

# Sudbrooke News

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# HAPPY EASTER

In January I announced my intention to stand down as Editor of Sudbrooke News and gave a generous 5 months notice. To date, despite widespread advertising, I haven't heard from anyone who wants to take up the vacant position.

The Parish Council have anticipated this and in response opened a debate about the magazine's future.

Debate or no debate, the bottom line is, that as no one has come forward, the future of the magazine is in serious doubt.....i.e. no Editor = no magazine.

I am not prepared, after 30 years of publication, to see the demise of Sudbrooke News. Nor do I agree with the idea being floated that the post of Editor is a paid position. There are many many people in Sudbrooke who, past and present, freely gave/give their time, without reward, for the common good .....why should I or my successor?

Therefore, ( I'm getting there if you're nodding off ) I have decided to continue as Editor for the foreseeable future.

Nick James tells me he has had a good response to the questionnaire in last month's publication. I look forward to the feedback in due course. Thank you.



In the meantime, PLEASE keep sending in letters, articles, etc etc.. From personal contact with many people over the last few months, this is by far what is most enjoyed .

Right, Easter, that reminds me .....where did I put my bunny costume? ( Put it on back to front by mistake last year. Gave her indoors a hell of a fright when she came home and caught site of my silhouette !! )

*Nick*

## LETTERS

Dear Editor

I with others are very disappointed with the display of daffodils on Scothern Lane. They have been completely ruined by the action of the local farmer clearing the ditch—hoping this will not happen in the future.

**Mrs S Offord**

*Ed.....couldn't agree with you more....a seemingly thoughtless act.....perhaps there was an urgent reason why this work had to be done?*

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Dear Editor

With reference to the letter of "DUNCAN DISORDERLY" I would like to mention that my wife and I have lived in Sudbrooke twenty five years

and during this time we have found the "Sudbrooke News" both interesting and informative. We also hope that the magazine continues.

**D Grantham**

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Dear Editor

As a fairly recent newcomer to the village I am writing to ask if any of your older readers have any knowledge of the army camp, or whatever else it was, that used to be in the village. The bare groundwork are still there but no one really seems to know what was situated in the woods at the end of West Drive near the green. Some say it was a prisoner of war camp, others say it was a Home Guard training camp. Could any reader who knows about the buildings that used to be there

please E mail or write to this magazine and tell us . This is history and it is disappearing fast. I am sure there must be many like me who would love to know what went on there. If it was the army ...What regiment and how many troops..? If it was POW's ,what nationality..? German or Italian?....Maybe it was none of these ...If you know ...please share your knowledge ...I for one am dying to know the answer and anything else you know about the village from days gone by.

**John Rymann**

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Dear Editor

Allotments ...Rumour has it that someone has suggested it at a Parish council meeting ..

Great idea .!!!! ...Please can we have a site as soon as possible. What with redundancy, shortage of money and cash cutbacks, not to mention the pleasure of growing your own organic

fruit and veg and saving the globe .Lets get it on !!!...How can we get on the list ??? Lets dig for victory again . Anyone else interested please E mail or write in to this Parish news magazine so that demand can be seen .

**Paul Symons**

## VICAR'S LETTER

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

Churches will resound to the opening Greeting of “The Lord is Risen – He is Risen indeed !” on Easter Day (April 12<sup>th</sup>). Before then, there will be a meditation on Good Friday (April 10<sup>th</sup>) at Three Half Hours by the Cross (1.30 – 3.00 p.m. at St. Hugh’s Langworth). The full Easter programme is set out in the Church Diary.

One traditional act of Easter devotion is called “The Stations of the Cross” and, indeed, some churches place these on around the church walls, if they are not permanently depicted.

The “Stations” reflect the story of Good Friday and Easter and, whilst the number may vary, generally there are 14 Stations. Most are taken from the New Testament, but some have their origin in ‘legend’. They are :-

1. Jesus is condemned to death
2. Jesus carries his cross
3. Jesus falls the first time
4. Jesus meets his sorrowful mother
5. Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus to carry the cross
6. Veronica wipes the face of Jesus
7. Jesus falls the second time
8. Jesus comforts the women of Jerusalem
9. Jesus falls the third time
10. Jesus is stripped of his garments
11. Jesus is crucified
12. Jesus dies
13. Jesus is taken down from the cross
14. Jesus is laid in the tomb

Some include a 15<sup>th</sup> Station of Jesus is Risen.

