

# Badwell Broadsheet

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## Badwell Quiz is Friday March 13th

The popular Badwell Annual Charity Quiz will be held on Friday 13th March in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

Old teams and fresh faces will be welcomed alike and, judging by feedback from previous quiz nights, all will have a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

Teams are of four people. If anyone wants to participate and hasn't got a full team we can help to put people together – indeed the winning team last year were two couples whom we paired for the night and only met that evening.

Nibbles and a light supper at half time are included in the ticket price. Wine and other beverages will be on sale on the night.

Book a table by telephoning your team name and entry to Ted/Carole Evans 01359 258510 or Maureen/John Norris 01359 259362. Entry £4pp, payable on the night.

If anyone would like to donate raffle prizes please contact Mandy Beckley 01359 259734.

Profits will go to St Mary's Church and the East Anglian Air Ambulance.

*Ted Evans*

## **Free Support for over 60's – apply before March 6<sup>th</sup>.**

*Age Concern writes:-* Are YOU aged 60+, living in your own home, or renting a self-contained property?

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**Promoting Independence** is a new pilot project, running until March 2009, which provides support to help people to live independently.

Trained, insured and police checked advisors will offer all the FREE support, information and advice they can, to support people who want to remain independent and in the home of their choice.

Support can take the form of financial management, housing advice, accessing social groups or activities, managing daily tasks, healthy lifestyles and lots more! Where the advisor cannot give you the required support directly, they will be able to give details of

other organisations able to help.

To take advantage of this service, or just to find out more about it, please telephone the FREE phone number 0800 074 05 09.

This project is delivered by a partnership of Age Concern Suffolk (Mid Suffolk and Waveney) Havebury Housing Partnership (St Edmundsbury) and Ipswich Borough Council.

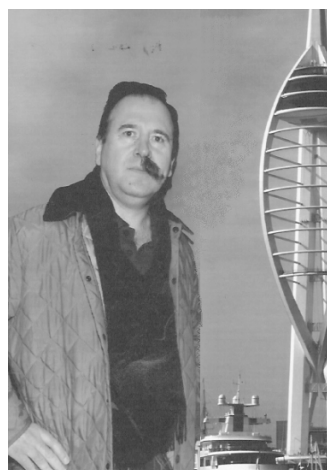
For those living in supported accommodation, such as sheltered housing, this support should already be available through your landlord, or you can phone the Age Concern Suffolk Independence Advice team on 01473 288048.

## **Playground rumours untrue**

Mike Hind, Chairman of the Governors of Badwell Ash Primary School, is very worried about playground rumours that the school might close.

'I have confirmed with Suffolk County Council (SCC) that the school **will not close**,' said Hind. 'We are so concerned about these rumours that we have asked the SCC to send us a formal notification which we will distribute to parents as soon as we receive it to reassure them of the school's future.'

Hind fears that parents of young children may not enter them for the school if they believe that the school is threatened. 'It's just not true,' he said. 'The SCC is determined to keep local Primary Schools open. The future for Badwell Ash School is secure and rosy.'



## **Charity 'tache**

Arthur Diaper, Chairman of the Parish Council, grew his moustache, then shaved off half of it for charity. He spent 24½ days sporting his half-tache, journeying as far afield as Portsmouth. 'Each day that went by I'd bump into somebody and get more money,' said Diaper. He raised £2,000 and split the money between the NSPCC and Children in Need.

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## Funds available for local groups & projects

There are funds currently available from various sources including MidSuffolk Council. The MSC Community Development scheme is inviting groups to put forward proposals for funding. The money can be to help existing groups, to set up new ones or for a specific project/item for the village.

Do you have any suggestions for the village or your group? Another litter bin? Allotments? A computer or new mugs for your club?

If you want any help with putting together a proposal, if you're an individual and want the Community Forum to support your idea, or you just want to discuss an idea, come along to the Community Forum meeting on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 8pm, at the White Horse Inn.

