



# *The Oracle*

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*Gill Chapman, Jill Crouch & Alison Davenport Jones*

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## EULOGY FOR BRIAN HULL

Most of you knew Dad for various reasons, with him being family or a friend, and I am sure you will all have fond memories of him.

Dad was born 1<sup>st</sup> September 1951, Brian Charles Hull. He was born at Marsh Farm, South Woodham Ferrers, and had 7 other siblings. From an early age Dad was needed to work on the family farm. Every morning before biking 12 miles to Beauchamps Secondary School in Wickford, he would milk the cows. Then after school cleaning and bedding the cattle. This is where his love of farming came from, his Dad, AKA Pop!

When Dad was 20 he met a dinky, sweet 16 year old called Lesley Ann Hair and this is where a wonderful, nearly 50 year old love story started. Don't get me wrong they did become the proper old married couple, they did bicker and knew exactly how to wind each other up, but when they looked at each other there was always a sparkle in their eyes. Mum you are the love of his life, his soul mate and the Lesley to his Brian.

In 1973 Dad and Mum were married at North Woodham Ferrers.

In 1974 Marsh Farm was brought by compulsory purchase by the English heritage project, and with some of the proceeds Pop decided to buy Dad and Mum Church Farm in Occold and so with the family Ferrers herd, their dog and a few belongings they made it their home.

Here they started their family. In 1975 I was born, Tracy Ann. 1977 Michelle May. 1979 Daniel Lee and finally 1986 Christopher Charles John. To say we had the best upbringing is an understatement, it was always full of love, laughter and fun. Dad had these in abundance, but we were also encouraged to be the best we could be.

Dad and Mum always threw themselves (and I mean threw.....why walk when a hop, skip and run was better??) into farming and village life from being the chairman of ORAC to playing on the pub pool team, to being a proud Rotarian to cartwheeling down the street or jumping over police cars. Always willing to help and give his time to any village occasion.

In 1999 our family began to grow with Dad and Mum welcoming their first grandson and granddaughter, the twins, Harry and Bethan. In 2005 Karly, 2009 Joseph, 2011 Sebastian and Cambry, 2014 Pippa, 2015 Roan and Walter and 2016 Edith.

Dad was hugely proud of all his children and grandchildren, he was always the first to welcome any of us at the front door with his shining smile and one of the best hugs ever.

Life is going to be very different without you Dad. But you have helped build this wonderful, strong and loving family.

We will all miss you Dad, always love you, Sleep well xx

*Tracy Barrett*

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DR DAN POULTER MP

Member of Parliament for Central Suffolk and North Ipswich

November 2020

As I sit to write this article, the Prime Minister has once more addressed the nation and we find ourselves in a second period of national lockdown.

At the time of writing, infection rates in Suffolk remain low, but the rest of the country is seeing a large growth both in terms of numbers of people infected with the virus and the numbers of hospital admissions. Projections mean that even low incidence areas such as Suffolk will face challenges with capacity in our NHS. It is a very difficult balancing act for the Government between protecting life and protecting the economy and on balance, I agree that, even here in Suffolk, a temporary nationwide lockdown makes sense.

It is vital that throughout lockdown, we protect jobs and our local economy, and a strong support package has been put in place by the Government for businesses and individuals. Locally, the **Suffolk Support and Advice Line** has been set up to help with debt advice, mortgage, rent or credit card problems and employment queries. They can be contacted on **0800 068 3131**.

This will undoubtedly be a very different Christmas for all of us and this year, more than ever, we must remember those in our NHS and emergency services who work around the clock to keep people safe and cared for and to ensure help is at hand when needed. I will certainly be spending some of my Christmas break working as a doctor in the NHS, looking after those who are vulnerable.

But of course it's not just those working in hospitals who work on Christmas Day, the list is endless, with so many working right across the festive season to ensure that services continue day and night – carers visiting the elderly and vulnerable in our communities, highways teams, ambulance staff and paramedics, firefighters and police officers, to name but a few. And then there is the army of hard-working public-sector staff, working behind the scenes, to keep everything running smoothly.

