Visitors from ‘Down Under’

Linda & John Pope from Sydney, Australia made a return visit to Caythorpe recently, Linda’s Uncle Flight Sergeant Rhod Pope, aged 19, was a member of the crew flying the Lancaster PB812 which crashed close to the site of Caythorpe Station (now the re-cycling facility) killing all of the 6 occupants. The aircraft on a training flight having taken off from RAF Binbrook, five of the crew were from the RAAF with the sixth member from the RAF. Linda and John met up with Councillors Geoff Ashcroft and Bob Greybrook and Major (retd) John Aspinall from Beckingham to discuss the possibility of placing a memorial plaque near the war memorial in Caythorpe and a second one close to the crash site. Later in the day, following lunch at the Red Lion, Linda & John met a witness to the crash from Grantham.

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A Letter from Bishop Christopher

In Christian tradition the Five Holy Wounds, or Five Sacred Wounds, are the five piercing wounds which Jesus suffered during the Crucifixion. We can see the way in which they have been a particular focus for devotion by the way in which they have often been depicted in art – most famously in depictions of Doubting Thomas, or in music, like Bach’s St Matthew Passion, or Handel’s Messiah, as well as some of our well-known Passiontide hymns.

In these first days of Easter, when we experience the joy of the resurrection afresh in our lives, the image of our risen Lord walking the earth yet still carrying the wounds of the crucifixion is powerful and poignant.

I was struck recently by the text of a contemporary hymn whose first line speaks of the risen Christ ‘walking with wounded feet’. That image, of Jesus walking with wounded feet, reminds us that, through the life, death and resurrection of our Lord, God knows what it is to carry pain in this human life.

Through Jesus, God has experienced the reality of searing physical pain, as well as the anguish that comes from rejection and betrayal. And yet, God does not allow it to contain or define Jesus, nor does it crush his spirit. Instead, the experience of it becomes part of who he is and shapes him for the work he has to do. So, too, our experiences as human beings and children of God shape us and become part of who we are; but they need not contain or define us.

The work of resurrection is ours to share, and God calls each one of us, wounded as we are, to play our part in proclaiming the wonder of the resurrection to our broken world.

Bishop Christopher

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Caythorpe and Fulbeck Junior Football Club

Unbelievably, we are nearing the end of another season for the junior football club. This season we have run teams at under 7, U8, U9, U11, U12, U15 (amazingly, 3 teams in this age group) & U17 – so nine teams in all. As always, this is quite impressive for a small village club.

Unfortunately our U10s folded at the start of the season, due to a lack of players and parental volunteers. We would love to reinstate a team for that age group next season (U11) but need a successful recruitment programme and sufficient parental support for that to happen.

All of our teams have enjoyed success this season. For some teams, that has meant pushing for the league title or a cup run; for others it has meant holding their own in a strong league with several clubs which enjoy a larger catchment area. A couple of our sides have been successful by virtue of the fact that they have carried on all season against the odds, particularly when faced with a threadbare squad of players.

We will be losing our current U17s next season as they graduate from junior football. For a number of them, this will end a long history of playing for the club and we wish them all well for the future. Otherwise, our plan is for all current teams to continue next season, albeit at one age group higher, plus we hope to introduce a new U7s team. The current U9s are our most ‘at risk’ team, due to a shortage of sufficient players, so if your child – or any friends of your child – will be in year 5 come September, then please encourage them to join us! The same goes for year 6 (next year’s U11s).

The club’s annual mini soccer programme kicks off on Saturday 2nd May. This is aimed at 4 to 7 year olds and is an environment in which all children – club members or not, experienced players or complete novices, can come along and have some fun, learn a few skills and interact with their peers. The programme runs for ten weeks on a Saturday morning – four Saturdays in May followed by a week off and then six further Saturdays in June and early July. Participants can attend as many sessions as they wish. This year we may break with tradition and run the programme at Caythorpe. Look out for posters in local schools and around the villages and notices in News and Views for further details of venue, timings and prices.

On Saturday 13th June we are hosting our Presentation Day at Caythorpe playing field. Whilst this is predominantly for an end of season review and award of medals to all club players, we have various events and competitions – plus a barbecue - running through the day, so all are welcome to come and join in.

