



the Gander

GOXHILL VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Autumn 2014

The tenor bell of Goxhill Church was tolled 100 times at 7pm on 4th August, to commemorate the start of World War 1. Whilst the poppy seeds, planted by North Lincolnshire Council in the churchyard to mark the 100th Anniversary, were aptly in perfect bloom on that very day. See pages 17 & 19 for articles about WW1.

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Forgive me for using so much of this issue on stories about the First World War and how people from Goxhill were involved in it. 100 years since the start on August 4th 1914, is well beyond most people's living memories. My parents were around then as children, yet never spoke to me of their memories of the Great War, or much about the Second World War. But the impact made by the sacrifices, not just of those directly involved in the war, but all those left behind to take on the work load of the men away fighting and keeping the home and family together, is everlasting. Women especially rose to the challenge of doing work previously only done by men, hard physical and skilled engineering work of all kinds. The world of work and expectations of equality were first sewn during this period and has resulted in all the progress in society since and the equal opportunities and responsibilities open to all today. It also eventually led to peace in Europe, unfortunately only after yet another World War.

It is only through the stories of people who died and those who survived the war, that we can gain a more personal insight into what it was really like behind all those terrible statistics and names of places of significance that we have been told about.

These were real people, with real families living in villages just like ours. Joining together in groups from their area, friends and colleagues enlisting in groups such as the Grimsby Chums. Many of them dying side by side.

It is not surprising that so many people I have spoken to, said of relatives who came back from the war, that they never said much about it, never wanted to talk about it. It must have been something they wanted to push into the back of their minds and not think about. Post Traumatic Stress Disorder had not been invented then, but shell shock was, and most men would have been very badly affected by the whole experience. The ones who came back, just got on with their lives, as best they could.

So this issue has 4 stories of men whose names feature on the plaque on the Memorial Hall to remember those who died in WW1. There is also a story of a local hero who did survive and then there were the remarkable 6 members of one family who all went off to war. Not all came back. There is also an interesting article from the Ron Parker Collection on the origins of the Last Post, and Maurice Brawn brings us back to today with his article on how the war affects us in 2014.

I thank all those who have supplied these fascinating articles and all the other stories and news items.

The Gander has a wide audience and I receive articles on all sorts of subjects, which make our village newsletter so interesting. But I feel that the balance of contributors are weighted towards the older generations. It would be ideal to have a better balance with more stories from younger people from the village. Any one who has done or experienced something new and different. We have had some brilliant examples in the past - a budding local comedian, horse riding around India, getting a Duke of Edinburgh Award, helping children in the Gambia, appearing on Strictly Come Dancing, to name a few.

We have a lot of very talented people who live in Goxhill or who have left here for other parts of the world. It would be great to hear of your stories to continue to make the Gander such an excellent representation of what is good about Goxhill. Your newsletter is only as good as the articles and news in it. It is not down to me or the rest of the Gander Team, we merely put it all together. Actually it is not quite as simple as that to put together all jam packed 48 pages of it, and to get it distributed to every house in the village in time, by our wonderful team of volunteers. But it is worth it, if the quality of the magazine is appreciated by you the readers.

Jeff Teasdale Editor Goxhill Gander

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LETTER FROM THE VICARAGE

More than once in my pastoral ministry I have encountered people who lack self esteem. Sadly, they sometimes think that their low opinion of themselves is shared by God - or at least by the 'God' they have an impression of.

This is by no means uncommon, and in my 'ministerial' reading I came upon one approach to dealing with this issue in a very visual and striking way.

A preacher began his sermon by holding up a £20 note. To the congregation he asked, "Who would like this £20 note?" Hands started going up. He said, "I am going to give this £20 note to one of you but first, let me do this."

He then proceeded to crumple the £20 note up. He then asked, "Who still wants it?" Still the hands were up in the air. "Well," he replied, "What if I do this?" And he dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, now all crumpled and dirty. "Now who still wants it?" Still the hands went into the air.

"My friends" he continued, "you have all learned a very valuable lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. It was still worth £20. Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. We feel as though we are worthless. But no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your value in God's eyes.

To God, dirty or clean, crumpled or finely creased, you are always priceless." So valuable, in fact, that 'God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life' (John 3.16)

Rev John Girtchen

Services at All Saints (unless otherwise indicated)

Friday	10th	October	7.30 pm	Harvest Festival Evensong followed by buffet.
Sunday	12th	October	9.30 am	Harvest Family Service with Baptisms
Sunday	2nd	November	11.00 am	United Service for All Saints Sunday
Sunday	2nd	November	6.00 pm	Annual Bereavement Memorial Service
Sunday	9th	November	10.45 am	United Remembrance Service at the Memorial Hall
Sunday	9th	November	2.00 pm	Act of Remembrance at the Airfield Memorial, Horsegatefield Rd.

LETTER FROM THE CHAPEL

Harvest Time

The poet Keats described Autumn as 'The Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness'. He wrote to a friend in 1819, 'How beautiful the season is now. I never liked stubble fields so much as now, aye better than the chilly green of Spring. This struck me so much on my Sunday walk that I composed upon it.'

With the Season of Autumn comes our celebration of Harvest.

I have always enjoyed Harvest Festivals, ever since as a child I stared in wonder at the sight of our Chapel decorated with vegetables, fruits and flowers. I remember the rows of red tomatoes like beads balanced around the edge of the pulpit and wondering breathlessly whether at the next shout of exhortation from the minister 'Praise God for the harvest!' they would come tumbling down showering the congregation with squashed tomatoes!

The Harvest Festival is still one of our most popular celebrations and these days tinned goods and imported fruits and vegetables are not out of place in our Harvest Thanksgiving because they remind us of the harvests in other countries and the wide variety of food available for us to enjoy.

Humble gifts of soil, water, grain or bread are displayed as a reminder of our need and dependence upon basic elements, and our responsibility to share with the poor and hungry.

Our Harvest Thanksgiving is a good time to think of how we might contribute from our wealth to the poverty of those who have so little and struggle for the basics of life. In Barton, the Foodbank is helping people in crisis to feed themselves and their families. One significant way we can all make a difference is by supporting Fairtrade and by buying products with the Fairtrade certification mark.

The Book of Genesis tells us that God looked at the heavens and the earth and all that he had created and he was very pleased. Then God created human kind to be stewards of his creation to enjoy and use, to care for and nurture.

Our Harvest Thanksgivings are an opportunity to give thanks to God for the wonder of his creation and for God's goodness in the provision of the rich variety of food that is available to us, and to remember and give thanks for all those who work in the farming, processing, transport and retail industries.

In the words of the popular Harvest hymn - 'We plough the fields and scatter'

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Every Blessings, Rev Sue



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Silent Auction

Friday 19th September Goxhill Memorial Hall 7pm – 10pm Admission £5 which includes cottage pie and pea supper. Many and varied items to bid for. Come and join an evening of fun bidding for the many items and promises.

Quiz Night

Friday 17th October 7.30pm in the Chapel Schoolroom £5 which includes supper. To book your team of four people contact **Jane** on 530962 or **Sandra** 530065

Autumn Bazaar

Saturday 8th November. 2pm Onwards Memorial Hall. Cake stall, Aunty Wainrights Bric-A-Brac, Traidcraft, Afternoon Teas, Games.

Wine Tasting

Friday 14th November 7.30pm Goxhill Memorial Hall Tickets £12.50 from **Margaret Goodhand** 530951 Admission by ticket only please, as this event sells out very quickly.

Sparkle and Stuff

Tuesday 25th November 7.30pm Church Room. Come and start your Christmas shopping early, or just treat yourself. Handbags, purses, jewellery and scarfs.

Christmas Bingo

Tuesday 9th December Goxhill Memorial Hall.

Christmas Tree Festival

We shall be holding a Christmas tree festival in All Saints Church on **13th & 14th of December**. If you would like to put a small tree in church for your business or in memory of a loved one, please contact **Delie Simon** 530630 or **Sandra** 530065. We shall also be having a memory tree in remembrance of loved ones, so you may wish to prepare something to bring & hang on the tree.

For any further information, contact **Sandra Smith** on 530065

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Goxhill Women's Institute

The W.I. meet every 2nd Monday of the month throughout the year except August, at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Hall. New members and visitors, including gentlemen, are welcome at any of the meetings. For further information please contact **Mrs. Alyson O'Leary**, President, on 01469 531568.

Future programme -

September 8th we welcome Sue Hawksmoor to a Felt Making Session

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During the afternoon there will be alternative therapies, many stalls with information to help cope with bereavement. Most of all meet with others who understand what you feel and what you are going through.

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Nominations for 2014 Short Award were The Library Volunteers, Mrs. Janine Cook and Mrs. Betty Plumtree. The award was made to Janine Cook for all her fund-raising efforts within the village. She was presented with a voucher at the Hall A.G.M.

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October 27th - North Lincolnshire District Honey Show - Judge Alan Woodward

November 24th - North Lincolnshire District Cake Competition - Judge Mervin Austin plus Glass Engraving.

