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#### Dear Readers,

Anyway...so let's kick off in style and not wanting to blow our own trumpets but absolutely blowing our own trumpets...we received a rather spiffing email at the start of November that said...well, have a read for yourselves...it's your A5 magazine...we just Edit it (very well, apparently...according to the National Parish Magazine Award Judges).

#### National Parish Magazine Awards 2021

#### Dear Laura and Peter,

The results of the 2021 National Parish Magazine Awards have at last been finalised which we are pleased to announce them today. Out of 330 entries, your magazine achieved 4th place in the A5 magazine category and also winner of the Best Editor award. Thank you for taking part in this years competition and we hope you will enter again next year.

#### Kind regards, Paul Orsborn, Awards Co-Ordinator

Check that out...did you note that your local Parish Magazine also came 4<sup>th</sup> nationally...I mean, come on, we knew we were a fabulous lot but to have it recognised, well, that's just the icing on the Christmas Cake this year! We've always said that without you, all of you, sending in your stories, articles, events etc News & Views wouldn't be the little gem that it is, how right we were! See page 6 for our award!

So, now that's our excitement out of the way and thank you for everyone who took the time to say nice things about the awards on Facebook, it was much appreciated, we best tell you all about everyone else's. In this bumper edition we have news of Niamh's fund raising for an expedition to Borneo, read all about in on page 7. Theo's Bakery makes a Christmassy return on page 23 and we have our annual round up on the centre pages. Ramblings of the old Rector gives a seasonal message on page 28 and Alexander Maughn delivers his round up on page 30. All this and a bumper two page Shout Out section too!

We would like to express our huge gratitude to our fantastic Distribution Teams, they go out in all weather to bring you your News & Views, without them we couldn't continue to bring this magazine to you all.

Thank you to our Contributors for your articles that make this magazine so readable and thank you to our Advertisers for their continued support! Thank you to Caythorpe & Frieston Parish Council for all your hard work and Thank you to Westgate Print in Sleaford, we really couldn't ask for a better team to help us with any issues from start to finish!

Last but at no means least - Thank you to our readers, for your feedback, letters, shout-outs and appreciation in letting us know our work is so well received!

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, see you in 2022!

#### Laura & Pete (Best Editors, Parish Council Magazine Awards 2021)





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# Niamh's Borneo Bound



Hello, my name is Niamh and you may have seen me at the last two Breakfast Mornings at our Village Hall. In 2023 I am heading to Borneo on an expedition organised by my school, I am so excited to be part of this. One aspect of being accepted on the expedition is that I fund the cost myself, as a keen baker I was lucky enough to secure a table at the monthly breakfast get togethers.

I normally bake the day before so my mum steers clear of the kitchen that day! I am looking to introduce new items each month and am currently researching savoury and diabetic treats.

Last month we had a guess the Teddy Bear name, this will finish at the next bake sale as we still have lots of names available.

I have also secured a part time job in the kitchen (pot

washing) at The Waggon and Horses, so you may see me there.

To help fundraising, our expedition company (Outlook) have teamed up with EasyFundraising, if you scan the QR code on the page, it should direct you to the Easyfundraising website. If you search for **Niamh Morgan Borneo Trip**, this will be saved to your phone. There are lots of retailers that have signed up to the scheme and it does not cost you a penny. The idea is, you shop online whilst activating their link and the retailer donates money to the Borneo Fund. Each retailer will donate a certain amount dependant on a purchase.

Everyone has been so supportive at the bake sales which I am extremely grateful for. I am thinking about maybe taking pre-orders before each bake sale

if that is something people would like.

I would just like to say Thank-you for all the support I have received, oh and my mum thanks you all too!



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### Christmas Bingo will be held on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December New Year Bingo will be held on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> January Eyes down at 8pm There will be a socially distanced area

### Caythorpe & Frieston Village Hall BIG BREAKFAST IS BACK on SUNDAY 9th JANUARY 2022

We are serving in the main hall so there is more space for everyone



We look forward to welcoming you back!

Come and join us from 09.00 until 11.00

We are now able to take payment by all major debit and credit cards.

#### THE GRANTHAM STROKE CLUB

The Grantham Stroke Club is now up and running again after Covid, with safety precautions in place. We are a friendly club for stroke victims and their carers. We hold our meetings fortnightly on a Thursday 10am - 2pm at the Bowling Club Clubhouse (behind Sainsburys).

Our program is varied which we are now putting together. In a normal year we have speakers, demonstrations, games, a film show and outings. We try to go on at least 2 trips a year by a coach with a lift. This means even the less mobile members can come along. We are invited out for a special treat by Robert Holland to see his trains, Marston WI & Bottesford Church Ladies, all who feed & entertain us. These are most popular with our members and a lovely day out.

Tea, Coffee & Biscuits are provided free but lunch is fish & chips for which there is a charge or you can bring a sandwich.

Our Subscriptions are £10 per year. Outings are £10 per member or visitor.

We have had 6 new members join us this year so you would not be "on your own" at the club.

If you would like any more information please call Jacky on 01400 250407

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#### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

The draft of the Neighbourhood Plan is nearing completion. A 6 week consultation period will begin on Thursday Jan 6 2022. During this period the plan will be posted on the Caythorpe and Frieston Parish Council website, and hard copies will be available in the porch at the Village Hall on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, and in the church porch daily for those who do not have internet access. Please find the time to have a look at it.

Everyone can register their opinion of the objectives and policies in the plan, either by email or using the response slip. Sometime in February, there will be a parish meeting when you can ask any questions.

What next. The plan will be updated if necessary in the light of responses received, and will then be submitted to SKDC for inspection. Once they have made any final changes there will be a referendum on whether or not to adopt the plan. If adopted it will have to be taken into account when any planning applications are made for the parish.

