

# Riverside News



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## Useful contact details

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## **Hilgay Village Hall**

### **Working for the Community**



## **UP AND COMING EVENTS IN HILGAY VILLAGE HALL**

### **June**

Slimming world – Every Monday

(Two Sessions 5:30pm & 7:30pm)

St John's Ambulance - Every Tuesday 7:30 – 9:00pm

Parents and Toddlers – Wednesdays 10:00 – 11:30am

#### **Other Events**

**School Bingo Friday 7<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 – 10:30pm**

**Blackheart Concert – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> – 8:00pm**

(Doors open at 7:00pm)

**Coffee Morning – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> - 10:30am – 12:00pm**

**Film Night – Stan & Ollie (PG) – Friday 28<sup>th</sup>**

### **July**

Slimming world – Every Monday

(Two Sessions 5:30pm & 7:30pm)

St John's Ambulance - Every Tuesday 7:30 – 9:00pm

Parents and Toddlers – Wednesdays 10:00 – 11:30am (3<sup>rd</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> only)

#### **Other Events**

**Parish Council Meeting - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> - 7:00pm – 9:00pm**

**Coffee Morning – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> - 10:30am – 12:00pm**

**Film Night – The Keeper (15) - Friday 26<sup>th</sup>**

### **FILM NIGHTS**

Doors open at 7:00pm for the evening show at 7:30pm

Tickets: - £5.00

(The ticket price includes a complimentary glass of wine)

Free Tea, Coffee and biscuits will also be served.

To book your seat please ring either Kevin on 01366 387555 or Val on 01366 388909.

Tickets are also available at Ali's shop

### **CONTACT NOS.**

**Slimming World:** Rachel Everett - 07546 236515,

**General Enquires:** 01366 388909 or 07826 216285



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## Hilgay Village Hall

Working for the Community



## The Blackheart Orchestra



**The concert is being held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2019**

**Doors open at 7:00pm concerts starts at 8:00pm**

**Tickets £10.00 each**

**To get your tickets ring 01366 388909 or 07826 216285**

**Tickets also available from the Village shop**

**There will be a Licensed Bar available on the night**

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## Hilgay Village Hall

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**Our next three Coffee mornings are on  
the 27<sup>th</sup> June, 25<sup>th</sup> July and 29<sup>th</sup> August all starting at 10:30**



**Come along and enjoy a cup of tea or  
coffee, homemade cakes of various  
sorts and of course good company.  
Also, have a go at our regular Raffle**



**To keep in touch with our events,  
visit our website at  
[www.hilgayvillagehall.co.uk](http://www.hilgayvillagehall.co.uk)  
and subscribe to our Monthly Newsletter**



## Hilgay Village Hall Film Night

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

**Stan & Ollie (PG)**



Starring Steve Coogan and John C. Reilly as the legendary movie icons, Stan & Ollie. This is the heart-warming story of what would become the pair's triumphant farewell tour. With their golden era long behind them, the pair embark on a variety hall tour of Britain and Ireland. Despite the pressures of a hectic schedule, and with the support of their wives Lucille (Shirley Henderson) and Ida (Nina Arianda) – a formidable double act

in their own right - the pair's love of performing, as well as for each other, endures as they secure their place in the hearts of their adoring public.



**Doors open at 7:00 for the evening show at 7:30pm**  
**Tickets: – £5.00 (The ticket price includes a complimentary glass of wine)**  
**Free Tea, Coffee and biscuits will also be served.**  
**To book your seat please ring either Kevin on 01366 387555 or Val on 01366 388909.**  
**Tickets are also available at Alf's shop**



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## Hilgay Village Hall Film Night

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July**

### The Keeper (15)



The extraordinary story of German POW Bert Trautmann. Talent-spotted playing football in the camp by the manager of St Helens Town, he stayed on in England at the end of the war and married the manager's daughter. Facing down hostility and abuse for being German, he went on to be signed by Manchester City, securing victory for his team in the 1956 Cup Final despite a broken neck. Starring David Kross (The

Reader) and Freya Mavor. *Note: This has a local interest as his son is now at Marham, working with the new F-35 Jets*



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**Tickets: – £5.00**

**(The ticket price includes a complimentary glass of wine)**

**Free Tea, Coffee and biscuits will also be served.**

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**Tickets are also available at All's shop**



## Hilgay Village Hall – Hire Charges

All hire charge rates include heating, lighting and catering facilities

To book the hall, please ring Val on 01366 388909

## Village Hall Management Committee

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Should you want further information on the up and coming events or anything to do with Hilgay Village Hall please ring either 01366 388 909 or 07826 216 285.

