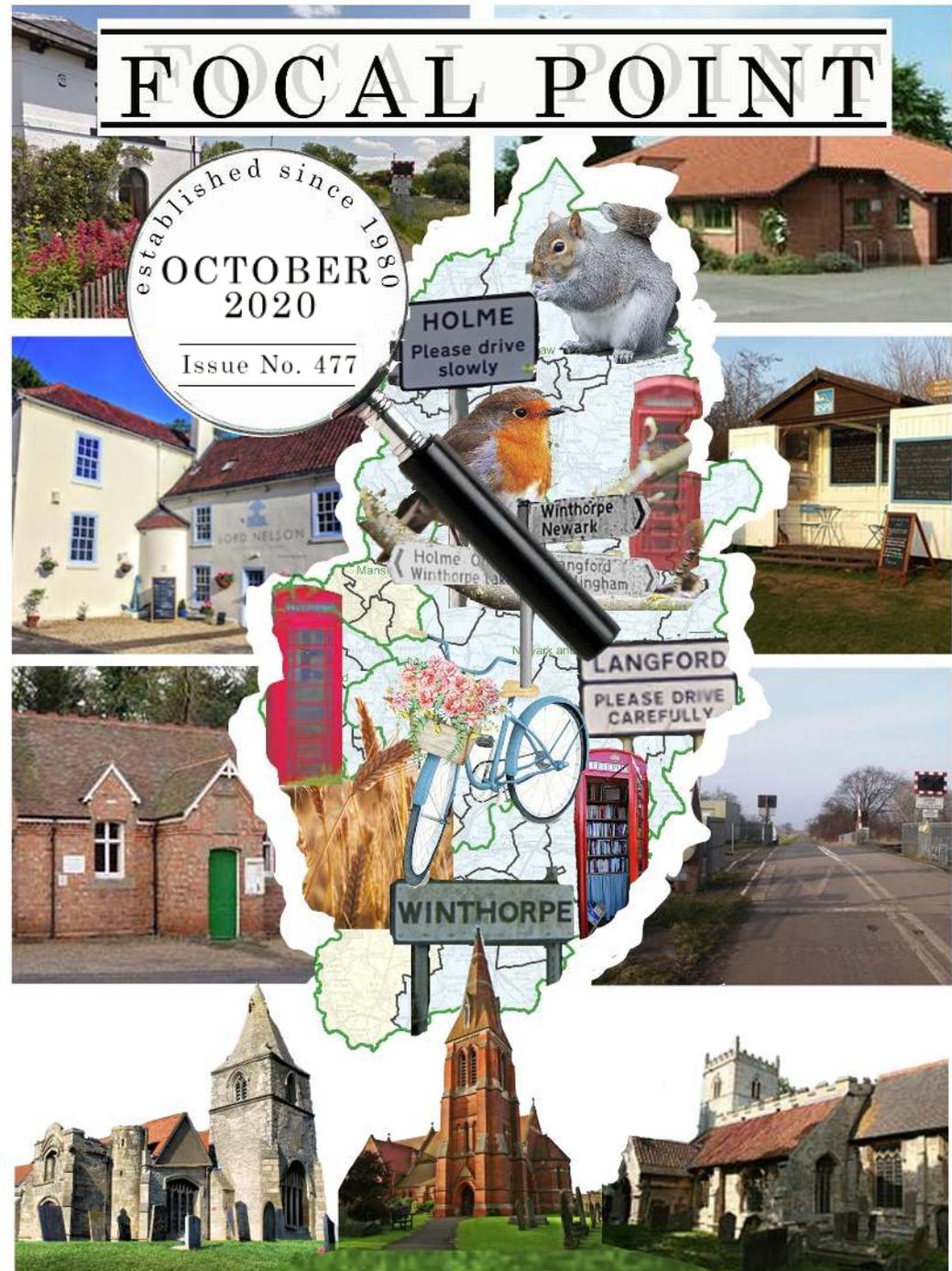




FRONT COVER!

Look here to view the brand new front cover of the Focal Point magazine - in COLOUR!



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FOCAL POINT

ISSUE No. 477



Hiya!

