A young girl with long brown hair is sitting on the floor, focused on writing on a cardboard gift box with a black marker. To her left is a large, decorated Christmas tree with various ornaments, including red and silver baubles, and warm white lights. The scene is lit with soft, warm light, creating a cozy holiday atmosphere.

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# News Views Editorial

Welcome to our Christmas Edition to all our favourite Cotton Headed Ninny Muggins! Yes, an 'Elf' reference, one of the few films, along with 'The Polar Express' that we watch every festive season, I wonder what your own personal family traditions around Yuletide are? Maybe you put a sixpence (or similar) in your Christmas Pudding? Or maybe you have friends round for drinks and nibbles...Nibbles...yum! Whatever your personal seasonal traditions are, we wish you the very best for this Christmas, eat, drink and be merry and bright!

The News & Views 'Back To The 80's' Quiz was a roaring success, see page 7 for details, a whopping 13 teams attended a packed Village Hall for the fun! But I'm sure we can fit another 2 or 3 teams in if you wanna try you hand at being quiz champs! As with all things 80's there will be a sequel, See page 13 for more details. Be there, or be a 'Son of a Nutcracker' (Sorry...last 'Elf' reference, promise!)

We are a compact 44 pages this edition, but we are hoping to bring you more articles and some big news next edition in February 2023, speaking of which...

...The Next Edition marks a personal milestone for us two Editors, it will be the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of us taking on the reigns at News & Views Towers! Where has all that time gone?! Seems like only yesterday we were learning the ropes and plunging into the new look N&V, fingers crossed that it would go down well with the readers, then awaiting the feedback. It was like being a worried expectant father in a 1960's film pacing the halls of the maternity suite (only without the chain smoking....although some alcohol may have been consumed...and we weren't in a maternity unit). We've come a long way since then, with a fair few changes, an award, four more villages added, some controversies and lots of laughter, but some things have stayed the same, speaking of which...

...It wouldn't be Christmas without our grateful thanks to all who help make News & Views the best around! Thank you to our contributors for your fantastic articles. Cheers to our advertisers who help keep our publication going. Seasons greetings to our printers 'Westgate Print' whose help and advice is invaluable and last but at no means least, platitudes and gratitude to our super Distribution Team of Volunteers who deliver your favourite magazine every month! You all do the best job at keeping N&V going and long may that continue!

Until next month, Stay Safe - Pete & Laura



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# News & Views News Hound

I'm hearing sounds from my Humans about a Christmas Tree and questions about if it's 'a good idea' this year. All I can gather is that it's a tree that comes inside the house. I think that's the BEST idea, not just a good one, who doesn't love trees. Humum always takes my twigs and branches back outside when I bring them inside to have a nibble on, my vote most definitely goes for one of those Christmassy trees!



Which reminds me...I've been doing some more Alice in Wonderland magic and not only can I now see Mr Hissy's food bowls on the kitchen island, I can reach his discarded morsels too! Usually when I jump up to see if there are any bits of meat which are fair game there isn't **but** I've found that if I jump up and surprise him, Mr Hissy spits his food out and hits me (no sharps just soft paw), it's worth the hit to get the meat...I'll keep playing this game!!

Talking of Mr Hissy, it's so obvious why I'm better than he is...last night Humum brought him down to bed as she said it was cold, I let him sleep on the bed all night with me (what a good boy I am!). This morning when her alarm went off and she sat up in bed she went to stroke him, he purred slightly then, in the half light, I saw a glint... his sharps came out, he gripped her arm and started kicking her with his furry back legs, now, I know from a bit of experience that this isn't pleasant...I've got to be extra attentive to Humum today and protect her from this tiny weaponed beast!!

This afternoon Humum said I was in the dog house, as far as I can tell, this means for about 5 minutes I sit in my bed and she scowls over at me. I don't know why I was in the dog house, we've had a great morning lolloping around and then Humum and Dad were getting ready to deliver News & Views around and about. I went out to do a wee before I got in the car and off we went to Leadenham and Welbourn and out to Ancaster and when Humum turned around to look at me, probably because I'm extra handsome, she noticed I'd had a wee on the car seat, then she said something to Hudad and...actually...thinking about it, that's when the scowling started...maybe that's why I was in the dog house... She's been outside with the suckery thing on the back seat of her car...from what I can see it looks beautiful now, probably needed it anyway, I got mud on it the other day when she took me over the fields...nah, it just can't be that...maybe I need Mr Hissy to find me a mouse to present her with..no, she doesn't like those...I best just charm her with my bestest behaviour instead! Must be Hudad's fault, it normally is...

