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Welcome to the May edition of Sudbrooke News.

The eagle eyed will have noticed I put the wrong "IT Speak" article in the last edition. Article 5 now this month, then back on track with article 7 next month..

Apologies to confused readers and our contributor, the "Computer Guy".

As we emerge from hibernation let's look forward to a proper summer. Please keep your contributions coming in. No letters this month. Anybody want to say something.....anything!!

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As I write, Easter was 3 weeks ago and in a way it can seem that we are in a bit of a limbo waiting for the Ascension and Pentecost in the church's calendar. It can seem a bit flat and leave us at a bit of a loose end – this Post-Eastertide time. But it shouldn't! Jesus was pretty busy! Ascension and Pentecost will come next month in May: the 9th and 19th respectively.

As the church lives its life of prayer and devotion throughout the year certain seasons are highlighted – Advent, Christmas, Lent, Eastertide. Each of these seasons has a character of its own, an emphasis on particular aspects of our prayer and devotional life. They are yearly reminders of our life with Christ in the church, and call us back to live again the deep mysteries of our faith.

Advent and Lent are times of preparation for major feasts. Advent prepares us for the Incarnation, for the coming into the world of God in human form at Christmas. Lent prepares us for the great paschal events, the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ at Easter.

Both these seasons of preparation are times of penance, to concentrate us and to purify us so that we will be more worthy to embrace the peak experiences that follow. The church dresses its ceremonies in purple, and there is a call for personal penitential acts of self-denial and extra acts of charity. Liturgical ceremonies are muted. Advent and Lent are journeys to the high points of Christmas and Easter.

Christmas and Easter, prepared for by Advent and Lent, have a different character. Christmastide presents to us the Son of God, the newly-born Saviour, the Messiah. It marks the beginning of Christ's journey in this world. Eastertide bursts out in full light after the sombre days of Lent – a time of joyous celebration of the redemptive work of Christ. Christ's death reached its fulfilment in its Resurrection on Easter morning. The world went through a new creation. It was a time "when all is made new" (Matthew 19:28). The resurrection is the culmination of Christ's redeeming action, the high point of the church's year. Christians are "Easter People".

But, the story is not over – Eastertide, which runs for 50 days from the Resurrection until Pentecost, embraces great feasts of the church's year – the completion of the redeeming work of Christ in his Resurrection, his return to his Father at the Ascension, and the promised coming at Pentecost of the Holy Spirit on his first disciples as they set out to establish his church in the world. Perhaps we are inclined to put more emphasis on the penitential seasons of Advent and Lent, and are less ready to express our joy and thanksgiving in the celebration of the happy events of Christmas and Eastertide. Our spiritual life is diminished by this imbalance. Too often our devotional life can slacken off after Lent. It shouldn't. In the Eastertide period we see Christ continuing to move among his disciples speaking with them, empowering them, showing his forgiveness and love. As St Luke put it (24:45) "Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures". From Easter to Pentecost the fruits of the death

and resurrection of Christ are explained and made clear, they are shared, and celebrated with his followers.

In this period we see the Risen Jesus meeting, by my calculation, with at least 516 people - walking with the two disciples on the Emmaus Road and having a meal with them – meeting his disciples in a room – meeting them again in the room when Doubting Thomas was present – the amazing fish catch at the Sea of Tiberius – the questioning and sorting out of Peter at the subsequent breakfast that he was cooking for the disciples – the sending forth of the disciples as missionaries into the wider world – the Ascension - and finally the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost : 50 days of Glory.

These are the final words and acts of Christ before he returned to his Father and left his work on earth in the hands of his disciples – ultimately by generational descent to us in our time. By spending time to see Christ in these appearances and to listen to him through his words we can arrive at a sense of completeness of Christ’s story when he was among us in our world. By making them part of our prayer life we can live with him those final glory days of his earthly life. Walk with Christ and listen to him over this period. It will be a journey that will exalt your spirit. You will be enlightened, enthused and enlivened by these final 50 days of glory – the closing stages of the journey of Jesus on earth.

Yours, in Christ, **Robert Spaight**

CHURCH DIARY		
MAY		
Sunday 5	Easter 6	
	9.00 Communion	St.John Stainton
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Wednesday 8	7.30 Archdeacon’s Visitation	Lincoln Cathedral
Thursday 9	Ascension Day	
	7.30 a.m. Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
	2.30 Tea Service	2 Chestnut Close
Sunday 12	Sunday after Ascension Day	
	9.00 BCP Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	10.30 Family Service	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
Wednesday 15	7.45 Family Service Planning	50 Scothern Lane
Sunday 19	Pentecost	
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Thursday 23	2.30 Tea Service	2 Chestnut Close
Sunday 26	Trinity Sunday	
	9.00 Communion	St.Edward Barlings
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth

Parish Council Minutes - March 2013

NOTES OF THE MEETING OF SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 7TH MARCH 2013 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SUDBROOKE

**PRESENT: Councillors M Dickie (Chairman), S Curtis, B Waller, Mrs L Etheridge, P Heath, I Russell, Miss R Dobbs
PCSO Jackie Parker**

**APOLOGIES: Councillor P Rignall,
County Councillor Mrs S Rawlins**

134 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

Poor condition of Highway – Manor Drive/Holme Drive – A resident had raised concerns about the deterioration of the roads around Sudbrooke. Members agreed unanimously but it was noted that the Highways Department have specifically stated that due to financial constraints they are not filling in potholes under 3" deep. If one of that depth is reported they will respond in 24 hours.

