

***BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH  
PARISH NEWS  
OCTOBER 2013***

## THE PARISHES OF BRANDESTON AND KETTLEBURGH

Dear Friends

I think everybody knows that, following our United Service on 6<sup>th</sup> October, I shall cease to be licensed as “Assistant Priest” in our two Benefices after almost six years in this office.

I can now confide in you that I felt more than a little nervous in November 2007, when the Bishop of Dunwich and the Archdeacon of Suffolk came to Brandeston Church to licence and install me. However, my abiding memories of that evening are of the warmth of your welcome, your care and concern that D and I should feel at home among you, and of your amazing willingness to accept whatever it was that God was trying to do in sending me to minister among you!

However, a few days earlier, when driving in the late afternoon sunshine from Easton to Kettleburgh through a flurry of November rain, I had been amazed to see the brightest of double rainbows, arching across the sky from Letheringham Church to Kettleburgh Hall. The sight had reminded that the rainbow was a sign of God’s promise to Noah that “seed time and harvest would not fail”.

During these last six years, you have generously encouraged me in the tasks of both “sowing” and “reaping”, as I have offered ministry in your Churches and in the villages of your benefices. Your encouragement has made it both a pleasure and a privilege, and whatever help and support I have tried to give, you have given me more in return than I could ever have thought possible. Indeed, I now understand that it is in you and through you, each one of you, that I know God’s promise to have been fulfilled.

For me, this is a “thank-you” – rather than a valedictory – letter. Bishop Nigel has kindly given permission for me to continue to take services in your churches in the future (after an appropriate holiday!). So, I have much to look forward to, continuing to worship among friends, sharing something of your continuing journeys of faith and supporting those whom God is calling to his work, in the beautiful villages in which you live.

With my thanks and my love

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**DIARY FOR OCTOBER 2013**

Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00am	<u>Brandeston Coffee Morning, 100+ Club Draw</u> at Village Hall
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am – 12 noon	<u>Coffee Morning</u> at Kettleburgh Village Hall
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	<u>Film Club</u> –“The Life of Pi” at Brandeston Village Hall – see below.
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10am	<u>Kettleburgh Churchyard Tidy</u> – see below
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am – 12.30pm	<u>Flu Clinic</u> at Framlingham Surgery – see below
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm	<u>Kettleburgh Harvest Festival</u> – see below.
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	<u>Brandeston Harvest Horkey</u> - see below
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	8pm	“The Fat Band” at Kettleburgh Village Hall.– see below
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	7.30pm	<u>Opera and More</u> at Brandeston Village Hall - see below
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> October		<u>Halloween on the Green</u> at Kettleburgh Village Green
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	6.30pm for 7.00 start	<u>Whist Drive</u> at Brandeston Village Hall – see below.

**BRANDESTON FILM CLUB**

11<sup>th</sup> October – The Life of Pi starring Suraj Sharma, Imfran Khan and Adil Hussain. A young man who survives a disaster at sea is hurtled into an epic journey of adventure and discovery. While cast away he forms an unexpected connection with another survivor – a fearsome Bengal tiger.

8<sup>th</sup> November – The Railway Man - starring Nicole Kidman, Colin Firth and Steilan Skarsgard. A victim from World War II's "Death Railway" sets out to find those responsible for his torture. A true story.

13<sup>th</sup> December – Great Expectations – starring Ralph Fiennes, Helena Bonham Carter and Jason Flemyng. The 2012 production of Charles Dicken's much loved novel

*Sue Thurlow*

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**St. Andrew's Church, Kettleburgh  
Churchyard Tidy  
Saturday 12th October**

10.00 am start

Please come and help! You will need to bring your sickles, shears or loppers!

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**News from Framlingham Surgery – October 2013**

**'Flu Saturday**

Our open 'Flu Clinic for Autumn 2013 will be held on

**Saturday 12th October 2013  
9.30 am to 12.30pm**

There is no need to make an appointment: just turn up if you are eligible for a jab ie if you are over 65 years old or you are in one of the 'At Risk' Groups'. Please ask your Practice Nurse if you are not sure whether or not you are eligible.

