

SCOTHERN NEWS



Issue 3 - March 2024

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There's sometime to go - but a very happy Easter to everyone.

The daffodils are out, the birds are singing a sure sign that spring is on its way - let hope we have come to the end of the dreadful weather that we have suffered this winter. The clocks will soon be going forward; the only way I can remember which way the clocks go is "spring forward and fall back" and we shall be able to look forward to some lighter evenings.

The whirring of lawnmowers will soon be heard heralding the gardening season - and the WLDC green bin service will soon be starting again.

It seems as though the re-modelled Scothern News is being read, with almost a hundred copies being accessed through the Scothern Parish Council website, Facebook page, emailed directly to inboxes or delivered through letterboxes for those residents who do not have the means to access through computers/smart phones or find the electronic world we live in challenging.

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Please do get in touch via scothernpm@btinternet.com if there are any changes/additions that need to be made to the "Useful Information" and/or Who's Who shown at the end of the News.

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Church News - March 2024

I was hoping to be able to tell you that the Church would open for services again by Easter, but I am afraid this is very unlikely to be the case. More minor work is required on the ceiling which has delayed things. We are now working against the clock as we can do nothing after the end of March because of the bats.

Regarding a new priest in charge we are interviewing this month and hopefully there will be some news before April.

Easter Sunday there are Communion Services at: St. Chad's. Dunholme at 10.30am and St. Mary's. Welton at 11am.

We are however holding the Good Friday walk round the three villages starting at Welton at 12noon and Dunholme at 1pm. The last stage at Scothern will be at 2.30pm where a service will be held in the Methodist Chapel. You do not need to walk; all are welcome at any of the Churches. Many thanks go to the Methodists for letting us use their building.

Church Services in the Welton, Dunholme and Scothern Benefice - March 2024

Sunday	3rd	10:30 am	Morning Worship, St Chad's Dunholme
		11:00 am	Holy Communion, St Mary's Welton
Sunday	10th	10:30 am	Holy Communion, St Chad's Dunholme
		11:00 am	Morning Worship, St Mary's Welton
Sunday	17th	10:30 am	Morning Prayer, St Chad's Dunholme
		11:00 am	Holy Communion, St Mary's Welton
Sunday	24th	10:30 am	Holy Communion, St Chad's Dunholme
		11:00 am	Morning Worship, St Mary's Welton
Maundy Thursday	28th	8:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Service, St Chad's Dunholme
Good Friday	29th	12 noon	Good Friday Service, St Mary's Welton
		1:00 pm	Good Friday Service, St Chad's Dunholme
		2:30 pm	Good Friday Service to be held in Scothern Chapel
Easter Sunday	31st	10:30 am	Holy Communion, St Chad's Dunholme
		11:00 am	Holy Communion, St Mary's Welton

Jean Drewery, Churchwarden

WHAT'S ON IN THE CHAPEL THIS MONTH

Sunday 3 March 10:30am at Scothern Chapel for an Own Arrangements Service. Choose your favourite hymn or song . Also choose your favourite reading. Let Andrew know then he can organise it all. We also would like someone to do some prayers please. This will be informal so do feel free to contribute.

Sunday 10 March 10:30am at Scothern - Dr Roy Jackson

Sunday 17 March 10:30am at Nettleham - (preacher to be announced)

Wednesday 20 March 7:30pm - Rev Margaret Doughty

Sunday 24 March 10:30am Scothern Chapel for Palm Sunday includes Communion with Rev Richard

Sunday 31 March at Nettleham Chapel to celebrate Easter Sunday

Prayers and Coffee will be on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month and held at 10:30 in Scothern Chapel



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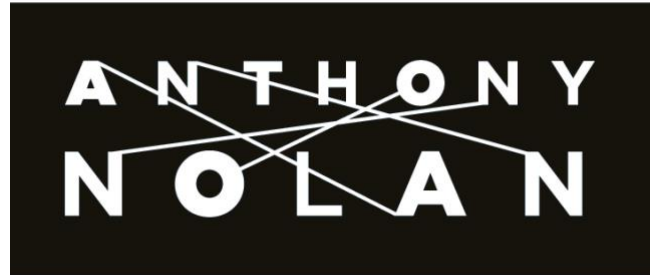
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Saturday 16th March
10.30-12pm
Raffle and Book stall



Please let us know if you can bake us a cake, or can help on the day!
Julie Cook 01673 866633

We look forward to welcoming friends old and new



LINDSEY u3a (Welton)
March 2024 Newsletter (lindseyu3a.org.uk)

A recent newspaper headline read “From tea bags to sausages, how we pay more for less” followed by a new buzz word “shrinkflation” where products are downsized without an equivalent price drop. Not the case at Lindsey u3a! Our product is the opportunity to learn, laugh and live in the relaxed

atmosphere of our meetings and interest groups. No increase in OUR annual membership fee of £17. Bargain!

You are invited with no obligation to one of our meetings on the first Thursday of every month. Doors open at 9.45am for tea/coffee followed by a speaker. If you decide to come along for a look, tell someone on reception you are new and one of our friendly greeters will show you round and answer any questions.

