February 2013

# Sudbrooke News



# "road closures, local events and police alerts"

I have a list of 50 Sudbrooke resident's email addresses which I use for sending information. In this inclement weather I shall also send out any notifications on alterations to bin collections etc..

If you have not let me have your email address and would like to receive these notifications please drop me a line on:

myers1@ntlworld.com

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Welcome to the first edition of the New Year. 2013... what will this year bring?

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Letters. If you bother to write to me (the Editor) and the subject is relevant to the magazine, is not

nasty/upsetting to someone else and I know who you are, I'll will do my best to print it. If you don't want your name printed, I won't. Letters are of interest to me and also, I am told, to our readers. They also give me some reassurance that someone actually reads this publication!. I welcome your letters; please keep them coming.

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Your views are sought from the Parish Council on the future of the annual Christmas Tree light switch on, please see "Letters".

The Parish web site is going from strength to strength; it's worth a look. The electronic address is at the bottom of the page.

If your New Year's resolution is to do a bit more locally in the community, then hopefully you will find some interest and inspiration from in following pages.

# Sudbrooke News

# March 2013

closing date for contributions

20 February

# **Vicars Letter**

# The Vicarage, Langworth Tel. 01522 - 754233

The Season of Lent begins this month as Ash Wednesday falls on 13<sup>th</sup> February.

Recently, I have been reflecting about how do we evaluate such words 'knowledge', 'information', and 'wisdom'? It is Wisdom, which seems to me very often to link up with Common Sense, that informs us about what to do with knowledge and information we have acquired – often over many years. How best to apply it in any particular case – to use it, and in what way, or to retain it quietly?

With the internet, web pages, Facebook, YouTube, Twitter (and the famous, or infamously inaccurate, Wikipedia) etc., we live in an age of instant and constant information and knowledge – in fact, a veritable Tsunami of "knowing". Yet how much will stand the test of time? How much might be termed "illumined" knowledge produced after long informed reflection and contemplation? What do we really mean by "knowing"? Too often, today, there seems to be little reflection to avoid hastily un thought-out decisions and opinions leading to many unintended consequences.

During the course of the church year we remember on certain special festival and holy days some of the saints who were mystics or contemplatives, and whose thoughts are still helpful for us today in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. There is a treasure chest of Wisdom in their writings across the ages.

With so much media activity cluttering our brains, I recalled an observation from T.S. Eliot in 1951 :-

"Where is the Wisdom we have lost in Knowledge?
Where is the Knowledge we have lost in Information?

This rather echoes the book of Job (28:12+20): "Where can Wisdom be found? And where is the place of understanding?... Where does Wisdom come from?". The Psalmist says (111:10) "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom." This advice is repeated in Proverbs (9:10) where we find other thoughts such as "the Lord gives Wisdom, from His mouth comes knowledge and understanding" (2:6), and "how blessed is the man who finds wisdom" (13:3). Appropriately, these books of the bible are termed "Wisdom Literature". Amongst what are called 'the sevenfold gifts of the spirit' prophesised for Jesus are "the spirit of wisdom and understanding" (Isaiah 11:2).

So often today's Tsunami of available information and second-hand knowledge is swallowed or copied indiscriminately and uncritically just because it is there – the answer for the lazy mind. The advantage of the old classical education was that it was designed to get people to think for themselves: a quality we seem

to be losing as a society. People seem to have short attention-spans today. The 'instant' solution appeals most. It has been said that "if you are always 'marrying' the Spirit of the Age then you are going to divorced many times during your lifetime"! We need to hold on to real wisdom – not just chase after the new as "dedicated followers of fashion".

Christianity has acquired, over the centuries, a rich treasure store of received wisdom, what might well be described as "illumined knowledge".

I have always liked, and found comfort in, the prophet Jeremiah's message to:

"Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths; ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls." (6:16)

That has always seemed to be 'wise' advice.

Yours, in Christ, Robert Spaight

Church Diary			
	FEBRUARY		
Sunday 3	2 Before Lent		
	9.00 Communion	St.John Stainton	
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke	
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth	
Sunday 10	Next Before Lent		
	9.00 BCP Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke	
	10.30 Family Service	St.Edward Sudbrooke	
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth	
Wednesday 13	Ash Wednesday		
	7.30 A.M. Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke	
	7.45 p.m. Family Service Planning	50 Scothern Lane	
Thursday 14	2.30 Tea Service	2 Chestnut Close	
Sunday 17	Lent 1		
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke	
	6.00 Evening Prayer	St.Hugh Langworth	
Sunday 24	Lent 2		
	9.00 Communion	St.Edward Barlings	
	10.30 Communion	St.Edward Sudbrooke	
	6.00 Communion	St.Hugh Langworth	
Tuesday 26	7.30 Stainton PCC	Hawthorn House	
Thursday 28	2.30 Tea Service	2 Chestnut Close	
	7.30 Sudbrooke PCC	The Vicarage	

# In memory of.....

Each Easter, at Sudbrooke Church, people donate towards the cost of the Easter flowers in memory of loved ones who have died.

