July / August 2019

Hello Folks

I haven't as yet found another person living in any of the villages that wants to take on the editorship of focal Point so it is still me here. I was just wondering today if you could all mention it when you are out and about, I dare say there are some people who don't actually read the magazine (which is a shame as there is quite a lot of information in it) and so wont be aware that a new editor is needed. Perhaps those of you who participate in the various organisations like the Gardening club and the WI and the church and the Lunch club and even when you are at the pub or in the queue for some stamps at the community Post office could make a point of discussing it among yourselves you never know you might fire someone's interest!

Nothing much to report from the Parkin household as yet this month though I have organised a change of car and will get the new one this next week. Pleased to say it is NOT BEIGE, and is a bit bigger and will pull my caravan so I am quite a bit happier than I was last month. This is your only magazine now until September, as I get a month off from doing the Fleet and always have plans for July so I hope if you are going away on your holidays and even if you are staying at home that you enjoy the summer (well if we ever get one that is!). Make sure you use Sun cream when the sun does come out and I hope that you really have a ball what ever you will be doing, even if it is the same old thing that you do every week. It is so much better when the sun shines. And you never no Brexit might even be sorted out so we don't have to hear anything more about it, which in my book would be the icing on the cake. Marcia

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<u>AUGUST 15TH</u>

LUNCH CLUB T

he **August** Lunch Club will be at 12:30pm on **Monday August 5th 2019** at the Community Centre.

THE MENU WILL BE



Cottage Pie Or Fish Cakes with

Parsley Sauce



New Potatoes Peas and Carrots

Raspberry Roulade with Ice cream

Tea or Coffee £8 including a glass of wine



NB The July Lunch Club will be on Monday July 1st as advertised in last month's Focal Point

Contact Tish Applewhite (643763) if you need to reserve your place and give your choice of menu.

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LUNCH CLUB

The **September** Lunch Club will be at 12:30pm on **Monday September 2nd 2019** at the Community Centre.

THE MENU WILL BE



Baked Ham and Pineapple with Red wine Sauce

Or



Fish Pie

This Photo by Unknown

Mashed Potato and Mixed Vegetables

-x-Trifle

-X-

Tea or Coffee £8 including a glass of wine

Contact Tish Applewhite (643763) if you need to reserve your place and give your choice of menu.

Winthorpe Summer Festival 2019 Saturday 29th June 1:00pm-5:00pm

The Hurricane fly-past is at 1:30pm (approx.) If you want to get the best view of it, make sure you are on the Community Centre field! Then stay for the afternoon and enjoy all that the Festival has to offer!

Our donation this year is going to The Children's Bereavement Centre, Newark. Rachel Wilson, the Fundraising Manager, has agreed to open the Festival for us at 1pm.

Sue Masheder Festival Committee

Scrabble

Scrabble Club continues to thrive even though our original hosts, Nick and Annie, have left us. Currently, there is no home venue for our Friday afternoon sessions although Trudi has been stalwart in offering her home for the last month.

If you would like to 'have-a-go' at Scrabble why not come along at 2.00. Phone Trudi on 01636 680056 to find out where we are playing in Winthorpe. We look forward to seeing new faces. Scrabble Challenge:

How many words can you make using this tile rack, it contains at least 1 seven letter word...

M E U G L S E Good Luck!

Lynne Shapley

GIANT SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

It is now around three months since our junior gardeners planted their sunflower seeds - how are your plants coming along? They should be outside now, with canes to support them as they grow. Keep an eye out for the tiny flower bud forming and growing as we head towards the summer holidays.

As I type this we have had three days of non-stop rain.....hopefully by the time you read it, the sun will have returned! If we are blessed with a fantastic sunny and hot summer, make sure that you keep your plants well watered. Special thanks at this point to all the parents, grandparents and carers who I'm pretty sure are instrumental in keeping this going when the children's initial enthusiasm has waned. reminding them about the winner's trophy they could be bringing home in September, and send them forth with the watering can!



Remember that your sunflowers will also benefit from some extra 'food' the liquid feed you buy for tomatoes is perfect, and could help your sunflowers gain some extra centimetres as well as super-sized flower heads.



If you're lucky enough to be going away during the summer holidays, now is the time to think about friends or neighbours who can look after your plants for you. Don't forget to bring home a "thank you" present for them!

Just a reminder that the competition will close on Sunday 8th September please make sure you have e-mailed us with the height of your tallest sunflower (measured from soil level) on or before this date. The e-mail address is winthorpesunflower@hotmail.co.uk and we love to get a photo with your entry!

