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NEWS FROM ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, HARBY WITH SWINETHORPE - Bridget Wells

Looking back on 2021, it has been a year of change. After lockdown, the services are now back to the normal pattern. The church was beautifully decorated for Harvest and it was an enjoyable lunch after in the Village hall, with a pleasant surprise. A new volunteer offered to help clean the church. Thank you. When there used to be a weekly service, there was a large number of volunteers but numbers have reduced due to age or moving from the village. So one or two new volunteers for cleaning would be welcome. (Tel. 703449).

The children from school came to church the following Tuesday with their gifts which were distributed round the village. Remembrance Sunday will have been held,14 November. The carol service with Rev. Mandy is at 2.30pm on 19 December.

It has been a year for weddings with three being held. Best wishes to Trevor and Karen on 27 November. At the end of the year, it is thank you to all who keep the church open, the secretary, treasurer, churchwarden, heating engineer, church-yard maintenance, cleaners, bell ringers and those who decorate with flowers and evergreens.

News from Thorney

Our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon, which was held on Sat 25th September, was well supported & raised £300. Many thanks to all who supported the event in any way.

Our Harvest Celebration on Sunday 3rd October started with a DOWNPOUR, but then the sun came out! A good crowd walked behind Mick's vintage tractor, singing and bringing gifts for the local Foodbank at Collingham, which supports people living in all of our local villages. There were fantastic plastic Scarecrows, a raffle, thanksgiving and food to share with friends. Thanks for coming!

Sunday 17th Oct Morning Worship started at 10am to finish in time for the Village Clean-up. Refreshments were then available to returning cleaner-uppers! Much appreciated.

THORNEY CHRISTMAS EVENTS COMING UP

Sunday 5th Dec - Holy Communion 10.30am in St Helen's Church.



Sunday 5th Dec at 3.30pm - Lighting up the Village Christmas Tree opposite the Play Park . Please bring a bauble from your household to add to the tree. The Draw for the Xmas Hamper will also be done approx. 4.15pm. (Lucky numbers available at a £1 each from Clare Welfare or via Thorney FB group after Dec 1st.) Mince pies, sausage rolls & mulled wine may also be available for a small donation to help cover costs!

Wed 15th Dec - Library Van visit & Christmas Coffee Morning from 10.30-12noon. Please bring a wrapped present (costing no more than £5) and you will be able to choose one to take home with you. Look forward to seeing you.

Wed 15th Dec at 7.30pm - CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT in St Helen's Church with the Lincs Fire and Rescue Concert Band! This will be a ticket-only (FREE) event due to number restrictions because of COVID.. Priority for tickets will go initially to people taking part in the service, regular churchgoers at St Helen's followed by Thorney Residents & if space permits, people from nearby villages too. Tickets must be reserved in advance from Dec 1st by contacting Anna on: annardennison@aol.com or Tel: 01522-702748.

Sun 19th Dec - Carols around the Village Christmas Tree at 3.30pm. Join us for a festive singalong & who knows more mulled wine and mince pies could be on offer. Bring your torch!

And into the new year...... a very Happy New Year to you all!

Sunday 2nd Jan 2022 - CHRISTINGLE Service at 3pm in St Helen's Church. If you don't know what a Christingle is, come along and find out! A short informal time together, making a Christingle, followed by light refreshments. Families particularly welcome.

Jan 16th - Morning Worship at 10.30am in St Helen's church. Lay Led informal service. All welcome.



whtgoinggreen.org

A sincere thanks to everyone who joined us for one of our latest WH&T Going Green events, the Great Big Green Saturday on 2nd October and the Great Autumn Community Clear Up on 17th October!

