

The SYDERSTONE

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VILLAGE SIGN

Storm Doris knocked down our Syderstone sign on the village green. It has taken some time to identify a specialist contractor to repair and replace it, not to mention dealing with the insurance company.

An order has been placed for the work and the Parish Council has decided to replace the post with a 6mm steel box section. It may be somewhat shiny initially, but within a few months it will weather down to a pastel shade of grey and not require any painting or maintenance.

CREAKE ROAD FOOTPATH

The Parish Council has been successful in obtaining a 50% grant from Norfolk County Council to install a footpath along the side of Creake Road.

It will start where the footpath along the side of the church meets Creake Road and run down the side of the road to link up with the existing footpath at the iron farm gate, thus providing a safe off-road circular walk.

BARMER CHURCH SERVICE

Barmer Church is situated in the middle of a field, just off the B1454 Docking Road. It is over 1,000 years old, and served the local residents until the entire population of Barmer mysteriously disappeared - a probable explanation being the Black Death, since many locals refer to it as a plague church.

The church fell into disrepair and remained a ruin for over 300 years. In 1885 it was restored by the renowned Victorian architect Frederick Preedy at the instigation of the local Kerslake family, whose memorial plaques may be found on the walls of Syderstone church today.

Nowadays church services at Barmer are only held twice a year, with the next one being on **Sunday 11 June at 4 pm**. This is an opportunity to give worship at this beautiful ancient site of local heritage.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2016-17

With a grant from Tesco Bags for Help, we installed a zip wire in the village playground and with a grant from the Jacks Lane windfarm fund we installed a rocker and a buddy board. We are now running out of space to install much more play equipment.

With the aid of a 50% grant from Norfolk County Council partnership program, a footpath was installed along Rudham Road, providing off-road access to the nearby entrance to Syderstone Common.

The Speedwatch organised by Cllr Bateman on behalf of the Parish Council continues to address the problem of speeding vehicles through the village, thanks to the support of our local volunteers.

Although working red public phone boxes are disappearing across Norfolk, our phone box will continue to operate following representations from the Parish Council, as mobile phone reception is still poor within the village.

The provision of dog waste bins has dominated recent agendas, but no decision has been taken because the landowners' permissions are still required.

Jacks Lane windfarm has been sold to Aviva, but continues to be operated by RES. Chiplow windfarm has been sold to Cubico and is operated by the Dutch company DNV.GL. Grants are available to local organisations, both administered by Norfolk Community Foundation (NCF). RES continues to pay the Local Electricity Discount Scheme (LEDS), which is about £100 p.a. towards the electricity bill of residents living within 2400m of the turbines. Cubico are not operating such a scheme in respect of the Chiplow windfarm.

For the coming year the Parish Council has secured funding to maintain its services. Additionally, a footpath is planned along Creake Road to complete the circular walk which starts at the footpath alongside the church.

I conclude by thanking my fellow Councillors for their excellent teamwork this past year, together with a special thanks to our Parish Clerk, Brian Lloyd, and our Internal Auditor, Denise Goff.

DOG WASTE BINS

Subsequent to the Chairman's report of 2016-17 overleaf, the first Parish Council meeting of 2017-18 agreed to install dog waste bins, subject to the funds being raised and landowners' permission being obtained.

Funds have been raised for one bin by public subscription and two local businesses have promised funding for three more bins.

We still need to obtain formal permission from the landowners and agree the exact positions of the bins, together with confirmation from the Borough Council regarding access to empty them.

The proposed locations are the car park next to the business park in Mill Lane, the car park off the B1454 opposite the gravel workings, the Rudham Road entrance to the common and on Creake Road near to the metal farm gate which gives access to Womack Wood.

The Norfolk Wildlife Trust (NWT), who own the eastern half of the common, are planning to move their car park from the bottom of Mill Lane to an enlarged car park next to the business park. This will delay the installation of that bin.

