

# SCOTHERN NEWS



## Issue 17 - May 2025

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**May** is the fifth month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. Its length is 31 days. May is a month of spring in the Northern Hemisphere, and autumn in the Southern Hemisphere.

May's birthstone is the emerald which is emblematic of love and success. Birth flowers are the Lily of the Valley and Crataegus monogyna. Both are native throughout the cool temperate Northern Hemisphere in Asia, Europe and in the southern Appalachian Mountains in the United States, but have been naturalized throughout the temperate climatic world.

May (in Latin, *Maius*) was named for the Greek goddess Maia, who was identified with the Roman era goddess of fertility, Bona Dea, whose festival was held in May. Conversely, the Roman poet Ovid provides a second etymology, in which he says that the month of May is named for the *maiores*, Latin for "elders", and that the following month (June) is named for the *iuniores*, or "young people" (*Fasti VI.88*).

Eta Aquariids meteor shower appears in May. It is visible from about April 21 to about May 20 each year with peak activity on or around May 6. The Arietids shower from May 22 – July 2, and peaks on June 7. The Virginids also shower at various dates in May.

### Historic events in May:

- 1471 The Battle of Tewkesbury, the last battle in the Wars of the Roses - the Yorkists defeating the Lancastrians.
- 1707 The Union between England and Scotland is proclaimed.
- 1821 The "Little Corporal" [Napoleon Bonaparte] died aged 51 on the remote British island of St Helena.
- 1887 Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show opens in London.
- 1894 The official opening of the Manchester Ship Canal by Queen Victoria
- 1902 The Peace of Vereeniging ended the Boer War.
- 1940 Winston Churchill replaces Neville Chamberlain as British Prime Minister forming an all party war government. Churchill promised nothing but "blood, toil, tears and sweat".
- 1945 Germany surrendered to the Allies at Rheims (7 May) ending the war in Europe. VE Day is celebrated across Europe and North America on the 8 May.

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Everyone welcome!

Check out our website for more info:

[www.thresholdchurch.co.uk](http://www.thresholdchurch.co.uk)

**Sunday 4th May**

**Church Gathering**

**Sunday 11th May**

**Community Cafe**

**Sunday 18th May**

**Church Gathering**

**Sunday 25th May**

**Church Gathering**

**Sunday 1st June**

**Church Gathering**

**Sunday 8th June**

**Community Cafe**

**Sunday 15th June**

**Church Gathering**

**Sunday 22nd June**

**Church Gathering**

**All 10am to noon in  
Welton Village Hall**

Community Coffee Morning.  
Do come and join us for a coffee and chat. At present we are meeting in the Methodist Chapel on a Tuesday morning from 10am - 12noon.

## Lincolnshire Mobile Library Service

The mobile library will be at **SCOTHERN** and **Sudbrooke Village Halls**

Fridays in 2025		
2 May	30 May	27 June
25 July	22 August	19 September
17 October	14 November	12 December
Every effort is made to ensure the mobile library arrives at each stop on time		<b>Scothern:</b> 10:00 am to 10:30 am <b>Sudbrooke:</b> 10:45 am to 11:30 am

To access your Library account visit: [better.org.uk/library/lincolnshire](http://better.org.uk/library/lincolnshire)  
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## ST MARY'S CHURCH, WELTON

### VINYL NIGHT

*Music of the 50's, 60's and 70's*

*Thursday 1 May 2025 - 7:30pm*

*No records? No problem, just come along.*

*Feel free to bring your own tippie and nibbles!*

*Do come along and enjoy a **free** night out!*

*Any questions contact Carol and Glyn on 01673 862358*



Scothern Players have been entertaining villagers for over 30 years, with regular plays put on at the Recreation Centre.

To find out more, to buy tickets, or get in touch, please click:  
[www.scothernplayers.org.uk](http://www.scothernplayers.org.uk)

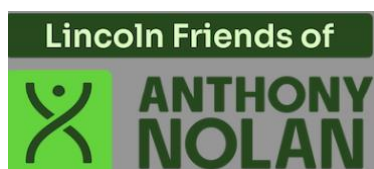
At half-time, a coach sat next to his striker and put a hand on his shoulder.  
"What made you come and try out for us today?" he asked.  
The striker said, "Ever since I was a kid, I wanted to play football so badly."  
The coach replied, "Well, you're succeeding."

## Church News March 2025

The church will be manned on the 10 and 11 May 2025 from 10:00am until 4:00pm when it is the annual open churches festival. The theme will be hobbies and pastimes and we hope that lots of residents will bring their handiwork to display (and maybe sell!). Refreshments will be available for purchase during the day. Why not come and have a look at the talents we have in the village.