Names of the loved ones are written in a card and read out during the Easter Sunday services. The card then stands on the altar for as long as the flowers last – approx. 3 weeks.

You are most welcome to join in this memorial. If you would like to be involved, please could you let me have your donation and the name(s) you would like writing in the card by Palm Sunday (24 March) at the latest.

Thank you.

Eleanor Clarke, 2, Chestnut Close.



# Parish Council Minutes - December 2012

# NOTES OF THE MEETING OF SUDBROOKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2012 IN THE VILLAGE HALL, SUDBROOKE

<u>PRESENT:</u> Councillors M Dickie (Chairman), P Rignall, P Heath, S Curtis, Mrs L Etheridge Mrs C Myers (Clerk), Mrs B Solly (Treasurer), County Councillor Mrs Sue Rawlins,

**APOLOGIES**: Councillors B Waller, I Russell, Miss R Dobbs

### 94 PARISHIONERS ITEMS

### Residents items were raised as follows:-

- I. That the hedge on the left bordering Church Lane between Two Corners and Oak Cottage was particularly high, making the lane susceptible to icy conditions due to the lack of any sunlight getting to the road surface. Members asked the Clerk refer this to the Highways Department of the County Council.
- II. A white line to be marked on the cycle path along Wragby Road. This would be referred to the Highways Department and the resident also asked to make a request to them.
- III. Noisy fireworks in the village over a long period during October/ November had caused a residents' pet to be very upset. The resident had suggested that a referendum be carried out by the Parish Council calling for Sudbrooke fireworks to be let off only on 5th November.

Members felt that this was not possible but that they would support the resident making a formal request for consideration with fireworks through the Sudbrooke News in an October edition of the magazine.

### 95 GRANTING OF DISPENSATION FOR COUNCILLORS TO SET PRECEPT

Members resolved to sign the dispensation to allow for Budget discussions and Precept setting.

# **96 POLICE MATTERS**

It was reported that youths had been causing a disturbance around the shop/ Holme Drive area.

Members noted that a resident who had offered to be a representative on the

Police Community Panel following a request by the Police for volunteers had reportedly had no further communication from the Police.

# 97 NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2012

These were signed as a correct record following proposal by Councillor Paul Rignall, seconded by Mrs Lyn Etheridge.

# 98 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

CC Mrs Sue Rawlins informed the meeting that the County Council were in the process of setting the budget for the forthcoming financial year.

# 99 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

DC Stuart Curtis reported that West Lindsey District Council had been voted the 'Best Kerb Collection' for waste in the country.

Scothern Parish Council reportedly had a surplus number of sapling trees and had offered them to Sudbrooke through the District Councillor. However members felt that no extra trees were required in the village at the present time.

# 100 REPORTS ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING

- a. Sudbrooke Woods footpaths update It was confirmed that the Notice of Application for Modification Order had been served on both Wilkinson Bros and Somerville Park Ltd and that the Modification Order with 16 User Evidence Forms had been submitted to Lincolnshire County Council.
- b. **Transfer of Land Beech** Two quotations for the legal work for the transfer of the land had been received in the sums of (a) £2100 from the County Council legal department and (B) £400 plus VAT and Disbursements from Burton & Co Solicitors.

It was agreed that quotation (B) be accepted from Burton & Co. In addition the Parish Council would be responsible for the Vendors Solicitors Wilkin & Chapman costs of £750 plus VAT making a grand total of £1606.

A Grant application from the District Councillors Initiative Fund to cover the full amount of £1606 had been submitted and confirmed by West Lindsey District Council

c. Nettleham Skateboard Park – Following the survey in Sudbrooke News only one response had been received which was against the increase in Council tax to make a contribution towards a Skateboard Park in Nettleham. Residents were reminded that discussions/costings this had been instigated following a petition in the summer of 2010 signed by over 70 residents of Sudbrooke requesting provision of a Skateboard Park.

Nettleham Parish Council would now be advised by Sudbrooke Parish Council of the results of the survey and that Sudbrooke PC could not support its provision.

# **101 HIGHWAY MATTERS**

a. Gritting through the village – Three attempts had been made to contact Wilkinson Plant Hire to ascertain whether they would be interested in gritting the bus route as per the previous year's agreement. It was felt that as there had been no response it must be assumed that they could not carry out the work if required this winter.

The Clerk was asked to ascertain whether any other contractor could carry out the work if required.

b. Christmas tree light switch on event – The Chairman gave a report on the recent event as follows:

'The hamper was won by a couple from Holme Drive.

