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Welcome to May's Sudbrooke News.

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No takers for the front cover this month so I have taken the opportunity to reproduce the cover of the sale catalogue for Sudbrooke Holme. I have produced a digital copy of the full catalogue which makes for fascinating reading. If anybody would like a copy, .pdf format, please contact me.

Incidentally, if you have anything I could use for the front page when I am stuck for ideas, please let me have them.

Don't forget the e mail distribution list for the magazine. This is getting bigger by the month. I have even had my first overseas mailing request.....a local resident, away for a couple of months, who wants to keep in touch. Remember, a copy can go anywhere electronically and it's free !! Granny in Spain, offspring in Australia, mistress in Ramsgate.....just let me have an e mail address, I'll do the rest.

Nick



**Sudbrooke News, June 2010.....
closing date for contributions
20 May 2010**

VICAR'S LETTER

The Vicarage, Langworth Tel. 01522 – 754233

As mentioned last month, the Big Event of May is the Pre-Pentecost week of talks in the Deanery from the Bishop of Grimsby under the overall title of "Spirit Shaped Ministry". This will end on Sunday 23 May (Pentecost) with an ecumenical Pentecost Praise Service at St. Hugh's Langworth. After further consideration, this will be planned to take place inside the church building, as it is easier to move outside closer to the date than to reconfigure the other way – in the event that blazing summer has arrived by then ! A deanery "flyer" listing the full programme will be available in the near future.

The following Sunday (30 May) the Deanery will be gathering for a service in Lincoln Cathedral at 9.30 a.m., so there will be no 9.00 service at St. Edward's Sudbrooke on that morning as it is hoped that as many people as possible will attend the Cathedral Service.

Ascension Day this years falls on Thursday 13 May and there will be a Communion Service at 7.30 that Morning at St. Hugh's Langworth.

At the Family Service on June 13, the Scouts will be primarily involved in the service (as last year). They produced a lovely Easter Garden for the church this year which was much appreciated. It is good to hear that the Scouting Movement is very healthy with a membership of 500,000 – and a waiting list to join of 33,500. Modern activities include Parascending (being towed behind a boat or Land Rover on a parachute), Zorbing (rolling down hills inside a plastic orb), and Snowboarding. A bit different from my day, but looks like excellent fun.

The Home Group has re-started post-Easter on Monday Evenings at 7.30 – venue as listed in the Diary. The Programme for the Summer is :-

3 May	The Last Things – The Hope of the Christian
10 May	The Last Things – The Prelude to Christ's Return
17 May	The Last Things – The Return of Christ
24 May	The Last Things – The Judgement
31 May	The Last Things – The Resurrection
7 June	The Last Things – The New Order
14 June	No home group
21 June	The Christian – Described
28 June	The Christian – The Christian and the Bible
5 July	The Christian – The Christian and Prayer
12 July	The Christian – The Christian and Witness
19 July	The Christian – The Christian and the World
26 July	The Christian – The Christian Life

There will then be a summer break and the group will start up again in September.

The other Big Event for May is the General Election on 6 May and I hope that, given the problems the Country faces, you will all use your vote : in a representative democracy it is bit difficult to moan after the event if you have not expressed your preference at the ballot-box.

Yours in Christ,

Robert Spaight

MAY 2010 - CHURCH DIARY

Sunday 2	Easter 5	
	9.00 Communion	St.John Stainton
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Monday 3	7.30 Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Sunday 9	Easter 6 / Easter 5 (BCP)	
	9.00 BCP Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	10.30 Family Service + Baptism	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
Monday 10	7.30 Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Tuesday 11	10.30 Barlings Prayer Hour	The Old Vicarage
	7.30 Stainton APCM	Walk Farm
Thursday 13	Ascension Day	
	7.30 a.m. Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
	7.45 p.m. Family Service Planning	50 Scothern Lane
Sunday 16	Sunday after Ascension / Easter 7	
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	3.00 Evening or Night Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Monday 17	7.30 Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Monday 17 – Sunday 23	Bishop of Grimsby in the Deanery	Various Parishes Programme
Sunday 23	Pentecost	
	9.00 Communion	St.Edward Barlings
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Deanery Pentecost Praise	St.Hugh Langworth

Monday 24	7.30 Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Tuesday 25	10.30 Prayer Hour	Erica House, Sudbrooke Park
Thursday 27	7.30 Archdeacon's Visitation	All Saints Gainsborough
Sunday 30	Trinity Sunday	
	9.30 Deanery Service	Lincoln Cathedral
	10.30 Family Service + Baptism	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	3.00 Family Service + Baptism	St.Hugh Langworth
Monday 31	7.30 Home Group	36 Scothern Lane

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

NOTES OF THE MEETING OF SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 4TH MARCH 2010 HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SUDBROOKE

PRESENT: Councillors M Dickie (Chairman), N James, B Bartram, Mrs L Etheridge, S Curtis, I Russell, P Rignall Mrs C Myers (Clerk), Mrs B Solly (Treasurer), PC D Thompson.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Miss R Dobbs, County Councillor Mrs S Rawlins

155 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

Concern was expressed about HGV's crossing the bridge in Main Drive. It was agreed this be an agenda item for the next meeting of the Parish Council.

A request for a litter bin to be placed by the bus shelter near to the Cherry Tree Café was made. The Clerk would request this.

156 POLICE MATTERS

PC Donnah Thompson reported on several incidents which had occurred in the village over the last month including:-

- Assault by a resident at a property on Scothern Lane,
- Burglary from the Church,
- A portaloos had been set alight on Scothern Lane,

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES Cont'd.....

- Mini scrambler bikes were causing problems in the area

157 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

CC Mrs S Rawlins had reported to the Clerk that the lighting at the bus stop should be shortly installed.

158 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

DC Stuart Curtis reported:

- That a new Chief Executive to the District Council had recently been appointed.
- The Area Forum would be held at Dunholme on 16th March 2010.
- There would be a Parish/District/Town Assembly held at Guildhall, Gainsborough on 12th April 2010 to which all Councillors were encouraged to attend.

159 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4TH FEBRUARY 2010

These were signed as a correct record.

160 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING

a) Parish Plan Advisory Group – Spring Litter Pick – 17th April 2010.

b) Allotments – The discussions for land had now come to a halt and it was felt that the Parish Council could proceed no further unless an offer of land for allotments was made. A notice would be placed in the parish magazine stating this. The Council agreed to review this topic in six months time.

c) Wood Carving – update – With the improved weather the carving had now re-commenced.

d) Quotation for shrub/hedge maintenance, Northfield Park – The grounds maintenance contractors had given a price for the cutting of the north hedge in the sum of £85 and the shrub pruning in the sum of £315.00. It was agreed to accept this quotation and include it in the annual contract, the cutting to be carried out in March of each year.

