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NEWS



NOVEMBER 2026

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Assington Baby and Toddler Group	Rev Tricia Box	07747 124592
Assington Books, Village Hall (see post office for times)		
Assington Farmshop	Maxine Gardiner	01787 211610
Assington Post Office, Village Hall	Mon 1.30-3.30,	Wed 9-12
Boxford CEVC Primary School (office@boxford.suffolk.sch.uk)	Head: Emma Lea	01787 210332
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District Councillor (Assington)	Lee Parker	07970 196884
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Doctors surgery – Bures	Bures	01787 227529
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Member of Parliament (james.cartlidge.mp@parliament.uk)	James Cartlidge	020 7219 4875
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andrewpeterhill@hotmail.com	Andrew Hill	01787 827112
	Mark Armitage	
	Kimberly Howard	
Parish Council - Clerk (clerk@assington-pc.gov.uk)	Christine Hargan	01449 674727
Pub – The Shoulder of Mutton	restaurant@shouldermutton.co.uk	01787 703309
Stoke by Nayland C of E Primary School (admin@sbn.suffolk.sch.uk)	Head: Mrs Kelly McGrath	01206 262418
Vicar (vicar@parishchuurch.co.uk)	The Revd Daniel Whiffin	07309 947039
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THINGS TO DO



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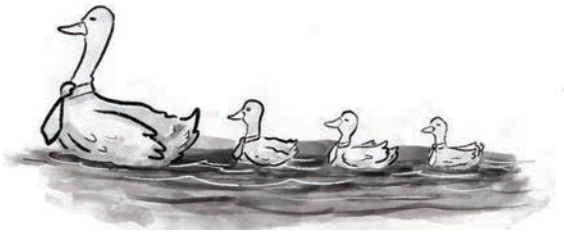

FUNGUS FORAY

Sunday 15th November, 1.45 at Tiger Hill .
The walk will be aimed at looking, not collecting.

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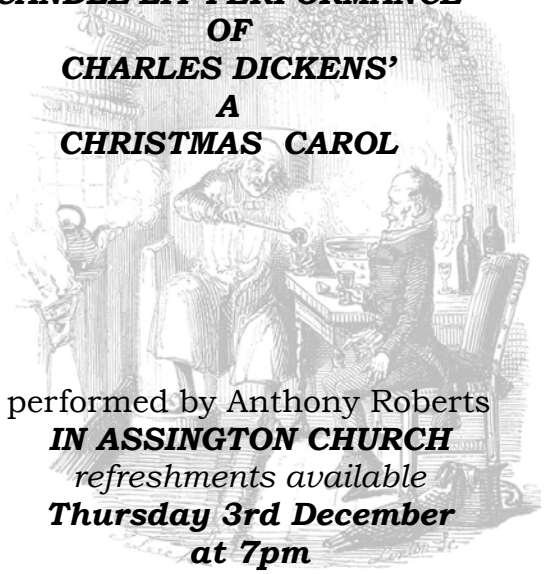

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HARVEST WEEKEND

It looks so much better in colour! Go To https://assington-pc.gov.uk/assington-news/

The annual Harvest Supper took place on Friday 16th October: a traditional village evening of food, wine, and light entertainment. We enjoyed a 'rounded evening ' meeting up with friends and neighbours.
Thank you to all those who came to support it.



Thanks to Sarah White, who organised the food donations and serving, and her mother who once again produced the pretty flower table -decorations.
Thanks also to all those who helped with the food in various ways.

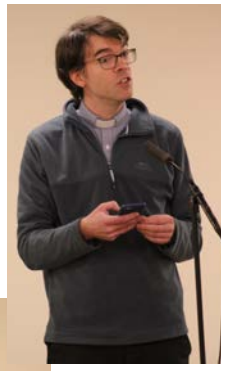


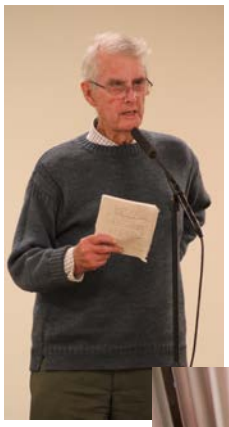


Thanks to John, for once again providing the wine for which people donated an amazing £240 which is to go towards the Tower Project.

