

**SEPTEMBER 2018**

**HEATHLANDS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING** - Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm at Heathlands  
We hope that you have been enjoying the lovely summer weather.

Many thanks to everybody who came and helped or attended our Jumble Sale  
We made £455.00, one of our biggest, so thank you.  
The next one will be on Saturday October 6<sup>th</sup>, more information nearer the date.

**HEATHLANDS BINGO**

*Fridays*

**September 14th & 28th**

7pm for a 7.30 start

*All Welcome*

**Great Prizes and CASH to WIN  
Refreshments & Drinks**

**FORTHCOMING ATTRACTION**

Early date to put in your diaries - on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November we will mark the World War One anniversary, 100 years ago. Our plans so far are afternoon tea and other things at Heathlands from 2.30pm and at 7.00pm we will be lighting a Beacon along with others all over the country.  
This will be done at Heathlands, so we hope lots of you will come and celebrate with us.  
More information will be distributed to schools etc in September, but if you have or know of anyone who has memorabilia from this time, please get in touch, with Jill on 01603 714164 or Lynda Beck on 01603 713597.  
We hope we will have lots of items to see and talk about.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE - DOGS ON THE FIELD:**

Please can we again request that you do not walk or run your dogs on the field at Heathlands. This is a Health and Safety issue which affects all of us, so please respect it. We do have signs at the top and bottom of the field. Thank you.  
Also, whilst walking your dogs around the village, **please clear up after them.** Many thanks.

**BLOFIELD PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

During 2018 the Parish Council holds two meetings a month. A monthly council meeting for all matters arising and a monthly planning meeting dedicated to discussing and commenting on planning applications.  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September – Council meeting. Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September – Planning meeting.

**Dog Waste!**

There have been a lot of reports of some owners not picking up after their dogs when walking them, thus leaving the waste on the pavements for everyone to step in. If you do notice dog waste on the pavements please either report to Broadland District Council via its online reporting form as follows:  
[https://www.broadland.gov.uk/info/200168/dogs\\_and\\_problem\\_dogs/375/request\\_dog\\_fouling\\_is\\_cleared\\_up](https://www.broadland.gov.uk/info/200168/dogs_and_problem_dogs/375/request_dog_fouling_is_cleared_up) or alternatively contact Blofield Parish Council on 01603 712943 or email [blofieldpc@gmail.com](mailto:blofieldpc@gmail.com)

**WHAT'S ON AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY?**

**RHYME TIME MINI MOVERS:**

Rhymes, Songs and Music every week during term time

Brundall Library Mondays 9.15am

Blofield Library Wednesdays 9.15am

**CRAFTY GROUP**

Bring your own craft projects to do in the company of fellow crafters, swap ideas, make friends and enjoy a cuppa.

Alternate Mondays at 2.00pm at Blofield Library

Telephone 01603 712902 to check next session.

**BLOFIELD AND BRUNDALL ONLINE BOOK GROUP.**

Join our new book group either in branch or via our libraries Facebook page. Visit either Blofield or Brundall Library to pick up a copy of our chosen book. Be part of a book group in the comfort of your own home, ideal if you'd like to be part of a book group but don't have much spare time.

Like and Follow 'Blofield and Brundall Libraries' on Facebook to keep up to date with all our library news.

**BLOFIELD COURT HOUSE VILLAGE SCREEN Friday September 14<sup>th</sup>**

**The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society (12A)** Starring Lily James, Jessica Brown Findlay, Glen Powell.  
Adapted from the novel by Annie Barrows and Mary Ann Shaffer.

This film encompasses a war story, a mystery tale and a love triangle whilst instilling an enticing sense of place for its stunning Guernsey Island setting. Matinee 2.30pm (Tea and Cakes) Evening 7.30pm (Wine and drinks). Tickets £4.50 from S & S Mitchell Newsagents, The Street Blofield. All enquiries to 01603 715253.

