



## Ed's Comments

Note the autumn leaves in this month's logo, oh! Dear. Still we can sit on the new village seat and watch the leaves fall (See elsewhere in this issue).

This is the month of the Sunflower competition results, those participating don't forget to ring Pat with the height of your flower. As a matter of interest I read that Kansas in the U.S.A. is known as the 'Sunflower State' and apparently grows an average of 300,000 acres of sunflowers each year. Somewhere to consider for your holidays Pat?

## Village Website

Malcolm Smith has provided me with some interesting statistics regarding our village website. There were almost 8000 visits to the website between January and the end of July, with over 7000 independent computers used. It is important to keep the various sections up to date for if there aren't any changes those visiting will lose interest.

The Lord Nelson staff might be interested to know that there were over 200 visits to their site in July alone!!

Pat Finn's Village History receives much interest of course with the airfield quite popular. I was slightly disappointed to see that the Garden Club had more visits in July than the Focal Point!

The Community Centre celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> year on the 11<sup>th</sup> and Frances Kelly expresses gratitude to the many volunteers who have made it the success it has been. I am quite happy to single out Peter Foden who tirelessly makes it all happen. What a wonderful 10 years Peter has put in and I'm sure I speak on behalf of everyone in saying a big thank you.

**Cliff Newbold**

Closing date for the October issue is the **22<sup>nd</sup> September.**

# COMMUNITY CENTRE

## LUNCH CLUB

The next Lunch will be on **Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> September**. The menu will be:

Roast Pork with Apple Sauce and Roast Potatoes

or

Mild Vegetable Curry with Rice

with Seasonal Vegetables

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Pineapple Upside-down Pudding with Custard

£7.00 including a glass of wine and coffee.

Please contact Jean and Peter Foden (704241) not later than **Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September** to reserve your place and to give your choice from the menu.

## 10<sup>th</sup> YEAR ANNIVERSARY

It is now just over ten years since the Community Centre was opened. At the time we hoped it would prove a success, both socially and financially, and so it has proved to be. This is largely due to the voluntary help of a lot of people for which we are very grateful.

To celebrate the first ten years we are having a social event with live music at the Centre on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> September. Details are given elsewhere in Focal Point. We hope you will come and we look forward to seeing you there.

**Frances Kelly**, Chairman

## TUESDAY CLUB

**Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> September**. Morning Coffee, 10.30am. at the Village Hall.

**Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> September**. Lunch outing to the “Roman Way” restaurant. We will meet at approximately 12.30pm at the “Roman Way”.

**Jean Foden**



# GIANT SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

Did you measure the height of your sunflower? If not, do it now.



When the sunflower head becomes full of seeds, feed every time you water. This will encourage the seeds to get big and fat. The weight of the seeds will cause the head to bow down. This is nature's way of keeping the seeds dry.

When the seeds are ripe, using a small hacksaw, cut off one of the seed heads and hang it from a tree. Leave the rest of the plants in the garden. Birds love to eat sunflower seeds, as they are rich in oil. See how many varieties of birds come to feed on your sunflower seeds?

You may like to save some seeds to use for growing next year's plants. The best seeds are on the two outer rings. Lay these on a sheet of paper for the sun to dry them. When they are completely dry, using a paper bag store in a dry place. Do not use a plastic bag as this will make the seeds sweat and they will rot.

Ring me on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September** with the height of your tallest sunflower. **Tel: 704444.**

The sunflower presentation will be on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September** at 11.15am.

## **Did You Know?**

- There can be as many as 4000 seeds in a seed head and that head could weigh 2½kg. (5½ lbs)

Phew! no wonder the sunflower bows its head with that weight.

**Pat Finn**

## **NEW SEAT**



A number of you may have noticed a new seat that has recently been installed at the bottom of the slope in front of the Priests Stone on Holme Lane.

This Seat was kindly provided and installed by Nottinghamshire County Council under the 'Local Improvement Scheme' and to whom the Parish

Council are very grateful.

The Parish Council considered this was a useful place to site the seat, which hopefully will not attract vandalism.

The Parish Council would be pleased to received suggestions for the siting of any other seats should there be any similar offers in the near future.

