

# BLOFIELD NEWS

The parish magazine for St. Andrew & St. Peter, Blofield;  
All Saints, Hemblington and St. Andrew, North Burlingham

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## **WELCOME**

Blofield News is the monthly parish magazine for St. Andrew & St. Peter Blofield, All Saints Hemblington and St. Andrew, North Burlingham. It is sold in these churches and in local shops. If you live in one of our parishes and purchase a year's subscription we can probably deliver it to your home free of charge. If you live outside the parishes you can have copies sent to your home either by post or by email. A large print version is available to anyone who is having difficulty reading our standard publication.

For more information, please contact the editor, Gill, whose contact details are on the back page. The last date for submissions is the **15th of the previous month.**

## **MINISTRY TEAM**

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Retired Priest: Revd. Canon Judith Wilson Tel: 01603 211509

Retired Priest: Revd. Canon Pat Atkinson Tel: 07795 670322

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

### **ALL THREE CHURCHES ARE OPEN DAILY FROM 9.30AM - DUSK;**

Hand sanitiser is provided.

## **FROM THE REGISTERS**

### **Funerals**

1<sup>st</sup> May, Arthur Edward Tunsgate aged 87, at Hemblington Church

### **Licensing of the new Priest in Charge of the Blofield and Broadside Benefice, Revd. Andrew Tapsell**

We are pleased to announce that The Revd Andrew Tapsell will be licensed as the next Priest in Charge of the Blofield and Broadside Benefice on 19<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm in Blofield by the Rt Rev Bishop Graham. We hope you will come to welcome him and his family for this exciting new chapter for our churches.

**PARKING:** Additional parking is available at the Margaret Harker Hall, Court House, Yarmouth Road and St Andrew's Way, all being a short walk to Church Road.

**Parking Marshall will advise drivers where spaces are available.**

Yvonne Mack

## A LETTER FROM REV. ANDREW TAPSELL

A very warm hello to you all! It is a real joy to have been appointed to the post of Priest in Charge of the Blofield and Broadside benefices.



My appointment will differ slightly from those who have occupied the post previously, as the communities to which I will minister are those served by the following churches:

- St. Andrew and St. Peter, Blofield
- All Saints, Hemblington
- St. Andrew, North Burlingham
- St. Mary, South Walsham
- St. Margaret, Upton
- St. Mary, Fishley
- St. Helen, Ranworth
- St. Fabian and St. Sebastian, Woodbastwick

I am delighted not only to be joining the existing ministry team but also to be working alongside another newly-appointed colleague, Revd. Cheryl Ramballi who is serving as Associate Priest. This is an exciting time for all of us as we look to the future for our new family of parishes.

Although I have spent much of my life in Kent, the move to Norfolk feels like a homecoming for me and my wife, Rhona. We have previously lived in Norwich and, between us, we have connections to the Blofield area which means that, after thirteen years away from Norfolk, we are beyond excited to return to a part of the world we love. As an artist and lover of the natural world, I feel blessed to be able to minister in parishes of such beauty, and the passion that the people of our communities have for where they live, is already clearly evident to me.

As I take up my new role, I do so with enthusiasm for the work of the church and all the possibilities it has to enrich our lives and be a valued blessing to everyone. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all those who are instrumental to the oversight and ministry of our churches, particularly for their leadership and dedication over the past few months, while the incumbent position has been vacant.

I would greatly appreciate your prayers for me, Rhona and our children as we follow God's calling and put down our roots in this place. You can likewise, be assured of my own prayers for you, and I will look forward to meeting many of you for the first time over the coming weeks and months.

With every blessing,

**REV. ANDREW TAPSELL**

## JUNE

### Spring into summer

**Prayers and reflections for each week – Rules for living as disciples**

#### **Week 1**

**Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.** (Colossians 3: 12)

**Ponder:** If we are truly God's chosen and dearly loved people, the way we live needs to reflect who we are in God's kingdom and show his love for others through us.

**Pray:** Loving God, thank you for your love to us; help us to reflect your character as we put on the characteristics that Jesus showed in his time on earth. Amen.

#### **Week 2**

**Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.** (Colossians 3: 13)

**Ponder:** It is never easy to forgive words that hurt or deeds that damage us. Yet, true peace and healing come when we forgive and reconcile with one another. Forgiveness is an act of will, not an emotion, so we can persevere, remembering that we too have been forgiven.