Finally, I end with a plea. We have a great Club, we are financially sound, enjoy great facilities at Caythorpe, Fulbeck and Welbourn, and have a sponsor and other support deal with Nike. What we desperately need are more volunteers. Please consider lending a little of your time to support your local junior club. We need a Secretary, a Welfare Officer and offers of support on coaching and assisting the coaches - no experience necessary for any roles. You don’t have to have a child playing for the Club to volunteer. If we don’t have enough people lending their support, we may have to fold some or all of our teams, which would be a real shame.

Michael Budden, Chairman CFJFC
(01400) 272131; mbu@live.co.uk

Arnhem Airborne March – September 2015

Last September a party of citizens from Arnhem visited Caythorpe, for the second time, to participate in the activities commemorating the Battle of Arnhem. They are anxious to maintain a link with Caythorpe and have suggested the possibility of a visit from members of the Caythorpe community to participate in the Arnhem Airborne March, the largest one-day march in the world.

This commemorative march is held every year on the first Saturday in September to memorialize the Battle of Arnhem in September 1944. The Airborne March has 4 distances: 10, 15, 25 km. The routes lead you through the Veluwsezoom woods and the municipality of Renkum taking in the great views over the river Rhine.

Over seventeen nationalities and some 30,000 people participate in this march every year.

The proposed dates are Friday 4th to Monday 7th September 2015. Planning for the visit is in the early stages but to gauge interest in participating in the visit would you please contact Bob Greybrook on 01400 272611 or e-mail rgreybrook@hotmail.com. The march is not compulsory; you can come along just to soak up the fantastic atmosphere in the area.

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**Holy Week and Easter in Church**

**Tuesday 31st March** at Caythorpe - Service of Compline at 6.00pm
**FRIDAY 3rd April** at Caythorpe - GOOD FRIDAY - HOT CROSS FUN
**Families and Children** from 10.30am to 12 noon - All welcome!
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- Drinks and Hot Cross Buns
- Fun Activities - building an Easter Garden making an Easter Banner to hang in Church puzzles and other things to do!

Led by Canon Valerie Rampton and Caythorpe Ministry Team. For more information please contact: Canon Valerie 01636 626665 or Mrs Jo Russell 01400 273551

**Friday 3rd April** at Fulbeck Church - 7.00pm Dressing of the Cross

**SUNDAY 5th APRIL - EASTER DAY**

- 9.00am Holy Communion (said) at Fulbeck
- 10.30am Holy Communion at Carlton Scroop
- 6.00pm Easter Praise at Caythorpe

**St Vincent’s Church Floodlighting**

Friday 19th May - In loving memory of Keith May who died ten years ago - our love as always from his loving family.

Should you wish to have Caythorpe Church floodlit for your celebration or remembrance please contact Mary Siddans on 01400 272371

Would all parishioners please note: On Sunday June 21st there will be a Deanery Midsummer Celebration and Act of Worship at Marston Village Hall from 4.00pm to 6.00 pm.

**Caythorpe Primary School** would like to thank the owners of The Waggon and Horses for very kindly agreeing to let us use their car park to support our ‘park and stride’ scheme. We understand that the High Street gets very busy, especially at the start and end of the school day. We hope that by encouraging children (and their parents) to park at the Waggon and Horses and walk to school, we can reduce congestion. We have already had PC Nick Smith into school to talk to children about road safety and to promote the park and stride scheme. Thank you for supporting our efforts. (See PC Smith’s letter on page 10 - Ed.)

**Coffee Morning** The next Coffee Morning to be held at Cobblers Rise will be on Friday April 10th from 10.30 am. This will be in aid of the Vanuatu cyclone disaster. We had chosen Alzheimer's research, but I think that funds are needed urgently in Vanuatu.

The last event raised £70 for the local branch of Guide Dogs. Not quite so many people, but it was closely followed by a Lent Soup Lunch when another £70 was given for Water Aid. As usual, many thanks to those who supported both events. We have already sent Water Aid a cheque for £235.50, with more to come after the final lunch!