### **Parish Council**

## **CENTRE CELEBRATION**

The community centre has provided a hub for the village for a decade to hold dinners, groups and celebrations alike. This achievement is set to be marked by an evening of entertainment with 'Swingtime' the fantastic nine piece Sleaford based swing band. The event organisers are also as we go to print securing a support act in the Newark ukulele band:-

**'The Ukes of Hazard'**.

The evening promises to be a memorable celebration open to everyone to come enjoy some great music, a pie and pea supper and some great company. Not withstanding the bar to help the party along!!

**We look forward to seeing you there. -- Justin Baker-Smith**

# **Celebrating 10 Years of the Winthorpe Community Centre**

At Winthorpe Community Centre  
with the live 9 piece swing band

## **“SWINGTIME”**



**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Doors Open at 7:30pm**

# **Only £7.50**

**Tickets include Pie & Pea  
Supper**

**Bar available to purchase  
alcoholic drinks**

Tickets available from the Post Office, Lord  
Nelson Pub and Justin Baker-Smith on 706536



## WINTHORPE CRICKET CLUB

Firstly apologies for not submitting my “copy” in time to beat the deadline for July’s edition of Focal Point however I will be attempting to bring you fully up to speed with events on and off the field.

Over the last couple of months things on the field have been progressing nicely and we have been able to take to the field with a full compliment of players. However as you will see results have been somewhat erratic mainly due to the skipper not quite getting our squad rotation quite right by resting all of the bowlers then all of the batsmen for the following game! It has been a little frustrating that we have been able to maintain a balance between batsmen and bowlers; that said we have been able to field a full 11 in all recent matches. I would, as per usual, stress that any of you wishing to give cricket a go would be more than welcome. No need to have your own kit as the club has bats, pads gloves etc. If you are interested young or old, preferably young as we have more than enough members fitting into veteran status, contact details are included at the end of this report

I am pleased to report that the instances of dog fouling has somewhat improved following the previous report so thank you all for your co-operation on that score.

As reported previously we are still not quite there yet with Bonus Ball numbers. We are in the next weeks going to have a concerted effort to try and get the numbers up to a sufficient level to start it running again. It would really be appreciated if those of you who previously took out a number could get in touch as I don’t have contact details for a number of you if you are interested in taking out a number anew. Additionally for those who wish to take out a number who didn’t previously please also get in touch and I’ll make the necessary arrangements. For those of you who I have got details and who haven’t received a phone call yet I will be in touch shortly. My contact details are included at the end of this report or you can get me on 07500 079113 or call in to the Dial House if you are passing and pick a number. The intention is to be up and running by the end of September at the latest.

To find out more about the club check out the Club webpage on the Village website and also take a look at our own website on [www.winthorpecc.co.uk](http://www.winthorpecc.co.uk) which has now been bought up to date. Failing that come down to the ground and take a look at what's going on.

### **Contact Details**

Should you wish to contact the Club please call any of the following or alternatively there is a "Contact the Club" facility on the website.

Andy Fereday – 678622 -Simon Potter – 612968 - Paul Matthews - 677769

### **Results:**

I will endeavour to keep the match reports succinct and to the point – a trait for which I am not well known.

July 11<sup>th</sup> saw us at home to Lindum 2nds a team riding high in the league at the time. Batting first Lindum were dismissed for a total of 82 after a fine performance from the Winthorpe bowling attack who were lacking both usual opening bowlers. The more than ample stand-ins performed extremely well on the day producing an excellent all round performance with Marshall finishing with figures of 8overs, 2 maidens, 3 wickets for 18 runs; Noble rolling back the years 6o , 2m, 3w for 14r and Stuart Buchan 8o, 0m, 2w for 26r. The usual opening partnership of Matthews and Fereday took to the field after tea and proceeded to score the runs required finishing with 23 and 45 not out respectively.

July 18<sup>th</sup> saw us away at Fulbeck, always a fixture looked forward to due to the promise of a quality tea. Batting first the opening pair of Fereday (41) and Matthews put on 64 runs before Matthews (21) was dismissed. This signalled a collapse of Winthorpe proportions going from 64 for 1 to 75 for 8 before Cope on his much heralded return shored up the batting finishing with 56 not out in a total of 143 all out off 39 overs. Again a weakened bowling attack took to the field to defend what always looked a score of 30 to 40 runs short of a winning score. After a valiant effort by the Winthorpe bowlers Fulbeck won the game in 28 overs but not without some tricky moments and the loss of 7 wickets. Marshall was again amongst the wickets with figures of 9o,1m, 3w for 40r; Noble 6o, 0m, 2w for 28 and Fereday 4o, 0m,2w for 28.



