

THE TOWER

May/June 2016



EDITORIAL

The temperatures outside may sometimes belie the fact that we are now well into the spring season, but looking at the natural world around us, there is no mistaking the signs - ducklings on the river, birds nesting, plants and trees bursting into life and yes, the lawn to cut a couple of times each week,

Many of you will no doubt have seen the work carried out to stabilise the river banks by The Slea Navigation Trust with volunteers from the village and RAF Digby. Once the plants in the coir rolls have established, it should make for an attractive edge to the river and be good for wildlife too. Many thanks to Steph Munks for allowing the coir rolls to be stored at Home Farm and also for forklifting the pallets onto the river bank as and when required. You may also be interested to know that the large fluctuations that sometimes occur in the river level should now be a thing of the past, as The Environment Agency has taken steps to ensure a constant level all year round rather than artificially lowering the river level for the winter months. This measure will greatly enhance the amenity value of the river and reduce erosion of the banks.

Many of you will remember the problems last year with the sewerage pipework from the pumping station on Low Road to the treatment works just outside the village, resulting in excavations in High Street to find the cause. The system is already overloaded and blockages are not infrequent, the last one being over the weekend of 16/17 April this year in High Street - the blockage was caused by 'Wet Wipes' and 'backed up' the drains of many houses on High Street. It is important that we all make sure that insoluble articles such as wet wipes, disposable nappies and sanitary items are not be flushed down the toilet - it is not a pleasant experience to have raw sewage flowing over your garden.

We have two voting opportunities coming up over the next couple of months. First up in May is the vote for the new Police Commissioner for Lincolnshire. Who are the candidates and what do they stand for? To date we have no idea, so how can we take this position seriously and make an informed decision to vote when information on the candidates is scant to non-existent? The second and probably most important vote in a generation is for IN, or OUT in the EU referendum. Listen carefully to the reasoned arguments being made and don't be panicked by the scare tactics of the government and others, but be very certain when you vote, that the plan for the EEC/EU has always been for a single European state with a common currency and harmonised laws and an 'IN' vote will bring about that eventuality.

Mervyn & Judy Head

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Items for JULY/August must be received by 25 June 2016

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

SOUTH KYME TABLE TENNIS CLUB

The club meets in the village hall on Tuesday evenings from 7.30 - 8.30 p.m. Membership is £5.00/year, with a session fee of £2.00. Age restriction is 16+ and any new members will be welcome. We have 3 tables and plenty of bats and balls. Tables can also be hired by non members at other times for £2.50 per hour per person. To book, please call 01526 861566 or 01526 869297

SOUTH KYME WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

South Kyme WI meets on the first Tuesday of the month in the village hall at 7.30 pm. Why not join us? We have some interesting talks and demonstrations and there is always time for a chat when the refreshments are served.

Thursday 5 May: We have a talk by Jane Ball about Drugs and Alcohol.
Thursday 2 June we have author Lois Fenn who will give us a talk on "Evacuation to Lincolnshire".

The yearly subscription for 2016 is £37.50, but you are welcome to come along free of charge before deciding whether or not to join. For more information contact Pam on 01526 861323, Sue on 01526 869118, or you can go on our website: skwi.weebly.com, or find us on facebook.

SOUTH KYME LADIES KEEP FIT GROUP



Members pose for the camera before the final session of the current programme.

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES (Cont.)

SOUTH KYME PETANQUE (BOULES) CLUB

We have now moved to Monday evenings starting at 7.00pm. Our first session of the year will be on Monday 25. April and we meet behind the Hall. New players are very welcome. Boules are available, berets and Bordeaux are optional. Its great fun and only £1.50 a session. For information ring Robin on 01526 861566

SOUTH KYME SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

The club meets in the village hall at 7.30-10.00 p.m. on Wednesdays and at 2.00-4.00 p.m. on Fridays. Membership is £5.00/year, with a session/match fee of £1.50. New members will be most welcome.



