

2011 *July*

## Ed's Comments

Fingers crossed this month for fine weather for the village Festival, for both the afternoon and evening events. The programme looks really good once again and judging by the posters in this month's issue much work has been done in organising it. Let's hope they are well supported.

We are well into the growing season now and every time I turn onto the A1133 from the A46 I am given evidence of yet another successful days work by Peter Foden and Pat Finn, as many weeks ago now I spotted them both on their knees planting dozens of Hawthorne saplings at the edge of the field on the left. (Brewers Trust) Each sapling seems to have 'taken'.

This is another example of the unheralded work done by these stalwarts without any of us knowing about it, for if I hadn't been passing at the time I wouldn't have known. Well done to you both, finding time for others is a marvellous attribute.

Thomas Brewer (c1616) would have been well pleased.

By the time you receive this issue The Lord Nelson should have reopened after its refurbishment. We have an example of the fare that will be on offer elsewhere in the mag. Very nice it sounds too. Can't wait to try it!

Also elsewhere is mentioned the desire to ring the church bells in celebration of the Queens Diamond Jubilee, which brings me to a suggestion made in the Village scrap book that the Lime tree to be found on the green in front of the Lord Nelson was probably planted in celebration of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. I wonder how we will commemorate next year's event?

**Cliff Newbold**

Closing date for the August editon is on the **22<sup>nd</sup> July**

## LUNCH CLUB

The next Lunch will be at 12.30pm on **Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> July** at the Community Centre. The menu will be:



Chicken Chasseur  
or  
Smoked Salmon & Smoked Mackerel Salad  
with  
New Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables  
-x-  
Fresh Fruit & Cream  
(Strawberries if available)



£7 including a glass of wine. Please phone Jean and Peter Foden (**704241**) to book your place and give your choice of menu not later than **Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> June. Please remember that we are having to apply a limit to the number coming so do not delay making contact.**

Posters around the village give the details of the lunches ten days in advance. Please pay at the door. If you have made a booking but then cannot come please let us know as soon as possible.

**Peter Foden**

## TUESDAY CLUB

**Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> July** – Morning Coffee in the Village Hall, 10.30am. Please bring any items you may have for our Festival Tombola.



**Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> July** – Garden Party at Tall Trees, The Spinney, 2.30pm. (weather permitting). Please bring an item of food or a raffle prize.

We are all saddened by the death of Rona Kinder and extend our sympathies to her family.

**Jean Foden.**



Our outing to Renishaw and Brodsworth Halls and Gardens was a great success. The buildings and their contents were themselves the subject of much comment and the gardens were magnificent.

Our thanks went to Diana and Paul Kitson for organising this, their first and hopefully first of many such trips.

The day was nicely rounded off with a delicious meal at the Old Bell, Barnby Moor on the homeward journey.

For the evening visit to Aubourn Hall Gardens on **July 13<sup>th</sup>** we will meet at the Lord Nelson **at 6.00pm**. The intention is to share cars and so take as few as possible. We will have a guided tour of the gardens followed by refreshments. The inclusive charge for this is **£5** a head.

The club will again play a part in this year's village fete with skittles and possibly one other game. As usual I request your help with manning these games. If there are enough volunteers we can then draw up a rota.

**Ian Wilson**



## **WINTHORPE VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

After many years of loyal service to the Village Hall, Tony Wildish wishes to retire from his duties as cleaner of the hall. He has done a great job and will be sadly missed.

The Trustees are therefore looking for someone to take over these duties, basically one hour a week plus a extra hour once a month. This is a paid position. The time for doing the cleaning is negotiable to fit in with the programme of activities in the hall.

If you are interested, or know anyone who might be, please contact David & Barbara Woodcock, **01636 681299**.

**Barbara**



## WINTHORPE AND DISTRICT W.I. REPORT FOR JUNE 2011

Mrs. Pat Nelson welcomed members and our speaker Mr. George Wilkinson to the meeting. Mrs. Brenda Tinsley read the minutes and the correspondence from County.

Members were reminded of the walk around Newark that is a follow on to this evenings talk. We will meet at the Ossington at 7 p.m.on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The Village Festival in July was mentioned and members were asked to provide cakes for the teas and cake stalls and bottles of wine and any other kind of bottle, but not larger in size than a normal wine bottle. Also any bottle gift bags that you may have. These are all for our prize every time bottle stall. Members who could help on the afternoon to tend the stall or help with teas are also needed.

Mrs. Daphne Marshall gave a quick report on her trip to Liverpool for the N.F.W.I. Annual Meeting and gave a result of the Closure of Local Libraries Resolution. This was a resounding victory for the resolution with a 97.9% win. The resolution for the refusal of planning permission for all mega farms was thrown out and the proposers told to take it back and review and rethink it.

