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# May 2023



Welcome back, We hope that our little April Fool in the last edition didn't catch you out too much, I'm sure Ironman is more of a Lincoln City fan anyhow! The Hulk would make a pretty good Centre Back though...

Well here we are with the Coronation Edition, the first Coronation of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, some of you may well remember the last Coronation in 1953, but for the majority of us, this will be a first in many ways, the First Coronation we see, the First time we have a King rather than a Queen and the First time virtually every country worldwide will be able to watch the Coronation live on their TV screens.

One thing that is almost certain (unexpected abdications aside) is that we now enter an era of Kings, Charles will be succeeded by his eldest child William, who in turn will be succeeded by his eldest child, George.

There are plenty of Coronation Events happening in our Villages too, see pages 13, 22 & 23 for more details.

Sticking with the Coronation theme, our 'Encounters' this month has a connection to the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, and comes from Michael Breckon of Fulbeck, see more on page 8. It's a great read and is what News & Views is all about, bringing you great stories and articles from our family of Villages.

Speaking of the News & Views & Family, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Susie Watson and her Family for many years of News & Views distribution in Carlton Scroop, Susie has stepped down after many years of volunteering - thank you Susie! We luckily have another distributor in place in Carlton Scroop already, so never fear, News & Views will be in your

letterboxes same as ever! We are however still looking for a distributor in Normanton, which takes 30-40 minutes a month to do, so could be done at a leisurely stroll around this picturesque village, let us know on the usual email if you can give up a little bit of time once a month to help us with this!

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# News & Views News Hound

This month I've very much been a helping hound. We've had lots going on in our home and I've made sure that I have made it my business to be part of it. After all, I am an intrepid news reporter! Talking of which, I have met a few 'News Hound Fans' this month when I've been out with the Hudad, all keen to know if I was the News Hound and yes, it is me, not only literary but also a handsome beast to boot! I don't let this go to my head though, there are far too many good sniffs to be had when I'm out with the human. I am getting to know who 'goes' where when we are out and



about, it's a thing, they pee to mark their territory in my territory and I pee over it to show this is my area and the next day it starts all over again, pretty fun stuff, although it can get a little tiring on the old leg, sticking it in the air every few steps, but a hounds got to do what a hounds got to do!



So anyway, this month the lawn hoover stopped working much to Humum's annoyance, she loves cutting the lawn. She let Grandpa have a look at it and he couldn't fix it either. Humum said 'if Grandpa couldn't fix it then no-one could' and she would have to get a replacement. Only the new one obviously couldn't be trusted like the old one, the old one was trained properly and didn't have to have a lead on, Humum put some food in it and it just walked along with her. The new one has a special lead and doesn't eat stuff from the special can and, to be fair, Humum isn't the biggest fan of it. She even has to tether it to the house. I think she needs to train it more then maybe it will learn to be a good lawn hoover and not need a special lead. I helped Grandpa put the new lawn hoover together, we figured it out together, I'm such a helpful boy!

I've noticed that we are getting a lot of those pigeons in my garden again. They come out after it rains and peck around the bird feeder. I look at them from in my house and whine, Humum and Hudad keep telling me that I can't go out and I need to remember what happened last time I tried to 'help' the pigeons, but I do worry about having to help them get off the ground again, I mean, all of that corn, they probably need a helping mouth! I'm just not being given a chance to help them, no chances to show what a good boy I am...they have so been my worst days...

My mentor has been a bit snappy lately, it's usually when I'm giving her a helpful (Humum calls it forceful) poke of my nose in an effort to make her play with me. Humum says she's an old girl with sore bones who doesn't need prodding with my snoot. Humum always holds my mentors food up at her head level to feed her, it saves her bending down, she's been doing it for me recently...I love that I can train humum, she's easily trained,

I'm hearing things about 'the Coronation' I'm not sure what it is but it involves lots of emails from Humums account. I don't have an email account. I think I should have one for my 'fan mail', I best go chat with Humum about this...see you next month! **NH** 

### ENCOUNTERS ~ Sir Edmund Hillary Recounted by Michael Breckon of Fulbeck



As the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the coronation of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II approaches (June 2<sup>nd</sup>) my thoughts return to that very special moment... not only as a day of regal celebration. It was also on the day that the world learnt of the success of a British team's attempt to reach the highest point on earth: the 29,028 foot summit of Mount Everest in the Himalayas.

