



### Youth Shelter Abused

**A** YOUTH shelter in Hethersett could be removed due to it being abused.

There have been calls for the shelter on Admirals Way to be taken down after residents complained about the amount of litter and anti social behaviour around the area. There has also been allegations of drug misuse in the area.



Hethersett Parish Council has formally asked South Norfolk Council, which owns the shelter, to “seriously consider” whether it should be removed.

At the September parish council meeting a number of councillors supported its removal.

You can read the full story on page six.

## Hope For Improved Medical Services

NEW medical facilities for Hethersett could be a step nearer following a letter from NHS England to MP for South Norfolk Richard Bacon.

The letter from Jatinder Garcha, Interim Director of Primary Care and Public Health, accepts that improvements are needed:

“We recognise that the current practice capacity is insufficient for the number of patients they have on their list, and that this list will continue to grow with

future housing development, especially in Cringleford and Hethersett. As a result, NHS Norfolk and Waveney CCG and the practice have been working together to explore options for them in terms of their estate. This has included identifying the current needs of the practice, and what these will look like based on planning applications and anticipated population growth over the next ten years.”

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# A Message From The Editor

Hello Everyone

Contracting COVID gives you time to think—10 days in fact.

That's exactly what happened to me at the beginning of September.

Despite being double jabbed and following all the mask wearing, hand washing rules etc etc, I contracted COVID and was consigned to barracks.

So I have taken the opportunity to strip out some of the old and redundant areas of Herald in an effort to make it slightly more news orientated and also done some re design work.

One of the complaints I received (in fact I think that it is just about the only complaint I have received) is that the magazine is too long and unwieldy.

I make no apologies for this. In fact my answer is always the same. I wouldn't expect anyone to read it all apart from myself of course. You can pick and chose what you want to read.

The beauty of not being limited in space terms is that we can give a story the space it deserves whether this be one or 10 pages.

In this edition for example you can read a fulsome tribute to the outstanding contribution that Rosie Hubbard made to our village.

Once again there is so much happening in the village and we are at last getting back to some sort of normality. This has given us the chance to extend our What's On section for the first time in almost two years.

This edition of Hethersett Herald marks six years of publication. Please if you are reading this pass details on to others so that we can increase our readership.

Over those six years I hope we have become an important part of village life as well as highlighting some of the important issues affecting Hethersett,

But above all I hope we have been able to bring you a flavour of what makes our wonderful village tick and just some of the events.

I also hope that the Herald will act as an historic document for future generations, but maybe that's expecting a little too much.

Anyway I hope you enjoy this edition of Hethersett Herald and don't forget to pass details on so that we can increase our readership.

Peter



# Fight For Improved Facilities Goes On

**H**ETHERSETT'S fight for improved medical services to cope with an expanding population has been taken to NHS England.

As reported on our front page, a group that includes parish councillors, representatives of Hethersett Hearts and district and county councillors have voiced their concerns over the pressures being put on the local surgery and its inability to cope with the substantial increase in new homes in the village.

MP for South Norfolk Richard Bacon has taken up the case and received a response from NHS England.

Jatinder Garcha, Interim Director of Primary Care and Public Health, replied to Mr Bacon in the following terms:

"I am very sorry to hear of the concerns raised by the Councillors to you. As you may know, the Humbleyard Practice group comprises of three surgeries at Hethersett, Mulbarton and Cringleford. Dealing with the COVID 19 pandemic has had a significant impact on the way they have worked, particularly as until recently, the Cringleford surgery has been used as a vaccination site for all three surgeries.

"Now that the Cringleford surgery will not be used as a vaccination site locally, this will free up capacity for the practice's work.

"We recognise that the current practice

capacity is insufficient for the number of patients they have on their list, and that this list will continue to grow with future housing development, especially in Cringleford and Hethersett. As a result, NHS Norfolk and Waveney CCG and the practice have been working together to explore options for them in terms of their estate. This has included identifying the current needs of the practice, and what these will look like based on planning applications and anticipated population growth over the next ten years."

The letter goes on to say that a number of solutions are being looked at in conjunction with developers:

"Last month, the CCG joined a meeting with the practice and a third-party developer, who shared a plan of land around Hethersett which they were considering putting forward for mixed use development as part of the local plan. Following that meeting the practice continues to develop future plans in respect of their estates, supported by the CCG. Working with architects, Humbleyard Practice is due to undertake a scoping exercise to review their current estate and consider options for increasing capacity at the sites.

"The CCG has been supporting the Humbleyard Practice in their discussions about their premises and future plans and will continue to do so. This includes opportunities to bid for capital funding over the next few years

and exploring alternative capital sources that may be available. Any proposals for new general practice surgery buildings are made through the NHS business case process, with a practice, very often working with a third party developer, seeking the CCG's input to develop the business case for submission to NHS England and Improvement for approval.

"We know that the COVID pandemic and the increased demand the practice has experienced has had an impact on the practice's ability to provide a responsive service to its patients. NHS England and NHS Improvement will continue to work with all system partners to ensure primary care capacity is sufficient to meet the needs of patients.

"We trust the information above provides some reassurance that the issues raised are actively being worked

upon.

"Please be assured that NHS England and NHS Improvement continue to work with NHS providers to ensure that the population it serves can receive appropriate services."

District Councillor Phil Hardy told the September meeting of Hethersett Parish Council that pressure would continue to be exerted to get improved medical facilities for Hethersett:

"NHS England is looking at possible land with developers and trying to find a solution. It has been hard work so far but we have to keep plugging away and not give up. We will be keeping the pressure on, he said."

Council chairman Adrienne Quinlan said there is both a short term and a long term problem with both needing to be addressed.

## Annual Flu Jab Dates Announced

**THE Humbleyard Medical Practice has announced dates for annual winter flu jabs.**

**Dates for the jabs are as follows:**

**Cringleford—Saturday, 2nd October.**

**Hethersett— Wednesday, 6th October.**

**Mulbarton— Thursday, 7th October.**

**The practice says that appointments will be sent out:**

**"We aim to send you an appointment but there will be flexibility if this isn't convenient. Please do not contact us yet. At present with no final NHS decision on COVID Boosters this will be just normal flu jabs with COVID jabs happening separately," the practice states.**

# Shelter's Future Is In Doubt

A youth shelter in the village may be taken down following spates of anti-social behaviour.

The shelter on Admirals Way is causing concern amongst residents and Hethersett Parish Council with drug use and littering blighting the area.

The shelter is owned by South Norfolk Council and at September's Hethersett Parish Council meeting, councillors called for its removal following letters from residents.

At September's parish council meeting Jonathan Loombe referred to the shelter as "a hub of anti-social behaviour."

"it is horrible," he said.

Mr Loombe said he had raised concerns about the abuse of the shelter seven years ago.

Councillors heard that as well as a litter



problem there was evidence of drug misuse and needles found close to the site.

Chairman of the council Adrienne Quinlin said she felt the only solution would be to remove the shelter.

"It is being used for the wrong purpose. The people it was intended for would be stupid to use it in the present circumstances," she said.

"It has been disrespected for a number of years," said Sarah Lawrence.

It was agreed to ask South Norfolk Council to consider removing the shelter.

## Light Up Plea

CONCERN has been expressed now that the nights are drawing in about youngsters riding bikes without lights. A number of near misses have been reported and one resident made the following plea on Facebook:

"Parents of children out on bikes when it's dark. Please please ensure your child has working lights on their bike." The poster continued that a number of teenagers had been seen riding without lights or helmets.

"I seriously don't want to end up phoning for an ambulance and I'm sure you don't want to be visiting your child in hospital or worse case scenario in a morgue. That may sound harsh but it's a possibility that can happen."

## Lighting Up Hethersett Again

HETHERSETT will be even more lit up this Christmas.

An application by the Finnbar Force Charity to light up the oak tree belonging to the parish council has been approved after the council has declared itself happy with safety measures being proposed by the charity.

Over the past few years residents in the Park Green area of Hethersett have created a winter wonderland in December to brighten up the village and also raise money for the Hethersett-based charity which supports children with brain tumours and their families.

Finnbar's Force and the Wymondham based Star Throwers cancer support charity will benefit from a golf day at Bawburgh Golf Club on 13th October.

More details about the Finnbar Force charity are available on the Facebook page at: [www.facebook.com/finnbarsforce](http://www.facebook.com/finnbarsforce) or the website [www.finnbarsforce.co.uk](http://www.finnbarsforce.co.uk).



## Preparing To Celebrate In Style

HETHERSETT is preparing to celebrate the platinum anniversary of the Queen in style.

The parish council is looking at the possibility of a number of events including a village get together at Hethersett Village Hall on the Sunday and a nature walking trail around the village.

Other events that could be a possibility include a tea party for senior residents organised by the Hethersett Hearts Charity and the planting of a commemorative tree on Hethersett Memorial Playing Field ahead of the celebrations.

The country will be marking the Queen's 70 years on the throne with a four day bank holiday weekend in June, 2022. The jubilee celebrations will run from Thursday 2nd June until Sunday 5th June.

NORFOLK Police held its latest local surgery at Rowan House with residents bringing up their latest concerns—one of the primary ones being speeding.

## Local Concerns Addressed With Speeding Checks

As a result, Hethersett Beat Manager PC Stu Barnard and response officer PC Ed Rayner carried out checks on New Road and on other parts of the village.

Within 30 seconds of setting up a driver was caught speeding at 46 mph in the 30 mph.

The police action met with immediate support on social media:

“It was good to see the police yesterday at the surgery held at the Kin cafe. Excellent to see that they have acted on our concerns.”

“Fantastic work. This definitely needs to be a regular thing.”



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## Ride It Like Beryl

BERYL bikes are on their way to Hethersett.

Initially five bikes will be situated in the village, although a site has still to be found.

Beryl bikes will also be available at Wymondham. The bikes can be unlocked and paid for according to the length of time they are used.

We will have more information on location and use of the bikes in the next edition of Hethersett Herald.





# HOW TO CONTACT US

HETHERSETT & MULBARTON Safer Neighbourhood Team



**A/Insp. Dave BURKE**  
Local Policing Commander

The Local Policing Commander is responsible for a group of Safer Neighbourhoods teams. The Inspector also works with our partners and communities to reduce crime in your neighbourhood and focus efforts on the priorities that matter to you.



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**PC Andy HUDSON**  
Engagement Officer

Your Engagement Officer is here to provide communications and updates regarding your neighbourhood as well as co-ordinate volunteers, specials, community speedwatch and / or cadets.

Contact them for local enquiries that affect your neighbourhood.



101 Ext: 2377



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**PC Stu BARNARD**  
Beat Manager

Your Beat Manager PC is here to engage with the local communities and work to solve local issues and priorities within your neighbourhood.

The Beat Manager's aim is to keep your neighbourhood as a safe place to live, work and visit.



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# Tributes To “Dear Rosie”

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**In the September Hethersett Herald we reported the death of much loved Hethersett Resident Rosie Hubbard. A funeral service was held on September 6th where a packed church heard tributes to the lady known to many as simply “Dear Rosie.”**

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**S**T Remigius Church was packed for the funeral service for Rosie Hubbard who was described as “one in a million.” Shopkeepers came outside to pay their respect as the funeral cortege passed by.

“It’s been incredibly easy to come up with the words to describe mum - loving, thoughtful and kind, generous, caring - all echoed by the dozens and dozens of cards and phone calls that have been sent through her illness,” son Steven said.

“Mum was at her happiest when she was giving. Whenever she could do something for others she would, without any thought or want of anything in return. I think that typifies mum’s unconditional love for her friends, neighbours and family,” he added.

Rosemarie Hubbard was born in Leicester on the 6<sup>th</sup> May, 1949, one of two children. She was named after the Nelson Eddy/Jeanette MacDonald song and film Rose Marie with her sister being named after Jeanette MacDonald.

“She was very popular, involved with many church activities, appearing in pantomimes and singing in the church



choir. Early on Rosie decided she wanted to be a missionary - or an air hostess as she could speak both German and French,” said former Rector of Hethersett Rev Di Lammas who took the service jointly with current

Rector the Rev Derek McClean.

Rosie changed her mind career-wise and came to Norfolk to train as a teacher at Keswick Hall. She taught locally until the arrival of son Steven in 1976 when she changed direction to become a carer in her adopted village of Hethersett. She was then employed at Hethersett Hall Care Home and became a well-known figure, riding her bike around the village.

“She was always happy helping others and always did more than was expected of her. If you wanted to see Rosie there were two good places to look – firstly around the village on her bike or more likely stopped and chatting to someone,” Rev Lammas said.

Rosie was a tireless worker for Hethersett Parish Church and Hethersett Jubilee Youth Club. She also fully supported many other village groups such as Hethersett Croquet Club and Hethersett Churches Together.

“The other place to find her at any event was in the background – she’d be there to help set up, but more importantly she’d be the one staying to the end to wash up, clear up and tidy up. For years she cleaned the church building, but when she had to stop because of her illness it took a whole rota of people to replace her,” Rev Lammas added.

Rosie’s sister Jeanette also paid tribute to her: “My sister had a heart of gold. Nothing was too much trouble for her. She helped and loved so many people.

She always put others first and material things did not matter to Rosie. I have so many wonderful memories of my lovely sister. Her kindness and thoughtfulness, her words of wisdom and advice. She will always be in my heart.”