161 PAINTING OF PARK GATES

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES Cont'd.....

The Clerk had sought three quotations for the painting of the Park Gates and had received two in the sums of (a) £850 and (b) £350.

Resolved that the quotation for £350 be accepted from David Lenton, LDL Decorating.

162 CHRISTMAS TREE EVENT 2010

Following the request in the Sudbrooke News for helpers at the Christmas tree event, only one offer of assistance had been received. It was decided therefore that the event for 2010 be altered as follows:-

- Event at tree to commence at 4.00pm, light switch on 4.30pm, Sunday 5th December.
- Parish Council members to erect the marquee at the tree site, with mulled wine, mince pies, and the raffle.
- Pre-recorded seasonal music to be played.

Village Hall – to be arranged by Claire Wright and Sally Harvey

- Children's entertainer, Hot dogs/refreshments, putting out of tables and clearing away, selling of raffle tickets. Bar will be open for over 18's.
- Cleaning of hall to be paid for by Parish Council.

163 PROPOSED LIGHTING OF MILLENNIUM STONE

Funds had been put aside for the lighting of the Millennium stone. Members instructed the Clerk to obtain quotes from local electricians for the floodlighting. Councillor Martin Dickie agreed to act as liaison.

It was hoped that the switch on of the illumination could be at the same time as the switch on of the Christmas tree lights.

164 CONSULTATIONS OF THE BEST LOCATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL GYPSY AND TRAVELLER SITES

DC Stuart Curtis stated that WLDC were required to provide an additional 22 pitches for travellers. The sites were required to be close to amenities such as schools and shops.

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES Cont'd.....

Members had had a copy of the proposed sites circulated to them and raised no objections.

165 HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- a) Street nameplates, Park Close** – Cllr Miss R Dobbs was awaiting a site meeting with a representative of WLDC.
- b) Grit bin provision by LCC Highways** – It was agreed that the village appeared to have adequate grit bins at present.
- c) Request for additional dog bins, The Park** – Cllr Mrs Lyn Etheridge and Cllr Bernard Bartram had looked at suitable locations for two additional bins in The Park. Agreement of siting was awaited from Somerville Properties.
- d) Area around Holme Drive, condition left by Anglian Water following works** – The condition of this area had been referred to the Highways Department and a reply was awaited.
- e) Road markings, St Edward's Drive** – These would be completed in drier weather.
- f) Gas main replacement, Scothern Lane** – The verge had been left tidy by the contractors although in some places there appeared to be sinkage. It was agreed that checks on the condition of the verge be made in a few weeks.
- g) Fox Covert signage** – The Clerk was asked to arrange for 'Fox Covert' to be added to the street nameplate at the junction of St Edward's Drive.
- h) Pothole repairs** – Members were asked to notify the Clerk of any pot holes that required to be filled in. A list would then be made for forwarding to the Highways Department.
- i) ART update** – The ART team had not visited the village to date.
- j) Wragby Road bus shelter repairs** – Repairs had not been carried out despite requests being made by the Clerk. A further communication to the Highways Department would be made.

166 PLANNING

Application – 125491 – 83 Wragby Road – Roof lift conversion with dormers – No objections.

167 FINANCE

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES Cont'd.....

b) Income – Sudbrooke News Advertising Revenue = £294.98

168 SUSBROOKE NEWS - Nothing to report

169 CHAIRMANS COMMENTS

The Chairman reported on the proposed Sports Day to be held in September by the Parish Plan Group. Agreement was made that the £250 precepted towards this event be paid in advance to the organisers and receipts obtained for the monies spent.

The Chairman also reported that a shredder was required by the Clerk in order to dispose of confidential documents relating to the Parish Council. The sum of £50 was allocated for this.

170 CORRESPONDENCE

Overhanging trees – Two additional properties were noted as having trees hanging over the footway and a request would be made that the trees be cut back.

Summit meeting – 29th March 2010 – Invitation to attend meeting to discuss planning for the weekend of 8th and 9th May 2010 when the 50th National Dog Trials, hosted by Lincolnshire Police at Police Headquarters, and the annual Lincoln Grand Prix Cycle Race would both take place on Sunday 9th May.

THE 7TH ANNUAL BRAYFORD BEER FESTIVAL - 6th, 7th and 8th May

Once again Lindum Rotary Club is holding its ever popular beer festival at the Sea Cadet unit Brayford Wharf North.

All proceeds will go to local charities and a good time is guaranteed for all with a range of 18 real ales and 5 English ciders.

Thursday 6th May - 4.00pm to 12 midnight. Friday 7th May 12.00 noon to 12 midnight. Saturday 8th May 11am to 12 midnight

Admission only £2.00 including first half. Food will be available.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

NOTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF SUDBROOKE HELD ON THURSDAY 1ST APRIL 2010 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SUDBROOKE

PRESENT : Councillor Miss Rose Dobbs, (Chairman), Mrs C Myers (Clerk), Mrs B Solly (Treasurer), County Councillor Mrs S Rawlins, 11 members of the public

1 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2ND APRIL 2010

The notes were signed as a correct record.

2 CHAIRMANS REPORT

It is always very gratifying to have the Annual Parish Meeting particularly as it brings together those within the community, the local organisations, the district and county council, the police, and the members of the parish council, who work so hard throughout the year to make the village a better place, and I look forward to hearing their reports later.

It is always very pleasing to see residents attend our meetings of the parish council held on the first Thursday in every month.

It is pleasing that representatives of Lincolnshire Police come along to tell us of the concerns they have had with matters which have arisen within the village, and for their advice on dealing with other matters.

We are grateful to District Councillor Stuart Curtis, who is a member of the Parish Council, for his support, help and assistance in ensuring that Sudbrooke receives the best possible representation, and our new County Councillor Sue Rawlins for her support at County Council level. We will hear from them too later.

The Parish Councillors themselves, who do their job voluntarily, work extraordinary hard on many aspects within the village – either as members of the Village Hall Management Committee or the Parish Plan Group. Our members keep an eye closely on matters concerning the highway and the environment which in a village like Sudbrooke is of utmost importance. The voluntary litter pick by residents has been very successful and has been running for some years now; trees have been replaced in Northfield Park and other places; and fresh flower bulbs planted around the village which are much admired. Mr Eric Pitt has been extremely helpful in overseeing matters relating to the playground and help with the repairs to for example the village seats notice boards.

The village has not yet been successful in the Best Kept Village Competition but we continue to enter and are grateful to the village for their efforts in keeping their gardens and highways at their very best. This year has seen our own

competition for the Best Kept Garden which was very exciting and will continue. We are grateful to the Editor of the Sudbrooke News, Nick Truscott, for the work he does in promoting this magazine and in encouraging parishioners to contribute items and letters as they think fit. We set aside a sum of money to continue to run the magazine and hope it provides useful information.

