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News & Views

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Welcome

Dear News & Views Readers.

You may notice a new organisation of the pages in News and Views. I thought I would try grouping similar items together..

Daniel Sheard told me that the event advertised in last months News and Views - the Community Hub VE Day buffet lunch, at Carlton Scroop - was a HUGE success - with c50 participants, including the first guests from Normanton. That's just brilliant.

When I show my friends who don't live locally the advertised events in News and Views they are just amazed at the range of community activities going on. I think we are very lucky to have so many local 'heroes' who make these things happen for us all to enjoy. Putting the forthcoming events in N&V helps too!

Thank you to all our contributors, advertisers and volunteers who make this issue possible.

Enjoy the June issue.

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Lincolnshire Mobile Library Bus Service

Caythorpe The Church 12-1245 Monday June 16th
Frieston Church View 10-10.30 Thursday June 5th
Fulbeck Hare & Hounds 10.30-11.00 Monday June 2nd & June 30th
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Useful Contacts

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01522 532 222

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Brandon Telephone kiosk on corner of

Church Lane & Hough Lane

Carlton Scroop

Charity Street on wall before Golf Club entrance

Wall at Village Hall, Newark

Lane

Caythorpe Village Hall High Street

Hammond Pavillon, Old

Lincoln Road

Old Chapel, Chapel Lane

On wall of 35 Hough Road Frieston between Top and Bottom

Green

Fulbeck On wall, Main Door Village

Gelston Village Green in Telephone

Kiosk

Telephone kiosk on High Hough

Street opposite Church

Normanton Telephone Kiosk Main Road

Sudbrook Telephone Kiosk

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Calendar of Events June

- I Caythorpe Village Hall Breakfast
- 4 Handicrafts Club
- 6 St Vincent's Coffee Morning
- 8 St Chad's Welbourn Concert
- 10 Garden Club
- 14 Fulbeck Car Boot
- 14 Leadenham Village Hall Beer Festival
- 15 Red Lion Fathers Day
- 16 Red Lion Acoustic Night
- 17 Caythorpe Village Hall AGM
- 20 Caythorpe Village Hall Chill & Chat
- 21 Leadenham Village Hall Comedy Night
- 21 Caythorpe Allotments 10th Anniversary celebration
- 23 Red Lion Quiz Night
- 26 Sir William Robertson Open Evening
- 28 Pig & Jig Hough on the Hill
- 29 Fulbeck Village Fete

Coming Up in July

- 3 Carlton Scroop Village Hall Lunch
- 4 St Vincent's Gig

If there is an event you would like to publicise then please let me have the details and it can be included in our News and Views which get delivered to 1400 readers.



Are you new to Caythorpe, Fulbeck, Frieston, Normanton on Cliffe, Marston or surrounding areas. Newly retired? Looking to meet local friendly people?

WE MAY HAVE THE ANSWER!

CAYTHORPE SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB NEED YOU!

You can find us at Caythorpe Village Hall every Tuesday. Sessions start at 2pm until 4pm 3 Free introductory 'taster' sessions We supply bowls and friendly tuition plus tea and biscuits! For further information please contact: Carol Brown Secretary 07860208189

Email:carolbrown I 946@Outlook.com



Summer Opening Times: Thursday 7pm - 11pm Friday 6pm - 11pm Saturday 5pm - 11pm

Sunday 1pm (if cricket match) 2pm (if no cricket)

CAYTHORPE & FRIESTON

SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB



Photo by Adam Jackson

FULBECK SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB **Opening Times:**

Friday 5:30pm to 8:00pm

Sunday 12:00pm to 4:00pm

Open for Pool Team Fixtures on Tuesday 7:00pm - 11:00pm

Fulbeck Thursday Coffee Club

Fulbeck Village Hall
Open 10 am – 12 noon every Thursday

Tea and coffee with cake and biscuits
Occasional speakers and Village Library.

Come along for an informal chat with friends and neighbours, and meet new ones, in our wonderful cafe/bar area!

All we ask is a donation of £2.00 to cover costs. Excess funds are regularly given to charity, so far £100.00 each to: Villager Bereavement, Caythorpe Surgery, Marie Curie, St Barnabas, Lincs. Air Ambulance, Trade Aid, Children In Need, and Salvation Army



Caythorpe & Frieston Sports and Social Club

The Hammond Pavilion, Old Lincoln Road

Please come and pay a visit to this welcoming Village Amenity. Enjoy a drink with family and friends, as well as joining in the various events.





Membership is not essential but there are several benefits for those who pay the annual fee. These include: Free wifi, Free Sky Sports and Free seasonal activities for children

Membership Family £15 Individual £10



Timetables for Caythorpe Children's Centre are now available via the link below:

www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/ directory-record/62593/ caythorpe-children-s-centre

We have a new session every Wednesday morning 10-10.45

Early Talkers 0-5 yrs

Please check regularly for dates and times of sessions as these change due to holiday times.

All sessions Free of Charge



High Street, Caythorpe, NG323DRTel: 01400 279285/E-mail: CaythorpeCC@lincolnshire.gov.uk

KREE Chill & Chat

Caythorpe & Frieston Village Hall

Cake & Drink £2.00

Friday 20th June 10:00am - 12:00pm

Come and Join Us!





Many thanks for the donations for the Foodbank. If you would like to donate there are collection boxes inside the Caythorpe church and Ancaster COOP.

Donations of food, pet food,

laundry products, cleaning products and personal hygiene items are always welcome. Please ensure that items are within their sell by/use by dates. All donations are welcome no matter how small e.g. small tin of beans or soup.

