

What's On In Landbeach – April 2017

Peacock, Victor Percival

Private 15906, 11th Battalion, Suffolk Regiment

Killed in action 9 April 1917, aged 27

Born Landbeach, enlisted Cambridge

Husband of H. Peacock

No known grave. Commemorated on

ARRAS MEMORIAL, Pas de Calais, France

Roll of Honour information with permission from www.roll-of-honour.com
Biographical details of Pte Peacock will be available next month.

On Brexit Day, Pte Peacock's sad death reminds me that Europe has come a long way in the last 100 years. We are now worrying about trade and holidays in Europe, rather than participating in a destructive, cold-blooded war that no-one knew how to end. The spring of a hundred years ago could have brought little joy to anxious or mourning Landbeach families.

But what a beautiful spring it has been this year! As I grow older I find the yearly rebirth means more to me, possibly because the time when I will no longer be there to see it is now faintly visible on the horizon!

Moorhens have nested 10' up in my neighbours' conifer (yes, really!). Buntings have been seen on the Waterbeach Road ditch, where a Barn Owl hunts in the evening. Dick Newell gives the following interesting report. "Two or three pairs of Barn Owls nest in or around Landbeach each year, all in nest boxes. Intriguingly, but also sadly, one of the two 2016 chicks from Old Beach Farm barn travelled as far as Holy Island, Northumbria, where it was found dead on 16th Jan. Most Barn Owls don't travel beyond a few kilometres, although a small percentage go beyond 100km. Sometimes, dead birds found at distances like this are road casualties, transported on the front of vehicles. This one, however, was on an island, miles from the nearest road, so the likeliest explanation is that it died when it was blown against a wall during a storm." Dick ends by saying that the parents are still with him, so he hopes for another successful breeding season.

Items for May are needed by Th 20th Apr, please. Barbara Le Gallez, 113 Waterbeach Rd, 01223 860283, blegallez@yahoo.co.uk.

Regular Church Events

All Saints' Church - Rev Paul Butler (860353), Ray Gambell (860757), Robert Stripe (862297). Website: <http://stjohns-waterbeach.org.uk>

Sat 01 - 10:00 Coffee Morning + Bring & Buy

Sun 02 - 10:00 All-Age Service; **11:30 Annual Parochial Ch Meeting;**
19:00 **BEACH SOC. CLUB** Conversation: "Can we Stop War?"

Sun 09 - 09:15 Palm Sunday Parish Communion

18:00 **ST JOHN'S WATERBEACH** Passiontide Sung Service;
No Evening Prayer at All Saints'

Easter Week

Tuesday 11	- 19:00 Compline (also at St John's Mon & Wed)
Maundy Thursday 13	- 19:00 Holy Communion, foot-washing & supper
Good Friday 14	- 10:30 Walk of Witness TO Baptist Church - 14:00 Final Hour before the Cross
Easter Sunday 16	- 06:30 Sunrise Service at Denny Abbey, then breakfast at Wb Salvation Army - 09:15 Easter Day Parish Communion

Sun 23 - 09:15 Parish Communion

Sun 30 - **10:45 St John's Waterbeach** Benefice All-Age Communion;
15:30 to 16:30 Special Bell Ringing

Every Tu - 19:30 at The Old School, United Bible Study Group

Landbeach and Milton Baptist Church - Neil (01223 860410),
Maureen (01954 250118)

Sun 02 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship with Communion,
Norman Setchell

Sun 09 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship, Andrew Dalwood

Good Friday 14 - 11:00 Joint Service followed by Hot Cross Buns
after Walk of Witness **FROM** All Saints'

Easter Sunday 16 - 10:30 Morning Worship with Communion,
Liz Herrington

Sun 23 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship, Dominic Jackson

Sun 30 - 10:30 Sunday Morning Worship with Communion,
David Instone-Brewer

Sunday Evening Worship at the church at 18:00,
except on the 4th Sunday of the month, when it is at Girton at 18:30

Every Wed - 18:30 Craft Group, Jen Coxon (01954 202402)

Film Afternoon - Tu 04 - 14:00 Baptist Chapel, "The Water Diviner", tea
& cakes, all welcome. Lifts: 01954 202402.

Annual Parish Meeting
Wednesday 3rd May, 7:30pm
Village Hall

Speaker from Urban & Civic
(Waterbeach Barracks developers)

All Parishioners welcome.

Tithe Barn Trust awarded grant

The Tithe Barn Trust was over the moon to announce that we have been supported by the Architectural Heritage Fund and awarded a Project Viability grant. The Tithe Barn Trust is a small registered charity aiming to save and sympathetically restore the Grade II listed Tithe Barn, in Landbeach, for community use. The AHF is a charity working to promote the conservation and sustainable re-use of historic buildings for the benefit of communities across the UK.

Christine Taylor, Tithe Barn Trust Trustee and Treasurer, says “This is fantastic news as this grant will allow us to progress the Tithe Barn project to the next step. There is still a lot of work to be done, as although we have raised over £65k, our major fundraising quest continues. Get in touch if you’d like to volunteer and be involved in our exciting community project.”