Autumn is now here, change in scenery, change in quite a few things. Christmas is getting closer as well as a special milestone for the Focal Point...

So, continuing from last edition, you have probably guessed what my exciting news announcement is... Well, in two months time it will be the Focal Point's 40th anniversary! Yes, that means the Focal Point will be celebrating its RUBY anniversary and we want you to celebrate with us.

The Focal Point wants your ideas on how we can make this anniversary something spectacular (that means we need you)! So for October and mid-November, we want you to send in memories of the Focal Point, write in articles or even send some activities. Remember this is the community's magazine so make it all of yours by contributing and adding whatever you think would be great to be featured in the Focal Point's special edition.

I can't tell you how excited I get around this time of year knowing that Christmas, Halloween, my cat's birthday and the amount of special events go on and on are all around the corner.

But, let us all remember that this time of year can become difficult to others especially in this given situation of the Covid-19 pandemic. So if you know anyone who may be vulnerable of suffering at this time of year, call them, ring them, post them, just let them know you are there to help them when things get tough.

On that note, have a lovely autumn and I will be looking forward to all of your contributions.

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DEADLINE**FOR NOVEMBER'S EDITION****OCTOBER 22ND 2020**

WELCOME

Welcome to October's ONLINE edition of the Focal Point magazine. I hope you enjoy reading this issue. Make sure to check in every month for the next edition. **Thank you** for reading online. Please tell your friends, family, neighbours, cats or anyone who may be interested in staying up to date with Holme, Winthorpe and Langford.

QUICK UPDATES BEFORE YOU GET READING...

Another spoiler alert... The Focal Point needs YOUR suggestions on how December's edition (a.k.a. the 40 year anniversary extravaganza edition) should look like, what it should contain etc. So we need YOUR HELP, send us anything related to the Focal Point and help us make this an edition not to forget. Oh and please do keep your front cover suggestions coming in. The more feedback I get the better understanding I have of it sits with all of you. Thank you very much!

The paper copies will be quite delayed as I have been ill over the past week, hence the big delay in printing and distribution. **Please tell everyone you know in the villages about this!**

- Lizzie Wakefield - Editor



CALLING ALL VILLAGERS!



UPDATE ON THE FRONT COVER! - from Lizzie

Thank you to all of those who gave feedback on the new front cover. Indeed, a change to something that has been part of the villages for a DECADE does feel quite weird and unfamiliar. With that being said I have decided not to make a change to the front cover **yet** as I just want the current design to get settled in. A key feature that I do want to involve is the school, so please expect that in the coming editions! If you have any more suggestions, don't hesitate to let me know. Thank you! - (Editor).

TONGUE TWISTER QUOTE

Did you miss the quote of the month? Well I certainly did! Thank you Fiona for sending in this tongue twister quote. If you have any quotes that you would like to share, why not... Make sure to send it over and who knows, your own quote or your suggested quote could be mentioned in the next edition.

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We will be holding 3 Saturday morning flu clinics on

Saturday 26 September 2020, from 8.00 am – 12.30 pm
Saturday 10 October 2020, from 8.00 am – 12.30 pm
Saturday 31 October 2020, from 8.00 am – 12.30 pm

We are aiming to vaccinate 100% of eligible patients this year, as defined by NHS guidelines. We may be able to open our offer beyond those eligible after 31 October 2020 (dependent on stocks/uptake).

Due to COVID social distancing measures, our Saturday clinics will focus on patients who are able to walk and stand unaided for up to 20 minutes. No seating available. Vaccinations will be administered with patients stood up and a strict one-way system through the Practice will be in operation. Face masks must be worn. Please attend alone, unless a family member is also booked for flu vaccination.

For patients with mobility issues we will be holding weekday flu clinics. Our PCAs will triage at the time of booking.

Housebound patients will be contacted by the practice in due course.

These are appointment only clinics. Appointments will be available to book from August. Please contact the number below or ask at Reception.