Current shortages reported are: JARS OF PASTA SAUCE, TINNED FISH,TINNED FRUIT, JARS OF COFFEE, BOTTLES OF SQUASH,TOOTHPASTE, SOAP, BAGS FOR LIFE (IN GOOD CLEAN CONDITION)

Monetary donations are accepted on the Grantham Foodbank website; https://grantham.foodbank.org.uk



Carlton Scroop & Normanton Social Club

Saturday 7th June

7:30pm for eyes down at 8:00pm

Fulbeck Sports Club

Saturday 14th and 28th June 7:00pm for eyes down at 7:30pm





Caythorpe Village Hall Breakfast Sunday 1st June 2025

09:00-11:00
Full English £7.50
Bacon Bap £4.00
SausageBap £4.00
all including
Tea/Coffee



The Caythorpe Village Hall Breakfast

Caythorpe Walking for Health Group

2nd June Ancaster Valley
9th June Frieston & Love Lane
16 June Bleak House
23rd June Caythorpe Court
30th June Caythorpe to Sudthorpe

Walking for Health is supported by the Lincolnshire Co-Op.

Everyone Welcome

Local walks start at the Hammond Pavilion at 09.45. Away walks, meet at the Hammond Pavilion at 9.30, or the venue by 10.00.

Dogs accompanied by their owners welcome on leads.

Picnic at Belton House with Garden Walk in June date to be confirmed

Carlton-le-Moorland Art Group

We are a friendly art group who meet on Thursday 10am - 12.30pm. at The Village Hall, Brigg Lane, Carlton-le-Moorland LN5 9HP

New members are very welcome

For more information call 01522 810739

Saturday July 26th 10am-3pm.

A workshop with Peter Woods Cafe scene in Pastels and water Members £15, non members £18.

For more information please call 01522 811510

Caythorpe & Frieston Village Hall AGM

Date: 17/06/2025

Time: 7:00 pm

Please come along to listen and have your say

You are more than welcome

Fulbeck's Car Boot Saturday 14th June on the Playing Field 8.00 am – I pm (set up 7 am on)

So far this year we have been favoured by the weather gods (I know, I know, I've probably gone and done it now - wiped out the rest of summer!) Let's make it a record for buyers and sellers. Meet up with friends, family and neighbours.

Grab a bargain from the fabulous pitches; people clearing out homes, lofts, garages, gardens, and, of course, charity tables and traders. Plants, food, bric à brac, garden tools and antiques.

While you're there, treat yourself to a bap crammed with luscious best quality bangers or bacon, lovingly hand-cooked on the barbie, as well as a mug of steaming tea or coffee, all served by volunteers from the social club. Bargain prices!

Pitches only £5.00, just turn up with your table and stuff. Plenty of parking for everyone.

Put these dates in your diary for this year's car boots: I2th July, 9th August, I3th September at Fulbeck Sports and Playing Field.

We look forward to seeing your there!

second Saturday of every month



soo Ho Jig

"Pig and Jig Saturday 28th June

Yes folks it's coming soon..it's the annual Hough on the Hill Pig & Jig festival on 28 June starting at 4 o'clock.

There will be live music bar, food, fun for the kids, tea & cake.

So join the party, bring your friends, dance, drink and dally the day away and help us raise even more money for Cancer Research UK (event reference 807475634)

Over night campers and well behaved dogs on leads are very welcome. Please bring some cash in case the card reader is on the blink"





COMMUNITY HUB @ CARLTON SCROOP VILLAGE HALL & SOCIAL CLUB

After the hugely successful VE Day buffet lunch, we will return to fighting loneliness and forging friendships with a free and friendly lunchtime get-together

Thursday 3rd July 11am-2pm, lunch served c12.15pm

Bring a friend or make new ones. FREE, but DONATIONS WILL BE APPRECIATED. The Hub is a non-profit activity, any surplus goes to charity.

PLEASE e-mail carltonscroophub@gmail.com or contact 07484616045 to let us know you're coming, please help us feed everyone and minimise food waste.





*/\/E\/\/!*CS Village Hall Book Exchange

A new initiative from CS Village Hall, EVERY SATURDAY (subject to other bookings), the hall will host a Book Exchangebetween 11am - midday, along with refreshments.

Come along and pick up a fresh book from our well-stocked collection, leave some you've read, or just come for a chat and a cuppa Tea/Coffee/Hot Chocolate + biscuits (£1)

Ample free parking.

Lookout for regular updates on the Carlton Scroop & Normanton Village Hall Facebook page.





Healthy Relationships Workshops

Caythorpe Primary School welcomed George from Lincolnshire County Council's Stay Safe Partnership for a workshop on emotions and feelings.

The children in Neverland were immediately engaged by an interactive crossword, guessing the name of the emotion from the description. George then took the children through a series of tools to support their emotions. They worked through various breathing techniques before considering distractions by drawing and writing about what makes them happy.

The children were encouraged to find ways of taking some space, using practical activities such as yoga and stretching and then separately thinking about how movement can help them.

They also looked at the importance of thinking and writing about their feelings, scrunching up what makes them feel sad and throwing it in the bin.

The interactive session engaged the children throughout, culminating in the most important tool of all – talking to someone.

Children in Hogwarts played "The Game of Conflict!" the children were sorted into teams and took turns to roll the dice to see where they landed on the board. Some spaces asked the children to choose a tool or emotion card and others asked children to discuss conflict scenarios. Teams were awarded points depending on the tools they used to resolve the conflicts.

Hogwarts and Narnia Explore Places of Worship

Hogwarts and Narnia classes had an inspiring trip to Leicester, where they visited a mosque and a synagogue as part of their RE curriculum.

At the mosque, pupils learned about the Five Pillars of Islam and the importance of faith in Muslim life. The Imam shared fascinating insights, including how the dome helps carry sound throughout the building. The children were captivated by the mosque's stunning interior — with its mirrors, crystals, and intricate geometric patterns. Albert summed it up beautifully, saying he enjoyed how "engaging and easy to listen to" the Imam was.



