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FOCAL POINT

Hiya!

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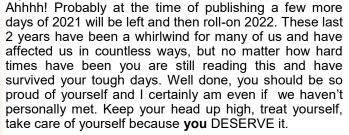
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With that note, use that motto to guide you through 2022 as this year certainly will be filled with many challenges, that you **will** overcome and of course many opportunities along the way. "New year, new me!"

This year, I would also like to continue our QUOTE OF THE MONTH... I will start off this month's quote with the ultimate favourite quote that I heard maybe 6 months ago...

"We can't hate ourselves into a version of ourselves we can love." - Lori Deschene

So, what are your plans for this New Year? What are

your goals? Not specifically on finances, appearances etc but your mental goals, what growth would you like to see in yourself? Any dreams that you've been brushing aside? Consider this year to be THE year.

Stepping slightly back into the past, how was your Christmas? At the time of writing, Christmas is just under a fortnight away and I can definitely say I love seeing the Christmas spirit come to life.

My biggest goals this year is to better plan out my gardening strategy for this spring and maximise this year's harvest/ growth of those lovely beauties.

Have a great start to the New Year! Remember even if you don't have any goals or complete any of them, you're fabulous just the way you are.

- Lizzie Ŵ (Ed)





QUICK UPDATES BEFORE YOU GET READING...

And... we're back to uploading online editions. Thanks for all your patience. Please do let others know about the FP's online editions found on Winthorpe's website.

- Lizzie Wakefield - Editor



You have been so generous recently with donations to the Foodbank. More than ever. Thank you very much to those of you who have given. You will have helped make Christmas a little less stressful for people struggling to make ends meet – always extra difficult this time of year. The Foodbank is very busy at the moment, and thanks to your generosity, and that of other like minded people in the Newark area, the Foodbank is well stocked.

Now the New Year is upon us, we will all have to brace ourselves for cost of living rises, so please carry on remembering the Foodbank when shopping. If anyone would like to make a direct donation, the necessary bank details for Newark Foodbank are:

CAF Bank Ltd.

Sort code 40-52-40 Account n

Account no: 00027004

MOST NEEDED this month are: tinned cold meats, sugar (500g packs if possible), instant mashed potato, peanut butter, jam, long life fruit juice, washing up liquid, washing tablets.

Other items, e.g. biscuits, tinned veg., tinned fruit, tinned or microwavable sponge puddings etc., are always welcome. Please note that the Foodbank cannot accept out of date items, fresh food, or anything containing alcohol.



The collection points in Winthorpe remain:

The shop at the Lord Nelson, during shop hours. Thank you, Susie and Emma, for allowing the pub to be used as a collection point.



This has been very successful. The black swing bin at the side of my front door, 11 Gainsborough Road, Winthorpe, **at any time at all.** The bin is checked every day.

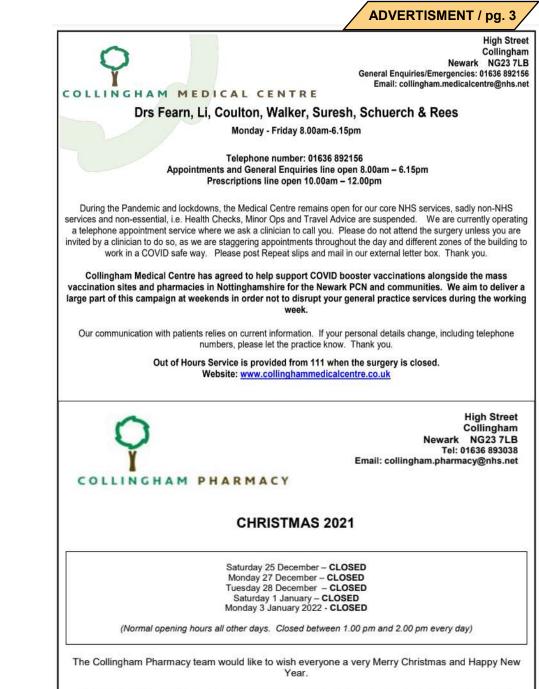
The church porch. At the moment, the church is open 10-12noon on Sundays when there is a service taking place, and 1.30-3.30pm on a Thursday