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Church Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Service</u>
1 May	11.00 am	Boat Service
15 May	11.00 am	Family Service
29 May	10.00 am	Group Service at Billingham
5 June	10.00 am	Group Service at Billingham for the licencing of Mrs Tina Clark
19 June	11.00 am	Family Service

Letter from the Vicar

On 5th June at 10.00 am at Billingham Church, one of our Parishoners, Mrs Tina Clark will be Licensed as an Authorised Lay Minister to serve in South Kyme and all the other five Churches in our group. You would be warmly welcomed at this service. At one time only the Vicar was allowed to conduct services in the Church of England. Over time this changed to allow lay members of the Church to conduct prayer services in Church and to bring the bread and wine of Holy Communion, consecrated by the Vicar in Church, to people in their homes if they were too ill to attend. Lay Ministers are a crucial part of the whole ministry of the Church and we wish Mrs Clark well.

Our Boat Service this year at South Kyme will take place on Sunday 1 May at 11.00 am. Please join us and the Sleaford Navigation Trust as we seek God's blessing on all those who work and sail on our local waterways.

April 21 2016 saw the marking of Her Majesty the Queen's 90th birthday. Bells were rung and beacons were lit to mark the occasion including in some of our Parishes here in the Carr Dyke. We wish Her Majesty well and pray for her and her family.

As Spring is upon us I hope that the lighter nights and brighter days bring you joy in appreciating all that is good and the wonderful scenes of nature we are lucky to have in South Kyme and the surrounding area.

Every Blessing,

Mike

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HUME EVENTS

QUIZ NIGHT ON FRIDAY 29 APRIL. £5.00 per person, which includes a complimentary supper. 8.00 pm start. Teams can be made up of 1 to 4 people for fairness. This is a perfect opportunity to meet and welcome the people from the narrow boats, who are judging the scarecrow competition.

SUNDAY 1 MAY: Best roast beef in Lincolnshire, or a vegetarian option and pudding for £15.00 p/p. 12.00 noon- 3.00 pm.

COFFEE MORNINGS: The next monthly coffee mornings will be held on Wednesday 11 May and Wednesday 8 June.

STREET PARTY: A street party to celebrate HM the Queen's birthday is being planned. Details for this event on Saturday 11 June will be advised shortly. We will, with the help from all of you, make this a successful and memorable event.

THURSDAY DANCE CLUB IN SOUTH KYME



Well here we are almost half way through the year and our loyal dance club participants have literally come on leaps and bounds. Salsa is the more energetic of the dances learned so far, and an additional step or two has been introduced which, at first is a little daunting, but the new steps have been grasped very well. We have put together a nice little Jive routine and hopefully the group will be confident to get up and dance when the opportunity arises. We then slowed down the tempo for a rhythm foxtrot, and again introducing more steps for a longer routine to enable the group to dance round the floor. Next on the agenda is to introduce a basic Cha Cha and also a little Waltz.

Sandra & Barry
sandybarryukfenn@gmail.com / 01526 268681

SOUTH KYME PARISH COUNCIL

Now in the throes of spring at last, I was awoken this morning by my canine companions call of nature to what can only be described as an 'arctic blizzard'! - no wonder the British are preoccupied by the weather! (and it's now like a summer's day! – I give up). Back to more mundane but important matters of the Parish Council, whose workload seems to be increasing in line with ever more EU regulation! – so plenty to update you on:

The 'Heck Off' campaign against the Heckington Fen wind turbine farm is gaining significant traction and momentum; fundraising is ongoing and everyone involved in the action group is committed and driven to achieving a favourable outcome. A full update has been provided separately in the Heck Off March newsletter.

