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Welcome to June's Sudbrooke News.

**Please note, the July and August edition of Sudbrooke News will be combined.**

**If you want something in for August, please meet the deadline printed at the foot of this page.**

Electronic copies of the sale catalogue for Sudbrooke Holme have proved popular.....if you would like a copy, please let me know.

Reports of a snake in the woods by the stream at the rear of Holme Drive acting aggressively to passers by. Probably a grass snake, ( given the habitat ), but please be aware. Anyone have any further information on this?

Please keep letters and articles coming in. From the feedback I get this is what makes Sudbrooke News an interesting read to many. Yes.....why not send in that letter or article you were always thinking of writing.....go on....why don't you ?



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*Nick*

**Sudbrooke News,  
July and August 2010.....  
closing date for contributions  
20 June 2010**

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# VICAR'S LETTER

**The Vicarage, Langworth Tel. 01522 – 754233**

At the Annual Meetings the following Church Wardens were elected in the Parishes of the Benefice :-

Sudbrooke : Lyn Curtis and John Edmunds

Barlings : Richard Marris and Jim Glendenning

Stainton by Langworth : Peter Bowser and Dirk Terjung

I am grateful to Jeremy Wallis for drawing my attention to a rather nice seafarer's adaptation of Psalm 23 which is equally applicable to our 'Voyage through Life' as to voyages on the sea :-

"The Lord is my pilot, I shall not drift.  
He lighteth me across dark water.  
He steereth me in the deep channels. He keepeth my log.  
He guideth me by the star of holiness for His name's sake.  
Yea, even amidst the thunders and tempests of life,  
I dread no longer; for Thou art with me,  
Thy love and Thy care, they shelter me.  
Thou preparest a harbour before me in the homeland of Eternity.  
Thou anointest the waves with oil – my ship rides calmly.  
Surely sunlight and starlight shall favour me on the voyage I take,  
And I will rest in the port of my God forever."

On Maundy Thursday we included a personal Litany which a number of people have found helpful in daily life, so I thought I would set it out here. It is called "Fast From : Feast On" - Fast from the left hand column and Feast Upon the right hand column in each case :-

Fast From	Feast On
Judging others	The Christ dwelling in them
Emphasis on difference	The unity of life
Apparent darkness	The reality of light
Thoughts of illness	The healing power of God
Words that pollute	Phrases that purify
Discontent	Gratitude
Anger	Patience
Pessimism	Optimism

## VICAR'S LETTER Cont'd.....

Worry	Divine order
Complaining	Appreciation
Negatives	Affirmatives
Unrelenting pressures	Unceasing prayer
Hostility	Non-resistance
Bitterness	Forgiveness
Self-concern	Compassion for others
Personal anxiety	Eternal truth
Discouragements	Hope
Facts that depress	Truths that uplift
Lethargy	Enthusiasm
Thoughts that weaken	Promises that inspire
Shadows of sorrow	The sunlight of serenity
Idle gossip	Purposeful silence
Problems that overwhelm	Prayer that undergirds

In many ways it represents the practical working out of christian character listed in the Fruit of the Holy Spirit set out in Galatians 5 : 22.

Yours in Christ, **Robert Spaight**

## CHURCH DIARY

JUNE 2010		
Sunday 6	<b>Trinity 1</b>	
	9.00 Communion	St.John Stainton
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Monday 7	7.30 Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Tuesday 8	10.30 Barlings Prayer Hour	The Old Vicarage
Sunday 13	<b>Trinity 2</b>	
	9.00 BCP Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	10.30 Family Service ( <i>Scouts</i> )	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
Tuesday 15	7.30 Deanery Synod	Lawres Room, Welton

Thursday 17	7.45 Family Service Planning	50 Barlings Lane
Sunday 20	<b>Trinity 3</b>	
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Monday 21	7.30 Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Wednesday 23	7.45 Family Service Planning	50 Scothern Lane
Sunday 27	<b>Trinity 4</b>	
	9.00 Communion	St.Edward Barlings
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
Monday 28	7.30 Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Tuesday 29	10.30 Prayer Hour	Erica House, Sudbrooke Park
Wednesday 30	7.30 Barlings PCC	The Vicarage
JULY 2010		
Sunday 4	<b>Trinity 5</b>	
	9.00 Communion	St.John Stainton
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Monday 5	7.30 Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Saturday 10	Service of Prayer + Dedication	St.John Stainton
Sunday 11	<b>Trinity 6</b>	
	9.00 BCP Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	10.30 Family Service	St.Edward Sudbrooke



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# PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

## NOTES OF THE MEETING OF SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2010 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SUDBROOKE

**PRESENT: Councillors Miss R Dobbs (Chairman), N James, B Bartram, I Russell, M Dickie, Mrs L Etheridge, S Curtis, P Rignall  
County Councillors Mrs S Rawlins, 4 members of the public.  
Mrs C Myers (Clerk), Mrs B Solly, (Treasurer)**

**APOLOGIES: PC D Thompson**

### 172 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

Councillor Martin Dickie made a request for use of the Kurling equipment for a charity event to be held at the Yarborough Leisure Centre, Lincoln on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April by the four Rotary Clubs of Lincoln, and District 1270.

### 173 PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Miss Rose Dobbs declared an interest in agenda items 8a i and ii, 9a.

