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EDITOR'S RAMBLINGS

JUNE 2019

THIS edition is possibly the thinnest one of my tenure as editor, a role stretching back nearly six years (I think!). Apart from the usual, not much seems to have been going on in the village, although it was nice to get a few readers' thoughts this month - I want more, though, so get writing in with any comments you have, positive or negative.

It's the annual Sports Day this month, so make sure you get down to the Village Hall in a few weeks' time and get involved if you can. It's one of those rare moments of the year that brings the residents of our fair village together.

Our resident columnist waxes lyrical about his time in the Scillies, we have a great poem included this month from one of our young talented scribes in the village, while there is a page of European Election results, so you can see exactly how people voted in our region, with obviously the Brexit Party doing well and the established parties not so. Luau. **Dom**

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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

APRIL 2019

Minutes of the monthly meeting of Sudbrooke Parish Council held on Thursday 4 April in the Sudbrooke Village Hall.

PRESENT

Councillors Peter Heath (Chairman), Andy Cottam, Mrs Lyn Etheridge, Paul Rignall, Ian Russell, Mike Turnbull, Christine Myers (Clerk), Bridget Solly (Treasurer) and one resident

■ 1 PARISHIONERS' ITEMS

► Comments had been received from residents re the fitting of a fence around land on Manor Drive and questioned ownership. LCC Highways had confirmed that permission had been granted by them for the fence. Members unanimously resolved that a land registry search be expended to confirm ownership.

► A request had been made for the beech trees on Beech Tree Corner to have some of the lower branches trimmed. That the owners of the trees be passed this request unanimously Resolved.

► Damage to part of the grass verge had occurred during building works to a nearby property. That LCC Highways be notified and asked to request reinstatement of the verge unanimously Resolved.

■ 2 APOLOGIES

► Councillor Bob Waller - That the reason given be accepted unanimously Resolved.

■ 3 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA

► Councillors Bob Waller, Paul Rignall and Andy Cottam had declared an interest in item 9c - application 139163 - as friends of the applicant.

■ 4 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON MARCH 7, 2019 TO BE APPROVED AND SIGNED AS MINUTES

► That the notes be signed as minutes, unanimously Resolved.

■ 5 POLICE MATTERS

► No report received.

■ 6 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

► No report received for this meeting, but reports had been made at the Annual Parish Meeting on April 2.

■ 7 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

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PUBLIC *matters*

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BOB WALLER'S
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UPDATE



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■ 8 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING

- ▶ a) Litter Pick: Thanks were extended to over 20 residents and Scouts who attended the Litter Pick on a bright sunny Saturday morning, exhausting the supply of grabbers from WLDC but collection a copious amount of rubbish, tidying
- ▶ b) New sportsfield - report on work required to playing surface and to consider quotation: A report had been received on the condition of the field from Glendale Ltd and suggestion of work required. This included infilling and levelling with topsoil where damage had been caused by cars driving on the field, damage by moles and heavy rolling in the sum of £900.00. The work would take place over the summer months.

It was also suggested that a gate should be provided to prevent vehicular access onto the field. That the quotation by Glendale in the sum of £900 be accepted, this being the preferred local company to carry out the work, being the grass cutting contractors for the Parish Council; proposed by Councillor Paul Rignall, seconded by Councillor Andy Cottam and unanimously Resolved. The Clerk would obtain costs for a gate to be fitted when works to the beck were complete.

- ▶ c) Consideration of Facebook page for Sudbrooke: Councillor Mike Turnbull agreed to set up and monitor an information only Facebook page for Sudbrooke Parish Council on a trial for a period of three months. Unanimously Resolved.

■ 9 PLANNING MATTERS

- ▶ a) Application 040934 - Fell one oak tree in adjacent land within G5 of TPO Sudbrooke 1950 - Tree adjacent 4 The Paddock: Comments to be made to WLDC as follows: The tree is close to the house at 4 The Paddock and there does seem to be some safety risk. The tree has three main stems all of which are much taller than the house. If work is to take place this could either be removal or reduction in height to the level of the house. This would be an alternative to complete removal. Reduction in height would be a preference as this tree is part of the belt of trees providing some amenity benefit to the village. It is understood that a site visit from the WLDC Tree Officer would be welcomed by the applicant to discuss options.'
- ▶ b) Park Development: A copy of the Landscape Management Plan had been received by the Parish Council from the developers which was welcomed, along with a drawing which detailed all works within the woodland area. The Clerk was asked to obtain an AO size copy of this drawing.
- ▶ c) Application 139163: Sudbrooke House, Church Lane - change of use and alterations to outbuildings to form holiday let unit - No objections - Note: Councillors Bob Waller, Andy Cottam and Paul Rignall had all declared an interest in this application.
- ▶ d) Application 139020 - proposed works to improve and prevent deterioration of Nettleham Beck at Sudbrooke Playing Field, Poachers Lane: Comments made to