Our meeting on 7th March will be slightly different as we will be holding a short Annual General Meeting at 10.15am followed by a speaker. She is Diane Grimshaw who, I’m sure, will lighten the tone with her anecdotes about “Being Joyce Grenfell” You may well ask, “Who is Joyce Grenfell?” If you’re such a spring chicken not to have heard the name then Google her! On 4th April at 10.30am Paul Stafford will be telling us about “Real Life in North Korea” which should give us some interesting insight into a very mysterious part of the world

We offer a wide range of interest groups run by members for members. Check out our website lindseyu3a.org.uk to see if anything appeals to you.

u3a members can also join various online talks, workshops and courses. You can find out more from www.u3a.org.uk

If you can’t come to one of our general meetings you could join us at the ‘Gardeners’ Retreat’ tearoom at Scothern Nurseries for a cuppa and a chat at 10.15am on the fourth Thursday of the month. The next coffee morning will take place on 22nd March, 2024. Whether you’re a newcomer wanting to know more about Lindsey u3a or if you’re already a member and just fancy a cuppa, maybe a scone and a chat, do come along. Everyone is welcome.

Everything you need to know about Lindsey u3a can be found on our website lindseyu3a.org.uk. You will find a comprehensive list of our interest groups, where and when they meet plus news about visits of local interest or theatre visits and holidays arranged by members for members.

Should you require any further information about Lindsey u3a please contact Mandy Murphy Tel: 01673 565295

Email: mandy.murphy1396@gmail.com

Best Wishes

Sheila Nash

VINYL NIGHT

Music of 50’s, 60’s & 70’s

St. Mary’s Church, Welton

Thursday 7th March 2024

7.30pm

No records? No problem, just come along.

Please feel able to bring your own tipples and nibbles.

ALL WELCOME

We look forward to seeing you

Carol and Glyn 862358

Dunholme Camera Club

Well, we have had a great start to the year with some excellent meetings, practical, competition and a talk so we are all raring to go. March hopefully sees us going into some slightly warmer weather with the onslaught of the early bulbs and flowers starting to appear and they are a great subject to start the year off, the different colours and textures in the plants are amazing and capturing the detail can be tricky at times but at the Camera Club we try and help where we can and share information to get that perfect image. Maybe you were bought a new camera for Christmas? If so why not come down and meet us all at the Old School one Thursday night, all of our meetings are on the home page of the website www.dunholmecameraclub.co.uk take a look at the images whilst you are there, they may give you some ideas to progress your own photography in the months to come. I am very busy with Photo Training at the moment because of those people who received cameras for Christmas and its one thing that I really enjoy

doing "helping people progress their photography" and one reason I started the Camera Club to help others get better photographs.

So what are we busy with in March at the club? We start the month off with some light wand painting, something different for most of the camera club members, that will be on the 7th March. Following our night out we will have a print competition coming up on the 21st March which will be our "Open Print" competition so the members can choose their images rather than have to stick to a chosen subject.

That's all for March but if you want to know more about the Camera Club then get in touch or just turn up one night around 7pm ready for our meeting on the night.

*Grahame Dunkin
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E: dunholmecc@gmail.com*

Lincolnshire Quiz - Part 2

1. Which famous England goalkeeper was born in Skegness and played for Scunthorpe in his early career?
2. Which royal mistress and ancestress of the present royal family is buried in Lincoln cathedral?
3. What is the name of the oldest canal in England?
4. What we now know as the North sea had a different name until the first world war. What was it called?
5. Which famous air raid launched from RAF Scampton in May 1943?
6. Medieval Lincoln produced a fine range of cloths. Who famously, in folklore, wore the Lincoln Green and Lincoln Red?
7. The bronze statue publicising Skegness is known as what?
8. Which famous person was born at Woolsthorpe manor in 1643?
9. The Arctic explorer, from Spilsby, who died trying to find the north west passage was called.....?
10. What is the name of the Anglo Saxon freedom fighter against the Normans born at Bourne - part of his name means The Watchful?

Middle-age (aka The first Age of Wrinklydom) (no offence meant!)

Yes, it's that strange never-never land between being young and being old. You're too old for discos, but a bit young for slipped discs, too old for speed dating, but a bit young for carbon dating. You've still got some of your energy but, frankly you can't be bothered to use it. But it's also the point where you suddenly want to recapture some of your fading youth before it's too late. Men will suddenly buy large motorbikes, because they like to feel something throbbing between their legs, women will think about having a toy boy, because, well, it makes them feel younger. Luckily, it's a very loosely defined concept so no one admits to it. Being middle-aged is something that only happens to other people. Just beware that coming home with a boy's toy or a toy boy is a dead giveaway.

