



Sedgeford Village News

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PARISH COUNCIL

Ringstead Road trees

Several residents attended the November meeting to express their concern that a row of trees along Ringstead Road might be removed. They wanted to know why the council would consider cutting down perfectly healthy trees which are a haven for wildlife. The Chair explained that the PC had now investigated the matter and established that the Council is not responsible for these trees, so will be taking no further action. The landowner, who was present, confirmed that he did not intend to do anything with these trees. UK Power Network will continue to trim them as necessary to avoid damage to overhead cables.

Changes on the Council

There will be changes in the parish in the spring. Interviews for a new PC Clerk will be held in December and elections are due in May. A couple of the current councillors will be retiring: we hope **you** will consider standing for election – or nominating a neighbour.

Neighbourhood Planning

The formal Regulation 14 consultation period has now ended. Thank you to all who sent in responses. These are being taken into account and any necessary amendments made to the plan before the next stage of formal consultation, to be organized by the Borough Council in early 2019.

New pipeline

Anglian Water has circulated information about a new pipeline they are laying between the reservoir in the belt of trees between Sedgeford and Ringstead and the water tower at Docking. Most of this work will be across fields, so there should be little disruption to traffic. They have agreed to send updates we can post on the village Facebook page.

Church Lane

Some residents had asked the PC to investigate the possibility of introducing a one-way system at Holly Hill. Highways Dept has replied that such a project would have to be privately funded. It is likely to cost between £5,000 and £10,000 and take at least 2 years, as a traffic order would be required. The Council agreed this was not feasible with current resources. Councillors will be discussing other possible highways projects at their next meeting.

Cemetery Regulations

The PC has been reviewing cemetery regulations and will be placing the revised version on the Parish website very soon.

Speedwatch

A Community Protection Order has been placed on a driver who abused the speedwatch team while they were on duty.

Police request

Hunstanton police have asked people to report suspicious activity to them, using 999 if it's an emergency and 101 for all other calls. At times, one call (eg re a strange white van) can be the missing piece of a jigsaw.

ST MARY'S CHURCH

Shoeboxes

Just to say a very big "thank you" to everyone who sent in a shoebox. We had 11 from the school and the rest from around the village. In total 190 boxes went off from our Benefice – fantastic.

Foodbank

As we approach Christmas please would you help local people in crisis. There is a box just inside the church where you can leave your gifts. The following items are a guide and the items most needed: Full fat UHT milk, Fruit juice, squash, sugar, tinned sponge pudding, tinned ready meals, tinned chicken pies, tinned hot dogs, breakfast cereals, instant coffee, instant mashed potato, tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, ready-made custard, jam, baby food, nappies and toiletries. Christmas treats such as mince pies, puddings and sweets etc will always be welcome at this time of the year.

Thank you for your generosity – it is much appreciated.

Working Party

A huge "thank you" to everyone who helped spruce up the churchyard this month. You all worked so hard and the churchyard looked great.

VILLAGE HALL

Table Top Sale

There will be a table top sale in Sedgeford Village Hall on Saturday 12th January from 10 am – 3 pm. To book a table (£7) please ring Janet on 571352. Refreshments will be available throughout the day.

THE ARTS SOCIETY- 10 DEC 2.00PM.

THE NUTCRACKER

Nigel Bates – Musical Administrator of the Royal Opera House - talks about how the Nutcracker evolved from being a disaster at its first performance to being the great story-telling it is.

Visitors are welcome FREE OF CHARGE

Contact Gerald Pepper 01485 570755.

WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP

We had a very full attendance at our November meeting (as other ladies from neighbouring groups joined us) for a lively, entertaining and at times, very amusing talk from Mrs Temple from Copys Green Farm in Wighton. She had many stories to tell about her life on the farm as a Cheese Maker which she started 20 years ago. She talked with great enthusiasm about her brown cows that she imported from Bavaria, who are well looked after and enjoy all modern conveniences, even having their own bedrooms and water mattresses in their barn. As she said 'Happy cows make more milk'. She described the process of cheese making and the different methods for making hard and soft cheeses. There was a tasting session and a chance to buy some of her products.



