



# Bergh Apton Broadcast

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Queen Elizabeth II 1926 – 2022



At the time of writing my introduction to you as the new editor, we have just received the very sad news of the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II so my introductory words are a little different to those originally planned. In consequence, I have chosen to move this to the inside page

and dedicate the front page in tribute, which I hope you will agree is suitable recognition of a woman who selflessly dedicated her life to public service showing enduring humility, acceptance, grace and honour. I am sure you have all found your own way to remember and reflect on the life of such an influential true leader.

With the tributes now pouring in from around the world, it is clear how highly regarded Queen Elizabeth II, 'Our Queen', was held by people from all backgrounds and nationalities. Her ability to unite in peace and friendship is a legacy that I hope we can all take forward in our own lives and in some small way the uniting of people in our own community through this publication seems more poignant.

The Covid-19 period showed us all how important personal connection is to us as human beings and I urge you all to join with me by celebrating the news and stories of your fellow residents of Bergh Apton and by attending events within the village to foster friendship and strengthen our village community.

My intention in taking on this role (before our newsletter disappeared for good) is to ensure that the valuable link we have is not lost and so I urge you to support this, by sending me your good news, events you wish to publish, memories of times past or sharing what brings you joy, whether that be your career, your pastimes or something else. I cannot do this alone, nor would I wish to.

As you may expect, there will be changes in the newsletter as I update my skills and use different software but I hope you will embrace these as we all move forward.

If you would like to send anything to me, please contact me at: [berghaptoneditor@gmail.com](mailto:berghaptoneditor@gmail.com) (the deadline for the December issue is 10th November).

Best wishes,

**Jenny Lovatt**

## HARVEST FESTIVAL DECORATION



Please come along to  
Bergh Apton church

**SAT 1st OCTOBER**

to help decorate the church with  
flowers & harvest produce.

We will be there from 9.30am to  
midday  
- or just come for cake and a cup  
of coffee.

## A COFFEE MORNING

at

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## RINGING FOR THE QUEEN

by John Ling

At midday on Friday 8th September, the day after the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II at Balmoral, I was privileged to be part of a nation-wide gathering of ringers in church towers throughout the Nation to mark the Queen's passing in this time-honoured manner.



Tolling a single bell can be a lonely business. It is also a tricky one to get right as the ringer has to count the number of years of a person's life. So, in Her Majesty's

case it required a remarkable ninety-six single and separate strikes (or, in some circumstances, double strikes to be right.

So I was very grateful for Churchwarden Shirley Rimmer's company in the ringing chamber as she counted the 30 seconds intervals we decided to keep between strikes and counted down from 96 (or was it up to 96?) so we got the right number. Bell-ringers will know from Shirley's photo (left) that I am ringing the bell up ready to start.

This was, in some ways, a rather surreal experience with the thought no one had performed this specific rite in our parish church (or indeed any other) since 1952 when King George VI had died, and that it will not be performed again until the end of the reign of King Charles III.

## Bergh Apton - Home of the Arts

Once again, Bergh Apton has nurtured the creativity of both residents and visitors to our village with some engaging, fun workshops enabling both learning and friendship to flourish. In August, we welcomed artists Liz McGowan and Di Byford to their respective workshops in paper-making and book-making using natural and re-cycled materials. Their knowledge and creativity sparked excitement in trying new ideas and experimenting with different techniques and materials. Participants hope to take the results forward to a series of writing workshops, to make their own books of creative writing with Hugh Lupton, who will be hosting further workshops in October.

Thanks, as always, to Pat Mlejnecky and The Bergh Apton Community Arts Trust (BACAT) for arranging these opportunities to learn new skills.

And as always the vegetarian lunch was delicious, with homemade cake provided by Sue Price.

I so enjoyed the workshop, a great teacher, I learnt lots, had great fun, produced some lovely paper thoroughly enjoyable.

"inspiring, imaginative and thoughtful tutors"

"lots of creative fun"

"an exciting workshop with lots of tips and ideas for interesting papers"

"two delightful days of mess and debris"

"so happy to be joined by Sasha and Arina, recently arrived from Odessa. Their creations are now proudly hanging on their bedroom wall."