After 30, a body has a mind of its own. (Bette Midler)

*Thirty-five is when you finally get your head together and your body starts falling apart.
(Caryn Leschen)*

Welton, Dunholme, Scothern and Nettleham Methodist Churches

Lincoln Cathedral is at the heart of the city. Towering majestically over the surrounding landscape, it is an impressive landmark for the county, visible for miles. As a place of interest with so much to discover, it's no wonder that the cathedral is such a magnet for tourists.

Most importantly though, it has been a place of Christian worship for nearly a thousand years. We must remember that despite its architectural grandeur and historical significance, it is primarily a place where people have gathered for over a millennium to worship God.

With the Christmas holiday season now a memory, thoughts turn to the next holiday period of Easter. As snowdrops herald the start of spring and the fragrance of blossom fills the air, we look forward to longer and warmer days. Green leaves unfurl on the trees, the grass shoots up and it's not long before the air is filled with the sound of lawnmowers again! This old hymn paints the season vividly:

*Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain,
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.*

Creation erupts into new life as plants and animals wake from the long, dark days of winter. Witnessing the abundance of new life that Spring brings, we are reminded of the deeper significance of Easter: the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Just as the green blade rises from the buried grain, so too Jesus emerges from the darkness of the tomb, bringing new life and hope to all

*Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain
Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain;
Quick from the dead the risen One is seen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.*

May you have a good and meaningful Easter,

Rev Richard

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We're Going For The Hat Trick!!

After last year's highly successful "Calendar Girls", this April we bring you not one, not two, but three plays all in one night! We present a jocular triptych, a titillating trio, three one-act playlets centred firmly on comedy.

The script archives have been searched and scoured for the funniest 30 minute plays available. It took weeks of work, but we feel we have achieved our goal.

Have A Nice Day by Lynn Britney. Picture a morning TV breakfast show. See a not-too-bright presenter about to be fired. Light the touch-paper and stand back! Can the ex-Children's TV presenter save her career or will it be a future of desolation and herrings? Will she have to endure a lifetime of pastels or will she be saved by an ageing knight?

Zoo by Terry Adlam. Join our troubled zoo manager Richard for a day of total disaster. If anything could go wrong, with Richard around, it will! From escaped animals, stolen cars, hungry crocodiles, screaming keepers, visiting dignitaries and belligerent secretaries, to an unwanted mouse. This calamity rivalling Basil Fawlty at his best, features a day best forgotten - oh, and a penguin!

The Quintessential Quintet by Frances Bartrum. The Famous Five will never be the same again. Jeremy, Jack, Jules, Penelope and Jimmy the dog are off on an adventure! They meet the very poor Jen whilst battling smugglers with magnifying glasses, helping scientists invent time travel and saving countless people from getting blown up, all before tea! Hurrah!

So, this April, a £10 golden ticket will reward you with a fun-filled evening out at Scothern Village Hall. With a licenced bar, an exuberant raffle and enough laughter to set you up for Spring. (Please see poster for full details).

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By Lynn Britney



By Terry Adlam



By Frances Bartrum

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SUNDAY 17TH MARCH

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Scothern War Memorial

A number of you will remember the survey that was carried out what seems ages ago, to move the War Memorial from its current location to a safer position nearer the Church and to enable more inclusion during the annual Act of Remembrance.

Some funding has been secured from West Lindsey District Council through a grant scheme and this funding is available until March 2025.

A faculty has been applied for and the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) has visited the site and made a few suggestions. These suggestions include raising the memorial a little, putting small fence around the memorial and the memorial sitting on a hard base. The proposed contractor is to be asked to review the quotation for the work as it is some time ago since the quotation was obtained. The Parish Council has some funds earmarked for the project as a "top up".

The DAC have however asked for a hard path to the war memorial to aid access for those less able. Quotations need to be obtained for this work and some funding sought! Grant aid is to be sought and it may be that the Parish Council will have to provide more funds; unless of course, there is a willing person locally who feels able to assist with labour, materials or both!

NETTLEHAM HERITAGE ASSOCIATION Programme 2024

- March 27th - Katherine Briggs - The Story of Grey Friars, Lincoln
- April 24th - Rev John Wilford - Life at Bardney Abbey before the Dissolution
- May 22nd - Kenneth Moore - Lincoln Castle William 1st Castle has a long and colourful history
- June 26th - Eric Grigg - Home Guard - The Story of the Home Guard in WW2
- July Visit Grey Friars Date not fixed.
- September 25th - Brian Porter - The Historic Graffiti Survey of Lincolnshire Churches
- October 23rd - Horace Liberty - Lincoln then and now
- November 27th - Nigel Horner - The strange and fantastic story of Lincoln

All meetings are held at 7-30pm at The Old School in Nettleham.

Free to members and £3-00 to non-members.

More information - Tel 01522 595114

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PARISH COUNCIL CLIPS

The following is a summary of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th February 2024.

Six councillors present and the clerk.

Parish Council meeting Agendas & Minutes are displayed on the council website and village notice boards.

Flooding

Flooding is still a main concern for residents and the council. The council discussed emails received from residents and Anglian Water and are writing to Sir Edward Leigh, LCC chief executive, 3rd Witham Drainage Board and the Environment Agency stating all the facts, issues, concerns & questions of residents.

