

2012



Ed's Comments

Well it has finally come to pass; Alan Stone has unfortunately had to announce his retirement as our Church Organist and member of the Parochial Parish Council. My how he will be missed! We have just until the end of November to enjoy his playing. Let's hope the congregation at the Harvest Festival on October the 21st is a good one so that he can perhaps have a lovely memory of his last 'big one'.

Where will it all end with no Rector and now no organist what will the future of the church be?

Let's hope that Ann manages to get her operation for a new hip sooner rather than later so that she can return to full 'comfortable' mobility.

I was going to say that I hope she gets a new hip in her Xmas stocking but Terry said that I better not! Do you get it? Hip in stocking! Oh! dear.

I have had to trust to Ian Wilson's spelling this month as his Garden Club report has words in it that I have never heard of and the spell check on my PC gave up the ghost.

There is an Italian cookery class advertised this month taking place in the Village Hall. Now there is an idea for the luncheon club or maybe a different take on Christmas dinner!!

It was sad to hear of the death of Beryl Watts, she was a lovely lady but no doubt she would be pleased to be joining Phillip.

I've now got my 'coffee pot' to remind me of 'Peter's Potty Adventure' as described in last month's edition. It has cleaned up really well and is quite a talking point when visitors arrive. He still has some left I believe

Ron and Olga Bradshaw celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary last month so **many many congratulations** to them. Just think the year that they got married Ann Widdicombe was born and Prince Philip was made Duke of Edinburgh. It was a terribly cold winter in 1947 with the sea off Margate freezing. The government cut train services that summer to conserve coal for the following winter.

Cliff Newbold

Closing date for the November issue is **22nd of October**.

LUNCH CLUB

The next Lunch will be at 12.30pm on **Monday, 1st October**. The menu will be:



Beef in Ale Pie

or

Fish Pie

with

New Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables

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Apple Crumble & Custard

With quite a lot of us being away on the Village Holiday in the week before the Lunch the usual booking arrangements have not been possible. Hopefully by the time Focal Point appears you will already have placed your order; many of you having done so at the September Lunch. If you want to come and have not yet ordered please contact Margaret & Alec Stewart (**702634**) urgently.

Peter Foden.

TUESDAY CLUB

Tuesday, 9th October. Morning Coffee in the Village Hall, 10.30am.

Tuesday, 23rd October. Lunch outing to Pennells Garden Centre near Lincoln. Transport by car to be arranged. Meet for lunch at 12.30pm.

Many congratulations to Ron & Olga Bradshaw who recently celebrated their Blue Sapphire (65th) Wedding Anniversary.

Jean Foden

School Lunch



The school are pleased to invite the village pensioners to a lunch on **Wednesday 17th October**.

Please advise early if you would like to attend. **Tel. 680060**

Jamie Macintyre



Garden Club

For his talk 'Autumn Colour', Paul Beech brought along examples collected that day from his nursery at Carlton Walled Garden. He had a selection of cut blooms and potted plants, many of which we were later able to buy. The merits of a wide variety of plants was discussed and it was generally agreed that the topsy turvy weather this year had been challenging, but the wet summer had suited some plants very well, resulting in bigger, more floriferous specimens flowering longer and later than usual.

Asters, rudbeckias, ligularia, verbena bonariensis, phlox, scabious, crocosmia, nerine, Japanese anemone, dahlia and chrysanthemum were among the flowering plants discussed, together with more obvious foliage plants such as canna and grasses. Paul was generous with advice and tips on getting the best from individual plants. One of his personal favourites is the heuchera.

Our next meeting is on **October 17th** when **Angela Plumb** will give a talk entitled **Fascinating Falkland Islands**.

Ian Wilson

WINTHORPE & DISTRICT W.I. SEPTEMBER REPORT



Mrs. Pat Nelson welcomed members to the first meeting after our summer break.

Apologies were given for members who could not attend.