**Open Gardens** - Caythorpe and Frieston Open Gardens will be held on **Sunday June 21st**. The timing will be decided nearer the time, it will depend on how many gardens will be opening. I have had several offers but we need MORE, don't be shy. Every garden is worth looking at! We are hoping to have another art exhibition, a plant stall and teas etc. Please put the date in your diary. **Ann Russell 01400 273090**

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April Quiz - Answers on page 27

1 What is the term given for a morbid fear of enclosed spaces?
2 In which of the four gospels does the parable of the Good Samaritan appear?
3 Dorking, Orpington, Lincolnshire Buff and Norfolk Grey are all breeds of which creature?
4 “What’s up Doc?” was the catchphrase of which cartoon character?
5 Name the home of Lincoln City Football Club.
6 Who was the author of the Adrian Mole books who died last year aged 68?
7 Name the most easterly town in England.
8 Which seafood is used in the French dish Moules Marinières?
9 Who wrote the song “What’s up Doc?”
10 Which seafood is used in the French dish Moules Marinières?
11 On which continent are the Ellsworth Mountains and the Prince Charles Mountains to be found?
12 Inspector Rebus is a creation of which Scottish writer?
13 Which vitamin is also called Ascorbic Acid?
14 What term is given to a receding tide between high tide and low water?
15 The name of which city follows ‘Sage’ in the name of an English cheese?

From Sonia Barron, Rural Dean of Loveden

Following the resignation of the Rev Alison Healy from Caythorpe group of parishes, responsibility for them now falls to me as Rural Dean of Loveden deanery, so I have been invited to write something for News and Views.

I have been in post since November and I have met some of you in some interesting places – most recently in the Hare and Hounds. The pub is a good place to meet people, or to make or consolidate friendships as we share food and drink in a cosy and friendly atmosphere.

I have moved from suburban Chilwell to a very rural Claypole and have found the contrasts fairly striking. Communities are quite tight knit, and often several generations live in the same village or the village next door. Land is very important and the livelihood of many depends on it. People are very welcoming; the sense of community identity is strong often associated with important buildings in these communities - the village hall, the church, the village shop and the pub to name a few.

As a priest I set great store on the Christian community and its witness and presence as part of the wider community. Over the years there have been many examples of the interaction and influence of one on the other and as we approach Easter my prayer is that the message of Easter – forgiveness and hope – will be the maxim by which our communities live.

LOVEDEN DEANERY – QUIET MORNINGS AT CAYTHORPE

Deanery quiet mornings give an opportunity to take some precious time out in a peaceful, relaxed atmosphere. They usually comprise shared, guided reflection followed by personal quiet time, and are open to all.

They are held on the first Tuesday of every month at the Sports Pavilion, Old Lincoln Road, Caythorpe, meeting for coffee at 9.45 am for a 10 am start. They usually conclude with a short service of Holy Communion and a shared lunch. Everyone is welcome.

For more information please contact Penny Grosset at 01400 272715 pennygrosset@gmail.com or the Revd Lilian Hall at 01400 250729 johnandlily.hall@btinternet.com

FRIENDS NEEDED!

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10 Years of PGL at Caythorpe Court

Believe it or not, it is 10 years since PGL moved in to Caythorpe Court and began delivering fantastic outdoor adventure activities on the site. During this time over 300,000 people have enjoyed activities at the centre and PGL has invested over £7 million in developing the old college site into a leading UK activity centre.

As well as building activity towers, tunnel trails and classrooms, we’ve also created canoeing lakes and a fantastic dining room. Caythorpe Court now offers more than 24 adventurous activities as well as great meeting spaces, classrooms and sports facilities. Whilst developing and improving the site, we keep its history close to our hearts and continue to invest in maintaining the main house and stable block.

Many of the staff employed at the centre are fortunate enough to be accommodated in these buildings and our guests are always impressed by the beautiful exterior and magnificent lounge and meeting rooms on the ground floor. Our Groundsman works hard keeping the gardens and grounds at their best throughout the year and it’s a joy to witness the changes that each season brings.

PGL continues to be extremely grateful for the support it has received from the local community throughout the last 10 years and we’re proud to be associated with local charity Inspire+. We look forward to continuing to work closely with them to enable children from local schools to gain access to outdoor education. The team here enjoys being part of activities in the village and are especially pleased that Caythorpe Court continues to be involved with the annual Arnhem Reunion weekend.

As we celebrate our 10th anniversary, we are sad to be saying farewell to General Manager, Adam Brierley and his family who are taking the next step on their adventure and moving to Herefordshire. We wish them well and hope to welcome them back for many visits in the future.

As the new General Manager at Caythorpe Court, I look forward to all that this year brings. The centre continues to grow in popularity and this season we will be welcoming guests and staff from all over the world, who we hope will enjoy and benefit from their time at Caythorpe as so many others have done over the last 10 years.

