

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**.

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

Hand sanitiser is provided.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Funerals

23rd July, Muriel Gladys Griffin aged 93, at Hemblington Church

24th July, Janice Rosalind Yorath aged 78, at Hemblington Church

26th July, Iris Irene Edwards aged 79, at Blofield Church

*The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it:
for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.*

Psalm 24: 1-2 (NRSV).

A LETTER FROM REVD. CHERIL RAMBALLI

I am delighted to be writing to you after just a few months of being a member of the team here in the Blofield and Broadside Benefices. I would like to say a huge thank you for the warm welcome. It has been a joy to get to know the team and the churches here. I am continually struck by the love, humility and passion with which people serve in the different churches and across



the communities. There is a real sense of being a part of an extended family, as so many friends in the community contribute to church life in their own unique and extraordinary way. I am excited by what God is doing here.

September takes us into the Season of Harvest and Thanksgiving. It is a time when many of us come together to support different charities, Food Banks and Pantries. The gifts we send out become tangible expressions of 'love for neighbour' which is one of the most important things Jesus taught us. Sharing in such missional activities is a testament to the value we place on working well together as church and community.

1 Corinthians 3:7 *So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who makes things grow.*

As we continue to serve each other and plant the seeds of 'love, hope and joy', we trust that God will bring in these 'fruits' in abundance as the harvest for our churches and communities.

With love and blessings,

Revd. Cheryl Ramballi.

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.

Reflections for September 2025 as the leaves change into glorious colour

Standing at the door

Read: *Look, I stand at the door and knock. I will go in and eat with whoever hears my voice and opens the door; and they will eat with me.*

Revelation 3: 20

Ask yourself: Have you assumed that once you open the door to Jesus, it is open forever? Is there some area of your life he is still seeking access to?

Pray: Lord Jesus Christ, when you knock at the door and I fail to let you in, knock harder, until I open. **Amen.**

A time to be still

Read: *He persuaded his disciples to board the boat and cross to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds, and having done that, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. As evening fell, he was there alone.*

Matthew 14: 22-23

Ask yourself: When did you last make time to be still in the presence of God? When did you last focus your thoughts entirely on him?

Pray: Living God, whatever the pressures and duties of the day, teach me to find stillness. **Amen.**

The God who opens doors

Read: *I will remain at Ephesus until Pentecost, because a great door of valuable work has opened to me, and there are many who oppose me.*

1 Corinthians 16:8-9

Ask yourself: Is God urging you to explore new opportunities for service? Is there something you felt called to do but see no way of achieving. Have you lost sight of God's ability to open doors?

Pray: Living God, show me the doors you have opened and teach me to walk through them in faith, trusting in your guidance and power, this day and always. **Amen.**

The silences of God

Read: *The Lord said, "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by."*

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

1 Kings 19:11-13

Ask yourself: Is there some prayer of yours that God doesn't seem to have answered? Could it be that you haven't heard his voice in the silence?

Pray: Gracious God, help me to hear again your still small voice, your word even in the silence and know that you are always there. **Amen.**

Rev'd Sue

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

Date	Blofield Church 11.00am	Hemblington Church 9.30am	North Burlingham
7th September	Morning Worship	Holy Communion	Joint at Hemblington
14th September	Holy Communion	Morning Worship	Joint at Hemblington
21st September	Morning Worship	Holy Communion	Joint at Hemblington
28th September	Holy Communion	ECO Harvest Festival Morning Worship	Joint at Hemblington

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 AUGUST

17th September - at Manor House.

18th September - at Burlingham House.

24th September - 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:

BLOFIELD PARISH CHURCH	ALL SAINTS CHURCH HEMBLINGTON	ST ANDREWS CHURCH NORTH BURLINGHAM
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



3rd September - Holy Communion

10th September - Morning Worship

17th September - Holy Communion

24th September - Morning Worship

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

OPEN TO GOD

You do not need to be going through a bad time to make use of this prayer ministry. Sometimes, it is great to share good news with others and have thanks offered to God.

Whatever prompts us to turn our searching in a spiritual direction, can enable us to embrace the comfort that God offers.

The future dates are Sunday, 14th September and Sunday, October 12th at the High Altar, 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.

Could you be part of an events team?