The Christmas Tree event which attracts many parishioners to the carol singing, mulled wine and mince pies and the switching of the lights, and the children's Christmas party in the village hall, continues as a very successful event. The tree always looks stunning set on the land near the millennium stone.

Money has been set aside for the lighting of the millennium stone, one of our special projects, and the painting of the heritage gates to the entrance to Main Drive, for which we received a major grant some years ago for their refurbishment. Many thanks go to the wood-carving group; the success of their work can be seen in the posts around the millennium stone and they are working on further projects for the enhancement of the village. The capping of the posts has been carried out thanks to Paul Rignall and a small plaque denotes the work of the group.

We do tend to suffer from a degree of vandalism within the village and around the village hall, but with the help of the local police and the diligence of parishioners, we are hopeful this will be reduced as it becomes very costly and such bills an irritation. The Parish Council was able to precept some money towards extra security lighting to help the Village Hall Committee in their endeavours.

Sudbrooke and Scothern Parish Councils have been approached by residents to provide some allotments and both Parish Councils are investigating the possibility of obtaining an area of land which could be shared jointly by both Sudbrooke and Scothern residents.

The proposed cycleway/footpath between Sudbrooke and Nettleham will not be proceeding in the foreseeable future because of the cost involved and the width of the road involved.

It was sad news to hear of the passing of Katherine and Gordon Freestone and Roger Hiscox who took a real interest in the Parish Council and village activities, and our sympathy goes to their families.

3 CLERKS REPORT

Another busy year for an active Parish Council.

I was pleased that the grant application for the re-surfacing of the play equipment on the Village Hall site I submitted on behalf of the Parish Council was successful. The grass is now growing through the new plastic matting and the area looking good. This should last for many years.

Both mine and the Treasurers position becomes more involved and challenging each year but I am pleased to say that I enjoy the work immensely and have a good working relationship with members.

Bridget and I continue to work together to ensure that the administration and finances of the Parish Council continue to be run in a professional manner .

4 TREASURERS REPORT

The main areas of spend during the past year have been grass cutting, removal of trees and Sudbrooke News.

The bank balances as of 1st April 2010 are:

Current account -	£500.00
Instant Account -	£7329.40
14 day account -	£14,858.79
Sports field Account -	£2,697.49
12 month Bond -	£25,000.00
Northfield Park Account -	£4,388.02
Fox Covert Account -	£2,131.24
Total:	£56,904.94

This includes the Precept for the financial year 2010/11.

The annual audit was completed successfully and to the satisfaction of the External Auditors.

5 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT – Mrs Sue Rawlins

County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins explained to the meeting her work as a District Councillor and her role in assisting the Finance Director of West Lindsey District Council.

6 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT – Stuart Curtis

During the last year I have continued to be Vice-Chairman of the West Lindsey Planning Committee. I also represent West Lindsey on the Central Lincolnshire Joint Strategic Planning Committee along with other Councillors from North Kesteven, Lincoln City and Lincolnshire County Council. The purpose of this Committee is to prepare the Local Development Framework Plan for Central Lincolnshire which was to provide 40,600 dwellings by 2026 to include 25,170 within the Lincoln Policy area. The majority of development will be within the north eastern quadrant between Wragby Road and Greetwell Road following the completion of the Lincoln Eastern Bypass which is due to commence in 2013. West Lindsey District Council has set the level of Council tax increase for the forthcoming year below ½ of 1% at the rate of 0.48%. This is likely to be the lowest level of Council Tax increase in the County and among the lowest increases in the country.

The Council is further underlying its commitment to reducing its carbon footprint by making an investment of £200,000 in order to reduce the Council's carbon emissions by 25% by 2014.

Flooding is now one of the major environmental challenges and the District Council is to invest £165,000 in flood defence schemes in West Lindsey.

The new Market Rasen swimming pool has been given the go-ahead with full cross party support which will serve the whole district.

7 LOCAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTS

Gardening Club – The following report had been sent to the meeting by Mike Halliday:-

In the year to 31st March 2010 we held 9 meetings, 4 of the meetings were held in the village hall.

The Spring and Autumn shows were open to all residents of Sudbrooke and we were pleased to see a number of non gardening club members had put in exhibits, some of which won prizes.

We had very interesting speakers at our March and October meetings and again made these available to all residents

In July we had a trip to Belton House and gardens. The weather was beautiful and we had a tour of the newly opened basement area of the house.

Other meetings were held at members' houses. We have 23 active members and would welcome a few new members.

If anyone is interested please contact myself.

Parish Plan – The following report had been sent to the meeting by Mike Halliday:-

There were 4 meetings of the group in the year including a joint meeting with the full Parish Council that usefully clarified roles and responsibilities. It is 3 years since the Parish Plan and action plan were launched. All of the actions have been reviewed and most of them resolved one way or the other. Full details of all group meetings are published in Sudbrooke News together with monthly progress reports.

Disappointing to report that it has not been possible to accelerate the introduction of a footpath/cycleway in Sudbrooke Lane due to irreconcilable differences between the County Council and Sustrans, the main funding body. The requirement remains on the County Council's list of required works but there is no early prospect of the work being done.

The Parish Plan Group will consider the need to revisit some actions in the action plan at their next meeting on 6th July, 2010.

Wood Carving – Mrs Helen Link

Helen Link stated that the completed posts sited around the millennium stone had received many favourable comments from residents.

Since October 2009 , the carving group had been working on 5 single stump seats . Good progress was being made by the group who showed great enthusiasm.

Ladies Club – Mrs Gill Rignall

Gill Rignall reported that the Ladies Club currently had 18 – 20 members but unfortunately the numbers were declining. The Ladies Club meets monthly to listen to a Speaker or to have a social evening with friends. Stamps and coins are collected by the club for a local charity.

Village Hall – Miss Rose Dobb

Another very successful year has passed and many thanks are due to the dedicated members of our Committee.

New chairs for the lounge area have been purchased and it is hoped a complete refurbishment of the kitchen will take place in the fairly near future to conform to the highest specifications. Gill and Paul once again at New Year staged a very successful event which for the second year running has gone down extremely well – it is local, it is walkable, the food was excellent, complimented by a disco which went down well. Many volunteers helped either behind the bar, collecting glasses, dishes and clearing up and it says so much for the goodwill of our community.

The Village Hall Financial Records have been examined and audited for the period to 31 December and the auditor found from the checks performed that the records were accurate and maintained to a satisfactory standard.