Another set of Stations that I found attractive is “Stations of the Resurrection” that focus on the disciples and their experience of the Risen Christ,

both directly, and in the encouragement they received to go forth as witnesses of the Lord :-

1. Descent into Hell
2. The Myrrh-Bearing Women
3. The Angel’s message
4. Mary Magdalene
5. Disciples at the Tomb
6. The Locked Room
7. Thomas
8. Appearance at Galilee
9. Christ commissions Peter
10. Emmaus
11. The Ascension
12. Pentecost
13. James the Pilgrim
14. Conversion of Paul

Another set of Stations could cover Jesus’ “Journey to Jerusalem” on his final journey with his Disciples. It was a time when He moved from teaching the crowds to instructing His disciples. That journey started way up in the north at Caesarea Philippi (the source of the River Jordan about 30 miles north of Galilee), moves through Galilee, and down the Jordan Valley before moving through Jericho to Jerusalem. Many interesting events occur along the way, before the events of Jesus’ final week in Jerusalem.

The last month has seen much discussion about the future shape of the Deanery. With the departure of the incumbent of the South Lawres Group there are currently only three full time incumbents in the 33 parishes of the Deanery : last year there were five. The big issue is whether the Deanery is reshaped with just three (which has major implications) or appoint another to bring the number up to four (as envisaged in the original Deanery Plan).

Yours in Christ,

**Robert Spaight**

## **CHURCH DIARY**

	<b>APRIL</b>	
Sunday 5	<b>Palm Sunday</b>	
	9.00 Communion	St.John Stainton
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Thursday 9	<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	
	7.00 p.m. Prayer Hour	St.Edward Sudbrooke
Friday 10	<b>Good Friday</b>	
	1.30 Three Half Hours by the +	St.Hugh Langworth
Sunday 12	<b>EASTER DAY</b>	
	9.00 Communion	St.Edward Barlings
	10.30 Family HC + Baptism	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
Tuesday 14	10.30 Barlings Prayer Hour	Old Vicarage
Wednesday 15	7.45 Family Service Planning	50 Scothern Lane
Sunday 19	<b>Easter 2</b>	
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Tuesday 21	7.30 Stainton APCM	Reasby
Sunday 26	<b>Easter 3</b>	
	9.00 Communion	St.Edward Barlings
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
Tuesday 28	10.30 Sudbrooke Prayer Hour	2 Chestnut Close
	7.30 Sudbrooke APCM	St.Edward Sudbrooke
Wednesday 29	7.30 Barlings APCM	St.Hugh Langworth
Thursday 30	7.00 Scothern APCM	Scothern Church

# **PARISH COUNCIL REPORT**

## **Parish Council meeting report – 5<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

**1 Wood Carving Project** – Members of the Parish Council placed on record their thanks to Mrs Helen Link for co-ordinating/organising the project. The carvings were almost complete and would shortly be sited around the Millennium stone.

**2 Dropped kerbs** – The Highways Department have stated that they will install tactile crossings at the entrance to the Village Hall and survey the village to establish whether there are any other locations where tactile crossings would be beneficial. This will make it much easier for wheelchair users/ mums with prams to get up and down the kerbs.

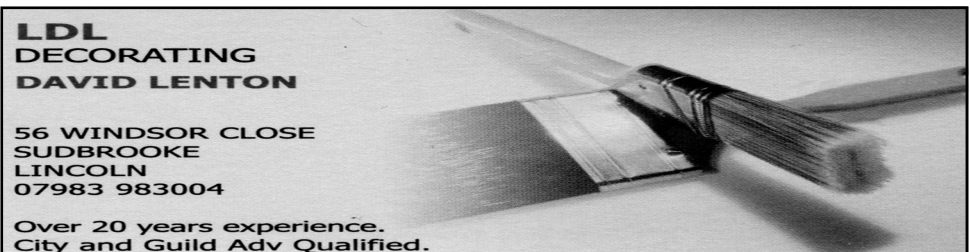
**3 Highway Matters** – There will be a visit from the Highways Team in the

near future to undertake the repair of pot holes, minor surfacing works, verge works, etc. If any resident has any item which they feel requires attention please inform any member of the Parish Council so that it may be added to the list being compiled.

