

November 2011

Sudbrooke News

Sudbrooke's SWITCH ON OF CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS

SUNDAY 27th NOVEMBER



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Mince pies and
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Raffle



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Welcome to November's Sudbrooke News. I know I keep repeating myself, I know I keep repeating myself, but I can't believe, I can't believe I've just said November, Christmas will be here soon !

A bumper edition this month. Lots of interesting articles. Thank you to all contributors, without your input this magazine would be pretty boring, please keep it coming in.

Not much being supplied to this magazine from the Police, sorry, I do try. However, those with the internet may find their new "Lincs Alert" Community Messaging System a useful way of knowing what's going on around us. For those who can, go to their main website and the link is there.

As the temperature drops I've put my mind to "fuel efficiency". I thought I'd pass this top tip on. As you can see from the picture, a little bit of DIY and there's no need for central heating during the night !!



Nick



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Vicar's Letter

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As I write, the weather calls to my mind the opening words of the 19th century poet John Clare's poem "Remembrances" :-

"Summer pleasures they are gone, like to visions every one.
And the cloudy days of autumn and of winter cometh on :
I tried to call them back, but unbidden they are gone."

If you like countryside and nature poetry that is highly observational (and satirical at times), I commend Clare's works to you. He is perhaps most remembered for his long poem entitled "The Parish" - published long after his death in 1864. The characters observed therein are still recognisable, in many cases, as village types in our own age.

On 13th October, we remembered King Edward the Confessor's festival – regarded by many as the last of the line of Old English monarchs, prior to the Norman invasion. The church at Sudbrooke is traditionally dedicated to him, although the only reference I can find (as for Barlings) is simply to "St.Edward". Thus, a case can be argued that Edward the Martyr (who reigned from 975 - 978) was intended by the reference.

However, Edward the Confessor (who reigned from 1042 – 1066) was quickly revered by ordinary people as their champion, and during the bitter times after 1066 they looked back to his reign as something of a golden age. He was a pious and good king, and his remains still lie in their shrine at Westminster Abbey which Edward himself had founded.

In the middle ages, this popular saint (together with King Edmund of East Anglia, 841 – 869, who was martyred at the hands of the Vikings) was widely considered to be a Patron Saint of England. St. George 'came along' during the French Wars from the mid-14th century and gradually 'took over' Patronage of England after the 1415 Battle of Agincourt – but even then St. Edward and St. Edmund were not entirely displaced.

Described as "living the life of an angel in the administration of his kingdom", Edward the Confessor was greatly generous to the poor and was said to have the gift of healing. One of his first acts after his accession was to remit the burdensome tax on the people known as the Danegeld, which had been imposed by former kings for the purpose of defending England against the Danes. Edward had the satisfaction of seeing his Abbey at Westminster dedicated to St. Peter, and of fulfilling his vow to worship at the altar before he died.

So,our Patron Saint was a fine Christian man, and is a worthy "St.Edward" for our local church, despite other possible claims, having 'won out' over the years

- even if he 'lost out' to St. George on the national patronage scene.

The Collect (set prayer) for Edward the Confessor runs as follows :-

"Almighty Father, who set your servant Edward upon the throne of an earthly kingdom, and, by the grace of your Spirit, inspired him with zeal for the kingdom of your dear Son : Grant us so faithfully to love and serve you in this life, that with him we may inherit the kingdom of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Remembrance Sunday is on 13th November, when we shall be remembering the fallen and laying the traditional poppy wreaths with the traditional words and following silence. Given the fact that our servicemen are still, sadly, losing their lives, I hope you may be able to join us at one of the three services listed in the Church Diary on that day.

Yours in Christ, **Robert Spaight**

Church Diary

NOVEMBER			
Tuesday 1	10.30	Prayer Hour	36 Scothern Lane
Sunday 6	3 before Advent		
	9.00	Communion	St.John Stainton
	10.30	Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00	Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Tuesday 8	10.30	Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Thursday 10	2.30	Tea Service	2 Chestnut Close
Sunday 13	Remembrance Sunday / Trinity 21BCP		
	9.00	BCP Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	10.30	Family Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	2.00	Parade Service	St.Hugh Langworth
Tuesday 15	10.30	Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Wednesday 16	7.45	Family Service planning	50 Scothern Lane
Sunday 20	Next before Advent		
	10.30	Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00	Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth
Tuesday 22	10.30	Home Group	36 Scothern Lane
Thursday 24	2.30	Tea Service	2 Chestnut Close
Sunday 27	Advent Sunday		
	9.00	Communion	St.Edward Barlings
	10.30	Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke
	6.00	Communion	St.Hugh Langworth
Tuesday 29	10.30	Home Group	36 Scothern Lane

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Parish Council Minutes - September 2011

**ABRIDGED VERSION OF NOTES OF
THE MEETING OF SADBROOKE
PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY
1ST SEPTEMBER 2011 IN THE
VILLAGE HALL, SADBROOKE**

The full set of these notes are available in Nettleham Library

PRESENT: Councillors B Bartram (Chairman), S Curtis, P Rignall, P Heath, Mrs L Etheridge, Miss R Dobbs, M Dickie, Mrs C Myers (Clerk), Mrs B Solly (Treasurer), 2 members of the public

APOLOGIES: Councillor I Russell, County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins

44 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

A report was made of a cracked branch on the beech tree at Beech Tree corner. The owners would be notified.

Notification of an obstruction to the highway at Church Lane was reported.

The family of Kathryn and Gordon Freestone had offered to purchase a seat to donate to the village in memory of their parents. It was agreed that this could be sited on Scothern Lane in front of the Village Hall.

45 PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST WITHIN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2000

Councillors Paul Rignall, Miss Rose Dobbs and Stuart Curtis declared an interest in item 11 on the agenda -

Request for trimming back of trees at Village Hall.

Councillor Miss Rose Dobbs declared an interest in items 9 on the agenda - Code of Conduct.

Councillor Paul Rignall and the Clerk Mrs Chris Myers declared an interest in item 8b on the agenda - Donation to LIVES.

46 POLICE MATTERS

No Police present. It was appreciated that it was not always possible for a Police Officer to attend a Parish Council meeting but the Clerk was instructed to request that a Police report be sent to be read out at a meeting.

47 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

DC Stuart Curtis reported that the District Council was 'going paperless' and that all District Councillors were required to access detail on-line.

48 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 7TH JULY 2011

These were proposed as a correct record by Councillor Paul Rignall and seconded by Councillor Martin Dickie.

49 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING

- a. Extension of sportsfield lease - There was nothing further to report at present as a firm date

was awaited to discuss the matter with the landowner.

- b. Donation to Sudbrooke, Scothern and Langworths LIVES First Responders - 2011/12 budget – A suggestion had been received from Scothern Parish Council that as Sudbrooke, Scothern and Langworth Parish Councils had agreed in principle to make a donation to this group from their next respective precepts that the donations be approximately the same per individual electorate. This was agreed, proposed by Councillor Martin Dickie, seconded by Councillors Stuart Curtis.

Note: Councillor Paul Rignall declared an interest in this matter as a member of LIVES First Responders. The Clerk, Mrs Chris Myers, declared an interest as a relative of an employee of LIVES.

50 CODE OF CONDUCT

Due to the abolition of the Standards Board regime in its entirety due to take effect in the New Year it had been suggested by WLDC that a Voluntary Code be adopted by Parish Councils. However as the District Council were currently in discussion with the Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils regarding this it was agreed to that this be left in abeyance at the present time.