If you would like to receive the Village Hall Newsletter by email please go onto the Village hall website at [www.hilgayvillagehall.co.uk](http://www.hilgayvillagehall.co.uk) and subscribe.



# **Riverside News**

## **Riverside Federation**

### **Hilgay & Ten Mile Bank**

#### **Schools**



***No Report this month***

# Riverside News

## Friends of Hilgay Riverside Academy

*You are invite you to join us for*



**To be held in  
Hilgay Village Hall  
on**

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

**Free admission**

**Doors open at 6:30**

**Eyes down at 7:00**

**There will be prizes for 1 line, 2 lines and a full house  
Bingo dabbers and refreshments will be for sale.**

**There will also be a Raffle.**

Donations of Raffle Prizes will be gratefully accepted.

Please contact Hayley Burton on 07748 164536

All proceeds will purchase vital equipment for the village school.

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## Hilgay Good Companions



### Good Companions Forthcoming Events

6<sup>th</sup> - June Summer Tea Party with 50s 60s and 70s music,  
20<sup>th</sup> June - AGM, followed by a game of Hoy,  
4<sup>th</sup> July - Music with MANDY WILDE ,  
18<sup>th</sup> July - Slide show and talk WELNEY through the seasons,  
1<sup>st</sup> August - is the UKULELES Live Music.

Tuesday evenings is Cash Bingo Night at the Good Companions, doors open at 6.00 pm Eyes Down at 7.30pm. We also have a Members Only Jackpot, which you pay into each week 25p per Jackpot. If you are away or miss a week you double up next time.

We are still looking for new members, over 55's. We meet every 2 weeks on a Thursday 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm so if anybody is interested, why not give us a visit and see for yourself, if you like what you see and hear, and you can become a member its open to all, the club is not just for Hilgay people.

We are still looking for a cleaner, twice a month. If you are interested please give Kathy or Peter Hudson a call on 01366 385578 for more information.

### **CONTACT NOS.**

Roger P Collins, Chairman of the Good Companions Club, Ely Road, Hilgay.  
If you have any enquires please call me on 01366 500 088. If I'm not in, please leave a message and I'll call you back. Or, email me at [roger.p.collins@gmail.com](mailto:roger.p.collins@gmail.com)

*Roger Collins*

P.S. One other thing, if anybody wants to hold a Bingo Night to raise funds for charities, I am available. I have a P.A system with Mics, Bingo Machines, and can supply 5 or 10 game books, also singles/flyers at cost. Not Tuesdays or Fridays as they are booked.

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## Hilgay Silver Band



The summer season for the band has just begun. You may have seen us at the Downham Festival, and even tried out some instruments!

We play again on:

June 2nd at The Walks King's Lynn, part of The Lions' Family Fun Day. 12:00 – 4:00pm

June 9th Sandringham Visitors Centre 3:00pm

June 29th Dad's Army Museum concert 1:00pm.

We hope you might join us for some of these, and even more that you might want to have a go at Brass.

We offer tuition to anyone who is interested. We meet weekly on Thursdays in the Hilgay Band Room at 7:30pm – 9:30pm.

Any enquiries please contact Maria on 07961 087559.



**Hilgay Silver Band 1938**

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## All Saints Church, Hilgay



All Saints Church Services are every Sunday at 9:15am

### Pastoral Care and Worship

Father James Mather ssc - 01366 382187

Father Alan Davies – 01553 810675

### Access to All Saints Church

Because of the recent theft and vandalism, we regret that this village's church is now kept locked when unattended

**Key Holder** (not 24hr) – 01366 387 988

### Hilgay Vintage & Country Show - In aid of Hilgay Church and other local charities

*Hilgay Vintage*  
**& COUNTRY SHOW**

Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th August

ADMISSION £5 • UNDER 12'S FREE  
WEEKEND PASSES AVAILABLE £7.50

Down Hall, Hilgay, Nr Downham Market, PE38 0HZ

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like us on [www.facebook.com/HilgayShow](http://www.facebook.com/HilgayShow)

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## Hilgay Methodist Church



### Hilgay Carpet Bowls Club

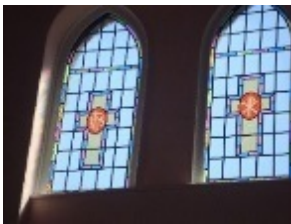
We finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in our Winter Fen Regis League and started in the Summer League with matches planned at home , against Sporle and Paradise in May.