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Bell Ringers

See the caption on the front cover for the Bell Ringers tribute to the start of WW1.

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Potty Panto Players

A huge thank you to all who supported our "Comedy Nite" in the Memorial Hall on July 19th. The grand total of £99.50 was raised on our raffle and the players sent a cheque for £100 to Jerry Greens in memory of Rick Marshall our recently deceased technical wiz.

Overall we made £700. The money raised enabled us to buy some sound equipment to use in our future productions. Our grateful thanks go to Julie at Bon Appetit catering who donated the food of which I am reliably informed the Pie was the best ever! Also a surprise donation by one of our retired members Brian Leech covered the cost of our hire of the hall! Our grateful thanks go to both of these generous people.

I have previously stated that our next Pantomime will be Robin Hood, however...due to the fact that I have not yet managed to finish the script (and not likely to this coming panto' season) due to work commitments, we are instead going to perform Puss in Boots, of which I just happen to have a script tucked in the back of a drawer! OH YES I HAVE!! Last years panto' Jack and the Beanstalk was very well received in the village and we sincerely hope that this years production will be just as well supported. We always stage our panto's the first weekend in **December (5th & 6th)** so look out for our advertising boards, posters etc from mid November. With your continued support we should once again be able to donate money to local worthy causes. **Lynne Brocklesby**

NEWSFLASH!!!



New online ticket payment, spooky goings on and where did you leave your clothes!!! Read on for more information....


After a wonderful performance of "Inspector Drake and the Time Machine" written by David Tristram and directed by Dennis Bloor in May we are looking forward to our forthcoming productions. In **October (17th and 18th)** we shall be performing "Home is where your clothes are", a comedy written by Anthony Marriott and Bob Grant, directed by Clare Curd. There are evening performances starting at 7.30pm each evening with an additional matinee on the Saturday afternoon starting at 2.30pm. After this we begin our spooky season of the Barton Ghost Walk starting on Halloween, 7.15pm meet at Baysgarth House Museum. Wrap up warm, dress in costume, bring a torch and bring a friend.....walk the streets of Barton – if you dare!!!! From there we will be starting work on our annual pantomime to be performed in January 2014, we have managed to narrow it down to about 4 and will be deciding the final one shortly!

Before we head into the Autumn, we celebrated our youth members achievements over the past year with their 5th Annual Awards Evening which took place on Sunday 20th July. Kate Jackson took the outstanding achievement award which is our highest accolade and was presented to her for her many successes of the year which included writing her own script which the group will be performing in the Autumn. We were successful again this year at the All England Theatre Festival with a play called "Detective Mimms and the Snaffler" written by Geoff Bamber and were delighted to be awarded 1st Place. Alex Campion also took pride in being awarded the Best Actress in the youth section. Another 5 of our members also had nominations in various categories and we are extremely proud of each and every one of them.

A new feature we have introduced is payment for tickets online for those who have a PayPal account. Simply go to our webpage at **www.southbankplayers.weebly.com** click on the 'Store' link on the left hand side of the page and select your ticket type, choose which performance and proceed to checkout – what could be simpler! For more information on any of our events or to join the group, please email us at **southbankplayers@yahoo.co.uk** where you can also ask to be added to the mailing list of upcoming events by the group.

Best wishes as always and we look forward to seeing you soon! **The South Bank Players**

Badaos



After a great and successful performance of Annie and our summer concert, BADAOS are looking forward to our next show, Oliver! Which will perform **17th February to the 21st of February 2015.**

We are holding auditions on **September 23rd** where we are looking for boys to play the roles of Oliver and the Dodger.

But before that, we are also doing a night of coffee and carols on the **13th December** from 10am until 12 noon at the Barton Methodist Chapel. Pre sale tickets for our upcoming Oliver show will also be available that morning.

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The 'Ropewalk'

Poet and broadcaster Ian McMillan's appearance at Barton's Ropery Hall is just one of the highlights of the venue's autumn programme which includes music, theatre, comedy and film.

McMillan and documentary photographer Ian Beesley use a real magic lantern projector, to tell a story of the First World War from the point of view of men who survived it and lived on to old age and a changing world. Here too are the tales of women who worked in the factories that oiled the wheels of war.


The two Ian's also explore the culture of magic lantern shows - from the natural world

to engineering and from small disasters to Empire.

Other highlights at Ropery Hall include the return of Beverley Craven, a gig by China Crisis, Snake Davis appearing in three guises, Hardeep Singh Kohli, Robin Ince, Marcus Brigstocke and performances by North Country Theatre, Gareth Logan with Wilde About The Boy, his dramatization of Oscar Wilde's De Profundis, Northern Accent's The 100 Years' War – a poetry-theatre performance show and James Hyland returning with The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde.

Full details, including ticket prices, of all Ropery Hall's events until the end of the year can be found on www.roperyhall.co.uk



Goxhill Art Circle

We have been in existence for over a year, just a small group happily painting and drawing in the room at the rear of Goxhill Methodist Chapel.

We are a small group and would like to be larger, so this is to get our message across to all in Goxhill and the surrounding areas, to attract new members to this relaxing hobby.

I have been painting in Water Colours for a number of years and I am basically self taught, and after much trial and error, I have produced paintings that have been appreciated by many. I find it very relaxing and it keeps my mind active which we all need to do in retirement.

The point that I am making is that most people can draw and paint and we have members at varying stages from pure beginners to the experienced, who paint in the many mediums available, and are quite happy to help and pass on tips and style.

We paint whatever is our interest, that is the difference between an Art Circle and an Art Class. However if you are a beginner we would help you with every aspect of this hobby. Just come along and relax with us over a cup of tea and biscuits or call

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- Take a look at the fabric of the building itself. Has the wood deteriorated to the extent that a panel could be readily worked loose or a window removed? It could be time for some patching up and reinforcement with new wood.

- Where the door hinges are on the outside, access might simply be a matter of removing the screws from each hinge. The easiest way to stop that is by replacing one of the screws on each hinge with a decent bolt secured by a locknut inside the shed.
- Similarly, if you can see the screws that fix the usual hasp and staple held in place by the padlock then so could a burglar wishing to remove them. Replace or re-fix it so that the hasp folds back to hide the screws from view and access.
- And whilst on the subject of the padlock, is it still good and strong and not weakened by rust and exposure to the elements? If in doubt about the strength or quality of the lock it is easily replaced.

If any of the above is confusing or unclear then feel free to call me on **530363** for further explanation. Similar tips and advice are on our website at <http://gnew-goxhill.clubbz.com> and you can join free of charge to receive bulletins or warnings that the police and other agencies send us.

John Guggiari, GNeW-Goxhill

GOXHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Memorial Hall

A meeting was held in June, regarding the Memorial Hall, as most of the old committee had decided to retire. The purpose of this meeting was to invite new bodies on to help out with the management of the hall. A second meeting was held in July and it was decided that the Parish Council, who are the custodian owners /trustees, should take over the running of the hall and will welcome volunteers to come and join the sub-committee which will be decided at the next meeting, which will be on September 17th at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall.

Allotments

We have a few vacant allotments. If you find you have no time for a large plot then there are half plots available. It's a good way of meeting people and growing your own produce is a bonus.

Cemetery

The grass hasn't stopped growing and our cemetery keeper has been working none stop to keep it looking as good as ever. I was asked the question regarding plots, either cremated remains or full burial. Yes you can reserve your plot. If you need further information regarding this please ring the clerk to the council.

Library

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SOME STORIES OF GOXHILL RESIDENTS IN 1914-1918 WAR

I am very grateful to Maurice Barrick for the stories of 4 who did not come back, Wes Crampin for a story of a local hero who did survive and Bruce Welton for his cutting on the amazing '5 Lammings and a Brown', two of whom sadly died. These give a greater insight into how WW1 affected families from Goxhill.

Thomas Alison Brewer

William Brewer moved from Towlaw, County Durham to Goxhill during the first World War to take up the post as Headmaster at the village school. His wife and young daughter moved to Goxhill with him. Norman and Thomas, their sons, joined them, but it would not be for long.

The Government had introduced conscription on 27 January 1916. All voluntary enlistment was stopped and all unmarried males between eighteen and forty-one years of age were deemed to have automatically enlisted. So in late 1916 or early 1917 when Thomas Brewer turned eighteen he was automatically enlisted for military service.

The navy being the senior service, could take the pick of the recruits before the army and any man deemed to be of 'superior' education could request a posting with the Royal Flying Corps This is the path Thomas Brewer took, being posted to 55th Squadron RFC.

In January 1917, 55th squadron received DH4 bombers and was mobilised for active service on the Western Front. By the end of March 1917 the squadron had taken up bombing and reconnaissance duties over the British sector. On 11th October 1917 the squadron joined two other squadrons to form 41st Detached Wing and moved south east to the French Sector near Epinal, later being expanded from three to six squadrons and re-named the Independent Force. From this new base the 41st Wing engaged in strategic bombing of German industrial targets such as Cologne and Stuttgart both night and day.

