



Sedgeford Village News

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VILLAGE HALL NEWS.

We have arranged a varied programme of events for the first half of the year so there are several dates for your diary below. However the planned play on Feb 21st by the Peterborough Players has unfortunately been cancelled although we hope to have them again at Sedgeford in the future. We have 2 interesting talks in March. On Friday 6th March Christine Adams will talk about a "Female on the Footplate" describing her times on a steam railway. Christine was at the Hall last year talking about her Auntie May who moved her entire house brick by brick to Wells. On Friday 20th March we have a talk by Ben Potterton who is an award winning garden designer and owner of a large garden Nursery in South Norfolk. His interactive talk about plants is called "Spring into Summer". Both are excellent experienced speakers and admission to each talk is £5 including tea, coffee and biscuits in the interval. We follow this with 2 plays based on local events. On Wednesday April 1st (the last date available for this very popular theatre group) a play called Parachutes is about an American GI living on a Norfolk farm in World War 2. Friday May 1st sees a return to Sedgeford by the Stuff of Dreams Theatre group who performed the Bricks of Burston in 2014 to a full house in the Hall. Their play this year is called The Poisoners Pact and is a true story about 2 female poisoners in Norfolk during the 1830's. Dates in the future include a Supper Night with light jazz provided by the Shannon Reilly Trio on Friday 19th June and the Village Fete provisionally planned for Saturday 11th July. We hope to be able to shortly announce dates for Films in the Hall with monthly screenings from May onwards. Tickets for the two talks will be available on the door while tickets for the plays which are £12 each including a glass of wine are available from Dave 570097 or Mike 579355. As always we value your feedback and we have the Village Hall AGM on Tuesday 17th Feb at 7 p.m so this is ideal opportunity to make any comments and suggestions to the Hall Committee. All residents are very welcome to attend dates for your diary below. We have 2 interesting talks in March. On Friday 6th March Christine Adams will talk about a "Female on the Footplate" describing her times on a steam railway. Christine was at the Hall last year talking about her

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All residents are very welcome to attend a Flower Demonstration by Nick Godfrey-Cole from 'Scent with love' Hunstanton to raise funds for UNICEF Syria Appeal. 'Bringing Spring Cheer into Winter days' on Wednesday 25th February, 2.30pm at Sedgeford Village Hall. Tickets available from Gill Birch 01485 570563 or gill.birch6@btinternet.com.

REGULAR VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

CARPET BOWLS Monday 7.30-9.30. New members welcome-ring 579355 for more information

YOGA

Tuesday Evening Yoga 6 - 7pm

Wednesday Morning Yoga 10-11am

Meditation Group 3rd Wednesday of the month 11-12 noon. Children may attend the evening class if accompanied by a responsible adult. Further information from Sandee Kruger-Daunt ring New members are very welcome to come along and try a class before joining Children may attend the evening class if accompanied by a responsible adult.

Further information from Sandee Kruger-Daunt

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Deadline for the March Newsletter is 17th February. The Eds

PARISH COUNCIL

Reminder Dial -A -Bus

There are two services available at the moment to Sedgeford residents. (see below) The Council is hoping to have a meeting in March with Norfolk Green to get a regular service to the village so watch the newsletter for further information. Several residents have written to Henry Bellingham MP and he is also asking Norfolk Green about improving the service to this village.

A bus comes to Sedgeford on a Wednesday and goes to Hunstanton in the morning cost £5.50 and £4 concessions.

A bus also comes on a Thursday in the morning and goes to Fakenham, £4 with £3 for concessions. If you would like to use either of these services please call weekdays only 01553 770310 to get further information and book your seat. Wheelchair users are welcome to travel but you must inform them when you book. Some larger electric wheelchairs are too big to be secured. John Ward Parish Clerk

COMMUNITY CAROL SINGING

An intrepid carollers band of Carol singers sang carols around the village on Christmas Eve and raised £67.80 for Children in Need. Thanks to all those who took part and those generous souls who provided much welcome refreshments on our route. Melanie Calway

CAROL SINGING

This took place on December 23rd. Our grateful thanks to Sue, Bernard, Holly and Charlie Campbell, Nick and Lili and the staff at the King William, Catherine and Andrew Ramsey, Angie and Charles Coker for their very welcome hospitality. Sadly due to poor health Heather and Bill and Pin were unable to join us this year, so we went to sing to them. We do hope this helped with their recovery and brought them some Christmas cheer. Once again Peter Goddard did his best to keep us in time, thank you Peter and Pam had cooked us a most delicious meal after a very enjoyable. Our thanks to all our singers £360 collected for the Church Repair Fund Janet & Mike Frost

WOMEN'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP.