Next Meeting:- Christmas Party Wed 12th Dec 7.30pm at Susie Carlisle's house. Please bring a plate of either savoury or sweet food.

When subscriptions are due in January, please make cheques payable to '**Women's Friendship Group Sedgeford**'. Thank you.

Maggie Burlton

SHARP

SHARP is applying to the Heritage Lottery Fund for a project which will offer free training courses so that interested volunteers can learn how to record disarticulated bone. If you would like to contribute to this project, please send / deliver a cheque, payable to SHARP, to the Clerk at Wychwood, Heacham Road, Sedgeford, PE36 5LU.



I would like to wish a Merry Christmas and a Healthy New Year to all my friends and neighbours and to thank you for all your help earlier this year. My door is always open and the kettle always on. Please feel free to call. Thank you very much. **Mary Rogers.**

Pat Fleming sends Christmas Greetings to everyone in the village.

Thank You

Mike Frost would like to thank Cedric Curry and John England for their help to get the War Memorial ready for Remembrance Sunday.

There will, as usual, be no January issue of the newsletter.

Deadline for February Newsletter
Thursday 17th January 2019

FESTIVE TREATS AT THE KING WILLIAM IV

With the rosy glow of the log fire, warming mulled wine and The King Will festooned in twinkling decorations, we're all revved up and ready to welcome friends from the village over the festive season. Head Chef, Chris, has crammed a fantastic array of yuletide treats into our sumptuous Festive Menus, and there's still time to book one of our fun Pre-Christmas Parties (60 guests max), if you're seeking a cosy venue to entertain family or colleagues over the holidays – see www.thekingwilliamsedgeford.co.uk for details and call Nick or Liz on **01485 571765** to book your night out – and a room too if you fancy staying over! If you're still searching for a stylish gift for your loved one, don't miss our current photography exhibition in the Gallery Restaurant. There's a great range of stunning local wildlife and landscape images starting at £40, so no need to travel far to sort your Christmas shopping! As we welcome 2019, we're here to brighten chilly January days and evenings with our regular pub events – Quiz Night on Monday, Curry Tuesday and popular Pie Wednesday. There's our new Seasonal Menu to enjoy too, and a Blackboard full of Daily Specials. We'll be holding our annual 'Pie & Pud Night' in aid of Astro Brain Tumour Fund on Wednesday, 16 January - £18pp with Trevor Forecast's 'All that Jazz' playing in the bar. In the meantime, Season's Greetings and do pop in for a Christmas bevvy.

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DECEMBER IN THE FLOWER GARDEN

Start to winter-prune Wisteria, cutting back summer side-shoots to 2 or 3 buds.

Prune climbing roses now; cutting away diseased or damaged growth and tying in any new shoots to their support. Prune older flowered side shoots back by two thirds of their length. Leave the faded flower heads on hydrangeas until the spring, as they will provide frost protection to the swelling buds further down the stems.

Gather up fallen leaves from around the base of rose bushes which suffered from blackspot or rust this summer, to reduce the chance of infection next year.

Lift and store dahlia tubers once their leaves are blackened by frost.

Check climbers are securely attached with plant ties to their supports.

Harvest holly with berries for making Christmas garlands and Christmas wreaths; stand them in a bucket of water until you're ready to use them.

There is still time to plant tulip bulbs, provided the ground isn't frozen.

STANHOE & BARWICK WI

Thursday 6th December 2pm, in The Reading Room, Cross Lane, Stanhoe PE31 8PS. We will be entertained By **Three's Company**, performing poetry and prose in "Countdown for Christmas".

Wednesday 12th December – Christmas lunch for members. We begin 2019, our Centenary Year, with a meeting on 10th January (ie. **not** the first Thursday of the month as is usual).

For further information about our WI, please contact Valerie (01485 576261) or Pamela (01485 518033).