**Pray:** Loving God, help us not to hold on to hurts and grievances, but to be big enough to forgive and let them go. Help us to deal with our pain and receive your healing. Amen.

#### **Week 3**

**And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.** (Colossians 3: 14)

**Ponder:** Love is the cement that holds the bricks together and makes the building strong. We are all members of one body – the church – and we are called to love one another.

**Pray:** Loving God, open our hearts to receive your love and give us generosity to pass that love on to others. Help us to be inclusive because we are family; we all belong to you and are made in your image. Amen.

#### **Week 4**

**Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace and be thankful.** (Colossians 3: 15)

**Ponder:** Sometimes it is good to look back and count our blessings; it helps put our problems into perspective. If we let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts, we do not need to be anxious or fretful, and we can be thankful to God for his goodness to us.

**Pray:** Loving God, when we are fearful or anxious, fill our hearts and minds with the peace of Christ, that we may find security and freedom in him.

***Revd. Canon Judith Wilson***

**THREE CHURCHES TOGETHER  
BLOFIELD, HEMBLINGTON AND NORTH BURLINGHAM  
SERVICES FOR JUNE 2025**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Blofield Church 11.00am</b>	<b>Hemblington Church 9.30am</b>	<b>North Burlingham</b>
1st June	Morning Worship	Holy Communion	Joint at Hemblington
8th June	Holy Communion	Morning Worship	Joint at Hemblington
15th June	Morning Worship	Holy Communion	Joint at Hemblington
22nd June	Holy Communion	Morning Worship	Joint at Hemblington
<b>29th June</b>	<b>BENEFICE SERVICE AT HEMBLINGTON AT 10.30AM</b>		

***Morning Prayer at Hemblington Church on Thursdays at 9.00am.***

**Home Communion**

For the arrangement of home communion, in cases of illness or where a person is unable to leave their home, please contact a member of the ministry team (telephone numbers on page 2).

**RESIDENTIAL SERVICES in MAY**

**18th June** - at Manor House.

**19th June** - at Burlingham House.

**25th June** - at Brewster Court.

**Collections and Giving to our churches**

We are grateful for all the offerings, gifts and donations that we receive each month. These can be given at each service (both Blofield and Hemblington Churches now have secure card readers) or online by using BACS or standing order. Bank details for each church are detailed below:

<b>BLOFIELD PARISH CHURCH</b>	<b>ALL SAINTS CHURCH HEMBLINGTON</b>	<b>ST ANDREWS CHURCH NORTH BURLINGHAM</b>
Sort Code: 09 01 55 Account No. 31794180	Sort Code: 30 96 17 Account No. 00040822	Sort Code: 30 99 97 Account No. 30101668

## **BLOFIELD CHURCH**

### **WEDNESDAY MORNING BENEFICE SERVICE**

### **AT BLOFIELD CHURCH**

The Wednesday morning services are at 9.30am



**4<sup>th</sup> June - Morning Worship**

**11<sup>th</sup> June- Holy Communion**

**18<sup>th</sup> June - Morning Worship**

**25<sup>th</sup> June - Holy Communion**

The service is followed by coffee and chat  
in the West End - All welcome.

### **OPEN TO GOD**

Recently, two different people have said how helped they were to know that church members were praying specifically for them, when going through hard times.

Sometimes, we may be too burdened or distressed to be able to frame prayers for ourselves. We need to share our need with a listening ear, and have that need offered to our Heavenly Father on our behalf.

God has our well-being on His heart, and longs for us to turn to Him for comfort and healing in our trouble.

***The future dates are Sunday, 8th June and Sunday 13th July at the High Alter after the morning service.***



***Maureen and Liz***

### **PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND TO GIVE THANKS**

### **MONDAY MORNING 9.00AM – 9.45AM**

Blofield church is open every day for people to visit or to be still and pray for the work of the church, our families, our own community and the wider world.

On Monday mornings, we come together, to help carry the burden through prayer and faith, for those in need of healing in our church family and known to us as individuals. All are welcome to join for this quiet time of prayer.

### **THE CHURCHES OF THE BLOFIELD BENEFICE**

### **Caring for our church family**

Looking after our church family and the wider community is very important to us. Our churches are open every day for you to visit.

If you or someone you know needs support, would like a phone call, or who has something special to celebrate please let Revd. Sue or the churchwardens know, so that we can make contact. Contact for matters relating to pastoral support, contact Revd. Sue Shillam.