Liz & Charlie Ferreira

COLLINGHAM RAMBLERS WALKS FOR JULY & AUGUST

July

Sunday 14th Langford Lowfield RSPB site 4.5 Miles

Sunday 28th (No Venue at this point)

Wednesday 17th Edingley 4.5 Miles

August

Sunday 11th (No Venue at this point)

Sunday 7.5 Miles 25th Laxton

Wednesday 14th Doddington 4.5 Miles

NEW WALKERS ALWAYS WELCOME

If you would like to join us on any of these walks please contact NINA WARD on

collinghamramblersnottswalks@gmail.com or 01636 678419 for more information and specific walk details.

WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

On Thursday 20th June 2019, the Parish Council held its Monthly Parish Council meeting in the village hall.

The Parish Councils finances have been internally audited and all was found to be in order. They will now be passed for an external audit by PKF Littlejohn .

The Council is in the process of applying for a grant to install adult exercise equipment adjacent to the children's play area at the Community Centre. Details will be provided in the near future depending on the success of the application.

The Council were also advised that Hargon Lane will be resurfaced by the Local Authority this financial year. Details of the exact date are not known at the present time but I will advise Focal Point as soon I have it.

I am pleased to say that the work on the Old Telephone Box on Gainsborough Road is now complete and is stocked with a variety of books. Please take and return these as and when and please add to the collection by placing any old books on the shelves that you no longer need.

I have been contacted by numerous residents regard dogs fouling the grassed area at the Community Centre. Can I advise residents that dogs should not be on this area.

As always, if you would like any further information or need to raise any concerns, please contact me on the following email address:

parishclerkatwinthorpe@outlook.com



FOODBANK SHOPPING LIST

PLEASE DO NOT DONATE ITEMS
CONTAINING ALCOHOL – THANK YOU

Shortfall Items

Food

- Tinned Tomatoes
- Pasta Sauce
- Tinned Fruit
- Instant Mashed Potato
- Sponge Puddings (Tinned or Microwaveable)
- Sugar (500g size preferred)
- Biscuits (eg: digestive/custard cream/ginger nut)

Non Food Items

- Deodorant
- Shampoo

Please do not donate FRESH food items.

Also, check that your donation is well
inside its use-by date. We cannot
distribute out of date food.

Always needed

Food

- Breakfast Cereal
- · Long Life Fruit Juice (not squash)
- Tea Bags 40's or 80's NOT 240/260/280's please
- Tinned Meat cold: e.g. Spam: ham NOT comed beef please
- · Tinned Rice Pudding
- Tinned Potatoes
- · Packets of Rice (dried)
- All Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Peas
- Tinned Meat hot: e.g. mince; stewing steak
- Vegetarian Alternatives Tinned Vegetable Curry etc.

- Tinned/Packet Soup Tinned/Carton Custard
- Jam
- Cereal Bars
- Chocolate Biscuit Bars
- Chocolate / Sweets
- · Long Life Milk

Additional Items

- · Washing Up Liquid
- Laundry liquitabs/tablets
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Toilet Rolls
- Shower Gel

Items of which we have a plentiful supply:

- Baked Beans
- Coffee

- Pasta we are now very well stocked THANK YOU
- Our warehouse continues to be well-stocked. However, we are grateful for all regular donations, especially the shortfall items
- Please take your donation to one of our many collection points in supermarkets and churches. See our website for a complete list.



http://newark.foodbank.org.uk/

THE LORD NELSON 01636 707705



Dear folks

As I write this I am watching the weather forecast in hope that the rain stops and we have a fantastic Winfest. The duck race raised a smashing £350 and you are all always so generous, that I will thank you now for your support in raising even more money for Reach learning disability at Winfest.

If you are looking for events to attend we continue to run our monthly pub quiz on the first Tuesday of the month, with a cash prize of £50 it is certainly worth getting a team together.

The third Tuesday of each month Neil Moran hosts an Open Mic night from where we select our festival line up, you never know you could be headlining Winfest next year.

On the 11th July we will be hosting a Gin tasting evening, tickets are £30 including supper and you will have the opportunity to choose some gins for our menu.

If there are any events we have held in the past or any new ideas you would like to put forward please let us know. A barn dance has been a fab suggestion and we are looking at options for this.

We thank you for your continued support.

Em, Martyn, Oli and Dave

The Lord Nelson directors

Southwell Music Festival

Wednesday 21 - Monday 26 August

The best of classical music in the heart of Nottinghamshire

"...a community event of an astoundingly high standard."

The Sunday Times

Including Crash, Bang, Wallop! - the Family Concert
Around half the events are FREE!



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Something for everyone!

The 2019 Southwell Music Festival has something for everyone – grand symphonies, intimate chamber music, celebratory choral classics, soulful late night folk music and so much more.

It's an inclusive event taking place across the August Bank Holiday – from Wednesday 21 to Monday 26 August. Of the 35 events, around half are free.

There's a noisy, percussion-based Family Concert (free tickets for 12 and unders), an opportunity for choral enthusiasts to Come and Sing Handel, free Fringe concerts across the town, more free concerts in the Minster, and the Ceramics in Southwell fair on the Market Square.