### 174 POLICE

A report had been received from PC D Thomson notifying the Parish Council of incidents in the village as follows:-

- 'Theft from Motor Vehicle – West Drive - between 28/03-29/03
- Report of missing person
- Several domestic related incidents
- 10/03/10 – Vehicle that failed to stop for Police – Vehicle eventually stopped and occupants spoken to and dealt with accordingly
- 19/03/10 – Suspicious incident on Wragby Road, male came to door asking if many people come to the area. Male tried to give caller a card which caller refused. Description of male was very skinny, early 20's, boney face, Irish accent wearing baseball cap, dark coat and jeans carrying a large rucksack.
- 29/03/10 – Theft from Motor vehicle on West Drive
- 31/03/10 – Attempt theft of quad bike on Wragby Road

Also for information we are attempting to run a Police Surgery for Sudbrooke starting in April as we do for several other villages. The first one will be on April 20<sup>th</sup> at the Cherry Tree Café. The other surgeries are run from village halls and libraries but are not very well attended currently, so I am hoping that a more inviting location may help! I have advertised the Sudbrooke one in the newsletter and will post it on the Nettleham Neighbour Policing Site on the

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Police Website shortly. It will be run from 11 till 1pm. If we get persons interested and coming to see us we will continue it on a monthly basis.'

## **175 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

CC Mrs Sue Rawlins outlined training seminars which are currently being run for County Councillors.

## **176 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT**

DC Stuart Curtis outlined 'Aurora' accessible through the WLDC website which contains detailed information on Tree Preservation Orders, street names etc.

DC Curtis also reminded members of the District and Parish Assembly to be held at Guildhall on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2010.

## **177 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2010**

Minute 169 – delete 'and the Village Hall Committee'.

Save the above amendment the minutes were signed as a correct record.

## **178 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING**

### **a) Parish Plan Advisory Group:-**

**i. Village Sign** – A suggestion was made by the Group that a Village Sign be created, possibly by the Wood Carving Group. Mrs Helen Link stated that she had debated this suggestion with members who were keen to participate after the completion of the current project.

Members of the Parish Council agreed in principle to the sign, expenditure of which would need to be precepted in the 2011/12 year. However it was agreed that in the meantime ideas for the design would be welcome from parishioners.

**ii. Sports Day** – Problems regarding insurance cover had been encountered if the sports day was to be run solely by the Parish Plan Group. It was agreed therefore that it be run on the field by the Parish Council with assistance from the Parish Plan Group. The Clerk was asked to ascertain from the Parish Council insurers that cover would be provided if the event was run separately from other activities in the Village Hall and on the playing field.

**b) Wood carving – update** - Helen Link showed photographs of the progress of the current wood carvings, a set of seats which it was hoped could be positioned in various parts of the village upon completion.

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**c) Lighting of the Millennium stone** – Three quotations had been sought from local electricians. Only one company had submitted prices with two options - Option 1 economy light fittings, parts and workmanship guaranteed for 1 year - £443.25. Option 2 Premium light fittings guaranteed for 5 years - £653.25.

Members agreed that the premium light fittings would be more appropriate and the Clerk was instructed to accept the quotation from Spot-On electrical Ltd at a cost of £653.25.

### **179 HIGHWAY MATTERS**

**A) Street nameplates – Park Close** – Nothing further to report.

*NB Councillor Miss Rose Dobbs declared an interest in this item.*

**B) Area around Holme Drive – condition left by Anglian Water** – The Clerk reported that the Highways Department had stated that Anglian Water had been asked to re-instate in this area. However this would again be pursued.

**C) Gas main replacement – Scothern Lane** – It was reported that the verge had been left in a satisfactory state, but required some seeding. The Clerk was given authority to purchase seed and Cllr Bartram offered to sow it.

**D) Pothole repairs** – Councillors were asked to notify the Clerk of further pot holes in the locality.

**E) Area Response Team – update** – The ART had not carried out any works in the village. The Clerk was asked to pursue the items outstanding on the list of works previously submitted.

**F) Wragby Road bus shelter repairs** - These had still not been carried out and it was noted that trees were overhanging a fence near to the shelter, the owner of which had declined to cut them back. The matter would be referred therefore to the Highways Department.

**G) Additional dog bins – The Park** – Permission had been given by Sommerville Properties to site two bins in The Park and these would shortly be fixed by WLDC.

### **180 BRIDGE, MAIN DRIVE – USE BY HGV'S**

The Engineers report commissioned in 2006 had been viewed by all Councillors and it was felt that the bridge appeared not to have deteriorated since that



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report. The matter would be left in abeyance.

### **181 SEAT NEAR TO PARK GATES**

It was noted that a lat was broken on this seat. The Clerk would arrange for repairs to be carried out.

### **182 BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION - 2010**

It was agreed that the village again be entered into this competition at a cost of £10.00.

### **183 PLANNING**

**a) Applications** - Land adjacent 102 Wragby Road, Sudbrooke – 125637 – No objections.

87 Wragby Road – 125596 - extension to side elevation – No objections providing that comments of neighbours of adjoining properties are taken into consideration.

**b) Permission** – The Old Coach House, Main Drive – single storey annex - 125349

**c) Appeal allowed** – 6 Windsor Close – extensions to front, rear and side.

### **184 FINANCE**

**a) Request for donation – Victim Support** – Members agreed not to make a donation on this occasion.

**c) Income** – LCC Grass cutting contribution - £1,978.95

**d) Bank balances at 1.4.10 -**

Current account -	£500.00
Instant account -	£7329.40
14 day account -	14,858.79
Sportsfield account -	£2697.49
12 month Bond -	£25,000
Northfield Park Account -	£4388.02
Fox Covert account -	£2131.24

### **185 SUDBROOKE NEWS**

The Editor had requested that consideration be given for expenditure for increasing the number of pages in the magazine as more material was now required to be published. The cost of 4 additional pages would amount to a

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further £18.50 per month.