You may be aware that the LCC (Lincolnshire County Council) can no longer afford to operate streetlights as in the past and with a cost of £5m per year this is unsustainable. To this end, and to reduce costs by £1.7m and to reduce CO2 and light pollution, cuts are in the offing. Once we know, if any cuts are being made in South Kyme I will let you know. In a similar, but equally if not more important vein is the proposal to terminate the LCC/Highways amenity grant for grass cutting in the village from 1 April 2017. This will have an impact on the longer term viability and funding of the Village Tidy Group. We have written to the department concerned expressing our displeasure and await a response. With funding a common theme you also need to be aware that in his last budget the chancellor announced that our region will receive devolved powers from central government. Our partnership will include 10 councils from the Humber to the Wash, borne of the common belief that local services, including transport, housing, skills training and flood management can be run more effectively by local authorities rather than by central government, who will provide £450m over the next 30 years - time will tell. I also mentioned the 'Local Plan' for central Lincolnshire some time ago and attended a briefing in which they outlined the timeline for adoption. If all goes well, this will be by the end of the year. This plan provides the backbone for any 'Neighbourhood plans' (I am in liaison with the Partnerships Manager in Sleaford to discuss the way ahead) that might be adopted by towns and villages, and gives targets for housing, employment and infrastructure. South Kyme is a 6th tier small village with only modest (17 dwellings) growth targets (Lincoln, Sleaford and Gainsborough being the key areas of growth).

We have also just been made aware of a new 1400MW High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) electricity link between Denmark and UK (termed Viking Link) terminating on the east coast near Boston and linked, via underground cables to a proposed new converter station near the Bicker Fen substation. The council are being consulted as to the best of 4 location options as we write and I will keep you all informed of progress.

On more colloquial issues, the Sleaford Navigation work on stabilizing the river bank with coir rolls has been completed and this should halt the river bank erosion in some key areas. The provision of the coir rolls has been funded by the Environment Agency. The new 20 foot container for storing the village tidy group equipment has now been installed behind the village hall and the outside tap is imminent. The Village Tidy Group is once again in full swing with some new equipment and are doing an outstanding job. Volunteers are always welcome – even if only to help with the ‘kitty’ in the Hume afterwards!!

We are in the process of migrating the South Kyme Website to one hosted via the Lincolnshire County Council site and this should be up and running with a new Webmaster in the coming weeks. Once fully functional, we will also look at setting up a South Kyme ‘Facebook’ section to hopefully capture the younger elements within the village. All dogs in the village should now be micro-chipped (as of 6 Apr 16) and for updates on this topic please read the accompanying ‘Dog Warden Corner’ from Emma but note we have applied for a grant to purchase a scanner which can detect microchips! The ‘Village Draw’ is now in abeyance awaiting some community spirited volunteer to take over the mantle. Originally set up over 20 years ago it eventually matured to provide funding for both the Village Hall and the Church in equal measure (as well as awarding monthly prizes) and in this sense has provided valuable financial support to key components of the village. We desperately need a new leader and some volunteer collectors, please contact me if you are interested in shaping the ‘new’ village draw.

Council spending over £100 approved at the March meeting was:

Lincolnshire Association of Local Councils membership fee	£137.78
New Strimmer, spares and fuel for the village tidy group.	£795.99

Finally, don’t forget the May Bank holiday festivities when we welcome the many narrow boats including the Hume quiz night on Friday 29 April, 70’s & 80’s night at the Village Hall on Saturday 30 April and Village Fete Sun 1 May from about 2.00pm, with the Annual Parish meeting commencing at 4.00pm in the village hall.

Don’t forget to vote on EU membership (or otherwise!) 23 Jun and also be aware that there will be high street stabilisation road works and disruption (opposite the Kingfisher statue) starting 18 July for 2 weeks and road closures and diversions will be in place.

The next Parish Council meeting will commence at 7.30pm on Thursday 19 May and will be preceded by the AGM at 7.00pm.

Eric Langley
Chairman

VILLAGE TIDY GROUP

We are a friendly bunch of volunteers dedicated to the upkeep of the village, and new recruits are always welcome. Why not come and join us. We meet on the last Saturday of each month outside the Coronation Hall at 8.30am.

FREE BOOK EXCHANGE

Please come along and exchange your books free of charge. The Coronation Hall is open weekly for book exchanges on Tuesday 7.30-8.30p.m., Wednesday 7.30-10.00p.m. and Friday 2.00-4.00p.m.

