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## Come to the Chilli and quiz evening

On Friday 12th April, the Social Evening will tie in with a Chilli and Quiz evening at the Village Hall.



The evening will raise money for the Village Hall and their chosen charity, Time Norfolk.

The charity supports anyone in Norfolk and Waveney experiencing mental health challenges due to pregnancy loss, baby loss or pregnancy choices.

You can book a table for the quiz, with a maximum of eight people per table, by emailing the address below.

Tickets cost £8 per adult, £5 per young person under 16 or free for under 5s.

There are three options for the food. You can have Chilli Con Carne, Vegetarian Chilli or Vegan Chilli.

Please give your food options when you book your table.

Doors open at 6:00pm ready for a start at 7:00pm.

Please do support this fundraising event.

#### bawburghvhevents@gmail.com

# **NEWS**

### April 2024

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## **Bawburgh Voices**

#### **Could you take over?**

Back in 2016, Mary Wilkinson answered an appeal in Bawburgh News to take on the Bawburgh Voices article.

Each month, for the last eight years, Mary has been interviewing people connected to the village and writing up their answers to create a very popular feature.

Now, due to personal circumstances, Mary has decided to hand over the Voices article to someone else.

She will do two more months, and we need someone else to take over the role.

Mary has a list of people who have been interviewed since the feature stated in 2001 and, also, a list of people who don't want to be interviewed!

She also has a list of useful questions and she is happy to pass all of this on to anyone who would be willing to take on the role.

Mary will still be involved in the Bawburgh News and aims to get a group of people together to provide recipes each month.

If you would like more information about taking on Bawburgh Voices, you can phone Rob Anthony on

#### 01603 810141

Or email

#### news@bawburghvillage.co.uk



Thank you, Mary



## Chilli and Quiz Evening Friday 12th April

Book your table (max. 8 people) by emailing:

#### bawburghvhevents@gmail.com

Tickets:

- £8 per adult
- £5 per young person under 16,
- under 5s free

Doors open at 6pm for a 7pm start

Please let us know when you book whether you would like:

- chilli con carne
- vegetarian chilli
- vegan chilli.

The bar will be open – corkage will be charged at £5 per bottle if you bring your own

Proceeds will be divided between the Village Hall and TIMENORFOLK supporting anyone in Norfolk and Waveney experiencing mental health challenges due to pregnancy loss, baby loss or pregnancy choices

#### GARDENING HELP WANTED IN A BAWBURGH GARDEN 2 – 3 hours a fortnight PHONE : 01603 748951

## **Coffee Morning**

The Coffee Morning in March had takings of £100.

The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 6th April from 10:30am.

Everyone is very welcome.



## **Church PCC**

Bawburgh church is due to have its annual PCC in April with re-election of members. The date is yet to be confirmed but if anyone wishes to attend, just for interest, or to become more involved in the workings of the church, please send a text or ring Lin Gibson on

#### 07785 258519

or email

#### lin.gibson34@gmail.com

## **Marlingford Event**

There is a quiz evening at Marlingford on Friday 5th April. Details below.



## **Bawburgh News** Subscriptions are due

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## 50 / 50 Club Winners

In March, the 50 / 50 Club winners were:

- Mick Andrews
- Rob Anthony
- Jimmy Boswell
- Averyl Richards
- Jean Asker

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## **History Group**

Do come along to our talks. There's something of interest for everyone! Entrance, including tea or coffee: £2

#### Tuesday, 9th April

#### 7:30p.m. in the Village Hall

Peter Markham: Beekeeping

Peter has kept bees for over 60 years, and he



## **April Church Services**

7th	10am	2nd Sunday of Easter, Holy Communion, Easton
14th	10am	3rd Sunday of Easter. All Age Service with Communion, Colton
21st	10am	4th Sunday of Easter. Holy Communion, Marlingford.
28th	10am	5th Sunday of Easter. Holy Communion, Bawburgh

**Communion at home** can be arranged for those who because of illness or frailty are unable to come to the Sunday service.

If you have any queries about services, baptisms and funerals, you can contact Laura on 01603 744551 or by email at:

#### eastonbeneficeoffice@gmail.com

still struggles to outwit the crafty, well-organised ladies. He will talk about bees, the history of beekeeping, and some of the difficulties of beekeeping in the modern world.

#### Tuesday, 14th May

#### 7:30p.m. in the Village Hall

Giles Emery: Operation WALBAEA: Archaeological Investigations, home of the 'Bloody Hundredth' B-17 Bomb Group

Local archaeologist Giles Emery will tell us about a recent dig at Thorpe Abbotts WWII Airbase.

