

# Sudbrooke News

December 2007



**SUDBROOKE  
CHRISTMAS TREE  
LIGHTS  
SWITCH ON**



**SUNDAY 2 DECEMBER – 4.30 pm**

Carols by the tree on Scothern Lane followed by mulled wine and mince pies around the tree.

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FAMILY !!**

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Welcome to December's edition of Sudbrooke News.

No editorial last month - I ran out of space and my ramblings drew the short straw.

One limitation of the magazine, from my perspective, is gauging how many pages I will need each month. I can only add/reduce four magazine pages at a time (i.e. one A4 page - 2 magazine pages on the front and back). This usually means I end up

either squeezing things in or padding them out.

This edition is reaching your doormats a week early.... hopefully just in time to remind you of Sudbrooke's Christmas Tree Lights Switch on on Sunday 2nd. A great way to kick-start Christmas for young and old.....Now then, where did I put the kid's lanterns from last year ?

Well, Octobers plea for more letters turned out to be the kiss of death. Only one this month, hopefully more in January? Please.....

Happy Christmas to all and a big thank you to everyone working behind the scenes to get this magazine to your door. And finally.....as 2008 rapidly approaches... best wishes for a very happy and peaceful New Year.

**Nick**

*ps.....please note the deadline for contributions to January's edition is 15 December.*

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## **WHAT'S ON**

### **Whist and Carpet Bowls**

Meets every Thursday at 2:00 pm at Sudbrooke village hall. Tea, coffee and a chat. Contact Cyril Alderson on 751023 for details.

### **Mah-Jong**

Meets every Monday at 7:00 pm at Sudbrooke village hall. If you are interested in this fascinating Chinese game, why not come and join us in a non-smoking environment.

Enquiries to Eleanor Walker on 595157 or Thelma Whitworth on 751881.

### **Sudbrooke and Langworth Playgroup**

We meet at Sudbrooke Village hall Friday mornings during term time (except the 2nd Friday of the month) from 10am till 11.45am. On the 2nd Friday of the month we meet at Langworth Memorial Hall from 10am to 11.45am.

Contacts Haley 752287, Karen 750792 and Becky 752936

### **Pre-school Group**

For children aged two and a half to school age; meets at Sudbrooke village hall Mon 9:15-11.45, Tue, Wed & Thurs mornings 9:15-12:00.

Enquiries may be made at the Village Hall during sessions or by contacting Mrs Carole Guest, 01673 862094.

### **1st Sudbrooke Brownies**

Meets Wednesdays 6:00-7:30 pm at Sudbrooke village hall.

Contact Mrs Liz Houlden on 753497.

### **Kickboxing**

Every Thursday between 5 and 6pm at Sudbrooke village hall.

### **Sudbrooke Seniors (Coffee Club)**

We meet every 2nd Friday in the month at 10.30 am in Sudbrooke village hall for coffee biscuits and a good chat. Anyone over the age of 50 is more than welcome - why not come along and bring a friend.

### **25th Lincoln Scout Group**

Beavers, Cubs and Scouts meet on Tuesdays at Scothern Recreation Hall.

Contact Nick Cornwell-Smith on 0845-0946352.

### **Sudbrooke Craft Club**

Tuesday evening meetings at the village hall are suspended until March 2008. If you are interested in crafting of any kind and meeting up with others who share your interests, please contact Jacqui Armitage on 01522 753670 or email: [Jacqui.Armitage@ajs-it.co.uk](mailto:Jacqui.Armitage@ajs-it.co.uk). We're still meeting up, but at each other's houses, as there are only 4 stalwart people left!!!

## VICAR'S LETTER

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

Writing this in mid November, Christmas and the New Year still seem to me some way off – though I expect some folk will be regularly counting down the days to them !

This year, **Carol Services** will be held at :-  
St. Hugh Langworth on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00 p.m.  
St. Edward Sudbrooke on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00 p.m.

The **Christmas Service Programme** will be :-  
Sunday 23 December – as per usual  
Fourth Sunday (see the Church Diary)  
Monday 24 December (Christmas Eve)  
11.45 p.m. Midnight Communion at St. Edward Sudbrooke  
Tuesday 25 December (Christmas Day)  
9.00 a.m. Communion at St. Edward Barlings  
10.30 a.m. Family Service at St. Hugh Langworth

The turn of a year is traditionally a time of both reflection and anticipation. For many the last year has not been a happy one, and our thoughts are with

them as they reflect on losses and disappointments. Our society still seems to have an air of uncertainty and lack of stability in too many areas. Many folk seem uneasy as to what the future holds. Both on the home front and internationally there are troubling situations, while some horrendous crimes and events have been reported in the news. Sometimes we feel quite powerless as individuals in the face of events. It is at these times that we most need to pause and come before God, give thanks for the new life that he offers in Jesus Christ, and ask his Holy Spirit for the peace we need to live our lives effectively in turbulent conditions.