On 12th June 1918, after a daylight raid, Lt Max Greville Jones MC (pilot) and 2nd Lieut. Thomas Alison Brewer (observer) were attacked by German fighters, shot down and killed, they are buried at Charmes Military Cemetery, Essegney, 25 Km northwest of Epinal. Max was twenty-four years old, Thomas was just nineteen years of age.

Frank Dunwell

Frank Dunwell was born 1883 and raised in Ulceby, He moved to Goxhill in his late teenage years before joining the regular army with the Lincolnshire Regiment sometime after 1901

In 1914 Frank's unit, the 2nd Battalion was stationed in Bermuda. Several days before the war was declared the 2nd Lincolns, as with many overseas units, were given orders to make ready for transport to Europe. On 3rd October the 2nd Lincolns disembarked in England, they were placed in the 25th Brigade 8th Division along with other battalions that had been serving as far away as Egypt, South Africa and India. No time was lost and within a month the 8th Division was in France re-enforcing the battle weary British Expeditionary Force.

On March 10th 1915 was Frank's first battle proper. The objective was the capture of Neuve Chapelle town. The attack started with the Lincolns taking the German front line trench with just twenty men lost. After a short consolidation of the line, the Lincolns pushed forward to the German second line but lost a further 300 men in just a few minutes from heavy machine gun fire. Their attack



The unveiling of the Memorial Tablet listing those who died in the 1914-18 war, by Sir Berkeley Sheffield on Sat March 7th 1925.

faltering, the 1st Royal Irish Rifles passed through to enter the town.

The rest of March and April were taken up rotating between tours of the front line and periods in billet. On 8th May the 2nd Lincolns were assembled in trenches near Rue Petillon and next day took part in the attack on Aubers Ridge. The fighting was hard going and much of it hand to hand. Reinforcements failed to get through and the captured German trenches had to be abandoned. Frank's unit lost 281 men, his comrade, Corporal Charles Sharpe was awarded a Victoria Cross for his action that day.

The summer was spent involved in routine duties but the unit still lost almost a hundred men between May and September. 24th September saw the next British Offensive at Loos. The 2nd Lincolns went into battle the following morning at 4.20a.m. around the town of Bois Grenier, the fight was the most savage the 2nd Lincolns had encountered. At 9pm the 2nd Lincolns were pulled out of the battle, 334 casualties had been taken. As the battle raged on throughout October the 2nd Lincoln's role was to hold their front line trench north of the main battle. It was during this period on 23rd October, that Frank Dunwell was killed. Frank was aged thirty-two years old.

The Ploegsteert Memorial, Hainaut, Belgium, commemorates more than 11,000 British service men who died south of the Ypres and north of Loos but have no known graves. Frank Dunwell is one of them. Most of the men on the Ploegsteert Memorial died during routine day to day trench life not major battles.

George Henry Howson

Albert and Jane Howson moved to Workhouse Lane, Goxhill, from Hull in the 1890's and later lived at 6 Church Street. Albert worked as a shipyard labourer and they raised three children, Albert (b 1896) Elsie (b1898) and George (b 1900).

When Britain entered the war in 1914, George was only 14 and too young to join up, but the school leaving age was fourteen so he needed to find a job. George gained employment as a mess-room steward on board a Hull merchant ship the S.S Tycho. During the First World War, as well as maintaining ordinary imports and exports, merchant shipping was expected to supply the Royal Navy and transport troops and supplies to whichever field of operations required them.

The S S Tycho was fully involved in its expected wartime role and had survived torpedo attacks in 1915. In the early hours of 20th May 1917, on a return journey from Bombay, and just sixteen miles off Beachy Head, the Tycho was

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attacked and sunk by German U-boats. Fifteen members of the crew were killed, thirteen were never found, George Henry Howson was one of them. He was seventeen years old. George Henry Howson is commemorated on Tower Hill Memorial London, along with almost 12,000 seamen lost at sea during the First World War.

Fred Roe

Fred Roe was born in Goxhill in 1892, the youngest of five brothers. His mother came from Keelby, the rest of the family were born and bred in Goxhill. His father and two eldest brothers ran a carpentry firm from the family home in Church End

When war arrived Fred was quick to enlist. He signed up in Grimsby becoming one of the famous 'Grimsby Chums'. This unit was formed on 9th September 1914 and was taken into the army establishment as the 10th (Service) Battalion the Lincolnshire Regiment. Nine months of training passed before the battalion was given its place in the army as part of 101st Brigade, 34th Division. In June 1915 the Chums moved from their home in Brocklesby Park to start a period of intensive training in North Yorkshire. At the end of the summer of 1915 the entire 34th Division concentrated in Wiltshire ready to move abroad. On 4th January 1916 embarkation for France began. Spring 1916 saw the Chums in the line 'acclimatising' to trench conditions.

In July 1916 Fred and the rest of the battalion were in Battle for the first time at the Somme. The Chums suffered 500 casualties but Fred survived. His unit remained in the Somme battle area until 19th August when it was pulled out, but the battle continued until 20th November 1916.

The winter saw long spells of extremely cold, wet and dangerous trenches. At the end of March 1917 the chums moved into billets in the town of Arras ready to take part in the next offensive. On 10th April the entire 34th Division was in the front line ready to attack. 101st Brigade was to attack in two waves, 16th Royal Scots and 11th Suffolk's, followed by 15th Royal Scots and Fred's 10th Lincolns. On 14th April, after five days of fighting and 159 casualties the chums were pulled out of the front line, but not for long. The 34th Division was moved to the German held strongpoint of Roeux. On 28th April the troops assembled for the attack at 4am, fifteen minutes later the chums left their trench and moved forward in the open, immediately they came under heavy fire. By daybreak they were fighting in scattered groups and at 8am the advance was over, the chums retired to their trench line, but not Fred, he was killed in action aged twenty-five

Fred Roe is buried at the Crump Trench British Cemetery, Fampoux, Pas de Calais. There are over 200 other troops buried at this site, a quarter of them remain unidentified.

Corporal Harry Prescott M M

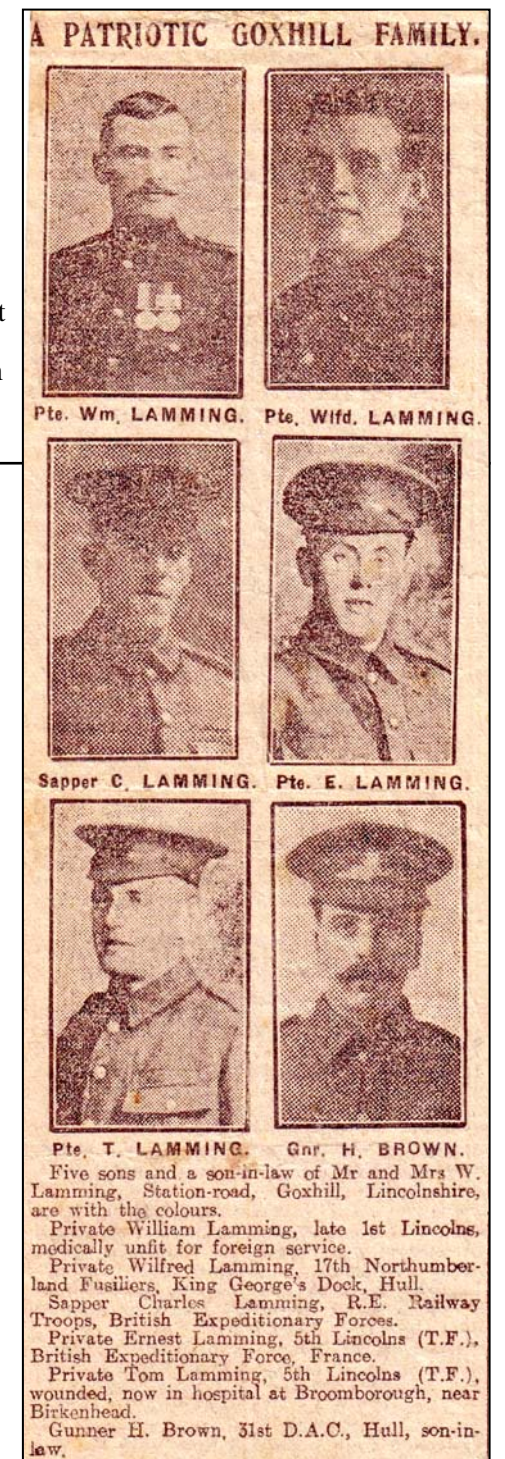
The name Prescott will be familiar to many people in Goxhill. The dairy and the haulage businesses were run by my late Uncle Harry Prescott's two younger brothers Herbert and Jim. My Uncle Harry lived in Goxhill most of his working life. He was born in Sheepfold Street in Grimsby. When World War One started and as soon as he was old enough, he joined the Grimsby Chums. He did most of his training in Brocklesby Park and then joined the 10th Service Battalion Lincolnshire Regiment (Grimsby Chums) and went to France.

