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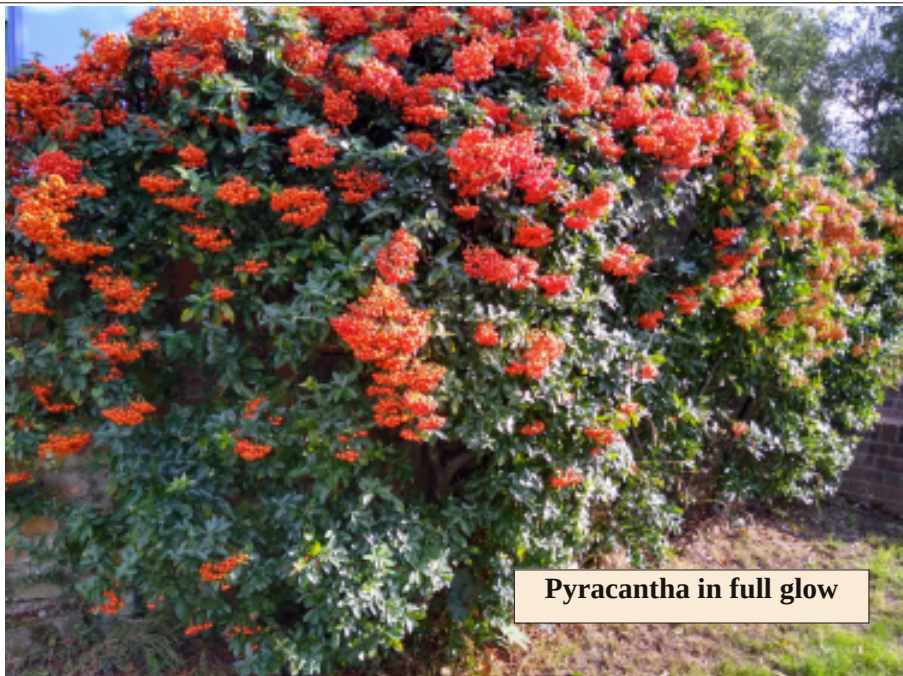
Quendon & Rickling Parish and Church

NEWS

October 2025

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Pyracantha in full glow

Priest in Charge of the parish of Quendon and Rickling, Coordinating Chaplain Stansted Airport (2 days per week)

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Quendon and Rickling: Mrs Sandra Arnold 01799 543075

From the Vicarage Study

Rev. Peter Allen,

Priest-in-Charge of Newport with Widdington, Quendon and Rickling.

Dear Friends

As we move into October, the signs of autumn are all around us—the shortening days, the colour of the leaves, the harvest gathered in. It is a season of change, and perhaps this year more than most, many of us are feeling the weight of change in the wider world too.



We see it in the rising cost of living, which places real strain on families and individuals. We hear it in the news of conflicts and disasters that leave us anxious for the future. We notice it in the pressing questions around climate change, made all the more real by unpredictable weather and the challenges faced by farmers and communities here and across the world.

It would be easy to give in to despair—but the message of our faith is that God is present with us even in uncertain times. Harvest thanksgiving reminds us that God's provision is still abundant, even if unevenly shared. All Saints' and All Souls' days remind us that we are part of a great company of witnesses, past and present, who have held fast to hope in difficult times.

Each church community, no matter how many in numbers, is called to be a sign of that hope. Primarily it is in its worship of God, through prayer in and for our troubled world, and the retelling and teaching of the Good News of Christ. These are the things we do when we gather together and these things further shape our lives beyond the Sunday service as what we believe and hope for spills over into acts of service; in our homes, communities, and the wider world where no act of kindness and love is too small. In this we confirm and play our part in fulfilling the verse from John's Gospel that says, "the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

(John 1:5).