A resident had drawn attention to the amount of litter being left around the shop area. This would be dealt with during the future litter pick.

135 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor S Curtis declared a pecuniary interest in Item 8i on the agenda – Transfer of land Beech Close – in that legal fees were being paid for by a grant from the District Councillors Initiative Fund.

136 POLICE MATTERS

PCSO Jackie Parker reported on the following:-

- That there had been door to door salesman in the area. On some occasions ID had been requested but had proved to be false. To verify that a Door to Door Salesman is genuine he/she requires an official Pedlars Licence issued by Lincolnshire Police.
- A wallet had been found in the village – contact the Police if you have lost one.
- There had been a burglary from a garage in the village.

Police Community Panel – The Chairman stated that he was disappointed that following an advertisement in the Sudbrooke News for members to join the Community Panel a resident's offer had not been followed up despite several enquiries, but that in the last Sudbrooke News the advertisement had been readvertised.

PCSO Parker agreed to look into the matter.

137 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

DC Curtis reported that the District Council element of the Council tax would increase by one and a half per cent from April 2013.

138 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 7TH FEBRUARY 2013

- a) **Transfer of Land fronting**

Beech Close/near to Millennium stone – The Transfer Deeds were awaited from the Solicitors for signing by representatives of the Parish Council.

b) A Special Resolution was made for the Transfer Deed of the Land fronting Beech Close to be signed on behalf of the Parish Council by Councillors Martin Dickie, Peter Heath or Mrs Lyn Etheridge.

c) **Land adjacent Sothorn Road (site of Millennium stone)** – The Highways Department had advised that the Parish Council apply for a licence for a 'Structure on the Highway' for this area of land. The Clerk would arrange this.

d) **Siting of carved seats - quotations** – One quotation had been received and others were awaited.

e) **Grass cutting Contract 2013** – All items on the contract had now been clarified.

Resolved that the Contract from Veolia Environmental Services for grass cutting in the parish for 2013 be accepted.

f) **Litter Pick – 16th March** – This was being organised by Councillor Stuart Curtis and Mr Mike Halliday.

139 HIGHWAY MATTERS

Overhanging hedge – A158 approach to Langworth Station – The Highways Department had sought further infor-

mation from the Clerk which had been provided.

140 PLANNING

A. Application

4 Poachers Lane – 129575 - Conversion of boat store to double garage with gym-therapy room, including blocking up of openings, creation of high level windows and new access to existing dwelling - No objections.

A. Permission

83 Wragby Road – 129359

141 FINANCE

a) **Request by Wood Carving Group for funds for additional posts** – Helen Link requested that the Parish Council provide funds of approximately £130 for the provision of wood for the carving of additional posts in order that they are continued into the Jubilee Garden. Members agreed this expenditure unanimously.

b) **Grant for Christmas tree light bulbs** – The grant from the District Councillors Initiative Fund for replacement of bulbs for the Christmas tree lights had been approved in the sum of £244.50.

These had now been purchased and would ensure a full set of lights again.

Income:- Sudbrooke News advertising - £316.00

142 CHAIRMANS COMMENTS

a) Damage to Play Equipment at Village Hall – The Chairman explained that another piece of play equipment on the Village Hall playing field had been severely damaged/vandalised.

The Log Barrel had been worked off its frame and been moved across the football pitch by the vandals.

Thanks were extended to local resident Dave Etheridge and Councillor Mrs Lyn Etheridge who had made moved the log barrel to a safe storage and made the remaining platform/area safe. Mr Etheridge had offered to repair the equipment at a cost of £110.69.

Members agreed unanimously to this work being carried out to enable the equipment to be safely in use again as soon as possible.

Note: Councillor Mrs Lyn Etheridge declared an interest in the above and took no part in the discussion.

b) Obstruction – Church Lane – Members instructed the Clerk to write to the County Council for an update on the removal of the obstruction on the highway verge on Church Lane.

143 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had received a call on behalf of Messrs S, N and C Wilkinson advising that the serving of Notice of Application for Modification Order should be made to them and not Wilkinson Bros. This was noted and amended forms would be submitted.

Query from a resident re Beech Close, transfer of land which the Clerk had answered.

144 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Annual Parish Meeting – 7.30pm 4th April 2013, followed by Parish Council meeting at 8.00pm. Light refreshments will be served at the Parish meeting.

A group of amateur local artists called 'Mixed Palette' with members coming from Sudbrooke, Fiskerton, Nettleham, Scothern and Cherry Willingham are holding an exhibition of paintings, calligraphy and stained glass in the Chapter House at Lincoln Cathedral from 30th April to 11th May.