51 SUGGESTION OF WEB SITE FOR SUDBROOKE

Following a suggestion that Sudbrooke have a parish website it was agreed that the Chairman, Clerk and Treasurer investigate this further with Lin-

colnshire County Council.

52 REQUEST BY VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE TO TRIM BACK TREES/HEDGE FRONTING VILLAGE HALL

The Village Hall Committee had requested as a matter of security that the foliage fronting the Village Hall be lowered.

It was agreed that in the first instance that the hedge should be lowered to a height of one metre. The Clerk would obtain quotations.

Note: Councillors Paul Rignall, Miss Rose Dobbs, Mrs Lyn Etheridge and Stuart Curtis declared an interest in the above as members of the Village Hall Committee.

53 HIGHWAY MATTERS

- a. Neighbourhood Watch Signs – As these had still not been delivered Councillor Martin Dickie agreed to follow the matter up.
- b. Lincolnshire County Council Winter Weather Questionnaire – This questionnaire was seeking the view of Parish Councillors in parish participation in the event of severe weather, ie snow clearance, gritting etc. It was felt that without additional funds from the Highways Department it was not possible for the parish to take on snow clearance/gritting. It was noted that six additional grit bins had been requested from the Highways Department for the village but these had not been supplied.

- c. Litter bins near to shop – As the litter bins near to the shop were filling up quickly WLDC had agreed to empty them twice weekly.
- d. Weed treatment by WLDC – It was agreed that the previous weed treatment had been very successful and on for the next treatment different areas be targeted.

54 PLANNING

a) Changes to planning application consultation methods – WLDC had changed their consultation methods in viewing planning applications in that no paper copies were now being sent out to Parish Councils but members were expected to view plans online. Some problems had been experienced and therefore training sessions would be held.

b) Applications

Lincoln & District Scout Camp, West Drive – replacement climbing tower facilities – 127558 - No objections provided trees are not to be affected.

c) Permissions

17 Wragby Road – extension – 127470
 Two Corners, Church Lane – demolish single storey structure and construct new 2 storey extension to side elevation – 127309
 2 Wragby Road – first floor extension – 1273262
 Park Close – extension – 127368

d) Request by Community Lincs to conduct Housing Needs Survey in

Sudbrooke – Following a request by Community Lincs to conduct an independent Housing Needs Survey in Sudbrooke and subsequent discussion it was felt that whilst not objecting to this, that most of the questions to be asked would have been answered in the recent Census or the parish plan questionnaire.

55 FINANCE

c) Income - Advertising –
 Sudbrooke News - £374.00
 Monies returned re Sports event
 £78.58

d) Suggested letter of appointment to Internal Auditor – A draft letter was agreed for the Internal Auditor at a cost of £50 per audit.

e) Audit 2010/11 – The Audit had been completed by Clement Keys.

56 SUDBROOKE NEWS

The Parish Council instructed the Clerk to continue to prepare a brief report of a parish council meeting for printing in the next issue of the Sudbrooke News along with the abridged notes of the previous meeting.

57 CHAIRMANS COMMENTS/ ITEMS FOR AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

A date for the October Litter Pick was agreed as Saturday 15th October 2011. It was hoped that a Volunteer Co-ordinator could be found for assistance with future Litter Picks.
 Items for agenda for next meeting – Village Sign, Meet the Council Event,

Christmas Tree event.

58 CORRESPONDENCE

Notice of Lincolnshire of Local Councils
AGM – 15th October 2011

Notice of Rural Housing Seminar,
Gainsborough – 22nd September 2011
Review of Polling Districts and Polling
Places – A review was being under-
taken to ensure that all electors have
reasonable facilities for voting and to
ensure that so far as is reasonable and
practicable the polling places are ac-
cessible to disabled electors. It was
felt that satisfactory provision was
available at Sudbrooke.

Lincolnshire County Council Parking
Policy Draft Consultation - The Parish
Council instructed the Clerk to com-
ment that it was hoped that there
would be no increase in the parking
charges in the city to compensate for

the cost of collection of parking en-
forcement charges.

59 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 6th
October 2011.

60 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

The Council resolved to move into
closed session to discuss two confiden-
tial items relating to staffing and Land
Registry.

**Sudbrooke resident requires
garage space to store motorcycle
over winter, do you have any
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Local Government Boundary Commission

Following objections from Sudbrooke/Scothern Parish Councils and local residents the Local Government Boundary Commission has agreed to withdraw its proposal for Sudbrooke Ward to merge with Nettleham Ward.

Garden Waste

Previously there has been a collection during the winter months but due to the low demand for garden waste collection and the economic climate (a saving in excess of £150,000) WLDC have decided to suspend collections between November and February inclusive. New calendars will be issued to each householder shortly.

Bonfires

1. Compost as much garden rubbish as possible and keep burning to a minimum
2. Do not light a bonfire if the wind is going to cause the smoke or smuts to be a nuisance to anyone
3. Avoid lighting a fire within an hour of sunset or leaving it alight later than one hour after sunset when weather conditions often cause smoke to hang in the air
4. Be aware of the law concerning smoke nuisance

The Environmental Protection Act gives a local authority the power to serve an Abatement Notice where it is satisfied that a nuisance has occurred, or is likely to occur or recur, which effectively prohibits further nuisance. If such an Abatement Notice is then contravened, it can result in a fine.

Your co-operation in avoiding nuisance from smoke and smuts will, I am sure, be appreciated by all your neighbours.

Stuart Curtis
District Councillor

Sudbrooke Autumn Litter Pick October 15th

A big thank you to everyone who turned up on a glorious Autumn morning and especially members of the 25th Lincoln (Scothern) scouts who did a great job clearing the sports fields and north of the village hall along Scothern Lane. They were supplemented by 10 Sudbrooke residents (yes TEN) including some new members of the village who helped gather some 25 bags of rubbish. Perhaps the rugby world cup was more enticing !

The village shop owner cleared about 10 bags from around the shop itself (we are looking at putting an extra litter bin by the shop and have arranged for the litter bins there to be emptied twice a week now).

We wouldn't have to do this if people did not throw litter away and especially the younger generation—the sports field car park was especially bad where local youths gather doing wheelies in their cars and throwing cans/bottles and wrappers on the grass instead of the litter bin provided !!!

Just out of interest in the recent "Best Kept Village Competition" Sudbrooke were marked down due to litter and the judge's comments were , "A nice village spoilt by litter on verges and playing fields".

Enough said !

Bernard Bartram
Chairman
Sudbrooke Parish Council

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REPORT OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2011

6 members of the Parish Council were present along with the Clerk, Treasurer and 3 members of the public.

1. **Beech trees, beech tree corner** – There will shortly be some work carried out on the broken limb and the removal of the dead wood on the beech trees. These are owned by Somerville Park Ltd who are organising and paying for the work.
2. **Police Matters** – PC Donnah Thompson had apologised for the lack of correspondence from the local Police team for a number of months. She had stressed that someone would endeavour to attend a meeting or send a report when commitments allowed.
Lincs Alert – This is a new scheme set up for residents enabling them to be notified by email alerts on incidents/crimes in the area. To register visit www.lincsalert.co.uk
3. **Meet the Council event – update** – Councillor Bernard Bartram had sent a report on comments made at the event as follows (*action taken in italics*)
 - Speeding on Manor Drive - *aware and Police advised*
 - More salt points around village – *LCC advised of sites for more salt bins around bus route*
 - Bus route should be salted – *LCC have had this request*
 - Upgrade on play equipment- *no action at present*
 - Youth activities for children – *note in magazine for volunteers to organise*
 - Object to garage conversions as too many cars parked on road side
 - Dog mess needs sorting again – *perhaps a reminder in Sudbrooke News*

From a poll taken on advertising in Sudbrooke News – 15 residents voted, none said too little, 3 said too much, 12 said about right. All residents said they thought the magazine was good but wanted more local stories.

