



Ed's Comments

I mentioned last month that I would be going to the Community Centre to watch and listen to the Cavalier Dance Band's, 'evening of music' that was to contain – *'Big Band Classics, Disco and much much more'*. I did go and never imagined that '*much much more*' included a 'Barn Dance'! Great fun and a super evening, many thanks to Justin and the band.

Those fans of Formula 1 motor racing might like to spend some time outside of the post office and admire the driving skills of the residents and visitors to Woodlands, as they negotiate the chicane of pot holes on leaving. Although quite deep, they haven't even attracted the 'man' with the white paint yet which usually gives the Council an 'out' should anyone wish to claim. If anyone is reported missing then the first place to look should be in one of the holes!!

Now to something more aesthetic; what a lovely site the cowslips make on the bank leading down to the jubilee meadow from the Centre car park. Fitting reward for those that planted them. On behalf of those of us enjoying them - thank you.

By the time this issue is distributed the Jubilee celebrations will almost be upon us. I have included the list of events again and in fact there are one or two changes so please check if you are relying on the previous edition. Perhaps the main change is to the time the 'Beacon' is being lit. It is now 10.15pm which I believe is to coincide with the rest of the U.K.

Oh! and don't forget the Tree planting on the 31st May. Hopefully this edition will have been delivered to you before then.

Cliff Newbold

Closing date for the July issue is the 22nd June.

Winthorpe with Langford Parish Council

Dates for Future Meetings:-

Thursday 21st June 2012

Thursday 19th July 2012

Thursday 20th September 2012

Thursday 18th October 2012

Wednesday 14th November 2012

Wednesday 12th December 2012

Thursday 17th January 2013

Thursday 21st February 2013

Thursday 21st March 2013

Thursday 18th April 2013

* Thursday 16th May 2013

Any relevant items for inclusion on the agenda for the above meetings **MUST** be received by the Clerk or Chairman of the Parish Council at least 10 clear days prior to the meeting.

All meetings of the Parish Council will **commence at 7-30 p.m.** and will be held in the Village Hall, on Gainsborough Road, Winthorpe, unless otherwise advised.

*Annual Meeting of the Parish, (commencing at 7p.m.) to be followed by the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council.

Steve Jackson, Chairman

LUNCH CLUB

Once again the lunch (on May 28th) will have taken place by the time Focal Point appears.

From July the lunches will be back to the first Monday in the month except for December. The Christmas lunch will be Monday, 10th Dec.

Peter Foden.

TUESDAY CLUB

Tuesday, June 12th. Morning coffee in the Village Hall, 10.30am.

Tuesday, June 26th. Possible lunch outing to Rufford Park. Transport would be by car. To be arranged.

Jean Foden

THANK YOU



It was a great night at the Community Centre on Friday evening the 4th May, when the Newark based Cavalier Dance Band entertained an audience of over 50 people. The 15+ piece band, with Hugh Casterton as the guest conductor, treated us with music from big band to disco.



Our thanks to Justin Baker-Smith and his wife Michelle for organizing the event.

Pat & Barbara Finn.



Thank you to everyone who came and supported Kimberley's quiz in April. We had a total of 14 teams taking part, which was won by a team called 'Where's Karen'.

She managed to raise the fantastic amount of **£474.00**.

Thank you,
The Hudspeth's



Garden Club

Steffie Shields is a member of the Lincolnshire Gardens Trust. She is clearly a very busy lady.

We were told of the work the Trust does in collaboration with other bodies such as the National Trust, English Heritage and others. Areas of work include the history of specific gardens and their conservation. Interest in these is nurtured in the younger generation by working in and with schools.

An example of the historical element was given as the Bowthorpe Oak, reputedly the largest in Europe, which is specifically identified on a 1760's map as having a circumference of 36 feet. More recent measurement shows this to be 39 feet with its age estimated at over 1000 years.

Many of Lincolnshires famous houses and gardens were mentioned and illustrated by slides. These included Gunby, Burghley, Grimsthorpe, Harlaxton, Belton, Brocklesby and Aubourn. One name that was repeatedly mentioned was that of Capability Brown, with his influence and style of reorganisation on many great estates. The Trust is working towards a commemoration of his tercentenary in 2016.

We also touched on the life of Sir Joseph Banks, scientist, botanist and Fellow of the Royal Society who inherited Revesby Abbey estate. He was a great plant hunter and many species now bear his name.