In 2009 the income was £20,422 compared with £13,484 in 2008. This was very gratifying to the Committee and was due to an increased income from lettings and bar income. In 2009 the expenditure was £18,871 compared to £9,833 in 2008. This was due to increased cleaning costs because of a change in the cleaning provider, increased bar costs due to large increased usage of the bar, and an increase in the repairs and maintenance because of major electrical work to the exterior and interior lighting and the distribution board changes.

In all, everything is going well and is satisfactory and I thank all members of the Committee, Representatives or Trustees, for the part they play in making the Village Hall the success it is today.

8 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

There were no parishioners items.

The meeting closed at 7.25pm and was followed by refreshments.

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LETTERS

Dear Editor

I sat down to watch the soccer match between Manchester Utd. and Chelsea which was a vital match which would almost certainly decide the winners of the Premiership for this season. Whilst waiting for the match to start I read and enjoyed The Old Codgers football article in April's Sudbrooke News that had just been delivered to my doorstep that morning. His views on improvements to the game seemed interesting and I thoroughly enjoyed his memories looking back over the years. His suggestion about the abolition of the offside rule were certainly controversial and as a former referee myself I must say that he had a point but I gave him no chance of seeing that happen. Had he suggested that the rules be altered so that you could only be offside in the penalty area there would be more sense in his idea.

Then the game started and low and behold, was completely ruined by a goal which was blatantly two yards offside scored by Chelsea's Drobna. The TV commentators, the Spectators and next day the Newspapers were all strident in their condemnation of the linesman who had made a mistake but the goal stood. Without any doubt Manchester Utd. were robbed of The Premiership title.

Is The Old Codger psychic .?? ..It was just such a scenario that he had described in his article. To say that Alex Ferguson was aggrieved would be putting it mildly. Thousands saw it played over and over again on TV. Well done Old Codger !! You certainly couldn't have better proof of your point.

Frank Hudson

Dear Editor

I came upon some facts about The Lincolnshire Police Force the other day whilst browsing in the library which I think might interest your readers. It was formed on January 1st 1857 by Captain P.B. Bicknell a former Army Officer who was responsible for forming The Royal Military Police. He laid down the qualifications that would be needed to qualify as constables. Candidates should be able to read and write (not very common in the working classes of those days). They should be able to produce two written references as to good character, one from a notable member of the Gentry of the Parish and one from a local Clergyman. They should be extremely physically fit and in the opinion of Capt Bicknell probably be farm labourers fresh from the plough as these men were used to being out in the open air and used to harsh weather conditions and able to withstand long cold night time hours on foot patrols over 10 or 12 miles during each shift that the job would entail. He considered that town dwellers would be too soft for the work.

One of the most prevalent things that he attempted to stamp out was the huge number of beggars that were on the streets of the towns and villages whom he considered would be quite capable of supporting themselves in gainful employment had they chosen to do so but instead chose to beg, often using children or dogs to appeal to the hearts of the general public. (not a lot has changed there then !!)

The Vagrancy Act of 1824 had been brought in specifically to deal with the problem of begging and other similar offences and this was the main weapon used by Police to combat it with the punishment for being caught imprisonment for terms usually 7 or 14 days in Lincoln Prison. Not a very nice place in those days. He tried his best with his new Police Force but as we all know it didn't work. As any visit to the nearest Bank Hole in the Wall will confirm. He did have success however in making this County a much safer place to live and we should be grateful for his efforts.

John Phillips

Dear Editor

SUDBROOKE'S PHANTOM STREET!

Is Sudbrooke and the World ashamed of Greenway? Check the board at the top of St Edward's Drive - it lists all the roads that can be accessed in that part of the village, but not Greenway. Do you have a Sat Nav? Enter Greenway and you'll find it doesn't exist there. We've had more than one call from a lost tradesman who has entered Greenway into his machine and has ended up on Greenway in Welton.

Now tap on Google Maps and try and look at the properties on Greenway, it can't be done unless you tap on Sibthorpe Drive, because that's what Google think the road is called (as it is an extension of Sibthorpe Drive, calling it this would have made sense when the road was built).

So why are we who live in the 22 properties on Greenway being shunned? What have we done? I know wheels turn slowly, but after nearly 23 years you would have thought we'd have been accepted by now! Two Parish Councillors and the Sudbrooke News Editor live on Greenway - surely between them they have the power to get things changed and show the World we exist!

And as a PS, what is the correct form of writing the name of this anonymous road? At one end, the sign reads Greenway and at the other end, it's Green Way.

It's a mystery.

David Thorpe

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Dear Editor

This morning when going to work I looked into the road at the end of my driveway to find the whole of the exit covered by several large piles of horse poo, my choices were to be late for work or leave it there and clear it up later. I could of course hope that the owners of the horses that left it there would do the decent thing and clean it up themselves, however I decided to hope for that and clean it up when I got home.

Sure enough it was still there, it had been driven over and spread around the road and onto the path for any poor unsuspecting individual to tread in and take home with them to adorn their carpets and floors with.

I realise I live in the country and horses are walked in the streets, nevertheless we expect dog owners to be responsible and clean up their pets waste yet we let horse owners allow their pets to poo any where, on any street, in front of any ones home, in large and copious piles, with no responsibility for cleaning it up.

Isn't it about time these people considered those of us whose houses they allow their animals to poo outside, I don't own a dog let alone a horse but I certainly would have more thought for my neighbours if I do, the owners of the animals that left their calling cards at my home knew they had done it, so I wonder what excuse they have for not coming back and cleaning it up.

Lyn Wilkinson

Dear Editor

I read the sad news in April's edition that our Parish Council combined with Scothern PC have, despite their valiant efforts, been unable to persuade any landowners to donate, lease or sell a small piece of land for the good of the village to become allotments. There is of course a legal obligation on the Council, once demand has been proved...which it has !.....To provide a site under the provisions of various Allotments Acts well listed and documented and readily available at the touch of a button on Google.

So much so, that even a Council as large as Liverpool has recently been taken to court for failing to meet the needs of their residents and provide a site. Obviously no one would like to see that happen here but it does go to show that we cannot just forget it. Without a donation of some land the provision of an allotment site is impossible and for now matters are on hold.

However, the demand is still there and whilst temporarily the two combined Parish Councils are unable, despite all their efforts and goodwill, to find a suitable site the matter should not stop there forever. We have lost the

immediate battle but that is not the end of the matter. With the two combined villages we are in a very strong position....sooner or laterand I believe it will be quite soon, one of those landowners or a developer will apply for planning permission to build on land within one of our villages. Maybe even the site next to the school in Scothern Lane close to the pumping station.

Under Planning Legislation it is quite lawful for applicants who donate land for the good of the local community to receive favourable support from local councils to help support their application and this I feel is our Trump Card.

