



Sedgeford Village News

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Parish Council

Help the village offset its carbon footprint by planting a tree in the Queen's Platinum Jubilee year.

The Parish Council, in conjunction with the Borough Council, will be planting three specimen trees and three hundred and fifty whips (young trees) on the Borough Council land between Jarvie Close and Parkside. The whips will be planted in two rows around the outside, allowing continued access for people to the grassed area. The wooden posts around the outside will stop the illegal parking. Planting will take place on **Tuesday 1st March, starting at 9.30am**. As the whips are very small, the planting is not at all onerous. Just pop a spade into the ground, give it a wiggle and drop in the whip – nice and easy! We'd really like as many people to take part in the planting as possible, so if you are able to join us, even if it's only for an hour, please come along, preferably with a spade.

The February Parish Council meeting took place on 16th February at the Village Hall. Parish Councilors continue to liaise with Norfolk County Council and Borough Councilor Dark about options for the future of the former Sedgeford School site. Cllr Ward presented a report based on data collected from the SAM signs and councilors suggested possible priorities for the Speedwatch team.

The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled for 7.00pm on Wednesday 16th March, at the Village Hall. Before the regular monthly meeting, there will be the Annual Parish Meeting, starting at 6.30pm. The agenda and papers for both meetings will be available on the Parish Council noticeboard, opposite the King William, and on the website, <https://sedgefordparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/meetings-2022/>

Sue Crump, Chair
Roger Quick, Clerk

Village Hall News

The Annual General Meeting was held on the 22nd February and the chair reported on what had been a challenging period with the committee managing all the Covid regulations and ensuring the hall was Covid safe for events to come back. The committee now look forward to welcoming people to their organised events such as the Queens Platinum event on the 2nd June when there will be a hog Roast and beacon lighting to mark the start of the celebration weekend. Keep in touch by visiting the website at sedgefordvillagehall.co.uk where all dates and times will be posted. The next event is the Big Band night on the 26th March, get your tickets as soon as possible as they will be capped because of the space and the size of the band.

There is a new committee in place and they would welcome your support and ideas to help them put together a programme of events for the village. As a reminder we still have all the carpet bowls equipment at the hall that is not being used as the club folded. If you know someone who would like to set the club up again please let us know. New co-opted committee members would be welcomed or if you can offer support in any other way without being on the committee please talk to us.

The committee with the support of the Parish Council are hoping to be successful in a bid to add solar panels to the roof to cut electricity costs and help the carbon footprint. More on this when the application has been considered. The committee are committed to future proofing the hall and the playing field for the coming years.

John Ward
Chair
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**All articles for the next newsletter
should be in by
Thursday 17th March**

Entertainment at Sedgeford Village Hall

The Alan Norris Big Band is a 22 piece band which plays anything from the Great American Songbook to the best of the Beatles.

The band will be performing at Sedgeford Village Hall on Saturday 26th of March!

With a male and female vocalist, the band's sound is that of an authentic swing and jazz band from the 1940s big band era such as Glenn Miller and Benny Goodman.

As far as we can, we're planning to create a night club-style atmosphere with tables and chairs and low lighting and suggest people bring their own picnic and booze.

If you'd like to book a table for yourself and your friends ticket price is £12.00 and it's 7.00pm for 7.30pm as usual.

Dancing is allowed but not obligatory! Really don't know how this one is going to go but it's live music and it's a first for Sedgeford.

Audience capacity is 70 and tables will be reserved on a first come first served basis.

Please email or call to reserve your table: carter615@btinternet.com - 07968 596949 / 01485 570097. Dave Carter

Sedgeford Church

The next **Men's Breakfast** is on Saturday 5th March in the church at 9 am. The speaker is John England and he will be talking about 'Old Heacham – an illustrated tour. All are welcome but booking is essential on 579002.

Over the past three years we have supported the **Night Shelter** by collecting loose coins. Last year we raised over £400. We shall be collecting again this year for the Night Shelter and would ask you to save your loose coins in a jar throughout Lent and bring them to church on Easter Sunday 17th April. If you cannot make it to church then just give me a ring on 579002 and I will come and collect your jar. Thank you for supporting the Night Shelter a much needed charity for the homeless.