After costs were taken out we made about £60.00 net from the afternoon event. The surplus children's drinks and biscuits were donated to the Sudbrooke Pre-School.

This event would not be possible without the usual people who make it what it is. In NO particular order they are:-

- Pat Wright and Roger Adams for the decoration of the tree, it looked brilliant yet again, and to Grant Ashley for the electrical work.
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- Stuart Curtis for his announcement via the megaphone during the event'

A note would be published in the February edition of the Sudbrooke News asking residents if they consider this event should take place again next year, or has it run its course? Would someone like to take over the running of it?

c. Dip in road between Sudbrooke and Scothern – A resident had pointed out that this had still not been repaired but it was noted it was schedule for repair in the next financial year.

# **102 PLANNING**

a. Applications:-

83 Wragby Road – 129359 – Garage to front of property – no objections but suggestion that screening is retained.

Langdale Lodge, Station Road, Langworth - 129317 - 4 double bedrooms - (part of the land is within Sudbrooke boundary) - Sudbrooke Parish Council support comments made by Langworth Group Parish Council regarding this application.

b. Applications 128674 and 128675 – Church Lane/Poachers Lane – Confirmation had been received from the Senior Growth Strategy and Project Officer at West Lindsey District Council stating that he was investigating costings with the County Council for a possible footpath on Sudbrooke/Nettleham Lane.

## **103 FINANCE**

a. Precept 2013/14 – Members discussed the budget for the forthcoming financial year and resolved that Sudbrooke Parish Council Precept West Lindsey District Council the sum of £20,490 as per attached figures.

This amount is an increase of £1490.00 on the current year's precept - approximately £1.00 per electorate.

# **104 CHAIRMANS COMMENTS**

The Chairman reported on the following:-

- a. That the new dog bin had now been sited on Greenway.
- b. The Climbing frame had been repaired and had now been re-sited. Thanks were expressed to Dave Etheridge for an excellent job. WLDC had confirmed that £680 had been allocated from the District Councillors Initiative Fund for the repairs of the climbing frame and painting of the play equipment.

# **105 CORRESPONDENCE**

Email from Synergie Sports Coaching expressing an interest in using the Village Hall for sports coaching.

# **106 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2013.

# **BUDGET 2013/14**

General Admin	£10,010.00
Insurance	£900.00
Membership Subscriptions	£350.00
Training Courses	£100.00
Computer Cartridges	£75.00
Audit Fees	£250.00
Office Equipment	£400.00
Parish Council Elections	£250.00
Misc (General Repairs, Litter Bins, Noticeboards)	£300.00
Football Pitch Rent	£25.00
Conservation / General Grounds Works	£2,000.00
Hire of Village Hall	£180.00
Grass Cutting	£3,000.00
Sudbrooke News	£1,000.00
Play Equipment & Playground Inspection	£500.00
Christmas Tree	£400.00
Sports Day	£250.00
Professional Fees	£250.00
Capital Projects - Maintenance Listed Buildings	£250.00
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TOTAL to be precepted	£20,490.00

# Report of Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 3rd January 2013 - Chris Myers (Clerk)

**Sudbrooke Woods Footpaths** – A reply from the Lincolnshire County Council was received following the submission by the Parish Council of 16 User Evidence Forms. The reply stated that each application is processed on a 'date received' basis unless it is felt that the case fulfils more criteria and currently Sudbrooke is a long way down the list. It is hoped that there may be some way of gaining more priority in order to advance the application for the modification to the definitive map.

**Date of Next meeting** – 7th February – Agenda items: - A review of the advertising costs for Sudbrooke News and siting of the seats in the Jubilee Garden.







# **Auction of Promises**

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# SUDBROOKE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SUDBROOKE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON

# TUESDAY 26th MARCH 2013 AT 7.00 PM

All residents of the Parish of Sudbrooke aged 18 years or over are entitled to attend the AGM to elect a new Management Committee for the forthcoming year.

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# **Letters to the Editor**

### **Dear Editor**

Thank you to all that supported the Sudbrooke Christmas Party. It was, once again, a huge success and a great opportunity for the village to get together for a drink and a boogie!

We raised £165 which was split between LIVES and Sudbrooke Village Hall.

However, the main purpose of the event is just to get people together to celebrate Christmas!

Here's to next year!

# Claire and Sally

### **Dear Editor**

I refer to Richard Drabble's letter in the December issue. I can think of many reasons why individuals might want to contribute to the debate while remaining partially obscured. For example, it might be that some have dear friends who share an opposite view, but don't wish to make a relatively trivial matter in the scheme of things, into a divisive issue for the village. I guess you can be vilified these days for fear of being vilified. I think you need to chill.

