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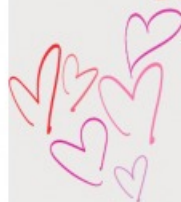
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February 2023

News Views Editorial

Hello and welcome back to our first edition of 2023, which marks a couple of milestones for us here at News & Views Towers. Firstly on a personal note, this Edition marks our Fifth Year Anniversary of becoming Editors of News & Views! It's been one hell of a ride that we have been happy to take, we love putting this little ol' magazine together every month for you and we hope you enjoy reading it too! Here's to the next five years!

One of our proudest moments in those five years was when we expanded News & Views from its original four villages to eight villages when we added Sudbrook, Hough on the Hill, Gelston and Brandon, which brings us nicely onto the second milestone... the addition of our ninth village, Fulbeck!

After Fulbeck Communications decided to cease publication of the Fulbeck Newsletter, they asked if we would be interested in expanding further north to cover our neighbours up the A607. We were more than happy to oblige! So we look forward to including Fulbeck related news and events for you all to enjoy along with all our usual News & Views from our existing villages.

We have a jam packed edition for you this month, with the return of the His & Her Film review on page 15, where we review the Whitney Houston biography 'I wanna Dance With Somebody', The Richard Naylor biography continues on page 8 and we have a new regular article from Brian Lucas on page 12 detailing some of his encounters with notable persons down the years, we do spoil you! Along with our regular advertisers, we've also got a handful of new advertisers so please make sure to make a note of all of them and the services they provide, you never know when you might need them!

So, how many of you started the year with the notion 'New Year, New Me'? How many of you have decided that the old you is perfectly ok? Why don't you send us in some of the resolutions that have gone by the wayside already...we'll start, the resolution was that this year the News Hound was going for a walk at 6am every morning...I don't think that happened on New Years Day, let alone any other day in January...he much prefers a lunch time walk anyhow and who are we to go telling him otherwise and getting him out of his nice warm bed...he does have standards and they are generally having a walk at any temperature above freezing!

Talking of freezing, get that kettle on, and sit down with a brew whilst you enjoy this fabulous read! Until next month, Stay Safe - Pete & Laura



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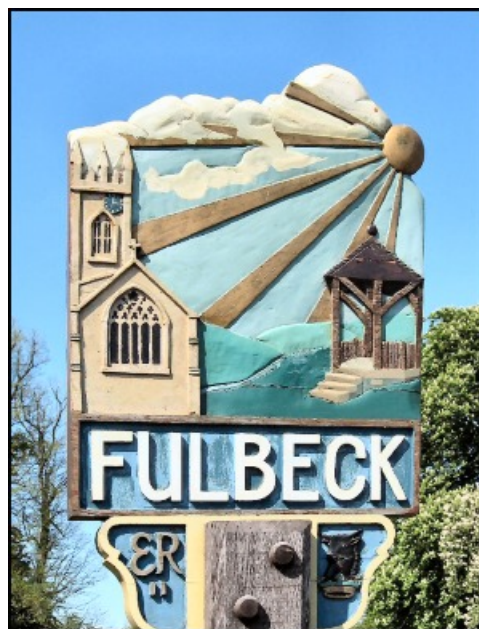
For all our new readers in Fulbeck, may we extend a hearty welcome to the News & Views Family!

News & Views has been recruited to cover Fulbeck following the closure of the Fulbeck Newsletter and we are proud to have been chosen to step onto the breach and become your regular village magazine!

We produce 11 copies a year, February to December (December being a double issue covering January too) and distribute to nine villages (Caythorpe, Frieston, Fulbeck, Normanton, Carlton Scroop, Sudbrook, Hough on the Hill, Gelston and Brandon) and also have some coverage in areas just outside this large boundary, such as Leadenham, Ancaster and Willoughby.

We would love our Fulbeck readers to contribute an article or letter to us, help make News & Views your own by sending us your News & Views from Fulbeck! Please contact us at:

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FULBECK VILLAGE HALL - ENTRANCE REVAMP



The lighting in the entrance hall has been upgraded. The old fluorescent lights have been removed and modern LED white globe lights have been installed, which will cost less. We have also purchased a console table, large mirror and pot plant. This all makes the Hall more attractive and gives it more ambience.

Also, Mavis Dales (nee Porter) donated an oil painting she had painted of Fulbeck High Street to the Village Hall. This has been framed and now takes pride of place in the entrance hall.

Iris Morison, Secretary, Fulbeck Village Hall & Playing Field Committee

Christmas Day in Caythorpe and Frieston Village Hall



The lights went on and the heating turned up in the village hall, as preparations got under way. Eight o'clock on Christmas morning, as the villagers started their special day, a small group donned their aprons and got to work. Ovens on for a lengthy roast, pots of vegetables boiling away, and pigs in blankets waiting in the wings with smells that made your mouth water in anticipation. At twelve thirty the doors opened and the guests arrived. A glass of Prosecco was offered by a Christmas cracker and Christmas pudding, who greeted each and every one.

As the hall filled up, the happy sounds of greeting, chatting, and laughter filled the air, along with some gentle background Christmas music. Wine flowed and focus turned to the cryptic seasonal puzzles laid out on the tables, a prelude to the fun quiz that followed later.



Soon the army of helpers turned their attention to carving, plating up and serving the hungry guests. The noise level decreased as everyone tucked in to their long-awaited meal. Three courses later the fun began again, and Dave delighted everyone with a mix of old and new favourites on his keyboard. The laughter got louder, the singing was raucous and everyone - old, young, family groups and couples - joined in to make the day a very merry one.