The Festival was founded by Artistic Director Marcus Farnsworth – a former Minster head chorister and now a successful professional singer and conductor. He says:

"One reason the Festival is so special is the handpicked ensemble of around 100 professional singers and players who come from across the UK and overseas to make the very best music in our beautiful Minster, the State Chamber and elsewhere.

In only five years the Festival has acquired an enviable national reputation: as *The Sunday Times* said "Southwell can already equal, even surpass, more established festivals."

Information and tickets are available at www.southwellmusicfestival.com and from the Southwell Cathedral Shop. Or call 01636 330014.



News from Langford Lowfields June 2019

Sightings at Langford Lowfields

We have had a range of wading birds at Langford, mainly located around Phase 3. These birds are flying northwards towards breeding grounds and are stopping off here at Langford.

These include:

Turnstone Knot

Sanderling Grey plover

Common Sandpiper

ringed plover - 27 were recorded at the end of May which is maybe

the highest number at Langford

Dunling Wood sandpiper

Whimbrel Ruff.

Other sightings are:

11 Hobbies - which might be the highest number ever counted at

Langford

Hooper Swan Greenshank

6 Black Terns and Little Tern – not many of these have been

recorded at Langford

Caspian Gull Great White Egret
Mediterranean gull Marsh Harrier

Cuckoo.

There are lots of baby birds around at this time of year, goslings and ducklings, coots and baby black headed gulls.

Car Parking at Cottage Lane, Langford Lowfields

We have now introduced car parking charges at Langford Lowfields for non-RSPB members (members are free as are blue badge holders). These will be as follows:

Up to 2 hours - £1.00 Over 2 hours - £2.00

As a charity, we must maximise our opportunities to raise income wherever possible. This allows us to financially support our charitable purpose of conserving wildlife and habitats, while maintaining our visitor facilities and providing excellent, inspiring experiences for our visitors.



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It is customary for organisations such as ours to charge for car parking, and there are many RSPB reserves throughout the country with a car parking charge or entry fees. We compared our situation with other local and national providers and believe that our charges are reasonable.

The income generated through car parking charges contributes to the ongoing cost of running the facilities that visitors use at Langford (including the car park, trails and picnic areas). The car parking fee includes reserve entry for all those arriving by car and use of all visitor facilities. It also helps to support the vital conservation work we carry out here to help wildlife.

Work Party News

Work has been underway on the pond dipping platform, fencing, and reed propagation in the poly tunnel, and more weldmesh has been placed around the reed in phase 3.

Wildflower seeds have been sown in the woodland, including foxgloves and a variety of woodland wildflowers. Cowslips have also been transplanted from the area at the Beach Hut to around the access track at the car park. Cowslips are beautiful yellow flowers which are good for bees.

Recently a Nature after Minerals Workshop took place at Langford. This involved different conservation organisations coming to Langford looking for ideas and techniques about quarry restoration that they can use at their own sites.

Guided Walk - July 2019

Our next guided walk is Butterflies and Wildflowers, taking place on Saturday 6th July 2019 10:00am-1:00pm, meet at Cottage Lane Car Park. This is a great walk and was very popular last year. A staff member of the RSPB who is a wildflower enthusiast joins our Site Manager for a tour of Langford. Please call us on 01636 893611 to book a place. Prices are: Adult Non Member £10.00; Adult Member £8.00 / Child Non Member £5.00; Child Member £4.00.

Winthorpe Garden Club

On the 17th July there is an evening visit to Honeytrees Tropical Garden at Bottesford. Cars will leave The Lord Nelson at 5:50pm.

Our next meeting will be on the 18th September. The subject will

COLLINGHAM BOWLS CLUB WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Bowling opportunities for all abilities

Come along to the Club at the Dale Field site on
FRIDAY JULY 5th AND 12th,
6pm ONWARDS to meet our members
and have a go
No experience needed
All equipment provided
Plenty of parking
(Please wear flat soled shoes)
FOLLOW UP COACHING SESSIONS
CAN BE ARRANGED

Further information from Nina Ward on 01636 678419 or ninajward @live.co.uk

100 CLUB

Winners fo June

1st Pat Finn 2nd Bob Allen 3rd Anne Coote

Congratulation to our June winners. We still have 71 members and continue on our aim to get 100 members all to support the upkeep of our community centre. Any new members can contact Duncan Richardson at Duncrichardson@sky.com to obtain an application form.

A special invitation.

Are you looking forward to our harvest celebrations? I hope so, because we're starting early this year, on August 11th in Langford Church at 6pm.

We're reviving an old rural tradition by presenting a freshly baked loaf of bread and giving thanks for the wheat harvest. This is traditionally called Lammas tide.