Having no game for a couple of weeks we travelled to Nettleham on the 1<sup>st</sup> August on a somewhat overcast day looking forward to the prospect of playing on an excellent batting track. Winning the toss Winthorpe elected to bat and again got off to a good start with the opening pair of Fereday (29) and Matthews (30) putting on a score in excess of 60 for the opening wicket. The following batting proved to be a little like the Curate's egg; a mixture of good cameo performances and cheap dismissals. Cope on his 2<sup>nd</sup> return game again top scored with 44 and was ably supported by Bailey 30 and Noble 26, Winthorpe finally completed their forty overs for a total score of 193. Again taking to the field with a severely weakened bowling attack 193 never looked enough and Nettleham had too strong a batting line up to be troubled knocking off the runs with relative ease in 28 overs for the loss of just 2 wickets.

The 8<sup>th</sup> August saw the team travel to Washingborough on a fine day. Batting first Winthorpe score a disappointing total of 106 off just 33 overs, the difference this week being the lack of strength in the batting department. Taking to the field with an almost full strength bowling attack and only a modest total to defend the bowlers performed admirably however Washingborough just squeaked home for the loss of 9 wickets thanks to their opening batsman who score 77 of those runs. 6 of the opposition batsmen were dismissed for a duck! Potter finished with figure of 10o, 1m, 3w for 32; Marshall 9.1o, 0m, 2w for 40 and Locke 9o, 2m' 3w for 34.

Our most recent fixture was the return of Fulbeck to Holme Lane. Batting first they were restricted to a total of 136 for 7 off their 40 overs which on the face of things looked a "gettable" total, despite the variable bounce, at just under 3.5 per over. Potter was the pick of the bowlers 10o' 3m' 5w for 21. Unfortunately Winthorpe never recovered from a poor start with Fereday and Locke being dismissed cheaply for 1 and 3 respectively. The only highlights proved to be a brisk, big hitting 19 from the newcomer Frizzel before being stumped dancing down the track and Bailey with a whiz bang 29 which included three 6s and two 4s. Winthorpe were finally dismissed for 99.

## **Forthcoming Fixtures:- Winthorpe**

29 August 2010	Lindum 2nds	Away
5 Sept 2010	Caythorpe	Home
12 Sept 2010	Owmby	Away
19 Sept 2010	Heighington	Home
26 Sept 2010	Branston	Away

**Andy Fereday**

# Stepping Stones to Successful Funding Applications

The funding maze is always a major headache for community groups trying to establish, continue or expand their activities. Many people struggle with finding ways to persuade funders to share the enthusiasm they feel for their project and support them financially. There may have been reliable sources of funding which no longer exist and the group now has to find new income sources; bidding for funds may be a task you have not previously tackled; or you may have submitted funding bids in the past and been unsuccessful. Whatever the reason you feel the task is daunting, help is at hand.

The Newark & Sherwood Funding Issues Group (FIG) is running another of its advice sessions to help groups understand what it takes to succeed in the search for funding. There will be presentations from FIG members, the BIG Lottery and Sally Roberts from Funding Central, a web based funding database for community groups.

This **free** event will look at what your group needs to do itself to:

- Find funders with money available to support projects like yours
- Demonstrate that you have proven the need for your project and have a good chance of success
- Ensure you have the right structure and policies in place to satisfy funders that the money will be well managed
- Write a good application to the right funder and answer all their questions effectively

The event will be held at Kelham Hall on Thursday **7<sup>th</sup> October** between 9.45am and 1.00pm and will include a chance to try the Funding Central web service.

There are limited places for this event and they will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. To book a place, please contact Kieron Haggerty on 01623 727600 or [khaggerty@rcan.org.uk](mailto:khaggerty@rcan.org.uk). Please make it known when you book whether you would like to be allocated a slot to try the Funding Central system after the presentations have finished.

## **‘Landscape at risk’**

The communities of Holme, Winthorpe, Langford, North Muskham and Collingham face a risk to their combined outlook from potential quarry expansion.

Tarmac has signalled that they will be seeking planning permission to massively expand the Langford quarry by some 250 acres bordering the river Trent, with visual impact from North Muskham, and running parallel to Langford lane from Holme to the railway crossing.