Welcome
FAITH FAMILY FRIENDS

If you feel that this is the kind of community you would like to explore and/or belong to, do know that you are welcome to any of our the services within any of the churches across the benefice, the times of which can be found in this magazine. It can be difficult

going over the threshold of the big wooden church doors we have in our churches but once done, I guarantee that you will receive a warm welcome, meet new people, find space to think and reflect, ideas to think and reflect on, and afterwards refreshments and a chat.

With every blessing, Rev Peter

Church Services in the Benefice

Sunday 5th October

9.30am Newport Communion

11.15am Widdington Harvest

Sunday 12th October

9.30am Newport All Age Harvest

11.15am Quendon Harvest

6pm Newport Baby Loss Awareness Week Service

Sunday 19th October

9.30am Newport Communion with Sunday Club for primary age

11.15am Widdington Communion

Sunday 26th October

9.30 am Newport Morning Worship

11.15am Quendon Communion

3.30pm Newport Messy Church

Quendon & Rickling 100 Club

Congratulations to the latest winners

September 2025

1st Prize	J Tissot	£28
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2nd Prize	S Phillips	£18
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3rd Prize	J Hutchins	£8
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Quendon & Rickling 100 Club generates a source of funds for the Village Hall and both our two churches, All Saints, Rickling and St Simon & St Jude, Quendon.

Pumpkin Competition Weigh in



Weigh in for the village pumpkin competition will be held at 2pm, Sunday 12th October at the Cricketers Arms.

Apple press will be available for anyone who wants to juice their apples.

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Welcome Packs

The Parish Council provides a Welcome Pack of information for new residents to the Village. If any newcomers to the village have not received a copy of the pack, do please let the Clerk know on the contact details below and a welcome pack will be provided. If an e-mail address is provided the pack can be sent digitally.

Allotments (Quendon Hall Estate):

Peter Warwick, No.5 Thistley Crescent, Green Road, Rickling
Telephone: **01799 543526**

Highway Problems

The Essex Highways website is available for anyone noticing a problem to report it:

<http://www.essexhighways.org/Report-a-problem.aspx>

A tracking facility for all reported faults is available.

Contact our Parish Council

Details of Parish Council meetings may be found on the village web-site:

<https://www.quendonandrickling.co.uk>

and on village notice boards. All are welcome to attend.

The Parish Clerk is Keith Williams

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See also DCs' regular reports in *The Link*.

Contact our County Councillor

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From the Parish Council Chair

Dear Villagers, we hope you all had a good summer? It does seem that the switch has been thrown on for Autumn with heavy rain, strong winds and according to the weather forecast, more to follow.

There are further details in this edition of the Link regarding the Village Pumpkin competition which is now scheduled for 12th October. Good luck to all those who have managed to grow one this summer given the exceptionally dry weather we've enjoyed. My personal thanks to Katherine Nuthall for all her efforts in making this happen.

Talking of dates, and apologies for mentioning it so early, we have provisionally flagged 28th November as the annual Christmas Tree lighting (with all the trimmings). More details will be provided as they evolve.

We have previously mentioned a number of projects the PC has been focused on. These have included posts to protect the green, which we hope will be installed now that the ground is a little softer. We have recently taken delivery of ground repair material which we can use to repair small potholes and damaged paths around the village. Whilst we are aware of suitable and obvious targets, please let us know if you have spotted any more that could benefit from this repair material. That said, we are hoping for some able-bodied volunteers to help us with the repairs.

We are also looking for helpers to get involved in some other village projects, including Litter Picking, (bags and pickers available) and Speed Watch. An hour every now and then would be really valuable for the benefit of our village. If you think you could be part of a community activity group, please contact the Parish Clerk whose details are in the Link.

Finally, The PC has been advised that a development of the scale envisaged by Pegasi is not supported by the current Local Plan, the new Local Plan, the current full weight Neighbourhood Plan, or the new Neighbourhood Plan.

The new Local Plan will be in force in 2026 and has just moved to the next stage of implementation, which is publication of some modifications required by the Inspectors, none of which alter the 'zero' requirement for Quendon.