### **Church Services in the Welton Dunholme Scothern Benefice - May 2025**

4th May	09:15 am	Morning Worship, St Germain's, Scothern
	11:00 am	Holy Communion, St Mary's Welton
	4:00 pm	Shine - St Chad's School, Dunholme
11th May	10:30 am	Holy Communion, St Chad's
	11:00 am	Morning Worship, St Mary's
	6:00 pm	Evening Prayer, St Mary's
18th May	09:15 am	Holy Communion, St Germain's, Scothern
	10:30 am	Morning Worship, St Chad's, Dunholme
	11:00 am	Holy Communion, St Mary's, Welton
	4:00 pm	Shine - St Chad's School, Dunholme
	7:00 pm	Encounter, St Chad's, Dunholme
25th May	10:30 am	Holy Communion, St Chad's, Dunholme
	11:00 am	Morning Worship, St Mary's Dunholme
<b>Thursday 29th May 6:30 pm Deanery Service for Ascension Day - All Saints, Nettleham</b>		
<b>Ascension Day</b>		



Dear Friends,

Our annual coffee morning was again a huge success thanks to the help and support of so many. This year we had some new bakers along with some we always call upon to bake and the result was more delicious cakes (and scones which went down very well!) We had raffle prizes

donated and some new helpers manning the raffle which was a great relief as our lovely "raffle lady" Libby was unable to be there this year. And of course the good people who came along in the sunshine and joined in which resulted in a wonderful profit of just over £500 which is brilliant. Thanks to everyone who supported this event in any way, we appreciate all of you.

I will be attending the Open Churches weekend on May 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> and will have our new ranges of cards and gift wrap available. Also during that weekend at St Germain's I will have info available for anyone interested in joining the Anthony Nolan stem cell register. They accept new potential donors from 16-30 and people remain on the register until age 60. There is also DKMS if you are over 30 but under 55 and you only need to be on one register. Joining is simple and although the vast majority of potential donors will never actually be a match for a patient it is beneficial to have a large amount of potential donors so that everyone needing a transplant has a better chance of finding a match. Imagine a loved one needing a transplant and no match can be found anywhere in the world, this happens quite often and is very scary for the patient and their family and friends. Because research now proves that younger donors lead to better outcomes for patients I would urge anyone between 16 and 30 to go on to the Anthony Nolan website and read up all about how to join and what happens if you are a match. Or pop in to see me over the May 10th/11th at the church and ask any questions you may have. My grandson recently joined and I know we have some young people in Scothern who have also joined which is very heartwarming for me personally. Obviously whether a person joins or not is a personal decision but some will put it off as they don't fully understand how it all works so I am happy to explain it all, and no question is a "silly" question. I knew very little about it until it was too late for me to join any register which I will always be rather annoyed about!

Thanks again to all who support our efforts

Julie (Cook)

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**Calling all crafters, tidy-uppers, activity planners,  
admins and helpers for as little or as much time  
as you can spare.**

The Scothern Scout Group are looking for adult volunteers. Don't worry about experience as all training is provided. We are looking for new team members to help at our Cub Pack and Scout Troop. Based in Scothern we have young persons from Sudbrooke, Scothern, Welton, Dunholme and the surrounding villages.

To have a chat about how you can help please contact:  
[nick.cornwell-smith@lincolnscouts.org.uk](mailto:nick.cornwell-smith@lincolnscouts.org.uk) 07824 995070



### 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 am. Admission is £1.50, refreshments included.

2025 dates:

9 May / 13 June / 11 July / 8 August / 12 September /  
10 October / 14 November / 12 December

# SCOTHERN SPEED WATCH AND SPEED CAMERA REPORT

APRIL 2025

Community Speed Watch - there have been no sessions recently.

Below are the figures for the vehicles (and speeds) for vehicles passing through Scothern from 11 March 2025 to 7 April 2025 a total of 28 days.

## **Sign 1 on Dunholme Road**

A total of 49,298 came into the village (average 1,761 per day) 99% less than 40mph and 59,246 left the village (average 2,115 per day) 97% less than 40 mph. The maximum speeds recorded: incoming 62 mph and outgoing **83 mph (3 April 2025 16:36)**

## **Sign 2 on Sudbrooke Road**

A total of 44,191 came into the village (average 1,578 per day) 91% less than 40mph and 33,627 left the village (average 1,201 per day) 87% less than 40mph. The maximum speeds recorded were incoming **three greater than 70 mph** and outgoing **78 mph (12 March 2025 11:15)**.