I've been going on big walks in fields now I'm a bigger boy and I have one of those special leads which just extends and lets me run a little way ahead of the Humans. It's the bestest lead, if I stand near Humum then run really fast away from her, I can nearly pull her over when the lead gets to its full extension, it's so funny, I make like I'm puffing when I get back to her but really I'm laughing then I do it all over again, best fun ever!!

Humum says that I've not got to tell you anything for a little while, well, until the 'New Year' who knows what that is, so I'm going to have to make a diary to remember all my fun things, maybe this Santa chap will bring me one!



# BACK TO THE 80s Quiz Night

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The Village Hall at Caythorpe was packed with Teams all vying to be 'Simply the Best' at everything 80's!!

Quizmaster Pete or should I say 'Axl Rose' was at the helm, Laura (or was it Madonna?) was serving typically 80's drinks behind the bar; Babycham and "The Amber Nectar", Fosters, were included on the menu and pineapple and cheese on sticks were served to each table along with a selection of typically 80's sweets! Our guests entered through fabulous pink foil curtains and the hall was a haven to all things 80's.

Our 13 teams fought hard through 6 rounds plus a table quiz (Scores left) with the top 2 teams finishing exceptionally close in a fun battle of memory and music! The Winning Team got a small hamper each containing the best publication in the world (yes, that's right, News & Views!) A bottle of Babycham and some typically 80's snacks...All for the tiny entry fee of £2 per person!

As with all the best things, we overran slightly but the crowd still wanted more of the music round at the end...Notes taken, we will be

more timely next time but still keep all the great 80's music going!

Would you have been able to name Madonna's 6 Number 1 hits of the 80's? What about the members of the A Team? If so, why not join us next time and test your wits! The Sequel is February 4<sup>th</sup> at 19:30! See Ad, page 13...



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# Richard Naylor

## The Autobiography

*Richard Naylor lived at Frieston Manor Farm from a 10 year old boy until his death at 73 years old in 2012. Before he died, he dictated much of his life story including many recollections of life in and around Caythorpe and Frieston...*



The cows were milked in an annexe to the barn that I use as my workshop, there were standings for 24 milking cows. They grazed over the main road (A607) and were bought up twice a day. During the winter they were bedded down in the milking parlour with access to the crew yard. Charlie Godson used to help and Tony Weatherall. At this time the large barn was kept full of hay and cattle feed.

We had over 100 cattle, milking would last for 2 hours then again repeated in the evening 4 until 6 or 7pm. We used 2,000 gallons of water a day for all this. There was a pathway running up towards the milk churn holder.

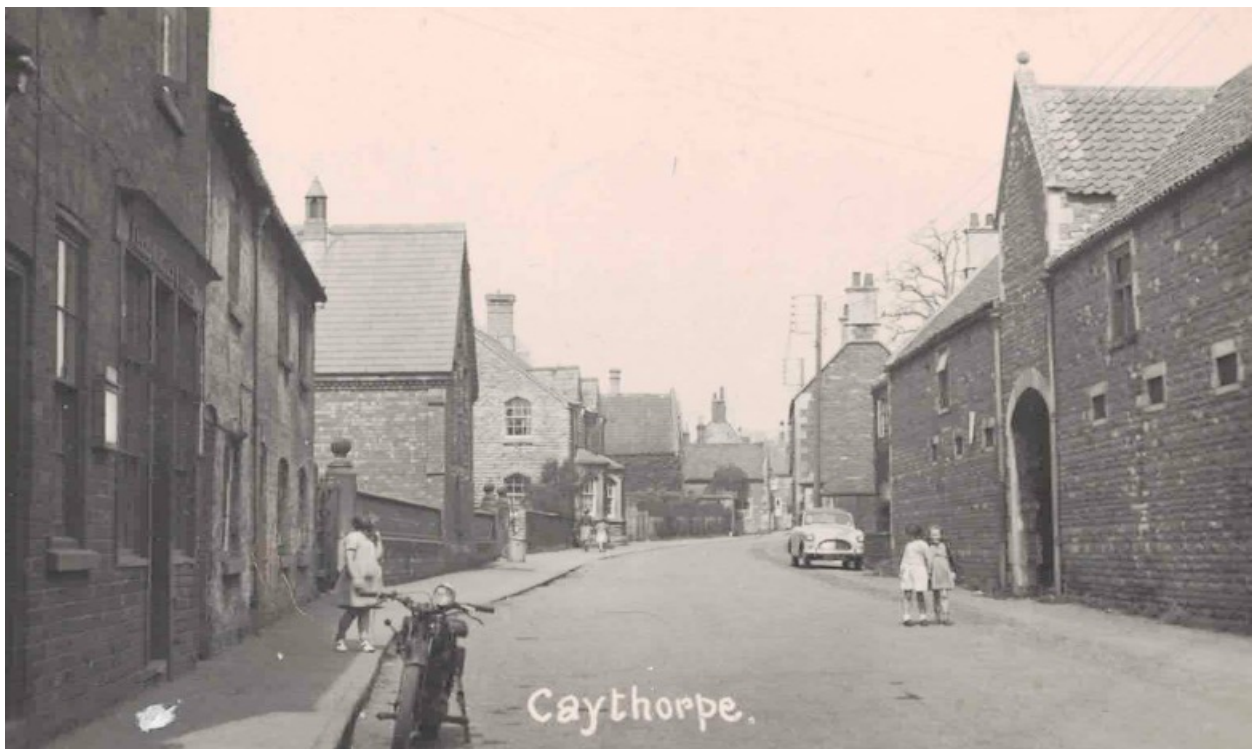
My dear father and I rebuilt an old T50 international baler with a farm all M engine on it as the power source, in 1962 it was run 12 hours a day and petrol then cost 4 shillings a gallon (20 pence). My father and I between us had S49 timothy grass and clovers. The beauty of