The Great Big Green Saturday was a fantastic feel-good community event held as part of the Great Big Green Week, a nationwide initiative which aimed to highlight the urgency to tackle climate change. Held at the Harby Village Hall, our event was supported by Newark & Sherwood District Council and the waste management company Veolia. It featured many interactive activities such as an 'Are You Bin Smart?' competition. Visitors also enjoyed healthy autumn recipe demos with delicious homemade broccoli soup and blackberry and apple crumble as well as a wide selection of yummy cakes made from local ingredients. We all picked up one or two new ideas on eco-friendly living and the simple steps we can take to reduce our impact on our beautiful planet Earth.





Thank you everyone who took the time from their busy schedules and joined us for our events! Planning is already underway for our next WH&T Going Green event so why not visit our website **whtgoinggreen.org** or join our facebook group **facebook.com/groups/whtgoing** for tips on eco-friendly living and to find out more about our upcoming projects.

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Harby Playing Fields Update - Autumn 2021

PLAY AREA

The play area was reopened on 16th October to coincide with the start of the half term holidays.

An official opening ceremony took place on 24 th October when the facilities were officially opened by Sophie Wells our own multiple Paralympic medal winner (4 Gold and 5 Silver to date). Around a 100 people had gathered to greet this milestone for the village. Sophie cut the ribbon to open the play area and afterwards posed for selfies whilst the children and some of the adults tried out the new equipment.

Friends of Queen Eleanor School also benefited from the event by running a small stall.

During half term and since then the play area has seen a record number of users, these include our own village children and grandchildren, biking families and some less abled groups from the area.

The enhanced facility is credit to the village and our thanks go to all those involved.

THE BONFIRE

This event is the major fundraising event of the year for our Charity playing field, without this we would not be able to sustain the facilities for the village. The last two years have been called off due weather conditions and then Covid 19. This year with the substantial commitment of a sub committee and an amazing number of volunteers we were able to successfully run the event.

A number of points were key to the success: Better signage and media advertising. Rave fireworks display company were employed to provide an uplifted 20 minute display that many said was the best ever. The bonfire was provided from a controlled source gave us a substantial blaze of known size and materials for everyone to enjoy. The food range was extended to include burgers, sausages, pies, peas and hot drinks, these are locally sourced and were prepared in the village by a large team who worked amazingly hard on the night to feed the crowd. All feedback has been giving top reviews. We added a second outlet to sell cold drinks, confectionery and even 'glow tube' jewellery, this stall was staffed mostly by school teenagers who did a fantastic job. The music and PA system was provided by DJ George who kept everyone informed and entertained throughout the evening. First Aid and Lost children was provided by Nic and Phil Haywood although thankfully they had little to do in that area and could help out elsewhere. The major challenge was the number of visitors to the event. Given that the 5th fell on a Friday and that the weather was favourable we were 'blessed' with the largest attendance to date.

Paul Nolan and his on site car parking team efficiently parked all possible cars on the playing field and then moved to an overspill facility field (provided at short notice by Chris Medley).

The village roads experienced some poor parking and it needed patience from all concerned to manage the problem, we apologise to those affected by the disruption to normal traffic flows and thank those who assisted in clearing the blockages. By use of a one way exit from the village for each car park we were able to clear the area quickly so that all areas returned to normal by late evening. We are fully open to feedback and suggestions so that we can better plan and manage this part of the event.

The takings from this event are between 2 to 3 times the previous record and despite higher costs we are likely to clear around £10k for the Playing Field Charity. This will be reinvested in the facilities that are provided for the village as the committee continues to upgrade the offering.

We would like to thank all those involved in the the event for their time and skills and also the villagers for their forbearance for the few hours it takes to raise our vital funds.

John Howard Deputy Chair

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CHRISTMAS 2021

Monday 27 December – **CLOSED**Tuesday 28 December – **CLOSED**Monday 3 January 2022 – **CLOSED**(Normal opening hours all other days)

The Collingham Medical Centre team would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

We also offer a very warm welcome to new team members Dr Edda Schuerch, Dr Kate Rees and Sarah Holt, Respiratory Specialist Nurse.

Our communication with patients relies on current information. If your personal details change, including telephone numbers, please let the practice know. Thank you.