Mrs Nelson then introduced our speaker who handed out leaflets and talked about the timber framed buildings of Newark, the Civil war situation in the town and how the Castle came to be destroyed. He was then asked about the supposed tunnels that ran under certain parts of the town and about the famous Bottle dungeon in the castle.

Mr. Wilkinson was thanked for his interesting talk by Mrs. Lily Goodwin. Tea was served and the raffle drawn after which the meeting ended.

Our next meeting is the usual July strawberries and wine evening, when we have been invited once again to the lovely garden of Mrs. Lily Goodwin in the Spinney. At this meeting there is to be a raffle and a bring and buy stall, when the money raised will be given to the Village Hall committee towards their refurbishment fund.

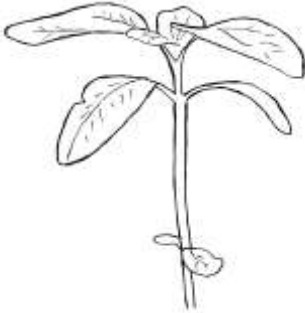
Hostesses are the committee ladies.

Hope to see you all there at **7.30pm on the 14<sup>th</sup> July.**

**Daphne Marshall**

# GIANT SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

Sunflowers have a gift of radiant warmth. They are the happiest of flowers, and their meanings include loyalty and longevity. They are unique in their ability to provide energy in the form of nourishment and vibrancy, an attribute which mirrors the sun and energy provided by its heat and light.



There has been lots of warm weather this spring but a big shortage of rain. This has left the ground very dry. Trees, shrubs and plants are crying out for water. Have you been watering your sunflowers? The reason why sunflowers require a lot of water is that a large percentage of the water taken up by the roots is lost through their large leaves to the atmosphere. This is called transpiration.

Your plants will now be growing at a fast rate. Do not neglect them. They may require a longer cane for support. Keep tying the plants to your canes. They will have at least 4 pairs of leaves. (14<sup>th</sup> June) The flower bud will form later this month, so go out and check. It will be the size of a small button.

I now feed my sunflowers once a week with Tomorite. This liquid fertiliser, used for tomato plants, is high in potash and is just the job for flowers and fruit.

Later this month you will all start your summer holidays. If you are going away on holiday, ask a kind neighbour to look after your sunflowers. For those of you, who may be going onto the continent of Europe, look out for the fields of sunflowers. These are a shorter variety than the ones that you are growing. They are grown for their seeds. The seeds are used in the food industry throughout the world. The seeds are crushed and the oil extracted is used in cooking oil and margarine. This helps to prevent heart disease, as it is high in essential polyunsaturates and low in saturates.

## **Did You Know?**

- The North American Indian used the pulped leaves of sunflowers as paper.
- They also dried the long fibrous stems and then weaved it into a tough rope.
- They then used the oil in the seeds.
- During WW2 the Ministry of Food crushed the sunflower seeds to extract its oil and then used the oil in the manufacture of Margarine and explosives.

**Pat Finn.**

W I N T H O R P E  
F E S T I V A L



SATURDAY JULY 16th - 12.30pm - 5.00pm

WINTHORPE COMMUNITY CENTRE - FREE ENTRY

Donkey Rides

Face Painting

Bungee Run

Refreshments

Fire Engine

Bouncy Castle

Face Painting



ART EXHIBITION

BY

MIKE WARREN

*Mike has travelled the world to sketch and paint birds and wildlife as well as producing a string of books.*

*Come along and view his paintings as well as see the man at work. Mike will be doing some sketching during the afternoon.*

Barbecue

Stalls

Music

Ice-Cream

Games

Dancing



In aid of Lincolnshire & Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance

# Winthorpe Festival presents..... **An evening in the Park**

Saturday July 16th

## **‘Elegantly Wasted’**

With special guests - **The White**

**Gates open at 7:30pm**



**Tickets still only £5 available from the post office**

Bring your own picnic, drinks, chairs, blankets.....

This year's event again showcases local music talent in 'Elegantly Wasted', covering a broad spectrum of well known pop and rock songs.

The festival committee look forward to welcoming you to the evening event that has become a main stay of the Winthorpe festival.

