

December and January 2011

# Sudbrooke News

## NEW YEAR'S EVE

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Welcome to December and January's combined edition of Sudbrooke News.

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Please do not forget.....

## Sudbrooke's Christmas tree event

# Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2010

Full details on page 11.....

Have a great Christmas and Happy New Year and hopefully, all being well, I'll be back bright eyed and bushy tailed in February.

And finally a **big** thank you to everyone who helps get this magazine onto your doormat so regularly come rain or shine. Without your help it simply wouldn't happen. Thanks.

*Nick*



**Sudbrooke News February 2011**  
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# VICAR'S LETTER

*The Vicarage, Langworth Tel. 01522 – 754233*

It's the time of year, with this double issue, to wish you all a blessed and joyful Christmas and a happy and fruitful New Year. As the Church Diary shows we are entering an exciting, joyful and active cycle in the church's year – the Seasons of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany.

It is a time for the singing of many Carols, and this year there is a new community event at Stainton with the "Christmas Carol Singalong" at 6 p.m. on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December. All the Christmas Services are listed in the Diary and I hope you may find an opportunity from amongst them to come and join us to celebrate the main event of Christmas – the Birth of Jesus.

The history of Carols is a substantive study in its own right. A brief overview reveals that :-

1. Carols were among the many pagan customs taken over by the medieval church which used them initially as much in the celebration of Easter as of Christmas. The carol of classical times was a major element in popular celebrations to mark the passing of the winter solstice and the coming of spring.
2. The derivation of the word 'carol' has been the subject of much speculation. It probably goes back through the old French '*caroler*' and the Latin '*choraula*' to the Greek '*choros*' - a circling dance often accompanied by singing and associated with dramatic performances, religious festivities and fertility rites. The earliest known reference to '*carol*' in English literature dates from around 1300, using the modern spelling. It had no religious connotations and seems to denote simply a dance in the round.
3. Carols were suppressed by the Puritans after the Reformation, partially reinstated at the Restoration, sung by Dissenters and radicals to the distaste of the established churches in the eighteenth century, and rediscovered and reinvented by Victorian antiquarians and romantics.
4. The Franciscans, established in 1209, were involved in "Christianising" the carol – introducing it to Italy and then to France and Germany (where in the 14<sup>th</sup>C "*In dulci jubilo*" was written). It is pretty certain that carols also came to Britain through the Franciscans, and a set of sermon notes written by a Franciscan friar before 1350 contain the earliest extant Christmas carol – "*A child is boren amonges man*".
5. Many of our older carols date from the period 1400 to 1550 – several of them dwelling on the pleasures of festive eating and drinking !



Saturday 25	<b>Christmas Day</b>	
	9.00 Communion	St.John Stainton
	10.30 Family Service	St.Hugh Langworth
Sunday 26	<b>Christmas 1 (Boxing Day)</b>	
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke

	<b>JANUARY 2011</b>	
Sunday 2	<b>Christmas 2</b>	
	9.00 Communion	St.John Stainton
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Sunday 9	<b>Epiphany 1</b>	
	9.00 BCP Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	10.30 Christingle Family Service	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
Wednesday 12	7.45 Family Service Planning	50 Scothern Lane
Sunday 16	<b>Epiphany 2</b>	
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Sunday 23	<b>Epiphany 3</b>	
	9.00 Communion	St.Edward Barlings
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
Sunday 30	<b>Epiphany 4</b>	
	9.00 BCP Communion	St Edward Sudbrooke
	10.30 Family Service	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Night Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth

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# **PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES**

## **NOTES OF THE MEETING OF SADBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2010 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SADBROOKE**

**PRESENT:** Councillors S Curtis, B Bartram, M Dickie, Mrs L Etheridge, P Rignall, N James Mrs B Solly (Treasurer)

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors Miss R Dobbs, I Russell, PC D Thompson, Mrs C Myers (Clerk), N Truscott

***NB Mrs B Solly took the notes in the absence of the Clerk.***

### **59 PARISHIONERS ITEMS**

Concern was expressed re cars trying to access the Scout Camp from West Drive. There is no signage re access to the Scout Camp at West Drive. It was agreed to contact the Scout Group and ask that they consider this matter and state that all access to the Scout Camp should be from the A158 only.

### **60 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRPERSON**

Cllr B Bartram was elected as Vice Chair to the Parish Council, proposed by Cllr P Rignall, seconded Cllr N James. A Declaration of Acceptance of Office was duly signed.