Perhaps there are people who have lived in the village for many years who knew they had no 'right' to wander in the woods prior to the establishment of the footpaths on 11th June 1993, and who welcomed and have respected this order since then. I understand that Stuart Curtis was a prime mover in establishing these "definitive public rights of way" and I can well imagine that the persuasive argument with landowners would have been that at least it prevented people wandering where they liked. I guess there was also accepted evidence at the time that these were the primary routes being used for the previous twenty years. Since the line was drawn in 1993 I am sure many people share lovely memories and pictures in the woods.

Richard, I understand you have lived in the village for many years and you must therefore have received a copy of a booklet of Footpaths Walks Around Sudbrooke, printed in February 1998 and pushed through the letterbox of every household in the community. Certainly anyone from the village who has lived here and has been walking the woods long enough to complete relevant User Evidence Forms, will have had a copy of this document.

This useful booklet was derived from the LCC "Definitive Rights of Way" Map

TF07NW last updated December 1996. The booklet was prepared by Sudbrooke Parish Council Conservation Committee, with support from the LCC and the Parish Paths Partnership Scheme (A Countryside Commission Initiative).

I hope you have made your copy of the booklet available to your meetings and that the Parish Council have advised and made reference to it, and their part in its publication. I am sure that those who still use it as a reference and respect its strictures, will ensure that Andrew Pickwell dusts off his copy.

Certainly it is a definitive document and the advice it contains from the Parish Council et al is extensive. In extract:

"Public footpaths and bridleways are to be enjoyed by anyone....Please do not stray from the identified routes and keep dogs under control....Please take your litter home and report people dumping rubbish to the Police or Parish Council....This booklet and information maps located at key entrances to the footpath system were also provided under the scheme" Walk 2 refers to footpaths 816 and 817 in the woods.

I fail to see how those, currently also nameless individuals, who may have provided User Evidence of their walks/routes from 1993 and since 1998 can possibly justify in public their admitted failure to comply with the established rules and etiquette of the village. Personally, I am sorry this issue should stir your annoyance but the idea that this will ever be elevated to the status, or justify the expense, of a Public Inquiry is ludicrous. Maybe you think the village should tremble at the thought; in the interests of open debate I think not.

# Mr S Fountain Sudbrooke

### **Dear Editor**

### **Sudbrooke's Christmas Tree**

A bit late now to be reporting on the Christmas tree when it has disappeared but the lighting of it went well.

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Should this event take place again next year or has it run its course? Do we just switch the lights on next year and be done? Would someone like to take over the running of it? Let any Parish Councillor or the Clerk know your thoughts.

Thank you

### Martin Dickie

# SCOTHERN FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW SATURDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 2013

We are currently revising the schedule for the above show and are asking for any ideas you may have. The categories are: Fruit and Veg plus Flowers. Floral Art, Baking, Craft and children's section

(age ranges up to 6 then 7-10 and 11-16) Any ideas will be considered. If you have any please e mail Jan Kenworthy at scothernpm@btinternet.com or telephone 01673 861345 (Jan) or 01673 863640 (Dawn)

Please note that you do not have to be a resident of Scothern to enter - it is open to all.

Dawn and I look forward to hearing from you.

# Dunholme WI

The WI meeting this month will be on Wednesday February 13th. We meet in the Jubilee room of the Dunholme village hall at 7.30 pm. Our speaker will be Adam Raynor Krill, who will talk about the history of the Roman Gladiators. Roll Call:- "If I ruled the world what would I ban".

This months competition:- "An old piece of jewellery"

Teas served by Alina Smith and Joyce Smallwood.

**Janice Ritchie 01673861172** 

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Mike Johnson, Coordinator, and three Responders recently attended Sudbrooke Ladies' Club and were presented with a cheque for £200 raised by the Club. The emergency and training kits were demonstrated and there was the opportunity to practice Basic Life Support. Mike expressed the group's appreciation for the amount raised by the Ladies' Club over several years which was instrumental in setting up the group and has enabled it to pay for equipment and training.

Thanks go to local businesses which hold our collecting tins. These are an essential part of the fund raising which keeps the group going and helps to pay for training and equipment. Donations from local community groups are also gratefully received. We are grateful to The Bottle and Glass and Lakeside for the use of a room for our meetings.

The group can also provide First Aid cover for events in the community. If you need First Aid cover for your event please contact the Co-ordinator.

If you feel able to support the group in any way please contact **Mike Johnson, Coordinator, on 01522 750878.** 

### Further details on Sudbrooke Parish Council website:



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Other leaflets are available - whether you want to walk or cycle, visit the remains of medieval abbeys or enjoy art in the woods, develop your own heritage project or manage a woodland.

