



Sedgeford Village News

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Sedgeford Village Hall

The hall owns three very good carpet bowls lanes along with all the equipment needed to play the game. Sadly, since Covid this equipment has not been used. If you are interested in playing and would like to join a group, please let us know. We can set up a taster session if there is enough interest. It's a great game and along with a cup of tea a good social event as well.

With the support of the Parish Council, we have managed to secure the old school bell from the tower. We are going to get it cleaned and put on display in the hall. The bell is another important part of the history of the village.

I have heard people asking for events for the younger people in the village. Thinking forward to future school holidays would there be any interest in sports activities for the children. We could look to bring in a sports coach with the appropriate insurance and DBS clearance to run some sessions with the children, but numbers would be a key factor. If this is of interest, please let me know and we can explore options. A very early date for the diary, the hall committee will be holding a beacon lighting event for **VE day 80 on the 8th May 2025**. This is another National event which we will be joining in with. Hope you can support us for a community event.

I want the hall to be used by the community, we are a small committee, and we don't always have the time to run more events than we do. It would help if other people in the village would come forward to join the committee, who could share the load. We meet once a month for a meeting and the same for a maintenance session at the hall. If you would like to come along, please contact me.

If you want to hire the hall for a special occasion, please contact me.

John Ward, Chair

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Sedgeford Village Hall Entertainment

Welcome to our database if you've been newly added, I promise not to pester but will deliver news of what's on...and timely reminders!

After the success of Earnest in the Park our next offering is something completely different. 'Thas a Rummun' is a brand-new play based on real-life interviews conducted across the East Anglian coastline.

The production aims to chill and scare audiences with the rich, complex history and folklore of our coastal communities.

At the Devil's hour, in a small hut somewhere deep within the Norfolk countryside, a tape recorder starts to play by itself...

I know nothing about this young band of players. They were looking to air their play and we said yes. They are though appearing on the well-trodden circuit of regional venues and are supported by the Arts Council.

Their performance will contain four stories, spanning over four centuries and features accusations of witchcraft, folklore, superstition, poltergeists and exorcisms, a subject matter that promises to keep us on the edge of our seats. Thas' a Rummun will be performed on Saturday 26th October, 7.00pm for 7.30pm. N.B. Please note the dedicated Sedgeford Village hall account.

Tickets are £12.00 and can be paid for online: Barclays Acc.No. - 40519138 - Sort Code - 20/46/65 (account name 'Sedgeford Village')

Alternatively, you can pay by cheque made payable to: Sedgeford Village Hall - and send to: D. Carter, 17 Mill View, Sedgeford, PE36 5NR.

If you have any queries, please give me a call on: 01485 570097 or 07968 596949 or by [email: carter615@btinternet.com](mailto:carter615@btinternet.com)

Look forward to seeing you on the night...

Dave (Carter)

Parish Council

Old Railway Line. The old railway line from Ringstead Road towards Docking will be closed to the public from 1st October. The landowner has kindly agreed that people are welcome to walk the path from the 2nd February to the 30th September each year with dogs on a lead but not during the winter months October, November, December and January, as there will be shoots taking place. Despite our best efforts, the old railway line towards Heacham remains closed. Your cooperation in observing this guidance is much appreciated.

Cemetery. Would you like to reserve a plot in our lovely cemetery, overlooking the village, surrounded by wonderful countryside? By paying now you will save your loved ones money once you have passed. The Council provides people with the opportunity to purchase **Exclusive Rights of Burial**. This enables some of the cost of a funeral/burial, to be paid for in advance, at today's cost, rather than paying an increased amount at the time of death. A Deed of Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial is issued by the Council in respect of every Exclusive Right purchased. The Deed grants the buyer the right to be buried in a **designated grave, perhaps close to deceased family**. To find out more, please contact the clerk at clerk@sedgefordparishcouncil.gov.uk or on 07598702826.