After lunch, the children explored a synagogue where two wonderful volunteers introduced them to Jewish beliefs and traditions. They were intrigued to learn about the 613 commandments and to see the sacred Torah scrolls written on parchment. Isla said she loved learning about the history of Judaism and was surprised at how old the religion is.

We're incredibly proud of how respectful and curious the children were throughout the day — both places of worship complimented their behaviour and thoughtful questions. They were fantastic ambassadors for our school!

VE Day Celebrations

Our whole school came together to commemorate VE Day, marking this historic occasion with creativity, learning, and a lot of community spirit!

Children and staff dressed in red, white, and blue, or even in clothes of the 1940s, helping bring history to life.

Enchanted Forest designed their own VE Day flags and medals, showing wonderful imagination and respect for the past.



Neverland worked together to create a stunning class collage, reflecting the unity and pride of the nation.

Narnia learned through play with a specially themed VE Day board game — both fun and educational!

Hogwarts impressed us all by designing an informative webpage all about VE Day, packed with facts and heartfelt tributes.

Thank you to everyone who took part in this memorable celebration — it was a fantastic way to honour an important moment in history.



Sporting Stars in Action!



Some of our EYFS children had their very first taste of a sporting event—and what a brilliant introduction it was! The children took part in a range of fun, fast-paced games designed to develop their physical skills, all while embracing important sporting values like teamwork, resilience, and determination.

"Best day ever! I've made some new friends."

"I had to run there and walk backwards back to the hoop; I tried super hard."

We're so proud of their effort, enthusiasm, and confidence to try new things. A huge well done to all our little sports stars!

Some of our Year 3 and 4 children took part in a magical Quidditch experience — no broom flying experience required! The event was

specially designed for children with lower activity levels, offering a fun and inclusive way to get moving, build confidence, and be inspired through team play. The children mixed into new teams, learned the rules of the game, and then jumped into some friendly matches full of energy and laughter.

It was fantastic to see so many children trying something new, showing great teamwork, and most importantly — having fun while getting active!

Upcoming Cricket matches at Caythorpe

Sunday 1st June	start 10.15	Under 9's v Hartsholme
Sunday 1st June	start 1pm	Ladies v Saxilby and Collingham
Monday 2nd June	start 6.15pm	Under 13's v Sleaford
Tuesday 3rd June	start 6.15pm	Under 15's v Lindum
Wednesday 4th June	start 6.15	Under 11's v Bracebridge





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Fulbeck Parish Council Matters

At the Annual Parish Council Meeting, 8th May 2025, the Council voted in a new Chair, Ollie Crowder and new Vice Chair, Rose Siddans. Ollie thanked the outgoing Chair for her work over the past two years, at which the residents present burst into a spontaneous round of enthusiastic and warm applause.

We all recognise the incredible dedication and constant hard work June has brought to the role. This has involved not only dealing with council meetings and consequent matters, but also in getting to know as many residents as possible so she could fully promote their interests. Both she and Peter Hughes, the outgoing Vice Chair, dedicate many hours of their busy lives to the village and its residents as Councillors, and Peter through the Village Hall, and we know that they will continue to do so.

We send Ollie and Rosie our very best wishes in their new roles. They will be undertaking intensive training to equip them for their work, and no doubt they will serve the community well. Good luck in your work.

Welcome to Fulbeck Village!

A folder bursting with useful information for new residents.

(Funded by Fulbeck Village Hall Committee)



The welcomer team is here waiting to hear of any new people moving into the village so please help us with a quick message via Messenger.

We will ensure newcomers receive a copy to help them feel at home and find their way around Fulbeck and the local area.

More information on Facebook.

Jane Hodcroft, Carol Hare, Carol Aram. Vic Rice, Geoff Cottingham, Wendy Bentley, Linda Kingston, Judith

Corrigan, June Hutchinson, Iris Morison and Anne Watler.

Church Corner

I'm writing this the week after our VE Day Commemorations around the country and locally. As a family we had a VE style tea party to celebrate my birthday and within the group of parishes we had a Service of Commemoration at Caythorpe Church and I was able to attend village events in Leadenham as well as a coffee morning at Welbourn.

Our church service had a good sized congregation which included people who do not regularly attend church but wanted to help commemorate the 80th Anniversary of VE Day. We recognised that whilst it was a time of joy, it also was a difficult time for many whose loved

ones would not be returning home having sacrificed their lives. Many were also severely affected both physically and mentally by all that they had experienced. At times of remembrance, it is also important that we continue to pledge our commitment to peace as we all have a part to play, however small that may feel, in working towards peace in our time. We may feel out of our depth when we consider wars between nations, but we all have a role in striving for peace closer to home, within our families and local communities.

I think that our VE Commemorations reminded us again of the importance of 'community', for most of us that may be within our local villages, whilst in my role covering thirteen churches and even more villages, I have to see it in a wider context. Some of our church congregations attend services in other villages, which is how we are looking to the future and joining with others to worship at a time when 'One church, one vicar' generally no longer exists. It is also good when we can help attend each other's community events and church fund raising initiatives, from fetes to



concerts. We have quite a lot coming up from a 'Music in Quiet Place' concert at Hough on the Hill later in May, to a free concert by St. Martin's Voices at St. Chad's Welbourn on 8th June at 3pm, a Church Fete in Marston and plans are afoot for a musical event at St. Vincent's this summer. We are trying an 'Open Afternoon' at All Saints' Beckingham which may be tried elsewhere in our group. This will be an opportunity, with particular relevance to the local village to learn a little of the history of the church, it's importance to the local community (and further afield) and how it might remain of ongoing importance in the years to come. Everyone is always welcome to all our services and events, I enjoy getting to meet people, even if we only meet occasionally.