Admission is free and the exhibition will be open daily from 10am till 4pm and 2 till 3pm on Sunday.

Brief report of Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 4th April 2013

Church Lane – Residents of Church Lane have received notification from Balfour Beatty Utility Solutions that they will be carrying out work on behalf of Anglian Water commencing in June 2013 and that due to the narrow road width and to conform with both health and safety requirements and the new roads and street works act, they will be operating a road closure for the duration of the works, with limited access from Scothern Lane. The Highways Department have said that it is likely to be the middle of June but they will advise the Parish Council 5/6 weeks prior to the closure date. The Clerk will notify those residents on her email list as soon she hears. If you would like to be advised please contact the Clerk on myers1@ntlworld.com

Police Report - PCSO Jackie Parker reported the following incidents:-

- Theft of two cycles from Windsor Close
- House alarm sounding in Beresford Drive
- Report of two cycles being loaded into a van which. On investigation this was just two cycles being moved
- Report of an injured dog on West Drive

Siting of carved seats – Beech Close – Quotations are currently being sought for the siting of the seats in Beech Close. If any contractor/builder would like to quote for the work please contact the Clerk for the specification, prior to 9th May 2013.

Millennium stone lighting – This has now been switched off for the summer months.

Date of next meeting - Annual Parish Council Meeting – Thursday 9th May 2013 – 7.30pm – Village Hall. (The second Thursday of the month due to elections being held on 2nd May)



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**NOTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH
MEETING OF SUDBROOKE
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL,
SUDBROOKE,
ON THURSDAY 4TH APRIL 2013**

**PRESENT: Martin Dickie
(Chairman), Mrs C Myers (Clerk),
Mrs B Solly (Treasurer) 8 members
of the public
APOLOGIES: I Russell, County
Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins**

**Notes of meeting held on 5th April
2012 -** These were signed as a correct record.

**1 Chairman's Report - Martin
Dickie**

Another year when the AGM report is upon us again and we have to look back on the events that have defined our year.

Has it been as exciting as the factual Parish Council written by JK Rowling, well I'm sorry to say I cannot compare as I hadn't got the will to carry on reading it, So what has happened here?

We unfortunately lost Bernard Bartram who resigned but leaves a legacy behind as he was instrumental in getting us the two Village maps sited at the millennium Stone and later on, the one at the shops.

We welcomed Bob Waller as the new Councillor.

We also saw the resignation of Eric Pitt who did so many of the smaller jobs for us around the village, but we welcomed Peter Malone who has taken on

this important role.

We have been the victims of criminal damage, where persons unknown to us (but someone out there knows who) has caused thousands of pounds worth of damage to play equipment on the play areas. Fortunately we have Dave Etheridge now retired who has re-paired the apparatus to the necessary ROSPA standard at cost price, saving the Parish Tax Payer money.

We are working with Richard Drabble who chairs the Footpath Committee and the new owners of the land in question. The necessary paperwork has been lodged with both the County Council and the Landowners. I am optimistic that the Landowners are keen to work with us to come to a satisfactory conclusion to all parties concerned.

We continue to work with the County / District Council and Landowners over the ownership of the football field, and continuing to find ways of getting some form of footpath between Sudbrooke and Nettleham via a 106 agreement under future planning. They say patience is a virtue!

We now have the transfer of land completed by the millennium Stone / Beech Close and can look forward to getting the carved seats sited within the coming months.

The waters have been choppy at times but we have steered a steady but progressive course to what I hope you will agree is for the good of the future of the village

Personal thanks to Chris, (Clerk)
Bridget (Treasurer) and the support of

Peter as Vice Chair and the loyal hard working Councillors Paul, Ian, Rose, Lyn, Bob and Stuart (also District Councillor) plus Sue Rawlins (County Councillor).

2 Clerk's Report – Chris Myers

Another busy year for the Parish Council.

The Council has been fortunate in securing grants through the District Councillor Initiative Fund for the legal fees for the acquisition of the land at Beech Close and for replacement Christmas tree lights.

Further funds were obtained through the County Councillor Big Society Fund for the frames for the village maps.

I would like to acknowledge the work of Peter Malone our Playground Inspector who replaced Eric Pitt. I seldom see Peter but he checks the play equipment on a regular basis and if anything needs attention sends me an email or text and we have usually managed to sort things out quickly.

Roy Summerfield kindly keeps the website updated for the parish. If a village organisation wants anything putting on the site, it can be sent to Roy and he will sort it.

Nick Truscott continues to do a good job with Sudbrooke News which is very near self financing.

The Parish Council has commented on 14 planning applications during the last year.

3 Treasurers Report – Bridget

Solly

The total balance in the bank accounts at 31st March 2012 was £42,675.52. This includes:-

- £25,000 in the 12 month investment bond given to the Parish Council by developers for maintenance of the play equipment.
- Monies set aside in the Northfield Park account and Fox Court account for repairs and maintenance.
- Monies set aside in the sports field account, again for any maintenance on the sports grounds in the village.

