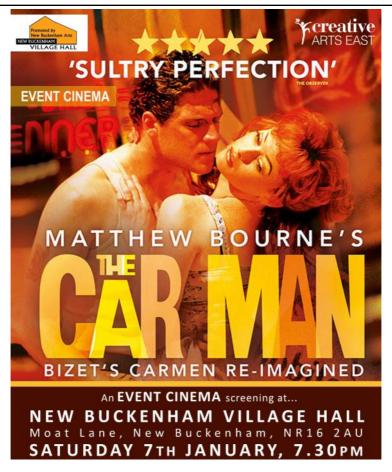
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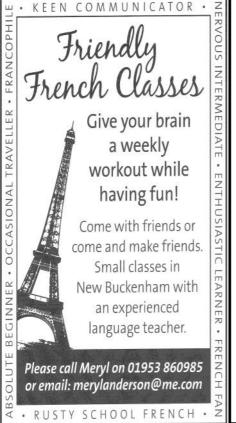
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Special Show Screening:

West End Show comes to New Buckenham

There is still time to get your advance tickets for our special film event in the village hall on Saturday 7th January at 7.30 pm: a recording of Matthew Bourne's modern ballet "The Car Man". It is a rare opportunity to experience a West End show in our local community and we hope it will be well supported.

Tickets for this special film night are priced at £8. This is more than for our usual film nights but is in accordance with Creative Arts East's guidelines for its Event Cinema programme. You can buy your tickets at Kings Stores, via the website link https://www.wegottickets.com/event/383605 or on the door.

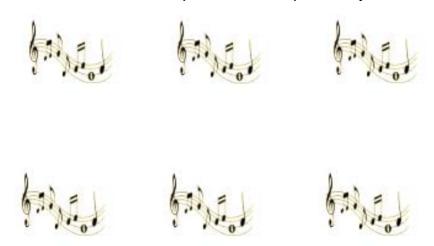
Doors at the village hall will open at 7 pm and there will be the usual bar and refreshments, including ice cream.

Sandra Lester New Buckenham Arts

..... and see pages 4 and 5 for news of a fabulous February festival of Jazz

Coming in February: All that Jazz!

New Buckenham Village Hall Trust are pleased to present a weekend of music. Make this February weekend a Jazzy one and join us for:



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"Swing along" Sunday 19th February 2017 - 2pm to 4.30pm New Buckenham Village Hall

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"Blow your own ..." Sunday 19th February 2017 10.30am to 12.30pm New Buckenham Village Hall

Everyone is welcome to this music workshop where you can have a go and blow your own. Thought you might like to try it? This is your chance to make a noise and make it fun. Mike Booty of South Norfolk Youth Symphonic band will lead this session, so who knows what will happen come along and find out.

Juliet Fulford

New Buckenham Parish Council

Our January meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 10th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. As always, a warm welcome is extended to all parishioners.

As a result of Nigel Redfern's resignation, we currently have a vacancy on the Parish Council. As no requests for an election were received by Breckland, they have given us permission to co-opt. Please contact me if you are interested in being co-opted on to the Parish Council. Many thanks.

For your information—further Meetings 2017: 14 February; 14 March; 11 April; 9 May; 13 June; 11 July; 12th September; 10th October; 14th November; 12th December. All meetings take place n the Village Hall at 7.30pm, except for the April Meeting which begins at 7pm to be followed by our Annual Parish Meeting at 8pm. We don't usually meet in August but if one is required it will be on 8 August. With best wishes for 2017 from all on the Parish Council, Karen Hobley - Chair, 01953 860529 /karenhobley@hotmail.com

Better Mobile Phone Reception.

We all want it, but how? The Village Hall Trust's proposed aerial mast seems to be a mistake: at 15m high and with latticed sides it would be unsightly, its position poor, and the trees said to be shielding it have been cut down.

Cornerstone is like any developer it wants a green-field site and is not interested in more difficult alternatives such as the church tower which may be better for the village. An aerial there would not be seen at all and an independent expert desk-top survey has said it would work. When I asked Cornerstone to postpone their application in order to assess it and the other sites which have been mooted they made no answer: they just sent off their application.