Rosie was also a benefactor of many



**Rosie with son Steven, daughter in law Sarah, granddaughters Libby and Millie and Sarah’s mother Caroline Reynolds.**

groups as Rev Lammas explained:

“She gave so much of her time and effort and her cash, though she was far from wealthy – not many knew that year by year she paid for all of the books that the church gave to pupils leaving the Middle, then the Junior school, or that she gave the crème eggs for the hunt each Easter, or that she’d hear of someone in need and an envelope would drop through their door. Even as she was about to go into the Hospice, Steve had to wait to drive her until she’d written a birthday card to her neighbour.

“We have so much for which to thank

God in Rosie, a spiritually gifted Christian, a great friend and relative, and a devoted mother.”

Rosie leaves a son, daughter-in-law and two grandchildren. Her husband David died a number of years ago.

You can read the full transcript of the eulogies from Rev Di Lammas and Rev Derek McClean on the following pages.

Tributes to Rosie flooded in on various social Media platforms. The following Facebook comments are typical of the love showed to a remarkable woman:

“Rosie was a wonderful woman.”

“Shocked to hear the Rosie has died. She was a lovely Lady always welcoming and smiling. “

“Rosie’s faith was so strong and as someone said it shone through in everything she did! “

“Such a lovely lovely bubbly lady. “

“Everyone that knew this friendly kind lady loved her .”

“It was a wonderful service, very fitting for a woman whose faith in Jesus shone through everything she did. She was much loved and will be greatly missed in the village. “

“My lasting memory of Rosie will always be her smile, always smiling regardless of what else was going on. Sending love to all whose lives she



touched. She will be missed so much “

“Rosie was without doubt the nicest person we have ever met.”

“Rosie stood for everything that is good about Hethersett.”

# Words Came Easily



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**Rosie's son Steven wrote a piece especially for her funeral and said that it had been easy to come up with words to describe his mum. Here is the text of his eulogy in full.**

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IT'S been incredibly easy to come up with the words that instantly spring to mind when thinking of mum, loving, thoughtful and kind, generous, caring - all echoed by the dozens and dozens of cards and phone calls that have been made all the way through her illness.

Mum was at her happiest when she was giving, whenever she could do something for others she would, without any thought or want for anything in return. I think that typifies mum's unconditional love for her friends, neighbours and family. In essence mum's friends were her extended family, The number of honorary Aunties and Uncles that I had growing up, and still have, shows that.

Mum loved a party and the house was always open. From early days the back door was hardly ever locked as friends would always be in and out with nothing more than a tap on the door, mum's fondness of parties is evident from the many photos before my time from Harvey Close when they had some great house parties, followed years

later by what became a large gathering in her garden for my birthday and bonfire night. Many times mum would happily be feeding the dozens of kids who turned up, as we set fire to various garden items and garage guttering all in the joyful celebration of another year older and a fireworks party.

As a youngster travelling with mum while dad was working meant buses or trains. The train ride to Leicester visiting grandparents was a favourite. Endless hours spent playing I Spy or reading books and colouring in pads kept me entertained.



The highlight of these trips was a visit to the Italian barber at the end of Leicester Station. Other great journeys included trips to London and feeding the pigeons in Trafalgar Square and the Yorvik Viking centre.

I think, looking back now, it's not until older, and maybe wiser, that you really understand and appreciate the sacrifices parents make for you growing up, and again it's not until you have your own children that certain things strike a chord. I remember being very keen at high school to go on the famous school ski trip. Skiing was a sore point for me really, as years before Mum took me to ski lessons on a Saturday morning in Trowse, when dad was at work, and he dropped us off very early on the way.

It lasted a while, until I broke my leg, not the fondest of memories of that dry ski slope! Mum took on two extra jobs at that point for me to be able to go on that school trip, a very memorable and rewarding experience skiing in the snow. I have been skiing with the family since, alas, I'm still not very good though!

I also have mum to say thank you to for my career in motor sport. I started watching Formula One in the late eighties with dad, but it was mum who fuelled that dream by buying me Autosport Magazine every week so I could read up on what was happening behind the scenes, and here I discovered I wanted to be part of that world. Not too many years later this all came true.

Material possessions were never something mum fussed over, she was



shocked when I told her the price of some of the Jaguar Landrover cars I borrowed to take her for a drive in. 'Do people really pay this much for a car'.... She found it funny, couldn't understand it, but was happy it kept me in a job.

In recent years her grandchildren Libby and Millie became mum's most treasured souls. The time she was able to spend reading books with Libby and painting and sticking with Millie were some of her fondest, they gave her energy and solace in her more troubling moments, her favourite though was flying a kite at the beach hut in Pakefield with all the family. Even when suffering she found the energy to fly the kite with the girls, something that we will all remember.

I think the hardest step to take was her acknowledging that she wouldn't see the girls grow up, but with her love and warmth she will always be with them in everything that they do. I hope everyone can take something from mum's outlook on life and her friendly caring approach to their neighbours and wider community.

I think the dignity mum held all the way through her illnesses was impeccable.. Not once complaining or making a fuss.

She would sit back as we reminisced on the life she had had, she mentioned once, 'it's a bit of a pain this, but we will face each day as it comes'.

Living with mum the last few months was not all hard and sad, we did have some funny jokes and laughed a lot as well. I have been fully indoctrinated with Michael Portillo's great train journeys, as well as some afternoon TV quizzes, hearing mum and Lesley shouting answers whilst I was working in the back room much to the amusement of my work colleagues.

I still don't think Mum really got what my job was.

Spending the last few months living with Mum she was, and I am, so very grateful to my wife Sarah for looking after Libby and Millie and the family home whilst I was looking after her.

I would also like to say a great big thank you to all of mum's family and friends who have been there for her, and me, through the hardest of days, your phone calls, cards, cakes and support have been what was needed to get us to where we are now.

**I will always be grateful and so would Mum.**



# A Pillar Of Society

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**Former Rector of Hethersett the Rev Di Lammas spoke lovingly about “her friend Rosie.” This is what she had to say.**

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ROSEMARIE, known to us as Rosie, and her sister Jeanette were born two years apart in Leicester and named for their mother’s favourite film, Rosie, for the song “O Rose Marie I Love You,” and her sister for its star Jeanette Macdonald, but it was not a film star life sharing their small council house with their parents and grandfather. Life was cramped and tough.

She was very popular, involved with many church activities, appearing in pantomimes and singing in the church choir. Early on Rosie decided she wanted to be a missionary - or an air hostess as she could speak both German and French.

But eventually she chose to come here to Keswick Teacher Training College where she met her lifelong friend Paola and they played in the college mixed rugby team against UEA. She did many jobs to fund her studies, including hospital cleaning, working in Woolworths and being a cloakroom attendant.

Paola recalls how they used to sunbathe and listen to music on a transistor radio on the grass outside their rooms, and they enjoyed the age



of the miniskirt. They often hitched as, when in lodgings, there was only one bus an hour to the college, and if missed, that was the only way to get to lessons on time. In fact, this was how Rosie met David. He gave her a lift and it was obviously love at first sight! Rosie and Jeanette met their husbands, around the same time and



married just two weeks apart in October, 1971, fifty years ago.

Rosie taught until Steven was born in 1976 by which time she'd realised that teaching was not for her, although an old pupil from Browick Road Infants reckons she was the best teacher in the school. She wanted to help the local Hethersett community and became a carer riding around the village on her bike. No matter what the weather, she would be out there, bike clips and waterproofs. She was happy doing this, helping others and always did more than was expected of her.

After a while, she felt that she could do more for people by working at Hethersett Hall which is where she eventually found what she had always wanted to do, looking after and caring for people, and making a significant difference to their lives.

If you wanted to see Rosie there were two good places to look – firstly around the village on her bike or more likely stopped with her bike chatting to someone. Caroline Reynolds recalls first moving here like this: *As the children and I walked into the village for the first time, we met a very friendly lady on a bike who walked with us and told us about the village. Little did either of us know that many years later my daughter would end up marrying her son. I always refer to us as the mothers in law together as we frequently made road trips together to visit the family in Oxfordshire or to join them on holidays. We would have our packets of mints and boiled sweets and the Irish male*



*voice (Rosie's preference) on the sat nav to give us directions. Stopping at interesting places and garden centres along the way, it was our version of Thelma and Louise!*

The other place to find her at any event was in the background – she'd be there to help set up, but more importantly she'd be the one staying to the end to wash up, clear up and tidy up. For years she cleaned this building, but when she had to stop because of her first illness it took a whole rota of people to replace her.

Jeanette sums her up like this *"Although there was quite a distance between us, Rosie and I grew closer over the years following our weddings, despite losing our family both here in the UK, and on our mothers' side, in Germany. Illness affected us both but having each other, and our prayers, helped us through the bad times. My sister had a heart of gold. Nothing was*

*too much trouble for her. She helped and loved so many people. She always put others first and material things did not matter to Rosie. Like a lot of you here today, I have so many wonderful memories of my lovely sister. Her kindness and thoughtfulness, her words of wisdom and advice. She will always be in my heart.”*

And her friend Lesley wrote this: *I met Rosie in the 1970's. We both did Home Care for Norfolk County Council and later on both worked at Hethersett Hall. It was literally home from home and we had the best time there. In September 2001 our husbands died within four days of each other which brought us closer together. On lovely Summer evenings we headed for Yarmouth where Rosie loved a paddle along the beach followed by chips, doughnuts and a go on the machines. Now I am so pleased she is home.*

Rosie didn't have acquaintances, she made friends of everyone as Jackie says: *From the first time we met when we were neighbours in Harvey Close I knew we'd o be great friends. We had lovely holidays together to Egypt, Israel, Lake Garda and her favourites, Malta and Gozo. When Rosie was having her gruelling treatment she told me she always thought of the lovely walks we had on Gozo. Happy memories which will stay with me forever. I miss our daily phone calls and meeting up for coffee in Norwich.*

When I arrived here as Rector, Rosie added me to her lengthy list of those



she rang regularly just to check up on – I always hoped that she had a good deal with BT as her calls were many. When David was very ill and Rosie recovering from her first cancer the Hubbards came to the Rectory for Christmas and we became really firm friends, holidaying together several times in Shingle Street after David's death, and spending all Christmases together until I retired. She would invite herself to stay after the midnight service so that I didn't wake up alone on Christmas morning – so typical of Rosie's thoughtful care. I miss mooching round the Norwich shops with Rosie seeing just how many free samples she could taste in Hotel Chocolat.

So many people have written and spoken to Steve of Rosie's kindness and generosity and yet many never knew just how much she gave of herself. Christians don't just grow Spiritual Fruit we are given Spiritual

Gifts too. Some are a bit strange like healing or speaking in tongues, but for others it seems that God takes something ordinary like helping, hospitality or generosity and turns it into something extra-ordinary and I believe that Rosie had a Spiritual Gift of Generosity – she gave so much of her time and effort and her cash, though she was far from wealthy – not many knew that year by year she paid for all of the books that the church gave to pupils leaving the Middle, then

the Junior school, or that she gave the crème eggs for the hunt each Easter, or that she'd hear of someone in need and an envelope would drop through their door or mine to help. Even as she was about to go into the Hospice, Steve had to wait to drive her until she'd written a birthday card to her neighbour Roy.

We have so much for which to thank God in Rosie, a spiritually gifted Christian, a great friend and relative, and a devoted Mother.

# Rosie's Last Message

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Rector of Hethersett, the Rev Derek McClean covered the more spiritual side of Rosie Hubbard's life. This is what he had to say.

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Good Morning. Today I am here with strict instructions from Rosie about how I read our Bible passage and tell you why she chose it, which St Paul wrote to Christians in Ephesus, which is in modern day Turkey. He wrote it in the first century, but Rosie asked me to read it to you today, as her last message to everyone here. So, here goes:

Rosie writes: For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that

you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!

Amen. Rosie's relationship with God was never a secret, and her dying prayer and concern was that everyone she knew and loved should have that same relationship. So this is what she longed for in each of us. This reading was precious to her because it talks of the love of Christ which is too big to measure, that's the love which took Jesus to the cross on that first Good Friday to take the punishment for all that is wrong in our lives – the sin for which the punishment is death, separation from God in this life, and in all eternity. But we don't have to face that, if we personally accept what Jesus did, so that as the next hymn we will sing says:

“on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied; For ev'ry sin on Him was laid— Here in the death of Christ I live.”

Rosie's concern was not only that we accept this new life, but that we also live it, and so her message talks of being rooted and grounded in love. Rosie was a gardener, she loved flowers in their natural setting and I knew never to buy her cut flowers, for that was not natural to Rosie, she only wanted them blooming where they grew – for it is in the earth with their roots going deep that plants flourish and bear fruit. And as Christians we must bear fruit from having our roots deep into the love of God. Elsewhere, when he wrote to Christians in Galatia, St Paul talked about such fruit in this way: *the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control*. It's not a pick and mix list of things we try to work up in ourselves – they should all be growing in us as we experience God's love and love him and others as a result. One

preacher, Donald Barnhouse, put it this way: *“Love is the key. Joy is love singing. Peace is love resting. Long-suffering is love enduring. Kindness is love's touch. Goodness is love's character. Faithfulness is love's habit. Gentleness is love's self-forgetfulness and Self-control is love holding the reins.”* And we saw these fruit grow from love in Rosie.