The events team can be anyone, including you! Fellowship is key in all churches and allows us to have fun and connect with each other both inside and outside of church services. It also allows us to reach out to the wider community while raising money for the work of the church and the charities we support. Your skills of planning,

humour, organising, brainstorming, cooking and socialising are what we need. Please let Yvonne 07720942955 or Barbara 01603 714519 know if you would like to be part of this group.

FOODBANK

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



We are all aware of the cost-of-living crisis and so are most grateful for every item that comes to church to help others who are struggling.

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.

The Children call it Play Church

Each Wednesday in the school term you will find a buzz in Blofield Church as children and babies with their parent, carer or grandparent enjoy a wide variety of toys for building, water play, dressing up, sand play, exploring textures, painting, gluing, modelling, also construction, crafts and music-making.

All this is in a safe environment where the children can move around and choose activities within easy view of their carer.

There is a safe babies' area with soft toys as well as extra space in the nave for push-along and ride-on toys, and for exploration of ball games.

Sessions end with musical instruments and singing together, followed by healthy snacks for the children, and tea and cakes for the grown ups.

Friendships have been built between the adults and also the children, while exploring role play activities.

Experienced early years volunteers run the group and leaders are DBS checked.

There is no charge but donations are welcome.

We begin after the summer break on September 10th.

**We look forward to meeting you between 1pm and 3.15pm
any Wednesday during school term time.**

Contact us through the Play Church Facebook page or Yvonne on 07720942955



Play Church



HARVEST FESTIVAL AT BLOFIELD CHURCH

Sunday, 5th October at 11.00 am

Donations of non-perishable food items will be gratefully received and donated to

The Women's Refuge in Norwich
All welcome to this service

**THE SERVICE IS FOLLOWED WITH
HARVEST LUNCH IN THE WEST
END IN AID OF THE VIDYAL TRUST
AT 12.15 PM**



This charity helps transform the lives of street children, destitute elderly, those facing cancer and leprosy in Southern India and is the work of Revd Canon Pat Atkinson

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church or contact
Yvonne 07720942955 or Avril 07533624410



heritage open days

Meet Edward Paston

**'Heritage Open Day' at Blofield Church
on Sunday September 14th, 14.00 to 16.00**

Meet Edward Paston, learn of his connections with Blofield.

Hear music of the 16th century and explore a range of
healing plants used in his time.

Enjoy cream teas.

On Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th September, 10.30 to 16.30

Paston displays and trails will also be available.



Blofield Church

OPEN DOORS 2025

Everyone's welcome for a little bit of chat/conversation, friendship, laughter and activities

We meet on

The first and third Thursday at 12.00

Two course lunch is provided

This month the dates are: **4th September and 18th September**

For further information contact Jenny on 01603 712968 or

Sarah on 07584638854

Blofield Church welcomes the return of our favourite visiting orchestra

St Gregory's Orchestra

On Sunday, September 28th at 3pm

with a concert of music by Mozart:

The Marriage of Figaro Overture

Music from The Magic Flute

Flute Fantasie by Georges Hüe

Symphony no 35, the Haffner

plus a dazzling Flute Fantasie by Hüe

Tickets: £10 at the door

include afternoon tea

Blofield Church is a much-loved and beautiful building. It is there for everyone but with services, visitors, coffee mornings, concerts, a toddler group and lunches for those wishing to make friends, we'd like a little help to keep it clean.



Cleaning
Team

Do you have an hour or two to spare each month?
We meet on the **first Monday** of each month at
10am and end with coffee and cake.

Please contact Yvonne on 07720942955



CHURCH CLEANING
WE COULD USE YOUR HELP...

Peter Eade 1825 - 1915
of Blofield and Norwich,
 trained in Blofield under his
 father (also Peter Eade) to
 be a doctor. He became an
 eminent physician, was
 three times mayor of
 Norwich, given the freedom
 of the city and was knighted
 by Queen Victoria. During
 his remarkable 90 years, he
 kept diaries describing
 many events and changes
 in Blofield and in Norwich.



His autobiography is
 available at £10 with
 proceeds going to
 Blofield Church
 where he
 worshipped, he and
 his four sisters are
 buried, and where
 the fine east window
 is a memorial to him.

