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Christmas is about new babies and bright lights, of which there are plenty in Tuddenham this December.

The village has two new babies with another on the way in Keightley Way. Congratulations to David and Fiona Woods, and Kim and Michael Vonk.

Our Project Broadband has continued to progress with 116 registrations and only 34 more to get. Whether you have a computer or not, please contact our editor on 785588 and register to make Tuddenham a better place to live (if that were possible!)

The Church has had its face lift with the clock newly painted and the weather vane gold leafed.

The Church and Chapel are both running extra services for Christmas and you are warmly invited to join in the celebrations.

After the New Year the pantomime rehearsals become more business like, moving to the village hall and having the music added. The Children start to rehearse as do the chorus. Please contact Monica if you want to take part on stage or behind. The more the merrier!

The Tattler Team usually take a month off over Christmas so our next issue will be in February. We love to hear from you with your articles, photos and news. Indeed, thank you to all who have made this a bumper year for The Tattler. My particular thanks to David and Jackie Lugo, without whom our events would be sorely lacking! Also to all who bought calendars making the venture a successful, if time consuming one.

Happy Christmas to our readers!



James Frederick brings celebrations to Rose Cottage. He was born on 4th Nov 2003 (7 lb 15 oz) and our best wishes go to the proud parents, Mike & Kim.



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Chapel News



The Chapel have several special services for this Christmas Season. You are warmly invited to all of them.

14th December at 6.00 pm

Traditional Carol singing and entertainment at Tuddenham Fountain.

18th December at 7.30 pm

"Come and join the celebration!" with carols, a Nativity Play with a difference, poems, and much more, for all ages, followed by refreshments.

21st and 28th December

Christmas Carol Services at 11.00 am.



"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son... the Light has come into the World"

POPPY APPEAL

This year's collection for the Poppy Appeal in Tuddenham raised £388, slightly up on last year. I would like to thank all who contributed, also a big thank you to all our collectors who helped to make it possible.



Thanks
Jim Kerridge

Avon Rep Wanted

Please ring Sam on 01473 830873 if you might want to take up this post. Earn extra money, choose your own hours, have fun meeting new people and work in your own area.

Parish Council Meeting



At the last meeting, in early December, the Parish Council had the Police, the Suffolk Coastal District Council and the Suffolk County Council all lined up and where were you to find out more from them?

They decided how much Council Tax you will have to pay, how much to give towards the Village Hall Appeal, whether to have a skateboard park in Tuddenham, what to do about the Northern Fringe Development in Westerfield, and discussed several planning

applications. Again, where were you?

If you want to know more about your Parish Council, the decisions it takes and the powers it has, why don't you come along to the next meeting in March? The Council are accessible, often allowing comments from the floor and certainly listening to opinions. But they have to hear them.

So please show your support for this band of stalwarts who are working on your behalf to make Tuddenham a better place to live.

Ring Arthur Jackson on 785984 for details.



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The Tuddenham Tattler Quiz is on 28th February at the Village Hall. Please ring 785588 for tickets. Tables of six are £30 or single tickets at £5 each. Bring your own glasses and drink. The evening starts at 7.30.

Easy Fruit Cake

- 4 oz margarine or butter
- 4 oz soft brown sugar
- 2 eggs beaten and made up to 8 fluid oz with milk
- 12 oz mixed fruit
- 7 oz S.R. flour



Cream the margarine or butter with the sugar and then add the rest of the ingredients and mix well. Put in 7 inch lined tin. Cook in slow oven (190 °C) for one and a half hours. Eat and enjoy! This is in response to a request from a reader who had bought a fruit cake after the Church Fete in the Summer.

Rosemary Digby



Best Birthday wishes to Elizabeth Parry

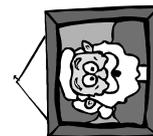
Congratulations to Margaret Regent who has been cigarette free since 25th February. Wow!

IT Girl's Utterances...

itgirl@tuddenhamtattler.com or kttsm2@hotmail.com

This one was sent to "Room 101" by our editor. Kill joy!

1. <http://www.biblegateway.com/cgi-bin/bible> an interesting site to research the Bible
2. <http://www.dreamloverinc.com/free.htm>
3. <http://chess.delorie.com/>
4. <http://www.conceptlab.com/simulator/> (take a go at someone else's life!) www.emailsanta.com
5. <http://www.conceptlab.com/simulator/>
6. www.emailsanta.com



IT Girl

The last site is quite good fun! Happy Christmas to you all :)

ROMANIAN CHILD ACTION (Reg. 1017881) MONDAY CHRISTMAS MARKET

22 nd December 2003, 9 am - 1 pm.