## THE BENEFICE CHURCHES OF BLOFIELD, HEMBLINGTON AND NORTH BURLINGHAM

### SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER.

8.00am	St Andrew and St Peter (Holy Communion)	Blofield
9.30am	All Saints	Hemblington
9.30am	St Andrew (2 <sup>nd</sup> September)	North Burlingham
11.00am	St Andrew and St Peter	Blofield
9.30 am	Wednesday Benefice Midweek worship (H C)	Blofield

### HARVEST FESTIVAL SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER

11.00am	St Andrew and St Peter	Blofield
12.15pm	Gift Day Harvest Lunch in the West End	Blofield

Rector, Rev Kevin M Billson Tel: 01603 712299 [kevin.billson@eraith.net](mailto:kevin.billson@eraith.net)

Details of church wardens and events can be found on the following websites;

[www.blofieldchurch.org.uk](http://www.blofieldchurch.org.uk) [www.hemblingtonchurch.org.uk](http://www.hemblingtonchurch.org.uk) [www.northburlinghamchurch.org.uk](http://www.northburlinghamchurch.org.uk)

### THE BRAINS OF BLOFIELD

Blofield Church presents an 'INDIAN SUMMER QUIZ AND CHILLI NIGHT' at the Margaret Harker Hall - 6.30pm start on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September. To register your team call 01603 716703 or 01603 211931. Tickets £9. Teams of up to 6.

### THE REVE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION.

The Trustees invite applications for grants from the above Charity. Applicants must be resident in Blofield or Blofield Heath and should either have begun a course of Further Education or be about to begin such a course.

Applications must be in writing and should give a brief outline of the course on which the applicant is, or about to be, engaged.

Applications must be received no later than 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018, to Mrs Debbie Smith, Secretary to the Trustees, at Pear Tree House, Globe Lane, Blofield, Norwich, NR13 4JW.

### BLOFIELD AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB.

The Blofield and District Gardening Club took a summer break during August.

Their next meeting will be on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September when there will be a talk by Bill le Grice of Bill le Grice Roses, Wroxham on "Shrubs and Trees for year-round colour" at 7.30pm in the Margaret Harker Hall, Blofield. All welcome, refreshments provided after the talk.

Details [www.blofieldgardeningclub.org.uk](http://www.blofieldgardeningclub.org.uk)

(Visitors are very welcome to attend any meeting for a fee of £2.00 per evening.)

### OPEN MORNING AT BREWSTER COURT BLOFIELD Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 10am-12noon

Please come to our Open Morning to find out more about this sheltered accommodation for people aged 60 or over.

Meet the Scheme Manager, residents and Trustees and find out more about the community.

A representative from Broadland District Council will be on hand if you would like to apply to live here.

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served. We look forward to meeting you.

### WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING.

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 11am-2pm. Heathlands Community Centre "Have your cake and eat it" In aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. (In memory of Mara, Clare, Joan, Barbara.....)

Tomorrow is never promised, so come and join us today and remember loved ones lost to this cruel and dreadful disease. Huge raffle, Tombola, white elephant stall, and lots to eat!!



### SARAH CHOW'S WONDERFUL ZUMBA GOLD CLASSES

These take place every Thursday morning between 10.00 - 11.00am, at Holy Trinity Church, Rackheath.

Sarah is a brilliant instructor, and one of the kindest and most considerate people.

If you like the idea of dancing (no previous experience necessary!), having fun and feeling great, then come and join her happy band of loyal supporters.

### CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR - Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> 11am -1pm

Brewster Court Community Room, Blofield, Norwich.

There will be Handmade Christmas cards, Hand-Crafted Coin Jewellery, gifts, novelties, crystals,

Costume Jewellery, Sweet stall, Hand Knitted toys etc. Homemade cakes, Tea, Coffee, Fresh filled rolls.

Come along and browse.

**MAKE AND MARDLE** On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September from 10 am - 12 noon there will be Make & Mardle at Hemblington Church. As ever, all are welcome.