## **Sign 3 on Main Street**

A total of 19,407 came into the village (average 693 per day) 99% less than 40mph and 21,682 left the village (average 774 per day) 99% less than 40mph. The maximum speeds recorded were incoming 55 mph and outgoing **90 mph (13 March 2025 - 15:32)**.

Community Speed Watch is a scheme for volunteers working with the Parish Council, Lincolnshire County Council and Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership to address speed concerns in local communities using speed detection devices. The Police have responsibility for enforcement but the volunteers are there to raise awareness of speed issues in the community and improve driver behaviour.

Speed watch sessions only operate in daylight hours and in areas that have been identified by the Parish Council and the Police as being of concern. A minimum of three trained volunteers are needed to take part in each session, which is usually for an hour at a time. Volunteers are needed urgently to bring back the Community Speed Watch to Scothern. Full training is given and the equipment is provided.

If you can give a few hours every now and again please contact: Cllr Derek Canton at [derek.canton@scothern-pc.gov.uk](mailto:derek.canton@scothern-pc.gov.uk) or the Clerk to the Council at [clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk)

*For Heaven's sake discard the monstrous wig which makes the English judges look like rats peeping through through bunches of oakum.*

*Thomas Jefferson (1762-1826)*

*A good marriage would be between a blind wife and a deaf husband.*

*Balzac (1799-1850)*

Hello everyone,

In Action Fraud's new campaign, we are urging people planning to buy tickets or attend this summer's events and concerts to stay vigilant to criminals.

According to new data, £9.7 million was lost to ticket fraud in 2024 in the UK alone. Action Fraud, the national fraud and cybercrime reporting service, has launched a new ticket fraud awareness campaign, warning people to be alert to fraudsters trying to catch out people planning for popular and sold-out events.

**Follow our top tips to avoid falling victim to ticket fraud.**

- Only buy tickets from the venue's box office, official promoter or agent, or a well-known ticketing website.
- Avoid paying for tickets by bank transfer, especially if buying from someone unknown. Credit card or payment services such as PayPal give you a better chance of recovering the money if you become a victim of fraud.
- The password you use for your email account, as well as any other accounts you use to purchase tickets, should be different from all your other passwords. Use three random words to create a strong and memorable password, and [enable 2-step verification \(2SV\)](#).
- Be wary of unsolicited emails, texts or adverts offering unbelievably good deals on tickets.
- Is the vendor a member of STAR? If they are, the company has signed up to their strict governing standards. STAR also offers an approved Alternative Dispute Resolution service to help customers with outstanding complaints. For more information visit [star.org.uk/buy\\_safe](https://star.org.uk/buy_safe).

If you think you've been a victim of fraud, contact your bank immediately and report it to Action Fraud online at [actionfraud.police.uk](https://actionfraud.police.uk) or by calling 0300 123 2040, or call Police Scotland on 101.

**OPEN CHURCHES WEEKEND**

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> of May 2025 is the first of two consecutive weekends **for West Lindsey Churches Festival**. The first weekend is for churches in the western part of that region and the eastern part is the following weekend.

One hundred churches will be open over those four days, including Scothern church on the first weekend. St. Germain's church was mentioned in the Domesday book and has been rebuilt over the years on land that was owned by Bardney Abbey for nearly 400 years. It has a medieval tower with six bells, three double stained glass windows and a medieval grave slab.



At Scothern we will be offering refreshments - drinks and home baked cakes and savouries. We are open 10am – 4pm on the Saturday and 11am – 4pm on the Sunday. Our theme for this event is **Village Hobbies and Pastimes**, so pop along and see what Scothern villagers get up to, with displays and some practical demonstrations.

All churches are free to go in but donations are always welcome. Do call in and visit our lovely church and stop for some tasty home bakes.

*The shin bone is a device for finding furniture in a dark room!*



## Dunholme Camera Club

*Well, May already, after an up and down start to the year we will hopefully settle into some reasonable weather and be able to get out with or cameras to record some great images. Its strange, when we talk about "Images" this can relate to an immense different array of images, some of us may just take images with our phone, but lets think about that, for a start it may be parents taking pictures of the kids, Teenagers and the 20s who use their phones for social media photos, then we go into the 30s who are both working and taking pictures of family and holidays ? as we move through the years we mature into our senior years so Its Grandchildren, Holidays, social gatherings with friends plus much more. Basically the phone photographer is the snap happy individual that takes a picture as a keepsake and that picture mostly never leaves the phone and sometimes as time goes by we all change our phones and those treasured images are either forgotten about and deleted and never backed up so stories of our past are lost not to be seen by future generations. But what about those of us that are photographers, aperture's, improvers those who belong to a Camera Club etc, well they all have preferred Genres of photography, no one is identical and we all take different photos by the thousands every day. Now, what am I getting at ? well I sill have family photos from the mid 1900's that I can (and do) look back on from time to time,*