**4 Sudbrooke News – The future – This will be discussed further at the Annual Parish Meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> April in the Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm – Come and have your say.**

**5 Seat in Memory of Ryan Hides** – The seat in memory of Ryan has now been sited in Northfield Park, provided by his family and friends.

**6 Next Parish Council meeting** – 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 8.15pm following the Annual Parish Meeting.



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## *Best Kept Village Competition*

Sudbrooke once again has decided to enter the Best Kept Village Competition and this year we are serious about getting further than we managed last year.

The Parish Council has plans for sprucing up the village but you can help as well by just spending a few minutes looking after **your** front garden and the general appearance of the property especially trimming hedges, picking up litter and removal of weeds etc.

Come on folks, with some nice spring sunshine, the flowers starting to bloom and the birds singing; ---get out there and give your property a spring makeover.

*It will be worth it*

## **Job Vacancy Pre-School Supervisor**

Reepham Pre-School require a Supervisor for 28 hours per week (over 4 days) to start in September 2009. Rate of Pay - £7.58 per hour (to be reviewed in September 09). Qualifications required - Cache Level 3 Diploma in Pre-School Practice, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent.

Experience preferred.

The successful applicant would be subject to a CRB check.

For enquiries please contact Mrs Barbara Hill on 01522 752452 or 07837 691151 or send your written application with a CV to:  
Mrs Caroline Ashworth c/o Reepham CE Primary School, High Street,  
Reepham, Lincoln. LN3 4DP

**Closing date for applications: 17<sup>th</sup> April 2009**



# **SUDBROOKE PARISH PLAN**

The next meeting of the Parish Plan Group is on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> April at 7-30pm in the village hall. Membership of the Group is open to any Sudbrooke resident who is interested in progressing the action plan, so do please come along.

If you wish to remind yourself of the current status of the action plan, please e- mail [vicki.wells@homecall.co.uk](mailto:vicki.wells@homecall.co.uk)

One of the items for discussion at the next meeting concerns social activities at the village hall. Many people asked for greater access and use of the village hall during the development of the par-

ish plan and we should now like to progress this requirement.

Equally, if you wish to start off a new social activity and need some help from the Parish Plan Group, do please come along and discuss it with us.

Finally my thanks to the 17 volunteers at the litter pick on 14<sup>th</sup> March. Just enough people to cover the communal areas in a reasonable time and what a good job was done. The village looks lovely in the Spring sunshine.

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



## **Country Walks**

The March walk to Walesby Old Church and Tealby village was rearranged to 28<sup>th</sup> March and will be reported on in the next issue of Sudbrooke News.

The present group of 'regular' walkers numbers around 10. We are keen to increase that number so that in future a few absentees would not affect the

viability of the group and detract from what is a pleasurable social occasion. It's amazing how the miles slip by when you are chatting to different people.

To start with we shall stick to a regular programme of walks on the first Saturday of each month starting on 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30am prepared for car sharing in case the walk requires a short car journey to the starting point.

We aim to walk no more than 7 miles and arrive back at the village hall no later than 1-30pm.

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

I look forward to seeing you on 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

**Mike Halliday**  
**( Chairman, Parish Plan Group )**  
**Tel 754686.**

## **SUDBROOKE VILLAGE HALL SVHMC**

Summary of the meetings held on Tuesday 16th December 2008 and 10<sup>th</sup> February 2009.

The Chairman welcomed everyone present. At the December meeting we had apologies from two members; at the February meeting we had a full committee and a representative from the Wood Carving Project.

At the February meeting the Treasurer provided us with a draft Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account to our year end 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008. We are still in surplus but should expect increasing fuel costs; the Bar has done very well even considering a quiet autumn. He also told us we now have insurance cover by Zurich via Community Lincs. Being a prudent Treasurer, and an old style bank manager, (his words), we do well to take his advice.

The Bar Manager reported a

satisfactory December and January, and a good New Year's Eve Party. The Committee thanked Gill and Paul Rignall for managing this event and their helpers before and during the do.

And once again our thanks to the Pre-school group for doing Christmas decorations in time for the Christmas Tree Switch On.

At both meetings after having reports from the groups using the Hall; bookings and correspondence, we came to discuss the recent acts of vandalism, both inside and outside the Hall.

This has led to more stringent letting and hiring procedures, and increased security. Anybody hiring the Hall now please bear with us; it is the actions of the few who spoil it for the majority.