He was awarded the Military Medal on 1st July 1916 for Bravery in the Field (the details of which I do not know).

In September 1917 Cpl Harry Prescott received an "Honour Card"* for great courage and determination as a company runner. He received that Honour Card for successfully carrying his officer's message, during a gas attack, through to HQ. He suffered from the gas attack and was taken to a French Hospital where they managed to save his life, although he lost half his lungs and remained in hospital many weeks before being drafted home. He spent the rest of his working life in Goxhill living next to the Chapel in Chapel Street and working on his father's farm in South End, Goxhill. One of Goxhill's brave men of World War One, who never talked about it.

Wes Crampin

*Honour Cards "are a means of recognising the good work of the men at the front at once, and where millions of men are engaged in heroic acts so frequent that it is manifest that but for these "Cards of Honour" many would go unrecognised." (quote from the War Diary Intelligence Summary Sept 1917 from the National Archives).



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GOXHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL REPORT

We've had a great term! Our school has been buzzing with all of the exciting things that have gone on. The weather has been so kind to us, with each day getting hotter and hotter. As we come to the end of another busy year, I find it quite relaxing to reflect back on the many successes we have enjoyed and 'a' one worry which we are hoping will be resolved by the time we come back in September.



A sponsored 5 mile walk along the lanes around Goxhill and other contributions have raise an amazing £7710 for Sheffield's Children's Hospital.

It goes without saying how shocked and scared we were when we heard about our little Holly and the hard work and the fight she had ahead of her when it was confirmed her Leukaemia had returned. However she has been a champion of strength and although she has had to undergo a lot of very intense treatment, the signs are positive and we are very hopeful that she is getting better. The whole school and the community are behind Holly. We have been overwhelmed with the contributions which have been made to the sponsored walk which we did in May. There we were all walking around the back lanes of Goxhill wearing our wigs.... Amazingly, Holly completed the whole circuit too! In recognition of all of that and from donations made by members of the public as we passed by; by the Parish council whose meeting was hi-jacked by little Freya Atkin; from the auction at the summer fair; and the raffle money which is being matched funded by Barclays Bank, so far our total raised for Sheffield's Children's Hospital is an outstanding £7710.50!!! Now, I'm not a betting person but I am sure that by the time we come back in September that figure will have increased as it has steadily done since May! We will look forward to presenting Holly and her nurse, Rachel Ducker, with the BIG cheque in the autumn term. In the autumn term we are hoping to have some work done on a design for a stained glass window to which I believe Holly will be making a big contribution. Over the summer holiday our hopes and prayers are that Holly continues to work hard at getting better.

On Friday 18th July, we said our goodbyes to a wonderful group of year 6 children who I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know and watch grow as they progressed through our school. These children were in year 1 when I joined Goxhill

almost 6 years ago – it amazes me how the time has flown! All of them are great personalities and the friendship and kindness they showed to each other was appealing and endearing. They are all going in different directions and I know that they will experience much success in their futures, but they have certainly left me with some very lasting memories of their time at Goxhill.



The Year 6 Leavers' performance was a fantastic mixture of laughter and tears. It culminated with a presentation by Barton Rotary of scientific calculators to all the pupils.

We were very pleased with all of our assessment outcomes across the whole school with exceptionally bright children leaving our Reception year to embark on a new journey through year 1; great outcomes for our year 1 and year 2 children with a record number of children achieving at the higher levels; and finally the national outcomes for our Year 6 children achieving levels 5 and 6's in the statutory assessments in May. We are tracking all of our children's progress across the whole school and have a very strong team of

outstanding teachers and teaching assistants. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all of their efforts and contributions to providing a great education for our children at Goxhill.

This time last year we had concluded a consultation on the federation between Goxhill and East Halton schools. I know a lot of people had concerns about how this might impact on both school communities. Despite this however, feedback from parental

questionnaires which we asked you to complete in April, showed that both school communities continue to thrive. We are pleased that there has not been as much disruption if any, to the children's



Sports Day was blessed with glorious weather for once and an enormous crowd of parents and relatives.

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learning as was first imagined. If anything staff at both sites have grown as a strong unified team where we are able to learn from each other. Our senior management team have enjoyed the opportunities which have been opened up to them because of the Federation, and they have adjusted quickly and with enthusiasm to the new challenges which has been presented to them. I hope that next year sees our Federation growing even stronger.

The great weather this term has enabled us to have a fantastic sports day, which was really well attended and enjoyed by lots of parents and the children. I don't think we have ever set a date that needed to be changed at the last minute. However this year we succeeded in timing it just right! Similarly the Summer Fair was a major success and enjoyed by everyone who attended. It was a great fun day which ended in a fantastic auction raising over £1100.

Our themed dinner day – 'a day at the seaside', didn't get off to a good start since a lightning strike the day before damaged electricity wires into the village. A lot of children pre-booked dinner tickets and were looking forward to a hot meal of fish and chips and unfortunately we had to think on our feet and provide an alternative! What should have been a day at the seaside turned out to be a day for a picnic! Our kitchen staff worked so hard and did so well

Goxhill showed off a huge range of talent at the Summer Fair with the overall winner Oscar Khoo on the violin



and through help from other kitchens in other schools and the very kind generosity from the TESCO store in Barton, who donated crisps enough for 300 children, we had a fun experience and children had a lunch of sandwiches, mini sausages, pasta salad, crisps and juice followed by a cake in a cone!

We had a final presentation assembly on Friday to bring to a close a very busy year. Acknowledging the achievements of all of our children we also presented a special award donated by our very good and close friend Jeannette Barker. Many of you may know Jeannette but if you don't she is the cook for East Halton school and has grandchildren at Goxhill school. Jeannette had a very special birthday this year and has turned 70 years old. For 45 of those years, she has worked at East Halton, caretaking first and then in her capacity as school cook. Jeannette loves all of the children at both schools and wanted to contribute a trophy and voucher to a child who has made an outstanding contribution across the year. Both school staff came to unanimous conclusions and were in no doubt who should be chosen from both schools. At East Halton, a little girl who works so hard, is kind and who sets an outstanding example with her behaviour was the deserved winner of this cup – Lily Bell.

At Goxhill, we have a little girl who is always happy,



Goxhill's winner of the Jeannette Barker trophy for outstanding contribution to the school community, was Jemima Green, presented by Jeannette herself.

always positive, always kind and helpful but most noticeably is always smiling! Her smile is a beautiful smile, which can light up a room! Again a most deserved winner! This year Goxhill's winner of the Jeannette Barker trophy for outstanding contribution to a school community was Jemima Green. All of the staff and children were pleased that she received this award, which was presented by Jeannette herself.

We still have a busy summer ahead as we are having a new kitchen installed at Goxhill and a new boundary security fence at East Halton! I am hoping all of this work is completed when the children return in September.

We will be organising a number of events in the Autumn Term, which all of the Goxhill community is most welcome to attend. Events such as the Christmas performances, church services and singing around the Christmas tree, are events, which we really want to open up to members of the Goxhill village. We will spread word about these events nearer the time. So, if you see something you would like to attend, just ring Mrs Coulam in the school office and let her know so that we can reserve you a seat.

Finally, A BIG Thank you to everyone at the Out of School Club, the Pre-School, Mr Wood our caretaker at Goxhill, Mrs Coulam, the dinner staff and our very committed group of Governors for all of their contributions which go to making Goxhill school and services the best a village could ask for!

I hope you have enjoyed the summer sun!

Caroline Breslin

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The last six months have brought a lot of changes to Goxhill Pre-school. We have had two Ofsted Inspections and the setting has employed a new Supervisor Joanne Sowerby,

Joanne joined us in a supporting role back in February but was offered the position as a permanent staff member when we returned after the Easter break. Joanne has her BA Honours in Early Child Studies and has 10 years' experience working within the childcare sector, not only working with children but also training childcare professionals. Joanne has implemented a lot of changes to how the setting runs and this has been fully supported by all of the staff. The children now benefit from a wonderful new play area which one of the Ofsted Inspector's said "was a magical area for the children to play and learn" The area is now separated from the Foundation unit and is a smaller area to manage therefore much safer. We would like to thank Caroline Breslin and the School for their support with this change. The Pre-school's paperwork system received a huge overhaul, which impacted immediately on the work with the children, this lead us to our second inspection in July where we received a 'GOOD' grading. The following comments were made in our last inspection report

Children are motivated and engaged in their learning because staff have developed a secure understanding of how children learn through play. The stimulating environment provides a wealth of learning opportunities that follow and extend children's own interests. As a result, children thrive, making good progress across all areas of development.

Children's safety is promoted effectively. Changes to the environments include the erection of a temporary fence which gives the pre-school their own section of the garden. This means children have greater choice of indoor or outdoor play and they benefit from heightened levels of supervision and security.

