



Caister Parish Council Newsletter



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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

There is only one big story this Christmas and that is the cost of living and energy crisis. Everyone, no matter how well off, are feeling the effects of the war in Ukraine plus the hangover from the pandemic. All across the country families are struggling to pay for energy and keep up with the increases in everyday goods and groceries. Prices in the shops are going up at an alarming rate, with such basic items as bread going up by almost 20% every month. There are many who will cope with such assaults on their income, there are some who will manage easily but there are very many who will not. We in Caister have a proud record of keeping an eye on our neighbours and friends and intervening when faced with situations that need to be actioned, and this year the problem is magnified by the very fact that at Christmas brings additional pressures on the family purse. So once again Caister Parish Council is asking all our friends and good neighbours to keep an eye open if they believe that someone is really struggling and cannot cope. There are organisations who can help people who are desperate and put them in touch with those who can advise and explain how they can get help.

Please do keep an eye open for signs of anyone with serious problems which may be due to the extreme cold which is affecting the village and surrounding areas. If someone or family appear to be having problems, please let one of the authorities know. The onset of most of the recent problems is caused not just by the conflict in Ukraine it is a result of a perfect storm of energy shortages, the financial repercussions left over from the pandemic and the old enemy inflation.

With Christmas approaching fast there are at least signs of some enjoyment in the village. The lights on the council hall are shining brightly and the message from the council is displayed at the four main entrances to our village. We want everyone to have a happy and healthy Christmas with their families. The Parish Council are again playing their part in bringing Christmas cheer to the village by showing the film "Polar Express" for children free of charge and I am sure that Santa Clause will be in the building handing out lots of goodies and lots of good will to all those attending the event.

During the next few weeks, with the weather forecast promising very low temperatures, please drive carefully and be aware of pedestrians struggling on frozen footpaths. There have been a number of pedestrians suffering falls in Caister this week and it's not hard to see why. The footpaths are treacherous after heavy frosts and the only remedy for those on foot is to try and stay on the side of the road where the sun reaches. Walking in the road close to the kerb is ok as long as a careful watch is kept on traffic coming from behind and front of the walker.

Councillor Tony Baker—Chairman Caister on Sea Parish Council

CAISTER'S PARISH CHURCHES

www.caisterchurch.org



As we look to the year ahead, the church in Caister has been asked, alongside all the other churches in the diocese of Norwich, to consider how we can change this year to be more “pastoral”, that is more focused on giving loving service to those in need in our community. Part of our response will build on our existing work with the Community Larder and with Caister Cares, partnering with them to identify and respond to the most pressing material needs. At the same time we will try to respond to spiritual needs too, not least by helping more people to explore the Christian faith, so that whatever the new year brings, they can know the comfort and challenge of God’s presence in their lives.

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Reader (lay minister): Mary Taylor 720089
Churchwardens: Ann James 377938.

SUNDAY WORSHIP 9AM, ST EDMUND’S,
10.30AM HOLY TRINITY &
ONLINE  @HTCaister



Department for Levelling Up,
Housing & Communities

Mr Jeremy Fearnley

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Please ask for: Maria Bowen
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Your ref: 06/19/0676/O
Our ref: PCU/RTI/U2615/3288030
Date: 5 December 2022

Dear Mr Fearnley,

Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Application by Persimmon Homes for outline planning application with all matters reserved except access for 665 dwellings, local centre to include A1-A5, B1, D1 and other community uses; land for a primary school; Health Centre plus associated infrastructure and open space at Land at Nova Scotia Farm, West off Jack Chase Way, Caister on Sea, Norfolk.
Planning Application No. 06/19/0676/O

Thank you for your e-mail and attachment of 26 November 2022 asking the Secretary of State to call in the above planning application.

The Government remains committed to giving more power to councils and communities to make their own decisions on planning issues and believe that planning decisions should be made at the local level wherever possible. The call-in policy makes it clear that the power to call in a case will only be used very selectively.

The Secretary of State has decided, having had regard to this policy, not to call in this application. He is satisfied that the application should be determined at a local level.

I appreciate that this is not the preferred outcome for you, and I understand that there will be great disappointment as a result. It is however, now for the Council to determine this application and a copy of our letter to the Council is attached for your information.

Planning Casework Unit
Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities
23 Stephenson Street
Birmingham
B2 4BH

Tel: 0303 44 48050
pcu@levellingup.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

Maria Bowen

Maria Bowen
Decision Officer
Senior Planning Technical Officer

This decision was made by officials on behalf of the Secretary of State under delegated powers.

Interesting to note that the decision was not made by the Secretary of State but by a Civil Servant.



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CAISTER ENVIRONMENTAL ALLIANCE

HERE ARE 9 SIMPLE TIPS FOR A MORE SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE:

1. MAKE YOUR OWN CLEANING PRODUCTS

When it comes to green cleaning, white vinegar is about to become your best friend. With a little elbow grease, you'll be able to tackle everything from your stinky garbage disposal to your mildew-y shower and grease-splattered cook top — all without any exposure to toxic chemicals.

2. BE WATER-WISE

Just .4% of the Earth's water is freshwater, and far too much of that gets wasted every day. You can make a huge impact by reducing your water usage, taking shorter showers, fixing any leaky pipes around the house, or even sticking something heavy into your toilet tank to reduce the amount that gets flushed down the drain.

3. GROW A GARDEN

Try growing your own food — and don't worry: it's easier than it looks! Simply plant a few seeds in a corner of your yard — or, if you're an apartment-dweller, on your porch or windowsill. You don't need acres: just a few square feet can provide enough space to grow a bounty of herbs, fruits, and vegetables.

4. SUPPORT RENEWABLE ENERGY

If you own your home, look into getting solar panels. If you don't, or if an installation just isn't feasible, you can still make a difference by telling your utility that you want to get your energy from 100% renewable sources. And remember to turn the lights off every time you leave a room. The little things really do add up!

5. UNPLUG ELECTRONICS

According to the Natural Resources Defense Council, the cost of unused but plugged-in devices is around 19 billion dollars annually in the US and generates 44 million tons of carbon. Use power strips to make it easier to unplug several things at once, and make it a habit to leave things that you don't use everyday unplugged.

6. SPEAK UP

Speak with people in your community or inner circle about why you're passionate about nature and environmental justice, join climate protests like Fridays for the Future, support groups or coalitions who lean on power in numbers to affect change, or simply share your own positive actions with friends and family to spark their curiosity.

7. GREEN UP YOUR DIET

The food you eat every day has a huge impact on the planet. Adopting a sustainable diet can go a long way. Opting for organic, supporting local farmers, and phasing out or at least lowering your consumption of meat will absolutely make a difference. It is also important to reduce food waste: try meal planning to streamline your shopping — and compost whatever you don't use.

8. LEARN YOUR LOCAL RECYCLING RULES

Waste guidelines can be confusing, so reach out to your local waste treatment facility to find out exactly what they accept. You can also check our tips on [How to Recycle](#), and be surprised to learn some things you've been dutifully tossing in the bin (i.e. yogurt cups) get incinerated or baled and sent to third world countries.

9. PLANT ALL THE TREES

Trees help to stabilize our climate by absorbing pollution and sequestering carbon, while creating breathable oxygen. They also modulate temperatures, provide wildlife habitat, create a positive social impact, and so much more. Clearly, they're friends worth keeping in our corner. So plant a tree today!

Courtesy of OneTreePlanted.



