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# FOCAL POINT NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

I cannot ignore the fact – nor would I want to – that the celebrations of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee will be the highlight of this month for many people, the length and breadth of the UK and across the Commonwealth. She has been on the throne my whole life, whilst other Heads of State have come and have gone. As Revd. Mandy's Reflections express everything I would want to say and more, I shall simply say, "Congratulations to Her Majesty!"

Just as June is set to be a packed month – with events for the Platinum Jubilee, Wimbledon, Winthorpe Festival, and the return of GCSE and A'Level exams – so June's edition of Focal Point is also full to bursting! A couple of weeks ago, I was wondering whether I had overestimated the interest from people I'd spoken to in March and April, as I had received only a handful of contributions for June's edition. In fact, I seriously underestimated the good people of Winthorpe, Langford and Holme, for in the days leading up to the deadline for submissions, I was very happily overwhelmed by emails and articles, which I have done my utmost to incorporate into this edition of Focal Point. It's been a mammoth task, so please forgive any small mistakes you may spot here and there.

Enjoy the Platinum Jubilee weekend, however you spend it. I look forward to reading all your contributions for July's edition of Focal Point.

#### Thanks to Duncan Richardson

Many thanks to Duncan for his hard work and support to me in my new role as editor. He has been a dedicated, reliable Treasurer, and has earned his retirement. For he really is a 'jolly good fellow!'

#### Julie Hill (01636 682530)

NEXT MONTH'S DEADLINE IS 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE winthorpefocalpoint@outlook.com

# June Calendar

When		What	Where
Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Official Birthday and Platinum	
		Jubilee of HM Queen Elizabeth II	
Thur	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Platinum Jubilee Afternoon Tea	Winthorpe
		Lighting the Beacon	Winthorpe
Thur/F	ri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	International Antiques and	Newark
& 3 <sup>rd</sup>		Collectors Fair	Showground
Mon	6 <sup>th</sup>	Green bin	Winthorpe
		Brown bin	All
Wed	8 <sup>th</sup>	W.I. Meeting	Winthorpe
Fri	10 <sup>th</sup>	Green bin	L'ford/ Holme
Mon	13 <sup>th</sup>	Silver bin	Winthorpe
Wed	15 <sup>th</sup>	Garden Club Outing	Lincolnshire
Thur	16 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	Winthorpe
Fri	17 <sup>th</sup>	Tennis Family Friday	Winthorpe
Fri	17 <sup>th</sup>	Silver bin	L'ford/ Holme
Mon	20 <sup>th</sup>	Green bin	Winthorpe
		Brown bin	All
Tues	21 <sup>st</sup>	W.I. Book Club Meeting	Winthorpe
Fri	24 <sup>th</sup>	Green bin	L'ford/ Holme
Sat	25 <sup>th</sup>	Winthorpe Summer Festival	Winthorpe
Sat 25t	ʰ/Sun	Cockpit Fest	Newark Air
26 <sup>th</sup>			Museum
Mon	27 <sup>th</sup>	Green bin	Winthorpe
		Brown bin	All
Mon	27 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library	All
Fri 1 <sup>s</sup>	<sup>#</sup> July	Green bin	L'ford/ Holme



### This month, the mobile library will call at our villages on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Mobile Library Routes and Timetable 2022 for Winthorpe, Langford and Holme*				
Stop No.	Village	Location	Arrive	Depart
1	Winthorpe	The Spinney	9.40am	10.00am
2	Winthorpe	junction of Pocklington Crescent and Branston Close	10.05am	10.25am
3	Winthorpe	junction of Gainsborough Road and Woodlands	10.30am	10.50am
4	Langford	Langford Hall Farm	10.55am	11.10am
5	Holme	Snaefell, Langford Lane	11.20am	11.30am
6	Holme	Southview Farm	11.35am	11.55am

\*Information taken from inspireculture.org.uk

Don't forget to contact the editor about any events or activities happening in Winthorpe, Langford or Holme, so that they can be included in Focal Point.

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Or use the contact form on the parish website: www.winthorpe.org.uk





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### 🏂 Winthorpe Platinum Jubilee Afternoon Tea 🏂

Hi Everyone,

Here is a quick reminder that, in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, the Afternoon Tea event will take place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June from 3-5pm at the Community Centre. Over 100 residents are coming to the event and I sincerely hope that all of you will have a lovely afternoon together.