Thanks to Cecily, John, Linda and Roger, Ian, Rev Daniel and Bronwen for their individual performances to entertain the troops:
Thanks also to Rev Simon for presiding over the fun once again.











On the Sunday morning,18th October, the Harvest Service was held in our beautiful church.



Thanks to everyone who helped to decorate the church: John, Louisa, Emily, Monica and Bronwen.







Grateful thanks to everyone who gave donations of food to be given to the food bank;
the church collection is also to be donated to the Sudbury Storehouse Foodbank.



Thanks also to Linda and Val for providing refreshments after the service.





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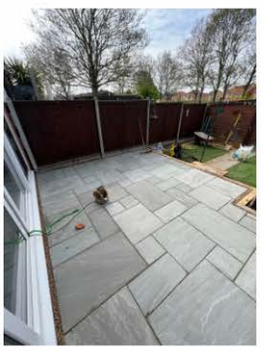



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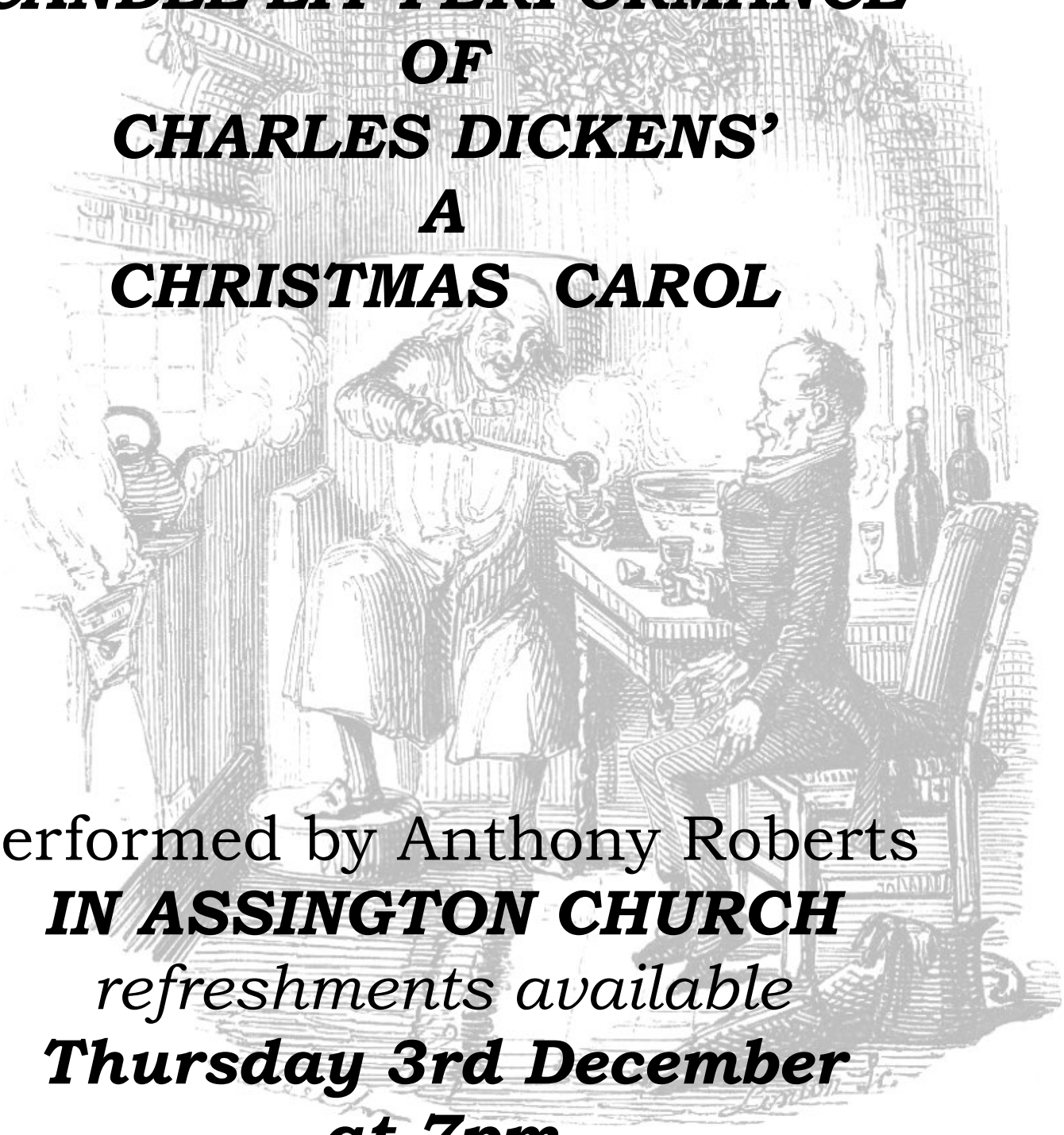