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■ 9 PLANNING MATTERS cont

WLDC: The Parish Council have been fully involved in the development of the proposed works and confirmed their full support at the January 2019 Parish Council meeting as follows: That the Parish Council support the Rivers and Canal Trust in the above works, subject to them obtaining permission from Messrs Trueloves, unanimously Resolved.

The works provide a rare opportunity to enhance the beck from its current straight and uniform profile to a much more interesting feature which will greatly improve habitat and biodiversity as well as being visually beneficial.

The works fully align with Policy 6 of the submitted Sudbrooke Neighbourhood Plan the following parts of which are particularly relevant. Development will only be supported where proposals enhance the setting of Nettleham Beck and its balancing ponds, as identified on figure 12, and the associated amenity and biodiversity value. Development proposals adjacent to these locations should consider the following: Preserve and enhance its amenity, biodiversity, identified significant trees and hedgerows and recreational value. The PC supports the proposed works and will continue to be involved at construction stage.

■ 10 NCS SOCIAL ACTION - TO CONSIDER ANY PROJECT STUDENTS COULD UNDERTAKE

► That the Parish Council do not take part in NCS this year unanimously Resolved

setting up of a Facebook Page for Sudbrooke Parish Council. Councillor Mike Turnbull agreed to investigate further and report back to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

■ 11 COMMUNITY COLLABORATION PROJECT QUESTIONNAIRE

► That the Parish Council do not complete this questionnaire unanimously Resolved.

■ 12 FINANCE

► a) Accounts for payment

Glendale - March cut	£474.56 net
	£94.91 VAT, total £569.47 gross
Mrs C Myers - expenses March	£72.50
Mrs C Myers - expenses - refreshments	
Annual Parish Meeting	£17.43
Sudbrooke VH Committee - room hire	
April 2	£17.00
Sudbrooke VH Committee - Room hire	
April 4	£17.00
Greenfield Groundskeeping Service - Play equipment inspections February	£101.25
Mrs C Evans - wood for oak post	£25.92
Glendale - removal of debris	
	£75.00 net, £15.00 VAT, £90.00 gross
Parish Magazine Printing -	
March Sudbrooke News	£275.88
Mrs B Solly - expenses Jan, Feb, March	
	£29.70
Mrs B Solly - expenses APM	£17.40
Scothern PC - reissue of cheque	£82.50
e.on - electricity account -	
Millennium Stone	£37.37
Parish Magazine Printing - February	
Sudbrooke News	£275.88

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■ 12 FINANCE continued...

- ▶ b) Change of Parish Council Bank Account - update: The Treasurer reported there was still no progress with transferring the PC banking to Lloyds, but this would be pursued further. In the meantime, that Councillors Mike Turnbull, Ian Russell and Mrs Lyn Etheridge would be added as signatories to the Co-op bank account and Councillor Paul Rignall removed - unanimously Resolved.
- ▶ c) Audit Code of Practice 2020: The Treasurer explained that it was currently unnecessary to comment on the proposals as this was being dealt with by NALC.

■ 13 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported as follows:

- ▶ That she had given publicity to the opening of the Post Office in the village.
- ▶ That Mrs Coral Evans had designed a post for the wildflower garden and this was currently being worked on.
- ▶ That notification had been received from LCC that bus shelters in the area would be refurbished in priority order.
- ▶ That there will be surface dressing works taking place on Holme, Manor and St Edward's Drives, from May 13.
- ▶ That the noticeboard at the Park Gates was in need of refurbishment due to rot, and that she was seeking a quotation.
- ▶ A request for grant funding had been received from CAB. This would be reviewed in the next budget in December.
- ▶ Notification had been received from LCC Highways that previously reported inspection covers on Northfield Avenue/

Beresford Drive that have footway failing around them are being reviewed.