Your participation is therefore important in deciding the future of Caythorpe and Frieston

Cllr. Jean Allen, Neighbourhood Plan Working Group

### St Vincent's Church presents: The Hungate Singers Christmas Concert







Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December, at 7:00pm

Tickets are £10 and available from Jo Russell: 01400 273551 or John Scott: 01400272974

### Nibbles, Mince Pies, Wine

#### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Thursday 16th December 19.00 Carol Concert for the Rainbows by the Loveden Quartet at Barkston

Friday 17th December: 18:30 Carols & Lessons @ Brandon

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December: 15:00 Carol Service (with hot drinks and mince pies afterwards, of course)

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> December: 19:00 Carols & Lessons @ Hough on the Hill

Christmas Eve: 14:00 Crib Service at Caythorpe (Angels, Shepherds, Wise Men etc, all very welcome!) 15.00 Carols and Lessons at Belton 16.00 Crib Service at Marston with Faith and Claire 17.00 Carols and Lessons at Honington 19.00 Carols and Lessons at Fulbeck 23.30 Midnight Mass at Hough on the Hill

Christmas Day: 10:30 Holy Communion at Fulbeck



# Caythorpe Primary School



"Where Learning Comes First"

A team of Year 3 and 4 children attended the Tchoukball try it event at Cranwell primary school. To begin the children

got to know children from other schools by practising a passing game where they had to say their name. Jack and Tom, the CGS active coordinators leading the event, built on developing skills to enable the children to play the team game. It's a great game. You score if your team mate catches the ball after being bounced the ball off the rebound net by a player in the same team.



**Active Events** 

Travis, Sam, Elsie and George went with Miss

Binns and Mrs Locke to MAC Leisure Centre, Nocton to play New Age Curling. Sam explained and demonstrated how to send the ball down the alley and that you could score 1, 2 or 3 points if you got close to the target. Both events developed children's confidence and encouraged them to make new friends.



#### **Big Bangs at Caythorpe**

Our Big Bangs give the children real life experiences that make learning memorable!

In Narnia, we turned back the clocks to explore some of the practises that one of the world's earliest civilisations took part in. Our expedition through Ancient Egypt began in the tomb of the pharaoh, Tutankhamun. Howard Carter took us on a tour of Tutankhamun's tomb and explained how he stumbled upon it in the Valley of the kings. We discovered strange symbols so we discussed different ways to communicate with each other. Then, it became clear that the Ancient Egyptians wrote in hieroglyphs. The children wrote their own names and secret messages to each other using hieroglyphs. We revisited our learning of Ancient Greek gods, discovering that the Ancient Egyptians had their own. Therefore, we created Egyptian god masks – much like the ones found in the pharaoh's tomb. We ended our big bang with an exciting mummy making competition. Teams went head to head to create the best mummy using their problem-solving skills.

#### **Hogwarts Big Bang!**



Last week, Hogwarts began their Victorian topic with a big bang which saw the children take on the role of a school child during the Victorian era.

The boys enjoyed their PE drills and technical drawing session where they had to draw Queen Victoria. Meanwhile, the girls enjoyed practising their sewing skills and baking shortbread (which were exquisite). They ended their day by creating a Victorian house out of clay! It was a fun day. All the children understood how different and difficult school was for a child in Victorian times (and they didn't even experience the physical punishment!)



#### **Remembrance Day**

We made our own Remembrance window display to mark the 11<sup>th</sup> November. The children also paid their respects by observing a minutes silence. Each class created their poppy with their finger prints. A truly unique display to show our respects to those who have died in conflict.

#### Harvest at Caythorpe

Thank you to everyone who attended our Harvest festival on the last day of term. The children delighted us with their harvest themed songs. It was wonderful to see such a good turn out to support the children and to be all together again. Hogwarts sang the classic "Cauliflowers Fluffy!" Narnia told us that "Riding tractors is fun!" and Enchanted Forest and Neverland reminded us to eat our "5-a-Day!", Thank you to Reverend Hadley and Mrs Russell our sound technician too.





#### Dear All,

What a busy start we have had following the October half term. The children collected items for our Autumn display, leaves, conkers, rosehips and pumpkins and using autumnal colours they did some great leaf printing.

We learnt about Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights and made rangoli pictures from coloured sand and rice.

As always we talked in an age appropriate way about Remembrance Day and why we wear our poppies. We also talked about Bonfire night and staying safe with our sparklers and fireworks.

The children have been having fun in our state of the Art Hairdressers and Beauty Salon courtesy as usual of Jo Russell and her Carmen hairdryer! Very Retro! and still in one piece after all these years. They don't make them like they used to!

During the next few weeks we will be looking forward to Christmas which as always must include glitter and sparkle! Apologies in advance to parents! We will be reading a wide range of Christmas stories including The Nativity and singing lots of Christmas songs.

Our big news and Thank you's are to all of you who made donations to our Bags to School fundraiser, we raised the brilliant sum of £129.00. Part of this has been spent on a new outside Mud Kitchen which the children absolutely love so many thanks for your kind contributions.

Thank you also to The Waggon and Horses (Totemic) for their annual donation of pumpkins to Pre-School

Don't forget to visit us on www.facebook.com/caythorpepreschool for our latest news or for enquiries contact us on caythorpepreschool@googlemail.com. Telephone No 01400 272036

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#### **Crafts For Christmas**

Our November meeting this year coincidentally fell on Armistice Day, 11<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup>. It was therefore appropriate to open the meeting with a poem by Ernie Rowe (she was the Head of British Forces Broadcasting Services Radio UK for many years) which was entitled Remembered Still, it was read to us by Pauline Brown.

Angela Turner, our President, welcomed us all including our two guests Cheryl Gold and Cheryl Rickard who we hope, enjoyed the meeting and will be joining us permanently next year. Angela quickly ran through the

business items and invited our opinions on starting a WI Craft Club in the new year; it would be run by the WI but open to everyone and if enough people are interested (including young mums from the area), an afternoon meeting can be arranged: updates to follow. She then handed over to Pauline Dorey, our treasurer.