### **61 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared.

### **62 POLICE MATTERS**

Report sent by PC D Thompson detailing recent incidents. Also detail regarding SAS Fire Security Services.

Cllr M Dickie also drew the Council's attention to Watchline Messages which can be accessed by all those joining Neighbourhood Watch.

### **63 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

None given.

### **64 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT**

District Councillor Stuart Curtis informed the Council that there had a been a lot of recent interest in the Local Initiative Fund.

DC Curtis confirmed that the Local Development Framework will be put out to

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

consultation on the 20<sup>th</sup> October for 6 weeks. There is a meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> October at the Guildhall for all Parish Council members and also a meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> October at Fiskerton. DC Curtis suggested that a joint public meeting be held between Sudbrooke, Scothern, Langworth and Greetwell Parish councils. Date and time to be discussed.

### **65 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2010**

These were signed as a correct record.

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

**a) Parish Plan Advisory Group** – The Group has decided that it has now reached the end of its work and has agreed to fold. The Council expressed their thanks to the Group and to Mr M Halliday in particular for all the work that he has done.

**b) Request for Skateboard Park** – nothing further to report

**c) Christmas Tree Event** – Cllr M Dickie reported that the event will be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2010 at 4:30pm. The event will combine with the lighting up of the Millennium stone. There will be warm mince pies and mulled wine at the Christmas Tree and a further event for the children at the Village Hall.

**d) Best Kept Village Competition** – The judge's comments were noted. There had been an improvement on previous year's comments which was heartening.

**e) Rowan Tree – Sibthorpe Drive** - Councillor Stuart Curtis will speak to WLDC to see what they can do as trees in verges are strictly not responsibility of Parish Council.

### **67 HIGHWAY MATTERS**

**a) Street nameplates, Park Close** – it was proposed and unanimously agreed that WLDC will put up a new sign outside 21 Park Close detailing 23-27, 12-20 with an arrow pointing round the corner.

**b) Overhanging Trees around Bus Shelter** – it was noted that the County Council have cut their trees back significantly. It was agreed to discuss the matter of the remaining overhanging trees at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

**c) Sports Day** – Went well – agreed to write letter of thanks to Mr M Halliday and his family.

# PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES Cont'd.....

**d) Arrangements for proposed Litter Pick** – This was arranged for 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

## **68 Standards Committee Annual Report**

Deferred to next meeting

## **69 PLANNING**

### **a) Applications:-**

Manor House, Scothern Lane – DC S Curtis to speak to neighbours  
Springfield, 27 Wragby Road - 027857 – Fell 1 dead birch tree – no objections  
Raeside, 64 Scothern Lane – 027957 - Fell 1 sycamore & 1 Hawthorn – no objections

### **c) Refusal of Appeal**

El Arenal, West Drive – 125770 – first floor and 2 storey extension.

## **70 FINANCE**

**a) Income** – Money back re Sports Day - £82.12  
Advertising revenue – Sudbrooke News - £31.00

## **71 SUSBROOKE NEWS**

It was agreed that the Medical Practices in Nettleham and Welton can continue to produce updates in the Sudbrooke News, should any other medical practices wish to do the same they need to demonstrate a substantial number of clients / patients from Sudbrooke already using the practice.

**72 CHAIR PERSONS COMMENTS** - None. Vice Chairman Cllr B Bartram thanked Cllr P Rignall for his work as Vice Chair over the past few months.

## **73 CORRESPONDENCE**

Play Area Report – to be put on agenda for the next meeting

Letter received from CC re Highways matters, Clerk to write to Alan Brown to enquire as to whether PC needs to re-send letter sent previously.

## **74 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2010, apologies from Cllr B Bartram noted.



# Report of Parish Council Meeting held on 4th November 2010

6 Councillors were present, with 4 members of the public, County Councillor Sue Rawlins, Mr Peter Walton form the Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils, the Clerk and Treasurer.

**ADDRESS BY PETER WALTON, TREASURER OF LINCOLNSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS AND MEMBER OF WEST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL STANDARDS COMMITTEE** - Mr Walton gave an informative address on the work of the Standards Committee and its future changes.

## **POLICE REPORT** – Incidents during October

02/10/10 – Scothern Lane – Complaint re manner of driving – Manner of Driving

Pro-forma sent to caller if caller wishes to pursue a complaint

20/10/10 – Holme Drive – Concern for occupant – All in order

24/10/10 – Pelham Close – Silent 999 call made – Occupant checked and all in order, accidental call

25/10/10 – Beresford Drive – House alarm and noise – Police attended was a private party at the premises all in order

27/10/10 – Wragby Road – Dog in the road – Area searched but no trace of any animals

28/10/10 – Main Drive – Theft of tools from shed – Enquiries ongoing with officer in case.

