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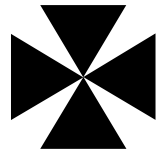
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### A Welcome Guest

Dear Friends,

Someone was joking about their overgrown garden: "It's a wild-life area. What's wrong with a few brambles? It's good for butterflies." It could be just a convenient excuse. But there is some sense in it. Bees, birds and insects do need some habitats that are not sprayed, mown and weeded.

Our village churchyards may not always be as neat as a municipal flower garden. But they're good places to spot a passing muntjac or listen to a woodpecker. A few weeds only add to the peaceful charm. Who knows what else may also be quietly flourishing in these environments? A few years ago, some experts came as part of a national survey of lichen populations, and were very interested in some of the growths we had here – a sign of relatively clean air.

Hilfield, the Franciscan Priory in Dorset, are even organising an event called 'What's the point of nettles?' "Come and discover the wonders of this annoying weed," they say, "and be transformed into a nettle lover." Of course their interests run much wider than this. They point out that St Francis was a pioneer ecologist, with his sense of oneness with the rest of creation, and his belief in simplicity of life.

Christians are keen to play their part in looking after our beautiful planet, with all its diversity. Anglicans list as one of their 'five marks of mission', "To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the earth". In many parts of the world, local Anglican Churches have given support and leadership to initiatives to protect the environment. The Anglican Communion Environmental Network aims to educate Anglicans as individuals and as communities to become better stewards of the world's resources.

Practically speaking, there are churches in Suffolk that have obtained grants to install solar heating and ground source heat pumps. I know of one church that is proud of its new Eco-toilet, which doesn't depend on mains sewage or costly waste-water charges. Perhaps our village churches could become centres for promoting a more sustainable life-style.

They could host community-run shops and cafés, making it easier to shop and socialise locally, and save unnecessary journeys.

At the end of this month, we are running a Quiet Day at a farm, where part of the purpose is to think about these issues, drawing on Christian ideas and inspiration. We look forward to finding what fresh ideas or vision may come from it.

John Fulton, **Rector**.

The Rectory, Church lane, Hepworth. IP22 2PU. 01359 250285

The Deanery Confirmation Service this year is at Stanton on Sunday June 14th at 3.00pm, and will be conducted by Bishop Clive, the Suffragan Bishop of Dunwich. A course of preparation classes for young people is being held, with the aim of answering their questions about the Christian faith, and helping to equip them as mature modern-day followers of Christ. There is also a class for adults. For more information please contact the Rector.

### New Editor needed for The Four Gazette

After four years, I have decided to call it a day, and so The Four gazette needs a new Editor, to start in August. If you are interested, please contact me as soon as possible. My details are below. Nearly 800 homes now receive the magazine and it would be a pity if it had to stop. It takes about 2 days per month, (at the most), to put together. Can you spare the time? I look forward to hearing from you.

With best wishes, Sue Carrington.

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### **Update from C.A.W.S (Communities Against Waste Site)**

"The Mayday meeting called by the waste site resistance group 'CAWS' at Stanton village hall was a vigorous event with the organizers struggling to find seating for the large audience.

The guest for the evening was conservative MP Richard Spring. Prior to the meeting local district councillor Jim Thorndyke had driven out to see the proposed site on Shepherds Grove.

The Chairman for the evening was Don Haynes supported by CAWS founder, Amber Newman. The meeting kicked off with a video presentation. It showed a stark, slightly frightening, picture of what might be coming to Shepherds Grove.

At previous meetings, councillors and another Member of Parliament have shown tendencies to equivocate rather than voice a clear position. They have tried to appear as neutral referees rather than players who have a hand in the formation of policy. The Chair and Amber Newman were determined that this would not be the case at this meeting.

Richard Spring was refreshingly unambiguous and declared that he was against a waste site at Stanton. The basis of his argument being that the area is rural and totally unsuitable for a massive industrial development such as an incinerator. He also agreed that local roads were unsuitable.

Questions and opinions from the floor were intelligent, many and passionately held. From stumbling beginnings earlier in the year it is impressive how a local body of knowledge and anger is growing. One lady in the audience pointed out that there is a national dimension with perhaps one hundred and sixty (160) incinerators being planned nationwide. In this season of elections it does illustrate the voters dilemma. The European Union has dictated this waste policy to us and the Labour government imposes it on to the County Councils.

Our County Council is controlled by the Conservatives who do not have the guts to resist. If you do not want an incinerator, who do you vote for? Peter Rudderham

Summer Road Garage, Walsham Le Willows

You can continue to sign our petition at [www.suffolkcaws.org.uk](http://www.suffolkcaws.org.uk). Also, at Hillcrest Nurseries, Rolfe's of Walsham and Botesdale Health Centre.

