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As well as all the amazing array of events, activities, achievements and stories in this packed issue of the Gander, there are also all the activities that are posted on the Grapevine, Goxhill's own facebook page set up by Nicola Jones and Lisa Adams, now run by Dawn Lenham. Every day you can see what young people from the village are doing for Lifestyle, what events are about to happen, news on traffic and transport issues, lost and found dogs and cats, warnings about unscrupulous people about, the exchange of vital information, to name but a few.

I have to conclude from this evidence that there are a lot of people doing some wonderful things in our village and organising amazing events to entertain us all. One of the posters on the Grapevine regularly comments what a fabulous place Goxhill is to live in. I agree.

Sadly one of the traditional ways of recognising individuals who contribute selflessly for the benefit of the village or for worthy charitable causes, ceased to operate last year, I believe due to lack of interest - on the fund itself and from people in the village.

This was the Short Award. A fund in memory of Mr & Mrs Short who lived in Goxhill, which was used to pay for a small award or gift to those nominated and voted on by the most residents, each year. These people don't do what they do, for reward, but the winning of this award means more to them than anything. I speak from a personal involvement in this, for my wife Pip, was the first to be voted for the Short Award posthumously. This was a wonderful recognition of all the things she was involved with in the village. Her award was



Goxhill was out in force to celebrate the Coronation in June 1911, just as they turned out for this Queen's 90th birthday. The street scene hasn't changed much either.

a willow tree, planted on the side of Willow Lane for all to enjoy, as a lasting poignant reminder of this award. The fact that the sun catches the brass plaque by the tree, as I walk around my garden, and draws my attention to it everyday is very moving.

The list of previous winners of the Short Award, as displayed on a board in the Memorial Hall, is a role call of very special people that we are privileged to live or have lived alongside. They are all humble, down to earth people, who do not seek recognition, but they are worthy of our sincere thanks nevertheless.

There are individuals and groups, young and old, in our village, still doing great things.

So I ask the Parish Council, who have the responsibility to control the fund, to bring the Short Award back. I'm sure I can name several right now who deserve the recognition, but that is your responsibility.

If the rate of interest is now insufficient to generate enough funds for an award each year, I'm sure there are ways of topping it up in order to be able to pay for this.

As Editor of the Gander, I take my responsibility of maintaining our village newsletter very seriously. I work very hard to encourage and thank all our incredibly good contributors of articles and suppliers of vital news about events in the village. Without them the newsletter is nothing. The fact that it is packed full, all 48 pages of it every issue, is an amazing testament to the hard work of many people.

Also, every column inch of the advertising pages is full for the next 4 issues. This too is amazing and I thank everyone of our advertisers for their loyal support of our newsletter. But they are advertising with us because their advertising works in our magazine, and this is because it is such a good read and so influential in the village. It is a chicken and egg situation.

I have to thank Penny, particularly, who has done the amazing job of invoicing all our advertisers and getting all the money in that guarantees the production of the Gander for the coming year. But all the team listed below do a great job to make sure it all comes together. And then we have our amazing, loyal team of deliverers, some even get landed with the job by buying the house of a previous deliverer. Amazing! All are appreciated, new and old.

Jeff Teasdale - Editor

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LETTER FROM THE VICARAGE

As I write this article I cannot recall a time when the political life of this country has been more volatile and unpredictable. Following the 'BREXIT' Referendum the leadership of our political parties is a matter of uncertainty. The bookies favourite to replace the Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, has ruled himself out as a possible contender for this office. The majority of Labour MPs seem to have lost confidence in their own leader, citing his perceived lack of 'leadership qualities'.

Whoever eventually assumes the roles of authority in political life of our nation will have enormous expectations thrust upon them. Perhaps they will be applauded for what they achieve. Maybe they will have to live with the ignominy of perceived failure. Who can tell? The history of our world is, in many ways, the history of the influence a comparatively tiny number of people have had upon it. Whatever your religious or political bias there is arguably one supreme contender for the accolade "He made more difference than anyone else" His particular testimonial is wonderfully summed up in a few paragraphs penned by Dr James Allan Francis many years ago.....

He was born in an obscure village, and brought up in another obscure village where he worked in his father's carpenters' shop until he was thirty. For three brief years he was an itinerant preacher, proclaiming a message and living a life. He gathered a little group of friends about him and taught them his way of life.

He never writes a book. He never holds an office. He never raises an army. He never has a family of his own.