A group of residents in Holme are getting together to consider the wide-ranging implications for those living in Holme and the neighbouring communities of Langford, Winthorpe, Collingham and North Muskham in the hope of preserving the vital landscape of the vale. The potential impacts on the environment, habitat, the landscape, public footpaths, house prices and the flood risk are all being considered.

Anyone who would like to join in the discussions or would simply like to know more please contact either Patricia Richards on [prichards9@hotmail.com](mailto:prichards9@hotmail.com) or telephone or alternatively contact Derry Pollock on [derrypollock@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:derrypollock@hotmail.co.uk)

## GP TRAINING IN COLLINGHAM

Collingham has been a training practice for over twenty years now. We pride ourselves on providing quality training, not only for doctors wishing to become GPs but also for medical students and district nursing students. Next year the pharmacy will be taking on a pre-reg pharmacist for our first one year placement.

As with many things in general practice, GP training is changing. Previously, doctors needed to pass something called Summative Assessment to qualify as a GP and, if they wished, they could also sit the exam for the membership of the Royal College of General Practitioners (MRCGP), which was considered the gold standard. Recently these two hurdles have been combined, as there was a growing body of opinion at having two systems was nonsense. The new requirement to qualify as a GP is known as the new MRCGP (nMRCGP). This consists of two exams, the AKT (applied knowledge test) and the CSA (clinical skills assessment).

The AKT is a written exam and tests the candidate's medical knowledge and as its name suggests, the CSA tests their clinical skills, including their communication skills. Another important requirement is the work place based assessment, which includes patient satisfaction questionnaires, appraisal by colleagues, assessments of their video consultations and case based discussions with their trainer. This will take three years but there is a move afoot to extend GP training to five years. Time spent in practice has recently been increased from twelve months to sixteen months and in some parts of the country this is now twenty months.

On a practice level we currently have one GP trainer (Dr Terrill) and Dr Lawrence is soon also to become a trainer. This will mean that we will always have at least two Registrars with us but on occasions we may have as many as four, as Registrars are spending more of their time based in General Practice. We appreciate that this sometimes impacts on our delivery of services, although we try our best not to let this happen. This can be particularly the case when we have a new Registrar with us who requires much more input from the experienced GPs in the practice.

We hope that you agree with us that the training of good General Practitioners for the future is of paramount importance for both the local community and for the UK as a whole. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our patients for their support in helping us to train the GPs of the future.

**Lisa Terrill**

# **Church Notices**

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Thanks to the generosity of the village the total for the church cleaning was £457 - our target was £450. An additional donation of £100 was gratefully received from a contact outside the village. Some of this money will be used for cleaning the curtains in the Vestry. The Parochial Church Council are very grateful for your support also for the donation given to the church from the Gala on 17<sup>th</sup> July.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> August Margaret Thornhill once again invited the residents from Winthorpe Hall to have tea in her beautiful garden. The weather was unsettled but we were all able to make use of the Pavilion and finished the afternoon with song. Margaret wishes us to thank all those who provided the tea, helped serve the guests and the carers who transported them to and from their home.

On Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September we are again 'Beating the Bounds', this year around eleven churches! On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September, the weekend commences with Holy Communion in St John Baptist church Collingham at 6pm followed by wine & nibbles! On Sunday at 8am there will be a said service of Holy Communion (BCP) followed by breakfast in Winthorpe Village Hall. There is an itinerary outside the church and inside a list of churches that will provide refreshment. If you wish to have refreshment in the named churches please sign the chart provided. The day concludes with Evensong at South Scarle Church at 5.15pm followed by tea.

The organiser of the Mansfield & District Male Voice Choir has visited Winthorpe church to discuss the concert on Saturday Sept 25<sup>th</sup>. They were very enthusiastic about the church, the acoustics and the piano. Some of the choir can sing in Welsh so there may be Welsh item(s) in the programme. It is hoped that the audience will join with the choir and the organ to sing 'Cym Rhondda' to conclude the evening. We do hope to have a full church.

Philip Watts has now been transferred from Newark Hospital to Winthorpe Hall Care Home. This will make it so much easier for Beryl to visit him. On Beryl's behalf I would like to thank all the neighbours, friends and Collingham Village Care group who have taken Beryl to visit

Philip and helped her in various other ways. She is extremely appreciative of the support she has been given. Phil remains very alert and interested in the village so do please go and see him.