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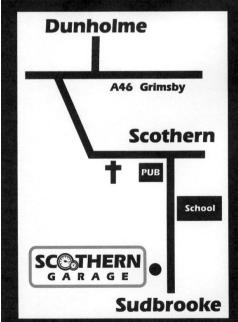


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# **Police News**



### **Anti-Social Behaviour**

Sudbrooke is still suffering from anti-social behaviour of an evening. Nettleham Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) are conducting high visibility patrols in the village to try and deter such behaviour.

# Please remember to report anti-social hehaviour on 101

### Crime in Sudbrooke

In December 2012 there were no burglaries, thefts or criminal damages within the Sudbrooke parish.

 $1^{\text{st}}$  –  $16^{\text{th}}$  January has seen 1 criminal damage – a property on Holme Drive had a window smashed with a snowball.

### **Lincs Alert**

Nettleham NPT are encouraging residents to sign up to Lincs alert. Lincs alert is a **FREE** messaging system setup by the police. The user signs up and selects the radius that they want to receive messages for. Lincolnshire Police will send out messages relating to crimes, crime prevention, missing people, suspicious incidents and events.

# If you would like to know more and sign-up please visit www.lincolnshirealert.co.uk

# **Immobilise Property Database**

Immobilise is a property database used by Lincolnshire Police and many other police forces across the country to check for stolen property.

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If Police recover the item and check the item against the database it will show up as being stolen and can be returned the rightful owner.

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Ross Payne

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# Police News

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# GARDENING NEWS

Hello and welcome to my garden for the start of a new gardening season. Today as I write, everywhere outside is covered in a blanket of snow - it will be some time before a start can be made in the garden. I am sitting here, with a cup of coffee, and reminiscing about the time we moved to Sudbrooke over twenty years ago, to a sadly neglected house and garden which had been unoccupied for some time. The size and shape of the garden was the deciding factor in choosing the plot, because we could see the potential - the garden it could become.

When we moved in the priority was to re-decorate the bungalow throughout, and to make some changes. The bathroom was re-fitted, and archways were made to give a more open plan arrangement between hall, kitchen and lounge. The garden at the back appeared to have no shape or form having completely disappeared under about 3ft of yellowing grass. It was September when we moved in, following a very hot summer - the garden was like a hayfield! I hired a rotary mower and using this at various angles I eventually reduced the grass to ground level. We planned a vegetable patch, a new lawn, a herbaceous border, a shrubbery - very ambitious plans which involved a lot of work, and as we found over the years a lot of upkeep. Therefore over the years we have had to modify parts of the garden, but have kept to the original basic layout, and made it easier to look after. We laid a patio along the back which extends the whole length of the bungalow, and is 10ft deep. This was a major project and we were helped by our daughter and son-in-law. Amazingly all the slabs needed were found around the garden, in some places overgrown with grass and weeds, and spread randomly about the garden. We now have a large area for sitting out and for displaying pots of plants. A new lawn was laid and the other planned areas were gradually developed.

Eventually we had all the windows in the bungalow replaced. A window at the back of the lounge was taken out and the space enlarged and fitted with French doors leading directly onto the patio. Later we built a pergola over the whole length of the patio area.

Today, in snowy January weather I am sitting with my cup of coffee by the French doors watching the birds feeding just outside the window. Pigeons are always around, And there are blackbirds, a chaffinch and a solitary robin feeding on the ground, and blue tits, great tits, Ocoal tits and some long tailed tits regularly visit the seed feeders. With no chance of gardening yet, I watch the birds in the snow, and study the seed and plant catalogues, making plans for the coming season.

So farewell for now, let's hope we see some better weather. **GP** 

# **Sudbrooke Ladies Club**



Mike Johnson, Sudbrooke LIVES Co-ordinator, and three other First Responders attended our January meeting and our president presented the group with a cheque for £200. This was raised from our small coin collection and regular book stall.

The LIVES group has been able to access funds raised by the Ladies' Club some years ago to buy the emergency kit. Further donations from the Ladies' Club have enabled the LIVES group to buy training kit and have also contributed to the cost of Responder training. The kit was demonstrated and members could have go at Basic Life Support.

# Forthcoming meetings:

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2013: John Leatt from Golding Young and Thomas Mawer auctioneers. A talk and quiz will be followed by an opportunity for each member to have one item valued. This promises to be a very interesting evening. Guests are welcome and are asked to contribute £2.

Thursday 21st March 2013: Stuart Curtis-'Sudbrooke Holme continued'.

Ann Yeend has organized a varied programme of speakers for 2013 which should interest the wider audience. Visitors and new members are always welcome.

Please see the Parish Council website for full 2013 programme. http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Sudbrooke/

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

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# The Old Codger.....