Abbotts Auction Rooms,
Campsea Ashe
Woodbridge

(off A12 near Wickham Market)

Wide range of stalls: produce, curiosities, garden, household, tombola, books, videos, refreshments and Christmas goodies.

Some pitches still available -

Enquiries - 01986 798010 fax 01986 798031

It has been a tremendous fillip to greenless, Waldringfield & District Bowls Club for four of its members to lift the National EBF Bowls titles this season!

Normally Suffolk would be pleased to bring home from the National Finals at Skegness two titles but for them both to be won by one Club is a wonderful achievement and in yet another amazing twist of fate husband and wife Jinks and Stella Utteridge have both trophies on their sideboard for at least part of the next year.

Linda Nunn, Jane Pitcher & Stella Utteridge picked up the Ladies 2 Wood Rinks County title in mid July and went on to represent Suffolk at Skegness.

National Bowls Champion in Tuddenham

Having seen off Durham 22 shots to 14 in the Quarter Final it was the Friday Semi Final that proved the crucial match where a very good Hunts rink provided some excellent opposition in a real nail biter. On the green first (at 9.15 am!) against the 2002 Quarter Finalists who were widely tipped to go all the way, Linda, Jane & Stella led for much of the game, not by many but always by a comfortable 2 or 3 shots. But on the 18th end the Hunts trio signalled their intention of going for gold by scoring 4 shots to wrest the lead away from the Waldringfield ladies and go one ahead. Battle lines were drawn and in a very tense atmosphere a single and a two saw the Suffolk girls regain the lead. Precision bowls from first Linda and then Jane on the last end shut the door very firmly in the face of the Hunts ladies and it may just be that the tumultuous applause from a large crowd could be heard back in Suffolk!

The Final on the Saturday morning proved to be an anti climax being played in poor conditions as cloud and rain swept across Skegness. The Northants rink were unable to cope with the wet green whilst the Waldringfield trio never looked other than winners scoring 20 shots to just 6 and forcing their opposition to concede the match with 3 ends still to play.

Jinks Utteridge picked up wins against the Nottinghamshire and Northumberland representatives on his way to a Champion of Champions Semi Final which went on the green half an hour after his having gone to hell and back supporting wife Stella and Jane and Linda. His welcome was to be hit by a "hurricane" as Phil Cook, from Lincolnshire, picked up the green immediately and was quickly 11 shots to 2 up. At 13 - 3 down it looked liked curtains for Jinks but buoyed by fanatical support from the Suffolk crowd around the green he dug in and began to pick up a shot or two. Then one or two more until suddenly it was only 17 - 14 down and the realisation was dawning that he could yet win this game.

18 all went to 20 - 18 to Jinks but a fight back by Phil Cook brought a single and 20 - 19 and then he tied it at 20 shots each. It was Jinks nerve, though, that held as he notched up a single and victory and if the roar for the ladies wasn't heard in Suffolk then it must surely have been so for this Jinks success.

This Final also was an anti-climax because the Jinks Utteridge determination and skill in the wet conditions was far too much for Gary Shepperson, from Derbyshire, who was totally out-bowled by 21 shots to 11.

A wonderful day for the Waldringfield Club, which has been without its own green now for 3 years and has been playing its home matches at Wickham Market. The only title winners from Suffolk and the Utteridge household represented in both.



David Schofield

Linda, Stella and Jane Pitcher with their trophy.

Broadband for Tuddenham!

HELP TO REDUCE
TRAFFIC IN TUDDENHAM

Thank you for all the interest in my quest to get Tuddenham on Broadband by April 2004.

This is fast becoming a realistic aim.

If you want to know more why not email me on

BiBi♥

broadband@tuddenhamtattler.com



SEND VIDEO
CLIPS ONLINE

Hello readers!

I have been given page five again after a very successful month of registrations. We are now up to 116 with only 34 more needed to reach our trigger point. Once reached the normal interval is three months before Broadband is enabled.

You may have noticed that the Witnessham team, who are joining us to get to the 150 trigger point for our exchange, used our article for the last inter village newsletter. Lets hope their readers are as responsive as you have been!

BiBi♥

What do I need to do?

GET HIM OFF THE
COUCH AND ON LINE!!

Well, chose whichever option is easier for you...

Either,

fill in the form below and pop it through the editor's door at

5, The Granaries, Tuddenham,

OR complete the form on the Broadband website which you can reach by tapping in

www.bt.com/btbroadband/register

OR ring the editor on **785588** for a step by step guide

OR email the information for the form to **broadband@tuddenhamtattler.com**

and we will do all the work for you.