*they all have a story to tell. The modern photographer has an array of choices to save their images either by saving onto a computer, hard drive, or up to the cloud. So here is what I'm really getting to, make sure you don't lose those treasured memories, make sure that you save your images securely, make two copies of all of your images so that future generations can see what life was like through the years. O get you started take a look at the club website [www.dunholmecameraclub.co.uk](http://www.dunholmecameraclub.co.uk) where you can see some 70,000 plus images from the club members. If you want to know more then get in touch and see what photography really entails.*

*Right, what does May bring for the members of the camera club? We start off on the 8<sup>th</sup> May with a talk by our club Chair, Caroline wo will entertain us for the evening with a collection of her images. This will be followed on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May by a club print competition "Time to retire" this is a competition that all members can enter from a picture of an old vehicle to some old rusting tools, anything that looks like it should be retired. Good Luck everyone.*

*Interested in the camera club then please do not hesitate to get in touch.*

*Grahame Dunkin*

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*E: [dunholmecc@gmail.co.uk](mailto:dunholmecc@gmail.co.uk)*

*Some cause happiness wherever they go; others, whenever they go.*  
*Oscar Wilde*

### SUDBROOKE VILLAGE HALL QUIZ NIGHTS

Every second Friday in the month (except November).

Doors open 7:30pm and Quiz will start at 8:00pm.

Bar and Prizes

Entry £1 per person, maximum of six people per team

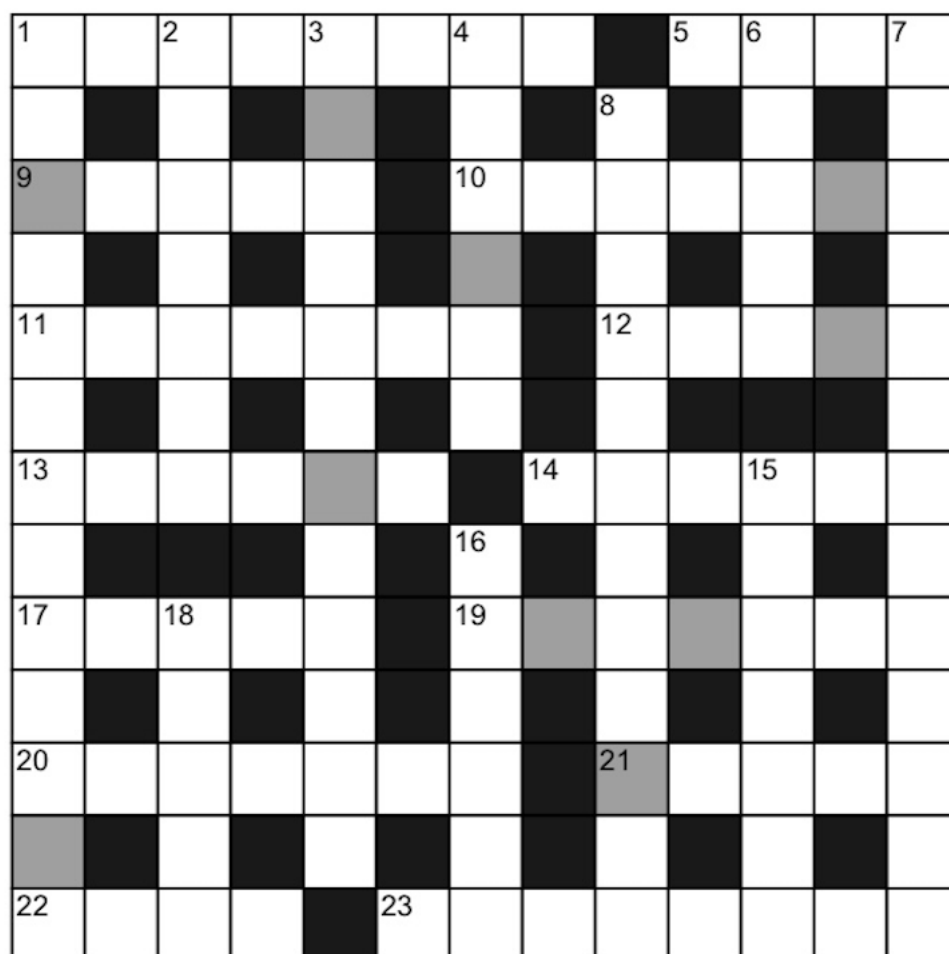
Come and test your general knowledge in a friendly convivial atmosphere