# **Toilets and Telephones**

I was entertaining friends the other evening and one of my guests excused herself by saying "Excuse me but I have to use your smallest room", meaning the toilet. I am sure everyone has heard that expression before but it got me thinking. For a start our toilet is not the smallest room in our house as it's combined with the bath and a separate shower. But years ago most folks had a toilet that was the smallest room and in old houses was outside the house at the end of the garden. I am sure most folk are familiar with the expression "Brick outhouse" or something similar. Another name for an outside toilet or "Loo" was "The Privy". Private is the most likely word from which this word is derived.

Invariably the door was about a foot off the floor and a foot lower than the ceiling. It was normally a wooden door often with a small open triangle let into the top of the door. The toilet flush was overhead and operated by a pull chain. Being outside meant that it was very open to the elements as there was never any heating. In very cold weather the cistern quite often froze up and wouldn't flush. Not a place to hang about in if you could help it. In cold weather you didn't sit reading the newspaper or puffing a woodbine. In those days most folks smoked. The wind that whistled under the door made for a very short stay. When snow was on the ground it was sometimes necessary to carry a shovel just to get there.

Nowadays the toilets in modern homes are far too comfortable. The expression that sometimes comes to mind when you are waiting to use the toilet is. "Just a minute " How long is that?" Well!! It depends on which side of the toilet door you are situated. Those of us with only one toilet are I am certain know what I mean.

How many of you can remember the days during and just after the war when toilet rolls either hadn't been invented or at any rate couldn't be obtained. The answer was to cut up newspaper into small squares. Pierce with a meat skewer and hang on a string behind the door. The memory of using these squares brings tears to my eyes. In addition I recall that my mother, a very prudish lady and strong Methodist churchgoer would cut out any pictures of the cartoon character "Jane" that appeared rather scantily clad in the Daily Mirror as being quite unsuitable for three young boys to view in that location. What she would have made of page three of any of the tabloids today is mind boggling.

Then came" IZAL" toilet rolls. Can you remember them? Ours came with the message "Government Property" marked on them and usually coincided

with the visit of one of our family on home leave from the forces (I thought that Father Xmas probably bought them). After the newspaper squares these rolls were luxury itself. It didn't matter that they were non absorbent and coated with slippery polish. They did the job. My Granddad used to tell us kids. "Don't go wasting them. They are hard to get". "One sheet for wiping up, one down and one for polishing". Try telling that to my offspring nowadays. We get through about three big rolls of super soft padded and quilted luxury stuff a week. I must say though that I wouldn't like to go back to those IZAL days.

The first readily available soft tissue toilet rolls came to Britain in 1951 at the time of The Festival of Britain. I first used it in one of the public toilets there and couldn't wait to get outside and tell the rest of our family who promptly went inside to spend a penny and try it out. We had some in our house for the next week. I can't think how it got there? The very first time that quilted soft paper was on sale was 1947 when Google states that Harrods in London was the only outlet for this luxury item imported from America. It was years before it reached other shops.

I used my house phone the other day. You know.!! The thing that sits beside your armchair. Not the microscopic matchbox sized thing that you carry around with you with which you can take photographs, listen to music, ask for directions and receive shorthand messages in a language that bears no resemblance to anything that I can understand. It also has the ability to enrage any passersby or anyone within twenty yards of the moron who loudly conducts his inane conversation with an imaginary friend or lover who they pretend is at the other end of their conversation. I think these mobile phone could be used as a weapon of war. If they drive the enemy as mad as they drive me it would be a war winner.

But as I said, I used the house phone and thought back to the days when if you had a phone in your house you were posh. As the overhead wires leading to a house clearly revealed only about one house in 10 had a phone. Usually it was a shared phone line and you never knew who shared your line. When you wanted to make a phone call you had to pick up the receiver and listen to make sure the line was not already in use by the other subscribe. If you were the nosy sort you could listen in to a conversation. It was amazing what you sometimes heard but could be a right pain if your own call was a bit urgent and you were waiting for the line to be free. Telephone numbers always started with the area that you were phoning in those days such as Lincoln 1234 or Newark 5678 etc. Probably the most famous number was Whitehall 1212 which was the phone number of the Police at Scotland Yard. This became well known because it was always being used in films at the cinema.

When you answered the phone it was usual to answer it by giving your own

number unless you were really posh like the lady on the TV programme who announces "Mrs Buckets residence". These days most folks just say "Hello". There were none of today's push button jobs. In those days they were all circular finger dials. It always used to amuse me how people answering the phone would put on a posh accent. Some still do.! There was no ring back facility and no means of knowing if you had missed any calls when either you or your line partner was engaged on a call. No leaving a message on line and it was impossible to know from what number an incoming call was made from.

On some telephone exchanges to make long distance calls you had to dial O for the operator and then give them the number you wanted. Often there would be a delay and the operator would ring you back to connect you. Compare those days with today's world wide system at the touch of a few buttons. You couldn't make it up could you? Today's generation just wouldn't believe it.