For further information and ticket enquiries please contact

**Justin Baker-Smith on 01636 706536 or [baker\\_smith@btinternet.com](mailto:baker_smith@btinternet.com)**

# WINTHORPE GENERAL STORES

PROUDLY PRESENTS

**PORTER'S MEATS AT PORTER'S PRICES**

**BUY YOUR FRESH MEAT'S EVERY WEEK FROM HERE.  
SIMPLY ORDER NOT LATER THAN THURSDAY 12.00pm &  
COLLECT FRIDAY AFTERNOON OR SATURDAY MORNING.**

*Comments from those who have placed orders so far have been extremely encouraging. A full list of products and prices is available in store or via email. To order, you can:-*

**PHONE 01636 703881 or EMAIL [winthorpe.po@talktalk.net](mailto:winthorpe.po@talktalk.net)**



## **Collection Boxes.**

A big thank you to all collectors.

Winthorpe raised **£384.85** in support of this very worthwhile charity. There is one collecting box available, so if anyone would like it please let me know. **(01636 681299)**

**Barbara Woodcock.**

## **Community Centre**

At the recent Trustees' meeting it was agreed to have the steps and rails leading from the car park to the field repaired.

Each flight of steps was done separately so access to and from the field was still possible. I am fairly confident that it will have been completed by the end of June.

**Sue Jackson, Secretary**





# LORD NELSON

## COUNTRY PUB & DINING

Becky Pinfold looks forward to welcoming customers new and old to the newly refurbished Lord Nelson at Winthorpe.

Here's just a sample of what you can expect:

### 7<sup>th</sup> Heaven

7 dishes, £7, 7 days of the week, 6-7pm

### Lord Nelson Steak Night

2 x 10oz rump steaks, hand cut chips, garlic mushroom, peppercorn sauce with a bottle of house red or white wine

£25 for two

### Enjoy the Nelson for Less

3 course menu £17.50 – Monday to Friday 6-9.30pm

### Sunday Lunch

From £12.95 for 2 courses

### Live music last Friday of every month!

We will be serving lunch from 12-2.30pm Monday to Saturday and 12-4pm Sundays

Dinner from 6-9.30pm Monday to Saturday and 6-8.30pm Sundays

Bar Open all day Saturday and Sunday. Children welcome.

Dogs welcome in the bar

## **Laxton Heritage Day**

'Laxton' is Nottinghamshire's jewel – the last open field farming village in the country where strip farming is still practiced as it was across most of the Midlands in mediaeval times, managed by the ancient and legally constituted Court Leet and Jury.

**Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup>** offers an unrivalled opportunity to learn more about the way this unique village works now and to delve into its history. There will be tours of the fields, the church and the motte & bailey castle. Also talks by a leading historian, a display by Laxton History Group featuring many items not normally on view to the public, heritage films and photos plus many other attractions. There will be live craft demonstrations, Morris dancing by Rattlejag from Retford, vintage ploughing and a visit from a large group of vintage tractors taking part in a road run, and a host of other opportunities for all the family to have fun and learn more about the countryside, Laxton and its heritage.

Refreshments are available all day and proceeds will support St Michael's Church, Laxton.

**Heritage Day, between 10am and 6pm on July 3rd, is based around Crosshill Farm, High Street Laxton and parking is available on site**

Tickets are priced **£5** on the gate or **£4** in advance from [www.laxtonheritageday.org.uk](http://www.laxtonheritageday.org.uk) where full details of all the events on the day can be found. Under 12s - free.

For more information or to offer to help on the day please call  
01777 870541 or 01777 870042

## RSPB - Langford Lowfields Update



Summer is here and the reserve is full of great wildlife, we have lots of birds on site raising their chicks, including **oyster catchers**, **swans**, **little ringed plovers**, **coots** and many more adult birds are out busy hunting for their well hidden chicks.

The more time I spend out on the reserve the more I am beginning to discover that the art of listening is as important for detecting wildlife as a keen eye and a pair of binoculars. I am always so impressed by my colleagues' ability to pick out so many different varieties of bird by their song.

We have a great variety of warblers on the reserve but one called a **grasshopper warbler** is highly elusive, we know however that we have at least 15 onsite, a walk around the site at dusk enables us to hear their distinctive call from all around which is both reassuring but infuriating that we can't see them.

You may also hear the distinctive call of the **cuckoo** when walking on the footpath; these birds which were once a familiar sound of summer are now in decline. These birds are busy targeting the **reed warblers** nests to lay their egg, which they do in an impressive 10 seconds before the warbler returns to their nest, they do this 15 to 20 times each time in a different nest. They then sit back and watch over as another bird undertakes all the hard work of raising their chicks!

**Nicola Craven** (Langford Lowfields)

## FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS.....



I referred last month to the ‘Plain Bob Doubles’ rung by our bell ringers; well now is your chance to join ‘Team Hasman’ and ring the bells to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee next year.