When we are at peace in our relationship with God, then that peace outflows into a peace within ourselves and a peace with those we come into contact with.

May you all experience something of God's peace this Christmas and be regenerated for the coming year. I wish you a very happy and blessed Christmas and New Year.

Yours, in Christ,  
**Robert Spaight**

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	DECEMBER 2007		
2 Sunday	<b>Advent 1</b>		
	9.00	Communion	St.John Stainton
	10.30	Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00	Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
3 Monday	7.30	Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
9 Sunday	<b>Advent 2</b>		
	9.00	BCP said Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	10.30	Family Service (Brownies)	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00	Carol Service	St.Hugh Langworth
10 Monday	7.30	Home Group Party	The Vicarage
16 Sunday	<b>Advent 3</b>		
	10.30	Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	3.00	Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
	7.00	Carol Service	St.Edward Sudbrooke
23 Sunday	<b>Advent 4</b>		
	9.00	Communion	St.Edward Barlings
	10.30	Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00	Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
24 Monday	<b>Christmas Eve</b>		
	11.45 p.m.	Midnight Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
25 Tuesday	<b>Christmas Day</b>		
	9.00	Communion	St.Edward Barlings
	10.30	Family Service	St.Hugh Langworth
30 Sunday	<b>Christmas 1</b>		
	9.00	BCP said Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	10.30	Family Service / Baptism	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	3.00	Family Service / Baptism	St. Hugh Langworth

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**New Years Eve**

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# ***PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES***

## **NOTES OF THE MEETING OF SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2007 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SUDBROOKE**

**PRESENT: Councillors:- M Dickie (Chairman), R Adams, S Curtis, P Rignall, M Halliday, Miss R Dobbs, D Ordish, Mrs C Myers (Clerk), Mrs B Solly (Treasurer), 3 members of the public, County Councillor R Hiscox**

**APOLOGIES: Councillor I Russell**

### **62 PARISHIONERS ITEMS**

It was brought to the attention of the Council that the footpaths and highway on Chestnut Close and Chestnut Drive require attention. The Clerk would contact the Highways Department regarding this.

It was also noted that the street sweeper was not sweeping into the Park Gates area causing a build up of debris. Councillor Stuart Curtis would take this up with the Street Cleansing Team.

**63 POLICE MATTERS** - There was no Police present at the meeting.

### **64 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

County Councillor Roger Hiscox reported that the Highways Department had been funded an additional £500,000 for maintenance work.

The responsibility of the local authorities was outlined regarding

flooding.

The Parish Council brought to the attention of the County Councillor notice that frontages on the road between Sudbrooke and Nettleham were encroaching onto the land belonging to the Highway and concern was made that if this was allowed it may cause a problem in the future, if or when, a Cycle path between the two villages became a reality.

### **66 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING**

**a) Parish Plan and Action Plan –** Cllr M Halliday said the Parish Plan Group had met on 11th September and covered the following matters:

- 1** - Clarification of the eligibility criteria for traffic lights would be sought from Lincs County Council.
- 2** - A satellite doctors surgery was not available to Sudbrooke according to the Practice Manager. The legal position concerning the prescription pick-up point was under review.
- 3** - A large enough site had been identified in Sudbrooke for the proposed new Nettleham medical practice and the landowner had expressed a willingness to participate subject to various conditions being satisfied. This had been conveyed to the Practice Manager.
- 4** - West Lindsey Local Development Framework consultation - the parish plan relevant issues had been incorporated into the Parish Council's response.
- 5** - Open Day would be held on Friday 12th October to enable parishioners to register interest in new or existing activities .

**b) Sports Day Review –** It was

## **PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES cont'd....**

reported that the Sports Day had been a successful event, with glorious weather. There had been a total of £370.00 sponsorship. The possibility of purchasing a megaphone for use at future events was suggested.

**c) Footbridge – West Drive** – This had again been vandalized and the Parish Council agreed unanimously to offer a reward of £50 leading to the successful prosecution of the vandal(s) concerned.

**d) Overhanging shrubs** – Cllr Paul Rignall had cut back the foliage covering the road sign near to the village hall.

**e) Trees – Holme Drive/Courtfield Close** – Members had looked at these trees and it felt that no cutting back was necessary at the present time. It was agreed that the matter be left in abeyance.

**f) Dropped Kerbs** – Councillor Derek Ordish had been asked to attend a site meeting with a member of the Highways Team on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2007.