SOUTH KYME VILLAGE DRAW

A very big thank you to everyone who has supported the Village Draw over the last 30 years. Stan Lloyd started the Draw of £1.00 per month to raise money for the restoration of the church organ – we knew it would take tears, as ten to fifteen thousand pounds would be needed!

Five or six years later we were able to have the work done and later on we had the stained glass window re-lead and a metal grill put up to protect the glass from flying stones. The Coronation Hall roof needed repairing and we decided to split the money from the Draw between the Church and Hall.

Heather and Jean let it be known that they were giving up December 2015. Very sadly nobody has stepped forward to take the job on. The money will be greatly missed, and it has always been used for something specific and not running expenses. The final total stood at £1,087.39 was divided between the Church and the Coronation Hall.

Thank you, again.

Heather & Jean.

HEALTH TOPICS

SWEETENERS

In terms of nutritional value, sugar and corn syrup are roughly equal in that they have basically no nutritional value. High fructose corn syrup, however, has been found to be contaminated with mercury and should probably be avoided. Two sweeteners, black strap molasses and date sugar (just powdered whole dates), do actually have significant nutritional value. Most artificial sweeteners have been linked to health problems, at least in rare cases. Stevia appears to be harmless as long as you don't consume too much.

Dr Michael Greger MD

NOTICES

THE THREE RIVERS CHALLENGE

Calling all runners. Can you run the Three River Challenge? This year's event will take place on Sunday 6th November. The race entry fee is £10, which includes hot refreshments. Check the website and Facebook pages for further details and entry forms. If you're not able to run, but are willing to volunteer to help on the day please contact Craig for further details at c.midgley88@btinternet.com

SOUTH KYME ANNUAL DUCK RACE

The duck race will be held on Saturday 30 April (May Day Bank Holiday weekend) when the narrow boats have their annual gathering in the village. Proceeds from the duck race will go to the St Barnabas Hospice in Lincoln.

SCARECROW COMPETITION

Thanks to the parish council for sponsoring this event once again. The theme for this year's competition will be 'Disney Characters'. We hope that more of you will join in this year and increase the number of entries and make it a fun weekend. Entry forms will be available from me nearer the time.

Elsie Coy

70's / 80's NIGHT

On Saturday 30 April there will be a 70's/80's night in the Coronation Hall. Fancy dress is optional (but preferred). Food will be available and there will be a bar. Tickets available from Caroline & Craig on 01526 860188

JOSIE PHILIPS PROUDLY PRESENTS

- Saturday 14 May: Pat Nearney & Danny Platton - All round entertainers
- Saturday 4 June: ABBA Tribute - Karen Bell & Anna Marie Engledow "Thank you for the music".
- Saturday 9 July: Cardy & Coke - Poular Artise.
- Saturday 10 September: Darren Busby & Clear Cut - An evening not to be missed.
- Friday 4 November: Oly Day & Nigel "Boy" Syer - If it's laughter you're after, this is the show.

All shows are in The Coronation Hall, doors opening at 7.00pm and shows starting at 8.00 pm. Bookings can be made by phoning Josie on 01526 860645. All proceeds from these shows will be donated to the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance Service.

SOUTH KYME CORONATION HALL

As usual the Bank Holiday Weekend will be busy with several events in and around the Village Hall. On Saturday 30 April there will be a Table Top Sale from 10.00 am until 1.00 pm followed by 'Boogie Night' in the evening. We have a Garden Fete at the back of the Hall on Sun 1st May involving various games and activities for kids of all ages. The fun starts at 1pm and includes a free hog roast and drinks after the Parish Council Annual Village Meeting which will be held at 4pm.

The 'Cafe Kyme' coffee mornings will take place on the first Tuesday of the month, 3 May and 7 June.

On Saturday 14 May we have Pat Nearney and Danny Platton, Norfolk comedians and all round entertainers. Tickets available from Josie.

Having practiced your 'moves' and having squeezed into those tight trousers for Boogie Night we present an Abba Tribute evening on Saturday 4 June. Tickets are available from Josie priced at £7.50.