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NEWARK FOODBANK



Thank you all those of you who so generously contribute to Winthorpe's collection in aid of Newark Foodbank. I am told by the Foodbank that the recent months have been very difficult to cope with due to schools being closed, then on the summer break, leading to an increase in demand. This coupled with the warehouse and distribution points losing volunteers who needed to self-isolate or shield made for a double whammy for the Foodbank. Then just as new ways of working were settling down and the Foodbank was keeping up with requests for help, there has been another steep increase in demand in September due to a sharp rise in unemployment. So, I guess you know what I am going to say next..... Please, please help by donating what you can. Donations of food and toiletries can be left at: **the black swing bin at the side of my front door, 11 Gainsborough Road.** Donations can be placed in there **24 hours a day, 7 days a week.** It is checked daily.

Demand is expected to grow even more over the winter. Luckily Newark has many well run charities, and the Foodbank is currently working with the Salvation Army, Social Services, Framework, the Children's Centre, Emmaus Trust, churches and others to try and ensure that demand can be met.

Because of changing systems and personnel at the Foodbank, I am not able to let you know how much our last two deliveries to the warehouse weighed. I have been promised that these will be sent to me soon, and I will include them in the next Focal Point. Once again, thank you.

Jane White



STOP PRESS: I have now heard from the Foodbank with a total weight of Winthorpe's giving for July – **42.7kg.** Very many thanks. JW

STOP STOP PRESS: I have just heard that from Thursday 24th September, there will be a new Foodbank collection point in the shop at the Lord Nelson, Winthorpe. This is great news. Thank you Suzy and Emma for facilitating this at the shop. This means that the previous collection point at the Village Hall is no longer operating. A good move as donations to the Foodbank can be made during shop hours, **7 days a week.** Donations at 11 Gainsborough Road continue as normal. JW



FOODBANK SHOPPING LIST

September 2020

PLEASE DO NOT DONATE ITEMS CONTAINING ALCOHOL – THANK YOU

Shortfall Items

Food

- Long Life Fruit Juice (not squash)
- Instant Mashed Potato
- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Sponge Puddings (Tinned or Microwaveable)

Other Items

- Feminine Deodorant

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 Milk
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Tinned Meat – serve cold or serve hot
- Tinned Potatoes
- Tinned Carrots
- Tinned Peas
- Instant Pasta Packet Meals
- Pasta Sauce
- Packets of Rice (dried)
- All Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Hot Dogs or Meat Balls
- Tinned Sweetcorn
- Tinned Fish
- Vegetarian Alternatives – Tinned Vegetable Curry etc.
- Tinned/Carton Custard
- Tinned Fruit
- Tea Bags – 40's or 80's
NOT 240/260/280's please

- Jam
- Chocolate / Sweets
- Cereal Bars
- Chocolate Biscuit Bars (eg: KitKat/Penguin)
- Biscuits (eg: digestive/custard cream/ginger nut)
- Chocolate biscuits
- Sugar (500g or 1Kg)

Additional Items

- Laundry liquidabs/tablets
- Washing Up Liquid
- Deodorant
- Shampoo / Shower Gel
- Hand Wash Gel
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Toilet Rolls
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes

Items of which we have a plentiful supply:

- Baked Beans
- Coffee
- Feminine hygiene
- Pasta
- Tinned/ Packet Soup

- 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. See our website for a complete list.

<https://newark.foodbank.org.uk/>





COVID CLASSES

-WINTHORPE PRIMARY SCHOOL-



As you know the country has been in lockdown since March which meant that schools closed. The only pupils that have been to school are those with key worker parents. Home-schooling has been hard because the things that teachers have been sending, parents couldn't understand which has slowed down education all over the country. Boris Johnson opened schools back up three weeks ago and now all over the country schools have opened like ours although some people wish they had stayed home to play games.

Being home was very different to being at school. I was missing things I saw at school and so was most people. Not many people did spellings at home. Our first spelling tests weren't very good because we were at home for a long time. Now were getting back into the way of school now with harder sums and different people.

When we were told stay in so called `bubbles` each child has to stay with their class all the time and people thought we had to literally stay in a bubble. Our outdoor space has been separated into three parts and class one area. Each class has their own area for a day and swaps every day. A lot of the people in this school have friends from different classes which makes it harder for them to talk to each other.