He never owns a home. He never goes to college. He never travels two hundred miles from the place where he was born. He did none of the things usually associated with greatness

He had no credentials but himself

While still a young man, the tide of popular feeling turned against him.

He was only thirty three when his friends ran away, and

one of them denied him.

He was turned over to his enemies and went through the mockery of a trial.

He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While dying, his executioners gambled for his clothing - the only property he had on earth. When he was dead he was laid in a borrowed grave through the pity of a friend.

Twenty centuries have come and gone and today Jesus Christ is the central figure of the human race and the leader of mankind's progress.

All the armies that have ever marched,

All the navies that have ever sailed,

All the parliaments that have ever sat,

All the kings and queens that ever reigned,

put together have not affected the life of mankind on earth as powerfully as this one solitary life.

.....Puts our current debates on leadership into perspective, don't you think?

Do you still wonder who to really follow - who is worth giving your all for? No contest!

Rev. John Girtchen

Forthcoming Services in All Saints Church (& elsewhere)

Friday	7th	October	7.30pm	Harvest Festival Evensong followed by buffet supper: All welcome
Wednesday	2nd	November	7.30pm	Annual Bereavement Service to remember those we have loved and lost.
Sunday	6th	November	11.00am	Patronal Festival Holy Communion followed by buffet lunch: all welcome!
Sunday	13th	November	10.45am	at Goxhill Memorial Hall: United Service of Remembrance
Sunday	13th	November	2.00pm	at Goxhill Airfield Memorial: Act of Remembrance

LETTER FROM THE CHAPEL

Dear Friends. As I write, I'm about to prepare for going on a course organised by the Bridge Builders, which is an organisation which develops skills in conflict management. It has been highly recommended by our Chair of District, and he expects us all to attend, if possible, either this year or next.

Don't you think it's interesting that there is a course designated for conflict in churches? I thought we were supposed to be all loving, and peacemakers, and peaceful and compliant – after all, we are Christians! We are church-go-ers! We are good! Are we not?

My response to the above is – 'It was ever thus'! Conflict, I mean.

One of the most famous passages in the bible is 1Corinthians 13 – the passage that is most frequently read in weddings, the one that tells us what Christian love is all about. What we often forget is that it wasn't written as a romantic love-letter; it was written because that newly formed congregation was falling out about all manner of things! Oh yes, everyone had their own thoughts about worship, traditions, welcoming new people – and it led to arguments, conflict in the early church in Corinth. And so Paul writes to them to explain how they should be living as Christians; above all else, Love should be at the heart of all that they do and are. There was conflict in the church.

Four centuries or so later, Bishops walked out of Synods because they didn't agree with decisions which were being made concerning Christian beliefs, as Creeds were being set out and formed. There was conflict in the church.

When you join a church, you are not joining a society of Goody-Goodies! You are joining a community of human beings with all their flaws and failings; all their quirks and foibles. And it can create conflict

When you join a church, you meet people who know that they cannot get to Heaven by their own works or merit; they need the grace and mercy and strength of God to help them through each day and each situation. They know that they don't always get it right, and need forgiveness. They want to thank and worship God who gives them the wherewithal to live out their life, and provides them with unconditional love; who heals the conflicts within their hearts, souls and minds.

Yes, there has always been conflict in the Church in varying degrees, but thank God we have a loving God who manages the conflicts within us, and grants us peace beyond understanding. **Sincerely Yours Revd Enid Knowles**



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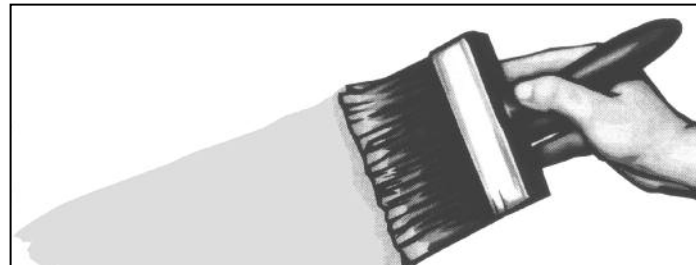


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Coffee Morning and Book sale

****Saturday 10th September 10am-12noon**
 in All Saints Church

Quiz Night Friday 16th September 7.30pm
 in Chapel Schoolroom.

Pop In Saturday 17th September 10.30-12.30pm
Saturday 15th October 10.30am – 12.30pm
 Chapel Schoolroom. At the Pop Ins refreshments include bacon butties, and toasted teacakes.