If you wish to bring your own wine/fizz, please remember to bring glasses too. If you prefer a cup of tea, could I kindly ask that you bring along your own china cup and saucer, please. If you have booked a place and are unable to attend, please let me know as soon as possible, as there are a number of residents on the waiting list.

Please be mindful of the limited car parking spaces and, if you are able to do so, please consider walking to the Community Centre instead of driving. Please also support the Jubilee raffle, which will be drawn during the Afternoon Tea. Funds raised will go to our Community Centre and The Royal British Legion. There are many fantastic prizes, including : Steak Night meal for 2 at the Lord Nelson; Fish and Chips for 2 ( with 2 sides ) from Harley's; Bottle of Loch Lomond single malt whisky - plus many more prizes.

Tickets cost £2, available to purchase in advance from Michelle Cammack (07951728079) or Jane Bateson (07546649934). PLEASE NOTE that tickets will also be available for purchase during the Afternoon Tea .

In the evening, as part of our village celebrations, the Winthorpe Beacon will be lit at 9.45pm and you are warmly welcomed to attend. More than 2,022 beacons will be lit throughout the UK, Channel islands, Isle of Man and UK overseas territories. The beacons will enable local communities to pay tribute to the Queen as part of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

Thank you once again for your tremendous support. I look forward to seeing you all on the  $2^{\rm nd}$  June .

Denise Day (07932056097)

### WINTHORPE SUMMER FESTIVAL 2022

#### SATURDAY 25th JUNE 1PM - 5PM

WINTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Featuring:

The Lancaster Bomber Flypast /Classic Car Display / Crafts/ Art Exhibition / Winthorpe Line Dancing Display / Zumba Display/ Children's Race / Tug-o-War Competition / Tombola / Stalls / Family Games /Large Bouncy Castle/ Raffle / BBQ / Cakes / Tea / Bar/ Ice Cream /Scarecrow competition results

Proceeds will go towards a 3rd defibrillator for the village



### WINTHORPE SUMMER FESTIVAL SATURDAY, 25th JUNE

# ART EXHIBITION



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There will be an Art Exhibition in the Community Centre on the afternoon of the Festival

Original paintings, prints and cards/notelets will be very welcome with a 10% sale value going to the funds.

If you would like to display something, whether for sale or not, please bring your items to the Village Hall during the period Tuesday 21st -Friday 24th June or bring them to the Community Centre on the morning of the 25<sup>th</sup>

Peter Foden, 704241

### Winthorpe Community Centre

Winners for May			100
1st	£42.60	C. W. Spear	Club
2nd	£23.30	Kathryn Cooper	
3rd	£7.10	Peter Foden	

Congratulations to our winners in May!

You could also be a winner and support your local community centre at the same time, just by making a contribution of £2 per month. For more information, contact Nina Adams: ninjab71@gmail.com

#### Newark Air Museum's Cockpit-Fest 2022

Cockpit-Fest is a two-day charitable event that provides a focal point for cockpit owners from across the UK to display their aircraft cockpits at Newark Air Museum's site, which is located on Drove Lane, on part of the former RAF Winthorpe Airfield.

This year's event is back in its normal June timeslot and takes place on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2022. There is already a growing list of participants, who travel here to participate, and regular updates appear on the museum website in the run up to the event.

Running alongside the event is the Aeroboot / Aerojumble Aviation & Avionics Sale, which is like a car boot sale but for all things aviation.

If you would like to win a family ticket to visit Cockpit-Fest and a book about the History of RAF Winthorpe, all you have to do is identify this mystery object, recently recovered from an aircraft crash site in Belgium, where several airmen who trained at RAF Winthorpe in spring 1944 were involved in a flying accident in June 1944:



Email your answer to the editor at <u>winthorpefocalpoint@outlook.com</u> before 18<sup>th</sup> June. All correct answers will be entered into a draw to win.

Many thanks to Howard at Newark Air Museum for such a fantastic prize.



#### Winthorpe W.I.

#### **Coffee Morning**

On 25<sup>th</sup> April members of the WI met informally at the Lord Nelson for coffee, cake and chatter. Members of the now suspended Collingham WI were invited to join us, and two of their members were welcomed. Members who celebrated their birthdays in April were presented with flowers.

#### Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> May

The subject of this meeting was Resolutions, where members vote on a topic to bring to the attention of the Government and the wider community. This year's topic, which had received the most votes, was "*Women and Girls with ASD & ADHD - under-identified, under-diagnosed, misdiagnosed, under-supported*". Two members had attended a talk given on the subject and reported back, giving members greater insight into this. After a lengthy discussion, this year's Resolution was unanimously adopted.