We all leave enter different times and different ways. Some pupils have siblings so you have to be earlier to wait you have to social distance from different classes at the gate. We eat lunch in our class rooms and don't leave them unless you need to go to the toilet. Class Four have to use the boy's toilets even if you're a girl. Secretly, between us it's the most disgusting toilet I've ever been in.

We've been learning about different things and one of the things we've done is moral choices and one question came up and it said you broke one of your mums irreplaceable ornaments what do you do then one of the answer was I will tell my mum that the cat was practising its ninja skills and knocked over the ornament.

School has been great and most of us our happy to be back.

Written by Winthorpe pupil: Eva Farmer



COVID CLASSES

-WINTHORPE PRIMARY SCHOOL-



For the past six months we and the rest of the country have been in lockdown, until now. In this article I will be explaining what it has been like to be home-schooled and how it felt and feels right now whilst I'm back in school. Most schools gave out many pieces of work all over the country. It has only been 3 weeks since our prime minister – Boris Johnson – opened the schools for many across the country.

Being at home and being home-schooled isn't as fun as I thought it would be and I never realised we'd be at home in lockdown for so long but after a week or so I began to feel more self-belief and that I could come back and be better than I was before. When I came back to school I was positive I could have fun be better and be with my friends all the time, even if it's Covid 19. I know the teachers will keep me safe as much as possible and that they will educate me even for my last year at Winthorpe Primary. The children are told to stay within their class bubble including most teachers and some of the people literally thought they would be in an actual bubble every day all day, but of course that would be absurd to float around in a bubble all day, this wouldn't be much fun at all.

All the children are cheerful and happy to make new friends. The teachers value everyone's work and the children value each other's work and even if there are arguments sometimes we can't stop that and anyways who doesn't have arguments sometime in their life. Every class has a different toilet to use like class 4 needs to use the boys toilets I don't particularly like it, it's rather disgusting. We all eat in our own class rooms and enjoy the food that the school provides, you can also bring in your own pack lunch which is what I do, when you bring in a pack lunch you can have whatever you like inside it each day if you would like to you can bring in something new in every day or you could keep having the same thing every day.

Written by Winthorpe pupil: Bethany Watt



Thank you Eva and Bethany! It's fantastic to read your lovely articles.



WINTHORPE WITH LANGFORD PARISH COUNCIL



On Thursday 17th September 2020, the Parish Council held its Monthly Parish Council meeting using the power of “Zoom” to comply with the Covid 19 social distancing regulations.

The Chairman introduced Peter Bateson, Chair of the Community Centre, who gave an update on the current state of centre and its position going forward. Details of the discussions will be provided in the September Parish Council minutes

The Parish Council has decided not to hold the annual bonfire this year due to the Covid 19 restrictions that may be in place when the event is due to be held in November.

The Clerk provided an update on Focal Point and its position going forward. It continues to be a success due to the hard work from its editor, Lizzie, and Duncan Richardson. However, it does rely on support from the Parish Council and advertisement sales. If you want to advertise in the magazine, please contact Lizzie who can provide further details

Following discussions with N.S.D.C, the Council voted unanimously to start on the process of developing a Neighbourhood Plan for the future of the village. This will require input from the whole village and details will be provided in due course.

The Council were updated on the proposed “Newlink” business development that is to take place on the A17. The Council have raised its concerns regarding the increased traffic it will bring to an already congested area.

The Chairman received a letter from Robert Jenrick MP, who stated that he would be willing to attend a future Parish Council meeting, if asked. The Council welcomed the offer and the Clerk is to write and invite him to a future meeting.

Mrs Sally Sillery – Parish Clerk

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SUNFLOWER COMPETITION



UPDATE



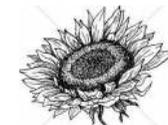
Over the summer, Charlie and I came to the conclusion that it wouldn't be possible (or perhaps fair) to end the “Giant Sunflower Competition” in the usual way this year. We appreciate that families will have faced many different circumstances over the last few months: for some people growing sunflowers will have been the last thing on their minds, whereas for other families it might have been a lockdown highlight! We were also aware that Winthorpe Primary school are currently unable to bring the whole school together for a prize assembly, or to have parents or visitors into school.

