

# FOCUS

EVENTS AND NEWS FROM WALDRINGFIELD VILLAGE HALL

March/April 2016

## SPRING FLORAL CREATION WORKSHOP

SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MARCH - KENNEDY ROOM, VILLAGE HALL 10.00 - 1.00

Bring flowers & greenery from your garden or your neighbours!  
A vase, basket or ANY type of container, ribbons, bows, fruits,  
nuts - anything you fancy! Swap your greenery at the event.  
Oasis will be provided.



Professional help & advice. Watch and learn, then make your own!  
Visitors & non-members £7.50 - Waldringfield Gardeners members £5.00  
All welcome, no experience needed. Refreshments included.

Please book your place with Alexis Smith 736257 [g1dik@btinternet.com](mailto:g1dik@btinternet.com)  
WG annual membership £5



## WALDRINGFIELD WILDLIFE GROUP TALK



April 9<sup>th</sup> - Paradise Lost: The Wildlife of Waldringfield 3.5 Million years ago  
by Bob Markham, geologist and member of Geo Suffolk

All meetings in the Village Hall Kennedy Room starting at 10.00

Talks at 11.00 unless otherwise specified. **Visitors welcome.**

Admission charge: £3 for visitors and non-members. Members: £1. New members welcome: Membership £5

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## Winter Talks at the Village Hall

We are enjoying another successful season with just two more until the Spring and Summer recess.  
Two of next season's speakers are booked already so keep your first Thursday evenings free from November 2016.  
Meanwhile, on Thursday **March 3<sup>rd</sup>** at 7.30 **Dr. Patrick J Thompson** will talk on '**Catering the Royal Way (part 1)**'.  
If I tell you that, many moons ago, this extra-ordinary man was snatched from Lyons' Corner House in the early stages of his career there, by no less than the Royal Household, you may get some idea of what is in store, or what is in the Royal larder maybe.

**Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup>** (again at 7.30 pm) is the first week after Easter when audience numbers get a little unpredictable - in order not to disappoint a visiting speaker and in order to improve the village hall coffers by a little, those of you who are free may choose to listen to me, **Gareth Thomas**. The title? '**Say Tray Bong**' (or 'where, what and why is this place they call France?') Don't ask what it's about altogether - only time will tell.

**Hope to see you there on both occasions- it's still only £3 to get in and you get a cup of tea or coffee AND a biscuit AND it still raises money for the Village Hall and other charities. Gareth Thomas**

The next two Coffee Mornings will be on **Thursday 3rd March** and **Thursday 7th April** from 10am-12pm in the village hall.

There will be no Coffee Morning on the first Thursday in May, because of elections, but as part of this year's **celebrations of the Queen's Birthday** we will be having a cream tea in the village hall on **Tuesday 10th May** from 2-4pm.



The Coffee Morning team, in conjunction with The Rural Coffee Caravan, will provide this free of charge.

If you are interested in joining this event, and to enable us to gauge numbers for catering, please give your name to Mrs Marion Sharpe - 01473 736467.

Look out for leaflets and posters which will give you more information.  
*Best wishes, Chris Lyon - On behalf of the Coffee Morning Team*

**THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO THANK LIZ KENNEDY, WHO HAS DONATED £223 FROM HER MASSIVE MARMALADE EFFORT TO SUPPORT THE VILLAGE HALL. A FINE ACHIEVEMENT! THANK YOU, LIZ!**

Eastern Angles is returning to the Village Hall on Thursday 17th March at 7.30 pm

with their new production Somewhere in England by Polly Wiseman

Eastern Angles presents a fascinating and moving new theatre production telling the wartime story of the arrival of thousands of American GIs from the 8th US Army Air Force. Nylons, Hershey bars and jitterbugging to Swing Bands in the local village hall all feature, but there was another side to this shared history – a tale of segregation and of rural communities turned upside down. Kids being forced to grow up before their time, friendships forged and then blown apart and outsiders learning to live amongst the locals. Discover this important story of how the Eastern region was physically and socially affected by the arrival of our friends from across the pond.

Tickets are available from Colin and Betsy Reid, Dormers, Cliff Road £8.00 each.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY March & April:

March 3<sup>rd</sup>: a.m. Coffee Morning  
p.m. 'Catering the Royal Way' Talk

March 17<sup>th</sup>: 'Somewhere in England' Eastern Angles

March 19<sup>th</sup>: Spring Floral Workshop

April 7<sup>th</sup>: a.m. Coffee Morning  
p.m. 'Say Tray Bong' Talk

April 9<sup>th</sup>: 'Paradise Lost' Talk

..coming up in May and June..

May 8<sup>th</sup>: 'Open Gardens'

May 10<sup>th</sup>: Cream Tea Queen's Birthday Celebrations

June 11<sup>th</sup>: 'Water Voles and Otters' Talk

#### REGULAR EVENTS

**Mondays** Post Office Van 11am-1pm

**Tuesdays** Social Club *John Nayler 736228*  
Parish Council Meetings (2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of the month)

**Wednesdays** Post Office Van 11am-1pm  
Art Group *Liz Kennedy 736637*  
Bridge *Norman Rea 736577*  
Tone and Stretch *Di Taylor 07748 611730*

**Thursdays** Art Group *Kit Clark 736670*  
Wine Club (3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs of the month) *David Eaton 736754*

**Fridays** Post Office Van 11am-1pm  
History Group (2<sup>nd</sup> Fri of the month) *Joe Clark 736670*  
Pilates *Kat Hesse 01728 638604*

*For Village Hall bookings, contact the Bookings Secretary, Chris Lyon, between 9am and 6pm on 736291 or [anthonylyon888@btinternet.com](mailto:anthonylyon888@btinternet.com)  
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