There were no minutes from the last meeting as the secretary was away and we did not have the minute book. Boards were going round for various outings and visits to other Institutes for Fashion shows.

We were to have had a speaker from a firm of solicitors and members had been preparing questions for her, but unfortunately at the last moment she decided to take a holiday and so an emergency speaker was called upon.

This was a Mrs Pam Littlewood of Beesthorpe Hall Farm, Caunton; she spoke about the book she has written, called 'If wishes were Horses', which is a novel but is based on material that she had found in the archives in Nottingham about one of the families that had lived at Beesthorpe Hall in the Eighteenth century.

When her family had grown up and left home, she decided to take a history course and some of the research work was looking into the archives, as she had become friendly with the old lady who at that time lived in Beesthorpe Hall and she had shown her around the hall, it had intrigued her so much and had a feel to it, that made her want to investigate its history, and this is what she did.

A very good talk and very interesting, as is the novel.

The speaker was thanked by Mrs Joan Lord.

After the raffle and tea and biscuits the meeting closed.

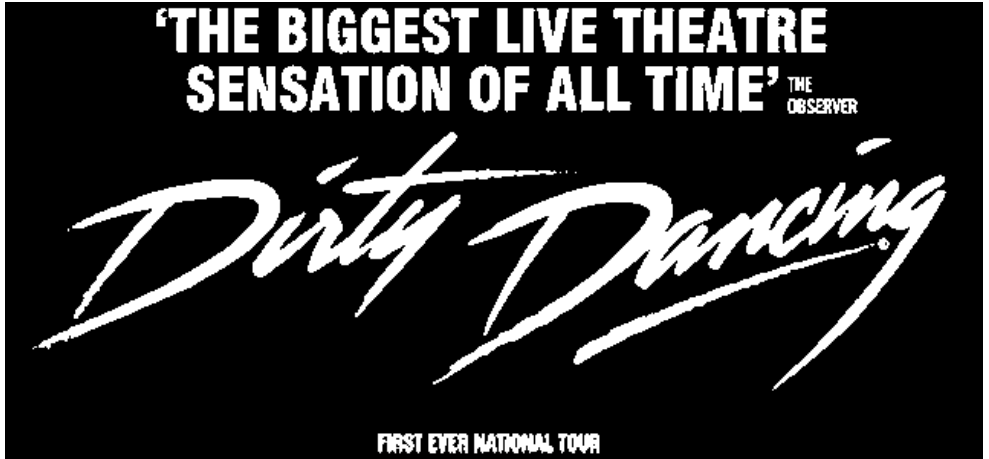
Our next meeting is Thursday **October 11th** in the Village Hall.

Daphne Marshall.



WINTHORPE AND DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Are organising an evening outing to see



VENUE: *The Theatre Royal, Nottingham.*

DATE: *Wednesday 27th February 2013.*

Coach departure times:
Lord Nelson Pub, 6.00pm,
Post Office, 6.05pm.

Approximate cost is £45.00, including coach travel.

ALL WELCOME.

For further details please contact:
Sheila - 01636 679960 or Vivien - 01636 659631

Village Bonfire - Saturday 3rd November 2012



The village Bonfire will be held on Saturday 3rd November on the field behind the school.

Do come along and enjoy the fantastic fireworks display.

There will be hot food, a bar and a Bouncy castle.

Tickets - Adults £4 and children under 16 - £2

A Family Ticket can be purchased in advance from Winthorpe Post Office for £10 (for 2 adults and up to 3 children under the age of 16) PLEASE NOTE THAT FAMILY TICKET CAN ONLY BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE, THEY CANNOT BE PURCHASED ON THE GATE

Free parking will be available -please follow the directional signs which lead to the designated parking area.

Please do not park in the areas around Gainsborough Road, Pocklington Crescent and Hargon Lane .These areas must be kept clear to allow access.

*Gates open at 6.00pm and the **mini** fireworks display starts at 6.45pm.