**Ann Yeend, Committee Member**



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## **WELTON FAMILY HEALTH CENTRE**

Some patients will know we have been experiencing difficulties with our remote booking in system in the waiting room but are pleased to advise that this is now fully functional and would like to encourage patients to use it if attending for appointments.

Further to last newsletter our new podiatry and dietician clinics are now operational and our weight management clinic commences at the beginning of April. Please ask for details at reception if you would like to take advantage of these new services.

Our Health Visitor, Mrs Carmel Walker, is now working with another practice and her caseload is currently being managed by Mrs Jo Cash supported by Mrs Angela Lyons, Nursery Nurse. We are waiting to hear when a full service will be resumed at the Practice but in the meantime please ring on 01673 863556 as always if you require this service.

We have been successful in our application to run the oral anticoagulation clinic in the Practice with effect from June '09. This will mean that patients on warfarin will be able to receive testing and treatment at the surgery and

further details will be made available soon.

The results of our Patient Satisfaction Questionnaire have now been collated and are available for viewing in the Waiting Room at the surgery and also on our website. We are grateful to everyone for their input and, as always, welcome comments and feedback on our services. We will be discussing the results with our Patient Participation Group. ( WDPDA) at the next meeting ( 16<sup>th</sup> April 09).

During recent power failures we have experienced difficulties with our telephone system once the battery backup has expired. In cases of emergency during a power failure out of hours ( routinely 6.30pm – 8.00am and all weekends and Bank Holidays) the Out of Hours service may be contacted direct on 01522 568900.

We will be closing over the Easter Break from 6.30pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April until Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April. In the event of an emergency the number to call is, as always, 0844 477 3072 or advice may be obtained from NHS Direct on 0845 46 47.

**Sallie Stead**

### **Reepham and District Tennis Club** **The courts are behind Reepham and** **Cherry Village Hall**

The 1<sup>st</sup> April is the start of the new season and I am sure all the members are raring to go now the weather is getting warmer. Club nights with floodlights are on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7.00pm. We also play on the 1st Sunday of every month the next one will be Sunday 5th April from 2pm. The recent AGM was well

attended. New nets and posts have recently been purchased. Club fees have gone up slightly but still offer great value for money. 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 contact:- Steve (Treasurer) 01522 838329 Val (Secretary) Tel 750303 and Kerry (Chairman) on Tel. 750060 Web site – <http://www.cherrywillingham.org.uk/tennis>



## WELTON & DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Four new members joined the Branch at our March meeting, which had the highest attendance for a very long time. The number of members having a meal before the meeting, and staying for a drink afterwards is increasing, and we plan to develop our social side in the coming months.

Recruiting and fundraising activities for the year ahead are now taking shape, and our first event will be at the Dunholme Lodge Open Day on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April 2009. Please come and see us, and find out what the Royal British Legion can do for service and ex-service men and women, and their dependants.

Our next Branch meeting will be on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> April 2009 at 'The Falconer', Hackthorn Road, Welton, starting at 7pm.

If you would like to find out more about the Royal British Legion, please contact the Chairman, Tony Davis, on 01673-860363, or the Secretary, Rex Gregson, on 01673-861197.

# **SUDBROOKE GARDENING CLUB**

## Spring Show

To be held in the village hall on Easter Monday 13th April 2009

Class	1	One Trumpet Daffodil
	2	Three Trumpet Daffodils
	3	One Large Cup Narcissus
	4	Three Large Cup Narcissus
	5	One Small Cup Narcissus
	6	Three Small Cup Narcissus
	7	One Miniature Variety Daffodil or Narcissus
	8	Three Miniature Variety Daffodils or Narcissus
	9	One Tulip, large variety- any colour
	10	Three Tulips, large variety- any colour
	11	One Small Botanical Tulip
	12	Three Small Botanical Tulips
	13	One Small Spray of flowering shrub(not to exceed 24 inches)
	14	Three Stems of Polyanthus
	15	Three Pansies or Violas
	16	Three Sprays of Erica
	17	Vase of Daffodils for quality of flowers
	18	One Multiheaded Daffodil – any variety
	19	One Double Daffodil – any variety
Floral Art	20	“Spring is in the Air” maximum 18 inches
	21	Easter Corsage
	22	Open Class- Vase of mixed daffodils for quality and presentation of flower
Cookery	23	Fruit Pie
	24	Savoury Flan
	25	Four Fruit Scones
	26	Four Jam Tarts
	27	Two Hot Cross Buns
Handicrafts	28	Handicraft –any medium
	29	Photography- “Spring in the garden”
Juniors	30	Entries for any of the above classes resulting from your own efforts
Miscellany	31	Any Plant for exhibition not included in other Classes

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## **SUDBROOKE LADIES CLUB**



### **Forthcoming Events:**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2009:** visit to Lincoln Theatre Royal to see 'The Producers'.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2009:** Mr Barrows - 'Grandma's Kitchen'.

