

RIVERSIDE NEWS

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CLIMBING WALL SET ON FIRE

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EVERYONE .. including Tegan White, Eva & Danny Nash, Sophie Stannard, Leon White, Ben Pardoe, Lewis & Lois Nash has 1 question .. **WHY?**

WHO TO CONTACT and Regular VILLAGE EVENTS

Clerk to the Parish Council Shan Tedder 01366 385 449
Email: hilgayparishcouncil@hotmail.com Mobile 07944 943 651
Hilgay Parish Council are next meeting on Thursday, **1 September 2011** at Hilgay Village Hall, commencing at 7pm.

All Residents are most welcome to attend. The Agenda is displayed on the Parish Noticeboards or is available from the Clerk

Hilgay School	Office	01366 387 685
Ten Mile Bank School	Office	01366 377 310
Ten Mile Bank Village Hall	Neil Bradley	01366 378 877
Hilgay Village Hall Bookings	Alison Davis	01366 386 167
Hilgay Silver Band - FREE tuition & instrument available	Brian Doy	01366 387 630
Hilgay Youth Club	Emma Martin	01366 388 362
Hilgay Good Companions Club	Norma James	01366 387 656
Hilgay Playing Field / River Field	Shan Tedder	01366 385 449
Ten Mile Bank Playing Field	Colin Wills	01366 377 743
All Saint's & St Mark's Church	Father D Evans	01366 384 418
Hilgay Parish Cemetery	Shan Tedder	01366 385 449
Street Lights	Shan Tedder	01366 385 449
Littering and Dog Fouling issues	Shan Tedder	01366 385 449
Allotments	Shan Tedder	01366 385 449
Hilgay Parish Growers	Harvey Hillyer	01366 380 283

If you would like **your organisation included free of charge** in the above listing .. Tel: Shan on 01366 385 449

DENT'S BUTCHERS - GENERAL STORE & NEWSAGENTS

Stocks Hill, Hilgay TEL: 01366 387 686

Get Carter on 01366 385063 or 07841 715 464

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Riverside News Contact: Shan Tedder

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THE LARGE SLIDE AT HILGAY PLAYING FIELD REMAINS CLOSED.
PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW YOUR CHILDREN TO PLAY ON THE SLIDE UNTIL REPAIRS ARE MADE

HILGAY YOUTH SHELTER – Please do not allow your children to sit on the roof of the youth shelter

FLY TIPPING AT THE HILGAY RECYCLING CENTRE

Problems continue at the Hilgay Recycling Centre.

Please note:

DO NOT LEAVE CARDBOARD, WINDOW PANES OR PAINT
at the Hilgay Recycling Centre

HILGAY SILVER BAND NEWS

from Brian Doy

Ten Mile Bank and Denver School pupils are progressing well with tuition.

FUTURE ENGAGEMENTS:

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| 14 AUGUST | Hilgay Country Fair from 2pm to 4pm |
| 21 AUGUST | West End Park, March from 2pm to 4pm |
| 9 SEPTEMBER | RAF Marham |
| 18 SEPTEMBER | Battle of Britain – War Memorial, Downham Market at 10.30am |
| 6 NOVEMBER | British Legion Remembrance Concert at Downham Market Town hall at 7pm |

Why not join Hilgay Silver Band - All Players and Beginners welcome.

TUITION, INSTRUMENT AND MUSIC ARE **FREE**

For further information, please call me on 01366 387 630

FUNDRAISING EVENT AT DENTS FARM SHOP, HILGAY.

FOOD AND DRINK FESTIVAL Saturday 27th August - 9am to 4pm

CRAFT FAYRE AND CARBOOT SALE Sunday 28th August - 10am to 4pm

The funds raised will again be donated to **Muscular Dystrophy**, a cause close to the heart of the Dent family, and with last year's summer event raising over **£1000**, we are hoping to reach the same target again this year. We already have over **30 craft stalls** booked in, all featuring genuine local handmade crafts, such as jewellery, fused glass and wood turning. As always there will be ample free parking and free entry for anyone wanting to pay us a visit, and there are also spaces still available for anyone interested in booking either a craft or carboot stall.

Pitch prices for cars £6, and for vans and larger vehicles £10.