Mary, Jenny, Lin



## **Puzzle Page**

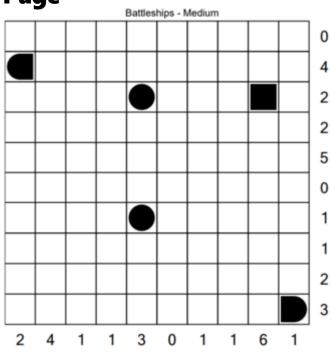
Battleships is a logic puzzle based on the Battleships guessing game. In a square grid of 10 x 10 small squares there is an armada of battleships. There is one battleship with 4 squares, two cruisers with 3 squares, three destroyers with 2 squares and four submarines with 1 square. Each ship occupies a number of connected spaces on the game board, arranged either horizontally or vertically. The boats are placed so that no boat touches another boat, even diagonally.

The numbers at the bottom and right of the grid indicate how many spaces are occupied by ships in the corresponding rows and columns.

Occasionally, some squares contain predetermined ship or water segments as a clue to help you get started with the puzzle. The goal is to work out where all the ships are.

This is a medium version.

The solution is on page 11.



https://sudoku-puzzles.net/battleships-medium/

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## Wild about Bawburgh: Primroses

## Our native primrose (family Primulaceae), also known as the common or English primrose is one of my favourite spring flowers.

It is in full bloom in March and April but can start flowering as early as December and go on until May. Its full glory can be seen

now. Just take a walk through the churchyard.

It is a small, perennial woodland or grassland plant that is less than 10cm high. In grassy areas it can be quickly overwhelmed by the faster growing grass. Primrose leaves are wrinkled and form rosettes at the plant's base and the flowers are pale yellow with darker yelloworange centres. The single flower has 5 notched petals

which form on the end of upright woolly stalks. They are usually propagated from seed. There are many cultivars of the primrose, and these usually have bright coloured flowers, and have taller flower spikes. As one of the first wild plants to flower, it is extremely important as a nectar source for insects as they come out of hibernation. Recently I have seen brimstone butterflies and small tortoiseshell butterflies flying, and also the large buff-tailed bumblebee, all of which will greatly benefit from this early nectar source.

Interestingly, primroses in mythology represent eternal love, and in Irish folklore were thought to protect the home from fairies if put in the doorway of your home. In Scotland the legends refer to protection of the home against evil spirits, and if

you put them in the cow shed it would stop fairies from stealing your milk!

Other interesting facts:

• The primrose name means 'first rose' and comes from the Latin 'Prima rosa'.

• They are said by some sources to be the second favourite flower in Britain (just behind bluebells).

• Primrose became popular as a girl's name in 2015, with new parents inspired by The Hunger Games.

• The leaves of the primrose can be eaten and apparently taste like lettuce.

- In the UK, the 19th of April is known as Primrose Day to commemorate the death of the British statesman and prime minister Benjamin Disraeli, 1st Earl of Beaconsfield, on this day in 1881. Primroses were said to be his favourite flower.
- There are around 500 primrose species, including the native primrose and the cowslip.
- The evening primrose, from which primrose oil is extracted, is not actually a member of the primrose family, rather it is a member of the Onagraceae. It is a tall plant (can grow up to 70cms) and is closely related to willowherbs. The only similarity is that they both have yellow flowers.

Lin Gibson



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## **Doin' Diff'rent : Pull's Ferry**

# The Watergate, which stands beside the river Wensum and close to Norwich Cathedral, dates from the 15th century, the attached Ferry House was built in 1647 then added to in the 18th century.

The Watergate was built over a canal which had been dug by monks in the early eleven hundreds, to transport stone from Caen in France as well as timber and iron to build Norwich Cathedral. Later The building was originally known as Sandlings, named after a 17th century ferry man. The name was changed when John Pull took over the job in 1796 and rowed the ferry across the river Wensum

peat from the East Anglian fens was transported along the rivers and canal and used to fuel the Cathedral kitchens. Transporting heavy objects such as building materials long distances at a when few time roads existed, was almost impossible and SO carrying them by river was the best solution. building The materials for the came Cathedral



across the sea to the rivers Wensum and Yare, then on to Norwich. At the site of the Cathedral the newly dug canal took the materials straight to where they were needed.