Five birthdays were celebrated and the outgoing President was given a small gift to thank her for her services. What might have been an ordinary business meeting was livened up by alcohol and nibbles (we're easily bribed).

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> June at the Community Centre, when there will be a talk about the Mitford Sisters, given by John Whitfield. If you would like to join us, a warm welcome awaits you. Your first is free; subsequent meetings incur a £5 charge.

#### WI Book Club

First of all, let me apologise to anyone in the Lord Nelson who was expecting a quiet cup of coffee and a read of the newspaper, and who must have thought that we were all on the vino, even though it was well before noon. The book we were reviewing – *The Affair* by Hilary Boyd – evoked raucous laughter and, to quote one member, "we are not all jam and Jerusalem, sometimes we are a little bit Calendar Girl".

The Book Club is open to members of the WI only. Our next meeting will be held at 10.30am on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June, at the Lord Nelson, when we will be reviewing *Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day* by Winifred Watson.

### Winthorpe Garden Club

There was a change of speaker for May's meeting of the Garden Club. Unfortunately Sally Smith, whose talk would have been about weeds, was unable to attend. So, along came Don Witton, an old friend of ours.

Don, a retired school teacher from Harthill near Sheffield, has gardened for over 40 years and grows many plants, both in his garden and a 600 square yards allotment. A gifted speaker, he used slides for his talk: *People, Plants, Pleasure and Passion*. Including light-hearted anecdotes and humour, he described the plants he grows. Don has won many awards with his euphorbias, including two golds at the Tatton Park Show and holds the National Collection of Hardy Euphorbia, of which he has over 130 varieties. In 1999, he featured on BBC2's *Gardeners' World* in his allotment, with presenter Joe Swift, and again in 2012 with Carol Klein. Thanks to Don, it was an enjoyable evening.

The next Gardening Club meeting will be on 21<sup>st</sup> September, at 7.30pm, in the Community Centre. The speaker will be Tracey Akehurst; the topic is *Carrots, Cabbages and other Ancients*. All are welcome. We hope to see you there.

#### Pat Finn

### A huge thank you to Pat Finn

Pat Finn has been involved with Focal Point since its early days, and supplies me with all kinds of useful information about its history. Thanks to him, I now have copies of the first and subsequent front covers, which I intend to feature in a future article of Focal Point.

Pat has been a mainstay of the distribution team for many years and we wish to recognise his valuable contribution, in ensuring that Focal Point reaches everyone in Woodlands. Now that he has decided to take a well-earned rest from this labour of love, handing over to Steve Lord, we say, "Thank you very much, Mr Pat Finn!"

Julie Hill (editor)

### Winthorpe Garden Club Outings

#### Wednesday 15th June: Lincolnshire Gardens

Depart by coach from The Lord Nelson at 9.30am, for Mill Farm Garden on the Lincolnshire Worlds. Here we can explore the garden and visit the small nursery. Although coffee and biscuits will be provided, it is advisable to bring a packed lunch.

Depart Mill Farm Gardens about 1.30pm, to visit Woodlands Garden & Nursery, near Louth. Refreshments are included in the entrance fee. Depart Woodlands Garden & Nursery about 5pm, for a two course evening meal at The Kings Head, Tealby. Total cost: £43.

#### Wednesday 20th July: RHS Garden, Bridgwater, Salford

Depart by coach from The Lord Nelson at 8.30am. It is advisable to bring a packed lunch. We will be stopping for an evening meal on our way home. The cost will be  $\pm 60$ . (RHS members  $\pm 51.50$ )

RHS Garden Bridgewater, opened in 2021, is the largest (154 acres) and the most spectacular gardening project undertaken in recent years. It is a garden well worth a visit.

All enquires please ring Julie Parker - 01636 893371 or

lan Wilson - 01636 686249.

#### Both outings are open to non members.

Please come and join us and make these visits memorable ones.

#### Pat Finn.

### Tips for June from Gardeners' World:

- Plant up a hanging basket with a tumbling variety of tomatoes and you'll be cropping delicious, cherry tomatoes for weeks.
- Create an area for scented plants around outdoor seating.
- Keeping the bird bath topped up means birds can drink and bathe in dry weather. With clean feathers, birds are better able to regulate their body temperatures and fly from predators.

https://www.gardenersworld.com

Many thanks to Ron Moore for his poem, which makes us reflect on the true nature of happiness and what we really value in our lives. As life begins to feel more normal, after the upheavals of the past two years, the message of this poem is more poignant than ever.