“MY LIFE’S WORK “
AN
EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS
BY
MARGARET CARVER RMS
AT
LIBRARY GALLERIES
TOLHOUSE STREET GT. YARMOUTH NR30 2SH
FROM
19TH APRIL TO 28TH APRIL 2023
10 AM TO 4 PM DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY

The exhibition will feature landscapes of Norfolk and Suffolk in oils, water colours and pastels including some miniatures.



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Scams
Partnership**

How to keep yourself and others safe from scams

- **Be cautious and listen to your instincts.** Never be afraid to delete, hang up or shut the door.
- **Don't assume everyone is genuine,** take your time and don't be rushed.
- **Be very wary of offers made during telephone cold calls** and **NEVER** give or confirm personal details.
- **Know who you're dealing with** and take a moment to think 'is my information and money safe?'
- **NEVER** deal with doorstep cold callers.
- **NEVER** click on links or open attachments in unexpected emails or text messages.
- **Your bank or the police will never ask for your bank details,** for you to withdraw cash to be collected or transfer money to another 'safe' account over the phone.
- **Protect your financial information,** especially from people you don't know. Think carefully before giving bank details and **NEVER** share your PIN number with anyone.

#NorfolkScamAware

Report or get advice on scams:

- **Citizens Advice consumer helpline**
Provides advice and shares information with Trading Standards.
☎ 0808 223 1133
🌐 www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer
- **Action Fraud**
Report all types of scams to Action Fraud, the UK's national reporting centre for fraud.
☎ 0300 123 2040
🌐 www.actionfraud.police.uk
- **Norfolk Police**
If a crime is happening now or recently occurred. If the victim is vulnerable or unable to protect themselves from fraud.
☎ 101
🌐 www.norfolk.police.uk
- **Norfolk Scams Prevention Service**
Offers specialist help and support if you've been the victim of a scam.
☎ 0300 303 3706
🌐 www.nsvictimcare.org

CAISTER VILLAGE FESTIVAL

**We have our zip wire now
for the Castle**



**ONE OF OUR PRIME OBJECTIVES IS
TO RAISE FUNDS FOR CHILDRENS
PROJECTS IN OUR VILLAGE 2023
IS ALL ABOUT CAISTERS SECOND
CASTLE FOR THE CHILDREN OF
OUR VILLAGE**

**ALL OUR FUNDRAISING IS FOR THE CHILDREN
AND OUR NEXT PROJECT IS CAISTERS SECOND
CASTLE CAN YOU HELP US GET THIS DONE IN 2023**

YOU CAN DONATE TO THIS PROJECT AT THE RABBIT HUTCH

Exciting news for 2023, Caister Village Festival will now be over two days with the first day being about live music from 2pm on the Saturday through until 8.30pm. The Sunday will bring some new events to the festival which is all about our Community and family. Booking for stallholders will be available very soon with a discount for those booking prior to Christmas.

This years Carnival was the biggest for many years, 2023 will be even better, and will be the year the Dinosaurs come to Caister.



CAISTER VILLAGE FESTIVAL

2023

**FESTIVAL THEME
WILL BE DINOSAURS**



**EVERYONE
LOVES A
DINOSAUR**

CAISTER VILLAGE FESTIVAL



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Allendale Road, Caister, NR30 5ES*

MR. NOBODY UNKNOWN AUTHOR

I know a funny little man,
As quiet as a mouse,
Who does the mischief that is done
In everybody's house!
There's no one ever sees his face,
And yet we all agree
That every plate we break was cracked
By Mr. Nobody.

'Tis he who always tears out books,
Who leaves the door ajar,
He pulls the buttons from our shirts,
And scatters pins afar;
That squeaking door will always squeak,
For prithee, don't you see,
We leave the oiling to be done
By Mr. Nobody.

The finger marks upon the door
By none of us are made;
We never leave the blinds unclosed,
To let the curtains fade.
The ink we never spill; the boots
That lying round you see
Are not our boots,—they all belong
To Mr. Nobody.



In 2023, Caister Lifeboat will undergo the biggest series of upgrades since it became an independent charity, if not in its entire history.

The new Medina Class lifeboat will come into service, with its new launch tractor and carriage.

The charity shop and cafe will be housed in a new, bigger and better space.

“We’ve committed more than £3m to these projects to future-proof the vital lifesaving services for the next generation,” said coxswain Guy Gibson.

“Many of the directors and some of the crew have been to Cowes on the Isle of Wight to see the new lifeboat being built.”

The new boat’s wheelhouse is built of glass reinforced plastic resin and will be mounted on a suspension system to the aluminium hull, giving greater comfort to the crew and casualties.

The boat is wider, longer and around six tonnes heavier than the Bernard Matthews II - but it features the most up-to-date navigational equipment which will allow search patterns to be sent from the shore to the boat

Mr Gibson added: “She should be coming to Great Yarmouth in the spring, undergoing sea trials and to be tested in the new carriage which is being built at Seatrax.

“That’s when the crew will be able to get a real feel for this boat; it really is a boat for the future and a boat that will make Caister proud.

“Meanwhile the new Caterpillar tractor, which is being marinised by MarineWeld in North Walsham, is also going to be an impressive bit of kit.

“And now the shop and cafe are taking shape, and should be ready to welcome customers for the Easter holidays.”

Caister Lifeboat Needs You

With the new cafe and charity shop, we really need more volunteers to help run everything, including our popular museum.

Anyone with catering and catering management experience will be welcomed to come and join the team, but there is also a need for people to serve in the cafe and shop and show visitors around our historic exhibits in the old shed.

Andrew Turner, the vice-chairman, said: “The cafe is going to be truly amazing, with an internal deck dining area which surrounds the boat and an outdoor terrace that overlooks the beach, marrams and golf course.

“With the level of investment going into this, we need to be open more than the two days a week; our ambition is to be open every day at least during the summer holidays to really become a destination on Norfolk’s tourist trail.

“But to be able to make this happen, and raise as much as we can to fund our lifesaving services, we really do need more volunteers to join us.”

Anyone who is interested can get in touch by emailing hello@caisterlifeboat.org.uk or calling Kevin Wood on 07876 780243

Busiest year of service

Caister Lifeboat has had its busiest year in the past 20 years with four call-outs in a week during November.

Three of those calls were to recover inflatable boats which were drifting in the sea. We have also had several call-outs which have been to rescue or search for casualties reported in the water.

Guy Gibson, the coxswain, said: “We’ve been called out for a variety of situations at sea, and it’s proved to be our busiest year for a long while.”

One of the rescues was for a woman who drowned while swimming at Winterton. The crew brought her back to the station where paramedics continued resuscitation, but sadly she was later pronounced dead.

Our thoughts have been with the lady's family; it's been horrible for them," said Mr Gibson.

"We have had several conversations with them and they were grateful for our assistance through this difficult time.

"We've also had some other rescues this year where lives were saved by our crew and their fast actions, and that is the best outcome we can hope for."



Yarmouth Workhouse Walk



Workhouse Walk – Great Yarmouth

Workhouses provided care for people who were poor and needed help. They were set up by the 1834 Poor Law Amendment Act. Every town and village in the country was supposed to send their poor to a workhouse.

There were 22 workhouses in Norfolk. Each workhouse served a group of 40 to 50 parishes known as a Union.

Life in the workhouse was supposed to be tough. Workhouse food was boring, families were split up and adults had to work to help pay for their keep. It was hoped that people would only come in to the workhouse if they were desperate.