In 1772 the canal was filled in, the only part remaining can still be seen as a slipway under the Watergate, the route of the canal would have followed the straight road which still exists between the river and the Cathedral.

for 45 years. He also ran an inn at the Ferry House, which probably closed retired. In dave Pull early the nearby Bishop's Bridge was a toll bridge, so possibly more expensive than the ferry boat, which continued transporting people across the Wensun until 1943! Why it was still being used in the 20th century surprising is

because by then of course, several bridges were perfectly able to take people and goods across the river Wensum for free.

The building fell into disrepair in the 1800s, but was rescued in the 20th century when the Girl Guides raised £2,000 to have it repaired, then used it as their headquarters. It was reopened in 1949 by the Lord Mayor of Norwich.

Jenny Press



## The Edible Garden

New potatoes - the sooner you can plant seed for first earlies the sooner you can enjoy your harvest! Enrich the soil with plenty of well-rotted manure or compost. In a raised bed simply plant each seed potato in a 6 inch deep hole made with a dibber. In

the ground, make a V-shaped trench 6-9 inches deep and place the seed potatoes about 12 inches apart along the bottom of it. Backfill the trench so that the soil forms a ridge along its length. Leave at least 3ft between rows to allow for earthing up - digging more soil onto emerging foliage to protect them from late frosts.

Tomatoes in the greenhouse -Prick the seedlings out as soon as they have 'true leaves' (leaves

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that look like tomato leaves). Hold the seedling by a leaf (never the stem) and ease it out of its pot with as much root as possible - ideally with a clump of soil attached. Pot up (not too large as this will only become saturated with water) using a slightly stronger compost mix, adding some perlite for drainage and sieved garden compost if you have it. Put the seedlings back into the greenhouse and grow them on so they can be planted into their final position in late May or early June.

Lettuce - This is the ideal time to sow lettuce seed direct into the soil outside as the soil is now warmer and they will grow fast - which is one of the secrets of really good lettuce. Lettuce needs cool temperatures to germinate, and may become dormant if the soil is above 20 degrees. They like a rich soil with good drainage. Most lettuce takes

about 6 to 8 weeks to grow sufficiently large to eat and will be good for another month or so if kept watered and cool. Lettuces grow best in mild, moist conditions so a hot, dry summer is as big a problem as a cold winter. However many lettuces are happy

> in some shade as this will keep them cooler. To avoid a glut or, worse, your lettuce all running to seed at once in very hot weather, the secret is to have good succession which essentially means maintaining a small but constant supply of plants rather than one big harvest. To do this sow some new seed every 3 or 4 weeks and as one batch goes over another will be ready to eat with a third growing on as young seedlings.

A few seeds sown thinly will provide healthier, leafier lettuces than a mass of thick seedlings. As they appear, weed and thin carefully to a final spacing of at least 4 inches.

Salad in containers - lettuce, radish and rocket are ideal. Accept that you have limited space and concentrate on growing healthy, strong plants, thinning out seedlings as they emerge. A few healthy plants will always give a better harvest than masses of small, weedy ones. Containers must have good drainage. Stand on a tray making sure the container can drain by raising it up on chocks.

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> > Marion Malone



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## **Youth Club**

Meets on the last Friday of every month from 6:15pm – 8:00pm (for children of 6 years and above). £2.50 entry per child.

#### Friday 26th April



Contact: Sarah Lambiase at school

## Bawburgh playgroup

Takes place every Friday during term time at the Village Hall from 9:30am to 11:00am. Entry £1.50 (£2 for two children) includes snack for the children and tea/coffee for parents

Contact:

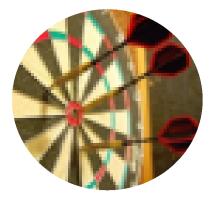
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## **Social Evening**

at Bawburgh Village Hall on Friday 12th April 2024 Chilli and Quiz from 6:00pm for a 7:00pm start



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## The Garden Shed - April

**Grass** – Don't scalp it! Set the blades high and just trim the grass as much to even it out as to reduce it. Gradually lower the blades over a few weeks but keep the grass slightly on the long side. This will

result in much healthier, greener grass. Clippings can be added to the compost heap but mix well with dry, brown material like straw or cardboard which will stop it becoming a wet, green sludge.

**Sweet peas** – plant out in mid to late April. They grow best in rich soil (lots of compost or manure) with plenty of moisture and in cool, but not cold, conditions.

Place two or three plants to each support and water very well before mulching them thickly to keep them weed-free and to stop them drying out.