**HORNING BRIDGE CLUB.** Learn to play Bridge at the friendly Horning Bridge Club - Our new beginner classes are starting in September - make sure you don't miss out, contact Matt Jackson on 01692 630959 immediately for more information. Our next Morning Duplicate Bridge Session will be held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at Horning Village Hall, annexe at rear, and thereafter, as always, on the second Tuesday monthly viz. 9<sup>th</sup> October, 13<sup>th</sup> November, etc. Please be in your seats by 09.45am latest. Come with, or without a partner - just turn up, no need to book. For any enquiries, please telephone Ron 01603 781416 or Jenny 01603 720826.

**SHREDSTATION** - is coming to Great Plumstead Scout Hut! They recycle more than paper, card and files (including the ring binders if you don't want them) CDs, hard drives - anything that needs secure shredding. £3 a carrier bag, £5 for two bags including a free cup of tea. Also a Clear out your Clutter Table Top Sale. Tables £5 - first come first served. Admission free, refreshments and cakes on sale. Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 10am – 2pm, next to the Bowls Club and Village Hall on Church Road, Great Plumstead, NR13 5AB. All proceeds for the Churches in the Plumsteads.

**WORKERS' EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION (BLOFIELD).**

Autumn Course starts on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> September from 10.00am until 12noon at Blofield Courthouse. "The Reformation and its Consequences in England" with Nigel Wimhurst. 7 sessions fee £51.10p. Enquiries 01603 713080.

**CONCERT** - Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September :

The Dexterity Trio will perform in the St Lawrence's Centre, South Walsham at 7.30pm. Dexterity is a classical trio of flute, cello and piano who have given concerts throughout East Anglia. They have a large repertoire of music so the evening should provide something for all tastes.

Tickets £10 or £8 for Friends available by telephoning 01603 270616 or St George's Music Shop, Telephone ,01603 626414 or on the door or on-line at [www.ticketsource.co.uk/stlawrencesconcertseries](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/stlawrencesconcertseries).

**GREAT AND LITTLE PLUMSTEAD & DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB.**

The next meeting on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 7.30pm is at St David's, Thorpe End with Hilary Reid who will be talking about "Building a Wildlife Pond". The meeting on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October is at St David's Thorpe End with David Boulton who will be talking about "Photography". This will also be the Autumn Show and all are welcome to come and see the entries and enjoy the raffle and refreshments afterwards.

**EXHIBITION TO COMMEMORATE THE ENDING OF THE FIRST WORLD WAR.** An exhibition is being mounted in All Saints Church, Hemblington during the Heritage Open weekends 6–9<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>–16<sup>th</sup> September and in November, to commemorate those local people who fought and died during the First World War, and to mark the Armistice. A collage made by local children will also be on show.

If you have any memories or stories of family members involved in the war, either at the front or supporting the war effort at home – or have family memorabilia from the time, we should love to hear from you.

On Saturday afternoon, 15<sup>th</sup> September, there will be an afternoon event where such stories could be retold over afternoon tea, perhaps with poems or readings if anyone would like to offer these. Please get in touch with Catherine 01603 270360 or Lynda 01603 713597 or Sue 01603 715804 if you would like to learn more about this.

**HERITAGE OPEN DAY** at Blofield Church. Saturday September 8<sup>th</sup>, 10 - 4

An extensive exhibition of photographs and details of the men of this parish who died in the first world war.

Join us to remember the lives lost in WW1 by 32 men of our parish.

We also celebrate the life of an extraordinary local woman Margaret Harker who set up and ran the WW1 hospital in Brundall House. Many VAD nurses were trained by her - daughters and wives from Blofield families. See pictures of many of the nurses and lists of their names. Maybe you will recognise the name of someone in your family or in a well known village family. 10am till 4pm - enjoy refreshments too.

SPECIAL EVENTS on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November Blofield Church remembers and celebrates 100 years since the end of the first World War. 10.55 am Remembrance Service with uniformed groups. 3pm WW1 themed afternoon tea with music in the West End echoing the celebrations which followed the armistice. More details to follow....