**PROPOSED VILLAGE SIGN** - Helen Link and Mike Halliday put forward proposals for a Village Sign. It was evident that much time and work had been taken in the preparation of this presentation and Helen and Mike were thanked for this. It is hoped that some grant funding may be available towards the sign. The Parish Council will discuss this at its next meeting.

**CHRISTMAS TREE EVENT** – Councillor Martin Dickie requires 8 volunteers to help put up and to take down the marquee on Beech Close on 5<sup>th</sup> December. ***Anyone who can assist please ring Martin on 754342.***

The arrangements for the event are progressing and Santa will be there on his sleigh for the switching on of the Christmas tree and the millennium stone lights at 4.30pm.

**ACCESS TO THE SCOUT CAMP** - The Scout Association had been contacted regarding the use of West Drive as access to the camp. It had been established in the conveyance of the land to the Scouts in 1958 from Miss Gilbert the

Association legally assumed all the access rights to the land, which are stated on the document as being West Drive from both east and west, and also by Main Drive (through the Park Gates).

The Association had stated that all users of the site are asked to approach from the east end of West Drive and this would be re-iterated. It was added however that the Association would not support the erection of a directional sign on the A158 as they did not wish to advertise the location of the scout camp.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – This will be when the Precept for the next year is set – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2010.

## JOHN WILKINSON

### 1931-2010

It is with deep regret to hear the loss of local farmer, John Wilkinson.

John was a stalwart supporter of village interests and had a strong passion for the country environment. He served on the Parish Council and Conservation Committee for many years.

He was well known for his knowledge of the countryside and local village life – a gift he enthusiastically shared with anyone prepared to listen. He supported many educational village walks on local footpaths and around his farm, always keen to encourage youngsters to appreciate and respect our village habitats.

John's love of trees is evident throughout the village. He helped plant the majority of trees around the village hall, playing field and Northfield Park and to maintain them in their early stages. He also made room to plant new copses adjacent to footpaths on his farm which we can enjoy. When planting daffodil bulbs or clearing rubbish, John was always there to lend a hand.

The Parish has gained considerably from his efforts over the past years. Future generations will appreciate them in the future.

Our thoughts are with his wife, June, and family for someone who will be sorely missed.

*Members of Sudbrooke Parish Council, the Clerk and Treasurer*

## Sudbrooke's Christmas tree event

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2010**

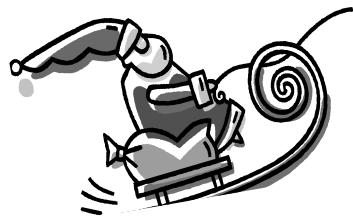
**Commencing at 4.30pm at the tree  
by the Millennium stone on  
Scothern Lane**

Switching on of the lights on the  
Christmas tree and the newly  
completed illumination  
of the Millennium Stone

Mince pies and mulled wine  
**and Santa on his Sleigh**

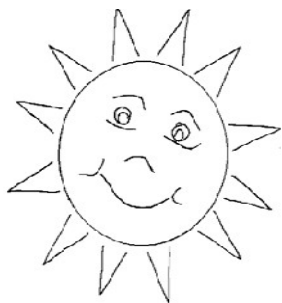
Then down to the Village Hall for  
Children's entertainer, Hot Dogs,  
more mince pies,  
Bar, Raffle, teas and coffees.

*A fun afternoon for all the  
family,  
see you there.*



# Sudbrooke Toddlers

If you have Children aged 0-4 then why not come and join us for fun, games, craft and songs.



Juice and biscuits for the children and a well earned tea or coffee for the adults are included in the entry fee of £1 per Adult, £0.50 per Child.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A few years ago, I put in a plea for people to vote for BT to install Broadband in Sudbrooke, and you all voted and we got broadband in the village sooner, rather than later. Well now I'm asking you all to vote again to get BT to upgrade our exchange to BT infinity - optical Broadband. To do this, you need to go to the following link:

[http://www.productsandservices.bt.com/consumerProducts/displayTopic.do?topicId=29017&s\\_cid=con\\_FURL\\_infinity](http://www.productsandservices.bt.com/consumerProducts/displayTopic.do?topicId=29017&s_cid=con_FURL_infinity)