We decided not to have trophies and winners as such this year, but invited children/families that did take part to send in their entries as normal – for which they received a special “lockdown sunflower” participation certificate, with their name and the height of their sunflower.



An unusual end to the competition, in what has turned out to be a very unusual year! We would like to thank all of our sunflower growers, and look forward to launching the 2021 competition in hopefully more normal circumstances.

- Liz & Charlie Ferreira



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OCTOBER'S RECIPE: - HALLOWEEN -



Well, this month it's HALLOWEEN! So I have found the perfect recipe to involve in however you celebrate (or don't) this month. And for those of you who don't celebrate Halloween, this recipe is still great to get into the AUTUMN spirit.

PUMPKIN CHEESECAKE ROLL



Firstly this recipe is fairly short but unfortunately it is a bit too big to include in this section. So instead, I would like to refer you to the recipe's website... <https://www.delish.com/cooking/recipe-ideas/recipes/a56732/pumpkin-cheesecake-roll-recipe/>

And secondly you may find it easier to make this whilst carving out your pumpkins. If you can't find pumpkins, I would also suggest sweet potatoes as they also do the trick (BARE IN MIND: they are slightly heavier though).



GOODBYE FROM THE LORD NELSON



Dear Crew,
A final farewell from Emilie, Chef David, Martyn and Oli as we have now passed on the baton. Our wonderful staff team have transferred with the keys, so you'll continue to see familiar faces, and we'd like to thank each and every one of them again for their energy and commitment.

It was a pleasure seeing so many of you in the pub (socially distanced!) over the past couple of weeks, and thank you for your well wishes. We've loved our Lord Nelson adventure - from Winfest to Wine-tasting - and in particular, serving customers in our shop, and delivering meals and chatting to our clients during Lockdown. We are very proud to have been part of the Winthorpe community.

With thanks and best wishes from the four of us.



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On Tuesday September 22nd Emma Binch and Susie Conning became the new tenants and custodians of The Lord Nelson pub. We would like to raise a glass and wish a fond farewell to Emilie, Dave, Martyn and Oli and to thank them for looking after the pub over the

We are excited to be leading the next chapter of the pub adventures and look forward to welcoming everyone to the pub and to meet us in person. One of the first questions everyone has asked us is, are you going to be re-opening the shop? the answer is yes! We will be open 7 days per week from 9am until 9pm think Arkwrights! We are proud to stock goods from local producers and businesses as well as the essentials, stop by and take a look and let us know what we've forgotten!

Over recent months takeaway meals have provided such a life line to some people that we will continue with a local delivery service and also introduce takeaway hot and cold drinks and sandwiches.

We are extending the range of menus to include breakfast for those who are looking to enjoy Lord Nelson at the beginning of their day.

During October, please join us:-

October 5	Village lunch	(book your rule of 6 table in advance)
October 17	Harvest supper	(book your rule of 6 table in advance)
October 20	Charity lunch in aid of Beamont House	(book your rule of 6 table in advance)
October 24	Pumpkin carving competition	(please register by October 23)
October 31	Halloween Family Dinner	(book your rule of 6 table in advance)

We look forward to welcoming everyone to the pub from Thursday September 24th at 5pm and let's not forget to say Happy Birthday to Horatio on September 29th!

Susie & Emma

CHARITY OF THOMAS BREWER



The AGM of the Charity would normally be held at this time of year but that is not practical due to Covid 19. The Trustees have decided it is best to publish the annual accounts with a comment on the position of the Charity.

The present Trustees are willing to continue: Lee Cammack (Chairman), David Barthorpe (Treasurer), Peter Foden (Secretary), Patricia Applewhite, Rev. Mandy Cartwright, Margaret Stewart and Neil Moran.

The most significant event of the last 12 months was the award of a £6,000 grant to the Parochial Church Council towards the cost of the new heating scheme at All Saints Church. Other grant awards and applications are delayed by the pandemic.