Pauline was pleased to tell us that we now have thirty five paid up members and that in January 2022 the annual subscriptions will be due. Our subscription should be £44 for a year, two thirds of which we send to the National Federation (NFWI) and our Lincolnshire South Federation (LSFWI) with us retaining our institutes share. However, as we have been fortunate this year in not having to pay for speakers at our meetings and have utilised our member's talents, the committee have agreed to reduce the portion due to our WI making the new subscription £32.40, a saving of £11.60! Members are asked to bring an envelope to the Christmas lunch on 9<sup>th</sup> December with their name and method of payment written on the front. Receipts will be all ready to collect at the January meeting.

Now the fun part began, Deirdre Sanders had volunteered to do a floral demonstration using basic materials and techniques. She very ably and in true Blue Peter fashion created three different types of table centre arrangements using both fresh and artificial flowers and accessories. I feel sure she must have been a teacher in a previous life as she spoke very loudly and clearly making sure we all had her undivided attention and all learned something new!

We had our tea break and resumed with Angela Turner and her daughter, Joanne demonstrating how to make their creations. Angela began by making a snowman out of a white sports sock and filling it with uncooked rice grains (more eco-friendly than polystyrene beads), the end result was very pleasing. I may try doing this with two of my grandsons over the Christmas holidays. Next she made a snow globe using an upturned wine glass glued onto a round mirror having had "snow", trees and reindeer put inside first and finally a candle (a very realistic fake one with LED light flame) standing atop the upturned base. She and Joanne had made lots of Christmas cards which were on display for us to glean ideas from and afterwards attempt to make. They had provided socks, glasses, papers/accessories for us all to "have a go" afterwards. Joanne had made some poppies using the bottom of the large water and lemonade type plastic bottles which she had painted red, they looked very effective. All three of our demonstrators told us the local suppliers they had used for each aspect of

their creation which will save us having to find them ourselves. Pauline Dorey gave the vote of thanks to all three before we all had the opportunity to try for ourselves.

We next meet on 9<sup>th</sup> December at the Red Lion, Caythorpe for our Christmas lunch at 12pm for 12.30pm start. We look forward to seeing as many members as possible and then in January 2022 on 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 2-4pm will be pleased to welcome any new members or guests. Sue Case



### **Caythorpe Playing Field Committee Round Up for 2021**

The Playing Field Committee was able to apply for, and receive grants, during the national lockdown. The grants were gratefully received, as, for a number of years, the Playing Field has been running at a loss. As a committee we realised that it was important to invest wisely to improve our facilities and grounds with the extra income that we had received, something that we've not been able to do in recent times.

This year within the Pavilion, we've renewed the non-slip flooring in the main hallway, men's toilets and corridor and we've added a baby changing unit in the disabled toilets.

We've purchased a second sight screen to allow County Cricket Games to be played at the ground and added to our existing outdoor seating in the form of three more picnic benches and two memorial seats made from recycled plastic.

There was also a number of repairs and replacements made to the children's play equipment after recommendations from the annual inspection to ensure that the area is safe for the children to enjoy.



You probably noticed the bank of brightly coloured commercial gazebo's that we used at the Gala and Dash, these were also new additions. Even though the Para's were unable to attend the Gala, we made a record breaking profit of £4110 which will be ploughed back into the Playing Field. We've had two running events during 2021 both of which have been highly regarded by those taking part and have involved a huge number of volunteers managed by the DASH management team.

Planning permission has been granted for extra storage with a hardcore base which has already been completed, courtesy of Mr Sowerby, ready to take the containers in the new year.



This year we also supported the Social Club with a 100% rent reduction for a number of months and a substantial reduction in rent for the remaining months of the year due to the devastating effects of the pandemic.

Thank you all for your support this year, we work hard to ensure that the Village has a fantastic green space with amenities for you all to enjoy. If you'd like to help out at any of our events, please do get in touch, we can never have too many willing volunteers! Finally, we'd like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous 2022!

# Theo's Bakery at Christmas

If you're looking for a decadent pudding for your Christmas Day luncheon, then look no further than Theo's Chocolate Fondant. Our resident Baker has been refining his skills and is back to share this really rather yummy recipe with you for the festive season!

Having taste tested this little gem in the summer, if you \*had\* to try the recipe in advance of Christmas (what a hardship I know!!) just to check if it was worthy of a Christmas Day Pud, you'd certainly not be disappointed. Apparently it's all in the dusting and chilling...so, over to Theo's Bakery...



#### Ingredients

120g Butter 2tbsp Cocoa Powder 120g Dark Chocolate 2 Eggs 120g Sugar 1tbsp Plaín Flour

### Method (Makes 6)

- 1. Pre-heat oven to 180 degrees and find 6 pudding moulds.
- 2. Put butter and chocolate into a bowl and place over a pan of boiling water and mix until melted, cool slightly.
- 3. Beat the eggs and sugar together and fold in the chocolate mixture then add in the flour.
- 4. Wipe the molds with butter and dust with cocoa powder.
- Spoon the mixture equally between the 6 molds and place in the fridge to chill for an hour.
  - 6. Bake for 12-15 minutes then, once removed from the oven, turn out onto plates and serve with ice cream!

# SO THAT WAS 2021....

What a year it has been, another one dominated in parts by Covid19, with restrictions being slowly lifted and life returning to normality, albeit a new normality.

Sports were dominated by the belated Euro 2020's and the Tokyo Olympic Games. In the Euro's the England team reached heights not seen since 1966 by reaching the final and giving us all a huge lift by taking an early lead...only to miss out on penalties at the last gasp. Why is it always penalties?! Still, we have improved a step at a time, last time made the Semi Finals...This time **Runners** 



Up....Next Season's World Cup in Qatar being played mid season in November & December may be one to remember! Come on boys, 1 step further this time, and don't forget to practice the penalties! In May we saw Leicester City win their  $1^{st}$  ever FA Cup, beating Chelsea 1-0.