- ▶ She attended a branch meeting of the Society of Local Council Clerks on April 3.
- ▶ She requested that the cost of £15 be met by the Parish Council for her to attend the LALC Clerks Networking Day on July 4, 2019. That the Clerk attend and the Parish Council pay expenses Chairman proposed, seconded by Councillor Ian Russell and unanimously Resolved.

■ 14 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

- ▶ The Chairman paid special thanks to Councillor Paul Rignall who was not seeking re-election at the forthcoming Parish Council elections. Paul had been an active member of the Parish Council since 2007 and was thanked for his work in the community.

■ 15 CORRESPONDENCE

- ▶ *Circulated to residents
- Mar 8: Information from the ICO
- Mar 11: Heritage Consultation briefing
- Mar 15: Information from External Auditors relating to financial year end
- Mar 19: Notice of Appeal - planning app 138290 - The Spinney, Main Drive
- Mar 19: Notification of surface dressing works in Sudbrooke from May 13
- Mar 19: Notification from LCC that the repair of the bus shelters on the A158 are still under review

■ 16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- ▶ Tuesday 9 May 2019, 7.30pm.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

SUMMARY OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MAY 9, 2019

► Chairman and Vice Chairman 2019/20: Councillor Peter Heath was elected Chairman and Councillor Bob Waller Vice Chairman.

► Co-option to Council: The Council co-opted two new members to fill vacancies - Mrs Barbara Bingham who many residents will already know and Stuart Hewson, a new resident to Sudbrooke. Both were warmly welcomed to the Council by the Chairman.

► Litter and Dog Bins in the village: It was noted that the bins in the village appeared to have missed being emptied over the Easter period. This was a problem with West Lindsey District Council which has hopefully now been resolved. However, if any resident notices a bin that requires emptying please do notify the Parish Clerk.

► Dead/dying trees: A number of dead or dying trees on Manor Drive have been reported to Lincolnshire County Council.

► Police Matters: Incidents which have

occurred in Sudbrooke from April 7-May 7:
Apr 8: Wragby Road - Wildlife: Deer hit by a vehicle - Deer Group Called.

Apr 11: St Edwards Drive: - Silent 999: Pocket dial - all in order.

Apr 13: Holme Drive - Traffic Offence: Report of possible drink driver.

Apr 15: Wragby road - Hazard/disruption: Ford Transit with scrap on the back parked on the road - no lights.

Apr 16: Wragby Road - Traffic Offence: Report of possible drink driver - vehicle swerving and overtaking dangerously.

Apr 22: Wragby Road - Traffic Offence: Positive Breath Test - drink driving.

Apr 24: Elm Drive - Violence: Report of dog bite.

May 5: St Edwards Drive - Alarm: Audible.

Please note that not all incidents have been included such as domestics as they are not in the public interest. In the area as a whole there are reports of possible Rogue Traders working in the area.

► Date of next meeting - Thursday 6 June, 7.30pm in the Bramham Lounge of the Village Hall.

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	CANDIDATES	VOTES	%	+/-
	Annunziata Rees-Mogg (1) Jonathan Bullock (2) Matthew Patten (5) Tracy Knowles, Anna Bailey	452,321	38.23	+38.23
	William Newton Dunn (3) Michael Mullaney Lucy Care Suzanna Austin Caroline Kenyon	203,989	17.24	+11.82
	Rory Palmer (4) Leonie Mathers Tony Tinley Nicole Ndiweni Gary Godden	164,682	13.92	-11.01
	Emma McClarkin, Rupert Matthews, Tony Harper, Brendan Clarke-Smith Thomas Randall	126,138	10.66	-15.33
	Kat Boettge, Gerhard Lohmann-Bond Liam McClelland, Dan Wimberley Simon Tooke	124,630	10.53	+4.55
	Alan Graves, Marietta King Anil Bhatti, Fran Loi, John Evans	58,198	4.92	-27.98
	Kate Godfrey, Joan Laplana Narinder Sharma, Pankaj Kumar Gulab Emma Manley	41,117	3.47	+3.47
	Nick Byatt, Marianne Overton Daniel Simpson, Pearl Clarke, Nikki Dillon	7,641	0.65	+0.65
	Simon Rood	4,511	0.38	+0.38

PUBLIC MATTERS

WITH DISTRICT COUNCILLOR BOB WALLER



ELECTION, ELECTION, ELECTION

▶ I did not write an article for last month's magazine due to the local elections. If I had submitted an article it would have appeared after the elections and I may not have been your District Councillor - as it was, I was re-elected and can now carry on and build on what we have achieved over the last 18 months and I can continue to serve the residents of Sudbrooke Ward.