Contact details are on page 2.

## FOODBANK

We are extremely grateful to the people of Blofield, Blofield Heath and our church folk for their contributions to the Foodbank.



The following items are most wanted, please:

**Long life milk, tinned meat, fruit juice, tinned potatoes, peanut butter, tinned tomatoes, instant mash and sponge puddings.**

**They have a surplus of baked beans and pasta!**

For more information, please contact Yvonne on 07720942955.

## PLAY CHURCH BABY & TODDLER GROUP SUMMER



Come and find your happy place at Blofield Church  
Church Road, Blofield, NR13 4NA

**Wednesdays from 1 – 3 pm during term time**

The group is run by experienced early years volunteers and the leaders are DBS checked.

**SUMMER TERM**

4th June - 16th July

**Please note!** *There's no toddler group on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> June due to the preparations for our new Priest in Charge*  
*The licensing will be on 19<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm*

**Donation in cash or via SUMUP machine are always welcome**

**Contact Yvonne on 07720942955 or [yvonnemack60@gmail.com](mailto:yvonnemack60@gmail.com) or Barbara on 01603 714519.**

## Thank you

I would like to say a BIG thank you to everyone involved with organising and presenting the wonderful VE Day lunch and entertainment at Blofield church. A very emotional and happy occasion - a lot of hard work by lovely people.

**Doreen Graham and friends.**



## VE DAY – 80 YEARS! A TRIBUTE TO THE GREATEST GENERATION

What began with plans for a special celebratory meal for our regular 'Open Doors' folk at Blofield Church on the 8<sup>th</sup> May, soon grew to a VE Day party, not to be forgotten for many years. A team was soon gathered to be involved in the preparations for the special day.

The bunting fluttered outside, the St George flag was hoisted on the tower and the VE Union flag welcomed people into the church. The flowers, the food and the tables were prepared for 80 guests. Every tiny detail was taken care of, including making sure five residents of Manor House were brought in wheelchairs and safely seated to



enjoy the festivities with a glass of bubbly.

There was great excitement as the Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Carol Bundock, was greeted, and welcomed. With heads bowed, all was still for the two minutes silence to remember all those who never returned. David said Grace before the meal and cottage pie and vegetables were served seamlessly to ten tables, hot and delicious!

This was followed with traditional trifle.



As the music began, and 'Deano' started singing songs from the war years, Carol moved around the tables, chatting to everyone and reminiscing about the war years. What a wonderful moment to see the folk from Manor House singing their hearts out and remembering every word of the songs they'd sung more than 80 years before.

With memories and new friends made, every one left and the tidying began. Thank you, Sarah and the extended hospitality team, for all your hard work.

### Memories and Thanks for a Special VE Day Service - 11th May

Sunday dawned, the sun shone and the promise of yet another memorable day had arrived. It was time for our Service of Remembrance for VE Day, led by Revd. Ron Ingamells. The Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Bryony Falkus, was led to her seat by the wardens, and Revd. Ron took us back to the second world war that he recalled so vividly. The joys, the fears, all intermingled in his telling of that dreadful time. He read the poem by William Blake – **JOY AND WOE** which helped us understand some of the pain and sorrow experienced. At the end of the service, the wardens led The DLL and John, a church representative, to the memorial to lay wreathes of remembrance.

"It is right it should be so;  
Man was made for Joy and Woe;  
And when this we rightly know,  
Thro' the world we safely go.  
Joy and woe are woven fine,  
A clothing for the soul divine.  
Under every grief and pine  
Runs a joy with silken twine."

*Thank you Revd. Ron for such a moving  
and thoughtful service.*



Yvonne Mack



## **EASTER FLOWERS and FLOWER ARRANGING in Blofield Church**

A big thank you to all who helped decorate the church for Easter. The church looked amazing with Easter gardens and the wooden cross created by the children at the Easter activity day.



We would welcome anyone who has an interest in flower arranging or would like to learn to come and meet Brenda and Sarah on Friday afternoons at 2pm. Telephone Sarah on 07584638854 or email: reynoldsfamily53@hotmail.co.uk



There will be a fund raising event later in the year to help with the cost of flowers on special occasions. If you wish to make a donation for flowers to be arranged in church in memory of a loved one, or to celebrate a special occasion, please contact Sarah or the churchwardens.