the Loogan family is that the roots produce nitrogen in the roots structure and enrich a pasture tremendously. Of course, they benefit the bees and all manner of insects. Today would have been a good income but in those days the markets were always against you as a small farmer and you were paying to work.

The local bank, helped to ruin my father. They advised him to invest £60,000 into British companies to create wealth for other business that were supposed to be safe investments in Blue Chip companies. We were put in a ghastly situation where the shares began to go through the floor and he lost £58,000 worth in a matter of days. The bank then began to purge saying they wanted the overdraft paying off it was £3,500. He said the shares might pick up, but they never did. He gave the land away over the main road on May 30th 1963 for £115.00 per acre. My dear mothers £4,000 and my £4,000 went into the farm to keep things going.

From the age of 23 it has been a veil of tears. Never had anything go in our favours, nothing but pain and frustration. To try and get out of this situation that he had been put in he bought the local machine shop, now the waggon & Horses, from the blacksmith called Bill Leeper, After leaving boarding school at 15 ½. I was accepted as an apprentice at Ruston and Hornsby's, my dear mother paid £6.00 per week for me to be in digs at the side of Youngs garage where Mrs Grundy would wake me at 5 am with a pointed stick. I used to bike down Lincoln High Street to clock in at the apprentice shop at 6am. 55 hour week £2.4shillings and a penny. I still have my first wage packet.

***Join us again in February for the next instalment!***







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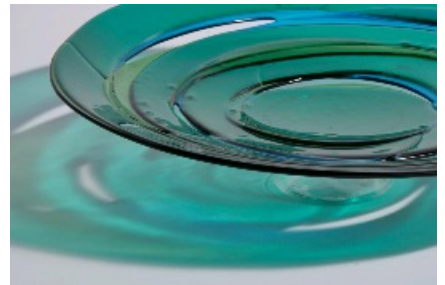
This Christmas, Caythorpe's very own glass artist, Vicky Wilkinson, is inviting you to to her special Festive Shopping event.

Join Vicky for homemade Mulled Wine & Mince Pies and discover a treasure trove of unique handmade products to treat yourself, friends and family, with late night opening until 7pm on Saturday 10th December.

"I have been busy making lots of lovely gifts for the Christmas season in my studio/shop on South Parade, where you can peruse the collection of unique jewellery, light catchers, soap dishes, Christmas decorations, Christmas platters, and much more. Get inspired for Christmas gifts from small stocking fillers to treasured Gifts."

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10:00am - 4:00pm  
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# **BINGO**

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**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

**Eyes down at 8pm**

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**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023**

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# Alice in Wonderland

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**13<sup>th</sup> December**  
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**15<sup>th</sup> December**  
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**20<sup>th</sup> December**  
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**23<sup>rd</sup> December**  
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At Caythorpe School

4pm-7pm

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...Quite extraordinary for many reasons. In **Politics** it started off with lunacy on the other side of the pond with Trump inspired conspiracy lunatics storming the Capitol Building ahead of President Biden's Inauguration...How mad they all seemed....nothing as mad as that could happen over here in jolly old sedate Britain could it?...3 Prime Ministers and the pound crashing us into unprecedented levels of national debt later we are not so sure! We thought Johnson had set a new modern record for shortest reign, until Truss came along and said 'Hold My Beer' and was gone in the blink of an eye after a disastrous month or so, David Blaine actually spent 2 hours longer suspended in a box over the Thames than Truss did in Downing Street! Now we have Sunak, a man twice as rich as our current Monarch, who then tells us we have to make some tough decisions on spending...If this was an Oscar Wilde farce we would dismiss it all as too unbelievable!