Floodsaxs are now available. The council is putting together a village Emergency Plan for residents who find themselves affected by flooding, with details of who to contact for sandbags/Floodsaxs. The council would also like to encourage all residents who are affected or concerned by the flooding, to email

public.affairs@anglianwater.co.uk

Planning

All planning applications may be viewed on WLDC Planning Portal – west-lindsey.gov.uk

Ref:147800 for single storey extension Stonefield House 10 Main Street Scothern

Ref:147640 detached dwelling variation of condition 11 of planning permission 146509 granted 8/8/23

-Adjacent to Stonefield House, 10 Main Street **WLDC 19/1/24 Granted time limit plus conditions**

Ref:147597 first floor dormer bedroom extension including two Storey link extension between the main house & garage, balcony and rendering, 8 The Alders **WLDC 5/1/24 Granted time limit plus conditions**

Ref: 147300 for the part change of use and extension of an existing barn to form 1no. annex Grove Farm, Langworth Road **WLDC 5/1/24 Granted time limit plus conditions**

War Memorial Repositioning

Cllr Nicoll reported on a site meeting with the DAC with recommendations for the relocation of the war memorial – a footpath, raised surface and picket fence. Seeking quotes and available grants for the work.

D Day 80 – 6th June 2024

The council is purchasing a Lamp Light of Peace for the village, to be lit on 6th June, coinciding with the lighting of the Beacons in Commemoration/Celebration of the 80th Anniversary of D-Day and can be re-lit on any other days of Remembrance.

Speed Awareness

Current data taken from the speed cameras can be found on the Parish Council website- Speed Awareness Scheme.

If you are interested in training to be part of the speed awareness team, please contact Cllr Derek Canton on derek.canton@scothern-pc.gov.uk or the clerk (details below) for more information.

Parish Council Contact – Lisa Brooks-Sleight, 07549 137538
clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk

Next Meeting – Wednesday 13th March, 7.30pm in the Methodist Church. The agenda & minutes will be displayed on the website & notice boards.

From Lincolnshire Police:

Subject: Police and Crime Commissioner Fraud Packs

I would be grateful if this information could be circulated wider through your parish.

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has launched a campaign to tackle fraud and scams by empowering communities to identify and report fraud through the distribution of FREE fraud and scam prevention packs. The packs include materials such as 'No Cold Callers' door stickers and information leaflets and are designed to equip communities with the essential tools and knowledge to identify fraud and prevent themselves becoming victims. To order a free pack visit

<https://survey.lincolnshirealert.co.uk/Survey/GUID/a21b38a6-9e0c-4fa1-a6d8-800303265b1a>

Thank you.

Alan Osborne

Safer Together Coordinator – Boston and South Holland

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Matthew 5:16

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Newsletter - Spring 2024

Despite it being the last week of the term, today we have two groups of children out of school. Year 3 and Year 4 are out at Cresswell Craggs and the Young Voices group are in Sheffield for their performance. We know that they will all be having an amazing time. To add to the excitement, it is snowing!

Fund Raising Activities

Once again, our EB family has been incredibly generous and supported all of our fundraising efforts this term.

Before Christmas, we raised money for:

Save the Children through Christmas Jumper Day: **£425.92**

St Barnabas Hospice through Rudy's Run: **£1,105.95**

This is an astonishing amount of money especially just before Christmas.

Thank you so much.

Classroom Movements and Maths

This term we have been trialing teaching Maths in single year groups-this is a model many schools use due to the way that the Maths curriculum is constructed. The Maths curriculum relies on small carefully sequenced progressive steps. This change has been monitored closely and children continue to make good progress. All staff delivering Maths are known to the children and are qualified teachers.

To ensure that we have plenty of space to separate the Reception and the Y1 children for Phonics and Maths we are making some classroom changes in EYFS and KS1. EYFS children's base will be in both of their current classrooms with the dividing door. This will mean that when the whole group are together they have more space.

The Brilliant bears are then moving to the classroom on the corner with the ramp onto the side playground (currently used by Mrs Reed and the Determined Dolphins), the Determined Dolphins will be using the studio, and that will become their classroom. Children in the Determined Dolphins will continue to use the same cloakroom area and doors to arrive and leave; they will also use the same playground areas as their peers.

The children should be otherwise unaffected by the change of classroom. You will be able to see the new classrooms on parents evening.

It would be helpful if you could take care not to line up outside the Determined Dolphins new classroom at the end of the day as this will cause a great distraction for the children!

Dropping off and collecting children

Please could parents who drop off and collect children from EYFS and KS1 enter the school car park by the gate on Sudbrooke Road or the gate by the clothes bank. Please then follow the path around past the Forest School area and the double wooden gate where EYFS children are collected from. If you have collected your children you will then be able to walk back across the carpark to the gates.

If you are collecting from the KS1 door, please follow the path around, collect your children and continue along the path to the school's main entrance where you can cross the carpark to the gates.