THANK YOU Jane White



DIGITAL / E-COPY OF THE MAGAZINE

Just in case your paper copy gets lost, chewed up by the dog, falls down the sideboard or you simply want friends/ family outside of the villages to see it, the Focal Point will always be there! And guess what... it's in COLOUR! Make sure to go to the Winthorpe Village website at https:www.winthorpe.org.uk > Media > Village Magazine > Current & Back Issues > Select An Edition > Voila, you are there!



When this Pharmacy is closed, if you urgently need medical help or advice but it's not a lifethreatening situation contact NHS 111. Information can also be accessed at www.nhs.uk

Website: www.collinghammedicalcentre.co.uk



THINK AGAIN— THE WINTHORPE RESIDENTS' A46 CONSULTATION GROUP

It is exactly one year since National Highways announced the two options for the Newark bypass. Winthorpe villagers quickly mobilised to form the Think Again group. Since then, the group has made great progress in responding to these proposals, communicating with the village, media, local authorities and our MP, and putting forward a proposal of our own. We await news of what National Highways will decide as their preferred route and prepare for the opportunity to engage with them on behalf of the village.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Councillor Maureen Dobson who has been a staunch supporter of the group, and her energy and drive in championing and speaking on behalf of Winthorpe will be missed. Our deepest condolences to her family.

Progress on the dedicated Think Again web site continues with the intention of having a single point of information and communication available for the village.

For further information please use the following contact:

A46WinthorpeVillage@outlook.com Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/ThinkAgainA46Newark Twitter: https://twitter.com/ThinkAgainA46



Web:-<u>www.pattersonscarpetsltd.co.uk</u>

LIVE & LOCAL EVENT

Date for your diary - Live and Local event - 'Three men in a boat' Sunday 6th March 2022, Winthorpe Community Centre, 7.30pm

This show is adapted from one of the best-selling books of all time and one that has never been out of print since it was first published in 1889. It is a comedy about a journey up the River Thames but also shows us that society has changed little over the years in respect of our concerns and our enjoyment. The show also reminds us about the beauty of the world we live in and provides the audience with a sense of history surrounding this magnificent waterway.

"There are a few seriously funny books that remain great for all time. Three Men in a Boat is one of these" The Guardian. "Skilfully distilled from Jerome K. Jerome's comic masterpiece into 95 minutes of pure delight. A master class in confidence, stagecraft and delivery." Opening Night Review.

For tickets, please contact Helen Sharpe on 01636 650422.



FOCAL POINT UPDATE

Heya! The FP are ever so grateful for every single one of you who: reads our local magazine; sends in articles; distributes our magazines; gives feedback on last month's edition and our advertisers, in which all support our community. We honestly cannot express our appreciations enough.

We are still looking for a potential Treasurer (a person so kind enough to invest their time in supporting this beautiful community of the three villages). If you know anyone (or are interested yourself), please feel free to contact Duncan on duncrichardson@sky.com or myself via the details on the Ed's Comments page.

If you are interested in advertising in our local magazine, please don't hesitate to contact myself or Duncan. We absolutely love broadening our range in advertisers. - Thanks.... Lizzie (Ed)





01636 707705





Happy New Year to all of our Customers and future Customers!

From New Years Day until Sunday January 9th - we will be closed for some essential maintenance work and we think a well earned rest for the Team! We look forward to opening our doors to you again on Monday January 10th from 9.30am!