The award for awful politician of the year will surely be won by Vladimir Putin, following his invasion of Ukraine in February in what has become Europe's biggest deployment of troops since World War II.

This year saw the passing of our longest ever reigning Monarch, Queen Elizabeth II, God Rest Her Soul. This occurred a short time after we were celebrating her Platinum Jubilee, an historic event in itself as no other UK Monarch has achieved this feat previously. For most of us, this was the first time we have experienced the death of our Monarch and the national period of mourning that followed. We now will have a series of Kings with Charles III followed by his eldest son Prince William who in turn should be succeeded by Prince George.

In **Sports**, Manchester City won their 8<sup>th</sup> League title, just 1 point ahead of Liverpool who lifted the FA Cup...Not a great season to be a Manchester Utd fan for sure! Real Madrid beat Liverpool in the CL Final, however, the biggest football story of the year was undoubtedly the England Ladies winning the European Championship! Those scenes will live long in the memory for sure! Football finally came home! While we are going to print, the Men's World Cup will be kicking off in Qatar, with England and Wales taking part.

France Won the Rugby Union Six Nations Championship with a Grand Slam





performance while in the NFL the LA Rams won the Superbowl in February.

In **Showbiz**, on Oscars' Night, we saw Will Smith shamefully strike Award Host Chris Rock after reacting to a joke made about his wife, before later receiving The Best Actor Award for 'King Richard'. A 10 year ban from the Academy awards followed. Best Picture went to 'CODA'.

New film releases included 'The Batman', Jurassic World: Domination and the highest grossing film of the year (to date) Top Gun: Maverick. The highest grossing British Film was 'Belfast' closely piping 'Downton Abbey: A New Era' to the top spot.

## Obituaries

**Actors** - Robbie Coltraine, Angela Lansbury, Olivia Newton-John, Ray Liotta, William Hurt, Sidney Poitier, Nichelle Nichols, David Warner, James Caan, June Brown

**Music** - Coolio, Taylor Hawkins, Meat Loaf, Jerry Lee Lewis, Loretta Lynn, Vangelis

**Sports** - Shane Warne

**Others** - Queen Elizabeth II, Mikhail Gorbachev

## The Year Ahead

What will 2023 have in store for us? A General Election maybe? We can but hope! One event with its date fixed is the Coronation of Charles III, which will take place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

New released Films we expect to see include a few long awaited sequels, such as Mission Impossible 7, Indiana Jones 5 and Gremlins 3! Personally, I can't wait to relive my childhood with Indiana Jones once more!

The usual glut of superhero films from Marvel and DC will no doubt dominate once more, with 'Ant-Man & The Wasp: Quantumania', 'The Marvels' and 'Kraven The Hunter' leading the charge for Marvel Studios, DC fight back with 'Wonder Woman III', 'The Flash' and 'Shazam: Fury of the Gods'.

Whatever the new year brings you, we here at News & Views Towers wish you peace, prosperity and biscuits. Never underestimate the power of a good cup of tea and biscuits...or cake!

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# Caythorpe Primary School

## Caythorpe Primary Win Active School Award 2022

The school was thrilled to have received the Active School Award 2022 at the Lincolnshire Sport and Physical Activity Awards. The Active School Award recognises a school that has pro-actively encouraged pupil participation in sport and physical activity. It celebrates schools that have made an outstanding contribution to their pupils or used innovative approaches in the delivery of physical activity, healthy lifestyle and wellbeing across the whole of the school.

We feel at Caythorpe we go above and beyond to encourage every pupil within the school to be involved in physical activity inside and outside the school. The independent judges were impressed with how the school has created an inclusive PE environment as well as creating opportunities for pupils with SEND to enjoy physical activity and PE.

Another factor, was our fabulous Active Ambassadors who involve pupils in active play at breaktimes. Mrs Hunt awarded the new active ambassadors their badges of office at celebration assembly. The current team of active ambassadors were recognised for their contribution to the Active School award in assembly too.

### Water Polo Event

On Monday Tom, Olivia-Rose, Jess M and Charlie W from Hogwarts class took part in the Carres Grammar Sports Outreach Water Polo event at the MAC at Nocton. The team played against four games each game lasting for six minutes. The team demonstrated some excellent passing skills and Tom and Charlie were great goal keepers.

### Neverland and Enchanted Forest's Big Bang!

This term EYFS and KS1 topic is "How have toys changed over time?" The children enjoyed playing with toys of their own as well as the ones in school.