The elections delivered what most people expected; a protest vote based on national issues (Brexit) against the two main parties.

That said the Conservatives went against a national trend and held onto their majority at WLDC, albeit reduced (but still receiving 44% of votes counted), while the Labour Party lost all their seats.

The winners on the night were the Lib Dem's and the Independents. The Conservative group held their AGM two days after the election and voted in a new leader of the council. Cllr Jeff Summers steps down and is replaced by Cllr

Giles McNeil, who is one of the district councillors for Nettleham Ward.

Jeff did a good job as leader over the last six years. We all wish him well and hope that he stays within the group to help deliver the manifesto, that he himself helped to design.

From a personal point of view the election showed another interesting facet of tactical

politics. For whatever reason the Sudbrooke Ward was not contested by the other parties.

Whilst some of my fellow councillors thought I was lucky not to have to fight an election, I felt as though this was not good for democracy.

The electorate were not given a choice to vote on an individual or specific policies or issues that affect them, a situation that I do not necessarily agree with.

All I can say is that I will continue to work hard for the residents of Sudbrooke Ward and represent you to best of my ability over the coming four years as your District Councillor and Vice Chair of your Parish Council.



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A PENSIONER REMINISCES: ANOTHER TALE BY TERRY MAYO



We had a lovely break in the Scillies in May, and if you've never been they are an enchanting group of islands, and well worth a visit. You could just go for a short break – there are several cheap trains to Penzance if you don't like driving, and you could stay in one of my daughter's cottages if you'd like, St Michaels Coastal Cottages, but we had a week, and we found enough to do.

We chose a week which was followed by an international festival of gig racing, and there were about 160 gigs there from all over Cornwall, as well as Holland, France and many other European countries. It's like the boats used for the boat race, except they have space for two people sitting side by side, and the seats do not move backwards and forwards. Since 1990, the World Pilot Gig Championships have been held annually on the Isles of Scilly.

Held over the first May bank holiday weekend, they are attended by over 2,000 rowers and spectators, and is widely believed to be the busiest weekend on the islands, with an approximate doubling of the population. They were originally used in the 17th century for the rescue of mariners in distress, but later to take pilots out to cargo boats to help them navigate the rocks. The gig boats that got there first got the business!

The museum is well worth a visit, and an island tour in a minibus is a must. The five

inhabited islands are worth visiting, all by local boats, but you have to keep an eye on the tides if you don't want an overnight stay. My daughter and son-in-law missed the boat back from Tresco, and had to cadge a lift back on a gig!

We rented a house that came right up to the beach at Hugh Town with great views out to sea, on a road called The Strand. With no crime, the police have an easy time of it. When



we went to get our house keys, the agent said they're in the door! We were flying over water so regulations required us to have instructions for safety explained, but it was done in the air terminal, and was on a DVD (and took longer than the flight). They said there was a problem with the aircraft, and would we mind waiting 10 minutes while they got a replacement. A quarter of an hour later we were in Lands End, and on our way back to our base in

Marazion. Our eight-seater plane, including the pilot, about to take off from St Mary's. As you can imagine, as an ex-airman, it wasn't the first time I had flown, and it took me back to my very first flight in an Avro Anson at RAF Shawbury in Shropshire in 1958.

Thousands were built during the war years, and most had been retired, but there were a few left in service. I was 18 at the time, and because I was on a non-flying station (at RAF Stoke Heath, also in Shropshire) they let us go for a "jolly" to get some air experience. Stoke Heath was a maintenance unit for the repair and refurbishment of radio equipment, near RAF Tern Hill. All there was there was a couple of hangars where we worked, and the accommodation was about 10 Nissen huts in the middle of a field about a mile away.