On the right hand side of the page you'll see a box saying: "Can I get BT Infinity?" If you have a BT line, input your landline number and work your way through to the vote. If you don't have a BT line, click the "I'm not with BT" and enter house number and postcode and click check now. It then brings up a screen saying "Is this your address?" click yes if correct and another screen arrives saying "Your broadband checker results. You should see a link: [www.bt.com/racetoinfinity](http://www.bt.com/racetoinfinity). Click on this. When new screen comes up, click GO and then Skip Intro. There should be a link enabling you to vote, there are three steps to voting, so get your cast. At the time of writing this, we only had 33 votes and it reckons there are a total of 5.159 votes, so we're only at 0.64%, so come on people, cast your vote and get us to the top of the list!!!

### Jacqui Armitage

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Retired, and looking for something to do in the village, I thought I'd pluck up courage and give the Whist group a ring and see if I could join them. I hadn't played since I was quite young, and was concerned that I would make a real fool of myself and leave at the end (or before!), never to return again! Was it a private club or could anyone come? Cyril answered the phone and said I'd be most welcome, making me feel a bit better, and so it was a few months ago that I walked in feeling all eyes on me, and sat down to my first game with great trepidation, wondering about the result of my first blunder, and the scowls, glares, tuts etc that would come my way. Nothing would be further from the truth, and I was so well received that playing whist with many new found friends has become almost the highlight of the week. A few weeks later my wife came to collect me, and discovering that she had played the odd game with the family (but never at a whist drive) she too was persuaded by some of the ladies to give it a go, and subsequently she too now wouldn't miss it unless absolutely necessary. So if you had thought you might like to give it a go, ring Cyril on 751023 or just walk in at 2pm on Thursday in the village hall, you will get a game, plus a nice cuppa & biscuits. We're a mixed group of ladies and gents, all pensioners at this time, but maybe you could change that !! Go on! What can you loose!

### Terry Mayo

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Halloween Ghost Hunt at Sudbrooke Holme. Wizard Show !!  
My little horrors thoroughly enjoyed it. The whole event was a "Treat "and there were plenty of "Tricks". Thanks to everyone concerned.  
So spooooky !!! A great night out. Same again next year !!. Please !!

**Janet Duffet**

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On 30th October together with my children I attended The Ghost Walk at Sudbrooke Holme which had been advertised in The Village Shop. This was being organised and hosted by The Wilkinson Family free of charge to villagers but with a voluntary collection to support a local lad suffering from cancer. Armed with small torches and led by the children we wended our way along the spooky unlit dark road leading to Sudbrooke Holme through the woods. It was a perfect night. Dark and still and the temperature was quite mild for the time of the year, no wind. Eerily quiet !!.

Some of the other children walking with their parents near us were wearing Halloween masks and hats and dressed in witches or skeleton costumes. With their torches they were having lots of fun on the way to the event trying to scare each other with their torches lighting up their face masks as well as the trees and shadows. I saw some small children with firework sparklers which added wonderfully to the scene. Just making our way there was a great build up. It was a great adventure for the youngsters. Far better than silly trick or treating.

On arrival at 7 o'clock we were provided with cakes and sweets and hot and cold drinks from a stall in the woods whilst we waited to be shown along the route in groups of five or six. It was even darker in those grounds. The way was lit by hundreds of small night lights protected from the weather by upside down plastic beer mugs. That was a brilliant (in more ways than one ) idea. It gave just enough light to guide you on your way but not enough to spoil the atmosphere.

The journey along the winding small narrow footpaths took about 15 minutes. It was absolutely wonderful. So well organised, with lots of friends and members of the hosts family acting out the parts of witches. Ghouls and ghosts. We came across a murderer digging the grave of his victim lying dead beside him, a witch chanting and acting out a scene from Macbeth....( I wondered where my Mother in Law had got to ). An eerie hanging corpse who suddenly and dramatically became alive and scared the life out of me. There was a bath with a woman's dismembered body in it oozing blood and gore. Tramps and vagrants dressed in rags jumped out to scream at you from the bushes beside you and vampire bats flitted about among the trees on wires, including one human dressed as a vampire who swooped down on a bungee wire just above our

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heads and caused everyone to scream and duck. There were pumpkin lanterns hanging from trees together with skulls and skeleton and small dolls with skewers stuck through them. There was a huge owl in a tree watching you.