Telephone 01366 385 661 for more information

Rose & Crown

Bridge Street, Hilgay, Downham Market, PE38 0LJ

01366 385 414

Family-run Village Pub and Restaurant
close to the River Wissey
GOOD HOME COOKED FOOD
AND A WARM WELCOME

Tuesday Night is Curry Night
Wednesday Night – Steak Night
Friday is Fish Day
(with home battered Cod)
Sundays

Traditional Home-cooked Roast
(12.30 – 2.30pm - only £6.95)

Open for Food Tuesday to Sunday
12 noon to 9.00pm

LUNCHTIME SPECIALS
2 Main Meals for £10.00
Main and Sweet £7.50
12 noon – 2.00pm

FAIRFIELD GARAGE BRIDGE STREET HILGAY

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TRADE SALES AVAILABLE

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07778344533

Our '**LIGHT MAN**', **Maurice Coates**, who assists the Parish Clerk by keeping an eye on the street lights, has now been 'recognised' by the Residents as the 'man to report outages to', and has now expanded his area of reporting to include the whole Village ! Well done Maurice ☺



WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN A CHOIR?

Then come along to Downham Market Choral Society!

All new members are very welcome - **especially tenors at present!**
No audition necessary. A choir of 25-30 mixed voices - we rehearse for 3-4 concerts locally each year.

We meet on Tuesday in the Methodist Church Hall,
Paradise Road, Downham Market - 7.15pm –to 9.00pm during term times.

We **restart on September 6th** after the summer break.

Please Ring Rita Stacey for more information on 01366 386982

AGED 8 TO 16? INTERESTED IN AMATEUR DRAMATICS?

Contact Downham Amateur Dramatic Society (DADS)

harrison.meg@virgin.net

DVD HIRE FROM YOUR LOCAL NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

LIBRARY Have you visited Downham Market library lately?

Films and Wii/Xbox & Playstation games can be hired at a very reasonable rate. Top titles available!

MOTO KL – FREE MINI MOTO RIDING EXPERIENCE EVENT is being held at Norfolk Arena for youngsters aged 11-16 on **Thurs, 1 Sept 2011**. Info can be found at www.motokl.org.uk or from the Co-ordinator - Shan Tedder on 01366 385 449 or facebook Moto KL – free mini moto riding

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HILGAY PARISH COUNCIL HAS VACANCIES FOR 2 PARISH COUNCILLORS.

You do not need any qualifications, merely an **interest in Parish matters**, and be able to attend a bi monthly evening Meeting.

For further information ring Shan Tedder for an informal chat .. or send a brief outline about yourself, and your interest in being a Parish Councillor - either by email – hilgayparishcouncil@hotmail.com or write to 123 Sluice Road, Denver, Downham Market, PE38 0EG Co-option will take place at the next Parish Council Meeting on 1 September 2011.

Applications deadline is 26 August 2011

HILGAY PARISH COUNCIL WHO'S WHO

HILGAY	TEN MILE BANK WARD
Graham Carter - Chairman	Raymond Houghton – Vice Chairman
Annabel Charlesworth	Elaine Hall
Peter Bates	Chris Dawe
Peter Carter	Derick Gordon
Richard Martin	Mike Higgins
	Colin Wills

WILLOWS POWER & RECYCLING CENTRE (INCINERATOR)

Planning Application Reference: PP/C/2/2011/2020

The deadline for comments on the Willows Power & Recycling Centre, King's Lynn Planning Application has been extended to Wednesday, 17 August 2011.

You can email your comments to willowsprc@norfolk.gov.uk or write to: Environment, Transport & Development Department, Planning Services, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich NR1 2UD

CONSUMER CHAMPIONS NEEDED

Norfolk County Council Trading Standards is appealing for Residents to become Consumer Champions – Residents who will help their community to get consumer advice.

Duties involve:

Putting people in touch with the right organisations

Pass on news about the latest scams or rogue traders operating in the area

Let Trading Standards know of any local consumer problems

Every Consumer Champion gets a pack of information, plus support from a Trading Standard Officer, and the Consumer Support Network.

Interested? Telephone 01603 638 078

or email trading.standards@norfolk.gov.uk

NEWS FROM TEN MILE BANK PRIMARY SCHOOL



Another school year is over, and we have celebrated in traditional style.

The Year 6 Prom once again was a great event.

The Masquerade Ball was led by 3 leavers who looked stunning in their dresses and suits.

The Friends, at the request of the 3, put on a posh buffet

which the children enjoyed. Music was provided by the return to the decks of Mr Slingsby. A great night enjoyed by all.