There *is* **no meeting next month** but our annual outing takes place on June 13th as mentioned last month, the destination being Northamptonshire. The coach will leave the Lord Nelson at 9.30am. We have a full complement for which we thank all those who give their support.

Ian Wilson

GIANT SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

If there is one flower that is unmistakable to nearly everyone, it is the cheerful sunflower. Not only is the sunflower great to look at, as it gracefully turns its head to follow the sun each day, the uses of sunflowers are seemingly endless.



It is now two months since you set your sunflower seeds, the plants should be in the garden and making good progress. Did you notice that after planting, they appeared to stop growing? This is because it takes seven days for the roots to become established and then they will start romping away.

We have had lots of rain during April and May to give your plants a good start, but now we want sunshine to give an ideal growing condition.

Did you remember to put tall strong stakes in to support your plants, if not do it now? Keep tying your plants to their stakes as later on in the summer, when we traditionally have strong winds, they will blow down.

When I saw you at school, I suggested you plant a sunflower in your front garden. It was to make people passing by smile when they see the giant of all flowers.

DID YOU KNOW

This much loved flower, the giant of the daisy family, is grown worldwide as a food crop, from the oil extracted from its seeds, themselves which, when dried, salted and baked make a tasty meal.

- A gentle reminder is that the sunflower is the birthday flower for the 30th of this month. It represents adoration, affection, constancy, false riches, glory, gratitude and infatuation. Doesn't this just sum up the sunflower.

Pat Finn

WINTHORPE AND DISTRICT W.I. MAY REPORT

Mrs Pat Nelson welcomed members and our speaker Mrs. Ellie Briggs, who is our Group Adviser and had come to talk us through the resolution for this year's A.G.M which is to be held at the Albert Hall in London at the end of this month. We are not sending a delegate this year so our vote will be given at the meeting via a proxy vote.

There were apologies from members who were sick and those who had gone on holiday.

There was no County business as the secretary had forgotten to bring it along to the meeting, however there were boards distributed for members to volunteer to help on the stalls at the Festival and also for bakers to make cakes for the teas at the Festival and for the Cake stall. As quite a few members will be on holiday when this takes place extra **help is needed.**

Mrs Nelson then introduced Mrs Briggs, who read the resolution to us and then proceeded to discuss the information she had received on various aspects of it.

There is only one resolution chosen for this year's meeting and it is :-

‘The N.F.W.I. calls on the Government to increase investment in the training, employment and retention of midwives in England and Wales to ensure services are adequately resourced and are able to deliver a high standard of care.’

Maternal health services are facing increasing pressure from a combination of factors, including staff shortages, a baby boom and a higher rate of complex pregnancies. The increasing rate of complex and higher risk pregnancies, from factors such as older mothers, obesity and multiple births, puts greater demands on the workforce. The Government states the NHS has record numbers of midwives and has pledged that the record levels of training places in 2010 (2,493) will be maintained for 2011-2012. Research by health charity ‘The King's Fund’ suggested that more 'effective deployment' of existing staff might be a more realistic goal in this financial climate than increasing overall numbers, with other healthcare workers being used to free up midwives' time.

The Government has already increased the number of midwives in training, yet not in sufficient numbers to meet estimated shortfalls. The

Royal College of Midwives estimates that there is a shortfall of 4,700 midwives in England alone.

There was a discussion among the members and Mrs Briggs asked if there were any midwives present, unfortunately our only midwife member was absent and so was unable to give her opinion.

Then we voted and it was a resounding YES, this will now be passed to our proxy who will vote for us in London.

Mrs. Briggs was thanked by Mrs. Nelson.

As this was like no other Resolution meeting I have been to in my 27 years with Winthorpe W.I., we now had our wine and nibbles while the raffle was drawn, and so went merrily home.

Our next meeting is on **Thursday June 14th**, when the speaker is Lilly Ann Dawes on Forensic Archaeology:- Dead Men Talking!

Hostesses are Mesdames S.Lloyd and M.Hanson.

Please don't forget your baking girls for the Festival.

Thank-you.

Daphne Marshall

DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Thursday 31st May at 2.30pm –The planting of the Jubilee Oak will take place on the Jubilee meadow, assisted by the children of Winthorpe Primary School. This will be followed by a song from the whole school choir. Everyone will then walk back to the entrance to the village where the children will hoist a flag up the newly erected Flagpole and the choir will perform another song. Anyone who would like to come along and enjoy this occasion is more than welcome.