## News of our Ukranian Visitors

by Christopher Meynell

Congratulations to the Rockland Group, proving to be a safe and welcoming haven for escaping Ukrainian families.

APPEAL for VOLUNTEERS for Ukraine Connect (UC), a UK-based matching website with a backlog of over 1,000 Ukrainian visitors needing homes. Please help to match registered hosts with visitors and to introduce them to each other. All you need, as a volunteer, is a couple of hours a week, access to the internet, a telephone and a good telephone manner

Are you willing to host Ukrainian guests?

Here briefly, is the story of one family. The mother arrived in mid-July with her six-year-old daughter eventually reaching Norfolk via Moldova and Bucharest from Odessa, where they had spent days in basements sheltering from regular missile attacks, leaving her husband still working there. One of the many tragedies of this conflict is how close families have been divided by support for opposing sides. This family has experienced this pain, a very real pain. It is wonderful though, that there is now a group of Ukrainians from Lviv, Kyiv, Kharkiv, the Donbas, Mariupol, Odessa and elsewhere, who have known each other for years, all within visiting distance in S. Norfolk reducing their feelings of total isolation.

I am aware of some 30 Ukrainians here or soon to arrive in our vicinity! That says it all. Jobs are the main thing for

many of them and transport. It's marvellous to learn of the generosity of so many, fetching from airports, providing transport, giving bikes, TVs, gifts of money, of furniture, of clothes and more, much more.

The responses of Norfolk people have been great - bus drivers have allowed visitors free trips, (instincts above profit!), driving instructors willing to offer free refreshers to drive on the Norfolk roads – I can go on.

And we have nothing but praise for S.Norfolk Council's dedicated, enthusiastic and helpful staff. They, in our brief experience have been brilliant.

A fund has been set up within Bergh Apton PCC (Church Council).

o Vodafone has provided free Sim cards

o Free laptops can be ordered from the libraries

For further info or interest in any of the above, please contact: Christopher Meynell c.m.meynell@gmail.com or 01508 558440.



## Village Hall Update

The nameboard on our village hall was the one element of its exterior that survived the major refurbishment of 2012. But now, after withstanding wind, rain and sun for something like thirty years, it had begun to show its age. So, in August, it was taken down and sent to signwriter Mike Amiss at Great Melton for a makeover. And here's the result.



Another recent change, the result of a recommendation of Ashby St Mary painter and decorator Chris Clitheroe, is the black detailing for the corner posts and window frames. The village hall's Trustees made these changes to sharpen up the appearance of the hall so that it is in good shape for its current users and in a good position to attract new ones.

John Ling

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## BALLET CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

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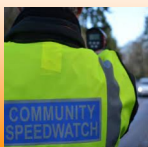
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To find out more, please email Bergh Apton's CSW Co-ordinator - [sheri@sherdanwinn.com](mailto:sheri@sherdanwinn.com) Thank you

## If you want to know how the neighbours speak.....

An evening with a difference, full of laughter and intrigue.

According to Charlie Haylock (and others), Suffolk is the birthplace of the English language.

“At the start of filming 'The Dig', I wasn't working with an actor who was playing Basil Brown – he was Basil Brown,” explains Charlie one of Suffolk's most prominent ambassadors. The actor was Ralph Fiennes “If my interpretation of Basil Brown feels right to Suffolk ears then it is due to Charlie's support and guidance.”

'The Dig', one of Netflix's most popular films, tells of the Sutton Hoo discoveries in the 1930s.

Behind the scenes Charlie Haylock worked on the set, helping its cast nail a perfect Suffolk accent, and especially from the film's star, Ralph Fiennes, who achieved a flawless tone; a remarkable achievement.

Fiennes had tracked down Charlie having heard his YouTube dialect tour of the UK, how a deaf person can work out what dialect is being spoken, simply by lip reading (another evening's worth, perhaps?)...

And on 15th October, in Bergh Apton Church, Charlie tells behind the scenes tales of 'The Dig', and how he achieved such remarkable transformations. Tickets available.