The Yarmouth Poor Law Union was formed in 1837 and the Union workhouse was built the following year.

The Norfolk County Surveyor, John Brown, designed the workhouse as well as others in Blofield, Henstead and Docking. It could house 300 inmates.

Lorina Bulwer was an inmate of the female lunatic ward from 1896 to 1912. During this time she stitched several letters to describe her feelings about being there.

Only some workhouse buildings still remain. Northgate Hospital now occupies the former workhouse site and uses some of these buildings.

There is some evidence of use during World War Two as a military training site.

This walk was developed as part of the *Voices from the Workhouse* redisplay project at Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse. For more information visit www.museums.norfolk.gov.uk/Gressenhall



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Caister in Bloom



We have had a good year with new planters and boats. We continue to work hard getting plants ready for the next season. We always need volunteers, not just to water but to help with growing and nurturing. We meet at the Kings Arms once a month, next one is Thursday 19 January at 7.30 - you would be most welcome to help us plan our next "blooming" year.

Please contact Paul on 07788200366 or Tina on 01493717509 for more information.

Tina Tristram
Secretary





Happy
New Year
2023

CAISTER CHARACTERS

TOMMY JONES

A well-known character in the village, Tommy Jones ran a newsagents shop at 49 High Street, on the corner of West Road, from the 1930s to the 1970s. Tommy's father, Jessie Jones, had started the newsagents business in 1912. Before this the shop had been the village post office, opened in 1846 and run by a succession of postmasters, many of who were also shoemakers. One of these shoemakers was John Thomas Blyth, who rebuilt the shop and, to mark Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee in 1887, erected a plaque over the door with a crown and his initials JTB on it. This plaque can still be seen on the building today which is now a private house.

In 1912 George Papworth opened a new post office on Yarmouth Road, and the small High Street shop was taken over by Jessie as a tobacconists and newsagents. In the late 1920s Jessie was joined by his son Tommy and, by 1930, it had become Jessie Jones & Son, a name that was painted on the gable end of the building. Jessie was the owner of a small two-seater motor car and in this he would travel to Vauxhall railway station early each morning to collect the papers, arriving back in the village with the 'dicky' boot piled high with bundles of papers, often to the rousing cheers of the paper boys' waiting to sort them into their rounds. When Jessie died in 1957 Tommy took over the business, which he ran until his own death in the 1970s.

A popular and sometimes controversial character Tommy Jones was involved in many aspects of everyday life in the village and, like his father before him, was a member of the church choir. Although not from a seafaring family Tommy was one of the eighteen members of the Board of Trade rocket lifesaving company stationed in the village, until the company was disbanded in 1933. Tommy was also a long serving member of the Caister Parish Council and at meetings was not afraid to air his sometimes controversial opinions. He was also a member of the Blofield & Flegg RDC. As the local newsagent he was well placed to be the village news correspondent for the Yarmouth Mercury, covering all the events that took place in the village, including reporting on village weddings.

Newcomers to the village would be asked if they had visited the Caister treacle mines, a traditional story which Tommy kept alive. It could be several weeks before the unsuspecting person found out that Tommy was pulling their leg and no such place existed. As well as having a large team of delivery boys and girls Tommy regularly took his papers to the Stadium for Speedway and later Stock Car meetings. Here he would walk round the track before the racing shouting his familiar cry, which sounded something like 'pay-er'. During the summer months he could be found selling papers at the Holiday Camp. Tommy never missed an opportunity to sell a paper. His book-keeping and accounts system left much to be desired and a customer would often have to tell him how much was owing, Tommy would then scribble something into a book whose pages had been written on many times. He was a very trusting person. Tommy's shop would not have passed today's health and hygiene standards but over the years it, and its owner, became an integral part of the village. Tommy Jones could have been called 'Mr Caister'. He died in the 1970s and the shop was taken over by Brian Hogg who renamed it Bry-Annes and it continued as a newsagent for several years.



Courtesy Mr Colin Tooke



Ferret bites two children during Year 5 playtime

By Vilhelmina Stankeviciute

TWO children were bitten after a ferret snuck on to the playground on Monday while Year 5 were playing. Two teachers caught the animal and later took it to the vets. The incident happened in the afternoon. The two children who were bitten on their hands – Frankie Davis and Cassidy Devine – are both okay now. The pair saw the ferret was being chased and circled, so they decided they should help by trying to carry it to the teachers. But the ferret was frightened by all the

people surrounding it and it ran off. Mr Kemp caught it in a transparent box. He poked holes in the box for it to breathe and he and Mrs Hackford immediately whizzed the ferret over to Caister vets. Mr. Kemp stayed with the ferret for half an hour while it was scanned to see if it was chipped but it wasn't, so they unfortunately won't be able to find the owner for now. The ferret has been named Mistletoe and is now being looked after at a charity in Gorleston called The Bread Kitchen.



Frankie Davies and Cassidy Devine, who were bitten, and (inset) the ferret nicknamed Mistletoe.

INSIDE: Drama club, Mr Kemp leaving, Crucial Crew. BACK PAGE: Sport



Christmas fun for everyone



Honours Board

- Pupils of the Month for November were:
- 3D – Kaycle Baldwin
 - 3S – Samuel Shaw
 - 3E – Clara England
 - 4B – Grace Scott
 - 4BW – Poppy Brown
 - 4A – Dexter Walsh
 - 5M – Anton Dansoh
 - 5RK – Kevin Costa Silva
 - 5JK – Theo Galea
 - 6T – Sophia White
 - 6W – Lucy Grimsley
 - 6B – Sara Shatri
 - Acorns – Oliver Locke
 - Hive – Tristan Gore

THIS YEAR'S Christmas Drama Club performance is a mixture of singing, dancing, jokes and lots more. The school had a chance to see it the day before the end of term and there was a performance in the evening for families too.

Mrs Warner "The children have been working extremely hard on the variety show and are very excited to perform to the rest of the school and parents I am proud of what they achieved in just 6 short weeks."

Busy time for CJS choir this Christmas

Our school choir have had a busy two weeks – with three performances at two events, writes **Sophia Fell**. They performed at Caister Wonderland last

Saturday. And then they were part of the GYSMA Christmas Carol Concert at the Drill Hall in Great Yarmouth.

Mrs Kitchen, who runs the choir, said: "This was a magical experience, singing with lots of different children from many primary and secondary schools

across Great Yarmouth. "The Drill Hall was an amazing venue and all the children who took part had an amazing time - I was very proud."

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Goodbye Mr Kemp

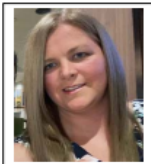
MR KEMP is leaving Caister Junior School at the end of term and being replaced with our former teacher Mrs Barnard, writes **Alice Newman**.



Mr Kemp

Mr. Kemp is leaving because he wants to travel and to teach in

different places. He is moving to be a teacher at Soudley School in Gloucestershire, near the border of England and Wales. Mr. Kemp said: "It will be a sad day and I have been avoiding thinking and talking about it. "I will miss you all immeasurably – the children, the staff and the everyday kindness that I have grown to love dearly. I will miss it all. For this I say thank you everyone." Mrs Barnard left in 2019 and has been



Mrs Barnard

teaching at Stalham Junior and Caister St Edmund Primary. She said: "I am really excited to be returning to Caister and being part of the Caister community again. I enjoyed meeting my class and look forward to teaching them in the new year."