Olympics 2020 saw Team GB take an impressive 4<sup>th</sup> place with 22 Golds and 65 Medals overall! Tom Daley's Gold saw him become the first British Diver to win 4 Olympic medals.



In Entertainment, in May, The Eurovision Song Contest took place in Rotterdam, and the UK entry, 'Embers' performed by James Newman scored the dreaded 'nil pois'. In May we also release saw Skv One the documentary 'Friends: The Reunion' bringing back all six members of the show for the first time since 2004.

We finally got to see the much delayed release of 'James Bond, No Time To Die', Daniel Craig's fifth and final outing as '007'. It's a great movie with one hell of an ending! Bond purists may not approve (like me!) but there is no denying its a great end to the outstanding Daniel Craig era!

Marvel/Disney keep the superhero hits coming in their Phase 2 of movies, with box office hits for 'Black Widow', 'Eternals' and 'Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings' all making the top 10 highest grossing movies of the year. Disney, which owns exclusive rights to Marvel and Star Wars franchises, launched its own TV Streaming service in January, rivaling the likes of Sky, Netflix and Amazon Prime.

One movie Being released this week is the long awaited 'Ghostbusters - Afterlife', I will be dragging Laura off to see this soon, shamelessly and happily reliving my childhood once more! I ain't afraid of no ghosts! (People of a certain age will have that tune in their head all day now!)

In **Politics**, the main story from across the pond had us watching America implode while Trump shamefully refused to quietly step aside after losing the previous years election. Stirring up rhetoric to the point that Trump supporters stormed The Capitol, in scenes the like of which had not been seen since The Boston Tea Party!

In UK politics it was a very dark year, with the murder of MP David Amess being its darkest hour since the murder of Jo Cox in 2016. It's been a right old bumper year for scandals too, we had the rather unsavoury video of then Health Secretary Matt Hancock, who was caught on film 'breaching Social Distancing rules' (putting it politely) by being rather too close to his Aide, forcing his resignation from the role.

Amazingly this wasn't even the biggest scandal of the year, with numerous calls for investigations into corruption over PPE/Covid/Track & Trace contracts being awarded, Peers buying their Honours via party donations (got a spare 3 million anyone? Lord of Lincolnshire has a nice ring to it....) and latterly an attempt to overthrow the Parliamentary Standards Commission following Owen Paterson being found guilty of breaching Lobbying rules... I wonder if Donald Trump is still available, maybe even he would be less embarrassing?!

In April, the sad news broke that Prince Phillip had died, while maybe a little bit expected due to his age and recent ill health, it was still news that came with an incredible impact.

#### **Other Obituaries**

**TV, Music & Entertainment** - Sarah Harding (Singer, Girls Aloud), Charlie Watts (Drummer, Rolling Stones), Sean Lock (Comedian), Una Stubbs (Actress), Tom O'Connor (Presenter, Comedian), Les McKeown (Singer, Bay City Rollers), Paul Ritter (Actor), Murray Walker (Commentator), Trevor Peacock (Actor), Johnny Briggs (Actor), Ronald Pickup (Actor), Gerry Marsden (Singer, Gerry and the Pacemakers), Graeme Edge (Drummer - The Moody Blues), John Challis (Actor), Larry King (US Talk Show Host).

**Sport** - 'Marvelous' Marvin Hagler (Boxer, Middleweight World Champion), Leon Spinks (Boxer, Heavyweight

Champion), Roger Hunt (Footballer), Walter Smith (Scottish Football Manager), Jimmy Greaves (Footballer, TV Presenter), Ian St. John (Footballer, TV Presenter), Glenn Roeder (Footballer/Manager), Frank Worthington (Footballer), Sabine Schmitz (Motor Racing, Top Gear star)

**Others** - Sir Clive Sinclair (inventor), Cptn. Tom Moore (Charity), Albert Roux (Chef), Michael Collins (Astronaut, Apollo 11 Moon Landing).



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# **Ramblings of The Old Rector**

"God shall judge between the nations and shall mediate for many peoples." Isaiah 2: 4. The first two weeks of November were full of the activities of the 26<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties (COP 26), which is the supreme decision-making body of the UN Convention on climate change.

All states that are Parties to the Convention should be represented at the COP in Glasgow. The usual suspects were absent, but HM The Queen led a long line of 120 World leaders in pointing out the present fragility of continued human existence on the planet we inhabit. Leader after leader warned that future generations will judge us and find us wanting if we fail now to reverse climate change. I am not waiting for future generations, if we get this wrong the judgement of God, prophesied by Isaiah, will be far more incisive.

We also face a more immediate problem as Covid remains a real threat. "What's to be done?" cry the futile media "celebrities", pundits and reporters, as they imitate headless chickens. We should all heed the calm, confident answer of the peerless Professor Jonathan Van–Tam who said, "*The way out of this virus lies in human behaviour and human caution*." Is that too difficult? The way out of climate change also lies in human behaviour and human caution. We have to take responsibility for the neighbourhood we inhabit; it is, after all, the will of God that we "love one another." That used to be the British way of life: neighbours helping each other in times of need, and it is still the case in many villages in Lincolnshire.

But now we have to re-learn the relationship between individual responsibility and groupthink; between doing what we know is right and going with the flow. The difficulty I face is that in this country Christianity is now counter-cultural; there is a flood-tide surging away from Christian beliefs and values which are widely regarded as unimportant. The Christian must stand on the rock, that is Christ, and refuse to be swept away.

The point is that our individual decisions and choices really do affect the wider culture we live in. If we live more unselfishly, our culture can become more generous. If we are more forgiving, our society will become more compassionate. The things we value will become the things others begin to value too.