Members were in full agreement for expenditure for the additional pages.

### **186 CHAIR PERSONS COMMENTS**

Declarations of Interest - The Chairman reported that during a recent Standards Committee Seminar, the point had been made by the visiting Barrister that Declarations of Interest should be made at the introduction of the item on the agenda rather than at the beginning of a meeting. West Lindsey District Council are to clarify the matter with Standards for England and would inform Parish Councils accordingly.

### **187 CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr Eric Pitt, Playground Inspector, had reported that a user of the wooden play equipment on the Village Hall Playing Field had cut his hand due to broken drinking glass splinters on the equipment. Mr Pitt recommended that disposable plastic glasses be used for outside use.

- \*Copy of budget speech by Cllr Adam Duguid
- \*Changes to Lincolnshire Mobile Library Service

Circulated amongst members

- \*Letter from resident on Scothern Lane objecting to being asked to cut back his overhanging trees.
- \*Letter from LCC re new funding to improve access to key services in the area – members agreed that this be passed to the proprietor of the shop.

Mention was made that the Parish Paths/Walks around Sudbrooke booklet may need revising. This would be an agenda item for the next meeting of the Parish Council.

### **188 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY – ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

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Doors, security locks, cupboards, wardrobes, curtain rails, shelves, garden gates, fitted or repaired. Kitchen alterations.

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# Report of Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 13th May 2010

**Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman** - Councillor Miss Rose Dobbs was elected Chairman and Councillor Paul Rignall Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

**Green Way** - A resident had drawn attention, through Sudbrooke News, that the street nameplate for Green Way has incorrect at Holme Drive. The Clerk would notify WLDC Street team of this and also request that Green Way be added to the St Edward's Drive street nameplate.

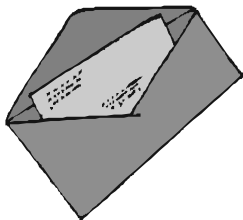
**Quad bikes in Sudbrooke Park** - There had been an incident of quad bikers in the woods and a copy of the letter from Somerville Properties giving authority to the Police to act in the owner's absence had again been sent to the Police.

**Highway matters** - There are many outstanding highway matters in the village, potholes, broken kerbs, bus shelter repairs - which the Parish Council is getting little or no response from the Highways Department. It was agreed to invite the Principal Highways Officer to a meeting of the Parish Council to discuss these items.

**Allotments** - A resident had offered an area of land in Scothern for possible allotment use. A site meeting had been held and the feasibility of this along with an adjacent plot was being considered

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Thursday 3rd June 2010**

There have been comments in the village about post being delivered to wrong addresses on several occasions. If you are concerned about this, as it has happened to you, contact should be made, in writing, to the Royal Mail at the Sorting Office on Firth Road, Lincoln.



## The Dogs (fouling of land) Act 1996

makes it an offence 'for any person responsible for a dog not to remove the faeces should it foul on any land to which the public have access'. It is not a defence to claim ignorance of the dogs' actions or of the law, or to not have a suitable device to remove the faeces. Fixed penalty notices can be issued to offenders or a fine of up to £1000 may be applied.

# LETTERS

**Dear Editor**

## **REFERENCE LINCOLN CITY RADIO**

Approximately three weeks ago a press release was circulated to you regarding the above new radio station which you kindly printed.

Unfortunately the quoted email address has now changed and we would really appreciate it, if you have to space to tell your readers about the new address:

[lincolncityradio@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lincolncityradio@hotmail.co.uk)

**Jilly Day**  
**Office Manager/Research**

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**Dear Editor**

I bet every reader of this journal who drives a vehicle and lives in Sudbrooke has at some time waited at the junction of Wragby Road and Scothern Lane when traffic has been heavy on the main road. Sometimes it can be for ages before a suitable gap appears in a constant stream of traffic. We have all been there, darn right irritating isn't it ? . When you are in a hurry there is a temptation to take a bit of a risk and perhaps nip into a gap in the traffic that is not really large enough and when we do that it can be dangerous. But if we are honest I think we have all done it. Because otherwise you feel like you will be there all day. Often there can be five or six cars waiting behind you also trying to join the main road.

Don't you just wish that every dozen of so cars travelling on the main road some kind person would hang back a little and leave a short space for a car in the side roads to join the main stream.?. Isn't it nice when someone does that and out you go !! I hope you raise a hand, or flash your hazard lights or otherwise thank that kind driver. Then what do you do ?? To judge by most drivers I have observed you probably race to get within a few feet behind the car in front and so close up the gap and prevent another driver in the side roads from Cherry or Nettleham from entering the main road traffic. Why ??Think on !!. That was you a moment ago !!. It's nice to be nice !!. Please leave a small gap behind the car in front so that some other poor chap (who has probably been waiting just as long as you )can get out. That way you will reduce the risk of an accident as some impatient or desperate driver takes a chance and nips out into the main stream.

It won't delay you more than a few seconds. You can easily catch up the car in front by the time you get to the roundabout at the bottom of Wragby Road.