Collectively they ensure that our communities are safe and functioning over the festive period, so this Christmas, please spare a thought for all those working tirelessly on our behalf, often in challenging circumstances, yet remaining committed to delivering services compassionately and professionally, despite knowing their loved ones are waiting at home to enjoy Christmas with them after a lengthy shift.

I would therefore like to pay special tribute to all our dedicated and hardworking workforce here in Suffolk, thank you for all you do at Christmas, and all year round.

In closing, may I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very peaceful Christmas.

As ever, further information is available on my website [www.drdanielpoulter.com](http://www.drdanielpoulter.com)

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It's all a bit quiet in the garden at this time of year, as birds have fledged and moulted and are preparing for the winter. Nevertheless, flocks of finches and tits often visit the garden; and one of my favourites are the long tailed tits. These are often heard before they are seen, trilling quite loudly for such small birds. They move quickly through the trees, calling to each other, in family groups so it's unusual to see just one or two: six to ten is more common. With their long tails and small round pink and white bodies, my daughter in law calls them 'lollipops'!

We have now mown the areas of lawn which were left to grow longer, but the meadow was reasonably successful and I hope that more of the native plants will spread as time goes on. The area planted with 'bee seeds' was so successful that we have extended this further along the pond. As these plants are annuals, I collected seeds from them as they died off last month; and so now I have plenty to sow next spring. We are also about to plant some native bulbs for naturalising: daffodil 'Narcissus Lobularis' to go under the cotoneaster trees; and English bluebells in the shadier area under the birches. I believe the daffodils are the same variety that grow in Wordsworth's garden in the Lake District, and which he described in his Ode. So with any luck, next spring and summer should be as colourful as the last!

Bee border and meadow:



*Kate Burchell*

## Meet the new neighbours

Hello readers, my name is James, I'm twenty-eight years old and recently moved to Occold with my family. I work as an Animator, a job that I am passionate about and have been doing for over five years now. My dad, Pasquale, is a salesman who is up and down the country doing business like things. My mum, Tina, is currently seeking employment, but worked as a childminder, a job she is very passionate about and has done for over thirty years now. Finally, my younger sister Charlotte works for London City Council to help home those less fortunate in life than ourselves.



I was born in Enfield and then my parents moved to a village called Puckeridge near Stansted where we lived for twenty-eight years. It was a fantastic area growing up but over the past few there has been a huge increase in estates going up, losing that peace and quiet feeling we had when I was growing-up.

Deciding on Occold was very easy, a good commute and not too far from our friends and family back in Hertfordshire. Occold in many ways is a reminder of how we originally felt in Puckeridge, it still had that rural and small village-like feeling. I can safely say and speak for the family that we're very happy here. The home and surrounding areas are beautiful, everything we could really need is close by and the sense of community people have shown us in the short time we have been here has been overwhelming.

I am a drone enthusiast and love flying, so several days into the move I took mine out to take some photos of the village (after checking with the admin of the Occold Group on Facebook). I'm qualified with my licence, legal to fly in this area and not looking to invade anyone's privacy, I just wanted to give a little back to the community. The reception we got was a wonderful feeling for us all. Many people Liked and Commented on the photos and welcomed us to the area and personally reached out to me just to talk. So thank you to everyone that did, it really makes us to feel a part of this community since coming from an area that I have personally only ever known all my life.

To sum up, we're all very happy here and know that this will be our forever family home. Even though lockdowns have made everyone's lives tricky, we know that we want to be able to contribute to this community in many ways. Please feel free to reach out to me on the Facebook group for any questions you may have or just want to get in touch.

*James Marro*

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## Flower Guild

Hello everyone

The Guild meetings will not be resuming until 2021, when hopefully we can meet again.

My thanks from the Guild to Caroline, for once again making a super wreath for Remembrance Sunday.

The following poem, written by my daughter, Judith, perhaps sums up the feeling of members during this difficult time.