Dropping off children should follow the same route.

Hopefully this will ease congestion on the pathway, especially for those with several children or buggies as everyone will be traveling in the same direction.

Thank you.

Dogs on the school premises

Whilst we use dogs to support children in school, we ask that your pets are not brought onto the school grounds when you are dropping off or collecting children. This includes all the areas within the school gates, the carpark and the pathways around the carpark.

Parent Governor post

We have all our parent governor posts filled again. We welcome Richard Clark, Ami Montgomery and Jen Pearson to the team of governors and Andrew Talkes remains a parent governor. Thank you to all of you for supporting the Academy in this role.

Class Assemblies

This term we have enjoyed Class Assemblies from Mrs Murphy's Year 2 Class, The Resilient Red Pandas and Mrs Reed's Y1/2 Class the Determined Dolphins. They performed confidently and showed excellent teamwork.

Mrs Murphy's classroom took us to the North and South Pole as they demonstrated the knowledge that they had gained from their 'Brrr, It's cold!' topic last term. We heard about the continents of the world, animals that live in these extreme conditions and listened to four songs. I think that for all of us there the most memorable moment from the whole class will have been the penguin song and dance. It still makes us smile. Wonderful learning shared and celebrated in a number of different ways. Very well done.

Mrs Reed's class focussed on the Great Fire of London-part of their current topic work. We watched the children interview Samuel Pepys about his diary, had a beautiful scarf dance which represented the fire and enjoyed seeing everyone, including the staff in the classroom, dressed in fiery colours. To finish it off the children performed a two part round of 'London's Burning'. A super assembly.

Rocksteady Concert

We enjoyed our first Rocksteady concert just before the Christmas break. What an event. Already we can see the potential of our children. The concert was a culmination of their work since September, and we know that they will go from strength to strength as they embed their musical learning and experience.

Collective Worship

The school value explored each week this term in Collective Worship has been Happiness in which we have focused on gratitude and appreciation. The Protected Characteristic that has been the focus has been Civil Partnerships and Marriage and the British Value has been Democracy. Next term the school value will be Honesty, the British Value will be Individual Liberty and the Protected Characteristic will be Race.

We have celebrated the compositions and piano and violin performances of Alma Deutscher, a British child prodigy who is still only 18 years of age, throughout this term, enjoying them in our entry and exit music for Collective Worship.

Y3-4 show: Project Planet Wednesday 28th February

There will be two performances of the Y3-4 show, one in the afternoon and one early evening. If your children are in these classes, please make sure your ticket requests are in by Monday 19th February 2024.

Recommended Reads and Online Safety



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Jeanne Willis
Hardback

These picture books for children under 10 highlight some aspects of online safety. You may find them useful.

Treasurer Required

Our school church, St Germain's, is seeking a treasurer.

No formal qualifications are needed but a knowledge of dealing with and reconciling accounts is preferred.

There are approximately six meetings a year plus the AGM.

It is not a requirement to be a member of St Germain's or to be a regular member of the congregation.

This is a voluntary position.

Please contact:

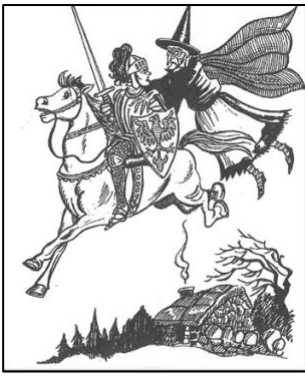
Mrs Jane Burgess, Secretary to the PCC

Telephone: 07774737194

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Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns.

Mrs Carter - Deputy Headteacher



Byard's Witch

Many hundreds of years ago in the days of the Crusades some parts of Lincolnshire were wild and unfriendly. There could be found hamlets and hovels where the kind touch of civilisation had

barely reached, so that travellers spurred their horses into a gallop lest they encounter the darkened faces of those who eked out a living in such places. Amongst the grimmest and most barren of these was Ancaster Heath.

Those few hardy souls who managed to live by tilling the soil of the Heath had problems enough to keep their children fed, yet there always seemed to be worse things to come. For the villagers of North Rauceby and other hamlets in the district, worse did come; for a hideous old witch came to live in a filthy den at the crossroads of the Ermine Street and the Sleaford to Newark road, from where she cast terror and torment on the district.

The old witch was filled with malevolence and hatred for all around her. When she felt like it, she would call up a wind to batter the helpless travellers who passed near to her den. Other times she would send a plague to destroy the cattle of local farmers who she fancied had slighted her or, if she wanted a change, strike down the crops that struggled out of the sandy soil. Once she demanded ale from a fearful local man; when she drank it she found it sour, so cast a spell on the poor man's milk so that it refused to be churned into butter.

An ugly cat seen about the district was believed to be the old witch on her travels. Whenever this cat looked at a baby, the poor child had a squint ever after. Strangely enough this old witch had children, which she sent to Caythorpe school; there, none of the other children would go near them, for it was said that their father was a fox who had lived with the old witch for more than 30-years.

