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**Hilgay Parish Council Chairman – Graham Carter and Harvey Hillyer -
The Village Green Committee Co-ordinator, discussing the planting
layout at the new growing area. See back page for details**

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HILGAY PARISH COUNCIL – 2010 Forthcoming Meetings

Tel 01366 385 449 or 07944 943 651 email: hilgayparishcouncil@hotmail.com

Thursday, 4 March 2010 at Ten Mile Bank Village Hall

Thursday, 6 May 2010 **Annual Residents Meeting** at Hilgay village Hall

Thursday, 1 July 2010 at Ten Mile Bank Village Hall

Thursday, 2 September 2010 at Hilgay Village Hall

Thursday, 4 November 2010 at Ten Mile Bank Village Hall

All members of the public are welcome

The Minutes are available for viewing online at www.tenmilebank.com (courtesy of Tony Hall)

TEN MILE BANK SCHOOL COUNCIL

The pupils of Ten Mile Bank School have been in discussions on how they would like to see the village develop in the future. The School Council have met and formulated a list of these ideas. Hilgay Parish Council have been invited to attend a meeting at the school on 1 March 2010. Agenda items will include the School Council proposals, and how the Parish Council are proposing to develop Ten Mile Bank in the future.

HILGAY YOUTH SHELTER

The solar control panel which operates the solar light and radio has been vandalised. The cost to repair the panel will be £400 plus VAT. The solar radio has suffered tuning problems, and is currently stuck on Classic FM – probably not the users favourite choice of station! The Parish Council are currently awaiting the Engineer to attend.

HILGAY PLAYING FIELD PLAY EQUIPMENT – SLIDE CLOSURE

The Parish Council have **closed the large slide until further notice**. Please do not allow your children on the slide, or to remove any of the warning notifications placed on the slide . The Parish Council are awaiting a further inspection of the slide.

HILGAY PLAYING FIELD HEDGING

2 large gaps have been created in the playing field hedging by those who feel unable to walk a few yards further to gain access to the field
1 in the hedging on Ely Road
1 at the gateway to the football changing room
The hedging provides a barrier to **protect our young children**. Those who feel unable to use the proper entrances to gain access on to the playing field will be asked to contribute towards the repair cost of the hedging.

HILGAY RECYCLING CENTRE

Hilgay Parish Council have agreed to install a BCKLWN Salvation Army **Clothing Bank** at the Ely Road Recycling Centre.

Banks already installed include:

Glass (this does not include old windows) – please put your bottles in the bank – **not dump them in boxes at the side of the bank**

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HILGAY RAFT RACE – YES! IT IS BACK!

Put **SUNDAY, 18 JULY 2010** in your diary.

Ali Dent and the Downham Market Rotary Club are planning RAFT RACING – build your own craft. Don't forget there is also a FANCY DRESS RAFT category.

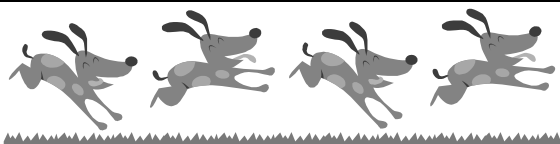
New for this event will be CANOE RACING.

The old favourite DUCK RACE will be held.

Wally Webb from BBC Radio Norfolk will be the commentator.

HILGAY BOOK SALE – MAY 2010 (date to be advised in the next issue)

Clear out your cupboards! Ali needs books, DVD's., complete jigsaws, and bric-a-brac for his next book sale, this sale is being held in aid of the Dean Vincent Memorial Fund. Got a query? Telephone Ali Dent on 01366 387 686.



- YES** – dogs are not allowed on the Hilgay & Ten Mile Bank Playing Fields
YES – we welcome responsible dog owners into the village
YES – we provide numerous dog litter bins in the village
YES – we appreciate dog owners using them
YES – we need your help with irresponsible dog owners
YES – we are fed up with dog owners who ignore these bins
YES – we display Notices advising dog owners to use the bins
YES – we would like to know who is responsible for allowing their dog to foul particularly the culprit who is walking their dog along the Right of Way from Stocks Hill through to Lawrences Lane.
The Borough Council are now monitoring this lane.
YES – any information you can provide is strictly confidential
YES – you can advise the Clerk on 01366 385 449
YES – you can advise the confidential Enforcement Line on 01553 780712

FASTERFUTURE – campaigning for SUPER-FAST broadband in West Norfolk is a West Norfolk Partnership led by the **BCKLWN**

We need to make sure that West Norfolk is not left behind. Suppliers are looking for evidence that there is a high level demand for super-fast broadband. **Hilgay Parish Council are supporting this campaign – sign up now.** There is no commitment and your details will not be passed to any service providers for marketing or sales purposes **Register your interest now at www.fasterfuture.co.uk**

STOCKS HILL, HILGAY

Norfolk County Council are looking into the history and changes at Stocks Hill. Does anyone have any **old photographs or historical information** on Stocks Hill?