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**KETTLEBURGH HARVEST FESTIVAL**

Our service of thanksgiving will take place at St Andrew's Church on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 5.30pm and any flowers or produce for decorating the church should be taken on the Friday or Saturday. Please come to the service to thank God for the fruits of the earth and bring your gifts of packaged food, which is greatly appreciated by the Ormiston Trust Family Centre in Ipswich, and fresh produce which will be taken to Mills Meadow in Framlingham.

Following the service, at approximately 6.45pm we shall gather in the village hall for our traditional harvest supper. No ticket needed but do bring your own wine and we shall be grateful for donations towards the cost of the meal.

Everyone is welcome at either or both of these events so do book the date now.

*Valerie*

*Upson*

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**BRANDESTON HARVEST HORKEY – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October, starting at 7.30pm**

A 3 course meal followed by entertainment from the village. As in recent years this event will be free to Brandeston residents but to aid catering tickets (priced at £5 per person) need to be purchased from Sue Thurlow 685673 or the Thursday coffee morning. The ticket money will then be refunded at the door on the night of the event. The village hall committee do hope that you will be able to join in for this very village event.

*Sue Thurlow*

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**THE FAT BAND - Kettleburgh Village Hall – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October**

Get your dancing shoes on – the Fat Band is making a welcome return to Kettleburgh. This popular local band will be playing in the Village Hall on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October. Doors open at 8:00p.m. There will be a licensed bar. Tickets are priced at £10 and are available from Jackie Clark on 723623 or [jwc51@btinternet.com](mailto:jwc51@btinternet.com)  
All profits will go to Kettleburgh Village Hall.

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**BRANDESTON WHIST DRIVE – 25<sup>th</sup> October starting at 7pm sharp (doors open at 6.30pm)**

The October Whist Drive will take place in Brandeston Village Hall on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2013. Doors are open from 6.30 pm to enable a prompt start to play at 7.00 pm. Costs of admission have again been pegged at £2.50 per person. There will be a choice of fine wines and a splendid selection of good, locally-produced food available. All are welcome to attend so please do come along – even if you are new to the game of Whist. Once you have experienced the evening we are quite certain that you will be coming back for more

If you would like to attend, please call either Pam or Rick Reade on 685920 prior to the event. This advance notice helps us to estimate the number of tables required.

*Pam and Rick Reade*

**ADVANCE NOTICES**

Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	7.15pm for 7.30 start	<u>Kettleburgh Quiz Evening</u> see below.
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	7.30pm	<u>Phoenix Singers Concert</u> at St Michael's Church, Framlingham – see below

**Kettleburgh's Quiz**

Children in Need Night

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

7.30pm prompt

Kettleburgh Village Hall

(in aid of Children in Need and St Andrew's Church)

Hot Supper, Bar, Tables of Four, £7.50 per person

Contact Vickie Neilson 723226

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With sadness we record the death of Barry Coote on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August, aged 62 years, at Ipswich Hospital, after a long illness bravely borne. Barry was the devoted father of Nicky and Ollie, who have been running the Brandeston Queen for the past year or more, and granddad of Kimmy and Sophie. Barry had many friends, he was well respected and known in the pub trade, perhaps most notably for his highly successful time as landlord of the Crown at Great Glemham. A well attended service of thanksgiving for his life was held at the Seven Hills Crematorium on 30<sup>th</sup> August. Ollie spoke fully about his father and Sophie bravely read a poem she had written with love about her Granddad. May he rest in peace. We send our love and sympathy to Nicky, Ollie and the family, our prayer too that they may know God's love and peace.

*Graham Vellacott*

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### **LESLIE BROCK**

Sadly we report the death of Les, who died on September 8<sup>th</sup> at his Framlingham home, aged 91 years. The funeral was at All Saints' Church, Brandeston on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September followed by a reception at Brandeston Village Hall. Les was the father of Maureen and Elizabeth, grandfather of Maria, Rachael and Martin and great grandfather to Hannah, Harriet and Charlotte. We send our love and sympathy to all the family; may they know God's blessing and comfort. Next month we will publish a full obituary of Les's full and interesting life.