Gradually, as darkness descended, the hall emptied. The lights were turned off and the heating turned down, but filled with wine, food and joy, we all made our way home with memories made to last for another year.

**With thanks to Paul and Robert for organising this amazing event.
Same again next year please!**



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...

While working at Ruston and Hornsby's I was also studying at Technical College. The highlight of the day would be going to the stores for a wiper. Conversation was impossible because the apprentice shop was stationed next to the marine text bed. Engines were going flat out all day. Friday afternoon I was working in the foundry, they would give you salt tablets for all the sweat you lost. Of course then one was looking forward to the great escape. I would get my push bike and cycle back from Lincoln to Frieston. I left at 5pm and got home faster than the Road Car bus. When I got back to Frieston my mother was almost in tears because I was covered in moulders sand stuck to the sweat. I would go and have a bath before tea.

My Father

My Father was the 7th son of the 7th son. When he left Duaston School because he was a very strong boy they had him carrying the crucible of molten metal to pour into the moulds at A J Allans at Market Rasen. His first job was casting Cambridge Rolls engine blocks and a multitude of other castings as required. Two strong boys like my father and a friend would pour the molten metal from the crucible. In my father's 1918 diaries he has put an entry 'cleaning out the crucible to ensure there is no water in the vessel to avoid explosion'. The next day he was doing brass castings. All this labour amounted to a 60 or 70 hour week. He has made an entry that he was paid the sum of 3 shillings and sixpence d per week.

My father could repair everything that needed repairing. Cars, motorcycles, tractors. He had a 750cc new Hudson motorcycle that he put a large water tank onto the side car frame to put all of his tools in so he could go and repair tractors in the fields. He soon found he was making a lot more money having grasped the whole knowledge of the internal combustion engine and transmission.

Bill Leaper, local Caythorpe blacksmith (operating out of The Waggon and Horses) came to see my father one afternoon at Frieston. My father was sat in the corner of the sitting room smoking a cigar with a lovely fire going. Mr Smokey, the cat, was on his knee, happy and Sue the Scottie terrier. 'Take a seat Mr Leaper, how can I help you?'. 'I want to sell the business, will you by it?' So my father bought it unseen and wrote him a cheque out that solved his problems but started some of ours. I went up the next day and spent a week trying to expose the floor by tidying tools, nuts and bolts by the thousand, lengths of steel, lengths of wrought iron nearly up to your knees. By the time my father had got it 'ship shape' it was

a beautifully equipped machine shop. Pedestal drills from AP Herberts of Leeds, power hammer with a 5 horse power concentric cam on it with a treadle to operate the hammer at the side of the forge. My father called the business 'The Forge'. There was every imaginable tool to do any complicated repair we were blessed with threading tools, grinding tools, compressors jacks, you name it!

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News & Views News Hound

Humum keeps saying that it's NYE, I think she means Not Yet Eddie, that's my name, Eddie. I say, 'Can I have breakfast?', 'Can I go out again?', 'Can I go for a walk?'... 'Not Yet Eddie!' is what I get back, I think she must just be abbreviating.

So this Christmas malarkey seemed fun, once Humum and Dad had stopped going to work, they were with me all the time, of course, Mr Hissy thought it was all about him, he laid in a box, the children put one of those round shiny things in with him, (you know the ones that hang off the twiggly thing in the corner of the room with the lights on and the lady with wings at the top) He thought he was so special, I decided that it was probably best to see if I could be special too, however, it seems that when I take one of the round shiny things off the twiggly thing myself, that's not special at all. Life is so complicated for a pup, rules for Mr Hissy only apply to him, I have a separate set.



Christmas Day was fun, we had these different shaped parcels that were all wrapped up in pretty paper, I learnt very quickly to 'gently' take off all of the paper to see what was inside! Some things were special things for me and some were for my Mentor (she's a dab hand at these things having done them for a number of years) and some were for Mr Hissy.

Most days new people would come around and see me, this was great as I love seeing people! I met a few people I'd not met before, that was really good, lots of new sniffs to be had there!! Mr Hissy wasn't overly mingly, he just sat in his box or hid under the settee despite my best efforts to out him.

Hudad has been out walking with me a lot. I like our walks, I even found myself a girlfriend on one of our outings, she looked a lot like my Mentor but she was brown not black, she was very pretty and didn't live too far away but I've not seen her again yet. I look for her every time we go out.

In other Mr Hissy news, Humum was clearing stuff away the other day, I found a ball of what looked to be 'fun' so took it away, Humum saw and removed it from my mouth, said I'd end up looking like I was on a washing line! However, she then took it into the eaty and cooking room and proceeded to dangle it in Mr Hissy's face, he played and purred and she cooed over him...honestly, what's a pup to do?!

In other news, apparently I'm a teenager now, this means that new methods have been deployed to distract me from doing stuff I shouldn't. It's amazing how much control they have over me with a plant mister (I call it the spray of doom), they don't even have to deploy the mist, just the threat of water touching my face is enough of a deterrent...I'm not a fan of the water apart from my drinking bowl, I love that, it's the best, I take it all over the eaty room floor and make it wet!

I must just tell you about my new favourite thing - when I go on my walks, I've found these fantastic things to look at, they are just the best, they are 'field clouds' and they move into different fields, I assume the wind blows them, but I am always so excited to see them, we just observe one another, some dogs chase the field clouds but this is bad, it worries them, Hudad told me! See you next month...



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ENCOUNTERS – Martin Benson

Interesting Acquaintances of Brian Lucas, the last Rector of Caythorpe.