### Happiness?

What makes you so happy? What gives you the blues? Are you looking at the stars? Or frowning at your shoes?

We are all so very different: Do you sing or do you fret? Like what's on your table? Or desire what you can't get?

Is it down to your possessions? Or just your state of mind That gives such satisfaction? Or something you can't find?

Are you looking at the open road? Or staring down an alley? Want to be a someone? Or just an old Aunt Sally?

These are questions for us all At different times of life – The answers do most surely Lead to happiness or strife.

So try to be an optimist, The pessimist must lose; Aim then for the bright lights – It's up to you to choose.

# WINTHORPE ALL SAINTS

# **Pimms and Strawberry Party**



Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at Church 5p.m.

### Tickets £5

[to include a Pimms(alcoholic/non alcoholic)/soft drink with Strawberries and Cream/Ice Cream]

Raffle drawn before 7p.m.

### Tickets available from any PCC Member





### Winthorpe with Langford Parish Council

This month's Parish Council meeting took place in the Village Hall on the 19<sup>th</sup> May, preceded by the Annual General Meeting which included the Chair's Annual Report and end of year financial reports.

At the previous meeting in April, Lee Cammack who, as many of you will know, has served as Parish Council Chair for the last 7 years, announced his intention to step down at the AGM. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Lee for his outstanding support for the Parish Council and the Parish in general, during his time as Chair. Thankfully, Lee will be remaining as a member of the Parish Council going forward.

After discussion of which Parish Council member would step forward to take on the role of Chair, Paul Smith was duly voted in by all members present. Bob Allen also agreed to continue as Deputy Chair for the coming year.

You may also remember from the last edition of Focal Point that we were looking for a new Parish Councillor to replace Steve Lord, who stepped down at the April meeting. We are very pleased to say that Abigale George has come forward and will be joining us as a member of the Parish Council from the June meeting. We welcome Abigale to what we hope will be a dynamic new future for the Parish, developing and delivering the Neighbourhood Plan, together with other important Parish issues.

The meeting was attended by Denise Day, who gave us an update on the progress of preparations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Afternoon Tea, which will take place at the Community Centre on 2<sup>nd</sup> June. We would like to thank Denise and her team for all their efforts, and we look forward to a very enjoyable event!

The Neighbourhood Plan continues to progress very well; you will find a full update in this edition of Focal Point, following on from this report. The next meeting of the Working Group takes place on 7<sup>th</sup> June and an update will be provided in the next month's edition of Focal Point.

Little has occurred generally, from a planning perspective, over the last month. There were two applications for tree works, both of which were supported by Parish Council members. Newark and Sherwood Planning have now turned down the application for an events venue at Winthorpe House. This application has sparked a lot of debate in the village over the last nine months and has been considered fully against all criteria.

Finally, after many years of excellent service as Auditor for the Parish Council Accounts, Duncan Richardson has decided to hand over the reins. Thank you Duncan, for your tremendous support. As a result, we are now looking for someone in the Parish with a financial background, who would be able to take on this role. If you think this might be you, please contact our clerk (Sally Sillery) at <u>parishclerkatwinthorpe@outlook.com</u>

### **Ukrainian Refugees**

If you are considering, or have offered to host refugees from Ukraine, please could you let the Parish Council know? We're asking you to do this so that we are aware of potential numbers, and also to enable potential hosts to contact and offer support to one another.

Whilst the Parish Council is unable to support residents directly in the Ukraine Sponsorship Scheme, we can share information as we receive it about charitable organisations who can provide support for refugees and their hosts.

Please contact Mark Kneen at the Parish Council.

email: mark\_kneen@hotmail.com telephone: 07711 059184

(The editor apologises for the incorrect telephone number shown last month)

#### Winthorpe with Langford Parish 2023-2033

'Securing a Safe, Evolving and

#### Sustainable Community'



#### The Parish Plan is taking shape!

Thank you to all those people in the village who have taken the time to get involved with developing the Parish Plan so far. As most people will know, The Parish Council took a decision to develop a 'Neighbourhood Plan' for Winthorpe with Langford Parish which, once complete, will take the Parish forward from next year until 2033.

In addition to a great deal of hard work from the Plan Working Group members, we have also held four Parish meetings over the last few months and undertaken a general survey, to capture the feelings of residents, together with a recent business survey to look at how people feel about the need – or otherwise – to bring more life into our community.

