




# New Buckenham Parish News



**NEW BUCKENHAM PLAYERS  
PRESENTS**

# Camelot

*By Ben Crocker*

**THE  
PANTO**  
*Directed by  
Jimmy Casson*

*At New Buckenham  
Village Hall*

*December 6th, 7th and 8th  
at 8pm*


*Matinee December 8th  
at 2.30pm*

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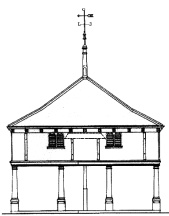
## New Buckenham Arts Film Night



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## Camelot: The Pantomime

The pantomime will be performed at the Village Hall on the 6th, 7th and 8th December at 8pm, with a matinee performance at 2:30pm on Saturday 8th. The bar and box office will be open from 7pm. So, time to purchase your tickets and enjoy a drink before the performance!

Advance tickets are also available from the box office on 01953 861438/860320 and you can purchase them from Kings Stores. Tickets are £8 for adults and £5 for children.

We hope that you enjoy the show and don't forget to join in and have fun!

*Sally Elvin*

*Chairman, New Buckenham Players*

## Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

We would like to wish all our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We would also like to thank the New Buckenham Players for sponsoring this issue of *Parish News*.

We are very grateful to all our sponsors who have helped to cover our production costs during 2018. If you would be interested in sponsoring an issue of *Parish News* in 2019, please get in touch (see back cover).

*Parish News Committee*

# Carols Around the Christmas Tree

We invite all the village to celebrate Christmas by joining together for carols around the Christmas tree on the green, at the Market Cross, on Tuesday 18th December at 6:00pm.

Bring your lanterns or torches. Mulled wine, hot chocolate, sausage rolls and mince pies will be provided, together with song sheets and the wonderful musical accompaniment of Billy Hoddy-Brown!

Donations will be welcome, with all the proceeds going to the Children's Society. In Britain, today, there are children and young people who feel scared, unloved and unable to cope, and the Children's Society works with these children to help them have a better chance in life.

If you feel that you are able to contribute towards the refreshments by supplying some sausage rolls, mince pies or wine for mulling it would be greatly appreciated.

*Claire McNamara*

*860712 / Burrage House (opposite Kings Stores)*

# The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

This year's Centenary village collection raised £1,019.49 which is the highest amount in the ten years since we took over the organisation of the Appeal. We are very grateful to all our collectors, some of whom did it for the first time (but not the last, we hope!). Many thanks too, to all the businesses who agreed to take trays – they made a very welcome contribution to the overall total.

*Elly and John Newport*

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## **Nine Readings and Carols: 6:30pm, Sunday 16th December**

Come and enjoy a mixture of well-loved Bible passages and less conventional readings, read by representatives of village organisations. Everyone gets the chance to have a good old sing of some popular Christmas favourites. This year, along with our church choir, we welcome The Gissing Singers, back by popular demand after their appearance at the Village & Vestry launch. There will be mulled wine, mince pies and other goodies afterwards.

**Our "Midnight" Mass on Christmas Eve is at 9.30pm and is led by Rev Canon Steve Wright.**

## **Round-the-Crib Family Service: 11am, Christmas Morning**

This is a lovely calming interval after the excitement of present opening. The Christmas story is told informally, from Mary to the Three Kings, with all the well known carols. It's a very 'hands-on' event for the children, using our cheery knitted figures to assemble the crib and there'll be masks to wear as well. But it's good for all ages, so bring the whole family, or give the chef half an hour's peace to get the bubbly chilled. We are a child friendly church with toilet, quiet corners, and a play area, and will make you very welcome!

*Susan Jowett*



# To All Hall Users

A full stage will be erected on 24th November in preparation for the pantomime so the Players would like to apologise for any difficulties this may cause to other Hall users. It will restrict access to the back store room and we know it can be a bit tricky bringing everything through the Small Meeting Room, so apologies for the inconvenience. We do hope you'll come and see the show! Many thanks.

*Gill Goodwin (for New Buckenham Players)*

# The Villager

Please could everyone check their entries in the current edition of *The Villager* and let me know of any errors that need correcting in the forthcoming 2019/20 edition.