The poor local peasants had no idea what to do about her. If she was not listening, they would huddle together over a jug of some watery brew and whisper about her. No-one dared to speak aloud, for the wind that whistled around the cottage eaves could be the old hag herself, seeking out to new

victims for her curses. It was said that she ate human flesh but that no weapon could wound her.

The people of the Heath hoped that someone would come to rescue them from the old witch. Yet the Ermine Street, which once had sounded to the march of Roman troops, was falling into ruin and hardly a person except a pedlar stumbled along it anymore. But one day their prayers were answered.

A knight with no name approached along the road, bringing with him many unspoken memories of wars in far off places. A knight of any description was such a rare sight on the Heath that someone must have overcome their fears of a stranger and rushed up to him, telling the tale of the hideous old witch and her evil spells. The knight, who saw clearly where his duty lay, got down from his horse and prepared to take on the witch.

First, he had to select a horse for the coming battle. Over a dozen horses from the district were collected together and taken to a watering hole near the old witch's evil den. The horses were allowed to drink the water and, while they were busy refreshing themselves, the knight threw a large stone into the middle of the pond. Only one horse, Byard, threw up his head as the water splashed.

The horse, the knight decided, would be his steed. It mattered not that Byard was blind, for the knight picked up his sword and mounted the horse. Calmly and quietly he road over to the witch's den.

Even from outside, the knight could hear the old woman cackling away. "I must suckle my cubs, I must buckle my shoes, and then I will give you your supper," she sang, leaving the knight quite certain about what - or who - she intended to feed her hideous pets with.

With a single leap the old witch bounded from her evil-smelling hovel and confronted the knight. Looking down at her from Byard, he suppressed a shiver at the sight of her vicious claws on hands and feet. Keeping his eyes on her at every moment, the knight drew his sword and slashed out at her. In the blink of an eye, she disappeared from his view.

The knight tried to turn Byard around, but before he could do so he heard a howling shriek directly behind him as the hag sprang from the ground directly onto the back of

Byard. Before the knight could react, the witch sank her claws into his neck and chest. He struggled with all his power, but the witch's strength was more than human and she could not be torn away. The knight felt the blood trickling from his wounds, know that his own strength was ebbing away while hers seemed to increase with each exultant howl of triumph. Suddenly, and without warning, Byard reared up; for a second the horse seemed to hesitate and then, with all his strength, he leapt into the air. It was a prodigious leap of 60 feet, the horse seeming to fly through the air until he crashed back to the ground with such an impact that the old witch lost her grip on the knight and fell off - headfirst. Without a moment's hesitation, the knight struck hr with his sword before she could recover. At last, the old witch was dead.

When they saw that she moved no more, the local people appeared from the ditches

and hedges where they had been hiding. Taking no chances, they hammered a stake through the old witch's heart and buried her at the crossroads. Then they turned back to look at the wonderous Byard, who had performed such a miraculous leap. So great had his leap been that the very stones on which he had landed were marked with the shape of his hooves.

The story of Byard's Leap is one of the best known of old Lincolnshire legends and the place where it is said to have occurred can still be found today, at the point where the Ermine Street meets the A17 near Leadenham. Like all the best stores it has also varied a little in the telling - sometimes the witch is taken on by a shepherd, and on other occasions the dies by falling into the pond. But always it is Blind Byard who is the cause of her demise.

Sudbrooke Coffee Club

Come and join us at Sudbrooke Coffee Club, held on the second Friday of the month at Sudbrooke Village Hall, starts at 10.30. Admission is £1.50, refreshments included.

Dates for 2024:

March 8th, April 12th, May 10th, June 14th, July 12th, August 9th, September 13th, October 11th, November 8th, December 13th.

Come and catch up with old friends and make new ones

Sudbrooke Village Hall Quiz Nights - 2024

QUIZ NIGHT Every 2nd Friday in the month.

Doors Open 7-30pm Quiz Starts 8.00 – 10.00pm

Bar and Prizes

Entry £1 per person, maximum of 6 people in a team.

Come and enjoy testing your general knowledge in a pleasant and convivial atmosphere!

Dates for 2024

8th March. 12th April 10th May 14th June 12th July

No Quiz in August

13th September 11th October 8th November 13th December

Sudbrooke Village Hall is a Registered Charity No.504153

They Shall Never Die

Old

academics never die, they just lose their faculties
canners never die, they are just preserved
book-keepers never die, they just lose their figures
blondes never fade, they just dye away
burglars never die, they just steal away



WELTON PDA

Our next event is the Spring lunch to be held on Friday 19th April in Welton Village Hall. The menu will be beef pie, potatoes, carrots and peas followed by trifle or homemade apple crumble and custard. Please note that there will be NO bar available but please feel free to bring your own drinks, alcoholic or not. We will provide the glasses and there will be orange juice and jugs of water on the table.

Unfortunately, the entertainment we had hoped to have hasn't worked out but we will have a free quiz with a prize for the most correct answers.