If you have any queries please ask.

Charity of Thomas Brewer registered no. 214205 Statement of account year ending 31st July, 2020.

TSB Current account

Opening balance (01.08.19)	£418.39
Income:	
COIF dividends	£183.25
Field rental	£1,425.00
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Reimburse P. Applewhite for AGM refreshments	£10.00
Total expenditure	£ 7,092.97

Income less expenditure £515.28

Closing balance £933.67

Investments

COIF Deposit account

Opening balance (01.08.19)	£3,067.25
Add interest retained	£15.17
Closing balance (31.07.20)	£3,082.42

COIF Income Units account

Opening balance (01.08.19)	£5,940.12
Closing balance (31.07.20) (bid price)	£5,988.14

COIF Accum. Units account

Opening balance (01.08.19)	£30,928.48
Sale of units	- £6,000.00
Closing balance (After sale of units and unit value increase, 31.07.20)	£26,285.55

Total funds at disposal (31.07.20) £36,289.78
(prev. year £40,354.24)

Peter Foden, Secretary



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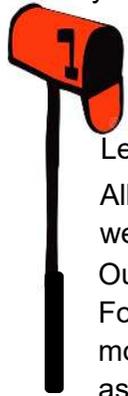


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.....some Focal Point Thank Yous

- By Duncan Richardson

Thank you to: Mark Zylinski who has been collecting Focal Point from the printers each month and getting it to our distributors. Mark and his family are shortly to leave the village and we wish them well in their new abode.



Les Murray, who has kindly stepped into Mark's shoes.

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*****I will be ringing round with the menu choices*****

Tish Applewhite (643763)



100 CLUB



- September's Winners -

1st	£46.20	Sally Sillery
2nd	£23.10	Olivia Bray
3rd	£7.70	Barbara Woodcock

Congratulations to our winners in September! You could also be a winner whilst supporting your local community centre by contributing £2 per month. Information available from Duncan Richardson at dunrichardson@sky.com

COLLINGHAM RAMBLERS WALKS

FOR OCTOBER

- Sun October 4th - Sun October 18th - Weds October 14th -

These are our first attempts at restarting some short local walks following The Ramblers latest guidelines .



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RSPB Langford Lowfields

– October News 2020



It's been another busy few weeks here at Langford and it's certainly feeling a bit autumnal out on the reserve. Our volunteers have had two main tasks in the last month – the first being reed planting out on Phase 3. You can see this part of the reserve looking south from the Seasonal Trail. We are planting up two islands with seedlings grown in our polytunnel and fencing them off from hungry geese. We have to fence off all our planted reed to protect it from geese that will eat the young shoots. We have already planted around 6000 seedlings this year and aim to plant another 5000-6000 before the end of the planting season in October.

The second big task for our volunteers this month has been recovering the polytunnel with new plastic. Always a big job, this involves digging out the previous plastic that is buried at the sides of the tunnel, stretching the new plastic over the top of the hoops (another hard job), the filling in the sides with soil to hold it down. The volunteers have done a brilliant job on this, which should be good for the next five years. The next job is to repair the leaking reed propagation bays in the tunnel.



As always, we have had some good wildlife sightings in the last month. Waders continue to pass through the site on their migration from northern breeding grounds south. Records include Dunlin, Ruff, Ringed Plover, Common Sandpiper, Green Sandpiper, Spotted Redshank, Greenshank, Turnstone and Grey Plover. Other birds on passage include Wheatear, Hobby and Garganey. There are still some Great White Egrets about, although some of the six we had in August have moved on elsewhere. Some of our winter visitors have arrived already, with Wigeon, Teal, Goldeneye and Pintail all recorded in the last month. Yellow-legged and Caspian Gulls are frequenting the gull flock on Phase 3. The Bittern and Marsh Harrier have been seen recently too. Look out for the Bittern in reed from the Seasonal Trail and from north of the boardwalk. And perhaps the most surprising record of the last month....two Gannets that flew over the site on the 18th September!

The reserve is still fully open, with a one-way system in place over the floating bridge and boardwalk and the Beach Hut open when there is a volunteer on duty. So please come down and see us for a walk and a spot of birding and enjoy your visit.