Pupils have a voice

by **Lotty Pither**
The ambassadors and school council are going to be back better than before after Christmas. Including children from each year group, they are going to work on each subject with leaders, and the school council are going to be making sure we are getting the best learning possible. Learning ambassadors will attend meetings with teachers to talk about their subject. The school is trying to get children's views on subjects such as English, maths, science, computing, history, geography, RE, PSHE, MFL, music, PE/games, art and DT. There are lots of subjects to choose from and also lots of chances to be an ambassador. We will all be voting in our classes for the children on the school council. The council's role will be to try to help the school to learn and have fun as much as possible! It is helpful to have school councillors all around the school to help with tasks. Finally, the teachers are choosing house captains in Year Six. If you are a confident, brave child then this job is perfect for you. They will choose two people for each house team.

Crucial safety advice for Year 6

Year 6 visited Haven Sea Shore to learn about safety at an event called Crucial Crew, writes **George Bowles**. We participated in eight activities that were ten minutes long.

Some of the activities included doing a body scan, learning how to do CPR, trying to spot dangers when at the beach and how to stay safe online. Year 6 were given tests, such

as looking at an image that had 14 different hidden dangers for us to find. They also learned about how to use pool inflatables and inflatable boats safely.

Mr Bartram's basketball club is back in business

By Molly Sebastian

After years of football club, Mr Bartram has decided it's time for a change with a new basketball club next term. The club was very popular and lots of people applied for spaces. The members of the basketball club recently went to the tournament at Lynn Grove. They came 4th overall out of 8; they got to the semi-final then got

knocked out trying to earn the title of 3rd place, losing by 1 basket. There will be future friendly games planned for February against Woodlands. "I thought they played excellent even though it was their first time playing as a team," Mr Bartram reported, "Our teamwork was brilliant, but shooting could be worked on."

Girl power

THE GIRLS football team are improving rapidly – they finished 4th at a tournament at Flegg High recently, recording their first win in a match against Northgate. "Everyone has performed well and worked as a team," said Miss Cambridge. "We are extremely proud of how far they've come."

Speed Stackers

A TEAM of Year 3 children enjoyed a new sport – representing the school at a speed stacking festival at the Marina Centre. The team were: Oscar, Felicity, Millie, Isla, Jaxon, Kadie, Arlo, Amelia, Zachary and Sofia. They had great fun and will definitely try it again.

Boys' football round-up

By Ethan Christian

North Denes 0-6 Caister Kick off started from North Denes and straight away Caister were charging at them, collecting the ball for themselves. They were bombing forward on the attack with the ball crossed into the box and Eddie Doran making it 1-0 in the first minute. But they didn't stop there with Eddie scoring again and more goals coming from Ethan Christian, Harrison Lowen and Jensen Clark.

Hemby 0-9 Caister

Caister wanted to keep their unbeaten run alive and that they did with two quick goals by Joe Goggins and Jensen Clark and then three more before half time by Joe once again, Harrison Lowen and Eddie Doran. But five was not enough for them and four more goals came from Eddie, Joe and Jensen.

Your editorial team: Sophia Fell, Lotty Pither, Alice Newman, Ethan Christian, Molly Sebastian, Vilhelmina Stankeviciute, George Bowles



CAISTER PARISH CHURCHES



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

CAISTER PARISH COUNCIL



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TOGETHER TO
HELP PEOPLE IN
CAISTER***

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CAISTER ON SEA FLOWER CLUB

Why not join us for a sociable relaxing evening, whilst watching a demonstration of magic conjured up from a bunch of flowers and foliage in all manner of containers you had not realised would make a vase of flowers. We meet on the third Wednesday of the month at the Church Hall commencing at 6.30pm., We give ourselves January off, February is our Annual General Meeting, and in March we begin our season of demonstrations and fun. Come and join us, a warm welcome awaits you. For further information feel free to contact Gloria Goodley on 01493 721676.



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CAISTER LADIES GROUP

Members voted for Gt. Yarmouth and Gorleston Memory Club to be the local charity awarded a donation from Caister Ladies Group this year. At the October meeting Sandra received the donation on behalf of the GYG Memory Club. She explained how the individuals attending the venues in St Andrews Church, Gorleston and All Saints Parish Hall, Scratby are supported and entertained by volunteers. Everyone attending gets a hot meal at lunch time. The donation was appreciated so they could continue to do the valuable work for their members.

The Ladies enjoyed a Film Show of Beauty and The Beast and Basket Meal lunch at the Lacon Arms, Hemsby in October. Rachel Borenkova showed members how to create beautiful floral Christmas displays at the November meeting. She generously donated all the examples she made during the demonstration as raffle prizes.

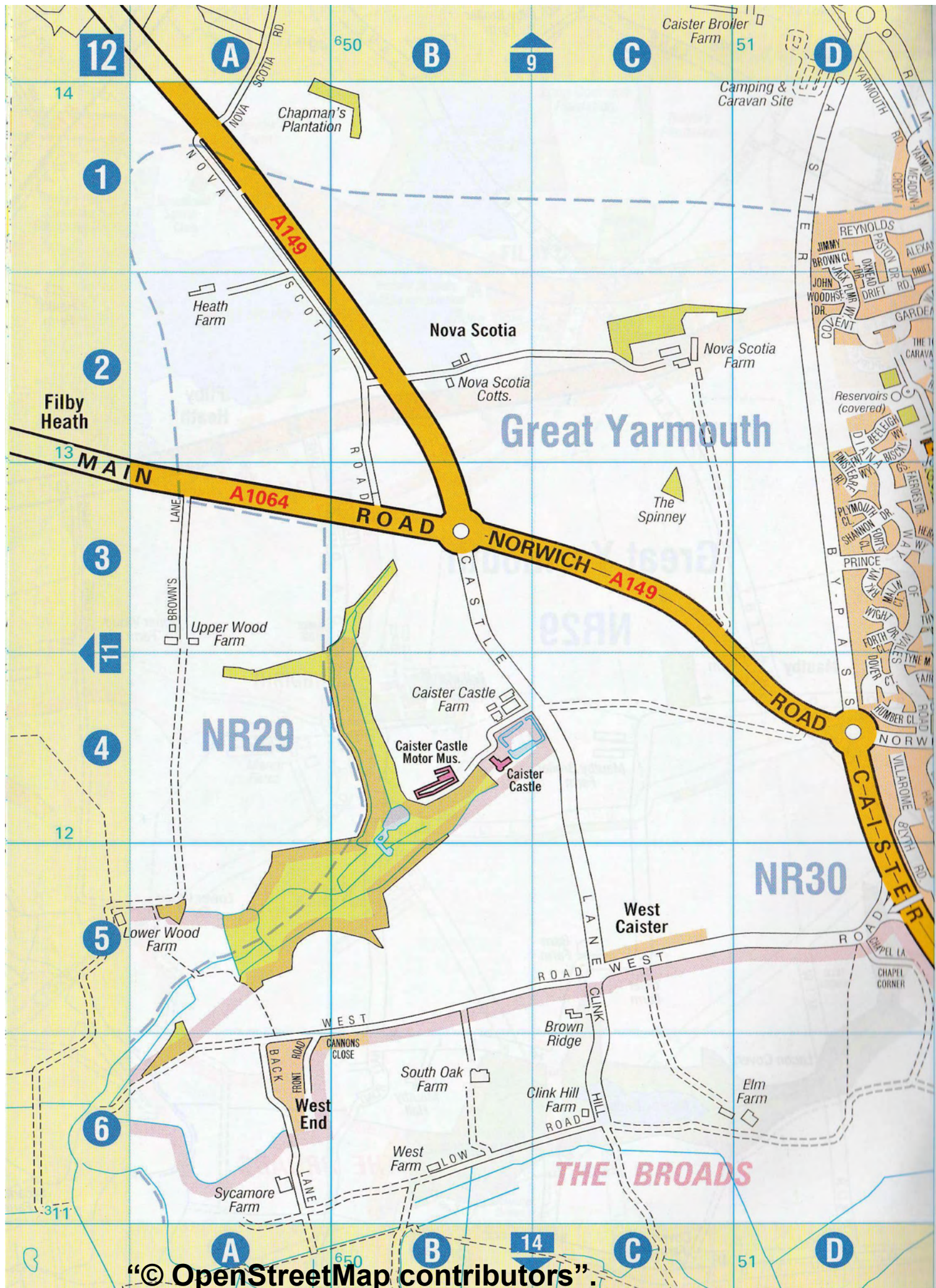
Members had a very pleasant and leisurely Christmas lunch at Filby Bridge Restaurant. The lunch was in place of holding a meeting in December. The Fedoras entertained the ladies in fine style with a selection of Christmas songs, encouraging everyone to sing along.

