

## Solar Fund & Parish News

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**Old news first!?** The Bodham & Beckham Horticultural Show took place very successfully back in the summer on 22nd July 2023. Can you remember all the way back then? The Village Hall was a lovely sight; full of flowers, fruit, vegetables, cakes and pastries and arts and crafts, on what was a miserable, wet day outside. Shirley and Alan Price, the Organisers, send thanks to all of you who ventured out. There were 182 entries to the show this year! And the Trophy winners were:

Joyce Kinsley  
Alan Lambert  
Tracy Toyn  
Lynne Clarke  
Jean-Paul  
Barbara Dunkley  
Melissa Gamble  
Mary Sayer  
Joyce Kinsley  
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Mary Cubitt  
Alan Lambert  
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Winston Smith  
Callum Ringer  
Mary Cubitt  
Jean-Paul

Harry Bruford Trophy  
Tracy Toyn Trophy  
J McNeil Wilson Shield  
Betty Earnshaw Cup  
Helen Bruford Cup  
Madeline Prince Shield  
Daphne Wright Shield  
G Wright Rose Bowl  
G Wright Shield  
Simon Burton-Pye Trophy  
Red Hart Shield  
H H Wright Plate  
The Bodham Shield  
Elsie Wesson Cup  
Bill Cubitt Shield  
Ted Prince Tankard  
Mik Godfrey Cup  
Ivan Worsley Vase  
The Solar Fund Paperweight  
Billy Cooper Cup

Best in Section 1 (Flowers)  
Best in Section 2 (Fruit & Veg)  
Best in Section 3 (Domestic)  
Best in Section 4 (Handicrafts)  
Best in Section 5 (Childrens)  
Best Item of Needlework  
Best Flowering Pot plant  
Best Individual Rose  
Best Entry of Dahlias  
Best Gladioli  
Best Floral Display  
Best Potatoes  
Best Collection of Veg  
Best Tomatoes  
Best Soft Fruits  
Most Points in Show  
Best Runner Beans  
Best Local Photograph  
Best Flower Arrangement in a Cup  
Best Entry in Show



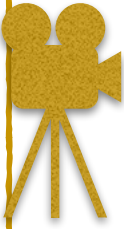
Above: Mary Cubitt holding the Solar Fund Paperweight Trophy and Red Hart Shield



The entries raised funds to provide for the **over 70's Christmas Lunch**. This will take place on **December 9th - Saturday** - at the Bodham & Beckham Village Hall, 12 noon for 12:30pm.

**REMINDER:** If you haven't already booked your place, please call or email Jackie Bedell by **30th November, latest!** (Phone 01263 588743 or Email [peter.bedell@btopenworld.com](mailto:peter.bedell@btopenworld.com))





## BODHAM & BECKHAM FILM CLUB

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

There will be Mulled Wine and Mince Pies served at 6.30pm, prior to the film, please come early.

**Wednesday 13th December 2023 - 7.00pm:** The Biggest and Best Action Movie of the Year "**MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE - DEAD RECKONING Part One**" (12) 2023 starring Tom Cruise and Hayley Atwell. Ethan Hunt (Tom Cruise) and his IMF team embark on their most dangerous mission yet: To track down a terrifying new weapon that threatens all of humanity before it falls into the wrong hands. With the fate of the world at stake, a deadly race around the globe begins. Confronted by a mysterious, all-powerful enemy, Ethan is forced to consider that nothing can matter more than his mission - not even the lives of those he cares about most.

Review: 4.0 out of 5 stars Not my favourite instalment in the series but still brilliant!

The Film Club would like to wish you all 'A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR.'

**Wednesday 10th January 2024 - 7.00pm:** A Good Movie "**A GOOD PERSON**" (15) 2023 starring Florence Pugh and Morgan Freeman.

British star Florence is starring alongside Tinsel town royalty Morgan Freeman in her new movie A Good Person. In which she looks far from her usual glamorous self as she takes on the role of Allison, who's in recovery for an opioid addiction and is dealing with unresolved grief.

Written and directed by Zach Braff, director of Garden State, we see Allison survive an unimaginable tragedy but as her life hits rock bottom, she strikes up an unlikely friendship with her would-be father-in-law Daniel (Morgan Freeman).

Review: I laughed - I cried. The acting is nothing but superb, the script & story telling pretty spot on for anyone who has travelled the process of grief, cycles of addiction; love and friendship... and hope in the darkest of places. A film which takes you places & an absolute joy :-).

**Wednesday 24th January 2024 - 7.00pm:** Love brought them together, war tore them apart "**I'LL FIND YOU**" (12) 2023 starring Adelaide Clemens, Leo Souter, Stephen Dorff, Connie Neilsen and Stellan Skarsgard.

Catholic opera singer Robert Pulaski and Jewish violin virtuoso Rachel Rubin dream of performing together at the legendary Carnegie Hall in New York City. When the German invasion of Poland tears them apart, Robert vows to find Rachel at any cost.