This year has seen monies spent on the Christmas tree event, village sports day, production of Sudbrooke News, general administration and grass cutting.

The Clerk has also been successful in grant applications this year from both West Lindsey District Council and Lincolnshire County Council totalling £2,623.88.

4 District Councillors Report – Stuart Curtis

During the last year I have continued to be Vice-Chairman of West Lindsey Planning Committee and also represented West Lindsey on the Central Lincolnshire Joint Strategic Planning Committee. This Committee is responsible for preparing the Local Plan for Central Lincolnshire and to provide 42000 new homes within the City of Lincoln, West Lindsey and North Keston.

ven by 2031.

The main sustainable growth urban extensions of Lincoln, Gainsborough and Sleaford will account for 30 to 40 per cent of new homes and the remaining 60 to 70 per cent will be built in smaller towns like Caistor and Market Rasen and rural settlements. One of the largest urban extensions will be the North-Eastern Quadrant where over 2000 new dwellings, a school, offices and shops will be built between Carlton Boulevard and Greetwell Road once the Lincoln Eastern By-Pass has been completed.

Development in rural areas will take into account aspirations of local parishes under any existing Neighbourhood and Parish Plans.

Under the District Councillor Initiative Fund I have, during the last year, sanctioned grants to Sudbrooke Village Hall Committee, Scothern Cricket Club, Sudbrooke and Scothern Scouts Association and both Sudbrooke and Scothern Parish Councils for capital projects.

There is to be a re-launch of the CAV fund now to be known as the Community Chest and the level of grants will increase from £250 to £500. In addition up to £1000 will be awarded for the development or implementation of a community led Parish Plan project.

West Lindsey kerbside collection of black, blue and green bins has been voted the most efficient in the country out of over 300 councils. Every week collection teams empty up to 60,000 bins across an area of 447 square miles. West Lindsey residents recycle more than half a tonne of waste mate-

rials per household each year.

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5 Local Organisations Reports

a) Gardening Club – Mike Halliday

Membership is steady at around 24 members.

Spring and Autumn shows in 2012 were held in the village hall and attracted entries from non- member adults and children which was encouraging.

We had very interesting speakers at our March and October meetings held in the village hall.

In July we had a splendid day out at Doddington Hall and gardens, such a treasure on our own doorstep.

Other meetings were held at members' homes - an opportunity to see their gardens.

The Club Chairman, George Preece, along with members judged the village 'best kept garden' competition sponsored by Scothern Nurseries.

In view of the lack of exhibits because of the cold weather, the Spring Show is cancelled this year.

b) Sudbrooke Walking Group – Mike Halliday

There are about 20 regular walkers in the group.

Walks take place on the first Saturday of each month starting from the village hall at 9-30am.

Walks are usually between 6 and 8 miles in distance. We aim is to return to Sudbrooke by 1-30pm.

Walks in the Lincolnshire Wolds or farther afield mean a later return to Sudbrooke but notice of this is given in advance of the walk.

The group operates on an informal basis. Walkers share the responsibility for leading the walks.

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

c) Village Hall – George Bingham

Sudbrooke Village Hall continues to provide a first class venue for the use of residents of Sudbrooke and the surrounding area. This year we have had a full complement of Trustees and Representative Members who have met regularly to manage every aspect of running and maintaining this superb facility.

Thanks are due to all the people who have voluntarily contributed time and effort, in whatever capacity, for the benefit of the Village Hall and its users.

During 2012 we have seen several instances of the hall having been booked for various activities which have subsequently folded due to lack of support. It has been a year in which bookings and receipts fell dramatically. This trend began in 2011 and accelerated in 2012 so that the hall became loss-making approximately 12 months ago and has remained so for the rest of

2012. In response to this, in September 2012, the Committee held a thorough review of hiring fees and felt obliged to raise them. I would like to thank all the village groups for their forbearance in accepting a fifty per cent increase in their hiring fees.

So, financially 2012 has been a bad year. The severe drop in net income during 2012 is a cause for concern and is clearly unsustainable in the long term. I find it too early to deduce a trend for 2013. However, I am confident that the Committee will continue to monitor our financial position and strive to operate within budget.

Probably the most notable event of 2012 was the full refurbishment of the kitchen. This was completed in July and has been well received. We now have an excellent kitchen facility, of commercial standard, which will undoubtedly appeal to users. This major investment was self funded and we were fortunate to receive a £250 CAV grant towards the cost of redecoration. Sudbrooke Pre-school also very kindly donated £242 towards the project, for which we are very grateful.