When I first met him in 1996 as a fellow member of the Savage Club, Martin had been famous for over forty years for his role as the Kralaholme, the King's Grand Vizier, in the original London production of "The King and I", a role he recreated in the Oscar-winning film version. I admired him more for his role as Maurice in the Pink Panther film "A Shot in the Dark" (1964), in "Sea Wolves" (1980), and as Mr Solo in "Goldfinger." Appearing in films for over six decades, Benson played mostly supporting characters or villains in over thirty films, in addition to television work. His last appearance was in "Casualty" in 2005.

It is not widely known that he was a notable artist, and a very competent restorer of oil paintings. While conversing over a glass of wine in The Savage Club one evening in 1997, I mentioned that the oil painting forming the reredos of my parish church at Caythorpe is in urgent need of cleaning. At once Martin offered to visit Caythorpe to look at it. A month later, I met him at Grantham station and we drove to the Parish Church of St Vincent. It was an overcast morning, and as we walked through the nave the reredos was hardly visible in the relative darkness of the sanctuary. The High Altar and Reredos were donated anonymously in 1893. The Reredos painting depicts the Crucifixion of Christ with figures of the Virgin Mary, St John, and, at the foot of the cross, Mary Magdalene. I had erected a step ladder behind the altar so that Martin was able to inspect the canvas closely. I busied myself in the Sacristy while he carried out his investigation.

Forty-five minutes later we drove to the Rectory at 6 Arnhem Drive, where my wife had prepared lunch. Martin thought that the painting was completed in the early 19th century, probably for the private Chapel of a country house rather than for a parish church. That might account for the anonymity of the gift fifty years after its completion. He liked the vibrancy of the subject, and once a hundred years of dust and candle smoke had been removed he said that it would glow with colour and gilt, and generally provide a brilliant focus for the worshipping community.



If he was asked to carry out the restoration the reredos would have to be removed and laid flat across the pews in the south aisle. As he was rather busy at the time, he would have to work around his filming schedule (I assumed for “Angela’s Ashes”, 1999) so the work could spread over several months. I feared for the security of the canvas; Martin agreed and suggested an approach to the Lincoln College of Art would be a safer avenue.

Born in 1918 of a Russian-Jewish father and a Polish-Jewish mother, Martin Benson began his acting career with Arthur Lowe (aka Captain Mainwaring in “Dad’s Army”), when they were together in GHQ Alexandria in 1945. He was a brilliant raconteur, and his recounting stories from an imaginary Jewish newspaper had Savage Club members convulsed in laughter at his after-dinner entertainment. The next time you watch “Maurice” coping with Inspector Jacques Clouseau’s wayward billiard cues in “A Shot in the Dark”, try to imagine this gentle Jew on a step-ladder at the High Altar in Caythorpe Church.

Martin Benson died in his sleep in February 2010 aged 91.

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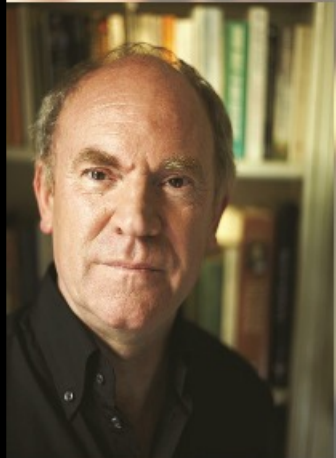
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We believe that we are called to be persistent in prayer, both for ourselves, those in need, our community and the world.

The church is open every day if you would like to find a quiet space and a time to pray or you are most welcome to join us in Church on Monday 13th & 27th at 2pm.

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Juniors aged 12 – 15 are also welcome.

As normal, there is free parking, toilets and changing facilities with showers.

Afterwards water, hot and cold drinks are available, as well as the famous '**Caythorpe Cakefest**' where competitors are able to enjoy free home-made cakes

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The event is open to runners of all ages and abilities and timings will be logged using our Race Results chip timing system.

To view details of the event and sign up please go to
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Registration Finishes Wednesday 22nd March at 23:59
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Look forward to seeing you there!



Dear All,

A little late to wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year but we hope it will be for all of you!

The year ended with Christmas celebrations including a party, a visit from Father Christmas and a walk to church to decorate our Christmas tree. A big Thank you to Father Christmas who took time out of his busy schedule. I'm pleased to say he flew and landed the sleigh like a true professional!

We visited "Big School" to see the Nativity, performed by reception and Year 1 children. Always entertaining to both the children and adults! Parents spent time in the setting making Christmas crafts (lots of glitter



included!) Sharing stories, songs and activities before walking to church with our Angels and Stars to hang on our tree. Thank you to all those who worked hard to organise this event. What a beautiful display in our lovely church, the children loved it!

During the last term the children learnt about Autumn, Winter and the changing seasons, in particular the changing colours in the environment around us and the hibernation



of the animals and creatures at this time of year.

One of our focused story books has been "The Gruffalo's Child" many thanks go to Charlotte Connor who drew and painted some fantastic illustrations for our wall display.

The "Stick Man " story has also been a favourite and we made our own stickmen using play dough, twigs and leaves measuring and comparing the sticks to get the right ones.



We have been using the language of size and weight and this activity has been enhanced by the use of our new large scales kindly made by Harlee's dad Joe, who also made us a sensory and co-ordination activity board. This has saved us a fortune and we are very grateful for his contribution to Pre-School.

As I write this we are waiting for a cold snap and some snow so that we can build a snowman. (We can live in hope) This week we will be making bird feeders to hang in our gardens and next week we will be celebrating Chinese New Year, the Year of the Rabbit, trying noodles and sauce at snack time.