**ANNUAL CYCLE RIDE** On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September. Cycle or walk the lanes, visit beautiful churches and raise money for Hemblington church! Please consider taking part. Details can be found at the back of church, on <http://norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/bike-ride/taking-part/> or contact 01603 270360.

Stewards to be in church that day to welcome walkers/cyclists will also be much appreciated.

## **SOUND SYSTEMS**

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**sg@voicetracking.co.uk**



### **WALLED GARDEN COMMUNITY SHOP** opens Share Offer

The Walled Garden Shop committee held a Garden party to launch our community share offer. Over 200 people attended, with the bar and BBQ busy throughout the evening. Feedback on the plans was very positive, people really want to see a village shop, cafe, and Post Office in Little Plumstead's Victorian walled garden. Now we need to raise money to start building!

You can buy shares until the 16<sup>th</sup> September. Find our share offer, business plan and buy shares at

<http://www.thewalledgardenshop.co.uk/>

Please don't delay, get behind this project!

### **BLOFIELD PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP.**

Margaret Harker Hall, Yarmouth Road, Blofield. Telephone 01603 712498.

A friendly, committee run playgroup for children aged from 2 ½ years old. Free 'Early Education' funding for 3 and 4 year olds and full access to the 'Early Years Foundation Stage'. Open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday during term time. Sessions available: 9.10am to 12.10pm, 12.10pm to 3.10pm or 9.10am to 3.10pm. Call us for more info or to book a visit. Visit our FACEBOOK page: [www.facebook.com/BlofieldPre-schoolPlaygroup](http://www.facebook.com/BlofieldPre-schoolPlaygroup) or follow us on Twitter: @BlofieldPreSch

### **BADCOG ~ Blofield and District Conservation Group.**

Work parties are on Saturday mornings between 10.30am and 1pm and all are welcome.

Saturday, September 1<sup>st</sup> Jary's Meadow, September 15<sup>th</sup> Walsham Fen, September 29<sup>th</sup> Buckenham Woods.

On Friday September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm in the Methodist Chapel rooms in Chapel Road, Lingwood do join us for a look at what aspects of wild life some of our members have spotted, researched, enjoyed seeing during the year and would like to share with us all. This will follow a brief AGM. Visitors are welcome and refreshments are served.

Further details from Ernest on 01603 712913.

### **BIRD IN HAND OPEN GARDEN.**

I have to say a huge thank you to all those who kindly came to support our Open Garden again.

We were fortunate with the weather and had an amazing day with over 300 visitors and managed to raise £3300 which will be divided between Hemblington Church and Heathlands.

I have to add my grateful thanks to all our helpers who work tirelessly to make the day such a success.

Thank you all again. Claire.

### **PLAY CHURCH TODDLER GROUP.**

Is held every Wednesday during term time in Blofield Church – it's fun, friendly and free! 1.00pm to 3.00pm.

The toddler group will be back on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September from 1.00pm to 3.00pm.

Parents, grandparents and carers all welcome to come and join this successful and friendly toddler group where the children learn in a welcoming, safe and well-resourced setting run by experienced, early years volunteers. Healthy snacks and refreshments are provided for adults and children. There is no fee for the session but a donation bowl is available if you wish to contribute. Please contact Yvonne on 01603 715213 or Barbara on 01603 714519 for further information or you can go to the Blofield Church website at [www.blofieldchurch.org.uk](http://www.blofieldchurch.org.uk)

### **BLAFELDA (BLOFIELD) PROBUS CLUB.**

Provides an enjoyable social meeting point for gentlemen who are retired or about to retire. We meet for lunch on the third Wednesday of every month at The King's Head, Station Road, Lingwood NR13 4AZ at 12 noon for lunch at 12.30pm. If you are new to the area it is a good way to get to know people. Lunch is followed by a talk, often on a subject of particular local interest. We have vacancies for members so if you are interested contact Alex Mason on 01603 716735 or email [alexwmason@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:alexwmason@yahoo.co.uk)

### **HEMBLINGTON CHURCH**

Firstly congratulations to the Friends of Hemblington church who were given the 2018 Norfolk Community Biodiversity Award (Churchyards and Cemeteries section) for their partnership working with Norfolk Wildlife Trust, the Bure Valley Conservation Group, Blofield & District Conservation Group (BADCOG) and members of the congregation.

