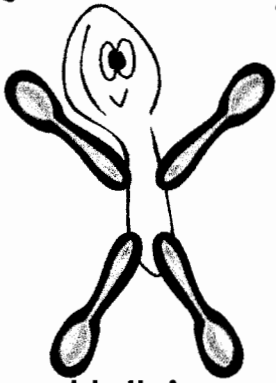


Spooner Row, Sutton & Wattlefield

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# NEWS- LETTER

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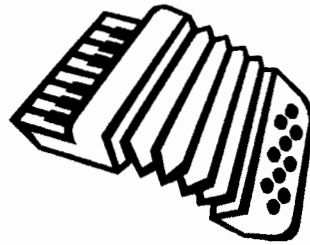
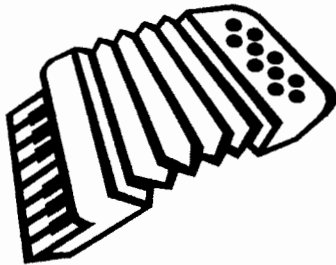


Free Taster Sessions are coming to Spooner Row Village Hall. They are open to everyone and scheduled to run during April 2002. See enclosed leaflet for details.



*Come and Sing Along to*

# THE NORWICH ACCORDIAN BAND



SUNDAY 7th APRIL 2002 2-4 pm  
at

SPOONER ROW VILLAGE HALL

Tickets £2.50 including a cup of tea or coffee

## Christmas Bingo

The Christmas Bingo evening held on 10<sup>th</sup> December had a good turn out. The Bingo, together with the Grand Draw, raised a total of £557.90. The winner for the 1<sup>st</sup> prize of £50 went to Mrs S Kauffman. In addition the Christmas Squares Game raised £67. A good time was had by all and thanks to everyone who supported us.

Thank you to the following who donated prizes: Acorn Hamilton, Banham Zoo, Chips Away (Wymondham), Crown Chicken, Folliard Hydraulics, Great Ellingham Garden Company, Mr J Greetham, Mrs D Hockaday, Colin Lord, Richard Mack, Miss J Peters, Robinsons (Norwich), Three Boars Pub, Mr G Turrell, Waitrose, Mrs P Warner.

## Weekly Bingo

Bingo is still held on Monday evenings at 8 pm and new players are always welcome. Congratulations to Alison Peters who recently won the £100 jackpot.

## ??????????? Quiz Night ????????????

The "Quiz and Chips" evening held on 1st February raised £161 towards the refurbishment of the Village Hall. Winners were: 1st, Quiz Idols; 2nd, Norfolk 'n' Good and last but not least, 17th, Mayfield 4.

Our "WHO DUN IT ?" quiz was won by Trish Colchester, congratulations and well done Trish.

**Our next "Quiz and Chips" night will be on  
FRIDAY 10th May 2002 7.30 for 8.00 pm start**

For bookings please contact Lesley Partner 01953 601581 or Roz Ross 01953 603179. We look forward to seeing you then.

## Many Thanks.....

The Committee would like to thank Edward Peters and Sharmen Day for donating and fitting the carpet in the front porch of the Village Hall, John Rhind for kindly donating paving slabs to surround the new bench. Thanks also to Tom Toogood for his hard work in mending a large volume of chairs in the Village Hall. We can now sit on them in safety!

*Make a date for The Golden Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II*

**Come and celebrate the Jubilee with us at our Family Teddy Bears Picnic on Saturday 1st June from 2.30 pm. Bring your picnic, your teddy and all the family for a fun afternoon/evening. Come early, stay late.**

See the next Newsletter for details.

## New Notice Board and Bench

We have two new additions outside the Village Hall: A notice board, which was donated by Wymondham Town Council and erected by Paul and Robert Hawkins and a bench which was donated by Waitrose. This was placed alongside the notice board and secured in position by Wymondham Town Council. The Committee are grateful for these contributions. They will form part of the longer term plans to improve this site for the benefit of the local community.



## New Members Needed

Carpet Bowls 7.30 – 9.30 Wednesday evening from September – June.

Are there any bowlers in the village pining for a roll up? Or any would-be bowlers who would like to try? We need you now! We are a small friendly group aged from teens upwards. But we need more members. Come along and join us. Charges are moderate, it's a pleasant evening out and you do not need to be super fit!!