The pre-school is now organised well to meet the needs of the children. Staff work together as a team to ensure they are deployed across the premises to provide children with consistently good levels of supervision and interaction.

The management committee and staff team have worked extremely hard to successfully address the actions that were raised at the last inspection.

Whilst changes were taking place families and children within the setting supported us and we ended up with the highest ever number of children enrolled at Pre-school (47). The children have covered many topics during this time including planting and growing, mini beasts and the Three Little Pigs and many more activities which followed the children's interests. This culminated with an end of term party for all the children and unfortunately we had to say goodbye to a number of children who were leaving us to start at Goxhill Primary School. We are looking forward to starting back in September welcoming the new children to Pre-school and have lots of fun activities planned for the new school year. We are also looking forward to our new apprentice Georgia Robinson who

will also be starting with us in September.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 24th October Goxhill Pre-school Halloween Disco at Goxhill Primary School Hall - £2.00 per child
5.30pm – 6.45pm children aged 2-5 years (must be accompanied by an adult)

7.00pm – 8.30pm children aged 6-11 years

Our Pre-school is Ofsted registered and we are open to children from 2 years to 5 years of age. Children who are 3 years of age are entitled to 15 hours a week of free flexible funding from the term following their 3rd birthday. This funding can be used across more than one early years provider/setting (i.e. Pre-School and School).

New 2 year old Funding

From September 2013, some two year olds who live in North Lincolnshire will meet eligibility criteria to be entitled to 15 hours per week free childcare from the term following their second birthday. Children will only be able to access their places in settings with a good or outstanding ofsted. If you would like more information with reference to this, please contact the Family Information Service on 01724 296629.

As we have a 'Good' Ofsted, there are places available at Goxhill Pre-school for children who are eligible for the 2 year funding.

For more information on anything in this article please call in during our opening times, which are Monday through to Friday 9am to 3.30pm (Term time only) at the Integrated Services Building, located at Goxhill Primary School.

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Remember 1914. What the war did for us in 2014

Our village is a quiet little spot generally speaking and as Mr and Mrs Ramsbottom found when they visited Blackpool with their little son Albert there are "No shipwrecks and nobody drowning in fact now't exiting at all". It is true that there have on odd occasions been some unusual circumstances, which have relieved the monotony of quiet village life, but these have not become part of national history. It is then to national history that we must turn to discover the events that have brought change and excitement to Goxhill.

This year we have been remembering the one hundredth anniversary of the beginning of the First World War. The village became involved like all other villages in the country in this national event. This was something that happened then for the first time, never before had the whole country been so involved in a war. In all of the previous wars, armies of paid soldiers which had been raised in parts of the country, had fought the war. Some parts of the country had been involved in providing food and manufacturing weapons whilst others had continued as before in their agricultural or manufacturing capacity to supply their traditional markets. In 1914 this changed and the country united first by volunteering and then by conscription to fight the enemy.

Not everyone became involved in firing guns. There were many people who were physically unable to become soldiers or sailors many of who suffered greatly because their disability was not visible. Others of various religions and none objected to fighting on grounds of conscience. Many Methodists and people of other religions found that they were unable to volunteer to fight and to kill, so many of them volunteered for non combatant duties. My father and his brother were amongst these. They became stretcher bearers and were in the trenches in France collecting the wounded soldiers from the land between the fighting armies, both were awarded Military Medals.

Throughout our history there have been wars and battles. I have always been puzzled by the way in which we speak of "The Civil War" as if it were a one off event. Kings and Barons of one sort or another have fought battles and led armies across the country throughout our history. Religion has been used to persuade the people to support some rulers; others have by their beliefs destroyed the realm, which they inherited. Goxhill has throughout history been very fortunate in that the violence of these events has passed it by. When Henry VIII closed the Abbeys and Monasteries, the Abbot and his Cannons at Thornton Abbey accepted his demands and so there was no army sent to destroy the abbey and to lay waste to the surrounding villages. Elsewhere all of the atrocities and excesses that are now regularly brought to our attention from other parts of the world were happening here in our own country. As years passed Religious Leaders, Kings, Queens and Lords, continued to prop up their regime with excessive cruelty. What could they have done with today's weapons of mass destruction?

The events of the war one hundred years ago began the change within the United Kingdom that brought the

people of the country together as never before. Soldiers travelled all over the country and saw how people from other parts lived. Men whose only daily experience of travel was on foot or by horse and cart in their village encountered rail and motor transport and learned to drive before going to France. Women who had previously lived only as the wives of their husbands became responsible for their decisions for themselves and for their children. Some women joined the Voluntary Aid Detachment VAD as nurses and went to war whilst others took over the work of the men that were now in the army.

The transformation continued after the war was over, inevitably as the manufacture of weapons ceased and soldiers were demobilised, unemployment became a problem but the attitude towards the unemployed had changed and there was national support. The working people had been known only by their surname but now received the title of Mr, Mrs or Miss and men of the same name were distinguished by their Christian names rather than as Gentleman or labourer. The names of all who had fallen in battle were recorded together on memorials throughout the country.

There was an increased appreciation of the ability of individuals of all classes and although upper and lower class continued to exist as a concept, it lost its rigidity and the increase in education and the introduction of County High schools and Grammar schools opened the way for many more to achieve their potential. Hospitals supported by money collected locally capitalised upon the knowledge and skills that had been developed in treating the sick and wounded that returned from combat. The realisation that mental illness could arise from experiences of the war, changed the treatment and the attitude of people towards it

The act of remembering those who did not return from the war also had its effect upon religion. Conformist and Nonconformist continued independently in their manner of worship and in their beliefs but they came together in national remembrance. All over the country memorials were erected and the streets were filled with crowds of people that assembled for their dedication. In photographs of these events as in Goxhill the church vicar and the chapel ministers can be seen as they led all of the people in prayer, whilst one of the ordinary soldiers who had returned safely was chosen to speak the ode of remembrance.

No declaration by Kings or Parliament had ever done so much to bring together the people of the United Kingdom as was achieved by the sacrifice of the war that began in 1914.

Maurice Brawn.



OFF THE HOOF

Aileen has been in hospital and is unable to write her regular article for this edition. But I am pleased to say that she will be back as soon as she is well enough.



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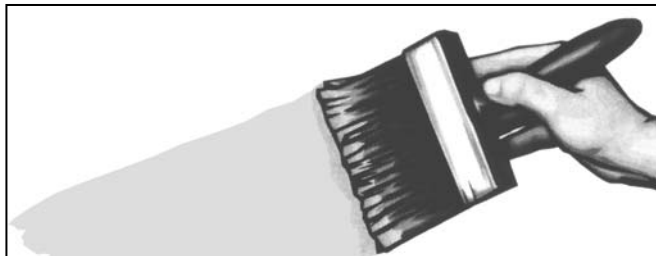
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GOXHILL MEMORIAL HALL

The Memorial Hall was built by public subscription to commemorate those villagers who perished in the First World War with Memorial Plaques being placed in the front wall of the building.

A further plaque was added at the end of the Second World War honouring those lost.

Since the opening in 1925 it has provided many facilities for the community. With the passage of time and changes in legislation improvements became necessary to continue to provide a warm welcoming atmosphere.

To carry out these improvements external sources of funding were necessary to supplement monies raised by Hall Management from hiring fees and contributions from the Parish Precept.

A list of works required was drawn up and prioritised with the approval of the Management Committee. These have over the years, with funding from numerous outside sources, been completed with the exception of dealing with rising damp and water penetrating the brickwork from the flat roofs over the entrance porch, gents toilets and store room.



Following a Public meeting proposals to remove the flat roofs and demolish the old walls and extend the main roof line were approved. Assurances were given that the plaques would be preserved and replaced in the new structure and this will be adhered to as will the Millennium clock and time capsule.

The cost of the project is in excess of £80,000. Funding applications have been made and one, from the North Lincolnshire Council, has been successful with the proviso that other funding is obtained. An application to a Land Fill Tax credit company has been made with a final decision expected by mid- August and if successful a Heritage Environment Record can be made of the plaques. This will involve them being photographed, prior to removal, to allow the original inscriptions on the old stone tablets to be also recorded.

To minimise disruption to users of the Hall the front entrance will be sealed off during the works. Entrance being gained by the side doors.
Dave Carnell.

Goxhill Memorial Hall.

In Goxhill we are trying,
To build a Memorial Hall;
To remind us of the heroes,
Who, for us, did fight and fall.

In France's muddy trenches,
And Egypt's desert wide,
On Italy's lofty mountains,
They fought there, side by side.

We had them on the water,
Where treacherous mines were spread
These brave lads fell whilst striving
To bring us daily bread.

As round your homes we canvass,
You must try to do your best,
To show you're not forgetting
Those lads who lay at rest.

Just think of the time they stuck it,
Through shot and shell and strife,
Fighting for our freedom—
Fighting for everyone's life.