The highlight of the journey for me was when a ghostly figure suddenly with a great roar of full throttle broke the stillness of the night as he cranked up a chainsaw as he was suddenly illuminated in the darkness in the woods beside us menacingly waved it about making his way towards us. Thank goodness I had the children to protect me !! Amazingly they were great !! Not too frightened, because we had been warned it was going to be scary but startled enough to scream and laugh and thoroughly enjoy it. Up in front of us and behind us we could hear other groups enjoying and being scared by the same things.

Overall it was a wonderfully enjoyably Halloween experience and everyone who attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves. I have seldom seen such happy families. Anyone who was unable to attend missed a treat. The choreography and acting was worthy of any stage production and is a credit to everyone who organised, helped out and in any way took part in this village event. Through the medium of this magazine can I publicly say "Thank you so much" to the The Wilkinson Family.

### Frank Mellership

*Ed..... I want to add my thanks to the Wilkinson Family for their kindness in hosting this very successful event and for arranging a collection for the benefit of our son Leo, recently diagnosed with Leukaemia. An incredible £540 was raised from the Walk, planned at very short notice, **thank you everyone.***

### COMPUTER CLASSES IN THE DUNHOLME OLD SCHOOL COMMUNITY CENTRE

Computer classes will start again  
starting the second week of January 2011.

All Classes run for 12 weeks and cost £52 A leaflet giving a full description of the courses will be available in your local library from the second week of

December or from John Ritchie on 01673861172 or  
[j.ritchie@dunholmelincs.wadadoo.co.uk](mailto:j.ritchie@dunholmelincs.wadadoo.co.uk).



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18:15 hrs

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**Fantastic News** for the residents of Nettleham this month. The man responsible for the burglaries in the village between May and September has been convicted at Lincoln Crown Court this month and sentenced to 6 years in prison for these and many other burglaries around the county and out of county. Mark Marriott 43 years who is a self confessed heroin addict had committed around 200 burglaries in 4 years. It took many hours of hard work by the detectives to trace this male and deal with him. There was also a lot of hard work put in by this and other neighbourhood policing teams going door to door around the village. Marriott states that at his last burglary in Nettleham he was scared away from the village after seeing one of the police leaflets that had been delivered warning residents.

**Parking outside Schools** – This continues to be an issue raised on a regular basis. The team patrol the Primary Schools that cause most concern, these being Cherry Willingham Primary, Nettleham Junior, Nettleham Infant, Reepham Primary and Ellison Boulter in Scothern as often as we can and even after all the letters home, banners and patrols people still insist on parking as close to the school as possible. Numerous warnings and fixed penalty notices have been issued over the last 3 months.

**Postal Scam, confirmed by Royal Mail  
The Trading Standards Office are making people aware of the following scam :-**

A card is posted through your door from a company called PDS (Parcel Delivery Service) suggesting that they were unable to deliver a parcel and that you need to contact them on 09066 611911 (a Premium rate number).

DO NOT call this number, as this is a mail scam originating from Belize.

If you call the number and you start to hear a recorded message you will already have been billed £315 for the phone call.

If you do receive a card with these details, contact Royal Mail Fraud on 02072 396655.

If you notice a **street light** is not working please take a note of the number on the pole and ring either Lincolnshire County Council Highways and Traffic direct on 01522 782070 or myself on 01522 823802.

**Chris Myers, Clerk to the Parish Council**

**The Ingham Practice**

**Christmas Patient Participation Evening – Wednesday 15 December 2010**

**6.00pm – 7.00 pm**

All patients are invited to celebrate the festive season with carols, mince pies and lots more ....Raffle, Tombola etc. Light refreshments will be provided. Do come and celebrate with us.

Dr Sultan & Team wish all our patients a very Merry Christmas and a healthy New Year.

**ROAD CLOSURE – LANGWORTH LEVEL CROSSING**

21.00 Hours Tuesday 7/12/2010 to 06.30 hours Wednesday 8/12/2010

**ROYAL  
AIRFORCES  
Association**



On behalf of the President, Chairman and Committee members of the Lincoln Royal Air Forces Association, would like to thank you to those residents, including several youngsters, who together, donated the outstanding sum of £361.78p, through the house-to-house collection in September. The money has been forwarded to Central Headquarters.

**Chris Herrick 01522 752463**

# GARDENING NEWS



Hello and welcome.

Last month, I mentioned the changing seasons, and recently my wife and I visited our family and spent a few days in Shropshire. On the journey across we avoided the motorways, preferring to travel through the countryside where we could appreciate the autumn colour, as the trees and hedgerows were just on the turn. On our return journey, many of the trees were showing a blaze of colour - glorious reds, orange and yellow stretching from the Welsh borders and continuing across the country into Lincolnshire. A very impressive sight, especially when the sun was shining.