*Christopher Meynell*

**BERGH APTON JUBILEE FESTIVAL**

**'Full of laughter and Suffolk speak'**

**CHARLIE HAYLOCK and 'The Dig'**

**'Hilarious!'**

Charlie tells of experiences coaching Ralph Fiennes 'how to speak Suffolk' on the *The Dig - Sutton Hoo* (Netflix)

**Saturday 15th October 2022, 7pm**  
**At Bergh Apton Church NR15 1BX**

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(in aid of Trussell Trust & Bergh Apton Church)  
Via <http://berghapton.org.uk/events/>  
or 01508 558440

## Congratulations!

Sue Bewick is pleased to announce the recent marriage of her daughter Sarah Bewick, formerly of Bergh Apton to Jérôme Rastit, French citizen. The marriage took place on Saturday July 16th on a glorious sunny day at Saint Peter and Paul's church in Bergh Apton.

A reception was held at the brides family home in Bergh Apton, in the garden. It was an Anglo French wedding and the couple returned to Aix en Prov'ence where they live.



We are also delighted Kip Bertram has been able to share news of his younger daughter Fliss and her husband Russell de Beer welcoming the safe arrival of Elijah Edward Bertram de Beer on 5th July. Elijah arrived at a healthy 8lb 8oz. We understand mother and baby are doing very well.

I am sure everyone would like to take this opportunity in welcoming Elijah to the world and wishing all the family well.

## Long-awaited Opening of Welbeck Marsh

An enthusiastic group of members, supporters and guests of Bergh Apton's Conservation Trust met on the 10th September, in the early autumn sunshine, to finally celebrate the formal opening of Welbeck Marsh, a 12-acre extension to its nature reserve.

The new area of marsh and wet woodland has been purchased with grant-aid from Bergh Apton Parish Council, South Norfolk District Council, Bergh Apton Village Hall Committee and the Geoffrey Watling Charity bringing the area protected to a total of 22 acres, after successive acquisitions over the last 28 years.

In his welcome, Professor Anthony Davy, Chairman of BACT said: "This is an exciting and important acquisition for the Trust, more than doubling the reserve area. Apart from diversifying the habitats protected, it is well-known that larger areas have disproportionate advantages for conservation ecology over smaller ones." The reserve currently comprises varied habitats of marsh, woodland and scrub, and includes ponds, dykes and riverbanks.

Lorie Lain-Rogers, a founding (and current) Trustee said: "I am absolutely delighted to open Welbeck Marsh formally to our members and visitors. What an amazing journey we have been on! I don't think any of us who embarked on buying our first 4.5 acres of a disused gravel pit in July 1994 could ever have dreamed of this day."

It was also a fitting opportunity to inaugurate an oak bench seat in memory of devoted, long-serving Trustee and Hon. Secretary, Mrs Stephanie Crome.

The event also celebrated the results of the Chet Valley B-Line, an ambitious, community-based project seeking to improve habitats for bees, hoverflies, butterflies and other pollinating insects along a 17-km stretch of the River Chet - from its source in Poringland to Hardley, where it meets the Yare.

If you are interested in conservation, and would like to join BACT, please contact: Tony Davy 01508 558453 or Bob Kerry 01508 558674



## MORE ABOUT THE BERGH APTON LANCER

by John Ling

Over the last fifteen or so years, and from time to time, I have popped into the Newsletter an update on the (true) story of a Bergh Apton soldier who wrote in 1915 to Harvey Thursby, then the Rector, to tell him about taking part in one of the last charges with the lance of the British cavalry.

Just to remind those of you intrigued by the tale, I tell of Charles Vaughan of the 12th Lancers. He was a seasoned cavalryman who, when his unit was based in Norwich, met and married Sarah, the daughter of the Bergh Apton builder Maurice Redgrave. Soon after their marriage (in January 1914) war broke out between Britain and Germany. It was a war that was to last for five years and cost many millions of lives throughout the world (no wonder we call it 'The Great War' or 'World War One').

Days after the war started (on 4th August) Charles and the whole of the 12th Lancers left their barracks at the foot of Mousehold in Norwich to face the Germans in the Belgian town of Mons.

Following a fierce battle - and a poor military decision by the French General Staff - and to prevent a military disaster, the whole of the British Expeditionary Force fell back nearly 200 miles to the river Marne in what has become infamous as 'The Retreat from Mons'.