Harvest Service **Friday 7th October 7.30pm
 All Saints Church Harvest Service followed by a supper. Items brought to the church will be donated to the Food Bank.

Wine Tasting Friday 14th October 7.30pm
 in the Memorial Hall. Admission by ticket only.

Contact Margaret Goodhand 530951

**** Due to pending work on the church roof these two events may have to be moved.**

Watch out for posters

Bereavement Service All Saints Church
Wednesday 2nd November 7.30pm

A quiet, reflective service to remember our loved ones. There is a time during the service to light a candle in their memory.

Knit and Natter meets every **Thursday 2pm**
 in the Chapel Schoolroom.

If you are new to the village or someone who would like to meet people for a chat then give the Pop In and Knit and Natter a go.

For any further information, contact
Sandra Smith on 530065

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Friday 2nd December

7.30am at Holy Trinity, Barrow
 Steve Caprice presents

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A must for all fans of the 'King' as we prepare to celebrate the birthday of the 'King of Kings! Ticket details to follow - see church magazine & posters!



SYLVIA LENA GUILLIATT 18 July 2016

At the loss of my wife of over 61 years together, my family and I would like to thank all friends and neighbours for their support and for all the sympathy cards, letters, flowers and donations we have received for "Sylvia Lena". Thank you also to Huteson's, the Minister and everyone at the Methodist Church. **Charlie Guillatt 29/7/2016**

GOXHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



The Goxhill WI meets at 7 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of every month except August, in the Memorial Hall in Goxhill. These meetings are also open to the public for a small admission charge.

Our next meetings are on -

Monday 12th September and the subject is 'Eco Wardrobe Warrior' by Joelle Harris.

Friday 30th September we will once again be holding our

MacMillan

Big Coffee Morning

in the Memorial Hall, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Please come along and join us for coffee, cake and fun. Last year we raised over £700. With your help we hope to beat this.



Women's Refuge

Thank you to everyone who donated unwanted clothing and other goods to the local Women's Refuge, an amazing amount of goodies were donated, and thanks also go to the Holtby family for offering the use of their van to transfer everything following an appeal on Grapevine.

See page 23 for the article on the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations at the Memorial Hall organised by the WI.

MEMORIAL BENCH

Church's Together in Goxhill sends a very huge "thank you" to everyone for their generous donations to the purchase of a Memorial Seat dedicated to Enid and Geoff Girdham

Appreciation is extended to Goxhill Primary School, Scissor Box and Penny Lane Hairdressing salons, Creasey Supply Stores and Goxhill Surgery for permitting donation boxes in their premises. It has been agreed to site the bench outside Goxhill Primary School and North Lincs Council have offered to install the seat, for which we thank them.

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THE LUNCHEON CLUB

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KNIT & NATTER

CHAPEL SCHOOL ROOM Thursdays 2-4pm
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BEE KEEPING

Our next three months meetings are:

- Mon Sept 26th Annual District Honey Show – Judge, Alan Woodward
- Mon Oct 31st Open Forum
- Mon Nov 28th District Cake and Photography Competition – Judged by members

Unless stated otherwise our meetings start at 7.30pm on the last Monday of the month at Broughton Village Hall, 59, High Street, Broughton DN20 0JX. £1 Members - £2 Non members, which includes refreshments.

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GOXHILL MEMORIAL HALL PLAQUES APPEAL

To all residents of the village

The Management Committee are disappointed to report that the plaques, that were beautifully re-engraved for the fitting last November, are not lasting. The stone is crumbling away and the only alternative is to purchase new York stone and have them re-engraved with 'Our Glorious Dead', hopefully before the Remembrance Service.

If any resident of the village feel that they would like to donate any amount (in confidence if you prefer) towards the cost of this unexpected expense, please make a cheque payable to the Goxhill Memorial Hall and forward it to The Treasurer, Mrs Penny Nadin of Honeysuckle Cottage, Ferry Road, DN19 7NJ

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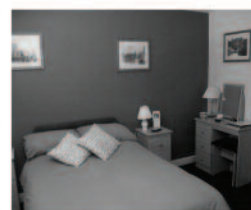
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HALF-TERM LANTERN MAKING with ST-ART

Barton upon Humber's annual Lantern Parade celebrates its 10th anniversary this year and turns to the Lewis Carroll children's classic, Alice in Wonderland, for its theme.