The autumn colours last a very short time, and back home in our own garden the frosts have brought the leaves down, and finished off the few flowers lingering in the border. There is no doubt that winter is here. Following the strong winds and frosts, there is a lot of tidying to be done. The perennials in the border are finished for this year and need to be cut back. Those containers on the gravel garden which contain the more tender plants have been transferred to the greenhouse and cold frames. The garden seats have been covered up to protect them from winter wet, and maybe snow - who knows?

Fortunately our shrubbery, still awaiting attention, contains several large evergreen shrubs, so the garden won't be looking too bare over the next few months.

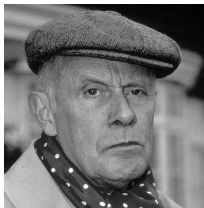
In the front garden, the Salix tree having been battered by the strong winds, has had a light trim, and looks much better. The Rudbeckia which has flowered for many months is now finished and has been cut back.

There is little left to do in the garden now, apart from some basic tidying up when the weather is suitable, so it's goodbye for this year - more gardening news in the spring.

In the meantime, a very Happy Christmas and New Year to everyone.

G P

# The Old Codger.....



IS IT ME ? .....I love to watch the re runs on TV where some miserable old git called Victor Meldrew sounds off about all the things that irritate him in life. The trouble is that I find I am turning into him. Even my wife says so !!. She accused me of faking deafness ....that hurt !...I told her ..."I'll pretend I didn't hear that "... she swears she married a clone of three of Snow White's dwarfs.... Sleepy Grumpy and Dopey

My tax inspector thinks I'm a man of untold wealth. He says it's better to give than deceive. He thinks he is being "Punny" .....he's a hard man ....not only has he not left me enough for a rainy day, I pray that it won't even drizzle. If I were to get divorced now my wife would have to sue me in the small claims court. I keep wondering why The Mona Lisa is just smiling. If I were worth that much money I'd be laughing my head off!!

Am I alone in hating the advert that shows some demented ugly lunatic with long hair and a floppy filthy long coat screaming at me and crashing two double glazing panels together whilst screaming "Buy one get one free !!" about four times at the top of his voice. Nothing could put me off more from dealing with the firm that chose him to advertise their products. Who knows ?.... He may be one of their fitters

Another irritating advert is the one that shows an actor from the series "The Bill " who attempts to lure viewers into a "No win No fee" legal firm of accident claim solicitors. I find it incredible that whoever selected him to be in that advert did not remember that in his last role in "The Bill " he played, very convincingly, a corrupt detective. Nice one ! Just the representative you need for a legal firm .

Does anyone ever pay the normal price for furniture advertised on TV ? Every time you switch on you are bombarded with news that there is a sale on of everything from sofas and beds to fitted kitchens, bathrooms, carpets and upholstery. Amazingly, every one of these sales ends on Monday !!. Well I suppose they do !!. They start again on Tuesday of course because you wouldn't expect the places to stay open twenty four hours a day would you .? So !..."Must End Monday " is OK is it ?... Everything is half price of course !! ..Nothing is advertised at the correct full, reasonable price !! Are we all believed to be so gullible that we believe this claptrap. It's getting more like a foreign bazaar where nothing is correctly priced and haggling is expected so that the stupid are led to believe that they are getting a bargain. Just how many sofas do they expect me to buy a week ? I for one would prefer that I am shown the actual price that I am expected to pay for goods or services .

Another thing that annoys me are the "Pay nothing for 3 years " offers. Am I alone in wondering just how many people taking up those offers are nowhere to be found

after 3 years. With a start like that I am surprised that they are ever able to trace any of them. The trouble is that the honest customer must be overcharged so that companies can cover the cost of these thieves. Without stupid temptations like this they could probably reduce the actual retail price by 50% without the "Sale " gimmicks and greatly increase their cash flow.

Insurance adverts irritate me. It seems that being loyal to a company means that you are stupid. There seems to be no bonus for using a company for years. If we are to believe adverts we are all being ripped off because every other insurance company guarantees to reduce our premiums by at least 30 or 50%. Why can't insurance companies reward loyalty so much by reduced premiums to their customers that competitors are unable to under cut them and steal their customers. I hate the haggling and using price comparison web sites to find value for my money. Is it beyond insurance companies ability to search their competitors tariffs and offer loyal customers a fair competitive and reasonable price and retain them.