## LETTERS Cont'd....

Remember what I have said ...it's nice to be nice !!. Another way to help your fellow villagers and show a bit of courtesy and common sense is that when you are approaching Scothern Lane from the direction of Lincoln and you see traffic waiting to exit ... image that it was you waiting for a gap in the traffic. Just slow down a little after signalling your left turn ( I don't mean down to a crawl ), but just hang back a little. The stream of traffic behind you will have to also slow slightly because of the central islands until you turn left into the slip road and they can roar off on their way. That small gap that you have created will be a Godsend to the poor mortal in Scothern Lane and Robert is your Dad's brother. Out he goes quite safely. You know it makes sense !!.

Happy safe motoring to you all. !!

**Frank Nuttall**

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**Dear Editor**

Thank you for putting-together successive issues of "Sudbrooke News". It's arrival through our letter box is always welcomed, and we both read it with a great deal of interest. Two things particularly grabbed our attention in the May issue:

We liked the front cover - even if it was included as something of a "stop gap"! Can we have a .pdf copy of the Sudbrooke Holme sale catalogue please? The Millennium Stone and the surrounding area is becoming increasingly attractive - despite the attempts of utilities contractors in recent months! - and the efforts of the wood carvers and others has been greatly appreciated. The proposed lighting of the Millennium Stone is a really good idea and will enhance the area even more. When we first "discovered" Sudbrooke prior to moving here a year-or-so ago, the Millennium Stone immediately gained our interest. Does anyone know anything about it's geological origins? Is it a glacial erratic? Where was it found?

By-the-way, we quite like living in "Sudbrooke's Phantom Street" - one of the quirky things that makes living in Sudbrooke special! We all found it quite hilarious when our eldest Son's new in-laws (on their first visit from Chesterfield on a dark winters night) rang us from Greenway in Welton to say they couldn't find our bungalow. Yet another reason NOT to put faith in Sat-Nav - actually reading a map is much more fun anyway!!

**Paul & Margaret Creasey**

## LETTERS Cont'd....

### Dear Editor

The letter in last months Sudbrooke News about horse manure brought back memories .

"*When I were nought but a lad* " in a town near here just after the war I remember well the Coop milkman who delivered milk with his horse drawn milk float used to stop outside our house and tie up his horse to the lamp post outside our house. He would put the feed bag over its mouth and leave it there whilst he visited the lady who lived next door to us for about an hour most days. My Mum told me that he was visiting his Auntie and having his morning cocoa ...( as I said ..."I were nought but a lad " ).

When the milk float went away I would be issued with a metal bucket and small shovel and had the job of collecting the inevitable pile of dung left on the road and popping it on Dads compost heap in the garden. We always had a lovely show of roses and rhubarb.

The lady next door was a very nice lady who looked a lot like that actress Barbara Windsor and usually wore a floral headscarf and obviously was a late riser because she was usually still in her nightdress and dressing gown most mornings .

Years later I heard that hit record by Benny Hill " Ernie the fastest milkman in the west "and had many a smile about him and his cup of cocoa. I was a lot older then ....I wouldn't mind a bucket of horse manure a day now.

It reminds me of the joke made by an ageing Les Dawson who said ..."I still enjoy sex at 70 .....I live at No 60 so it's not far to go !!!.

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Between the end of March and middle of May to date this year there have been 7 offences against vehicles recorded for the village of Sudbrooke.

The offences include damage to a windscreen, theft of wiper blades and other minor car parts, theft of fuel from tanks and also damage to fuel tanks.

All offences occur during the hours of darkness and there is no particular pattern to the days that these are occurring.

Ordinarily Jackie and myself would try to educate residents about vehicle security and leaving valuable items on display when thefts from vehicles occur. However as thieves are stealing items from off vehicles this is more difficult for us. If you do not have a garage to house your vehicle overnight it COULD be yours next!

What we ask is that everybody be vigilant during the hours of darkness and to report any suspicious activities or persons immediately to the Police. If warranted via 999 or alternatively via the routine number 0300 111 0300. Please DO NOT wait for myself or Jackie to be on duty to inform us of any suspicious occurrences, as vital evidence could be lost and possible offenders missed.

We are starting to receive a number of complaints by local residents in Sudbrooke, of incidents occurring within Sudbrooke Woods. The complaints include the use of an 'off road' bike and/or quad bike, this causes concern for local residents because of the noise pollution and the obvious dangers to the riders of such machines and persons driving or walking around the area. Other complaints we have received also include the woods (in particular near to the Beresford Drive play park) where youths are using the area to consume alcohol and other illegal substances. Quite often as an effect of alcohol and drug abuse other offences come into play including damage or assault and anti social behaviour increases. This of course causes concerns for local residents and visitors to the area. We would like to encourage any resident who witnesses any events within the woods or that may be connected in any way to contact the police. Remember if it is something that is happening then and there and it is warranted please ring 999, if it is less urgent then call on the new non emergency number 0300 111 0300. If it is information in relation to something that has been seen or heard then you can contact myself or PCSO Jackie Parker via email or our mobiles (as advertised on the Force Internet). We will be making regular patrols of the area as this is now one of our Policing Priorities and to prevent these incidents from escalating and becoming more frequent we would ask that all local residents support us, be vigilant and report any incidents of concern in relation to this matter.

# The Old Codger.....



I don't know about you but I just love watching old black and white films on TV. Especially the English ones made by Ealing, Pine-wood or Shepperton studios just after the war. I watched one the other day and it was filmed on location in a street that showed a night-watchman sitting outside his little canvas hut beside a glowing coke brazier sipping his mug of tea after tending the red paraffin lamps surrounding the road works he was guarding in the dimly gas lit street. It was a common sight in those days and provided valuable employment for elderly old men and often for wounded ex service men. It gave them a useful job to do and in those days of smoke and smog filled dark winter nights, it must

have saved many accidents. What few cars were about during the night on the road had very poor lights and barely gave any light ahead .

