

## **The SYDERSTONE**

### **Newsletter No.33**

**JUNE 2011**

#### **Syderstone Parish Council News** **NEW PARISH COUNCIL**

We have six Councillors on the new Parish Council. Three of them are existing Councillors and we have three new faces. This provides a nice balance of continuity and fresh ideas. Reg Thompson replaces Gerry Taylor as Chairman, with many thanks to Gerry for his past work in that role.

We have a new Clerk in Brian Lloyd, who lives in Dersingham. Brian comes to us with great enthusiasm and excellent contacts at the Borough Council, which will stand us in good stead.

We have one vacancy on the Parish Council, which the council is minded to fill by co-option. So if you would like to serve the community and join our great new team, please contact the Chairman.

CHAIRMAN, Reg Thompson	01485 578508
Mick Askew	01485 578442
David Daly	01485 578270
Alan Schmidt	01485 576158
Gerry Taylor	01485 578524
Madeleine Thompson	01485 578422
<b>Clerk, Brian Lloyd</b>	<b>01485 543094</b>

Chairman's report Syderstone Parish Council May 2011

It is with sadness that our clerk for nearly 30 years Mrs Irene Woods has decided to resign for personnel reasons. She has over the many years served this community well and in my term of office enabled S.P.C. to obtain grants of many thousands of pounds that have resulted in improving the facilities in our community. Foot paths, bus shelter, supporting the Amy Robsart Village Hall both inside and out, just to mention a few S.P.C. projects.

To her and family Thank You.

We have had three visits from the Mayors of King's Lynn as well as our own M.P. from time to time, while I have served as Chairman to S.P.C. I have endeavoured to promote our village where and when possible and to this end I am sure that our grant funding has been successful because we are known as a village that is forward looking. I hope that this will continue.

With little grant funding available, only small projects have been able to be done but the grass cutting, for both the village playing field and the church yard have been maintained to as high a standard as possible. The two major planning issues regarding the wind farms have taken both a lot of parish time in our meetings as well as attending external meeting with other interested parties, and shall no doubt continue to do so.

The village pond is a mess and as it is privately owned

little can be done by this council (we have tried).

For me it is time for change and although I shall continue as a councillor someone else will have the reins. So my thanks go to all the council, my Vice-Chairman Brian Poulson for all the support in keeping me up to date with Internet news and general advice.

Cllr Richard Woods for responsibility for pathways trees and farming matters.

Cllr Mick Askew for maintaining the parish playing field and being at war with the moles, not forgetting the wonderful job of up grading the swings with new chains and seats and painting the supports with materials supplied by the council, and keeping the play equipment to health and safety standard requirements.

Cllr David Daly for his knowledge regarding building and planning matters.

Cllrs Debbie Pepper and Ron Cushly for their support while in office.

Special Thanks to

Our M.P. Henry Bellingham, County Councillor (Retired) Mrs Monbiot District /County Councillor Michael Chenery of Horsburgh.

King's Lynn and West Norfolk Borough Council. Local Police Officers.

David Sparrow who puts together our parish news letter, its advertisers for their support and David Barden for delivering them.

Our very own Postmasters for providing such an excellent service in our Village hall Wednesdays AM & Fridays PM.

Syderstone is a good place to live and continues to move forward, the Council and those that provide facilities within our village, The Amy Robsart Village Hall, Lynn Arms our Pub and St Mary's our Church all need your support, as the saying goes "If you do not use it, you may lose it".

Thank you all in Syderstone who have attended our meetings and have brought issues to our notice

Gerry Taylor 19.05.2011

#### **WIND FARM REFUSED**

The planning application for the Chiplow wind farm on the outskirts of the village has been refused by the Borough Council, for the following reasons:

1. Visual Intrusion
2. Cumulative impact with Jacks Lane wind farm
3. Impact upon historic monuments
4. Ministry of Defence radar at Marham
5. Pink foot geese

The full wording is on the Borough web site under the "Documents" tab for planning application 10/00883/FM, see 10 MAY 2011 DECISION item.

The promoters do have six months in which to lodge an appeal against the Borough Council's decision.

The Jacks Lane wind farm application is still to be determined.

## THE AMY ROBSART VILLAGE HALL

*2009 Pride in Norfolk*  
Best Community Building Award

### VILLAGE SCREEN CINEMA

In association with *Creative Arts East*

Tickets: £3.50 advance booking  
£4.00 on the door  
All films start at 7.30pm

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June**

#### **THE WAY BACK (12A)**

A spectacular 'landscape' film by acclaimed Australian director Peter Weir. Loosely based on a true story, five prisoners escape from a Soviet Gulag in 1940 and walk 4000 miles to freedom across central Asia and the Himalayas. A strong cast includes the estimable Ed Harris, Saoirse Ronan, and Colin Farrell. An inspiring and memorable film.

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

#### **BRIGHTON ROCK (15)**

The remake of Graham Greene's classic thriller updated from 40's to 60's Brighton.

A strong cast includes Helen Mirren as the worldly wise Ida who seeks to protect her innocent protégé Rose (Andrea Riseborough) from the small town killer Pinky (Sam Riley). Writer-director Rowan Joffe returns to the novel to produce a serious piece of work, restoring the religious and moral complexities of the original.

**THIS SATURDAY!**

#### **RUBY AND HER HORSES**

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2011**  
**7 for 7.30pm**

This is a true life narrative told by Neil Lanham from stories that were told to him by his Mother Ruby. In the show the audience will be drawn back to the period just before the First World War and then through the agricultural depression of the 1930s.