That extraordinary achievement had actually taken place on May 29<sup>th</sup> but it had taken time for the news to be carried to the outside world from the isolated Khumbu region below Everest. It was an extra-ordinary moment, the news was released in the early hours of the morning in The Times newspaper on the day of Queen Elizabeth's crowning.

I first heard about it as I was participating in that extraordinary event - just one of many thousands of spectators who had slept out on the pavements of the Coronation's route in order to share in the celebrations. The atmosphere was electric, despite heavy rain during the night. In the early hours of the morning, we were disturbed from our dozing on the wet pavements. A great ripple of noise came flooding down The Mall like the swell of an ocean: it was a wave of human sound of celebration.

The news, which was being passed by word of mouth, stirred everyone to great excitement: Mount Everest had been climbed by members of a British expedition, led to the summit by a New Zealand beekeeper named Edmund Hillary accompanied by Sherpa Tenzing Norgay of Nepal. We danced in the street in our hundreds, totally carried away by the moment ... one which I will never ever forget.

Fast-forward nearly 30 years, across the Atlantic to Canada where I was working as Director of Advertising at the national airline. Air Canada had been approached to sponsor the nation's first-ever expedition to the world's highest peak in 1982, which remains one of the greatest of all human challenges. It suited the airline, which was about to launch a new service to India and was also seeking to strengthen its corporate image as an adventurous and determined organisation in the sceptical Canadian business travel market.

In the process of organising that promotional campaign, I remembered my night on The Mall and wondered if Hillary was still alive ... and would be interested in promotional activity linked to an airline-sponsored Canadian expedition. Unbeknownst to me, The Sir Edmund Hillary Foundation was now a registered charity which supported the now legendary mountaineer/philanthropist in raising funds to support his charity work in health and education, in that magic land inhabited by the Sherpa people of Nepal.

Ed had kept his promise to the Sherpas without whose help, as he always stated, he would never have reached Everest's summit. "They have eyes though they cannot see, voices yet they cannot be heard" he had been told by one of the Sherpa leaders. They sought two critical things which were lacking in their isolated homeland at up to more than 10,000 feet above sea level: good health and education. Ed made them a promise to help overcome those problems. He made certain it happened and his charity is still doing so today, 15 years after his death, in the region which has managed to retain most of its unique civilisation.

After success on Everest, Canadians became closely involved with Ed (as he preferred to be known). His work is still being carried on: in schools and hospitals which bear the name of the Hillary Foundation, built and operated in the beautiful Khumbu area on the south side of Everest's foothills, up to 12,000 feet.

I first met Ed in 1982 - he was fixing the roof on one of the schools he had built in Sherpa country 8,000 ft. above sea level. He was pleased I had a beer in my back-pack for him and we sat talking about how the airline could play a role in his Foundation's work. It was the most glorious, breath-taking and memorable location I ever had for a meeting with anyone! It was the beginning of an effective business and charitable relationship...and was a moment I shall never, ever forget. He was a giant of history, yet a simple man who just wanted to help others.

The photograph seen here, taken by the legendary Karsh of Ottawa, tells all you need to know about Hillary: this extraordinary gentleman with a will of iron who gave his all in the years following his expedition to Everest, in thanks – and in respect for the Sherpas' commitment to that historic first ascent of the World's Highest Mountain.