Don't forget that everyone had coal fires in those days and most industrial works belched forth smoke and steam. It was not uncommon for visibility to be down to a few yards during darkness so the lanterns alongside road works were a real necessity. Before the coming of battery powered plastic road lamps that you see on every road works today they were red square metal paraffin lamps with wicks that needed trimming and topping up with paraffin every couple of hours. In addition the barriers had to be checked to keep them in position in gusty wind conditions. These were the jobs of the night watchman....( The number of those new fangled plastic ones you see blown down these days perhaps there is a case for resurrecting a watchman ).

My Granddad was a night-watchman and many is the time that I ran from the family home to take him a jug of tea and some crusty bread to toast on his lovely glowing coke fire. No thermos flasks in those days. It was an enamel jug with a cup fitted snugly at the top. Often chipped, the blue under glazing showed through the white enamel and it had a wire swing handle at the top. I wonder how many of you fellow Old Codgers had one in your family. I loved the smell of the blazing coke ....it was probably full of dangerous gas fumes but we didn't know about such things in those days and we loved it. I can still picture my old



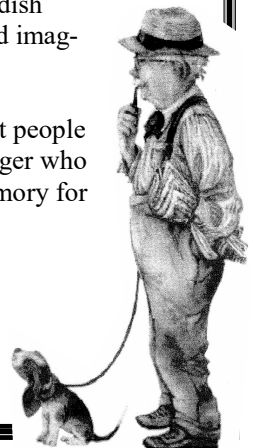
Granddad sitting beside his fire puffing his thick dirty old pipe full of St Bruno tobacco with his stained first world war type bushy moustache.

The local Bobby on the beat would often be standing talking to Granddad and would share a cup of tea with him as they exchanged information and chat about what was happening in the area. I can't help thinking that much local information is lost today by not having Bobbies on the Beat talking to folks. I don't remember the last time I saw anyone just chatting to a local passing Bobby. Nowadays they always seem to be a bit like firemen racing around in cars on their way to events that have already happened instead of, by their very presence, perhaps preventing them happening in the first place .

Granddad often had a couple of passers by on the way home from dance halls or pubs and working men's clubs standing warming themselves and chatting to him when I reached him. He would proudly introduce me to them as his grandchild. Some of these folk were very kind and often they would give me a couple of pence or occasionally a three penny bit or a tanner ( sixpence ) for pocket money. Folks who had money were kind in those days..

Another job my Granddad had was that of a Lamplighter. This was because all the street lights in those days were gas lit ( None of your modern Neon jobs with automatic switches that they have today ). These square shaped lamps were on upright fluted poles about ten feet high and had a swinging metal arm beneath them with a wire ring at each end . This arm controlled whether the gas was fully on lighting up the main lamp or just on pilot light mode. It was the job of the Lamplighter to pull on the metal ring at the end of the swinging arm to switch on the light in the evening at dusk and pull down on the reverse ring in the morning to switch the light off . To reach the lever a six foot long pole with a hook was supplied and on his heavy old pedal cycle he would visit every lamp on his large round twice a day to keep the streets lit. I often in my childish imagination used to see him cycling along with his long pole and imagine he looked like one of those Knights of Old with his lance .

Oh well !!!...that's progress I suppose !!!...just two of the jobs that people did that have now gone forever . I'm just a sentimental Old Codger who looks back fondly to times gone by. I hope I stirred the odd memory for you .



THE ROYAL BRITISH  
**LEGION**



## WELTON & DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Despite the cold weather, we had a very good day at the Welton May Fair, so thank you to everyone who came to see us at our stall.

Our meeting this month will be on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> June, at The Falconer, starting at 7.00pm. We have a guest speaker, who will be talking about the Importance of Making Wills, Power of Attorney, Lifetime Trusts and Property Trusts. As this is such an important

subject, the talk will be open to the general public, as well as our members. If you are interested, do come along to hear what he has to say.

We will be having a stall at the Wickenby Wings and Wheels event on Saturday and Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> June, and we will also be at the Dunholme Village Fete on Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> June. If you are going to either event, do pop in and see us. You can be sure of a friendly reception.

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# GARDENING NEWS



The weather is more settled now, and with the longer daylight hours is encouraging rapid growth in both plants and weeds alike.

The lawn in the front garden has suffered badly due to the extreme conditions of the winter, has now been scarified and over seeded, followed by an application of fertilizer, which it is hoped will restore it. The lawn in the back garden will receive the same treatment. I bought a new power driven scarifier, which scarifies and spikes The lawn and is proving to be very efficient.

Bedding plants which have been grown in the greenhouse and hardened off in cold frames will be planted in the wall baskets along the front of the house. The wall baskets have proved to be a better choice than the hanging baskets which were there previously, but which suffered more from the wind. An automatic watering system saves a lot of hard work and keeps the plants healthy. Onions planted in the vegetable plot were damaged due to squirrels digging holes. I have therefore made a simple vegetable cage, using bamboo canes and rubber ball joints, covered by netting which is fastened to the sides of the wooden frame around the raised bed. I am hoping this will be effective.