Thank you to everyone who supports the **Foodbank**. Yours support is needed more than ever, so please continue to leave items in the church – tins, packets, jars, cartons of long-life milk, toiletries, cat and dog food. all gratefully received. Thank you.

Hopefully the weather will start to improve and we can get out in the garden soon. It is seed planting time now, so if you could please sow a few extra for our plant stall at **Open Gardens** in May, it would be much appreciated.

Pam (579002)

News From The King William

A new year is underway and the King William has new owners. We said farewell to Nick late last year when he retired from the pub. All the staff wish him well for his retirement and hope he will enjoy his trips to see family and of course his golf. The new owners are RedCat Pub Company.

"Born of the tenacity of a sector that has survived the blitz, the plague, and a credit crunch, RedCat is committed to celebrating everything that makes the great British pub so special. Passionate about great experiences, each pub and inn exist to showcase the simplicity of great food, great drink, and exceptional service in relaxed and unique environments"

Lillian is leading the team now and she hopes to welcome you to enjoy a drink or a meal in the relaxed surroundings.

The William are still offering some of the old favourites. You can try pitting your wits against others at the Monday night quiz, enjoy a curry and a drink on a Tuesday and a pie on a Wednesday. The lunchtime pensioners menu is still available (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday) and represents good value for money. The William still offers an excellent Roast on a Sunday served between 12 and 2.30. The Friday night supper club has had its first evening and looking forward to the next on Friday 25th March. It is a set menu of two or three courses. If you would like to be added to the mailing list please let John know on john.ward53@outlook.com and he will make sure you get all the communications. Other special events will be held and news of these will be included in the newsletter as well as being advertised in the pub.

Women's Friendship Group

Our February meeting was well attended when Jane Nicholson gave us a very interesting talk and film on FARA/Romania, a charity that she set up in Romania in 1991, which celebrated its 30th anniversary last year. Prince Charles is the Patron.

Jane had been working for Sue Ryder for 14 years when she saw the disturbing pictures on the news of children with mental and physical disabilities living in horrendous conditions in Romanian institutions. So moved by what she saw she went to Romania and worked tirelessly with the help of volunteers, to transform the lives of thousands of vulnerable and disadvantaged children and young adults. She set up family homes to give a loving and supportive family life for neglected children and homes for life to give support and care for adults with learning disabilities within a community. Therapy Centres were provided for physiotherapy, education and

speech therapy. Support was also provided for life skills, mentoring and independent living for marginalised young adults.

A community-based education and a social support programme helped tackle poverty through these schemes.

The film highlighted all these problems and how the charity had helped thousands of vulnerable children and young adults over the last 30 years to enjoy a better, happier and fulfilling life. Jane has now handed over her leadership to a team in Romania. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 9th March at 7.30 pm at Sedgeford Village Hall, when David Harris will give a talk on 'Medical Detection Dogs' Maggie Burlton

From the Parish Council

Active Norfolk partners with Norfolk Assistance Scheme (NAS) to offer free gym memberships to those on low income or struggling with mental health in West Norfolk

Active Norfolk and the Norfolk Assistance Scheme (NAS) are running a short pilot scheme in West Norfolk. Through this scheme, they'll be offering three months gym membership at any Alive West Norfolk gym. Eligible participants will also be able to apply for £50 to spend on gym clothing. This scheme is aimed at those on low income, and who are experiencing feelings of loneliness or social isolation or struggling with their mental health. The free membership will cover gym, swimming and classes, and it can be used at Alive Lynnsport, Alive St James, Alive Downham or Alive Oasis (Hunstanton). For more information, or to apply, simply visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/nas or call 0344 800 8020 if you're unable to complete this online and a member of the Norfolk Assistance Scheme will call you back.

Norfolk Local Access Forum - Volunteer vacancies

Norfolk Local Access Forum is seeking new members. The Forum is comprised of up to 22 people covering a range of interests in countryside access in Norfolk, including: walking; cycling; horse riding; landowners; conservation; other interests (including tourism, business

The Arts Society

Our next lecturer on Monday 14th March at Sedgeford Village Hall at 2pm is renowned photographer, Charlie Waite, who explores *Influences in Photography*. Landscape photography is a way of life and is an essential method of expression for Waite. In discussing his work, Charlie refers to 'previsualisation', first used by the great American landscape photographer Ansel Adams, a technique from which he draws much inspiration. Charlie refers to Ansel Adams and other artists and photographers who have inspired him and shaped his work.