Schools and hospitals, most of which are now the responsibility of Sherpa doctors and teachers, were both part of the scheme which Ed set up during the years following his successful ascent. Though he died in 2008 the Hillary Foundation remains active and the work of his charity continues; one Hospital, thirteen Medical Clinics and sixteen Schools continue to be operative in the region. The name of the Sherpas' friend will never be forgotten.

Michael Breckon lives in North End, Fulbeck.

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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 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 2pm.

Specific prayer requests can be left in the box by the votive candle stand - you may like to light a candle as a focus for the prayer you offer. You can also send your prayers to loveden.deanery@lincoln.anglian.org marking them as St Vincent's Prayer Group.

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Friday 5th May 10:30am to 12 noon (1st Friday of every month)

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13th May

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Other Car Boot dates for 2023: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month till September

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Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023

at 7:30pm

in the Hammond Pavillion

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# <u>Community Hub</u>



Following the success of the first Carlton Scroop Community Hub, the second session took place on Thursday 6th April at the Social Club, with over 25 attendees enjoying company, and a free lunch of home-made soup and filled roll lunch, home-made cookies and Easter eggs.

The Hub initiative aims to provide a free and easy venue to meet neighbours and make new friends. All are welcome.

In view of the Coronation celebrations, the next Hub will take place on Wednesday 17th May, 11:00am-2:00pm with lunch from 12:30pm. All welcome. To volunteer, donate or help with transport, please e-mail CarltonScroopHub@gmail.com or contact Alan Thomas on 07966541956 or Daniel Sheard on 07484616045.

#### CAYTHORPE AND FRIESTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REFERENDUM: REMINDER - May 4<sup>th</sup>

The Referendum Version of the Plan and the independent examiner's report may be seen on the Parish and SKDC websites - search for **Caythorpe and Frieston Neighbourhood Plan** in your browser. For those without internet access, **a paper copy of the Plan can be found in the porch of St. Vincent's Church.** The Plan includes 7 objectives and 13 policies on future development in the parish. These were put together following extensive public consultation.

The referendum will be held on May 4<sup>th</sup>, alongside the Local Government elections. Please note that there has been a change to the rules, and photo ID is needed for you to vote at the polling station. A wide range of documents is acceptable, including a bus pass or blue badge, but check with SKDC if in doubt. - **Clir. Jean Allen** 

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#### Fulbeck's Fantastic Car Boot Sale - Saturday 8th April 2023

The first of 2023, the Fulbeck Car Boot Sale is now back in full swing after the pandemic and a tentative resumption last year. Although the day started really misty and cold with those of us under trees being dripped on mercilessly, delicious bacon butties and hot drinks kept up our spirits. Warm sun started breaking through around 11:00 and soon it was all smiles and laughter!





Our regular supporters are back: two really good quality and value plant tables with some unusual varieties, Mark's collection of secondhand garden equipment, and Tina, the antiques and collectibles lady, who always comes as it's one of those car boots she simply enjoys doing. Can't say better than that! We are looking for another 'Fruit and Veg' business now the previous folks have retired. Good opportunity for someone!

We were pleased to see plenty of folks selling stuff

obviously having emptied their lofts and garages. They make it special for everyone as you never know what bargain you're going to pick up. At a fiver a table, it's a good way to rid yourself of all that tackle you no longer need but might be somebody else's treasure.

We had three charity tables which made £142.60 for Marie Curie, £125.00 split between Ukraine and the Syria/Turkey earthquake victims from a tombola, and £34.00 for the Village Hall. In addition, rents from the tables amounted to £267.00 plus 'Bob's' bucket £84.25 in donations, also for the Village Hall. A grand total of just over £650.00, so an effort well worthwhile from our volunteers, getting up at the crack of dawn and giving freely of their time. Thank you to all and to the generous prize donors.

Put these in your diary for the rest of this year's Car Boot Sales: 8am - 1pm (set up 7am) 13<sup>th</sup> May, 10<sup>th</sup> June, 8<sup>th</sup> July, 12<sup>th</sup> August, 9<sup>th</sup> September at Fulbeck Sports Field. Plenty of parking and refreshments. Tables £5.00 - just turn up.