Now we have our club on a Thursday evening 7:00pm – 9:00pm.  
We always welcome new members.

Recently we enjoyed a lunch meal at The Heron, Stowbridge for Members and partners

*Val Gooding*

### HILGAY METHODIST CHURCH “Serving God and Serving the Community”



#### **WORSHIP EVERY SUNDAY AT 10:00am**

A warm welcome awaits anyone who would like to join us

#### **CONTACTS:**

Revd Maurice Stafford 01366 388766 (Including enquiries about baptisms, marriages, bereavements or funerals)  
Mrs Pauline Driver – Church Steward 387317 (Bookings and details of Guild Meetings)  
Mrs Lesley Dent – Church Council Secretary 387337 (Enquiries about church events and Shell Club)

#### **SEE OUR NOTICE BOARDS FOR REMINDERS, UPDATES AND FURTHER DETAILS OF SERVICES**

**TRIBUTE:** The members of Hilgay Methodist will greatly miss, Gordon Kisby, who died in May. Gordon was a much loved and well respected member of our church family. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with Mona and her family at this very sad time.

**NEWS:** GUILD is currently on its summer break. Meetings will begin again on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019. We had a successful Messy Church for Easter on April 15<sup>th</sup> and are holding another one in June.

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## EVENTS FOR JUNE AND JULY 2019



You are warmly invited to join us In celebrating our Chapel Anniversary and the birthday of the Church on

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June 10:00am – 11:30am

### **MESSY CHURCH instead of the usual Shell Club.**

Children of all ages, mums, dads, grans and grandads are invited to join us to celebrate our Chapel Anniversary and the Birthday of the Church.

Fun for all the family. Games and activities, refreshments and worship.



### **Songs of Praise led by Deacon Janet Stafford**

**10 00a.m. Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

**A celebration of our Chapel's Anniversary and birth of the Church.**



**SHELL CLUB - Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>**

10:00am - 11.30am for children of school age.

### **COFFEE MORNING – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July**

10:30am – 12:00noon

**In memory of Gwen Dearsley**

Stalls and Raffle

In Aid of the Norfolk Hospice Tapping House



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## Rose & Crown Pub Events



### **Opening Hours**

Monday – Closed

Tuesdays & Wednesdays – 6:00pm to 11:00pm

Thursday & Fridays – 4:00pm to 12:00 midnight

Saturdays – 12:00noon to 12:00 midnight

Sundays – 12:00noon to 10:30pm

Sunday Roast – 1:00pm to 3:00pm



### **Quiz Nights**

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June – 8:00pm

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July – 8:00pm



### **Karaoke Nights**

Friday June 28<sup>th</sup> – 8:00pm

Friday July 26<sup>th</sup> – 8:00pm

### **Live Shows**

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Pride – 8:00pm (Also known as KJ and Dan Singing Duo)

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Dead Horse – 8:00pm

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Mark Anthony – 8:00pm

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Georgie – 8:00pm

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July – John Clinton – 8:00pm

### **Other Events**

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June Poker Tournament – 3:00pm

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Pool Tournament – 3:00pm

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Poker Tournament – 3:00pm

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## Hilgay General Matters

### **Hilgay Raft Race**

**in aid of  
Downham Market  
Dementia Support Association**

**To be held on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**Gates open at 12:00 noon**

**Entrance Fee £1.00 Concessions and under 12's Free**



**The Raft Race is hosted  
by Radio Norfolk's  
Wally Webb**



**There will also be the famous Hilgay Duck Race  
along with lots to do and plenty to eat on the  
Riverfield, and great prizes to be won.**

For more information and Race Entry Forms please contact Ali Dent on  
01366 387686 or call Howard on 01945 430880.  
You can also get information at Hilgay Village shop



Organised with the help of Downham market  
Rotary Club



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## Prostate Cancer Charity Book Sale



Ali Dent would like to thank all those who helped at the Charity Book Sale on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May.

We took a total of £3,528 for Prostate Cancer.

Our next Book Sale will be in October and it will be for Guillain–Barré Syndrome Society



Summer is really getting into its stride, the days are warm and fine and the evenings are best enjoyed with a glass of wine. Though whilst it may well be a time for relaxing, there is always something to be getting on with in the garden.

Enjoying your garden is the most important aspect of gardening why else do we do it. So whether you enjoy growing your own fruit and vegetables, the scent of fresh herbs and flowers in your home or entertaining friends and family at Baytree of Hilgay we believe the garden should always be an important part of your home.

