

Sedgeford Village News

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SEDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Retirement of Parish Clerk

By the time you read this I will have stepped down as the Parish Clerk for Sedgeford. I have really enjoyed the last twenty three and a half years serving this community as its clerk. The job is very varied and allows you to build up a bank of knowledge about the village and its history. I took the job following the retirement of Sheila Lowe and never expected to be still doing it up to this April 2019, the time has gone very quickly. I would like to thank all those that I have worked with on the Parish Council, the Chairs I have served under and all the councillors who have given their time for free to serve their community, they deserve the praise. I would like to thank the council for the gift I was given and to other villagers who contributed too, I hope my garden will flourish with your generosity.

The Parish Council has faced and will continue to face many challenges in the future. I am leaving them in the very good hands of Karen Orgill the new clerk and I hope you will give her the support that you have given me over the years. As I am not about to up and leave I hope I will be able to help her settle into the role over the coming months. I wish the newly elected Parish Councillors well for the future as they look to ensure that Sedgeford stays a safe and welcoming village in this wonderful part of the countryside.

Best wishes John Ward

The new Parish Clerk is Mrs Karen Orgill. She can be contacted on the Parish Council email sedgeford.parish@outlook.com or by calling 01485 576079.

THE ARTS SOCIETY NORTH WEST NORFOLK

Next lecture – 13th May 2pm. Sedgeford Village Hall.

'The GPO Film Unit – the Birth of Documentary Films'

This is the fascinating story of how documentary films started from the latter days of the silent movies onwards. To book a seat call Gerald Pepper 01485 - 570755. www.theartsocietywnorfolk.org.uk

POST OFFICE The mobile post office visits Sedgeford Village Hall every Tuesday morning from 10.45 – 11.45am. Other useful items also for sale. Please support Adrian and post office if you can.

SEDFORD VILLAGE HALL PLAY – FRIDAY 17TH MAY

This month it's a welcome back to live theatre at the Village Hall. We're kicking off with the first of what we hope will become a more regular programme of live events, including plays and musical performances.

'**An Honest Gentleman**' is an 18th century ripping yarn based on the life of local boy, Thomas Easter, who went badly wrong. It's a musical play and will be performed by the 'Stuff of Dreams Theatre Company' who have performed before at Sedgeford. Please note as usual it will be 7.00 for 7.30pm kick off. To reserve tickets (£12 including a glass of wine), please call Dave Carter on: 01485 570097 or email: carter615@btinternet.com

OPEN GARDENS -26th May from 12 – 5 pm

We have 15 gardens open. There will a mini-bus taking people round the village to visit gardens from **1- 5 pm**. If you have any **plants** for the plant stall please contact **Christine** on 572767 or take them on Saturday 25th May to the Cart Lodges, Church Lane. If you have **cakes** or produce for the cake stall or for the teas please leave them at the church on the 26th from 9.30 am onwards or ring **Helen** on 570904. **All that Jazz** will be playing in the church from 12 until 3 pm and there will be a floral display of "The Glory of the Garden" in the church. Entrance to all gardens is £5 and children go free.

If you can **help** in any way **on the day** (we particularly need help in the church with lunches and teas) please ring **Pam** on 579002.

WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP

At our April meeting Terry Wagg, who was born in Sedgeford in 1938 and lived in the village for most of his life, shared his lovely slides and memories of the village from bygone days. At one stage in history the village had many thriving businesses including a baker, butcher, grocer, drapers, blacksmiths, boat mender, wood merchant, carpenter and coffin maker and farmers. There were no shortages of pubs. In the early 1960's there was even a small factory up the Docking Road that made Bedmobiles (vans with sleeping facilities on top). It was fascinating to see old pictures of many buildings that are still standing today.

If you are going on the theatre trip in July, please pay your £23.50p ticket money before July.

There is a free 'Come and Try Croquet Session' on Sat 18th May at the Hunstanton Croquet Club 1.30 – 4.30pm. Equipment and instruction are provided, please wear flat shoes.

Next Meeting – No formal meeting in May, Meal out at the Dabbling Duck. Book in with Irene. Meet there 7 for 7.30pm. Pay on the night.

Maggie Burlton

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

There were only 4 nominations for the 7 places on Sedgeford Parish Council: Bernard Clark, Tamar Crosley, Sue Crump and John Palmer. At the Annual Parish meeting on 15th May, they will be seeking to co-opt up to 3 more residents.

Thank you!

At their April meeting, councillors expressed their appreciation to Mike Frost, who has now retired from the Council and moved to Hunstanton. Born in Sedgeford, he had lived here all his life and been a councillor for several decades, contributing in very many ways to the village. He will be greatly missed by all of us.