#### **FOOTBALL NEWS - FULBECK UNITED**

The footballers have had a tough run of results but are still hoping to remain in the Boston Premier League for the following season.

United only have one game in May, away at Bull Athletic on the 10th.





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I was hoping that temperatures may be on the rise as I write this article! I think our story "All Afloat On Noah's Boat" fits the bill perfectly! Despite the cold weather we have had lots of fun outdoors and this term we will start to plant our potatoes, vegetables and flowers. The ground should be easy enough to dig!

We've had a busy Spring term with visits and visitors. Our first trip was to see the new lambs on Love Lane, a lovely walk in the sun.

We had a visit from a lady called Fiona who brought in her rescued Barn Owl Lakota and Sky the Harris Hawk. Fiona talked about the types of food the birds like to eat and how they get rid of the bones! Due to current restrictions, Sky is not allowed to hunt but she does enjoy being exercised on the playing field in Caythorpe Village. This maybe the closest some children have been to two beautiful birds of prey.

Our friendly farmer Dan from Wards Farm also came to visit. The children are always pleased to see Dan, probably because he brings his tractor and they have the opportunity to sit in the



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cab! Dan showed the children some potatoes, sugar beet and all the seeds that are planted and what they eventually turn into when they have grown, have been harvested and processed.

Many thanks to Fiona and Dan from both the staff and children for taking the time to visit us in the setting and enriching the children's learning and development.

World Book Day - Throughout the week the children brought in their story books to share with us. All dressed up as their favourite book characters, looking fantastic, they joined the reception class at "Big School" where Mrs Hiley, dressed as a giraffe read the story "Giraffe's Don't Dance". Thank you Mrs Hiley!

As Summer term arrives we look forward to planting and watching everything grow. Learning about nature, the birds, animals and little creatures, how we can look after them and what they do for our gardens and countryside. We will talk about how we can look after our environment by cleaning up after ourselves and throwing away our rubbish. Here's to a fun few weeks, let's hope the sun starts to shine!

It seems a long time away but we will soon be looking at places for children in September 2023. We accept children from 2 years of age and if you are considering a place for your child, please do not hesitate to get in touch or call in to have a look around our lovely Pre-school. You will be made very welcome.

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#### Thank You Mr Dewey

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Not only that, but in winter he ensured the playgrounds and paths were gritted so we could walk safely. All done before we even arrived at school. The mysterious Mr Dewey! But the time has come for him to retire and put his feet up with Mrs Dewey. Thank you for all you have done to keep our amazing green space at Caythorpe Primary School looking wonderful.



#### **Primary Maths Challenges**

Poppy, Maja and Alex visited Sir William Robertson Academy to take part in their annual Primary Maths Challenge. This competition combines mathematical, communication and teamwork skills and offers pupils the opportunity to express and develop their enjoyment of the subject.

To mark World Maths Day, we set up an open Times Table Rockstars competition for Year 4 pupils across CIT schools, running throughout the week. Each evening from 3:30pm - 6:00pm, Year 4 pupils logged on and earn points for their school. Well done to Jaxon, Albert and Ruby who were top earners for our Year 4's in the competition.

Caythorpe School came a close second out of the CIT schools with an average score of 1059 per pupil. The overall winning school was Poplar farm with a score of 1293 points.

#### **Police Visit Enchanted Forest**

Enchanted Forest were visited by Detective Inspector Penney this week. The children prepared for his visit by thinking of questions to ask D.I. Penney as well as orally rehearsing and writing their questions. They thought carefully about what they'd like to know. Without fail the children asked sensible and well thought out questions such as, "Can you drive through a red light?" and "How do I call you in an emergency?" D.I. Penney brought in his riot gear, which he wears to football matches, police uniform, different hats, police tape and much more for the children to explore.