The tomatoes and cucumbers are now planted, using a large bottomless flower-pot inserted into a Tomorite giant tomato planter, and situated in the polytunnel. Aubergines and mixed peppers will also be grown in the polytunnel. The battle continues with the ground elder, which for the time being's under control, but which will need continued attention. Delphiniums, lupins, marguerites, achillea, tradescantia, hemerocallis and many more are now growing strongly, and should produce a good show.

Roses are growing in another area, near the greenhouse and by the pergola which runs along the back of the house. The pergola has been partly, and temporarily dismantled while work has been carried out on the guttering. With this work completed the pergola will be replaced. A golden hop climbs up two of the posts, and will go over the top. Once it resumes growth in the spring, it grows rapidly seeming to increase by inches every day, and dying back completely in the autumn. A honeysuckle which grows up and over the top also had to be cut down completely, but is now showing the first signs of new growth.

Farewell for now, let's hope the sun keeps shining.

G P

# Old Codger's Postbag



## Dear Old Codger

In your last piece in Sudbrooke News you told us all about the joys of being a Grandad. I would like to draw attention to the joys of being a Grandma (or Nanna as I prefer to be called ) and what that involves :

Firstly it means putting up with the grumpy old man who is Grandad.... Cooking, washing, ironing, baking, and all the other mundane things so the Grandad can spend his time enjoying the grandchildren. This is in addition to picking up the children from school, attending school concerts, open evenings, sports days etc. There seem to always be scraped little elbows and knees to be kissed better, hair to be brushed and bunched and plaited, noses to be blown, nettle rashes to be soothed, dust in eyes to be removed and nappies to be changed. Never mind, I love it ..!! It makes me feel wanted again. I love my Grandchildren. It keeps me young and active. I love showing them how to cook cakes and biscuits, make jelly and blancmange, knit and sew. Young girls and boys love it and Mummy often has too little time. So don't think it's only Granddads that have all the fun.

Let's hear it for Grandma's.

## Mary Wilson

*On the theme of Grandmas a little poem I recently came across .....*

The computer swallowed grandma.  
Yes, honestly its true!  
She pressed 'control' and 'enter'  
And disappeared from view.

It devoured her completely,  
The thought just makes me squirm.  
She must have caught a virus  
Or been eaten by a worm.  
I've searched through the recycle bin

And files of every kind;  
I've even used the Internet,  
But nothing did I find.  
In desperation, I asked Jesus  
My searches to refine.  
The reply from Him was negative,  
Not a thing was found 'online.'  
So, if inside your 'In box,'  
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# BACKWARDS GLANCE AT SUDBOOKE NEWS

## **Issue No 103 dated May 1986**

Under Susan Wilkinson, the inspired hardworking editor of the day Sudbrooke News was celebrating the fact that it was, for the first time, breaking new ground with an issue of 20 pages ( I wonder what the readers would think of today's 36 pages ) It had progressed from the original single sheet of typewritten thin and duplicated paper to a professionally printed and produced very readable magazine packed full of readers letters, news about village events, sports events and things taking place in the village. All of the local schools sent in short monthly reviews of school activities and achievements. That's something that would be nice if they did nowadays. The original editor Claude Bramham must have been so proud of the baby he had first produced in 1977 that had grown to be such a success. If he could foresee today's product he would have been over the moon.....Thanks to everyone who has contributed in between times to make the journal you are reading now.

## **Issue No 79 dated May 1984**

After several well attended public meetings in the village where the strong views of many villagers put forward the pros and cons of allowing a public house to be licensed at the Cherry Tree Cafe it was decided that the application should be refused. Mainly on the grounds of road safety.

## **Issue no 99 dated January 1986**

This reported the hand over from the builders of The Village Hall on the 18th December 1985. What a proud day after all the efforts of the very many people who had raised money to help fund this wonderful building which is such a tribute to all those whose attended meetings, supported events and generally put themselves out to provide the venue which we all enjoy today. Well done all of you.!

Obviously the hand over was just an empty shell and an appeal went out for folks to supply unwanted and unused good quality items such as kitchen utensils, cutlery and other furnishings to help equip the building. A list of proposed events that the building expected to host included a chess club, indoor bowls, whist drives, a casino club, jumble sales and a pre school nursery.

There were suggestions that a car boot sale could be held occasionally in the car park or sports field to help finance the Hall. Perhaps the Car boot idea could be used these days during the summer months to raise funds for things like the provision of seats and flowers around the village. Or being really ambitious, a bowling green.

This was suggested by a reader writing in last months edition this year so some ideas still keep cropping up.



## **SUDBROOKE COMMUNITY WOODCARVING PROJECT 2**

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We think the weather knows what we are up to! Every time we put our boots on or head for the door on recent Sunday afternoons it has started to rain.

However slight it seems, its making everyone stop in their tracks. Forgetting the great wood carving workout that is before them and which is so good for mind, body and spirit and instead end up wrapping up in a blanket watching and wondering if we will ever get any warmth again!

So even on that encouraging note to Sudbrooke Village I am still going to say come and join the wood carving that brings out your creative skills and adds some fun to boot! I might even say if its necessary bring your blanket! It would be great for more people to come along and take part, we need you! No experience is needed, you will be shown how to do things at your own pace, its not hard work..or at least not that hard... its fun and its amazing when you see what you hope to carve is actually coming out of the woodwork, so to speak, and it does!!

We meet on Sunday afternoons for 2hrs starting at 2pm and on Monday mornings for 2hrs starting at 10am. If you would like to know more or would like to come and join in to see what you think then please give me a ring Helen Link on 01522 595802 ( leave a number and I will get back if on answer phone)

Many thanks to all those people who have spied us carving on their walks around the village and have called in to see what's taking place, its very encouraging and great to hear what you think so far.....did I hear rubbish!  
I don't believe it!