With the start of the summer, for many it's a time of travel and holidays and it's great to have visitors to our villages, many enjoy seeing our historic churches as well as visiting local shops, pubs, cafes and restaurants. I do hoe that you get to enjoy some restful time over the coming months.

Every blessing, Revd. Sara Davies 07768706952sara.davies@lincoln.anglican.org

St Vincents Caythorpe

Friday 6th June
10.30 to noon
50:50 for Charity
This month's charity is
Sense

All Saints Hough on the Hill

Tuesday 3rd June 10.30 to noon



Sidespersons - St Vincent's

1 June Mrs Moses and Mr Prabucki 15 June Mr & Mrs Dorey

Flower Rota June - Mrs H Green



St Vincent's Church Prayer Group

Prayer is at the centre of all that we do at St Vincent's. We believe that all we accomplish comes about not because of us but because of God. Prayer transforms; it enables us to become more the people God created us to be, and so draws us to share in God's creative and compassionate work in the world.

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 9th June and 23rd June 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.

In memoriam

Sheila Mary Smith

16th May 2025 St. Vincent's Church

The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), Meeting House Lane, Brant Broughton, LN5 0SH

We meet each Sunday at 10:30am for an hour of mostly silent worship followed by coffee in the Barn next doorafterwards.

All are welcome! Have a look on our website:

www.brantbroughtonquakers.co.uk or phone 01400 318127 for more information about us.

THE GIFT OF THIS NEW DAY

A concert by St Martin's Voices, directed by Andrew Earis

Sunday 8 June2025 at 3pm at St Chad's Church, Welbourn LN5 0NE



FREEentry with retiring collection in aid of St Chad's

JoinSt Martin's Voices for an hour of mesmerising choral works tracing a journey from dawn to dusk. Including works by Charles Villiers Stanford, James Mac Millan, Cecilia McDowall and Lucy Walker.

The programme will feature pieces recorded by St Martin's Voices last year in the beautiful acoustics of St Chad's for their new album The Gift of This New Day: Music for Daily Prayer through the year, copies of which will be available for sale.



St Martin's Voices is one of the UK'smost versatile professional vocal ensembles. They sing for concerts, broadcasts and special events at their home in London's iconic St Martin-in-the-Fields and beyond. The choir regularly features in broadcasts on BBC Radio 3, BBC Radio 4 and Classic FM.

Picture of St Martin's Voices by Lia Vitton

LINCOLN DIOCESE: CENTRAL LOVEDEN GROUP OF CHURCHES JUNE 2025 SERVICES

Date	June 1st	June 8th	June 15th	June 22nd	June 29th
Sunday Colour	Easter 7 Sunday after	Pentecost Whit Sunday	Trinity Sunday	Trinity 1 Proper 7	Peter and Paul Proper 8
Colour	Ascension Day White	Red	White	Green	Red
Welbourn		11.00/SD Holy Communion	15.00/ Team Forest Church	11.00 Holy Communion	
Caythorpe	11.00/SD Holy Communion		11.00/SD Holy Communion		
Marston	09.30/BCP/SD Holy Communion		10.00/CS Morning Service		
Brant Broughton			9.30/SD Holy Communion	10.00/JH Morning Service	
Fulbeck		10.00/Team Morning Service		9.30/ Holy Communion	
Hough on the Hill		9.30/SD Holy Communion		9.45/JK Morning Service	
Hougham	17.00/BCP/CB Evening Prayer				10.30am/SD Group Communion Common Worship
Beckingham		9.30/GG Morning Service			
Stragglethorpe					
Brandon	9.45/BCP/CB Morning Prayer				
Leadenham	10.00/BCP/HR Morning Prayer				
Carlton Scroop Normanton					

BCP - Book of Common Prayer, Traditional Language. All other service are Contemporary Language **OFFICIANTS Clergy -** SD Rev Sara Davies: ValR – Rev Canon Valerie Rampton

Lay Readers - CS - Clare Sauer:

Authorised Lay Ministers - CB - Dr Christopher Brightman: EB - Emma Brealey: GG - Gillian Green: HR - Henrietta Reeve: JH - Jennifer Harvey: JK - Julian Knight: TK - Tony Kingston: Caythorpe Team Authorised Lay Ministers - Jo Russell, Judith Scott, Suzanne Wills

The environment blog:

What is happening to our pollinators? And what can we do about it?



It has been a wonderful year for spring blossoms – and lots of sunshine (so far). However, it has made me think about what usually comes next in the natural cycle of things – pollination. Here we have a major and still growing problem – key pollinators are under severe threat.

Everybody knows that bees are vitally important for pollination, but flies, wasps, butterflies, moths, beetles and even some birds, bats and lizards all pollinate. Because they gather pollen to stock their nests, bees are generally the most effective pollinators since they visit many more flowers and carry more pollen between them. But here is the main problem: the bee population has been in serious decline for decades. Sadly there are many reasons for this, in particular:

- Habitat loss. Woods, trees, grassland and gardens continue to be paved over. In the last 100 years 97% of wildflower meadows have been lost these being a key food resource for bees. Widespread use of pesticides and herbicides means that food sources for bees disappears or that poisoning occurs.
- Climate change and extreme weather. These weather patterns can disrupt bee nesting behaviour
 and alter normal seasonal timings. So, flowers, shrubs and trees may bloom earlier or later than
 expected.
- 3. Invasive species and parasites. Threats have come from non-native species like the Asian hornet and parasites such as the varroa mite that feeds on honeybees. Diseases in honeybees are easily passed on to our wild bumblebee population.

Why is this so important?