Available from
 David Pilch
 dbpilch@gmail.com

- He grew up near where the village school was built in 1878 enjoying cricket, boating, fishing and out-door country pursuits. Taught, initially with his four older sisters, he became apprenticed to his father before completing training in medicine in London. Humorous tales are told of student life.
- He knew the church well with its 'tall' (enclosed) pews for some families and backless benches for others. A 'clarionet' gave the first note for hymns.
- There were stocks in the village for miscreants. At Michaelmas a fair on Blofield Street had canvas covered stalls and one or two roundabouts.
- A passenger on the train which crashed at Thorpe, he was able to help other injured folk.
- He was instrumental in the building of the Norfolk and Norwich hospital and promoting many open spaces and parks like Chapel Field Gardens, Eaton Park and Mousehold Heath for the health and well being of city dwellers. Seeing the need for children to learn gardening at the newly built village school, he provided land.
- By persuading the city authorities to move the city prison from the castle to new premises on Mousehold, he enabled Norwich Castle to become a major city museum.

HEMBLINGTON CHURCH

Friends of All Saints Church, Hemblington

Saturday and Sunday, 20th and 21st September: do join us for “Art in a Country Church” – an exhibition by members of the Gt Yarmouth Guild of Artists. Beautiful paintings, glass work and handicrafts will be available to admire and buy too - no admission fee. There is level entry into the church and there is a wheelchair accessible WC too. It is an ideal opportunity to visit the church and enjoy homemade refreshments.

All Saints Church, Church Lane, Hemblington near Blofield NR13 4EF.

Local contact: (01603) 715804: Website: www.hemblingtonchurch.org.uk.

Commemorating the 80th Anniversary of VJ Day at All Saints Church, Hemblington – Saturday, 16th August, 2025

As a tribute to all who served in the Far East and to mark the final surrender of the Japanese bringing the Second World War to a close, the Friends of All Saints Church, Hemblington, arranged an afternoon of talks commemorating this important international event.

The first presentation was by the well-known local historian and author Neil Storey, who concentrated on how local Territorial Armies had become involved in fighting in Europe and then in the Far East. He highlighted the history of the local Royal Norfolk Regiment and people whom he had known, describing the atrocious conditions in prisoner of war camps, and the building of the infamous railway which claimed so



many lives. His talk was followed by a presentation concentrating on the history of HMS Persimmon, and the family connection of Steve Briggs, a Friends committee member. The church was virtually filled by local people who had family connections to fighting in the Far East, members of the British Legion, and others interested in military history, wishing to commemorate the horrors of the fighting, and of those who became prisoners of war and/or died. The talks were followed by a minute's silence and the Last Post, played by local man, Les Reilly. Refreshments were then offered, accompanied by many tales of family reminiscences of the time.

Thank you to all who came to hear the talks, and to all who spoke, played, baked and generally helped. It was a moving community experience.

Susan Rowe



HARVEST SERVICES

St Andrew's Church

North Burlingham

Sunday 21st September 2025

At 3pm

Harvest Songs of Praise

Refreshments

All Saints Church

Hemblington

Sunday 28 September 2025

At 9.30am

Refreshments

Art in a Country Church

**All Saints Church, Church Lane,
Hemblington, near Blofield NR13 4EF**

Part of Heritage Open Days 2025

**Weekend of Saturday and Sunday,
20th and 21st September 2025**



An exhibition of paintings
By local artists

Ian Walker, Jan Lacey
Viv Rainsbury and Jan Heath.

Free entry
Refreshments available

**Paintings for sale -
Cash or card**



The exhibition will be open on
Saturday 20th September between 10.30am - 4.00pm
Sunday 21st September between 11.00am - 4.00pm

Church website showing how to find the church: www.hemblingtonchurch.org.uk

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/Tel. 01603 716735) or Mike Cole (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 email: info@blofieldcourthouse.org.uk. Next film is on the **12th September**: Mr Burton.

Blofield and District Gardening Club

All events are at the Margaret Harker Hall, Yarmouth Road, Blofield.
Local contact for information: Tel: 01603 715804;
Club website: 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. The next meeting is on the **8th September**. 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 or email: clerk@blofield-pc.gov.uk.

Keep Blofield Special

Our small group of volunteers continues to help keep our villages reasonably free of litter. The September dates for litter-picks are:

Monday, 1st September, meet at Heathlands, Blofield Heath at 9.30am.