#### Dates for 2025

9 May	Summer Break
7 November (1st Friday)	10 October
	12 December



# Quick Crossword



## Across

- 1 Mishap (8)
- 5 Soft or soggy mass (4)
- 9 Cloak (5)
- 10 Voter (7)
- 11 Generally; in summary (7)
- 12 Flat surface (5)
- 13 Situated within a building (6)
- 14 Made fun of playfully (6)
- 17 Remains of a fire (5)
- 19 Long-lasting and recurrent (7)
- 20 Type of bill (7)
- 21 Country in the Himalayas (5)
- 22 Pleasant (4)
- 23 Deserter (8)

## Down

- 1 Dictatorial (13)
- 2 Compete (7)
- 3 Absolute authority in any sphere (12)
- 4 Sewing instrument (6)
- 6 Extreme (5)
- 7 Upright; vertical (13)
- 8 Re-emergence (12)
- 15 Type of quarry (7)
- 16 Plan of action (6)
- 18 Total disorder (5)

Unscramble the letters in the shaded squares to reveal a themed word:

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# LINDSEY u3a (Welton)

May 2025 Newsletter ([lindseyu3a.org.uk](http://lindseyu3a.org.uk))



Do you associate the month of May with longer days, better weather, May blossom and Maypoles? We don't do Maypole dancing YET at Lindsey u3a but we do have a popular Circle Dancing group where you don't need a partner, you just join the circle and have FUN.

Visits to gardens and places of historical or creative interest have been arranged over the coming months. The Art Appreciation group has planned a visit to view the Traquair Murals at St Peter's Church in Clayworth on 21st July and for Gilbert & Sullivan fans a Theatre trip is going to see "Iolanthe" at Buxton Opera House on 13th August. Needless to say all our A-Z of interest groups will continue to meet over the summer. Look at our website to find out "What's on?" You can join in with as much or as little as you wish.

Lindsey u3a meets at Welton Village Hall usually on the first Thursday of the month. You are invited with no obligation to one of our meetings. Doors open at 9.30am for tea/coffee and an opportunity to chat to interest group leaders in the Welton Room followed by a speaker in the hall at 10.30am. 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..

Since the Village Hall is booked for local elections on the first Thursday of May and the Farmers' Market on the second our General Meeting will be held on 15th May. The speaker then will be Fiona from St Barnabas Hospice, well known for its wonderful work to support and comfort patients, family members and loved ones at the most difficult of times. Her talk entitled, "All you wanted to know about St. Barnabas Hospice but were afraid to ask", will reveal many aspects of the organisation which you may not have considered.

On 5th June we'll be entertained by amusing stories from Philip Caine's career "Barrow to Baghdad". Starting out as a chef, working on the oil rigs in the North Sea, Algeria, Kazakhstan and Russia then with the American Coalition in Baghdad and finally running companies in Dubai and Iraq, Philip's talk should be both humorous and inspirational.

We offer various interest groups run by members for members. Check out our website [lindseyu3a.org.uk](http://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](http://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 May. 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](http://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, lunches and holidays arranged by members for members.

Best Wishes from Sheila Nash

## NETTLEHAM HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

### 2025

May 28th	Stephen Betteridge	The story of Dunham Bridge, the truths about stopping to pay the toll.
June 25th	Adrian Gray	Why did they come from here? The story of the Mayflower Pilgrims

**All are welcome to meetings which 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**

## WELTON PDA

The PDA Spring lunch held on 11<sup>th</sup> April was once again a huge success. The total profit, after deduction of all expenses, was £836.10 for PDA funds. This was an increase of £267.18 on last years total. A huge thankyou to all who bought tickets, raffle tickets, cakes and cards. We hope you all enjoyed this event and will continue to support our other fundraising events. Thanks also to Welton Chippy who generously donated and rumbled the potatoes.

I have been asked to make clear the way we charge for PDA transport as there has been some confusion recently! The charge for trips to Welton health centre appointments is based on the village in which the patient lives. This will not vary regardless of where the driver lives. I have volunteer drivers who live in villages some distance from Welton but we ensure, through our fund raising, that they are paid 45p a mile in total. For any other medically related journey the charge to the patient is 40p per mile from the drivers door and back.

We anticipate getting additional transport requests following the announcement that the health centre is no longer able to offer certain services for example the removal of clips and stitches following surgery. Transport for these services will be charged at 40p per mile.