Lots of crops benefit from bee pollination, with crop yields being highly dependent on good pollination. While there are other methods of pollination, including by other animals and the wind, wild bees pollinate on a much bigger and more efficient scale. Estimates suggest it would cost UK farmers nearly £2 billion a year to manually pollinate their crops. Bees pollinate many of the crops used for animal feed. Without them, it would be harder to produce lots of our meat, egg and dairy products.

Without bees (and thousands of other insect species), it would not be long before our ecosystem collapsed. Bees pollinate our trees and wildflowers, which then support other insects, which then support birds, bats, mammals and everything up the food chain with food and shelter. In short our food supply is dependent on effective pollination.

So what can we do to help bees?

According to the RHS there are some simple steps that can be taken to encourage and boost pollination: fill gardens with pollinating flowers and plants including wild flowers; allow lawn weeds to flower by cutting the grass less often; provide water for pollinators; avoid using pesticides and never spray open flowers; and provide nest sites for wild bees (there are lots of videos on the internet about how to build bee or bug hotels).

There is so much more to learn about bees (there are well over 250 species of bees in the UK), their behaviour, their role in the food cycle and how to protect them. It would be great to hear from bee keepers or anyone with a deeper knowledge than I have about the precious life of bees (or other pollinators) and their place in our fragile ecosystem. **Anon**

In and Around the Garden.

In fact I haven't been in or around the garden much in the last 2 months, having surgery on my ankle. I finally got outside with the aid of a mobility scooter in mid May, and was astonished at how much had changed. The garden looks positively overgrown, as a wet spell followed by unusually warm weather has pushed a lot of plants into early, lush growth. It may be officially still spring, but it is definitely summer in the borders.

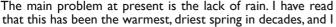


Early mornings are full of bird song, and I'm sure there are several nests in the garden. I haven't checked the nest boxes for fear of disturbing them, but robin, song thrush and blue, great and long tailed tits all seem to be holding territories. I have also seen a jay several times, making use of the pond for a bath. And the swifts are back.

Many of the early summer plants are in full flower. White Anthemis daisies, Guems in yellow, peach and orange and Dicentra (Dutchman's britches) look bright and fresh. Most of these plants are quite low as they flower soon after resuming growth, and the most eyecatching display is from the alliums. I planted a few 'Purple Sensation' years ago and they spread enthusiastically. They still make a striking group rising to a height of around 3 feet. There are also some even taller white ones, which are good for indoor dried

arrangements once flowering has finished. Some shrubs are also in bloom, including elder, rock rose (cistus) and the dark leaved Weigela, which is covered in rose pink flowers and bees. The early flowering Clematis 'Guernsey Cream' looks spectacular, and a purple potato vine is blooming for the first time.

Of course, with my neglect the weeds are doing well too. A most unwelcome Geum is G. urbanum, a native plant with insignificant yellow flowers that is spread by animals and looks exactly like the desirable cultivars-until it flowers. It then needs to be removed promptly before it sets seed. I seem to have more dandelions than usual, and have missed my chance to pull off the seed heads before they disperse. This means I will have even more next year.



have recorded just 16 mm of rain for the last 10





weeks. The average would have been around 110 mm. Most plants in the borders do not seem to be suffering at present, and I am not mobile enough to water them in any case. As climate change is likely to mean a repeat of these conditions I have decided that, with one or two exceptions, I will leave them to cope as best they can, and replace anything that dies with a more drought resistant alternative. I hope this is a move towards more sustainable gardening, but it could turn out to be an expensive mistake.



Allotment Open Day

Saturday 21 June 2025, 2.00 - 5.00.pm.

All welcome

2025 marks the 10-year anniversary of the Caythorpe and Frieston Allotment Association that opened its site to the first plot holders in April 2015. To mark the occasion there will be an open day at the allotment on Saturday 21 June 2025 (2.00.pm - 5.00.pm) to which everyone is welcome.

Refreshments (tea, coffee, soft drinks and home-made cakes) will be available.

Please come and walk around the site, meet plot holders and explore what allotment gardening entails. Expressions of interest in becoming plot holders will be welcome. Younger residents (though age is no bar) will be able to take part in a 'spot the fruit and vegetable' competition.



















Caythorpe Garden Club

Linda Heywood, the speaker at our May meeting came from Echium World in Nottinghamshire, where she holds the National Collection of Echiums. (See www.echiumworld. co.uk) The collection includes 17 species and around 35 varieties of Echium, both herbaceous and shrubby, from Micronesia: the Canaries, Azores and Cape Verde islands. These volcanic islands provide the mild climate and well drained soils that the plants need.

Growing up to 20 feet or more in height, these giants are not really suited to Nottinghamshire, and Linda and her husband learned by trial and error how to keep them not merely alive, but flourishing. This is despite some species flowering only once, making it necessary to collect their seed and start afresh to keep the collection going. Successful cultivation is hard work and involves moving them under cover for the winter, with extra protection from fleece on frosty nights. The largest species produce, from a rosette of leaves at ground level, a column of small flowers that may be several feet wide and as tall as a house. Flowers



are blue, white and pink, with a hint of purple in some hybrids. They are very popular with pollinators, which may include birds and lizards in their native habitat, and they produce huge quantities of seeds.

The nursery, now run by their daughter, is the only supplier in the UK of these extraordinary plants. They have exhibited and won medals at RHS shows over the years and also at provided specimens for other designers. Linda's enthusiastic talk was illustrated with excellent slides, including some of well known gardeners that she and her husband have met. Many thanks to Linda for her interesting talk.

Our Local Winged Wonders

You don't need to travel to posh nature reserves to see good birds, it's possible to see some superb birds in and around our local area. Just last Thursday (8th May), local birder, Trevor Lee, spotted 8 Wood Sandpipers in the

flooded field besides the A607 at Frieston, as seen in these pictures.