**g) Christmas Tree Event** – Arrangements for this event were progressing. The Clerk was asked to publicise the event in local magazines and notice boards.

### **67 SPORTSFIELD COMMITTEE**

It was noted that the lease for the sportsfield on Scothern Lane would be expiring in 2008 and Councillors agreed to request a meeting with the owners to discuss the possibility of its extension and a way forward.

### **68 GRASS CUTTING**

The Parish Council had been asked by the County Council to include an area of verge on Scothern Lane in the Parish Council's grass cutting contract and reimbursement would be covered under the Amenity cutting scheme. A price from Service team was being sought.

**69 CONSERVATION** - Nothing to report.

### **70 PLANNING**

**a) West Lindsey Local Development Framework Consultation** – The Parish Council had met and agreed a reply on this item.

#### **b) Applications:-**

Park Farm, Main Drive – 120999 – Outline application to erect a dwelling in connection with agriculture – Comments:-

- There is alternative housing



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available locally,

- This dwelling is not essential to the operational running of the enterprise
- There is no essential need
- It would have adverse impact on open countryside

Rear of 35 Wragby Road – 121001  
Erect proposed new infill backland dwelling – comments:-

- This Parish Council supports the neighbours objections
- This is backland development and would set a dangerous precedent on Wragby Road. It would be detrimental to the street scene.
- There would be a significant level of nuisance resulting from movement of vehicles to and from the proposed development past the bungalow to the east.

Oaklands, 75 Wragby Road – 120992 - alterations to property – No comments.

Langdale Lodge, Station Road, Langworth – 120535 and 120536 – alteration of application sites (red line and blue line changed) – no comments.

8 Park Close – 120901 – Sun Room, first floor extension – no comments  
*NB Councillor Miss R Dobbs declared a personal interest in this application, it being her own property, and left the room between 8.40pm and 8.45pm whilst this application was discussed.*

### **b) Permissions:-**

4 Woolley Road – 120709 – single storey extension  
4 Manor Drive – 120803 – retain shed

and erect car port  
2 St Edward's Drive – 120858 – Conservatory  
Hall Farm – 120505 – Erect chicken broiler/breeder house

TPO – 4 Oak Close – Pollard Willow, top leylandii, prune cherry within S2 of Sudbrooke 1950 Order – no objections

### **71 SUDBROOKE NEWS**

The December issue of Sudbrooke News would be published early in order to advertise the Christmas Tree Event.

### **72 FINANCE**

#### **a) Income –**

Co-op Bank Interest – 9.29  
HM Revenue and Customs VAT Return - £1669.55  
Donation for Sports Day - £250.00

#### **d) Suggestions for Precept 2008/9**

– It was suggested that there could possibly be an amount set aside for the starting of new clubs/ organizations, Sports Day, and for the hiring of the Village Hall for the Parish Plan meetings.

### **73 CHAIRMANS COMMENTS**

The Chairman announced that Langworth Post Office was on the list of future Post Offices for closure and the Parish Council supported him in writing a letter objecting to this to the Postmaster General.

The Chairman reported that vandalism had been caused to the Caring Team Seat sited on the Playing

## **PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES cont'd.....**

Field. This had requiring re-cementing into the ground.

1st November 2007

### **74 CORRESPONDENCE**

Adopted Statement of Community Involvement – to be circulated amongst Councillors  
Best Kept Village Competition – Judge’s comments  
Letter from County Councillor R Hiscox notifying the Parish Council that the cost of the new cycleway on the A158 was £104,617.00

### **75 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

### **76 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT**

District Councillor Stuart Curtis confirmed that the Revised Model Code of Conduct had been adopted by West Lindsey District Council.

He also reported that a planning appeal had been lodged for retention of a mobile home on a site in Sudbrooke Park.

## **PARISH COUNCIL REPORT**

### **Report from Parish Council meeting on 1st November**

**Audit 2006/7** – The Parish Council has been charged an additional fee by the Auditor because a resident has raised several issues with him about the Parish Council Annual Return for 2007. One item was irrelevant as it was about the previous years return, and another about the raising of two cheques for £6.00 each! The Responsible Financial Officer responded very quickly to the queries, supplying all the information required. These were accepted and the accounts have since been passed by the Auditor. This has cost the parish an

additional £279.00 when the questions could have been directed to the Council in written form and answered. When so much effort is made by Volunteers in the village, to **save** expense on jobs such as litter picking, trimming of shrubs, hand delivering of Sudbrooke News, bulb planting, the voluntary help for the Christmas tree etc, it is a shame that this has to happen. A full report on the question and answer will be published in the minutes.