Now you, who have not pondered
To see what you could do,
To remember Goxhill's fallen heroes,
Who fought and bled for you,

Kindly think the matter over,
Look at it in a proper light;
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Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and

2 Tune St. Philip.

FOR all the saints who from their labours rest,

Who Thine by faith before the world confessed,

Thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blessed—

Alleluia!

GOD, our help in ages past,

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and

3 Tune—Eventide.

A BIDE with me! fast falls the eventide;

The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!

When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,

Help of the helpless, O abide with me!

A poem that aptly sums up the importance of the Memorial Hall to the village and a leaflet publicising all the Opening events.

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Sensational Late Summer Bakes

With this late summer and autumn set to be a scorcher, there's going to be plenty of opportunities to take a road trip to you local beach and picnic spots, or why not just laze in the garden at home with family and friends, and enjoy some of your favourite seasonal baked cakes along with a chilled bottle of bubbly, of course, or a dainty cup of tea!

So, while you ponder over which is your favourite bake, whether it be your grandma's good old tried and tested, your very own secret recipe bake, or maybe mine, either way you're going to love your bake this autumn.

For this issue for you all, I've come up with what are my favourite three bakes for this time of the year, a cream cake, a sponge cake and a fruit tart. They're all so easy to make, they won't get you in a tizz in the kitchen and most importantly they'll look and taste delicious too!

They say the best parties are always in the kitchen and they're right but the best picnic bakes are always in your cake tin!

Happy Cooking

Chocolate éclairs

Ingredients

For the choux pastry

125g plain flour
1 pinch salt
225ml water
110g butter
3 large eggs

For the cream filling

300ml double cream
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
For the chocolate coating
110g plain chocolate, melted
1 tablespoon golden syrup

Method

Preheat the oven to 220 C / Gas 7. Grease a baking tray or line with baking parchment.

For the choux pastry:

Sieve the flour into a large bowl and add the salt. Set aside.

In a saucepan over a high heat, bring the water to the boil and add the butter, stirring constantly to melt. Add the flour directly into the boiling buttery water and beat continuously until it forms a dough. Remove from the heat and add the eggs one at a time, beating and mixing vigorously after each addition.

Fill a piping bag with the pastry dough and pipe 16 pastry oblongs about 3x6cm onto the prepared baking tray leaving at least 5cm between each éclair.

Bake the choux pastry in the preheated oven for 15 to 20 minutes until risen and golden brown. Remove and allow to cool on a cooling rack. Puncture each éclair with a piping bag nozzle-sized hole at one end so that the cream can be piped in later. Allow to cool fully.

For the cream filling:

In a bowl, whisk together the double cream and the vanilla extract until light and fluffy.



When the pastry has completely cooled, fill a piping bag with the vanilla cream and gently pipe cream into each of the éclairs.

For the chocolate coating:

In a small bowl mix together the melted chocolate with the golden syrup. With a spoon smear the chocolate mixture over the top of each éclair.

Place in the fridge to chill for 30 minutes before serving.

Lemon drizzle cake

Ingredients

2 lemons
275g granulated sugar
175g butter, softened
200g plain flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
3 large free range eggs

Method

Preheat the oven to 180 C / Gas 4.

Line the base of a 900g non-stick loaf tin with baking parchment and butter the tin well.

Finely grate the zest of the lemons. Put 175g of the sugar in a bowl with the butter, flour, baking powder, eggs and lemon zest. Mix until the mixture is just combined and has a thick smooth texture. Spoon the cake mixture into the tin and level the surface.

Bake for 35 minutes or until well risen and pale golden brown. Test by inserting a skewer into the centre of the cake; if it comes out clean, the cake is done. Remove from the oven and rest in the tin for 5 minutes. Meanwhile squeeze the juice out of the 2 lemons and add to the remaining sugar.

Turn the cake out onto a wire rack set above a tray or plate. Remove the baking parchment and turn the cake the right way up. Make about 50 deep holes in the top of the cake with a skewer.

Slowly spoon half of the sugar lemon mix over the top of the cake. Let stand for 5 minutes, then repeat with the rest of the lemon sugar. Leave to set for at least 1 hour before serving.



Raspberry tart

Ingredients

120g flour
1 pinch of salt
60g cold butter
1/2 vanilla pod
425ml milk
2 tablespoons sugar
3 tablespoons cornflour
2 egg yolks
3-4 tbs raspberry jam
1 bowl raspberries

Method

Preheat the oven to 180 C / Gas 4.

Quickly rub together the flour, salt and butter together. Form into a rough ball and roll thin between greaseproof paper so that it fits a 23cm flan tin. Lay it into the tin to line the bottom and up the sides. Put it into the freezer for a few minutes.

Cover pastry with buttered aluminium foil and bake in preheated oven for 20 minutes. After the 20 minutes are up, look under the aluminium foil to see if the pastry is cooked through, and bake a little longer if necessary. Remove the flan tin from the oven and immediately and carefully remove the aluminium foil.

In the meantime, scrape vanilla beans from the pod, add them to the milk and sugar and bring to the boil. Mix the cornflour with the egg yolks and whisk into the milk until smooth. Put back on the heat and cook over medium, beating continuously until a thick custard is formed. Remove from heat and stir every few minutes to prevent a skin forming.

Spread the raspberry jam over the cooled pastry case and fill with the still warm custard and smooth out. Place raspberries on top and gently push them into the custard slightly. Allow the tart to set for 2 hours in the fridge before eating.

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Baysgarth's 39th Annual Sports Day

The brilliant sunshine (or at least lack of rain) let the side down this year unlike the pupils who once again ran and threw and jumped their way through the numerous sporting events. This year, Sports Day was held over a period of two consecutive days because a torrential downpour stopped play!

The results show that this year the overall winners were Bardney. Well done to all competitors. Once again there were many outstanding performances and records broken:

Year 8 Abigail Allerton broke the 400m record.
 Joe Atkinson broke the High Jump record with a fabulous jump of 1.36 metres.

Year 9 Warren Moran broke the High Jump record with an outstanding jump of 1.46 metres.

Year 10 Dylan Turner set a new Long Jump record with a jump of 5.36 metres.
 Nathan Willers broke the 400m record.
 Harry Davis threw a Javelin for 31m to get himself into the record books.



Nicola Gard secured the new record in the Shot Putt event and Adam Whall jumped to victory in two events: the High Jump at 1.65 metres and the Triple Jump with an impressive 10.75 metres.

Special thanks to the PE staff for organising the day, other members of staff for their excellent measuring and timing skills (even under some challenging circumstances) and thanks to Mr Collingwood who, as ever, eloquently informed the expectant crowd of spectators of the highs and lows of the day (especially when it came time to run for cover.)



Year 11 Prom 2014

Special thanks to Mrs Sprakes for organising this fabulous event. The Village Hotel in Hessle played host to this year's Prom for year 11.

Hog roast and chips was on the menu with chocolate fudge cake for desert.

The rain stayed away until about half way through the pupils arriving in their fantastic choices of vehicle, but did not manage to dampen the spirits. This year's modes of transport varied from Scooby Do walking in front of the Mystery Machine to Alex Button navigating his own tractor.

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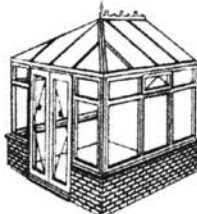


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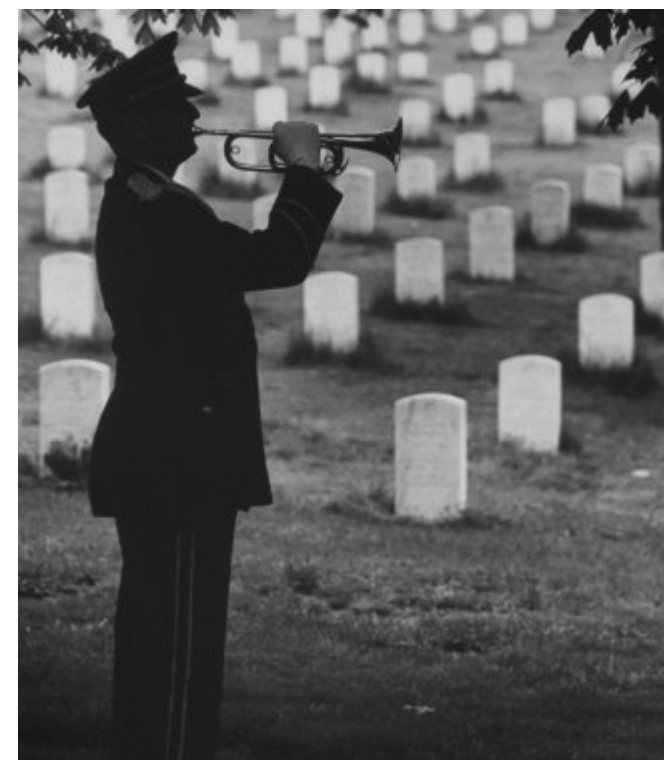
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Ron Parker's Jottings

It all began in 1862 during the American Civil War when Union Army Captain Ellicombe was with his men near Harrison's Landing in Virginia, the Confederate Army was on the other side of the narrow strip of land, During the night Captain Robert Ellicombe heard the moans of a soldier who lay severely wounded on the field, not knowing if it was a Union or a Confederate soldier the Captain decided to risk his life and bring the stricken man back for medical attention.