Unaware that three of the ancient World Leaders were on their way to Bethlehem (to attend what might be called COP -01), the shepherds on the hillside looked up at a very bright star above them, and wondered. Already I have heard the media herd bleating their inane mantra that "Christmas could be cancelled" because of a shortage of turkeys, or the lorries bringing food are stuck in Calais, or toys are stuck in Taiwan. All this belongs to the counter-culture and is peripheral to the reality of Christmas.

Christmas is very simple, but there's also a subtle richness about it. Simple, the birth of a child, but subtle, the quiet birth of the Son of God. Simple, a family created by the birth of a

child, but this child with a unique and subtle life, who will be killed for telling the truth, will rise from the dead and freely give all of us the potential to be gathered to God. Simple but subtly rich: God's seamless entering into human life, without overpowering our humanity. No forceful divine takeover; a respectful inhabiting of our human life.

Let us be calm, and try to experience the wonder of the shepherds, and hope to hear the angelic song, "Glory to God and on earth peace among nations." The Gospel is this: nothing you do can make God love you more, and nothing you do can make God love you less, because the Christ Child is Emmanuel, 'God with us', we are truly, and inescapably, family, with God.

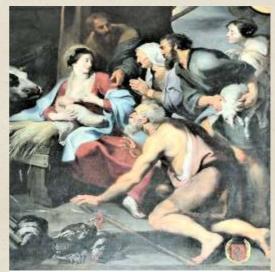
Well, when you receive the next edition of News & Views it will be Candlemas, and we shall follow the little, holy family into the Temple as Mary presents her baby Jesus to the Lord, and Joseph offers the gift of pigeons required by the law from poorer people. but first, I must bring my largest sock ready for Christmas Eve.

I leave you in the excellent company of Sir John Betjeman.

#### "CHRISTMAS" (excerpt)

And is it true? And is it true? This most tremendous tale of all, Seen in a stained-glass window's hue, A Baby in an ox's stall ? The Maker of the stars and sea Become a Child on earth for me ?

And is it true? For if it is ..... No love that in a family dwells, No carolling in frosty air, Nor all the steeple-shaking bells Can with this single Truth compare ---That <u>God</u> was <u>Man</u> in Palestine And lives to-day in Bread and Wine.



The Adoration of the Shepherds, by Rubens in Soissons Cathedral. Photo by Brian Lucas.

My dear friends, I wish you all a joyous and blessed Christmastide. Brian Lucas. (The last Rector of Caythorpe)

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# In & Around The Garden

Early November brought the first frost as a reminder that winter is just around the corner. The cold snap was short lived, but it blackened off the dahlias which must be lifted or mulched deeply if I want to see them again next year. Other plants are dying back, and as they are cut down I can see all the weeds that were lurking underneath. A winter heather is just starting to flower, and there is blossom on a viburnum, but other flowers are just hanging on until a harder frost send the plants into dormancy. Some plants look good long after the top growth has died, which adds height and interest to the scene.



The garden is gradually disappearing under a carpet of leaves, one of the downsides of having so many trees. The autumn colours are lovely, however, and 2 small trees that I planted 2 years ago are now showing their worth. Sorbus 'Autumn Spire' has doubled in height to around 12 feet, but is still only about 1 foot wide: 'Spire' is a good name for it. The leaves turned a warm yellow/orange before they fell, but the golden berries remain, hopefully for some time to come. Liquidamber 'Slender Silhouette' has also grown well and has a lovely mix of yellow, orange and red leaves at this time of year. It isn't quite as slender as I expected, so I will remove some of the lower branches once it is fully dormant to avoid getting an eye poked. It will make a nice standard tree, but not too big, I hope. For really spectacular colour the mature Japanese maple next door cannot be beaten. It seems to be on fire when the sun strikes it, with vivid red foliage that our native trees cannot match.

Amongst our many trees is a mature Scots pine around 50 feet tall. It always sheds quite a lot of needles in autumn, and there were more than usual this year. It has the habit of deciding that its lower branches have ceased to be useful, and it lets them die. This is probably why so many needles fell. The dead branches are far too high for us to reach now, so we will have to have it sorted out by a professional. The other tall conifer is a larch, currently covered in bright yellow needles. It is one of the few species of deciduous conifers, and isn't dying, as a passing cowboy 'tree surgeon' insisted a few years ago.

It seems very quiet in the garden at the moment. There are a few cheeps from high in the trees, and a robin appears as soon as I start work, but birds don't usually appear in any numbers until midwinter. There aren't many invertebrates around either. The wasps nest is no longer active, which means I can at last do some work in that area. There are still slugs about on damp evenings, however, so I take a torch after dark – I hate it when they squish!



# Caythorpe & District Garden Society

Dave Newman was our speaker for our November meeting, taking 'Ericaceous Plants' as his subject. Dave, has had a lifelong involvement with horticulture, and is now a Sage gardener, using gardening to promote mental health.

The ericaceous group of plants, Dave explained, is named for the *Erica* heather genus, but the term is used for lime hating plants in general. They need an acid soil with a pH of 5.5 or less to thrive and grow where there is available iron and little calcium.

Dave divided these plants into 2 groups. The heathland group grow in open, sunny situations which are usually well drained and exposed. Most of them are ground huggers such as heathers and gentians, but blueberries and some conifers also need these conditions. The second group are woodlanders, growing where there is shelter and where soils have a lot of organic matter. This group includes rhododendrons, Pieris, strawberry tree and Japanese maples.

Grown in gardens, they all need a humus-rich soil. Mulching with pine needles and adding sulphate of iron can help maintain the soil acidity. They will develop yellow leaves (chlorosis) if unhappy, and might be better grown in a pot with ericaceous compost and watered with rain water. Thanks to Dave for some useful advice and an interesting talk.

Our next 2 meetings are for members only, but monthly talks open to visitors will resume in February. For information about the society see our web page or contact **David Fidler** on **01400 272630**.