DINGBATS



Can you identify the phrases from the Dingbats clues?

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Number 3

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Number 5

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Number 6

ENTURY
Number 7

Dr. Cri_en
Number 8

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Arsenal 4 - 1 Everton
Liverpool 4 - 1 Bradford
Manchester United 4 - 1 Chelsea
Sunderland 4 - 1 Leicester

Number 10

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Number 9

Answers will be revealed next month (November's edition)

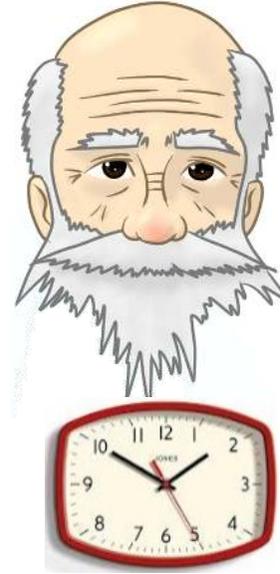


CRYPTIC CLUES

The answers have now been revealed. How many did you get correct?

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. BLACKPOOL | 6. LOWESTOFT |
| 2. TENBY | 7. SWANAGE |
| 3. NEWPORT | 8. AYR |
| 4. SCARBOROUGH | 9. MINEHEAD |
| 5. ROBIN HOOD'S BAY | 10. WESTON SUPER-MARE |

WRINKLES



Wrinkles tell the tale of life upon a human face. As the years roll over us, a finger seems to trace, their story for the world to see, our weakness and our strength. Time's hand may be gentle, but the marks will show at length.

Corrugated foreheads, tell-tale lines and puckered flesh. Yet if we could always keep our faces smooth and fresh, they would look like marble statues without warmth and breath, lacking in expression like a mask, a mask of death.

Life has made our faces and we cannot long conceal, what we are and what we think and what we truly feel. That's what makes them interesting, laughter, worry, strife.... Draw the wrinkles that declare the story of a life.

Thank you once again to Fiona for contributing all of this month's Entertainment section. I hope you all enjoy solving the DINGBATS as much as I did. I have never seen or even heard about dingbats before, so they were especially a great first attempt. If you have anything that could be put in the Entertainment section, please do send it over! Lizzie W (Editor)



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OCTOBER REFLECTIONS



Dear Friends

As we begin the last quarter of 2020, I hope we've all got plenty of food to keep out the cold, nourish our bodies and cheer our spirits. Getting our food has certainly changed hasn't it? Masked shoppers clean their hands, baskets and trolleys and keep well away from each other. Thankfully, neighbours and friends have continued to shop for other people and more food delivery services have been set up.

COVID-19 means hard work for food producers and deliverers and food factory workers are at higher risk from infection. Our farmers have faced and overcome major problems to produce this year's harvest; autumn and winter flooding left potatoes to rot in the ground and delayed the planting of spring crops. Spring droughts slowed down the growth of crops and grazing. New agricultural policies and trade deals are not clear and COVID-19 travel restrictions brings agricultural challenges. Our farmers, food producers and deliverers certainly need our support this year.

Traditionally, this is harvest festival time and normally they are great occasions, with lots of us coming to church, singing much loved harvest hymns, thanking God for our food and enjoying meals together.

Everything is different this year, but our harvest festival service in Winthorpe is happening on October 18th in our lovely warm church. Nothing can stop us praising God and thanking God for "all good gifts around us."

Do come along to church if you can, but how about doing something at home? Why not put up a poster thanking our farmers, like we have done for the NHS and other key workers? Why not go out of our way to be careful and considerate of shop workers and fellow shoppers?

Why not thank God for our food? Why not try out the old idea of saying grace before meals.

Here are two prayers from The Arthur Rank Centre:

Loving God,

we give thanks for those who produce our food:

for farmers and fishermen, factory and shop workers.

We pray for those for whom this has been a difficult year: farmers who have battled the weather to grow food, factory workers, delivery drivers and shop workers who kept working despite the pandemic.

A Grace before meals.