### Flower Guild in Lockdown

Lockdown, oh it did appear,  
Government restrictions, we all did hear  
Hopes and dreams, they all were shattered,  
Family occasions and all that mattered.

Couldn't go out, till lockdown ends,  
Can't now see our dear, dear friends,  
All the things, we take for granted  
All those things, restrictions planted.

Flower Guild meetings weren't going ahead  
That Church path, was not to be tread,  
Talks all cancelled, that were billed  
Covid lingered, oh, poor Flower Guild.

Missing friendship, coffee and biscuits  
Hoping it will be much better, in time for Christmas,  
Now we all know, how much things matter,  
When all we need, is to have a good natter!

J.A.R. 2020

## **A recipe you may like to try!**

Cheese and Paprika Shortbread. [Makes 22]

### Ingredients

170g Plain Flour

Pinch of salt

Large pinch of paprika

110g unsalted butter

60g mature Cheddar cheese finely grated

### Method

Sift the flour, salt and paprika into a bowl. Rub in butter. Stir in the cheese then gently knead the mixture to a soft dough. Wrap in cling film and chill for 30 minutes.

Meanwhile set the oven - Gas Mark 5 or 190 degrees C.

Roll out the dough to 6mm thick on a floured surface. Cut into 5cm. rounds using biscuit cutter.

Place on baking sheets and cook for 10 to 15 minutes until very pale golden.

Leave to cool before transferring to a cooling rack. Store in an airtight container.

Eat within 5 days or freeze for up to a month.

These biscuits are delicious with a glass of wine, so cheers everybody and raise your glasses to a better New Year!

Take care, Elly



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## ORAC Chairman's Report

I am sure you will have heard the very sad news that Brian Hull passed away last month. He will be truly missed by everyone. Brian was the heart and soul of the village, never too busy that he could not help someone and a valued Trustee of ORAC. He leaves behind a legacy in the form of his wonderful family who also have been a great asset to the village. Our condolences go to them all.

A huge welcome to all our new villagers. You have chosen to live in one of the nicest villages in Suffolk, and I am sure you will be very happy living here. This is the village website <http://occold.onesuffolk.net/>, and there is also a Facebook page: just search for "Residents of Occold".

Just to explain to the newcomers ORAC (a charity) owns the village green, the village hall, the recreation field and children's play area. Its remit is to deliver the best facilities it can to support the needs and requirements of everyone in the village and improve life.

ORAC held its AGM in October when the existing committee was reinstated along with two newcomers to the village. A further new resident has since been co-opted to the committee and we welcome Caroline Jones, Tina Marro and Ted Hampson.

The village hall extension has been started and the project is well underway. At the time of writing the footing have been dug and passed by building regs, and concrete has been poured. The next phase is the block and beam floor and foundation brick up. The Primary school has taken over the pre-school room and are putting plans together for its future use. The hall will hopefully reopen 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Thank you to all our hirers for their support in these trying circumstances.



Members of the village community paid their respects for those people who gave their lives so we can have the free life we have today on Remembrance Sunday. Covid regulations restricted the number of villagers who would have liked to attend.

Let us all hope that the situation improves for Christmas, and families can again meet up.

Please take care and keep yourself and your family safe.

*David Cox*



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## In the garden with Caroline

Now December is here with cooler weather and dark evenings us fair weather gardeners tend to retreat indoors. We can still enjoy some colourful and interesting plants with an assortment of indoors specimens.

### For cooler rooms

Cyclamen are ideal; water from the base as the corms and foliage shouldn't get wet and they tend to rot.

Hyacinths make a good show with a strong perfume. An added bonus is they can be planted out in the garden after flowering and will reward you with a good show for several years to come.

Indoor Azaleas need a humid atmosphere and are ideal for a porch or cool bathroom; compost must be kept moist.

Hippeastrum (Amaryllis Belladonna) is a personal favourite, very easy to grow, just pot up, water and place on a warm window-sill. Shoots appear in days and in a few weeks you'll have beautiful flowers to admire. They come in many shades of pink, white, salmon, red and various mixtures.