Wood carving group conducted their own poll on Sudbrooke sign – *Most residents in favour of suggested designs but funding an issue.*

It is hoped to arrange another event in the future but with further emphasis on local activities.

4. **Village Sign** – The Carving Group had asked again for thoughts on the village sign designs. It was re-iterated that although a sign for the village is an excellent idea the funding of the cost - £3,000 – remained the reason that the project could not proceed. Grant funding does not appear to be an option as all grant providers approached do not consider a village sign an essential item. £500 has been precepted in the current financial year from parish funds to be saved towards the project (similarly to the lighting of the millennium stone) which could be added to over a period of time with fund raising by any organisation/resident(s).
5. **Christmas Tree - Switch on of lights** – This had been arranged for Sunday 27th November 2011, commencing with mulled wine and mince pies at the tree at 4.00pm.
6. **Landscaping of area fronting Beech Close/near to millennium stone** – Comments have been made that this area needs tidying up. Suggestions are welcomed from residents of how you would like it to look – please let me have your comments as soon as possible by email or letter. This will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting – better still – come along to that meeting on 3rd November, 7.30pm at the Village Hall.
7. **Changes to waste collections** - Did you know there is a Prosperous Communities Committee at West Lindsey District Council? They have decided to save us £150,000. The way they are doing this is by suspending the green bin collections during November, December, January and February re-starting in March. It's never good to lose a service you have got used to, but apparently there is a dramatic reduction in the use of green bins in the winter and the saving here prevents cuts elsewhere. You could try one of their subsidised composters at www.lincsc.com.getcomposting.com if you feel the need.
8. **Best Kept Village Competition** – Judges comments – These are published later in the magazine.
9. **DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – THURSDAY 3RD NOVEMBER**



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On November 26 my husband Alfie will be doing his first ever skydive in an effort to raise funds for The Children's Hospital Charity at Sheffield. Our five year old grand-daughter Annabel, who lives in Sudbrooke with her mummy, daddy and brother William, was diagnosed with a rare form of juvenile leukaemia in February and she received a stem cell transplant in May. She was a patient at the hospital for several weeks following treatment and complications which followed and she will continue to have regular tests and check-ups for a considerable time. She has made incredible progress and has managed to start school this term which is quite an achievement considering what she has been through this year and we are all very proud of our amazing girl who has been so brave!

We consider that the care we have received at Sheffield has been totally first class and spending so much time there has enabled us to see the dedication and devotion of staff which is given to the never ending stream of youngsters, babies to teenagers, who are unlucky enough to need their skills. It really opens your eyes to what some people have to cope with and yet the children themselves are so brave and cheerful when us older people would be feeling desperately sorry for ourselves!

If you wish to sponsor Alfie (who will be 65 shortly before his skydive!) please go to www.justgiving.com and type in ALFIE COOK under sponsor a friend. You can then donate and your money will go directly to the charity. Otherwise you can add your name to our sponsorship form or throw a coin in to the collecting tins which will be at the Bottle and Glass and Scothern Garden Centre until the jump takes place. Thanks to the management of both these establishments for their kind support. I would also like to add a little note of thanks to the kind neighbours at Sudbrooke who have been so helpful and supportive this year-you know who you are!!

Julie Cook

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor

Academy Status and Ellison Boulters

As you may be aware there is much publicity being given to schools converting to academy status. We thought it may be useful to keep you informed about some of the considerations that the Governing Body are currently undertaking. Academies are public funded independent schools, free from local authority control. More information can be found on the DoFE website <http://www.education.gov>

Lincolnshire Local Authority is actively encouraging schools to convert to academy status, and to consider joining their School Improvement provider CfBT (Centre for Better Teachers). However, as a Church school The Diocese prevents us from considering this option. As a result we are considering becoming a stand alone academy.

Why should a successful school like Ellison Boulters become an academy?

If Ellison Boulters became an Academy, it would give the whole school community greater flexibility in making a wide range of decisions to benefit the children. The school governors would have the opportunity to shape the school in the way most beneficial to the children and to provide them with a fully rounded curriculum that also embraces the local community. Full control of the whole of the budget allocation, would enable us to provide the most effective services so that we could continue to deliver a rich, personalized and engaging curriculum for all of our children. Academy status would enable us to determine our own spending priorities, procuring high-quality service providers.

We are completely and fully committed to retaining our Church school status and this is indeed one of the conditions that the Diocese has ensured will remain in place. We feel this is the most important consideration if we do decide to convert. The composition of the Governing Body will reflect this continuing Church designation.

We would invest wisely in children's education and this involves prioritizing our resources where it most benefits children. Having the freedoms to make those decisions is essential to allow us to target the investment where it is most needed.

The requirement for well-performing schools wanting to convert is that they will be expected to commit to support another school to help raise that school's performance. We have always worked successfully and collaboratively with other schools. We are currently part of a group of four schools, Welton St

Mary's, Dunholme St Chad's and Hemswell. We also work very closely with William Farr and we will continue to do so.

This is an opportunity that we believe is one worth considering, one where we will be free to make informed decisions based on local information, and one which will keep Ellison Boulters at the forefront of providing an excellent education for our children.

Pauline Sutton
Ellison Boulters Church of England Primary School

Dear Editor

Reference: speeding on West Drive

I have to agree with the letter in the October edition of the SN that it is becoming more and more apparent that there are certain people who think that West Drive is their private race track, especially drivers of certain vehicle types leaving and entering the park and it will only be a matter of time before a serious incident occurs.

Two weeks ago our cat got hit by a 4x4 coming out of the park. The car was heard braking (more like screeching to a halt) and judging by where our cat was hit on the road and where the vehicle came to a halt, there is no way the speed limit was being observed! Luckily the cat will live but this is in no way thanks to the driver who did not even have the common courtesy to check on the animal and inform the owner. Luckily somebody else saw it happen and did care. Now this time it was a cat but next time it could be a child walking on the (foot) path. West Drive is a residential area where children play and a lot of people walk their dogs.

Before West Drive enters the park, it actually crosses a foot path (check the road lay-out and surface next time you're there) so any vehicles should take due care and attention crossing this foot path. Unfortunately this care and attention seems to be lacking more often than not. It would be greatly appreciated, not just by me and my family but also by a lot of other residents I know if the Parish Council could investigate what options there are to reduce speeding on West Drive. If I am not mistaken, I believe West Drive inside the park is private land (?) but perhaps a large speed bump at the entrance, similar to the type used in front of the houses along West Drive inside the park, could force speeds down for vehicles entering and leaving the park.

The sooner the council takes action, the better it is as I am sure nobody would like to see or hear about a more serious accident in the future.

A concerned resident (please withhold name and address)

Dear Editor

I was very interested to read the letter in the October issue of Sudbrooke News regarding speeding motorists on the wooded area of West Drive.

I live in the vicinity referred to by your correspondent and witness appalling driving on a daily basis. We see vehicles, including large farm vehicles, driving at speeds in excess of 30 mph (an estimated guess would put the speed of most at 40 to 50 mph) and it must be sheer luck that there has not, up to the present time, been an accident. Several vehicles driving from Manor Drive along West Drive and turning right onto Broad Dale Close cut the corner and cars turning left from Broad Dale Close onto West Drive rarely stop to check if anything is coming from the direction of the wood. Also, during the summer months, children have been playing in the road on bikes and skateboards, riding between the wooded area and down Broad Dale Close, rarely giving any thought to whether traffic is coming along the road.