ST-ART is looking for lots of young people and families to come and make wearable Mad Hatter hats, and plenty of items to make up the Mad Hatter's tea party. Alice will be there as well as the Rabbit and other familiar characters from the story.

Staged as part of the Town Council's Christmas Festival, this year's parade, sponsored by the Town Council, looks set to be the best ever as the night sky becomes alive with lanterns of all shapes and sizes depicting this favourite children's book.

Lantern making takes place between **Monday 24th and Friday 28th October** from **10am to 3pm** each day and costs £7 for a full day and £5 for half a day (10am to 12pm or 1pm to 3pm). Adults are free when accompanying children.

This activity is suitable for all ages.

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LiveLincs & other acts coming your way

For this autumn we have been fortunate to book another two events for our village through LiveLincs Rural Touring Scheme. As in the spring, one will take place at Goxhill Primary School and the other at Goxhill Memorial Hall. But ahead of both those we have another band lined up that, to judge from online videos and music, will deliver a great Saturday night out.

Please mark up your diary and come along to the following:

- 8pm Saturday 17 September - The Blackheart Orchestra** - Goxhill Memorial Hall. Despite their name they are an award-winning, acoustic based duo playing a wide range of instruments. This is part of their tour in aid of the NSPCC and Macmillan Cancer Care.
- 6.30pm Friday 7 October - Lempen Puppet Theatre** present their show **Little Frankenstein** - Goxhill Primary School. 'A gentle, little horror for little horrors! It will tickle the imagination of everyone from 5 to 105 years old'. Part of LiveLincs Rural Touring.
- 7.30pm Thursday 13 October - Red Moon Road** - Goxhill Memorial Hall. We are promised a tapestry of song, masterful storytelling and spontaneous repartee woven seamlessly into something truly exceptional by this talented trio. Part of LiveLincs Rural Touring.

The Blackheart Orchestra features the voice of Chrissy Mostyn and the guitar playing of Richard Pilkington along with mandolin, keyboards, omnichord, electric and acoustic percussion plus a collection of ancient synthesizers. This concert will combine songs from their four albums, including the latest due for release in September.

Puppeteer Frank Stein has had enough with his badly made puppets that keep falling apart so he creates a puppet that changes his life forever. Creature George emerges from the workshop, innocent and willing to learn, but Frank is so intent on his new show that he neglects to look after his new child. **Lempen Puppet Theatre Co.** have been creating and touring their own unique brand of original stories told with puppets since 1987.

Red Moon Road are a band from Winnipeg: Daniel Jordan, Sheena Rattai and Daniel Peloquin-Hopfner. Since 2012 they have toured extensively in Europe and North America with three successful albums including their latest 'Sorrows and Glories'. Their music spans a wide range of genres; it includes 'Beatlesque' pop, banjo-driven anthems, three part harmonies, plus some innovative instrumental work.

Buy your tickets for Little Frankenstein from Goxhill Primary School at £6 adult, £3 child (16 or under) or £16 family/group (2 adults & 2 children). A ticket for The Blackheart Orchestra or Red Moon Road will be £7 in advance but £8 on the door; buy from Creasey's Store, Field Farm Feeds or me.

For updates, web-links and more details about these acts you can check out the Goxhill Events page on Facebook or follow **@Goxhill_Events** on Twitter. Alternatively email **Goxhill-events@mybtinternet.com** or telephone **530363** if there's anything else I can help you with.

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The Ropewalk

AUTUMN AT ROPERY HALL

Henry Blofeld and Peter Baxter, two stalwarts of that much loved British institution, Test Match Special, are preparing to bowl the Ropery Hall audience over with an evening of cricketing anecdotes befitting of two bastions of TMS who between them have more than a century of anecdotes to share.

Their show, **Rogues on the Road**, was one of the highlights of last year's Edinburgh Fringe as Henry and Peter and now the duo are taking the show on the road so expect a world map to be pinned behind a couple of chairs, a table containing the inevitable decanter and a Wisden as Baxter, the show's producer between 1973 and 2007, plays the role of gentle interviewer and Blofeld, who has been remarking on the progress of buses down London's Vauxhall Road and the state of health of the pigeon population since 1974, go on an amusing canter through some of the highlights of their TMS days. They will be "taking to the field" on **Sunday 13th Nov 2016** at 7.30pm. Tickets £18.50 or £20otd.