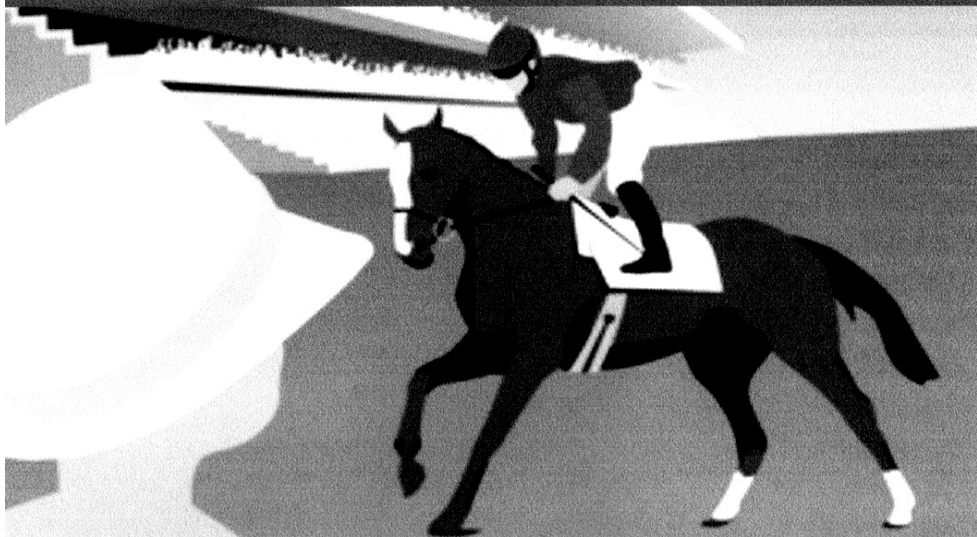
The strong community spirit which created this hall has once again carried us through a difficult year and will, I am sure, continue to support it in the future.

The Village Hall has a link on the Parish Council website.

6 Parishioners Items – There were none.

The meeting concluded at 7.50 pm and light refreshments were served.

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FUNDRAISING NEWS!

Thanks to everyone who came to or donated to our coffee morning at Scothern Village Hall on March 25th.

Our guests certainly seemed to enjoy the delicious cakes and fabulous scones. We were quite concerned that at the end of the morning ALL cake had been either eaten or taken home for afternoon tea- I know I certainly over-indulged but it was all in a good cause! The final total raised for CLIC Sargent was an excellent

£187.50. Several people did remark that they would like to see this type of event in the village more frequently which we took as a very nice compliment. We would also like to thank Ellison Boulters for holding a cake sale on the same day which was also a resounding success and they raised almost £200 which has also been forwarded on to CLIC Sargent. All in all a great day!

Plans for our charity ball on June 22nd in aid of CLIC Sargent and Anthony Nolan are now in full swing and tickets selling fast. We are planning a raffle and auction for the night so if you wish to donate a prize such as an item to be included in a hamper or perhaps have any other prizes or ideas we could use then please get in touch. A friend who has a small local business is unable to attend the ball but he has offered to "sponsor" a table which has spurred us on to try and get a local sponsor for each table. We are not talking HUGE amounts of money here by the way-any donations will help!

Thank you again to everyone who has helped with our fundraising efforts and for your kind enquiries about the little girl who is the inspiration behind all of this. She continues to thrive and as she approaches two years post-transplant we are more than grateful for her continued progress.

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Football goals and nets.....

The Sports Pages of newspapers and other media have recently been full of reports that The Football Association has at long last agreed to the introduction of Goal Mouth Technology to show whether a ball has actually crossed the goal-mouth line and a GOAL can be awarded or not. It is amazing that this has taken so long to be implemented. After all it is almost twenty years that this technology has been available and used worldwide in the sport of tennis where it has proved itself to be extremely accurate and is a great boon to the sport and a very welcome relief to match officials who prior to its introduction had been the sole arbiters about whether balls had been over lines or not. These decisions had to be made in a split second blink of an eye. It is hardly surprising that they were sometimes wrong.



There is no doubt that many thousands of pounds and whole careers of sportsmen and women had hitherto been won or lost on the split second naked eye judgement of a line judge or umpire and the pressure put on those officials was clearly tremendous and quite unfair. No wonder it was so welcome when it was introduced in the game of tennis and after being proved and seen to be so successful was widely sort after as being the answer to one of footballs greatest talking points and controversies.

The close up and slow motion shots on television have all too often revealed that goals have been awarded or denied when it was clear that the linesman or referee had made a mistake. Once a decision had been made there was no going back. The decision stood rightly or wrongly and this has clearly been unfair both to players, supporters and match officials often resulting in vast sums of money unfairly being lost and clubs losing out in promotion or league positions.

It is no wonder that for years there has been a vociferous clamour for the introduction of some way of preventing mistakes being made and later proved to be wrong. In short "Goal Mouth Technology" that will almost instantly reveal whether a ball has completely crossed the goalmouth line or not and be able to send that decision at once to the referee. The amazing thing is that it has taken so long before The Football Association has agreed at long last to introduce it to the game. Thank goodness common sense has at long last prevailed.