Monday, January 10th The Village lunch is held the first Monday of each month - absolutely everyone is welcome to join us. £13.00 for 2 courses Pre-booking is essential for this gathering. 12 noon for 12.30pm	This month choose from pie and mash or ham, egg and chips. Followed by Victoria Sponge and custard or Chocolate Brownie Sundae.		
Monday, January 10th Our resident Quiz Master, Mr Mick Lowes hosts our New Year quiz,booking is essential! It's 7pm for 7.30pm. £1 quiz entry fee plus dinner £8.00 Monday, January 17th Join us for our Open Mic Night from 8pm	This months choice is: Fish cakes served with herby new potatoes, salad and tartare sauce. Come along and enjoy a night of music, you never know you may witness a rising star!		
Wednesday, January 19th Join us for our monthly Steak night £35 for two	This month choose from a rump, salmon steak,and a carafe of red or white wine. Vegetarian and Vegan options are available on request.		
Takeaways	Our menu continues to be available as a takeaway option if you prefer to dine at home. Don't forget our Seniors special offer each Friday is Fish and Chips - £7.50.		
Takeaway deliveries	Customers who live in the Parish and remain shielding or vulnerable can still benefit from free delivery.		
January opening hours Monday: 9.30am-2.30pm & 5pm-9pm Tuesday: 9.30am-2.30pm & 5pm -11pm Wednesday: 9.30am-2.30pm & 5.30pm -9pm Thursday: 9am -9pm	Friday: 9.30am - 11pm Saturday: 10am - 10pm Sunday: 10am - 7pm		

As always, thank you for your continued support of the pub and shop! Best wishes Susie & Emma xx



JANUARY'S RECIPE -VEGANUARY-

Thank you Jane for sending in this month's recipe!



"Some of us may be still attempting to recover from/shrug off the excesses of the festive season and we have Veganuary to help us! I've been a vegetarian for over 35 years and regularly cook vegan recipes, both savoury and sweet. So, to assist our New Year resolutions to eat more healthily, a vegan recipe this month.... I love the contrast of the brightly jewelled pomegranate seeds against the earthiness of the



mushrooms and lentils - Jane C

MUSHROOM & POMEGRANATE PIE

Prep: 15 minutes Cook: 1½

Ingredients:

500g chestnut mushrooms, halved if small, quartered if large 4 portobello mushrooms, cut into 4 pieces 3 large banana shallots, peeled and fairly finely chopped 45ml (3 tbsp) olive oil 4 cloves garlic, peeled and crushed 1 tsp flaky sea salt, plus extra to scatter over the pastry 100ml pomegranate molasses 5 tbsp pomegranate seeds 250g cooked vacuumpacked puy lentils 7 sheets filo pastry (suitable for vegans)

Heat the oven to 150°C (130°C fan)/300°F/ gas 2. Tip the mushrooms, shallots, oil, garlic and sea salt into a large, lidded casserole dish or roasting tin and gently stir to mix (you may need to use your hands.) Cover with the lid (or tightly with foil) and put in the oven to cook for one hour.

- Take the dish out of the oven, remove the lid or foil and increase the heat to 200°C (180°C fan)/390°F/gas 6. Stir the pomegranate molasses, the pomegranate seeds and the lentils through the mushrooms.
- Lay one of the seven sheets of filo over the mushrooms, then scrunch up the remaining six pieces and arrange them evenly over the top. Use a pastry brush to brush the oil all over the filo peaks and troughs, scatter generously with sea salt flakes, then return to the oven for 25 to 30 minutes, until the pastry is golden brown and crisp. Serve hot.

Tip: This is a meal in itself, but you could have some lightly dressed rocket or spinach on the side.

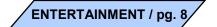


2 tbsp olive oil

SUPPORT BUSINESSES



We need YOUR support! Many businesses (especially local businesses in the community) rely on your vital support to continue their services. Share the community spirit and help local businesses!



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TRIBUTE

Thank you once again Ron for sending in this month's edition. That's ever so kind. I've been left speechless! Thank you. Since taking on the role of the editor of the FP, I've been left in awe of how kind all of you are across the three villages. I'm so proud to be part of such a welcoming community. If you're interested in sending in maybe next month's poem/ a piece for the FP's entertainment section: please email @ winthorpefocalpoint@gmail.com



There is someone not far away Who brightens up our lives Puts in time and effort And the Focal Point arrives

Our Editor(of whom I speak)





Is a teenager no less Whose energy and interests Make me dizzy I confess

Bees and plants and pottery She never seems to sleep Exams go by so easily And a strict deadline to keep

Just one full year into the post The FP's riding high It's content is increasing Is it any wonder why?