So, where are we now? The application was made at the end of November, and permission will automatically be given 8 weeks later (by 20 Jan) unless it is refused. The planners want objections, which must be based only on siting and appearance, by 30 December - not much time.

Figures: the trustees would get £4,000 p.a. If the aerial were put out of sight in the tower the desk-top survey quoted £6,700 p.a. Scope for a deal? An application was recently refused for permission to build 16 houses on nearby land after a great deal of fuss and 180 objections. If permission were given for the proposed mast a renewed application for the houses would cite the mast as support for housing development. Members of the PCC intend to object to the current aerial application, and we invite others to do so, too. I will prepare suggested grounds for objection please say if you need more information. Please send objections by 30 December if possible (late ones may get by, but no guarantee) to Breckland Council, Elizabeth House, Walpole Loke, Dereham, NR19 1EE. or to contactus@breckland.gov.uk , quoting application reference 3BT/2016/0003/BTM.

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If nothing is done we will be landed with the proposed unsightly mast. if permission is refused Cornerstone will have to look to the tower and we would canvas the 3 other big operators. The government is pressing for improved reception and it will come: we should not allow ourselves to be hassled into a poor solution.

Christopher Pearson

Poppy Appeal Appeal:

With a move away from the village very much on the cards for 2017, we are looking for someone to run the Poppy Appeal in our place. We have a band of very willing helpers, and hold all the organisational details on our computer. Poppies and other items are ordered from the area organiser in Banham.

If you are interested in taking on this very worthwhile annual event, please ring us on 860767. We will be happy to meet you and take you through the process, without any commitment.

John and Elly Newport

New Buckenham Players

Our AGM will be held on Sunday 15th January 2017, in the Village Hall at 1am. We extend an invitation to all members and anyone who is interested in joining our group. If your interest is acting, set design, costumes, make-up or any related area, please come along and get to know us.

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Thank You

We would like to say thank you for all the good wishes Alan has received after his recent stay in hospital He is progressing slowly.

Margaret Wright

Good Companions Christmas Lunch

Well...what a wonderful party! Where? The Village Hall - The Good Companions' Christmas Lunch. We all enjoyed tasty vegetable soup, then turkey with a large selection of vegetables, finishing with Christmas pudding or trifle, with lots of flowing wine. We were entertained by Andy York singing lovely songs that we all knew; it was wonderful to see lots of people dancing. Then at 3.30pm we heard a ringing bell and in came Father Christmas and his helper. We all got a kiss and a present. There was also a big raffle. The afternoon was rounded off with a cup of tea and Christmas cake. We must thank the organisers and helpers. Roll on Christmas 2017!

Jean Howling

Allotments and Cemetery Water Supply

It has been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that water is being taken from the allotment and the cemetery taps. We would like to remind all parishioners that the use of this water is solely for the allotment holders and visitors to the cemetery. Should this continue to happen, the Parish Council will have a duty to report it to the police.

On another note, I would like to inform all allotment users that the water has been turned off to the allotments, which is usual at this time of year and will be turned on again in April.

Thank you

Bella Chirodian (On behalf of the Parish Council)



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Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

Yet again the New Buckenham Players have triumphed under the direction and considerate shepherding of Clive Rush assisted by the very able and focused Sue Jowett.

The lucky members of the audience were once again treated to four wonderful productions of pantomime brilliance. A script to die for was transformed into an extravaganza of excellence and delight, Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs amused, entertained, stimulated and excited the audience in equal measure. The magnificent sets were exploited to the full by the cast who transported those fortunate to be present into a magical world of make believe, pathos, emotion and timelessness.

Individual performances were affirmations of the depth of talent within the cast. Although we all know it was a collective effort special mention must be made of Kerstin for her nimble fingered skill in the provision of the costumes, Penny for her impressive hair creations, Meryl for her choreography, Bella, Meryl and their helpers for make up, Mary as prompt, Hazel for set design and artwork, the crew for all their behind the scenes hard work, John, Niels and Tony for their technical wizardry, Clive for the pyrotechnics, Ellie for her care and direction of the children, the children themselves, Charles for the highly professional photographs, the servers of drinks, the front of house greeters and lastly but not least the audiences who showed their appreciation in very good measure.