Also, if there is anyone who is not in the current edition, or whom we have not managed to contact and would like to be included.

Please note that the deadline for all updates and amendments is 15th December.

*Violet Highton*

*860741 / vhyton@btinternet.com*



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# New Buckenham Parish Council

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 11th December at 7:30pm in the Large Meeting Room at the Village Hall. A warm welcome is extended to all parishioners. After the business of the meeting is concluded, there will be an opportunity to join us for seasonal drinks and nibbles.

If you are unable to join us on the 11th, may I, on behalf of the Parish Council, wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

The first meeting of 2019 will be held on Tuesday 8th January at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

*Karen Hobley - Chair*

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## New Buckenham Parish Council

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Mary Manning (01953 861242)

**Clerk:** Trevor Wenman  
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The Parish Council meets at 7:30pm in the Village Hall on the second Tuesday of every month. Further information about the Parish Council can be found on our notice board on the Village Green or on our website [www.newbuckenhampc.info](http://www.newbuckenhampc.info).



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# Summary of Draft Minutes November 2018

1. Apologies were received from Cllr Highton.
2. Minutes of the October meeting were approved as correct.
3. Matters Arising
  - a) The Chair has had a discussion with those concerned with the difficulties parking in Boosey's Walk
  - b) The Clerk has yet to contact Highways concerning overhanging trees in Marsh Lane.
4. Public Participation
  - a) Parishioners' Comments and Questions
    - i) Mr and Mrs Winsor thanked the Council for their help in negotiating the placement of a memorial in the Churchyard.
  - b) District Councillor Report

Cllr Joel reported that the Local Plan was now with the Inspectors.
  - c) County Council Report

The Clerk reported that Highways had jetted the drains in the vicinity of Marsh Lane and King Street due to a problem reported previously.
5. Financial Matters
  - a) bank reconciliation to the end of October was noted.
  - b) payments for November were approved.
  - c) a letter concerning the Norfolk County Council budget consultation was noted.

- d) it was noted that precepts for 2019/20 need to be submitted to Breckland by 31st January and that a final budget would need to be approved in the January meeting. The Clerk will provide a draft initial budget for the December meeting .
- e) the Council noted a need to budget for the cost of Parish Council elections in May.

#### 6. Community Project Grants

- a) Grant Application - the Council received a report from the Project Fund Group recommending a further grant to the New Buckenham Silver Band for 29 music stands, an all weather gazebo and a conductor's music stand. Council resolved to approve the grant of £1,650 + VAT, Council will be able to reclaim the VAT.
- b) The Project Fund Group had carried out a review of the grant scheme and proposed amendments to the scheme and application form. Deferred to the next meeting to give time for Cllrs to familiarise themselves with the changes and clarify if individuals should be allowed to apply for a grant under the scheme.

#### 7. Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Manning proposed a workshop with the PC to discuss the next stage of the process which would involve producing a pre-submission plan and draft policies .

#### 8. Highways Issues

Cllrs considered an email from a resident regarding parking and speeding in the village. Cllrs Dowson and Manning will raise these issues at the next SNAP meeting at the end of November.



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## 9. Dog Control

Cllrs considered the situation of controlling dogs in the village. It was noted that this is a District Council function and any concerns should be passed to the Dog Warden Service.

## 10. Amenities

- a) Allotments: a new resident will be offered allotment 11. Cllr Crossman will investigate the shed and fencing that has been erected on the plot which is not strictly permitted by the tenancy agreement. The boundary fence is in need of repair. Clerk will seek quotations.
- b) Closed Churchyard: planning consent is required for any works to the Yew Tree.
- c) Grounds Maintenance: Council agreed and accepted the extra charge of £300 for the work done by Broadland Tree Services associated with new wildlife management system in the Closed Churchyard.

## Clear the Decks

Now the festive season is upon us, why not clear out your bookshelves ready for those new books you'll be getting at Yuletide?