However, the children decided that Mrs Elmes hadn't been good that day so D.I. Penney (her son) had no other option but to place the handcuffs on her. D.I. Penney also read Mrs Elmes her rights. The children also had a go at placing the hand cuffs on Mrs Elmes.

Milania said "I feel happy because I asked a lot of questions and to dress up like the police." The children were reassured that the police keep us safe. Evie liked it "because we got to put handcuffs on Mrs Elmes!"

#### **British Science Week**

Children at Caythorpe Primary School blasted into British Science Week with a visit from Sublime Science who travel the length and breadth of the country delivering school workshops and science parties.

Each class had the opportunity to watch and have a go at a variety of different science experiments, including making their own slime and snow!

Children were stunned by the magic of water disappearing inside a paper cup, amazed that



it had been turned into a solid by nappy powder! They then explored making a variety of sounds by using different shapes and materials, from high-pitch squeaks through a straw to thunderstorms in a cylinder!

Classes were mesmerised by the opportunity to juggle bubbles on their sleeves and even see a bubble in a bubble, whilst exploring smoke and bubbles of different shapes and sizes.

After making a variety of objects fly inside, children took to the playground and braved the wet and windy conditions to send rockets of different materials across and even over the school!

One child explained, "That was so much fun, I really enjoyed making the slime and seeing the rockets fly across the school!"

Take a look at our video of the day here: https://youtu.be/VWI6cv2R18M

#### **Busy Bees visited by Bee Keepers**

Children in Enchanted Forest and Neverland were visited by Beth the beekeeper. Beth explained to the children how honey is made. She brought her special tools with her to show the children which she uses to care for the bees and collect honey. One was a brush, used to gently brush away the bees which might be resting on the beekeeper's suit. Cole correctly suggested what the "smoker" was for, the smoke puffs smoke into the hive, so the bees think there is a fire and go deeper into the hive, allowing the beekeeper to collect the honey.

The children were able to see and touch honeycomb. Beth explained how clever the bees are making each hexagon of their honeycombs slightly tilted so the honey does not drip out.

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#### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May - Decorate the Crown - St Vincent's

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Along with a 50/50 coffee and cake morning. It's on the similar vein to decorate the Christmas tree for those that took part, and the best crown is judged on the day with a small prize to be given.

#### Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May - Cayfest - Caythorpe Playing Field 6pm - 11pm We will provide a stage with a local group 'Northend' plus, Rhythm Eaters, Dave Nelson and an 'open mic' session any local musicians who wish to take to the stage. There will be a Bar, the local Chip Shop Van and Queen of Tarts Pudding Van

#### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May - Street Party - Caythorpe High Street 12pm - 6pm between the Waggon & Horses and the Red Lion, tables and chairs will be set up. A children's entertainer and a disco will also be provided. Food will be on sale from both the Red Lion and the Waggon & Horses for those that don't wish to make your own food.

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May - Community Volunteering Andy Crawley is organising a litter pick along the A607. Mulching of the vast number of trees that we have planted in our community over the past year and the painting of a wall on the Playing Field. See page 23 for more details.

#### The Kings Coronation – Volunteer Day



As you may be aware, the bank holiday of Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May has been designated as an opportunity for people to volunteer within their community.

To assist people in doing this we are arranging a number of activities that you can get involved with starting at 10am on the playing field. All materials and equipment will be provided, so all you will need will be a willingness to get involved and some appropriate clothing. The activities planned will be :

- A litter pick along the A607 (possibly not suitable for young children due to traffic)
- Mulching some of the trees that have recently been planted around the playing field (it will be helpful if you could please bring a garden fork or spade)
- Painting the wall by the storage containers on the playing field.

In order that I can judge the response and arrange necessary equipment, will you please let me know if you will be attending and what activity you wish to carry out. Many thanks - Andy Crawley

**Free Free Free** Join us for a cream tea Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May Caythorpe & Frieston Village Hall 3:00pm - 5:00pm



#### Make A Crown Competition!

Make a crown in a medium of your choice, bring it along to St Vincent's Church, Caythorpe on Thursday the 4th of May.