Over the course of the topic they will have the opportunity to play with some toys from the past and make comparisons between them. The children are particularly looking forward to visits from parents and grandparents who will talk about the toys they used to play with.

### Narnia's Big Bang

Narnia's topic for the term is "How did the Stone Age people affect our lives today?" The children took part in a live interactive Zoom assembly led by children's author Robin Price. They met mammoths, sabre toothed tigers and all manner of cool prehistoric beasts. The children had the opportunity to ask questions and interact live via the Zoom chat. The session ended with a fun *Stone Age writing activity*.





### **Hogwarts Big Bang – “Play in a Day”**

At Caythorpe we aim to begin each topic with an experience to make learning memorable and meaningful to our pupils. Hogwarts’ topic for this term is “Would you risk it all for something you believed in?” We welcomed Hannah, from “Play in a Day” who supported the children in performing the play “Deeds Not Words.” The play spanned from Roman times to present day, including many facts and dates from Tudor times and the 20<sup>th</sup>

Century Suffragette movement where women campaigned for the vote in Britain.

Parents of pupils in Hogwarts were welcomed in the afternoon to attend the performance of the play the children had worked on during the day. The children are looking forward to learning about the events they covered in the play.

### **Road Safety Workshops**

On Monday, classes were visited by Andy Hall from Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership. He taught us how to be safe in cars, the importance of wearing a bicycle helmet and how to keep safe as a pedestrian.

### **Junior Road Safety Officers**

Following our Road Safety Visit from Andy Hall, Road Safety Office for Lincolnshire schools, we have appointed two Junior Road Safety Officers. Harriet and Jack from Narnia Class. They will work closely with the school council advising on matters of road safety for our pupils. This terms focus is being safe as a pedestrian.



### **FSA Jumble Sale**

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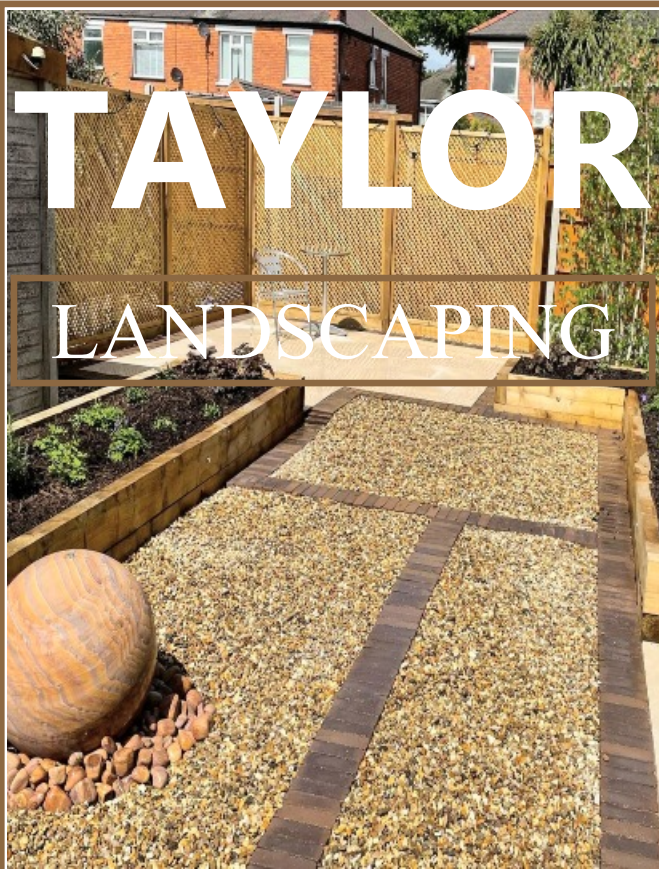
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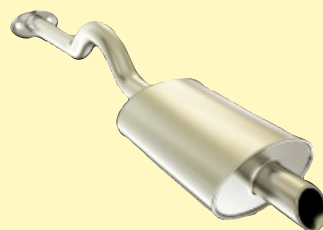
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# In and Around the Garden!



The clocks have gone back, the leaves are falling fast, but in mid November the temperatures are unusually mild for the time of year. The garden plants are clearly confused: sea holly and hypericum (left) are flowering again, and penstemons, salvias and cosmos are still going strong. The wild plants know better than to flower now, but there are fine crops of haws and rosehips in the hedgerows. A few butterflies and bumble bees are still around, but there are few birds in the garden. I am reluctant to put out bird feeders unless it gets very cold, as bird flu and other diseases spread easily where birds congregate. There are, nevertheless, plenty of wood pigeons, which are gradually stripping the crab apple of fruit. Other birds aren't interested until the fruits are softened by frost, but the easy pickings will be gone by then.