Caister Ladies Group meet in the Church Hall, Caister on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. The first meeting of 2023 is on 11th January when Janet Edwards will be talking about the History of the Venetian Waterways. Visitors are welcome to come along for a fee of £2 per visit.

IT'S QUIZ TIME

- 1 A 1990 ad for jeans helped put which early 70s Steve Miller Band song to the top of the charts?
- 2 A car with the international registration letter E comes from where?
- 3 A caravan is a group of which animals?
- 4 A centaur was a mythical creature half way between a man and what?
- 5 A cob is a male of which creature?
- 6 A cony is what sort of animal?
- 7 A David Lean film was about a passage to which country?
- 8 A lady would wear a mantilla in which country?
- 9 A plant produced by crossing different species is known as what?
- 10 A poult is the young of which creature?
- 11 A temple to whom was sited at Ephesus?
- 12 About how far does the Sun's gravitational influence extend?
- 13 About which soap did Jasper Carrott say that when the cast went on strike they were threatened with rehearsal?
- 14 About whom did Otto Preminger say, 'Directing her was like directing Lassie. You need 14 takes to get one of them right'?
- 15 According to a Nick Berry song title every loser does what?
- 16 According to Lord Birkenhead, who devoted the best years of his life to preparing impromptu speeches?
- 17 According to Napoleon, what does an army march on?
- 18 According to Paul Simon, how many ways are there to leave your lover?
- 19 According to proverb, a little what is a dangerous thing?
- 20 According to proverb, how do still waters run?
- 21 According to proverb, one man's meat is another man's what?

Answers on Page 48





Caister Library

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Opening Hours

Monday: 10.30am to 7pm (8am to 10.30am Open Library access only)

Tuesday: 2.30pm to 7pm (8am to 2.30pm Open Library access only)

Wednesday: 8am to 7pm Open Library access only

Thursday: 10.30am to 7pm (8am to 10.30am Open Library access only)

Friday: 2.30pm to 7pm (8am to 2.30pm Open Library access only)

Saturday: 10am to 4pm (8am to 10am Open Library access only)

Sunday: 10am to 4pm Open Library access only

Regular Activities and Events:

***Mondays Bounce and Rhyme 11-11:30AM
Just A Cuppa – 1-3PM***

Tuesdays Colour Me Calm – 3:30-5PM

Thursdays Knit and Natter – 10:30-12:30PM

Fridays in term-time: LEGO Club – 3:45-4:45PM

Advice for our Older Residents



A guide to our Services



Information, Advice & Advocacy

Our confidential FREE information and advice service is available to anyone aged 50 or over, their family, carers or professionals.

Telephone Befriending

This service offers companionship by phone with a friendly call from one of our local volunteers/staff to help ease feelings of loneliness and isolation.

EngAge and let's get digital

Our website EngAge has a whole host of activities to get involved in: whether it's a tea and coffee morning, arts and crafts tutorials or courses for digital skills.

Age UK Norfolk let's get digital team provide one-to-one remote teaching for people over 50 on how to use a tablet/iPad, either their own or one that we loan to them for a 12 week period.

Useful numbers

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Advice &
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01603 863 811

VILLAGE WEEKLY EVENTS

Mondays -

Knit & Natter, Rabbit Hutch, Playing Field, 10am to 12Noon
Board Game Group, Caister Library, 2pm to 5pm.
Dial Support, Rabbit Hutch, 2.30 to 4pm
Just a Cuppa, Caister Library, 1 to 3pm
Taekwando, Rabbit Hutch, 5 to 6.30pm
WI, Council Hall, 7pm to 9.30pm, (2nd Monday of every month)

Tuesdays

Drop In Refreshments, Methodist Hall, 10am to 11.30am
Cubs, Scout HQ, 6.30pm to 8pm
Guides, High School, 7pm.
Little Kickers, Rabbit Hutch, 9.30 to 10.15am
Good Companions, Rabbit Hutch, 2 to 4pm, Alternate Tuesdays.
Chatterbox Carers, Rabbit Hutch, 10.30am to 1pm, (1st Tuesday of the month)
Caister School of Dance, Council Hall, 4pm till 8pm (Term time only)

Wednesday

Short Mat Bowls, Council Hall, 8.45am to 11.45am.
Beavers, Scout HQ, 6pm to 7.30pm.
Ladies Netball, Rabbit Hutch, 6.30 to 8pm
Taekwando, Rabbit Hutch, 5 to 7pm.
NorSuf, Russells Run, Playing Field, 6pm to 7pm
Caister Ladies, Church Hall, 7.30pm, (2nd Wednesday of the month)
Caister Flower Club, Church Hall, 6.30pm. (3rd Wednesday of the month)
Caister Ladies Keep Fit, Council Hall, 1.30pm to 3pm weekly

Thursday

Flegg Probus, California Tavern, 10am to 12noon
Knit and Natter, Caister Library, 10.30 to 12.30
Lego Club, Caister Library, 3.30 to 4.40pm (Term Time only)
Prize Bingo, Council Hall, 1 to 2.30pm
Rainbows, Methodist Hall, 4.30pm to 6.30pm.
Brownies, Methodist Hall, 5.45pm to 7.45pm.
Scouts, Scout HQ, 7pm to 9pm.
Caister School of Dance, Council Hall, 4.40pm to 8pm (Term time only)
Soundwaves Community Singers, Church Hall, 7pm to 9pm (Except January)

Friday

Chat and a Cuppa, Rabbit Hutch, Playing Field Pavilion, 2pm to 4pm.
Scouts Explorer Group, Scout HQ, 6.30pm to 8.30pm.
Colour me Calm, Caister Library, 3.30 to 5pm
Gospel Choir, Methodist Hall, 7.30pm to 9pm.
Prize Bingo, Council Hall, 7pm to 10pm (fortnightly)

Saturday

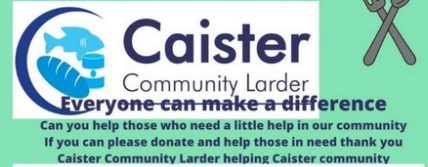
Caister School of Dance, Council Hall, 9am to 2.20pm
Youth Club Auction, Council Hall, 4.30pm to 8.30pm (Fortnightly Alternating with the Prize Bingo)
Prize Bingo, Council Hall, 7pm to 10pm (As above)

Sunday

Harbour Lights Spiritual Group, Council Hall, 7pm to 9pm.