So I think it may be time Before we get too busy From all of us a thankyou As a tribute to our Lizzie





£30 per hour

£40



GEOMETREE MATHEMATICS

Private maths tuition available from local tutor: Functional Skills £25 per hour £30 per hour GCSE

GCSE to A-Level Bridging Course A-Level

First lesson free.

Single topics to full course available Hi, My name is Paul and I am a recently retired maths teacher. Do you need to catch up after poor teaching in lockdown, especially if you have just started A-Level?

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

SOMEBODY'S MOTHER

Ocooh we've been delighted to present TWO poems this edition. Thank you to Joan B for sending in this month's joint poem. I absolutely love the imagery and the winter setting. However, most of all, I love the main message of spreading love and care not just to loved ones, neighbours etc, but also to complete strangers. Your one act of kindness could remind them that there's hope in their tough times or at least put a smile on their face. –Lizzie (Ed)

The woman was old and ragged & grey,

The streets were wet with the falling snow

She stood at the crossings and waited, long

At last glad in the freedom from school let out

and the womans feet were old and slow.

bent by the chill of the winters day.

alone uncared for amid the throng.





came the boys like a flock of sheep. hailing the snow piling white and deep, then came one of the merry group, and the youngest laddies of all the troop, He came beside her and whispered low, I'll help you cross if you wish to go. He guided those trembling feet along, glad that his own were fun and strong. Then back again to his friends he went, his young heart happy and well content. She's somebodies mother, boys you know Although she's poor, old and slow And I hope some fellow will lend a hand To help my mother if she should stand At a crossing weary old and grey When her own dear boy is far away



And somebodies mother bowed low her head. In her home that night, And the prayer she said was, God be kind to the dear young boy, Who's somebodies' son, and pride and joy.



QUICK REMINDER - LUNCH CLUB -



January's Lunch Club will be held on January 10th at the Lord Nelson. Bookings can be made to the Lord Nelson directly via phone (01636 707705).







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COLLINGHAM RAMBLERS WALKS FOR JANUARY & FEBRUARY

Great news !! Organised Ramblers Walks will continue in the New Year. Dust off those boots, come along and enjoy the local countryside during the winter months . We still have to follow Ramblers Association guidelines , but are now allowed to increase the length of our walks and travel further afield. All participants should still bring their own hand sanitiser and face mask. Car sharing is now allowed.

		Sunday	Jan.	2nd	Retford
	Sunday	Jan.	16th	Welton by L	
	Wednesday	Jan.	19th	Welbourne	

Jan. 2nd Retford Sundav Jan. 16th Welton by Lincoln Sunday



Jan. 30th Idle Valley Nature Reserve Sunday

Sun. Feb. 13th & 27th Weds. Feb. 16th

NEW WALKERS ALWAYS WELCOME

Dust off those boots, come along and enjoy the countryside at its best. Please contact NINA WARD on collinghamramblersnottswalks@gmail.com for more information and specific walk details.



COACHING AND PLAY CONTINUES AT NEWARK TENNIS CLUB!

Great news !! Tennis coaching and play at Newark Tennis Club on London Road restarted in April 2021 and continues its winter season of activities in 2022

Mondays	5:30pm - 6:30pm	Juniors
	6:30pm - 7:30pm	Cardio Tennis
Saturdays	9am - 10am	Juniors (Secondary)
	10am - 11am	Juniors (Primary)
	11am - 12:30pm	Adults

All coaching is charged by the hour at very competitive rates.