The Wood Sandpiper is a handsome migratory wader that visits our shores in Spring. They stop to refuel in shallow wetlands enroute to their breeding grounds in Northern Europe (with some breeding in the Scottish Highlands), having spent the winter in Africa. They are a good bird to spot, with only 31 reports of them (on BirdGuides) in Lincolnshire so far this Spring, so keep an eye out for them now or in Autumn on their return journey to Africa

A FEW DATES IN THE HISTORY OF CAYTHORPE

During COVID Lockdown Bob and Mandy Greybrook decided to write a brief history of Caythorpe. This article is the result.

continued...

1860

Work commenced on repairs to the church and a new northern aisle.

1864

Construction of the railway through the village started.

1865

First trains pass through the village.

1867

Caythorpe station opened.

1871

New organ fitted in the church at a cost of £270 - this was built by the Hull firm of Forster and Andres.

1874

School Board formed to to seek site for a new school to be built in the parish. Reverend Croft the Chairman and Mr H Chapman of Newark the secretary.

1875

New school opened on 10th January with Mr West Headmaster and 50 pupils on the roll. (The public Elementary School was built in 1875 and enlarged in 1894 and 1900, ultimately seat 150 children)

1890

Bronze Age relics found in the ironstone workings near Frieston.

1899

Work began on Caythorpe Court, a hunting lodge for Mr Lubbock of London, built to a design by Sir Reginald Bloomfield.

1900

Caythorpe Court completed. The first property in the parish to be lit by electricity from its own generators.

1901/1902

Colonel Royds built a new home called "Holy Cross House" in the centre of the parish.

1909

Bronze Age and Saxon relics dug from the ironstone workings between Frieston and Hough on the Hill. In the 1900's there were three ironstone workings in the parish.

1914

The first volunteers left the village to fight in the Great War.

1919

First steam navvy (machine) started work in the ironstone workings near Frieston - nicknamed the 'American Devil'.

1937

Church Spire and lightning conductor damaged in a storm.

1938

On 12th August two RAF crewmen were killed when their plane crashed in Caythorpe parish.

1939

War declared 3rd September

1940

Village surveyed and several large houses commandeered for military purposes. Gas masks issues and buildings blacked out.

1944

On 12th April a Short Stirling bomber crashed in Caythorpe parish after being intercepted by a Luftwaffe fighter. The plane crashed at Hill Top Farm. Four crew members survived and four died in the crash.

To be continued..

ENCOUNTERS

Interesting Acquaintances of Brian Lucas CB, the last Rector of Caythorpe and Fulbeck

Each year during May or June a Conference of the Chief Chaplains of the NATO Alliance was hosted in turn by the member countries, which in 1992 comprised only twelve member states, two of which [Iceland and Luxembourg] did not attend. The Conference that year was held in

Rome. Surprisingly, this was to be my first visit to Rome and so I decided to travel out the previous Friday to allow me a weekend of sightseeing before we assembled on the Monday.

Descending the steps of the aircraft at Rome International Airport, officer of the carabinieri asked for my passport and instructed me to follow him to the Arrivals building. He was leading me toward a small doorway in the side of the building while all the other passengers were crossing to the main entrance. He opened



the small doorway and led me into the dark interior and I began to fear the worst! He turned and pointed inside the door to my suitcase, which had already been unloaded from the aircraft, and with a cursory, "Bring it" he waved my passport at a customs officer, passed through another door and I found myself on the pavement outside the main entrance! He opened the back door of an Italian army staff car as I asked rather feebly," Where are you taking me?" I received no answer, and the car drove away at speed along the short motorway from the airport to the city. Then came the fun bit! As we enter the city boundary police motorcyclists took position either side of the bonnet and with blue lights flashing and the occasional burst of the siren, we entered Rome! Fifteen minutes later we arrived at my hotel and with a brisk salute my carabinieri minder was gone. Dear reader, it is the only way to arrive at your hotel; the Manager and his staff were assembled at the front door to greet me and for the whole of my stay nothing was too much trouble for them!

Saturday was spent walking miles around Rome: the Colosseum, Trevi Fountain, were all ticked off! Watching television that evening before going to bed, I saw that there was to be a Papal Mass for those in Religious Orders in Saint Peter's on the Sunday morning, so I decided to attend. A taxi took me to Saint Peter's Square in minutes. The place was crowded and as I made my way towards the basilica, I was dismayed to see that there were barriers across the square and the police were checking tickets at the gates. I had no ticket, but I followed the queue along to the gates anyway, while rehearsing some kind of defence. I need not have worried about a ticket, as the policeman saw my clerical collar and dark suit and directed me

to pass through the gate. As I entered the basilica, I managed to find a seat near the back of the church for it was full; everyone was holding a candle, but there was none left by the time I arrived. Soon, a choir began to sing in the South aisle and the congregation was asked to face the back of the church, so I was now only five rows from the front, and I noticed that a high throne had been constructed against the big West door. At once the choir led the procession into the church; men and women in monastic robes were followed by deacons, nuns and priests, then bishops and archbishops and then Cardinals, and at the rear Pope John-Paul II Meanwhile, Acolytes had passed through the nave lighting the candles of the congregation. At the sight of the Pope ascending his throne, the lady beside me turned to her neighbour and pointing at the Pope with her candle, indicated his presence. Unfortunately her candle set fire to the lacquered hair of the lady in front of her! We all helped to pat it out as we longed for the incense to cover the smell of burnt hair. When the business concerning monastic vows was completed, the Pope descended from his throne and the procession proceeded as usual to the high altar of the basilica, and I was once again at the back of the congregation. [Note: While I was writing the above the election of Pope Leo 14th was announced on television on the second day of the Conclave.]