Review: Beautiful, sad, tragic, full of hope and desperation, convoluted and emotional. Beautiful story and beautiful film. Enjoy watching Enjoy listening.

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 13th December. 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.



The next popular BYO (Bring your own drinks and nibbles) **Christmas Quiz** takes place in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on **Friday 8th December 2023**. Doors open at 7.00pm. Please come along and join in the fun – Quizmaster Peter Bedell - all proceeds towards the upkeep of the

Village Hall. For a table please contact Helen Bruford on 01263 588122 email : [helenbruford@aol.com](mailto:helenbruford@aol.com)

Bodham and Beckham Village Hall are pleased to present

Tickets £10

**SOUL ALLIANCE**

60's, 70's & 80's Music



**SATURDAY 13TH JANUARY AT 8PM**

**Dance the night away to an evening of Soul Classics**

For Tickets - Contact Jackie or Peter  
01263 588743 or 07889 759557

Bring your own drinks and nibbles



BEFORE



AFTER



Back in October 2017 the Solar Fund commissioned new improved entrance pillars to widen the old cemetery entrance. Funeral hearses could no longer swing safely into the cemetery due to the narrowness and lack of pull in space. By November 2017 the brick weave pad was laid to provide a roomier, tidy entrance and everything was complete - including refurbished



original metal gates. This year the Parochial Church Council has begun to tidy up the graveyard and just recently the southern field boundary has been cleared in readiness to plant a new hedge.



Post box times have changed. Sadly no longer are Royal Mail offering 'later' collections at many rural postal box sites. All post boxes are now marked 9am. Sheringham Road box (and East Beckham box) is therefore no longer a 4.30pm collection. However, it maybe that the post person will collect after 4.30pm - it just gives them more flexibility!

In 2022, to mark the late Queen Elizabeth II's Jubilee, the Parish Council planted 2 apple trees as part of the 'Queens Canopy'. To protect these trees, but also to mark them out as being special, two tree guards have been purchased. These are crafted by a Suffolk company who specialise in estate fencing and tree guards.

With strong welded steel construction these metal tree guards provide decorative protection for saplings and smaller trees, and suitable for sheep & smaller stock animals. **Designer Metal (Suffolk) Ltd** are very proud of their range of products and have refined their manufacturing process to such a degree that they compete on price with importers, whilst still offering superior home grown quality.

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**BECKHAM ALLOTMENTS:** Located in East Beckham opposite The Loke NR11 8RP

The new allotment season is looming and in the new year we will be planning the parish allotment plot allocation for the year from March 24. Anyone who has not already got a plot and would be interested in taking up an allotment for the 24/25 season at an annual fee of £20 per plot for parishioners and £30 per plot for non parishioners please contact Cllr David Barrass at [d\\_barrass@btinternet.com](mailto:d_barrass@btinternet.com)



The Felbeck Trust with Volunteers continue to make improvements for nature (there have been many interesting moths found during the summer!) in West Beckham Old Allotments (WBOA) where another pond has been dug and hedging gaps have been filled with a 'dry hedge' - weaving the Hawthorn cut from the overgrown hedging near the hut. East Beckham Common also got a tidy up removing some of the nettles and at some point the new-ish pond will need to be dealt with, as it was found to have developed a leak.

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. Contact Volunteer Coordinator **Peter Maingay** on [petmai6@hotmail.com](mailto:petmai6@hotmail.com)

**Community Connectors** funded by North Norfolk District Council and North Norfolk Health & Wellbeing Partnership

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The aim of this set up is to improve the quality of life for residents in North Norfolk by connecting people, harnessing community spirit and resilience.

The cost of living crisis is affecting us all. The Community Connectors can tell you where your local food hubs and warm spaces are. They can signpost you to organisations who can provide financial and emotional assistance. Maybe you're new to the area and would like to meet likeminded people. Perhaps you would like to start a new hobby or volunteer?

The Community Connectors are also here to support you if you run a community or voluntary group. Whether you require support or to recruit volunteers, find funding streams or encourage more people to participate, they are here to help. Just get in touch or view the website map to see what you can find.

**Community Cafe & Warm Space** in the Bodham and Beckham Village Hall opens up every month and **November 25th** has a special visit by the East Anglian Air Ambulance CPR and Defibrillator Trainer.

Please come along a take part or listen to the free hands-on session. We are very lucky to have 3 defibrillator's, one in each village and with simple but priceless techniques we can all help save a life. Come along and refresh your memory if you have been before, or just to make sure you have as much knowledge as possible should you ever need to use it!

The Cafe will be open from 10am and the demonstration will start at 11am. Tea, coffee and snacks will be available.

Training is being provided free of charge by East Anglian Air Ambulance but any donations to the charity would be extremely welcome as the receive no government or NHS funding.



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