**Blofield Church**

**OPEN DOORS 2025**

Everyone is welcome to join us at Blofield Church on the first and third Thursday every month from 12.00 midday. We provide a homecooked, two course lunch, lots of chat, friendship, laughter and a little bit of crafting.

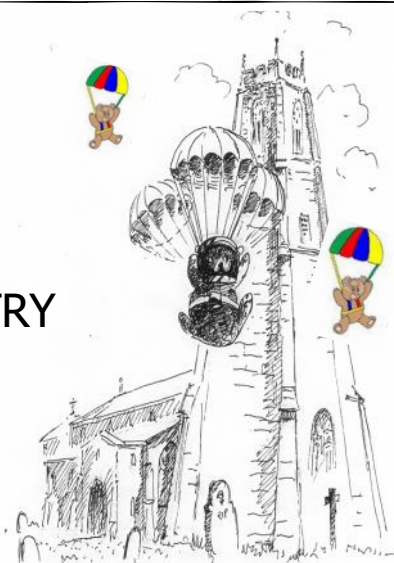
**In June, we meet on Thursday, the 5th, but NOT the 19th due to the licensing preparations.**

For further details, telephone Jenny on 01603 712968

# **Blofield Church's Summer Garden Party Saturday July 5th 1pm to 4pm**

**FREE ENTRY**

Bring your teddy for parachuting fun. Wind him on a rope up the side of the tower and watch him float down.



Also many garden games, treasure hunts, stalls, teas & cakes

## **Blofield & District Gardening Club**

"Flower arranging using flowers and foliage from the garden" is the title of the talk to be given by Jenni Baker on **Wednesday evening, 11th June** at the Margaret Harker Hall, Yarmouth Road, Blofield. Members' competition will be "A posy of garden flowers".

Guests are welcome to all Club meetings - £2:50 including refreshments and chat. Membership is just £10 per year. There is a raffle and a £1 'bring and buy' stall at each meeting.

Date for your diary: the Annual Summer Show will be held on Saturday afternoon, 12th July at the Margaret Harker Hall – always a great social event.

Local contact for enquiries: 01603 715804  
email: [blofieldgardeningclub@outlook.com](mailto:blofieldgardeningclub@outlook.com)  
Website: [www.blofieldgardeningclub.org.uk](http://www.blofieldgardeningclub.org.uk)

## **BLOFIELD ALLOTMENTS**



Have you ever wished you could grow your own fruit and vegetables but have not got the space? Maybe, an allotment could provide the perfect solution? We currently have two plots available for those of you who live within the parish of Blofield (covering Blofield and Blofield Heath).

If you would like to find out more, please do email us for details.

Email: [blofieldallotment@btinternet.com](mailto:blofieldallotment@btinternet.com).

# HEMBLINGTON CHURCH

## Friends of All Saints Church, Hemblington

Becoming a Friend of Hemblington church will help ensure funds are available for repairs to the building and conservation management in the churchyard. Please contact the secretary for information:

Email: [Hemblington@gmail.com](mailto:Hemblington@gmail.com) or tel. 01603 715804, or see the website: [www.hemblingtonchurch.org.uk](http://www.hemblingtonchurch.org.uk)



### **Events at All Saints Church** **Church Lane, Hemblington NR13 4EF** **during Great Big Green Week** **Saturday 7th – Sunday 15th June 2025**

#### Saturday 7th June at 12:00 noon

**All are invited to see a free illustrated presentation by well-known local naturalist David Bryant ‘Wildlife in a Country Churchyard’ – showing many of the birds, butterflies, dragonflies, and mammals he has photographed in our churchyard.**

**This will be followed by an hour’s “wildlife spotting” in the churchyard where we hope to see and record birds, butterflies and dragonflies.**

**At 2.15 pm the Friends of All Saints will hold their Annual General Meeting.**

**All are very welcome to stay on for this.**

**Refreshments will be available.**

**Saturday, 14th June 10.30 am. – 12.00 noon**  
**BADCOG work party raking up in the churchyard**

**Please get in touch for further details or if you would like to become involved in any way: (01603) 715 804**

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

## **Ranworth Church was the setting for the service of licensing for the Reverend Cheryl Ramballi on Sunday, May 11th**



It was a delightful gathering of many priests, members of local congregations and representatives from the various parishes. Bishop Ian led the service, and Cheryl introduced herself to us all. The sun shone, teas and cakes followed and the company of many from across the benefice was much enjoyed.