What about those insane competitions that appear on ITV whereby you are asked to select one of three possible answers to an absurdly simple question. Is there any moron out there that doesn't know the answer .....i.e. Which letter of the alphabet immediately follows the letter A ...Is it... W .B or Z...?. Is there any one out there that doesn't know the answer is W ?. Spend £1 and phone in your answer ( On some land lines it may be more and on mobiles will be considerably more ) There must be some morons out there that phone in with the expectation that they are the only one with the answer and in the expectation that they will win a million. Quid. How come we never hear of any winners ...SIMPLES !! as the Meer cat says. No one knew the answer to such a hard question.

Can I be the only one who gets annoyed at the way the radio, TV and newspapers broadcast details of speeches about to be made by The Prime Minister or other luminaries long before the speech is made. In the case of radio and TV just about every hour for a whole day beforehand. Surely it would be much better to report what had been said rather than say "The Prime Minister Mr Bill Bloggs will announce later today that ...." I don't think Churchill's speech "Never in the field of ....." Or Chamberlain's speech "Peace in our time etc "would have been so dramatic had they been bandied about in the media for 24 hours previously would they .

Just one more thing ....We don't need to be told the name of the Prime Minister every time he is mentioned. They don't surely think we don't know his name do they ?. They don't change that often.....so come on !!...no more "The Prime Minister Bill Bloggs will today announce that .....etc "....OK !!

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4. Causes you to send it back to the person who sent it to you. *Aha!*
5. Causes you to forget to attach the attachment. *well darn!*
6. Causes you to hit "SEND" before you've finished. *Oh, no - not again!*
7. Causes you to hit "DELETE" instead of "SEND." and *I just hate that!*
8. Causes you to hit "SEND" when you should "DELETE." *Oh No!*

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# WELTON & DISTRICT PATIENTS AND DOCTORS ASSOCIATION

Our Christmas Lunch will take place on Friday 10th December at Welton Village Hall with doors opening at 11.45am. There will be a raffle, book stall and cake stall for you to make your purchases before lunch is served at 12.15pm. If anyone would like to make a cake for sale on the cake stall, it would be gratefully received on the day. The making of cakes usually falls to the same few people each time and a few new 'bakers' would be appreciated!

Unfortunately all the tickets for this event are sold and there is a waiting list for cancellations but we hope that those of you who have been lucky enough to obtain a ticket will enjoy the event.

We would like to thank everyone who has made donations to the PDA in recent weeks and especially to the anonymous donor of just over £100. We rely heavily on such donations to the PDA and to keep the Transport Scheme viable.

Finally advance notice of an event for next year. We will be holding a Jumble Sale to raise funds for the PDA on Saturday 9th April 2011. Further information will be placed in future copies of this magazine but please bear us in mind when clearing out your wardrobes and cupboards next spring!

Can I take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year?

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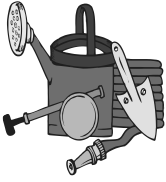


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## SUSBROOKE GARDENING CLUB



Next meeting is Monday, 13th December.

The pre- Christmas meeting provides an opportunity for members to review the activities of the previous twelve months and plan a programme for 2011.

The meeting will be hosted by Barry and Margaret Reeves at Tall Trees, 25 Wragby Road from 7-30pm.

I wish all members and supporters a very happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.

**Mike Halliday ( Secretary )**  
**Tel 754686.**

## SUSBROOKE LADIES CLUB



At our November meeting Committee member Peggy Cherry spoke about her experiences, both sad and happy, as an evacuee during the Second World War. She had been evacuated from Kent to Wales because of the proximity of her home to Battle of Britain airfields. Her talk stimulated memories and provided a topic of conversation during refreshments. Many thanks to Peggy

for an interesting evening

We meet on the third Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm in Sudbrooke Village Hall. There is a guest speaker at most meetings and we try to provide something to interest everyone throughout the year. We have a book stall and small coin collection for our charity fund, which currently stands at £172. You are welcome to attend our meetings and guests are asked to contribute £2.

Forthcoming Events:


Thursday 16th December: Christmas Party. Tickets available from Committee.

Thursday 21st January 2011: AGM and cheese and wine.

Thursday 18th February 2011: speaker to be arranged.

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The Norman church and Ellis mill are notable landmarks in Ingham.

As a special treat all walkers returned to the Black Horse Inn for a splendid meal enjoyed in very pleasant surroundings.

### **Next walk is Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December.**

As it is the Christmas market weekend, we have chosen a local walk in the countryside around Reepham, Fiskerton and Langworth.

Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30am. Walkers are advised to wear suitable footwear, take a waterproof coat, a small snack and a drink. Cars are not required.

Everyone is welcome to join in this free and healthy activity.

### **Future walk is Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> January.**

Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30am prepared for car sharing. The venue is to be agreed and will depend on ground conditions.

**Walkers please note the date- on this occasion only we are walking on the second Saturday of the month as New Year's Day is on the first Saturday.**

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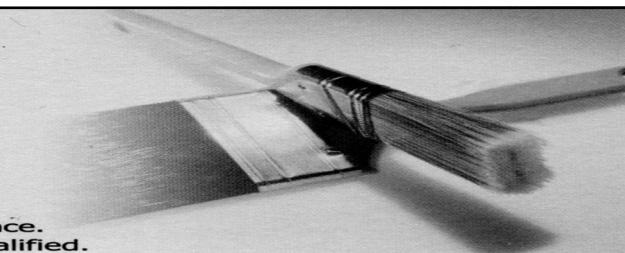
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Reminder that we still have a number of `flu vaccines available. If you think you qualify for one do not wait until we write to you – please ask at reception for details.

The Practice is due to have a major computer upgrade on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2011. Whilst we will endeavour to keep any disruption to a minimum we would greatly appreciate co-operation from patients during this time.

We have recently joined up with a national company who forward appropriate waste medicines to Africa and will be sending regular parcels from medicines returned to us by patients. Medicines should have an expiry date of at least fifteen months before they can be sent.

During September 65 patients booked but failed to keep their appointments with us and we were advised of 26 non-attenders at the local hospital. As always, please let us know if you are unable to attend so that the slot may be utilised by others.

As Christmas draws near could we remind patients again of the need to order repeat medications in a timely manner. Requests for “urgent” actions are still on the increase and responding to them does disadvantage those patients who use the service in the way it is intended. Some suggestions have been made to set up alerts on mobile `phones or computers as a reminder to order ( authorised orders can be placed via the answer phone 24/7, via our website [www.weltonsurgery.co.uk](http://www.weltonsurgery.co.uk), in person or via request slips posted to surgery) allowing 48hrs ( 2 working days)

The Practice would like to offer sincere thanks to Mr Derek Wright who retired recently as Chairman of the Patient and Doctors Assn after many years service. He has agreed to remain as Vice Chair and we welcome the appointment of Mr Mal Reynolds as his successor and look forward to continuing our working relationship with this greatly appreciated and well established Patient Group. Thank you to everyone who has been involved in whatever way over the last year and more.

Finally, the Practice will be closed from midday on Christmas and New Years Eves but a doctor will be available in cases of emergency by telephoning the usual number, 0844 477 3072 between 12 – 6.30pm until the out of hours service takes over. The surgery will be closed from midday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec – Wed 29<sup>nd</sup> Dec and then close again on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Dec at midday until Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2011. May we wish everyone a very happy and health Christmas and New Year.

**Sallie Stead**

## DUNHOLME CAMERA CLUB



That's it for 2010 then? December is here and with it the cold nights during December we only have the 1 official meeting which is the clubs final competition "The Chairman's Challenge" annually the chairman of the club sets a challenge for the members to produce a new piece of work and the best one will be chosen on the night (9th December)

All the best to everyone for the festive season and hopefully we will see some of you as new members in 2011?

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# **BACKWARDS GLANCE AT SADBROOKE NEWS**

**Issue No266 dated June 2000**

The Youth Club finally closed after unsuccessfully trying for the previous six months to recruit new volunteer adults to help run the club and help out those lovely folks who had successfully run it for the previous four years. (What a shame !!...One of the reasons for building The Village Hall was to start a Youth Club and it was now to close ...not for lack of Youth Membership but lack of Volunteer Adults to help run it ).

We had the Vicar Rev Robert Spaight in stitches....(No .. he wasn't laughing !! ) He wrote that due to a serious operation on his right hand he was having to write his column with his left hand. (Sorry Vicar..... but it made me smile ...hope it is better now ). Anyone who has had a similar experience of writing with the "wrong " hand will know how hard it can be . My crick-eting career meant I had to do it several times and it ain't easy ! Try it !!.

A Waste Disposal scheme started at The Village Hall Car park every fourth Saturday and villagers were encouraged to take their household and garden waste to the collection vehicle there once a month if they were unable to dispose of it in the usual plastic bags for collection at their homes . (How lucky we are now ....!! Much better ...Bin there ...!! Done that !! )



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