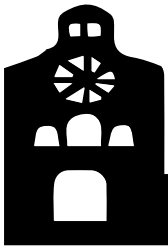


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HARBY, THORNEY & WIGSLEY NEWSLETTER



**Harby Thorney Wigsley
Community Led Plan**



The three parishes of Harby, Thorney and Wigsley came together again to present their findings from the Surveys which we have now analysed. This was the day for all residents to look at the findings and have their say on what happens next. Residents were invited to comment on issues which need urgent attention or solving within a two year time frame, or maybe some issues are more complicated or less urgent and can be addressed within the next six years. Finally, residents were invited to decide on long term issues which could be tackled in the second half of the plan i.e. within the next ten years. It is now the working parties and steering group responsibility to work with our Rural Community advisors, to draw all comments together and write an action plan for the next ten years.

We had approximately 70 residents visit the hall, where as well as making their comments on the issues raised, they enjoyed the free soup and sandwiches provided by the committee members.

The next public event will be in the new year when the final plan will be in draft form. You will once more be invited to see if we have achieved our objective of writing a plan which represents the voices of all residents.

Once again there will be free refreshments provided to enjoy while you inspect the results of our combined hard work.

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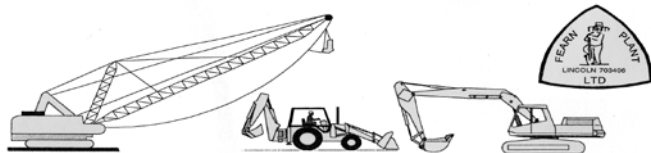
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Friday 26 December – **CLOSED**

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From the 'other side of the fence' so to speak, the bells for the Harvest Thanksgiving Service I felt, sounded even better. My thanks go to Jayne Rose, Philip Thomas, Lorraine Dickinson, Sue Paine, along with Sue Pendleton and Derek Phillips from Eagle.

Quite a number of you didn't forget this Harvest Thanksgiving Service on 5th Oct @11-00a.m followed by The Harvest Luncheon at The Village Hall. The event turned out to be well supported, with All Saints decorated with fruit and vegetables, to what has become a very high standard. Congratulations to all involved in the Luncheon Preparation, it was excellent.

The recent Remembrance service held on 9th November was also very well attended and tastefully decorated with poppies including floral similarities of colour. The service was conducted by Chairman Colin Wells, of the Parochial Church Council and his 4 little helpers. The service included the wreath laying ceremony at the War Memorial. Followed by the 2 minute's silence, which coincided with the clock striking eleven. In addition to those who tragically lost their lives from Harby district, did you know that there were 50 others, who returned from serving in the First World War (Their names are displayed on the west wall behind the font) (What horrific memories some would live with). Can you imagine nearly 60 youngish menfolk out of this district today? **THINK HARD.**

On Sunday 19th November Lindsey Arkley from Barnby and 5 Guild Members booked the belfry for a ¼ peel, whilst this attempt did not materialise they carried on ringing for approximately 50 mins. After Sunday Lunch on that day, it was a wonderful October Sunny afternoon, therefore Millie, her brother Colin and myself sat outside, them talking (reminiscing) and me listening to the intended ¼ peel. The sound of the bells carried by a favourable wind direction, sounded wonderful in the centre of the Village.

Where have I read recently that "people, not money that make things happen", tell that to North Scarle, I think it is both. North Scarle residents have over the last 13years, raised, £57,000. This amount was needed to re-tune existing 3 bells of 4, and add 3 more on a new frame, These bells have not been rung for 20 years, The bells are to be installed on a new frame. The old frame was installed in the Church at North Scarle in 1716, It is hoped that it will be reassembled for display in the Church.

On Saturday the 22nd November we are hosting the quarterly meeting of the Southwell and Nottingham Guild of Bell ringers. It is planned for them to ring from 3-00 to 7-30p.m. within this period tea will be served by ourselves during the meeting, which is due to be held in the Village hall lounge.

One of our regular ringers from Thorpe on the Hill, MR. Roy Chapman is to have a second hip replacement imminently, we in the belfry wish him well.