Please contact Stuart Hellingsworth on 01603 223 904 or email: stuart.hellingsworth@norfolk.gov.uk

REUSE AND RECYCLE

As well as revamping or repairing what you have, there are other ways your unwanted items can be reused, or that you can benefit from other's unwanted goods.

www.ilovefreegle.org – any goods must be free and you need to register.

www.benjaminfoundation.co.uk – the Foundation collects quality furniture and electrical goods for free – which are refurbished and given to disadvantaged communities. You can also contact the Foundation on 01263 713 721.

Swishing Party – organise a clothes swopping party amongst your friends, and go home with a whole 'new wardrobe'.

ARE YOU A CLUB OR GROUP INVOLVED IN SPORT OR PHYSICAL

ACTIVITY? Anything from salsa, walking, cycling, dancing, archery, badminton, bowls, parkour, darts – whatever your activity you can apply to **Norfolk County Council's Community Projects for Sport and Physical Activity Fund** for support. This funding is available to all aged 8 upwards with no upper age limit. The fund provides grants from £50 to £1,000. Funding can be used to hire the village hall, increase your membership, extend or increase your activity, etc. Telephone 01603 697 000 or visit www.schools.norfolk.gov.uk/go/pe (click under physical activity) or by

HILGAY GOOD COMPANION'S CLUB (55's)

from Norma James

Although the weather was very bad, Members enjoyed a lovely Christmas dinner on Friday, 18 December. In spite of no electricity, Paul Witt and his team produced a 3 course meal on gas rings. Some Members could not get through the snow and ice, but those that did enjoyed a very hot meal, dined by candlelight. Our entertainer had to be cancelled, so there was not the usual music (equipment being all electrical these days). In spite of the difficulties everyone had a good time, but went home earlier than usual. Many thanks to Paul Witt, his team, and all those who came along.

Would you like to join our Club? Contact me on 01366 387 656.

You will be sure a warm welcome awaits.

We meet every other Thursday 2pm-4pm.

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TAKEAWAY MENU NOW AVAILABLE

Kebabs, burgers hotdogs, jacket potatoes, etc.

Morning coffee

Afternoon tea

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then every Friday, fortnightly



♥ Sunday, 14 FEBRUARY **VALENTINES DAY** ♥

3 course special menu only £12.95 (normal menu available as well)
from 7pm. Book now.



Saturday, 20 FEBRUARY **LIVE MUSIC**
with BIG 'D' rock 'n' roll music from the 50's - 80's



♥ Sunday, 14 MARCH treat mum for **MOTHER'S DAY** ♥

CALL IN AND GIVE US A LOOK!

Good news is reported to travel fast. So, as you will have already heard, the **Hilgay Village Green project** has been granted permission by the Parish Council to use the land adjacent to the playing field for growing veg, fruit and flowers *in conjunction with the Hilgay school children, also all parishioners are invited to be involved.*

We would like to say thank you to Hilgay Parish Council for providing this opportunity.

We have endeavoured to be as informative as possible during the preparation of the Lottery bid. There has been an open meeting held and a leaflet delivered to all doors in the village, providing explanation of the proposed Lottery application and opportunities for parishioners to propose ideas and contribute.

The Hilgay Village Green Committee, with the help of the *West Norfolk Borough County Council* have approved a **Village Survey**, *which many of you will have already received.*

It is based on the input that we have received from many members of the village so far. **Please, please, please fill it in.** If you have already put in suggestions it is **VITAL** that you fill this one in as the results will go to strengthen our bid to the lottery. Many Thanks.

(If you require any help with the survey please contact a member of the steering committee who will be happy to help).

The village survey has an informative sheet at the front, which once again explains the ideas proposed for the application bid to date. Please remember these ideas can be expanded on and developed further.

Also, there will be a **film crew** in the village on Thursday, **18th February** for the day. We will be filming at the playing field and in the village hall, and around the village at various sites.

If you are interested in getting involved -please give me a call on 01366 380 283 or email hilgay@ymail.com

Please remember that the aim of the Village Green project is to enhance our village and build a stronger community.

With that in mind we are organising an *open event to provide information and gain ideas*, at the **Rose & Crown** on Saturday, **20th February** between 2pm and 4pm. All are welcome.

***Do you want to make difference to our village?
Hilgay needs your support.***

Regards Harvey