### PDA PLANT SALE

The PDA is once again holding a plant sale at the Welton May Fair on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May. We will have a good selection of bedding plants and vegetable plants at reasonable prices. Hopefully some larger plants as well eg rose bushes, hydrangeas etc If anyone with green fingers would consider growing us a few plants, flower or vegetable, it would be appreciated. We also take house plants and any larger plants you might have dug out of your garden and split. We can collect if necessary and have the use of a large greenhouse to store plants in. We can also provide small plant pots if anyone would like some, just give me a call. We will have a selection of ceramic pots for sale on the day.

We have already had an excellent response to our request for plants but more would be gratefully accepted and then all we will need is a sunny day and lots of eager buyers!

Dates for our events in 2025 are:

May Day Plant Sale	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May
Autumn Fayre	Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> October
Christmas Lunch	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December (tickets on sale Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November priced £10)

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

**PLEASE DO NOT USE THIS NUMBER TO BOOK TRANSPORT**

**The Veterinary Hospital**  
175 Newport  
Lincoln LN1 3DZ  
32 Lincoln Road  
Skellingthorpe  
Lincoln LN6 5UU

**Mobile Veterinary Clinic**  
*Monday mornings* at the **Cherry Tree Garden Centre**  
A158 Sudbrooke LN2 2QU

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### Message Sent By

Kimberley Pickett

(Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire,  
Safer Together Team, Lincolnshire)

Linc-Eval & Lincolnshire Women and Girls Research Network are conducting research to create an inventory of women and/or girls only services and activities that exist across Lincolnshire.

### Can you help us by sharing your knowledge?

Please find attached recruitment poster for the Mapping Services and Activities for Women of Lincolnshire Survey.

The QR code will take participants to this link:

<https://unioflincoln.questionpro.eu/MappingWomensServices>



**Can you help us map all of the activities and services that exist for Lincolnshire women and/or girls?**

We are looking for women to complete a survey on their experiences of accessing services and activities in Lincolnshire that are for women and girls only.

**You can complete the survey if you:**

- Identify as a woman or girl
- Have accessed a service in Lincolnshire specifically for women and/or girls in the last six months
- Are over the age of 18 OR are the parent/carer of a girl under the age of 18 who fits these criteria.
- Participants who complete the survey will be entered into a draw to win one of two £50 vouchers.

**[unioflincoln.questionpro.eu/MappingWomensServices](https://unioflincoln.questionpro.eu/MappingWomensServices)**

### DISAPPEARING DIALECT (G Edward Campion - Lincolnshire Dialects)

Little is left of the real Lincolnshire dialects. They are disappearing faster than is sometimes realised because the accents that remain are often regarded as dialects. Accents are just one part of the local patois that also consist of vocabulary, intonations, idioms and all the subtle variations that separate them from other dialects. It cannot be too strongly emphasised that English spoken with a regional accent only is not a complete dialect, and we must be careful to distinguish between the two. *(Do you know the words below?)*

<b>Ablins</b>	Perhaps	"Ablins the lambin' will start next week"
<b>Battle-Twig.</b>	Earwig	"If battle-twigs gits i' yer ear 'oles thaäy maäkes nest i' yer 'eäd an' yet's yer braäins awaäy."
<b>Blaäte</b>	Bleat	"The sheep started to blaäte as soon as thaäy saw the dog".
<b>Clam</b>	Thirsty	"I'm that clam I could sup a gallon."
<b>Gee</b>		A cry instructing a horse to turn to the right.

*(More to come!)*



## Scothern Village Hall – play park

Scothern Parish Council have approved Stage 1 of the new play area.

Outdoor Play Devon Ltd have been instructed to install the new equipment with an estimated installation date in June, which will comprise of a **SWING** frame with a **flat seat** and a **cradle seat** for the youngest residents.



Get ready for an adventure with the **PLAY JEEP**.

Where will the children's imaginations take them? Having lots of fun driving to wherever they wish to go, on their own or with friends. This jeep encourages social skills like turn taking, sharing and communication. Featuring a steering wheel, seating, plastic slide and crawling tunnel.

Then, if your jeep has a breakdown or needs a service, head over to the **GARAGE PLAY PANEL** for an oil change, new tyres, brakes or a service.



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### FROM THE LITTLE BOOK OF LINCOLNSHIRE (LUCY WOOD)

#### Ten Familiar Landmarks - 4

Scunthorpe's steelworks are a familiar sight and its origins are thanks to the Romans, who used the ironstone deposits in the land there. Skip to 1864 and the Frodingham Iron Company came along. In 1890, steel production began. The site has four furnaces, named Queen Mary, Queen Victoria, Queen Anne and Queen Bess.