Rosie's prayer for each of us was that we would know the vastness of God's love in our own lives, and that having received that love, we live it out in our relationships with God, and with everyone else with whom we come into contact. But why? Is this just so that crowds might one day gather to praise us and say farewell, is it simply that we are spared eternity without God?

No it's much bigger, as Rosie's message from St Paul concluded: *Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!*

Knowing and living in the love of God is not just for us, it is to bring glory to God, not us! This isn't easy, and Rosie freely admitted she never always got it right, but when it mattered, when she took her last journey, her relationship with God was secure and that's what she wanted to tell us today so that we too might grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge.

# Artistic Lockdown at Hethersett Hall

DURING lockdown four residents at Hethersett Hall Care Home enjoyed art lessons on the zoom platform. We popped along to have a chat with them ahead of a special exhibition of their work on October 5th.

The home is inviting local residents to view and enjoy the exhibition from 6.30 pm.



The “Hardcore Four” with teacher Juli Mobbs. They are - Margaret Foulkes, Terry Cable, Peter Pilkington and Dulcie Alvi.

It took a combined total of 353 years for residents of Hethersett Hall Care Home to find that they have a love for painting.

Now there is no stopping the quartet as they prepare for their first exhibition on October 5<sup>th</sup>.

The prolific artists have produced over 50 pieces since they started two years ago and now, with a combined age of 361, they are indulging their passion with weekly face to face lessons from local artist Juli Mobbs.

It was two years ago that Terry Cable



(now 91), Margaret Foulkes (88), Dulcie Alvi (92) and Peter Pilkington (90) started lessons via the zoom platform during lockdown. They began by studying the works of Van Gogh and in particular his sunflower paintings and then moved onto the

water lilies of Monet before developing their own styles with some still life and landscape paintings using mixed media including acrylics, gouache and watercolours.



On the previous page the artwork on the top left is by Margaret Foulkes . Top right is by Dulcie Alvi and the bottom picture is by Peter Pilkington.

The still life on this page is by Terry Cable.

The Hardcore Four will be exhibiting up to 50 pieces of work at the special exhibition on October 5th.

“When we started, I felt I couldn’t even hold a paintbrush let alone create a work of art. The standard I have been able to reach in 16 months has really surprised me,” said Peter who is proving that there is no age barrier to taking up a new hobby.

Juli, who was formerly an art teacher at Hethersett Old Hall School before it closed, said she had been delighted by the progress made by the foursome: “The group just gelled and it has been lovely to see what they have done,” she said, adding that it had felt strange to teach via social media: “I had a large poster of the sunflowers in the background. I now

refer to them as the hardcore art four,” she added.

The artists have lived in Hethersett Hall between two and eight years and come from Cheshire, Nottingham, Hertfordshire and Eltham in London. They enjoyed a variety of occupations from nursing to personnel, engineering to church organist.

The home is hoping that local residents will take the opportunity to pop in to see the exhibition on October 5<sup>th</sup> from 6.30 pm. Hethersett Herald will be at the exhibition and will bring you more photographs of the artwork in our next edition.

# Should The Rule Book Be Torn Up?

HOW far should school discipline go? That is a question that came to the fore during the month when a debate arose following the issue of a 10-point rule book for pupils of Hethersett Academy.

Hethersett Herald—The Debate and comment with Peter Steward

Draconian and over the top or sensible behavioural rules? That seemed to be the question.

As usual people took to Social Media to voice their opposition/support for the rules.

One parent described the measures as “Victorian”. Another complained of a “regimented military approach.”

The Eastern Daily Press newspaper highlighted the 10 point rules which include not going to the toilet during lessons, complete silence when entering and leaving the classroom, having to wear specific socks and following painted lines in the corridor. Pupils are also being told not to put their hands up to answer questions with teachers picking out pupils for answers.

But not everyone feels that the new rules are too Draconian. A pupil from Year 9 had the following to say on social media:

“Yes we have to walk into class and stand behind our chairs as it's a way to show respect and be ready. Yes if we forget equipment we get named on a board and if we do it more we get a quick break time detention but we don't forget equipment again. Yes we walk on a line, this is to keep us from all bumping into others coming the other way. And yes we are now not told to put our hands up but this means that myself and friends who are quiet can actually try and get involved and answer questions.

“The teachers actually stand outside when leaving school as well. This isn't to punish us but keep us safe so we don't run into cars. The rules are really not that bad. I'd rather have rules than no rules and be the quiet one who sits at back and just plods along.”

It is many many years since I was at secondary school but I well remember the rules that were enforced. At the time many of them felt unpalatable but looking back with the gift of hindsight I can now appreciate why many of them were in place. The important thing is to strike a balance and to make rules that everyone understands the reason for and as many people as possible buy into.

Striking a decent balance is difficult but if achieved benefits everyone. I am sure the school is continuing to provide a base from which all pupils can reach their full potential.



# Village Screen— Coming Films

THE Autumn season of Hethersett Village Screen kicked off with the Oscar winning film Nomadland on September 5th.

Numerous people turned up o a bright and warm late summer's day for the re-start of the village screen showings after the easing of lockdown restrictions.

Next up will be The Father on October 3rd and this will be followed by Ammonite on November 7th and Summerland on December 5th. All films are shown on Sunday afternoons at 3 pm in Hethersett Village Hall.



October—The Father

“The Father” sees Oscar winners Anthony Hopkins and Olivia Colman star in an innovative and emotional depiction of an aging man and his daughter as they deal with his advancing dementia. Ticket prices are £5 for adults

## Panto Time Again

IT'S on its way back (oh yes it is).

We refer of course to Hethersett Pantomime Group which returns in January after its enforced COVID layoff this year.

Tickets for Aladdin will be available in the Autumn and we will have a full preview in a coming edition of Hethersett Herald.



Cast members are pictured opposite as they got their hands on the script for Aladdin 2022.

# Where Are All The Players?



## Club Officials Make Dramatic Appeal

**H**ETHERSETT Athletic men's Saturday football team is close to folding after an exodus of players.

The team has been struggling to fulfil fixtures in the Central and South Norfolk League Division One.

Over the years, the team has been one of the most successful in the league's history, being named team of the

season on a number of occasions as well as winning a number of prestigious trophies.

Now, a handful of games into the new season, team manager Michael Lemmon and club chairman Neal Luther have been left scratching their heads after being left with just six players.

"Players' attitudes and priorities have

changed. There is not the commitment there once was. Players leave for higher teams and we are left struggling to field a side.

“In the past we had players who played for the club through thick and thin. Most have now retired and there just isn’t the commitment,” Michael and Neal said.

The club has used Social Media and worked with Norfolk FA in an attempt to attract new players but to no avail.

“It would be a tragedy if after 15 years of success the team had to fold,” Michael Lemmon said.

Poor facilities on Hethersett Memorial Playing Field are another reason cited for the exodus although plans for a new pavilion are well advanced. The club still has a thriving youth set-up which

gives regular football to over 300 youngsters from Under-six to Under-16.

“I cannot believe that with all the development in the village there aren’t adult players moving in who want to play football. We are looking for a group of players who are committed. It is not about winning, it is about team spirit, having fun and enjoying Saturday football again and not worrying when the phone goes on a Friday evening that it is another player calling off. We realise that sometimes you have to plumb the depths before you can bounce back but we really want to keep going,” Neal Luther said.

Anyone interested in joining the team can contact Michael Lemmon on 0748 489 5176 or email

[michael.lemmon234@btinternet.com](mailto:michael.lemmon234@btinternet.com).

## Mysterious Morning by John Head



# News From Hethersett Hawks

**By Mel Perkins MBE**

HETHERSETT Hawks/Yellow Brick Mortgages had three club members taking part in the British Individual Championships weekend in the South of England and riders came back with two bronze medals.

At Southampton, Lola Martin scored 10 points to finish third in the Little League Under-10 Girls Championship despite having an opponent fall off directly in front of her in one race. And it was double joy for the Martin family as Mason surpassed expectations to take third place on the podium in the British Under-14 Championship. In his last race he passed all three opponents round the outside to bring his total to 17 points.

Mason moved on to Horspath (Oxford) two days later to contest the British Under-16 Championships. He came safely through the qualifying heats - McKenzie Loombe was eliminated at this stage and he had a heavy fall. In the Final Mason acquitted himself well in a tough competition finishing joint 11th with 8 points - worthwhile experience for that age group in the next two seasons. It is hoped their achievements will help to encourage many of the club's members to enter these iconic events next August Bank Holiday.

## Top Showing From Hawks

HAWKS gave one of their best team performances for many years when they were excellent tactically in defeating neighbours Norwich Stars by 11 points. The first half saw the Hawks build up a 12-point lead thanks to five heat wins and in the second half they saw off a mini revival from the Stars.

Mason Martin, fresh from his third place in the British Under-14s, was outstanding surprising everyone with his speed to a maximum, including an excellent win over Paddy Wenn in heat seven when the veteran appeared to pass him on the outside but Mason somehow managed to recover. The Hawks had a blend of experience and fast-improving teenagers which Norwich had no answer to.

Hethersett 85 Norwich 74. Hethersett scorers—Mason Martin 20, Leigh Cossey 17+1, Harley Hamill 12+2, Paul Delaiche 12+1, Daniel Martin 12, Dave Martin 9+2, Katie Adams 3.

Mason had his wings finally clipped by ex-Hawk Shaun Kell in the Youth League match but he won his other three races. Hawks started well and held the more experienced Stars to 30-30 after six heats but in the end their inability to provide heat winners other than Mason and Luca El Labany in the final heat cost them the match. They can take consolation that they are improving.

Hethersett Under-16s 58 Norwich Under-16s 71. Hethersett scorers—Mason Martin 15, Aiesha Musa 11, Luca El Labany 10+1, Will Clarke 9, Harry Dodds 7+2, Jamal Musa 3, Lola Martin 2, Matthew Sidell 1.

The crazy action of the circus that is the weekly Wednesday Norfolk HSBC GO-RIDE and Grand Prix Series moved to Harford Park for Round Five and the full range of Norfolk talent was on display. An incredible 40+ heats and finals were crammed into two hours and that included a long stoppage to attend to Will Blackmore, who had landed heavily on his back in his opening heat. He was okay but sore and had to withdraw - a situation made worse that it was his second such withdrawal in five days having crashed heavily in the British Under-10 Championships.

It was a bitter sweet evening for the Blackmore family though as brother Tom led the Senior A Final from start to finish. He became the fifth winner in the five rounds and, ironically, it is Jamie Medler, who has not won any of them, who leads the series.



The usual riders cemented their dominance in the lower age groups with Max Pugh (Under-8s), Zachary Eastwood (Under-10s) and Connor Jarrett (Under-13s) all adding gold medals but not without some stiff competition. Shaun Kell won his second Under-16 Final.

Two riders to impress were Stanley Budds, reaching his first A Final, and Harry Dodds, who is shaping up to be a fine Hethersett prospect after only a couple of months of racing. A nice touch on the evening that may have gone unnoticed by the good-sized crowd - World Over-50 Champion Paddy Wenn congratulating every youngster individually when they entered the pits after their finals.

Results of Finals:

Under-8

A - 1 Max Pugh 2 Oscar Copeland 3 Ronnie Harding 4 Noah Cameron.

B - 1 Grace Cameron 2 Arlo Davies 3 Remy Davies 4 Nyla El Labany.

Under-10

A - 1 Zachary Eastwood 2 Luca El Labany 3 Stanley Budds 4 Jamal Musa.

B - 1 Lola Martin 2 Austin Brailey.

Under-13

A - 1 Connor Jarrett 2 Aiesha Musa 3 Harry Dodds 4 Tabitha Neirop.

B - 1 Will Clarke 2 Thalia Silver 3 Amelia Dodson 4 James Hankey.

C - 1 Matthew Sidell 2 Alex Osborne 3 Will Blackmore.

Under-16

A - 1 Shaun Kell 2 Mason Martin.

Seniors

A - 1 Tom Blackmore 2 Paddy Wenn 3 Jamie Medler 4 Paul Delaiche.

B - 1 Dave Martin 2 Rory Freeman.

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The sixth weekly Norfolk HSBC GO-RIDE and Senior Grand Prix round attracted 32 riders to Hethersett on a warm, dry and extremely dusty evening which led to some excellent racing with a lot of close finishes, especially among the younger and least experienced riders.

One Series Champion was decided with two rounds to go as riders only count their best six rounds out of eight - Connor Jarrett duly won his 6th Under-13 round in a row so cannot be beaten but his main rivals will still be out to break his 100% record in the last two rounds. Max Pugh looks set to win the Under-8s as he left his opponents behind in the dust from gate four to win his fifth round having missed one earlier. The Under-10s was thrown wide open as series leader Zachary Eastwood could only make the B



Final and Luca El Labany took full advantage. Lots to ride for in rounds seven and eight here as there is in the Senior series. Jamie Melder led the category coming into round six without having won a round but he put that right to become the sixth winner by a superb pass on Ben Loombe who had won all his qualifying races. Another winner from grid four was Mason Martin in the Under-16s who was forceful to emerge from the first bend in the lead.