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DIFFERENCE PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY THANK YOU**

Caister Community Larder is a registered charity set to help those in our village who are in need, It is a local operation set up by Caister people and operated by volunteers from our community They now have a collecting bin for food in Tesco. When you are shopping instore if you can help please donate in their bin behind the checkout, Thank you. You will be helping Caister families in need. THANK YOU



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Email: caister@nci.org.uk Visit: www.nci.org.uk

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It's good to support local business and local economy: Research shows that just £10 spent with a local independent shop means £50 back into the local economy. This means that you can indirectly make a big impact on your local community without it costing you much.

Creating local jobs: When there's an increase in demand, there always an increase in supply. Buying locally can boost the employment rates in your area by increasing the need for more workers.

The environment: The lure of next-day delivery makes it hard to resist online shopping. However, when you total the costs of that delivery on the environment, packaging and the fuel to transport the goods, buying local is much better for the environment.

Encouraging Entrepreneurs: Shopping locally supports local entrepreneurs and by helping their businesses to grow, you'll be helping the local economy by increasing the number of jobs in your area.

Helps add character to your local area: The local businesses in Caister give our community a uniqueness that won't be found anywhere else, helping to attract tourists and visitors.

Local business for local charities: A lot of local businesses support charities that are relevant to your area. Not only are you helping your community thrive economically, but you are also increasing charitable donations.



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Average Speed In	22.69	26.16	25.39	23.05	26.91	26.56	26.54
Average Speed Out	25.09	27.30	27.65	25.56	27.95	27.78	27.70
Number of Vehicles	39	102	77	85	20	9	54
Number of Vehicles	68	106	85	75	55	17	49
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Less than 30 mph	95.37%	82.13%	80.74%	94.05%	77.09%	79.54%	79.5%
31 to 35 mph	4.01%	14.05%	10.48%	5.06%	18.02%	16.44%	16.33%
36 to 40 mph	0.47%	2.98%	2.17%	0.71%	3.91%	3.21%	3.33%
41 to 45 mph	0.10%	0.61%	0.45%	0.1%	0.72%	0.59%	0.66%
46+ mph	0.04%	0.23%	0.16%	0.05%	0.26%	0.21%	0.18%
MORE DETAIL OUT							
Less than 30 mph	86.73%	70.38%	70.34%	83.23%	65.84%	67.25%	68.05%
31 to 35 mph	11.47%	23.36%	22.83%	14.21%	26.36%	25.54%	24.97%
36 to 40 mph	1.47%	5.10%	5.35%	2.08%	6.35%	5.95%	5.78%
41 to 45 mph	0.25%	0.90%	1.08%	0.35%	1.12%	1.06%	0.96%
46+ mph	0.09%	0.26%	0.40%	0.12%	0.33%	0.30%	0.26%

New Data in the next issue





Norfolk Broads Lions Club



Norfolk Broads Lions Club was formed in 1963 and we are your local branch of a worldwide charitable organisation which supports the community in the northern villages of Great Yarmouth. Over the years we have helped so many individuals and groups and have organised countless great events. From annual sleigh run, we love being a part of and running these community occasions.

We couldn't do any of this without the support of our merry band of volunteers. We are looking for new members to help our club go forward and do even more for the community. We meet once a month alongside club social gatherings too! If you think you might like to be involved then please get in contact through our Facebook page or call Lion Phil on 07786 375201.

**One of the greatest gifts
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Come join our pride

Advertising in Caister Parish Council Newsletter

Our Newsletter has been running for a while now and has been well received so far. It's distributed at various points around the village and has slowly increased in the number of pages and copies printed. We publish quarterly and we now print 1000 copies and are prepared to increase that number as time passes. Bearing in mind that we have over 9000 residents in Caister, by printing 1000 copies it leaves a considerable shortfall, so to rectify this we have decided to start adding business advertisements to the publication as this will help with expanding content, and will also be very useful to our residents as a reference source for services and products that they should require if needed.

The information that is already contained in the magazine and future items that will be added will lead to them being retained in the home for future reference and so your business details and contact numbers will be readily available. The main advantage of using our advertising is that it is much cheaper than using local newspaper media.

Should you be interested in advertising your business, service or product then please contact our Parish Clerk to arrange. Tel: 01493 720893

Newsletter Future Issues and Deadlines

January/February/March 2023 - 20th December 2022

April/May/June 2023 - 20th March 2023

July/August/September 2023 - 20th June 2023

October/November/December 2023 - 20th September 2023

Anything forwarded after the deadline date can not be included

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Friday 17th February 2023 - February FryDay Seaside Special
£25.00 per person including fish and chip lunch, NR29 Area Only

Saturday 18th March 2023 - Cambridge at Leisure
£19.00 per person, NR29 Area Only

Sunday 26th March 2023 - Thriplow Daffodil Festival
£25.00 per person including admission, NR29 Area, GY Area subject to demand

Friday 14th April 2023 - London at Leisure; or Westfield Stratford
£24.50 per adult, £19.50 per under 16, NR29 Area, GY Area subject to demand

Saturday 22nd April 2023 - Springfields Outlet Shopping; and Baytree Garden Centre
£17.50 per person, NR29 Area, GY Area subject to demand

Saturday 13th May 2023 - Mr Moore's 2023 Mystery Tour
£34.00 per person including fish and chip lunch, NR29 Area Only

Friday 26th May 2023 - Saffron Walden and Audley End House
£36.00 per person including admission (£21.50 English Heritage members), NR29 Area Only

Saturday 10th June 2023 - Colchester Zoo; or Colchester at Leisure
£40 per person including admission; Travel Only - £21.50 per person, NR29 Area Only

Saturday 24th June 2023 - RHS Wisley
£41.50 per person including admission. Deposit scheme available, NR29 Area, GY Area subject to demand

Saturday 15th July 2023 - Trent River Cruise, Nottingham
£48.00 per person including two course lunch. Deposit scheme available, NR29 Area Only

To view the full details of our trips and book online visit www.jubileecoachesrollesby.co.uk/excursions; call 01493 749918; or scan the QR code across





EXCURSIONS 2023

Wednesday 26th July 2023 - Sandringham Flower Show

£30 per person including admission. Deposit scheme available, NR29 Area, GY Area subject to demand

Friday 25th August 2023 - Clacton Air Show

£20.00 per person, NR29 Area, GY Area subject to demand

Monday 28th August 2023 - Highclere Castle, the Home of Downton Abbey

£52 per adult, £42 per under 16, Deposit Scheme available, NR29 Area Only

Thursday 21st September 2023 - Bure Valley Railway & Norfolk Broads

£29.00 per person including admission, NR29 Area Only

Saturday 7th October 2023 - Knitting and Stitching Show, London

£42.50 per person including admission. £10 Deposit Scheme available, NR29 Area, GY Area subject to demand

Saturday 4th November 2023 - Christmas Shopping in Birmingham

£30.00 per person, NR29 Area, GY Area subject to demand

Friday 17th November 2023 - Sandringham Christmas Craft Fair

£22.50 per person including admission, NR29 Area, GY Area subject to demand

Saturday 2nd December 2023 - Lincoln Christmas Market

£25.00 per person, NR29 Area, GY Area subject to demand

Wednesday 6th December 2023 - Holkham by Candlelight

Price to be confirmed, NR29 Area Only. Email or call to express an interest

THURSFORD CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR 2023

PROVISIONAL DATES: Saturday 25th November (matinee only; pick ups include Great Yarmouth area); Saturday 16th December (matinee only); Thursday 21st December 2023 (matinee only)

£64.00 per person including admission if booked and paid in full by 31st January 2023. Bookings using Deposit Scheme, or after 31st January 2023 £67 per person including admission. £10 Deposit Scheme available. Dates to be confirmed. Booking opens midday Tuesday 10th January 2023

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Your Parish Council

Caister Parish Council Mission Statement

The Parish Council seeks to promote and encourage true community spirit within the village.

