



Parish Clock

# Great Snoring Village Newsletter June 2021

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Pink tulip

**Welcome** to the first edition of the Great Snoring Village Newsletter. It will be produced every two months and each edition will contain news from the Parish Council, plus regular updates from the Social Club and the Parochial Church Council as well as details of local events. We would welcome pieces from residents. This could be a birthday or celebratory message, a description of a local walk, a photo, a recipe for seasonal produce, or perhaps a joke or proverb. If you have something to share, please do send it to the editor at [greatsnoringpc@googlemail.com](mailto:greatsnoringpc@googlemail.com) (with 'newsletter' as the subject) and we will endeavour to publish it.

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## Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 8 July at 7 pm in the Social Club. More information including minutes can be found on the website (see above).

## News from the Parish Council

At the recent meeting it was decided to re-introduce a bi-monthly newsletter for the Village. We would like to thank the previous Editor and those who delivered it to households around the village, your work was much appreciated.

Do you need more space to grow your own vegetables and soft fruit? If so, there are a few plots available on the allotments between Dilldash Lane and The Street. Do contact the Parish Clerk for more information.

The application to have the Kissing Gate added to the Definitive Map for Public Rights of Way is currently going through the legal consultation process at the County Council.

The flooding on Thursford Road at Duck End has been a great problem this year. We are pleased to

note that Highways have scheduled work to replace the pipe under the road at the bend which should alleviate the problem.

The Highways verge-cutting will be carried out as usual in June, so enjoy the cow parsley flowers for the next few weeks.

If you notice any Highways defects such as potholes, damaged road signs and flooding please do report them using the online form on the County Council website: <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem>.



View of Dildash House, Unicorn House and Dilldash Lane from Fakenham Road, Great Snoring

## Litter Pick

Sunday 13 June: meet at 10:30 am in the Social Club car park. Remember to bring your own gloves and litter-pickers if you have them and wear something easily visible.

## Social Club

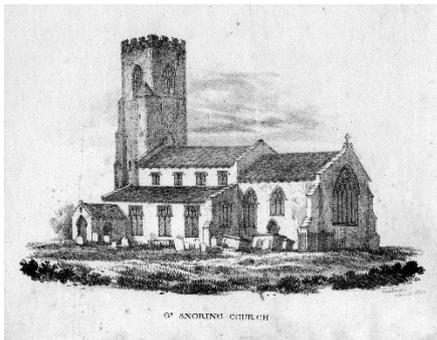
The Club has undergone a lot of refurbishment during the lockdowns, including updated toilets and a new carpet laid in the snooker room and of course just prior to lockdown we replaced all the furniture in the lounge bar. So, we're looking very smart and we haven't finished yet!

Fingers crossed we'll be able to run a Club Barbecue with live music on July 3rd and you'll be able to come and see for yourself.



### **Parish Clock**

The Parish Clock is on the top of the newsletter as it belongs to the village even though it is on the church tower. The Parish Clock was originally installed to commemorate the coronation of Edward VII in 1902. Since then, there have been renovations, updating and a new dial (2016) which have been funded by collections from the village residents and benefactors. The Parish Council currently holds £800 in a reserve account for the maintenance of the Clock.



### **News from St Mary's**

After two years of silence the bells are ringing again and the clock is working! Early in 2019 we had to close access to the Tower owing to damage to beams in the belfry and silence chamber from death watch beetle. After delays to obtain the necessary permissions, particularly to ensure that we did not disturb any bats, work finally started at the beginning of January 2021.

As always, more problems arose – jackdaws had nested in the Tower and the area had to be thoroughly cleaned before the workmen could start, then they found that floor boards also needed replacing! We are delighted to say that thanks to the excellent work by Pikestaff Builders all is now “shipshape” and Jonathan can ensure that the clock is keeping good time. We are all grateful to those who donated funds which allowed us to carry out the work.

As one problem recedes, another arrives. We now need to raise funds to carry out work on two of our large trees in the churchyard. We hope that you will all support the fund-raising events which will be arranged and remind you that any donations from tax payers can be gift aided.

If you visit the church do look out for the lovely wooden font cover donated in memory of Jill Brettingham Smith. A fitting memorial to a much-missed resident of Great Snoring.

PCC of St Mary's, Great Snoring

### **Wanse Bayly Wayside Gardens Prize**

When Dr Hugh Wanse Bayly of Cleveney (now Church House) died in 1946, he left a legacy to St Mary's Church to provide an annual prize to encourage wayside gardens in the Parish. The definition of “wayside” is a garden fronting the road with no wall or raised ground between it and the road. In recent years, three prizes (£15, £10 & £5) have been awarded. The winner also receives an engraved Cup, currently held by Mick & Denise Judge of Lazy Toad, Thursford Road.

Wayside gardens in the Parish of Great Snoring will be judged towards the end of July 2021.



**1<sup>st</sup> Prize 2020 Wanse Bayly Prize**  
Mick & Denise Judge, Lazy Toad, Thursford Rd

### **Thank you**

Thank you to all of you who stepped up to help others during the year of lockdowns, shielding, self-isolation and social distancing. It was heartening to see people looking out for others in the village.

### **Local Events / Information**

#### **Thorpland Hall Garden Open**

**Sunday 7 June 12 noon – 5 pm** for St John Ambulance. Homemade Refreshments and Plant Sales. Adults £6, children free, guide dogs only.

**Wednesday 16 June 11 am – 5 pm** in aid of the NGS and St Mary's Church, Great Snoring. Admission £6; children free. Homemade teas.

#### **Walsingham Way**

You may have noticed new wooden way-markers in the area with a logo depicting a crown with WW beneath it. These are way-markers for the new Walsingham Way: a sign-posted walk from Norwich cathedral to the Shrines in Walsingham approximately following the route taken by royalty and other pilgrims. More information can be found on the website <http://walsinghamway.co.uk/>.

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