The village 'library' in the church still has plenty of space on the shelves for any good novels, biographies, history, art – indeed, any books you have read and would like to pass on for others to enjoy. The only things we don't need are cookery books, part works and magazines. And, while you're there, try browsing the hundreds of titles on our shelves and buy yourself something to read (50p per title/ children's books free, or donation) while recovering from too much Christmas pud!

*Ian Jowett*



# What is the William Barber Trust?

In his Will of 1692, William Barber left a small farm in Carleton Rode to support a minister in New Buckenham and build a new dwelling where the Alms houses are now in Castle Hill Road. Now for four people in need, originally they were for tradespeople of New Buckenham who had 'fallen on hard times'. In 1861, both the Alms houses and the 'Town Houses' around the corner in Marsh Lane were rebuilt in a similar Victorian Jacobean style, funded mainly from the estates of New Buckenham brothers Horace and Joseph Jacob Turner who were wine and spirit merchants.

The buildings of four self-contained dwellings remained largely unaltered until 1992, when they were renovated. Each dwelling was enlarged to allow for a separate kitchen and bathroom. More recently the outhouses have been made into separate store rooms and accommodate oil tanks for each house. The latest renovation has been to the very decorative windows which have been remade to be exact replicas of the originals.

These houses are listed and great care has to be taken to ensure they are serviceable for the residents but retain their original character.

The William Barber Trust is managed by a group of volunteer Trustees. There should be seven of us but at the moment we have a vacancy. We meet four times a year to discuss the maintenance of the houses and to ensure that all the residents are comfortable and included as much as they wish to be in village activities. We would welcome someone from the village who would like to be part of this organisation. If you are interested please contact Fizz Thomas on 861253 or pop around and see me at Blair House, Market Place.

The present Trustees are: Gill Goodwin, Don Crossman, Pauline Dynes, Gordon Chase, Jon Frith, and Fizz Thomas.

The present Trustees of the William Barber Trust would like to say thank you to Dr Charles Oxley on his retirement as a Trustee after twenty-six years of service. Your knowledge and wisdom will be greatly missed, but we wish you success in your new venture, the Neighbourhood Plan.

*Fizz Thomas, on behalf of all the William Barber Trustees*

## The Historic Buildings of New Buckenham

In 2002, the Norfolk Historic Buildings Group undertook a detailed survey of the historic building of New Buckenham, which included recording most of the old houses in the village. In some houses, tree-rings in surviving pieces of timber-framing were able to be used to date the building. A book about the project was published in 2005, and the project won an Archaeological Award in 2006.

Anyone interested in finding out more might like to know that a few copies of the book are still available to purchase from the Norfolk Historic Buildings Group (via me) for £8 each. Numbers are limited, so do get in touch if you would like to buy a copy.

*Richard Hoggett (860136 / [richard@richard-hoggett.co.uk](mailto:richard@richard-hoggett.co.uk))*

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All information regarding the trail can be found at [www.breckland.gov.uk/elves](http://www.breckland.gov.uk/elves) where you can download a trail card, a list of participating retailers in your local town, and find out how to take part. The trail runs from 10th November to 31st December 2018, and all families taking part will be entered into a prize draw to win £250 worth of [Shopappy.com](http://Shopappy.com) vouchers, with the winner being announced in early January.

*Adrian Joel*

## Breckland Shopappy

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*Adrian Joel*

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## Hair of the Dog Walk

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After a glass of 'the hair of the dog' and New Year greetings we then go on one of two guided walks around the village and surrounding footpaths. We will walk come rain or shine, so please dress appropriately. At this stage we are uncertain about doing a lunch as we would need some volunteers to help.

We hope to see you at this traditional event and especially welcome newcomers to the village. Youngsters have a great time. If you've enjoyed doing the walk in the past, could you help us this year either by doing some food for the hot buffet or work behind the scenes? We offer expenses. Please give me a call on 860708. Thanks.

*Charles Oxley*

*New Buckenham Society*

## Good Companions

The meeting in November was attended by 30 members – a few up from last month. We were entertained by a member of the fundraising team from the East Anglian Air Ambulance. After her talk, we were able to purchase Christmas cards, etc.