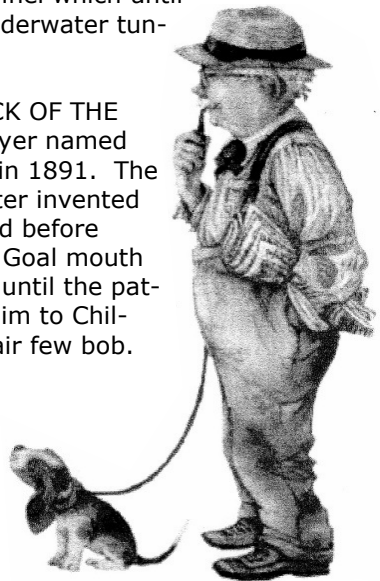
The Rules of Football were drawn up and known as The Sheffield Rules in 1863. The size of goals were laid down and remain unchanged to this day as being 8 yards across by 8 feet high. (whatever that is in Mickey Mouse decimalisation) The sides of the goal were marked by wooden upright goalposts with a tape across the top until 1875 when this tape was replaced with a wood horizontal bar. The poles could be square or round until 1920 when an elliptical shape was approved. The first ground to use these was Notts Forest but other clubs quickly followed. They were still made of wood until 1980 when steel or aluminium poles were approved . These were much better for the ground staff as they were much lighter and made the frequent movement of them a much easier task.

Until the introduction of nets around the goal it must have been a nightmare to decide whether a goal had actually been scored. But in 1889 a Liverpoolian Civil Engineer John Alexander BRODIE a keen sportsman himself with many world wide constructions to his name invented what he described as a pocket of web or netting with which to catch a ball entering the goal. He always stated that this was the achievement of which he was most proud and gave him the most pleasure. In view of the fact that this man designed and constructed amongst other great works The Mersey Tunnel which until 1958 held the record of being the worlds longest underwater tunnel is a surprising statement. He died in 1934.

The first recorded man to put THE BALL IN THE BACK OF THE NET as it is so often described these days was a player named GEARY of Everton in a match at Nottingham Forest in 1891. The referee that day was named Ian Widdowson who later invented and patented shin pads. Who knows what they used before then? (As a boy I always used folded newspaper). Goal mouth nets were patented by their inventor Mr Brodie and until the patent ran out all the monies raised were donated by him to Children's Charities. That must have NETTED them a fair few bob. (Excuse the pun!)

Now let's hope that armed with this trivia it may inspire our own Lincoln Imps to find that net more often now they know it's origins.

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Country Walks



April walk

17 walkers and 3 dogs set off from Binbrook village for a 7 mile circular walk through the picturesque Lincolnshire Wolds.

Interesting sights included an old mill, a Roman vineyard and a few rare wild flowers and, despite being April, plenty of snowdrops.

The bitter easterly wind present for weeks, abated and the day was pleasantly warm enabling walkers to shed a few layers for the first time in many months.

Thanks to Nick and Jane Seago for leading the walk.

Next walk is Saturday 4th May.

A 7 mile walk in the Spilsby area of the Southern Lincolnshire Wolds.

The walk is on well-trodden paths with opportunities to visit some village churches and also enjoy the wonderful views of the Wolds.

Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30am. Walkers are advised to take a waterproof coat, wear suitable footwear, take a couple of drinks (for two short stops) and a snack.

In view of the extra distance to Spilsby, the likely return time to Sudbrooke is around 2-30 pm.

If you wish to walk and need a lift, please turn up at the village hall.

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

Future walk is Saturday 1st June

The venue is to be agreed. Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30am.

Please note the planned walk around the Wibsey and Thorpe areas will take place during next winter time as it offers good flat surfaces.

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After thirty years as a Guide leader, thirteen of those with 1st Nettleham (Friday) Guides, Rachel Coxon is standing down from front line guiding. We will be very sad to see her go. She has offered the girls of Nettleham such amazing experiences and life changing opportunities.

Friday Guides is therefore looking for a new team of leaders to take over from September 2013.

If that is you or you know of someone suitable, please contact the District Commissioners, Anne and Elizabeth on welton-rural@hotmail.co.uk or Nettleham Guides on nettleham-guides@yahoo.co.uk

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Sudbrooke Gardening Club



The Spring Show.

It was with the utmost reluctance that the committee decided to abandon the Spring show for this year in view of the lack of exhibits.

At the time the decision was taken, there was no indication of a let up in the cold weather and consequently no likely timescale when the flowers might bloom.

We are very sorry to disappoint exhibitors and spectators.

Hopefully the Autumn show should be more straightforward unless, of course, winter arrives early!

Next meeting is Monday 13th May.

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Sudbrooke Ladies Club



In March local resident Stuart Curtis updated us on his history of Sudbrooke Holme, the large house which stood in Sudbrooke Park and gave its name to Holme Drive. He had acquired further documents since he spoke to us last year, including a Victorian photograph of the house owners. Our thanks go to Stuart for his interesting talk on local history.

Robin and Claire Dennett were popular when they came to our April meeting and spoke about their family ice cream business in Spilsby and ice cream parlour in Bailgate. Members were able to sample various ice creams and frozen desserts.

Forthcoming meetings:

Thursday 16th May 2013: Speaker to be arranged.

Thursday 20th June 2013: Tina James-Lincoln Community Larder.

Please note that we are collecting non perishable food and toiletries to donate to Tina at this meeting.

We meet on the third Thursday of each month at 730 pm in the Bramham Lounge at the Village Hall.