We are all being encouraged to plant trees, and I have rather taken this to heart. There were a lot of large trees here when we moved in 17 years ago, and some smaller ones. We have removed a few over the years for one reason or another, but I have planted 25 new trees in that time. The garden isn't vast, so some of them are fastigate, having a mutation that makes the branches grow almost parallel to the trunk. As a result they have a narrow columnar shape and add height to the borders without taking up a lot of space or adding much to the shade. Not all fastigate trees are small: the Lombardy poplar,

beloved of the French Impressionists, gets very big indeed, but the flowering cherry 'Amanogawa' (above) which I planted about 15 years ago has reached only 7 meters and it still just 2m wide. More recently I have added a rowan 'Autumn Spire', which I liked so much I bought a second one. A hornbeam 'Frans Fontaine' is starting to hide the telegraph pole in the front garden. Two Irish yews (*Taxus baccata* 'Fastigiata', Right), which replaced 2 overgrown Leylandii, frame the front door and rarely need trimming, while two slower growing specimens ('Standishii') are in pots outside the conservatory. The latest purchase is Ginkgo 'Menhir', currently a four foot stick with buds on. It will probably





be the last one as I am running out of space. This is a pity as there is also a form of English oak I would like to try, although it gets rather large.....

Other columnar trees can be produced by suitable pruning. Minarette fruit trees are less productive than the regular sort, but are ideal in a small space. We have a pear that a previous owner planted, and I have added a plum and a greengage. Espalier and fanned trained trees are also solutions that allow fruit to be grown in a small space, and most fruit trees can be grafted onto a dwarfing rootstock. Every garden, however small, can have a tree. **JA**



## Caythorpe & District Garden Society

Dr Andrew Ward of Norwell Nurseries and Garden was our speaker for November. He holds National Collections of hardy chrysanthemums and astrantias at the nursery, and also sells an extensive range of other hardy perennials. His talk on 'The Joy of Geraniums: Foliage Form and Flower' was a tour through this popular genus, illustrated with excellent slides.

Not to be confused with pelargoniums, the hardy geraniums, or cranesbills, are a large group of perennials. The flowers range in colour from darkest purple, through pinks and blues to pure white. Some are attractively veined, or have dark central markings. Apart from a few double or semi-double varieties, they have quite flat flowers with 5 petals and rounded leaves divided into 5 segments.

Andrew showed us that they are, nevertheless, far from uniform. Some species have leaves with coloured markings, some are variegated and others are dark bronze or golden. Size also varies from tiny, low-growing species and hybrids, best suited to a rockery or trough, to tall ones such as *G. psilostemon*, which can reach a metre in height. Others, including the well known 'Rozanne', trail and scramble in all directions and can spread widely. Varieties based upon our native meadow cranesbill and bloody cranesbill are generally well behaved and

compact. Most are easy to grow – Andrew has had some plants for decades - , and are tolerant of some shade, though a few need sharp drainage. Some of the species flower just once in late spring, but the best hybrids will flower for months. Andrew has dozens of varieties at the nursery and every garden should have some.

Norwell Nurseries and Garden is closed for the winter but re-opens on March 1<sup>st</sup>. See the website for details. Our next meeting open to visitors will be in February 2023. For information on the society, call David Fidler on 01400 272630 or visit our web page on the Caythorpe and Frieston Parish Council site.

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Caythorpe & District Womens's Institute



Our meeting was held on a sunny afternoon albeit a little windy, but it was November after all. Our President Angela welcomed us all and in particular Janis Tunanley who is the 1st Vice President of Lincolnshire South Federation of Women's Institutes (LSFWI) to which we belong. Also joining us was Linda Stevens a past member and treasurer for five years who was in Caythorpe visiting friends.

Angela brought us up to date with various events including the Christmas Tree Festival in the St Vincent's Church where we will be sponsoring a tree and the Remembrance service there where Angela Turner, Pauline Dorey and Sue Butcher have created a lovely display with the several hundred poppies which have been knitted or crocheted by members. We agreed that after Christmas we would have some coffee mornings where we can continue to knit more for next year.

Pauline Dorey, our treasurer thanked us for our £134 donation to the food bank last month which will give them the buying power of around £400 which is excellent news. She also sent £30 we'd raised to the Associated County Women of the World (ACWW). Annual subscriptions are due by the end of February next year and will be £46 but can be paid to her in instalments if more convenient.