Every airman was issued with an old "sit up and beg" push bike which took you to the work site and back (well you took it!). The sick quarters were three miles away at Tern Hill, so you had to be really ill to go sick. The standard procedure for sick airmen was to report to the orderly, and then to strip off to your trousers and braces no matter what was wrong with you. I never did figure that out. The only heating in the hut was a pot bellied coke stove, in the middle of the hut. When a man moved out, if he had a bed space near the stove it was quickly "bagged", and there was one hand basin with a cold tap at the end of

the hut, serving about 16 men. A hot wash or a shower entailed a trek across the field to the centre of it, hail, rain, or 6ft drifts of snow, clad in nothing but a towel and your army boots which was done infrequently in winter.

Entertainment in the evening was afforded by walking over the lane to the NAFFI, and grabbing a beer or watching a 21" black and white tv with its three channels! The mess was next door. (The place where we ate our food)

The Anson was full when we took off with about 20 souls on board, and we burned petrol for an hour before coming back to terra firma. I think we were disappointed that we didn't have to put our parachutes to good use, that would have been something to share with our grandchildren.

Whilst waiting for the other guys to take their turn in the Anson, I wandered off into the flight operations room to see if there was a chance of another flight in something else. I didn't know if there was a protocol for this, but heyho there was only one way to find out. I enquired if anyone was willing to take me up for a flight as I was such an expert passenger by this time, and to my amazement someone was. After sorting out a parachute (which I was too naive to consider), Flt Lt Allinson told me to hop into a waiting Percival Provost and he'd take me up for an hour's aerobatics. I couldn't believe my luck, it was a young airman's dream. It was the forerunner

to the Jet Provost, but had a petrol engine with two side-by-side seats, and the RAF had about 40 of them in a training role.

This was real flying, and for an hour we were doing loops and turns, barrel rolls and every other move in the book designed to make me part with my breakfast, and still I hung on to it. And I didn't have to use my parachute. A super day out for an 18-year-old. One in private ownership came down near the River Ancholme in July 2009, and killed the pilot, I wonder if that was the plane I flew in.

For the next year there was to be no more flying as I was posted to RAF Yatesbury in Wiltshire to do a year's training to qualify as an RAF fitter, and to move up from a Senior Aircraftmen to a Junior Technician, and that would mean one stripe instead of a propeller, and a pay rise.

In the meanwhile RAF Stoke Heath had closed down (not before time) and RAF Sealand had opened up as the main service depot for radio repairs in the UK, and was in a nice location just inside North Wales near Chester. They also carried out parachute training there from balloons as they did on the West Common in the 90s, but then we weren't allowed to do it (they'd spent a year training us and didn't seem willing to risk their investment).

I got married to a Leicester girl in 1961, and moved swiftly in to married quarters.

When we went to get our house keys, the agent said they're in the door!



SUDBROOKE WALKING CLUB

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■ MAY WALK

► The weather forecast was for sunny spells and heavy showers so we decided to confine our walk to forest trails and footpaths where we had ready access to some shelter.

We started from the car park in Willingham Woods and made our way to Chapel Hill and Pickards Plantation before crossing Willingham Road into Warren Wood.

From Warren Wood we passed through Dog Kennel Wood making our way to Legsby Wood where we enjoyed a splendid display of Bluebells in such a natural setting.

We covered approximately seven miles in the walk with most of it in wonderful woodland.

■ JUNE WALK

► We shall be doing the Tetford walk which is one of the popular walks in Tennyson country.

A circular walk of approximately seven miles from Bag Enderby taking in Cloven Hill with excellent views in all directions from the ridge, Tetford and Somersby villages.

We pass the Rectory in Somersby which was Tennyson's birthplace and there is usually a comprehensive exhibition of his life and work in St Margaret's church in the village.

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■ A WATCHING BRIEF

► I have just sat in some SATS. It is an opportunity for me to look and see what our 11-year-old children are being asked to spend their time doing in May every year.

I wasn't there to watch the children, but to 'monitor' the fact that staff were following the guidelines associated with the tests.

I am not a fan of the tests or the process. I don't believe that they are an activity that is 'life-giving'. But, they have become a fact of life and a fact of education, and we have to smooth the process as far as we are able for everyone involved, encourage the children to do their best, work hard and then go and play. I will now descend from my soapbox...

One of the reasons I am not a fan is because, by their very nature, the tests are limited. Children and adults are far more than the results of a few tests.

Some words from Psalm 139:

*For you created my inmost being;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you because I am fearfully and
wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,*

I know that full well.

*My frame was not hidden from you
when I was made in the secret place,
when I was woven together in the depths of
the earth.*

Those words describe to us the intricate nature of life.

