INGHAM PARISH MAGAZINE



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Events this month include...

Polling Day - Thursday 4th May
Ring for the King - Sunday 6th May
Musical Entertainment - Saturday 20th May

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Editorial

Dear Reader.

The topic of most conversations for this month will either be the cost of living crisis or the Coronation of King Charles III. Let's hope it's the latter as we've had enough doom and gloom for the last few years with Covid, political shenanigans and the Russian war against our fellow Ukrainians, all in such a short period of time. Spring has sprung so I hope we can look forward rather than backwards now.

For the majority of us, this will be the first Coronation we have experienced unless of course you were born before June 1953. Immediately a few local names spring to mind who I'm sure could tell us an interesting tale or two. This leads me to wonder about the demographic of our readers. It would be interesting to hear of the age of our youngest and oldest reader and if any of those who remember Queen Elizabeth's Coronation in 1953 have recollections of what took place in or around Ingham. Answers on a postcard please or that newfangled modern email thing to the magazine editorial team so that we can publish some recollections next month, and if you're happy for us to, it would be nice to name our youngest and oldest reader.

Darren, Lesley, Andreas, and Angela

Post your recollection to: Darren Rogers, Greenacres, Goose Lane, Ingham, Norwich, NR12 9SY.

The magazine is available for download from the Ingham Village website: www.inghamvillage.co.uk.

If you have any questions, comments, or ideas for improvement, please send them to us. You can email us too: magazine@inghamvillage.co.uk

Mobile Library Van

On Wednesday 3rd and Wednesday 31st May at 4.35pm On the Village Hall car park

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Sixty-eight people, including several children, attended the Astronomy Evening on 25th March, and what an interesting and inspiring evening it was. The only disappointment was the overcast skies so we could not do any night sky viewing with our telescopes. Our grateful thanks to Andreas and Angela for arranging the event. We will certainly have another one. £230.95 was raised for Hall funds.

Our next event is an **Evening of Musical Entertainment with Jay and Ross, Keyboard, Guitar, Vocal duo, on Saturday 20th May** starting at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5 each and on sale from Faith (583338) or Vera (580516). Tea, coffee and light refreshments will be available but you may bring your own preferred liquid refreshment. Numbers are limited so book early to avoid disappointment.

Regular hirers for May (Contact numbers in brackets)

Agni Yoga - every Tuesday, Chair yoga at 6.00pm, Yoga at 6.45pm (Prebooking, Pam 07971 398284)

Bridge Club - every Wednesday from 1pm to 5pm (Paul Fuller 581472)

Cliff Knight Art Class - every Wednesday 10am to 12 noon (Pre-booking, 01692 580212)

Ingham Art Club - Tuesday 2nd and 16th from 2pm to 4pm (Anne 580814)

Ingham Craft Club - Tuesday 9th and 23rd from 2pm to 4pm (Faith 583338)

Zumba with Tina - every Monday Zumba Gold at 6.30pm, Zumba Toning at 7.30pm (Tina 07341 360389)

Broadland Group Norfolk Wildlife Trust - Meetings have finished until October (David Mole 650826)

Ingham Parish Council - Wednesday 31st at 7.30pm

All Hall Booking enquiries to Darren Rogers 01692 580202

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The Jan Mark Walk

Thursday 4th May starting at Stalham Library at 2pm

The Stalham Library Friends invite you to join them for The Jan Mark Walk.

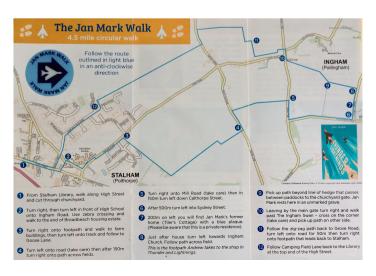
Meet at the library at 2pm for a five-mile circular walk to Ingham.

Tea and cake at the library on return.

Back in September 2020 we published an article about Jan Mark and the walk that was created to celebrate her life when she lived in Sydney Street in the 1970s and 80s. The route follows in the footsteps of the characters from her book, *Thunder and Lightnings*, which is set in our village and surrounding area.

Thunder and Lightnings was on the reading list for the children at Stalham Middle School. You can pick out the change of names in her book, Ingham became Pallingham, and Stalham was called Polthorpe. The story is about Andrew who has recently moved to the area and is befriended by a local boy who has a passion for airplanes, especially the Electric Lightning fighter planes, from RAF Coltishall which they see flying overhead.

More information about Jan, her work, and her life, can be found here: https://janmark.net/norfolk-connections/



Nature Notes from Well Cottage

We have had a relatively mild winter with only a light sprinkling of snow and very few frosts. It has also been, on average, a dry winter. February certainly did not live up to the old adage of 'February Fill Dyke, Black and White' as according to our rain gage only 3ml were recorded. During some of the milder and sunny days in March there were several very large bumble bees in the spring flowers and we did see an orange tip and brimstone butterfly, but no sighting since.

