Great Bricett Notes:

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Church Cleaning

The usual team will be cleaning the church on Fri 13th November.

Church Flowers

Please feel free to put flowers in church at any time especially if you have a member of the family or family occasion to remember.

Services in November

8th November - 10.45 a.m. Remembrance Service at Barking War Memorial

15th November - 9 a.m. Holy Communion

For all other services see the Service Pattern at back of magazine.

Dates for your diary

Sunday December 13th at 6pm. Carols by Candlelight in Church with mulled wine and mince pies.

Sunday December 20th Carol Singing around the village – further details next month.

The Red Lion Roar

It's been a interesting few months, here at The Red Lion, your community based public house. The weather has gone from "roasting", to a now more comfortable and manageable temperature. Thankfully. Being in the kitchen during this time, I have welcomed the cooler weather!
At the beginning of July, I had a "Reverse Shoulder Replacement ", from years of having roto cuff injuries. I'm very happy to report, I can now use and raise my arm. OK, not getting to a high shelf is awkward, but I've now got movement after near 5 years of not being unable to do anything with it. I'm a very happy bunny! Next will be a knee replacement sometime this month, all being well!
It has been good so see, so many people enjoying talking to people they know or have just met, on our ever-growing number of picnic benches, and enjoying watching the world go by (some at horrendous speeds) in the beer garden! Thankfully, we do not have Jukebox for distracting an atmosphere of healthy conversation amongst ourselves.
"Crow-gate", is still with us. We had one Crow, then two, and now back to one again.... still chipping the paint off a certain window. Sadly, that is where "Mr Crow" has stopped. To think, he could have assisted us with continuing on the remaining 15 windows, therefore, Danny has had to buy a sander for those! Danny has been continuing to improve the weather proofing of the building, with the kind help of Dave Collins, with another coat of paint (I somehow don't think it will be the last either!) Dave has treated the soleplate of the building with a bitumen-based product, which should assist in deterring water ingress.
We enjoyed the company of a group of military personnel from Wattisham on the 8th July, with an event they organised. It was for personnel that had promotions and soldiers going to the front line in the Ukraine. They all had a great time, with them singing (badly!), along to a variety of music. I

cannot think of a better way of taking their minds off, of what "could be" when they go to the Ukraine.
The bottle bank, has been emptied, so any glass contributions can be made with ease again.
We are proud to announce that we have taken on two new suppliers. Drinkstone Brewery and Cranes Ciders. Both have been welcomed by our regulars here. Drinkstone Brewery has just (in August) won a bronze award for their Clover Mild (named after the milling family, who also operated the mill at Great Bricett and other mills in the area), and Cranes Ciders, who were featured on Dragons Den. We have also been in talks over a couple of months with a local wine supplier, regarding some of their selection of wines.
We have continued to welcome JP and Friends musical group who perform here at 3pm on the last Sunday of the month. With their eclectic range of music. They are always happy to welcome new faces to come along, bring your own instrument and join in with the popular music session.
Dates for your diaries -
On Saturday 31st October, is our Halloween Night party. Starting at 6pm. Food available, Pumpkin Competition with Prizes, together with fancy dress (optional), and Games. It was a great success last year, with everyone enjoying the evening. Therefore, not to be missed, I'm sure.
On Monday 23rd, Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th November (2pm to 7pm), we are holding a Exhibition of Paintings by Kevin Byrne our very own renowned local artist from Great Bricett. He will be displaying many pieces of art for you to enjoy, and also to purchase, should you wish. Maybe a Christmas present for a nearest and dearest. Come along and meet Kevin and show your support, which will be invaluable for him.
Just to let you all know, we have started taking bookings for Christmas Lunches and Dinners. This is pre bookable. We can seat 30 people in comfort. Group bookings are welcome. Menus are advertised on our own WhatsApp and Facebook pages. If you do not have access to those, phone, and let us know, and we will get a menu to you.
You will notice that the carpark is a bit bigger by 6 carparking spaces! The shipping container, has been relocated to the rear of the property. Our appreciation and thanks for this action, goes to Colin Goodchild and Steve Smith, whose help has been invaluable, and has helped us tremendously.
Thank you to everyone who has been helping us with the pub over the last few months. Your kindness is appreciated.
We look forward to the continued support of those that care about The Red Lion.

Planning ahead for the "Panto Season" ……

The Theatre Royal in Bury St Edmunds is doing **Dick Whittington** Fri 20 Nov - Sun 17 Jan 2027
The Spa Pavillion Felixstowe is doing **Santas Christmas Show** on Sat Dec 12th and **Beauty and the Beast** 19 Dec 2026 until —3 Jan 2027

Touring Theatre Groups – Eastern Angles will be performing **Oliver Twist – the boy who wanted more** from 27 Nov 2026 to 9 Jan 2027 in Ipswich and Woodbridge.

Common Ground Theatre will be performing **Father Brown and the Carnival of Fear** from Dec 8th to Jan 24th coming to Hadleigh and The John Peel Centre in Stowmarket.