To encourage full co-operation between Councillors both Parish and local Borough, residents and local businesses, thereby ensuring a better quality of life for all residents and visitors alike and improving local relationships to the betterment of the village.

As a resident of Caister you are invited to share your views with your Parish Council, either in person or by contacting the Parish Clerk on 01493720893 or clerk@caisterparishcouncil.com.

You are encouraged to let your Parish Councillors know of anything in the village that is of concern so that action can be taken on your behalf.

Parish Council Meetings

Parish Council meetings are advertised on Noticeboards around the village, on Facebook, in the Yarmouth Mercury and on the Caister Parish Council Website (<http://caisterparishcouncil.co.uk>) and on Streetlife.

Members of the public are given a 15 minute slot at the beginning of the meeting to raise issues affecting them. There is also time at the beginning of the meeting for residents to put concerns before their Borough Councillors. The Chairman will invite these questions.

Bringing Issues before Council

If an item to be discussed is personal, an approach should be made to the Parish Clerk who will direct you to the Parish Councillor with responsibility for that issue.

If you wish to speak you must raise your hand and wait to be directed by the Chairman. Once invited you must stand, give your name and address and briefly state your concern. You will be allowed approximately 2 minutes but the Chairman may use his discretion. Any written information must be provided to the Clerk beforehand to ensure that there are copies for all Councillors.

All concerns will be dealt with on a case by case basis, although you may be referred to a Parish Councillor who will deal with you personally.

You can film, record or take photographs at the Parish Council meetings but it is preferred that you speak to the Clerk/Chairman prior to the meeting.

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Your Parish Council

If an item is not on the Agenda, no decision can be made at the meeting, perhaps further research will be needed. Please ensure that you leave your contact details.

You can email a Parish Councillor through the Parish Council Website at (<http://caisterparishcouncil.co.uk>).

Remember

All Parish Councillors are unpaid and all live in Caister, they meet on the first Monday of the month for Full Council at the Council Hall on Yarmouth Road, except Bank Holidays when the meeting will be on the second Monday. Meetings are also held on the fourth Monday of the month to discuss Finance matters.

The AGM is held in May in the Council Hall and is advertised in advance.

We are Responsible for :-

- The upkeep of Caister Cemetery
- The Allotments
- Some Bus Shelters
- Council Hall
- Parish Surgeries
- Village matters and issues
- Responding to Planning Applications
- Toilets on Beach Road and Second Avenue

Have representation on :-

- Caister Sports & Social Club
- King George V Playing Field
- Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel
- Borough Coastal Group
- Caister Charities
- Road Safety Committee
- Caister Youth and Community Centre Trustees
- Joint Parishes Liason Committee.

SEA DEFENCES

Most of us who live near the sea are aware of the dangers that exist on or near the beaches of our resorts. The same cannot be said however regarding those who visit, or those that have recently moved into the area from inland. A sharp reminder of this was felt in our community recently following an incident where a member of our local Coastwatch team, who lived away, sadly lost his life whilst trying to improve the viewing conditions for himself and his colleagues. While removing part of the growth on the sea bank, he slipped and fell to his death. The areas adjacent to most beaches are part of the sea defences and as such are covered by the 1949 Sea Defences Act. The act forbids any interference with the land covered by the act, unless licenced by the government agency. This in effect means that any digging, removal of plants, wildflowers or grass is strictly forbidden. No stones or shingle may be removed from the beaches. Marram Grass is a protected species under the law and is a major contributor to the flood defences. Its growth and spread holds the sand and other plants in place, thus helping to protect the coastal population areas from the tides and rising sea levels.

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Useful Phone Numbers for Caister



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Art Group	07591 152765	Grasmere Caravan Park	01493 720382
Arthur Jary & Sons	01493 722472	Harbour Lights Spiritual Group	07746516181
Beach Road Chippy	01493 720769	Holy Trinity Church	01493 728431
Beavers	01493 717422	Jaks Hairdresser	01493 377873
Branford Mini Mart	01493 720688	John Grant School	01493 720158
Branfords Restaurant	01493 720400	Kingswood Windows	01493 418278
Brill Wet Fish Shop	07840 269653	Knit & Natter	01493 720594
Brilliant Fish & Chips	01493 722777	Library	01493 720594
Brownies	01493 721817	Lidl	0870 444 1234
Bwell Pharmacy	01493 720469	Methodist Hall	01493 728052
Caister Academy	01493 720542	Minors & Brady	01493 806188
Caister Building & Roofing	01493 721603	Morse Opticians	01493 720977
Caister Closet (Olga`s)		Mullens Cycles	01493 377311
Caister Community Art Group	01493 720366	Phoenix Social	01493 853307
Caister Cricket Club	01493 728987	Physically Disabled Swimming Club	01493 733565
Caister Cubs	01493 720090	Plunketts	07960 705109
Caister Foot Care	01493 722295	Post Office/Nisa/Offords	01493 728081
Caister Heritage Centre	07527 977613	Premier Winifred Road Stores	01493 720570
Caister Infants School	01493 728560	Ryans Fish & Chips	01493 728006
Caister Junior School	01493 728223	Scouts Explorer Group	01493 850400
Caister Kebab and Pizza	01493 722900	Short Mat Bowls	01493 717509
Caister Ladies Group	01493 377046	Spicy Popadom	01493 377171
Caister Slimming World	07910 367864	Soundwaves Community Sings	01493 722508
Caister Vets	01493 809766	Sue Ryder	01493 722294
Caister Volunteer Lifeboat	01493 722001	Tasty House - Chinese Takeaway	01493 728930
Caister Women`s Institute	078 551 03007	Tesco	0845 677 9123
Camera Club	01493 731949	The Castle Carvery	01493 728933
Chamberlins	01493 720019	The Centurion	01493 720427
Chifania Chinese Takeaway	01493 728828	The Green Gate	01493 728783
Church Hall		The Kings Arms	0871 951 1000
Clairemont Care Home	01493 377041	The Never Turn Back	01493 722697
Community Centre/Social Club	01493 721862	The Old Hall	01493 721621
Council Hall	01493 738586	The Old Manor Café	01493 497061
Doggers Plaice	01493 728776	The Ship Inn	01493 728008
Dragon Palace	01493 721829	Thistles & Thorns	01493 722411
Drop In Coffee/Tea	01493 720686	Tubbys the Butchers	01493 720265
East Coast Chimney Sweep	01493 718615	Wellbeing Pharmacy	01493 720809
East Coast Hospice Shop	01493 728321	Williams Garage	01493 377021
East of England Co-op Foodstore	01493 720209	Yarmouth Stadium	01493 720343
Eastern Beach Caravan Park	01493 720367	Ye Olde Bakery	01493 722707
Elm Park Caravan Park	01493 721630		
Embers	01493 377200		
Flegg Probus	01493 730908		
Flower Club	01493 748741		
Golden Kebab Pizza House	01493 722680		

CAISTER PARISH COUNCIL

PLEASE BE AWARE FROM TIME TO TIME WE GET SEAL PUPS ON OUR BEACHES. PLEASE KEEP DOGS AWAY AND DO NOT APPROACH THEM. THEY ARE WILD ANIMALS AND NEED THEIR SPACE, ALSO THEY CAN GIVE A NASTY BITE. KEEP AT LEAST 40 FEET AWAY THANK YOU.