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BOTTENGOMS

Ronald Blythe's gift to Essex Wildlife Trust



Ronald 'Ronnie' Blythe is regarded as one of the founders of contemporary nature writing. His elegiac portrait of vanishing life in the countryside in his most famous book 'Akenfield' made him known and read across the world. Through his lifetime, he wrote over 80 books and is considered an icon amongst many of the leading international naturalists and nature writers today.

Ronnie died in 2023 at the age of 100, leaving his enchanting home, Bottengoms, to Essex Wildlife Trust. This 16th century yeoman farmer's house, nestled in the landscape of Wormingford in the Stour Valley, was given to Ronnie by his friends, East Anglian artists John and Christine Nash. Ronnie's wish was for the estate to become a nature reserve and to include a studio to inspire writers, artists, photographers, natural historians and historians for generations to come.

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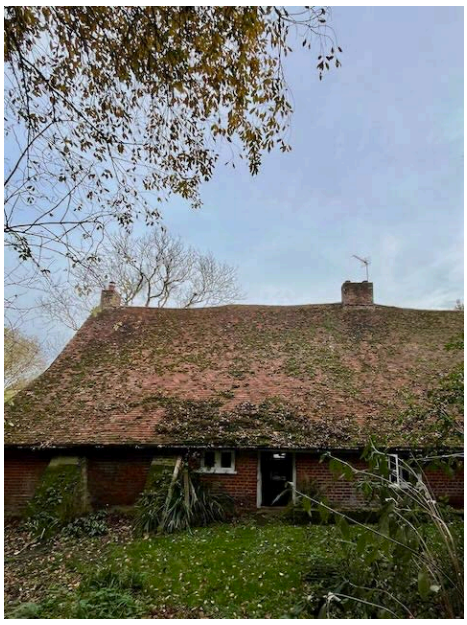
Back to Bottengoms

Posted on November 10, 2025 By Lucy Greeves

Lucy Greeves is a writer and picker-up of pebbles, currently pursuing an MA in Creative Writing at the University of Essex. She is interested in exploring how enmeshed our human lives and bodies are in the natural world, and the ways in which we embrace or reject these entanglements.

The Yeoman's House, November.



At Bottengoms the roofline seems to heave a sigh. It sags like an old plough horse, sway-backed and put out to pasture. All around, the garden is mouldering. The rot is well organised: everything surplus or spent has been raked into careful heaps or corralled in chicken-wire stockades. The gardener rubs his hands at the prospect of future compost. Inside, volunteers are hard at work, making an inventory of Ronald Blythe's mismatched crockery. Next year, they hope to welcome visitors. But on a still November day, under a blank, paper-grey sky, the promise of renewal feels fragile, ambiguous.
There is just so much to do.