### **Key Jobs to Tackle In June & July in the Garden**

Rather than list hundreds of jobs to tackle I thought I would condense them to the key jobs that will keep your garden looking great without too much effort

1. Keep watering your plants during warm dry spells. Water in the evening to reduce evaporation.
2. Your lawn will be growing rapidly during the summer months so keep on top of regularly mowing your grass.
3. To preserve moisture in the soil mulch around your plants and borders.
4. Dead head any flowering plants as this will encourage more flowers.
5. Don't let your greenhouse get too hot so during the day ventilate it regularly to ensure a good flow of air.
6. Remember to enjoy your garden, it's your sanctuary.

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## Get Grilling this Summer



For many people Barbecue season starts in May and runs all the way into September. However if you have just removed the cover from your barbecue, dusted it off only to discover that it really needs to go to the big barbecue in the sky then fear not.

At Baytree of Hilgay we can help you choose the perfect barbecue for your needs whether it be a traditional charcoal fuelled model or a modern gas barbecue we have a range of styles to suit all budgets.

However we are particularly proud to stock Grillstream Gas Barbecues. The Grillstream technology streams both the fat away from your food and away from the hot burners. The result is tastier and healthier barbecued food.

Let's not forget the main advantage of a gas barbecue is how they provide instant controllable heat at the touch of a dial. For a new barbecue head down to our outdoor leisure and barbecue department today which also stocks all the accessories you'll need to cook like a barbecue champion, and don't forget to pick up all the food and drink you'll need from our Farm Shop.



Baytree of Hilgay, Steels Drove, Hilgay, Downham Market,  
Norfolk, PE38 0QH  
email [info@baytreehilgay.co.uk](mailto:info@baytreehilgay.co.uk) tel. 01366 385661

part of the **Baytree**  
Garden Centre Family



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## Ten Mile Bank Village Hall



### Events in Ten Mile Bank Village Hall

**Carpet Bowls** – every Friday night at 7:00pm

To book the Village Hall for your, Birthday Party, Anniversary Party, Children's Party, Club Meeting, Training Course, Coffee Morning, Craft Fair or any other event please contact:

Jill Field	1, Watersmeet, Church Road, Ten Mile Bank	01366 377 640
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All rates include heating, lighting and catering facilities

### Defibrillator



I'm please to tell you that Ten Mile Bank now has a Defibrillator. It is a box attached to the external wall of the Village Hall.

When you have a medical emergency and you ring 999 for an ambulance they will give you the code to open the external case so that you can take out the Defibrillator.

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## Friends of Ten Mile Bank Riverside Academy



This was a great evening and thank you to all who donated items or gave time to make the event a roaring success.

Also thank you to all who came, with a special thank you to Naxos for the meal voucher at Johnsons

Will we be holding another Bingo at the end of September beginning of October, date to be set.

Thank you to all the villagers who have bought balls for the Ball Race which has been postponed to after the Children's Sports Day on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

We will be coming round the village again in the next couple of weeks.

We have taken your comments on board and in future all who collect ball money, will have the new Friend's lanyards on, to prove who they are.

The Fete planning is in full swing and anyone who wants a Car Boot stall or a Stall to sell their crafts please get in touch. This is going to be another great day on our lovely field.

*Jessica Rolph*

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## Friends of Ten Mile Bank Riverside Academy continued



**Friends of TMB Riverside  
Academy presents....**

**ANNUAL SUMMER**

**FETE**

**July 21st 12-3pm**



**Ten Mile Bank Playing Fields**

**CAR BOOT, PERFORMANCES, STALLS,  
TRADITIONAL GAMES, REFRESHMENTS,  
'BIG WHEELS' DISPLAY AND HORSE &**

**CART RIDES**

**FREE ENTRY**

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## St Mark's Church, Ten Mile Bank



### St Mark's Service Times

Services are held at 11:00am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.

### Events at St. Mark's

A wonderfully chaotic Palm Sunday service was held in April, attended by over 50 villagers, including 18 children and one amazingly contented baby! The children were able to move freely between their parents/carers and the craft supplies at the back of the Church, with Fr Alan awarding a prize for the best craft item (pictured below). Incredibly, after the service, not only were all the 2019 Easter eggs found, but the children even managed to find eggs from 2018 and 2017 (pictured below)! Unsurprisingly no one wanted to take these home.