Bulbs - resist the temptation to cut back, tie up or 'tidy up' the foliage of any bulbs that have finished flowering as this will decrease the quality of flowering next spring. You can lift the bulbs, foliage, bulb and roots and put them into a container in a sunny spot to die back and feed next year's bulb. When the foliage has died back completely the bulbs can be stored, making sure they do not become too wet (they can dry out completely) and then replanted in the autumn.

Azaleas and Rhododendrons - To ensure plants do not waste energy into seed production, dead head as many faded flowers as you can. Do not use secateurs as you risk injuring the fragile buds growing at the base of the flowers, but gather the flower trusses between finger and thumb and snap them off.

**Harden off tender plants** - such as fuchsias, citrus, brugmansias (angel's trumpet), bananas, agapanthus and cannas. Place outside in a sunny but sheltered spot, covering with fleece if there is a cold night. Let them get used to the changes in temperature and exposure to wind and rain for at least a week, preferably two, before moving them to their final position after the risk of any frost has passed.

**Lilies in pots** – Most lilies like ericaceous soil but Madonna Lilies, which are one of the first to flower, prefer an alkaline soil and will return year after year given the right conditions. Either way, provide good drainage (mix plenty of leafmould and grit into a bark-based compost, but just adding perlite or vermiculite will help greatly). Plant the scaly bulbs with about 4 inches of compost above the crown and put them somewhere lightly shaded to grow. Keep them well watered and move them to their final position when the buds develop in May and June. In general lilies like shady roots and sunny flowers so a west or east facing sheltered spot is ideal for their flowering performance.

**Support large plants** – (use canes, metal supports, pea-sticks and twine) before the plants have grown

too big and you have to rescue them as opposed to supporting them as they grow.

**Seed bed** - a dedicated piece of ground (a couple of metres square or less) cultivated until you have a

fine tilth which will run through your fingers. Rake it smooth and sow seeds in short rows, labelling them clearly. When they are large enough to handle and move, simply lift a clump of seedlings with a trowel and transplant them with plenty of soil attached to their roots, water them in well and they will scarcely notice the relocation.

Slugs and snails - Slugs live

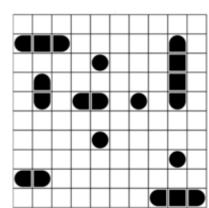
largely underground and like damp conditions. Snails live above ground and love dark nooks and crannies such as old brickwork or a nice dry hedge, as well as clustering around the base of containers. They are both superb at recycling waste vegetative matter but do not discriminate between a fallen leaf and a delicious young seedling! So what can the gardener do?

Do not feed plants any more than is absolutely necessary and always feed the soil not the plant. This will avoid a spurt of soft, sappy growth that slugs love. Also, use a cold frame or table where you can raise tender young plants and check for slugs daily. Outdoor growing helps to grow your plants as 'hard' as possible avoiding sudden temperature changes. Finally, encourage predators. Thrushes, frogs, toads, beetles, centipedes, shrews and hedgehogs - all love eating slugs and snails. This needs plenty of cover, an avoidance of toxic chemicals, such as slug pellets, and a degree of tolerance for collateral damage! **Birds** - most birds will be nesting and laying eggs and hatching young over the course of the month. Keep putting out food - flakes of cheese and breadcrumbs are as good as 'bird food'.

> With thanks and acknowledgements to Monty Don. For more tips and advice visit www.montydon.com

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## **Useful Numbers**

Police: Emergencies 999 non-emergencies 101 101 is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

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Bawburgh Parish Chairman: Peter Markham 01603 811339 Vicar: Rev. Laura Montgomery 01603 744551

Village Hall Bookings: Kathy Watchorn bookings@bawburghvillage.co.uk

Bawburgh School: 01603 742329

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#### Diary dates April 2024

Tue	2nd		🖩 Green bin collection		
Sat	6th	10:30am	Coffee Morning (Village Hall)		
Tue	9th		Grey bin collection		
Tue	9th	7:30pm	History Group (Village Hall)		
Fri	12th	-	Brown bin collection		
Fri	12th	6:00pm	for 7:00pm start:		
		-	Chilli & Quiz Evening (Village		
			Hall)		
Tue	16th		🖩 Green bin collection		
Thu	18th		Mobile Library:		
		9:35am	Stocks Hill		
		10:00am	Church Street		
Fri	19th	9:30am	Playgroup (Village Hall)		
Tue	23rd		Grey bin collection		
Fri	26th	9:30am	Playgroup (Village Hall)		
Fri	26th	6:15pm	Youth Club (Village Hall)		
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