One of my grandchildren greeted me the other day with. "What do you know Granddad?" I replied "Well I don't know much. But I know what I like and like most folks I only like what I know. I can't like what I don't know". He left me with a puzzled expression on his face. Much the same as the expression you probably have now. But think about!.

It makes sense to an Old Codger like me. Bye for now folks!. Have to ring off!! My wife wants to use the phone.

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Sixteen walkers (plus one dog) met on a dry and eventually sunny day for a 7.25 miles local walk.

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A good start to the walking programme for 2013.

Our thanks to John and Iris Whitaker for leading the walk.

# Next walk is Saturday 2 February

A six mile walk in the countryside around Ingham village. If ground conditions are very wet, a drier alternative walk will be found.

- ♦ Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30 am.
- Walkers are advised to take a waterproof coat, a snack, a drink and wear suitable footwear.
- ♦ If you wish to walk and need a lift, please meet at the village hall.
- Everyone is welcome to join in this free and healthy activity.

# Future walk is Saturday 2 March.

Venue to be agreed. Walkers should meet at the village hall at 9-30am.

Mike Halliday Tel 754686

# Mike Johnson from Sudbrooke Awarded an MBE in the New Year Honours List 2013



Mike Johnson from Oak Close in Sudbrooke, the Gelder Group's Training Manager, has been awarded an MBE in the New Year Honours List for 2013 for services to Training Skills. Mike has been with the Gelder Group for nearly 5 years as Head of the Training Division and has achieved many awards including the National Training Award 2012 and personally winning the Linda Ammon Award 2012 which is presented to an inspirational individual who has made a huge impact within their organisation through training.

Mike is passionate about training and encouraging people into work and education, personally spearheading a commitment on behalf of the Gelder Group to ensure every employee is trained to a minimum of NVQ LEVEL 2 or above. In addition to his work at the Gelder Group Mike sits on many committees and boards including, The Lincolnshire and Rutland Skills Board. He is Chairman of Construction Skills East and West Midlands Skills for Growth forum and is an Apprenticeship Ambassador for the National Apprenticeship Service. Mike, in his spare time, is also the voluntary Coordinator for LIVES in Sudbrooke, Scothern and Langworth.

Mike commented "when I got the news I was speechless, I never in my wildest dreams expected this to happen to me, I am absolutely blown away. To be recognised at this level in doing the job I love, is the best accolade you could get."

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# **Welton Family Health Centre**

Lots of changes and challenges ahead in 2013!

Firstly our Senior Partner, Dr Stephen Barton is due to retire at the end of March and an evening to mark this event is planned for Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in Welton Village Hall. A book will be placed in the surgery for those who wish to leave their personal messages to him and also a box for any donations which will be used to purchase something of his choice. After thirty one years as a Partner in the Practice Dr Barton will be greatly missed by so many people.

From 1<sup>st</sup> January 2013 we are pleased to announce that Dr Elizabeth Nellist has joined the Partnership as a half time Partner following her recent maternity leave and on 1<sup>st</sup> April Dr Alison Lumley ( who has recently been doing locum sessions in the Practice ) will also join as a part-time Partner. We expect Drs Porter and Gomez will be returning in the summer following their respective maternity leaves and by August we should be back to full strength. Dr Martin Attrup who has been working as a locum with us for the last five months moves on at the end of January and various other locums will be joining us to provide cover. Dr Jenny Glennon, our GP Registrar, also finishes in the Practice at the beginning of February and takes up a post at Navenby Practice. We wish both doctors all the very best and thank them for all their help and support.

We had planned to move our Open Access Surgery to earlier in the morning, something we have discussed with our Patient Group, but due to recent upheavals we have had to defer this until later in the year.

Changes to the wider NHS mean that Primary Care Trusts disappear from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013 and Clinical Commissioning Groups become responsible for taking over much of their commissioning workload. For practices, this also means that we will have to go through tough procurement exercises in order to continue some of the services we have historically provided. The first of these relate to the provision of the anti-coagulation (INR) service we offer from the Practice and this is anticipated to take place in April. We understand that leg ulcer services and phlebotomy (blood taking) will be the next services we have to bid to carry out, which makes for interesting times and difficulties in planning for the future. We know that budgets will be tighter but workload increases and expectations rise and difficult decision lay ahead, however we will endeavour to keep patients informed and involved as much as possible when any changes are considered.

Finally we still have some 'flu vaccines left and if you are deemed to be " at risk" please book in – don't wait for us to contact you!

### Sallie Stead

# Welton & District Patients And Doctors Association

The PDA Spring lunch will be held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April in Welton Village Hall and tickets will be available during early March. Further details will be in the March magazine.