Results of Finals—Under-8: A - 1 Max Pugh 2 Oscar Copeland 3 Ronnie Harding 4 Noah Cameron.

B - 1 Arlo Davies 2 Grace Cameron 3 Remy Davies.



Under-10: A - 1 Luca El Labany 2 Jamal Musa 3 Stanley Budds 4 Lola Martin.

B - 1 Austin Brailey 2 Zachary Eastwood.

Under-13: A - 1 Connor Jarrett 2 Aiesha Musa 3 Harry Dodds 4 Tabitha Neirop.

B - 1 Matthew Sidell 2 James Hankey 3 Amelia Dodson 4 Thalia Silver.

C - 1 Alex Osborne

## Have You Missed Out ?

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Under-16: A - 1 Mason Martin 2 McKenzie Loomie 3 Shaun Kell.

Senior—A - 1 Jamie Medler 2 Ben Loombe 3 Dave Martin 4 Rory Freeman.

B - 1 Paul Delaiche 2 Tom Blackmore 3 Rod Burke.

The seventh and penultimate round of the Norfolk HSBC GO-RIDE and Senior Grand Prix was held at a Harford Park track that had been made grippy by the previous day's rain although there was one spot that caught a few riders out.

With schools back, a few of the younger riders were absent but this was made up for by a swelling of the senior ranks as three riders made their first appearances. One of these, Leigh Cossey, duly won all his heats and then made no mistakes in the "A" Final having drawn gate one. He kept up the amazing sequence of a new winner in each of the seven rounds.

Racing was very competitive, noticeably in the Under-16 Final where Mason Martin came from last to first against two evenly matched opponents. He is now certain to be top of the podium as a series winner as are the other winners on the night - Max Pugh (Under-8s), Zachary Eastwood (Under-10s) and Connor Jarrett (Under-13s). Still plenty to decide for minor places and the Senior 1-2-3.

Two keen riders picked up their first medals on the night - Arlo Davies in the Under-8s and Tabitha Neirop in the Under-13s. The evening had a bizarre ending as a loud first bang of a local firework party sounded just as the riders crossed the line for the final race - the Senior A Final - very apt.

Results of finals -

Under-8: A - 1 Max Pugh 2 Oscar Copeland 3 Arlo Davies 4 Remy Davies.

Under-10: A - 1 Zachary Eastwood 2 Luca El Labany 3 Stanley Budds 4 Lola Maartin. B - 1 Austin Brailey.

Under-13: A - 1 Connor Jarrett 2 Harry Dodds 3 Tabitha Neirop 4 Matthew Sidell.



B - 1 James Hankey 2 Amelia Dodson 3 Thalia Silver.

Under-16: A - 1 Mason Martin 2 Shaun Kell 3 McKenzie Loombe.

Senior: A - 1 Leigh Cossey 2 Ben Loombe 3 Jamie Medler 4 Tom Blackmore.

B - 1 Paul Delaiche 2 Paddy Wenn 3 Glyn Morgan 4 Dave Martin.

C - 1 Rory Freeman 2 Nigel Longlands 3 Richard Taylor.

## FIXTURES AT MEMORIAL PLAYING FILED IN OCTOBER

Sun 10<sup>TH</sup>      Hethersett Club Championships      13.00

Sun 31<sup>st</sup>      v Gt.Blakenham (South-East Leagues)      14.00

You can keep up to date with club activities on the website below or via social media

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

Hethersett Hawks would like to say a massive thank you to our local councillor David Bills for sourcing the funding so that Nigel Longlands could attend the British Cycling Level 2 Coaching Course. With the retirement of our previous coach and the growth in numbers of new riders joining the Hawks, this was a very large, but necessary expense for us, *writes Jenny Melvin.*

David recommended a grant from South Norfolk Council and topped up the shortfall with money from his councillors' grant.

Nigel started the course in 2019 but, with delays due to the pandemic, finally completed the course in 2021. He is doing a brilliant job of coaching our riders, the results of which are showing in the great racing we've been seeing.

This year 80 riders have attended the Hawks' training sessions, 34 of whom were new to cycle speedway. A third of our riders are female. Our riders have entered many competitions this year. Hethersett Hawks came third in the British Club Championships and riders also achieved third places at the British Individual Championships in the U14 Boy and U10 Girl categories.

Our photo shows club chairman Mel Perkins with David Bills and Nigel Longlands.





HAWKS staged eight hours of activities to celebrate the Club's 55th Anniversary. The day started with an open invitation to former riders to return and several did spanning all the decades. The majority of them got back on a bike to show that they had not lost their skills or speed - many were able to beat time trial targets set by founder and chairman Mel Perkins, although the incentive of a bottle of beer if they did may have provided additional impetus.

A notable arrival was someone who, as a young teenager, was summoned from playing with his friends to make up a team one evening. After five successful seasons with the Hawks he moved to bigger clubs and went on to win British and European titles - his name - Andre Cross. If ever there was an inspiration for the 15 young Hawks who lined up next then this was it - from humble beginnings....

With the young Under-13 Hawks given additional points depending on their age the Youth Cup was unpredictable. Aiesha Musa sped to a maximum 20 points which included a tough race to pass Will Clarke but she was not assured of the winner's trophy. Luca El Labany had dropped just three points but he had a three-point handicap advantage over Aiesha so they both finished on a combined 21 points. Aiesha may have thought a race-off would be straightforward until she was told that it would also be handicapped and she was destined to start a quarter of a lap behind Luca. The young prospect set off fast and it was not until the start of the final lap that the determined Aiesha found a way past to take the top spot on the podium.

Harry Dodds had lost to only Aiesha so his combined 20 points placed him third overall while there were other notable performances by Oscar Copeland and Jamal Musa. Austin Brailey was awarded the "champagne moment" prize for a last-bend pass in his opening ride and two others deserve a special mention - Maisie Skeet, who only started training the previous day, and the youngest competitor Remy Davies, who had to endure three bike changes but carried on.

Scores—Aiesha Musa (20+1) 21, Luca El Labany (17+4) 21, Harry Dodds (19+1) 20, Will Clarke (18+1) 19, Oscar Copeland (14+5) 19, Jamal Musa (16+3) 19, Lola Martin (13+3) 16, Thalia Silver (14+2) 16, Louis Marling (12+3)



15, James Hankey (12+2) 14, Arlo Davies (8+5) 13, Austin Brailey (9+4) 13, Remy Davies (6+7) 13, Alex Osborne (10+2) 12, Maisie Skeet (7+2) 9. Referee - Katie Adams

With rain threatening but not arriving, 16 riders of a good standard lined up for the Hethersett Charity Cup, held every year since 1969, apart from 2020. There were four ex-winners in the field and three riders who had travelled down from Hull for their first visit to the Memorial Playing Field but in the end there was little doubt who the winner would be. Fast-starting Ash Hill from Ipswich was usually clear approaching the first corner and even a climatic heat 19 against unbeaten home favourite Leigh Cossey went the same way, particularly as this race was his grid one start.

Cossey could not pass his friend and rival Lee Grange in that heat but 18 points were enough to be runner-up as Grange earned a race-off against Owen Wells for third overall. Both these riders had spells with the Hawks so know the track well but the experienced Grange held off a strong challenge on lap three to earn his place on the podium. There was a cameo appearance from the entertaining ex-Hawk Olly Buxton but the Colin Chamberlain Memorial Trophy for the most entertaining rider was presented to Rory Freeman by Colin's widow Debbie.

Ash Hill thus became the second rider to win three Charity Cups in a row - the first was Phil Pilbrow - and his fourth win overall. All trophies for the day were sponsored by Breckland Autos of Attleborough and the events raised £200 for charity, split between the Orchid male prostate cancer charity and the Hawks' own track development fund.

Scores—Ass Hill (Ipswich) 20, Leigh Cossey (Hethersett) 18, Lee Grange (Norwich) 17, Owen Wells (Ipswich) 17, Nathan Everett (Hull) 15, Leon Mower (Gt. Blakenham) 15, Paddy Wenn (Norwich) 13, David Cooper (Hull) 12, Olly

Buxton (unattached) 12, Jamie Medler (Norwich) 11, Matt Eglon (Hull) 10, Glyn Morgan (Hetherset) 10, Daniel Martin (Hetherset) 9, Dave Martin (Hetherset) 8, Mason Martin (Hetherset) 6, Rory Freeman (Norwich) 5. Referee - Dave Ewbank.

Hawks were once again below full-strength for the visit of Kesgrave in the South East League. They had to rely heavily on the Martin family with strong riding from Daniel and Mason supported by father Dave chipping in with some teamwork for three rides. Paul Delaiche made up for some poor starts to produce some good passes, including one over the unbeaten Gary Brown. In the end too long a tail made it an easy enough win for the visitors.

Hetherset 69 KESGRAVE 90. Hetherset Scores—Mason Martin 17, Daniel Martin 15+1, Paul Delaiche 15, Dave Martin 7+2, Rod Burke 5, Katie Adams 5, Will Clarke 5.

In the Youth League match the Hawks were given a glimpse into the future as the Kesgrave academy has produced a number of top young riders over the years and they were on show in this match to demonstrate where the progress the young Hawks are making will take them if they keep training and learning. The Kesgrave riders were generous in their support on the track encouraging the Hawks to take up positions they could have often secured themselves early in races.

Hawks were not helped by losing Harry Dodds who got injured warming up. Aiesha Musa gave a strong performance and was rewarded with a win in an all-girls nominated race after two restarts. The team have also to remind themselves they are in an Under-16 League and their oldest member was only 12. Amelia Dodson got her first taste of team racing.

Hetherset Under-16s 52 Kesgrave Under-16s 78. Hetherset Scorers—Aiesha Musa 14, Will Clarke 9, Luca El Labany 7, Amelia Dodson 6+2, Thalia Silver 5+1, Jamal Musa 5, James Hankey 4, Harry Dodds 2.



Image taken in the area around St Remigius Church by John Head.

# Village Champion David Praises Hethersett



EDITOR of the Eastern Daily Press newspaper, Champion of Hethersett where he lives and friend of Hethersett Herald, David Powles, has been writing regularly about our village recently.

In an article on his favourite aspects of Norfolk he had the following to say about Hethersett—his favourite village.

“I’m incredibly fond of my own village of Hethersett, having made so many friends there and because of how great it is for families. It’s also handily close to Norwich so you feel like you still live in the city, but get all the benefits village life can bring. It does need more facilities and services though.”

David delved further into the need for more facilities in another article in the EDP when he had the following to say:

“My own village of Hethersett has witnessed one of the biggest growth rates of all places in Norfolk within the last few years.

“And I’ve absolutely no problem with that in principle. It means more people to make friends with and more stars of the future for our under 9s football

## Marathon Effort

**DAVID will be running the London marathon to continue raising funds “for a much needed new hospice in Norfolk.”**

**He has already raised over £4,500 and is looking to get this total up to £5k. This year David will also be running in memory of one of his neighbours Rosie Hubbard who died recently and who is also remembered in this edition of Hethersett Herald.**

**You can visit David’s Virgin Money fundraising page by going to:**

**<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/> and searching for David Powles.**

team, of which I am coach.

“However, what I do find extremely frustrating is that while houses have sprouted up all over the place, core services for the people living in them haven’t increased at the same rate.

“Granted, the school provision has grown, but the village now has a doctors’ surgery, local shop, chemist

and even football team which are bursting at the seams.

And you see the impact of this almost every single day.

Last week my wife needed to pick up some medication for our son, which was due to be sent from the surgery to the chemist, which is a mere 50 yards away.

However, because the surgery was so busy there was a delay in it being sent over. Meanwhile, because the chemist was so busy, my wife had to wait for 30 minutes to find out about the delay.

Once it arrived at the chemist, they had their own delay in getting it labelled and ready to go out.

“Last night, meanwhile, was my son's football training. However, because

**“Hethersett has witnessed one of the biggest growth rates of all places in Norfolk within the last few years” - David Powles**

sports facilities are not big enough to cope with the demand for the sport, dozens of youngsters converge on the local park.

“It makes for a wonderful village scene of children and families out and

about having fun, but the reality is that people living nearby complain about the noise, the local parish council tells the clubs not to use the pitches in the evenings and children have to miss out on sport.

“It really is a vicious circle.

“My own personal view is that Norfolk can contend with some extra homes without it spoiling the very things that make the county so unique.

“But if that is going to happen, those in charge need to demand developers provide the services and facilities needed alongside them.”



In previous editions of Hethersett Herald we have featured Hethersett resident Chloe Kidd and her fight to get the medical condition endometriosis brought to wider recognition.

Chloe is now starting out as a photographer as she told us: “I’m just starting out as a photographer. I’m looking to build up my portfolio at the moment and gain some experience as it’s been a while since I last picked up a camera. If anyone is interested just give me a shout.”

Chloe has a Facebook page at:

[chloelizabethkiddphotography](https://www.facebook.com/chloelizabethkiddphotography)



Kemps Morris Men of Norwich entertained customers to Hethersett King's Head at the beginning of September. The entourage consisted of about a dozen dancers and five musicians. It was the first time Kemp's Men have danced at the venue since 2006. Paul Green was there to capture it for us.