There are several people in hospital known to us and we send them our good wishes and hope that they may be home again soon.

### **Church Bells**

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

Sunday September 12<sup>th</sup> 10.15am Holy Communion

Sunday September 19<sup>th</sup> 10.15am Family Service

Sunday September 26<sup>th</sup> 6 pm Evensong.

### **Brass Cleaners**

Mrs Jean Aldridge, Mrs Diane McClymont.

**Ann , PCC Secretary.**

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



**Dear All,**

As you read this preparations for our annual journey around all eleven churches within the East Trent Group will be well under way.

The day provides a unique opportunity to visit, pray and worship in a variety of contexts. For those who work their way around all eleven it will be a busy time.

Whether visiting one or eleven it is a day when we can remember all those who are involved in church life throughout the group. The more social elements - breakfast at Winthorpe, lunch at Girton and tea at South Scarle will be occasions to share stories and perhaps learn a little more about one another.

Jesus had a very mobile ministry and was always on the move challenging, encouraging and sometimes cajoling. But always available to both listen and talk.

As you prepare to take part, my hope is that you will do so in the expectation of being surprised, discovering something or someone new along the way.

My recent holiday reminded me of the importance of being open to new experiences and challenges. It is very easy to say no when in reality we realise we should be saying yes.

Jesus wants people to say yes to him, yes to the way of life he offers, yes to growing to maturity in faith and yes to making and taking the steps however small to engage with the Christian way of life.

For our church communities to flourish and grow our ability to communicate with each other and those around us is hugely important. Our weekend travelling around the group will provide a safe backdrop against which we can develop our skills in the knowledge we are amongst friends.

As I think back to our summer break with my cousin David Milner and wife Sue and the memorable times we shared, one particular experience comes to mind. We all went to a local golf course and played nine holes. My cousin David is an accomplished golfer and his wife Susan is taking lessons. Kristina and I came to the course as novices. At the end of our game David and Sue were able to say with confidence that Kristina was a natural, and “David, you need lessons and practice.” Rather than



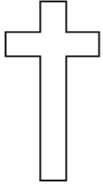
being put off, I think I might just have a go. If I had been asked before the holiday would I like to take up golf, the answer would most certainly have been no, but my holiday adventure has made me review my thinking. Watch this space, as the saying goes.

The East Trent Churches Choir will begin its new season of rehearsals at the beginning of September and will be preparing for various events, in particular Christmas!

If you are interested in singing, come and join us at rehearsal. If you would like to join the choir it usually meets on the second, third and fourth Fridays of each month at All Saints, Collingham, which is on Low Street. Rehearsals last for one hour starting at 7.30pm. Please contact the Rectory if you would like more information or just come along.

**In Christian love**

**David**



# SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> TRINITY 14 - BEATING THE BOUNDS

8am Holy Communion, Winthorpe.  
9.30am Short Prayer, Holme.  
10.15am Prayers, Langford

## Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>

5pm Family Service & BBQ, Langford.

## Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> TRINITY 15

10.15am Holy Communion, Winthorpe.

## Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>

10am Holy Communion, Winthorpe.

## Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> TRINITY 16

10.15am Holy Communion, Winthorpe.

## Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> TRINITY 17

9am Holy Communion, Langford.  
6pm Evensong, Winthorpe.

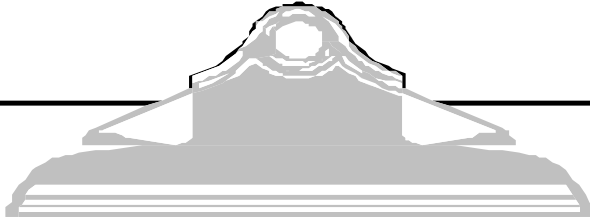
# ALL ARE WELCOME

## CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER

24<sup>th</sup> Mrs Stone & Mr McClymont 22<sup>nd</sup> Mrs Lloyd & Mrs Foden



# SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Library Van
Sat/Sun. 5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Beating the Bounds weekend.</b>
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Lunch Club, 12.30pm – Centre Green Bin
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Centre Celebrations, 7.30pm Centre.
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Sunflower Phone In, Pat Finn.
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Silver bin.
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Club Coffee Morn. 10.30am V.H.
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Library Van
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Silver Bin
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Club Outing, 12.30pm Roman Way.
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Library Van

‘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](http://www.winthorpe.org.uk)