This year's carol service is to be held on Sunday 21st December 5-00p.m. Ringing for New Year's has yet to be arranged. We from the belfry wish you all **Season's Greetings**

Stand (set next time)

Will Turner



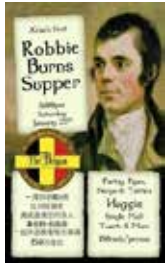



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28 February 2015 in Village Hall

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VILLAGE HALL – Janet Medley

You may have noticed a lot of daytime activity in the Village Hall; we have had the main floor sanded right back to the bare wood and then polished and sealed again. The whole process has taken just over a week to allow each of the three coats time to harden. The work has cost about £2,500, but walking in last Saturday and seeing how they have brought the floor back to life it has been worth it. Many thanks to John Ravencroft from South Clifton who put forward the successful quote. Also thank you to those who helped in any way including Mark Snelling who worked with John and Linda Fearn for all the extra cleaning she had to do. Please can we ask all users to respect the floor and help it to look as good as it does now for as long as possible. Please mop up all spills quickly and carry, not drag furniture into place.

At our Village Hall AGM last week there were some major changes to our Committee. After many years Joe and Margaret Ellerby decided they would step down from the Committee, they have been really valuable members as well as joint Caretakers. We really appreciate everything they have done for the hall. Another change will happen to the Committee. After 60 years of working for the Village Hall, Colin Wells has announced his intention to step down as Chair, but for the moment will stay on as a Committee member. At the moment we haven't found a replacement for him but hopefully that will soon be resolved. He plans to stay on the Committee so we will still benefit from his vast knowledge and his practical help, but we will miss his skills as a Chairman.

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THORNEY CRAFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

My mum and I had a stall in Thorney Church at the above event in aid of our local L.I.V.E.S. First Responders.

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The dedication of the Thankful Village Plaque presented to Wigsley by Medwyn Parry and Dougie Bancroft 12 months ago took place on a beautiful sunny Sunday at the beginning of August, the 100th anniversary of the start of the Great War. Nearly 30 residents from Wigsley came together to listen to a blessing by our Parish Minister, the Reverend David Yabbacome.

In recognition of the [Thankful Village Run 2013](#) in which Medwyn and Dougie and a cavalcade of Triumph motorbikes visited all 51 Thankful Villages in the United Kingdom, Alan Toyn brought along his own Triumph motorbike. Since accepting the plaque on behalf of Wigsley, Alan not only organised the dedication but also fabricated the pedestal on which it is seated. Speaking on behalf of the Wigsley Working Group and Clive Thompson would like to thank Alan for his hard work.



HARBY HISTORY GROUP – Louise Herrick 703662

The year is drawing to a close and we have one more meeting before the Christmas break in December.

In September our guest speaker was Richard Pullen from the Friends of Lincoln Tank Society. He gave a talk about “Women’s Role in the Building of Tanks in Lincoln during the Great War”. Due to picking up the wrong memory stick before he came, Richard inadvertently only had a short presentation to show us. To make up for this, however, Richard offered a second presentation on tank history, so we actually had 2 presentations for the price of 1 that night.

In October we celebrated our 100th meeting. Many thanks to everyone who supplied some wonderful traditional food to share. We were treated to medieval ginger bread, 1970s cheese straws, WWII crumb fudge, Lantern tray bake, sausage rolls, plum breads, ginger biscuits and shortbread. We discovered some of the more unusual ingredients of the above and the stories behind the recipes. Some lovely old recipe books were also passed around. We spent time reminiscing amongst other things about food, war times and farming.

Our final meeting of the year is on 25 November at 7:30pm. We have guest speaker, Mavis Wilkinson, coming to give a talk on “Christmas Traditions”. Mavis did a presentation for us 3 years ago on “Famous Lincolnshire People” and with the use of props gave us all a really fun evening. We look forward to her return.

We have a supply of Harby History books available at £10 each, which would make beautiful Christmas gifts. If you would like a copy, please give me a call.

The 2015 programme of events is currently being compiled so look out for more information on the village notice board in due course.

Meetings are on the last Tuesday of the month in the village hall lounge and unless specified start at 7:30 pm. £1 entry and 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 FASHION SHOW – Caroline Nolan

Thank you to all who attended the recent fashion show. A total of £325.60 was raised for LIVES and this has now been passed on to the organisation.

A special thank you to Helen, Bridget, Jayne and Paul and everyone else who kindly helped on the night, including the lovely models! I trust that everyone had a good time.

SAXILBY SCOUTS – Operation Goodwill at Christmas 2014

Over the next three weeks, Saxilby Scouts will be doing their annual Goodwill at Christmas FOOD TIN COLLECTION. This activity is organised by the scouts to help re-stock The Nomad Trust food stores at Christmas.