Earlier this year we also witnessed 3 young girls (probably round about 14 - 16 years old) lying down in the middle of Broad Dale Close at 11.00 p.m., shrieking, laughing and screaming. Had we not seen them going into the woods earlier with bottles (other young people were also seen going into the woods) we might have thought there had been an accident but, no doubt, they were the worse for drink! One of the girls was overheard on her mobile phone talking to her mother telling her she was at her friend's house!

To anyone reading this who uses the roads mention, may I ask you to please take care and show a little consideration for other road users and residents in this area. To parents of teenagers who are out in the evening, please make sure you know where your little treasures are. The last thing you want is for the police to knock your door telling you there's been an accident.

Name and Address withheld on request

Dear Editor

I like most people who live in the village are very proud of the fact that the village is kept clean by courteous people and those who volunteer, like I do for litter picking duties.

Yet again I find an unwanted deposit of dog fouling on the pavement outside my house by the bus stop in Green Way.

Would the person or persons who knowingly leave this unwelcome deposit take ownership and clear up the mess, as I don't think it's fair that I have to undertake this task for the good and welfare of those who use the bus stop and those who may wish to walk their children.

I like most persons who feel this is offensive would be prepared to NAME & SHAME.

Dave Barrett
Green Way

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Dear Editor

At the side of the Beck opposite The Village Hall there is a small copse of about a dozen Pine trees on the corner of the field adjoining the road. A concrete plaque stood beside the footway against the wooden fence proclaiming that this copse had been donated and planted there in Jubilee year by The Young Farmers Club of Sudbrooke and Scothern. This plaque which was about two feet square and very heavy vanished about ten years ago. It would be nice if anyone who knows of it's location now could arrange for it's replacement to the original position in time for next years Jubilee. Anyone know where it went to ? I wonder if anyone in The Young Farmers Club that planted it there can remember the planting or can anyone recall seeing the plaque in position. In passing does anyone know of any similar events or plans to celebrate this coming Jubilee.

Jean Wharton

SUDBROOKE VILLAGE HALL

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The Village Hall and the Bramham Lounge and bar are available for hire. The hall is situated next to the playing field and play area. This is a very pleasant venue for wedding parties, christenings, eighteenth birthdays and birthdays ending in zero. The well stocked bar with a selection of draught beers can be booked with either the main hall or the lounge. The Bramham Lounge is suitable for smaller groups and meetings.

Booking Secretary: Stuart Curtis:

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The Dogs (fouling of land) Act 1996

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The Old Codger.....

My father was a Professional Welterweight Boxer and throughout the 1930s worked in a boxing booth which once every month would set up in the market squares of Worksop, Lincoln, Retford and Gainsborough on a regular weekday evening each month. He was in a team of eight fighters of different weights. One of their squad was a man named Freddie Mills a good friend of my father's. This man would later become British and Empire light heavy-weight Champion and in 1948 The World Champion. His name will be well known to many older readers. I have photos of him with my father. Another member of the squad was Bruce Woodcock of Doncaster who became British heavyweight Champion. Later on Mills and Woodcock would fight each other three times for British and Empire Championships. All three were won by Woodcock.

Before the show started the boxers would stand in front of the booth and challenge all comers to fight for 3 rounds. If they lasted 3 rounds they could win £10. A huge sum in the 1930's where the average weekly wage was about £3 for a 48 hour stint down a mine. If they didn't last the 3 rounds the booth boxers got the £10 otherwise they got nothing for that fight. Each booth boxer had about five or six or more fights a night. Mainly at around about their same size of opponent but they were willing to take on all sizes and weights. Sometimes several stones above their own weight.

My Dad used to say that he always preferred to fight men above his weight because they invariably were much slower and as long as he didn't get caught with a big punch from some giant reckoned he could always chop his opponent down to size and finally force him to quit or knock him out. Most of the challengers were manual workers, farm labourers, miners and steel workers and the like. Hard tough fit men!!

The Marquis of Queensberry Rules were very loosely adhered to but as the referee was always one of the booth owners you can imagine that a lot of things that would disqualify a man today had a blind eye turned. The time keeping was not that accurate either. If the booth man was in trouble the round seemed quite short but if it looked as though the challenger might last the 3 minutes it often seemed a great deal longer. (Surprising that!). In the booths you fought dirty. That's the way it was and nothing less was expected. If you fancied your chance and challenged a booth boxer you could expect no mercy. Very few took away the £10 prize money. To work in the booth you had to be supremely fit and tough as nails. My father was!!

With that background it is hardly surprising that when I joined the RAF and realised that Guard Duties, Parades and Fatigues could be avoided by being a member of the boxing team I chose to take up the sport.

NOW PICTURE THE SCENE. June 1956 in an old disused public swimming

baths with the floor levelled off in Bethnal Green in The East End. One of the toughest, roughest areas of London. In the centre of what had been the swimming pool stood a boxing ring surrounded by rows of seats on all four sides with a gangway leading off on one corner to the dressing rooms. High up on all four sides were many more rows of seats which after about four rows then went up in terraces about ten rows high completely surrounding and looking down on the ring. The whole place was packed out with about eight hundred or more noisy mainly drunken boxing fans. It was an Amateur Charity event in aid of the RAF Benevolent Fund and a Local Hospice. Bookies were doing great business at the ringside

There had been 4 bouts already and then I entered the ring. The Master of Ceremonies announced over the speaker system ". In the Blue Corner representing The Royal Air Force, Cpl *** *****." (name erased to preserve the Old Codgers identity. These days someone might fancy challenging me). This was greeted by one solitary person clapping. (Must have been my Dad ! Joke !!)

I was wearing a fancy light blue silken dressing gown with dark blue collar and cuffs. It had a large RAF roundel on the back with the logo "Royal Air Force" emblazoned. (Only our team would know that we had only got three of them between the whole team and had to share them among the eight of us but it looked very flashy). I was wearing high white leather boxing boots topped by white socks and a blue and white vest and shorts (I looked the business). Then the MC announced. " In the Red Corner, from West Ham Boxing Club our very own "Stepney Hammer", Bert Higgins". There was thunderous applause and much banging of chairs and feet accompanied by whistles and cheers. (No favouritism then?) My opponent was dressed in a very old fashioned dull thick scruffy dressing gown which looked like he might have borrowed it from his Dad. The sleeves had been cut to fit the gloves through. He had black plimsolls on his feet with short grey socks. A bit shabby I thought.

The Fight started and it quickly became plain to me that my opponent had probably never met a southpaw before in whatever previous boxing career he had. Whilst I occupied the centre of the ring he kept circling the wrong way round me walking straight into my best punches. He flailed away at me and to be truthful I don't think he landed even one punch on me. He behaved like a 5 year old kid with a 4lb club hammer in his hand. If he had caught me he would probably have knocked me out of the ring but he had no defence whatsoever. My party piece when training with my young brother was to stand on a tea towel whilst my brother would attempt to land a punch on me. I had a 24 inch waist in those days and was very wiry and slim and was very fast, swaying weaving and bobbing and ducking. (Today with my 20 stone and a 50 inch waist, it would be a whole lot easier).

In the first round I knocked my man to the floor twice and he was only saved by the bell from being counted out. When the second round started I quickly knocked him down again and when he climbed to his feet after an

eight count the referee stopped the fight. This was my 24th fight and my 17th win by a knockout or stoppage. To say the crowd were not best pleased would be an understatement. Only the bookies looked happy. As soon as the referee lifted my gloved fist the boos started and bottles, cans, coins and even a plastic chair came whizzing down into the ring. Some of these things never reached the ring and landed amongst the ringside spectators.