What could be easier?!

ALLOW HOME WORKING
IN TUDDENHAM

WATCH NEWS LIVE
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Your First name:
Your Surname:
Your BT telephone number :
Your postcode:

St. Martin's News

Surprise, surprise! - the Editor cracks the whip for another issue before Christmas ! How does she do it? Must be some Hogweed magic!

The work to meet the quinquennial survey requirements continues. Once the scaffolding comes down from the tower, hopefully sometime next week, you will be able to see the time more clearly and from whence cometh the wind - clock and weather vane freshly painted.

To see the inside work you have to climb the hill - the Carol Service could be a good time! The plaster has been partly stripped from the South wall and the medieval workmanship is there to be seen. The wall will be left exposed until the spring of 2004 in order to be damp free when the replastering is done.

The floodlighting will be restored to full power by Monday 15th December - we have been assured.

The last issue of Tattler must still be around the house, so we shall not repeat the normal service pattern, but remind you only of the festival services, which are -

1830 hrs	21st Dec	Carol Service - no morning service.
1530 hrs	24th Dec	Children's Service - bring the family.
2330 hrs	24th Dec	Watchnight Service , with Holy Communion.
0930 hrs	25th Dec	Family Service.



We look forward to seeing old and new faces at any of the above services, all in celebration of our Lord's coming.

Floodlight sponsorship continues at £5.00 per weekend, or the same cost for a weeknight Special Occasion. Sponsors should advise their wishes on 785296 or at 'Camforth', Westerfield Lane.

Opportunity is taken to repeat the good wishes of last edition with a Peaceful Christmas and a Guid Ne'er wi' Health 'n Prosperity tae aw Jock Tamsons bairns. (to save Editorial grief translated to - a Good New year with Health and Prosperity to all God's children [which we are!])

God Bless you all, and thank you again for your continued support.

Jim Puntun - 09.12.2003

PS: Would someone tell the Editor that Sassenachs are Lowland Scot's, that is those living South of a line between the rivers Forth and Clyde - we came from the South bank of the Forth! JP.



Go on! Tear out the form, complete it and give it in at 5, The Granaries to register for Broadband. The best present you could give to many of the village residents this year!





Season of Joy

Joy is here in the faces of Jack, Ben, Sam and Alfie Woods. Have you noticed that all our photos of children in this issue are boys? What will Monica do for the female roles in the pantomime when this lot are "of age?" We wish Fiona and David a restful New Year!!

Woodbridge Library continue to open on Sundays with some special events and refreshments available. Children are catered for on 14th, 21st and 28th December with snowman making, card making, and books with a party theme.



Brown Bins come to Tuddenham



Isn't it strange how they appeared with no warning? I wonder whether you all greeted them or whether some looked at them with dislike? Two people I have met said their bins are already full!

As they are emptied on the same day as the paper collection I will list the dates for both as the "recycling day" in future Tattlers.

So the "recycling days" for December are 17th and 31 and in January they are



14th and 28th.

Parish Council Meeting

Whilst many subjects were discussed, the Village Hall came out as the main issue in Tuddenham at this meeting. The Village Hall Committee are hoping to apply for grants to extend the hall. This will make it more spacious with a permanent stage so that it would suit the pantomime better but also, most important, be easier to hire out. The Hall deserves to be dragged into the 21st century, don't you think?



The Parish Council are supporting this venture but your help is also needed. Any donations would be gratefully received from individuals as well as any village organisations.

Tuddenham Tattler wishes its readers a Happy New Year!

TUDDENHAM HALL ESTATE UNDER THE HAMMER!

Since the last three quarters of a century has passed there can be very few, if any, residents remaining who remember the year of 1927 when the Estate of Tuddenham Hall was auctioned by Garrod, Turner & Son at the Crown and Anchor Hotel in Ipswich on Tuesday, 12th July.

The whole village was involved, from Tuddenham Hall to the cottages in The Street. Almost every property at that time was rented and from the archives in my possession it makes extraordinary reading.

Four cottages, for example, with tenants paying £5 5s, (£5.25) *per annum* were sold for £250! This is only £62.50 for each property. Could this be relevant to the current property prices and their associated rental achievements? I will leave these calculations to the modern day Einsteins!

Older residents of the Village will be interested in the auctioneer's details of the names listed as renting various properties. These include:

Barfield, Beckett, Brown, Crooks, Damant, Edwards, Farrow, Felgate, Flude, Forsdike, Garrod, Girling, Goodchild, Goodwin, Harwood, Hatcher, Keeble, Mace, Mann, Miles, Mortimer, Podd, Sawyer, Smye, Whitman, Wilding and Wright. It would appear that, from details

held, that the Girling and Smye/Smy families were prevalent and it is indeed fortunate that some of their descendants remain in the village to this day.