WE CARE ABOUT CAISTER



Please enjoy our beaches but,

HELP US KEEP OUR BEACHES CLEAN

**PLEASE TAKE YOUR LITTER HOME OR PUT IT IN A BIN
and clean up after you dog.**

Caister Parish Council Working for our village

Its Quiz Time Answers

1. The Joker 2. Spain, 3. Camels 4. Horse 5. Swan 6. Rabbit 7. India 8 Spain. 9. A Hybrid 10. Turkey 11. Diana 12. 1.5 light years 13. Crossroads 14. Marilyn Monroe 15. Wins 16. Winston Churchill 17. Its stomach 18. Fifty 19. Knowledge 20. Deep 21 Poison

CAISTER CRICKET CLUB

Caister Cricket Club held their presentation night at Branfords/Old Hall on November 25th where they enjoyed an excellent meal to continue the wonderful hospitality afforded by Branfords throughout the season. Guest of honour Russell Ray, Chairman of the Caister Playing Field Committee, presented the Allen Cup for Player of the Year to Robbie Brown. The Clubman of the Year Award went to Jon Ringwood for his tremendous work on social media and his construction and installation of our new electric scoreboard. Two net sessions have been held at Caister Academy where a dozen youngsters turned up before the adults took over for the last hour and a half. Due to the success of our under 9 softball side in 2022, we have decided to enter a team again in 2023 along with an under 11 hardball team. We will be holding more sessions in the New Year and all details will be shown on our website & Facebook Page as well as in the local press. We are always looking out for more players of any age or ability as fully qualified coaches will attend to offer any assistance. Equally all juniors are especially welcome as in addition to entering teams, we'll be having regular coaching mornings at the playing field during the summer. The AGM will be held in the New Year when officers and team captains will be appointed.



Mick Jones

History of Caister on Sea

LOST PROPERTY

Before the middle of the twentieth century coastal erosion was responsible for the progressive loss of unknown acres of land to the east of the village. It is thought that a Roman signal station once stood on the coastline but there is no evidence to substantiate this, although Roman bricks and tiles were uncovered by a cliff fall in 1917. In the fourteenth century Sir John Fastolf recorded that he moved the chapel of St John to his land in the west of the village 'to prevent it being devoured by the sea'. This chapel had served a hamlet known as Pleasant Green which itself was destroyed by the sea that century. Throughout the medieval period Caister reached much further east than the village does today. At the beginning of the twentieth century it was reported that the Clowes family, owners of the Manor House estate for many years, had lost 60 acres of land to the sea in as many years. The Manor House stood north-east of the present Never Turn Back public house. The original building had been built in 1791 at a cost of £2,600 for a Major Alexander and in 1808 was purchased by Thomas Clowes, a local solicitor who was also the Lord of the Manor. The building was extensively rebuilt and then became known as the Manor House. In 1884 the property was bought by the Caister & Sheringham Hotel & Land Co. and converted into a hotel, the first holiday development in the village. In 1920 Lacons, the Yarmouth brewers, bought the hotel and extended it, the grounds then covering over 13 acres and the hotel having 48 bedrooms. The hotel was open all year round and gained a reputation as one of the top hotels in the area, equal to the Queens Hotel in Yarmouth. Many well-known people stayed at the Manor Hotel. The hotel continued in business until 1939 when it was taken over by the military to billet soldiers but by now the sea had encroached almost to the foot of the cliffs and despite a makeshift wall of fish swills filled with concrete the front part of the building was undermined and fell to the beach in 1941 and the property was abandoned.

In 1910 land to the north of the Manor House, known locally as The Warren, was laid out with two roads running north south, the Manor House Road and parallel to this further east The Esplanade. Nine houses and bungalows were built on Manor House Road, some large, some small. Each house was named: Cliff Dene, The Cottage, Eastcliff, Belvedere, White Cottage, Sunny Brae, Sea View (for several years the Rectory), The Chase and Storm Croft. Two small bungalows, Kee Watin and Dune Cote completed this development which covered the land that today lies between the northern boundary of caravan park and the car park at the end of Braddock Road. Today flowers can be seen on this land, flowers that were originally in the back gardens of the houses. All the properties were connected to the Manor House sewerage system, a private system originally built for the Manor House in 1898 and with an outfall into the sea. The remainder of the village had to wait until the 1930s before a sewerage system was built. Several of the larger houses on the warren employed servants and many girls and women from the village found employment in the houses as well as at the Manor House Hotel. The village football team, founded in 1909, played their games on a pitch on the Warren until 1914, leading to news reports referring to them as the Rabbits, sometimes derisively as the Bunnies. The football team name has survived with the recently established coffee shop on the playing field being named the Rabbit Hutch.

The rate of erosion steadily increased and in 1920 a resident of one of the houses on the Warren reported another 100 feet of cliff had fallen. In the 1920's the M&GN railway line was threatened by the encroaching sea and a sea wall was built at north Caister to protect the line, a special siding being constructed near the Camp Halt to unload the concrete blocks used for the wall. For many years this railway sea wall was the only sea defence at Caister. By 1928 The Esplanade had disappeared and the houses on Manor Hotel Road were getting perilously close to the cliff edge. By 1936 the greater part of the Manor House estate had been lost to the sea and in 1941 part of the hotel collapsed on-to the beach. Two properties on the Warren soon suffered the same fate and the Rectors house had started to collapse. It was now claimed that nearly 500 feet had been eroded in 39 years and 125 feet had gone in the previous eighteen months. In May 1949, when construction work began on the present sea wall, only a few walls of the houses were left standing and the one house that had survived was demolished. The new sea wall was completed in 1950, before the disastrous East Coast Floods occurred on the night of 31 January 1953, saving the village from floods and even more loss of land. On completion of the sea wall the engineer to the Sea Defence Committee presented two stone lions which were placed at the Gap at Beach Road. In 1987 the old railway sea wall at north Caister was demolished and replaced with a new design, a mastic sea wall built by a Norwegian firm. The Caister wall was the first in the country to be built using asphalt as an erosion protection. In 1993, and again in 1999, large quantities of rocks were imported in to build groyne at North Caister but the sea continued to erode large sections of the beach during high winter tides. Storms in 2001, and again in 2013, removed large quantities of sand from the beach to reveal lower levels not seen for many years. Large pieces of brickwork, sections of tiled floor and concrete, the remains of the houses and the hotel sewerage system were revealed. It is not known how far the land to the east of the village originally extended seawards but there is no doubt that coastal erosion over many years has removed a considerable amount.

The pictures show some of the lost property, the houses on the Warren in the 1930s, and the sea wall under construction in 1949.





CAISTER-ON-SEA

2023