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## BILL'S BIRDS

by Bill Cordeaux

In my last Bill's Birds, I encouraged you to come to our bird walk on 8th May. Twenty plus of you did so, but, after weeks of very little rain Suffolk Coastal region had a downpour lasting two hours, which began just as we set out from Southwold Common at 10.30 am. Oh dear! Several of you wisely decided not to continue after half a mile. The rest, hoping only for a passing shower, decided to carry on. After crossing the Blythe Bridge under a continuous deluge, we turned left to the nearest place of cover and sustenance. We were grateful to the management of the Anchor Hotel at Walberswick who supplied coffee or hot chocolate.

As the rain continued the unanimous decision was to return to our cars at Southwold. A washout - never in ten years has this happened. A bedraggled flock of sodden would-be bird watchers tramped back the way they had come. Of course on arrival back at Rickinghall out came the sun accompanied by a stiff breeze, (which soon dried out the dripping rainwear).

It will probably be the best remembered bird outing ever. On such an outing one becomes aware of a grand community spirit and comradeship. We have now had our soaking. It won't reoccur on the law of averages, (ha, ha!), so we look forward to 2010 with our usual optimism.

Meanwhile here the Swallows were late, the first sighting in Botesdale on 23rd April. Swifts screamed in on 9th May, though singles had been seen earlier. House Martins are right down in numbers; only occasional ones seen by 10th May. Of the Cuckoo, more hearings than last year, the first in Rickinghall on 17th April.

Several excitements: two Avocets circled a small lake in Wortham on 20th April, and believe it or not, a Crane was seen over-flying Redgrave Fen on 4th May, verified by a "proper" bird watcher leading a Dawn Chorus Walk.

Visits to local reserves revealed excellent sightings and hearings. A Nightingale and Turtle Dove at the car park at Lackford Lakes Reserve. There was the usual cacophony of sound at Minsmere. The Black Headed Gull invasion ousting some of the regular Avocets.



The return of the terns, the Common Tern being the most frequently seen, but Sandwich and Little Tern also present. The scratchy squeak of the tern is a welcome sound after a long winter and cold spring. Bearded Tits were seen in good numbers and showing well, seemingly oblivious of us watchers. And the Bittern? I have never heard such booming as occurred on a visit to Walberswick Dingle reed beds.



Photo: Steve Round

I am grateful to so many of you sending in useful reports. And thank you to those who braved the weather on 8th May.

Next year I shall choose a more sheltered spot, but also good nearby shelter and hospitality!

*Editor's note: I heard a Nightingale in the trees outside West Suffolk College in Bury St. Edmunds, the other evening, it was quite magical.*

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## Picture Post

by Denise Hammond-Webb



Seven years I started researching my family history. My research quickly led to Semer, Suffolk, where I discovered where many of my ancestors had originated and found many living relatives in the area. This in turn developed my interest in social history and I now have files of information and old photographs, collected during my research, which I use when giving historical talks as a speaker to local groups. Vintage photographs are treasures to be preserved, giving us a window on the past. Many people keep these treasures in old boxes, drawers or under beds where they are subject to humidity and fading. To preserve photographs for future generations, photographs should be carefully arranged in archival acid free albums or boxes. If your photographs are glued into old albums, the safest way to preserve them is to carefully try to remove the photos with a small spatula, but do not force them in case they tear. If you cannot remove the photos easily, you can try cutting around them, leaving the album backing and remounting them in an archival acid free album. If your old album is mounted both sides and you cannot cut around the photos, instead interleave the pages with acid free paper and store the whole album in an acid free box. Make sure photographs are labelled with names, places and dates. I have been given many vintage photographs of family, who cannot be accurately identified due to lack of labelling. It is useful to make copies of the oldest and most treasured images either as a back up or to share with other family members. Once copied onto your computer, it is then possible to repair scratches, tears, stains and other damage. You can copy a photograph using a good scanner that can scan at 300dpi resolution, saving your image as a TIFF rather than a JPEG to avoid compression and subsequent quality loss.

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### Confirmation

We offer our best wishes to the eight candidates, two of them from Hepworth, who are preparing for the Confirmation service with Bishop Clive at All Saints Stanton on Sunday 14th June.