The new Neighbourhood Plan has just moved to a six week consultation and in its spatial policy states 'Quendon and Rickling Green is a small settlement with little in the way of local services or facilities and is not suited to major development schemes.

Therefore what has been proposed by Pegasi is in conflict with 4 Development Plans, one of which carries full weight, and the new Local Plan, being at an advanced stage now carries significant weight.

All for now.

Gari Spearpoint

District Councillors' Report

Neighbourhood Plan at 'Regulation 14' consultation



The Neighbourhood Plan refresh has now moved to a six week public consultation ending on 5th November. The Plan and supporting maps, appendices and independent reports are on the steering group website <https://www.nqrplan.org/>. A paper copy is also available at the Newport Parish Council office at Waterloo House, High Street, Newport, CB11 3PG.

Responses are welcomed from residents, businesses and all interested parties, and can be by email to steering.group@nqrplan.org or by post to the Newport Parish Council office

The representations, including those from 'statutory consultees' such as Essex County Council, UDC, the water and sewage companies, and the NHS will be considered for modifications to the Plan. This will in turn go to an independent examination. We are looking to have it in place by mid 2026 and under current rules it will carry full weight in planning decisions.

The Neighbourhood Plan is aligned with the new Local Plan and which is progressing smoothly through its processes and should also be adopted in 2026. It requires 300 dwellings in Newport, to be allocated by the Neighbourhood Plan, but no scale of development for Quendon & Rickling.

To allocate the 300 houses the Steering Group reviewed, and consulted on, five site scenarios and obtained an independent Sustainability Assessment. After more work, supported by consultants ONH Planning for Good, this was reduced to two scenarios - 'east' and 'west'. Following developer presentations and further community consultation the Steering Group and Parish Councils have selected the east option as having the best balance between benefits and site challenges. The details are on the consultation documents on the plan website.

Some policies have been clarified in the light of use, others updated for changes, and new policies made. Policies drafted include on river pollution from sewage works, light pollution, designation of Local Green Spaces, and on gated communities. Also how traffic assessments for major



developments are carried out – the pinch points in the centre of Newport are, on longer term forecasts, going to seize up at peak times, but on the short five year horizon currently accepted by Highways, they still classify as acceptable for major development are certain to make it worse.

A Master Plan is included aiming to provide upgrades and improvements for the villages, and provision for the extra services needed resulting from new development.

And if you would like to see the citations for the four designated Local Wildlife Sites around Quendon, they are also on the website, and oddly not published anywhere else. So please do look and have your say!



The Hill Residential development in Newport supported by policies in the current Neighbourhood Plan.

Councillor Surgeries

These are in Dorringtons every Friday from 10.30 to 11.30. If we have to cancel these, we will post on the village facebook.

Our contact details are:



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Recently, I was privileged to watch two bats flying around my garden. They were so quick and acrobatic it was difficult to keep them in view. Bats and their roosts are legally protected so must not be disturbed. Bats are mammals, giving birth to live young. It reminded me of how lucky we are in The Hundred Parishes to have so many wild mammals in our mainly rural area.



There are several kinds of deer locally, mostly Fallow,



Roe or Muntjac. Larger herds are usually Fallow deer which have “palmate” antlers, shaped like the palm of a hand. The smaller Roe deer may be seen in smaller groups – they have a white rump and no visible tail. Muntjac are smaller still and tend to be solitary; they have horns and



“tusks” - downward-pointing canine teeth.

Out enjoying our latest walk, number 188, my wife and I surprised two hares who disappeared at great speed when they spotted us. They can run up to 45mph over short distances.



We regularly see foxes in our garden, usually courtesy of our inexpensive night vision camera. In the spring, we enjoyed watching the young cubs playing. Foxes seem to be a more common sight now, even during daylight, and regularly venture into



built up areas. The camera occasionally spots a badger; he is usually looking for peanuts.

Anyone lucky enough to see hedgehogs in their garden should look after them as their numbers are in decline.