As below, the lunch tickets will be on sale from Monday 19th February and, as we are limited to seating 100, don't leave it too late if you hope to join us.

Several other 'willing volunteers' are now booking transport in addition to myself. The Health Centre know who is covering at any given time and therefore, although we know it is sometimes difficult to get through, please use the Health Centre number to request transport.

The PDA are hoping to hold a plant sale at the Welton May Fair on Monday 6th May. If anyone has any plants, indoor or outdoor, which they are willing to donate please get in touch. Collection can be arranged. If you are planting seeds, please plant a few extra or if you are splitting a large plant in your garden, we are happy to take any surplus.

Dates for our events in 2024 are:

Spring lunch	Friday 19 th April
Autumn Fayre	Saturday 26 th October
Christmas Lunch	Friday 6 th December

Any further information on any of the above don't hesitate to give me a call (01673 862570)
Janet Goddard

PLEASE DO NOT USE THIS NUMBER TO BOOK TRANSPORT

Welton Village Library and Community Hub

Based at Manor Park, Hackthorn Road Welton LN2 3PA

Monday 12noon to 5pm, Tuesday 9:30am to 2:30pm, Wednesday & Saturday 10am to 12 noon

What a great time was had by the children making their own shadow puppet theatre recently! After a pirate themed story read by our volunteer deckhand Coryn it was then over to volunteer pirate captain Avril to guide her young shipmates based on designs she had dreamt up herself. All successfully avoided stormy waters and completed their mission and it was a happy band of well behaved pirates that made their way home with their theatres. We continue to arrange craft events for children up to the age of 10, it is all free and no library membership is required. Our next event is on Saturday 13th April, more details next month and on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

Meanwhile for our adult members it was with great pleasure that regular library user Margaret was presented with her certificate of completion of the 'Read around the World Challenge' recently. Margaret asked the library staff about a challenge for adults last summer, so it is fitting that she is indeed the first person to complete our challenge. Well

done Margaret, and if you would like to know more about this challenge please feel free to ask any of volunteers by popping into the library.

This month the community hub talk is taking place on Tuesday 19th March at 2pm when we welcome volunteers from Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance who will talk about the history of the charity, how the air ambulance has been used to save lives in emergencies and their future plans. As always everyone is welcome, just come along on the day.

Finally it is worth mentioning something you may be unaware of, in addition to the 16 local volunteers Welton Parish Council plays its' part by providing us with the accommodation at Manor Park and help from their local staff which is in turn funded in part by the County Council. We are a resource for all local people from Welton and surrounding villages so please make use of us, we will be pleased to see you if you have never called by.

Mike, Library Volunteer

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Spinach and chickpea Dahl

Ingredients

400g can chickpeas
200g bag spinach
160ml can coconut cream
1 tbsp aubergine pickle

Method

Heat oven to 220C/200C fan/gas 7. Drain the chickpeas, reserving the liquid, then tip ½ of them onto a baking tray, season, drizzle over 2 tsp sunflower oil and roast for 15 mins.

Wilt the spinach in a frying pan with 1 tsp sunflower oil, then add the coconut cream, remaining chickpeas and pickle.

Mix well and simmer for 3-4 mins, squashing the chickpeas with the back of a spoon. Add a splash of the chickpea liquid if it looks dry. Sprinkle the roasted chickpeas on top and serve with naan bread.

Do you have a favourite recipe you would like to share - please forward your contribution to scothernnp@btinternet.com for inclusion.

Information from: Lincolnshire Environmental Crime Partnership

Good Morning,

I am writing in my position as a member of the Lincolnshire Environmental Crime Partnership [Lincolnshire Environmental Crime Partnership \(lincolnshire-pcc.gov.uk\)](http://lincolnshire-pcc.gov.uk)] and as the team lead in the Police and Crime Commissioners, Safer Together Team.

The work of the Safer Together Team includes working with partnerships and representative community groups, to hear the voice of communities for the Police and Crime Commissioner, and share information that is relevant to community safety, crime prevention and empowering communities to be safer together.

Waste crime poses a significant threat to our environment, health and community wellbeing. As local leaders and voices of communities, I believe that providing Lincolnshire residents with relevant information on these issues supports them to make informed decisions, as well as helping us to tackle the challenges faced together.

As a member of the Environmental Crime Partnership I would like to take the opportunity to share

The Environment Agency has produced a series of PDF guidance documents for the public, landowners and the construction industry. They give guidance on reporting waste crime, what to look out for and whether to report to the Environment Agency or Local Council, and also what to do with your waste. As a member of the Environmental Crime Partnership, I am providing the attached documents to relevant partnerships and organisations who may find the resources of value to disseminate further, raising awareness and encouraging proactive and preventative measures within your local area.

I appreciate any support in empowering communities across Lincolnshire to be informed on the issue of waste crime.