So quite a lot on offer and hopefully something of interest to all South Kymers. Please support us – we need you.

The normal weekly activities of Monday Dance Group, Tuesday Table Tennis, Wednesday Bowls and Thursday Salsa Lessons continue.

Added to this is the start of the Boules season on Monday 25th April. We meet at the back of the Hall starting at 7.00 pm. Boules are available but you will have to bring your own onions!

Since the last Tower we have had a second, and more realistic, quote for lighting. The changes would offer more effective and comfortable lighting whilst also saving energy costs. We should have two quotes for installation so that a decision can be taken at May's meeting. The hedge and tree by the side of the Hall have been trimmed. We are weighing up the need for a freezer to supplement the kitchen facilities.

South Kyme Village Hall is YOUR Village Hall. Please let us know if there is anything that you would like to see done.

Our next meeting is on Monday 16 May at 7.30 pm in the Hume - You are always welcome.

Josie Philips
Chairman

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An hourly rate is also available for groups wanting to use the Village Hall regularly, or for anyone just needing an hour or two.

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A £20 set up fee and £20 clear up fee will be charged if the hall is needed the night before or the morning after an event.

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In addition to the defibrillator unit at South Kyme Golf Club, there is also one at Sycamore Farm, Clay Bank, South Kyme, which is available for village use if it is ever required - phone 01526 861064, or contact any member of the Caswell family at anytime and it will be delivered as quickly as possible.

SOUTH KYME VILLAGE DOG WARDEN

As your new village dog warden, I have been in the post now for about a month. I have enjoyed meeting lots of you fellow dog walkers whilst I've been out in the village with my two black labs on 'poop patrol'. As ever, I am always happy to listen to ideas and welcome input from you all as to specific problem areas, as this helps me gauge where I'm best needed to patrol.

During my patrols it has become clear that the people who don't think they need to scoop their dogs mess and dispose of it in the bins provided seem to be doing this in the areas they think they are less likely to get spotted – **but I am now onto this!** The built up areas are generally clean but on the river bank walks it becomes obvious that people think they can get away with it, or simply think that it's ok to leave it; this is not the case.

On any public walk-way, be it a built up village area or more rural river bank, you must pick up your dog's mess, bag and bin it, either in your home rubbish bin or the dog poop bins provided. Anyone caught leaving dog mess behind will be awarded with an on the spot fixed penalty notice and served with a caution. There are no excuses with the only exemptions being blind people as it poses a direct health risk to them. **CHILDREN ARE NOT EXEMPT** and must follow the rules. If they are old enough to walk a dog then they are old enough to pick up the mess. Of note; there has been an increase in dog fouling over the Easter holiday period so I am led to conclude it is due to an increase in children walking their owner's dogs. Parents take note, that if a child is spotted leaving dog mess behind then the parents will be served with the fixed penalty notice. It therefore falls squarely on the parents shoulders to brief their children accordingly or suffer the consequences. As of 1 May 2016 random dog walkers will be asked to provide evidence that they intend to pick up their dog mess (i.e. they must be in possession of poop bags). Lack of evidence shows intent NOT to clean up after their dog(s) which will also result in a fixed penalty notice.

Finally, please let us keep South Kyme the beautiful clean village it should be by working together and making walking in the village an enjoyable experience for everyone.

Emma-Louise Simpson
Dog Warden

THE SOUTH KYME ANNUAL PUMPKIN GROWING COMPETITION

Have fun growing the biggest pumpkin and win First Prize. There is also a second prize, a fun prize for the smallest pumpkin and a prize for the best decorated pumpkin.

Judging will take place in the village hall on Friday 21 October at 7.30 pm. Other than competitors, entry fee is £3.50, or £1.50 for children, which includes entry to the cheese and wine evening for the judging of the pumpkins. To make the competition fair, seed will be given to each entrant free upon payment of the entry fee to Mrs P Midgley at 65 High Street, South Kyme.

All proceeds will be donated to The Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance.

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