Monday, 8th September, meet at the Old Court House, Blofield at 9.30am.

Anyone is welcome to join us. Plenty of black bags will be available. There is never a shortage of litter, unfortunately! As usual, many thanks to residents, walkers and dog-walkers, who kindly pick up litter informally, it is appreciated.

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 or 'phone 01603 537029.

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BADCOG - Blofield and District Conservation Group.

BADCOG is an active group aiming to conserve, maintain and improve the diversity of our sites for nature conservation.

Fortnightly, 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, 13th September - Buckenham Woods; Saturday, 27th September - Walsham Fen.**

For any changes to work party plans please see the website www.badcog.co.uk.

Our AGM will be on **12th September at 7.30pm in Strumpshaw Community Hall, followed by** an evening when members bring along items on natural history to show or talk about. **BADCOG archives will be on display. Visitors are welcome and refreshments are available.**

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.

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

Email: 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 **9th September**.

NOTICE BOARD

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 was the last event for 2025. For further details visit our website: 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.

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. £7.00 for a family including children under 17, Single membership £4.00 until the end of the year. 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/ 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 September**. Information is available on our noticeboards and our website: <http://hemblingtonparish.org.uk>.

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 **1st September**. 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.



HEATHLANDS

Heathlands next Management Committee Meeting is on the **9th September**.

AUGUST was a quiet month, but we hope you all enjoying the summer sunshine.

SEPTEMBER sees the start of new hiring for Heathlands.

We still have a some days left, if you are interested in hiring and expanding your business. Anybody out there that does chair exercises. Chair yoga also has been asked for. Please get in touch 01603 714164, or 07947881969.

Jumble coming up on 25th October, so time to sort items ready.

BINGO DATES for September: **12th and 26th September**. Eyes down at 7.30pm. New people always welcome. Great Raffle, Cash prizes - An enjoyable evening.

Social club membership prices are reduced until the end of the year: £7.00 a family, £4.00 single. Come and join us.

Make & Mardle

The next Make & Mardle session is at **All Saints Church, Hemblington**
Is Tuesday, 23rd September

From 10am to 12noon

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

Everyone will be most welcome.

For more information, call Catherine on 01603 270 360

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT



It's almost that time of year again, and the arrangements are being made, so, please make a note in your diary as we will be holding our annual coffee morning again to raise much need funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. Please come and join us, enjoy a cuppa and slice of cake, and catch up with friends and family in aid of a very worthy cause.

The event this year will be held on:

Saturday, 20th September, 12noon until 3pm at Heathlands Community Centre, Blofield Heath, NR13 4QH

There will be a large raffle, a tombola, white elephant and homemade preserves stalls, as well as lots of cake and savouries to enjoy.

Any donations are very welcome, please contact, Jackie on 07928584113, or 01603 717382.

Thank you

THE REVE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Registered Charity No 311132



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 **31st October 2025** to:

Mrs Rosemary Youngs, Secretary to the Trustees at:

BLOFIELD FUEL CHARITY

Another year has passed, and the time has come again for the Blofield Fuel Charity's applications forms to be available. The Trustees would like potential applicants to apply to this Charity for assistance with their fuel payments.

The forms can be collected at the Blofield Newsagents and Blofield Heath Post Office and shop, from 1st September 2025.

The relevant information required is on the forms.

Blofield & District Gardening Club

The next Gardening Club meeting will be on **Wednesday 10th September (7:30pm)** - **"Orchid Growing"** with Colin Thorburn. The members' competition is "An orchid in flower".

All are welcome to come along for this talk at The Margaret Harker Hall, Yarmouth Road Blofield. There will be a £1 'bring and buy' stall and a raffle. Refreshments are included. Guests £2:50.


Wednesday 8th October (7:30pm) will be the legendary Bob Coutts discussing "Practical Jobs for the Autumn". The members' competition is "A dahlia or chrysanthemum".

Local contact for queries: (01603) 715804,
Website: www.blofieldgardeningclub.org.uk

Village Screen presents: "Mr Burton"

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Notice

Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011

Draft Pastoral Scheme

22nd August 2025

The Norwich Diocesan Mission and Pastoral Committee has prepared a draft Pastoral Scheme for the reorganisation of the benefices known as Blofield and Broadside.