Out of Hours Service is provided from 111 when the surgery is closed.

Website: www.collinghammedicalcentre.co.uk

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THORNEY DEFIBRILLATOR UPDATE & Safety in the Village

Well done to over 30 villagers who attended one of the three Defibrillator training sessions held in St Helen's Church on Sept 30th & also October 30th. Apart from learning how to use the defibrillator we were also given basic essential CPR training which is most effective when used in conjunction with the defibrillator. Rest assured, anyone can use the defibrillator in an emergency as clear verbal instructions are given for you to follow. One of the most critical things is you can contact the emergency services to summon help & advice and they will advise you of the location of the nearest defibrillator & the code you need to punch into it to release the defibrillator from its casing for use.

As we all live in a rural location and may be in an isolated spot when we find someone needing urgent help, can I put in a plea for you to always carry your mobile phone, fully charged & ready for use when you go out. This is also particularly relevant for dog walkers out on their own. In these darker early mornings & evenings it is also worth remembering to wear a fluorescent top/jacket when you go out walking as vehicle drivers often only see you at the very last minute if you are not wearing something reflective. Please keep yourself safe.

Lincoln Christmas Market will be held from Dec 2nd to 5th inclusive. Not wishing to be alarmist, but our local police have advised us this is a high risk time for rural crime over these four days as it also coincides with darker evenings. Just be aware of this & check your property & outbuildings are secure as well as keeping an eye out for your neighbours too.







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Harby Parish Council Update

Clerk

Where has this year gone? I hope that you are all getting ready for the festivities, meeting with friends and families, which so many of us missed last year - whilst still taking care.

Parish Council Annual Walkabout

The Parish Council held their annual walkabout on Sunday 24th October. Some might ask why we do this? But it gives all the Councillors some to take time to look around the whole village, rather than just their regular walking routes and identifying some of the issues that might not be spotted otherwise.

A lot of potholes and drainage issues have been reported this year to Nottinghamshire County Council and some of them have been resolved already, whilst others may have to wait some time to be addressed, along with some of the gueries we have raised in previous years.

We have also raised an issue with Newark & Sherwood District Council about the maintenance around the play area and planting bed on Darbyshire Close. The Parish Council are hoping to work with NSDC and a working party of residents in the Spring to pull out some of the weeds etc and have a good spring clean in the area. Please let us know if you would be interested in helping with this. Just drop us an email **ParishClerk@Harby-Notts.org.uk**

Did you know that 23 million People Used 123456 As A Password? Are you one of them?

Whether it's your Facebook, Amazon, or Netflix account, the explosion in popularity of online apps and services means more and more of us have to remember an increasingly long list of passwords.

Unfortunately, some of us cope with this challenge by resorting to practices that leave our data, devices and money at risk - by using the same password across multiple accounts, or by creating simple passwords that could easily be guessed by hackers. Bad password practice is more prevalent than you might think - the UK's National Cyber Security Centre carried out analysis of passwords leaked in data breaches and found that more than 23 million users worldwide used 123456 as a password. You can read more about it here: https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/news/most-hacked-passwords-revealed-as-uk-cyber-survey-exposes-gaps-in-online-security

Here are some top tips that will make your life easier and online accounts more secure:

1: Creating memorable passwords

A good way to create strong, memorable passwords is by using 3 random words. But remember, don't use words that can be guessed (like your pet's name). You can include numbers and symbols if you need to. For example, "RedPantsTree4!"

2: Saving passwords in your browser

Saving your password in your browser means letting your web browser (such as Chrome, Safari or Edge) remember your password for you.

3: Email account passwords

If a hacker gets into your email account, they could:

- reset your other online account passwords
- access personal information you have saved about yourself or your business

Your email password should be strong and different to all your other passwords. This will make it harder to crack or guess.