Tom Mountain
General Manager, PGL Caythorpe Court

CAYTHORPE MEDITATION GROUP

This is a lively group of people who meet on the last Wednesday of each month at 7.30 p.m. in the home of Gordon and Margaret Grant to practice simple, peaceful, meditation techniques and explore a theme of their choice after the actual meditation. People from differing religious backgrounds or none have joined the group over the last year and have enriched the experience for everybody. The next meeting will be held on 29th April. If you would like to participate please contact Margaret or Gordon. Tel. 01400 273194 or email: edgemount@btinternet.com A warm welcome awaits.

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Caythorpe and District Garden Society
‘Live Fast and Die Young’ may have been the mantra of the ’60s, but Pam Tatam was
not offering life-style advice at our March meeting: she was describing the strategy
adopted by annuals and other short lived plants. Pam has recently converted her
nursery at Hall Farm Gardens, Harpswell, into more garden space and made extensive
use of these plants to make the new borders attractive as quickly as possible.
Annuals have fallen from favour in recent years, with gardeners perhaps put off by
memories of straight rows of bedding plants and a perception that they are troublesome
to grow at home. Many of us just buy a few plug plants for tubs and hanging baskets,
but the variety available as seed is much greater and includes plants suitable for
under-planting roses, filling gaps between permanent perennials and shrubs, and
extending the season into autumn. Pam shared her recipe for success with us (don’t
sow too early if you start the plants indoors, use a seed compost/perlite mix, water
before sowing to settle it down and use a mist spray thereafter to avoid disturbing the
seeds.), before showing us what can be achieved in a series of amazing before-and-after
slides of her new plantings. Be inspired and see some of them yourselves at
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Our April meeting will be at Carlton Scoop Village Hall at 7:30pm on April 14th.
Rudie Bertins of Rudie’s Roots nursery will demonstrate how to plant up hanging bas-
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Who are you related to? Can you help with identifying the pupils in this photo? This photograph, thought to have been taken in the 1909/10 school year shows the pupils at Carlton Scroop School. The picture appears to have been taken in the school yard.

The Headmaster and his wife are Richard and Elizabeth Vyse. In the middle is a boy on crutches whose surname is believed to be Silkstone. Standing in front of Mrs Vyse is Robbie Mabletoft with his sister Lena to his left. In the middle of the second row wearing what appears to be a brooch is Phyllis Mabletoft (Porter?). On the front row, fourth from the left is George Bristow and second from the right is Stacey Clayton.

We would very much like to know the identity of the others. Are they relations of yours? Do you know anything of their family history? What became of them? Do write in and help us fill in the gaps. Email newsandviews@hotmail.co.uk or write to the Editor. Address details are on Page 2.

Photo courtesy of Mansell H Beard

The Loveden Quartet in Concert at St Vincent’s Church

The Loveden Quartet is making a most welcome return to St Vincent’s Church at Caythorpe at 7.30 pm on Saturday 16 May.

The programme is a mixture of old and new music, as they will perform the recently-composed Loveden Mass as well as some 16th century church music, mixed with arrangements of well-loved songs of the last century by composers and arrangers including two by their Tenor, Nick Thorpe. The programme will last for about sixty minutes and the tickets, which include a light snack which will be served after the Loveden Quartet’s programme, are £6 and available from Jo Russell on 01400 273551 and Sally Kelway on 01400 273080. These will be available also at the door. Wine and soft drinks will be available.

From 7.00pm the Hougham Players, a local instrumental group, will be playing a selection of baroque, classical, popular and traditional music to welcome you into the church before the concert. They will also play after the concert during the refreshments. It is the first time that they have performed in St. Vincent’s Church and we are delighted that they can join us.

Would readers please note: The "Lincolnshire Feast" which was to have taken place in the Village Hall on April 25th has, due to unforeseen issues, been postponed until the Autumn.

Caythorpe Junior Badminton Club
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In and Around the Garden

Now that spring is here the garden is starting to look more interesting, with primroses in abundance under the trees and bulbs starting to make an impact. The snowdrops are over, but daffodils are looking good and go well with the purplish shades of the hellebores.

One warm afternoon the bed in front of the sitting room, where I plant the earliest flowers, was buzzing with honey bees grateful for the nectar. Winter flowering heathers may be out of fashion amongst gardeners, but mine certainly found favour with the bees.

Butterflies are also starting to appear: brimstone and comma were the first this year.