We reported earlier in the year from our garden. Potatoes have now been harvested and what a crop we had. The produce was sold to parents. Other produce included French and runner beans, radish, carrots, beetroot and marrow. Its been a good harvest in the school plot, well done Mr Watson and the children.



The Friends Ball Race on the river was a great success. After the false start, the winning ball crossed the line, and we all retreated to the shelter of the school as the rain came down. Spirits were not dampened and all enjoyed the BBQ and Music.

Excellent year for Friends - Well Done - they raised **£850**.

Thanks to all that have dropped in various vouchers this year we have managed to get things for the garden, a new camera and PE equipment for the children.

Now for the summer break, hope to see you all at the Village Harvest Service at St Marks Church, with lunch to be served here in the School on **Sunday 2nd October**.

NEWS FROM HILGAY SCHOOL

SPORTING SUCCESS - Sophie Adams and Lucy Rush both qualified at the Area Sports to represent the school at the School Olympics at Lynn Sport. Well done girls!

SEED TRAY COMPETITION - The children in Alpha class were awarded a '3rd' when they entered a seed tray competition against other local primary schools designing and creating their own Nursery rhyme garden.



MURAL

Local artist, Andy Scordellis, kindly gave up his time to inspire the children in Year 6 to create a mural, which takes pride of place in the playground brightening up the shelters!



PICNIC IN THE

PARK - After a very hectic term at school the children were rewarded for their good behaviour with a 'Party in the Park'. An entertainer taught the children various circus tricks using the diabolo, juggling, hula hoops, pedal walkers etc.

They also enjoyed a bouncy castle, face painting, balloon modelling, and other side stalls. Parents joined the children at lunchtime for a picnic, and watched the entertainers show in the afternoon. Great fun was enjoyed by all and the children now deserve a well earned rest!



Well, what can one say about last Sunday's Hilgay Raft Race – it was a very successful fund raising day towards **Help for Heroes**, raising around **£2000**.

RAF Marham catering did a great job as always, and should be congratulated.

Nicky (Mr Reliable) Robinson was again a terrific help, providing a Cherry Picker for Wally Webb to do his commentating, Nicky's new little Roundabout, and at the last minute helped us out of a big problem by supplying a PA system for the Event, and a generator.

We seemed to have had a lot more Stands this year, and we had twice as much flour, but by 2pm it had all sold out - flour sales contributed immensely toward the fund raising.

The Ringo Race was won by James Stanfield

The Raft Fancy Dress was won by the raft, Spitfire

Raft Fast Race was won by Four Plonks on a Plank

Raft Fun Race won by Dents Divers

The Junior Raft Race was won by the Jolly T****r ☺ - crewed by Bradley Andrews, Ryan Andrews, Ben Beaton and James Beaton

The Cardboard Raft Race was won by the raft, SS Outclassed

There were about 20 Rafts in total, which was a good turnout, and

included a **Red Double Decker Bus, an Army Vehicle and a Sports Car with Trailer**, 2 of them complete with water jets!

Must not forget the famous Duck Race, we had the traditional small ducks and courtesy of KLFM had some big Ducks. The traditional Duck Race was won by Sandy Jones with number 238 – prize, A Day Pass to Centre Parks, and the Big Duck Race was won by Ray Dry with number 38 – prize - £50 cash.

Sincere thanks from the Rotary Club of Downham Market to the Hilgay Parish Council for their co-operation with the venue.

I can honestly say that a **'wonderful day was had by all'**.

☺ Thanks to Paul Stewart for all your work on Hilgay Raft Race!

☺ Clerk's apology – whilst at the Play Area, I borrowed a pen from a young lady (featured on the front cover), and forgot to return it. Sorry! I have left it in Dent's Butchers for you to collect☺

☺ Remember **Mighty Mouth**? Think it is about time it made a return to Riverside News? If you have got a moan, or generally something to say,, tell us! You will recall that you can send in 'your moan' and the Editor will print it anonymously if necessary.

☺ Hilgay Parish Council are removing the litter bin adjacent to the Methodist Chapel in Ely Road due to abuse of its use – mainly it is being filled with rabbit faeces. Now it is highly unlikely that there is a 6ft high rabbit disposing of its own litter – so to the Resident who is carrying out this action – you will have to put it in your own bin from now on!