Give us our allotment site and we will support your Planning Application !! Our time will come !!.... So do not despair ... The matter is not yet finished. In closing I would like to sincerely and heartily thank Councillor Stuart Curtis and everyone else on the Parish Councils of both Sudbrooke and Scothern Parish Councils for their magnificent help, hard work, and enthusiasm in trying to obtain this site for us. Let us hope that with our eye on the ball we can one day achieve our object and have an allotment site to be proud of. I am sure we can.

Jim Wharton

Dear Editor

I often attend car boot sales at weekends . The nearest being at North Scarle and Hemswell. I have seen many people from this village there . Why can't we have a regular car boot sale in Sudbrooke?. It's a great way to raise funds for village organisations, youth clubs etc. I am sure the village hall could use a few extra pounds and there must be many other worthy causes that would benefit from a good cash injection. It's a good way to sell your old clutter and provide fun and hard needed cash. Come on someone !Lets have our own saleOnce a fortnight for about four or six months a year during the summer would be enough to provide a lot of money for worthy causes. But please ...no fast food sellers. Summer is almost here ...Give it a try !!

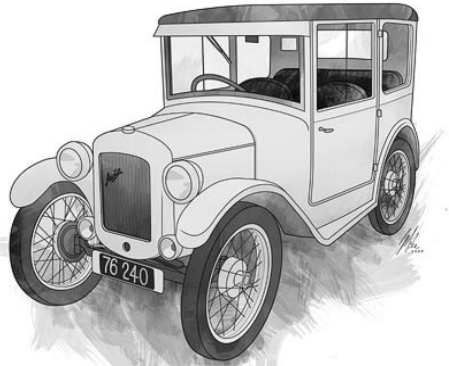
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T h e O l d Codger.....

Our first family car was a second hand 1934 Austin 7Smaller than today's SMART car. It was a 4 cylinder 40Hp model and we were so proud of it .

The engine was the size of a small sewing machine and the battery was a 6 volt tiny thing by today's standards...about 6 inches x 4 inches . Under the bonnet was a wind-screen wiper motor and a radiator and fan and little else. The whole lot was contained with enough room around it so that any village idiot armed with only two spanners, a screwdriver and a hammer would be able to repair anything that was likely to go wrongSo you see I was fully qualified and equipped to deal with any malfunction....



There was even enough room in the engine compartment for our family cat to creep into ...which it did on a couple of occasions and had to be rescued when the car was started up and it's loud yells were heard.. Compare that with today's models where there is barely enough room under the bonnet to squeeze two fingers down and repairs are almost impossible for the owner driver to attempt. Almost everything these days is designed to be replaced not repaired as parts were in the old days.. The cost of labour far outweighs the cost of the parts, so that stripping down components and refitting them is no longer an option .

Starting our car was an art in itself as the starter motor seldom worked if the engine was cold and you were obliged to use the dreaded starting handle . Which seemed to me to be specifically designed to break the wrist of any unwary motorist who was not nimble enough to avoid it when it sprung back . The top speed of our car was about 35 mph when travelling downhill with the wind behind you . Petrol was 4 and 6 pence (Old money) a Gallon (not litre)and it did 45 miles to the Gallon. It was fully air conditioned with gaps in the bodywork, and around the doors and windows. No such thing as a heater in those days . The windows were raised and lowered by a metal clip...The indicators were the semaphore arm type which frequently jammed either up or down which means that hand signals were more or less obligatory. Hand signals in those days were used by most drivers but could be relied upon to mean only one thing for certain...that the window was open !!.

Journey time from Lincoln to NW London was about 6 hours on a good day as it took you through the centre of Grantham Stamford, Stevenage and Baldock. Roads were narrow and had numerous holdups at traffic lights etc.. In those days time could be

counted by the number of .."Are we nearly there yet Daddy's " Usually about 27 or more .

Compare that with today's roads which deliver you there in about 2 hours. It often amazes my family when travelling up from their homes in London to discover that between Borehamwood in NW London and Sudbrooke there is not one single set of traffic lights for the whole of the 147 miles.

Our car had an AA badge on the front of it, even though we were not in the AA . It had been left there by the previous owner. It caused much amusement when passing AA patrolmen on their motorbikes and sidecars or standing by the AA boxes en route in their smart uniforms with peaked caps. They gave a very smart military style salute to cars which bore the AA badge . If they didn't salute it meant that there might be a police speed check on the road ahead .

Somehow though, I prefer to travel these days in my nice comfortable modern car with all the extras even though I look back fondly to "Old Betsy " our first family car.

As I filled in my Lottery coupon I couldn't help wondering why you never read the headline ..."Psychic wins National Lottery " and why Tesco's make their elderly and sick customers totter to the far end of their store to get medicines and cash their prescriptions whilst fit and apparently healthy folk can buy their cigarettes at the front counter... Also why is abbreviated such a long word and why has no one invented mouse flavoured cat food.... Still....that's just the rambling mind of an Old Codger.

About 10 years or so there used to be signs near where the village shop now stands which read "Beware of the Toads " and every springtime the road surface would often be covered with so many toads it made you hopping mad. You seldom see toads there these days and the signs have gone. What happened to them ? Anybody know ...?

The Headhitter says he thinks he's got swine flubut I think he is telling porkiesIf he had it he would have come out in rashesExperts say that swine flu could affect every single person in the world.....Best advice then would be to get married.....I did and my wife is always telling meI'm a bit of a pig when I eat all her sweets .

Thanks for all your letters and E mails. Keep them coming. If it interests or annoys you or you have a question you need the answer to about any local matter then please get in touch don't keep it to yourself.

Bye for now ...!!

The Old Codger





WELTON & DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

This month is a very busy one for us, with three events planned.

The first event is Welton May Fair, on the Bank Holiday Monday, 3rd May, where we will have a stall selling books and bric-a-brac to support our branch funds. Poppy items will also be available in aid of the Poppy Appeal.

On Sunday, 16th May we will be back at the second Dunholme Lodge Open Day, once again providing displays and information about the Legion's work in support of service and ex-service men and women and their dependants.

On the following Thursday, 20th May, we will be holding our usual Spring Coffee Morning at Welton Methodist Chapel, from 10.00am until 11.30am. Do come along and try our cakes and produce, with a chance to win a prize in the raffle.

If you are interested in joining the Legion, or need any help or information, please contact the Chairman, Tony Davis (01673-860363) or the Secretary, Rex Gregson (01673-861197).

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.



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GARDENING NEWS

A black and white illustration of a person wearing a hat and overalls, bent over and digging in a garden. The person is using a shovel to lift a small plant from a hole in the ground. The ground is depicted with several dark, rounded shapes representing rocks or soil mounds.