Friday 1st June –

The Lord Nelson are having a Jazz and BBQ night featuring Liteside Jazz Band.4

Saturday 2nd June –

The Jubilee Festival at the Community Centre. Please see the poster on the facing page for details. Flyers will be coming through your letterboxes closer to the event to remind you. Bring the flyer to the festival and you could have a chance to win a £25 hamper!

Saturday 2nd June Evening -

7.30pm. **An open air concert** featuring The AceTones. Please bring your own chairs and a picnic! Tickets are £5.00 each and will be available from the village shop. A winning ticket number will be drawn during the evening for the prize of a £50 hamper.

Sunday 3rd June - At **All Saints Church** Winthorpe - 6pm. A Service of Thanksgiving to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. There will be a display of Royal Memorabilia in the church courtesy of Steven Jackson.

Sunday 3rd June -

The Lord Nelson are holding a Quiz night with a raffle.

Monday 4th June –

Coddington and Winthorpe Cricket Club Queen's Diamond Jubilee
Duck Race, at the Lord Nelson.

Monday 4th June – **The lighting of the Beacon(bonfire).**

This event will take place on the bonfire field off Pocklington Crescent, beginning at 9.45pm. The beacon will be lit at **10.15pm** followed by a 30minute firework display. A drink will be provided - generously donated by the proprietors at The Lord Nelson.

This is a marvellous opportunity for the village to come together to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. So please, show your support by coming to some or all of the events over the weekend.



WINTHORPE DIAMOND JUBILEE FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, 2nd JUNE

1.00pm - 5.00pm

AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Scout Band, Children's Sports, Tug-of-War
Bungee Run, Bouncy Castle, Skittles
Stalls, Games, Raffle
Barbecue, Refreshments**

**Exhibition of paintings and demonstration by
Michael Warren**

IN AID OF NEWARK PATRIOTIC FUND

7.30pm Concert by The AceTones

SUNDAY, 3rd JUNE

6.00pm

AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING



Winthorpe Primary School PTA

Presents Their Annual

Summer Sizzler!

On: Friday 29th June

From 6 til 9 pm

At: Winthorpe Primary School

BBQ

BAR

STALLS

ENTERTAINMENT

All proceeds to the school

ENTRY- £1 (UNDER 5'S FREE)

ALL WELCOME





Lord Nelson at Winthorpe

Jubilee Weekend

Friday 1st June

'Liteside' Jazz Band will be kicking off the weekend in the garden from 8pm

BBQ food will also be available in the garden prices starting at £3.50

Sunday 3rd June

Quiz night at the Lord Nelson at 9pm

'Time for you to prove you are the brains of Winthorpe'

£1 entry per person teams of up to 4 players

Drinks vouchers for the winning team

Monday 4th June

The cricket club are hosting the annual Duck race at the Lord Nelson!

'Best of British' bank holiday brunch menu is available from

12 – 4pm with full a la carte menu running from 6- 8.30pm

There will also be a bouncy castle all afternoon for kids to enjoy

We look forward to welcoming you at the Lord Nelson!!!

Church Notices

The new Archdeacon Ven. David Picken is now in post and those of us who have met him found him very impressive. The Benefice has now advertised in the Church Times for a Priest who will cover all the churches. This is a mammoth task there being fourteen parishes and eleven churches so far apart.

We have been able to continue with most of our services thanks to Rev Michael Briggs, who is unfortunately unwell at the moment and we send him our Best Wishes. The Rev. Canon Dendle French has continued to support us along with Keith Lloyd who has taken our non-Eucharistic services. We are very grateful to these people.

My recent accident has unfortunately prevented me from helping with the church cleaning. My helpmate Bob McClymont is a wonderful worker and we would be grateful if someone would be prepared to help him in my place.

The collection of the Children's Society boxes has come round again. We would like to thank Mrs Barbara Woodcock for her continued support for this charity.

We are all looking forward to the celebrations in the village of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee at the beginning of June and are hoping for a very successful weekend and that many of you will join us for our Thanksgiving Service at 6pm on the Sunday evening.

A recent visitor to Winthorpe contacted us to view the church. She was the great, great, great niece of William Gilstrap and was very interested in the windows in memory of the family and it was a pleasure to be able to provide her with the appropriate bookmarks so kindly given to us by Mr. Pat Finn.

A Date for the Diary:- November 16th A variety concert to be given by the 'Collingham Singers' in Church. They have always proved very popular. More details at a later date.