FINAL ACCOUNTS

The Parish Council's final accounts for 2016-17 may be viewed online at www.syderstone.com. A summary of income and expenditure for the year, together with the internal auditor's report is displayed on the parish notice boards.

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News from St Mary's Church Serving the communities of Blenheim Park, Syderstone with Barmer and Wicken Green

Regular Pattern of Sunday Services

1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays: 11am Parish Communion
2nd Sunday 11am Morning Worship
4th Sunday: 6pm Evening Service

(Changes are because Fr Clive will not have the assistance of a Curate as was expected)

Special Services

Sunday 11th June 4:00pm

Evensong at Barmer

(Note: this is a week later than usual)

Sunday 6th August 6:00pm

Flower Festival Service

Sunday 13th August 10:00am

Benefice Communion, South Creake (Patronal)

Special Events

Sun 25 June Open Gardens 1pm – 6pm

Sat 5–9 Aug Flower Festival 10am – 5pm
(Sunday 12:30 – 5pm)

Sun 6 Aug Bring & Share Supper – 7pm

There will be a Gift Day on Saturday 5th August throughout the Benefice, which will also give visitors an opportunity to learn more about each Church's plans and special needs for the future.

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What's happening at the Hall ?

Weekly

Table Tennis

Sadly, table tennis has been suspended due to lack of support

Post Office

Wednesday and Friday 9.00am to 12 noon

Coffee Morning

Wednesday 10.30a.m. to 12 noon

Art (& Craft) Group – (see below)

Most Wednesdays 1.45p.m. to 4.15pm

Also Ladies Keep Fit and Rainbows

Art (& Craft) Group Wednesday 1.45 - 4.15p.m.

This group, of mainly women, get together to enjoy painting and drawing, sewing and embroidery etc. sharing experience, having a chat and a drink in a convivial atmosphere.

Why not come and join us – it's free to come and see what we do, then it's £10 for a 10 week term.
(that's only £1 a week) – tea and biscuits extra!

For more information contact **Linda Pearse**
01485 576393; email: lindapp@hotmail.co.uk

Air/CO2 Pistol Club Starting September

Everything is go!!

The targets are made; the pistols work well; the insurance has been arranged

Everything is expected to happen in September when you've recovered from your holidays – watch out for future notices.

Contact Norman Riches if you've not expressed an interest but would like to have a go at this activity
normanriches@btinternet.com / 01485 578171

VILLAGE HALL CINEMA

In association with *Creative Arts East*

All films start at 7.30p.m.

Saturday, 17th June

LION (PG)

This is the true story of Saroo, a five-year-old Indian boy who gets lost on a train which takes him thousands of miles across India, away from home and family. He must learn to survive alone in Kolkata, before being adopted by an Australian couple.

Twenty five years later, armed with only a handful of memories, his unwavering determination and a revolutionary technology known as Google Earth, he sets out to find his lost family and finally return to his first home. Starring Dev Patel, Nicole Kidman and Rooney Mara

Saturday, 15th July

JACKIE (15)

An intimate portrait of one of the most important and tragic moments in American history, seen through the eyes of the iconic First Lady, Jacqueline Kennedy.

The film places us in her world during the days immediately following her husband's assassination. Known for her extraordinary dignity and poise, here we see a psychological portrait of the First Lady as she fights through grief and trauma to regain her faith, console her children and define her husband's historic legacy.

Starring Natalie Portman and Peter Sarsgaard.

Saturday, 19th August

HIDDEN FIGURES (PG)

This is the untold story of 3 brilliant African-American women mathematicians working at NASA during the early years of the US space programme.

This visionary trio crossed all gender and race lines to play a vital role in the launch of astronaut John Glenn into space.

Starring Taraji P. Henson, Octavia Spencer, Janelle Monae and Kevin Costner

**Tickets : £3.50 advance booking,
 £4.00 on the door.**

Contact: Sheila 01485 578 171 / Jan 578 244

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