Another busy, happy term ahead! Let's hope the weather is a little warmer when we write our next article! Any parents who are interested in their child attending Pre-School, please get in touch for a chat or call in and have a look around, there is no need to make an appointment.

Best Wishes to you all!



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Fulbeck United had a fruitful Christmas period with away wins at Swineshead and Skegness as well as collecting a hard earned point at Fishtoft. This leaves the team mid table in the league and a difficult start to the season.



The only home match in February is on 11th against Pointon, kicking off at 2.15pm

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I Wanna Dance With Somebody - Synopsis: A joyous, emotional, heartbreaking celebration of the life and music of Whitney Houston, one of the greatest female R&B pop vocalists of all time, tracking her journey from obscurity to musical superstardom.

Three words to sum up how we felt after watching this film - Absolutely Blown Away. What an amazing journey this film takes you on. One thing we have to say is when doing these reviews we usually sit watching a film with half an eye on what we're going to write about it, looking for little aspects or nuances, things we can pick out as nice touches etc. but we just couldn't do it with this film, it grabs you from early on and you are submerged into the film completely, it flies by without a pause for breath and you are transported back to the 80's and 90's pop scene for a musical extravaganza.

Anyone familiar with the Whitney Houston story knows it's a massive rise and fall story, but thankfully this film, while certainly covering all aspects of the dramatic and complete fall, does not dwell on it mawkishly, more starkly presents it matter of fact while the whole dramatic finale is tastefully and lovingly done. London born Actress Naomi Ackie plays the role to perfection, pretty difficult playing an absolute diva without alienating the audience but she pulls it off with aplomb. This is a must see for any Whitney or pop fan, and a highly recommended to anyone else. Personally we both came out of the cinema feeling great and knowing this was an smash hit 5 out of 5 stars for us. It is pretty hard story material to deal with in parts, however, you still walk out feeling uplifted and joyous, a great cinematographic event that truly celebrates her story.

The only aspect we were partially unsure of was the story telling of her ex husband, Rap Artist Bobby Brown, while the film shows some of the turbulent times of their drug addiction and infidelities, it only touches on these briefly and does not attribute blame to either party. It alludes to certain aspects but falls short of pointing fingers at anybody, it remains somewhat ambiguous on this part of her story.

Get yourself along to The Savoy while it's still on and we promise you 
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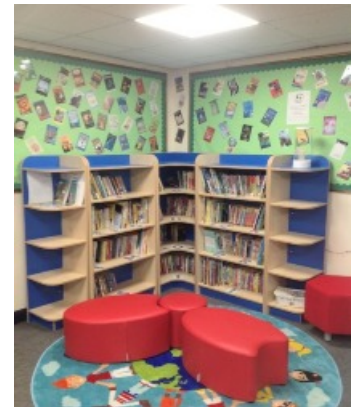
Caythorpe Primary School

Applying for a place in Reception (2023)

Children born between 1 September 2018 & 31 August 2019 are due to start Reception in September 2023. The window for applying for a place in Reception 2023 opened on 15th November. If your child is 4 this school year (Sept 22 to Aug 23) then you can apply for a place via the online application system on the Lincolnshire County Council website at www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions. **The closing date for Primary Admissions was Sunday 15 January, however you may still apply.** If you require any support with your application you can contact the Education Team via the telephone on 01522 782030 or email at schooladmissions@lincolnshire.gov.uk. If you would like to come for a visit or you know anybody who does then please make an appointment at the school office.

New School Library

The new library area was opened by our CEO of the trust Mr Peter Bell. Parents and carers who were able to attend the books and biscuits afternoon were able to test out the new bean bags and comfy seating. The new furniture has enabled our books to be more readily accessible for the pupils to choose and use to support their learning. It also provides a great space for groups to work as well as share and engage in books in comfort. We are currently looking into bids to be able to purchase new books to support topics.



MP Visit



On Thursday we welcomed Dr Caroline Johnson to school as she presented Esme of Narnia with her prize for runner up in the Christmas Card Design Competition. Hogwarts took the opportunity to present their letters of balanced arguments they have been working on to take their debate to the House of Commons. Dr Johnson sent her Christmas card to over 1500 people. Esme received a copy of the Christmas card a certificate and a Christmas mug from the House of Commons.

Neverland and Enchanted Forest's Big Bang!

EYFS and KS1 topic for this term is "How does the climate influence our lives?" The children have created mini biomes as their big bang to start their learning in this geography themed topic. Biomes are regions of the world with similar climate (weather, temperature) animals and plants. There are terrestrial biomes (land) and aquatic biomes, both freshwater and marine. The children created their biomes based on the climate of the British Isles.

Maths Workshop

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the Maths workshop last term. To begin our visitors saw maths in Early Years and Key Stage 1. Mr Murphy then led a talk through how maths is taught at Caythorpe in the hall. Finally, we saw maths in action in Key Stage 2. Children throughout the school were applying their knowledge to problem solving activities.

The children demonstrated how they use different resources to support their understanding such as base 10 materials, Cuisenaire, Numicon, number lines and Renkerek counting frames. For the information on how you can further support you child/ren at home, [please see our maths web page](#). There are also links to online games to support fluency in recall of maths facts.

Nurture Group - Well-Being

This term we introduced a “nurture” group for three lunchtime sessions. The aim of the nurture group is to give children the social and emotional skills to do well at school and with peers and develop their resilience and self-esteem. There is plenty of time for speaking and listening and communication and development of language. The school council asked their classes who would like to attend the group with Mrs Palmer. Currently identified children from that list have been “invited” to attend to keep the numbers to a smaller group which is a principle of nurture. It’s proving very popular as some children have expressed that they would like to attend too. To continue the support for the well-being of our pupils – Miss Cook will continue well-being club on Tuesdays in the Spring term. At well-being club, children have the opportunity to share games and activities with friends and talk about what they do or can do to improve their sense of well-being.