The bird feeder attracts a steady stream of visitors, especially chaffinches and assorted tits. Since I switched from mixed seed to sunflower hearts, the little birds throw less on the ground, and this has led to a reduction in the number of wood pigeons and pheasants. The former leave droppings everywhere and the latter scratch like chickens when feeding, so neither are welcome in my flower borders. Interestingly, the dunnocks, which usually prefer to feed on the ground, have now taken to using the perches on the seed feeder – not such ‘bird brains’ then.

The garden is positively noisy with birdsong as the nesting season gets underway and the visitors are coming in pairs rather than small flocks. I was relieved to see a pair of greenfinches, which have been absent for months. Until five years ago we saw groups of two dozen or more in the winter, but since disease struck the numbers have dwindled and recovery seems to be slow, so I hope they breed successfully. They seem to like the big sycamore trees round here for nesting: I am glad they are good for something other than seeding themselves all over the place.

While the trees are bare it is easier to spot tree creepers and I was delighted to see a pair in the garden. They landed to forage on some small trees just a few feet from where I was standing. Tiny birds, speckled brown above and almost white below, they seemed to defy gravity as they scuttled along the undersides of the branches, clinging with their long slender toes and bracing themselves with their stiff tails as they used their slender beaks to find small invertebrates in the cracks and crevices. They only ever work upwards and outwards from the trunk, so when they have finished with one branch they fly back to the bottom and start upwards again. They were fascinating to see at such close range.

‘JA’

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Caythorpe School Parking
Sir - I am PC 900 Nick SMITH and I am stationed at Grantham Police Station. My role is currently the Neighbourhood Policing Manager for the North and South Rural in Grantham. I have been in Lincolnshire Police for fifteen years and been in Neighbourhood Policing for eight years.

On Friday 13 March 2015 I attended Caythorpe Primary School in the morning due to reports of Parents parking their vehicles outside the school causing an obstruction. Ironically today I didn’t witness anyone parking outside the school on the yellow markings, however I did notice that parents and other road users were parking in areas that would be classed as obstruction. Vehicles parking on paths that block the use of people walking safely, and you had no chance if you had a pushchair.

I also saw some parents driving their children to school and the children weren’t wearing appropriate seatbelt restraints or even in a car seat.

The reason for not dealing with these people at the time is because I was there to observe what was actually happening. I have done that now and when I return to Neighbourhood Policing I will also be visiting the school. I hope at the time is because I was there to observe what was actually happening. I have done that now and when I return to Neighbourhood Policing I will also be visiting the school. I hope at the time is because I was there to observe what was actually happening. I have done that now and when I return to Neighbourhood Policing I will also be visiting the school.

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Caythorpe School Parking
Sir - Tonight I have just witnessed, yet again, inconsiderate parking along the High Street in Caythorpe. The driver of the bus had to stop in the middle of the road, turn off the engine and search for the owner of the car!

I live on the High Street and a neighbour told me that the bus had to back up a few days ago and re-route down the A607 due to mindless people abandoning their cars and making it impossible for the bus to get through.

The bus service is vital for rural communities like ours, vital to those who have no other means of transport. To all of you inconsiderate parkers, can’t you just think before you lock your car and walk off?!

‘High Street Resident’

Dog Fouling
Sir - Dog fouling is endemic around Caythorpe: on footpaths, on the play area and on the playing field. I have seen it daily on my lawns. These are not enclosed as I do not want gates but, still, they are fouled by both dogs and cats. It would appear the animals are let out by lazy owners at night or in the early morning. In the Wheatgrass Lane and Templeway area, I have seen some dogs on the loose in the daytime including a small terrier and a couple of black and white bulldog types in this area. I just wish I knew who the owners are....

‘Concerned Grandmother’ (See Page 13 - Ed)

Elvis night raises over £1400 for Alzheimer's Charities
More than 100 people enjoyed a fantastic night with Elvis on March 7th and raised a massive £1414.60 for Alzheimer’s Research UK and Alzheimer’s Society. Elvis tribute act, Arron Philips, played two sets at the village hall covering all the King’s great hits. The highlight of the night had to be the duet he sang with Sean Topley which boosted the funds raised by over £100!

Organiser, Sam Fells, said: “I’m really overwhelmed by people’s generosity. The feeling of handing over more than £700 to each of these two charities was fantastic. I’d like to thank everyone involved in helping me to plan and organise the event and, of course, everyone who bought a ticket. I’ve already been asked when we’ll be doing the next one so, once I’ve recovered, I’ll have a think about which tribute act we should book! Any suggestions are very welcome.”