Creator God,

thank you for this food.

Bless those who have produced and prepared it.

Help us to enjoy it and learn to share it.

Amen.

God bless you all
Rev'd Mandy.



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As I write these notes I am waiting to find out if Lockdown is going to be more severe than at present! 24 hours later and we find more severe restrictions but manageable – I think!

I have though, decided, I am only going to talk about joyous things this month!

The Boiler is installed and functioning very well (it was about 20 degrees C outside and much hotter within when tested!)

Services will be back to normal through October which is great news.

We will also be hosting our Harvest Supper on Saturday October 17th – not in the Community Centre but in the Lord Nelson Pub. Tickets are priced at £15 and we will be holding a raffle. Please ask any of the following PCC members for tickets – Woodlands- John N(704712), Pocklington - Sandra C(646593), Spinney- Christine H(679105), Top end Gainsborough Rd- Tish A(643763), Lower end Gainsborough Rd- Joan L (682304).

The Church Harvest Festival will be held the day after the Supper on Sunday, October 18th at 10.30a.m. Any contributions of dry food products etc may be brought to this Service and will be laid by the Communion rail either before or during the service. Afterwards all contributions will be taken to Newark Women's Refuge.

Thank you in advance to our Flower Ladies who I know will make the church look so beautiful for our celebratory month back in church!

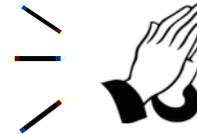
We are thinking in our prayers for anyone in the village who is still self- isolating and anyone else ill or in hospital at this time.

Tisha Applewhite

Churchwarden (643763)



Church Services for OCTOBER 2020



Sunday 4th

(Francis of Assisi)

9.00 a.m.

Holy Communion

Holme

Sunday 11th

(18th after Trinity)

10.30 a.m

Holy Communion

Winthorpe

Sunday 18th

(Luke the Evangelist) 10.30 a.m.

Harvest Festival

Winthorpe

5.00 p.m..

Harvest Festival

Holme

Sunday 25th

(Bible Sunday)

9.00 a.m.

Morning Worship

Langford

Saturday 31st

10.00a.m. – 4p.m. ET Memorial Day
St John's

Collingham



Church Flowers – Harvest Festival



The church will be open to receive your arrangements, please, from **2p.m.** on **Thursday, October 15th**. If you are unable to decorate at that time please ring Tisha on 643763. Flower removal is from **2p.m.** on **Monday 26th October**. Thank you.

Church Cleaners - Mrs J.White



OCTOBER'S CALENDAR 2020

Please let me know about any events happening in the three villages, I would love to put them in the calendar (Ed)

Thursday	1st	Start of the Pudding Season	
Monday	5th	Lunch Club –12:30pm	Lord Nelson Pub
Monday	5th	Green & Brown Bin	
Monday	12th	Silver Bin	
Wednesday	14th	Battle of Hastings	
Saturday	17th	Harvest Supper	See page 22
Sunday	18th	Harvest Festival Winthorpe and Holme	See page 23
Monday	19th	Green & Brown Bin	
Wednesday	21st	Apple Day	
Monday	26th	Silver Bin	
Friday	30th	End of British Summer Time-Put Your Clocks Back By 1 HOUR	See poem below
Saturday	31st	Happy Halloween!	



DON'T FORGET TO PUT YOUR CLOCKS BACK AN HOUR!

Put your clocks back one hour.
 The sun will set just after rising,
 The leaves will fall and frost will glisten.
 Don't despair as winter comes,
 Two months in and the darkest night is done.
- Thank you Pat for this lovely poem!



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

BYE FOR NOW!

Thanks for stopping by! I hope that you check in online, next month. Let me know (Lizzie, your FP Editor) if you have any suggestions for future editions .
 And don't forget to tell others about the online copies, especially if they want to see it in COLOUR!

BUT BEFORE YOU GO...

Let your fellow village friends and family know that there will be a delay in the paper copies of October's edition.

Make sure to drop in a sentence or two about your thoughts on what you think should be included in December's edition using my three contact details. Every opinion counts!
 - Lizzie Wakefield (Ed)