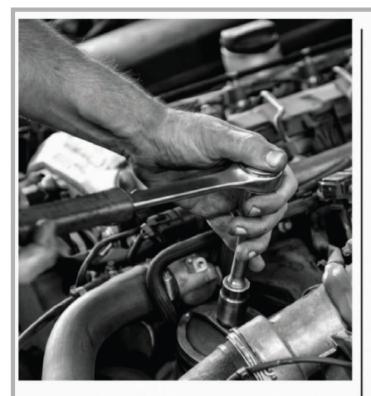
The next Ordinary Meeting is at 7:30pm, Thursday 20th January 2022 in the Village Hall Committee Room. If any members of the public would like to attend, please let us know in advance as we need to try and maintain Covid security for all attendees. Please see the notice board or the website nearer the time for the full agenda.

Caron Ballantyne, Harby Parish Clerk

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School Places for September 2022



NURSERY PLACES

for 3 & 4 Year-Olds

Places are still available for 3 & 4 year olds. If you would like to apply for a Nursery place or know of anyone who would be interested, please

contact the school office and Mrs Lister will provide you with further detail

We have updated our Nursery outside area over the summer and the children at QEP would like to thank the playing field committee for donating all the play bark



from the old play area, on the Harby playing fields. This has come in very useful for tidy up around the edges of the Nursery outside area. Thank vey much!

UP AND COMING EVENTS

FoQE Christmas Fayre in the village Hall - Saturday 11th December

Carol Service at Church - Wednesday 15th December 10.30am & 6pm

Our History Topic this term is Children in War—WWII

If anyone has any information or historical

Artefacts, they would like share with the children, please contact Mrs Lister in the school office. As part of the Remembrance Day Commemorations Class 3 have been looking at war poetry. We thought you would like to see a selection of their poems, inspired by

Laurence Binyon - For the Fallen









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Forthcoming Events

DECEMBER 2021

Sun. 5th – St Helen's Church, Thorney, Holy Communion, 10.30am

Sun. 5th - Thorney play park, Lighting Up the Christmas Tree 3.30pm

Thurs. 9th — Craft Circle, Harby Village Hall Lounge, 1.30pm — 3.30pm

Sat. 11th — Queen Eleanor Primary School Christmas Fayre, Harby Village Hall &

Harby Winter Wonderland Window Trail 4.00pm – 7.00pm

Wed. 15th - Mobile Library: Harby Station Road 9.50-10.05, Queen Eleanor Primary

School 10.05-10.40, Millfield Close 10.45-11.00. Wigsley – Post Box 11.05-11.15. Thorney - Church 11.20-11.50 Christmas Coffee Morning

10.30-12.00 please bring a wrapped present

Wed. 15th – Queen Eleanor Primary School Carol Service, All Saints Church, Harby

10.30am & 6.00pm, all welcome

Wed. 15th – St Helen's Church, Thorney, Carols by Candlelight, with Lincoln Fire &

Rescue Brass Band, St Helen's Church, Thorney 7.30pm (see main article

for ticket details)

Sun. 19th – Thorney - Carols around the Village Christmas Tree 3.30pm

Sun. 19th – All Saints Church, Harby, Carol Service 3.00pm followed by mulled wine

& mince pies

JANUARY 2022

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Sun. 16th – St Helen's Church Thorney, Morning Worship 10.30am

Thur. 20th — Harby Parish Council Meeting, Harby Village Hall, 7.30pm

Wed. 26th — Harby History Group, Harby Village Hall Lounge 7.30pm

Thurs. 27th — Craft Circle, Harby Village Hall Lounge, 1.30pm — 3.30pm

Toddler Group, Harby Village Hall, every Thursday (term time) 10.00am Harby Art Group, Harby Village Hall, every Wednesday 1.00pm-3.00pm

Please contact Jayne Rose if you would like your future events to be included Tel. 01522 703510 or e-mail: jayne@oldcobblers.co.uk

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Village Clubs & Organisations Contact List