### Best Value

Phalenoopsis Orchid, beautiful mass of flowers seem to last forever.

Ponsettia to be found on sale every Christmas now coming in pink and white as well as the usual red. These detest draughts and cold places. Water only when the compost feels dry. If plants are just not your thing use cut flowers, dried grasses etc to brighten your home in decorative vases or unusual containers.



*Caroline Miller*

Wreaths and swags can easily be made using holly, ivy, fir cones, beech twigs & leaves, teasels, decorative berries and other greenery found in the garden or hedgerows – plus a pretty ribbon to finish it off with.

Once New Year is here, we can look forward to lighter nights and warmer days. Gardens will slowly awaken with snowdrops and crocus bulbs starting to show, cheering us up. I noticed daffodils already coming through 3-4" tall in November. Are they as confused as I am with everything that has happened this year?

## **Redlingfield and Occold Women's Institute**

The year started well with Tony Diamond giving a very interesting talk on the Hoxne Hoard. February our speaker was Gail Sprake and her subject was the Rare Breeds Trust this was followed by a Pearly King in March

Then came lockdown due to the Corona virus, members kept in touch by email face book and WhatsApp, those without access to any of these measures received an update phone call from our president. Members got together with other ladies to become the Occold Scrubbers and made 50 sets of scrubs in three weeks for Ipswich hospital and our local health care area. As Lockdown eased one-member organized distance coffee mornings in her garden for the six allowed on a booking on WhatsApp basis

September and we were determined to have a meeting, Forensics and Firearms by Brian Heard, this was not to everybody's taste, but being in the hall to hear a speaker made it a welcome change and a touch of near normality, apart from social distance and no refreshments it was a good evening. Once again, we were in lockdown and our October meeting was held via zoom with ten members attending, Jenny Gibb entertained us about her life in Turkey.

We were sorry not to hold our annual Harvest supper the highlight of the year for our WI and the village as it is nearly always over booked. Let's hope next year will see us all busy cooking and preparing for this October event.

We are preparing for 2021 and hope to be back in the hall in the not too distant future. In the meantime we will do the best we can, as WI ladies do.

*Sue Welch*

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## **New Exercise class in Occold**

A new exercise class started up in the village hall at the end of September. Madi Wright is a fitness trainer who wants to share her passion for fitness and healthy living.

Madi says:

*During the year without gyms and with limited social interaction I was missing exercising for myself and my confidence to go back to the gym decreased. I wanted to provide others around me, that may be experiencing similar feelings to me, something where they would feel safe and would not have to travel too far out of their comfort zone. I didn't want Covid-19 to stop me from achieving my goal of starting The Wright Life and now more than ever people need support so I decided to hire my local village hall. Following government guidelines, I am now offering a safe exercise class to the locals of Occold and surrounding villages. These classes are aerobic based classes that burn calories, tone and build muscle and improve flexibility and strength. All exercise abilities and fitness levels are welcome, and I want to help each individual participant achieve their own goal, with others around them motivating them along. So far I have really enjoyed getting back into instructing again, I have met some lovely new people in the village and we have a laugh each week. I look forward to meeting new people and helping them achieve their goals.*

Kate Burchell has been attending the weekly classes on Saturday mornings at 9.30am.

Kate says: *I am thoroughly enjoying the aerobics class. Madi really has the individual in mind and ensures that all abilities are catered for. The aerobics part is fun as we dance to various music tracks; and this is followed by some yoga strengthening exercises and finally relaxation. With Covid restrictions, places are limited and Madi ensures that everyone has a safe space to work in, so come and join us!*

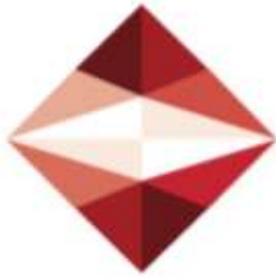
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## Bringing the past to life

These lovely images of Occold Primary School's centenary in 1979 were provided by Pauline Harvey who was a pupil at the school from 1978 to 1984 and still lives in the village.