It was during that retreat that Charles Vaughan's unit, near a small



village called Moy de 'Aisne just south of St Quentin, met up with a unit of the Prussian Dragoon Guards. In a headlong charge into the midst of the dismounted German cavalry, Charles and his companions inflicted some serious damage with their lances. The oil painting shown to the left is of them riding back through their lines, celebrating the rout of the enemy.

So why, you may ask, am I telling you all this? Well, in the nearly twenty years since we uncovered this tale of derring-do what has been lacking has been an idea of what Charles Vaughan looked like at about the time of this affray. With the help of Vaughan's grandson Gordon Clarke, far away in Thailand where he lives, that search has now ended with this image he sent via email.

So, this is our man, in a photo taken some three years after the charge at Moy de 'Aisne when he has been commissioned into another cavalry regiment, the 6th (Inniskilling) Dragoons, who were known as 'The Skins' (or, more irreverently 'The Donkey Wallopers'). One of The Skins more memorable sons was Captain L. G. Oates, better known as 'Titus Oates' who died with Robert Falcon Scott on their ill-fated return from the South Pole in 1912.



This image is very grainy and our next step is to see if we can have it improved by modern digital enhancement technology. But, as the only known image of our man, it's good enough for now.

## OBITUARY - MORENA LESTER

Morena (pron. Morena) Lester who died on 8th August in the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital, was the wife of the late David Lester of Hellington Corner who pre-deceased her in September 2021.

They were married for 65 years and had raised their three children, Simon, Liz and David in the same house they moved into soon after their wedding. It was close both to Colin Carver's market garden (now Green Pastures) where David worked at that time, and to Mill Farm where Morena was Head Girl of the internationally-recognised Mill Farm Arabian Stud where she worked side-by-side with its owner Alison Hardcastle. Few of today's Bergh Apton's residents will have known the redoubtable Alison Hardcastle and her remarkable stud where she established a successful Arab bloodline through her foundation mare Scindia. This mare, covered by the stallion Indian Magic, produced the stallion Scindian Magic who stood at the stud for over twenty years and fathered many progeny.



Morena with stallion Scindian Magic.

One Scindian owner, writing in 2005, commented; 'This is quite a remarkable family. Very small, yet every one has turned out to be a quality horse - and just about every male from this dam line has proven himself a superior animal. How many 'fashionable' families can say the same?'

Called 'Ren' by Alison, and known by the stable staff as 'Aunty Ren', Morena was respected by Alison for her knowledge of horses and for her honest opinions and she played no small part in the Stud's success.

Born Morena Prendergast in Essex in 1938, she was evacuated at the beginning of World War 2, with the youngest of her brothers, to Wales. One of her elder brothers, serving in HM Forces, was killed when a bomb fell on a train on which he was travelling. Morena never re-joined her birth family and was raised by foster parents. She left school to begin a nursing career at St Bartholomew's Hospital (Barts) in London but that start in her working life does not seem to have lasted very long and ended when she left to follow her interest in horses.



A young Morena Prendergast

Morena arrived in Bergh Apton after spending a time in Newmarket where her light 8-stone weight was ideal when 'riding out' in the early mornings to exercise race horses on the Newmarket Gallops. One incident she recalled from those times was having a spectacular fall from a horse that had a trick, at a full gallop, of dropping a shoulder to ditch its rider. Her fellow riders could do nothing but watch as Katy (as they called her) tumbled over and over downhill to end up unhurt.

To bolster the family's income Morena was also a courier for Securicor in which employment she remembered one incident where, as the driver safely secured in the vehicle, she saw her partner being attacked by an assailant with a cricket bat!. After retiring she worked as a volunteer driver for the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital patient service.

Morena's funeral was on 14th September at Bergh Apton church.

(With thanks to John Ling who kindly liaised with the family in compiling this tribute)

## Operation Christmas Child Fill A Shoebox

Dare we mention the word Christmas yet? International events take some time to plan and it is already time to be thinking of what we can do to share goodwill at Christmas with a wrapped shoebox of Christmas gifts for children in need.