Crawling on his stomach through the gun fire the Captain reached the stricken soldier and began pulling him towards his encampment, when the Captain finally reached his own lines he discovered it was actually a Confederate Soldier, but the soldier was dead, the Captain lit a lantern and suddenly caught his breath and went Numb with Shock, in the dim light he saw the face of the soldier, it was his own Son, The Boy had been studying Music in the South when the war broke out, without telling his Father, the Boy had enlisted in the Confederate Army...

The following morning, Heartbroken, the Father asked permission of his superiors to give his son a full Military burial, despite his enemy status, his request was only partly granted, the Captain had asked if he could have a group of Army Band



Members play a Funeral Dirge for his son at the funeral, the request was turned down since the soldier was a Confederate, but out of respect for the Father they did say they could give him only one Musician..

The captain chose a Bugler, he asked the Bugler to play a series of musical notes he had found on a piece of paper in the pocket of the dead youths uniform, this wish was granted, the Haunting Melody, we now know as "Taps" in America and the "Last Post" in England used at military funerals was Born..

Taps or the Last Post

Day is done Gone the sun
From the lakes From the hills
From the sky All is well
Safely rest God is nigh

Fading light Dims the sight
And a star Gems the sky
Gleaming bright From afar
Drawing nigh Falls the night

Thanks and praise For our days
Neath the sun Neath the stars
Neath the sky As we go
This we know God is nigh

In the American Civil War it is said that Brother fought Brother and Father fought Son

By the Late Ron Parker.

By kind permission of his family

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The Folk Singer

As I have said before Dennis and I spend many happy hours riding round the Marsh areas of Goxhill, where he relives his happy times as a young person in Goxhill.

Many times he points out a house in South End saying "that's where Spittlehouse's lived." That name reminded me of my father's reply when Dennis mentioned the name to him many years ago, "well those people were my relatives; Betsy Spittlehouse was my cousin; her father was my uncle George Goulthorpe".

So my account of George Goulthorpe* begins - In the 1901 census he is described as a Farm Labourer, aged 62 living with John and Betsy Spittlehouse, Church End Goxhill.

He died in 1910 and is buried in Goxhill.

Of course there were many Farm Labourers who died in Goxhill, so how is this one so important?

Well, I was told by a local historian, many years ago that George Goulthorpe, my Great Uncle, was a folk singer who had sung for Percy Grainger, who was recording folk singers in this area. This set me on the road to discover all I could about him.

I am sure that many of my family owe their musical abilities to the genes of this man. I think the best way I can present his talent, is to quote from the document of Percy Grainger's visit to find Folk Singers in this area in 1905:-

George Gouldthorpe (1839-1910) folksinger/workhouse inmate - Percy Grainger's favourite singer

"Mr. George Gouldthorpe, the singer of Harkstow Grange (sic) (born at Barrow-on-the-Humber, North Lincolnshire, and aged 66 when he first sang to me, in 1905) was a very different personality. Though his face and figure were gaunt and sharp-cornered (closely akin to those seen on certain types of Norwegian upland peasants) and his singing voice somewhat grating, he yet contrived to breathe a spirit of almost caressing tenderness into all he sang, said and did - though a hint of the tragic was ever-present also. A life of drudgery, ending, in old age, in want and hardship, had not shorn his manners of a degree of humble nobility and dignity exceptional even amongst English peasants; nor could any situation rob him of his refreshing, but quite unconscious, Lincolnshire independence. In spite of his poverty and his feebleness in old age it seemed to be his instinct to shower benefits around him." **Percy Grainger.**

George Gouldthorpe was a lime burner by trade. George and his brother William learnt many of their songs from their father. The Gouldthorpes were aware that the folk songs were dying out and keen to keep the tradition alive. They had protested against the Barrow on Humber Primitive Methodist chapel's discouragement of singing, by performing carols outside the door. He was a song collector's dream as he was happy to repeat songs until they were fully noted down, he'd reassure them "I'm very good natured."

Late in life ("vast in years" as he would say), George was a widower.

At times he was living with relatives (the 1901 census finds him with his son in law's family in Church End, Goxhill) or

*George Goulthorpe (without 'd') is the way it was spelled and used by my ancestors. All census records can only be found using Goulthorpe; no 'd'.



George Goulthorpe in Manor House Gardens Brigg

compelled to be an inmate of the Glanford Brigg Union Workhouse at Brigg.

"Towards the end of his life he was continually being pitch-forked out of the workhouse to work on the roads, and pitch-forked back into the workhouse as it was seen he was too weak to work ('When Ah gets on to the roads I feel that weeäk!'). But he was very anxious to insist that no injustice was done to him. In the midst of reciting his troubles he would add quickly, impulsively: 'Aw, boot Ah'm nawt cumplaainin'! They're verra kahn tummu (kind to me) at the workkus; they're verra kahn' tummu!' " **Percy Grainger.**

In "Gervase Elwes: The Story of His Life", Lady Winefride and Richard Elwes recount the following anecdote: *"(Grainger) also "drew" the Brigg workhouse, where he found, among others, the most charming old gentleman, a real product of Lincolnshire,*

whom he brought to lunch with us, and who sat at table with us and our party without a trace of shyness, perfectly at ease as if with friends - as indeed he was."

Though we cannot say if this was certainly George Gouldthorpe, the story seems in keeping with Gouldthorpe's character. Moreover, we do know that George was Grainger's favourite singer and he visited Grainger at Brigg:

"Once, at Brigg, when I had been noting down tunes until late in the evening, I asked Mr. Gouldthorpe to come back early the next morning. At about 4.30 I looked out of the window and saw him playing with a colt, on the lawn. He must have taken a train from Goxhill or Barrow, at about 4.00 am. I apologised, saying 'I didn't mean that early, Mr. Gouldthorpe.' Smiling his sweet kingly smile he answered: 'Yuh said: Coome eearly. So I coom'd." **Percy Grainger**

George ended his days living with his sister in Goxhill where he was buried on 23 April 1910. *"I have now got to know that George Gouldthorpe, him I loved most of them all, died in April. I just wanted to send him some money, poor chap."* Percy Grainger (letter 24.5.1910.)

Percy Grainger arranged George's "Horkstow Grange" as part of his "Lincolnshire Posy Suite for Wind Band". Each piece in this suite was arranged to reflect the personality of the singers. Grainger transformed George's confused little ditty into a stately thing of dignity, love and beauty. *"In recalling Mr. Gouldthorpe I think most of the mild yet lordly grandeur of his nature, and this is what I have tried to mirror in my setting of Harkstow Grange" (sic). A great epitaph for the old boy.*

Horkstow Grange, sung by George Gouldthorpe for Percy Grainger in 1908:

*In Horkstow Grange there lived an old miser,
You all do know him as I've heard say.
It's him and his man that was named John Bowlin'
They fell out one market day*

*Pity them who see him suffer,
Pity poor old Steeleye Span;
John Bowlin's deeds they will be remembered;
Bowlin's deeds at Horkstow Grange*

*With a blackthorn stick old Steeleye struck him,
Ofens had threatened him before;
John Bowlin' turned round all in a passion,
He knocked old Steeleye into t'floor.*

*Pity them who see him suffer,
Pity poor old Steeleye Span;
John Bowlin's deeds they will be remembered;
Bowlin's deeds at Horkstow Grange*

*John Bowlin' struck him qui-et sharply; (quite)
It happened to be on a market day.
Old Steeleye swore with all his vengeance,
He would swear his life away.*

*Pity them who see him suffer,
Pity poor old Steeleye Span;
John Bowlin's deeds they will be remembered;
Bowlin's deeds at Horkstow Grange.*

So somewhere in Goxhill there is an unmarked grave of a very poor but talented man. **Ramona Percy (nee Parkin)**

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ROTARY CLUB OF BARTON-UPON-HUMBER

Scientific Calculators were presented to the pupils who left Goxhill School, in July by Barton Rotary Club. Pupils of all ten Junior Schools in the Barton area received the calculators to help with their secondary education.

Continuing to help the **flood victims of South Ferriby**, Barton Rotary Club has donated white goods to the value of £1,600 to help the families who are returning to their homes.



Three Chest Freezers, a Fridge Freezer, Cooker, a Washing Machine and a Tumble Dryer have been donated to South Ferriby Parish Council.

Two boys and two girls, who are pupils of New Holland School were given a week's holiday at the

Sheffield Rotary Club's **Castleton Camp**. Barton club members transported them to and collected them from the camp, at which they take part in games and other organised activities, together with trips to Theme Parks.