Working Group members have also been working hard to move forward the work of the Plan Focus Groups. We are very pleased to say that this has resulted in quite a lot of residents getting more involved in village life and helping the Parish Council develop what they want their community to look like over the next 10 years. So, many thanks to everyone who has given of their time to contribute.

And it's not too late to get involved, as the Plan will not be finalised until the end of this year/early 2023, so we are still looking for volunteers to lend their ideas and help the work of the Focus Groups whose areas and their leads are listed below. If you are interested, please get in touch with one of them.

#### Please keep an eye on all the usual means of village communication and, if you have any specific questions or comments, please contact Paul Smith on 07568 543202

#### Focus Groups

Focus Group Lead

•	Transport, Footpaths and Cycle Ways	Martin Shapley
٠	Future Housing needs/development	Mark Kneen
•	Winthorpe Conservation Area	Paul Smith
•	Parish History and Heritage Assets	Andy Leary
•	Green spaces and Recreational Areas	Phil Farmer
•	Environment, Ecology & Rural Environment	Andrew Parkin
•	Businesses and other interest groups	Mark Brown



THINK AGAIN. The Winthorpe Residents' A46 Consultation Group

As reported last month there are unlikely to be more developments until the statutory consultation process starts with National Highways (NH) later in the year. Arrangements have been made for the next

communication meeting with NH, at the end of May.

We understand that noise measurement surveys have been undertaken in various locations in the village, particularly in the residential areas likely to be most impacted, and environmental surveys continue.

The dedicated Think Again website is available as a single point of information and communication for the village. It can be found by following the link: <u>https://a46thinkagain.org.uk/</u>

For further information please use the following contact: A46WinthorpeVillage@outlook.com Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/ThinkAgainA46Newark</u> Twitter: <u>https://twitter.com/ThinkAgainA46</u>

# 'Ne'er cast a clout till May be out'



What does it mean? A recent walk in Holme Lane brought this phrase to mind, memories of my granny & mum saying this to me when the weather was warming up for the summer season.

"Let's look first at the 'cast a clout' part. The word 'clout', although archaic, is straightforward. Since at least the early 15th century 'clout' has been used variously to mean 'a blow to the head', 'a clod of earth or (clotted) cream' or 'a fragment of cloth, or clothing'. It is the last of these that is meant in 'cast a clout'. This was spelled variously spelled as clowt, clowte, cloot, clute. Here's an early example, from the Early English Miscellanies in Prose and Verse, circa 1485:

He had not left an holle clowt, Wherwith to hyde hys body abowte."

So, 'ne'er cast a clout...' simply means 'never discard your [warm winter] clothing...'.Til May be out.

The 'till May be out' part is where the doubt lies. On the face of it this means 'until the month of May is ended'.

There is another interpretation. In England, in May, you can't miss the Hawthorn. It is an extremely common tree in the English countryside, especially in hedges. Hawthorns are virtually synonymous with hedges. As many as 200,000 miles of hawthorn hedge were planted in the Parliamentary Enclosure period, between 1750 and 1850. The name 'Haw' derives from 'hage', the Old English for 'hedge'.

The tree gives its beautiful display of flowers in late April/early May. It is known as the May Tree and the blossom itself is called May. Using that allusion, 'till May is out' could mean, 'until the hawthorn is out [in bloom]'.



This was a perfect day for shedding the winter underwear, it was 23c on the 14<sup>th</sup> of May and Show day at Newark showground. The Lancaster was on its way The scent of the blossom and wild flowercolour display on this day was something magical.

Quotes courtesy of Google search "The Phrase Finder". Photo's: by me

**Bob Warriner** 

### **Recipe of the Month: Strawberry Trifle**

Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee is almost here, Wimbledon starts on June 27<sup>th</sup> and Winthorpe Village Festival is back on June 25<sup>th</sup> – so what could be more fitting for this month's recipe than a traditional trifle, made with sweet and juicy English strawberries?



Whilst there are plenty of recipes out there from well known chefs, telling you how to make every element of a trifle from scratch, here's my easy alternative. I've made it this way almost all my life (hence the imperial measurements), and it's never failed me. It will take a while for each layer to set, so start in the morning for afternoon tea. Sherry is optional!