At long last Spring has well and truly arrived. Bringing sunshine and blue sky and new growth everywhere. We will be hoping that this is followed by a good summer.

The rockery continues to bloom well with twelve different plants in bloom, making an eye catching display in the garden. The iris and snowdrops having performed well, have now died back, to be replaced by dwarf daffodils and chionodoxa. The herbaceous border is now springing to life, with delphiniums, lupins and geum several inches tall. Alliums are growing quickly and give promise of a good show. Winter jasmine which had started to bloom, much later than usual, has been cut back because a new fence is being installed. However, this should reinvigorate the jasmine to produce a good show next winter. The shrubbery at the bottom of the garden is in need of renovation, which will be the next major job in the garden. There is much clearing and pruning to be done.

Meanwhile, the Camellia, a lovely deep pink is coming into bloom. This was a present some years ago. It started life in a pot and when it outgrew this, was transferred into the garden where it has romped away and is now over 8ft tall. Camellias need an acid soil if they are to thrive.

Like many people, we have several bird feeders in the garden for the benefit of our feathered friends. There is also a family of squirrels in a nearby tree, which take advantage of these feeding stations. We do not object to them feeding, but to the damage they do to the feeders. In spite of buying various feeders claiming to be squirrel proof, they have proved not to be so. Recently two more feeders were purchased from Coopers, which are doing a good job. The feeders are in a strong metal cage, smooth on the bottom, and a cap that cannot be easily removed by squirrels who seem to have given up on them.

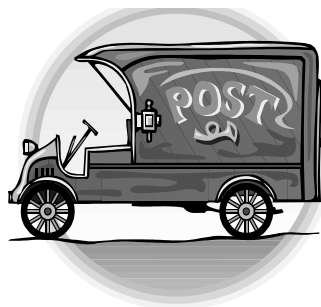
In the vegetable garden, the onions which were waiting in the cold frame have now been planted in the vegetable bed outdoors. Beetroot, parsnip and carrot seeds have now been sown the rhubarb in a pot has started to grow well, and in the polytunnel planting has started. Tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers will be grown in here. The willow tree in the front garden which was heavily pruned a while back is starting to show signs of healthy new growth. This pollarding

seems rather drastic, but a willow will survive this treatment time and again, in spite of doubts by several people who saw the results. It needed to be done because the tree had become top heavy.

Following the hard winter, the lawns need much attention and I will be concentrating on this in the next few weeks.

Farewell for now. Let's hope the sun keeps shining. G P

Old Codger's Postbag



Dear Old Codger

Well "Codger"..You certainly called that right when you said in your column that many a great game is ruined by a dodgy" Offside" decision. We were robbed of the Championship this week by Chelsea being given a goal that was clearly "Offside" and seen by millions on TV and in the crowd . It's a pity your ideas had not been in place . Signed..... Sir Alex Ferguson ..(No !....It's a joke !...It's not him !...But it could have been !)

Name and Address Supplied

Dear Old Codger

Re your interest in wartime action in the skies over our village.

On 28.9.1940 a Hampton Bomber based at Scampton returning damaged after a night bombing raid, crashed onto St Matthias Church in Lincoln. The Church was severely damaged. The four man crew bailed out. Three of the crew landed on the common land close to Yarborough Road and survived but the pilot was impaled on the spiked railings alongside the pavement and killed. The emergency services had to lift the body off the railings. The dead man was Pilot Officer Dudley Snook. The spiked railings are still there alongside the pavement near the top. Horrific !!.

Mr T Denby of Langworth tells of how as a member of a rescue crew he

attended a crash site on what is now the Lincoln Showground. A badly damaged and smoking Hampden bomber which had previously limped in the skies over his home heading for it's base at Scampton had crashed in flames and was a blazing mangled piece of wreckage. He was amazed to see the pilot, thrown clear when the plane crashed, sitting on the ground several yards away waving to the rescue crew. The other three members of his crew had bailed out earlier and survived.

A Mr Taylor of Langworth a member of The Observer Corps stationed at Reepham raced to the site of a crashed Hampden at Wards Farm Reepham where he met his neighbour Mr Denby who was a member of a rescue tender. (Also mentioned above). They were forced to watch in horror as two crew members inside the blazing perspex cockpit of the aircraft were waving frantically at them before before being engulfed in flames. The blaze was so fierce that it was impossible to approach the plane. As the blaze began to die down RAF personnel who had arrived in a fire tender together with the others on scene stood to attention and saluted the men who had perished. Mr Taylor stated he would never forget the tragedy he had been forced to witness.

I hope these items will interest your readers.

P J Smith

NETTLEHAM AND DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB

An association of retired professional businessmen, who meet twice each month to enjoy each other's company.

On the third Wednesday of each month we have an excellent lunch together at Hemswell Court, a former RAF Officers' Mess.

On the First Wednesday of each month we go for coffee at Scothern Garden Centre. Wives are very welcome to accompany us at these coffee mornings, and also for the July and December Lunches.

At this moment in time we number 39, with a constitutional limit of 52, leaving room for 13 more members.

Anyone interested in joining, or to learn more about us may contact:

**Phillip McGuinness 01522 822315 / Ken Robinson 01522 750512 /
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BACKWARDS GLANCE AT SUDBOOKE NEWS

Issue No 157 dated November 1990

A Village profile "Jim Horton The Cottage, Church Lane, Sudbrooke."

If you are a member of Sudbrooke Gardening Club, Jim Horton will need no introduction to you because he is a founder member and has always been available with advice and expertise. But even members may not know how Jim got his wealth of experience. Jim's father was Head Gardener to Lord Monson at Burton Hall and in 1944 Jim began a 5 year apprenticeship there. This was at the very end of the Second World War. The life he described then had changed very little from the Victorian era. His father headed a team of 15 gardeners. Not an uncommon number for most estates at that time. In time honoured tradition as the new boy, his first month was spent washing plant pots in ice cold water. A depressing introduction to a lifetime in horticulture. In his Lordship's garden were grown all manner of vegetables, herbs, fruit and a full range of flowers, herbaceous, annuals, roses and bedding plants. Fresh fruit and flowers had to be picked for the house each day. Standards were very high and grapes and fruit were picked with white gloved hands to preserve the bloom.

In the grounds of the house was an ice house filled with huge blocks of ice brought there together with large salt blocks brought by horse drawn carts each week. These blocks weighted a ton or more. Within this ice room were hung game ready for plucking and dressing together with huge carcasses of venison, and all types of home grown meat. (A similar building was created for Sudbrooke Holme)

Mole trapping was a lucrative off duty sideline for Jim. He had over 50 traps and often averaged around 30 moles a day. Two shillings was the going rate for a cleaned skin and Jim found it a useful addition to his meagre apprentices wage...(Couldn't we use his skills in Sudbrooke today?). It certainly kept the mole population, regarded as a pest, under control.