Ring Dawn on 452381 for more details or come along Wednesday at 7.30 pm.

## Few Words from the Secretary

Village Hall 100 Club

Here I am again, after your money, just for a change. Let me tell you about the 100 club, which has operated in the village for several years now. At the moment it is the 'almost 100' club, as we are not quite at the magic 100. Some of you may remember not so long ago when it was 150 club, so times have got hard since then! By law we are allowed to pay out 56% of the takings, so for every £1 we take in, the Hall keeps approximately 46p. This soon adds up - and the draw is not so bad either. We have 12 monthly draws starting in February to give us a chance to collect the money. We pay one prize of £40 and two of £5 each month, drawn at Bingo on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month - next draw (3<sup>rd</sup> of the year) Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April. At Christmas we have a bonus draw when we pay out another £40. This means there are 37 prizes over the year, so the chances of winning something are quite high - one in three of winning at least £5. I hope I am persuading you to join us. It is really easy. All you need to do is give me £12 in January (preferably) or £6 in January and £6 in July, and you are in for the year!

The more members we have the more we can pay out, and the more money goes into the Village Hall's meagre coffers. Support your Hall! Join the 100 club! Every extra member counts.

Call 01953 602768 to get a number and participate. NOW !!! Thank you.

*Alison Peters*

P.S. The 100 Club winners for March were: No. 48, R Saunders £40 No. 66, R Evans £5  
No. 26, A Barnley £5

## Good Companions

If you are over 50, like meeting people for coffee and a chat and enjoy outings then come and join our group. We meet every other Thursday at 2 pm in the Village Hall. It costs 50 pence per session and includes a cup of tea (or coffee), and a raffle ticket.

Contact Mrs Cole-Wilkins 01953 605905 or Mrs Barnley 01953 603318 for further details. (Why not join us at the Accordion Band Concert?)

# VILLAGE NEWS

## RE-CYCLING

O.K. Own up. How many of you are still unaware of the re-cycling centre on Spooner Row Recreation Ground? The money raised by the collections goes directly towards maintaining the local recreation ground. The Centre takes newspapers, cans, plastic bottles and glass. When using the Centre please remember to take your empty boxes away with you as we cannot accept them for re-cycling yet. If you've ever wondered what the re-cycled plastic bottles are used for, the fencing around the Centre and the bench outside the Village Hall are both made from re-cycled plastic.



## Mobile Police Office is Coming to Spooner Row



A Mobile Police Office has recently been set up and will operate in Wymondham and surrounding rural areas. It is currently timetabled to arrive at Spooner Row School between 2 pm– 3.30 pm on a Monday, on a 4 week rota. (The exact start times cannot be guaranteed for the first few months) A timetable is on display at the village hall notice board and the next one is due Monday 25th March. The mobile unit can be contacted during operational hours on 07786 854697 (at other times ring 01953 424242). If you have any queries or comments about the Mobile Police Office, contact Inspector Andrew Taylor, email: [tayloran@norfolk.police.uk](mailto:tayloran@norfolk.police.uk).

## Local Bus Services:

**Flexibus:** The Flexibus operates between Wymondham and Spooner Row/Suton/Wattlefield on Mondays and Fridays. There are two services on a Monday and one on a Friday. It can pick you up from your door and must be booked by 5 pm the day before travelling; for the Monday journey, by 5 pm the previous Friday. For enquiries and bookings ring 01953 606011.

**Konect Service 805:** This runs on Tuesdays and Fridays: Leaves Spooner Row 10.57. Arrives at Wymondham Cross 11.05. Leaves Wymondham Cross (Woolworths) 13.10. Arrives Spooner Row 13.19. The pick-up point is now opposite the Three Boars Pub on the Bunwell Road. For further information call 01953 881388.

## Charity Donation

Spooner Row bingo players have donated £100 Raised from their 'Charity Game' to The Stroke Association by sponsoring Nadine Rudd who is running in the London Marathon to raise funds for that charity.