Our full coaching programme is now underway. Early in the New Year, new 6-week courses will start to take us up to February 1/2 term .For full information contact the club coach on 07941 449351 .The Club has now invested in a 4th all-weather court.So,along with the existing 3 all-weather and 2 grass courts, there are plenty of opportunities for social and competitive play .Club Social Nights are held on Tuesdays , Wednesdays and Thursdays 6pm - 8pm .(these evening sessions have now moved to the Sherwood Avenue Courts under floodlights) Get your racquet out and come along. New members are always very welcome .The club also has daytime social tennis and runs Ladies , Men's and Mixed teams in both the Nottinghamshire and the Lincolnshire leagues , during the winter and summer seasons . General club information and membership details can be found on www.newarktennisclub.com



1st £46.80 Jayne Samways **100 CLUB** £23.40 Colin Smith 2nd £7.80 L. Shapley

3rd - December's Winners -

Congratulations to our winners in December! You could also be a winner whilst supporting your local community centre by contributing £2 per month. Information available from Nina Adams at ninjab71@gmail.com

LANGFORD CHURCH & CHURCHYARD NEWS

St Bartholomew's community is looking forward to events in 2022 to open the church and churchyard in different ways to the community.

Last year we had three lively garden working parties and will continue this throughout the year. St Bartholomew gardens are looking well-kept and inviting to visitors. Donations of bulbs very welcome, the two new trees are lovely.

The church is cleaned on a Saturday prior to the monthly Sunday morning service, this provides an opportunity for coffee and conversation.

In the Spring we will have a garden picnic and activity over Eastertime. Ideas for activities very welcome.

We will be starting some sewing projects in the Spring. Creative ideas for tablecloths and a wall hanging, including colours and designs, very welcome! More details and dates in February Focal Point.

John and Becky Whittaker Langford Crossing 01636 700621







Dear Friends,

What does January mean for you? It can be a jumble of emotions can't it? We can be excited about plans for a new year, hopeful about making new resolutions and sometimes at the same time, feel sad about the people we love who won't see 2022 and maybe regret past decisions. This year we still face uncertainty and anxiety about the pandemic and some of us are recovering from disease ourselves.

In the rectory, we're hopefully expectant in a very special way. For us, this month means the birth of our first grandchild, and that brings with it another jumble of emotions.

The birth of a child brings hope, happiness, some worry and a lot of disruption. New parents' lives are turned upside down and changed forever. As Johnny Mathis sang:

All across the land, dawns a brand new morn, This comes to pass, when a child is born.

The Christmas season focuses on the birth of a child. When Jesus was born, our world was turned upside down and changed forever. His birth brought hope, happiness and expectation, uncertainty and reassurance, regret about what's not's so good and challenge to change things for the better.

Thinking about Jesus might cause yet another jumble of emotions, but that's ok. If you'd like to talk about that, please get in touch.

I've got some ideas for New Year resolutions as well: Keep up with my vaccinations against Covid, keep trying to protect myself and others from infection and keep trying to follow Jesus. How about you?

Have a very happy and blessed New Year. *Revd Mandy.*









ST. GILES HOLME CHURCH NOTICES

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Hello from St Giles Church Holme,

The Christmas Celebrations will be over when you read this. We hope that you managed to get into the church during December, possibly for the Carol Service or just to enjoy the quiet ambience of the place and maybe write something that's on your mind on a card to hang on the Christmas Tree. The tree will remain in church until mid-January so with the church open most days, there's still a chance to pop in. We hope that you have enjoyed the outside lighting of the church and the tree. Again, thanks are due to Lesley Blundy and the Holme Bank Land Trust. Holme is one of the very few churches around Newark which is floodlit over Christmas with an illuminated tree.

At the time of writing, we are still in the process of sorting out the date for the Wassail singing of Medieval Carols. We hope that this will be around the time of Candlemas Day which is in early February. Instruments that would have been used at the time will be used, and there will be some of the old customs enacted to create a medieval atmosphere. There will be posters around the village about this event as soon as the arrangements are finalised.