The grant award received wide media coverage including *BBC Look East Breakfast News* and *That’s Cambridge TV*.

Touch wood!

The Tithe Barn Trust invited Dr Martin Bridge of the Oxford Dendrochronology Laboratory to analyse and date the Tithe Barn timbers. This was undertaken in a bid to better understand when the barn was built. Experts have hinted that it might well be older than its 16th Century listing suggests and from the Medieval period. Touch wood the samples taken will provide an accurate date!

3 Ways YOU can get involved:

1. Make a pledge today at www.tithebarntrust.org.uk/make-a-pledge/
2. Become a Friend. Visit www.tithebarntrust.org.uk/become-a-member/
3. Volunteer or become a trustee. Email tithebarntrust@gmail.com to find out more.

Website www.tithebarntrust.org.uk

Email tithebarntrust@gmail.com

Facebook: [Friendsoflandbeachtithebarn](#)

Twitter: [@TBarnT](#)

Regular Village Events

Baptist Ch events - ask the event contact person if you need transport

Busytots Baby & Toddler Group - Every Wed - 10:00 to noon, Village Hall. See our display ad and our ad below for our special Easter event.

Indoor Bowls - Every Tu - 19:30 to 21:30 Village Hall, Terry Pauley (860600) or Mike Park (860918)

Knit & Natter - Wed 05 - 14:30 to 16:30 at 20A High St (contact Marion Lant 860787)

Landbeach Painting & Drawing Group - Wed 12 & 26 - 10:00 to noon All Saints' Church. We welcome people to join us and see how we use different media and methods to interpret our "INSPIRATION". June & John (860669), Gill (07920 448560). £2.50 incl coffee.

Landbeach Society - Wed 19 - 19:30 Village Hall, "Planning for Armageddon - Local Nuclear Bunkers", Andrew Lacey

Line Dancing Group - Every Tu, resuming after Easter break on 18th April - 18:30 to 19:45 Baptist Ch. Beginners and improvers welcomed. Nancy (861332) or John (01638 601253). £5

Lunch Club - Tu 11 (2nd Tu of month) - 12:15 for 12:30 Village Hall, book with Gill Diver (861151) - £5

Mobile Library - Mon 10 (2nd Mon of month) - 15:40 to 16:20 opposite High St bus shelter

Sing to Remember - Every Th during term-time - Coffee 10:45, singing 11:00 to noon at the Baptist Church. All adults welcome. A fun, relaxed atmosphere in which to enjoy yourself. Favourite songs old & new. Free.

Village Coffees - Th 20 - 10:00 to 11:30 Village Hall Lounge. Do come and join us for refreshments and a chat. Info: Margaret, 860128. £2.50.

Wednesday Club - Summer session - please see our display ad

W.I. - Wed 12 - 19:30 Village Hall, Annual Meeting, cheese & wine. *Why not join the WI? For info, call 440961.*

Busytots' Mini Easter Egg Hunt

at Landbeach Village Hall

Wed 12th April, 10am-11.45am.

Mini Easter Egg Hunt for the under 5s

at Busytots Baby & Toddler Group.

Normal admission charge applies –

£1.50 single child family, plus 50p per additional child.

Includes a yummy prize!

Catch it this month

Election of Churchwardens and Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) - Sun 02 - 11:30 All Saints' Church. All welcome - come and hear about our plans for a new kitchen.

Waterbeach Military Heritage Museum - Sun 02 & Wed 05 - 10:00 to 16:00. Regular opening the first Wed and Sun of the month up to and including Oct. Find us on Facebook at "Waterbeach Military Heritage Museum". For more information: Adrian Wright (01223) 861846, waterbeachmilitarymuseum@waterbeach.org. Free admission.

Village Hall Annual General Meeting - Mon 10 - 19.30. Please come and hear a report on our activities over the past year and support this vital community asset. We welcome input and suggestions.

Friends of Worts Meadow indoor committee meeting - Wed 26 -19.30. Village Hall lounge. All welcome, refreshments provided.

Book these dates

Annual Parish Meeting - Wed 03 May - see display ad on p. 3

Mammoth Charity Sale - Tu 16 to Sat 20 May, Waterbeach Salv. Army

Waterbeach Running Fest. - Sat 13 May - www.waterbeachrunningfestival.co.uk

Waterbeach Feast - Sat 10 June

Tithe Barn Special Opening - Sat 24 & Sun 25 June - 14:00 to 17:00.

As part of the Fen Edge Festival we'll be opening the Tithe Barn for visitors. There is even a 1969 vintage coach to transport you to and from the festival in Cottenham to Landbeach. Intro talks, a children's I-Spy and refreshments available. Donations welcome.

Cottenham Brass Band Concert plus afternoon cream tea - Sat 17 June, Village Hall; more details next month.