Even before he was old enough to begin his apprenticeship Jim had been employed as a beater for his Lordships shoots at a rate of sixpence a day. His Lordship was a notoriously bad shot but his Head Gamekeeper was a crack shot and always stood behind his master. When a flurry of birds went up and the Great Man fired the Keeper would fire at the same time with a loud cry of "Good shot Sir " as a bird fluttered to the ground. At the end of a good days shoot the Head Keeper would be seen to be rewarded with a crisp old fashioned large white £5 note. Not one of today's small crumpled things. It was worth a fortune in those days.

Jim's apprenticeship was cut short by the death of Lord Monson because the estate had to be sold and broken up because of death duties. It also coincided with Jim being called up for NATIONAL SERVICE in the Army. He joined the

REME and became a Sgt. This was fairly unusual in a mere 2 years service so he must have shown unusual leadership skills. On leaving the Army he found a job in horticulture and was soon running major shows in Cardiff, Birmingham and Westminster Hall. At the same time he was judging shows all over England and Wales. When he was not judging he was exhibiting himself and winning. He always took time to judge and lecture at small local clubs around the County.

He moved to Sudbrooke in 1984 and still shows and wins as he has been doing around the County for the past 35 years. Keen gardeners in Sudbrooke are lucky indeed to have a man of his experience and depth of knowledge in their midst and a member of the local Gardening Club.

Sadly Jim moved away from Sudbrooke a few years ago and has now died but his memory lingers on.

This profile was published before he left the village and certainly made interesting reading both then and now. If you know someone who deserves a similar profile and has been a village resident please compose a profile and submit it to the Editor. I am sure there are quite a few notable subjects both alive and dead hiding their light under bushels that thoroughly deserve similar creditthe Old Codger .

Issue No 272 dated December 2000

At long last after months of waiting and organising The Millennium Stone was placed in Scothern Lane. A sandstone Jurassic boulder from 300,000 years ago has ended up in our village kindly donated by The Massey family, owners of The Cherry Tree Cafe, after it had been recognised and examined and certified by experts .

Star Energy Ltd hired a crane and free of charge transported it to it's position as a gift to the village. The Wilkinson Family provided hard core and pea grit and gravel at the site and supervised the move. The surrounding fence was crafted by Brian Clarke. Much of the organising had been arranged by George Preece and Gordon Taylor and countless others. From now on it will be a focal point of our village.

Issue No 277 dated May 2001

A list of events being held in the village hall every week included Carpet Bowls ,Whist Drives ,Mah-Johg, Chess and Line Dancing. Once a month a Casino evening was held with regular Ladies Club events (some of these events have now been discontinued). It would be nice if enough support could be found to resurrect them in 2010.



Police Surgeries For Sudbrooke Village

Held in the Cherry Tree Cafe, Sudbrooke

Surgeries will be held on the 20th April 2010 and 18th May 2010 and then every 3rd Tuesday of every month if successful.

They will run from 11:00a.m. until 1:00p.m.

All are welcome to attend to discuss any issues or Concerns you may have for the local area, to Report minor incidents or occurrences, to obtain Crime prevention tips, or just ask advice.

Pc 277 Donnah Thompson

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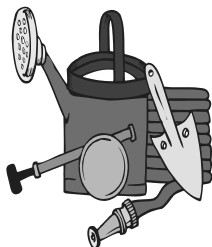
Pcso Jackie Parker

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Pc Thompson and/or Pcso Parker will be present at the surgery however there are occasions when operational commitments require us to be utilised elsewhere.

SUDBROOKE GARDENING CLUB



A full report of the results of the Spring Show held on the 26th April will appear in the next issue of Sudbrooke News.

I am delighted to say that Sudbrooke has again been entered in the 'best kept village competition' and to encourage residents to smarten up their front gardens, a separate competition will be held for the best kept front garden.

I understand prizes will be awarded by Scothern Nurseries. Gardening club members have been asked to help run the competition. More details next month.

Next meeting is on 10th May.

Will be hosted by Mike and Sheila Cannon at 1 Chestnut Close from 7-30pm.

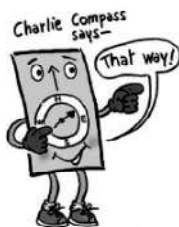
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SUDBROOKE PARISH PLAN



Just a couple of things to mention:

Firstly we have been asked to help with the village welcome sign - see separate article in this issue.

Secondly we have been asked to run a sports day on behalf of the Parish Council.

Sports day will be held on Sunday afternoon 12th

September and will run alongside a general fun day/fete to

be organised by the Village Hall Committee and Pre-School Group.

More details in later issues of Sudbrooke News but please make a note of the date in your diaries.

Mike Halliday
Chairman, Parish Plan Group.
Tel 754686.

COUNTRY WALKS



April walk

Nine walkers, including two new to the group, enjoyed a varied walk from Donington on Bain visiting the hamlets of Gayton le Wold and Biscathorpe.

Walkers climbed the ridge above Donington and returned alongside the River Bain via Viking Way. The weather stayed fine in spite of dark clouds at times.

Many thanks to Paul and Gill Rignall for leading the walk.

Next walk is Saturday 1st May

A local walk of approximately 6 miles starting from Welton and focusing on the Hackthorn area. Mostly easy level walking using village footpaths, field paths and quiet lanes.

Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30am prepared for car sharing.

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 5th June

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.

Scouts build an Easter Garden at St Edward's Church, Sudbrooke

This year the Scouts from the 25th Lincoln (Scothern) Scout Group took their turn to build the model Easter Garden for display in Sudbrooke church. Over a few of their usual Tuesday evening meetings they designed and then built the garden. This year James May was the inspiration with his Chelsea Flower Show Plasticine Garden. In addition to the flowers, various Easter chicks were also made from scratch.

In their Easter Garden, New Life symbolised by the flowers and chicks, springs from the empty tomb with the resurrection of Jesus in the form of a carpet of spring flowers.

Please come and see the Scouts' Easter Garden at St Edward's Church from Easter Sunday until Ascension Day (13th May).

Nick Cornwell-Smith
Group Scout Leader
25th Lincoln (Scothern)
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We are reorganising our diabetic clinics in an attempt to direct patients to the appropriate professional at correct and timely intervals . Diabetic patients registered with us will receive information about this change via letter over the next few weeks.

We are experiencing difficulties with some patients who have been under the care of Dr Barton. Since 1st April 2010 he is officially working half time in the Practice, and there is an obvious capacity issue which means we are not able to guarantee that patients will be seen by him. The pre-bookable appointments for his surgeries are understandably, being taken very quickly but some patients are attempting to make unreasonable demands on our staff and becoming unpleasant when they are not accommodated. There has been no reduction in available appointments overall as we have employed Dr Lizzie Nellist for the remaining sessions and we would ask patients respectfully to appreciate this changed situation.