INGREDIENTS			
1 jam swiss roll, cut into 2cms rings	2 level tbsp sugar		
1lb strawberries, washed and halved	1 pint milk		
1 pack strawberry jelly (in cubes)	½ pint double cream		
1 large glass of pale cream sherry	1 Cadbury's Flake		
2 heaped tbsp custard powder			

Lay the swiss roll rings in the base of a deep glass dish, angling them slightly up the sides. Pour the sherry evenly over them. Whilst the sherry soaks in, make up the jelly according to the packet's instructions, stirring well to ensure it's fully blended. Scatter the strawberries over the swiss roll and pour the jelly over. Don't worry if the swiss roll rings lift slightly. Allow to cool before placing in the fridge to set.

To make the custard, mix the custard powder and sugar with a little of the milk in a saucepan. Stir to form a smooth paste. Add the rest of the milk and stir well. Heat over medium heat, stirring continuously until thick and gently bubbling. Remove from the heat. Pour into a cool jug or bowl and continue to stir, to prevent a skin forming, until cool. As this takes time, you could do it whilst watching tv or get someone else to do it for you!

Pour the cooled custard over the jelly base and return to the fridge. Don't worry if there is slight 'bleeding', as it can look quite pretty.

Whip the cream until thick. Top the trifle with the cream and crumble the chocolate flake over. Serve immediately and Enjoy!



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Just a quick message of thanks to all that came to the annual duck day. It was an amazing day and with the help of TFM country stores at whisby we raised £500 for the Lincolnshire and Nottingham air ambulance

#### Just A Few Dates For Your Diary

Queen's Jubilee Weekend

Saturday 4th June

Winfest

join us for a day of live music and great food

Village Lunch Monday 6th June

Two courses for £13 Pop in or call the pub for menu options

#### Quiz Night Monday 13th June

Booking essential £1.00 per person entry. Why not add dinner for £8.00 This month it's tapas.

#### Steak Night Every Wednesday

Any 2 rump steaks and a bottle of house wine £35.00 vegetarian and fish options available

Open mic night 20th June

Next Village Lunch Is The 4th of July Next Quiz Night Monday 11th July

Pop in or give us a call

To book you table and make you menu choices We still have the onsite shop, fish and chip takeaway, newspapers, Post Office every thursday 9am -12noon Thanks Emma And the Team

### **Coddington and Winthorpe Cricket Club**

Based at Winthorpe Cricket Ground, Holme Lane, cricket has been played here since 1887.

Coddington and Winthorpe CC always welcomes new members, whether they are senior players, junior players, social members, or interested in being a coach, umpire, scorer, groundsman, tea maker, or committee member.

The club offers cricket for all and has the following teams running for 2022:

- ➤ Kwik Cricket (softball) for 5 to 11 year olds
- U11 Hard ball for 9 to 11 year olds
- U13 for 10 to 13 year olds
- U15 for 13 to 15 year olds
- > 3 Senior Sides: Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> XI, Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> XI, Midweek XI

#### Training:

Juniors on Friday from 6.15pm to 7.30pm – all age groups Seniors on Tuesday from 6pm

### Why not come along and join in the fun? All skill levels welcome

Or contact us by email: coddingtonandwinthorpecc@gmail.com

#### Home Fixtures for June:

4<sup>th</sup>: 1<sup>st</sup> XI, Stapleford CC 1<sup>st</sup> XI 8<sup>th</sup>: U11s, Bingham 14<sup>th</sup>: U13s, Bottesford 15<sup>th</sup>: U11s, Newark 18<sup>th</sup>: 1<sup>st</sup> XI, Southwell CC 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 19<sup>th</sup>: Kwik's 21<sup>st</sup>: Midweek XI, Wellow 22<sup>nd</sup>: U11s, Kinoulton 23<sup>rd</sup>: U13s, Newark 27<sup>th</sup>: U15s Keyworth





### Winthorpe Tennis Club



Winthorpe Tennis Club – has two hard courts beside the Community Centre. This club is coming back after Covid and getting ready for the summer ahead. Summer is fast approaching and we're looking forward to making the most of it!