Jumble Sale

Thank you to all who had a good sort out and donated to the jumble sale. The event raised £200 on the day. The clothing and shoes left will be picked up by the “Rags for Schools” to raise some extra funds to go towards the grand total. The household items left went to Charity shops. Thank you to the staff and the FSA who helped set up the hall and sell on the day.

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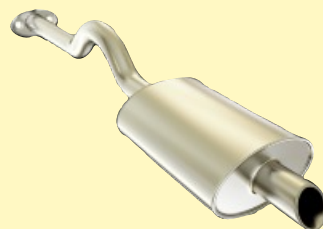
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In and Around the Garden!

With the current (and, I hope, lasting) interest in biodiversity in our gardens, we are being encouraged to provide food for pollinators all year round. With this in mind, I have started to record which plants are in flower in the dark days of winter. The only pollinators at this time of year are likely to be bees, which sometimes emerge for a quick snack on mild days before going back into hibernation.

Late December offers little choice in my garden. A mahonia and a viburnum were the only shrubs with flowers, plus a very early hellebore and some primroses at ground level. A winter jasmine had a few flowers, but a big surprise was a clematis (*C. cirrhosa* - Pictured Top) bearing lots of pale yellow bell-shaped flowers. I planted it several years ago at the back of a border and forgot about it. As a result it hasn't been fed or watered since and must have been slow to establish, now coming into its own at last. It looks such a frail plant with its little ferny leaves, but clearly a survivor. In mid January, things are looking better for the bees. More hellebores, snowdrops, winter heathers, *Cyclamen coum* and a winter cherry join the list of plants in flower. I haven't seen any bees for a while as the wet and windy weather doesn't suit them, but at least I can enjoy the flowers.



On a very cold but sunny day in December we visited Bodnant Garden in North Wales (Left). There was a backdrop of snow covered mountains, and the gardens looked beautiful. Some of the paths were closed because of ice, but the Winter Walk was very colourful in the sun. Coloured stems of dogwoods, maples and willows glowed amongst sweetly scented winter flowering shrubs. Some of the trees had bark that shines in the low sun – white birches, glistening russet Tibetan cherry (*Prunus serrula*) and the shaggy paper-bark maple (*Acer griseum*). In previous winters we have visited winter walks in Harlow Carr and Anglesey Abbey gardens, which are nearer to home. The plantings are similar, as the choice of plants that perform in mid-winter is limited. Snowdrops, hellebores and early daffodils extend the season of interest, but unlike most of us, these large gardens have the space for dedicated winter beds. They are, however, full of ideas for brightening up at least a corner of our own garden – all we need is some sun.

We started feeding the birds when we returned from Wales. A big flock of goldfinches appeared soon after, but they haven't been seen since. Most days a group of around ten long tailed tits descends briefly on the fat balls. A few blue tits usually accompany them, but great tits and coal tits visit alone. We have often seen red kites gliding low over the garden in recent weeks, probably checking the verge behind for road kill. There are at least two birds, so perhaps they will breed nearby. JA

Caythorpe & District Garden Society

The Society meets monthly, either for a talk in Carlton Scroop Village Hall or for a social event elsewhere. We have around 60 members and welcome anyone who has an interest in plants and gardens. Annual membership subscription is £20 per person.

FEB 14th *	Martin Fish, Writer, TV & Radio Presenter, Garden Advisor	Getting started with fruit
Mar 14th*	Karen Gimson, BBC Radio Leicester's Garden Expert	Dahlias - Growing, Keeping , All you need to know
APR 11th *	Andrew Wilcox, Specialist, Harlow Carr	Biodiversity covering Wild Flowers
MAY 9th *	Johnny Walker, Walker's Bulbs	RHS Gold Medal Winner - Every Show has a Story
JUN 13th *	Jonathan Mosely, International Florist and Flower Arranger	Grow, Cut, Arrange
JUN 20th	Outing RHS Bridgwater, Manchester	Coach Trip with Garden Tour (not included in membership fee)
JUL 11th *	Russ Yates, Garden Advisor	Principles of Garden Design
AUG 8th	Summer Social 2 Gardens in Caythorpe	Drinks provided, bring a plate of food
AUG 19th	ANNUAL SHOW: open to all	Caythorpe Village Hall
SEP 13th	Visit to Norwell Nurseries	Own Transport to be used
OCT 10th *	Dave Newman, The Sage Gardener	Small Scale Production Ideas for Growing Vegetables and Fruit
NOV 14th *	Andrew Jones, Deene Park	Head Gardener - Deene Park
DEC 12th	Christmas Celebration Dinner at The Red Lion	Not included in Membership Fee
JAN 15th	AGM 7:45pm	Carlton Scroop Village Hall

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Caythorpe & District Womens's Institute

It seemed like a long time since I'd seen all my WI friends as I'd been unable to go to the Christmas lunch due to covid. Therefore I enjoyed seeing them all again now the new year was here for an afternoon of "games" including Jenga, draughts, card games and others. We were in teams of two and after 15 minutes we moved on to the next table to another game and another team, it was a fun way of getting to chat with each other to catch up as well as compete.

Angela Turner had welcomed us all and thanked us for knitting and crocheting the poppies that were used to decorate the font in St Vincent's church in November

and reminded us that it will be an ongoing project for us. We hope to have a much bigger and better display this year. She thanked us too, for the help with our tree at the Christmas Tree Festival in December and to the ladies who made the lovely hampers for raffle prizes at the Christmas lunch held at the Red Lion.