**Overhanging trees** were reported in Church Lane and St Edward’s Drive – *Would residents please check their trees and shrubs at the front of their*

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*properties and arrange to trim them back if they are overhanging the footway. Thank you.*

**Police matters** – PC Diamond reported that a property had been entered in Sudbrooke with many items being taken.

### **Street Force Warden, West Lindsey District Council**

Mr Kevin Dunne, the newly appointed Street Force Warden gave an interesting brief on the Street Force Team as follows:-

‘West Lindsey District Council Street Force Wardens Unit was created in September 2006, working under the management of the Environmental Protection, and Community Services Department. Their role is to provide a reassuring presence within the community by tackling environmental crime, such as Graffiti, Littering, Fly-tipping, Dog fouling, Abandoned vehicles.

The Wardens present a high visible uniformed official presence in town centres and public areas, throughout the West Lindsey District. Although, the Street Force Wardens are not police officers they work in close partnership with PCSO's and have powers under the Clean Neighbours and Environment Act 2005 to issue Fixed Penalty Notices by acting as eyes and ears of the community to tackle environmental crime.

The Wardens also work in partnership with local communities and promote environmental initiatives including litter picks and educational visits to

schools by highlighting problems of litter, fly-tipping, and responsible dog ownership.

Street Force Wardens have a zero tolerance approach to environmental crime and will issue Fixed Penalty Notices to any person or businesses which fail to comply with Environmental legislation, such as, Environmental Protection Act 1990 and The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005.

Fixed Penalty Notices provides the Council with an effective and visible way of responding to environmental crimes. The Fixed Penalty Notice offers the offenders the opportunity to discharge any liability to conviction for the offence by payment of a fixed penalty notice within a prescribed timescale, normally 14 days.

However, should the fixed penalty notice not be paid this will result in prosecution for the offence within the Magistrates' Court and, if convicted, could receive a much larger fine, imprisonment or both.

**The Street Warden Team can be contacted on any of the above matters on 01427 676676.**

**Grass cutting** – An additional area of verge on Scothern Lane and around the Church Lane junction will be cut by the Parish Council grass cutting contractors from next season. This will hopefully give a clearer view for motorists when exiting Church Lane.

**The area of land at the end of Beresford Drive will also be cut on a regular basis.**

**Next meeting** – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2007 – Village Hall, 7.30pm

*Copy deadline for the January 2008 edition is  
15 December 2007*



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Welcome to the winter edition of the Police.

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Firstly I would like to mention that we have had three burglaries in the area (Sudbrooke and Reepham) during the month of November. These crimes took place during the day whilst the occupants were at work and either windows or doors were forced to gain entry. Please be alert. Make sure that all your windows and doors have substantial locks. Make sure that your property is as secure as it can be when you leave and set your alarm if you have one. Keep an eye on your neighbour's property and if you see anything suspicious report it immediately. We do not mind if it turns out to be a false alarm. If you are planning to go away at Christmas invest in a number of timer switches for your lights in order to create the impression that someone is in and therefore deter any undesirable people. (NOT the hall lights – how many of us only use the hall light when we are in? This is a sure sign to

the burglar that you are out!) We need to ensure that no one gets the opportunity to commit these offences. Please keep an eye out if you have an elderly, or vulnerable person living near you. Be a good neighbour!

On the same lines make sure that your vehicle is locked and secure and that you do not leave valuables on show in your vehicle. If you are shopping for Christmas presents in town, lock them in your boot and out of sight.

On the same note we have also had a spate of thefts of vehicle badges in the surrounding villages. If you see anyone taking the badges from vehicles please ring us straight away. Getting the badges off the vehicles often causes damage to the metalwork of the car and also makes the vehicle look unsightly when they are missing. This is criminal damage. Collecting vehicle badges is not a good idea unless they can be bought from legitimate places.

On these dark nights please make sure that you have adequate lighting on your bicycle and that of your child's. Over the last few days I have seen paperboys and papergirls zig zagging across the road on the bikes delivering papers, wearing dark

## ***POLICE NEWS Cont'd.....***

clothing and no lights on their bicycles. Lots of clothing these days is made with reflective strips as an integral part of the item. Reflective waistcoats and strips can be bought relatively cheaply. Reflective bits that go on the spokes of the wheels can make them visible when side on. Regularly check the batteries and bulbs in your lights before you leave your home. Please make sure your child can be seen in the dark.

Finally, just to point out that it is not

all doom and gloom. We live in a beautiful part of the world and in an area that has relatively low crime. I have been touched at the friendliness of everyone in the area and I look forward to seeing you out and about during the coming year.

And finally, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from everyone here at the Nettleham Police Station.