Do you recognise any of the faces?



ELLEN Scotcher with pupils and staff outside Occold primary school.

Sue Welch found this newspaper cutting showing Mrs Scotcher's retirement after 34 years teaching at the school, possibly in the early 80's. Some of you probably have fond memories of Mrs Scotcher or other teachers at Occold Primary School – please share them with us for the next issue!



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## Occold Football Club news

The Season kicked off again for the 3 Occold sides in September but was a disappointing start for the **Saturday Team**.

Our results so far:

12/09/20	Occold	1-1	Kesgrave Kestrels
19/09/20	Gt Blakenham	4-0	Occold
26/09/20	Occold	2-2	Hope Church
03/10/20	Bramford	5-2	Occold
17/10/20	Bardwell	6-0	Occold
24/10/20	Occold	3-3	AFC Wanderers
31/10/20	Stage	2-1	Occold

This disappointing start to a long-awaited season was added to by losing in our first cup final 5-1 to Walsham Athletic, a match carried over from the 2019/2020 season.

We are looking forward to the end of this second lockdown so we can get that much needed win to kickstart our season.

*James Plummer, Manager*

**The Sunday team** have had more success however with a series of wins and a draw putting us at the top of the table. New players have fitted in well and we now have a good mix of both youth and experience. Our most recent match against Lakenheath is a good example of how well the team are beginning to gel. We blew them away!!

L 25/10/20	Lakenheath	0-4	Occold
L 04/10/20	Occold	2-1	Baltic
L 27/09/20	Occold	1-0	Barrow
L 20/09/20	Occold	3-2	Bardwell Sports
L 06/09/20	Barrow	1-1	Occold

The next game is now scheduled to be away to AFC Vikings on Dec 6th.

Our cup matches have had mixed results, losing on penalties in the League Cup after a good win in the first round. We dominated in the match against Laxfield Utd and they were lucky to score their 2 goals!

Cup 18/10/20	Occold	3-2	Laxfield United (Suffolk Shield)
Cup 11/10/20	Cockfield United	1-1	Occold Lost 6-5 on penalties (League Cup)
Cup 13/09/20	Stowmarket Town	1-5	Occold (League Cup)

*Tierney White, Manager*

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Division Two League Table		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Occold F.C. First (Sun)	5	4	1	0	11	4	7	13
2	Breda F.C. First	6	3	2	1	19	14	5	11
3	Barrow F.C. First (Sun)	6	3	1	2	15	10	5	10
4	Bury Bowl F.C. First	5	3	1	1	13	13	0	10
5	Eastbury Eagles F.C. First (Sun)	5	2	2	1	18	13	5	8
6	Bardwell Sport F.C. First (Sun)	5	1	2	2	15	15	0	5
7	Lakenheath F.C. (Sundays) First	4	1	1	2	6	10	-4	4
8	A.F.C. Vikings First	5	1	0	4	4	13	-9	3
9	Abbotts 07 F.C. First	2	0	1	1	3	4	-1	1
10	Baltic United F.C. First	5	0	1	4	6	14	-8	1
11	Thurston F.C. 'AFC' (withdrawn)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Hi, my name is Tina,

I've just moved to Occold and I'm a qualified Nursery Nurse (NNEB) with 34 years experience of childcare. Excellent references available.

I'm also an animal lover so if you need any childcare, babysitting, dog walking or cleaning please contact me on

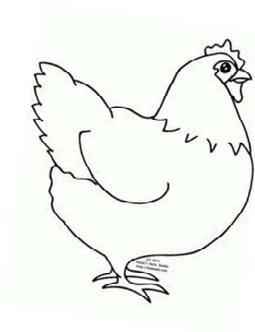
[07941 734977](tel:07941734977)

**If you can't leave home and need help with shopping or picking up prescriptions or would just like a friendly chat, the Occold Volunteers are still available and happy to assist.**

**Lucy: 07970 589436 or Sam: 07975 687344 / 01379 678074**

**Massive thanks to all the volunteers for their support, commitment and compassion ❤️**

## **National Avian Flu Alert**



On Wednesday 11 November 2020, the UK Chief Veterinary Officer declared a national Avian Influenza Prevention Zone (AIPZ) covering all of England to reduce the risk of the disease spreading. If you keep poultry, whether commercially on a farm, or as pets in your garden, or rearing game birds, you should keep a close watch on them for signs of disease and maintain good biosecurity at all times. If you have any concerns about the health of your poultry, seek prompt advice from your vet.