Suddenly one of the men at the ringside stood up. Faced the crowd and shouted out "ENOUGH !!" Holding his arms aloft. Amazingly everything stopped as if by a switch. The boos subsided and nothing else was thrown. Years later I was reminded of a somewhat similar scene in a TV programme of "Only Fools and Horses". Whereby "Del Boy" arrived at his home when a riot was taking place and when someone called out to the crowd the riot stopped until he had passed. The scenario was somewhat similar.

As I looked at my saviour I noticed that he was one of two large identically smartly dressed men at ringside. They were both wearing long black overcoats and had arrived accompanied by about ten other heavily built companions quite a while after the first bouts had taken place. I asked one of the stewards who had been shielding me from the missiles who the man was because he appeared to be someone in authority. The reply I got was that the man was "One of the Kray Brothers".

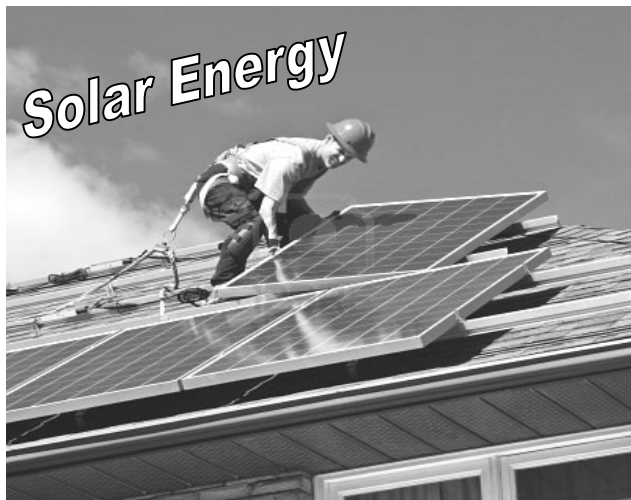
He then told me that they were sponsoring the fight night and friends of theirs had supplied all the prizes. (Now I know of their reputation I don't expect the friends had much option). I had never heard of The Kray Brothers. I was then presented at ringside with my prize, a small wooden, hall marked silver shield which I still have to this day. The man presenting me with it appeared to be the local Mayor, judging by the chain around his neck. Beside him the other Kray Brother (Don't ask me which was which, I couldn't tell them apart !). Shook me by my still gloved hand, patted me on the shoulder and congratulated me on my performance. Nice bloke I thought !! (What a judge of character I was).

Earlier on in the evening I had chance to watch one of the opening bouts in which a couple of Juniors were scrapping. One of them a blond kid impressed me a lot. His name, I found out from a programme, was Billy Walker of West Ham Boxing Club. Later to become a big name in Boxing as a Heavyweight Championship contender and a real crowd pleaser and later on a millionaire successful business man owning with his brother George ,the Brent Walker Group of companies and The "Spud U like " food outlet chain .

So there you have it. That night I was under the protection of The Krays and unlike lots of other folk didn't have to pay through the nose for it when they ran their protection racket.

The Old Codger





Having recently completed a solar hot water installation on my own home in Sudbrooke, I have been struck by customer misunderstandings over the meaning of 'solar' and indeed the types of system available.

Hopefully, this article will help clear up at least the basic confusions & help you understand the benefits for you. Solar is classed as 'renewable energy' along with others such as heat pumps, biomass (wood pellets), wind turbines & bio fuels. However, solar is the only type using the sun quite so directly.

So what are the types of solar energy?

In the domestic & light commercial market, there are 2 generally available. Hot water production (solar thermal) & electricity generation (solar PHOTOVOLTAIC).

How do they differ?

Solar thermal uses an antifreeze pipe system to connect roof or sloped panels via a pump & various controls to a hot water tank coil probably in your airing cupboard. This works very much like a gas boiler system which also heats your water. In this case though, your tank will have an extra coil internally to transfer & store the solar heat from the antifreeze. In a well designed system, you will also retain a back up such as a boiler to provide hot water when little or no solar gain is available, such as foggy days. On average, this type of system will operate best from march till October with almost all hot water requirements produced in the summer or on sunny periods such as that recently experienced. My particular system produced 65 degrees centigrade water for no gas usage even in mid October. Over the year, you can expect a good system to provide around 60 – 65% of your total hot water needs.

Solar PV generally uses crystalline panels to produce DC voltage from roof or sloped panels. This is then changed via an inverter into AC voltage as used in your domestic electricity supply. To ensure that the solar electricity is used in preference to 'bought' electricity, the AC voltage is set slightly higher than 'mains' voltage but only by a few volts. DC voltage cannot be stored therefore must be used immediately on production. It is therefore more beneficial to use the electricity immediately. However, using 2000 watts of electricity during the summer would be difficult. Therefore, you can 'sell back' surplus power back to the national grid. More on this later. This system also works best in sunshine over the same months as thermal.

Visual impact

This is probably the greatest misconception to the average person. Panels on both systems work best when south facing but will work generally from south east to south west with little loss of efficiency. Solar THERMAL systems can be split between east & west if necessary with additional panels & equipment. Solar PV can also be split but can suffer from imbalance. Panels on either system should NOT be on a north orientated roof or position.

Solar Thermal The system is designed to heat the water tank at a steady rate. Oversizing would

produce hot water faster but on sunny days, due to the pump stopping when the water is heated, the system could turn partially to gas. This is a design feature but it also means that you will not produce any more solar hot water that day. Therefore, you are unlikely to see more than 2 panels on an average 4 person home, thus allowing almost continuous solar gain throughout the day. As with any hydraulic system, pipe runs should be as short as possible, allowing better heat transfer. Panels will often be located to 1 side of a roof for this reason. Of course, if panel location is important to you for aesthetic reasons, they can still be centralised with a small efficiency reduction. If installing on an existing roof, the panels are generally fitted above the tiles but new builds or renovations can have integrated panels built into the roof.

Solar PV Put simply, the more panels, the more electricity produced. This is the reason you will; see complete roofs covered in blue panels.

Benefits & incentives

Both systems greatly reduce reliance on energy companies & the ever increasing cost of energy. The government recognises this & is committed to reducing carbon dioxide emissions drastically by 2020. Therefore several incentives are available dependant on the type of solar selected.

Solar Thermal

The government has introduced the Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) which is due to come into force in Oct 2012 for domestic customers. This will pay a set amount back to you the customer dependant on the system capacity. The control system electronics is equipped with a monitor which will record generated heat power. An expected payback per Kw produced is approx 10p. It is important to remember that ALL produced power can be stored as hot water, so there will be no waste. ALL installations installed after 31 July 2009 will qualify for payment which is expected to last for 20 years. To encourage take up, the government has also introduced the Renewable Heat Premium Payment incentive (RHPP) for domestic customers. This is a limited availability incentive @ £300 per installation & is available NOW in addition to RHI payments from next year.

Solar PV

The government has already introduced the Feed In Tarrif (Fit) incentive. This pays 42.5p/Kw electricity produced back to you the customer. In addition, any power you do not use is exported back & is paid at 4p/Kw to you. The incentive will last for 25 years (current scheme) but is due to reduce in benefits next year.

Which System?

This is down to you. Both monetary & aesthetics could help you decide. In either case, you will gain most by OWNING the system yourself. The PV market has been flooded with companies offering 'free' or very cheap PV panel installations. Under this scheme, you will still benefit from lower electricity bills but the installer will reap the biggest benefit over 25 years of Fit payments. Solar thermal is generally cheaper to supply & install & as a result, will receive a lower incentive payment. Payback periods for both OWNED systems will be very similar.