**PCSO 2108 Parker**

### **PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION**

The next meeting of Sudbrooke Parish Council will take place on Thursday 6 December 2007 commencing at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Confirmation of dates of meetings can be made via the Clerk to the Council, Mrs Chris Myers on 823802.

Notes of meetings are held in Nettleham Library

#### **Members**

**Martin Dickie, Chairman - 754342**

**Stuart Curtis, Vice Chairman - 751874**

**Roger Adams - 751373**

**Ian Russell - 754984**

**Derek Ordish - 750010**

**Mike Halliday - 754686**

**Rose Dobbs - 753060**

**Paul Rignall - 595736**

**District Councillor Stuart Curtis - 751874**

**County Councillor - Roger Hiscox - 01673 860047**

**Treasurer to the Council - Bridget Solly - 01673 857580**

## **SUDBROOKE GARDENING CLUB**

There was no meeting held in November. Traditionally November is the time to clear up the garden in readiness for the winter rest but leaf fall has been gloriously late this year. As I write this note there are strawberries, blackberries and plenty of tomatoes still to harvest. No doubt the first keen frost will finish them off

but what a treat so late in the year. Next meeting 10th December. Will be hosted by Barry and Margaret Reeves at Tall Trees, 25 Wragby Road from 7-30pm

**Mike Halliday**  
**( Secretary )**



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## **SUDBROOKE PARISH PLAN**

Nothing much to report for November. A reply is awaited from Lincs County Council on the eligibility criteria for traffic lights on Wragby Road and there is no news on the site for Nettleham Medical Practice.

The next meeting of the Parish Plan Group is fixed for Tuesday 11th December from 7-30pm at the village hall. The agenda will include

discussion of residents' requirements from the open day held in October. The meeting is open to all Sudbrooke residents so do please come along if you have a contribution to make.

**Mike Halliday**

Chairman, Parish Plan Group  
Tel 754686

## **LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Dear Editor

### **Sudbrooke Village Hall Management Committee (SVHMC)**

May I, through the medium of "Sudbrooke News", mention a fairly new aspect of SVHMC's activities?

The Village Hall is a valuable asset in the life of our community, and SVHMC is keen to maximize its use across a broad spectrum of activities, and use the resulting income to ensure the Hall's viability in the longer term.

Bearing this in mind, I have recently joined SVHMC with a view to establishing a Support Group, effectively acting as a sub-committee, to examine a range of possibilities. My own interest is in the musical

performing arts, but there will be many more options and we are perhaps fortunate in being able to start with the proverbial "blank sheet of paper"!

Being a Support Group member need not be especially onerous. In the first instance it is ideas that are being sought, together with the commitment to translate them into action.

Should any readers of "Sudbrooke News" be interested in taking part, or seek further information, I will be pleased for them to contact me either by telephone or e-mail.

Yours sincerely

**Paul Creasey**

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**Stuart Curtis**  
**District Councillor**  
**751874**



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Tuesday evening meetings at the Village Hall are suspended until March 2008. We're still meeting up, but at each other's houses, as there are only 4 stalwart people left!!!





## **Dunholme Camera Club**

Well 2008 will soon be upon us, we have had an exciting year at the

Camera Club seeing some great pictures in the competitions, having had some outstanding speakers who have shown us some of their own work and now we come to close 2007 we have gained some more new members during the year who have joined in with the competitions and activities we have had during the year and hopefully as well as learning something during the year everyone has had a good time and enjoyed the activities on offer at the camera Club.

Now it is on to 2008 and even more great nights for us to look forward to, a few competitions, photographic workshops, visits by guests and we even have an evening when the Committee of the Camera Club will entertain the members (you will have to

wait to see what we come up with) and as usual we will end the year with the "Chairman's Challenge" our 2008 Chairman will come up with a photographic challenge for all of the members to have a go at, usually something with a little twist we will have to wait and see.

There has been a slight change to our final meeting of the year it will still be on the 6th December at the Old School and we have a get together with snacks and a final fun competition (WITH PRIZES) so come along and enjoy the final meeting of 2007.

As President of the Camera Club may I take this opportunity to thank all members of the Camera Club for their input during the year and a big thank you to the Committee for their continued hard work in the past months?

Merry Christmas Happy New Year

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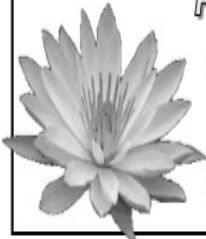
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## **SUDBROOKE LADIES CLUB**

# *Ladies Club*



**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2008 @ 7.30 pm:** - AGM and Cheese and Wine. A cheque will be presented to our charity for 2007, the County Hospital Accident Flying Squad.