The recent gales and high winds earlier in the year played havoc with the clay pan tiles on the twin roof gables of the church. Most of the problems are inside the valley and therefore cannot be seen from the ground. Richard Edlin of Edlin Roofing, based here in Holme, has come to our rescue and has replaced dislodged tiles and is in the process of making repairs to the damaged felt and is obtaining new tiles where ones have been broken. With the weather likely to become more unsettled due to global warming, the problem is going to get worse and we are delighted that Richard is going to make regular checks up on the roof to make good any problems that occur. He is providing his services at no cost to the church and we are most grateful to him for doing this and ensuring that this most important and visited building in the area is kept dry.

Our next service will be on Sunday 2nd January and all are welcome to come and sing in the New Year!

Kind regards, take care and keep safe,

Nigel Priestley and Doreen Hallam. Phone, 01636 892020





A very happy New Year to all! I hope everyone was able to be with family/ friends at Christmas and that 2022 brings us better health and more happiness into all our lives.

We started our Christmas services off with a wonderful Christingle led by Mandy and organised by Sandra which included 16 children of various ages. It was so good to see so many young ones in the pews! As I write these very early notes for January I cannot comment on all the other planned events but I do hope they were enjoyed by everyone who attended.

Back to 'normal' services this month which always makes January seem so quiet!

A Brochure and Covering letter will be delivered to Winthorpe residents this month as we run our Promise Programme again, it being five years since the last one. We hope you look favourably upon us and are able to support us in any way you can.

We are thinking in our prayers for anyone in the villages who are ill, hospitalised or suffering a bereavement at this time.

Tisha Applewhite Churchwarden 643763



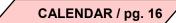


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<u>Sunday 2nd</u> (Epiphany)	9.00 a.m	Holy Communion	Holme
<u>Sunday 9th</u> (Baptism of Christ)	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Winthorpe
<u>Sunday 16th</u> (2 nd of Epiphany)	9.00a.m. 10.15a.m.	Holy Communion Morning Worship	Langford Winthorpe
Sunday 23rd (3 rd of Epiphany).	5.00p.m.	Evening Prayer	Winthorpe
Thursdays 1.3	60 – 3.30p.m.	Open Church	Winthorpe

The Church Bells may be rung for any of the Winthorpe services.

Christmas Flowers removal from 2p.m. on Monday January 3rd, thankyou. **Church Cleaners -**Mrs J. White







JANUARY'S CALENDAR 2022



Please let me know about any events happening in the three villages, I would love to put them in the calendar (Ed)

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ALL MONTH		Veganuary 2022	
ALL MONTH		Walk Your Dog Month	
Monday	3rd	Silver Bin	Winthorpe
Monday	3rd	Festival of Sleep Day	
Tuesday	4th	World Braille Day	
Weds 5th-	—21st	Big Schools Birdwatch	
Friday	7th	Silver Bin	Holme
Monday	10th	Green & Brown Bin	Winthorpe
Monday	10th	Brown Bin	Holme
Monday	10th	Village Lunch Club	Lord Nelson
Mon 10th	- 16th	Houseplant Week UK	
Friday	14th	Green Bin	Holme
Sunday	16th	World Religion Day	
Monday	17th	Silver Bin	Winthorpe
Monday	17th	Brew Monday	
Tuesday	18th	Winnie the Pooh Day	
Friday	21st	Silver Bin	Holme
Monday	24th	Brown Bin *cancelled*	Winthorpe
Monday	24th	Green Bin	Winthorpe
Tuesday	25th	Burns Night	
Thursday	27th	Holocaust Memorial Day	
Friday	28th	Green Bin	Holme
Monday	31st	Silver Bin	Winthorpe

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 <u>www.winthorpe.org.uk</u>

BYE FOR NOW! Thanks for stopping by! I hope that you check in online next month. Let me know (Lizzie, your FP Editor) if you have any suggestions for future editions . And don't forget to tell others about the online copies, especially if they want to see it in COLOUR!

BUT BEFORE YOU GO...

Let your fellow village friends and family know that there is an online edition available on Winthorpe village's website.

- Lizzie Wakefield (Ed)