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Our April meeting attracted lots of welcome visitors who we look forward to seeing again soon. They were Moira Hunt and Vivienne Lacey visiting from Navenby WI and Stephanie Barrell, Hilary Mason and Grace Millar from Caythorpe.

We then welcomed our speakers Lynn and Joan from Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance, both volunteers, to give their talk before we had the business aspect of our meeting. Lynn gave a slide presentation accompanied by facts that I believe, none of us were wholly aware of; the ambulance is based at

Waddington on the A15 and began in 1994 in a caravan at the RAF air base and decided to register as a charity and fund raise. The fund raising is ongoing as the running cost are astronomical; each helicopter is £95 million to buy, and the annual cost is £8.4 million to keep it in the air. It is in effect a flying A&E unit with all the equipment required, they can even carry out open heart surgery. They also have two BMW critical care cars, one in Lincoln and one in Nottingham which carry the same life saving equipment.

Patients are taken to Sheffield (children), QMC in Nottingham or Hull infirmary by the air ambulance but to more local hospitals if taken onward by land ambulance. They average 4 missions a day and each time the cost is £4-4.5K, so costs can be huge. Their main source of income is their Lottery, but also donations, fund raising and legacies. It is paramount that they land safely as close to the patient as possible and therefore always have two pilots, the co-pilot using Google Earth to make sure there will be no obstacles and binoculars costing £12.5K a pair for night vision. Each mission has the two pilots, a paramedic and a doctor. Altogether they have 10 pilots, 18 paramedics and 39 doctors. In February 2023 they achieved 68 missions in Lincolnshire, 47 in Nottinghamshire, 6 in Derbyshire, 3 in Yorkshire, 1 in Leicestershire and 1 in Cambridgeshire and cover up to three and a half thousand square miles a day. A lot of facts to take in, but I don't think we all realised just how much they do and how much they rely on donations because they HAVE NO GOVERNMENT FUNDING, which became Lynn's mantra. We had a collection and raised around £160, Caroline Long gave the vote of thanks.

After a break, Angela our president continued with our WI business and was pleased to tell us that member Carol Brown has agreed to join the committee. We have been asked to make cakes for the WI tent at the Gala in early September and again on 15<sup>th</sup> for the Caythorpe Dash. If members don't wish to bake but would like to contribute to our stall, donations of ingredients to the bakers would be most welcome (more info nearer the time). We are continuing to make the knitted, crocheted and felt poppies for the November display in the church and likewise donations of red wool would be most appreciated.

Many members have been making small hearts in an appeal for them to be given to terminally ill patients in hospital. Two identical hearts are knitted or sewn from fabric, one is given to the patient and one kept by the giver with the message "This little heart is one of two, One is with me, the other is with you. Made with tender loving care, Hold your heart and I shall be there". Angela has collected them all together and will be taking them to the hospital shortly, thank you to all those involved in making them.



OUR NEXT MEETING is on **THURSDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY**. This meeting will be our **70<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY** and combined Celebration of the King's Coronation. **IT IS FOR MEMBERS ONLY** and will begin an hour earlier than normal, at **12:30pm for 1:00pm luncheon**. **The competition will be on a Royal or Birthday theme.** On 8<sup>th</sup> June we look forward to learning **The History of the Kimono with speaker Jennifer Ichikawa** in Caythorpe Village Hall at 1:30pm for 2:00pm start. \*Visitors are always welcome, and their first two visits are free, after that they will be obliged to become full members and pay the annual subscription. Sue Case



# Gaythorpe & District Garden Society

The advertised speaker for our April meeting dropped out due to illness, but Alan Mason kindly stepped into the breach with a talk on the Chateaux of the Loire region of France. He first visited this region during his horticultural training, when he suggested an alternative to the castles of Yorkshire for a field trip on garden history. The lecturer and a group of students piled into a VW Campervan and thus began Alan's love of, and subsequent career in, continental gardens.