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Bowls Club	Carol Dallamore	703461	CLP	Janet Medley	703304
Playing Field	Pat Mackenzie	702906	Craft Circle	Sue Paine	702518
Village Hall	Janet Medley	07733 273524	C of E East Trent Admin	Christine Hasman	01636 679105
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Newsletter	Ann Williams	703766			
Bellringers	Jayne Rose	703510	WIGSLEY		
History Group	Louise Herrick	703662	CLP	Clive Thompson	702014
Parent Toddler	Kathryn Chapman	07946 472278			
Heating Oil Syndicate	David Rose	703510	THORNEY		
Friends of Queen Eleanor	Cora Jones	07860 641795	CLP	Anna Dennison	702748

Harby History Group

- Louise Herrick 703662 - email: harbyhistory@outlook.com

In September, we were back in the village hall for the first time since February 2020. Dr Erik Grigg gave us an entertaining presentation on "Early Medieval Lincolnshire". The area of Lincolnshire we focused on was known as Lindsey. After the Romans left Lincoln there seemed to be a gap until the Vikings invaded. Even then, despite all evidence, little is truly known about the era. Through the years, many artifacts have been found but although on the face of it they look as if they are from either the Roman or Viking era it may just be that they have been copied from the fashion of the time. For example, a brooch may be copied from a certain period's style. Or a list of names of kings does not show that the person was from a certain race as names from invaders were integrated into the existing community and used, much as the children's names of today sounds very exotic compared to those of babies born 25 years ago. Language was another area where many things started to merge and some words were more popular than others so stuck around in our language today. So, the basics were that although there are many sources of evidence of the past, you must draw your own conclusions on what happened and why so actually history is often just speculation.

In October we celebrated our 150th meeting with guest speaker and local author, Sarah Hogg, gave a presentation about her book, "Katherine's House". Sarah is the current owner of Kettlethorpe Hall a house with a rich history. She decided to write a book about the past residents of her home and did so in novel form, each chapter being its own short story. The story starts in 873 when the Saxons were in England and the settlement of Kettlethorpe began when the Vikings arrived. Each tale moves through famous events in local history, often that have national importance. We move from the Battle of Lincoln, right through to the tanks of World War I and finally end in World War II. In between we learn of other historic events and about the people including the Hall's most famous past resident, Katherine Swynford, Duchess of Lancaster. Katherine was the mistress and later wife of John of Gaunt, who was a son of Edward III. Their descendants became significant in British History and the Tudor dynasty was directly descended from them. Katherine is buried in Lincoln Cathedral. At the end of the presentation, books were available to buy and be signed by Sarah.

Coming up:- 24 November - Slea Navigation. Returning guest speaker Graeme Wade.

After this will be our Christmas break so for next year's events, please see the 2022 calendar below.

Meetings are on the last Wednesday of the month in the village hall lounge and unless specified start at 7:30 pm. £2 entry. Everyone is welcome. Please phone me if you want more information or even just a bit of encouragement to attend. New members welcome on a regular or casual basis.

HARBY HISTORY GROUP CALENDAR FOR 2022

26 January – One Man's War in the Forgotten Front of East Africa. *Returning guest speaker Richard Pullen.*

23 February – The English Civil War. *Member speaker Harold Paine*.

30 March – The History of Campions Cycles. *Returning guest speaker Dave Crofts*. Books for sale on the night. **27 April** – RAF Wigsley. *Guest speaker David Potter*.

25 May – Historic Tour of Retford. Trip. *Guided by previous guest speaker & guide, Sam Millard.* 7pm start.

29 June – Lincoln at War-Through the Ages Tour. Trip. *Tour by previous guide Brian Taylor.* 7pm start.

28 September – The Local Homefront in World War II. Returning guest speaker Elaine Johnson.

26 October – The Battle of the Somme. *Member speaker Richard Croft.*

30 November – Rattlejag Morris - An Introduction to Plough Morris. History of Morris dancing and a chance to have a go.

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Well Done Harby

Carol Dallamore