Looking ahead to later in the year we have booked Welton Village Hall for Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October for the Autumn Fayre and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December for the Christmas Lunch. Please make a note in your diaries now!

Dr Barton's leaving event will be held at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March in Welton Village Hall. The bar will be open for the purchase of drinks and the PDA Committee will provide a light buffet for those attending. There will be a collection box at Welton Health Centre for those wishing to contribute to a leaving gift in appreciation of the many years of service Dr Barton has given to the Welton Doctors Practice. More information about this event can be seen in the Welton Family Health Centre News.

The patient transport scheme is still looking for a few more local drivers who

can commit to one day a month to transport patients from their home to the surgery. If anyone feels that this is something they might be interested in, please give me a call (leave a message if I'm out) for an informal chat. You won't be committing yourself and you never know, you might just enjoy it. No qualifications required other than a full driving licence, a road worthy vehicle, a few spare hours a month (flexible) and a desire to give a bit back to the community. We are a very friendly bunch and you can have as much or as little involvement as you wish. Think about it, what have you got to lose? I look forward to my telephone being red-hot!!

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# **Sudbrooke Gardening Club**



# **December meeting**

The Christmas party meeting was hosted by Barry and Margaret Reeves who provided a wonderful meal and plenty of Christmas cheer for members.

The quiz covered topical events in 2012 including the Olympics and was won by Rupert and Nicola Hadley, Janet Stocker and Ruth Marshall.

# Programme for 2013

Members agreed the following programme for 2013:

- ♦ **Monday 11 March** 7-30 pm village hall, guest speaker Hannah Sylvester
- ♦ **Sunday 7 April** Spring show at the village hall
- ♦ Monday 13 May- to be hosted by Jenny Williams
- ♦ Monday 10 June- to be hosted by David and Sandy Bowles
- ♦ **Wednesday 17 July** day trip out to a fine garden
- ♦ Monday 12 August- AGM to be hosted by Mike and Margaret Halliday
- ♦ **Sunday 8 September** Autumn show at the village hall
- ♦ Monday 14 October- 7-30 pm at the village hall, guest speaker Andrew Sankey.
- ♦ Monday 9 December- to be hosted by Barry and Margaret Reeves.

# Mike Halliday (Secretary) tel 754686

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# Hi Folks,

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Your component list currently comprises processor, system board and RAM. Next item to research is the graphics card. Each one comes with differing amounts of dedicated RAM and capabilities. Once again, which one you choose comes down to what you are going to use your PC for and budget. To make the decision even more confusing, graphics cards come with differing connections to the system board; PCI-E, PCI and AGP to name the most common. As you've already chosen your system board, you should chose a graphics card that has the same connection that the system board offers. As described in an earlier article, you could have more than one graphics card if you intend to build a high-spec gaming or video-editing system.

The power supply unit (PSU) is a very important piece of equipment in your computer. A cheap PSU will do the job but will it have the best components to ensure it operates quietly and does it have enough output to power all the components effectively and efficiently? As described in IT Speak article 5, once you

have decided upon all your components, you can use an online calculator to help you decide upon the correct power output that all your components will require. Also factor in extra availability in case you decide to add devices in the future. Some PSUs come with modular cabling which means that you only attach the cables you need rather than have unused cables hanging around inside the case; this is good because it helps keep the airflow inside the PC smooth and unobstructed.

Your optical drive — CD, DVD or Blue Ray — is the next device to consider. Do you want one? If so, which type? If you're not going to use the PC to watch video, then the Blue Ray option is pointless. However, as optical discs hold varying amounts of data, do you want to use them as backup storage for photographs, video files, or other personally valuable data? DVDs are very similar to CDs but they hold more data; 4.7 gigabytes for a DVD compared to 650 megabytes for a CD—that's over 7 times as much data and two-layer DVDs can store twice that. Don't forget you can also boot a PC from a CD or DVD so no need for a floppy drive!

To be continued next month.

# The Computer Guy

# **Dunholme Camera Club**

Well here we are in February already hopefully everyone has now got over the recent festivities and have got to grips with their Christmas presents, if yours happened to be a new camera why not glean some information from the members of the Camera Club? Join us on a Thursday night and gain experience throughout the year we have various activities during the year with Talks, internal presentations, competitions etc.

Our first meeting in February will be a talk/presentation by myself on "Apertures" one of the most important things in photography is to get the exposure correct and hopefully by the end of the night we should all be a little wiser so come along on the 7th February and see what it's all about.

Our second and final meeting for February will be on Thursday 21st February which will be the first of our internal competitions which is an "Open" completion which means that anything goes! For this competition it doesn't matter what the members enter our judge on the night will select his favourite from those images presented in front of him.

Want to know more about the club then get in touch and see what we have to offer.

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