The chateaux of the Loire Valley were built around 500 years ago for French royalty and are truly spectacular. Château de Chenonceau is a stunning example, built on a series of arches that span the River Cher, a tributary of the Loire. The effect of its reflection in still water is breath-taking. Other chateaux make use of reflecting water, built alongside a river or an artificial lake or moat, as at the Château de Chambord. It is believed that Leonardo da Vinci influenced the design there, including a remarkable double-helix staircase. Châteaux de Villandry features a vast and intricate parterre d'broderie (literally embroidery on the ground), filled with flowers and including a huge potager for vegetables.

The British were influenced by the French style, and great houses adopted reflecting pools and parterres, and Alan has been involved in the restoration of some of them. Sadly box blight threatens these wonderful creations, but alternatives to the traditional box are being trialled. Many thanks to Alan for an entertaining, informative and beautifully illustrated talk at short notice.

Our next meeting is on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm for 7:45pm at Carlton Scroop Village Hall. Visitors (£5) and new members most welcome, just come along.

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#### PENNY MILNES INDEPENDENT



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During that time I have served on several committees and been appointed Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee

In addition, I have been closely involved with residents and parish councils in resolving both community and individual problems.

My priorities for the coming term of office, if elected, are:

Be available for individual problems Improve Housing outcomes Improve planning outcomes Support local initiatives Support Neighbourhood Plan development Prioritise statutory services for funding Liaise with Lincolnshire County Council



Whilst I am not given to self-congratulation, I was pleased to learn from Parish Councillor PC (ret'd) Andy Roberts that in his opinion he considered me to have been the best District Councillor the Ward has had.

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#### The Rector visits a lone star cathedral

With limited time at his disposal the Rector was looking for a cathedral to visit which was not too far away and his eyes lighted upon the cathedral of St Peter in Bradford – a cathedral to which Simon Jenkins awards just one lone star but which for all that is well worth a visit.

The Harrogate train from Grantham provides a fast ride to Leeds where there is an easy change to a smart new Northern Trains service (Class 195 built in Spain) for the onward journey via New Pudsey to Bradford interchange – home to the Caldervale route into 'Gentleman Jack' territory!

From Interchange it is a short walk into the city centre for coffee and the opportunity to admire the city hall built 1870-72 with its bell tower in the style of a Venetian palazzo but then where was the cathedral? It was hidden from sight and no one I asked knew where it was or even what it was: 'Is it like the Alhambra and does it put on shows' I was asked!

Fortunately, a helpful postman pointed me in the right direction for while it is cathedral built on a hill it is hidden behind a building – erected I was informed later in the day by non-conformists so as to hide it from sight!

Having found the cathedral and climbed however many steps to gain access I was pleased to sit down and chat to the first person I met – who turned out to their choir master, Alex, who was bringing the choir that coming Saturday to Grantham to sing in St Wulfram's on their way to a residential week in Norfolk.

The cathedral is east of the city centre in the area of Bradford known as 'Little Germany'; and which was home to German-Jewish merchants who traded in the town's worsted cloth in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century. The nave was completed in 1458 and the tower in 1508 but only when the church was elevated to cathedral status in 1919 did it gain its present east end and its glass of the pre-Raphaelite school. As for the nave, with its unadorned roughcast stone, it would not be out of place, Jenkins suggests, in a rural Pennine village.

By happy chance there was a buffet lunch served at 12.30 before the 13.00 organ recital – I could stay for 10 minutes only as I was booked on a return train, and while I did not particularly enjoy the opening piece of French mid-20<sup>th</sup> century organ music, what was fascinating was to watch the organist's feet (socks, no shoes) dance over the pedals as there were large screens showing both his manual dexterity on the 4 manuals as well as his feet and the pedals.