(This display is designed to be more suitable for younger children)

The Bonfire will be lit at 7.pm followed by the main display at 7.15pm

Personal Fireworks

Please note that due to insurance restrictions and Health and Safety regulations, personal fireworks are not allowed at the event. This includes Sparklers.

Stewards

We would be delighted if you could offer your help to marshal the event. Please contact Denise Day tel.708727or Mike Toulson tel. 610641 or Howard Pope tel.659491 or Peter Hill tel.707158

Wooden waste

We will be accepting wooden waste on the field on Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th October and on Saturday 3rd November up to 4.00pm. Please DO NOT leave any wooden waste before the 29th October.

Unfortunately we are unable to collect any wooden waste.

Please note that NO METAL, GLASS OR CONCRETE will be accepted. No mattresses and sofas with metal springs.

We thank you for your support and hope that you will be able to come along and enjoy the evening with us.

Proceeds to Winthorpe Youth Club

Denise Day

Inconsiderate!

On the subject of bonfires, I have received a letter asking me to remind those who have an inclination to burn their garden rubbish that the time for doing it is at dusk. This will least affect your neighbours who may have windows open or washing out.

Many thanks,

Ed.

GIANT SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

Nature has given us its own glorious tribute to the sun in the form of flowers. The best of these flowers is the sunflower. Like sunflowers we seek the sun, delight in its warmth and welcome the light into our hearts.

We, like sunflowers, saw very little of the sun as the weather this summer has been dreadful. It was the wettest and dullest since 1912, not the type of weather sunflowers like.

Despite all that the children have done very well, as can be seen with the results.



The winner of the 2012 Giant Sunflower Competition was 8 years old **Amelia Everatt-Rowell** with a height of 3mtrs. 8cms. (10ft. 2ins.) On Thursday the 20th September, Amelia, who is a pupil at Winthorpe Primary School, was presented with a framed certificate to record her achievement, a First place card, a sunflower bookmark and a gift voucher.

The record set in 1999 by Jon Higgins of Langford with a height of 4mtrs. 48cms. (14ft. 6ins.) still stands.

Second were 8 and 6 years old sisters, Phoebe and Imogen Loach-Martin with 2mtrs. 77 cms.

Third was 5 years old Samuel Smith with 2mtrs. 70cms.

Phoebe and Imogen were each awarded a Second place card and Samuel a Third place card. All three received sunflower bookmarks.

The following were each awarded an Award of Merit card and a sunflower bookmark.

Samuel Mabbott 2mtrs. 69cms; Daniel Hurst 2mtrs. 50cms; Sophie

Osborn 2mtrs. 33cms; Hayden Fitzpatrick 2mtrs. 29cms; Louis Phillips 2mtrs. 20cms; Ella Rippon 2mtrs. 14cms; Callum Jump 2mtrs. 14cms; Joshua Osborn 1mtr. 98cms; Lucca Davies 1mtr. 80cms; Luke Arthur 1mtr. 70cms; Hannah Blundy 1mtr. 70cms; Ben Coleman 1mtr. 70cms; Thomas Blundy 1mtr. 69cms; Anna Clarke 1mtr. 65cms; Sophie Hobby 1mtr. 60cms; Aimee Coleman 1mtr. 58cms; Samuel Smith 1mtr 53cms; Danny Davies 1mtr 50cms; Katie Lifton 1mtr. 49cms; Lucy Roberts-Smith 1mtr. 30cms; Jasmine Keyworth 1mtr. 20cms; Jorja Keyworth 1mtr. 14cms; Evie Smith 1mtr. 3cms; Lily Smith 1mtr. 3cms; Rai Shade 86cms.

The teaching staff also joined in the fun and each received an Award of Merit card and a sunflower bookmark.

Head teacher, Mr. J. Macintyre 1mtr. 73cms; (down 1mtr. from last year) Miss N. Litowczyk 2mtrs. 54cms; Mrs. D. Docherty 2mtrs. 35cms.