### Jean Bacon

The funeral of Mrs Jean Bacon took place at the Crematorium on May 1st. She was 78. Jean married her husband Ted at Dagenham Parish Church in 1954. She worked as a window-dresser with Marks and Spencer, and later with the printing firm Hollingsworth and Marshall in Romford. After they retired they lived at Great Hockham, moving to Hepworth in 1997. Jean was “a lovely lady”, with a good sense of humour. She was a keen gardener. She enjoyed meeting people. After the sad death of Ted, eight years ago, she was perhaps a little isolated. But her son Stephen looked after her, and used to take her shopping in town every week, and out to lunch. She died quite suddenly in her sleep, of a brain haemorrhage. For Stephen it has been a shock, and a great loss. Her brothers and all who knew her will miss her too.

### A Date for your Diary

10th October

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### The Annual Parish Walk

Another highly successful walk –and all thanks to Clare and Eileen who, once again, organised the event. We started out with an assortment of dogs (and people!). Here we are, setting off:



Whilst the temperature was a little cool, the conditions were ideal for walking. The weather forecast had warned there might be a shower or two; some of us heeded the warning (and some didn't!). People, (and dogs!), of all ages started off at a reasonably brisk pace – looking forward to the 'mystery tour' of Hepworth and our beautiful surrounding countryside.



Hang on a minute – someone's missing! Well not exactly a person. Clare's dog decided to curtail her walk and head for home! Despite the athletic sprint of Paul Nobbs (Olympics 2012?) to catch Willow, Willow won and Clare had to lead her home and abandon the lead role – trusting us not to get lost!



En-route, at various places where a road met with the footpaths, Clare (now in her car) made sure we were on track and also very kindly brought some more sensible outerwear for those of us who had been unprepared for the showers! By this time, we had formed three mini groups walking at our own pace.

Eventually, at 12.30 we started arriving back at Church Farm Cottage. A welcome ploughmans lunch was waiting and a truly scrumptious assortment of homemade cakes.

The walk, lunch and raffle raised £231.00 which was distributed between The Association for Hearing Dogs for Deaf People and St Peter's Church, Hepworth for the Hand Bells.

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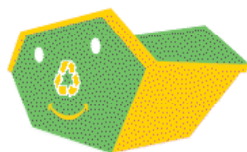
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**July 11-12**

**Saturday & Sunday**

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Songs of Praise 4.30pm Sunday.

**Aug 22nd( NB change of date)**

**Saturday**

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**Sept 12**

**Saturday**

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June 14th	11.00am		Rev. K. Glass	Stowupland
June 21st	11.00am		Mr. J. Comes	East Harling
June 28th	09.00am	United service at St. Margaret's	P. Gibbs	
July 5th	11.00am		Mrs. G. Tilley	Bury St. Edmunds

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## CHURCH SERVICES FOR JUNE/JULY

	St. Peter's HEPWORTH	St. Mary's HINDERCLAY	St. Nicholas' THELNETHAM	St. Margaret's WATTISFIELD
June 7th	9.30am HC		8.30am HC	11.00am MP
June 14th		9.30am FS Ken Smith		11.00am HC Rev. J. Taplin
June 21st	9.30am HC Rev. P. Oliver		11.00am MP Ken Smith	11.00am SP
June 28th	9.30am MP	4.30pm SP (festival) Castle- ton Brass Band		09.00am MP P. Gibbs
July 5th	9.30am HC		8.30am HC	11.00am HC

**HC** = Holy Communion,  
**FS** = Family Service,

**MP** = Morning Prayer, **EP** = Evening Prayer  
**SP** = Songs of Praise.

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**Thank you**

Thanks to everyone who sent cards, flowers and get well messages after my operation. After a bit of a setback, I am now slowly recovering, so hopefully it won't be too long before I am walking Kipper round the Village.Linda Aves.

**Sponsors needed**

My name is Rebecca Calton and I live in Hinderclay. I am doing the 3 Peaks Challenge with a group of friends from work on 11th-12th June. We will start our challenge at Ben Nevis (1344m) then travel to Scafell Pike (978m) and finish at Snowdon (1085m). This will all be completed in 24 hours (we hope!)

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Playing with a ball in the Village Hall's grounds is causing costly damage and encouraging dangerous actions such as attempting to climb onto the roof to retrieve balls.

Parents are asked to ensure that their children do not kick a ball in the Village Hall's grounds.

**News**

I must thank all those who have done so much in the church yard this month. It really begins to look well-kept and cared for. Special thanks to David Emerton and his group of helpers, John Thornhill and Ken Smith who have all played their part.

Thank you also to all the folk who gave time to help with the Coffee Morning and Jumble Sale. We appreciated those who gave the excellent Bric-a-brac, jumble and books as well as the cakes. Sadly it was not very well attended but it still raised £115 towards church funds. Every contribution helps to pay our large Parish Share and keep our church in good repair.