Pauline Brown then presented us with the programme of events planned for this year and thanked all those involved in getting it together. We have lots of interesting things to look forward to with talks from a Travel Photographer, the Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance, the history of the Kimono and Horace Liberty talking about the family, the firm (Liberty's) and fashion. We have our annual outing in July, a demonstration of starters and desserts by Simon Farr of the Red Lion, a craft afternoon and "swishing" to look forward to. But, the highlight of the year will be in May when we will celebrate our 70th Birthday with a party and will be

entertained by Melody Flyte who some of us had had the pleasure of seeing at a Federation event last year.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 9th February in Caythorpe Village Hall held at 1.30pm for 2:00pm start, it will be our Annual Meeting where we will discuss and vote on the resolutions going forward to the National Federation's Annual Meeting in Cardiff. There will be NO competitions this month.

We are always pleased to welcome guests and with the exciting programme planned for 2023 there is no excuse for you not to come along and try us out! You will be pleased you did.

A Happy New Year is wished to you all from the ladies of Caythorpe and District Women's Institute. **Sue Case**





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'Legally Blonde'

OMIGOD YOU GUYS!! Sir William Robertson Academy's production of 'Legally

Blonde' was a huge success. The musical was performed at the school in Welbourn from 7th - 9th December 2022 and showcased the academy's talented students, ranging from Year 7 to Year 13. The production was co-directed and choreographed by Miss B Burrough (Head of Performing Arts) and Miss C Scorrer (Teacher of Drama and Dance).

Legally Blonde explores the transformation of Elle Woods, a love-struck sorority sister turned lawyer. Elle appears to have it all but her life is turned upside down when her boyfriend, Warner, dumps her so he can attend Harvard Law. Determined to get him back, Elle ingeniously charms her way into the prestigious law school. While there, she struggles with peers, professors and her ex. With the support of some new friends, though, Elle quickly realises her potential and sets out to prove herself to the world.

"It was truly awesome and mesmerising. They were polished and professional, singing was stunning and choreography had us transfixed. Congratulations to all of you. I don't know how the shows keep getting better, but they do. I left with a little bit of magic in my heart and their utter joy left me with a little tear." – Satisfied audience member

Congratulations to the lead cast, led by the wonderful Chloe Richardson (Year 11) who played Elle Woods. Chloe's performance was captivating, funny and professional. Chloe was joined by the talented Daryl Smith (Year 13) who played the unassuming love interest of Elle, Emmett Forrest. The role of 'unlucky in love' hairstylist Paulette was undertaken by Emily Hodder (Year 10) and was a standout comedic performance! George Grevatt (Year 12) shone in his roles of 'sleazy' Professor Callahan and 'walking snack' delivery guy, Kyle. The role of 'heartbreaker' Warner Huntington was played brilliantly by James Statham (Year 12). Warner's fiancée and Elle's nemesis, Vivienne Kensington, was played by the gifted Evelyn Shaw (Year 13). Congratulations also go to Elle's Greek Chorus, who were responsible for some show-stopping choreography. Serena was played by Romilly Cozens (Year 11), Margot was played by Daisy Rivett (Year 11), Pilar was played by Isabel Cropper (Year 13) and Spencer was played by Aidan Shaw (Year 11).



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Not From the Rectory

The Rector enjoyed crepes for Sunday lunch – and ministers to fallen women!

Some of the most loyal readers of this letter have expressed their concern that with the wave of strikes on the railways I would be unable to write the usual letter. I am pleased to advise that I have a couple of rail trips 'up my sleeve' for just such an eventuality!

This particular journey took place after Easter 2022 when, with the complete lifting of Covid travel restrictions, we were able once again to travel abroad and meet up with family – last seen in September 2019!

So, on the day in question, the taxi was with us for 05.40 to take us to the station for the LNER Azuma to King's Cross to allow time for a coffee at Le Pain Quotidien over the road at St Pancras before the rigmarole of security, Covid passport and Passport Control receiving for the first time in many years a stamp in our UK passports!

We had an excellent Eurostar journey to Paris Gare du Nord followed by an expensive taxi ride across the city to Gare de Lyons for the TGV Lyria to Geneva on which – with help from the man in Seat 61 – we knew how to book seats on the upper deck to enjoy the journey on the fast line as far as Bourg en Bresse at which point the train turns away from the TGV line and wends its way through the Alps to emerge on time at Geneva where the nearby Ibis serves the traveller well.

It would be the next morning when we met up with the family having taken the train the shortish distance along the northern shores of Lake Geneva as far as Nyon – a journey which reveals that the Swiss too have great vineyards though very little if any of their wine seems to be for export.

From Nyon the ferry took us across the lake to the French shore at Yvoire – a little to the west of Evian famous for its bottled water: Yvoire was a fortified medieval town with a church dedicated to St Pancras and the town offers many restaurants tempting the visitor to the traditional lunch of fried fish served with French fries and salad and followed by ice cream such as we enjoyed at the Place des Pecheurs.

Geneva hotels give the guest a travel card which entitles you within the city to free transport so it is only as we cross the border that we have to present our bank card and pay for an 'extension ticket' as the bus continues its journey into the French villages nestled below the Jura.