They are nocturnal, so at dusk we should put out a shallow bowl of fresh water (not milk as it is bad for their digestion) and perhaps some dog or cat food. They may repay

you by eating slugs and insects although our experience has been that they prefer commercial hedgehog food like Spike's Dinner.

Enjoy them all.

Ken McDonald, Secretary



Maces Farms October update



Although cereal harvest wrapped up back in mid-August, the sugar beet harvest is only just beginning. Our beet is scheduled to be lifted in late September/early October, and the timely late rains have likely saved the crop from disaster. The beet struggled through prolonged dry spells, so while we aren't expecting exceptional yields, we are hopeful they will be lifted in good conditions. The plan is to turn fields around quickly for drilling winter wheat for harvest 2026.

The shift in weather has been noticeable, with cooler nights and shorter days marking the start of planting season. We have over 800 hectares of winter cereals



and legumes to establish between late September and October. After a dry late spring and summer, widespread rain across the UK has now created favourable conditions for autumn drilling.

September rainfall also helped flush out grass weeds such as blackgrass and brome. Encouraging these weeds to germinate early is beneficial, as they can then be controlled before drilling. Left unchecked, they compete with cash crops for nutrients and water while also hosting pests and diseases.



Where possible, we also use companion cropping alongside our cash crops. For example, buckwheat and berseem clover are sown with oilseed rape. Buckwheat flowers early, attracting beneficial insects, and its roots help release phosphorus into the soil. Berseem clover fixes nitrogen through its root nodules, providing a natural nutrient boost when it dies back. In previous years we've also trialled fenugreek, which deters flea beetle with its distinctive scent.

Here's to a smooth drilling campaign and a strong start for the autumn crops.

Mark Gemmill

Mgemmill@pegasi.co.uk



Bowls Club News

The bowling season has now ended and it's time for the club members to put the green to bed. This involves a week of hard work to prepare the green and its surrounds for the winter so that we end up with a great bowling surface next year.

As the outdoor bowling has finished, we now bowl on a Thursday afternoon at the Turpin's indoor rinks in Saffron Walden. In the clubhouse on Wednesday afternoons we have carpet bowls which uses smaller bowls and indoor carpet that's laid out on the floor of the clubhouse. This is a great fun social afternoon mostly including tea and cakes and gossip.

As the autumn approaches our social evenings in the clubhouse pick up speed. There is the usual friendly social nights on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month and there are some special events coming up.

First, on the 17th of October we have a music based quiz from Lee and Mandy including "music bingo".

On the 22nd of November we will be holding a race night. This is 8 horse races

shown on our big screen with tote betting at a pound a bet

On the 20th of December we have our Christmas quiz and party night festive dress is welcomed.

All of the above is open to non members and as a non member you can visit the club and enjoy our reduced prices at the bar for three visits before you have to become a social member which at £30 for the year is incredibly good value.

It is possible for you to hire our clubhouse if you need a venue for your party or celebration. It is a great venue with a licence bar and capacity for 70 persons please contact Ray Hart for more details.



Newport and District Flower Club

Autumn is now upon us but we were blessed with beautiful summer weather for our August Afternoon Cream Tea. Visitors were welcomed with a glass of fizz and Lorraine Gagen created some gorgeous floral designs which included beautiful blooms she had grown herself. The arrangements were raffled and scones, cream, jam and cups of tea were enjoyed by everyone after Lorraine's demonstration!

October 15th will be our next meeting and this time we will be offering a workshop creating an autumn topiary design. We would love to welcome visitors so if this is an evening for you please let us know in advance by contacting Shirley Wilcock at shirley.wilcock@hotmail.co.uk and to check the venue for this month.



One of Lorraine's designs

7pm for 7.30pm start – Visitors always welcome £10

Future club venue to be confirmed but will continue to be the 3rd Wednesday of every month

Sandra Honour

Email: sandra@thewesleys.net

Quendon & Rickling Community Cafe

It is with great regret that I have to inform Quendon & Rickling residents that unfortunately the Quendon & Rickling coffee morning club has now finished due to lack of membership and lack of need for this event in the village.