We meet on the third Thursday of the month in Sudbrooke Village Hall. Guests are always welcome and are asked to contribute £2.

Further information: 01522-595736

**Gill Rignall**

### **Forthcoming Events:**

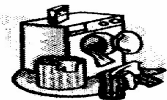
**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December:-** Christmas Party - Admission by ticket.

## *Carols on Welton Village Green*



This has now become an annual outdoor community event which is organised by volunteers and this year it will take place on Friday 14<sup>th</sup>. December, 7pm to 8.30pm. with accompaniment being provided by Market Rasen Brass Band. Tea, coffee and mince pies will be available and a bran tub for the children. Come and listen to the school children and join in the community carol singing. Will Father Christmas be there? No entry charge but all funds raised during the evening will be donated to two local charities. This year Welton Scouts and the Ambulance will benefit. Please note Manor

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**Monday 2 – 7pm**

**Tuesday 9.30 – 1pm**

**Wednesday 2 – 7pm**

**Thursday 2 – 5.30pm**

**Friday 2 – 7pm**

**Sat 9.30 – 12.30pm**

## **A NEW FACE**

Regular borrowers will have noticed a new member of staff at Nettleham. Sue is an experienced colleague who has worked for several years on one of the mobile library vans that operate out of Nettleham Library.

Michelle has moved to a different role within the Library Service so is no longer undertaking counter work on a regular basis, but you may still see her in the background!

We wish both Sue and Michelle well in their new positions.

## **DISPLAYS**

Don't forget that we have a display board above the three public computers (approximately 6' x 3' in

size) that we are happy for local groups to use to promote themselves and their works – most recently this has been used by the Nettleham Woodland Trust. Please see staff if you would like to discuss this. Unfortunately we are unable to promote commercial interests.

Recently we have put on a display of poetry books to celebrate National Poetry Day, and also a display to highlight out talking books and large print section, as well as the Library Service's Listening Lincs service. We have also reintroduced the very popular 'Reader Recommends ..' selection which can be found in the blue display unit by the doors.

## **TIS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY ...**

Nettleham Library will be closed on the following dates:

Christmas Eve  
Christmas Day  
Boxing Day  
New Year's Eve  
New Year's Day

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for 2 days and £2.00 for a week). Alternatively, have you thought about borrowing a talking cassette? We now have an extended selection for you to listen to, and it only costs 50p for a 4 week period unless you are exempt from paying. And when Christmas is over, why not call in and see what bargains you can pick up in our sale?

Finally, everybody at Nettleham Library wishes you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you in 2008.

### **NEWS FOR OUR YOUNGER READERS**

We hope you have a wonderful Christmas, and Happy New Year. The New Year brings the results of our Lincolnshire Young People's Book Award and ceremony.

Over the holidays, you may like to borrow books by Michelle Paver. The Chronicles of Ancient Darkness series are full of magic and adventure, and follow the life of Torak a boy who lives at the end of the Ice Age. You can find

out how Michelle Paver ate, slept and lived the life of a hunter gatherer. Her website [www.michellepaver.com](http://www.michellepaver.com) describes her trips to the Sierra Nevada mountain range Finland and Norway, where she slept in a hut on stilts suspended over a lake, followed killer whales and slept on reindeer skins.

If you want to experience more ...why not go to The Collection and look at the flint tools, arrow heads and other artefacts which were made by people living in the Stone Age in Lincolnshire.

You might want to go to the Collection on Saturday 8th December they will be celebrating A Tudor Christmas. Tudor Re-enactors will be hosting this family fun day .

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Christmas opening – we will be open as usual until midday on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December and then closed until Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> December. We will close again on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> December at 12 noon and re-open on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2008. At all time please ring 0844 477 3072 for emergencies

where you will be directed to choose various options for advice or access to the out of hours emergency service.

If for any reason the telephone system is not operating (e.g. during prolonged power cuts) between 6.30 pm to 8.00am Monday to Friday and all weekends and Bank Holiday periods please ring 01522 568900 in cases of emergency only.

May we wish all our patients a very happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.

**Sallie Stead**

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## **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S CORNER**

### **Incomprehensible Spending Review**

My title this month is a bit tongue in cheek I admit, but I think I need some light relief if I am to talk about central government spending your money. The Local Government Association has

been assessing Central Government plans for the money it pays to councils over the next few years. As regular readers will know, your council tax only covers a quarter of the £1 billion the county council spends each year. Other taxes pay for the other three



## **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S CORNER Cont'd...**

quarters. 1% less centrally distributed money would take a three percent rise in council tax to make up the shortfall, which is why the 'comprehensive spending review,' to give it its correct title, is so important. Setting out the details of that document is not really possible in an article of this type, but I will pick out an important example.