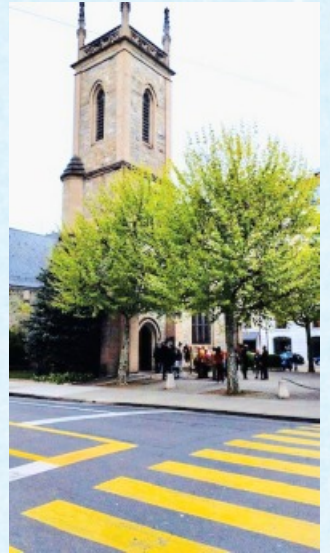


We will draw a veil over the next episode but suffice to say the rector ministered to fallen women – well, one fallen woman – who fortunately suffered nothing worse than a wrenched ankle, and grazed knees, arms and wrists!

The granddaughters happily re-enacted their Easter Day search in the garden for Easter Eggs and the little one ran back and forth chasing 'buffer-flies'. We associate Switzerland with cheese and chocolate and we had a day to explore the region east of Lausanne where the cows produce the milk which enables the production both of Gruyere Cheese and Maison Cailler chocolate.

One of the highlights of these visits to Geneva is joining the Anglican congregation at the church of the Holy Trinity on the Rue de Mont Blanc: it was a said service of Holy Communion with hymns (the choir being at a choir competition in Zurich) with coffee and croissants served outside the church – a remaining Covid precaution - by a lady who hailed from Spalding of all places. The Easter Garden was within the altar and in a nod to Swiss tradition included little Easter bunnies!

Sunday lunch was very much a family affair in France at Gex with diners arriving having cast their votes in the French presidential election and in place of English Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding it was lunch of savoury crepes followed by sweet crepes for dessert. By the time we caught the bus back to Geneva the exit polls were indicating that Macron would retain his place at the Elysee Palace – and for this cold weather I see Macron is promoting the wearing of turtle necked jumpers in an effort to keep warm! Hopefully another family get-together beckons – but this time in the UK.



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



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News & Views Shout-Out

In Memory of Ken Miller,

Thank you to all my neighbours of 25 Arnhem Drive. When Ken died on 15th December they have supported me with help and have been like a warm blanket of love.

Love, Grace

N&V - Deepest condolences to you Grace

Farewell to the Sampsons

Ann and Bob Sampson have lived in Fulbeck for over 30 years. Bob was District Councillor for eight years and Ann was on the Parish Council for nearly eleven years. They have assisted with numerous village events, particularly the Village Fetes, and have seen many improvements in the village during this time. Bob's legacy to the village is the Sampson Tug-of-War rope. He and Bob's Bucket will be greatly missed at car boot sales and bonfire nights. They are moving near to family on the south coast.



Over 60 friends attended a very enjoyable farewell party in December in Fulbeck Village Hall when Ann and Bob were presented with two framed pictures. Jamie Garbet produced a print of his watercolour of the High Street (where Bob and Ann lived for some time) and the other one was a print of David Morison's photo of the village from Sudthorpe Hill. These were beautifully mounted and framed by Jamie. (see photos below). Ann and Bob said they were thrilled with the pictures and said they will keep in touch. They have also been sent some garden vouchers.

Ann wrote: "We will always remember our time at Fulbeck fondly, and enjoyed getting involved in events, Bob will miss the Car Boot sales and his bucket! The village is lucky so many people do rally round (sometimes with a little persuasion!)" - **Iris Morison**

P.S. I delayed sending the garden vouchers until after the postal strikes and delays in the Christmas mail and have now received this response from Ann and Bob.



"Thank you for your card and the incredibly generous garden tokens and money, so kind of everybody, especially as we had that lovely party and the present of the pictures of Fulbeck! Please thank everyone very much who contributed, we really appreciate it, and will choose with care nearer the Spring, even a couple of garden chairs to remember you all."

Steam Dream

When the final steam-hauled train ran on British Railways in 1968, no railway enthusiasts ever expected to see one on a mainline again.

However, some years later, the ban on mainline steam was lifted. On Friday 2nd December A4 60007 Sir Nigel Gresley hauled a train from London to Lincoln via Spalding and Sleaford. In steam days this class of locomotive would run on the east coast mainline from Kings Cross to Edinburgh and other routes. However, on Sundays when the mainline was undergoing engineering work, trains would be diverted via Lincoln and through all the Cliff villages to re-join the main line at Barkston.

On Saturday 3rd December, Coronation class 6233 Duchess of Sutherland hauled a train to Lincoln. The light and weather were not ideal for photography but it was such a privilege to see these excellent locos pulling trains through our area.



J.A.Weston - Fulbeck

NOTICE

After St Vincent's Carol Service on Sunday 11 December a pair of spectacles were left in the church. They can be found on the welcoming table on the left at the bottom of the steps.

Carlton Scroop Parish Charities

Dating back over 250 years, the charities were established to help residents of Carlton Scroop in times of hardship. We all know how difficult things can be, especially when unexpected events lead to expenses we've not budgeted for. In the past the charity has been able to help with expenses like transport costs for medical appointments or to visit family, emergency repairs in the home or accessibility works.

Do you need help now? The trustees invite residents of Carlton Scroop and Normanton who are experiencing (or know of someone, such as a friend or neighbour who is experiencing) exceptional difficulties to contact them in total confidence to discuss whether we can help. Requests may be considered at any time. The next scheduled meeting of the trustees is February 6th 2023.

Please contact: Carlton Scroop Parish Charities in full confidence of anonymity on carltonscroop.parish.charities@outlook.com or message on 07484 616045.

Here at News & Views HQ, we'd like to give a big shout out to one of our valued distribution team, **Diane Geeson**, who has delivered News & Views in Carlton Scroop for over 5 years. Diane is now stepping down. Thank you Diane for all of the time you have given freely to help not only us but to keep the villagers in Carlton Scroop connected throughout the covid pandemic. You will be missed. Take Care, Laura & Pete.