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### CLLR ALEXANDER MAUGHAN LCC UPDATE – CHRISTMAS 2021

#### Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

December marks the end of another year and one which saw our county and country bounce back from the Covid-19 pandemic. We owe a huge debt to our key workers who kept us going throughout the year, especially in those lockdowns last winter. This year I was



honoured to be re-elected your County Councillor for another 4 year term, ensuring your interests are well represented at County Hall. Looking ahead to 2022 my local priorities continue to be lobbying National Highways for road safety improvements on the A1, securing much needed flood & drainage improvements for our villages and ensuring we receive our fair share of the highways budget for local roads.

#### Autumn Budget – impact on Lincolnshire County Council

Local government is to receive an extra £4.8bn over the spending period, however, we estimate at this early stage that Lincolnshire County Council still faces a budget shortfall of £25-£30m due to cost pressures in adult care services, staff wage rises and increases in national insurance. To balance the books we will need to look to utilise reserves, make further savings and raise council tax. Our highways maintenance grant was cut by £12m (25%) this year, and whilst we have covered that shortfall this year, we cannot afford to continue doing this so we are calling on Government to reinstate this funding.

#### What we've achieved in 2021

This year the Council has continued to deliver its services for residents whilst adapting to the challenges of the pandemic and the impact on supply chains. Good progress has been made with large projects like Grantham Bypass, with phase 2 on track for completion this year. Locally I have been pleased to secure council funding for a new footpath at Foston, cycle lanes in Long Bennington and drainage improvements in Marston and Normanton-on-Cliffe. All these schemes are due for completion this financial year.

I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

If there are any issues you would like to raise or need help with a local issue please contact me.

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# Caythorpe & Frieston Parish Council

#### **Chairman's Update**

Here we are heading for Christmas and the New Year! The Parish Council has been busy beavering behind the scenes; in Frieston Cllr Darren Lee has been helping to put a new base down for memorial seat on the Lower Green which should be installed by the time this magazine has been published, so another job well done, thank you Darren.

We have had a survey of all the trees that we are responsible for in the Parish carried out and some of our trees are in excellent health, some need a slight pruning either bottom branches lifting the crown or the crown lowering on some. However, there are a couple of trees that, unfortunately, have succumbed to disease, the main one being the old sycamore tree on Frieston Upper Green, it has two types of wet fungus and is slowly dying, the wood is turning to sponge, as such, we've been advised, following our tree survey that this tree must be felled. So, during December, we will be engaging a local tree surgeon to carry this out. Additionally, on Frieston Upper Green, the large lime tree has also developed some wet fungus on one side, this needs further investigation which we are having carried out, but the advice by the tree surgeon is to reduce the height of the tree to 12 m. This again will take place in December. The remaining trees around the Parish just require maintenance pruning and are all namely around the Playing Field and Arnhem Drive.

On the subject of trees, we will be placing two Christmas trees, one in Frieston Lower Green which will be a rooted tree and left to grow, the second one will be in front of the Church to show a good display of Christmas to our Parishioners.

The tree surgeon, Sam Barrell (07827 669037), who we have engaged to manage our trees has said he will collect our Xmas trees after Christmas and will mulch them giving the mulch to our local allotment society, he has also asked that if people wanted to make a donation to a local charity. He will put more details up after Christmas on the notice boards and on the local Facebook page and the Parish Council website with when to put the trees out, where, how to contact him and details of the charity if you wish to donate.

Regarding the Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations, I will be contacting those that kindly volunteered to assist and if there are any more volunteers out there, please get in touch with me so that we can have a full weekend of celebration for the Queens platinum Jubilee. The weekend will start on the Thursday which is a extra bank holiday, Friday which is also a bank holiday and then go onto the Saturday and Sunday and then we're all back to work on the Monday! So those that have volunteered I will be contacting you soon.

Cllr Jean Allen has been carrying out, with her team, some absolutely fantastic work on behalf of the Parish Council on the Neighbourhood Plan. I make an appeal to everybody that once the draft plan is out for consultation in the Parish, please try and read it and give us your opinion, it's so important for the future of this Parish and Neighbourhood Plan Team have been working really hard. You'll be able to communicate and contact us either on our Facebook page, from the Parish Council website, through the neighbourhood Team in writing or in one of the boxes we put in the Red Lion, the Waggon and Horses and the Post Office. These people have worked really hard on your behalf, and it really does affect the future of our village so it's important that everybody is involved and gives us their opinion, thank you in anticipation.

We have a vacancy for a co-opted councillor so if anybody is interested, please apply in writing to the clerk your interest and then it will be considered along with any other applications that we have received.

Remembrance Day parade again went well this year, although it was disappointing that we were unable to have a full church service but hopefully we will get this all in order for next year. Thank you to those that put the poppies up around the War Memorial, for all of the soldiers, sailors and airmen that are named on the memorial and to Cllr Andy Roberts for bringing it all together for us on the day.

We have arranged to have the hedges trimmed and the trees pruned around the allotment site and also around the burial-ground, so it's all looking smart going into the winter period. Thanks to Cllr Andy Roberts again for putting this in place.

Cllr Andy Crawley is looking into electrical vehicle charging points, where we can place them, how much it will cost and what grants we can get to install them. So, all exciting stuff for us in the village. It is proposed to put up more bus shelters to protect people waiting for the buses, however, that depends on the result of the neighbourhood plan so again please give your opinions.

Our County Cllr Alexander Maughan has worked hard on our behalf, firstly in getting the existing Bush shelter on the High Street, adjacent to East Cliff Square to have a lean to roof fitted so that people can lean out to see if the bus is coming without getting wet when it's raining. Secondly, he has, along with Cllr Jonathan Betts been liaising with the Highways department to bring forward the substantial repairs required on Gorse Hill Road. They have been successful in bringing it from next year's programme into this year's programme, so you will see that that Gorse Hill Road will close for approximately 3 weeks whilst this work is carried out.