Every time I walk into school I see children that I have baptised, and who are growing into incredible human beings.

I find it amazing! They are curious, sometimes wise beyond their age, funny, joyful, intelligent, kind, caring, compassionate, passionate, gentle, welcoming, accepting, inclusive... they are good at running, sharing, speaking a second language, poetic, they paint, they draw they craft, they make conversation, they sing and dance... and none of it is measured in a Test.

We are WHOLE people, God created us that way - lets not minimise our value, our gifts, and those of our children by limiting them to the results of Tests in May... let's celebrate who they are and what they bring and lets let them know their true worth.

CHURCH SERVICES DATES FOR LOCAL CHURCHES

JUNE

Sun 2	Stainton by Langworth	9.15am	Holy Communion
	Sudbrooke	10.45am	Holy Communion
Mon 3	Sudbrooke	9am	Morning Prayer
Tue 4	Sudbrooke	9am	Morning Prayer
Sun 9	Barlings	9.15am	Holy Communion
Mon 10	Sudbrooke	9am	Morning Prayer
Tue 11	Sudbrooke	9am	Morning Prayer
Thu 13	(01522 753119)	2.30pm	Tea Service
Sun 16	Langworth	9.15am	Holy Communion
	Sudbrooke	10.45am	Morning Praise

Mon 17	Sudbrooke	9am	Morning Prayer
Tue 18	Sudbrooke (01522 753119)	9am	Morning Prayer
		2.30pm	Tea Service
Sun 23	Sudbrooke	10.45am	Holy Communion
Mon 24	Sudbrooke	9am	Morning Prayer
Tue 25	Sudbrooke	9am	Morning Prayer
Thu 27	(01522 753119)	2.30pm	Tea Service
Sun 30	Sudbrooke	10am	Group Communion

POETRY BOX

SPRING

The cold, freezing winter has melted away,
 The sun is out so we can play,
 Get ready to continue a great year,
 And have a look at things that might appear.

This includes daffodils, tulips and much more,
 So quick! Take a look before they're not there anymore!

In the next few days, the river will flow,
 Blossoms on trees will begin to grow,
 Robins have been spotted hiding and peeking,
 Whilst squirrels have been found acorn seeking.

So enjoy the fun, laugh and cheer!
 Because before you know it.....
 Summer will be here!

By
 Rohai Rai, age 10

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■ MAY MEETING

► Many thanks to Ruth and David for hosting the May get-together. As we walked out into the garden, my attention was drawn in disbelief by the two black pots next to the house.

Our current horticultural challenge of growing one potato in a pot had certainly got off to a good start with Dave and Ruth.... amazing! We decided it must be the heat from the brick wall giving them a helping hand, so let's hope that there is a bumper crop of spuds under all that foliage!

The garden is surrounded by a very tall and well manicured beech and hornbeam hedge that was a beautiful fresh lime green in the evening sun, the ceanothus was in full bloom with its fluffy blue flowers and my favourite shrub, choisya ternata, was a picture with star-like white flowers and a scent of orange.

At the bottom of the garden was a patchwork blanket of different shapes and colours of acers. Dave has made paths and stepping stones through the back of the borders so that the grandchildren can run around and explore. It is when taking this route that you see the best vista of the very fashionably named Easter Island head called Archie Moai! Moai are the monolithic human figures carved by the Rapa Nui people in eastern Polynesia between the years 1250 and 1500.

I continue to the cosy paved area hidden in the corner behind a short fluffy conifer hedge; the family can enjoy a barbecue here and look out at Ruth's fair maiden statue.



Ruth has planted a clematis at her feet to enhance her modesty!

A variegated lily of the valley was showing off its lovely flowers in the border. This was Ruth's entry into the flower of the month competition and earned her a well deserved second place. Angela's cerise peony earned first place and Coral was in third place with a pink rhododendron.

Two teams enjoyed a cryptic quiz and the winners of this were Angela, Peter, Kim and Paul. We then enjoyed some cheese and wine whilst perusing John's puzzle of recognising different seeds on a board. We tackled this together and managed to name all but one! A good time was had by all (report by Coral Evans).

■ JUNE MEETING

► Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 11 June at 6pm, when we shall be visiting an NGS garden in Scothern.