Frayed rugs and broken Toby jugs, two sorts of subsidence, not to speak of giant poplar stumps in need of urgent root canals. Tenacious invasive shrubs, potholes deterring all comers: in every quiet way at its disposal, the Yeoman's House is resisting attempts to make it into a place of pilgrimage. How do you turn a house into a shrine? Replaster the walls, underpin the foundations, affix the "Mind Your Head" and "Fire Exit" signs. Advertise; build a metaphorical bell tower to announce your attractions to the world. What is left after this scouring consecration will be an honest gesture at the living house. But a church by its nature is home to all and none, swinging its ancient doors back and forth to count souls in and out, in and out. Something of its sheltering homeliness will be lost: this sense of a dwelling place that accommodates a few warm bodies the way a shell accommodates the snail. It will seem at once larger and lesser, brighter and sadder.

Let it be, I want to tell them. The house is weary. It has seen so many fond masters and mistresses come and go, and none have tended it well enough to stop the rot, to stop it settling into the hollow of the land – I doubt any householder could. Let it sink into the irretrievable past, along with a world where a modest writerly lifestyle seemed reasonable on a lay preacher's stipend, the annual royalty cheque from a long-ago bestseller, and the patronage of a few cultured types. Some ritual was performed and finished here, over the course of eighty years or so. A long goodbye to a lost England, come to its last full stop.

But perhaps it's just the autumn blues getting to me. The brown torpor of the wintering fields, every shrivelled berry and drooping toadstool sighing out the same refrain: let go, it's time to rot. The things that thrive on dying are stealing the green out of everything. Through the chilly corridors the shuffling steps of an old, old man chink a desire line from brick to brick, his shrinking scope measured out in careful seated showers and cups of tea with sugar hacked from a solid lump in a damp larder. There's little trace of all the careful joy that once unfolded here.

Perhaps I'll come back in spring, amid green shoots and birdsong, and I'll feel the enthusiasm of all these dedicated volunteers grab hold of me and lift me. Perhaps then I'll imagine, along with them, the possibility of new things in the oldest of places. Perhaps this old horse of a house will amble over, lay its whiskery chin on the top bar of the gate, and puff out a contented greeting.

NATURE WATCH

From Nick Miller

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MICHAELMAS - LOVING THE SEASONS OF THE YEAR

With our climate topsy-turvy, and the farming year being changed by post-60's innovation, will people still feel the joy of learning the seasons in childhood, and in turn passing it on?
The age-old story is beautifully recounted in the alliterative mediaeval ***Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*** told when, as just within memory, even towns-people's lives were inseparable from Nature.



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The weather in the world makes war on the winter,
Cold creeps [back] into the earth, clouds are uplifted,
Shining rain is shed in showers that all warm fall on the fair turf, flowers there open,
Of grounds and of groves green is the raiment,
Birds are busy a-building and bravely are singing
For softness of the sweet summer that will soon be on the way;
And blossoms burgeon and blow, in hedgerows bright and gay
Then glorious musics go, through the woods in proud array.

After the season of summer with its soft breezes,
When Zephyr goes sighing through seeds and herbs,
Right glad is the grass that grows in the open,
When the damp dewdrops are dripping from the leaves
To greet a gay glance of the glistening sun.
But then Harvest hurries in, and hardens it quickly,

Warns it before winter to wax to ripeness.
He drives with his drought the dust, till it rises
From the face of the land and flies up aloft;
Wild wind in the welkin makes war on the sun,
The leaves loosed from the linden alight on the ground,
And all grey is the grass that green was before;
All things ripen and rot that rose up at first,
And so the year runs away in yesterdays many,
And here winter wends again, as by the way of the world it ought,
Until the Michaelmas moon, has winter's boding brought.

put into modern English by J R R Tolkein

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It is a poem in which the virtues of a knight, Sir Gawain, triumphant in almost insuperable ordeals, are celebrated to the glory of the House of (King) Arthur.