*(I wonder if the furnaces are still known by these names?)*

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### EXTRAORDINARY USES FOR ORDINARY THINGS (Readers Digest)

#### Cat Litter

**Make a mud mask** Mix two handfuls of fresh cat litter with enough warm water to make a thick paste. Smear the paste over your face, let it set for 20 minutes. Then rinse clean with water. The clay in cat litter detoxifies your skin by absorbing dirt and oil from the pores. Tell your friends its your secret when they compliment you on your complexion.

## Welton, Dunholme, Scothern and Nettleham Methodist Churches

### Pentecost: The Start of Something New

Much of our calendar is shaped by the Christian year. One example is Whitsun or Pentecost, which comes 50 days after Easter. The word Pentecost comes from the Greek pentekoste, meaning “fiftieth.” Before it became a Christian celebration, it was a Jewish festival known as Shavuot—marking the harvest and the giving of the Ten Commandments.

After the first Easter, Pentecost took on new meaning. It became the start of the church and symbolized the beginning of a new world—one not driven by power or fear, but by fairness and equality.

In the Methodist Church, this principle remains central: all are equal, with no hierarchy of roles or people. Only Christ is elevated. Pentecost invites everyone into one family—God’s family—on equal ground.

That first Christian Pentecost coincided with Shavuot, the day Jews remembered receiving the Ten Commandments. Those commandments gave people a moral and spiritual framework—but they were written on stone and often broken. Jesus gave a new commandment, written not on stone but in hearts: “Love one another as I have loved you.”

Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Spirit, who helps us live out that commandment—to love God, love others, and love ourselves. It’s a celebration of a new way of being.

So, whether you call it Pentecost, Whit, Whitsun, or Whit Sunday—have a happy one.

Every blessing,

Rev. Richard

07771 624 885

[Rpm2000.sp@gmail.com](mailto:Rpm2000.sp@gmail.com)

## WELTON-BY-LINCOLN PARISH COUNCIL

### Welton Music and Arts Festival - Thursday 3rd - Sunday 6th July

A full programme of events to suit everybody including various creative workshops (Basket Weaving is Fully Booked), children’s author readings, performances by Ranagri, a folk band; an evening of readings and conversation with Margaret Dickinson, bestselling author; tribute band ABBA’s Angels; an evening of swing and rock ‘n’ roll with local singer Kelly Ann Waldie; Aga Krentz an acoustic singer and a Comedy Night, featuring Angelos Epithemiou, John Mann, Peter Brush and Jules O’Brian and an audience with Peter Levy (Fully Booked). Visit the website <https://www.weltonfestival.co.uk> and our Facebook page features regular updates. So get booking those tickets soon before they sell out! Tickets are available to purchase, with no administration fees, we take cash or card payments, from the Parish Office in Welton during opening hours Mon – Thurs 9.00 – 3.00/Fri 9.00 – 12.00, at the monthly Farmer’s Market or by telephone on 07832 175867.

Job Vacancies – see the website for information and how to apply

#### Facilities Team Lead

The council is seeking a dynamic person to ensure that the village and council owned facilities are operated and maintained in a timely and safe manner. This post is varied and requires someone who has experience of leading a team, can be flexible and able to support community events. Working 25 hours per week Monday to Friday with occasional evenings and weekends. Pay will be commensurate with experience and skills offered.

#### Litter Operative

The council is seeking to recruit a litter operative, litter picking and emptying litter bins and occasionally dog bins. You will be required to work on your own and outside all year round in all weathers. You will be working 3 days a week (Monday, Wednesday and Friday), 2 hours per day from 7.00 – 9.00am to keep the village clean and tidy, at the current rate of £12.21 per hour. All equipment and protective clothing will be supplied.

Julie Murray, PSLCC

Clerk to Welton-by-Lincoln Parish Council

Tel: 01673 860336

E-mail: [clerk@welton-by-lincoln-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@welton-by-lincoln-pc.gov.uk) Website: [www.welton-by-lincoln-pc.gov.uk](http://www.welton-by-lincoln-pc.gov.uk)

## SCOTHERN PARISH COUNCIL CLIPS

The APM was held prior to the April council meeting and was attended by 5 residents with reports from the Scothern Recreation Centre and the 25<sup>th</sup> Lincoln (Scothern) Scout group.

The following is a summary of the April Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025.  
5 councillors present, the clerk

Council Vacancy – following the resignation from Cathryn Nicoll, Scothern PC informed WLDC and a notice has been issued. If by 7<sup>th</sup> May 2025, a request for an election hasn't been received from 10 electors to the monitoring officer at WL, the PC may advertise to fill the vacancy by co-option.