Our Christmas party was well attended and our thanks go to Kate, for being our hostess. The usual plates of tasty food were in abundance and the wine flowed together with noisy conversation. Belinda won the home-made Christmas card competition and Liz Plumb was the winner of the Truth and Lie Game.

At our Cook-In in January fourteen ladies brought their home-made sweet/savoury scones and we all tasted everyone's scones which were judged by Sue Nulty from the W.I. The winner was Marion. Sue then demonstrated her own recipe for sweet scones and we all tasted everyone's scones with the addition of cream, jam etc. We all went home very full.

Again if you have not already paid, annual subscriptions are now due - £20 or £4 each per meeting.

New members are always welcome –we are a very friendly lot and would love to see you.

A big thank you again to all the committee for their hard work over the last year and special thanks to Kate Clark who is stranding down as chair person and a warm welcome to Helen Cummings who is taking over.

Next Meeting – Wed 11th February 7.30pm Village Hall – Cider making and apple juice' by Whin Hill Norfolk Cider Ltd. THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO ALL, ALL MEN MOST WELCOME £4 entry to non-members.

Maggie Burlton

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

I should like to thank everyone who donated money to The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal last year, and in particular to thank those people who collected on behalf of the Appeal. The Sedgeford total amounted to £630.26, and the branch total to date is £6,602.76 Many thanks, Pamela, Sedgeford & District branch.

St Mary's Church Coffee Morning

We are holding a coffee morning on Tuesday 10th March from 10 am – 12.30 pm at Victoria House, Heacham Road. Belinda will have a sale of Phoenix cards etc., plus new products. We will also be selling gifts for Mothering Sunday and Easter. Entrance £2 for your coffee and cake. Food Bank A huge thank you to everyone who has left food in the church for the Hunstanton Food Bank. Since April we have collected 1,241.64 lbs (563.2 kg) of food. Thank you also to Jane and Jude who have collected and delivered the food. The church is open daily from 9 am – 3 pm in the winter (longer in the summer) so please continue to support this worthy cause. Dry goods, tins and toiletries are most welcome. No perishable products please and everything must be in date. There is a list inside the church PamGoddard

WWI – 100 YEARS AGO: Zeppelins and the

Aerodrome On the night of 19th/20th January 1915, German Zeppelins entered English airspace at Gt. Yarmouth and the North Norfolk coast, making history by being the first ever recorded aircraft to drop bombs on this country. They were dropped on villages and towns alike in which four civilians were killed. Their flight path brought one over Hunstanton, Heacham and Snettisham before moving south to King's Lynn. Holcombe Ingleby, MP, in residence at Sedgeford Hall, writes in his book 'The Charm of a Village': *'In January 1915, a party at the Hall were playing a game of cards when on hearing an unusual humming, one of the party jumped up exclaiming at once, "A Zeppelin!"*. *The party rushed out in time to hear the first bomb dropped on England. It fell a couple of miles away...doing some damage to Snettisham church*'. There then followed several correspondence to The Times regarding the curious case of car headlights seen from the Sixpenny Hole road junction, apparently guiding the Zeppelins, suggesting that there were collaborators in our midst. Ingleby made a plea for more aeroplanes in the area; some six months later in October 1915 the Sedgeford aerodrome was commissioned. Initially under the Royal Naval Air Service, in spring 1916 it was transferred to the Royal Flying Corps and used as a training facility that soon established a reputation for preparing squadrons for The Front and other theatres of war.

Over ensuing issues of the SVN, we shall be remembering the 23 Sedgefordian's in our Roll of Honour, who fell in The Great War