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## King Charles III Edition

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QUEEN ELIZABETH II DIED 8TH SEPTEMBER 2022

The Bulletin was last issued to announce the celebrations for Queen Elizabeth's Jubilee but sadly since then she has passed away. Now we begin the reign of King Charles III - above is the new Royal Cypher.

Since then, the country has been plunged into chaos politically with new Prime Ministers and Ministers of State! Here in Beckham all seems much more steady although the new turbine has changed the skyline!?

During the summer St Helen's Church in West Beckham finally had repairs to the roof completed, which is excellent news. The Church is now operational and all scaffolding aone.



Services are to be held as follows in the coming months:

- Service of Remembrance at 10.50am 13th November
- Communion Service at 9.15am 11th December
- Carol Service at 6.00pm on Christmas Eve

The Reverend Ian Dyble said " We are hopeful that now the roof is fixed and a 'new season' in the life of West Beckham church is beginning, we will see new life in the church, too. From January there will be a monthly service at the church together with a monthly joint service with Bodham in the village hall."

Opposite from the Church is the children's play area. We had the usual annual inspection from ROSPA and some of the wooden play equipment did not have a clean bill of health. As a result, due to the safety concerns, the decision was taken to remove the Climbing Cube (already gone) along with the picnic bench which had rotted. A cheerful new coloured bench of recycled material has been installed to replace the old picnic table. Hope you like it.



The Parish Council have agreed with the District Council to buy the playground as the lease was coming to an end (this is rather a slow process!). However, once the Parish is the official owner, a review of equipment and fencing will take place. Please let us know if you have any preferences or suggestions regards play equipment to add to the existing swings, rocker car and spinner. The playground is oriented to younger age groups.





# Bodham and Beckham Horticultural Show, Saturday 23rd July 2022

A very successful show was held this year raising over £600 towards the Bodham & Beckham over 70's Christmas Lunch. Two hundred and forty six entries were received on the day; twenty one more than the last show which was held in 2019 (before the pandemic). The money is raised by the entry money for each class submitted and after the prize giving an auction to buy any items left for sale by the exhibitors. An opportunity to buy some wonderful vegetables, flower arrangements, cakes or jams! Even if you don't enter the show come along to support the prize winners and bid in the Auction! The Auction was held with great style by Mr Mike Sayer, who has been Auctioneer for the past 36 years!!!



The Billy Cooper Memorial Cup, for Best Entry in the Show, was presented by Billy's granddaughter to Alan Lambert for his superb gladioli (glads pictured top right and right the Show cup presented to Alan). Alan Lambert did very well as he also received Best in Flowers, Fruit and Veg, Dahlias, Gladioli and Soft Fruit! However others did get a look in - prizes as follows!

Moya Myerscough: Best in Domestic  
Barbara Dunkerley: Best in Handicraft & Needlecraft  
Alan Prince: Best Pot Plant & Best Tomatoes  
Mary Sayer: Best Individual Rose  
Mary Cubitt: Best Floral Display  
Winston Smith: Best Potatoes  
Karen Wright: Best Collection of Vegetables  
Joyce Kinsley: Best Runner Beans  
Lynne Clarke: Best Local Photograph  
Jude Rilett: Best in Children's Corner  
Diane Evans: Best Flower Arrangement in a Cup

(By the way, Diane was the first ever to receive the new 'Paperweight Solar Community Fund Trophy' pictured and presented by Kathryn Lord, Bulletin Editor)

Alan and Shirley Prince do an amazing job organising the show and to help them they have a wonderful very hard working team who pull out all the stops on the day! These include Tracy Toyn, Jackie & Peter Bedell, Helen Bruford, Pauline Harmer, Ann Digby, Pam Baker, Sandra & John Briers and Mike Sayer. Without their help the show would not be possible. Shirley and Alan want to thank the team for all their help and if you would like to get involved for next year to lend a hand, then just get in touch. They also would like to thank the judges for giving up their time to adjudicate. Their job was not made easy because there was a very high standard of entries this year which was particularly amazing considering the exceptionally dry, hot weather during June and July. The number of entries in the Handicrafts Section was unprecedented and the quality was truly outstanding.