Christian Aid Week commenced on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May, with a service in St Mark's. This service of quiet prayer and contemplation was held on a beautiful spring evening, with the door wide open, the late sun streaming through the windows and the sound of birds outside in the trees. An assortment of Mary's cakes accompanied the teas and coffees afterwards, with a selection of cakes available for purchase.

As a result of the number of children trying to access the craft table at Easter, we realised that we needed more space at the back of the Church. Furniture has been moved and a much larger space is now available for the children. We plan to have another craft table at both the Lavender service (currently planned for July) and at our Harvest service at the end of September. After these, we will consider whether yet more space should be made available to the children. We are still in discussion about the Lavender service, but we are hoping to have a "celebration of summer" service, with Lavender products for sale in the Church.

*"Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these."*

*Luke chapter 12 v 27*

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## Parish Past and Present

### A Look at Local History

#### CAPTAIN MANBY – LOCAL HERO

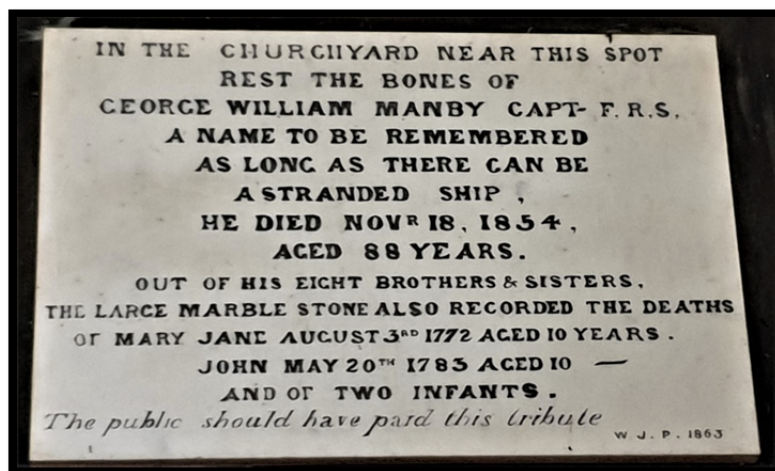
##### Part 1 – The Man

The next time you visit All Saint's Church in Hilgay, take a look up at the right-hand wall and you will see a stone engraved as follows:

IN THE CHURCHYARD NEAR THIS SPOT REST THE BONES OF GEORGE WILLIAM MANBY  
CAPT-F.R.S. A NAME TO BE REMEMBERED AS LONG AS THERE CAN BE A STRANDED  
SHIP. HE DIED NOV 18 1854 AGED 88 YEARS. OUT OF HIS EIGHT BROTHERS AND  
SISTERS. THE LARGE MARBLE STONE ALSO RECORDED THE DEATHS OF MARY JANE  
AUGUST 3<sup>RD</sup> 1772 AGE 10 YEARS. JOHN MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 1783 AGED 10 - AND OF TWO  
INFANTS.

*The public should have paid this tribute*

W.J.P 1863

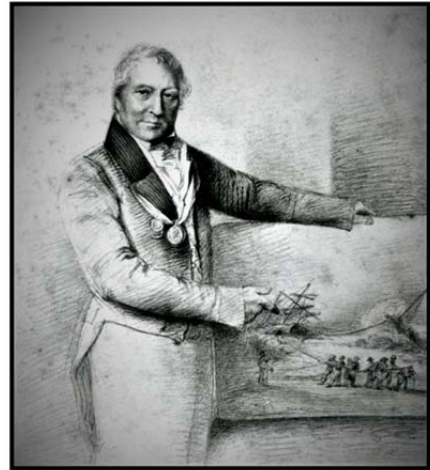


Not far away outside in the churchyard, on the south side of the nave, is his grave, the headstone of which bears the very feint inscription:

HERE LIES THE BODY OF  
GEORGE WILLIAM MANBY  
BORN 1765 DIED 1854  
INVENTOR OF A MORTAR FOR SAVING  
LIFE IN SHIPWRECK  
GRANT HIM LORD  
ETERNAL REST

Above the inscription are three roundels which show a mortar, a ship and an anchor. It is in very poor condition and hardly a fitting tribute to a local hero.

