

The SYDERSTONE

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NEW PLAY EQUIPMENT



The Parish Council has installed a new Basket Swing in the playground at Norman Way. These have proved to be extremely popular with children elsewhere. The little ones may pile in together, whilst the older children may ride solo. The cost was met with 100% grant from the Norfolk Community Fund.

RED TELEPHONE BOX

At last the Parish Council has managed to get BT to repaint and refurbish our red telephone box. A coin box has been installed, which will prove useful to people and save them wandering around the village trying to obtain a mobile phone signal.

VILLAGE POST OFFICE

The Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council are still seeking a resumption of the Post Office service in the village hall. Avril MacArthur, the village hall secretary, is leading the campaign, and her tenacity is to be admired, but it remains an uphill struggle.

THE CHURCHYARD

The graveyard at St Mary's Church Syderstone is nearing full capacity and the Church are considering extending it to the west, towards Creake Road. The alternative would be to close the graveyard to future burials.

STREET LIGHTING

The new LED street lighting system has been successfully installed. It is footway lighting and does not waste light or electricity by lighting the sky or the area behind the lamp. Instead it is designed to throw a strip of light along the footway to either side of the lamp.

The cost was met with a 75% grant from Norfolk County Council and it offers a 65% saving in electricity and a similar saving in maintenance costs. These savings will be applied to meet the 25% parish share of the installation costs, with an anticipated payback of just under three years.

One aspect encountered is that where trees or shrubs overhang the footway or even the road, dark shadows may occur. Residents are asked to trim back such foliage to their property boundary.

In this connection it may be useful to know that there are only three Tree Preservation Orders (TPO) in the village, namely:

1. Middleton House
2. Manor Gardens & Manor Court
3. The Nursery

If you live in, or neighbour, these properties and would like a copy of the TPO, please email tpo@syderstone.com for an email copy.

FOOD CADDY BAGS

The approved food caddy bags for recycling food waste may be purchased at the village hall on Wednesday mornings between 10 am to 12 noon. The price is £1.60 for a roll of 50 bags.

VILLAGE BROADBAND SERVICE

For these past six years there has been public broadband access available at the village hall on Wednesday mornings.

Its purpose was to provide access, confidence and training in the use of the internet. The project has been a success, thanks to the excellent work of David Sparrow. However its success has been its demise, in that users have now found the confidence to install their own computers.

As it is now rarely used the Parish Council have agreed to discontinue the service. Public internet access is still available at Docking village hall and Fakenham library, but please check availability times beforehand.

ART EXHIBITION AND PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Thanks to everyone who contributed to these successful and enjoyable events. The quality and range of the art work and photographs far exceeded expectations ! The winning photographs in each class were:

Still Life

"Autumnal Still Life" Pamela Austin

Close Up (Any Subject)

"Three Little Marvels" Brian Wells

Machines & Things Mechanical

"Awkward Coupling" Roger Jowett

Scenes From A Norfolk Village

"Snowy Day at Holkham" Mark Hills

By The Sea

"Sunset Walk" Pamela Austin

Best in Show

"Three Little Marvels" Brian Wells

People's Choice

"Sunset Walk" Pamela Austin

WHAT'S GOING ON ?

You may be wondering what is happening on the site at the corner of Tattersett Road and Ashside, formerly known as "The Stores". A builder bought the whole site with the intention of refurbishing the white house in the middle of the site and building three houses on the Tattersett Road side and two houses on the Ashside side. However planning permission was refused because the Local Plan requires one of the houses to be an affordable dwelling. The builder has appealed and so the planning process rumbles on.

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SYDERSTONE PARISH CHURCH

Forthcoming Events

Sunday 8 December 11am - Benefice Eucharist

The Bishop of Lynn will preside at this service of Holy Communion. It will be followed by a buffet lunch in the Amy Robsart Hall.

Sunday 15 December 3pm - Christingle Carol Service - a parish service for everyone, this will be followed by mince pies and mulled wine.

Tuesday 24 December 10pm - Christmas Eve Parish Communion, at which you are all welcome.