Occurring around Michaelmas (The Feast of St. Michael on September 29), the appearance of the moon signals the end of the harvest and the arrival of the cold season.

The poem associates the Michaelmas moon with "winter's wage"—a chilling reminder that nature's accounts must be settled, foreshadowing Gawain's own looming reckoning with the Green Knight.

Seeing the signs of winter forces Gawain to think seriously about his upcoming, wearisome journey, though he lingers at Camelot a little longer until All-Hallows Day (November 1) before finally setting out.

It represents the earliest recorded use of the term "Michaelmas moon" in Middle English literature (around 1400), tying human destiny and the ticking clock of chivalric honour directly to the cycles of the natural world.

ASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Matters of Interest discussed during meetings held in Assington Village Hall on

Monday 28 September 2026

Clerk Christine Hargan 4 Northfield Road, Onehouse, Stowmarket IP14 3HF –
Telephone: 01449 674727
Email: clerk@assington-pc.gov.uk

■ **Present:** Councillors (Cllrs), Simon Thorogood, Andrew Hill and Bronwen Stacey
In attendance: Christine Hargan (Clerk) DCllr Lee Parker and two members of the community.
Apologies for absence
Cllrs David Wiles, Mark Armitage and Kim Howard
Absent CCllr Philip Faircloth-Mutton

■ **Declaration of Interests** and **requests for dispensation:** None

■ **Agree minutes of Assington Parish Council meetings on 27th July**
The minutes were queried on item 13. The item should have read
Conservation Area Clerk was asked to contact BDC regarding the possibility of creating a pond in the Conservation area.
Resolved to change the use in principle,

■ **County and District Councillor Reports and Public Forum**
District Cllr Report Lee Parker
• National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), the latest version has been released, however it is not easy reading for parishes. The term Settlement Boundaries has replaced the previous wording. The district has under-supplied the Government's housing target and additional building is necessary to bring the supply of houses to the required housing supply level.

• 770 additional houses per year across the district are required. To facilitate the additional workload, individual Planning Officers will be granted the power to authorise Planning applications for developments above 15 properties, The relevant Planning Officer will make individual decision on a case by case basis.

• Q: There is a lot of discussion on social media regarding HMOs (Houses of Multiple Occupancy) and local properties being occupied by groups of refugees, does BDC have any involvement? DCllr confirmed that there are no refugees being housed in local authority/Council houses in the district, but he was unable to comment on privately owned/leased homes as BDC are not responsible for migrants but CERCO who is responsible for housing contracts managed by Government will fill homes as instructed.

• Kingfisher Leisure Centre was built in 1987 but is now deemed to be structurally unsafe. The swimming pool has been decommissioned, but the gym, and soft play will remain open for the time being. The closest public pool is now at Hadleigh Sports Centre. The MP has been active on this issue but there are no answers yet. The building is, owned by BDC and would cost up to £30 million to replace. Babergh has only £1.7m in its capital budget allocated to the facility.

• Q Cllr Hill queried whether BDC could lobby government for permission to invest monies tied up in their CIFCO investment company in new sports facilities for Sudbury. DCllr Parker responded that the purpose of the company was to create income to top up the money raised in council tax to supply services to the community. Cllr Hill responded that according to published figures the monies invested are now only creating a very modest income on what is a near £50m investment. DCllr Parker responded that BDC would likely not be permitted to do this under current rules and that in any event the returns available from a leisure centre may not meet the hurdle rates required to pay for the loans from government. . It is more likely, given the prime station-adjacent location that ultimately the site would be sold for housing and the proceeds would be used to build a new leisure centre in another location. The only positive from the report was that with Local Government Review CIL funding is guaranteed for a while.

