged 5+. Under 8's must be accompanied by an adult.

**Thursday 8th, 15th & 22nd August-** Space Crafts. We will be holding a variety of space related craft sessions through the challenge. See our events for more details!



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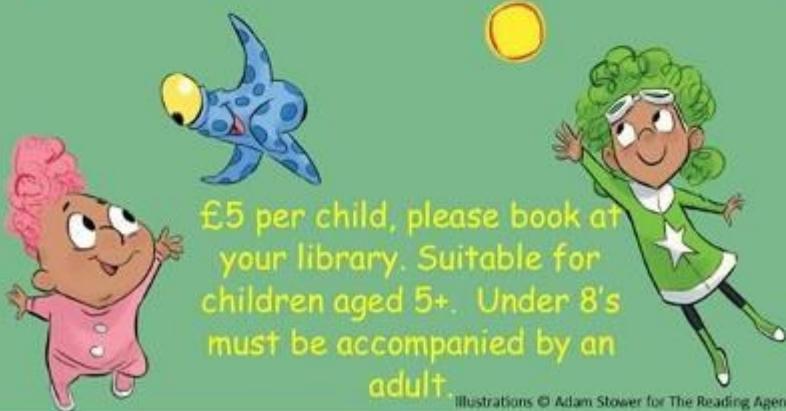
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## Space Slime

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Hethersett Library

28th August 2pm-3:30pm



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