We wish Linda Aves a speedy recovery after her time in hospital.

Congratulations to Linda Allsworth on her Christening which took place during the Family Service in May. It was a very happy occasion for all of us.

Please put these two dates in your diary: Our Flower Festival will take place on Saturday and Sunday the 27th and 28th of June and the Summer Fete on Saturday 18th July.

The talk about the history of St. Mary's will now take place on Saturday 19th September and not in August. More details will be given nearer the time. Dorothy Chandler.

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### **Dates for the Diary**

#### **Songs of Praise for Sea Sunday**

Sun.12th July 4.30 St. Peters, Hepworth

**Celebration Flower Fest.** Sat/Sun 27/28Jun Church

**Summer Fete** Sat.18th July 2-4pm Church

**Church History Talk** Sat.15th Aug. Church

**Sponsored Cycle Ride** Sat. 12th Sept. 10-6pm

**Harvest Supper** Sat. 26th Sept. Village Hall

**Harvest Festival** Sun.27th Sept. 4.30pm Church

**Coffee/Jumble Morning** Sat.10th Oct. 10-12 Village Hall

**Lives to Remember  
Memorial Service** Sun.1st Nov. 4.30pm Church

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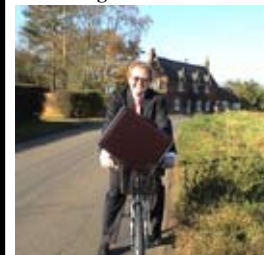
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## THELNETHAM



### Neighbourhood Watch

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Monday 15th to Sunday 21st June 2009 has been set as Neighbourhood Watch Week. For those with access to a computer, more details including current newsletters and other useful links can be found at <http://www.suffolk.police.uk/Crime+Reduction/Neighbourhood+Watch/default.htm>

25th April, 2009.

*Thelnetham Neighbourhood Watch*

Dear Neighbour,

*My name is John Vickers of Barn Lodge, High Street and I have recently taken over from Maggi Churchouse and Rachel Waldron as Co-ordinator for the Thelnetham Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. I'm sure you would like to join me in thanking both Maggi and Rachel for their sterling work over the past 6 years.*

*The main aim of the scheme is to create a partnership between our village community, the police and the local authority to cut crime and the opportunities for crime and to provide appropriate up-to-date crime reduction advice.*

*Most crime is opportunist, committed on the spur of the moment, or when a car, house or garage is left unlocked. This means there is enormous scope for reducing chances for criminals.*

*Statistically, Thelnetham has a relatively low incidence of crime but we must not become complacent.*

*Our village Police Community Support Officer is Jonathan Burke, PCSO 3123. Jonathan works alongside Police Officers tackling lower level crime such as anti-social behaviour, criminal damage, graffiti, parking issues etc. and can be contacted on 01284 774100.*

### What you should do

Review your home, car and garage physical security measures and improve where necessary.

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### Thanksgiving Service

A Thanksgiving for the lives of Dugald and Nan Ferguson will be held in St. Nicholas' Church, Thelnetham, on Saturday 18th July at 2pm. Light refreshments afterwards in the Village Hall. All are warmly welcome.

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### Sunday 31st May

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### Saturday 6th June

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### Saturday 4th July

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### Saturday 25th July

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### Thank you

To the grass cutting fairy who, once again, has done a wonderful job of tidying the village hall grounds. Much appreciated.

### Church Donation Day, Saturday 6th June.

We hope you are able to give a donation to St. Nicholas' Church to help cover costs. Your help is vital and always much appreciated. Please find an envelope with this magazine in which to place your gift and send it to the Treasurer: Paul Spencer, The Lodge, Thelnetham, IP22 1JL or The Reverend John Fulton, The Rectory, Hepworth. Thank you.

### Tower Repairs

Special thanks to Ray Warren and Julian White, for the excellent work done recently repairing or replacing the louvres in the belfry windows. These date from 1907, and are an important piece of the church's heritage, helping to protect the bells from wind and weather while maintaining a healthy flow of air around the wooden bell-frames.

Thanks also to Ray for repairing the west window in the ringing chamber, which had been falling apart with damp and wood-worm.



We look forward to hearing our beautiful five bells ring out again from time to time. If anyone would like to take lessons in bell-ringing, it can easily be arranged with the local bell-ringing guild.

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## WATTISFIELD



### Wattisfield festival tombola Prize appeal

A Tombola is always good fun – and a good fundraiser – but to raise the maximum amount of money we have to rely on your generosity to donate a good supply of prizes. Can you help?