A pair of robins have nested in the Jingle Bells clematis and are at the moment busy feeding young. They are so tame that they will sit at David's feet waiting for him to turn over the soil and collect worms etc. We also have a pair of wrens nesting in a corner where the kitchen wall joins the older part of the house.

The strong and very chilly winds ruined a lot of the daffodils, which was a shame as there seemed to be more blooms this year.

A Marsh Harrier has been seen again 'quartering' the field at the back several days running, but we have yet to see it drop down on any prey!

We look forward to some milder weather when there will be more wildlife to watch in the garden!

Faith Hubbard



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News from Holy Trinity Church

Dear Friends

We seem to have had a glut of historic occasions over the past year, with the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee, her funeral and now the coronation of our new King, Charles III. Over the weekend, there are three themes being drawn out - the Coronation Day itself will be marked by bells ringing out across the land (come and have a ring yourself at Holy Trinity!), and many people will be gathered around screens to watch the ceremony. How different though to 1953 when friends and family gathered around small black and white televisions - now we have a choice of screens, from those which fit in our pocket, to those as big as a house.

The next theme is the 'Big Coronation Lunch', which many groups and communities are taking up as picnics, barbecues and meals are shared together. Maybe we enjoy these opportunities more after those months of isolation we endured during the covid lockdowns. We are always better together, especially when there is 'Coronation Quiche' on offer!

And finally, people are being invited to the 'Big Help Out' as volunteering projects aim to improve our communities by people joining together to get stuck in. Ingham is a great community where people do get stuck in, from the team who pull this magazine together every month, to the village hall crew, the church cleaners, to the neighbours who look out for one another. Many people would give their eye teeth to live in such a caring village.

So a big thank you to you all for being fabulous, and as the country celebrates the Coronation, let's raise a glass of your tipple of choice to the future. Cheers!

Helen Lynch

Rector of the Benefices of Smallburgh & Stalham Phone/WhatsApp 07902447821 My rest day is Friday

Save the date - Ingham Church Fete - 19th August 2023

Services at Holy Trinity Church Sunday Holy Communion 9.15am 7th Sunday Morning Prayer 14th 9.15am Thursday 18th Holy Communion for Ascension Day 10am at St Peter's Smallburgh Sunday Holy Communion 21st 9.15am

Sunday 28th Morning Prayer 9.15am

Ring for the King!

As we celebrate the coronation of King Charles III, bells across the country will be ringing out - including at Holy Trinity, Ingham. We would like to invite every person in the village to come and ring the bell - each person who rings will get a commemorative certificate to say they have been a part of this historic event.

Come along on the morning of the Coronation, Saturday 6th May, 9.30-10.30am.



Coronation Celebration Service

On Sunday 7th May, the day after the Coronation, we will be celebrating the occasion at the morning service at Holy Trinity (9.15am). All are welcome to come and join in the service as we mark this historic occasion and pray for our country.



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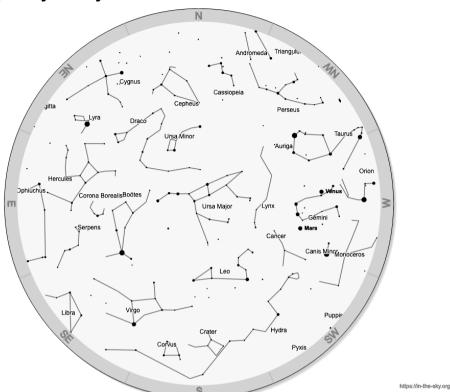
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The Night Sky in May



A big "Thank You" to everyone who turned up at our Astronomy Evening in the Village Hall in March. It was lovely to meet you all, I enjoyed myself very much and had a lot of interesting conversations afterwards.

In my talk I tried to show you how to find some constellations: Orion, Leo, Cassiopeia, Gemini, Ursa Major and Minor, and the Pleiades. Orion and the Pleiades are already too low in the sky this month, but the others should be easy to spot. The chart above shows the evening sky for the middle of May. One of the audience members reminded me that I didn't quite explain how to properly use this kind of chart. Thank you for that! You basically hold it above your head with the S pointing south. The chart then shows you the positions of the stars in the sky. Why don't you go out on a clear evening and give it a try? I bet you can spot Leo straightaway. If you don't know where south is, try to find the North Star, the last one on the tail of Ursa Minor. You will find that the part of Ursa Major that forms the Plow is right above you. Extend the front part of the Plow 5 times upwards and you have found the North Star. Now you know how to hold the chart correctly. I hope you have fun trying to identify some of the constellations.

Full Moon: 5th, Third Quarter: 12th, New Moon: 19th, First Quarter: 27th



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