• DCllr Parker congratulated those responsible for installing the outdoor gym equipment.
• Thanks were extended to DCllr Parker

•CCllr Report Philip Faircloth-Mutton
No report was received

■ **Planning:**
• **DC/26/03752** Brownsmiths, Dorking Tye, Assington, Sudbury Suffolk CO8 5JY Erection of a one bedroom annex to provide accommodation ancillary to the main dwelling As the application stands Councillors **resolved** to **object** as the application does not comply with the Neighbourhood Plan policies ASSN1 and ASSN2 regarding the location of new development.

• **DC/26/03885** The Gables 4 The Street Assington**,** Discharge of Conditions
The application was granted by the District Council prior to the meeting and therefore was not discussed.
• No planning applications have been made since the publication of the agenda.

• **Planning issues**
  • **Barracks Road** Cotton Wood: Concerns have been raised as to whether the groundworks carried out over the last few months on the perimeter of the site fall within the granted planning consent.

In addition a new area of previously green land is being used to park vehicles, The view of the Council is that planning consent should be gained regarding change of use. Clerk to telephone the Planning Officer to discuss the site and if appropriate request that it is sent through to Enforcement

■ **Finance**
Resolved to pay in accordance with agreed list published.

■ **Licensed Footpaths and APC Assets**
It was resolved to order One bench from Barn Workshop and request that it is installed in the conservation area when completed
• **Dog Bins**
Clerk to chase response from BDC

■ **Neighbourhood Plan (NP) update**
To be restarted

■ **Assington Village Charity**
It was resolved
• to contribute £710 to the village charity to pay for the planning application for outdoor Gym which would have been unnecessary
• to support 50% of the funding for legal costs to register the playing field in the name of the charity subject to Cllr Wiles providing information when available

■ **Conservation Area request for funding**
Cllr Stacey produced a report following the meeting on Friday 25 September to discuss the pond in the conservation area .
Summary:

• Preparatory work clearing the site of weeds and brambles can commence immediately.
• Clerk to liaise with Richard Parmee at BDC on behalf of APC throughout the project and to inform Councillors and volunteers.
• Clerk to send email copy of this summary to RP, in order to commence formal proceedings.
• APC then awaits responses regarding permissions required for the proposed works.
• RP was enthusiastic and suggested that the pond should be at the centre of the area, and was not unduly concerned regarding safety of water feature as many other parishes have ponds with no significant issues.
• RP to investigate whether planning permission is necessary to notify requirements to Clerk, a porosity pit is to be dug in the first instance to establish if it will hold water. Communications to be via Clerk and RP and will be distributed to other parties as necessary

■ **Emergency Plan**
Following a drive relating to community preparedness should a local emergency occur, it was acknowledged that a plan is a good idea, Cllr Stacey's husband is a retired emergency planner and she will ask if he would create a plan for Assington.

■ **Shoulder of Mutton** has been open for a year and residents and Councillors are pleased that the pub appears to be a real success.

■ **Questions to the Chair**
• Cllr Thorogood had spoken to the owner of the bungalows under construction on the Street regarding the site appearance. The owner has assured that works are soon to recommence and therefore the visual impact of the site will be improved.
• A repair has taken place on the sign to Rose Green.

■ The meeting was closed at 9pm

■ The next scheduled **meeting** will be held on Monday 30th November 2026 at 7.00pm.

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VILLAGE NEWS

A LITTLE EDITORIAL FORWARD-PLANNING:

The editor will be "out of commission" for a few weeks in the New Year 2027.

There is usually a joint magazine covering both January and February, (out for 1st February), as it is a slow time of year, with not much happening.

This coming new year there will be a combined January and February and March magazine; currently the plan is to get it out during the first week (or so) of January 2027.
There will not be another magazine until the April edition.

Please would readers who wish to publicise any events or matters of interest during any of those three months send them to the editor by the deadline of 15th December 2026.

It is expected that this edition will be mainly for purposes of information, rather than a "bumper annual" magazine - but we shall see!

Advertisers who have got ongoing adverts with us during that time will be accorded a "free month" at the end of their year, so that they are not "out of pocket" and still continue to have ten adverts during their contract with the magazine.