Everything and every one melded into a pantomime season for The New Buckenham Players which will set the benchmark for all future Christmas productions. Well done, once again New Buckenham has provided a memorable pantomime which will be remembered and talked about for years to come.

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A Feathery Tale (Tail?)

I moved into my cottage in mid-January last year. As I unlocked the front door, I was briefly distracted by some movement in the shrubs in the corner of the garden but it was only later, once inside the cottage, that it occurred to me that there had been a chicken in the garden. I was puzzled but forgot all about until later that day a neighbour asked me how I liked my new 'pet'? The chicken turned out to be a small, feisty and very handsome cockerel that had apparently been abandoned in the village sometime around New Year.



The cockerel lived in Marsh Lane for several months, strutting up and down the lane, successfully dodging the traffic and the dogs and cats. He found a safe roost at night in local gardens and was soon enjoying gourmet meals provided by caring residents. He became quite a feature of Marsh Lane but unfortunately his popularity soon declined on account of his noisy crowing early in the morning. And since his roost was close to bedroom windows, his cock-a-doodle-doo was louder than the average alarm clock and much more annoying.

lots were soon hatched to catch the cockerel and remove him from the village and after several abortive attempts the cockerel was finally rugby-tackled to the ground and locked up (with food and water) in a large dog crate. Meanwhile I had persuaded my son-in-law who farms near Wymondham to take the cockerel and so, one sunny spring day, the cockerel was safely transported to the farm and a chance to start another new life.

I am pleased to report that he is still there and has made no further attempts to escape. He has a hen and three guinea fowl for compa-



ny and has become so tame that, along with all the other birds, he queues outside the kitchen door each morning for 'breakfast'. Just thought you'd like to know

Mary Manning

Footpaths

It was reported to the parish council that a few of the footpaths signs seemed to have disappeared. You will be pleased to know that two brand new ones have appeared on Cuffer Lane and by the Chapel near the castle. Furthermore, the Parish Council have asked Norfolk County Council to renew bridges and sort out the stiles which will be done, I have been reassured. I have maps available, which I hope will show the walks around our wonderful village. Should you have any further questions about the footpaths (we have no bridleways) please contact me.

Thanks so much	1		
Bella Chirodian	1		

Welcome New Arrivals

We welcome Peter and Lindsey Hodges who are in the process of moving into The Retreat. We hope your will be happy living in New Buckenham and enjoy what our community has to offer.

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Good Companions

On Wednesday 7th December we held our Christmas party The entertainer was Andy York everything went smoothly which made for a fantastic party. We would like to say a big thank you to Clive Gill and Gerry for all their help

The next meeting will be on Thursday 16th February at 2.30pm in the village hall. All new members will be made very welcome.

Christine Wilby

The Future of the 'Plodders'

This group has been 'plodding along 'approximately once a month for the last decade or so, but sadly our numbers have dwindled. Those few remaining would like to see if the group can be sustained and revitalised by new members.

So , this is a call for anyone (new or older villagers) interested in joining to get together with us on Thursday 26th January 8pm chez nous (The Chase Tanning Lane) .If you are unable to make this date , but are interested in joining , do let us know.

In brief ,members take it in turn to plan and lead a walk of up to about 5 miles on a Sunday morning , once a month followed by the option of a pub lunch .This format is open to change and new suggestions invited! ALL WELCOME

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As a result of Nigel Redfern's resignation, we currently have a vacancy on the Parish Council. As no requests for an election were received by Breckland, they have given us permission to fill the vacancy by co-option. Please contact me, in the first instance, if you are interested in being co-opted on to the Parish Council. Many thanks.

For your information - Parish Council Meetings 2017

10th January; 14th February; 14th March; 11th April; 9th May; 13th June; 11th July; 12th September; 10th October; 14th November; 12th December

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With best wishes for 2017 from all on the Parish Council

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Tuesday 10	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 7:30pm		
Sunday 15	Players AGM, Village Hall, 11am		
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