*GV*

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## **PAST EVENTS**

### **KETTLEBURGH VILLAGE SHOW**

A big THANK YOU to everyone who supported this year's show. Many people are involved setting out the hall, preparing the entry cards, stewarding and completing mark sheets and prize cards. In the afternoon others help with the raffle, teas, the auction of produce, and finally clearing the hall. Our show is always well supported and the judges who take their job very seriously were most complimentary. This year we had 90 more entries than in 2012 and the display of cookery and produce in the hall looked really lovely. If you entered this year, thank you for your support, and if you didn't then please have a go next year. Thank you also to those who stayed for the auction of produce. The money raised from this and the raffle are vital to the financial viability of the show.

Now is the time to make your chutney entry for 2014 so the flavour has time to mature and develop. The first of the seed catalogues has just come through the letter box so it will soon be time to select the varieties that just might win you a red card next year.

*Claire Norman, Kettleburgh VPA*

## KETTLEBURGH GREEN TRUST LOTTERY

The results for the September 2013 KGT Lottery are as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize      Nicky Hill  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize      Susan and Trevor Jessop

*Trevor Jessop*

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## BRANDESTON 100+ CLUB

Winners for September 2013 were :-

First prize      Derek Hill  
Second prize    Patience Scott Douglas

The October draw will be at the village hall on 03 October

*Mark Hounsell*

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## NOTICES

### THE FUTURE PROGRAMME OF SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES

Questions have been asked about the future programme of Services in our churches following Robin Alderson's retirement as Assistant Priest.

As will be clear from the Rota of Services for October set out in this magazine, Services will follow the normal pattern in our churches for the last three months of 2013.

A meeting of Elders and Church Wardens or their representatives on 27th September will provide an opportunity for consideration to be given to what a sustainable programme of services in the seven churches of the two Benefices might look like after January 2014. It is anticipated that, as well as the United Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month, the programme will include at least one Holy Communion in each Church each month, and it is likely that there will be one Sunday each month when each Church will have no service. PCCs will have an opportunity to discuss the future programme during the autumn.

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### KETTLEBURGH TOWN ESTATE CHARITY

This parish charity is, at the discretion of the trustees, able to make small grants to **first year students in higher education who live in Kettleburgh**. Any resident who will be starting a course at college or university this autumn is invited to make application in writing before 31<sup>st</sup> October to the secretary Valerie Upson, Fieldings Kettleburgh.

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## **HOSPICE CARE WEEK 2013**

Can we count on you this Hospice Care Week?

Hospice Care Week runs from 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> October this year and is a national campaign to help raise awareness and celebrate the work of local Hospices, like St Elizabeth Hospice, which improve the lives of local people living with a progressive illness.

St Elizabeth Hospice is asking supporters to make their actions count to help grow local Hospice care for local people.

Helen Causer, St Elizabeth Hospice's Head of Community Engagement, said: "We are asking supporters in our local community to pledge to tell five people why Hospice care counts. Their support will mean our patients and their families will get the care they need, when they need it.

"Can we count on you to help spread the word during Hospice Care Week?"

Representatives from St Elizabeth Hospice will be on the road and out and about in your local community during Hospice Care Week to encourage supporters to get involved and help spread the word about the growing need for St Elizabeth Hospice services.

St Elizabeth Hospice relies on the support of the local community through fundraising, volunteering, and supporting its shops.

To get involved, visit [www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk](http://www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk) or follow St Elizabeth Hospice on Facebook and Twitter @StElizabethHosp to find out where the Hospice staff will be during the week.