Property prices in Tuddenham have spiralled out of reach of ancestors (as is the case in many rural villages) and it would appear the Village is slowly, but surely, being passed over to "outsiders" who can maintain a healthy rental return.

It will be a sad day when all the names and their descendants mentioned are no longer a part of Tuddenham. A visit to St Martin's Churchyard will bear out names of past Villagers.

Although not a current resident my partner Gill Smy (whose surname has no "e" for some obscure reason) and her family have, for a great many years, been part of Tuddenham life and will be regarded by older residents in high esteem.

Our best wishes go out to readers of The Tattler for a very merry Christmas and a prosperous 2004. We look forward to becoming part of Tuddenham again very soon!
Regards, Pete and Gill Smy

PARTICULARS.

LOT I.

“Tuddenham Hall,”

In the Parish of Tuddenham, about 3 miles from Ipswich, from whence London is reached in 1½ hours, and 5 miles from Woodbridge and the well-known Melton Golf Links.

The beautiful Tidal River Orwell from Ipswich runs for 10 miles to the Sea at Harwich Harbour and the Tidal River Deben from Woodbridge 8 miles to the Sea.

A GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE

Approached by a winding Carriage Drive from the Main Road, surrounded by well laid out Grounds and a small Park of about 21 Acres.

THE HOUSE, built in red brick with tile roof, stone mullion windows, ornamental brick gables and Chimney stacks, comprises:

LOT 7.

(Coloured Green on plan.)

THE ADJOINING RANGE OF

FOUR COTTAGES.

Brick built with pantiled and slated roofs, the first having Front Room with fireplace ; PANTRY ; KITCHEN with range and copper ; THREE BEDROOMS, one with fireplace. The second has SITTING ROOM with fireplace ; KITCHEN with range and cupboard ; PANTRY ; THREE BEDROOMS, one with fireplace. The 3rd and 4th each have SITTING ROOM with fireplace ; KITCHEN with range ; PANTRY and TWO BEDROOMS.

Outside is a detached washhouse for the use of Nos. 2, 3 and 4.

Each has a STRIP OF GARDEN and closet.

WELL OF WATER.

The Property is part of Ord. No. 204, with Area in all of 26 RODS, or thereabouts.

TENURE FREEHOLD

No Tithe payable.

Land Tax (if any).

Now let respectively to Mrs. B. Smye at £5 5s. per annum ; Geo. Damant at £6 per annum ; and Walter Girling and Ephraim Mann at £5 10s. per annum each, making a **Total Rental of £22 5s. 0d. per annum**, the Landlord paying the Outgoings.

The Tenants claim various Sheds in the Gardens.

The Owners and Occupiers of Lots 6 and 8 shall have the right to take water from the well on this Property on paying one-fourth and five-twelfths respectively of the cost of upkeep of the same.

I have copied the inserts above from the Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Tuddenham Hall Estate. These were released by the Auctioneers (Garrod, Turner and Son) and Solicitors (Messrs. Notcutt, Son & Wrigley) in 1927, after the death of Henry Fairfax Harwood Esq.

I think the second refers to the four cottages mentioned in Pete's article on page 8. My copy of these details was given to me as Village

Recorder and, in the margin, the original holder has pencilled in who bought each lot at the auction and for how much. Here, he has written "Beckett, £250."

From other routes of research I gather that Mr Harry Beckett senior raised this huge sum, in those days, from a card game whilst in the Navy. What a special investment in the future of his family was made with the winnings!

Village Recorder





Matthew and Daniel Goward visit Santa

There are still vacancies at the Village Hall for car parking. Please contact Fiona Woods on 785856 for details.

The Parish Council need a new Councillor. Do please, ring Arthur Jackson on 785984 if you are available.

The Mobile Police Station

The Mobile Police Station next comes to Tuddenham Village Hall Car Park on

Friday 23rd January,

2004 0845 am to

1200 noon.

Friday 20th February,

2004 0845 am to

1200 noon.

If you need to contact the police:

Emergencies 999

non urgent matters requiring a visit that day
01473 613500 (you never know it might be me!)

voice mail for me (Non urgent matters only)

01473 613555 then dial

#2 followed by 9830

PC Bob Nice



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Next Tattler is out in February.

Please put any copy, adverts etc. through my door - 5, The Granaries or ring 785588 to get into print.

OR EMAIL at

"editor@tuddenhamtattler.com"!