Or you can send bids to the Parish Council Clerk (see page 3). Proposals (bids) need to reach the Parish Council in time to be considered at their next Meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

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The Broadsheet also welcomes advertisements. £20 for minimum 1/8<sup>th</sup> page advert for three issues.

For any of the above, please contact the temporary editor Sarah Brown at 259625 or [sarahbrownfleming@hotmail.com](mailto:sarahbrownfleming@hotmail.com), or leave written notices with Ashley Simpson at the White Horse.

## Fun at the Barn Dance

Over 100 people enjoyed a night of dancing in November at the Barn Dance in the Village Hall organized by the Community Forum.

The band, Clutching at Straws, featured Badwell's parish councillor Karl Hortt on melodian, and Liz Hortt ably explained each dance and acted as caller.

Rumbles Fish Bar provided a tasty fish supper and the White Horse put on a bar.

The evening was enjoyed by everyone from toddlers to grannies, and the Broadsheet would like to publish the following letter of thanks:-

*Just had to write to say thank you very much to the Forum/Village Hall Committee for organizing a superb barn dance in the Village Hall on 15th November. It was a great evening and good to see it so well attended. Thanks must also go to Clutching at Straws for providing such good entertainment, and to the fish and chip shop for a delicious fish and chip supper. Let's hope the Committee organises plenty more similar events going forward - it was great fun!*

*The Keswick Family*

Thanks to all who helped to decorate the hall (the subdued, sparkling lighting created a great atmosphere), tidy up and generally make the night a huge success.

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## The Community Forum presents



## 4<sup>th</sup> April

Following the huge success of the Barn Dance, the Community Forum are organizing another evening's entertainment for April 4<sup>th</sup>. The event will be a Bingo Night, and everyone is welcome.

Entry tickets will cost £3 and include a Rumbles Fish Supper if bought in advance. Bingo cards will cost 50p. Doors will open at 6.30, with supper between 7.30 & 8.00pm. The White Horse will provide a bar.

So put the date in your diary and watch out for further news and ticket details.

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## Youth Club – spaces now available

Do you know anyone who wants to join this popular club? There are a few spaces available. Call Stacey on 07845 119579, email [badwellashyouthclub@live.co.uk](mailto:badwellashyouthclub@live.co.uk), or come along on Wednesday at 7pm to the Village Hall.

## Parish Council Report

The Parish Council met Monday 5<sup>th</sup>. January, 2009, in the Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm. Mr. Diaper chaired the meeting and all members were present. One member of the public was present. District Cllr. Roy Baker and CSPO Vince Clarkson were also in attendance and reported on matters concerning MSDC and the Police respectively. CPSO Clarkson reported that two incidents had been reported, both were instances of vandalism around the village hall/School area.

The members agreed that the council would adopt the new Model Publication Scheme under the Freedom of Information Act, which came into force as from 1<sup>st</sup>. January, 2009. Full details of the scheme will be pinned to the notice boards in due course.

The council approved and adopted a new budget for the financial year 2009/10 and the precept would remain at £7500. This equates to £299.64 for a band D equivalent. The cash deposit the council holds is being accumulated for the cost of providing a new cemetery for when the current one is full in a few years time.

The light in the passageway between The Street and Orchard Close should be set up and in use by the end of February.

Members are aware that there is certain funding available from MSDC's Community Development scheme. The Parish Council are therefore asking any community group in the parish that could do with additional funding, to put a bid into them stating what funding is required and for what benefit. Please address your bids, in writing, before the beginning of March, to The Clerk, either by post or email. See below for the address.

An amended plan for the Green Farm Cottage site at Badwell Green was discussed and again the members considered the plan was not suitable and opposed the application.

Other items raised included a complaint about the state of the unmetalled part of Back Lane. Clerk would ask SCC to consider repairs.