### **Woodbastwick Church**

Woodbastwick Church is now part of our enlarged Benefice of churches (8 in all now), & they are planning a Flower Festival at the church on 2nd to 3rd August, 10am to 4.30pm. Donations for this will be welcome. Tea & coffee will be served.

There will be Evensong on Sunday, 3rd August at 6.30pm with the Very Rev'd Andrew Braddock, Dean of Norwich Cathedral.

### **Make & Mardle**

The next few Make & Mardle sessions are:

- Thursday 19th June
- Tuesday 22nd July

From 10am to 12noon **at All Saints Church, Hemblington**

Usual format - coffee, cake, chat & optional craft.

Everyone will be most welcome.

For more information, call Catherine on 01603 270 360

## NOTICE BOARD

### **Blafelda (Blofield) Probus Club**

The club provides an enjoyable social meeting point for men who are retired or about to retire. We meet for lunch on the third Wednesday of every month at THE RAM, 108 The Street, Brundall NR13 5LP 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 particularly local interest. We have vacancies for members so if you are interested contact Alex Mason ([alexwmason@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:alexwmason@yahoo.co.uk)/Tel. 01603 716735) or Mike Cole ([mikecole@uwclub.net](mailto:mikecole@uwclub.net)/Tel. 01603 713839).

### **Blofield Court House Village Screen**

Matinee 2.30pm (Tea, cakes, ice-creams); Evening 7.30pm (Bar, soft drinks, ice-creams). Tickets: £5 from S & S Mitchell Newsagents, The Street, Blofield. Enquiries to 01603 712306. Next film is on **13th June**: A COMPLETE UNKNOWN (R, Released 25th Dec 2024, 2h 21m, Biography/Drama/Music).

### **Blofield and District Gardening Club**

The next meeting is on the **11th June** at Margaret Harker Hall. Local contact for information: Tel: 01603 715804; Club website: [www.blofieldgardeningclub.org.uk](http://www.blofieldgardeningclub.org.uk)

### **Blofield Parish Council**

All are welcome to meetings which take place on a **Monday at 7:30pm in Blofield Courthouse Main Hall** unless otherwise notified. This month's meeting is on the **23rd June**. The monthly Parish Council Meetings include discussion on any new planning applications. In addition to being published on the council website, the Agendas and the venue of meetings are always posted on the 3 village notice boards located adjacent to Blofield florists Shop, Blofield Library and Blofield Heath Village Shop. For more information, please visit: [www.blofield-pc.gov.uk](http://www.blofield-pc.gov.uk) or email: [clerk@blofield-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@blofield-pc.gov.uk).

### **Keep Blofield Special**

We are a small group of volunteers who like to keep our villages looking reasonably free of litter. We meet monthly for about an hour's litter-picking. Litter-picks for June take place on:

**Monday, 2nd June**, meet at Heathlands, Blofield Heath at 9.30am.

**Monday, 9th June**, meet at the Old Court House, Blofield at 9.30am.

Anyone is welcome to join us, there is never a shortage of litter unfortunately! The informal litter-picking around our two villages by walkers and dog-walkers is also very much appreciated, thank you.

### **WEA Blofield Branch**

The Blofield branch offers interesting short courses to local people. The Court House is comfortable and well-ventilated, and all will be offered a warm welcome as well as an interesting excursion into a fascinating culture. If you would like to know more about the WEA locally, please contact the local branch: [Blofield.branch@wea.ac.uk](mailto:Blofield.branch@wea.ac.uk) or 'phone 01603 537029.

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

BADCOG holds fortnightly work parties and is an active group aiming to promote interest in Norfolk's natural history and to conserve, maintain and improve the diversity of our sites for nature conservation.

Work parties start at 10.30am and finish no later than 1pm. Anyone can come and join in for as little or as long as they like or just to see what we do.

The next working parties will be:

**Saturday, 14th June - Hemblington Church; Saturday, 28th June - Lingwood Church.** There will be no evening meetings until the autumn.

For any changes to work party plans please see the website [www.badcog.co.uk](http://www.badcog.co.uk).