The next meeting will be in the Village Hall on Wednesday 12th December at 12:30pm and this will be our Christmas lunch.

There will be no meeting in January, so the first meeting of 2019 will be on 21st February at 2:30pm in the Village Hall.

*Christine Wilby*

## Film Night: *Mamma Mia 2*

Come along to the village hall on Saturday 12th January and bring some warmth and sunshine into mid-winter! We will be screening *Mamma Mia: Here We Go Again*, featuring the songs of ABBA against the backdrop of a beautiful Mediterranean island (feel free to sing along). The film goes back and forth in time to show how relationships forged in the past – especially those between Donna and the three possible fathers of her daughter, Sophie – resonate in the present.

Lily James plays the young and exuberant Donna. Other big names include Julie Walters, Pierce Brosnan and Colin Firth, with cameo performances by Meryl Streep and Cher.

Tickets will be on sale from 1st December in Kings Stores, via [www.wegottickets.com](http://www.wegottickets.com), or can be reserved by calling 01953 861114. Ticket price is £5 (£6 on the door). Doors will open at 7pm for bar and refreshments, and ice-creams will be sold during the interval. The film will start at 7:30pm.

*Sandra Lester*

*New Buckenham Arts*

## St Mary's Christmas Fete

St Mary's residential home will be holding its Christmas fete on Saturday 15th December at 2:00pm. There will be a raffle, tombola, guess the name of the teddy, cakes, and more.

All proceeds go to the residents' fund. Any donations gratefully received. We hope to see you all there!

*Melanie Green*



# Welcome

We would like to welcome the following newcomers to the village:

- Chris Sams & Caterina Stigliano who have moved into Teasel Cottage in Chapel Street
- H Burnard & G Henry at Cross Keys Cottage, Boosey's Walk
- Jules and Mel Neil, Flintside Cottage, Boosey's Walk
- JS Mason & JC Butcher, The Pleasance, Queen Street
- Mr & Mrs King, The Beams, King Street
- David Oliver, Bank House, also in King Street
- Norma Poulter, Rosemary Cottage, Rosemary Lane

and the Market Place has quite a few new faces with

- ER Ivimey-Cook & E Burns, 1 Bakery Cottage
- Roger Payne & Susan Weyer, St Mary's Cottage
- Henry Watkinson & Danielle Richards, The Market Cross House, and
- Mr A Dennis, 3 The Green

# Thank you

Many thanks to everyone who sent me cards and best wishes on my recent move. I was very touched by your messages. My new address is: 5 Spring Hill, Tavistock, Devon PL19 8LB (01822 616001). So, remember me if you are down this way. And a happy New Year to you all!

*Elizabeth Rutledge*

## 200 Club

A very big thank you to everyone who has joined the 200 Club for just £1 per month. The Club raises over £1,000 a year for the Village Hall, with the remaining money going back into the monthly draw. Jimmy will be either increasing the prize money or the number of winners in the new year.

If you wish to join the 200 Club please ring me on 860850 and I can register you. Thank you.

*Paul Madden*

## Village&Vestry

The Village&Vestry event in the church in September was amazing: the church was packed – jazz, choir, poetry, lavish refreshments, and what a welcome! The PCC is full of admiration, and gratitude. The work and preparation which went into the event were enormous – much more than meets the eye – and the number of people involved was beyond our ability to count. We loved the way the church and all its facilities were used so completely, and that so many people turned out.

At the end of the day, Village&Vestry has given the church £500 towards the cost of insuring the church (a big liability – the building is valued at about £6 million pounds for insurance purposes), so another big thank-you for that! It has been wonderful that so many people and so many fresh faces, have been involved, and we look forward to seeing you all again in the future.

*Christopher Pearson*

## 200 Club Lucky Winners: November 2018

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# Bizz Buzz



Which is worse for local businesses: a poor mobile phone network or a poor face-to-face biz network?

The Biz Buzz group has just published its survey of local businesses... and the results are a real surprise. In total 33 people filled in the questionnaire, which may sound very few, but each of these are people with a wide range of business interests... and we can assume others meant to do it, but forgot! Half came from New Buckenham, half from the surrounding area.