Some members of the Practice are participating in the Race for Life on Sunday 23rd May to raise funds for Cancer Research. Forms will be available at reception if anyone wishes to offer any sponsorship.

The Practice team were very saddened recently to learn of the sudden death of a former colleague, Gwyneth Stewart, whom many patients will remember as she worked as a Receptionist in the Practice from 1989 until her recent early retirement. Her family have advised us that over five hundred pounds has been raised for the joint benefit of Marie Curie and St Barnabas Hospice which is a great and fitting tribute to Gwyneth. Our thoughts are with her family and friends at this sad time.

Sallie Stead

Lincoln City Radio Still Needs You!

About a year ago, I wrote an article for this magazine under the heading *Lincoln City Radio Needs You!*

I asked for volunteers to become part of our exciting new community radio station, and said there was a particular need to involve retired people with good communication skills, employing them on a voluntary basis as presenters and researchers. I detailed our 25-year campaign to provide a mature 'grown-up' station that would play the best popular music from seven decades, and which would highlight local events, issues and personalities across a range of subjects.

The response was good. We didn't exactly experience a rush of volunteers but those who came to us were exactly the kind of people we wanted to involve.

Unfortunately, our aim to get the station on the air by the Autumn proved too optimistic. It was important we our funding base the highest priority and, in the economic climate, fund raising proved difficult. To save money we had to 'cobble together' a studio from equipment that was borrowed, donated or adapted, rather than achieve the state of the art affair to which we'd aspired to. More recently, you may have read, because our transmitter and aerial were planned to be sited on the main tower of Lincoln Cathedral, we were obliged temporarily to give way to the peregrine falcon nesting season and find a temporary site. We'd waited 25 years – what was a month or two extra?!

Now we've overcome the problems!

By the time you read this article Lincoln City Radio will be on the air to Lincoln and surrounding villages, on **103.6 fm**, though perhaps not yet at full strength (which will be the case when we transmit from Lincoln Cathedral in early August).

So the invitation stands... If you have spare time and would like to help as a researcher or presenter, come and talk to us about joining what is now a dedicated team of volunteers. We have a strong core team but we need more people to ensure the station is a continuing success. There's a particular demand for retired people with good proven communication skills in other areas. We'll give you the training you need.

So consider an interesting and rewarding pastime with us at Lincoln City Radio.

John Walton
Director of Programmes
Lincoln City Radio

Lincoln City Radio is based in Lincoln's cultural quarter at The Terrace, Grantham Street, Lincoln LN2 1BD. If you would like to be with us from - more or less - the start, or just want more information, please contact Jilly Day, our Administrator, on 01522 845101. (Email: lincolncityradio@hotmail.com). Alternatively, you can obtain the information you need from Paul Holmes at the Volunteer Centre on Beaumont Fee, Lincoln.

SUDBROOKE LADIES CLUB



Local resident Margaret Archibald gave a very interesting talk and demonstration about Crystal Therapy at our April meeting.

Forthcoming Events:

Thursday 20th May: BBC Radio Lincolnshire-Rod Whiting.

Thursday 17th June: Members' evening.

Thursday 15th July: Summer Lunch at The Carpenter's Arms, Fiskerton.

We collect used stamps for St Barnabas Hospice and money raised by the book stall and small coin collection will be donated to a local charity when it reaches £200.

We meet on the third Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm in Sudbrooke Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings and guests are asked to contribute £2.

Further information 01522 595736

Gill Rignall.

WELTON & DISTRICT PATIENTS ASSOC.

The Co-operative Society has offered the PDA the chance to hold a Community Dividend Card. If anyone would like to support the PDA (whether or not you use the Transport Scheme) and you don't have a dividend card of your own, then please let me know. You will be issued with a card which is linked to the master card and at the end of the year the Co-op will convert all points collected into cash. This amount will then be doubled by the Co-op and a cheque will be sent for PDA funds. This is an excellent way of generating income to support our Transport Scheme and who knows when they may need to use it themselves? If you are interested in helping, or know anyone who might be, please give me a call on 01673 862570

The Autumn Fayre is planned for Saturday 9th October and we still have some tables left for hire at £5 each. If you would like to raise money for your own charity or for yourselves please contact either Roy Minnitt 01673 860980 or myself 01673 862570

Janet Goddard

Spring Litter Pick

First of all our grateful thanks to the 18 adults and 2 youngsters who turned out to help on a lovely sunny morning.

We divided the village into 5 collection areas and between us filled 23 bags with mostly cans, plastic bottles, cigarette and crisp packets. Unusual items included a satellite dish and a car radio.

The 2 bus stops and phone box on Wragby Road generated one full bag of rubbish. Other hot spots were meeting places for older children/teenagers.

Just how do we get people to use the litter bins provided or take their rubbish home with them?

The volunteers completed their work by 11-00am leaving the open spaces in our village looking in pristine condition.

Please let us keep it that way.

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Welcome to Sudbrooke Village sign



Design ideas are needed

I am pleased to say Parish Councillors have agreed in principle to the idea of a village welcome sign.

Some preliminary work needs to be done particularly in seeking wider community involvement in the project.

We are looking for design ideas and would like residents to submit their proposed designs.

We already have the welcome signs done by Sudbrooke's children at Ellison Boulters School approximately 3 years ago when the parish plan was being developed.

We also have the carving group led by Helen Link and they will no doubt have some ideas.

However, actual or aspiring designers/artists may wish to submit their work for consideration. Please either bring your entry to me at 48.

Scothern Lane or phone me on telephone 754686 and I shall be happy to collect it from you.

The deadline for entries is 15th June.

It is proposed to have a small panel of judges who will decide on the 3 most suitable entries by the end of June. These will then be taken to potential suppliers to find out what is achievable and at what cost.

**Mike Halliday
Chairman, Parish Plan Group**

DUNHOLME CAMERA CLUB



The Camera Club has just 2 meetings during May, the first will be on the 13th May when we will have a speaker (TBC) so no details on that night at the moment.

Our second meeting on the 27th May will be another internal competition night and the competition title will be "Capturing a moving image" this competition is a fairly open competition for all members that will be able to take a picture of a moving object and hopefully be able to show that the item/object was moving at the time.

Interested in learning a bit more about photography? Then make sure that you come along to our meetings.

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What's on in Sudbrooke

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 752936
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Forthcoming Sudbrooke Parish Council Meetings

13th May, 3rd June,
 1st July, 2nd September, 7th October,
 4th November, 2nd December

All Thursdays, 7.30pm in the
 Village Hall.