The narrative is supported by a PowerPoint presentation of Ruby's own photographs, digitally enhanced for the big screen, and each story is followed by an unaccompanied song from Andrew Stannard in his nutbrown East Suffolk voice. Everything you hear on the night will come straight out of the oral tradition, nothing having been taken from books.

'If you get a chance to see these two entertainers grab the opportunity with both hands!' - The East Anglian Daily Times

'The two men held the audience spellbound for 2 hours and Ruby was brought alive with stories producing bouts of laughter and feelings of sadness in equal amounts' - East Anglian Daily Times 18 Sept. 2007.

**Tickets £4.00**  
**Book by phone or email**

#### **ADVANCE NOTICE!**

#### **TABLE TOP SALE**

**SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

10 am - 12 noon

£5 a table to hall funds

#### **ADVANCE NOTICE!**

**THURSDAY AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup>**

7.30PM

Judith Key

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Judith will entertain us with sketches drawn to illustrate her true stories

£3.50

#### **ADVANCE NOTICE!**

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>**

**A NORFOLK NIGHT**

7 for 7.30pm

Two of Keith Skipper's old *Press Gang*, Patrick Nearney and Danny Platton will be coming to the Hall to give us their evening of Norfolk "Squitt!"

Ticket and a Ploughman's Supper £7.50

Bring your own drinks

**Bookings being taken for all these events now by phone or email**

**TO RESPOND TO ANY OTHER OF THESE ITEMS PLEASE CALL:-**

*Bookings Manager, Sheila Riches, "Birches," Mill Lane Tel:- 578171 OR the*

*Secretary, Avril MacArthur, Breckles, 4 Manor Grange Tel:-578588*

[avril.macarthur1@btinternet.com](mailto:avril.macarthur1@btinternet.com)

The Amy Robsart Village Hall Committee

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## SYDERSTONE PARISH CHURCH

For the Summer we have a full programme of social events for all to enjoy. So come along to meet friends old and new - you will be very welcome at any of these events as well as at regular church services.

**Special events (June 2011 onwards)**

**Sunday 5 June: 3 pm**

### **ANNUAL SERVICE OF EVENSONG AT BARMER CHURCH**

**Saturday 25 June: 5 to 8 pm**

### **SUMMER BARBECUE**

At 7 Chestnut Avenue, Wicken Green

Tickets £4 available from Church members

**Sunday 3 July: 2 to 5.30 pm**

### **SYDERSTONE OPEN GARDENS**

Tickets £3, available from Church or the gardens - admit to all the open gardens.

Cream Teas served in Village Hall

### **ST MARY'S "FESTIVAL of FLOWERS"**

**Saturday 19 August to Monday 22 August**

**Sunday 21 August: Teas in Village Hall**

**Sunday 21 August: 'Songs of Praise' at 6 pm**

**Friday 7 October:**

### **HARVEST THANKSGIVING**

Service in Church followed by Harvest Supper in the Village Hall

- SEE CHURCH NOTICE BOARD FOR FULL DETAILS OF ALL THESE EVENTS AND REGULAR SERVICES.

### **Churchyard**

We receive many compliments about the fine appearance of our Churchyard. But this does not just happen and a small working group spends many Saturday mornings pruning, cutting away ivy, general tidying, etc. If you would like to help please contact Barrie Wells (tel: 578 280)

### **Prayers**

Please advise us of anyone who is ill or in hospital and would like to be remembered in the Church's regular prayers. Also contact us to make arrangements for baptisms or weddings.

Brian Poulson, Reader 01485 578 796

Barrie Wells, Churchwarden: 01485 578 280

Chris Lewis, Churchwarden: 01485 528 555

## **GREAT MASSINGHAM AREA COMMUNITY CARS SCHEME**

"Community Cars" offers a personal dial-a-ride service for anyone in the parish who is in need of help with personal transport to doctors, hospitals, shops, train station, and day centres. Other destinations are catered for and can extend to attending clubs and similar one-off needs. To book a trip please ring our Great Massingham office **tel: 01485 520823** between 9.00 am and 12.00 noon Monday to Friday. A Call Minder will take your message at other times.

**Please consider joining our team of drivers** - you will be made most welcome. Requests for our services are growing and more volunteer drivers are urgently needed. An hour or two most weeks is a typical commitment and drivers are always free to decline trips. You would use your own car and be paid 40p per mile. Signing up as a new driver is simple and straightforward. If you would like to join us in this vital work please ring Diane, Angie or Christine **tel: 01485 520823**.

Mike Jackson (Chairman)

Tel: 0148 520 056

### **REMEMBER THE BIRDS**

At this time of year the birds are nesting with chicks to feed and our garden feeders are emptying at an alarmingly expensive rate. But in the current dry weather more important than bird seed is a plentiful supply of clean fresh water.

If you have a bird bath then empty it every morning and wipe it round with a cloth or scouring pad, but no chemicals. Then refill it with freshly drawn water. You will be rewarded with the antics of an amazing variety of species as they drink, bath and shower.

Watching a blackbird rigorously bathing and sending water and spray everywhere, with three sparrows perched on the edge enjoying the free shower, was a hilarious sight.

In future parish minutes will be published at

[www.syderstone.com/parish](http://www.syderstone.com/parish)

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