The Conference had been arranged by the Italian chaplain in chief [an Archbishop] who had brought in the chaplain of the Alpine Korps to assist him. He was a splendid priest by the name of Father Frank Troy, who spoke fluent English with a Liverpool accent and who hated being in Rome! It was a busy week, for in addition to our formal sessions of discussion about matters concerning Christian chaplains in NATO during the Cold War, a breakfast had been arranged on Wednesday with the President of the Italian Republic in the Presidential Palace, but on Thursday morning we travelled to the Vatican for an audience of the Pope. Karol Wojtyla [1920 - 2005] was elected pope on the third day of the papal conclave in 1978. The conclave was called after the death of John Paul I, who served only 33 days as pope. John Paul II was the first non-Italian pope since Adrian VI in the 16th century. He was head of the Roman Catholic Church and sovereign of Vatican City from 16 October 1978 until his death in 2005. He was subsequently made a Saint: his canonization was held on 27 April 2014; his Feast Day is in October.

After viewing some of the state rooms our small group was taken by an English-speaking art historian guide to the Sistine Chapel. It is fair to say that each one of us found Michelangelo's work breathtaking. The guide was good; she answered all our questions fully and devotionally. Then, glancing at her watch, she unlocked a secret door in the West wall of the Chapel, and carefully locking it behind us she led us along a wide passage, covered with more of Michelangelo's work but in a poor state of repair, at the end of which another door admitted us into the Papal apartments. Our Archiepiscopal leader now began to fidget with his list, which made Father Troy roll his eyes! Another Archbishop floated in through the door and whispered to our leader; more rolling eyes from Father Troy. A few dozen chairs were arranged in a semicircle facing a large throne on a dais beneath a canopy. Our leader motioned us to take our seats, and almost at once we stood again as the Holy Father entered without any fuss or ceremony and took his place on the throne. This was the man who, when he kissed the ground at Warsaw airport in 1979 began the process by which Communism in Poland, Czechoslovakia, the Baltic nations, and ultimately elsewhere in the European world came to an end, to be replaced by Western democracy. He spoke to us for about 20 minutes displaying a good grasp of a chaplain's ministry. Afterwards, each of us had a brief time alone, with the Holy Father. He had a firm handshake, and I was aware of his eyes looking deeply into my soul. I shall never forget this Encounter.



The memories of Augustus Peach (part XIX)

The final part of Augustus Peach's memories of childhood games at the turn of the 19th/20th centuries. Next month we turn to more personal memories of his family life.

Spotting the word

Crowding round a shop window one of the party would spot a word on a commodity in the window. The questioner would then give the initial letter and the number of letters in the word for the company to find. Other aids would be asked for if in a certain time the word could not be found.

Trundle and hoop

A steel hoop for the boys and a wooden hoop for the girls. These spheres were rolled along the road, each individual running by the side holding a short stick to beat and steer it on the then quiet roads. Several of the steel hoops had steel hooks, in some cases fastened on to the hoop with sufficient length to grip and propel the hoop by pressure, thereby making a high scraping sound and varying in tone according to the speed set up. This was no doubt a great satisfaction to the boy through being strong and speedy a runner denoting sound with speed, a good substitute in those days with the cycle of today.

Shuttlecocks and battledores

The girls with their shuttlecocks and battledores of varying colours and values made a very pretty sight on the village street on a bright spring day. Most of the battledores were made from solid wood, some from wood frames strung like small tennis racquets, others with a skin covering, called the drum battledores. The gay coloured shuttlecocks, some with wooden bases with ordinary feathers, others with cork bottoms covered with white material with bright coloured braid set with white fluffy feathers twirling as they came down from being driven upwards by the force of the bat.

Skipping

The girls, and sometimes the boys, were clever at skipping. The skipping rope could either be used by an individual or by a party with a longer rope, one person at either end of the rope turning. This was truly a happy, interesting and a very healthy game, fitness was essential. This game brought into being songs sang as the skipping progressed and probably gave rise to the popularity of old nursery rhymes, and many of them to words with a local flavour and atmosphere.

Cricket and football

These games were played during the day in a farm yard near the school, the farm belonging to the father of a large family of boys. For cricket, the bat a shaped fence rail, the wicket a box or a piece of board supported by a large stone. Football was played in the street outside the school with a tennis ball, the width of the street with windows and doors of the cottages as imaginary goal posts.

Saturday afternoons, during the holidays and long evenings, a cricket pitch was used behind the village cricket club's pavilion. A set of cricket gear had been given to the boys by a gentleman at the manor, who also had the turf relaid and well rolled. Matches were played with the boys of neighbouring villages both at football and cricket and at this time the local boys, our boys invariably won. The team in the main was composed of two families, keen and good sportsmen all clever in playing either game. Several families living in the village could boast of an eleven or more sons and daughters in one household, so we were really one large family or team of average ages and could form an eleven or even two elevens to play as two sides at football on any bright moonlight night.

Boys and girls of the village in those days made their own means of recreation and were not dependent on some organisation local or national to provide them with financial aid. Furthermore, apart from a little mischievousness now and again, nothing was wantonly damaged or destroyed by hooliganism or uncontrolled excitement.

Many thanks to his grandson, Alistair Mutch, for giving permission on behalf of the family to publish these memories in News and Views. Anne Watler

Golden Wedding

Two well-known and much loved residents of Frieston celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on May 3rd with family and friends. John and Judith Scott marked 50 glorious years together and were totally surprised to be presented with a beautiful rose bush from the Caythorpe PCC by Revd Sara at the Sunday Holy Communion service at St Vincent's, with a glass of prosecco to follow the service! We congratulate them on their special anniversary and wish them many more happy years together.