Customer Protection

The government recognises the problems associated with certain sector selling 'styles'. Therefore with renewable, all installers are signed up to the Microgeneration register (MCS). This is your assurance that we are trained & frequently INSPECTED to set standards. ONLY MCS installers can fit & register your guarantee & set you up on the payback schemes. In addition, you are covered by the government backed 'REAL' assurance which protects your installation if we go out of business. Hopefully this brief explanation will help you understand solar & incentives better. You are more than welcome to phone if further information is required.

Will Reid

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Best Kept Village Competition - Judge's Comments

<i>Sudbrooke</i> Village: Ingham - West Lindsey		POINTS		JUDGE'S COMMENTS
First round (please see reverse for any comments)		Max.	Given	
A	Absence of litter; unauthorised/unsightly refuse; bus stops; telephone kiosks	20	17	<i>Telephone kiosk & two bus shelters were very clean & tidy. A further bus shelter also littered & broken & needs attention. Some litter on main Wragby Road.</i>
B	Trees; ponds; streams; dykes; walls; roads; paths; verges (general appearance)	20	18	<i>The appearance of most of these is mainly good.</i>
C	Village/town centre and/or hall; schools; park; playing fields; signs; notices; advertisements; signposts	20	17	<i>Notice boards tidy & up to date. Competition well advertised. Some litter on North field play park. Playing field tidy.</i>
D	Gardens; window boxes; allotments; caravans; sheds; hedges; fences, nature area.	15	14	<i>Most of the gardens are of a high standard. Hedges & fences reasonably well kept.</i>
E	Churchyard or Chapel surrounds; cemeteries; war memorials; notice boards	15	13	<i>Notice boards at the church are tidy & informative. Church yard/cemetery well kept.</i>
F	Business premises including inns; farmstead; workshops; post offices and village shops; caravan sites	15	13	<i>All these premises appear to be well kept.</i>
G	Marks for community effort	15	14	<i>Overall the community effort appears to be good.</i>
		120	106	

NOTES:

- (a) Absence of a feature listed in the score sheet will not entail a loss of marks
- (b) Natural and architectural beauty will not be taken into account

GENERAL COMMENTS:

We appreciate it is difficult to keep major main roads free from litter but this lets the village down.



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TIMESHARES - PEACE OF MIND

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Some timeshare companies employ hard hitting selling techniques. Others use a lot of glitz. Either way it is important not to be influenced or seduced.

It is also essential when considering whether to buy a timeshare that you study any agreement carefully to understand what the agreement entails and what the risks are. If in any doubt please do consult a lawyer before committing yourself.

In other words, the recommendation is that you avoid buying on the spur of the moment or under pressure. Think carefully before going in for a particular deal and if in doubt do take legal advice.

It is important that you understand exactly what you are committing yourself to. This is particularly relevant in relation to finance. Often the fees payable are a mixture of fixed fees and management charges in addition. Do make sure that there is a cap on management charges otherwise you will be committing yourself to an open cheque.

There are some providers who will tell you that you can change your mind. If you sign in the UK then within certain limits that is correct but in other jurisdictions cancellation may not be possible and if it is possible it is far from straightforward. Caution is therefore the watchword.

Another point to consider is what happens if you wish to sell the timeshare. Is there a mechanism for sale? Is the range of buyers restricted? Is the price which is likely to be realised controlled? Again, all of these points should be carefully considered.

There are many reputable timeshare operators. There are other timeshare operators who are less reputable. Whether you are dealing with a reputable company or not, it is worthwhile taking care and having the agreement checked out before you sign. Peace of mind is an extremely valuable commodity!

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Lindum Hill works to begin



Essential carriageway reconstruction and resurfacing work on the A15 Lindum Hill will begin on Saturday 22 October, between 7am and 9pm, for nine days.

The southbound road will be closed throughout and it will be closed entirely over the weekend of 29 – 30 October, to allow resurfacing work to take place at the top of Lindum Hill.

The state of the road has deteriorated following last year's severe weather and the work is needed to help ensure motorists' safety.

Diversion routes will be signed throughout and temporary traffic lights will be in place. Motorists are urged to allow extra time for their journey.

Project Leader, Tim Mawson, said: "We recognise that this is a key route through the city which is why the improvements are taking place during the school holidays to keep disruption to a minimum."

Local residents, Emergency Services and Stagecoach have all been informed of the works.

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GARDENING NEWS



Hello and welcome to the garden.

It is a beautiful and sunny day, but the days are getting shorter and cooler, and with the clocks being altered, it's goodbye to summer time. We must hope winter won't be hard – roll on spring!

Last month I told how I was starting to prepare the garden for winter. Most of this work has been done and all the garden furniture either covered up or put into storage. The gravel area on which we keep our pots of various plants is now looking rather bare, as many of these plants dislike winter wet or frost. The hardier ones will remain where they are and the pots and containers which have been cleared of summer bedding have been planted up with spring bulbs. The plants which need winter protection are now under cover in the poly tunnel, or in cold frames.

As the vegetable garden becomes empty, a dressing of manure or compost will be applied and dug in ready to start the new season.

In previous months, I have mentioned the area at the bottom of the garden which we refer to as the shrubbery. This has become rather wild and we are going to reclaim it by clearing, pruning and eventually replanting part of it and reinstating. The ribes and a beautiful camellia will remain and a laurel which has already been heavily pruned. In amongst the overgrown area is also an azalea and euphorbia which will be kept. All through this area are some brambles, nettles and a wild honeysuckle romping all through the plants so we do have our work cut out to tame the area and bring it back to order. A start has already been made and work will continue as weather permits.

Farewell for now. **G P**

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Spring Show 2012

To be held in the village hall on Sunday (1st or 15th April 2012)

Class	1	One Trumpet Daffodil	
	2	Three Trumpet Daffodils	
	3	One Large Cup Narcissus	
	4	Three Large Cup Narcissus	
	5	One Small Cup Narcissus	
	6	Three Small Cup Narcissus	
	7	One Miniature Variety Daffodil or Narcissus	
	8	Three Miniature Variety Daffodils or Narcissus	
	9	One Tulip, large variety- any colour	
	10	Three Tulips, large variety-any colour	
	11	One Small Botanical Tulip	
	12	Three Small Botanical Tulips	
	13	One Small Spray of flowering shrub (not to exceed 24 inches)	
	14	Three Stems of Polyanthus	
	15	Three Pansies or Violas	
	16	Three Sprays of Erica	
	17	Vase of Daffodils for quality of flowers	
	18	One Multiheaded Daffodil – any variety	
	19	One Double Daffodil – any variety	
	20	Any plant not included in 1 to 19 above	
	Floral Art	21	“Spring is in the Air” maximum 18 inches
		22	Easter Corsage
		23	An arrangement of mixed daffodils for quality and presentation of flower, maximum 24 inches high
		24	A petite floral arrangement 9 inches square
Cookery	25	Fruit Pie	
	26	Savoury Flan	
	27	Four Fruit Scones	
	28	Four Jam Tarts	
	29	Two Hot Cross Buns	
	Handicrafts	30	Handicraft – any medium
31		Photography - “Spring in the garden”	
Juniors	32	Ages 14 years and under:	
Section A		Something I have grown	
Section B		Something I have made	
Section C		Something I have cooked	
Section D		Something I have painted or drawn about “Springtime”	

Sudbrooke Gardening Club



October meeting.

Steven Lovell gave an interesting and useful talk on garden design and landscaping. He showed a number of examples where features in adjoining gardens can be used as background in your own garden. He also showed how to deal with difficult corners or other areas in the garden.