Hilary Ling will again be co-ordinating the annual 'Shoebbox Collection' on behalf of Samaritan's Purse. Full details of what to do and what can be included can be found in leaflets available at Green Pastures or at: [www.samaritans-purse.org.uk](http://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk).

Boxes should be packed and delivered to Hilary or Bergh Apton Church by 19th November ready for the 'Shoebbox Service' at 11am on Sunday 20th November.

If you are unable to obtain a leaflet or need help with collection of your box, please contact:

Hilary Ling

Watermeadows, Bussey Bridge  
01508 480 439 or 07900 553420, or  
email [hilary.ling@btinternet.com](mailto:hilary.ling@btinternet.com).



'Save the Children' Christmas cards will be available at the Oct/Nov Community Cafe meetings at Bergh Apton village hall  
Contact: Carrie Coll 01508 550260 for further details.

## MORE ARTS NEWS...

Bergh Apton has a long tradition of connection with the Arts and we are pleased to be able to share the news of the success of former Bergh Apton resident, Rosie Winn, who continues to maintain her links with the village through her support of the Conservation and Arts Trusts.

Rosie is a talented artist, and has been a member of the prestigious Norwich 20 Group since 2012, exhibiting with them this year as well as galleries in Norwich, Great Yarmouth and Ely. Rosie is interested in movement and form and draws with a pyrography pen on paper allowing her to focus on a purity of line which captures the essence of action.

Her work 'Garland', has recently been exhibited with the Society of Women Artists at the Mall Galleries in London which was opened by Prince Michael of Kent.

If you would like to know more, further details can be found at [www.rosiewinn.com](http://www.rosiewinn.com) or by following her on social media platforms at 'RosieWinnArt'.



## BIG BOOK SALE

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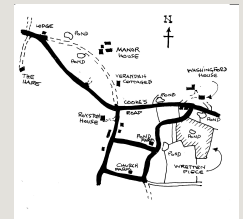


## THE HARE – OPEN AGAIN FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY

We've probably used this headline - or a variation of it - around this time every year since 2006 to report the annual celebration by members of Bergh Apton's Local History Group and their friends to remember The Hare - the pub that once stood nearest to the centre of Bergh Apton.

This year they met in the garden of Royston House, Andrew and Gill Waters' home on the corner of The Street and Threadneedle Street. That was where the pub moved in the 1790s (that's not a typing error, it really was the 1790s) until it closed its doors a few years later - the last year it is recorded as 'an alehouse' being in 1803.

Before it moved to Royston House it had stood in Bob Debbage's field in Threadneedle Street opposite Mill Loke since much earlier in the eighteenth century, appearing in the records in that location under the name 'The Adam and Eve' before 1767 (the year it changed its name to The Hare).



BALHG had planned to have this year's celebration on that spot (where one can still find traces of the building demolished in the 1950s) but the

drought conditions following the harvest of this year's arable crop made the risks of fire on the stubble far too high.

A good company assembled in the Waters' garden this year on the evening of 12th August to share the contents of a barrel of Grain's excellent bitter and to catch up on village gossip - surely the two vital components of any pub's life.



If you haven't already booked in for this annual fun challenge, make up a team (ideally 8 people but it's not a rigid rule) and book a table.

**Saturday 22nd October**  
7pm at the Village Hall

**Delicious chilli supper included**  
(meat or vegetarian)

£8.50 per team member

For booking, contact: Milton Harris 01508-550473 or [town\\_farm@btinternet.com](mailto:town_farm@btinternet.com)



**AT THE PARISH CHURCH  
ON SUNDAY  
13th NOVEMBER**

You will be warmly welcomed to honour with us all those including the 51 men on our village war memorial who died in the two World Wars.

**at 10.30 am**



## NOW YOU SEE 'EM, NOW YOU DON'T!

by John Ling

There is an entry in the minutes the Village Hall AGM of 1984, in the time that the late Fred Littlewood was Chairman and Jill Emms was Treasurer, that records; "Fifty conifers have been planted along the [by Ed; northern] boundary, given by the Parish Council . . .".