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## **LINK ROMANIA SHOEBOX APPEAL 2013**

Many people now contribute to this charity each year, and this is just a reminder about items for boxes this year, which need to be ready by the end of October. The following items are suitable for a Family Shoebox: shampoo, shower gel, small toys, toothbrushes and paste, nail clippers, brush/comb, safety razors, simple calculator, hair accessories, soap/flannel, colouring books, writing pads, sweets, chocolate, sewing kit, candles, soft toys, screwdriver, tape measure, socks, tights. If you would like to contribute a box for an elderly person/couple, extra ideas include: plasters, tissues, reading glasses, lavender bag, pens, paper, small mirror. There are now three ways that you can help - as well as two kinds of boxes, there is also a foreign currency collection. Leaflets to attach to the shoeboxes and a collection point for currency will be available at Kettleburgh coffee mornings, at the back of Kettleburgh Church and at Kettleburgh Harvest Supper, or you can download a leaflet from the website link. If you would like to know more about the appeal, contact Jackie Clark (723623) or take a look at the website: <http://linktohope.co.uk/>

There will be a link on the Kettleburgh website (Church page).

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**BRITISH RED CROSS - Across Suffolk- Autumn/ Winter Snapshot of what we do near you.**

Suffolk Mobility Aids loan service has gone mobile. We can now deliver medical equipment such as wheelchairs or commodes to your home! We found that vulnerable people across the county often could not get to a local Red Cross centre and so we have introduced a new delivery service. The equipment loans are still free but there is a charge for delivery. Borrowed items can still be collected free of charge from: Bury St Edmunds, Haverhill, Ipswich, Woodbridge, Newmarket and Southwold. We also sell second hand wheelchairs.

So far this year we have raised £50,000 locally for Red Cross services in Suffolk. This winter we need to raise £3000 to teach life-saving first aid skills to homeless people in Suffolk. Would you recognise the signs of hypothermia, and know what to do?

We are out and about in Suffolk schools at the moment with the Crucial Crew team. This brings together agencies such as Police, Fire and Red Cross to teach junior children how to stay safe and what to do in an emergency. A ten year old child may be able to put you on your side in the recovery position, a simple action which could save your life! Each school visit costs the Red Cross £50.

Our Open Gardens raised over £10,000 for Suffolk services this summer and we're looking for people to help run the scheme. If you are good at organising, baking or like to meet new people, get in touch – join the team and you could help us to raise £15,000 next year.

**We spend more on helping people in Suffolk than we raise.**

If you would like me to talk to your local group about the work of the Red Cross (or for anything else) contact Jane Dow on 01284 727247.

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**VILLAGE WEBSITES**

For up-to-date information about your village, visit these websites:

[www.brandeston.net](http://www.brandeston.net)

[www.kettleburgh.suffolk.gov.uk](http://www.kettleburgh.suffolk.gov.uk)

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**MAGAZINE ARTICLES**

Please send, deliver or e-mail any contributions for the magazine by 15<sup>th</sup> of each month to:

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Please send e-mails in Microsoft Word format (97), PDF or jpg for pictures/scans.  
**Covers are particularly welcome!**

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### **CHURCH CLEANING**

#### **Brandeston**

6<sup>th</sup> Marian Hutson and Julia Elson  
13<sup>th</sup> Jane Mitchell and Louise Paget  
20<sup>th</sup> Christine Matthew and Don Evans  
27<sup>th</sup> Helen Fletcher and Karren Piper  
3<sup>rd</sup> Nov Ruth Garratt and Mary Baker

#### **Kettleburgh**

Val Butcher  
Margaret Meadows  
Sue Scott  
Alison Gibson  
Jackie Clark

### **CHURCH FLOWERS**

6<sup>th</sup> Marian Kirton  
13<sup>th</sup> Helen Saxton  
20<sup>th</sup> Eve Crane  
27<sup>th</sup> Nancy Demetriadi  
3<sup>rd</sup> Nov Pippa Brown

Wendy Griffiths  
HARVEST – Anne Bater  
Anne Bater  
Katie Harris  
Katie Harris

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### **FROM THE EDITOR**

Would anyone like to take over typing /editing the magazine for Brandeston and Kettleburgh? It takes approx 6 hrs a month, barring technology problems, and is quite an interesting job. I am now working full time, so it is becoming difficult to find time. If anyone is interested, please give me a ring on 724777.

*Val Butcher*