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**Captain George William Manby FRS  
1765 - 1854**

So who was this man deserving two memorials in our village? George Manby was born at Easthall Manor in Denver, the son of Matthew Pepper Manby who was a captain in the Royal Welch Fusiliers. Shortly after his christening, the family moved to Wood Hall in Hilgay where the rest of his siblings were born. From the age of five, he attended a school in Downham Market where Manby claims he was educated alongside a young Horatio Nelson. This is highly unlikely as Nelson was seven when Manby was born and went to sea aged 12. In addition, Nelson's biographies record him as being educated at the Royal Grammar School in Norwich and Paston School, North Walsham with no mention of Downham Market.

At an age when today's teenagers are spending time on electronic devices, the young Manby was experimenting by shooting an attached line from a mortar over Saint Edmund's Church in Downham Market. A mortar is defined as *"a simple, lightweight, man portable, muzzle-loaded weapon, consisting of a smooth-bore metal tube fixed to a base plate...launching shells in a high arcing ballistic trajectory... typically used as an indirect fire weapon for close fire support with a variety of ammunition."*

After further education in Kent and failing to make the grade as an artillery officer at the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, he became a captain in the Cambridge Militia. At the age of 28, in 1793, George was married to Jane Preston. It was a disastrous marriage leading to bankruptcy and the sale of Wood Hall. He left her in 1801 after being shot by her lover. He was bailed out of debtors prison by his younger brother, Thomas and set about writing a pamphlet on Napoleon's plans to invade England which so impressed the Secretary of War, Charles York, that he was appointed Barrack Master at Great Yarmouth.

It was while he was based In Great Yarmouth that he witnessed several shipwrecks which led to his invention of the lifesaving apparatus for which he became famous. This will be described in part two of this article.

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## Parish Council Matters

### Parish Council Meetings

Dear Residents,

Agendas for the meetings are usually posted the previous Friday, and are available on the Parish Council Website ([www.hilgayparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.hilgayparishcouncil.org.uk)) and the Ten Mile Bank village website ([www.tenmilebank.co.uk](http://www.tenmilebank.co.uk)). If any resident would like to be sent a copy by email of the Agenda when it is issued, and or the Minutes, please email the Clerk

The next meetings are as follows

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Ten Mile Bank – 7:00pm

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Hilgay Village Hall – 7:00pm

August – No Parish Council Meeting

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## Hilgay & Ten Mile Bank Parish Councillors

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## **Parish Council Staff**

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Judith Taylor - Clerk	01366 500 722 or 07706 345156 hilgayparishclerk@hotmail.co.uk

## **Committees**

Data Protection	Graham Carter, Ryan Coogan, Alan Holmes
Finance & Resources	Alan Holmes (Chair), Ryan Coogan, Vic Martin
Planning Policy	Elaine Hall (Chair), Graham Carter, Peter Dornan, Jane Heatrick

## **Working Groups**

Allotments	Peter Bates, Elaine Hall
Footpaths	Gillian Harris , Annabel Charlesworth, Elaine Hall
Land Holdings	Graham Carter, Alan Holmes, Vic Martin
Records	Alan Holmes, Vic Martin
Meadow Garden Hilgay	Annabel Charlesworth, Gillian Harris, Vic Martin
War Memorial Refurbishment	Peter Bates, Ray Houghton, Graham Carter

## **Your County & Borough Councillors**

County Councillor – Martin Storey	Cllr.martin.storey@west-norfolk.gov.uk 01842 828016 & 07850 866854
Borough Councillor – Alan Holmes	Cllr.alan.holmes@west-norfolk.gov.uk 01366 380 606 & 07885 258418

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## HILGAY UNITED CHARITIES

### **Further Education and Apprenticeship Grants**

Hilgay United Charities (The Feoffees) offer Further Education and Apprenticeship Grants to persons living in the Parish of Hilgay and Ten Mile Bank

The grants are available for the purchase of tools, books, equipment or uniform required for Starting Work, Apprenticeships, Training Schemes or Higher Education

If you wish to be considered for a grant, please write for an application form to the Clerk to the Charity

**Mr AJ Hall, Windrush, Church Road, Ten Mile Bank  
Downham Market PE38 0EJ**

Or send an email to

**[hilgay.feoffees@aol.com](mailto:hilgay.feoffees@aol.com)**

The Trustees meet three times a year and will consider applications at their next meeting

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#### **Conditions of Application**

Grants are available to all persons aged 16 or over

Applicants must live in the Parish of Hilgay, including Ten Mile Bank

Applicants must have been on a course or in training for a period of at least three months

Applicants must be able to demonstrate that their training or course is being accomplished in a satisfactory manner

Previous applicants can apply to continue their courses or training

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**Hilgay United Charities are registered with the Charity Commission – No. 208898**

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