Janis Tunaley then spoke to us about the role of the LSFWI as part of a new initiative by the current board of trustees to go out and meet WI's and their members. Trustees are ordinary members like ourselves who volunteer and are unpaid except for the Federation secretary and the Finance officer. They co-ordinate between the National Federation (NFWI) and around 60 WI's so that our admin is kept to a minimum and provide us with support. She didn't want Trustees to be seen as people sitting up there in their ivory towers and out of touch with ordinary members.

Business over, the fun part began and we were entertained for the rest of the meeting by Nigel and Teri who specialise in Contemporary Folk and Ceilidh music. They have performed for us several times in

the past and are a duo but often have other family members with fiddle and drums accompanying them and also a caller for Ceildihs. Both sang and played guitars but Nigel also played an accordion and Teri the Bodhran drum in their unique style with humorous anecdotes between songs. Angela thanked them and I'm sure it will not be the last time we see them.

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# Not From the Rectory

**The Rector considers travel at what is ‘just the worst time of the year for a journey – for such a long journey’**

It was of course TS Eliot who famously described travel over the Christmas period in the words I have quoted above from his ‘Journey of the Magi’ and even 2000 or so years later we still hedge any commitment to travel to family gatherings over the festive season with such words as ‘weather depending of course’!

Mary and Joseph were unable to make any such caveat around their journey as Joseph was required to register in his home town of Bethlehem and in this year’s large 2<sup>nd</sup> class postage stamp the artist has depicted the Holy Family as they made their way – Mary heavily pregnant – from Nazareth to Bethlehem and just as we are very much aware of people fleeing from one country and seeking safety in another so, soon after Our Lord was born, the Holy Family was once again on the move this time to whatever sanctuary they could seek across the border in Egypt. It would be a much shorter journey for the shepherds summoned by the angel [the £1.85 stamp] but for the Magi [the £2.55 stamp] it involved that journey, ‘such a long journey’, at ‘just the worst time of the year... [with] the ways deep and the weather sharp.



This year we have been made very much aware of families required to move with just the possessions they can carry with them receiving (hopefully for those fleeing hostilities in the Ukraine) a warm welcome from their host nation and host family. Some who end up on our Channel shores receive perhaps a different type of welcome from the Immigration authorities and no doubt the churches in Kent would paint a fuller picture for us of what is happening on the ground. Into this mix we have our traditional gatherings of families and friends for Christmas and or the New Year.

Travel is at the heart of the biblical narrative from Abraham being called to set out from the Fertile Crescent to the Land of the Promise, through to the movement of the People of the



Promise to Egypt and their return via the Wilderness; the movement of the people once again into Exile in Babylon before their return.

The writer of the Letter to the Hebrews suggests that this historic pattern shows that men and women of faith are but 'strangers and foreigners on the earth' who travel towards 'a better country, that is, a heavenly one'. The idea that the Christian way involves travel has been expressed for our own generation most memorably in song by the late Sidney Carter in his hymn 'One more step along the world I go' with its catchy refrain 'And it's from the old I travel to the new; keep me travelling along with you'. It is with this sense that travelling is rooted in our Christian faith that I make the various journeys which I report on to you – whether that is going the distance on the train from Grantham to Geneva or more locally letting the train take the strain on a day out to Bradford or to Bridlington.

But for the New Year we should let the last word be with our county's poet, Alfred Lord Tennyson, and his Prayer for the New Year:

***Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,  
The flying cloud, the frosty light:  
The year is dying in the night;  
Ring out the darkness of the land,  
Ring in the Christ that is to be.***

**Stuart Hadley - Rector of the Southcliff Benefice**



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## CHURCH MOUSE NEWS

### Sidespersons

11 December - Carol Service at 4pm  
Mr & Mrs Dorey

25 December - Susanne Wills

22 January - Jo Russell & Robert Prabucki

### Flower Rota

December - Lent & Christmas - Flower Guild

January - Mrs Avison

February - Mrs Dorey

### May They Rest In Peace

18/10/2022 Mavis Harris - Carlton Scroop

11/11/2022 David Morison - Fulbeck

Services at South Cliffe Villages Group of Churches [www.southcliffchurches.uk](http://www.southcliffchurches.uk)

For those unable to return to church because they are shielding or in some way vulnerable, please follow the Sunday Eucharist available via the website of Lincoln Cathedral or look for what is on offer on BBC TV and BBC Radio 4