☺ Hilgay Parish Cemetery – please note the planting of trees, shrubs, etc, is not allowed. New signage setting out the Cemetery Regulations is to be installed at the Cemetery shortly. In the meantime if you require a copy of the Cemetery regulations please contact Shan Tedder on 01366 385 449

☺ **LOOKING FOR YOUR FIRST JOB IN CONSTRUCTION?**

Search for apprenticeships, upload your CV, or look for work experience placements at www.buildnorfolk.co.uk. Build Norfolk has been set up by NPS on behalf of Norfolk County Council.

☺ **BROADBAND UPDATE**

Norfolk is receiving a 15 million pound package to support the rollout of superfast broadband to rural areas that the market alone will not reach. The next steps are for each local authority to tender for contractors to carry out the work, with suppliers expected to start rolling out upgraded infrastructure within a year. Internet Service Providers (ISPs) will then use these networks to offer affordable services to homes and businesses.

Current Speeds in Norfolk - Average sync speed (Mbit/s) 6.4, Percentage receiving less than 2 Mbit/s – 17.6%, Superfast Broadband availability – 28%, Broadband takeup in Norfolk – 66%

☺ **BLUE BADGES – NO LONGER AUTOMATICALLY RENEWED**

Applications have to be made online at www.norfolk.gov.uk or by telephoning the Customer Service Centre on 0344 800 8020. Contact Age UK Norfolk on 01603 787111 for help with applications.

POPPY CALLS COMES TO NORFOLK

Poppy Calls is the The Royal British Legion's **Handy – Person Service**. To be eligible for help you must have served in the Forces for at least 7 days, or be the dependant of someone who has served, this includes widows, widowers, cohabiting partners or civil partners of ex-service people. The service is **free**.

Poppy Call will carry out a range of small household repairs and minor adaptations, such as putting up shelves, curtain rails, grab rails, changing light bulbs and tap washers, fitting door and window locks, etc. Telephone 0800 032 0306 (free telephone number).

STREET LEVEL CRIME ONLINE

You can see what crime, if any, has happened in your street in the past month with a new interactive street level crime map available at www.norfolk.police.uk. Type in your post code to access all types of information.

LIKE WALKING?

You can download all the Norfolk health, heritage, and biodiversity walks from www.countrysideaccess.norfolk.gov.uk/health-walks.aspx

BRIDGE STREET AND ELY ROAD, HILGAY - STREET LIGHTS

These street lights are owned and maintained by Norfolk County Council. Outages and day burners can be reported straight to Norfolk County Council on www.norfolk.gov.uk/streetlighting or telephone 0344 800 8008

1940'S CHARITY DANCE AT DOWNHAM MARKET TOWN HALL

Friday, 9 September 2011 – 7pm onwards

A 1940's themed night, in aid of Help for Heroes and Downham Market Air Cadets. There will be a hog roast with a selection of salads, raffle, & bar. A guest appearance from Downham Market Swing Band, followed by a disco. 1940's fancy dress is preferable, or smart attire (ball gowns, suits).

Tickets are £12 each, with no concession price. Tickets are available from Lewks, Downham Market or by contacting Alice on 07795 990 056

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ... BORED CHILDREN?

Check the summer break activities at Downham Market Leisure Centre. <http://www.west-norfolk.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=21975>

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE!

Lynnsport and Leisure Park, King's Lynn will be closed throughout the day on Friday, 26 August 2011.

CLIMBING WALL SET ON FIRE

The 8th August 2011 was a sad day for the children of Hilgay, when their climbing wall was purposely set on fire. 26 of the wall posts, a 15ft length in all, were damaged in the blaze, which was so intense that some posts have burnt right through. Thankfully none of our young Residents playing at the area at the time were hurt.

The Climbing Wall is part of the Play Trail project, opened in February of this year, which Anita Stewart, Rebecca Nicholson, and their community team worked tirelessly on for 3 years to create a stunning play area for the youngsters of Hilgay.

Norfolk Constabulary are currently conducting enquires.



The Climbing Wall has now been cordoned off by the Parish Council. After initially being horrified at the amount of damage caused – Cllr Colin Wills looked a bit more cheerful as he set to work erecting safety fencing to prevent children being tempted to take a closer look at the damage, or attempting to climb on the Wall.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES
ALLOW YOUR CHILD TO PLAY ON THE CLIMBING WALL
ALTHOUGH PART OF THE STRUCTURE LOOKS UNDAMAGED,
THE WALL HAS BEEN **SEVERELY WEAKENED**