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2009:** Mr Tirrell - 'Invest Ineffectual'.

If you have been a member of Ladies' Club and not yet joined for 2009 we would be pleased to see you again. Everyone is welcome to attend meetings which are of particular interest and guests are asked to contribute £2.

We have a bring and buy table at meetings in addition to the book stall and our used stamp and small coin collections. Stamps have been donated to St Barnabas Hospice and the Air Ambulance will benefit from the fund raising. The donation of books and coins by residents is much appreciated.

We meet on the third Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm in Sudbrooke Village Hall.

Further information: 01522-595736

**Gill Rignall**

### **Hackthorn C. of E. Primary School**

We got off to a great start with our Healthy Schools Week. A particular success was the 'walking bus', where we had arranged for the real bus to stop outside the Post Office so that the children could enjoy a walk to school. Everyone was invited to join in, of course, and by the middle of the week, we found that almost the whole school was taking part!

The Reception group enjoyed a very exciting visit to the Fire Station. This was part of their 'people who help us' project, which is designed to help them feel more secure, knowing all the people and organisations who are concerned with our welfare.

Lots of sporting activities going on this term – Year 6 took part in a Tag Rugby tournament at William Farr, and they represented the school with pride. Years 5 and 6 have started after-school netball coaching in preparation for a future tournament.

A wide variety of after school activities were on show at our recent 'fair' when local clubs and groups were invited to tell everyone about what was on offer. We had also invited pupils to come dressed as they would for any activities that they already take part in, and we were amazed at how many things they get up to after school.

As part of a healthy, balanced school-life, there was a visit from the Young Shakespeare company, who this year introduced us to A Midsummer Night's Dream, and a thoroughly enjoyable time was had by all who took part.

Contact the school on 01673 860295 to arrange a visit or to request a School Brochure.

# **SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL**

**MEETINGS OF SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL ARE HELD MONTHLY, EXCEPT DURING AUGUST, AND ARE NORMALLY HELD ON THE FIRST THURSDAY IN EACH MONTH, IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SUDBROOKE, COMMENCING AT 7.30PM**

**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 - 754342**

**Stuart Curtis - 751874**

**Ian Russell – 754984**

**Rose Dobbs – 753060**

**Paul Rignall – 595736**

**Lyn Etheridge - 750905**

**Nick James – 595035**

**Bernard Bartram – 754798**

**District Councillor Stuart Curtis – 751874**

**County Councillor – Roger Hiscox – 01673 860047**

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

**BOOKINGS FOR SUDBROOKE VILLAGE HALL  
SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH LYN OR  
STUART CURTIS - 751874**



## **New Dates for Beginners' Courses in** **Photography**

After a successful "taster " evening at the Village Hall Peter Foster has arranged some dates for the first three of his Easy to Learn Photography Courses.

The courses are all held in Sudbrooke Village Hall and the dates are as follows:

<b>Creative Photography Part One</b>	<b>7.45pm 23 April</b>
<b>Photographing Your Family</b>	<b>7.45pm 30 April</b>
<b>Creative Photography Part Two</b>	<b>7.45pm 14 May</b>

Each course costs £15 and is a self contained session lasting approximately two hours and is designed to complement further courses later.

All places must be pre-booked as numbers are limited.

Further information and course syllabuses can be obtained from Fosters shop in Horncastle Tel: 01507 522334 or by email on:  
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Other courses, including practical sessions on location are planned for later in the year and a list of topics is available on request.



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## Spring Litter Pick

A big thank you to the seventeen residents who helped with the Spring Litter Pick on the 14<sup>th</sup> of March and especially those who could not come on the day but helped by removing litter from outside their own property. A grand total of twenty refuse sacks were collected and it was reported beer cans and plastic bottles were in abundance this year.