School Bell. The Parish Council and Village Hall Committee have worked together to "rescue" the bell from the old school. Once the bell has been cleaned, it will be displayed at the Village Hall. More detail will follow in due course.

Hedges. Last month we asked all residents and/or owners of properties in the village which border pavements or footpaths to please ensure that any foliage from their property does not impede pedestrian access to these pavements or footpaths. Many residents have kindly cut their hedges but out of respect for others, **please cut the foliage at base of hedges, so that the full width of the pavement/footpath is available to pedestrians**. Please also trim any hedges that are likely to affect the visibility for car drivers, coming into or out of properties or turning at junctions. Your assistance will be very much appreciated by your fellow villagers.

Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 16th October in the Village Hall. The agenda and papers will be on the Parish Council website a week beforehand. Members of the public are welcome to attend and to contribute during the public session at 7.00pm.

Sue Crump, Chair. Roger Quick, Clerk

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Sedgeford Church

Hunstanton Food Bank

Firstly, thank you to everyone who gave a large selection of food at our Harvest Festival.

The foodbank needs donations more than ever now that Autumn/Winter is on its way. Here are some ideas for donations which can be left just inside the church in the box provided:

Tinned fruit (not prunes!), tinned rice pudding, tinned custard, tinned vegetable, tinned potatoes and Instant Mashed potato, tinned meat, jars of Pasta sauce, tins of spaghetti hoops, biscuits, chocolate and sweets, long life milk, tea and coffee, breakfast cereals and shampoo and shower gel.

Baby basics

Please put items for new born babies in the box provided in the church. With Winter on the way, knitted blankets and clothes would be most welcome. Also, napkins, toiletries etc. They must be for new born or toiletries for mum.

Thank you so much to all who give regularly, the feedback that we receive is always a big thank you and much appreciated.

Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast is on Saturday 5th October at 9 am in the church. The speaker is Trevor Cummings. If you would like a lovely full English breakfast then please contact Pam on 01485 579002 or 07747126079 – booking is essential.

Board Games afternoon

There is a new Board Game afternoon taking place at Sedgeford Village Hall.

It will be the 2nd and 4th Thursday afternoon of the month and the first one will be on Thursday 10th October from 2.30 – 4.30 pm.

Tea and cake will be served at around 3.30 pm. The idea is to bring the community together for a fun afternoon. If you would like to join in, please let us know (to give us an idea of numbers) on pamgoddard@btinternet.com or 01485 579002/07747126079.

Post Office

Just a reminder of Post Office opening times: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday – 2.15-2.45 pm at Sedgeford Village Hall.

Women's Friendship Group

At our September meeting, Mike Wade gave us a fascinating, detailed talk on 'The Lost Villages in Norfolk'.

Norfolk is the 5th largest county in England and comprises of 25 market towns and 636 villages, 200 of these villages are classed as lost or deserted. The reasons why so many villages are lost is due to several factors. These being – The Plague, Climate Change, Movement from rural to urban areas, Enclosures, Embarking, Engrossment and Military Intervention. There was only one village lost to the Black Death and that was Little Ringstead. In 1967, a plague pit was found in the village.

Several villages including, Mintlyn, Leziate, Appleton, Babingley and Glosthorpe were lost when large chunks of the rural population moved to Fakenham.

The soil in West Norfolk was not good for agriculture so many of the rural population moved to the East of the county where the soil was more fertile.

We had a really good attendance at the meeting with delicious cakes as part of the refreshments.

Next meeting: Wednesday 9th October at 7.30 at the Village Hall. A presentation by Irene Williams and Michael Upton on 'Samaritans – Who are we?'
Maggie Burlton

Dates for your diary

Christmas Coffee Morning

Thursday 21st November, 10.30 am- 12.30 pm at Sally and John Ward's house, Wychwood, Heacham Road.

Craft Fair

Sunday 24 November, 10am – 4pm, with various crafts from across Norfolk, the village hall committee will be providing refreshments throughout the day. All are welcome and Entry is free.