Carlton-le-Moorland and District Art Group
The Carlton-le-Moorland and District Art Group’s Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 23rd April in the Village Hall at 7.00pm. It is hoped all members (and prospective members) will be able to attend. To liven up the proceedings there will a “good as new” sale of art materials, books etc. that various members have had that now are surplus to their requirements. There may also be coffee and biscuits!

For more information on demonstrations, workshops and other activities check the Club website: carltonlemoorlandartgroup.blogspot.co.uk
Parish Council News….April 2015

Parish Council meeting …..The following is a summary of the most significant issues that were dealt with at our recent meeting held on 11th March 2015.

Parish Plan…..The meeting unanimously endorsed the appointment of Gordon Grant who agreed to take on the task of managing and co-ordinating all aspects of the revision to the current Parish Plan including setting up a Parish Plan Review Group. The process will ensure that all members of the Parish across all age ranges will be given the opportunity to comment on their specific needs and aspirations. This task will be ongoing for most of this year. We are very grateful to Gordon for agreeing to take this forward.

Parish Council Elections…..As previously noted this Parish Council shortly comes to the end of its period of tenure. If you would be interested in standing for your Parish Council then please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Clerk for further details. There is a prescribed nomination process and any one wishing to stand has to hand deliver their paperwork to SKDC no later than 4pm on the 9th April 2015.

Caythorpe Post Office…..The Parish Council is very keen to help ensure that we continue to have a Post Office within the parish. Our ability to have any significant impact will depend on the commercial considerations of any parties involved; none the less we are keen to help as far as we are able to and have made our Member of Parliament aware of progress to date.

Anglian Water Authority…..We continue to put pressure on them as we have ongoing concerns over the inability of their pipe work to deal with the flow of both sewage and rain water in the area at the bottom of the High Street where it joins the A607 heading towards Grantham. They have agreed to a meeting in order to discuss the issue but are some what slow in suggesting dates.

Bruce Nelson ….Chairman

In and Around the Garden

Sir - I was quite delighted to see that 'JA' has taken on the monthly piece I used to write. What is more I really enjoyed reading it. It was always much appreciated and many people used to thank me. JA’s contribution is no exception and I was interested in the comments about Sparrows. This is equally true of our garden though I have read in the RSPB magazine that there has been a marked decline in House Sparrow population.

We put up new niger seed feeders this year and we are now being rewarded with the sight of Goldfinches!

A change of author is refreshing as it can get difficult to think of new things to say. This reader enjoyed reading it and is looking forward to more. Congratulations.

Alasdair Fraser-Darling (See Page 20 - Ed)

End of an Era

Sailing in Station Road

Sir - I know there have been some very strong winds recently but, on the morning of 5th April, I was surprised to see a small sailing yacht beached at the top of Station Road, Caythorpe. It must have been a very high tide!

‘RNLI Supporter’

Caythorpe & Frieston Village Hall

Registered Charity: Village Hall Registration Number 521828

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 21st April 2015 at 7.00 pm

in the small committee room.

All welcome - for the opportunity to share opinions, ask questions and hear of events/plans for 2015

More committee members always needed!
Caythorpe and District WI

On Thurs 12th March, the ladies of the Caythorpe & District WI had a talk from Stuart Gibbon, a policeman of 30 years service. Stuart moved to the Lincoln area fifteen years ago and is now retired from the force.

His talk was very informative and his films impressed upon us the safety precautions we should all be taking. Stuart brought along personal alarms, UV pens to mark our property and bells to put on our purses. So, if you hear a jingle behind you, it may well be a WI lady!

Next month our guest speaker will be Miss J Barton - Queen of the Salt Marsh.

The WI meet every second Thursday of the month in the Village Hall Lounge (the room at the back of the building), our next meeting will take place on April 9th at 7.30pm.

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Caroline Long

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At the following meeting two members held mini workshops and demonstrated decoupage and jewellery making so that those taking part had something to take home afterwards. Modern rag rug making and incorporating embroidery into projects will be shared at another date, but we can also just continue with our own work if we so wish or share on a one-to-one basis.

We all agreed that we would like to showcase our work nearer the end of the year, invite speakers and visit craft fairs and exhibitions with the aim of expanding our creativity and skills as well as having fun.