**Around Hethersett in Photographs**

**Pictures on this page by Tina Andrews**





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# News From The Parish Council

## Meeting Dates

Full council meeting dates for the remainder of 2021 are as follows:

October 18th, November 15th and December 20th' Council meetings begin at 7.30 pm. Planning Committee meetings start at 7 pm on the following dates: October 4th and 18th, November 1st and 15th, December 6th and 20th.

For other committee dates refer to the council's website which can be accessed at:

<https://hethersett-parish-council.norfolkparishes.gov.uk>

Committee and full council meetings are open to the public.

Meetings have re-started in Hethersett Village Hall. Planning Committee meetings begin at 7 pm and full council meetings at 7.30 pm.

## How To Contact The Parish Council

THE parish council office in the village hall is currently closed to the public due to the Coronavirus outbreak.

Parish clerk Annette Palmer can be contacted by telephone on 07902 322729 or via email at [hethersett.pc@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:hethersett.pc@tiscali.co.uk).

The council has a website at

[www.hethersett-parish-council.norfolkparishes.gov.uk](http://www.hethersett-parish-council.norfolkparishes.gov.uk)

and also a Facebook page. A full list of councillors appears on the next page in this edition of Hethersett Herald along with contact details.

# News From The Parish Council



## HETHERSETT PARISH COUNCIL COUNCILLORS CONTACT DETAILS

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**Above are details of the 14 parish councillors with their contact details.**

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## Concern Over Siting of New Hospice

HETHERSETT has concerns about the building of a new 24 bed hospice on land off Colney Lane and close to the Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital.

Whilst being unanimously in favour of a new Priscilla Bacon Lodge Hospice, members are concerned about the actual site chosen for a number of reasons.

In a letter to the council, Dr Graham Martin pointed out that the proposed site is on the slope of the valley of the River Yare which could make it liable to flooding.

“A hospice should be a place of tranquility. The proposed location of the Priscilla

Bacon Hospice is neither quiet nor peaceful. Daily noise is experienced from sirens of emergency vehicles, low flying ambulance helicopters and thousands of traffic movements required to serve the adjacent hospital, research park and expanding adjacent large housing development,” Dr Martin said.

Councillor Eileen Mulvaney said: “While everyone supports the hospice, this is a sloping and noisy site. I think we should re-iterate our concerns about siting a building there because of the possibility of flooding and noise.”

Council chairman Adrienne Quinlan said she could see both sides of the coin with having a building close to the hospital having some advantages. She shared concerns about flooding and noise, however.

Sarah Lawrence underlined the need for the hospice to be “a place of peace and tranquility.

The council agreed not to oppose plans but to make their concerns known.

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## Still Hanging In The Balance

The future of a post office in Hethersett continues to hang in the balance.

The latest parish council meeting heard that no concrete plans exist if and when the current premises in Oak Square shuts.

District Councillor Adrian Dearnley said he has been contacted by residents concerned with the possibility of the village losing its post office.

Chair of the parish council Adrienne Quinlan said she felt that existing businesses would probably not be in a position to take on a post office because of the long hours involved.

She also felt potential postmasters/mistresses could be put off by the reputation of the organisation and the way staff members had been treated in the past:

“I wouldn’t feel happy recommending that kind of business to the parish council and I know many existing business will feel the same,” she said.

# News on New Development

WORK on phase three and four of the village development which will see the next tranche of 200 houses for the village is scheduled to start in 2023, Hethersett Parish Council heard at its latest meeting.

Phase three will feature 160 houses of which 20% will be affordable housing and phase four a further 40 houses of which eight will be affordable housing.

Representatives from Taylor Wimpey told parish councillors that the latest development is part of the 1196 new homes planned for the village. Phase Three will feature modern designed contemporary two to five bedroomed homes with phase four being more traditional.

Councillors were told that green buffer areas would be included in the development which will go around the back of Longview. They expressed a hope that the development would also include facilities and businesses such as a convenience store.

Council chairman Adrienne Quinlan said the latest development had already received outline planning permission: "As long as it is done well I have no objection," she said.

Eileen Mulvaney added: "We need to be confident that green boundaries will be in place and that the infrastructure will allow residents to move freely when the development work is taking place.

## Revised Plan For Church Hall is Opposed

A revised planning application has been put in for the future use of Hethersett Church Hall in Henstead Road.

The original plan to change the hall into two new homes has been dropped and the new idea is for a single four bedroom home with an entrance and exit off Henstead Road.

At Septembers parish council meeting,

councillors again decided to oppose the application, although the decision on whether to approve it will be taken by South Norfolk Council.

Chair of Hethersett Parish Council's planning committee Eileen Mulvaney said: "It is a community asset and people do want to retain it. There is a lot of sentimental feeling about it."

"We should be opposed to losing a community facility and the impact it would have on traffic during the construction," said Leslie Dale.

After a discussion members agreed by three votes to nil with two abstentions to oppose the plan on the grounds of a loss of a community facility and community asset.

# HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT

## Hethersett & District Aid in Sickness Fund?

(Formerly known as the Hethersett Nursing Association)



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# Sarah's World

Sarah Lawrence continues her monthly column giving us her take on Hethersett life.

I love Autumn. It feels like new beginnings. The weather is changing, the nights are drawing in. Children are back to school with their shiny new shoes, and butterflies in their tummies.

For us, this Autumn led to a big step for the smallest member of our family. Hattie started big school!

Yes, my baby started Reception at Woodside, and for the first time since the premises opened on Coachmaker Way, parents were able to go in and have a look too, which was jolly exciting.

The two classes in the Reception year are interconnected by a large cloakroom and a large outside play area which is fenced off to make it secure, but the fence is still open enough for the children to see the world pass by outside, which is lovely.

There are toilets in the cloakroom area with a large trough-style sink too, and the children are encouraged to use straight after they've put their bags and coats away when they get in.

The classroom is roomy as well, with areas for different types of play, as well as the all-important carpet area where they listen to stories and learn together.

I'm really impressed by how welcoming it is



# Sarah's World

for the young children attending, and I just know that Hattie is going to have the best start to her education here.

My eldest, Amelia, has now started in Year Five at Woodside too. It's strange having both of them at school now, after ten years of having a child with me the majority of the time. Not that I'm a loss for things to do. Playgroup has restarted now, I've got plans to overhaul the preloved uniform with the PTA at Woodside and there's always overtime at work I can grab!

Although having a quiet house during the day is new to me, gosh I'm enjoying it. It's some time for some me-time when I'm not working, and it means I can meet friends in peace too. That said, it is nice to pick the girls up from school to hear all about their day.

I'm sure that they enjoy their day without me as much as I enjoyed my day of peace, judging by the smiles on their faces when they finish school!

As I mentioned before, Playgroup restarted on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September, after an 18 month break because of the pandemic. Restarting has been hard work, we've had to make a lot of changes to the way we run in order to be Covid safe.

First we booked a couple of sessions to clean all the toys and equipment that have been sitting in the cupboard and haven't been touched for a year and a half.

This was no mean feat! It took a lot of time to clean all of the building blocks and Mr Potato Head pieces especially. Thankfully we had a team of us (plus little helpers) to help clean it all. After that, I had to put





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together a Covid risk assessment which took several hours. This involved putting a plan together with all of the measures that we need to take at Playgroup going forward.

For someone who had no experience putting together documents of that sort, I was told I did quite well. Thankfully I had a good friend (a manager with lots of experience dealing with risk assessments) close by to give me hints and tips!

The first session back went well, We had to book people in so that numbers of people attending weren't too high, but we were fully booked in the first day after opening the booking window! I think people are keen to attend a toddler group after not being able to for so long. For a lot of parents that came, it was their first experience of a baby group! We took temperature readings at the door, along with asking people to sanitise before they came in.

We also asked that people wear masks if they could, in order to protect some of the vulnerable groups that attend. We put out a more limited selection of toys, and cleaned and sanitised them all before putting them away.

It's a lot of work, but we had people wanting to book again after the first session, which I'll take as a good thing! I also had a really sweet message from one of the ladies wanting to rebook, saying that it was a lovely way to meet other parents and saying thank you for organising it. It's feedback like that that make all the hard work worthwhile!

If you fancy coming along to a session at Playgroup, it runs every Tuesday mornings during term time from 9:45 – 10:45 (Please note our new, earlier finish). Booking is essential, and as long as there's space, you can book a slot for your family anytime after the Wednesday before. To book, email [firststepshethersett@outlook.com](mailto:firststepshethersett@outlook.com).

If successful, you'll get an email back detailing our rules and terms and conditions. It costs £2 for your child per session, payable on the door. If you have more than one child with you, we ask for an additional £1 per child.

All drinks/fruit/snacks are included in the price of the session, all money raised gets put back into the running of the group. It's wonderful to meet new families, and see old faces return week on week. You'll always be welcomed at First Steps!

Sarah's column appears every month in Hethersett Herald. The next edition will be online at the end of October.

The following stories appeared in the local media during September.

### Woman sets up charity for twins split up by bereavement





**Andrea Anthony** has set up a charity to help bereaved families who have lost a child. The charity, Twinless Twins, was launched in September and aims to support families who have lost a child, particularly those who have lost twins.

Andrea, 42, from Hethersett, said she was inspired to start the charity after losing her 11-year-old daughter, Emily, in a car accident in 2015. She said she was left with a 10-year-old son and a 10-month-old daughter, and she found it difficult to cope with the loss.

She said she was inspired to start the charity after reading about other bereaved families who were struggling to cope. She said she wanted to provide a support network for these families and to help them to grieve their loss.

The charity provides a range of support services, including counselling, support groups and practical help. Andrea said she was proud to have raised over £10,000 for the charity in its first year.

She said she was looking for more people to get involved with the charity and to help raise awareness of the needs of bereaved families.

The Eastern Daily Press newspaper carried the story about the new Twinless Twins organisation which has been set-up by Hethersett's Andrea Anthony.

We had the full story about this in the September edition of Hethersett Herald.

Below is an EDP cutting of the story about the link between Hethersett and schools in Northern Ghana.

News From The Media

### New classroom at police centre cements village link to Ghana




**Andrea Anthony** has helped to build a new classroom at a police centre in Ghana, cementing the link between the village and the charity.

The classroom, which was built by the charity, Twinless Twins, is now open and ready for use. It will provide a space for children to learn and play, and will help to improve the standards of education in the village.

Andrea said she was proud to have helped to build the classroom and to have cemented the link between the village and the charity. She said she was looking for more people to get involved with the charity and to help raise awareness of the needs of bereaved families.

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# 'It took a rota of people to replace her' - village volunteer Rosie Hubbard dies at 72

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## Church packed to remember one-in-a-million volunteer Rosie

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**THE tribute to Rosie Hubbard appeared in both the Eastern Daily Press and Norwich Evening News newspapers during September.**

**You can read our full tribute to Rosie earlier in this edition of Hethersett Herald.**

News From The Media

**Care home's 'hardcore art four' residents to hold first exhibition**

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## Press Cuttings—An Explanation

Readers have commented that they cannot read the cuttings that we feature in our “News From The Media” section.

This is intentional. The aim is just to give an idea of how the local media is featuring some of our Hethersett news.

You will find many of the stories featured in the press also appearing in this and previous editions of Hethersett Herald.

# Junior Cricketers Celebrate

**H**ETHERSETT and Tas Valley Cricket Club wrapped up its junior section season with a special dads v lads match which was followed by presentations.

It was a special day for Director of Youth Coaching Sara Worley who is stepping down after any years in the post.

Former club chairman and Sara's husband Mark Worley paid fulsome tribute to his wife's work at the club:

"Over the past 10 years your energy, enthusiasm and dedication has been so key to the growth and development of the Junior section and to the players who have progressed through the age groups and into senior cricket; and of the newer players who continue to do so.

"There were 30-40 youngsters on the books when you got involved and that quickly and steadily increased to the 100+ that we've had for several years.

"Your active support of the 'cricket for all' ethos, that is a cornerstone of the Club, ensures a welcoming environment for new players and parents alike and it is so great to see so many smiling young faces at Thursday evening club sessions, squad coaching, matches and just randomly in the nets too.

"Your engagement with local schools to share the cricket message and to promote Tas has been brilliant as has the setting up of our All Stars programme four years ago.

"You've also made sure that we have a good supply of qualified coaches and coach support workers to meet the cricketing needs of our youngsters, while providing development opportunities for those volunteers too.



Under-9s Batsman of the Year Elliot Steward is presented with his trophy by club chair Harriet Curtis and coach Sara Worley (right).





“For all those things and so much more that you’ve done for Tas - thank you.”

Sara Worley reported on another highly successful season for the youth section with 122 youngsters enjoying regular cricket. In addition 48 young cricketers aged between five and eight took part in the ECB All Stars

programme—the fourth year that Hethersett has taken part in this initiative.

“The success of this programme has meant more juniors playing cricket at an earlier age and our Under-9 section is thriving because of it. Despite some of our regular Under-9 team members still being only seven, the Under-9s won their hardball league and came third in the county softball finals this year. Similarly, our Under-11s, most of them still only 10 and with a year still to go in the age group, came second in the South Norfolk League,” Sara said.

Hethersett had three county Under-10 players, two Under-13s and two Under 15s - the most they have ever had in one season.