Well, there you have it, now is it boots or blanket, boots or blanket, boots or .....ah, come on, go for it!....BOOTS!



**Helen**

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# **Sports Day/Fun Day** **Sunday 12th September from 2-00pm**

**The Village Hall Committee, Pre-School Group and Parish Plan Group have met a couple of times to consider the organisation and content of what will be a great afternoon out for Sudbrooke's children and adults.**

We plan to start at 2-00pm and are looking for a local celebrity to help us do it in style.

The sports programme (32 events) will run from 2-30 to 4-30pm. We plan to provide prizes for winning contestants ( 1st, 2nd and 3rd places ) and soft drinks for children.

All of this is absolutely free, there are no charges to attend sports/fun day or enter the races.

What else is proposed?

Tombola and Raffle  
Children's Tombola  
Craft stalls  
Cake stall  
Pony rides  
Skittles  
Bouncy Castle  
Live music  
Table Top Sale  
Name the Teddy  
Grand National  
Demonstrations from local clubs and associations

## **How can you help?**

Please put the date in your diary and make sure you and your family members attend.

If you are willing to get involved in some way, please contact any Village Hall Committee member, Pre-School Group member or myself.

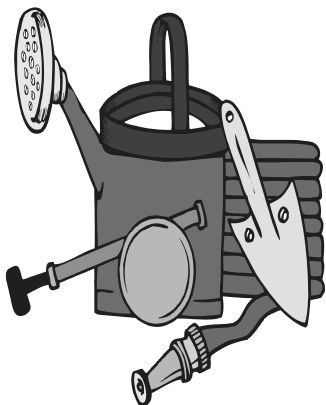
If you are willing to sponsor a race, the going rate is £10. Please contact myself for details. We are happy to publicise your generosity if you wish.

The full programme should be published in Sudbrooke News in July/September.

**Mike Halliday    Chairman Parish Plan Group    Tel 754686.**



## SUSBROOKE GARDENING CLUB



### Spring Show

The members decision to run the show 2 weeks later than usual was put in doubt by the sunny April weather, so it was pleasing to see all classes of plants were contested.

Show judges Stuart and Lyn Curtis congratulated exhibitors on the quality of their exhibits and said how difficult it had been to decide on winning entries particularly for daffodils, tulips and flowering shrubs.

The handicraft section was also of the highest quality.

For the second year running, Christopher Warwick from the junior section, won the 'best in show' with his floral arrangement.

Other class winners were Barry Reeves, Janet Stocker, Jenny Williams, Pam Peace, Eileen Alderson, and Gill Rignall. Mike Halliday was the member with most points scored.

### May Meeting

Mike and Sheila Cannon's hard work in preparing their colourful gardens was rewarded by a fine but cold evening.

Members were able to appreciate the mature Magnolia tree in full flower, the Hellebores and Pansies in the front garden and a wide variety of plants and small trees in the back garden.

The lawns looked immaculate so early in the year.

The quiz comprised horticultural and general knowledge questions and was won by the Scothern Lane team of David and Sandy Bowles and Mike and Margaret Halliday.

### Next Meeting is Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June

Will be hosted by David and Sandy Bowles at Stonebrooke House, 46 Scothern Lane, from 7-30pm.

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### How does it work?

There are normally two forms of drainage in most houses connected to mains sewers - surface water and foul water.

- Surface water drains carry rainwater from road surfaces and rooftops into local rivers and streams which flows into the river untreated.
- Foul water drains carry waste water from toilets, sinks, baths and household appliances to the sewage treatment works. This water is treated before it can safely flow back into river and streams.

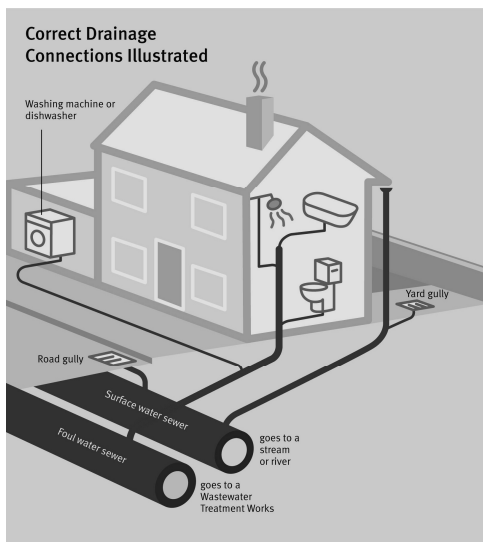
Some older houses may have a combined drainage system which takes both surface and waste water. In this case all the water goes into the foul sewer for treatment.

### How can you check for misconnected pipes?

Check the outside of your property:

- A roof rain pipe is connected to the roof gutter and carries rainwater to the surface drain.
- A toilet pipe is usually larger in diameter than a roof drainpipe and may have a vent at the top. This should have all your waste water from dishwashers, toilets etc connecting to it.

The property owner must fix any misconnected pipes. It is often simple and cheap to sort out the problem



**If you do not fix a wrongly connected pipe, you could face a fine of up to £20,000.** For more information on misconnected pipes and how you can check your home, visit [www.connectright.org.uk](http://www.connectright.org.uk) or telephone the Environment Agency on 0845 603 3113.