We need lots of small prizes and a few larger ones to keep interest going throughout the day. Do you have any items which might be of use? Next time you buy some “2 for the price of 1” articles at the supermarket, would you be prepared to donate the “free” item to the Tombola? Do you work for, or have contact with, any firms which might be prepared to donate a few suitable prizes? All donations will be most welcome – toiletries, drinks, sweets, household items or anything else you can think of!

Donations can be given to Jenny Hill (251499) at Forge Cottage, Pottery Hill, or to Pamela Smith (251962) at Hillcrest, The Street. Give us a ring if you want anything collected.

Thank you in advance for your generosity – and remember that all the money raised by the Tombola will go towards Festival funds and thereby support village organisations.

### St. Margaret's Annual meeting

The 2009 Annual Meeting was held in Church on 20 April. The PCC is overjoyed to report that our prayers have been answered and we now have a Churchwarden for the first time in many years – welcome and thank you to Peter Gibbs! Peter is now an ex officio member of the PCC and the other members were re-elected en bloc – Fiona Gibbs, Jenny Hill, Jean Marchant, Jay Price and Pamela Smith. Reports were received on activities during 2008 including worship and outreach, building matters and finances. It was noted that the Quota requirement for 2009 was £7625, a slight decrease from the amount requested in 2008 when we had only actually managed to raise £5000. Thanks were extended to all who had helped the Church in whatever way during the year – the PCC members, sidesmen and readers, cleaners, flower arrangers, clock winders and all!

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## WATTISFIELD

*St Margaret's Church, Wattisfield*

*St Margaret's Day  
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## WATTISFIELD



### Mid-week services

St Margaret's PCC has been talking for some time about the possibility of holding mid-week services to cater for folk who cannot attend on Sunday for whatever reason and also for those who would appreciate an extra spiritual lift during the week. We are now embarking on a trial run of services; we will assess interest as time goes on and would welcome any feedback or suggestions from parishioners – do let us know if you would prefer alternative times, dates or types of service. The following services are already taking place:

Morning Prayer 8am every Thursday – led by Peter Gibbs in Church.  
Evensong 5.30pm every Thursday - led by Jenny Hill in Church.

We are using the shortened versions of the services which take 15-20 minutes; there are no hymns or sermons but there is the opportunity to hear the Bible readings for the day and to have a quiet time of prayer. At 11am on Wednesday, 8 July, the Rector will be holding a service of Holy Communion in the lounge at Victoria Gardens; it is hoped that this will become a monthly event.

These services are open to everyone and we do hope that they will meet a need in the village.

### St. Margaret's 2009 Calendar of Events

#### August 2: Sunday

Visit to Southwold.

#### Sept 12: Saturday, 10-6pm

Suffolk Historic Churches Sponsored Bike Ride.



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## **WATTISFIELD**



## **The Wattisfield Festival**

is taking place on the 19th July from 10.30am - 4.30pm.

This year we have a vintage car display and drive, a live band, several exhibitions and a dog show.

As well as this, there is a car boot sale running from 10.30am. For those people who would like a stall the price is £5 for an outside pitch and £10 for an inside pitch. The inside pitches are taken up well in advance of the day and should be booked well in advance.

If anyone requires further information or would like to book a stall please ring Andy Miller on 01359 251185 or email [Andrewcmiller.uk@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Andrewcmiller.uk@hotmail.co.uk)

Alternatively phone Sam Johnson on 01359 250375

For those who would like to display a Vintage Vehicle please phone Paul Wright on 01359 251202

## **Dates for your Diary:**

*Note: All events take place at Wattisfield Community Centre, The Street, Wattisfield.*

## **Car Boot Sale.**

Saturday 6th June 10am - 12noon

£5 per pitch, indoor and outdoor pitches available.

Phone Linda Dyer on 01359 251696

## **Pigs might fly and family Barbecue.**

Sunday 28th June, 2 - 5pm

The long awaited sequel to the Teddy Bear Parachute Jump. Please bring your pigs along to see how far each one can fly. Ambulance and Medics on standby. Start making your parachutes. Barbecue on pay as you eat basis, bring your own drink.

## **Wattisfield Festival.**

Sunday 19th July 10.30am - 4.30pm

See top of the page.

## **Barbecue and Car Boot Sale.** Saturday 29th August 11am - 2pm

Why not kill two birds with one stone, we thought. A car boot sale and Barbecue all in one. Car Boot pitches at £5 indoors or outside. Barbecue on pay as you eat basis, bring a drink or three if you fancy it but the bar is closed.

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