Excitement as the film cameras roll

EXCITEMENT has been mounting in Nayland this week as filmmakers transform the village centre into a wartime film set.

Filming was due to start last night on Black Tuesday, a full-length feature film set in 1944, and hundreds of local extras will be taking part.

Yellow lines have been painted over, road signs removed and house windows taped up to give an authentic wartime look.

A joint production

by the BBC and America's top cable channel, Home Box Office, Black Tuesday is a love story telling the tragic consequences of an affair between a black GI and a white Englishwoman while her husband is away fighting.

The leads are played by Courtney Vance from the film The Hunt for Red October as the GI, Kerry Fox – recently in the television adaption of The Village Affair – as the wife and Ciaran

Hinds, who starred in Persuasion and Seaforth, as the husband.

Locations include Mill Stores, Down to Earth wholefood shop, a transformed Anchor Inn, the former Norfolk's bus depot and Stoke-by-Nayland village green.

Filming continues today, tomorrow and on Sunday when Nayland will be closed to traffic for part of the day. The film will be shown on BBC1 in the autumn or early next year.