Another major issue was the litter strewn around the

village hall car park which the Village Hall Committee were now having to pay the street cleaner to clear up every week. It was felt that the hall *users* were not responsible for the litter, but that it was made by the general public using the hall's car park as a "play area". Coupled with the above vandalism, it was decided that, with the school's co-operation, when the school or the village hall is not in use, the gate at the top of the track will be locked to stop unauthorized use of the hall's car park. Pedestrian use would still be open. Sadly, once again, a selfish minority spoil amenities for themselves and the rest of the village!

The next full parish council meeting will be held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>. March, 2009, in the village hall starting at 7:30pm. All members of the public are invited to attend and an opportunity will be given to address the members if required.

*Andrew Catchpole, Clerk to Badwell Ash Parish Council,*

*Ladywell, Ladywell Road,*

*WESTHORPE, Suffolk, IP14 4TQ*

*Tel: 01449 780150, email: [ladywell@lineone.net](mailto:ladywell@lineone.net)*

### **Dates coming up...**

<b>Feb 24</b>	<b>Community Forum meeting</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>	<b>White Horse Inn</b>
<b>March 2</b>	<b>Parish Council Meeting</b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>	<b>Village Hall</b>
<b>March 12</b>	<b>WI: Surprising Suffolk</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Ld Thurlow Hall, Gt Ashfield</b>
<b>March 28</b>	<b>PTFA: Pamper Night</b>	<b>tba</b>	<b>School</b>
<b>April 4</b>	<b>Bingo Night</b>	<b>tba</b>	<b>Village Hall</b>
<b>June 13</b>	<b>School &amp; Village Fair</b>	<b>tba</b>	<b>Playing Field</b>

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## **28th March : Pamper Night next event for busy PTFA**

Many thanks to all those who have supported school events over the Autumn term. The Christmas play, bazaar and auction were a great success, raising valuable funds for school projects. Last term the PTFA were able to provide help to the school in various ways including new books, animation software, web cams, tennis coaching and historical and theatre experiences. All these initiatives provide the children with a very broad learning base and it is undoubtedly a benefit of attending a small school. Please continue to support us in any way you can and

look out for forthcoming events including a Pamper Night on 28th March.

*Louise Boucher*

## ***Dog Walking? NOT on the Recreation Ground, please.***

The Parish Council and the Community Forum have received complaints about dog poo left on the Village Recreation Grounds and Playing Fields.

It is inconsiderate and antisocial to leave dog mess, and also a legal offence for which dog owners can be fined.

More importantly, dog poo is a public health hazard. Young children are especially at risk because they have weaker immune systems and are more likely to play on the grass.

Dog poo can contain bacteria that cause stomach upsets, and carry the eggs of dog worms which cause toxocariasis. Up to 15,000 eggs per gram of faeces can be passed, which survive for up to three years in soil.

Toxocariasis affects the liver, causing inflammation, pain and fever. More seriously it can cause significant sight loss and in severe cases even blindness.

There are plenty of public footpaths in and around Badwell Ash where dogs can be exercised. Please keep dogs away from the playing fields. And please remember, ALWAYS, anywhere: **Pick up the Poo.**

## **Badwell Ash local organisations, clubs and groups**

Organisation	Contact	Phone	Meets when/where
Art Club	Adult Education ,Thurston	232204	Tuesday, 1:15 - 3:15pm, Village Hall
Bowls Club	David Frost	259548	Tuesday, 7:30pm, Village Hall
Circuit Training	Neal Bassett	259897	Thursday, 7:00 – 8:00pm, Village Hall
Gun Club	Tony Turp	259547	Saturday p.m. Fortnightly, Back Lane
Parents and Toddlers	Dianne Moore	07703- 367765	Wednesdays, 10:00-12:00pm, Village Hall
St Mary's Church	Angela Brooks	259587	see church noticeboard
School PTFA	Natalie Drake	258298	see school noticeboard
Under Fives	Dianne Moore	07703- 367765	Weekdays, 9:15 -12:00pm, Village Hall (12:00-13:00 Lunch Club)
Women 's Institute	June Ley	259645	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month, Great Ashfield Hall
Youth Club	Stacey Hawes	07845 -119579	Wednesday, 7:00-9:00pm, Village Hall