- Our club members are a group of people who enjoy playing tennis at varying standards, from beginners upwards
- The club currently has about 30 members new members are very welcome.
- · The club has no booking system: if somebody is waiting, members agree a time between themselves (up to an hour)
- Membership fee is £20 for an individual or £40 for a Family (plus Key Deposit)

Winthorpe Tennis Club's plans for the months ahead:

- · Tennis Coaching if there is sufficient interest, we will re-launch Coaching (with local coaches from Caunton Tennis Cub)
- Socials Drinks and Barbeque are planned for early June check the calendar on the village website for updates
- Junior Tennis will be starting soon, from 5:30pm on Thursdays for 8 to 11 year olds
- Adult Tennis will be starting soon, on Sundays at 4:30pm
- Tennis Family Friday is planned for June 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 pm
- If there is sufficient interest, the committee will be arranging a "friendly" league

For more information please contact Jonny on powell.jonny@gmail.com or 07767 41136

https:www.winthorpe.org.uk/tennis-club



#### **NEWARK FOODBANK**

An excellent collection this month. Thank you to everyone who has contributed. We are all experiencing increases in the cost of living, so it is heartening to know that there are people out there thinking of others less well off. Any donation, however small, matters a great deal. To make direct donations, the Foodbank bank details are CAF Bank Ltd. Sort code 40-52-40, Account no: 00027004.

The items most needed are: tinned cold meat, long life fruit juice, tinned potatoes, sugar, pasta sauce. The Foodbank cannot accept out of date items, fresh food, or anything containing alcohol.

Winthorpe Collection Points:

- The shop at the Lord Nelson, during shop hours
- The swing bin at 11 Gainsborough Road, available 24/7.
- The church porch, Sun 10am-12noon, Thurs 1.30-3.30pm

Thank you everyone. Jane White



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For Further details contact Paul (DBS checked), references available: 07789175957 Pauldewison771@gmail.com

### FOCAL POINT ONLINE EDITION

The online edition of the magazine is easy to find on Winthorpe

village website: www.winthorpe.org

Just follow the menus: Media and then Village Magazine.

As well as the current issue, you can read previous issues, going

back as far as 2007!



It's been a while since we last wrote an article for Focal Point and a lot has happened during this period. Flooding, record visitor numbers, staff changes, loads of hard work, exciting confirmation that the Tarmac-to-RSPB land transfer will occur in early 2023 and of course, all the exciting wildlife developments. For now though, I'm going to just focus on recent news.

We're currently well into the breeding season, that exciting time of year when our resident and migratory birds are singing, nest building and putting all their efforts into raising as many chicks as they can. Our early-morning breeding bird surveys monitor how the various species are doing on site and, although it's too early to conclude how things are going this year, it has been wonderful to hear all 10 of our breeding warblers in song; to hear cuckoos cuckooing; to see 100's of sand martins feeding over the reedbed; to hear the loud boom of the bitterns; and to see the common terns back on the raft designed and built specifically for them. Tadpoles have been seen in the new amphibian ponds that were dug last year and a range of unusual bird species have been stopping in, to re-fuel before continuing their migratory journeys. Highlights have included ringed plovers, grey plovers, hobbies, sanderlings, grasshopper warblers, an osprey, 3 black-winged stilts, huge numbers of swifts and a turtle dove.

At this time of year, to avoid disturbance to the wildlife, our conservation volunteers focus their efforts on repairing infrastructure – not as exciting as planting reeds or cutting down sycamore trees, but essential to ensure our growing number of visitors have a great and safe visit. Recent jobs have included lots of fence repairs, regular mowing of the visitor trail and repairs to the Boardwalk and Beach Hut.

The wildflower spectacle on site is in full swing, with the cowslips now past their best, but the ox-eye daisies just preparing to cover the reserve in a sea of swaying white, complementing the blossom of the thorn bushes. It's a busy time of year in every sense, with time spent sitting on one of the benches, looking out across the reedbed, breathing in the sounds, sights and smells (!?) never wasted.

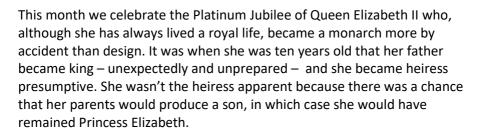
Joe Harris RSPB Langford Lowfields



# **REFLECTIONS FOR JUNE**



Dear Friends,



In February 1952, when she was twenty-five, the sad news of her father's death meant that she was now Queen. Since then, she has reigned through a tumultuous period of massive change in our world and in our daily lives.

Throughout the ups and downs of marriage and family life, the changing Commonwealth, massive power shifts on the world stage, a technological revolution and changing social norms, Queen Elizabeth II has maintained her personal vow which she made long before her coronation, at the age of twenty-one: "To the Commonwealth and Empire, I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service," always carrying out her duties with dignity and courage.

For seventy years, in the words of the National Anthem, we have been praying for God to give our queen long life and a long reign – and that has certainly been granted. As with everyone who's lived a long life, she has known joy, happiness and delight, sadness, worry and grief.