The Arts Society

Our next illustrated talk, presented by Lydia Bauman on Monday 14th October 2024 at Sedgeford Village Hall at 2:00pm, is entitled *Celebrating 200 Years of the National Gallery*. Lydia shares headline-grabbing stories and some exquisite paintings. **Come and join our friendly society. Membership has many benefits besides illustrated talks. For more information visit www.theartsocietynwnorfolk.org.uk or ring Gerald Pepper on 07831 586940.**

Burnham Market Cinema

Support the community cinema in a warm and welcoming space with refreshments available Since opening in September 2022, the Community Cinema has shown more than 35 excellent, diverse films.

The cinema continues in October 2024.

Tickets £5 on the door or please contact Diana Walker on 01328 738604

2nd October @ 2.30pm

STEPPING OUT (1991)

Starring Liza Minnelli & Julie Walters

Warm funny film about lives, laughs and loves of a group of women (& one man) attending a weekly tap dance class in a dingy London Church Hall.

Running time: 1hr46min. Certificate PG

Housekeeper Job Vacancy

We are looking for housekeepers to join our Unique Norfolk Venues team. In every aspect of our service, we are passionate about high standards of cleanliness, presentation and service. You will be part of a team responsible for maintaining these high standards, ensuring everything is in place and all accommodation and buildings are perfect prior to our guests arrival.

- Hourly pay rate: £12 per hour

- Contract type: Zero hours contract.

– Submit your availability to work, with the flexibility to select shifts

– A variety of shift times are available. An example of a typical shift would be 10am to 3pm.

To apply, please

email apply@uniquenorfolkvenues.co.uk

SUN 6th OCTOBER

09:30am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	FRING	Morning Prayer	Led by Kevin Casey
11:00am	DOCKING	Harvest Festival	Led by Peter Cook
4:00pm	BIRCHAM NEWTON	Evening Prayer	Led by Peter Cook
6:00pm	STANHOE	Evening Prayer	Led by Peter Cook

WED 9th OCTOBER

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

09:30am	BIRCHAM	Harvest Festival	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	SEDFORD	Morning Prayer	Led by Congregation
09:30am	FRING	Holy Communion	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	DOCKING	Family Communion	Led by Peter Cook

SUN 20th OCTOBER

09:30am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	FRING	Holy Communion	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	STANHOE	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
4:00pm	DOCKING	Pet Service	Led by Peter Cook
6:00pm	BIRCHAM	Evening Prayer	Led by Peter Cook

WED 23rd OCTOBER

10:00am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
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SUN 27th OCTOBER

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

SUN 3rd NOVEMBER

09:30am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	FRING	Holy Communion	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	DOCKING	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
4:00pm	BIRCHAM NEWTON	Evening Prayer	Led by Peter Cook
6:00pm	STANHOE	All Soul's Service	Led by Peter Cook

SUN 10th NOVEMBER ~ REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

09:30am	SEDFORD	Remembrance Service	Led by Jenny Rowley
09:30am	BIRCHAM	Remembrance Service	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	FRING	Morning Prayer	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	DOCKING	Remembrance Service	Led by Peter Cook
12:00pm	FRING	Act of Remembrance at the Cross	
2:45pm	STANHOE	Act of Remembrance at the Monument	
3:00pm	STANHOE	Remembrance Service	Led by Peter Cook

WED 13th NOVEMBER

10:00am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
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SUN 17th NOVEMBER

09:30am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
09:30am	FRING	Holy Communion	Led by Richard Collier
11:00am	STANHOE	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
4:00pm	DOCKING	Evening Prayer	Led by Peter Cook
6:00pm	BIRCHAM	Evening Prayer	Led by Peter Cook

SUN 24th NOVEMBER

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 NOVEMBER

10:00am	SEDFORD	Holy Communion	Led by Peter Cook
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***STAN METHODIST ~ Services held in the Methodist Chapel in Stanhoe**