It was expected that the appalling mobile phone service would be top of their list of complaints. But no! The big problem, if you run your own operation, is isolation: not enough opportunities for networking, making contacts and link-ups. This was exactly why the Biz Buzz concept came about. It sends out monthly newsletters, alerts businesses to other operators in the locale, and sets up business forums to discuss issues. The Biz Chat last month was all about social media and marketing.

One Biz Bod put this comment in the survey and it's so right, "We need a community of business owners who would be able to support each other. The sense of community in a village is important. Businesses here should be helping each other". Asked what makes life difficult when working from home, 51% said it was lack of contact, 48% said it was lack of suitable space, whilst 44% said mobile reception was the issue. If you want to see all the other information the survey showed go to [www.np4nb.online](http://www.np4nb.online). If you want to be a part of this group or if you want to offer your experience in a Biz Chat talk, contact [info@np4nb.online](mailto:info@np4nb.online).

*Janet Trewin*

# New Buckenham Art Exhibition 2019

Opening Night is Friday 19th April at 7:30pm. You do not need a ticket, but admission will be £4 to include a glass of wine and nibbles. The exhibition carries on over the Easter Weekend: Saturday 20th, Sunday 21st and Monday 22nd April at 11:00am – 4:30pm. Admission £2.

Plans are well underway for this long standing event. The entry forms will be sent to all artists who have exhibited with us in the last three years. If you know of an artist who you feel would like to exhibit their work we would be very pleased to receive their details to send them the relevant information.

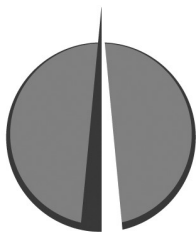
As Easter is a little earlier this year it will be in our next Parish News that I will be asking for your good selves to support the exhibition in whatever way you can. So many people have helped for a lot of years now and also it is lovely to see newer people to the village getting involved too. Without your help it just could not function. It is a four day event and as such demands quite a lot of people power to function well.

Our Committee of seven is deeply committed to this event and in case you do not know who they are may I take this opportunity to give you their names: Jon Halfacree, David Hupton, Mike Boswell, Gill Goodwin, Hazel Rush, Clive Rush and Pauline Dynes. If you would like to any information please do speak to any of them.

*Hazel Rush*

*Art Exhibition Committee*

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## St Martin's Church

### December 2018

Sunday 2nd	4:00pm	Christingle	Advent Sunday
Sunday 9th	11:00am	Mattins	Advent 2
Sunday 16th	6:30pm	Carol Service	Advent 3
Sunday 23rd	11:00am	Morning Worship	Advent 4
Monday 24th	9:30pm	Christmas Eucharist	Christmas Eve
Tuesday 25th	11:00am	Family Service	Christmas Day
Sunday 30th	10:00am	Group Service: Old Buckenham	Christmas 1

### January 2019

Sunday 6th	11:00am	Parish Eucharist	Epiphany
Sunday 13th	11:00am	Mattins	Baptism of Christ
Sunday 20th	11:00am	Parish Eucharist	Second Sunday after Epiphany
Sunday 27th	11:00am	Morning Worship	Third Sunday after Epiphany



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December 2018 & January 2019	
Sunday 2nd	Christingle Service, St Martin's Church, 4:00pm
Thursday 6th – Saturday 8th	<i>Camelot: The Panto</i> , Village Hall, 8pm (6th–8th) and 2:30pm (8th)
Tuesday 11th	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 7:30pm
Wednesday 12th	Good Companions, Village Hall, 12:30pm
Sunday 16th	Carol Service, St Martin's Church, 6:30pm
Tuesday 18th	Carols around the Tree, Market Place, 6:00pm
Monday 24th	"Midnight Mass", St Martin's Church, 9:30pm
Tuesday 25th	Family Service, St Martin's Church, 11:00am
Tuesday 1st	Hair of the Dog Walk, Market Place, 11:00am
Tuesday 8th	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 7:30pm
Saturday 12th	<i>Mamma Mia 2</i> , Village Hall, 7:00pm

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