Central Government expect Local Government to make 3% a year efficiency savings. For separate reasons, all the principle councils in Lincolnshire have come together in what is known as a 'Pathfinder' process to find ways of working together more effectively and more efficiently. The ultimate aim is that you can contact any principle council about council services and they will be able to deal with the matter, even if it involves services provided by another council. But in setting out to do this – a long term goal – it is obvious there is room to do some jobs better and more cheaply across the whole county than have eight councils all doing their own thing.

One of the first 'easy wins' is legal services. Not all Lincolnshire councils employ lawyers. Some pay for the advice they need as they need it. But that is not cheap. It has become clear that there are savings to be made and the participating councils have joined together to have one service, with branch offices. The savings are quite large and it is anticipated that we will be saving Lincolnshire's council taxpayers about £400,000 per year. This sort of innovation should be common but is not. Legal Services is easy to agree, because each council saves money. It will get more complicated when we share a service

that saves one council money but not another.

The council taxpayer benefits whichever council shows the lower cost, because their overall council tax bill is a bit lower as a result. But if voters only reward councils that show reductions, there is likely to be political pressure to show the savings equally shared between councils even though it is one council saving more than another.

But that difficulty lies in the future. There are several other back office functions that can be done more efficiently overall, if all councils co-operate, and the resultant savings will be across the board.

Procurement (buying goods, services and a few other things in plain English!) is a likely next step. It is not the only saving, but buying larger quantities can in itself help costs. This has been done for many years by Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation (ESPO) and you may see this logo on a van delivering stationary to a school. But it tends to deal with bulk supplies of things rather than services, and it is the latter where there are still savings to be made. Property management, computer services, training and similar things can all probably be done better and cheaper collectively, if we can work out the detail.

And it is not only back office services, but such things as customer services that can be done collaboratively, but now I am back to where I started. Making things work as if there is just one council at your service. It is a lot of work and a long slog but I for one am committed to it.

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You may be able to solve one or two of your final Christmas shopping problems amongst the array of goods for sale but if not, you will still be most welcome to come and have a cup of tea or coffee and a chat.

Proceeds from table fees, our table sales, admission charge, raffle and refreshments will be donated to Marie Curie Cancer Care for the benefit of patients in Lincolnshire.

Wishing you all a Very Happy Christmas and a Healthy New Year.

May I now suggest you open your 2008 diaries and make a note of the following dates when we shall be having further sales, 8th. March, 7th. June, 6th. September and 6th. December. If you require any further information please contact me.

Ernie Dunsford

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## ***SUDBROOKE VILLAGE HALL SVHMC***

No minutes to report this month. Our next meeting is in early December.

The Hall has been well used this month and with all the forthcoming Christmas events and the New Year's Eve Ball we expect a busy December.

The first weekend will be The Christmas Tree Switch On, any information required, please contact the Parish Council. All telephone contact numbers are printed in the magazine.

With events in the Hall in the evening after the switch on, then a Christmas luncheon, Christmas Parties, Nativity Events and refurbishing proceeding as well, there is lots of activity but we still suffer vandalism. Anybody seeing anything suspicious please report it straight away. There is a list of tele-

phone numbers at the Hall and on various notice boards around the Village.

Having said that can anyone throw light on how the recently installed blinds have been jammed so that they cannot be raised fully? Or when the plate rack and cleaning materials took a walk? And a plug socket was smashed and left in a dangerous condition? A Village Hall, like a home, has maintenance problems and they will be put right, however it helps the Committee to be informed of damage, breakages and shortages. But if we don't know we can't do anything about it.

Thanks again to every one who uses and looks after our Village Hall.

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## **ELLISON BOULTERS - FOOTBALL NEWS**

### **The Eric Robson Primary Schools Football Tournament**

**Saturday 13th October 2007**

Ellison Boulters finally got to test themselves against 20 of Lincoln's finest footballing schools on Saturday and they did not disappoint! First up in the group stage were Lincoln Minster, whom Scothern had beaten only two days previous, and they successfully repeated this feat with a 1-0 victory courtesy of a William S strike – a perfect start to the tournament! Second along were Saxilby, last season's League 3 champions – but that counted for nothing as The Royal Blues comfortably strolled to a 3-0 win with another goal from William and one a piece for Liam H and Louis K. But, as Ellison Boulters may have started to dream about what might be, they were brought back down to earth with a bump in the form of a 3-0 defeat at the hands of Cherry Willingham. This meant that Scothern needed to beat Our Lady of Lincoln in their final group game to guarantee a quarter-final spot. And beat they did – another emphatic 3-0 win – two more goals for William and a first for captain Lewis H.