If you would still like to join our informal group we have relocated to Newport. Please contact me on 07552748367 if you need more details. We started this in 2017 and are sad to see it close.

Angie

Quendon & Rickling Golf Society

On what was a fabulous late Summer/ Autumn Day, 15 of us met at Thetford Golf Club on Friday 19th September. Like many, the course has suffered due to the hot weather over the last few months but having said that the Greens were immaculate, although that in itself would have made little difference to some of us trying to score! Good old ham, egg and chips finished the day before the winners were announced.

They were:-

Team game - Paul Fieldhouse, John Adcock, Tony Knight and Anthony Gold.

Nearest the pin - Alan Price

Mens longest drive - Jamie Price

Ladies longest drive - Jaine Fieldhouse

Outright individual winner. - Tony Knight

Special thanks to Jane Waite for organising the day.

As always a great day had by all so don't forget, if you are not already a member and wish to join us please give me a call.

Keep Golfin'

Brandon Chapman

01799 543518



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Stansted Assets

Have you noticed the white Touchpoint vans going busily about their errands in Stansted? The estimable Paul Chambers, founder of Touchpoint, has galvanised an energetic band of 'assets' aka local volunteers to supply many different services to Stansted. At the u3a monthly meeting, he reminded, thanked, and impressed everyone with the project's truly dynamic work. Touchpoint was initiated by Paul after he carried out a number of street surveys and identified different needs in our community alongside a wealth of untapped expertise and willingness to help. With astute and creative planning Touchpoint now has 190 active volunteers, 9 Food Share points

across the neighbourhood, a community radio station, kids' teatimes, Sunday afternoon movies, bereavement counselling, a memory cafe. It counters isolation and other serious issues through compassion. Unsurprisingly, the u3a audience was highly attentive, some departing the meeting intending to join in Touchpoint, all thankful such altruism is at work in our neighbourhood.

The next Monthly Meeting talk on Thursday, 16th October, will be "Make Do and Mend" given by Amanda Sutherland whose experience of Costume Design and working in Theatre and TV promises to inspire creativity in the re-use of those out-of-date clothes clogging up the wardrobe! Also, the Saturday Seminar on 4th October has a very intriguing topic in store; "Henry 1 - England's most formidable King", which will be delivered by Dr. Hugh Doherty, lecturer in Medieval History at University of East Anglia.

There are also three new Groups being added to the menu! A new Pilates class, a Musical Appreciation Group and Understanding IT.

Remember you can find out about such talks and all the classes and activities happening at u3a by visiting the website: <https://stansted.u3asite.uk/> or contact us on 07874 385541; please leave a message including your name and phone number if nobody is available to take your call.

Julia Cook



Saffron Walden Museum

Visiting the Museum

Our standard opening hours are:

Tuesday, Thursday - Saturday 10- 5pm; Sundays & Bank Holidays 2- 5pm

Closed Mondays (apart from bank holidays)

Wednesdays are currently reserved for pre-booked group visits by schools and other parties in term time.

Please note that during the Winter months, November-February, the museum closes earlier at 4.30pm, rather than at 5pm

www.saffronwaldenmuseum.org

Object of the Month

September's Object of the Month is a Nocturnal, or night dial. Imagine navigating vast open seas in the 17th century, how would you know the time without access to today's technology?



Nocturnals would have been used to measure time, based on the position of a reference star, such as Ursa Minor (the Little Dipper), in relation to Polaris, the North Star. The outer edge of the lower disc shows the months and days, while the inner disc shows the hours. The inner disc would have been set to indicate the date, and Polaris sighted through the opening at the top of the instrument.