This award, organised by the Norfolk Biodiversity Partnership, recognises action to care for churchyards, so that they provide opportunities for nature to thrive as well as being a welcoming and tranquil oasis for people. If anyone would like to join us in this, do please contact Sue, the Friends secretary - [hemblington@gmail.com](mailto:hemblington@gmail.com) Tel: (01603) 715804.

### **1<sup>st</sup> HEMBLINGTON BROWNIES.**

This is a thriving and fun unit, we earn badges, go on adventures, sing songs, play games and most of all have a lot of fun along the way. Brownies is a fantastic opportunity for your daughter to meet new friends, face new challenges and experience nights away from home. We go on sleepovers and Brownie holidays throughout the year! For more information email [diana.b.ley@icloud.com](mailto:diana.b.ley@icloud.com), phone 01603 270158 or 07742 876899

## **WROXHAM BURE VALLEY ROTARY CLUB**

The advent of autumn sees activity step up a gear after a quiet August while the holiday season is in full swing. We have various events we are starting to plan for in the months ahead, including a performance by the Broadland Youth Choir in St Mary's Church, Wroxham. We are also checking out any maintenance work needed on Santa's sleigh before it is rolled out in December! Our website gives a comprehensive overview about the club and is regularly updated

We are always pleased to welcome more new members into the club - you can pop along and meet us any Monday evening if you fancy finding out a bit more about us and what we get up to, but please contact our secretary Anne Kittle in advance on 07887 523071 to check the meeting details and so we can ensure we have food for you. Visit our web-site on [www.wroxhamrotary.org.uk](http://www.wroxhamrotary.org.uk) for more information and details of our exciting programme for 2018/19, or our Facebook page on [www.facebook.com/wroxhamburevalleyrotaryclub](https://www.facebook.com/wroxhamburevalleyrotaryclub) or contact our president, Philip Plant on 01692 630152. There is no better way to give something back to the local community...and no better time than now.

## **HEATHLANDS SOCIAL CLUB – Guest Ales for September:**

Humpty Dumpty "Broadland Sunrise" 4.2% abv and Oakham "JHB" 3.8% abv both priced at £2.80 pint Members, £3.20 pint Non Members. We now offer the Premier Lager, "Birra Miretti"

Our selection of Lagers, Wines, Spirits and Soft Drinks makes the Social Club a superb meeting place. Not a Member?

Our Membership rates are low and are soon recouped with our very low prices.

New Members are always welcomed.

Normal opening Tuesday and Wednesday from 7.30pm until 11pm (last orders 10.30pm.) Thursday & Friday from 7.30pm & Saturday from 5.30pm – open until late.

PLEASE NOTE!! Although we are a Members Only Social Club, we do welcome Non-Members.

## **SEPTEMBER AT THE MUSEUM OF THE BROADS [www.museumofthebroads.org.uk](http://www.museumofthebroads.org.uk)**

Make the most of the warm autumn days and bring a picnic to enjoy at our riverside setting. The steam boat, Falcon, will be running river trips Tues to Thurs each week and in September, the Museum is open for FREE for BOTH Heritage Open Day weekends, Saturday and Sunday, 08/09 and 15/16 September.

Falcon will be running (charge applicable), meet local author, Chris Crowther and board a wherry yacht on the first weekend and see iconic Herbert Woods boats at the Museum on the second weekend. Open Sun to Fri, 1000 to 1630.