Poultry includes chickens, ducks, turkeys, geese, pigeon (bred for meat), partridge, quail, guinea fowl and pheasants.

You should register your poultry, even if only kept as pets, so you can be contacted during an outbreak. This is a legal requirement if you have 50 or more birds.

Details of how to register can be found at [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk), search for "Poultry Registration"

At **Occold Primary School** we create highly personalised learning experiences for our children within a nurturing environment. We ensure that our children are immersed in their learning and given every opportunity to thrive.



**FRIENDS of Occold Primary School**

Occold, IP23 7PL

Registered charity: 1042656

Last year we raised money towards providing a sensory room to the benefit of all our students. We are thrilled that this project is fully funded and soon to be underway.

This year we would like to renovate the schools' bathroom facilities, ensuring that they provide a full sanitary experience for each and every child, of every ability. We are also keen to provide our children with secure locker storage and adequate changing facilities. Guaranteeing every child has space of their own is now more crucial than ever.

Please find below the details of our upcoming events which support these aims. If you would like to get involved with any of these events, buy tickets, volunteer, or anything else, then please contact us on [Friends@occoldprimaryschool.org](mailto:Friends@occoldprimaryschool.org). Any payments can be made directly to the school or through online banking, please just drop us an email and we'll happily provide all the required details.

**Pet Portraits**

In these times we realise everyone needs a little laugh so why not let one our children draw a portrait of your pet? We are happy to make them festive too! All we need is a photo and a £2 donation and a lovingly created portrait will be on its way to you.



**Christmas Raffle**

Tickets on sale Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November to be drawn Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

We have a wonderful array of amazing prizes donated by the businesses within our local community. Details of all prizes and a showcase of our supporting businesses will be available on the Occold Primary School Facebook page. Tickets are £2.50 each with no limit on how many you can buy, or win!

## **Amazon Smile**

Amazon makes a contribution to our school charity for every purchase you make and it costs you nothing! To make a difference to our school then please register at [AmazonSmile.co.uk](https://www.amazon.co.uk/amazonsmile) to support registered charity 1042656.

## **Bags to school – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January**

Will you need a clear out after Christmas? Donations are welcome directly to the school on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January by 9am or weekend drop offs:

Occold Primary School in the gazebo - Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January, 12-4pm

'The Barns', The Street, Thorndon - Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>/Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January, 9am-4pm.

They collect clothing, paired shoes (please secure together), bags, hats, scarves, ties, jewellery, lingerie, socks, soft toys, belts, household linen, curtains, towels, sheets, pillowcases and duvet covers. They don't collect duvets, blankets, pillows, cushions, carpets, rugs, mats, damaged clothing, school uniform with/without logo or fabric offcuts.

## **Finally, THANK YOU...**

...to all those who have attended our events and supported our fundraising throughout the year. A huge thank you to our valued local businesses and their continued support: Manning and Woods Builders, The Grooming Road, Durrants Estate Agents, Red Lodge Karting, Simonds Coaches, East Anglia Cooperative, Suffolk Owl Sanctuary, Jimmy's Farm, Baylham House Farm, Muntons, Debenham Garage, The Filling Station@Debenham.

**Your support is invaluable. Thank you!**



# **CORONAVIRUS** **STAY ALERT** **TO STAY SAFE**

- ✔ Keep a safe distance from others
- ✔ Stay home as much as possible
- ✔ Keep washing your hands regularly

**STAY ALERT ▶ CONTROL THE VIRUS ▶ SAVE LIVES**



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