St Vincent's Church, Caythorpe



We are delighted to invite everyone to a fund-raising gig in St Vincent's Church, Caythorpe on Friday 4th July, performed by the Celtic band, **Cruel Sister**.

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Last year was the 80th anniversary of the D Day Landings.

An amazing touring exhibition reached Southwell Minster and Karen and I made a visit. We had heard about this purely by chance and thought it would make a great visit and to have a coffee in the Minster Refectory too.



The Longest Yarn is a three-dimensional wool tapestry, knitted and crocheted by thousands of volunteers and enthusiasts worldwide. It was created with guidance from historians, retained by the project, to ensure historical accuracy. Each scene has been selected by the creator to depict the story of this momentous day in history, each scene unique and made with care. It measures 80 metres (265 feet) and represents the 80 years since D-Day and the 80 hours it took for the Allies to liberate Paris. The Longest Yarn tells the momentous story of June 6, from the build-up and launch in England through the Normandy invasion.

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An accompanying booklet gave detailed history of each display and details of the person or group that made that particular display.

The 80 displays are each housed in a metre long glass case. The logistics involved in storing the project, transporting it to Normandy, UK and America were only made possible with generous sponsorship.

The display is now in the Naval Air Station Wildwood Aviation Museum (NAWM) in Cape

May County, on the North Atlantic Coast in New Jersey USA. Artists there joined their international partners in creating multitudes of poppies in red, yellow and purple for cascades which adorned buildings in Carentan and Saint Mere Eglise, France near to the D-Day Landing sites. That tapestry was unveiled at Notre Dame Church in Carentan, France on May 28th 2024 and will remain on display until September. The tapestry will tour through Europe and then be displayed at NAWM.



June in History

lst	1946	TV licences were first issued - at a cost of £2
2nd	1953	Queen Elizabeth II was crowned at Westminster Abbey
I5th	1215	King John and his barons met at Runnymede to sign Magna Carta
18th	1815	British & Prussian forces, led by the Duke of Wellington and Field Marshall Blucher, defeated Napoleon Bonaparte at the Battle of Waterloo
21st	1675	Construction work began on Sir Christopher Wren's St Paul's Cathedral
29th the	1613	London's Globe Theatre was destroyed by flames as a cannon was fired to announce king's entrance in Shakespeare's Henry V
30th	1894	Tower Bridge in London was officially opened by the Prince of Wales



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Put it in your diary!

More information will be placed on the Fulbeck Village Facebook page and on noticeboards.

Call for help! We already have some lovely volunteers to help with putting up marquees, running the events, manning the stalls and catering, but will need more, especially some younger folk. Any face painters out there? It's all good fun so please contact us on fulbeckvillageinfo@gmail.com to put yourself forward.

COFFEE AND WALNUT TRAYBAKE

Ingredients

110g softened butter

110g self-raising flour

110g caster sugar

2 large eggs

I tsp baking powder

30g walnuts, finely chopped

I tbsp instant coffee dissolved in I tsp hot water

For the Icing:

2 tsp instant coffee

100g icing sugar

16 walnut halves



Preheat the oven to 180C. Grease and line an 18cm square cake tin.

Beat together all the ingredients except the walnuts until light and soft.

Fold in the chopped walnuts, spoon mixture into the tin and smooth the top.

Bake for 25-30 minutes, until risen and golden. Allow cake to cool in the tin for 5 minutes, then turn out onto to a wire rack.

Make the icing by mixing the instant coffee with I tbsp hot water. Mix with the icing sugar, adding a few more drops of water if necessary, to make a thick icing. Spread over the cake, then add the walnut halves. When icing is set, cut into 16 portions.

Then put the kettle on, enjoy a cup of tea and a piece of delicious coffee and walnut cake.

"Live Without" by Owen Meredith

We may live without poetry, music and art;

We may live without conscience, and live without heart;

We may live without friends, we may live without books;

But civilised man cannot live without cooks.

He may live without books—what is knowledge but grieving?

He may live without hope—what is hope but deceiving?

He may live without love—what is passion but pining?

But where is the man that can live without dining?

A Silly Poem By Spike Milligan

Said Hamlet to Ophelia, I'll draw a sketch of thee, What kind of pencil shall I use? 2B or not 2B?



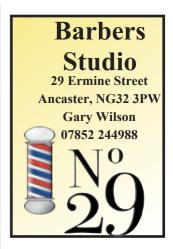
Numbers Puzzle

Thank you to everyone who purchased a Numbers Puzzle Sheet for the upkeep of the Children's Play Area at Caythorpe. We raised a total of £177.28 (don't ask). Lets hope it isn't swallowed up with repairs made necessary due to vandalism, as we had last year. We received 41 answer sheets before the closing date; well done the 16 whose answers were 100% correct.

We couldn't use the Premium Bond Computer, ERNIE (Electronic Random Number Indicator Equipment) but we did have our very own CRISS (Computerised Random Integer Selection System). The serial numbers of all the correct entries were fed into CRISS and a winner was selected at random.

Congratulations to Josephine Marriott who wins the $\pounds 25$ cash prize.

Look out for another page of Fun Puzzles for sale in the Summer





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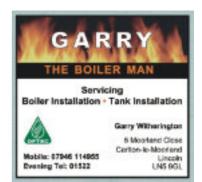
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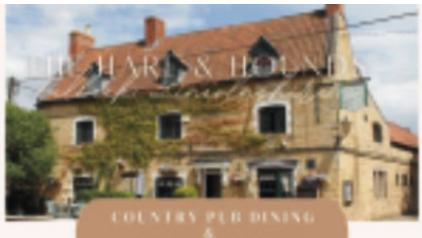
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