Does this tell us something ?



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## ***WELTON & DISTRICT PATIENTS & DOCTORS ASSOCIATION***

We would just like to say a big THANK YOU to all the Volunteer Drivers for managing to keep all the appointments for patients during the bad weather we have recently had.

### **INCREASE IN CHARGES**

We are very sorry to inform patients that due to funding being withdrawn by West Lindsey District Council to our car scheme, we have unfortunately had to take the decision that all journeys to and from the Health Centre will have to be charged at 40p per mile. This will take effect from 1st April 2009.

### **SPRING LUNCH**

We would just like to remind everyone of the spring lunch. This will take place on Friday 8th May in the village Hall, Welton. Doors will open at 11.45 with lunch being served at 12.15pm.

The menu will be a glass of orange juice, roast pork with apple sauce and the usual vegetables to be followed by Trifle or Bakewell and a relaxing cup of tea or coffee with an After Eight Mint. The price is £4 and tickets are available from The Dispensary @ Welton Health Centre, Mrs Olive Sharland 860174, The Spar Shop, Dunholme 860129 and Roy Minnitt 860980.

In addition we are planning the usual raffle and cake stall and the bar will be open for those who wish to partake of additional liquid refreshment, but please note this is not included in the ticket price!

All money raised will be going to the transport scheme.

**Andrea Lowen**

**Welton Patients and Doctors  
Association**

## 25<sup>th</sup> Lincoln (Scothern) Cub Scouts help buy Life Straws



Lincoln Bailgate Rotary Club President Bob Pilling receiving a cheque for over £275 following a three month fundraising initiative by the Scothern Cubs to support the Rotary Charity 'Life Straws'.

Bailgate Rotary Club has agreed to match fund the Cubs cheque, producing a total of £550 or 157 Life Straws. Many of these Life Straws will be sent out to support people in the border areas of Zimbabwe where a major cholera epidemic is currently developing. Life Straws have

also been used over recent years to provide clean drinking water for people across the world including the summer 2007 floods in Britain.

Various Rotary Clubs have been participating in this UN Millennium Development Goal which aims by 2015 to reduce by half the proportion of people without sustainable access to safe drinking water.

To start the Cubs fundraising effort, one of the local Rotary Club members, Chris Atkin gave an illustrated talk regarding the Life Straws and how Rotary Clubs were raising money to buy more. This presentation highlighted the world problem with water:



- More than one billion people worldwide do not have access to safe drinking water – i.e. around 1/6th of the world's population
- Five million people, mostly children, die each year from waterborne disease (That's one person every six seconds)

Each Life Straw costs around £3.50 and provides a method of purifying dirty and stagnant water for an adult for up to one year. The Life Straws can be distributed around the world wherever there are difficulties with accessing safe drinking water.



Each Cub was given a full 500 ml bottle of water and asked to first of all drink the contents. Once the bottle was empty they were then asked to take them home and collect as much loose change and money as possible and bring them back to Cubs. Whilst some raided their own piggy banks'; others pestered friends and families.

The overall total raised by the Cubs was £275. In addition to raising the much needed money all the Cubs learnt about global issues and this contributed to their Global Challenge Award.

**Grace Windle (Akela) and Nick Cornwell-Smith (Skip)**  
**25<sup>th</sup> Lincoln (Scothern) Scout Group**



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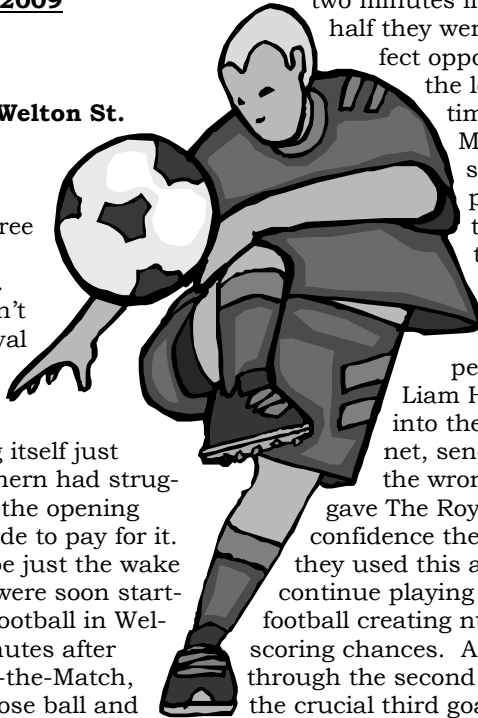
**ELLISON BOULTERS CHURCH OF  
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FOOTBALL TEAM**