There will be traditional hymns, readings, prayers and delicious food in the beautiful church of St Bartholomew, Langford. If you've not been inside this lovely church before, this is a great opportunity. There will be gluten free options!

This is for everyone to join in; let's fill the church, enjoy a summer's evening together and get our harvest celebrations off to a great start.

August 11th, 6pm, Langford Church.



Come down and join in the fun at your local Cricket club

all skill levels and abilities welcome from 5 years upwards

Contact: coddingtonandwinthorpecc@gmail.com

Phone: 07900 687137

Website: http://coddington.play-cricket_com/

facebook.com @ CoddingtonandWinthorpeCricketClub

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ALL SAINTS WINTHORPE CHURCH NOTICES

As I write these notes (in the middle of June), outside heavy rain is still falling and has been for several days. Presumably we have already had June's quota already! What a washout!

It was with great sadness that we held the funeral of Alan Stone in church last month. It was good though to see a full church pay their final respects to him. The service was led by Mandy Cartwright and David Milner with contributions from John Smith and friend Lewis Paul at the organ. With David and John both having worked with Alan when he was Churchwarden here, it was lovely that they were able to contribute. Alan will be sadly missed and our thoughts are with Anne and their children; Andrew and Julie and their families.

July will host the normal services in church and then we look forward to another wedding, this time in August on the 17th.

St Bartholomew's in Langford will be holding a Lammastide Service on Sunday, August 11th at 6p.m. Lammas Day is held usually between August 1st and 1st September, it is a festival to mark the annual wheat harvest and is the first harvest festival of the year. On this day it is customary to bring to church a loaf made from the new crop harvested at Lammastide. The service will take the form of Evensong and everyone is invited to attend.

Il villagers who are hospitalised or ill at this time are in our thoughts and prayers as is the hope for better weather in July and August!

Tish Applewhite(Churchwarden) 643763

Church Services for July & August 2019







Sunday July 7th (3rd after Trinity)	9:00am	Holy Communion	Holme
Sunday July 14th (4th after Trinity)	10:30am	Holy Communion	Winthorpe
Sunday July 21st (5th after Trinity)	9:00am 10:15am	Holy Communion Morning Worship	Langford Winthorpe
Sunday July 28th (6th after Trinity)	6:00pm	Evening Prayer	Winthorpe
Sunday August 4th (7th after Trinity)	9:00am	Holy Communion	Holme
Sunday August 11th (8th after Trinity)	10:30am 6:00pm	Holy Communion Lammastide Service	Winthorpe Langford
Saturday August 17th	12:30pm	Holy Matrimony	Winthorpe
Sunday August 18th (9th after Trinity)	10:15am	Morning Worship	Winthorpe

The Church Bells may be rung for any of the Winthorpe services.

Church Cleaners – **July** Mrs J. Foden and Mrs C. Hasman

August Mrs J White

Brasses - August Mrs S. Cobb and Mrs R. Mark

JULY CALENDAR

1st		Green & Brown Bins	
1st	12:30pm	Lunch Club	Community
	-		Centre
8th		Silver Bin	
5th	6:00pm-	Collingham Bowls club Try	Dale Field
		out	Collingham
11th		Winthorpe W.I. Celebrate	Sharon's Garden
		Summer	
12th	6:00pm-	Collingham Bowls club Try	Dale Field
	-	out	Collingham
15th		Green & Brown Bins	
17th	5:50pm	Gardening club Evening	
	-	visit to Honeytrees Tropical	
		Garden Bottesford	
18th	7:00pm	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall
22nd		Silver Bin	
29th		Green & Brown Bins	
	1st 8th 5th 11th 12th 15th 17th 18th 22nd	1st 12:30pm 8th 5th 6:00pm- 11th 12th 6:00pm- 15th 17th 5:50pm 18th 7:00pm 22nd	1st 12:30pm Lunch Club 8th Silver Bin 5th 6:00pm- Collingham Bowls club Try out 11th Winthorpe W.I. Celebrate Summer 12th 6:00pm- Collingham Bowls club Try out 15th Green & Brown Bins 17th 5:50pm Gardening club Evening visit to Honeytrees Tropical Garden Bottesford 18th 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting 22nd Silver Bin

AUGUST CALENDAR

Mon 5th		Silver Bin	
Mon 5th	12:30pm	Lunch Club	Community Centre
Mon 12th		Green & Brown Bins	
Mon 19th		Silver Bin	
Mon 26th		Green & Brown Bins	

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Mon 2nd	Silver Bin	
Mon 9th	Green & Brown Bins	
Mon 16th	Silver Bin	
Mon 23rd	Green & Brown Bin	

NB BIN COLLECTIONS IN HOLME VILLAGE ON FRIDAYS

Village organisations and local bodies – if at any time you would like to get in touch with a village contact, why not try the village website www.winthorpe.org.uk