Well done everyone.

Thank you all for entering the competition. I hoped you enjoyed growing those giant yellow daisies.

Many thanks to your teachers, parents, in some cases grandparents, for the help and encouragement they have given to you. It is often difficult to keep children's interest going over a 20-week growing period.

I have enjoyed running this competition and the kind reception which I always receive on visiting this school.

Finally, thanks to Mr. J. Macintyre for his co-operation in having the presentation at his school, and Cliff, who once again kindly took the photographs.

Pat Finn.



FLEUR DE LIS CRAFT WORKSHOPS



We are holding a series of **Rustic Italian Cookery** workshops weekly through October and November in the village hall here in Winthorpe on either a Monday/Tuesday.

Places are restricted to a first come basis as we intend to keep the groups small for a more personal approach to the tuition and therefore more time spent with each student.

Mafalda is from Avallino in the Campania region of Italy and so will be essentially concentrating on the speciality food of her part of this wonderful country.

All ingredients used are supplied and of course can be taken home for the family to enjoy and hopefully will then encourage and support our students into wanting to discover and try out dishes they perhaps haven't had the opportunity to try before. Of course there will also be the staple recipes which make the basis of Italian diet such as the pasta's and gnocci etc.

**Cost is £25 for the four hour lesson 10am – 2pm
October 2nd , 8th , 16th , 22nd and 30th - November 6th , 12th and 20th .**

Students are requested to bring a plastic cloth to cover their work station and an apron, ingredients are supplied. Also a container to take their dish home.

For more information please call Patricia on 07946702156

CHURCH FLOWER LADIES

HARVEST FESTIVAL



The Church will be open from 3.30pm on Friday the 19th October to receive your Harvest Flower Arrangements.

We are most grateful to you all.

If for any reason you are unable to participate please ring me on 703271.

Thank you,

Sylvia Lloyd



DID YOU KNOW

1. Winthorpe craftsman, Mr. Ian Donaldson made and generously gifted the English oak bookstand in All Saints' Church. This was in memory of Ralf White, (1925-1995) Churchwarden for more than thirty years.
2. Jubilee Walk, created in 2001, was given its name the following year in honour of the Golden Jubilee of HM Queen Elizabeth II. Carved stone plinths were installed at each end of the path.
3. The Preaching Cross or Village Cross was the forerunner of the first churches and often denoted the spot where early Christian ministers preached and baptized their converts. According to Howlett's engraving of 1775, Winthorpe's Village Cross stood in the centre of the village near the bridge over the stream. The stump, which is all that remains, is on the Green in front of the Alms Houses.
4. Hargon Lane, Gainsborough Road and Chapel Lane were originally named Hykeham Lane, Main Street and Town Street.

Pat Finn.



Church Notices

We have recently learned that Beryl Watts has died. She has been an unhappy person since the death of her husband Phil. In her younger days she was an active person in the village - very caring and collected and delivered medicines regularly for people who attended Collingham Surgery.



A Harvest Supper will be held in the Community Centre on Friday **October 19th**. Tickets priced £6 which will include a glass of wine are available from the Post Office, Sylvia Lloyd and Ann Stone. There will also be a raffle.

Our Annual Harvest Festival will be held on **Sunday 21st October at 10.15am** Gifts for the Harvest Festival will be given as usual to the 'Women's Refuge' They are always very appreciative.

Also on Friday 19th October at 2pm we welcome the children from the school to church for their Harvest Festival.

A Variety Concert will be given by Bella Conn and friends on Friday **November 16th**. Tickets will be available towards the end of October.

Alan writes: It is with great regret that I have tendered my resignation as Organist to the Parochial Church Council, also Vice Chair and a member of the PCC with effect from the end of November.

As you will know both Ann & myself are not as well as we once were. I have great difficulty reading and after playing the organ have pain in my back and both hips. Ann has been told that the repair to her fractured hip has not been satisfactory and is giving her more pain. She has seen a Consultant Surgeon today (Friday Sept. 21st) and it is expected that an operation for a replacement hip will be sometime in the New Year.