Museum of the Broads, The Poor's Staithe, Stalham, NR12 9DA, 01692 581681

## **HEMBLINGTON PRE-SCHOOL. \* NEW HOURS\***

Based at Heathlands Village Hall. Open:

Tuesday 9.30am to 12.30pm, Wednesday 9.30am to 12.30pm and 12.30pm to 3.30pm.

Thursday 9.30am to 12.30pm and 12.30pm to 3.30pm.

Friendly, professional staff. Lovely light spacious hall, free flow play to outdoors area. Stimulating activities to develop your child's learning in line with Early Years Foundation Stage. Forest Friends activities. RECENT OFSTED (Feb 2018) RATED GOOD. "Children are motivated to learn." "Parents speak highly of the pre-school staff and are involved well in their children's learning." If you would like to arrange a visit and discuss your child's needs call 01603 712464 (office hours) or 07716 869506. VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE! - [www.hemblingtonpreschool.com](http://www.hemblingtonpreschool.com)

## **MESSY MUSHROOMS**

A fun creative session for 0-5 year olds with a range of messy play activities. Heathlands Village Hall 10.00am to 11.30am every Friday, £3.50 1st child, additional children £1 each

Includes healthy snack and drink for children, refreshments will be available for adults

Contact: [messymushrooms@gmail.com](mailto:messymushrooms@gmail.com)

## **POPPIES COMMUNITY CAFE**

We meet every Wednesday from 10.00am until 12.00 noon in Blofield Courthouse. There is disabled parking and a ramp for easy entry. Come and join us for good food, company and friendship. You will be offered a selection of savouries, cakes, biscuits and tea or coffee, all for a small donation which helps to pay the rent. Come along each week for a happy time and a sing song. Elizabeth and John will be retiring from Poppies Cafe next year. Is there anyone in the community who would be willing to take it on? Contact 01603 713300

## **KEEP BLOFIELD SPECIAL**

We are a small group of volunteers who like to keep our villages looking attractive and reasonably free of litter.

We meet monthly for about an hour's litter-picking, anyone is welcome to join us, there is never a shortage of litter unfortunately! September litter-picks take place on;

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, meet at Heathlands, Blofield Heath at 9.30am

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September, meet at the Old Court House, Blofield at 9.30am

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October, LADIES NIGHT & FASHION SHOW at Heathlands: joint event.  
Our family-friendly service harvest service will be on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 9.30am with the Hemblington Musicians & Hemblington School Band. Please join us. Refreshments after.

**BLOFIELD PARISH COUNCIL-** Blofield Parish Community Speedwatch needs you!

The speedwatch team has been out and about a few times but to be more effective the team would like a few more volunteers, especially from Blofield.

Time commitment would be about an hour per week, but with enough volunteers a rota could be worked out where it would be roughly an hour a fortnight.

Full training will be offered by the Speedwatch Coordinator.

If you're interested or would like further information, then please get in touch with the coordinator - Paul Culley-Barber at [paulcb@blofield.net](mailto:paulcb@blofield.net)

**HIGHWAYS ENGLAND A47 DUALING** between Blofield and North Burlingham

Highways England will be consulting on the latest proposals for the dualing of the A47 between Blofield and North Burlingham in September. As a result of this they will be hosting consultation events at various locations in the area over a period of a few days. They will be hosting a consultation event on 24<sup>th</sup> September at Blofield Courthouse. Further details will be released nearer the time once known. Keep this date in your diary and check the Council's website, noticeboards and Facebook page for further information as we receive it.

**BLOFIELD HEATH WI**

We had a most enjoyable & busy outing to Wells for our August meeting. We traveled by coach & having had time to walk round Wells or to the quay we met at the Wells W.I. hall for a lovely lunch. Then, most of us made our way to Ware Hall House. This is the house which May Savidge moved in 1969 a hundred miles to Norfolk. She had every nail, brick & beam of her medieval house dismantled & carted on lorries to Wells. She died 23 years later & the house was still far from finished. Her nephew & his wife, Christine Adams took on the job of finishing it.

Christine Adams, who lives there told us the story & took us round the house.