In addition, 21 junior players have made the step up to senior cricket and played in the four senior Saturday sides.

Will Worley was named youth player of the year and a full list of winners is:

Under-9s: Batting, Elliot Steward; Bowling, Vihaan Raje; Manager’s Award, Samuel Trickey; Player of the Year, Samuel Grobler.

Under-11s: Batting, Grace Spratt; Bowling, Alfie Cartwright; Manager’s Award, Dylan Trickey; Player of the Year, Grace Spratt.

Under-13s: Batting, Daniel Groblar; Bowling, Ollie Last; Manager’s Award, Tyler Woodruff; Player of the Year, Ollie Last.

Under-15s: Batting, James Wright; Bowling, Aidan Chamberlain; Manager’s Award, Sourish Brahma; Player of the Year, Hiruja Nanayakkara.

Under-17s: Batting, Alex Bird; Bowling, Will Worley; Manager’s Award, Ben Way; Player of the Year, Alex Bird.

Junior Player of the Year, Will Worley.

Turn to the next few pages to see pictures of the Under-11, Under-13, Under-15 and Under-17 awards.



**Winners All—A gallery of trophy winners at the Hethersett and Tas Valley Cricket Club's junior presentation event.**



More prizewinners at Hethersett and Tas Valley Cricket Club's junior presentation day.

Hethersett and Tas Valley Cricket Club has its own website which you can find at the address below.

<https://htvalley.play-cricket.com/>



## Dale Evans at the Willows

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# Hethersett Musings

Hethersett Herald editor Peter Steward takes a look at some of the more unusual aspects and issues of our village

I was much taken by a posting on Facebook from David Folkard.

David wrote as follows: “Sixty five years ago today my mother lost a son and I a brother, Norman was killed in the Cyprus crisis of the '50s, it's said time heals all wounds but that's not true, time may help stop the bleeding but the wound never heals.

“My mother-just like all mothers who have lost a son or daughter- grieved for Norman for the rest of her life as do I. Not many weeks go by that I don't think of him after all these years. Norman finished his schooling at the Wymondham Sec' Mod' around 1947/1948 and the reason for this post is maybe there is still someone in the area who can remember him

“I remember Norman's name being added to the Hethersett War Memorial in the grounds of St Remigius Church.”

The following details of Norman's death is taken from one of my other websites “Hethersett—A Village At War! Which can be found at

<https://hethersettatwar.weebly.com/>

“The War Memorial also contains the name of Norman Folkard who was a sergeant with the Royal Norfolk Regiment. He was killed in action on September 1st, 1956, during the Cyprus Emergency, when the vehicle in which he was travelling left the road and went down a ravine. Sgt Folkard is buried in a cemetery in Nicosia. He was 22 years of age.

**DUE to the current petrol situation we have suspended our regular feature comparing prices at local garages. We hope to be able to resume in the next edition of Hethersett Herald.**

**Anyone who has driven past the Thickthorn Interchange will have seen the queues to the petrol station there during the month. At times both Thickthorn and Waitrose at Wymondham closed their forecourts.**

**Here's hoping that things will have improved by the time you read this.**

# It's A Gin Thing



OVER the past few months we have highlighted new developments at Home Farm Gin including work on a new gin tasting area.

Above is the latest photograph posted by Nev Leverett of the ongoing work.

Home Farm Gin can be found on the right hand side of Ketteringham Lane as you drive/walk/cycle away from the main B1172. We will have more on the development in future editions of Hethersett Herald.

# My Photographic Diary *by John Head*

Hethersett resident and friend of Hethersett Herald, John Head, is a keen photographer who regularly posts his excellent photographs on Facebook. Here we feature a selection of John's photographs taken during his wanderings in and around Hethersett. You will also find other photos taken by John dotted throughout this edition of Hethersett Herald.



# My Photographic Diary *by John Head*



Pictures taken by  
John Head in  
September 2021

# From The Archives with Gary Wyatt

## HETHERSETT HERITAGE AN ARCHIVE OF OUR VILLAGE HISTORY

WE turn the clock back to 1986 for this month's trip down memory lane.

In that year, 17-year-old Hethersett violinist Alan Brind was named the BBC Young Musician of the Year.

Alan won the contest at Manchester's Free Trade Hall.

Conductor and music commentator Jane Glover said the concerto had been "thrillingly played with maturity, passion and commitment."

"I played my heart out and when the award came it was as though someone had given me a present for doing well," Alan told local journalist Neville Miller at the time.

Alan is now in his fifties and has made a career in classical music, playing with some of the top orchestras and conductors in the world, He was recently appointed professor of violin at the Royal Conservatory of Brussels.

Alan lives in Holland with his wife, Colombian scientist Alejandra Maria Ruiz Zapata. He has a daughter, the DJ Katia Mullova-Brind from an earlier relationship with violinist Viktoria Mullova.



# HETHERSETT HERITAGE

NORWICH SCHOOLBOY 'PLAYS HIS HEART OUT'

## Alan, 17, is young musician of year

"I played my heart out and when the award came it was as though someone had given me a present for having done well."

This was Alan Brind, who was 17 this month, as he described his winning of the BBC TV Young Musician of the Year award while eight members of his family watched.

"I didn't have a feeling of false competitiveness," he said. "It was as if I was winning a race. All the competitors were very friendly." In the Free Trade Hall in Manchester the concert was recorded (and shown on television last night), were his parents, John and Katharine Brind — Mr. Brind is a university administrator — Alan's sisters, Clare, 15, and Brian, 13, and both sons of grandparents, Harry and Mary Wilkins, of Tavistock, and Willy and Anne Brind, of Sevenoaks.

Before he played, Jane Glover, a critic and musical commentator, said the concerto was "a showcase of technical demand and perhaps a 17-year-old might not

● A KING of jazz paid his tribute to Alan last night. Chris Barber who was appearing at the Theatre Royal with his jazz band interrupted his concert to announce Alan's win.

Neville Miller talks to the Norwich schoolboy who won the "Young Musician of the Year" competition last night.

be able to do justice to all the feeling it contains."

Afterwards she said it was thrillingly played and added: "The maturity, passion and commitment of it were absolutely breathtaking."

### DISTINGUISHED

In the audience was Mr. Michael Robinson, of Norwich, the teacher who said Alan was "the one who got me thinking and working."

These days he is taught by Frederick Grintke, of the former leader of the Boyd Noel Orchestra and a distinguished soloist. Alan travels the 25 miles to Eps and back for lessons with Mr. Grintke, who won't wait enough to attend the finals.

Alan's triumph brought him the Young Musician of the Year trophy presented to him by the Duchess of Kent, and £300. He also received £300 as winner of the string final.

He now goes forward to the European Young Musician of the Year contest in Denmark next month.



Alan Brind — Young Musician of the Year.

He is a slim, 5 ft. 8 in., brown-haired young man, highly articulate and enthusiastic but down to earth as well. A quality he may well have inherited from his parents. They have given him every help and encouragement, but have been careful to shield him from over-estimating his talent.

Alan told me: "I knew the performance had gone fairly well from the applause. I felt so pleased and thrilled to play with the BBC Philharmonic. It was a marvellous experience."

"I really did feel that even if the judges did not think I had made the biggest impression, the whole thing had been really worth-

while. The prize was a bonus on top of the playing."

When he was nine or ten he auditioned for a master class with Yehudi Menuhin held in Norwich, and won a reserve place.

He has played in local orchestras as well as the National Youth Orchestra and its Gloucester station which he formed and his sister, Clare, who plays viola, and Martin and Andrew Stacey.

He won the Aronowitz award for classical music at the "Junior Starters" contest at the Theatre Royal and two years ago he got through to the regional final of the Young Musician of the Year contest.



# HETHERSETT HERITAGE



**Hethersett Guides Party 1935 above and below Guides (date unknown)**



*"I never did & never shall recover that horrid Shock I received Feb 10 day 1724 when St Clements Living was taken from me .... & given to the greatest Atheist in the world Jonathan Thornton "*

*- John Marrant, Rector of Hethersett*

*30 Apr 1735*

# More Church Shenanighans

THERE'S no sign of the quote at the top of the page in the

Historic Hethersett with Lewis Buckingham. Lewis continues his story from last month about the man less than enamoured with Hethersett

the Chaplain to a Bishop of Norwich, and had ended up moving in with

official records. Marrant is listed as the Rector of St Clements until six months after his death in 1736.

If we look between the lines, however, another story starts to emerge.

Jonathan Thornton starts signing the register there as 'Minister' almost immediately after Marrant's appointment as Rector of Hethersett. That same year Thornton is made Vicar of Earlham in Norwich, and in the following year he manages to also become Rector of both Morton and Helmingham.

Previous to this, Thornton had been the personal chaplain to the Justices of the Peace in Norwich. Perhaps it was that he had paid more 'dues' than Marrant. You might remember from last month that John Russell - who Marrant had assisted in Witton Parish - had been the Chaplain to the Bishop of Norwich before his agglomeration of personal parishes.

The role of personal Chaplain was a close one. The Chancellor of Norwich at the time, Thomas Tanner, had been

the bishop, then marrying his daughter. A personal chaplain held the keys to prosperity. Although his efforts in Winton may have put him on the inside track, he was evidently not on the inside of the inside track.

Gonville and Caius College had the right to present the new Rector of St Clements, so Thornton had probably had no chance, he being an alumni of Trinity College. Marrant was still officially Rector - so how did he come to lose his tithe money?

Orders from above, no doubt.

If one felt they were being treated unfairly by the Church Authorities, they always had recourse to the Ecclesiastical Courts. That is where you would expect Marrant to have headed, but there is no record of a Court case.

You see the presiding judge was the Thomas Tanner I mentioned above - the Chancellor of Norwich.

And, as Marrant put it:

*" I was robbed sacrilegiously robbed of*



*St Clements Living in Norwich  
 Contrary to all the Laws of God of  
 nature of nation, & our own Lord  
 Ecclesiasticall as well as Civill by  
 the **Late Chancellor of Norwich**  
**Dr Tanner** (a name to all  
 Succeeding ages Curst)"*

Somehow Tanner had forced this through and the £40 a year went to Thornton. Perhaps it was technically a stipend given him in his role as a Curate. Conveniently it exactly matched the Tithes due, and was of course paid to the Curate by the Rector (Marrant) for his services. To add insult to injury, Tanner decided that Marrant had let the house he lived in there in St Clement's fall apart, so charged him a fee of £40 for 'dilapidations'.

So a month after moving to Hethersett and borrowing the greater part of £150, Marrant lost his expected £40 and was forced to pay a further £40 in costs. It left him in dire straits.

In later years he would write:

*"What a dreadful thing it is always to be cramped in ones circumstances. Some people are born to nothing but misery; I am one of Those. I have been so barbarously used by My Fellow creatures. I had been richer & happier if I had never taken Hethersett Living - the first year I was starved 11 months after I had taken possession.*

*If John Gooch of Thickthorn had not lent me 50 pounds after I was robd sacrilegiously robd of St Clements Living I must of Necessity have perished. I have had nothing to do since that dreadful Day but to take money with one hand (when I could get it) & pay it off with another."*

Thomas Tanner—Chancellor of Norwich



This put paid to any dreams he may have had of advancement. Perhaps it was that he'd entered into an agreement with Tanner that he didn't fully understand, and this was the result. Perhaps he'd been double-crossed. Whatever had happened, the repercussions haunted him to his dying day.

Yet he'd only been in Hethersett a month. Why did he view it as a den of 'helhounds'?

It seems that very early on his imaginings of £150 a year were discovered to be just that - imaginings.

Marrant had grown up in a seaside town, the son of a middle class surgeon. He would have had no understanding of the value of crops or of animals, yet he was in a position where he had to negotiate with the local farmers on the value of their

products.

It wasn't difficult for a farmer to claim he'd had a poor yield, or prices were low at the market, and Marrant knew no better, though he became sure over time that he was being cheated.

It was a time honoured tradition to leave token amounts of money to the church in your will for "tithes forgotten." Just as the local farmers could drive a hard bargain with the grocers in Norwich, they could do the same with their local Rector. When lying at death's door they may have perhaps reflected that such hard bargaining was not in the spirit of things and tried to make things right. But every year at Michaelmas, when tithes were due, their competitive capitalist spirit would shine through as they made agreements for the next year's payments.

Payments in kind hadn't happened in Hethersett for at least a decade, and more often than not, a 'Composition' or agreement had been made as to the value of each farmer's produce, and the Rector was paid in cash.

A list of agreed payments made in



A 16th Century Depiction of a Hellhound

1737, at the end of Marrant's tenure showed he was receiving about £53 a year in tithes - a far cry from his imaginings, and far short of what he would have needed to keep himself afloat. John Berney, who succeeded Marrant, would in 1738 take in £186 in tithes. He had hired a farmer to bargain on his behalf and had in turn reaped

the benefits. He took in £133 over and above that taken by Marrant the year after he took over. It must have become very clear to Marrant over time just how much he was being taken advantage of. And as his certainty of this grew, his relationship with the townsfolk became acrimonious.

On top of this, there was a custom that every Easter, a payment known as an "Easter Offering" of 2



The Payment of Tithes by Peter Bruegel The Elder

pence a head in the town was made to the village if the Rector asked for it. For some reason Marrant did not demand payment until a decade after he had come to Hethersett - this despite the dire financial straits he found himself in.