The “pointer” would then be rotated to the chosen “reference star”, which would have then given an indication of the time. It wouldn’t have worked that well in bad weather and cloudy skies though! This example of a Nocturnal was presented to the museum in 1909 by Stebbing Leverett. It is inscribed “for both bears”, in reference to the 2 constellations, Big Dipper and Little Dipper, or Great Bear and Little Bear. It consists of 3 wooden disks of boxwood, one with carved wooden heart, pivoted together with brass dials. Stebbing Leverett (1836-1909) was an alderman of Saffron Walden for 37 years. He owned Stebbing Leverett



& Sons Outfitters, a drapers and grocers shop on Market Hill in Saffron Walden, which he took over from his father John Leverett. John Leverett was the Mayor of Saffron Walden in 1851 and an alderman. Stebbing Leverett donated items to the museum in the mid-1850s and there are invoices and bills from Stebbing Leverett & Sons Outfitters in the museum's document archive.

"Pooch" Exhibition

NEW Exhibition starts October 25, 2025 @ 10:00 am - April 12, 2026 @ 5:00 pm

An exhibition exploring the history, science and culture of our best friends.

From the Village Forum of September 1995

The Summer of 1995 has been the Summer of everyone's childhood memory - long hot days and warm balmy, starlit nights - the hottest and driest Summer for 260 years. How much easier life becomes in warm weather - minimal clothing, less slaving over a hot stove and of course there is no mud to tread into the house. It's cheaper too of course in terms of heating and lighting.

An interesting phenomenon of this particular Summer has been the enormous resurgence of insect life, due in part to "greener" less persistent pesticides and milder winters. I have seen more butterflies this year than I have seen in a long time - among them my particular favourite the Peacock. Clouds of Ladybirds have almost wiped out the aphid population, and dragonflies and damsel flies have strengthened their numbers. The down side is that bugs of the large, dark, whizzing variety invade the bedroom just as you settle down for a good read, e.g. Cockchafers and worse.

We found an enormous caterpillar in our garden, identified as the Elephant Hawk moth which turns into a truly beautiful, delicate pink-winged creature.



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Summer hanging on by Peter Warwick

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Where no organiser is shown for any event in Q&R Village Hall, contact the Hall Manager,
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Event	Date	Time	Place	Notes
Saffron Searchers	1st Monday/month	20.00-22.00	Q&R Village Hall	
Taste Buds Cookery School	Mondays	10.00-11.15	Q&R Village Hall	07833 290083
Dance Exercise	Tuesdays	10.30-11.30	Q&R Village Hall	Christine Alexander
U3A Choir	2nd/4th Wednesdays	11.15-13.15	Q&R Village Hall	
Pilates	Tuesdays	19.00 -20.00	Q&R Village Hall	Vicki 07810 826465

What's On (cont.)

Pilates	Thursdays	09.30-10.30	Q&R Village Hall	Vicki 07810 826465
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Carpet Bowls	Wednesdays	pm	Quendon Bowls Club	John Pampling 07724071959
Social Evening	2nd & 4th Fridays	19.00-23.00	Quendon Bowling Club	
Communion	12th October	11.15	Quendon Church	
Pumpkin Competition	12th October	14.00	Cricketers Arms	
Communion	26th October	11.15	Quendon Church	

Emergency Life-saving

Should someone suffer a cardiac arrest or show symptoms of a heart attack e.g. pains in the chest, then your first action should always be to phone the ambulance service on 999. The service will refer you to our Automated External Defibrillator which is at the front entrance to Quendon & Rickling Village Hall. Another is sited outside Reception at the front of Rickling School. Anyone can save a life by using one of them until an ambulance arrives. In addition you can seek help from any of the volunteers listed below.



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Sandra Arnold	01799 543075	Northern end - Cambridge Road
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Sue Phillips	01799 542351	Middle - Cambridge Road
Wendy Stannard	01799 541869	Middle - Cambridge Road
Paul Carrol	07889 344869	Southern end - Cambridge Road
Joanne Hales	07903 596011	Rickling Green
Janice Hart	01799 541196	Rickling Green/Brick Kiln Lane/Rickling
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For further information see www.communityheartbeat.org.uk/

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