### **Blofield Preschool Playgroup, Margaret Harker Hall**

A friendly, committee-run playgroup for children aged from 2½ 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 – 12.10pm, 12.10pm – 3.10pm, or 9.10am – 3.10pm. Call us on 01603 712498 for more information or to arrange a visit. For further details follow us on Twitter: @BlofieldPreSch or visit our Facebook page at:

<http://www.facebook.com/BlofieldPreSchoolPlaygroup>.

If you would like your child to be added to our Waiting List, please email us on [blofieldpreschool@outlook.com](mailto:blofieldpreschool@outlook.com).

### **Blofield Tennis Club: Norfolk LTA Club of the Year**

A club with a 100 years' history, that looks to the future.

Start or get back into the sport at this friendly club. We welcome new members of all standards to join and enjoy regular tennis throughout the year. We offer:

- Five high quality courts, three grass, two hard.
- Daytime and evening social play.
- Group and individual adult and junior coaching with LTA licenced coaches.
- Mixed ability fun tournaments.
- League team play.
- Family, adult and junior membership packages.

Call Colin & Dawn Stocker 07483 211926 to discuss membership offers, and arrange a **free** taster session, or join via the website.

Website: [www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/blofieldtennisclub](http://www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/blofieldtennisclub)

Email: [blofieldtennisclub@btinternet.com](mailto:blofieldtennisclub@btinternet.com).

Margaret Harker Hall, Yarmouth Road, Blofield, NR13 4LE.

**Blofield Heath W.I.** We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at Heathlands Community Centre at 2.00pm. The next meeting is on the 10th June.

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### **Brundall Local History Group**

Our meetings with talks are on Saturday afternoons at 2.30pm in Brundall Memorial Hall, Links Avenue, Brundall, NR13 5LL. Admission is free to members (a subscription of £15 per annum) and £3 to visitors who are very welcome. July meeting will be the last event for 2025. For further details visit our website: [www.brundallvillagehistory.org.uk](http://www.brundallvillagehistory.org.uk).

### **Forget Me Not Café**

This meets each Tuesday from 2pm to 4pm in the **St Laurence Centre at Brundall Church** for a time of chat and activities over a cup of tea and cake. Everybody is welcome, especially those on the dementia pathway and their carers. Any enquiries to Peta Cunnane, email: [petac@btinternet.com](mailto:petac@btinternet.com).

### **Brundall & Blofield Good Neighbour Scheme**

If you need practical support with small light jobs in or around your home, local lifts to appointments, shopping, prescription collection, or maybe just a chat - give us a call and we will do our best to help. Please call us on **Freephone 08006889677** to speak to a Duty Officer or leave a message.

***Thinking about becoming a volunteer?** It's local, rewarding and flexible, and will fit around your life. We have vacancies in the Blofield area now. Please contact one of our Duty Officers for more information on Freephone 08006889677 or leave a message.*

### **Heathlands**

Members benefit from cheaper bar prices. New Memberships are always welcome, and forms are available in the Bar. £10.00 for a family including children under 17; Single membership £5.00. Non-Members are welcome to visit. We have SKY TV in the club. We also have rolling TV adverts for companies to advertise. If you are interested, please call in and talk to us or ring 01603 714164. Please see Heathlands Facebook Page for up to date news at [www.facebook.com/heathlands.socialclub/](http://www.facebook.com/heathlands.socialclub/) and website.

### **The Monday Club (Heathlands Day Centre, Blofield Heath)**

Our club meets every two weeks. Our catchment area is Blofield, Blofield Heath, Hemblington, Pedham, Little Plumstead and Brundall. We welcome lonely, isolated, elderly and disabled people. Coffee, hot lunch and afternoon refreshments are available as well as activities, entertainment and outings, and most of all companionship. If you or anyone you know would benefit from joining us please ring Sarah Russen on 01603 714800 for a friendly chat. We are always short of voluntary drivers, if you would be happy to help on a regular or occasional basis, please ring Sarah. Also, we are looking for able people to help put chairs and tables away at the end of each meeting. This only takes half an hour. Please ring Sarah on 714800 or Barbara on 712374 if you can help.



## NOTICE BOARD

### Hemblington Parish Council

Meetings take place every two months, normally on the last Monday of the month. They start at 7.30pm and held at the Heathlands Community Centre, Woodbastwick Road, Blofield Heath, NR13 4PH. The next meeting will be on **29th July**. Information is available on our noticeboards and our website: <http://hemblingtonparish.org.uk>.