**Saturday 28 February 2009**

**League Match 2**

**Ellison Boulters 3 - 1 Welton St.  
Mary's**

Ellison Boulters' young team won a deserved three points in their first ever game against Welton St. Mary's. However, it didn't start off well for The Royal Blues who found themselves 1-0 down after only six minutes, the ball somehow squeezing itself just over the goal line. Scothern had struggled to find their feet in the opening exchanges and were made to pay for it. But the goal proved to be just the wake up call EB needed and were soon starting to play most of the football in Welton's half. Just five minutes after Welton's opener Man-of-the-Match, Alex C, pounced on a loose ball and was quick to turn and fire in the equaliser. The Royal Blues continued to look the better team and create most of the chances, Max W proving a real hand full for Welton's defence. But the two teams went into the half-time break level at 1-1 with all to play for.



As the second half got underway, Ellison Boulters' desire to drive forwards and win the match was evident and only two minutes into the second half they were given the perfect opportunity to take the lead for the first time in the match. Max W found space in the penalty area and tempted a Welton defender into fouling him to win Scothern a penalty which Liam H coolly slotted into the back of the net, sending the 'keeper the wrong way. This gave The Royal Blues all the confidence they needed and they used this as a platform to continue playing their attacking football creating numerous goal-scoring chances. And halfway through the second half Max W got the crucial third goal that he deserved to put the game to bed. It was a solid performance from Ellison Boulters' ever-improving, young team and as their confidence continues to grow they will only get better and better.

**Man of the Match: Alex C**

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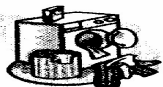
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## COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S CORNER

### To Do, or NOT To Do

I'm afraid I don't keep up to date with fashions in children's toys, so I have no idea if 'Transformers' are still in vogue. These were, or may be still are, toys that could be changed from one

thing into another, but still using the same basic components. Well the idea has been taken into the County Council and we are proposing to change the way we operate after June's election. The basic component, the councillor, will still be there and

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

there will be the same number, 77.

But the way some things will get done will change.

Councils can't change their number of councillors or the areas they represent. That would open to abuse. Then there are some rules about the ways that they can be organised to take decisions. But there is much more flexibility around this and around how those decisions can be informed and sometimes challenged. The county adopted a 'Leader and Executive' model some years ago and this will stay the same. However, until now, executive members have been supported by all party Policy Development Groups. These groups take no decisions but do produce recommendations (which the relevant executive member can accept or ignore!)

These groups have a somewhat mixed record, some working rather better than others. The main deficiency of this system has been that the policy advice produced tends to be related solely to those things that officers want the executive member to consider. There is not much scope for considering what should be done, only what it is already proposed to do.

The existing set up also has 'Scrutiny Committees' who tend to be somewhat backward looking – was the decision taken the right one?

The new arrangements are intended to change both approaches.

But before setting out the new structure, there are several other objectives that we are trying to achieve.

The Lincolnshire Assembly, which represents most significant organisations in the county, such as all principal councils, health services

and the police, has set targets that all partners are trying to achieve by action in their area of responsibility.

This is sensible joined up government at a Lincolnshire level and these targets are a good basis to look at the council's performance.

A council also needs to consider succession planning amongst councillors, so that there is someone who can assume the role of an executive councillor if the need arises.

It is also highly desirable that we make use of the talents of all councillors in formulating and assessing the policies and performance of the council.

The ambition for our 'transformer' is to use our 77 councillors, whoever they are after the election, to achieve as many of the above objectives as possible.

We are creating a new role of executive support councillor and seven new scrutiny committees, each aligned with one of the themes of the Lincolnshire Assembly's Lincolnshire Area Agreement.

The main work of these new scrutiny committees will be carried out by small 'Task and Finish' groups whose members will be chosen by party group leaders on the basis of interest, expertise or other relevant qualification for the subject of the investigation.

Whilst this may seem esoteric, and whilst the proof of the pudding will be in the eating, it is my belief we will see improved council performance as the outcome. It is behind the scenes co-operation between the parties for a wider community good that gets little publicity but does much good

**Roger Hiscox**

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