As we celebrate this month with food, drink and festivity, let's give thanks for her leadership and example and let's reflect on our own lives, with the twists and turns they've taken along with the vagaries of birth and death and other people's decisions.

God bless you, Revd Mandy



### St Giles' Church, Holme



Hello from St Giles Church, Holme First of all, more details about the service on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 9am.

We've decided to make this a Platinum Jubilee Celebration service. This is a change from the normal communion service, and instead will be a celebration of HM The Queen's 70 years of remarkable service to our nation as Monarch. There will be music, readings and prayers, as well as the dedication of the Bramley apple tree in the churchyard. Everyone is invited to stay afterwards and join together over a glass of 'Fizz for Liz'. We look forward to welcoming many of you at this happy occasion.

Since we wrote last month about the churchyard, we wish to remind Holme village residents that there is a dedicated area where the ashes of cremated deceased may be interred. A small memorial tablet may be laid over the place where the casket is buried and there are already a number of memorial stones in place. The area being referred to is on the west side of the front churchyard, just inside the wall.

A number of people have asked about the church having a notice board at the front, close to the road. This will allow us to post notices about forthcoming events and services in a more prominent place, and will save people from going up to the porch. In addition, it will enable visitors and walkers to see what's happening at St Giles. If anyone has any ideas about this, please let us know. We'd really love to hear your suggestions.

In the meantime, enjoy this lovely late spring weather and all the freshness of the season.

Kind regards, Nigel Priestley and Doreen Hallam. Phone, 01636 892020



# St Bartholomew's Church, Langford

#### Langford Church and Churchyard News

There will be a church service on Sunday 26th

June at 10am - everyone is welcome.

The church is cleaned on the Saturday prior to the monthly Sunday morning service, this provides an opportunity for coffee and conversation. From June the church will be opened most days between 10-and 4pm from June.

#### Diary dates:

There will be a combined Lammastide and celebration of St Bartholomew's day on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August at 5pm, followed by a community BBQ. More details about decorating the church and the BBQ nearer to the day. The new Church notice board will be unveiled. We are looking for interesting facts about the church so the community can select some interesting snippets for the notice board. Please contact us with any stories, family history and tales that may have been passed down, especially ones unknown to Google!

#### Saturday 10th September: RIDE & STRIDE

The Nottinghamshire Historic Churches Trust: Raising money to grant-aid historic churches and chapels in Nottinghamshire (nottshistoricchurchtrust.org.uk)

John and Becky Whittaker Langford Crossing 01636 700621





## All Saints' Church, Winthorpe

How wonderful to see the Lancaster Bomber flying over the village again and to have all the Showground noises permeating through our village airspace.

Life is definitely returning to normal!

The start of the month sees all the Platinum Jubilee celebrations getting underway. There is a special HC Service at Holy Trinity, Besthorpe, on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 10.30am.

Another welcome returning event later in the month is Winthorpe Village Festival (June 25th). As usual, the church will be running a Tombola Stall; donations would be very much appreciated and can be brought to any member of the PCC (mentioned below). Also, we're fortunate to have another chance to see the Lancaster at 1p.m.(ish)!

We continue with our fundraising activities in July with a Strawberry and Pimms evening on 9<sup>th</sup> July at 5p.m. Tickets are priced at £5 and can be bought from the following PCC members: Christine (Spinney), Joan (top end of Gainsborough Rd), Tisha (Church end of Gainsborough Rd), Pauline (Pocklington) or Jane (Old Rectory Court). Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Festival.

We are very much thinking in our prayers of anyone in the village who is ill, hospitalised or facing a bereavement at this time.

Tish Applewhite (Churchwarden) 643763



### **Church Services for June 2022**







Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Holy Communion Platinum Jubilee	Besthorpe
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> (Pentecost)		Holy Communion ation of Apple Tree)	Holme
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> (Trinity Sunday)	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Winthorpe
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> (1 <sup>st</sup> after Trinity)	10.15 a.m.	Morning Worship	Winthorpe
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	2.30p.m.	Holy Matrimony	Winthorpe
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> (2nd after Trinity	) 10.00a.m.	Morning Worship	Langford
Thursdays 1.3	0 -3.30p.m.	Open Church	Winthorpe
The Church Bells may be rung for any of the Winthorpe services.			
Church Cleaners Mrs J. White and Miss P Applewhite			
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