We continue our book stall and collection of stamps and small coins for charity. The money raised is donated to a local charity when it reaches £200.

Visitors and new members are always welcome and are asked to make a donation of £2.

Please see the Parish Council website for full 2013 programme.

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My name is Caitlin Simpson, I am 14 years old. I, together with a number of other young people from William Farr Church Of England School in Welton, have been given the opportunity to take part in the Outlook expedition to Nicaragua in the summer of 2014. I am arranging a Table top sale at Dunholme village hall on 27th May 2013 to help raise the funds to support this expedition.

Outlook expeditions offer young people the chance to experience new environments and understand different cultures. The aim is for pupils to develop leadership skill, an awareness of accountability, and to develop an appreciation of their environment. One key benefit of participating in the expedition program is to develop and use entrepreneurial skills to raise the money to fund the expedition. As part of the Nicaragua expedition we will embark on a 3 day trek around the Los Maribios volcano range and learn about the local cloud forest, helping out with the local community by working with SONATI to improve the conditions within their reserve and help the nearby community to develop eco-tourism.

To book a table contact Caitlin Simpson on 01522 750892

Welton Family Health Centre

The doctors and staff were delighted by the generosity of patients towards Dr Barton on his recent retirement and he greatly appreciated all the cards, gifts, kind comments and donations and we all wish him a long and happy retirement. The splendid sum of £1341 was received in donations which were used to purchase an engraved oak bench, a circular saw bench and some specialist lights for his vehicle.

We also welcome Dr Alison Lumley as a partner from 1st April. Dr Lumley has been working with us as a locum during Dr Porter's maternity leave and is already known to many patients. The partnership is now Drs Mark Howard, Andrew Barber, Nicola Porter, Elizabeth Nellist and Alison Lumley. This month we also welcome Dr Rhian Thomas, our new GP Registrar, and she will be working with us learning the general practice side of medicine until August.

Following consultations last year we are planning to move the Open Access surgery later in the year to the earlier time of 8.30am which we hope will be more convenient for patients and will be communicating the planned changes associated with this during the next few weeks. We thank everyone for their patience during the last few months, and particularly recently when we have had limited availability of bookable appointments which we appreciate causes frustration. It has often been difficult to ensure adequate locum cover to replace doctors currently on maternity leave and we trust that the situation will improve once we are 'back to normal' in the summer.

Sallie Stead

Dear Friends

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all who contributed to making my retirement such a memorable occasion. I have been overwhelmed with the many letters, cards and personal expressions of appreciation as well as generous gifts.

I had intended to say a few words at the Village Hall but completely underestimated the number of people who wished to have a personal word and the opportunity passed so I apologise to anyone who came and went without my acknowledging them.

I have had a long and rewarding career in and around Welton in a supportive and public spirited community whose contribution to the services at the health centre has been exemplary. I shall miss patient contact and the camaraderie of workaday life but look forward to more sailing, shepherding and, of course utilising my two special benches, one for the workshop and one for relaxation, along with a marvellous brass Tilley to light my evenings aboard on an isolated anchorage somewhere over the horizon.

I hope to continue to see you all out and about, albeit in a different role, for many years to come.

Yours sincerely

Dr Stephen Barton

Welton & District Patients And Doctors Association

We would like to say a huge thank you to the ladies who run the monthly jumble sales in Dunholme Village Hall for choosing the PDA to receive 50% of the proceeds of their March sale. Some of the PDA committee went along on a bitterly cold Friday afternoon to assist with getting the jumble and bric a brac into the hall. By Saturday and the day of the sale it was snowing and again several PDA members went along to set out the hall and to assist with selling the goods. Despite the best efforts of the weather to dampen spirits and keep people away the magnificent sum of £696 was raised of which the PDA benefitted by £348. A couple of the PDA 'helpers' had such fun they have volunteered to assist again!

Friday 12th April was the day of the PDA Spring lunch. We decided this year to change the menu and, instead of roast pork, we served beef pie with vegetables. Ticket sales were down slightly on last year and we will never know whether this was due to the menu change or because the date fell during the Easter holidays. However the feedback, from those people who did attend, couldn't have been better as everyone we spoke to said it was a lovely meal. The usual thanks go to all who helped out in any way, those who donated raffle prizes (35 prizes were distributed) and those who made cakes to sell and of course those who bought tickets. The lunch made a profit for PDA funds of £462.86

We continue to receive donations from patients who are grateful for the provision of the voluntary car scheme and those who want to express their thanks to the Health Centre staff. These donations are always gratefully received and much appreciated.

Finally a reminder that the PDA is signed up to the Lincolnshire Co-op Community Champions Scheme. Anyone who holds a Co-op dividend card can support the PDA without it affecting their own bonus. You just need to telephone Lincoln 781135, give your dividend card number and say that you would like to support Welton PDA. Alternatively give me a call on Welton 862570 and I can contact the Co-op on your behalf. I understand that a number of people have already registered so 'thank you'

Janet Goddard

Local Walks - The County Council publish great guides with maps covering all our surrounding villages. The guides are free of charge or can be downloaded from www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/countryside



Pass 'Go' and collect £500!