Those leylandii (*Cupressus x leylandii*)\*\* , after thirty eight years, are no more. Professional tree-surgeons Arborpro (see the note below) have removed the trees and ground out their stumps so that the ground can be readied to plant up a new hedge of mixed native species later this year, when the conditions are right.

This is the outcome of concern expressed by the village hall trustees at both the height and the condition of the trees. They consulted Long Stratton-based Arborpro on the best course of action and, when advised that the trees are probably too old to survive the experience and live, and were likely to begin to fail one-by-one soon anyway, they took the decision to have them felled.

The trustees have used their demise as an opportunity to plant a hedge of native UK species. The considerable cost of this new hedge will be funded in part by the village hall and in part by a grant obtained through the Norfolk arm of FWAG (the Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group).

The old trees were felled in early September and the success of that operation was due in no small part to the invaluable help of Richard and Rebecca Foreman of the adjacent Veranda Cottage.

This upheaval came barely two weeks after their wedding, when they must have longed for a bit of tranquillity after all the excitement. But they agreed that the contractor could drop these 65-foot (20 metres) tall giants onto their meadow and that allowed Arborpro both to avoid damage to the play park and to dismember the trees on the village hall land.

This huge operation has made a permanent change to the landscape around the village hall. In the short term the now-naked boundary between the Foreman's meadow and

the village hall will be delineated by a 6 ft-high wooden fence to protect their privacy. Within 5 years the new planting will soften that rather harsh border and the hedge, as it matures, will become as familiar a sight to future generations of Bergh Aptoners as the now-departed stark sentinels of the old hedge have been for us.

\*\* *The Leylandii is a hybrid cross between a Monterey and a Nootka cypress. Being sterile it cannot reproduce other than by cuttings. It was bred, by chance, at Leighton Hall in Powys in 1888 and Wikipedia's entry records its normal life expectancy as 'between 10 and 25 years' so these 38-year-old specimens are real grand-daddys!*



### HOW ARBORPRO FELLED THE LEYLANDII

Is the thought of felling a long line of 20-metre-high trees a bit daunting for you? For anyone except an experienced tree surgeon it should be! But it is all in a day's work for Jonathan Vaughan and his team at Arborpro (Arborpro Tree Services Ltd).

In just over three days they did the job in a way that was impressive to watch. The lower eight feet or so of each tree's branches were lopped off and the tree felled so that it dropped onto Richard and

Rebecca's meadow. Then it was a simple (but heavy!) job to attach a chain to the trunk and mechanically drag it onto the village hall green where an array of machinery cleared the remaining 50-or-so feet of branches and passed them through a chipping machine into a huge skip. Finally, the trunk was cut into lengths that went into another huge skip. Sounds simple, doesn't it? But, as the adverts say, 'don't try this at home'!!!

If you need advice or action on your trees, give Jonathan a call. He's local (the company is based in Long Stratton) and he's good.

Telephone: 01508 470273 Mobile: 07823 336986

Website: [arborprotreeservices.co.uk](http://arborprotreeservices.co.uk)

## A plea to all dog owners and dog walkers...

Bergh Apton Parish Council would like to remind all dog owners/dog walkers of the dog waste bin facilities in the village, as it has been brought to our attention that there is still quite a bit of dog waste on footpaths, not to mention the occasional black bag of waste hanging in the bushes!

We currently have two easily accessible dog bins in the village – a red one at the village hall and a green one near the junction of Church Road and The Street, next to the red post box! (Please see red crosses on the map)

In addition, there are two further bins on the village boundary – one in Mill Road near the Cattery and one at the Thurton end of Cookes Road.

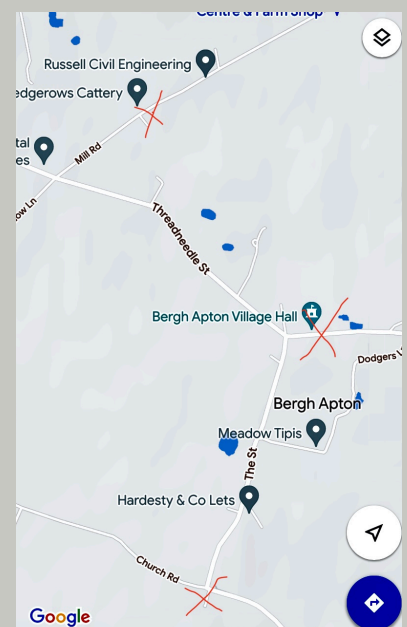
We would be really grateful if dog owners would make use of these bins – or alternatively 'kick or stick' their dog's mess into the bushes where it will decompose naturally without anyone stepping in it!