TRANSPORT

West Norfolk Community Transport has sent us information about their current options, including the Dial a Bus service, which provides door-to-door transport for people living in villages. For further details, ring 01553 776971 or visit www.wnct.co.uk

ROGUE TRADERS

The police have issued further warnings about rogue traders, reminding us to be cautious if admitting strangers to our homes or gardens. The police website contains news and information about current campaigns: visit www.norfolk.police.uk

BOROUGH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

For the Borough Council elections on 2nd May, Sedgeford is now in Heacham ward. With 3 candidates for 2 places, the PC invited them to the Village Hall to introduce themselves. Stuart Dark, Terry Parrish and Adrian Soskin told us about their backgrounds and relevant experience and then answered questions from councillors and members of the public. Areas of particular concern to those attending included bus services, road safety and planning matters, and there was discussion of our Neighbourhood Plan. We expect that the candidates will be visiting Sedgeford to canvas for votes, so you will have a chance to find out their views and proposals then.

THE KING WILLIAM IV, SEDGEFORD

With our new Seasonal Menu in full flow, why not treat yourselves to a leisurely lunch and sample our selection of fresh, summery dishes – not forgetting some tasty old favourites we've included too. Be well prepared, and book your table for Father's Day on Sunday, 16 June – call 01485 571765 at your earliest opportunity as it promises to be a busy day at The King Will. Food is served between 12 - 3pm and then 6 - 9pm in the evening. For those taking a stroll in the village, call in for a morning coffee and view our latest art exhibition in the Gallery Restaurant. Hertfordshire-based artist, Andrew Keenleyside, returns with a beautiful exhibition entitled 'Glorious Trees'. It makes relaxing viewing and all pictures are for sale from £100. Wishing you an enjoyable month as the warmer days set in. www.thekingwilliamsedgeford.co.uk

STANHOE & BARWICK WI

Thursday 2nd May 2pm: Meeting in The Methodist Chapel, Stanhoe. Our speaker and demonstrator will be Jonathon Carrie, '*Hedge Baskets*'. Jonathon is preserving a rural tradition by making unique baskets, using materials harvested from hedgerows.

Wednesday 15th May 2.30pm: Tea at Taylors, Fakenham. Booking required.

Thursday 6th June 2pm: Meeting in The Reading Room, Cross Lane, Stanhoe. This will be an Open Meeting to celebrate our 100th Birthday. All are welcome. We will be entertained by 'Marko', "My Life in Cartoons and Comedy". Visitors are always welcome. For further information about our WI, please contact Valerie (01485 576261) or Pamela (01485 518033)

Saturday 25th May 2019, 7.30pm at Syderstone Amy Robsart Village Hall, PE31 8SD-7.30pm. Syderstone Village Cinema, with the support of Creative Arts East, presents '*BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY*' (12A). *Bohemian Rhapsody* is a celebration of Queen, their music and their extraordinary lead singer **Freddie Mercury (Rami Malek)**. The film traces the meteoric rise of the band through their iconic songs and revolutionary sound. They reach unparalleled success, but in an unexpected turn Freddie shuns Queen in pursuit of his solo career. Having suffered greatly without the collaboration of Queen, Freddie manages to reunite with his band mates just in time for Live Aid. While bravely facing a recent AIDS diagnosis, Freddie leads the band in one of the greatest performances in the history of rock music. Winner of 4 Oscars, including Rami Malek's Best Actor in a Leading Role. Advance tickets £3.50 Tel. 01485 578171 or 01485 578244. Email : cinema@syderstone.com

LILY

Lily provides a comprehensive range of support in West Norfolk to combat loneliness and social isolation in adults of all ages. The project is linked to the '*No Lonely Day*' initiative, and encourages our residents to develop friendships and engage in their local communities. From 1 July 2018, our **Lily** service expanded to include everyone over 18, not just those in later years. **Lily** will also have a strong focus on community development, by: helping groups to arrange activities and encouraging volunteering; providing community events and onsite information sessions; providing support for employers, schools, and colleges. You can access **Lily** in a variety of ways: the **Lily online directory** – visit asklily@west-norfolk.gov.uk; by telephoning **01553 616200**; at community groups, locations and events; home visits from a **Lily** Advisor.

IN THE GARDEN

Birds are nesting now, wait until later in the year to undertake major hedge trimming. Remember to leave out fresh water for them, especially when the weather is dry. Tadpoles and baby newts should be maturing soon. Make sure there is a sloping side to your pond so they can get out.

Deadline for **June** Newsletter:
Thursday, May 23rd 2019