Our thoughts are as always with the people who are unwell or who have other problems at this time.

Church Bells

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

Sunday June 3rd 6pm - Thanksgiving Service for HM Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Sunday June 10th 10.15am - Holy Communion

Sunday June 17th 10.15am - Morning Worship

Sunday June 24th 6 pm - Evensong

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.

Thanks from the Cavalier Dance Band



I would like to express my thanks to those who made the Cavalier Dance Band night such a great night on Friday 4th May.

We had over 50 people there and it was the audience and dancing that made the night a great success, particularly the barn dances!

I would like to thank everyone who came and especially those who help set up the tables and chairs and manned the all important bar - John Nelson, Duncan Richardson, Peter Foden, Neil Moran, Alec Stewart, Cliff Newbold and of course Jo and Martin at the Post Office for handling the tickets.

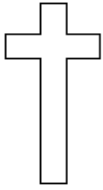
Justin Baker-Smith



DID YOU KNOW

1. The survey bench mark on the brickwork of All Saints' Church indicates a height of 63.45 feet (18.78mtrs). It was repositioned from the previous building onto the present one.
2. In the 1950's, the five-foot wide pine red staircase of The Grange, now demolished, was bought at auction by Mr. Peter Roach for the sum of £4-10s. It was then transported to the Dophin School at Langford Hall where it was re-erected. This magnificent staircase is still in use.
3. The seventeen acre field adjacent to the A46/A1133 roundabout, owned by the Brewer's Trust Charity, is rented out to a local farmer. Income for the Charity accrues from this rent together with interest from money invested over the years. Money from this Charity is given to residents of Winthorpe and 'nearby' that are in hardship.
4. Congratulations to Winthorpe Cricket Club, (now called Coddington & Winthorpe Cricket Club), 125 years old this month.

Pat Finn.



JUNE SERVICES

Sunday 3rd - TRINITY SUNDAY

9am

Holy Communion at **Holme**

6pm

Jubilee Thanksgiving Service at **Winthorpe.**

Sunday 10th - TRINITY 1

10.15

Holy Communion at **Winthorpe**

Sunday 17th - TRINITY 2

10.15am

Morning Worship at **Winthorpe.**

Thursday 21st

10 am

Holy Communion at **Winthorpe.**

Sunday 24th - TRINITY 3

9am

Holy Communion at **Langford**

6pm

Evensong at **Winthorpe.**

ALL ARE WELCOME

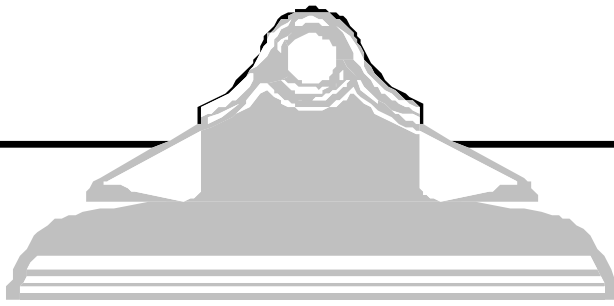
CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

June

22nd Mrs Foden & Mrs Lloyd

July

20th Mrs Finn & Mrs Nelson



MAY/JUNE CALENDAR

MAY

Sunday 27th Lumless house open garden 1pm
Monday 28th Lunch Club, 12.30pm - Centre
Thursday 31st Tree Planting, 2.30pm - Jubilee Meadow

JUNE

Friday 1st Jazz/BBQ, 8pm - Nelson
Saturday 2nd Village Festival 1pm – Community Centre
Festival Concert 7.30pm – Centre
****SAT 2nd**
Sunday 3rd Service of Thanksgiving 6pm - All Saints
Quiz, 9pm - Nelson
Monday 4th Duck Race/Bouncy Castle 12noon – Nelson
Beacon/Fireworks 9.45pm – Pocklington Field
Monday 11th Green Bin
Library Van
Tuesday 12th Tuesday Club Coffee Morn. 10.30am – V.H.
Wednesday 13th Garden Club outing, Bus 9.30am
Thursday 14th WI meeting, 7.30pm – Village Hall.
Monday 18th Silver Bin
Thursday 21st Parish Meeting 7.30pm – Village Hall
Monday 24th Green Bin
Tuesday 26th Tuesday Club Outing? To be arranged.
Friday 29th School BBQ, 6-9pm - School

‘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