Sue Case

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Would you love to make music but have never learned to play an instrument or how to read a musical score? Can you count to 4? Are you free on a Tuesday evening for an hour or so? If the answer’s yes, why not come along to a practice session with St Vincent’s Handbell Team and have a go! We’re a small friendly team of local folk who enjoy ringing handbell music together, it sounds lovely and isn’t too difficult.

“If I can do it, anyone can!”
- Judith Scott, Frieston
To find out more, please contact Jane & John Heald on 01400 272445

Friends of St Vincent 200 Club
March Draw: £15 - Lill Robb
£10 - Judith Scott  £5 - Ann Ashcroft

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Renewable Energy
This was the topic of the SKDC Development Control Committee when it sat Tuesday 17th March 2015 to determine The Temple Hill wind farm application Ref S/13/2699/EIAFP. I can report that the Committee voted 11 votes to zero (2 abstentions) to refuse planning consent for the proposed 5 wind turbines. Much work and finely tuned presentations to the Council’s Committee was a result of the meticulous research and attention to detail by the opposition group, ReVOLT.

Following the decision their spokesman, Paul Miley, added “Given this has been rejected so comprehensively by the local council, we hope the developer respects local democracy in this case. The council decision was backed by the community and based upon expert opinion. There are additional grounds for rejecting this plan and we are ready to continue the fight if required.”

Well done to everybody who participated, I too was able to have my 5 minutes say speaking on behalf of all the local communities.

Funding for Community Groups
A new £300,000 funding pot for the SKDC community as a whole has been approved by Council as part of it’s 2015/16 budget. “The community fund will help groups and organisations who work hard to improve their own neighbourhoods, supporting initiatives or events across the district. This will be open to Parish and Town Councils, Charities, Voluntary groups and social enterprises, which can show that their project will help, support and improve communities joining together to create safer, stronger places to live and work”. Final details of how the scheme will work and be administered are still to be drawn up by the Council’s policy development groups and ratified by SKDC Cabinet in the coming weeks.

Dog Wardens
Watch out, there are now wardens about following constant complaints about dog fouling – SKDC Environmental Health Dog Warden Officers are making unannounced inspections throughout our district, having been made aware of the selfish conduct of the few dog owners causing unpleasantness for the entire community. What a shame that we have to rely upon these visits to assemble evidence, catch or deter dog owners, acting irresponsibly. Believe me, prosecutions and heavy fines will be enforced if anyone is caught, they already know the hotspots!

Elections
Well, the eclipse has been and gone in a flash, so also, has my present term as Independent District Councillor for Heath Ward, four years have flown by, and it has been very rewarding to represent the community and individuals as your “go between” with SKDC Council and it’s officers. I am pleased to confirm that I will be standing again for District Councillor, strictly as a non-aligned Independent for our enlarged ward, “Loveden Heath”, now embracing the Parishes of Hough on the Hill, Stubton and Fenton. I hope I can continue to have your support.

Surgeries
Since it is the end of this council term, there are no further open surgeries until after the elections on May 7th. In the meantime, please do contact me on either of the above numbers or e-mail b.sampson@southkesteven.gov.uk.
World Book Day and Comic Relief at Caythorpe Primary School

At Caythorpe Primary school, we have been very busy so far in March. Recently it has been World Book Day and also Comic Relief. Here is how we celebrated both of these special days in school!

World Book Day (WBD)

On Thursday the March 5th we celebrated World Book Day and the whole school came dressed up as a book character. One of the special activities we did was paired reading, where children from different classes swapped so a younger child was paired with an older child to share a book.

As part of the day, the year fives and sixes had a spy theme and did lots of activities based on becoming a spy. We did activities such as identifying finger prints in order to identify a double agent. We also did laser dodging, escape the explosion and designing our own gadgets!

Also some of the year sixes went to the Pre-school and Children’s Centre to help read books to them and do activities like blowing bubbles, making crowns and singing songs to help them celebrate WBD.

We also set a challenge for children to bring in photos of themselves reading in unusual situations. Some entries include children reading upside down, on top of buildings, in cupboards and on top of a giant pile of potatoes!

Comic Relief

On Comic Relief Friday 13th March all the school came dressed in something red such as: moustaches, red hair, red clothes, and much more wacky things on them and let’s not forget the actual red nose.

Throughout the day we did lots of different activities such as joke telling and dancing outside. We had a cake sale at the end of the day and raised a whopping amount off £160.60.

Written by Henry (Year 5) and Owen (Year 6)