Waterbeach Yard Sales - Sat 8 July

All Saints' Church Garden Fete - Sat 15 July - cakes, flower displays

<p>Waterbeach Brass - Practice every Mon - 19:30 to 22:00 at Waterbeach Barracks. New members welcome. Info: David Pell: (01223) 860396, 07703 352080, www.waterbeachbrass.org</p>
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<p>Waterbeach Independent Lending Library -</p>
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<p>Mon 2:45-5 pm, Wed 2:45-5pm & 6-8 pm, Fri 2-5:30 pm, Sat 10-noon. In the Community Room at the rear of the Waterbeach School site. You can use your County Library card. Free Internet access. Free wi-fi.</p>

Notices

Beaches Community Car Service - To book a lift (min 48 hours' notice, please), 07807 875878

Bus times Landbeach–Waterbeach–Ely (Mon–Sat):

Outward departs: Landbeach High St bus shelter at 09:36 and 12:36; Waterbeach Green at 09:39 and 12:39

Return departs: Ely, Market Street at 12:19 and 17:34

Landbeach Village Hall Bookings - Anne Bullman, 01223 860692

Parish Council Meeting Dates 2017 - 19:30 Village Hall - 3 Apr, **APM** Wed 3 May, 8 May, 5 Jun, 3 Jul, 4 Sep, 2 Oct, 6 Nov, 4 Dec

The Old Forge Sports & Social Club Opening Times -

Mon - Th: only if Darts Night; Fri: 5:30 pm-11:30 pm; Sat: noon-3 pm & 7:30 pm-11:30 pm; Sun: noon-3 pm. Details of new chairman to follow.

Busytots baby & toddler group

Every Wed 10am - 12 noon @Landbeach Village Hall

Kids can get hands-on at this baby and toddler group: weekly craft activities, toys, snacks - and either a sing along or story time

£1.50 single-child families, plus 50p per additional child

Find us at [facebook.com/LandbeachBusytots](https://www.facebook.com/LandbeachBusytots)
or email Tosha & Gemma via busytots1@hotmail.co.uk

Wednesday Club Summer Session

Landbeach Baptist Church

Starts Wed 26 Apr, fortnightly, 2:30-3:45

Physio-mobility exercises for men and women

led by Vida Newell

Guide price per session £2

Announcements

All Saints' Church - Thank you to everyone who attended or helped out at the Come & Sing Fauré's Requiem. We raised over £400 towards the cost of the new kitchen at All Saints' and had a wonderful time!

Fair Trade Easter Eggs - cost £4 - available to order from St John's Waterbeach by emailing Dorothy DrUITT on d.druitt@ntlworld.com

Towing Caravan for Sale - £6500, vgc, luxury model, 2005 purchased new 2006, non-smoking owners, many accessories - (01223) 862330

Local Groups' News

Landbeach Village Hall Management Committee - are looking for a new voluntary Secretary to take over from 10 April. Principal duties involve attending committee meetings of which there are 6 per year plus the AGM, issuing the agenda for these meetings in consultation with the Chairman and taking and circulating the minutes to committee members. Further details can be obtained from the current Secretary, Robert Humphrey (bobandehumphrey@gmail.com or 01223 863454). If you can help please contact our Chairman Anne Bullman on 01223 860692 or you can attend our AGM on 10 April commencing 7.30pm.

Village Hall 100 Club - It's not too late to join the Village Hall 100 club for the year commencing 1 March. Even if you do not win you are helping to improve a vital community asset. Entries are £10 for the year and there are 5 cash prizes every 2 months. If you have mislaid the application form delivered to you at the end of January you can obtain another - email bobandehumphrey@gmail.com or phone 01223 863454.

Waterbeach Cycling Campaign (not just for Waterbeach) - a new group campaigning for better cycling provision throughout the whole area (including Landbeach) affected by the Barracks development. Working with horse riding groups. Current objective is to ensure that everyone has an opportunity to have a say about how to improve the cycling provision within the Urban and Civic planning application. You can take part in S Cambs Public Consultation - see <http://plan.scambs.gov.uk/swifltg/MediaTemp/1145948-686785.pdf>
For more information contact Paul Bearpark, waterbeachcc@gmail.com

Woodside Farm - The College of West Anglia at Milton holds regular Open Days at its farm. For details and costs, visit CWA's website and look under Store.

2016 Precipitation
figures courtesy of Margaret Butler

Month	mm	Days
January	52.25	12
February	22	6
March	57	10
April	64.75	12
May	45.5	7
June	98	13
July	19.25	6
August	35.5	8
September	40.5	6
October	23	7
November	76	13
December	31.5	4
Total	565.25	104

2016 was noticeably drier than 2015 (which was itself drier than 2014). It had a slightly more civilised rainfall distribution than 2015, with a dry high summer and early autumn, July through October. As usual, though, one summer month, in this case June, managed to have the heaviest rainfall of all! For a nice change, we had a little snow, in Feb.

Landbeach Village Hall is available for hire

Excellent facilities for children and adults, competitive prices.

For further info and a booking form

visit www.landbeach.org.uk/directory and click 'Village Hall'
or call Anne on 01223 860692

Old Testament Lecture Series

Informative modern theology from university experts

St John's Church Room Waterbeach

Sun 14th May, 7pm

Leviticus

Dr Ruth Perrin

Sun 18th June, 7pm

Prophets

Dr Nathan MacDonald

Mon 3rd July, 7.30pm

Psalms

Dr Alison Gray