Friday 6 December 3.30pm - Messy Church

Informal service in Blenheim Park School for the whole family. (Next year's dates still to be confirmed with the school)

Thanks The PCC would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make the recent Art Sale in the Church and the Art Exhibition & Craft sale in the Amy Robsart Hall such a success.

Regular Monthly Services

1st Sunday

8am Holy Communion
11am Morning Worship
6pm Evensong

2nd Sunday

11am Parish Eucharist

3rd Sunday

11am Morning Worship

4th Sunday

11am Parish Eucharist

Services are also announced monthly on the notice board by the church gate.

Church Wardens

Barrie Wells 01485 578280
Chris Lewis 01485 528555 / 07770 659527

Prayers

Please advise the Rector of anyone who is ill or in hospital and would like to be remembered in the regular prayers of the congregation. Baptisms and weddings are also by arrangement with the Rector.

Fr Clive Wylie, Rector 01328 823293
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VILLAGE SCREEN CINEMA

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Saturday 14th December 2013

GENTLEMEN PREFER BLONDES (U)

This is the one in which Marilyn Monroe sang 'Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend'. Aided and abetted by Jane Russell this is a slight little tale of two US dames on a gold-digging trip to Paris. The story is irrelevant: it is the production (by Howard Hawks), the confidence and the sheer energy of the film that still bowls away the viewer. Simply wonderful!

Saturday 18th January 2014

THE HAUNTING OF HARRY PAYNE

Ex-London gangster Harry Payne retires to Norfolk to be close to his wife, driven mad when he was forced to kill his best friend, psychopathic gang boss Eugene McCann. Immediately he is drawn into a murder mystery in which an obsessive local police detective targets him as the killer. Unknown to anyone, Harry has psychic abilities he has always suppressed with alcohol. Now he must confront the supernatural and his own personal demons to save his wife and free the tormented souls of the ghosts that haunt him.

Saturday 22nd February

WADJDA

Wadjda is a 10-year-old girl living in a suburb of Riyadh, the capital of Saudi Arabia. Although she lives in a conservative world, Wadjda is fun loving, entrepreneurial and always pushing the boundaries of what she can get away with. She wants a beautiful green bicycle desperately, but her mother won't allow it. So Wadjda decides to try and raise the money herself.

Cinema tickets : £3.50 advance booking, or £4.00 on the door. All films start at 7.30pm

ICES, POPCORN AND SOFT DRINKS ON SALE

Contact: 01485 578588 Malcolm MacArthur
Email: cinema@syderstone.com

VILLAGE HALL ACTIVITIES

Ladies Keep Fit, 7:30 pm, Every Monday
Contact: 07951 448156

Coffee Morning, 10:30 am - 12:00 pm,
Every Wednesday, Contact: 01485 576187

Art & Craft Classes, 1:45pm - 4:15 pm
Every Wednesday, Contact: 01485 578527

Rainbows (Young Girl Guides),
Every Wednesday, 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Contact: 07833 936373

Table Tennis & Indoor Bowls

Equipment is available if you would like to restart one of these groups, or any other, please contact Sheila Riches 01485 578171

WORLD WAR 1 - CENTENARY 2014

To mark this significant point in our history we want to concentrate on the men from Syderstone who fought and those who died in this awful conflict. We have a collection of photos of local WW1 soldiers and sailors. We would love to put the names to the faces of these local men who served their country. Did any of your Syderstone family serve in WW1 - have you got any photos or documents, could you identify anyone?

SYDERSTONE PHOTOGRAPHIC HISTORY

If you have any connections to Syderstone, past or present and have any photographs of family members, christenings, weddings especially groups, village scenes, working life, schooldays, sport, leisure or village events from any period and would be willing to allow us to put them on public display, we would love to see them. We can copy your photos and give them back to you if you do not wish to donate them to the hall. It's very important that we save this local history before it is lost forever.

SYDERSTONE FAMILY HISTORY PROJECT

Our collection of local family histories has grown significantly in the last 4 years, but there are still families we would like to add. You can still help us expand this collection and learn more about your past.

To find out more about these projects or if you would like to see our collections, please contact:
Sheila Riches 01485 578171
Avril MacArthur 01485 578588

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