The draft Scheme is on the Commissioners' website www.churchofengland.org/consultation or you may obtain a copy from me. Large print and/or audio copies are available on request.

- Anyone may make representations for or against all or any part of the draft Scheme Order (please include the reasons for your views) by post or, preferably, by email to reach the Commissioners **no later than midnight on 26th September 2025**. Please send your representation to (e-mail: matthew.crowe@churchofengland.org) or by letter marked for the attention of Matthew Crowe, Pastoral Division, Church Commissioners, Church House, Great Smith Street, LONDON SW1P 3AZ.
- If they have not acknowledged receipt of your representation before this date, please ring 020 7898 1784 or e-mail them to ensure it has been received. For administrative purposes, a petition will be classed as a single representation and the Commissioners will only correspond with the sender of the petition, if known, or otherwise the first signatory for whom they can identify an address – “the primary petitioner”.
- When making a representation, please indicate the nature of your interest in the proposals (e.g. parishioner, member of parochial church council, etc) and whether you would like an opportunity to speak to their Committee regarding your representation if the Commissioners decide a hearing should be held regarding the case. Please ensure you provide contact information so that they can be in touch with you regarding later stages of the process.
- If they receive representations against the draft Scheme, they will send them, and any representations supporting the draft Scheme, to the Bishop whose views will be sought. Individual representors and the primary petitioner will then receive copies of the correspondence with the Bishop (including copies of all the representations) and will be told whether a hearing is to be held. They and individual petitioners may comment further to the Commissioners. Copies of all of the representations received and associated correspondence will normally be published on the Commissioners' website if the matter needs to be considered by them.
- If a hearing is held, anyone may attend the meeting of the Commissioners that considers the case and representors may have an opportunity to speak to their Committee. Otherwise, if a hearing is not to be held, the case will be considered in private and you will be informed accordingly.
- When they acknowledge representations the Commissioners will let individual representors (and the primary petitioner) know the next few dates of their Committee's meetings. They will confirm the actual date if a hearing is to be held nearer the time.
- The Commissioners' will decide if the draft [Scheme] [Order] should proceed when they consider all the representations on the basis of a paper prepared by the Commissioners' staff and any points raised at the meeting.
- The Commissioners will notify all representors of their decision and give a statement of the reasons for it.

Please see the Commissioners' website www.churchofengland.org/consultation for further information about the procedure.

SUDOKU FOR THIS MONTH

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

SOLUTION TO AUGUST SUDOKU

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7	2	3	9	4	8	5	6	1
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01 Monday	Church Cleaning	Blofield Church
01 Monday	Monday Munch	St Lawrence's, South Walsham
01 Monday	Keep Blofield Special	Heathlands
04 Thursday	Open Doors	Blofield Church
08 Monday	Blofield PC	Blofield Court House
08 Monday	Keep Blofield Special	Blofield Court House
09 Tuesday	Heathlands Management Committee	Heathlands
09 Tuesday	Blofield Heath WI	Heathlands
10 Wednesday	Blofield & District Gardening Club	Margaret Harker Hall
12 Friday	BADCOG AGM & Evening Meeting	Strumpshaw Community Hall
12 Friday	BINGO	Heathlands
12 Friday	Village Screen - 'Mr Burton'	Blofield Court House
13 Saturday	BADCOG	Buckenham Woods
14th & 15th & 16th	Heritage Open Days	Blofield Church
17 Wednesday	Residential Service	Manor House
18 Thursday	Residential Service	Burlingham House
18 Thursday	Open Doors	Blofield Church
20 Saturday	MacMillan Coffee Morning	Heathlands
20 Saturday	Art in a Country Church	Hemblington Church
21 Sunday	Art in a Country Church	Hemblington Church
23 Tuesday	Make and Mardle	Hemblington Church
24 Wednesday	Residential Service	Brewster Court
26 Friday	BINGO	Heathlands
27 Saturday	Harvest Flower Festival	St Mary's Church, South Walsham
28 Sunday	Harvest Flower Festival	St Mary's Church, South Walsham
28 Sunday	St. Gregory's Orchestra Concert	Blofield Church
29 Monday	Hemblington PC	Blofield Court House

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