Could it be that no-one thought fit to tell him about it?

It seems that no-one thought they were doing anything particularly wrong. It was all part of the game.

Many years later George Baker, a local yeoman farmer, who farmed the lands once owned by the Bokenhams to the South of the Turnpike, proudly declared that he had never paid Easter Offerings to any Rector in his 45 years in the parish. By Marrant's account, Baker *"called me out a Rogue in publick for taking tithe & averred tithing to be a wicked & abominable Error from the beginning."*

It was a shocking thing for Marrant to find himself surrounded by villagers predominantly of the same mind as Baker.

To Marrant's understanding, the denial of tithe was on the level of the denial of kingship. Twice in the registers Marrant recounts the story he heard that Oliver Cromwell had offered King Charles I his life, if only he would abolish tithes.

Yet before his relationship with Hethersett devolved to shouting in the street, he had hung on. Perhaps an offer of something more was dangled before him by Tanner.

I say this, because despite the great upset caused by his treatment at Tanner's hands, the date he declares continuously to be the one from which he was "dying daily" was the 22<sup>nd</sup> of

June 1727 - the day King George the First died, and his son became King.

Perhaps this is a coincidence, as Marrant goes into no details for his reasoning, but George the second's Prime Minister quickly enacted laws that meant only supporters of his own Whig party could attain high office in the Anglican Church.

Marrant had always voted Tory. As elections were not only not secret, but had handbooks published that outlined every person's vote, he could not hide the fact, and any dreams of professional advancement were dashed. He could now never move on to higher office in the Church, no matter how many more dues he paid.

He saw the remainder of his life as an endurance of his circumstances. He felt that he could have done so much more, but it was all now beyond him:

*"What a Dreadfull Thing it is for a man (whose heart is as large as Land on the Sea Shores) to be Continuously Starving? If I could help it there should be no want or necessity. If I was as able as I am Willing I would Create Happiness & Annihilate Misery."*

It seemed that he could see no future but perhaps a redemption after his own death:

*"I have been burning 5 years 11 months & 7 days as if ( with the beloved Disciple St John) I had been in a Caldron of Flaming Oil, or had been thrown (with Shadrack Moseck & Abodnego) into a Fiery Furnace.*

*How long Great God how long shall I Immured in this dark prison plato calls the body?*

*The Lord have mercy upon me.*

*I live like the Salamander and shall die like the Phoenix"*

Illness began also to plague him. As he saw that he may actually have been nearing the end of his life, a growing realisation

may have spurred him into action:

*"They are continually robbing God & starving his Minister.*

*I have had £300 Due for Tithe in Hethersett & could nil go and find 300 pence."*

It wasn't just him that was being unfairly used, but God himself! This £300 was tithe due to him from his £50 or so pounds a year. A total of six years annual income was in arrears, never mind the £800 more he would have received had he known more of rural life.

And so he took three townsmen to Court, all on the same day.

William Pighting and Charles Condling had refused to pay Easter Offerings. This was a clear breach that brooked no negotiation. The fee was set and they had not paid it. He also tried a case against Michael Ringer, who had not paid his tithe for his wool.

These were undoubtedly test cases in regards to what was officially termed: "Substraction of Tythes and other Ecclesiastical Rights and Emoluments."



1715 Hethersett Communion Plate

He was not the only Rector to suffer so. Another two rectors brought cases the same day. Month in and month out, townsfolk all over the county were tried for trying to pull one over on their parish priest.

This was in October of 1735.

Four court sittings later in February, two of the cases were finally resolved. In the meantime, Marrant had been forced to pay for his lawyer to turn up. Each time to learn that the Clerk of the Court was still considering whether the counter offers made by Ringer and Condling would be accepted.

This can't have helped matters in town. One parishioner told him *"the reason why he did not come to the Communion was because he was afraid that I would poison him with the Sacramentle Cup."*

John Lydderman informed him that he could not, and would not pray to god almighty.

*"Maker did I request Thee from the Clay to Mould me Man? Did I Solicit Thee from darkness to promote me or here place in Hellish Hethersett?"*

*If I had my health I would not stay in my house in Hethersett*

*When a man is dying he is obliged to forgive all his enemies so do I & pray for My Murderer Dr Tanner as Saint Paul did for his Murderer Alexander the*

*Coppersmith + Dr Tanner late  
Chancellor of Norwich have Done me  
much mischief the Lord reward him.*

*Amen."*

His state of being had become untenable, and so he wrote his messages to the future, cramped and scrawled in the spaces between the deaths and births of the villagers.

He saw his problems with the villagers as that of money. If he had gathered his tithes, it would have been so much simpler. There was nothing to argue about when it was 1 in 10 of everything. So one message written in the margins was specifically directed to the Rector who would succeed him.

*"Dr Church to my certain Knowledge  
was Offerd £150 for tithes & Glebe in  
hard money yearly 70 years ago which  
is more than ever I could get*

*I Beseech My Successor (whoever he  
shall be (I hope Mr Berney)) **for Gods  
sake to Gather Tithe***

***or else he will be Cheated as I have  
been year after year & year after  
year &c"***

*Jan 27 day 1734 A D*

Morrant was buried in June 1736 a month after John Berney took over as Rector. His last note was dated three weeks earlier, the same day as Berney's first entry in the register:

*"Oh! Spare me a Little before I go  
hence & be no more seen*

*Celestial Company allow this wretch to  
depart and rest in peace and from this  
outrage to rise in glory May 31 day -- 7  
years 18 days Dying Dayly 1736 AD"*

Was his wish granted?

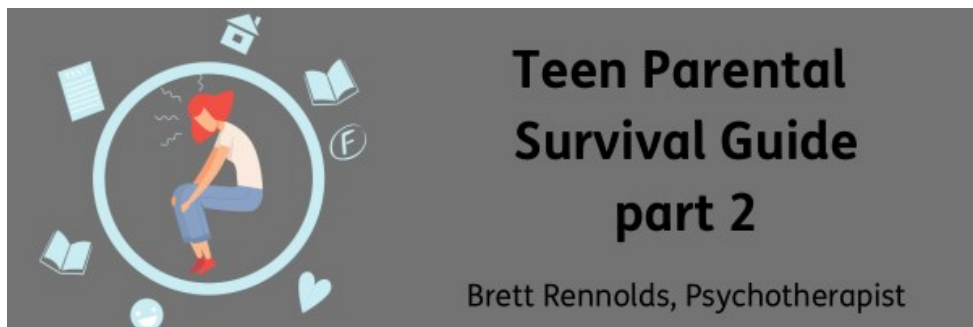
It would be another six Court appearances after Morrant's death (which was duly noted in the Court files) before the case against Pightling quietly fell off the books. Morrant's widow was undoubtedly still paying the lawyer in hope of some justice. What became of her is not clear, but after Morrant's death, at least one parishioner - Francis Wade - remembered some tithe due on hay he had mowed before Morrant's death. He paid her 6 pence, and perhaps others also 'remembered' tithe that Morrant had been owed.

The living at St Clements was not officially taken up again until 1750. However the year after Morrant's death, Thornton was forced to leave there in disgrace. He'd paid off a servant he'd gotten pregnant, and after she had raised the price he had refused. She confessed all. Though Thornton was only obliged to do penance, he was still forced to leave St Clements. Tanner, his protector, could protect him no more. He had died six months before Morrant.

That same year, Dr Berney, who took over for Morrant, took on the village head on. He declared he would either gather all of the tithes in kind, or he would agree to payments from all. This would apply to either all villagers or to none. The case went to the highest Court in the land, and Berney was soon receiving three times as much as Morrant had ever managed to take in.

So I suppose John Morrant's wishes were granted - though he did not live to see it.

That isn't to say that Berney trod an easy path before he could claim his rights, but that is a tale for next month.



## Teen Parental Survival Guide part 2

Brett Rennolds, Psychotherapist

IN August 2020 I provided an insight into the teenage mind but as our children returned to school this month I was asked to revisit these issues and provide parents/carers with additional context for those times of need.

First, in the most kindest of terms, please be mindful that your teen's behaviour (s) are not all about you. I empathise that your distress, frustration and fear will be a product of your teenager's behaviour, the things they do, the things they say. It can be overwhelming and can appear to negate all the love, kindness and support that has gone before it. You are a thoughtful, generous and selfless parent/carer who does their best to provide a safe, inclusive and nurturing home for your child and when the door is slammed, the offensive language is thrown in your direction or you have, almost overnight, been surgically removed from their life, it hurts, but please be mindful this is not all about you.

To defuse you from these and many other emotions associated with the challenges of being a parent/carer of a teenager I will endeavour to provide you with some context as to what is going on in the mind of a teenager.

Prior to embarking on this stage of development children take the social cues from the family. They seek reassurance, love and confirmation from the primary care giver. However, as the child grows physically so does their mind. Neurologically the limbic system is now beginning to interface with the cerebral cortex. This requires an immense amount of energy to make those neurological links [behavioural pathways]. Be mindful that the human mind is 86 billion neurons that function as a product of chemical and electrical activity.

From birth, your child's mind primarily controls the regulatory systems in their body like hormones, body temperature, blood pressure, and even hunger. As a child they gained access to their limbic system [primary survival response] that made them feel anger, fear, joy and gratitude. These emotions provided the context for feeling safe, or not, a basic need for all. As a teenager the mind seeks to realise its potential and begins to interface with the cerebral

cortex nurturing the ability to make decisions, control impulses and plan for the future.

Now for context. Envisage the acritical 'blow up' between a parent and a teenager. Sometimes this is a product of many little things or can just explode out of nowhere. Either way it is fraught, emotionally charged and overwhelming for all involved.

Rather than trying to 'fix' the situation endeavour to take a step back. Undoubtedly the situation will be tense, things will have been said, done and as a consequence parties will be emotionally fuelled by feelings of anger, fear, guilt and shame.

Neurologically this means the hypothalamus has 'dumped' a cocktail of stress chemicals into the Amygdala, commonly referred to as the fight, flight or freeze response centre. In a functional adult this will manifest as a flushing of the skin, a spike in adrenalin that increases the heart rate and can result in a taste of coins at the back of the throat. As an adult you will have experienced this feeling many times before, you will have reacted or defused from the emotion throughout your life, meaning you will have developed behavioural responses to the emotion. Your child has not had the time to cultivate those regulatory behaviours yet. They will always react. This does not condone the emotional response, rather it gives you some context to what you are observing.

During this 'blow up' your teenager is overwhelmed, all the lights are flashing red, alarms are going off and as a result they are chemically compelled to hit it, run away from it or hide from it. I implore you to empathise (emotional intelligence) with what this must be like experiencing it for the first time, knowing now what you know. It is often confusing, frightening and overwhelming for the teenage mind.

Maximising your own emotional intelligence during these blow up moments can enable you to draw on 'the five pillars of emotional intelligence' helping the parent/carer better cope with the teenage years, ensuring you remain at your best so you can be best for your child. Greater self-awareness will inform appropriate self-regulation, your motivation to enable the potential in your child is resolute, it is your empathy that will enable you to put yourself in your child's shoes, all be it with different socks and finally affective communication will ensure ambiguity is removed, you remain curious but non-judgemental.

Engaging in resolution at the point of hurt is often fruitless endeavour as the teenager and, to some degree, the parent/carer are not thinking straight rather they are feeling an emotion. Emotions are a product of the limbic system and in neurological terms you will not be thinking clearly. Ruby Wax in her book

'How to be Human' suggests 'when you have been stabbed in the heart because your kid has hit the emotional bullseye, they probably didn't do it on purpose, register it, leave the room if you have to, don't respond until the 'hurt' subsides.'

When that hurt has subsided, choose your moment to reflect on what has happened. Nurture empathy in your teenager by being honest. Express the hurt in terms that they will understand e.g. 'I am struggling right now' reiterate that you love them but as you are struggling right now what they said/did was especially hurtful. This lesson in empathy can help the teenager see you as human, drawing on the positives of your relationship to this point can help navigate this developmental stage for both of you.

For those parent and carers yet to experience the 'the knife in the heart' future proof your relationship with your child/teenager. Sit down and co-produce a plan for what to do when/if this happens. It may be helpful to consider an emotional outburst witnessed on their favourite TV show, social media or film. It can provide useful context for you as a parent/carer to understand your evolving role in the parenting paradigm.

There of course will need to be dealbreakers and it is important that all parties understand what they are and what the consequences will be. In youth work this is referred to as a behavioural contract and once agreed must be managed consistently. This said it is not possible to mitigate every possible 'blow up', so keep it simple, as a youth worker of 30+ years I asked that we [staff and young people] all treat each other as we would want to be treated, there is no can't and let's have fun!

These three headlines may read as an oversimplification of boundaries but in my experience, they have always provided the framework for considered, compassionate and at times immediate challenge of poor behaviour, mitigating the risk of the issue becoming a 'knife in the heart'.