DAVID WILES

David Wiles ended his tenure of the Chair of the Village Charity Management Committee in October. He has very successfully guided us through several important issues of management of the Village Hall and Playing Field, as well as creating new initiatives.

He kindly took on the Chair after the AGM in May 2023 when I stepped down. In the last three and a half years his list of achievements is remarkable. As a retired professional Senior Facilities Manager for a group of schools he brought his understanding of compliance to bear in every aspect of running the Hall and Playing Field, following all legal requirements.

He oversaw the setting up of a website and a new WiFi connection for the hall. He organised funding for the installation of a new kitchen, new front doors and an outside adult gym next to the children's playground. He arranged contractors for a new cover for the veranda, new carpet in the foyer, the heating system overhaul and a baby changing facility.

He organised events covering the Coronation in 2023 with the installation of a plaque at the hall, village tea parties, village curry nights and Christmas meals for OAPs.

At the same time, when the previous holders resigned, he was covering the duties of Caretaker and Secretary until replacements could be found.

More recently he initiated the on-going search for a document from Land Registry to establish ownership of the area round the Children's Playground and Adult Gym.

The Committee is indebted for his hands-on approach; we shall miss his drive and enthusiasm. We wish him success in his retirement and thank him for his tireless commitment in keeping the Charity on a firm footing.

The search is on for new members of the committee. Please contact me on 07870 632175 or sjking@btinternet.com for more information, or any of the other members.
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The entire village is indeed hugely indebted to David for all the above reasons, and others not mentioned above.



Our heartfelt thanks, David for everything!
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Letter from Sylvia Gaspar, Reader, at Bures with Assington and Little Cornard



Hello friends

If we were to colour code the months of the year, April and May might be delicate whites and pinks, June and July stronger colours of reds and blues, yellows and splashes of orange. When we get to November we will most likely think of greys. How can we brighten our approach to this month? The Remembrance Services and events are times of subdued thoughts of loss and sadness and the weather so often echos those sentiments.

If we look at the bright reds of the poppies on the other hand they can be a symbol of death but also can encourage us to value the life we now have. Those familiar words " they gave their yesterday for our tomorrow".

Jesus gave his life for our today, tomorrow and into infinity, eternity. He faced the enemy of the perfect, holy God and paid the price of death. Being God's son Jesus came alive again and longs to brighten our month of November and every month of every year with the new life he opened for us. The ransom he paid with his life set us free to belong to the perfect, holy God who we can call 'our father'.

Do get in touch with anyone in the Ministry Team if you'd like to know more.

Meanwhile, I trust you will have many bright days that cheer you and you can remember them through those greyer times.

With love,

Sylvia

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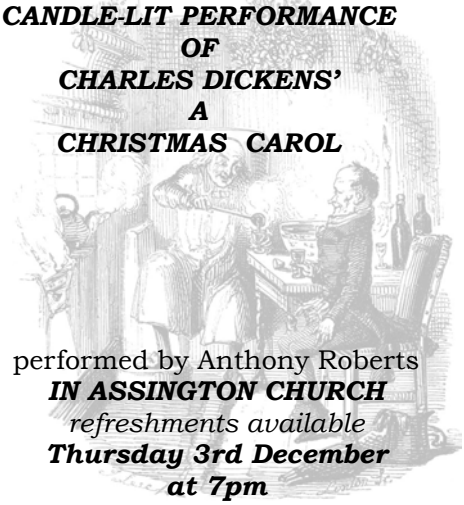

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8th November @ 10.30am
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
it is also planned that the parade along The Street to church will commence at the Village Hall at 9.45am to arrive at church for 10.15am

15th November @10.30am MORNING WORSHIP

(22nd Nov Bures @ 10.30am Morning Worship)
(22nd Little Cornard @10.30am Holy Communion)

29th* November @ *Little Cornard
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BOXFORD & DISTRICT BOWLS CLUB

Report from Roz Mortlock

CLUB FINALS DAY - OUR WINNERS

We had a great Finals Day on 13th September 2026 and below are some of our winners being presented with their trophy by our Chairman Ian Clark. Congratulations to the winners and well done to all our Runners Up. Our spectators were able to watch some entertaining and exciting games during the day.