Bell ringers can be aged from 9 to 90 so come and have a go.

The team are hoping to attempt a ‘quarter peal’ on all 6 bells rather than just 5. So if you are one of the many that enjoy hearing the bells why not get up close and personal and actually ring them. Just give Ian or Christine a ring on **01636 679105**.

.....IT TOLLS FOR THEE.

**Ed.** (Apologies to Earnest Hemmingway)

### A True Story



A drunken man who fell asleep and got trapped inside a church rang out SOS in Morse code with the bell.

When the man awoke in St Faith's Church in Havant, near Portsmouth, he found the doors locked. Reportedly worried about ghosts, he started ringing out the Morse code for SOS on the church bell, reports ‘Portsmouth Today’.

As dusk began to fall, he was still ringing for his life but eventually a local resident realised something was wrong. He alerted two Police Community Support Officers who, in turn, contacted the church verger who came to the rescue. She said, 'I was called by police saying someone was using the bell as a sign they were trapped. When we found him inside he told us he went into the church to have a sit down but fell asleep. He told the police he had been drinking which may have made him a bit dozy. He looked quite embarrassed about the whole incident when we found him. Maybe after this he might consider taking up bell ringing as a hobby.'

**Ed.**- From the ‘net’

**Church Notices** At the time of writing these notices we are looking forward to a pleasant and convivial evening in Margaret Thornhill's garden and hoping that the weather will be kind to us. Unfortunately this is tinged with sadness due to the death of two members of the village - Veronica Kinder and Jean Gilmore. Since Mr & Mrs Gilmore arrived in the village they have supported church activities whenever possible.

As yet we have no regular Priest and as the Pastoral care representative I would like to know if anyone in the village is unwell and would like a visit from one of our group please let me know. (Tel:-702104).

A Profile of all the churches in the Benefice has been prepared by representatives from all the PCCs and the vacancy will be advertised shortly.

We have a small band of regular people who attend services and help to support the church in various ways and to whom we are very grateful. We are always pleased to welcome newcomers.

We are trying to improve the appearance of the cremated site in the churchyard. We have removed some of the overgrown shrubs and sown some grass seed to extend this area. At the same time we would ask relatives using this facility to please remove dead flowers and unused containers and place them in the dustbin near the tap or to take them home as we have no caretaker. The rest of the graveyard is mown regularly by contractors but if any retired person feels that they would like to help in any way we would be very grateful.

Our thoughts are with anyone who is unwell or unhappy at this time.

### **Church Bells**

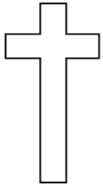
They will ring for practices on Thursday evenings from 7.00pm - 9.0pm and possibly for the following :

Sunday July 10th - 10.15am Holy Communion.

Sunday June 17<sup>th</sup> - 10.15am Morning Worship.

**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.*



# SERVICES IN JULY

## **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Trinity 2**

9am Holy Communion, Holme.  
NO SERVICE AT WINTHORPE

## **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Trinity 3**

10.15<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion, Winthorpe.

## **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Trinity 4**

10.15am Morning Worship, Winthorpe.  
6pm Evensong, Langford.

## **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>**

10am Holy Communion, Winthorpe.

## **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Trinity 5**

8am Holy Communion, Winthorpe.  
6pm Evensong, Holme.

## **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> Trinity 6**

6pm Evensong, Harby.  
NO SERVICE AT WINTHORPE

# ALL ARE WELCOME

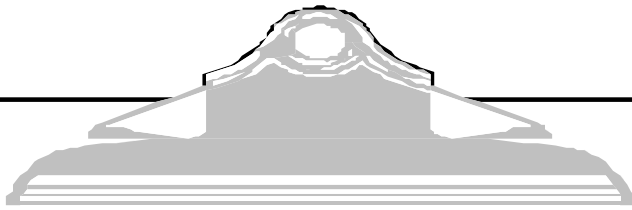
## **CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS**

### **JULY**

Fri. 22<sup>nd</sup> Mrs Lloyd Mrs Nelson

### **AUGUST**

Fri. 26<sup>th</sup> Miss Applewhite



# JULY CALENDAR

Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Laxton Heritage day.
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Luncheon Club, 12.30pm – Centre. Silver Bin
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin LIBRARY VAN
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Club Coffee Morn. 10.30am – V.H.
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Garden Club outing, 6pm – Nelson.
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	WI Strawberries & Wine, 7.30pm – Spinney.
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	VILLAGE FESTIVAL 12.30pm – Centre. EVENING IN THE PARK 7.30pm – Centre.
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Silver Bin
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Green Bin
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday Club Garden Party 2.30pm – Tall Trees.