You may have seen notifications about weight limit restrictions on Caythorpe Heath Lane, this is because the Old Railway Bridge is not stable enough to take Large Good Vehicles (LGV). We have asked Cllr Maughan to ensure that this will not affect our local businesses, such as mid UK recycling, PGL, our local Farmers, the small industrial estate at Elms Farm. We hope that local access will still be allowed for vehicles from either A607 or the High Dyke to these premises, to ensure the businesses remain viable and vibrant in our parish. If you have any opinion on this issue, you can contact Lincolnshire County Council to record your objections or observations.

LCC have again offered us some salt for our salt bins and an additional 1-ton bag for us to top them up with when they run low.

And that currently is a summary of the work of your parish council since I last updated you, please have very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and hopefully we can all enjoy our celebrations. Looking forward to seeing you in 2022!

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#### At the Heart of Christmas





It seems ironic that those wishing to attend the Cop 26 Climate Conference in Glasgow and intending to travel by train - thus cutting their carbon emissions by two thirds had they driven by car – were obliged, due to freak weather bringing down trees on the power lines of the West Coast main line, to fly instead from Gatwick!

No such problems had troubled us a mere week earlier when we took the Caledonian Sleeper from Euston to Glasgow and the onward Inter City express across the central belt of Scotland to Dundee and up the magnificent east coast to reach Aberdeen

We were unable to add to our tally of Anglican cathedrals visited as the Episcopal Cathedral of St Andrew's was 'closed for assessment', whatever that might mean, although St Mary's Catholic Cathedral happily promotes itself as a 'Christ Centred Community which is alive, forming and sending out joyful disciples' which is a strap line we should be seeking to copy!

Aberdeen was merely a stepping stone on the journey to the Shetlands which, as far as church is concerned, looks to be engaged on its own version of 'Resourcing Sustainable Churches' trying to encourage in one case the local community to buy its ancient church from the national body

While we might think of Shetland as having a

Viking heritage, Christian missionaries had arrived by 7<sup>th</sup> century. The church in question above is thought to date back to the 11<sup>th</sup> century and consists of a simple nave for the congregation and re-modelled to suit Presbyterian worship

Celtic Missionaries brought the Christian gospel to Orkney at about the same time although the most distinctive cathedral building of St Magnus in Kirkwall dates to 1137 and was founded by the Viking Earl Rognvald in honour of his uncle St Magnus who was martyred here. It describes itself as a building 'steeped in the presence of God' and today is open to all whether they wish to worship or simply sit and spend time in reflection and contemplation Not so many miles away is a much more recent building but one which also is 'steeped in the presence of God' and this is the Italian Chapel built in their spare time and using whatever materials they had to hand by the Italian POW's working on the construction of the Churchill Barriers around Scapa Flow in the Second World War



The chancel gates join above a small heart set into the floor for, as the blacksmith who created the gates recorded, he would be leaving a small part of his heart on Orkney when he returned to his home in Italy

And that is the Church of England's 'theme' this Christmas that the family is 'At the Heart of Christmas'. We remember Christmas last year as the Christmas when families and friends could not meet due to the pandemic and it is with delight and anticipation that we look to Christmas this year as a time when once more the family can be at the heart of our celebration

Look out for invitations to our Christmas Services which – hopefully - will show the accompanying heart shaped logo enfolding the Holy Family – Our Lady, St Joseph and the Holy Child and may the peace of the Christ Child be with you this Christmas and as we enter a new year.

#### Every blessing, Stuart Hadley [Rector of the South Cliff Benefice]



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#### From Robina Heald, now living at a Care Home in Kettering

I would like to thank everyone for the lovely birthday greetings I received from my friends in Caythorpe including the Walking group, Bowls group and the WI. I do miss my friends in and around the village and it was good to hear from you. Thank-you!

I would also like to send **Christmas Greetings** to all my friends in and around Caythorpe wishing you a **Very Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year**.

Finally, a very big thank you to Laura and Pete for News & Views which I receive each month and keeps me in touch with the local life and activity which I enjoyed for 51 years.

Congratulations!! I hear you have taken fourth place in a national competition with News & Views. Your hard work continues to pay off. Onward and upward!! **Tony Case, Past Editor** 

Having known Kath, since 1965! I was very interested in reading her story as I remember all she told from that time. It's lovely listening to people who have lived all their lives in the same village. **Carol McNulty** 

Laura & Pete, Congratulations on doing so well in the parish magazine competition. Very well deserved! Jean, Caythorpe Resident.



We've had such a difficult time over the past two years and the news has been quite depressing at times. If like me, you are fed up with hearing bad news then let me share some uplifting news. There are good people in this world. Actually, let me narrow it down, there are good people here in Caythorpe. I put a post on Facebook which I will also share with the readers of News & Views.

On November 16<sup>th</sup> I was driving my mobility scooter up High Street when it suddenly died on me. I was left stranded. A red van pulled up and two men jumped out to check if I was ok. They recognised my predicament and while one of them

pushed the scooter home for me, not an easy task, and the other gave me a lift home in his van. They saved the day.

People who have disabilities are disadvantaged, not by their disability, but by the actions and attitudes of others. These neighbours of ours are the epitome of just the opposite. They saw a need and chose to help.

There is a saying that goes," If everyone helped their neighbour, no one would be without help." Thank you, James and Kev and a Merry Christmas to you and all our neighbours. **Megan** 

Mrs. Dorothy Brown of Charity St Carlton Scroop wishes to thank family, friends and neighbours for the lovely cards and presents on the occasion of her 90th birthday on the 28th of October. She says she had a wonderful day. Dorothy was born at Hough on the Hill moving to Carlton Scroop at a young age and has lived in the village all her life. She has been married to husband Gordon for 67 years. They met met at the village school. She says she enjoys housework, gardening, shopping and meeting people.