## COUNTRY WALKS



### May walk.

A local gem of a walk took the group from Welton village hall around the Hackthorn Estate in a circular route. Hackthorn Hall, the lake and local church looked stunning in the bright spring sunshine.

It is really pleasing that there are landowners around who permit responsible walkers to cross their land and enjoy spectacular sights that would otherwise be missed by most people.

### Next walk is Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

A walk of about 7 miles around the Woodhall Spa area. Mostly easy level walking using field paths, village footpaths and quiet lanes.

Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30am prepared for car sharing, the journey time is about 30 minutes.

Walkers are advised to wear suitable footwear, take a waterproof coat, a small snack and a drink.

If you wish to walk and need a lift, do please turn up. Everyone is welcome to join in this free and healthy activity.

### Future walk Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30am prepared for car sharing. The venue is to be agreed but will be a walk new to the group within a reasonable distance to Sudbrooke.

**Mike Halliday**

**Tel 754686.**

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## Sudbrooke's Best Kept Front Garden Competition



4 members of Sudbrooke Gardening Club have agreed to judge this competition.

They plan to look at all front gardens as visible from the footpath in the 2 weeks ending 29th June. 6 gardens will be short listed as potential winning entries.

The judges will then be joined by the competition sponsor from Scothern Garden Centre to decide on 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed gardens. This final judging will happen in the week ended 5th July.

Some obvious elements the judges will consider include:

- Absence of rubbish
- Good maintenance of lawns, hedges, trees, shrubs and flowers where present.
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Our respiratory nurse advises us that we are still short of loaned nebulisers being returned – please let us have them back after the loan period so that they may be given to other patients in need of treatment.

The reception staff continue to report problems with patients demanding to be seen by Dr Barton, despite the fact that he has now reduced his commitment in the practice to two days per week. Whilst we appreciate the frustrations some will feel, we will not tolerate patients being rude or impolite to our staff who are only carrying out their duties. It is not possible to offer the same service to all his former patients in these changed circumstances and we would respectfully ask patients to appreciate this.

**Sallie Stead**

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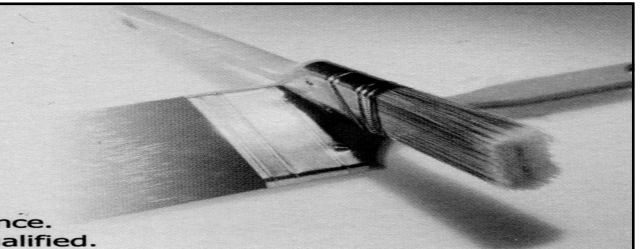
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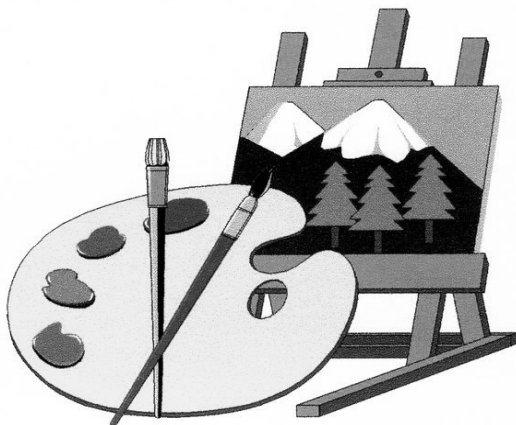
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### **Forthcoming Events:**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June:** Members' evening.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July:** Summer Lunch at The Carpenter's Arms, Fiskerton. There will be no meeting during August.

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September:** Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue

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## WELTON & DISTRICT PATIENTS ASSOC.

We would just like to say Thank you to all who attended the Spring Lunch as well as all the people that helped out and made this such a successful event. All the money raised (£557.43) is going to the Transport scheme.

We would just like to remind everyone of the following fundraising event.

### **SATURDAY 9TH OCTOBER AUTUMN FAYRE**

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from premises so as to be prejudicial to health or a nuisance'. In practice, for smoke from a bonfire to be a nuisance, the bonfires would have to be a regular problem and interfere with the use or enjoyment of your property

If persistent bonfire smoke is causing you a problem, then the best way to approach the situation would be to speak to the neighbour first and discuss the matter. Although not an easy step, this may rectify the problem as your neighbour may not have realised that they were disturbing you. If this does not work, then the local authority can investigate your complaint, and as a result of an investigation, has powers to take legal action under the Environmental Protection Act 1990, to prevent the problem from recurring. You may also take private action in a Magistrates Court under the Environmental Protection Act 1990. However if the fires are only occasional, then it is unlikely to result in a Statutory Nuisance.

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The Dunholme Camera Club has 2 meetings in June our first will be on the 10<sup>th</sup> June when the members of the club will have "Cameras in hand" and will be visiting Gainsborough to capture the sites through the lens, this should be an entertaining evening (as long as the weather is kind to us) so all of the members need to get their kit together for that night.

Our second meeting on the 24<sup>nd</sup> June will be the Lincolnshire Photographic "Battles" we will be hosting a round of the Battles competition at Dunholme so make sure that you come along and see images from other clubs from around the county.

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### **Nettleham Library Opening Times**

Tues ...10am to 1pm  
 Wed... 2pm to 7pm  
 Friday...2pm to 7pm  
 Sat ... 10am to 1pm

### **Forthcoming Sudbrooke Parish Council Meetings**

3rd June,  
 1st July, 2nd September, 7th October,  
 4th November, 2nd December

All Thursdays, 7.30pm in the  
 Village Hall.