A huge thank you to Kevin Colling who organised the Club competitions throughout the summer and had the unenviable task of scheduling all the finals matches on the day. All went very smoothly - thank you. And thanks must also go to all our markers on the day, who without you we could not have played any singles matches, and to the social committee for providing refreshments - your cakes are always much appreciated and always delicious, and to our Green Maintenance team - the green played extremely well and your efforts in nurturing and tending it are much appreciated.



MIXED PAIRS - Mike and Gill Billington

LADIES 2 BOWLS SINGLES Roz Mortlock





LADIES 4 BOWLS SINGLES - Cynthia Hollingsworth

MEN'S 2 BOWLS SINGLES - Steve Marszal





MEN's 4 BOWLS SINGLES - Lea Blackham

CLUB SINGLES - ANDY CARR



OVER 60s SINGLES - Graham Skillen



ASSINGTON RAINFALL AND TEMPERATURES

Bob Cowlin (temperatures)

and Bill Milner (rainfall)

HISTORY annual rainfall :

2016	*599.5*	***2021***	*582.3*
2017	*571*	**2022**	419
2018	*559*	***2023***	*662*
2019	*597*	***2024***	*620*
2020	*636*	***2025***	***382***

2025 ***was the driest year since*** *Bill* ***began keeping*** *records* ***in 1977***

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2022	**mm**	**max⁰C**	**min⁰C**
JUNE	33.5	30	2
JULY	5	36.5	6
AUG	11.5	32	7
SEPT	25	25	1
OCT	63	18	0
NOV	107.5	14	-2
DEC	45	10	-9.5

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2023	**mm**	**max⁰C**	**min⁰C**
JAN	41	10	-7
FEB	3	14	-7
MAR	78	15	-6.5
APRIL	65	8	-2
MAY	19	22	1
JUNE	15.5	30.5	6
JULY	72.5	28	8
AUG	65	29	4
SEP	41.5	30.5	5
OCT	137	23	-2
NOV	61.5	11	-7
DEC	63	11	-3

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2024	**mm**	**max⁰C**	**min⁰C**
JAN	47	9	-7
FEB	95	9	-1
MAR	38	18	-4
APR	49	18.5	-3
MAY	83.5	25	3
JUNE	17.5	28	2
JULY	84.5	30	4
AUG	17.01	30.5	5
SEP	66	26.5	-0.5
OCT	53.5	19	-2
NOV	41	14	-4
DEC	28	10.5	-2.5

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2025	**mm**	**max⁰C**	**min⁰C**
JAN	39	9	-9
FEB	32	13	-6
MAR	5	18	-7
APR	25	26	-2.5
MAY	14	27	-0.5
JUN	36.5	31	6
JULY	44	33	5
AUG	11.5	30	6
SEP	26.5	24	0
OCT	38.5	19	0
NOV	82.5	14	-2
DEC	27.5	10	-4

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2026	**mm**	**max⁰C**	**min⁰C**
JAN	90	7	-9
FEB	76	14	-3
MAR	19	15	-3
APR	7.5	22	-2
MAY	12	31	-2
JUN	39	35	8
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AUG	45.5	32	5
SEP	27	25	3.5

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8TH NOV SUNDAY 7.30PM	**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY** Sunday lunch 12-4pm join us to remember our fallen
6TH DEC SUNDAY 4PM	**LIVE MUSIC** DJ STEVE MAPP 4PM ONWARDS FOOD 12-4PM
16TH DEC WEDNESDAY 7.30PM	**MONTHLY PUB QUIZ** Food served 6pm-8.30pm Book your team now
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