For information about the lecture and how to join the Society, visit

www.theartsocietyynwnorfolk.org.uk

or call Gerald Pepper on 01485 570755.

Obituary

We are sad to report the death of Neil Faulkner at the age of 64. Neil was one of the founder members of SHARP which is now one of the largest and most successful training digs in the UK.

SHARP will be returning to Sedgeford this year after a couple of difficult years with the Covid pandemic. Lectures start in the church on Tuesday 28th June and further information will follow nearer the time.

Pat Fleming

We would like to thank everyone for coming to Mum's funeral. It was very moving that so many came and joined us to celebrate her life and we thank you most sincerely for all your kind words and condolences.

With our Best Wishes

Amanda and Peter

Stanhoe and Barwick WI

Thursday 3rd March: Seated Yoga with Jean Clarke.

Thursday 7th April: Karl Lumber, Trinity House ambassador

Visitors are most welcome; please contact Valerie (01485 576261) for further details and to confirm attendance.

WED 2nd MARCH ~ ASH WEDNESDAY

10:00am	BIRCHAM	Holy Communion with Ashing	Led by Peter Cook
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SUN 6th MARCH

09:30am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Dan Tansey
09:30am	BIRCHAM	Morning Prayer	Led by Congregation
09:30am	FRING	Holy Communion	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	DOCKING	Holy Communion	Led by Dan Tansey
6:00pm	STANHOE	Evening Prayer	Led by Peter Cook

WED 9th MARCH

10:00am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
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SUN 13th MARCH

09:30am	BIRCHAM	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Neil C-J
09:30am	FRING	Morning Prayer	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	DOCKING	Family Communion	Led by Peter Cook

SUN 20th MARCH

09:30am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	FRING	Morning Prayer	Led by George Eve
11:00am	DOCKING	Holy Communion	Led by Neil C-J
11:00am	STANHOE	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
6:00pm	BIRCHAM	Evening Prayer	Led by Peter Cook

WED 23rd MARCH

10:00am	DOCKING	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
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SUN 27th MARCH ~ MOTHERING SUNDAY

09:30am	BIRCHAM	Holy Communion	Led by Dan Tansey
09:30am	SEDFORD	Family Service	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	FRING	Holy Communion	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	DOCKING	Family Service	Led by Peter Cook

SUN 3rd APRIL ~ PASSION SUNDAY

09:30am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Dan Tansey
09:30am	BIRCHAM	Morning Prayer	Led by Congregation
09:30am	FRING	Holy Communion	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	DOCKING	Holy Communion	Led by Dan Tansey
6:00pm	STANHOE	Evening Prayer	Led by Peter Cook

SUN 10th APRIL ~ PALM SUNDAY

09:30am	BIRCHAM	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Neil C-J
09:30am	FRING	Morning Prayer	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	DOCKING	Family Communion	Led by Peter Cook

HOLY WEEK

MON 11th	7.00pm	FRING	A Service of Compline
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TUE 12th	7.00pm	SEDFORD	Seder Meal
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WED 13th	10.00am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion
	7.00pm	DOCKING	Tenebrae Service

THU 18th	3.30pm	FRING	Pilgrim Cross
	7.00pm	STANHOE	Maundy Communion

FRI 19th	9.30am	BIRCHAM	Good Friday Service
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SUN 17th APRIL ~ EASTER SUNDAY

09:30am	SEDFORD	Easter Communion	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	BIRCHAM	Easter Communion	Led by Dan Tansey
09:30am	FRING	Easter Communion	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	DOCKING	Easter Communion	Led by Peter Cook
11:00am	STANHOE	Easter Communion	Led by Neil C-J
4:30pm	BAGTHORPE	Easter Service	Led by Peter Cook

SUN 24th APRIL

09:30am	BIRCHAM	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	FRING	Holy Communion	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	DOCKING	Family Service	Led by Peter Cook
6:00pm	SEDFORD	Hymn Service	Led by Peter Cook

WED 27th APRIL

10:00am	DOCKING	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
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