Caythorpe

Village Panto

Alice in Winterland

The darkness was descending
And despite the wintry weather,
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And with bags of sweets in hand
The audience were transported
into the tale of Winterland.

A magical performance
That delighted one and all
Lost in the fantasy
inside the village hall.
The villain was loudly booed
As Alice saved the day
The audience left happy
Then the props were put away,
An excellent performance
If you missed it, never fear
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(With thanks to the Lamphouse Theatre)



Stunning images of at St Vincent's taken by Ros Ambrose





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Sidespersons

26th Feb at St Vincent's - Susanne Wills

May They Rest In Peace

23/11/2022 Shaun Andrew Marshall - Caythorpe

09/12/2022 Jamie Lee Purchase - Normanton

12/12/2022 Richard Ashton - Fulbeck

13/12/2022 Ian McCreary - Hough

13/12/2022 June Ann McCreary - Hough

16/12/2022 John Morley - Caythorpe

10/01/2023 Anthony Fenys Rogers -Caythorpe

11/01/2023 Kenneth Theodore Miller -Caythorpe

Flower Rota

St. Vincent's February - Mrs Dorey

Anyone who would like to donate towards Easter Lilies in remembrance of loved ones, please contact Janet Avison on 01400 2872158

St. Nicholas' February - Carol Aram and Danni Buck

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Church Floodlighting at Xmas

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	5 th Feb	12 th Feb	19 th Feb	26 th Feb
	1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday
	Lent -3	Lent -2	Lent -1	Lent 1
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Belton	10.30 HC/SH			
Brandon	10.00 MP/CB			
C.Scroop & N'mton				
Caythorpe				10.30 HC/SH
Fulbeck			10.30 HC/SH	
Honington				
Hough		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	

Additional Services

There is Holy Communion at Caythorpe at 10.00 on weekday Wednesdays as follows:
1st Feb For the Presentation of Christ in the Temple / 22nd Feb Ash Wednesday

Out walking today I walked past an apple pie, a lemon cheesecake and a ice cream sundae...I thought the streets are strangely desserted today

What do you call two guys above a window?

Kurt and Rod

**DAD
JOKES**

Whoever stole my glasses, I will find you.

I have contacts

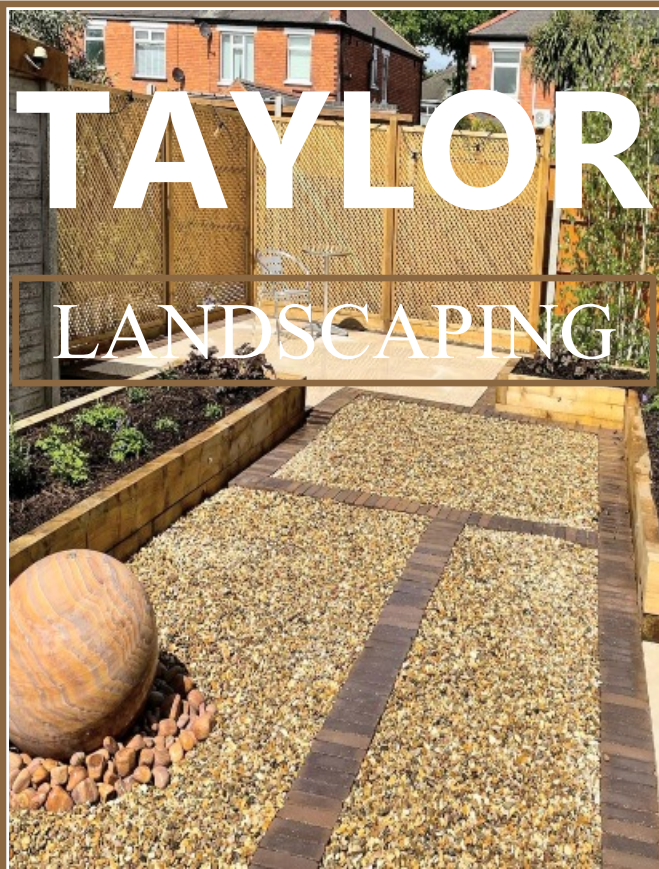
I'm afraid for the calendar...

...its days are numbered

Pete's Puzzles

All Answers on next page

1. How would you express 2023 in Roman Numerals?
2. Who won BBC Sports Personality of the Year 2022?
3. Which nut is used in marzipan?
4. Which is the only vowel not used as the first letter of a US state?
5. In which decade was Pop Star Madonna born?
6. Which Country was the first to allow Women to vote?
7. Christine McVie sadly passed away recently, but which legendary band was she famously a member of?
8. What type of animal was Babe in the film of the same name?
9. Which member of the Addams Family is the subject of a new Netflix series?
10. What city is the capital of Senegal?



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1. MXXIII / 2. Beth Mead / 3. Almonds / 4. E / 5. 1950's (16/8/58 to be exact)
6. New Zealand in 1893 / 7. Fleetwood Mac / 8. Pig / 9. Wednesday Addams / 10. Dakar

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4 th Feb 20:00	Bingo	Carlton Scroop Social Club
4 th Feb 19:30	N&V 80's Quiz	Caythorpe Village Hall
4 th Feb 18:30	Bingo	Fulbeck Sports Club
5 th Feb 09:00	Village Hall Breakfast	Caythorpe Village Hall
11 th Feb 14:15	Football	Fulbeck Sports Club
14 th Feb 09:30	Book Swap	Fulbeck Village Hall
18 th Feb 18:30	Bingo	Fulbeck Sports Club
25 th Feb 19:00	Quiz Night	Fulbeck Sports Club



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