Ellison Boulters' reward was a quarter-final showdown with St. Hugh's; always a strongly fancied team. The Royal Blues started the knock-out stage of the tournament with a bang – a fifth goal of the day for William S and a deserved 1-0 lead. But St. Hugh's predictably came back, forcing chances of their own as Scothern defended for their lives. And it looked for all the world that St. Hugh's had

equalised – a pearler into the top right-hand corner, but somehow, just somehow, Ellison Boulters' keeper Oliver C managed to get a finger tip to the ball to turn it over the bar – literally a wonder save! This only inspired The Royal Blues and when Louis K added a second goal the semi-finals beckoned!

By some twist of fate Ellison Boulters' semi-final opponents were to be their group stage conquerors, Cherry Willingham – no 'charging up' required for this one! A place in the final at stake and passage to the regional finals. Scothern flew out of the traps and soon made it clear to Cherry that they were not just in it to make up the numbers. A message thumped home with a great goal from inspirational skipper Lewis H: 1-0 to Ellison Boulters and Mr. Callaghan was literally jumping for joy! But football can be a cruel, cruel game - and it was on Saturday. Cherry Willingham managed to reply twice in the last 6 minutes and Ellison Boulters were beaten semi-finalists.

Disappointment in the end, but Scothern must take consolidation from the fact that they can now claim to be one of the top four schools in Lincoln! And from the fact that they played some stunning football with relentless passion. They really were marvellous and must feel proud to have been part of a fantastic day for all of us lucky enough to have witnessed it!

Man of the Tournament: William S

**Daniel Callaghan**

**“O Come let us adore Him Christ the Lord”**

SUNDAY 2nd December No morning service – Everyone welcome to come to Croft Street Baptist Church at 3pm for Baptism Service

SUNDAY 9th December 11am Reepham and Cherry Village Hall

SUNDAY 16th December 11am Fiskerton Village Hall

SUNDAY 23rd December - No Service

CHRISTMAS MORNING Service – 11am Reepham and Cherry Village Hall

Thursday 13th December Fiskerton Carols at Fiskerton School (Time TBA)

Thursday 20th December 7.30pm Carols on the Parade in Cherry Willingham (Everyone welcome)

Kidzone 7-12year olds

Monday 3 December 6.30pm-7.30pm In the Drama Studio at

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**Reepham and District Tennis Club**

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Autumn/Winter Tennis is well under way and the colder evenings are not deterring anyone which is great. The bulb has been replaced and all the lights are shining brightly.

Club nights with floodlights are held on a Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 7.00pm

Christmas tennis will be held as usual on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> December at 11am.

Please bring some festive food with you.

Happy Christmas to everyone

We are a very friendly club and always look forward to welcoming new members. If you would like to join us or would like more information please

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## COMPUTER CLASSES

Due to the success of the classes run during the summer and autumn terms of 2007 further computer lessons will again be offered in the spring of 2008 at the Area Community Education and Training Centre at the Old School Dunholme.

Two classes for beginners are offered; one on Tuesday morning 9.30am to 11.30 am and the other on Thursday afternoon 12.30pm to 2.30pm. These classes are for those that have little or no knowledge of computers. It covers aspects of computing that is not normally covered by other training providers or in house training. It starts with how to set up your own filing system in your own folders and creating shortcuts and changing the appearance of icons. The course progresses using a word processor (Microsoft Word) for learning how to create formal letters, using the auto-correct function, setting up Templates and letter headed paper and creating your own pamphlets flyers and even magazines by creating text boxes and inserting clip-art and photos. Other topics will be using a scanner, photo editing and the use of the Internet and emailing with attachments and surfing the net using search engines and on line shopping.

To meet the demand for different levels there will be a class on Monday evening of two hour duration 7.00pm to 9.00pm to cover additional skills. Not normally taught in other training centres. The course covers the syllabus of the beginner's course but does it in a little bit more depth. It also includes using Microsoft Publisher to create leaflets and newsletters as well as creating animated presentations using Microsoft PowerPoint.

All courses will cost £40 for ten weeks for each course starting week beginning Monday 7th January 2008 (there will be a break for the School half term). The course will be open to every one of any age, gender or ability and to ensure personal attention from the tutor no more than six places will be offered for each class.

The courses are on:

Monday, - Beyond the Basics – 7.00pm to 9.pm

Starting 7th January 2008

Tuesday – Beginners – 9.30am to 11.30am

Starting Tuesday 8th January 2008

Thursday – Beginners -12.30pm to 2.30pm

Starting Thursday 10th January 2008

A full description of each course plus a booking form will be available as a leaflet from second week of December from me or from your local library.

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