We are thinking of those who are unwell or mourning a loved one at this time.

Church Bells

They will ring for practices on Thursday evenings from 7.00pm - 9.0pm and possibly for the following:-

Sunday October 14th 10.15am - Holy Communion

Sunday October 21st 10.15am - Morning Worship

Brass Cleaners

Mrs Jean Aldridge, Mrs Diane McClymont.

Ann Stone, PCC Secretary.

Up-To-date notices of our church services and those of the other services in the Benefice are displayed outside the church.

A puzzle to ponder perhaps.....

Three men in a hotel ring for room service and order two large Pizzas and a bottle of wine.

The delivery boy brings them up with a bill for exactly £30.

Each man gives the boy £10 and he leaves. When he hands the £30 to the cashier he is told a mistake was made as the bill should have been only £25 not £30.

The Cashier gives the delivery boy 5x £1 coins and tells him to take it up to the men's room and give them their change.

On the way up to the men's hotel room the boy has a thought; as they had not given him a tip, he figures that since there is no way to split £5 three ways he will keep £2 for himself and give each man £1 change. He knocks on the door and one man answers; the boy explains about the mix up and hands the man the £3 pound coins and then departs with his £2 in his pocket.

Now the fun begins;-

£30 paid minus £25 cost = £5, right?

£5 minus £3 change = the boys £2 tip.

So what's the problem? All is well, yes? Not quite.....

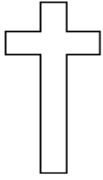
Initially each of the three men paid £10 and received £1 in change = £9 each paid yes?

So £9 each x the 3 men = £27.

The delivery boy kept £2 for a tip which equal £27 +£2 = £29.

Where has the other pound gone?

Answer next month if required. Ed



OCTOBER SERVICES

Sunday 7th - TRINITY 18
9am

Holy Communion, Holme.
NO SERVICE AT WINTHORPE

Sunday 14th - TRINITY 19
10.15am

Holy Communion, Winthorpe.

Thursday 18th
10am

Holy Communion, Winthorpe

Sunday 21st - TRINITY 20 (Bible Sunday)

10.15am
6pm

HARVEST FESTIVAL at Winthorpe
Evensong at Langford.

Sunday 28th - Last After Trinity
5pm

Evensong at Holme
NO SERVICE AT WINTHORPE

ALL ARE WELCOME

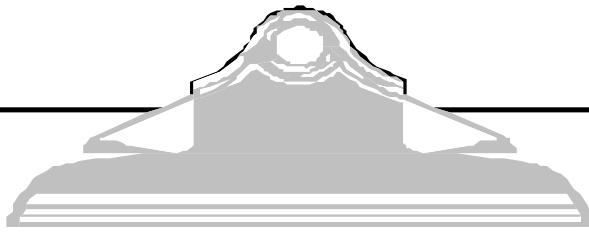
CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

October

26th Mrs Lloyd, Mrs Nelson

November

23rd Mrs Foden & Mrs Lloyd



OCTOBER CALENDAR

Monday 1 st	Luncheon Club, 12.30pm – Comm. Centre. Green Bin
Monday 8 th	Silver Bin
Tuesday 9 th	Tues. Club, Coffee Morn. 10.30am – V.H.
Thursday 11 th	WI meeting, 7.30pm – Village Hall.
Monday 15 th	Green Bin
Wednesday 17 th	Garden Club, 7.30pm – Community Centre.
Friday 19 th	Harvest Supper, 7pm – Community Centre
Monday 22 nd	Silver Bin
Tuesday 23 rd	Tuesday Club Lunch out, 12.30pm – Meet.
Monday 29 th	Green Bin Library Van
November	
Saturday 3 rd	Village Bonfire
Friday 16 th	Concert at All Saints

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