West Lindsey District Council is re-launching the Community Action and Volunteering Fund (CAV Fund) under a new name and with more cash up for grabs!

The Community Chest Fund enables groups in West Lindsey to apply for up to £500 to help them with their local projects; previously the maximum was £250.

Areas who are developing a community plan or implementing actions from a current community plan can apply for up to £1,000 to help with this.

A Community Led Plan (sometimes known as a Parish Plan) sets out a shared vision for the community and identifies the action needed to achieve it.

So far the CAV Fund, administered by Community Lincs, has helped more than 100 projects and supported around 1,200 volunteers in its first year. The projects have been wide-ranging from village noticeboards, to sports kit, to youth activities and community gardens.

Treasurer and secretary of the Market Rasen Station Adoption Group, Martin Barnard, is delighted at how the grant made it possible to support a local art group and make a real difference to the look and feel of Market Rasen station. He said: "We were delighted with how easy it was to apply, how smooth the process was and with the helpful and supportive approach of the people in the West Lindsey CAV team.

"It was so straightforward and beneficial that we have already applied for a further grant."

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Dunholme WI

The meeting in May will be on Wednesday May 8th. We meet in the Jubilee room of the Dunholme Village hall at 7.30 pm. Our speaker this month will be PC Willey who is the Rural Wildlife Officer. This months competition will be: "An Animal made from Vegetables" Roll Call: "My Favourite Animal". Teas served by Dorothy Ream and Josie Cotton

Janice Ritchie 01673861172

AGE
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Age Concern Friendship Club

Our meetings in May will be on Tuesdays May 14th and 28th. We meet in the Dunholme Village Hall at 2.15pm. The Friendship Club is open to anyone over the age of 55. If you would like to come along to any of our meetings or for more information please contact Janice Ritchie on 01673 861172. Our first outing of the year is on Wednesday May 22nd. This Outing will be to Oakham and a local Garden Centre. The cost is £10. The coach will leave the Black Bull Welton at 8.45am and Dunholme at 9.00am. We will be having a raffle on the coach so a wrapped prize would be appreciated. For further information or to book a place please contact **Janice Ritchie on 01673 861172.**



IT Speak

This month: **Building Your Own PC—5**

There are many considerations

when building a computer from scratch as you've seen. So far, I've concentrated on the hardware but none of it will work without software—the programs you install that will enable you to do the things you want the computer to do.

You must have an Operating System (OS). There are 4 main contenders (by popularity) that feature heavily: Microsoft Windows, Apple MAC OS X, IBM and Linux and each one of these can be sub-divided into various editions and uses.

Microsoft OS's are highly configurable which allows third-party vendors to create software to interact with the OS; however, this also opens up the possibility of other elements in society to create their own software to 'hack' in to obtain your personal information. Microsoft does not vet the third-party software before release to the market so anyone can create software for any purpose. When an update is released, you decide whether to buy it and install on your PC. Apple, on the other hand, requires software developers to submit their work to Apple for testing. Once they satisfied that it

will work on their products, Apple will release it to the public through their own proprietary distribution point. If you own an Apple device, you will be notified by that device when an OS update is released. Apple updates are free and normally include new features as well as updating the OS and existing features.

In choosing which OS you want to install, you should look at which is the latest version, and therefore has support, and which performs the tasks to your satisfaction. You can talk to many different people who will all give you a different opinion about a specific piece of software that will do the task best but in the end, everyone's requirements are different and only you can decide what is best for you.

Currently, Windows 8 is the latest Windows OS on the market, geared towards the tablet and touchscreen market whilst Apple's latest offering is OS X v10.8 Mountain Lion. Be aware that Apple operating systems are designed to run on Apple computers but software can be obtained from third-party vendors that enable a Windows OS to work on an Apple device and an Apple OS to work on a Windows OS.

More next month.

The Computer Guy

Dunholme Camera Club



First I would like to say thank you to those people who came along to our open weekend, there were some cracking images on display and a slide show on the go all day so a good weekend had by all.

Our first meeting on May 2nd will be the LPA Battles which will be held at The Old School against 2 other clubs from Lincolnshire. We will have to wait and see how we do this year? To enter the Battles we select 15 of our best images that are put forward over 3 rounds against other Camera Clubs in the Lincolnshire area, all of the images are given points each round and the points are added up and those with the highest score go into a final at the end of the year.

Our second meeting on the 16th May is the second of our internal competitions which will be "Planes Trains and Automobiles" so if their image has wheels or an engine then the members will be entering it into the competition.

Our final meeting in May will be on the 30th May when we will be judging the images from the LPA Portfolio, the Portfolio is a collection of images from all of the clubs around Lincolnshire. Any member of those clubs can put forward their images for everyone to see and we will choose our favourites. The images that are chosen the most times as the best from each member will be awarded the winner overall.

Don't forget that we are looking for new members all the time and would love to see you t the club, bring your camera and join us on alternate Thursday nights. It's amazing what little snippet's of information you can learn from the other members.

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