**From the Archives** 70 yrs ago in 1951 Jack Oxby owner of the stables in High St lent £1850 to enable the Village to buy the building for a Village Hall. That is £59,368 at 2021 values. 10 yrs later the loan had not been repaid and the Executors of his Estate were threatening legal action.

After taking legal advice in 1963 Dr. Pimblett reported to the Village Hall Committee that on their behalf he had negotiated with the executors a settlement of £115. <£3,793.> Secretary, Mr.Swiffen, stated that the Committee and the whole Village owed Dr.Pimblett a debt of gratitude for his part in the complicated protracted negotiations which had gone on for so long, he said that it was a fine example of individual effort for a public cause.

Major Prosser reported to the Committee that the Parish Council were custodian Trustees and had no authority to sell the building. He was asked to seek advice relating to the composition of a Management Committee free of pecuniary embarrassment.

As the Committee only had £40 in hand it was resolved that booking charges would rise by 2/6d < 12 and a half pence > for example the youth club hall hire would go up to 15 shillings a session <75p>

#### Andy Roberts

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#### CAYTHORPE HEALTH LANE - PROPOSED WEIGHT RESTRICTION - REF: H/JE/1037

Following a safety inspection, an issue has been highlighted with a bridge on Caythorpe Heath Lane and a TTRO restricting access for Heavy Good Vehicles has been issues on safety grounds.

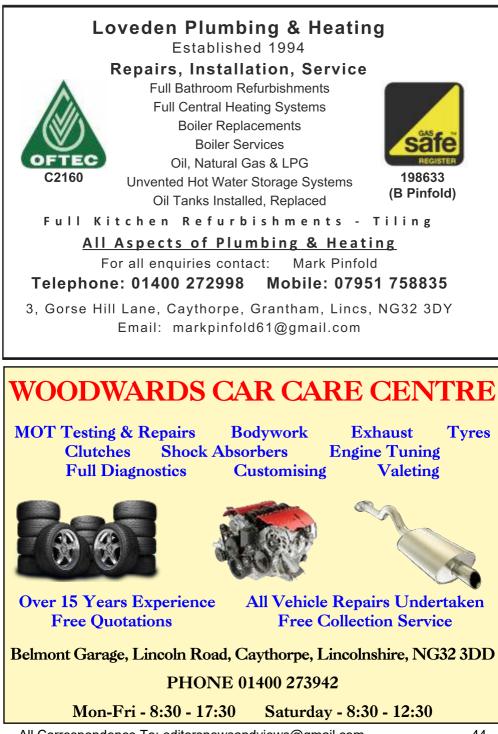
Following this, with the safety issue still being present, a permanent weight restriction is being proposed for the whole length of Caythorpe Health Lane for vehicles over 15 tonnes.

Before proceeding further, I wish to consider the views of residents and organisations who may be interested in this matter. If your comments are in the form of an objection to the proposals and if they cannot be resolved, they will be reported through the County Council's procedures at the appropriate time.

Any observations on these proposals should reach me in writing or via email by **10<sup>th</sup> December 2021**.

**Yours Faithfully** 

Jamie Earls, Senior Traffic Engineer



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## PETE'S BUMPER XMAS PUZZLES ALL ANSWERS ON NEXT PAGE

- 1. Name the 4 main characters in the BBC early 1980's comedy 'The Young Ones'?
- 2. On what scale are earthquakes measured?
- 3. What are male & female parts of a flower called ?
- 4. Which musical is Andrew Lloyd Webber's most commercially successful show?
- 5. Which actor plays the lead male role in the 2017 film The Greatest Showman?
- 6. Which London theatre has the largest stage?
- 7. How many Capital Cities are there in Europe?
- 8. In which US State is the Grand Canyon?
- 9. Where would you find the ancient Viking settlement of Skara Brae
- 10. The famous Orient Express travelled originally between which two cities?
- 11. In which year was Queen Elizabeth II born?
- 12. In which castle was the TV series Downton Abbey predominantly filmed?
- 13. In which English city was the TV series Peaky Blinders set?
- 14. Which famous annual music festival is held at Worthy Farm in South West England?
- 15. What's different about the language 'Silbo Gomero' of La Gomera in the Canary Islands?
- 16. What does RSVP at the end of a letter stand for?

#### **CHRISTMAS SECTION!!!**

- 17. In Band Aid's 1984 song 'Do They Know It's Christmas?' which star is first to sing?
- 18. Who sang 'Fairytale of New York' with the Pogues?
- 19. Which non traditional Xmas song starts with the lyrics 'Hey, Mr. Churchill comes over here. To say we're doing splendidly'
- 20. Who wrote the song 'I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas'?
- 21. Which actor plays Buddy in the film Elf?
- 22. Which actor plays The Grinch in the 2000 film 'How the Grinch Stole Christmas'?
- 23. In which Xmas film does a lawyer and a little girl set out to prove that a man claiming to be Santa Claus is the real thing?
- 24. In the song 'Frosty the Snowman' what made Frosty come to life?
- 25. 'Let it Snow' plays out at the end of which 1988 action film?



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#### **Pete's Puzzles Answers**

25. Die Hard (and I will always argue that it IS a Christmas film!) 23. Miracle on 34th Street 24. An old silk hat 22. Jim Carrey 21. Will Ferrell 20. Irving Berlin 19. Stop The Cavalry by Jona Lewie 100M Yirsty Mcoll **3nuoy lue9.51** 16. répondez s'il vous plaît (Reply Please) 15. Its whistled, not spoken. 14. Glastonbury Festival 13. Birmingham 12. Highclere Castle 10. Paris & Istanbul (Constantinople at the time) 9Z6T 'TT 9. Orkney 6nozinA .8 6. The London Coliseum 5. Hugh Jackman 74 .7 4. The Phantom of the Opera 3. Stamen (Male) & Pistil (Female) τ. Μικε, Νειι, κιςκ & γγνιαη 2. The Richter Scale **Answers to Pete's Puzzles** 

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