### Hemblington Pre-School

Hemblington Pre-School operates from Heathlands. A maximum of 26 children may attend at any one time. It is open during term times on Tuesday: 9am - 12noon and Wednesday to Friday: 9am - 3pm. All children share access to a secure enclosed outdoor play area. Ofsted Rated - Good. If you require further information (particularly during these uncertain times) then please call 01603 712616 (office hours) or contact: Sasha on 07716869506 and visit our website: [www.hemblingtonpreschool.com](http://www.hemblingtonpreschool.com). There is availability for new children to start at preschool immediately.

### Monday Munch at St. Lawrence's, South Walsham

On the first Monday of each month, the churches of Fishley, South Walsham & Upton organize a get-together in St. Lawrence's Church between 12.30 and 2.30pm. We provide light lunches, tea, coffee and cakes, and lots of chat! The next meeting is on the **2nd June**. There is no charge, but donations are always welcome. From time to time, as funds allow, we donate to various charities and often have raffles in aid of specific causes, for example, Macmillan, Breast Cancer and Great Yarmouth foodbank. A warm welcome is extended to people in the Benefice, we would love to see you. Just come along any month.



## NORFOLK BROADS YACHT CLUB

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## VE DAY AT HEATHLANDS



The Victory in Europe celebrations at Heathlands on Sunday, 4th May, in conjunction with Hemblington Church, was an amazing event, if not even a little emotional at times. Our concerns about the weather were completely unfounded as so many people very kindly turned up and hopefully enjoyed 3 hours of fun.

Our resident band, under the leadership of Dave Osborn, entertained us with music from the '40s, culminating with a solo rendition by Les Riley of the "Last Post", followed by an emotional 1-minute silence. This was followed by our magnificent soloist, Sandra Baxter, who entertained us for a further hour with beautiful songs bringing the whole event to a wonderful conclusion.

We had a great display inside of war time memorabilia and outside a beautifully restored World War 2 BSA motor bike, which was so kindly ridden all the way from Taverham by Scott. The BBQ managed to run at capacity and the Social Club Bar was vibrant all afternoon. Teas, coffee and cakes were available and the whole event was "free" to everybody, so thank you to all who kindly gave a donation.

The Committee would like to say a big thank you to everybody who helped put on this event in whatever way, but also to say an even bigger thank you to everybody who came and supported us on the day.

Claire Norton

Chair of Heathlands Community Centre, Blofield Heath.

**The Friends St Margaret's Church Upton**  
invite you to **Upton Village Hall**  
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**Saturday 14th June 2025**

from

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for

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## **Brundall Local History Group**

*These are our final two events for 2025*

**Saturday, 7th June - RED CROSS WALK**, Yarmouth Road, led by **Dale Wiseman**. The walk will locate two of the auxiliary hospitals and visit the cemetery extension where there are several stories connected to the Red Cross story. *To find out time and more details, email: [enquiries@brundallvillagehistory.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@brundallvillagehistory.org.uk)*

**Saturday 26th July at 2.30pm** In the Memorial Hall, Links Avenue, Brundall

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**Midsummer's Day  
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*The solution will be in next month's  
(July) Blofield News.  
Good luck!*

## SOLUTION TO MAY SUDOKU

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# JUNE DIARY

02 Monday	Keep Blofield Special	Heathlands
02 Monday	Monday Munch	St Lawrence's, South Walsham
05 Thursday	Open Doors	Blofield Church
06 Friday	Lowestoft Longshoremen concert	Upton Village Hall
07 Saturday	Brundall Local History Group	Red Cross Walk
07 Saturday	Open Day	Norfolk Broads Yacht Club
09 Monday	Keep Blofield Special	Blofield Court House
10 Tuesday	Blofield Heath WI	Heathlands
11 Wednesday	Blofield & District Gardening Club	Margaret Harker Hall
13 Friday	Village Screen	Blofield Court House
14 Saturday	BADCOG	Hemblington Church
14 Saturday	Family Orchid Day	Cremer's Meadow and Marty's Marsh
18 Wednesday	Residential Service	Manor House
19 Thursday	Residential Service	Burlingham House
19 Thursday	Make and Mardle	Hemblington Church
21 Saturday	Midsummer Day Strawberry Tea	St Lawrence's Centre, South Walsham
23 Monday	Blofield PC Meeting	Blofield Court House
25 Wednesday	Residential Service	Brewster Court
28 Saturday	BADCOG	Lingwood Church

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