Thank you very much.

Angela Tregear – Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer to Bergh Apton Parish Council

(until 23rd Sept 2022 – to be replaced by new Clerk Amy Gallant)

Email: [clerk@berghapton.org.uk](mailto:clerk@berghapton.org.uk)



### Coming Up In Future Editions

I am looking forward to hearing from you so we reach both newcomers and long-time residents in the village. In the meantime, I hope to bring to you articles from James Debbage of Green Pastures, for all of the gardeners in Bergh Apton and to let you know a little more about a great way of keeping fit and mobile with Emma Stevens of 'Moves with Emma', who is a regular at our village hall. If you have ideas for clubs, societies or get-togethers, then let me know and we can publicise it to gain interest and see if we can make it happen - let's keep Bergh Apton connected!

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### Regular Events at The Village Hall

Monday	9.30am - 10.15	Pilates
Monday	5pm on	Dog Training
Tuesday	9.30am - 10.15	Pilates
Tuesday	7.30pm	The La La's sing
3rd Wednesday	10am - 12.00	Coffee n Chat
3rd Wednesday	2-4 pm	Village Archive
Friday	9.30am & 11.15	Yoga
1st Saturday	9 - 5pm	Microscopy

### Useful Contacts

#### BACAT (art workshops)

Pat Mlejnecky 01508 480696

#### BA Conservation Trust

Tony Davy 01508 558453

#### BA Local History Trust

Linda Davy 01508 558453

#### BA Society

Lynton Johnson 01508 480629

#### Church: Rector

Reverend Chris Ellis 01508 484174

#### Church: Warden

Shirley Rimmer 01508 480576

#### Dog Training

Tina Devlin 07810 158799

#### Family/Local History research

John Ling 01508 480439

#### Microscopy Group

Peter Sunderland 01508 493398

#### Pilates classes

[moveswithemma.com](http://moveswithemma.com)

#### Singing (The La La's)

Karen Bonsell 07900 968739

#### Village Hall Bookings

Hilary Ling 01508 480439

#### Yoga classes

Gemma Bains 07979 723914

## Village Diary

### October

1st 9.30am - 12	Decorate church for Harvest Festival and Church Gift Day
2nd 9.30am	Harvest Festival at B.A. Parish Church
7th 7.30pm	BALHG talk on village small holdings at village hall
12th 10am	Coffee Morning at Washingford House
12th 7.30pm	B.A. Society talk 'Upstairs Downstairs at Blickling Hall' at B.A. Village Hall
15th 10am	BACT Workday. Meet at Church Field
15th 7pm	Charlie Haylock, Dialect Coach, at Church
19th 10am -12	Coffee n Chat at B.A. Village Hall
20th 10am	BACT Workday. Meet at Church Field
22nd 7pm for 7.30	Quiz n Chill for Church funds at B.A. Village Hall
23rd 1.30pm	BACT Fungus Foray meet at B.A. Churchfield

### November

9th 7.30pm	B.A. Society talk by Pip Wright on the story of Rev John Heighton Stegall
13th 10.30am	Remembrance Day Service at B.A. Parish Church Followed by Soup at the Village Hall
16th 10am -12.00	Coffee n Chat at B.A. Village Hall
17th TBA	BA Society visit to Thursford show
19th 10am	BACT Workday. Meet at Church Field
20th 11am	Shoebox Service at B.A. Parish Church
23rd 7.30pm	Village Hall Management Committee meeting
24th 10am	BACT Workday. Meet at Church Field
26th 9am	11 Says Assembly at Bergh Apton Village Hall

### December

3rd	6.45pm	Ashley Ramsden, storyteller, at Parish Church
7th	10am -4pm	Christmas Wreath workshop at Village Hall
9th	7pm for 7.30 start	Christmas Bingo at B.A. Village Hall

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