This is an exceptional garden which is beautifully planted with a vast variety of perennials, shrubs, grasses, hostas, ferns, trees and much more, as well as a prolific vegetable and fruit area. Tea and cake will be served during the evening.

■ GARDENING JOBS FOR JUNE

► Ensure you regularly water newly planted baskets and containers, as well as more established planting if there is a prolonged dry spell.

Hopefully by now we have been able to move tender plants outside, set out the summer

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■ GARDENING JOBS FOR JUNE CONTINUED...

bedding and put out the hanging baskets in readiness for the village hanging basket competition which will be judged mid to late July.

If you are lucky enough to have a greenhouse then you will probably have a selection of tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, aubergines and chillis growing away nicely by now - remember to pinch out the sideshoots

on your tomatoes. Thin out apples and pears if there has been a heavy set. In the vegetable patch you can plant maincrop vegetables such as carrots, courgettes and marrows, as well as transplanting young brassicas and leeks.

Keep sowing salad leaves, radishes and herbs and, whenever possible, relax in the garden, have a cuppa and enjoy the fruits of your labour. Visit rhs.org.uk/June for further advice.

Quotation: The greatest gift of the garden is the restoration of the five

SUDBROOKE LADIES CLUB

WITH GILL RIGNALL - 01522 595736

■ LATEST UPDATE

► We welcomed Rosemary Mortlake-French, a volunteer for Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance, to our May meeting to tell us about the Air Ambulance.

This charity-run service saves lives by flying two or three missions every day. It was set up in Lincolnshire in 1994 to reduce response times in the large geographical area of the county.

It flew for four months in 1994, and in 1995 enough funds were raised for it to fly again before joining with Nottinghamshire. It is based at RAF Waddington, which is fairly central to its operational area, and can be anywhere in Lincs/Notts within 20 minutes.

It carries two pilots, a doctor and two paramedics on a shift system. This enables more patients to be treated in 'the golden hour', during which life changing treatment is given. It costs £2,500 per mission. The service needs £4million a year to continue operating. The current new helicopter can fly

at night and land on roads or fields in area free of cables and trees.

The charity operates with a minimum of staff and 500 volunteers. This was another well received presentation.

■ FUTURE MEETINGS

► Thursday 20 June: Occupational Therapy with Jayne Negus.

► Thursday 18 July: Afternoon tea.

There was some discussion about the format of our summer outing. It was decided to go to the Petwood Hotel for afternoon tea.

The future of the club is uncertain because of low numbers and health issues. The committee has asked for someone to come forward to run the club after this year, either in its present or a revised form. Food for thought!

We meet in the Bramham Lounge at 7.30pm on the third Thursday of most months. There is a small charge for guests and visitors.

READERS' LETTERS

YOUR CORRESPONDENCE

■ THANKS VERY MUCH

Dear Editor,

I would like to say thank you to all our kind neighbours and friends who have been so kind and supportive over the last two years, during my husband Tim's long illness and then after he died. I am very grateful for your thoughtfulness, practical help, and cards.

Valerie Wallis

■ MORE CAN BE DONE

Dear Editor,

How nice it is to see some of the hedges finally trimmed back in the village, although there are still a few that need sorting out as they continue to grow over the footpaths, making

safe passage difficult, especially for those in wheelchairs and childrens' buggies.

Now, could the parish council sort out the many cars parked on paths in and around the village, and especially those on bends, such as Holme Drive, Greenway and St Edward's Drive?

Ed Norman

■ SHOP OF THE POPS

Dear Editor,

Can I just praise the local shopkeeper for all his efforts for giving us our shop back and adding the post office.

Well done, it is a godsend for some of us and it has breathed life back into the village.

Mary Smith

■ WORDS OF PRAISE

Dear Editor,

I for one, of many, should like to send thanks to Peter Heath and Martin Dickie for cutting back the shrubbed area on the corner of Holme Drive/Scothern Lane. The visibility is greatly improved.

Gaye Bliss

■ IN DECLINE?

Dear Editor,

What's happening to all the clubs in the village? I read in a recent issue of **Sudbrooke News** that both the Whist and Mah Jong Clubs have folded, which doesn't really leave a lot left, does it?

And I also understand the Ladies Clubs have suffered falling numbers, while the Village Hall Committee still cannot find some willing volunteer to help out on the money side of things.

Do we want a thriving village or not?

Mike Harris

Joanne Pass

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