The Nomad Trust is a local charity, providing emergency shelter and food for individuals in need at Christmas and throughout the year. They work closely with Beattitude at St Mary Le Wigford Church to feed and look after the homeless throughout the day and night.

The scouts will be collecting tins of food and we would be most grateful for any tins that you can spare. As a number of scouts belonging to Saxilby group are from Harby, it was felt that the people of this area may like to donate. If you are able to help, please leave your tins with

Mrs Natalie Mawer

5 Wigsley Road

Harby

any time up to 14 December. We hope that you will be able to assist the scouts in contributing to this worthwhile cause. Thank you and Happy Christmas to you all!

A REMEMBRANCE STORY – Anna Dennison

Remembrance Sunday worshippers at St Helen's, Thorney with Wigsley were joined by Mrs Mary Main and her partner Dougie as she "rounded off her year of remembrance" of her father, Sgt James Lambell (Flt Engineer), Royal Volunteer Reserve, who is buried in one of our eleven WW2 War Graves.

I first met Mary in August when she called to ask if she could join us on Sunday 14th, the 70th anniversary of the fatal crash that claimed the lives of the whole crew of the plane which was struck by lightning shortly after taking off from their base at Wigsley. Four of the crew are buried together in our churchyard. We had no service that Sunday, but I opened the church and Mary and Dougie spent some quiet time, before laying flowers on all the crew graves. They then joined us at home where Mary's memories gave us a lovely insight into the man whose grave we tend. He was a joiner by trade and made all the furniture in their Darlington family home, some of which Mary still has in her own home. Mary was the youngest of his three children, aged just seven when her father died.

At the Remembrance service, Mary, and the three Wigsley residents present, placed wooden crosses at all four headstones. Over refreshments, Mary shared some of her treasured photos, some of her father and some of the funeral itself.

Everyone who met Mary immediately felt her warmth and her joy in living. She is now a very welcome part of St Helen's "extended family."



HARBY PLAYING FIELD COMMITTEE – Terry Ward

HPFC ran yet another very successful Bonfire Night on Wed 5th November 2014 and on behalf of the Committee we would like to thank all the many volunteers who helped to make it such a success.

It probably takes about 30 people to make this event work so it is a big team effort.

We were nearly overrun with people parking anywhere they could.

We have had our follow up meeting to note where we can improve things for next year and at the meeting our Treasurer reported an amazing provisional profit of £2.5k which compares very favourably to the £1.7k profit we made last year.

On another topic, we have yet again to raise the issue of dog poo on the Playing Field.

We are having fresh signs made but are fast approaching the ultimate sanction which will be to ban dogs from the Playing Field altogether.

Obviously we do not want to take this drastic step but it is up to all you dog owners out there to clean up after your dogs.

THORNEY SPOTTINGS

One of the big advantages of living in the countryside is that our properties tend to have larger gardens than those in towns. This increase in land space generally leads to an increase in flora, so that our village environment, as a whole, functions like a nature reserve, whether we are keen gardeners or not.

Our gardens are an excellent starting point for improving the number and variety of creatures that visit or set up home here, adding interest for both the wildlife and us. Any kind of cover you can provide, whether it be bushes, trees, long grass or outbuildings, including sheds raised slightly off the ground, will definitely attract more wildlife than a space with no, or limited, cover.

Autumn is the perfect time to encourage birds into the garden, and gets them used to your feeding stations before difficult winter months set in. Having birds feeding regularly also helps to attract more timid and migratory species, too.

Household scraps can be chopped up and thrown out for them, but are only useful for ground feeding birds, such as blackbirds and dunnocks. (A small, neat, dull brown bird, streaked darker brown on the wings, and with flesh brown legs. You may mistake it for a tree sparrow.)

To attract a greater variety of birds, you will need to provide raised feeders. D.I.Y. enthusiasts could easily knock up a bird table; the birds won't comment on your efforts! Simply ensure the table is raised about one-and-a-half metres above ground level, preferably on a smooth pole to deter cats from climbing, or hang one from the outer edge of a tree branch, again, to deter cats.