Kind Regards

Lee-Anne Flowers-Andrews

Team Lead, Safer Together Team

07500 99 22 61

Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner

Lincolnshire Police Headquarters | Deepdale Lane | Nettleham | LN2 2LT

www.lincolnshire-pcc.gov.uk

More information and guidance is available from:

Right Waste Right Place : <http://www.rightwasterightplace.com>

or

Environment Agency

enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk

T: 03708 506 506

Monday-Friday 08:00 - 20:00.

USEFUL INFORMATION

DOCTORS

Nettleham Medical Practice, Lodge Lane, Nettleham 01522 751717
Welton Health Centre, 4 Cliff Road, Welton LN2 3JH 01673 862232

POLICE

Emergencies **999** **Non-emergencies** 101
Website <https://www.lincs.police.uk/>
Contact <https://www.lincs.police.uk/contact/af/contact-us-beta/contact-us/>
Police Station Linwood Road, Market Rasen, LN8 3QE
Open 09:00/17:00 Monday to Friday

BUSES

P C Coaches 01522 533605
CallConnect 0345 234 3344
Lincoln Bus Station 01522 873655

Bus timetables are posted on the village notice boards by the Village Hall, opposite St Germain's Church and at the bus stops on Dunholme Road and Nettleham Road. There are usually copies in the Church and Methodist Church.

PC Coaches 43 to Lincoln City Centre and return (via Carlton Centre and Lincoln County Hospital).
CallConnect via to Lincoln City Centre and return via (Nettleham, Park and Ride adjacent Waitrose, Lincoln Hotel)

CallConnect "On demand" - to register for the "On demand" service call 0345 234 3344 or online <https://lincsbus.info/callconnectapp>

MILK DELIVERIES

East Anglian Dairy Ltd 01636 614760

NEWSAGENTS

Beckside Newsagents, Nettleham 01522 751331
Nettleham Convenience Stores, Lodge Lane, Nettleham 01522 753345

SCHOOLS

Ellison Boulters CofE Academy, Sudbrooke Road, Scothern 01673 862392
William Farr CofE Comprehensive School, Lincoln Road, Welton 01673 866900

SHOPPING

Sudbrooke Village Store Ltd, 1/2 Holme Drive, Sudbrooke 01522 754234
Lincoln Co-op, The Green, Nettleham 01522 751826
Lincoln Co-op, Market Rasen Road, Dunholme 01673 862937

POST OFFICES

Sudbrooke Village Store, 1/2 Holme Drive, Sudbrooke 01522 751438
Nettleham Co-Op, The Green, Nettleham 01522 751551

PHARMACY

Lincoln Co-op, Church Street, Nettleham 01522 751702

HOSPITAL

Lincoln County Hospital, Greetwell Road, Lincoln 01522 512512

Witham u3a - 3rd Thursday of each month
Reepham and Cherry Willingham Village Hall
Contact - Gerry Wiswould

01673 866718

Lindsey u3a -1st Thursday of each month
Welton Village Hall
Member Secretary - Jane Miller

01522 688977

Scothern Recreation Centre committee meetings
1st Monday of each month 19:45 Scothern Village Hall
Secretary - Gill Radley

scothernvh@hotmail.com


Scothern Parish Council meetings - second Wednesday of each month (except August).
Methodist Church, Main Street - 19:30. Details posted on notice board adjacent to Village Hall.

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District Councillor:	Baptiste Velan	T: 07551 722022/01427 676606 E: cllr.b.velan@west-lindsey.gov.uk
Scothern Recreation Centre (Village Hall)	Bookings Secretary - 16 Weir Farm Paddock, Scothern	E: scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk W: www.scothernvillagehall.org
St Germain's Church	Parish Office - for funerals, weddings and baptisms Vicar Churchwarden - Jean Drewery 36 All Saints Lane, Nettleham Treasurer Secretary - Jane Burgess Illness/hospital visits - Jean Drewery	T: 07468 149695 E: lawreslmp@gmail.com Vacant T: 01522 752489 E: m.drewery48@btinternet.com Vacant T: 01522 752489
Methodist Minister	Revd Richard Mottershead	T: 07771 624885 E: richard.mottershead@methodist.org.uk
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Ellison Boulters After School Club	Club mobile	T: 07736 575155
25th Lincoln Scout Group (Scothern)	Lead Scouter - Nick Cornwell-Smith	07824 995070 E: nick.cornwell-smith@lincolnscouts.org.uk
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Is there anything you would like to see included in the next edition of Scothern News? If so, do email scothernpm@btinternet.com. Suggestions are very welcome.

Brain Teaser Answers 1. Ray Clemence 2. Katherine Swynford 3. Foss Dyke 4. German Sea or Ocean 5. Dambusters 6. Robin Hood and Will Scarlett 7. The Jolly Fisherman or Jolly 8. Sir Isaac Newton 9. Sir John Franklin 10. Hereward the Wake
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The Crucifixion
Sir John Stainer
A meditation on the sacred passion of the Holy Redeemer

Cabra Singers
 Paul Young - Conductor
 Adam Chillingworth - Organist

All Saints' Church
Nettleham
 at 7.00pm
 Sunday 24th March

All welcome - no ticket required
Raising collection