There is a lot to consider here and as always my sincere wish is the help helps. If however you or your child/teenager require additional support or help please consider the team at Rowan House. A call to the helpful staff will help you navigate the Rowan House family of professionals and identify the right person for you. Being 'a parent/carer is the hardest 'job' we will ever have, know that you continue to do the best in these trying times and if nothing else has provided you with some helpful context consider the context proffered by Claire Dumphy, fictional Mum of Modern Family, who said 'Raising a kid is like sending a rocket ship to the moon. You spend the early years in constant contact, and then one day, around the teenage years, they go around the dark side and they're gone, all you can do is wait for that faint signal that says they're coming back!'; they will come back.



# News From Hethersett Hall

Stories by Charlotte Govier and Emily Parden



Zoo Time For  
Residents and  
Creatures

**Chris from Zoolab arrived at our home with all sorts of animals including a baby rat, a corn snake called Casper and a breed of Gecko which is the biggest in the world to name a few.**

**Our residents took the bull by the horns for want of a better word and handled pretty much everything! It was a fantastic sensory experience overall.**

## Circus Extravaganza

When Covid 19 reared its ugly head last year our plans for a circus themed fete were dashed, but as this year rolled round and restrictions were lifted our disappointment turned to joy when we learned we could start planning for the summer fete again!

What a day it was on Saturday 18th September. The weather was spectacular, the turnout was amazing and it was lovely to see pockets of residents with their family and friends smiling and enjoying themselves including a special visit from Friend in Deed.

We had circus themed games like bottle toss and coconut shy to name a few, BBQ, magic and circus shows including juggling and uni cycle riding, Julie our singer and host for the day, Punch and Judy show and even an ice cream van!

A huge thank you to everyone involved, can't wait for the next event!



# News From Hethersett Hall

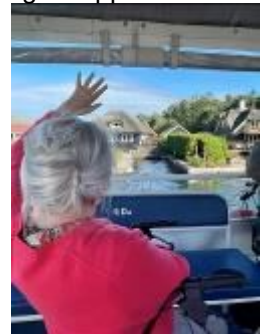
## Queen of the Broads

On Friday, 24th September, we were delighted to see the sun shining through as we set off to Wroxham for a lovely tour on the Broads.

Residents from Memory Lane and Main Hall were thrilled to see lots of wildlife along the river bank. After the tour, all 20 residents and staff tucked into some delicious fish and chips from one of Wroxham's finest takeaways.



It was a very special day for us all, a great end to the summer. Thank you to our amazing team for making it happen!



More pictures from the fete





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***[www.littlemeltonpreschoolnursery.co.uk](http://www.littlemeltonpreschoolnursery.co.uk)  
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***This organisation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children  
and young people and expect all its staff and volunteers to share this commitment.***

# Join The Email Group

We currently use Social Media to inform residents when a new edition of Hethersett Herald is published.

We also post copies of new editions, along with an archive of editions from the past six years, on the website [www.hetherssettherald.weebly.com](http://www.hetherssettherald.weebly.com).

If you would like to be alerted via e-mail of the publication of a new edition please send an e-mail requesting this service to the editor—  
[petersteward@lineone.net](mailto:petersteward@lineone.net).

We will then draw up a group for circulation. Your e-mail address will not be disclosed to any third parties and will be used exclusively for notification of new publications.

**The November edition of Hethersett Herald will be online at the end of October**

**News, features and photographs should be with the editor by October 15th at the latest.**

**We are happy to consider items for publication either on Hethersett or written by Hethersett residents on other subjects and they can be sent to**

**[petersteward@lineone.net](mailto:petersteward@lineone.net)**

## We Are On Facebook

Hethersett Herald is on Facebook. You can follow us at

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

Please share details of the Herald so we can increase our readership.

# 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 currently closed but will eventually be open in the Back Room 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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# Where To Eat In Hethersett

## **Janey's Village Café -**

32A Mill Road. Telephone 01603 811234. e-mail - janeyd11@yahoo.co.uk. Janey's is open from 9 am Wednesdays to Sundays inclusive.

## **Hethersett Queen's Head -**

12 Norwich Road. Telephone 01603 810226.

Food served Monday to Thursday 11.45 am to 2 pm (lunch) and 6-8.30 pm (evening meal). Friday and Saturday 11.45 am to 2.15 pm and 5.30 to 9.30 pm. Sunday carvery sittings at midday and 2 pm. Evening meals 5 to 8.30 pm.

## **Park Farm Hotel**

On the B1172 at Hethersett. NR9 3DL. Telephone 01603 810264. e-mail enq@parkfarm-hotel.co.uk.

Park Farm is a luxury country hotel with spa and fitness facilities and a number of places to eat throughout the day. For more information visit their website at <https://www.parkfarm-hotel.co.uk>.

## **Café Kin**

Rowan House, Queen's Road, Hethersett.

Café Kin is part of the Rowan House Health and Well Being complex on Queen's Road. Food and coffee served during certain days. From July 26th opening hours will be Wednesday to Friday 8 am to 2 pm, Saturday 9 am to 1.30 pm. The café will be closed Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. It will also be closed between August 30th and September 4th for staff holidays.

## **Hethersett King's Head**

Norwich Road. The venue has re-opened with food served every day including Sunday lunch.

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You will also find a variety of eating outlets close to the Thickthorn Services area off the B1172. These are technically in Hethersett, although they are two miles from the village centre. Outlets include Burger King, Subway and McDonalds and there is also a petrol station and Travelodge.



# Groups and Societies

## **First Steps Stay & Play Playgroup**

Hethersett Village Hall

9:45 – 11:00 every Tuesday during term  
time



£2 per child (£1 each for additional  
children within family group)

Babies under 6 months are free!

**Email: [firststepshethersett@outlook.com](mailto:firststepshethersett@outlook.com)**

Booking essential – booking window opens the  
Wednesday before the next session.

To book, please email the address above. You will  
receive a confirmation reply if space allows.

Spaces are limited to stay Covid safe.

**Find us on Facebook – First Steps  
Hethersett Stay & Play Playgroup**

# Groups and Societies

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](mailto: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.**

## Dementia Support Group Has Re-Started

HETHERSETT Dementia Support Group has re-started after its enforced COVID break.

The group meets twice monthly, The first Tuesday is an informal meeting for coffee and chat and the third Tuesday is more structured with talks, presentations, games and film shows.

“Anyone is welcome to join us and not just those living with dementia. We welcome people who are lonely or who just want to chat over a cup of coffee. Everyone is welcome,” said group chairman David Bills. If you would like more information about the group please contact David Bills on 01603 813041.

October meetings of the group will take place on the 5th and 19th.

At the meeting on the third Tuesday of September members enjoyed a film from the East Anglian Film Archives featuring visits to Royalty to East Anglia from the 1950s to the 1970s.

# Groups and Societies

## Cringleford and Hethersett Flower Club. (NAFAS affiliated)

### By Jenny Walpole

We are delighted to announce that our programme of events will resume from the end of September. We look forward to welcoming our previous members and lots of new faces too!

If you love flowers, this may be the club for you! Our friendly club generally meets on the fourth Monday of the month at Hethersett Village Hall, Back Lane, Hethersett at 7.30 pm.

After a demonstration by a qualified floral demonstrator, you will have the chance to win one of the arrangements via a raffle.

Refreshments are available afterwards. Other events and workshops are included in our programme.

For further details please ring Chairman Lynn Rawlings on 01603 457888

Coming events include: **Monday 27th September** the ever-popular local demonstrator David Wright takes us on "A Broadland Tour".

**Monday 25th October**—Terri Potter inspires us "This Way and That"

**Monday 22nd November**—(ticketed event). At our Open Meeting this year we welcome national demonstrator John Chennell.. Tickets are on sale now



Cringleford & Hethersett Flower Club  
*Open Meeting*

National Demonstrator **JOHN CHENNELL**  
Presents "The Magic of Christmas"  
Monday, 22nd November 2021 - 7.30 pm  
(doors open at 7.00 pm)

Hethersett Village Hall,  
Back Lane, Hethersett NR9 3JJ  
Tickets: £14

includes mulled wine and mince pies  
Stalls and Raffle

For tickets contact: Anna McEwan on 01603 456557

# Change In Library Opening Hours

Hethersett Library has returned to its pre-Covid staffed hours.

Open Library is still unavailable but the new hours from September 27th are as follows.

**MONDAY 1.30pm – 7pm**

**TUESDAY CLOSED**

**WEDNESDAY 11am-7pm**

**THURSDAY 1.30pm-7pm**

**FRIDAY 1.30pm-7pm**

**SATURDAY 11am-4pm**



# 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](mailto:petersteward@lineone.net)*

*Please note that many of these events will not be taking place at present due to Coronavirus. We have decided to keep this page active in order to inform residents of what is available to them once the epidemic is over. Clubs that we know have re-started have their details printed in red.*

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

**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.

**First Steps pre-school Group** meets in Hethersett Village Hall. See poster on the previous page for full details.

**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. There is also a social morning meeting on the first Tuesday of each month from 10 until 11.30 am.

**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.

**Hethersett Memorial Playing Field Bowls Club** meets on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 2 pm.

**ST Remigius Church has changed the time of its morning Sunday service.**

**From the beginning of September services will start at 11 am rather than the previous time of 10.30 am.**

# Hethersett Herald What's On

## Horticultural Society to Re-start

Hethersett and District Horticultural Society will be re-commencing its meetings on Wednesday, 20th October at 7.30 pm in the Methodist Church Hall in Great Melton Road.

The first speaker will be Robin MacDonald, who will be describing the Kirkenhof Gardens in Holland.

On Wednesday 17th November, Dr Anne Edwards will give a talk entitled "Up the Garden Path".

The first meeting will be free to attend for members and visitors will be charged £2.

The wearing of masks will be optional.

## St Remigius Baby and Toddler Group

Following a very successful Teddy Bears Picnic our Baby and Toddler Group will return to the usual first Tuesday of the month on 5<sup>th</sup> October at 10 am onwards in St Remigius Church. We look forward to welcoming parents, grandparents and carers with their babies and toddlers. As well as plenty for the children to do there will also be a "cuppa" and refreshments.

## An Afternoon of Stuff and Folly—Sunday 10th October at 3pm in St. Remigius Church, Hethersett

Stuff and Folly are an entertainment group comprising experienced and local writers and performers. They specialise in performing comedic radio plays and sketches, (but with the occasional dramatic item), interspersed with anecdotes. They have also written plays for the stage, some of which have won awards. Join them for an afternoon of fun and laughter.

Tickets £5, including refreshments will be available on the door

All proceeds go to St. Remigius Church

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Residents are being given another chance to have their bikes checked over when Wonky Wheels Community Bicycle Workshop returns to Rouen House on October 1st following the success of its previous venture.

The checks will go ahead from 10 am until 2 pm: “Bring your bike and we will check it over and perform any basic repairs that need doing free of charge! We will also let you know of any bigger jobs that need doing to keep you safe on your bike,” the group states.

Repairs will be undertaken on a first come, first served basis.

## Hethersett Social Club Opening Hours

THE latest list of opening hours for Hethersett Social Club are as follows:

Monday—Closed

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday—7-11 pm

Friday—5-11.30 pm

Saturday—3 pm until midnight

Sunday midday to 6 pm.

The venue has returned to bar service and the wearing of face masks is optional

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## OPEN DAY

Sunday October 3rd 2021, 10am - 5pm



## Great Melton Old Rectory A House Through Time



Costumed characters  
Refreshments  
Local history information

Garden tours  
Vintage stall  
£5 entry price

**All proceeds go to East Anglian Air Ambulance**

For more information, FaceBook:  
Great Melton Old Rectory





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## OCTOBER

**Friday 1st**—Wonky Wheels Community Bike workshop at Rowan House, 10 am to 2 pm. See earlier for further details.

**Sunday 3rd**— Hethersett Village Screen film. Hethersett Village Hall 3 pm.

**Tuesday 5th**—Hethersett Dementia Support Group coffee and chat, Hethersett Methodist Church Hall, 10 to 11.30 am.

**Tuesday 5th**—St Remigius Baby and Toddler Group. St Remigius Church 10 am.

**Tuesday 5th**—Art exhibition of residents' work. Hethersett Hall Care Home, 6.30 pm.

**Wednesday 6th**- Flu jab day in Hethersett.

**Sunday 10th**—An Afternoon of Stuff and Folly, 3 pm, St Remigius Church (see earlier for details)

**Monday 18th**—Hethersett Parish Council meeting, Hethersett Village Hall, 7.30 pm

**Tuesday 19th**—Hethersett Dementia Support Group monthly meeting. Hethersett Methodist Church Hall 10 am to midday.

**Wednesday 20th**—Hethersett Horticultural Society. Robin MacDonals talks about the Kirkenhof Gardens, Holland, 7.30 pm, Hethersett Methodist Church Hall.

## NOVEMBER

**Tuesday 2nd**—Hethersett Dementia Support Group coffee and chat. Hethersett Methodist Church Hall 10 to 11.30 am,

**Sunday 7th**— Hethersett Village Screen film. Hethersett Village Hall 3 pm.

**Monday 15th**— Hethersett Parish Council meeting. Hethersett Village Hall, 7.30 pm.

**Tuesday 16th**—Hethersett Dementia Support Group monthly meeting. Hethersett Methodist Church Hall, 10 am to midday.

**Wednesday 17th**— Hethersett Horticultural Society. Dr Anne Edwards talk "Up The Garden Path." 7.30 pm Hethersett Methodist Church Hall.

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