A record number of 2,100 runners braved the rain to take part in the **Humber Bridge Half Marathon**, organised by the Rotary Clubs of Hull and Barton. Committee member, John Leaning of Barrow said "This is a major event to co-ordinate and we are helped by many local people to handle the Water Stations and marshal the



thirteen mile route. The large amount raised for charity makes it all worthwhile"

Barton Rotary Club members and partners supported a number of athletes competing in the **Rotary District 1270 Disability Games** in Barnsley. Over 400 athletes from across the region took part and one of our competitors, Dennis Chapman from Thornton Curtis, won a Gold medal in the Junior 25m swim.

62 bikes and 14

wheelchairs have now been collected by Barton Rotary Club President, John Fagge. They have been sent to be refurbished in prison workshops and then given to people in the Third World and within the UK.

John said "It is amazing how many old bikes people have in their sheds and garages that they will never use again and we are very grateful for the many bikes we have been given. Very poor people in many areas will now benefit from these". John is still collecting bikes and can be contacted on 01652 618615.

A "**Crisis Box**", to help future victims of flooding and designed by the Beverley charity Real Aid, was shown to Barton Club members by cyclists from the Rotary Club of Beverley during a rest stop at Waters Edge on their tour of the 47 local Rotary District Clubs. The box contains items which victims need to get their homes clean and safe after the flood water has gone. The boxes will be stored at a warehouse in Beverley and will be available for Rotary Clubs to arrange distribution in their areas. Essential equipment is also available on loan, including dehumidifiers, jet washers, counter-top cookers and fridges to help homeowners to get back to normal as quickly as possible.



THE ROTARY CLUB BARROW MERIDIAN



Rotary Wobbly Wheelers

Sunday 28th September 2014. Start time 11am.

The Rotary Club of Barrow Meridian are organising a 10 mile sponsored bike ride on the 28th September starting and finishing at the Barrow village playing fields, with the route passing through the villages of Barrow Haven, New Holland and Goxhill.

We hope to entice the residents of Barrow, Barrow Haven, New Holland and Goxhill to join in on this fun day by entering for the bike ride, preferably in fancy dress and seek sponsorship for finishing the event. We hope children, adults, parents and grandparents will participate and prizes will be awarded for the "best dressed bike", "most wacky bike" and "best dressed rider. Separate awards in all these categories will be given to the best male and female adult, child and grandparent!

We are raising sponsorship money this time for St

Andrews Adult and Children's Hospice and also for our local playing fields improvement fund.

After the bike ride we will be utilising the village rugby clubhouse facilities and picnic and barbeque on the adjoining village playing field.

So come on, dust down your bikes and fancy dress and join in on the Fun Day.

Sponsorship forms are available at the Barrow Squash Club, the Six Bells Pub, or email me on simon@clarkweightman.co.uk to be forwarded a form.

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Simon Weightman President of the Rotary Club of Barrow Meridian.



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There are two future events which we would like to let everyone know about -

Lunch at Elsham Golf Club on 1st December. We are having a Christmas Lunch with various puds, and coffee/tea and a welcome drink, the price is £20. We are hoping to have an Antiques valuer to value small items for anyone who wishes to bring them along. It should be a fun day. Tickets can be obtained by calling **Liz** on **01469 530165**. Look out for posters.

Tree of Lights Service on the 14th December at St. Mary's Church, Burgate, Barton upon Humber at 4pm. At this service you can remember loved ones or friends who have passed away, for a small donation to the Hospice, and also light a candle for them. It is a lovely service which is conducted by Rev Alan Wright. We are having a small group from the Barton Town Band playing carols for us.

Chris Patterson (Secretary)



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Events that can leave a Hole

Last time of writing I was talking about the church roof, the lead theft and the need to raise funds for the repairs to protect and maintain this historic landmark in Goxhill. I gather fundraising is going well yet there is still a need for more help too.

I also wrote about the wedding of our first daughter Helen and that our second daughter's wedding was due to happen soon. Well that has now been and gone; Saturday 26th July to be exact.

You know, there's an odd sort of feeling now. It was one thing when your children grow up and leave home, there is a 'space' in your life that is hard to describe. Then they meet someone who fills up their lives more and then they get married.

There's all the planning for both weddings and then... it over. So what to do now? When will they come home for a visit? There's a 'hole' now not a space, and it feels really odd.

The whole 'nurturing' thing of being a parent has now passed by and it is over to them to get on with life properly, together. No doubt though as parents, we will be there at the drop of one of my hats should a call come, that's just what we do.

Hopefully too, the gurgling sounds of babies (did I use the plural term?) and tiny feet might appear, but today, I feel slightly empty. That is not to say that I am unhappy as we are both delighted for our children to have grown up, found sole mates and settled down, it just feels different now. No more planning and stuff, the events have been and gone.

Gill and I often feel the same way after events in our garden too. We did after the Goxhill Open Gardens on Fathers' Day this year and after Goxhill All Saints Church's Pimms and Pate event on Sunday 20th July. There's all the planning and garden preparation (with the help of Sally of course - thanks Sally), the event, the welcoming of guests and friends, and then comes the day after. You could almost say our garden is one of our children, in a fashion.

Well today, Monday 28th July, I feel delighted and yet a little empty; that odd feeling of happy and hollow now that Jody and Derrick's wedding has gone this past Saturday yet, Gill will be baking and I will be lawn-cutting later today ready for welcoming the Grimsby Parkinson's Group here tomorrow afternoon for tea and cakes, bringing a group of Parkinson's sufferers and carers together, in a different environment for an afternoon. And then on Wednesday, that feeling will happen again.

So what to plan for next? Well on the subject of weddings and variations thereof, I need to get planning what we are going to do next December, that's not this coming December but December 2015. Yes I know it is a long way off but it will be here in no time and it is our Silver wedding you see - and I need to start now, planning, plotting and scheming how to celebrate our 25 years of bliss.

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At the end of our term we attended 268 engagements with a variation of events from opera in Lincoln Cathedral to presenting the prizes at the Rock Open finals in Scunthorpe also attending village functions in my ward including Goxhill to open “HILDAS AT HOME” garden party, a very enjoyable afternoon, we both are looking forward to the event again on 2nd August.

Two traumatic events also occurred during our year of office one on 5th December, being nearly stranded in the mayoral car on the Clive Sullivan Way going to Hull, when the Humber over topped.

The other was when I witnessed the passenger landing a plane at Humberside airport, when his pilot became ill and unconscious, what a remarkable achievement when the passenger had no flying experience.

Another highlight of my year was launching a refurbished train at the Barton railway station which was named “John (Longitude) Harrison” a name I suggested when being a member of the BCCRP Barton Cleethorpes Community Rail Partnership. I was very pleased that this train would promote and publicise a famous person who lived in Barrow on Humber.

I chose for my Mayors charity “When you wish upon

a Star” because I have supported the charity for many years, which benefits local children with terminal and incurable illnesses.

An incredible amount of £34,000 was raised for the charity, this will enable granting a wish for many sick children, one of them being the annual trip from Humberside airport to Lapland.

I would like to thank those local businesses, organisations and individuals who have supported my charity to make a dream come true for those ill children.

Finally I would like to thank my wife Carol for supporting me as my Mayoress, a very busy time for her, and we both enjoyed celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary on 6th June.



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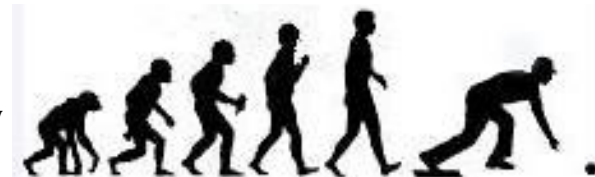
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In the previous issue of The Gander I foolishly speculated that our open afternoon and barbecue in May would surely not be plagued by rain for a second consecutive year. That tempting of fate was all that was required to wash out the afternoon and, with it, the interest of all but a couple of people wanting to try out lawn bowling. Subsequently the weather has generally been pretty good and, at the time of writing, we are enjoying an extended sunny spell ideal for outdoor pursuits like bowls - not to forget barbecues!

To date Goxhill Bowling Club has been enjoying mixed fortunes in the three leagues that it competes in, topping the Barnetby League but only occupying middle table places in the others. One of the disadvantages of the fixture system for bowls is that during the season there can be some clubs that have played twice as many matches as others because earlier dates were necessary, with this being exacerbated by any postponed fixtures. The true league tables thus only become apparent towards the end of the Summer. Let us hope that we can hang on to that top spot.

In the recent 'county' bowling finals (the old Humberside boundary still being our 'county' for this sport) two Goxhill ladies - Julia Heath and Dorothy



Jerrison - did the Club and the village proud by winning the Senior Ladies Pairs title. We all have our fingers crossed that they will be able to carry their winning streak

on into the national finals held in August.

Please visit our website at <http://goxhill-bowls-club.clubbz.com> to find out more about the club, to catch a flavour of what we have been doing, or to contact us by email. If you think you might fancy trying or taking up lawn bowls then please feel free to ring me on **530363** for a chat and to learn more.

John Guggiari

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