Great British Spring Clean – Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Spring Clean on the morning of the 5<sup>th</sup> April. We litter picked, cleaned posts & paintwork, washed all the play equipment, swept bus shelters, carried out maintenance work in Grange Park and throughout the Village. We had Parish Councillors & their families, along with residents new and long standing.

Look out for further dates later in the year.

Scothern Play Area – The council received & discussed 5 different quotes from playground companies to replace the old equipment and have approved Outdoor Play Devon Ltd to provide the new equipment for the younger children's area at the front of the village hall. Grant funding options will now be sourced for the junior area.

Nettleham Rd Development working group – a meeting will be arranged for Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30pm with the Director of Lindum Homes to discuss residents questions, issues & concerns.

Flooding issues - the council have approved work to jet/investigate the pipe across Grange Park, to understand why the area floods and clear any blockages. Highways have been investigating/jetting the pipes on Church St, Vicarage Lane and Sudbrooke Rd-Main St, the council are awaiting this report.

Planning – any planning applications can be viewed at WLDC planning portal  
- <https://www.west-lindsey.gov.uk/planning-building-control/planning/view-search-planning-applications>

### Speed Awareness

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](mailto:derek.canton@scothern-pc.gov.uk) or the clerk for more information.

Parish Council Contact – Lisa Brooks-Sleight      07549 137538      [clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@scothern-pc.gov.uk)

Scothern Parish Council website - <https://scothern.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk>

The Annual Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025, at 7.30pm in the Methodist Church, followed by the May Council Meeting

The agendas & minutes will be displayed on the website & notice board.

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## FROM THE LITTLE BOOK OF LINCOLNSHIRE (LUCY WOOD)

### On this day in Lincolnshire

**17 May 1817** Heckington grazier Samuel Jessup died at the age of 65. It was later discovered that in the last twenty-one years of his life, he had taken a staggering 226,934 pills, supplied by Bottsford apothecary. He also owned 40,000 bottles of mixtures. *(I wonder if he was a hypochondriac!)*

**26 May 1973** The Wash from Skegness to Hunstanton was conquered for the first time by Sutton-in-Ashfield journalist Kevin Murphy, in thirteen hours and fifty-four minutes. He had previously swum the English Channel and the Irish Sea.

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**This space is left blank for residents to make comments, send a letter or submit an interesting article!**

## USEFUL INFORMATION

### DOCTORS

Nettleham Medical Practice, Lodge Lane, Nettleham 01522 751717  
www.nettlehammedical.co.uk (for access to AskmyGP and other online services)

Welton Health Centre, 4 Cliff Road, Welton LN2 3JH 01673 862232  
www.weltonsurgery.co.uk (for access to AskyGP and other online services)

### POLICE

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

### BUSES

P C Coaches	01522 533605
CallConnect	03452 343344
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://lincsbuses.info/callconnectapp>

### NEWSAGENTS

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

### SCHOOLS

Ellison Boulsters 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
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### HOSPITAL

Lincoln County Hospital, Greetwell Road, Lincoln	01522 512512
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**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.co.uk

**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.



## WHO'S WHO

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<b>County Councillor:</b>	Elections on 1 May 2025	
<b>District Councillor:</b>	Baptiste Velan	T: 07551 722022 / 01427 676606 E: cllr.b.velan@west-lindsey.gov.uk
<b>Scothern Recreation Centre (Village Hall)</b>	Bookings Secretary - 16 Weir Farm Paddock, Scothern	E: scothernvh@hotmail.co.uk W: www.scothernvillagehall.org
<b>St Germain's Church</b>	Parish Office - for funerals, weddings and baptisms Vicar - Revd Lynne Hawkins Churchwarden - Jean Drewery  Secretary - Cathryn Nicoll  Treasurer - Jane Burgess Illness/hospital visits - Jean Drewery (Churchwarden)	T: 07468 149695 E: lawreslmp@gmail.com T: 01673 565022 T: 01522 752489 E: m.drewery48@btinternet.com T: 07776 240967 E: pcc.stgermain@gmail.com T: 07774 737194 T: 01522 752489
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<b>Ellison Boulsters After School Club</b>	Club mobile	T: 07736 575155
<b>25th Lincoln Scout Group (Scothern)</b>	Lead Scouter Nick Cornwell-Smith	T: 07824 995070 E: nick.cornwell-smith@lincolnscouts.org.uk
<b>Scothern Players</b>	Lynne Ballantine	E: donorfairly@aol.com

**Is there anything you would like to see included in Scothern News?**

**If so, please do email scothernpm@btinternet.com. Suggestions, comments and letters are very welcome.**

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