### Christmas Carol Services

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 17.00 at Hougham

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 19.00 at Syston

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 18.30 at Brandon

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 16.00 at Hough

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 17.00 at Marston

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 18.00 at Carlton Scroop

### Christmas Eve Services

15.00 at Belton - Service of Lessons & Carols

16.00 at Marston - Crib Service

17.00 at Honington - Service of Lessons & Carols

19.00 at Fulbeck - Service of Lessons & Carols

22.30 at Hougham - Midnight Mass



## News & Views Shout-Out

Thank you so much for such a fabulous article in the November edition of 'News & Views' - I love the title - a clever play on words! I've had a few more donations trickling in, mostly in cash so I'm donating any cash donations from now on directly to the Parkinson's branch in Grantham. The total amount raised to date is £3781. It would be brilliant to reach £4000, but I'm still hugely grateful of the generosity from so many people. Thank you once again - Elizabeth Hesselworth

A shout out to the fantastic volunteers at St Vincents in Caythorpe who have raised funds for the following charities through their coffee mornings during 2022: The MS Society, Ukrainian Humanitarian Appeal, St Barnabas Hospice, My AFK, SSAFA, Royal Osteoporosis Society, Grantham Food Bank, Royal British Legion. Thank you to those who have supported them :)

Services at South Cliffe Villages Group of Churches [www.southcliffchurches.uk](http://www.southcliffchurches.uk)

	4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	29 <sup>th</sup> Jan
	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday
	Advent 2	Advent 3	Advent 4	Christmas Day	Christmas 1	Epiphany 1	Epiphany 2	Epiphany 3	Epiphany 4
Barkston		10.30 HC/SH			10.30 HC/SH				
Belton	10.30 HC/SH								
Brandon	10.00 MP/CB								
Carlton & Normanton					17.00 HC/SH		09.00 HC/SH		
Caythorpe				10.30 HC/SH				10.30 HC/SH	
Fulbeck			10.30 HC/SH				10.30 HC/SH		
Honington									10.30 HC/SH
Hough		09.00 HC/SH				09.00 HC/SH	10.00 FMP/SB	10.00 MSW/JK	
Hougham						17.00 EP/CB		09.00 HC/SH	
Marston	09.00 HC/SH						10.00 MP/CS		
Syston			09.00 HC/SH				16.00 HC/SH		

**Additional Services**

**Midweek Holy Communion** at 10.00 as follows,

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec** at Barkston for the Feast of Title, Nicholas, Bishop of Myra

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Jan** at Caythorpe for the Epiphany - followed by coffee and cake from 10.30

**Rainbows Concert** at Barkston at 19.00 on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec in aid of the Rainbows Hospice

**Xmas Tree Festivals** - Caythorpe 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> December, Marston 10<sup>th</sup> December

**Marston 'Bede' Service** - Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec at 15:00





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# Pete's Puzzles

## All Answers on next page

1. 'Deux' is the French word for which number?
2. What are dried plums better known as?
3. In Football, who will be spending Christmas Day at the top of the Premier League?
4. Which song was recently announced as the most streamed song of all time in the UK?
5. What is the name of Mickey Mouse's dog?
6. What is the Capital of South Korea?
7. Which politician has entered the jungle in this year's series of 'I'm A Celeb'?
8. What London Street does Sherlock Holmes live on?
9. Which Vincent Van Gogh painting did 'Just Stop Oil' protestors throw a can of tomato soup over recently?
10. What is the name of the town 'The Flintstones' live in?

### Connections Picture Round

Name The Pictures & What Connects Them







The deadline for the February 2023 Edition of **News & Views** is midday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023. If you have any events you wish to advertise or articles, letters, contributions etc, please drop us a line at: [editorsnewsandviews@gmail.com](mailto:editorsnewsandviews@gmail.com)

**Connections Picture Round**  
 Central Park, Statue Of Liberty, NY Giants (NFL), NY Knicks (NBA) Chrysler Building  
 The Connection is - New York

**Answers - Pete's Puzzles**

1. Two      2. Prunes      3. Arsenal

4. 'Someone You Loved' by Lewis Capaldi      5. Pluto

6. Seoul      7. Matt Hancock      8. Baker Street

9. Sunflowers      10. Bedrock

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### What's On In December & January

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec St Vincent's Coffee Morning  
3<sup>rd</sup> Dec Bingo at Carlton Scroop  
4<sup>th</sup> Village Hall Breakfast at Caythorpe  
9<sup>th</sup> Xmas Craft Fair at Caythorpe Primary School  
9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> Dec St Vincent's Caythorpe Xmas Tree Festival  
11<sup>th</sup> Dec Alice In Winterland Panto at Caythorpe Village Hall  
25<sup>th</sup> Xmas Meal at Caythorpe Village Hall

## **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

- 6<sup>th</sup> Jan St Vincent Coffee Morning  
7<sup>th</sup> Jan Bingo at Carlton Scroop  
8<sup>th</sup> Village Hall Breakfast at Caythorpe  
21<sup>st</sup> 80's Disco Caythorpe Village Hall





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