## Spooner Row Holy Trinity Church



Weekly Sunday Service 11am  
**Easter Services**  
Good Friday  
29th March 2-3pm 'The Last Hour'  
Easter Sunday 11am Holy Communion

## Recreation Ground Play Area

Over the next few years Wymondham Town Council will be upgrading all the playgrounds within the parish. The good news is that Spooner Row Recreation Ground is next on the list and we look forward to the improvements in the future.

## Traffic Calming Speed Gates

- As you have probably seen, traffic calming speed gates are now in place on both Bunwell Road and Station Road.
- Speeding of cars on these roads was identified as a problem at a public meeting held in the Village Hall some time ago.
- Don't forget that traffic leaving the village has priority, please do not park near the gateways as this will cause a jam.
- When parking near the recreation ground and school please have consideration for residents needing to use their driveways.

## A Prettier Village

Wymondham Town Council have promised to supply the village with a planter outside the Three Boars Public House (to be maintained by the publican) and to refurbish the existing bench outside the church.

*Please report any vandalism in the village to the police.*

**Wanted (preferably as a donation)  
A large secure shed or Luton  
back for storage at the Village Hall.  
If you have one,  
please contact the Secretary.**

# WHAT'S ON AT THE VILLAGE HALL

**Monday** ..... Cash Bingo Eyes down 8 pm.

(100 Club Draw on second Monday each month)

**Tuesday** ..... Line Dancing 7 - 9 pm

Beginners Line Dancing 7 – 8 pm

Advance Line Dancing 8 – 9 pm

**Wednesday** ..... Carpet Bowls 7.30 - 9.30 pm

New Members always welcome

**Thursday** ..... Good Companions 2 - 4 pm

(Over 50s Club) Alternate weeks

Adult Education Tap Dancing 7.15 – 8.45 pm

Village Hall Committee Meetings 7.15 pm

last Thursday each month

## Hiring

The Village Hall has a large hall available for hire at £5 per hour and a medium sized room at £3 per hour. If your club or group is looking for a venue we have day time vacancies on most days and some evening slots for occasional hire.

Please contact the caretaker Malcolm Raynsford on 01953 604824

## Village Hall Committee

Chair..... Peter Frampton

Secretary..... Alison Peters

Treasurer..... Karen Dunn

Norman Huggins

Christine James

Lesley Partner

Rosalind Ross

Jon Wright

### Council Representatives

Paul Hawkins

Diana Hockaday

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## Gift Aid

- We are continually raising funds to refurbish the Village Hall by holding fund raising events and applying for grants. In addition to this we accept donations. If you would like to give a donation and are a taxpayer, Gift Aid can enhance each donation made by an individual. Gift Aid boosts each donation by 28% at no extra cost to the donor. For a Gift Aid form, ring 01953 600869.

We would like to include a 'Letters' column so if you have a subject of local interest that you feel strongly about, please write to the secretary at the address below.

*(The editors reserve the right to not to publish material they consider offensive or unsuitable)*

Here is the first.....



"Am I the only person who finds it offensive to have dog dirt walked in to my house?"

Surely when we have all fought so hard to get a new path to connect the village for all of us to walk, play and feel safe on, we do not have to put up with the paths in Spooner Row being used as a pets toilet!

Please can the owners be considerate of others' feet especially around the school area where there are children running here there and everywhere. Just take a bag with you and pick it up like the rest of us do. If your children take the dog out, do they take a bag? - Let's all just be more thoughtful and **CLEAR IT UP!**"

*From a concerned Village Resident*

**WWW.WWW.WWW.WWW.WWW.WWW.WWW.WWW.WWW.WWW.WWW.**

## Village Hall Website

We have created a website for the Village Hall:

**[www.wymondham-norfolk.co.uk/spooner-row](http://www.wymondham-norfolk.co.uk/spooner-row)**, which is attached to the Wymondham Town Website. Included is a notice board for you to contribute any comments (clean comments only!)

We would like to produce a website to include the whole of Spooner Row. Does anyone have any old photographs or literature, memories and stories, newspaper cuttings, other interesting facts etc. connected with the village of Spooner Row that we could include? Do you have any information about the granary at Spooner Row before it became a village hall in 1949?

To contact us, e-mail - [spoonerrow@hotmail.com](mailto:spoonerrow@hotmail.com) with your information if you think you can help or with things you would like to see included.