It is an amazing story &, now, we are looking forward to reading her book.

Our next meeting is at Heathlands at 2pm on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September when we are looking forward to a return visit by David Morton. This time he will tell us about Windsor Castle.

**FOCAL POINT DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS – WE NEED YOU!**

We have an excellent loyal team of deliverers, but from time to time things change - due to moving away, sickness or holidays etc. which leaves us short.

Most rounds are kept small and many can be completed in less than 30 minutes a month.

Currently seeking volunteers for Blofield Heath, Hemblington & Little Plumstead.

If you are willing to take on a small round in our area or even as occasional stand-by, please contact me. Granville Hornsby (editor) on 01603 713141 or email [editor@focalpointonline.org.uk](mailto:editor@focalpointonline.org.uk)

**READERS' LETTERS**

Daphne Elvin would like to thank all her neighbours at Nursery Gardens, Blofield – and friends plus others that she did not know who supported and helped her on 15<sup>th</sup> July when she had a terrible fire on her property. She also thanks the firemen who miraculously put out the fire. She will be eternally grateful to you all. Extra thanks to Jenny and Bryan for being there for her all the time.  
Daphne Elvin Blofield

**DOGS' MESS** -Obviously, some dog owners seem to have problems with their eyesight, as they constantly fail to see the repeated requests in Focal Point and at Heathlands to clear up the mess left by their animals. I am not particularly in favour of a Big Brother Society as per George Orwell's 1984, but maybe CCTV is the only way to deter these people.

How would they feel if their neighbours sent their dogs or children to relieve themselves in THEIR gardens?

Maybe they've always had their Mummies to clear up after them. Name and address supplied

**Missing Signs** - Dear Editor, Unfortunately, Heathlands has had 2 instances of advertising boards and a banner being stolen. These were advertising the recent Beer Festival at Heathlands Community Centre. Registered Charity No. 303909. 4 x roadside boards were removed from traffic light posts outside the Kings Head PH, Blofield, on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. More seriously, a 3 x 1 meter banner was stolen from PRIVATE PROPERTY at Brundall roundabout, between Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. The Beer festival is an excellent fund raiser for Heathlands and is staffed completely by volunteers, so to be £200.00 (replacement cost) down before the event is a real sickener.

If anyone knows who removed these items, or where they may be, please phone Alan Oakes, Heathlands Management Committee, on 07818 466473. The thefts have been reported to Norfolk Constabulary.

**PARKING IN BLOFIELD** -Where I live in Blofield Heath many of my neighbours are fortunate to have drives for one, or in many cases, two or more cars. Unfortunately for a few of us, myself included, we do not have this luxury. Outside my house the road is narrow and because it is a bus route and a bus stop I am unable to park in the road nearby for fear of blocking it. Recently I have been parking down a nearby side street. Whilst I fully appreciate it can be irritating to the person whose house I choose to park outside I would ask you to extend some neighbourly courtesy. I would much prefer to park outside my own house but it is unfortunately not possible. I never block a neighbour's drive and I'm always mindful of the fact that if you are coming out of a drive you need room to reverse. So I would like to take this opportunity to thank my neighbours for their cooperation and apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Name and address supplied.

#### **MICK JELVES**

My family and I would like to thank everyone for the cards and condolences after the heart-breaking loss of my husband Mick Jelves.

Although Mick was an Essex man after 53 years Blofield Heath was definitely his home.

Over the years we got to know many people in the village and it was lovely to hear such kind words from friends and acquaintances, both old and new.

Thanks to everyone at the Heathlands Social Club who helped to make the occasion special and personal to Mick.

We were quite overwhelmed by the number of people who attended the funeral and their generosity at raising £748 for Earsham ward at the N&N. Thank you once again.

Mo Jelves and family.

#### **BABYSITTING & CHILDMINDING.**

**CASSIE CUSHING** (24). BA (Hons) in Childhood Studies, first aid trained, experience with children of all ages including those with special educational needs.

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