A mix of seeds, or one variety such as sunflower hearts, will attract a significant diversity of visitors to your feeding places. Add fat balls to the menu and the limit to your list increases considerably. You can make your own fat balls from any cheap lard, dried fruit and seed such as sunflower hearts. Soften the lard and mix in the rest of the ingredients. This mix can be used in your own log feeders, made from a piece of a log such as silver birch drilled with holes around its length and hung from a suitable spot.

Clean water is also a must, particularly when frosty conditions set in.

This October we have had blue tits, coal tits, great tits and chaffinches visiting regularly. Ground feeders include blackbirds, dunnocks, house sparrows, collared doves and wood pigeons (not everybody's favourite, I know!). From November greenfinches, goldfinches, nuthatches and pheasants (the ring-necked and 'Olde English' variety and only the cocks at this time) became more frequent. Wood pigeons gathered in groups of six or more. (In the arable fields in Thorney there were huge flocks of them, which is a common sight in autumn and winter.) By December the garden birds will be joined by groups of long tailed tits. If we're lucky, we may see a bullfinch or two, green woodpecker, greater spotted woodpecker and bramblings. (This migratory bird could easily be mistaken for a cock chaffinch, as it tends to join the groups of seed eaters.) What did you spot?

Don't forget to send in your photos and information to (Ed Whittaker or janetcollins@btinternet.com) Check our website for some amazing photos of local spottings.

A Thorney Spotter

**Thanks to Stan, the birdman, who 'spotted' the not-so-deliberate mistake in the last issue. There is no such bird as a lesser spotted flycatcher ! The sentence should have read, "lesser spotted woodpecker and spotted flycatcher."*

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Dec. 2014

- Thurs. 4th – St Helen's Church, Thorney, 2.30pm – 4.00pm open for quiet prayer
- Sun. 7th – Christingle Service, All Saints, Collingham 10.15am
- Sun. 7th – Morning Worship, All Saints Church, Harby, 10.30am
- Sun. 7th – Holy Communion, St Helen's Church, Thorney, 5.00pm
- Thurs. 11th – Craft Circle, Harby Village Hall Lounge, 1.30pm – 3.30pm
- Thurs. 11th – St Helen's Church, Thorney, 2.30pm – 4.00pm open for quiet prayer
- Sat. 13th – Christmas Quiznight, Harby Village Hall, 7.30pm
- Sun. 14th – Morning Worship, St Helen's Church, Thorney 10.30am
- Wed. 17th – Queen Eleanor Primary School Carol Service, All Saints Church, Harby 10.00am & 6.00pm all welcome
- Wed. 17th – Carols By Candlelight, St Helen's Church, Thorney 7.30pm with Lincoln Fire & Rescue Brass Band
- Thurs. 18th – Harby Tea Time, Harby Village Hall Lounge, 1.30pm – 3.30pm
- Thurs. 18th – St Helen's Church, Thorney, 2.30pm – 4.00pm open for quiet prayer
- Sun. 21st – Christingle Service, Besthorpe 10.30am
- Sun. 21st – Carol Service, All Saints Church, Harby 5.00pm
- Fri. 26th – Boxing Day Ramble, meet at The Bottle & Glass, 10.00am
- Fri. 26th – Holy Communion, St Helen's Church, Thorney, 10.00am

Jan. 2014

- Sun. 4th – Morning Worship, All Saints Church, Harby, 10.30am
- Thurs. 8th – Craft Circle, Harby Village Hall Lounge, 1.30pm – 3.30pm
- Thurs. 8th – St Helen's Church, Thorney, 2.30pm – 4.00pm open for quiet prayer
- Sun. 11th – Holy Communion, St Helen's Church, Thorney, 9.00am
- Thurs. 15th – Harby Tea Time, Harby Village Hall Lounge, 1.30pm – 3.30pm
- Thurs. 15th – St Helen's Church, Thorney, 2.30pm – 4.00pm open for quiet prayer
- Thurs. 22nd – St Helen's Church, Thorney, 2.30pm – 4.00pm open for quiet prayer
- Thurs. 22nd – Harby Parish Council Meeting, Harby Village Hall, 7.30pm
- Sun. 25th – Morning Worship, St Helen's Church, Thorney 10.30am
- Tues. 27th – History Group, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- Thurs. 29th – St Helen's Church, Thorney, 2.30pm – 4.00pm open for quiet prayer

Feb. 2014

- Sat. 28th – Ceilidh in aid of Harby LIVES group, Harby Village Hall

Please contact Jayne Rose if you would like your future events to be included.

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