Spring Show 2012.

Members agreed to hold the 2012 Spring Show on a Sunday afternoon in the village hall (either the 1st or 15th April to avoid Easter Sunday)

More information will be published nearer the date but to allow potential exhibitors to do some forward planning with bulbs and other classes of exhibits, an entry form and set of rules is attached.

Members are very keen to encourage entries from juniors and other residents of Sudbrooke.

It should be noted there is a limit of 2 entries per individual per class except for juniors in class 32. Juniors can enter each of the Sections A,B,C and D with a maximum of 2 entries per section.

Next meeting is 12th December.

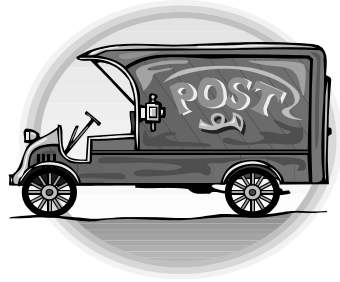
The meeting will be hosted by Barry and Margaret Reeves at Tall Trees, 25, Wragby Road from 7-30pm.

Mike Halliday
(Secretary) Tel 754686

Spring Show 2012 - Rules

- Any resident of Sudbrooke may exhibit at the show.
- Adults may enter a maximum of 2 exhibits per individual per class.
- Juniors may enter a maximum of 2 exhibits per section in class number 32.
- An entrance fee of 20p per exhibit will be charged.
- Juniors may enter free of charge.
- Exhibits to be handed in at the village hall from 12-00 noon to 1-30pm.
- Judging from 1-35pm to 2-30pm
- Points will be awarded in each class as follows:
1st prize 3 points, 2nd prize 2 points and 3rd prize 1 point.

Dear Old Codger



As lovers of the English language you and your readers may enjoy this.

There is one two-letter word that perhaps has more meanings than any other two-letter word, and that is 'UP.'

It's easy to understand UP, meaning toward the sky or at the top of the list, but when we awaken in the morning, why do we wake UP ?

At a meeting, why does a topic come UP ? Why do we speak UP and why are the officers UP for election and why is it UP to the secretary to write UP a report ? We call UP our friends. And we use it to brighten UP a room, polish UP the silver. We warm UP the leftovers and clean UP the kitchen. We lock UP the house and some mechanics fix UP the old car.

At other times the little word has real special meaning. People stir UP trouble, line UP for tickets, work UP an appetite, and think UP excuses. To be dressed is one thing, but to be dressed UP is special. A drain must be opened UP because it is stopped UP. We open UP a store in the morning but we close it UP at night. We seem to be pretty mixed UP about UP !

To be knowledgeable about the proper uses of UP, look the word UP in the dictionary. In a desk sized dictionary it takes UP almost 1/4 of the page and can add UP to about thirty definitions. If you are UP to it, you might try building UP a list of the many ways UP is used.

It will take UP a lot of your time, but if you don't give UP, you may wind UP with a hundred or more.

When it threatens to rain, we say it is clouding UP. When the sun comes out we say it is clearing UP. When it rains, it wets the earth and often messes things UP. When it doesn't rain for awhile, things dry UP.

One could go on and on, but I'll wrap it UP, for now my time is UP, so. it is time to shut UP! Now it's UP to you OLD CODGER what you do with this. Just don't get UPPITY.

Paul Guest



The Royal British Legion Welton & District

2011 Poppy Appeal

Our House-to-House and shop collections start on Saturday 29th October until 12th November. We still need new collectors; some roads are not properly covered and some rounds are too large. Anyone who would like to help, please contact me?

Remembrance

Our Sunday Remembrance Service is rotated annually between our five churches: Welton, Dunholme, Scothern, Hackthorn and Spridlington. This year the service will be held in Hackthorn Church at 10.45 am on 13th November (see inset).

We are holding an Armistice Day Ceremony at Welton War Memorial on 11th November gathering at 10.50am for a 10.55am start - All are welcome. If any organisation (Scouts, Guides Etc.) who would like to attend and lay a wreath, I can order wreaths for them.

This year is the first time that the anniversary of Armistice Day falls on the 11th year, so on the **11th** hour of the **11th** day of the **11th** month of this **11th** year, **we will remember them.** I look forward to a good turn-out.

St Mary's Church will be open after the ceremony for tea/coffee and biscuits.

Branch Meetings

We meet monthly in the Welton Sports and Social Club on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7.45 pm, with the exceptions of January and August. If you are interested in joining, please come along and meet us, or phone me.

Our annual lunch will be held after the Remembrance Sunday Service in The Falkoner Welton 12.15 for 12.30. Any branch member interested please contact: 860479

Tony Davis 860363
Branch Chairman

SUDBROOKE LIVES FIRST RESPONDERS

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Sudbrooke LIVES First Responders group has been set up to provide emergency care and Basic Life Support in Stainton, Langworth, Scothern, Sudbrooke and the surrounding area.

We now have nine qualified Responders and this will enable us to increase the amount of cover we can offer.

The group is very grateful to the Freemasons' St Hugh Lodge and to Allan Mc Crone for acting as sponsor. The Lodge has donated a very generous £500 to the group, which will be spent on equipment and training. Donations from local people and groups help to secure the future of this valuable local service. A local responder can be with you within a few minutes of dialling 999 and care can begin before the ambulance arrives.

We welcome volunteers to train as First Responders and support members are also needed to help with admin and fund raising.

If you are interested and can spare a few hours a month to help your community please contact Group Co ordinator, Mike Johnson on 01522 750878.

LIVES frequently asked questions.....

What does LIVES stand for?

Lincolnshire Integrated Voluntary Emergency Service.

Do you need to be medically trained to become a Responder?

No. The only requirement to become a Responder is that you must be over 18, have access to a vehicle and be physically able to give CPR (Cardio Pulmonary resuscitation). All other training is given by LIVES.

Is there any way I can help LIVES without being a responder.

Yes, we urgently need fund-raisers to help us raise the funds, and raise the awareness of LIVES in our area.

How long does the training take?

After you have been checked by CRB (Criminal Records Bureau), you will be sent on a three day

training course at LIVES HQ in Horncastle. These days can be carried out consecutively or spread over a 28 day period. They can also be done at weekends.

So does the Ambulance Service use LIVES to save sending out an ambulance?

No, if a responder is called out an ambulance will always be on the way too.

Why do we need a LIVES service?

All LIVES responders live within the communities they serve and can often attend calls faster than the ambulance, which in the case of things like a cardiac arrest is very important.

How much do you get paid as a responder?

All responders are volunteers and do not get paid at all. We do not even get any fuel expenses.

Do you get special exception for driving to emergencies?

All community LIVES responders must adhere fully to the highway code including speed limits and parking restrictions.

How do I contact a LIVES responder to get them to come to me?

The only way a LIVES responder can be called out is by East Midlands Ambulance Service.

If I dial 999 will I always get a responder?

No, at present the responders in the Sudbrooke group are trained to deal with patients over the age of 12 who have breathing problems or chest pains. Examples of calls we are called out to are. heart attacks, strokes, cardiac arrest, heart failure, asthmatics etc.

It also depends on whether there is a LIVES responder on duty. We are aiming to have a 24hr a day service at present we only have one kit bag and not enough trained people to give this level of cover. All responders give what time they can and nobody is made to do a particular period of on call. We do what we can when we can to fit in with our own daily lives.

What do you carry in your red kit bag?

When on duty each responder will have a defibrillator (used to give an electric shock in cases of cardiac arrest), a bottle of oxygen, various face masks and a basic first aid kit.