The return from Forster Square was easier as it was so much closer to the cathedral and the train was routed via Shipley on the Airedale line, past the ruins of the great Cistercian abbey at Kirkstall, to Leeds in time for



the Harrogate – King's Cross train back to Grantham, I would give it far more than a single star and would earmark it for a return visit.

An illustrated guide book explains the rationale behind the three cathedrals in the Diocese of Leeds. The present Anglican Diocese of Leeds came into being as recently as 2014 after the dissolution of the previous dioceses of Ripon and Leeds, Wakefield and Bradford;

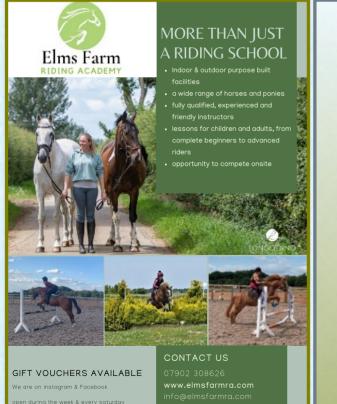


the result being a diocese with three cathedrals at Ripon, Wakefield and Bradford which retain

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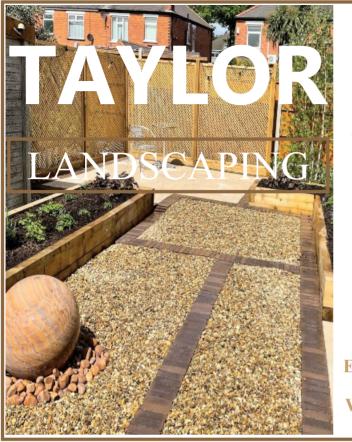
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I met a guy who said he was a big pop star in the 1980's. I didn't believe him but he was adamant...

### **Pete's Puzzles** All Answers on next page

- 1. George Michael & Andrew Ridgeley formed which pop group in 1981?
- 2. What is the name of the largest active volcano in Europe?
- 3. Who will replace Matt Lucas as the new co-host of the Great British Bake Off?
- 4. Rioja wine comes from which country?
- 5. Tweedledum and Tweedledee are two characters of which Children's book?
- 6. Which county is Stoke-on-Trent in?
- 7. Which Country has the most Eurovision Song Contest wins?
- 8. What is the name of the currency used in Switzerland?
- 9. Considered a classic of American literature, who wrote the novel "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn"?
- 10. Which historic agreement was signed in Northern Ireland in April 1998?



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5. Alice In Wonderland / 6. Staffordshire / 7. Ireland with 7 Wins / 8. Swiss Franc /
9. Mark Twain / 10. The Good Friday Agreement

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6	3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Caythorpe	Hammond	
29	19:30	Playing Field	Pavilion	
42		AGM		
29	5 <sup>th</sup> May 10:30	Coffee Morning	St. Vincents, Caythorpe	
36		0		
31	6 <sup>th</sup> May 18:00	Cayfest Music Festival	Playing Field, Caythorpe	
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37	7 <sup>th</sup> May 12:00	Coronation BBQ	Fulbeck Sports Field	
35	7 <sup>th</sup> May	Coronation	High Street,	
36	12:00	Street Party	Caythorpe	
24	8 <sup>th</sup> May	, Cream Tea	Caythorpe	
29	15:00	cream rea	Village Hall	
36	13 <sup>th</sup> May	Car Boot Sale	Fulbeck Sports	
42	08:00		Field	
31	13 <sup>th</sup> May	Bingo	Fulbeck Sports	
15	19:00		Club	
39	13 <sup>th</sup> May	Bingo	Carlton Scroop	
2	20:00		Social Club	
36	20 <sup>th</sup> May	Quiz Night	Fulbeck Sports	
17	19:00		Club	
44	20 <sup>th</sup> May	Quiz Night	Carlton Scroop	
27	19:30		Social Club	



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