We look forward to seeing you all next year when the show will be held on

**Saturday, 22nd July 2023**



Tracy Toyn Trophy, Alan Lambert:  
Best fruit and veg



J McNeil Wilson Shield, Moya  
Myerscough: Best in Domestic





Red Hart Shield, Mary Cubitt: Best floral display



Ian Worsley Vase, Lynne Clarke: Best local photograph



The Solar Community Fund Paperweight, Diane Evans: Best arrangement in a cup



H H Wright Plate, Winston Smith: Best potatoes



The Ellie Wesson cup, received by Shirley Prince on behalf of Alan: Best tomatoes



Examples of the quality of handicrafts exhibited this year



Mike Sayer, Auctioneer of 36 years, (holding Tesco's carry bag full of vegetables!) 'Auctioning' as others clear the tables of produce gathering into auction lots!



**The Christmas Lunch** will take place on **Saturday 10th December 2022** in Bodham & Beckham Village Hall, live entertainment has been arranged, please come and join us! The lunch is sponsored by this year's Horticultural Show and Horticultural Quiz. Invitations will be distributed end of October beginning of November.

Please let me know ASAP if you would like to attend, I can then drop you an invitation. Please let me have your address and phone number. If you have not been before, reside in Bodham or Beckham, are over 70 and would like to join us please ring me on **01263 588743** or email: [peter.bedell@bopenworld.com](mailto:peter.bedell@bopenworld.com)

**Please note** if you are a couple and only one of you is over 70, you are both invited! I, and the team, look forward to greeting you on the 10th December. In the meantime take good care. **Jackie Bedell**





The very popular BYO (Bring your own drinks and nibbles) **Christmas Quiz** takes place in the **Village Hall at 7.30pm on Friday 9th December**. Doors open at 7.00pm. Table of four £3.00 per entrant. Come along and join in the fun – all proceeds towards the upkeep of our Village Hall. For a table please contact **Harry Bruford on 01263 588122** or email: [hbruford@aol.com](mailto:hbruford@aol.com)

Don't forget Crafters.. **The Bodham and Beckham Craft Club** continues in the Village Hall on alternate Wednesdays from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. The next meeting is on 16th November. The cost is £3.00 per meeting to include refreshments. Bring any crafts that you are interested in and socialise with like-minded people. Come along and see if it's the sort of thing for you or please contact Helen Bruford on 588122 for more information.



### BODHAM & BECKHAM VILLAGE HALL FILM CLUB

Bodham Village website ([www.bodhamvillage.co.uk](http://www.bodhamvillage.co.uk)) holds the latest details of Film Club & other Events

**Wednesday 16th November – 7.00pm:** The film deserves 5 stars for the music and visual spectacular it is. **"ELVIS"** 2022 (12) starring Austin Butler and Tom Hanks.

**Wednesday 30th November – 7.00pm:** Based on the Global best-selling phenomenon **"WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING"** 2022 (15) starring Daisy Edgar-Jones.

**Wednesday 14th December – 7.00pm:** Fame is never plain sailing. Based on a true story **"FISHERMANS FRIENDS 2 ONE AND ALL"** 2022 (12) starring James Purefoy, Dave Johns



The Felbeck Trust with Volunteers have been very busy over the summer and autumn seasons in West Beckham Old Allotments (WBOA) and the Village Green both off Sheringham Road, plus the East Beckham Common. There has been clearance work, a summer 'thank you' BBQ for Volunteers, ongoing wildlife habitat creation, surveys for moths, invertebrates, birds and flora. They have been so busy that their latest October Newsletter is full of fascinating information and photographs. Why not join in or get a newsletter sent to you direct? Visit [Felbecktrust.org.uk](http://Felbecktrust.org.uk) for regular updates or details on how to contribute. Next East Beckham Common working party is **Saturday 19th November!**

Beckham allotment year & renewals begin on 25th March each year. There are allotment plots available at East Beckham Allotment. The rental is £20.00 p.a. for a FULL plot (size 30 feet x 80 feet) and 1/2 plots are also available. If interested please get in touch by contacting Kathryn Lord or our Parish Clerk, John Stibbons. See contact details below.



### Request to Residents!

Please can Residents trim up your vegetation/hedges in areas which overhang the village roads. Thank you!

Would you also keep an eye out for fly tippers. We have had several incidents in the Parish, at The Village Green and even in the bus shelter! Guidelines as to how to 'Report Fly Tipping' are available on North Norfolk District Council where you can use their **online form** or email [customer.services@north-norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:customer.services@north-norfolk.gov.uk) for assistance.



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