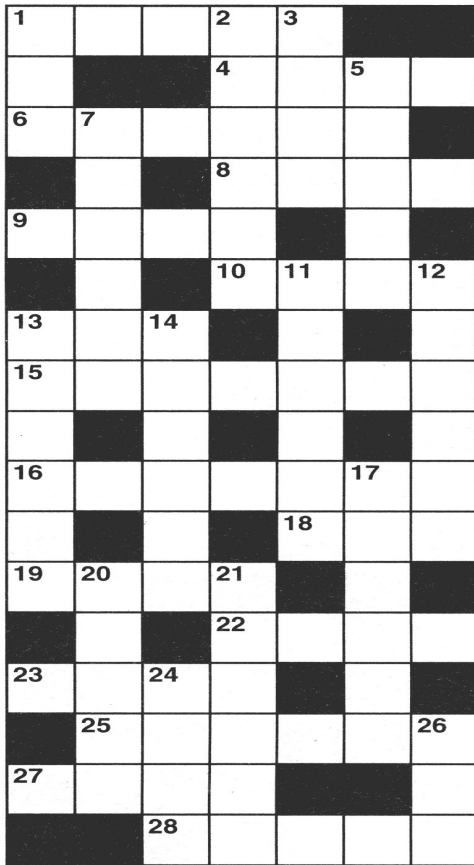
Level 2 and 3 community responders are not trained to give or use drugs of any kind however they are trained to assist a patient take their own prescribed drugs and can assist but not physically give drugs.

How is Sudbrooke group funded and how are these funds used?

We are totally reliant on donations to run the group. Each group within LIVES is responsible for their own fundraising.

Funds are used to pay for;

- The mobile phone used to receive calls from the ambulance service.
- Pay the monthly rental of the oxygen bottle we carry.
- To buy responder uniforms which consist of one fleece, one polo shirt and one pair of black trousers. Any other clothing a responder wishes to buy is bought from their own pocket.
- The upkeep of and regular checking of the equipment carried.
- Continuing training of group members.



ACROSS

- 1 Unable to see (5)
- 4 Force from a position of power (4)
- 6 Take in energy (6)
- 8 Radiate heat (4)
- 9 Large plate (4)
- 10 Analyse or try (4)
- 13 Drink genteelly (3)
- 15 Showing care and foresight (7)
- 16 One of Christ's biblical followers (7)
- 18 Knight's title (3)
- 19 ___ *Twist Again*, Chubby Checker song (4)
- 22 Ballet skirt made from many layers of net (4)
- 23 Ball for which an extra is awarded in cricket (4)
- 25 Fall (over) (6)
- 27 List of meals (4)
- 28 Small branch (5)

DOWN

- 1 Drinks counter (3)
- 2 Another name for zero (6)
- 3 Conflict of honour (4)
- 5 Slovenly untidy people (5)
- 7 Cure-all, nostrum (6)
- 11 Incidents, occasions (6)
- 12 Tie up (an animal) (6)
- 13 Take up a large area (6)
- 14 Inconvenienced (3,3)
- 17 Beam over a doorway (6)
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- 24 Professors (4)
- 26 Main ingredient of an omelette (3)

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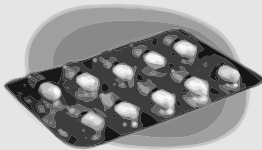
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October walk

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The views across the Lincolnshire Wolds from the churchyard in Sixhills were magnificent.

Although the hedgerows were showing good colour, the large trees were hanging on to their green leaves which was a slight disappointment as much of the walk was in woodland.

Our thanks to Paul and Coral Evans for leading the walk.



Next walk is Saturday 5th November.

A walk of approx 6 miles in the Lincolnshire Wolds around Donington on Bain. Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30am.

Walkers are advised to take a waterproof coat, use suitable footwear and bring a snack and a drink.

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.

We aim to be back in Sudbrooke by 1-30pm.

Future walk is Saturday 3rd December.

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Forthcoming meetings:

Thursday 17th November – 'The Cat sat on the mat' – Ann Yeend

Thursday 15th December – Christmas party (tickets available from the Committee)

Thursday 19th January 2012 - AGM

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Welton Family Health Centre

At the time of writing we are putting the finishing touches to our new website which will be available shortly – please log in to www.weltonsurgery.co.uk and take a look and as reported last month, we are now on Facebook too.

Thank you to everyone who has provided email / postal addresses and suggestions to us to enable us to have a sample patient group for survey purposes. Any patient who wishes to add their details to this list is still very welcome and we would particularly like to hear the views of our younger patients – forms on the website or in the surgery. We will be conducting the first survey shortly and look forward to your responses, the results of which will be discussed in full with our Patient Participation Group in due course.

Dr Nellist will be starting her maternity leave at the end of this month and we are pleased to announce that we will be working with Dr Alison Rawden and Dr Susan Protheroe during her absence. We will also be welcoming two new Registrars in early December, Dr Helen Flint and Dr Maiella Apudo for the first of their placements in a GP Practice and both will be with us until early April 2012. Earlier this month Dr Stephen Barton, our Senior Partner, celebrated thirty years as a Partner in the Practice and we all spent some time reminiscing over the changes that have occurred since that time ! It is also a good opportunity to put to rest once and for all the unfortunate rumour that spread around the villages recently that Dr Inder has suffered an untimely death in Canada – we have it on good authority that he is alive, very well and thoroughly enjoying his retirement.

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I would like to thank everyone who supported the PDA Autumn Fayre on Saturday 8th October- those who gave so generously sale items, cakes, and raffle and tombola prizes. All who bought raffle tickets (all £889 of them) those who came along on the day and everyone who helped in any way. The final proceeds for PDA funds were £1532.36 which I'm sure you will agree is a magnificent achievement.

27 lucky winners received raffle prizes the 1st 3 being Debi Snowball of Market Rasen who won a Wii fit kindly donated by Harlequin Frames of Welton, Isi Reynolds who won a starter fish tank kit donated by Perry Aquatics of Dunholme and D.Ream of Welton who won a family ticket for 5 to Woodside Falconry and Wildlife Park at Newball nr Langworth. We would like to thank all those businesses and individuals who also donated raffle prizes including Welton Manor Golf Club, Lincolnshire Cooperative Society, Welton Paper Shop, Finishing Touches Welton, The New Station, Langworth, Kedgerree, Welton Spice, Hair Sense, The Spa Shop, Dunholme, Scothern Nurseries and Taylors of Welton.

The PDA Christmas Lunch is being held on Friday 9th December in Welton Village Hall. The doors will open at 1145am and the meal will be served at 1215pm. The bar will be open for those who wish to purchase drinks and there will be the usual raffle and cake stall. The meal will comprise orange juice, Roast Turkey with seasonal veg and all the trimmings, a choice of Christmas pudding with brandy sauce or trifle and followed by tea or coffee and mints.

Tickets priced at £5 per person are now on sale from Roy Minnitt (860980) Dunholme Spa shop and the Health Centre Dispensary. Please reserve your tickets early to avoid disappointment as this is always a popular event.

Janet Goddard

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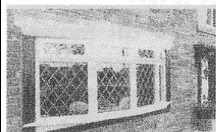
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The second meeting on the 24th November will be a fun competition night where each member will bring a number of images to compete against other members of the club (more to be revealed on the night)

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Jonathan Platt, head of libraries and heritage, said:

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Users do not even need their library card to access the service from library or other county council-run computers, but will be prompted to enter their library card number if accessing the service from home. To join the library, please visit <http://virtuallibrary.lincolnshire.gov.uk>.



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