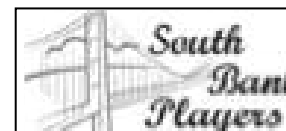
The previous month Ropery Hall and the Ted Lewis Group hosts the **Barton Jazz Festival** and serves up as a "taster" the Darius Brubeck Quartet on **Friday, October 7**, at 8pm, with the Festival continuing the following day from 12 noon until 11pm featuring artists such as the Julie Edwards Quartet, John Etheridge with Vimala Rowe, the Matt Smith Quintet, and bringing the Festival to a close, the Late Night Marauders. Tickets for the Friday night cost £18 or £20 on the door and a ticket for the Saturday entertainment costs £29.

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SOUTH BANK PLAYERS NEWS

Following our success at the All England Theatre Festival regional heat in Bridlington back in April, we now plan to perform our entry 'All the Strangers Came Today' by Sue Wilding, for local audiences. This one act play which won a special award for the adjudicator's favourite play will be performed as part of a variety show at Goxhill Memorial Hall on Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd October at 7.30pm. The play is a comedy about bored lottery winners Joyce and Charles (played by Liz Drury and Alun Friend), who are paid a visit by the common and vulgar Pete and Irene (played by Peter Swann and Clare Curd). Joyce and Charles are convinced they've never met Pete and Irene before - or have they? And what exactly do Pete and Irene want? There are a number of twists in the plot that keep the audience guessing at what's going on until the very end. The programme will include other sketches and possibly some musical items too. Tickets will be on sale nearer the time, but to book in advance contact Liz Drury on 01469 589187.

Looking ahead, the Ghost Walk will return on Halloween at 7.30pm, starting from Baysgarth Museum. Subsequent walks will be on the last Wednesdays of November, January and February, and the last but one Wednesday of March. Dress warmly and bring a friend and a torch! Tickets cost £4 adults £3 kids and can be booked in advance from Dennis Bloor on 01469 531003.

We will also be performing at the Museums at Night event at Baysgarth Museum on 29th October (times TBA). Come along and 'meet the ancestors' - actors in period costume will share stories of those who have lived and worked at Baysgarth House over the years. For more information call one of the numbers given here or contact the museum.

In January we will be performing our annual pantomime which will be 'Puss in Boots'. If you would like to join us either on the stage or helping out behind the scenes then you will be made most welcome! Contact Alun Friend on 07500 474446 for further information. Our usual rehearsal time is 7-9pm on Sunday evenings at the Assembly Rooms in Barton.

Barton Muse Poetry Group

We are an informal group of people who love to write and/or enjoy listening to poetry of all kinds. We come from not only Barton but East Yorkshire and Lincolnshire, meeting on the last Sunday of the month, starting at 7 pm at Frankie's, 35a, High Street, Barton, DN18 5PD. (all welcome, no fee)

Sun 25th September, 16th October 2016 National Poetry Day, Sun 30th October, Sun 27th November

Sun 11th or 18th December Muse Christmas Dinner

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BEVERLEY CHRISTMAS MARKET

Sunday 11th December 2016

A coach has been booked for the above trip, one day only leaving Goxhill at 9 a.m. – departing from Beverley at 3.30 p.m.

If you are interesting in reserving a seat please ring 01469 532223 or 01469 530442 without delay. All seats must be booked and paid for before 20th November please.

The cost is £9.00 per person.

Please ask family and friends to join you. Pick up points in Barrow and Barton will be confirmed if requested.

A raffle will also be held on the coach and any donations for prizes will be gratefully received. Proceeds towards the upkeep of the Memorial Hall

Cinema in Goxhill with FilmLincs

I am pleased to say that our first venture into cinema at Goxhill Memorial Hall - The Lady in the Van - was a big success. Achieving an audience of over 60 people certainly did nothing to harm our prospects of screening more films. If all went to plan, Dad's Army should already have been shown by the time that you read this.

The programme making this possible is FilmLincs - funded through the BFI Neighbourhood Cinema Fund, sponsored by the National Lottery and supported by North Lincolnshire Council. The films on offer must be British and Independent, Specialist or Documentary by category.

Coming up next are a couple more films and dates for your diary:

7pm Friday 23 September - Our Kind of Traitor is based on a John Le Carré novel about a couple innocently caught up in the defection of a Russian oligarch. Please note that the film has a 15 certificate which means that no one younger than 15 may see it.

3pm Saturday 29 October - Shaun the Sheep: the Movie When Shaun decides to take the day off for some fun, he gets more action than he had bargained for. After accidentally causing the Farmer to be taken away, it's up to Shaun and the flock to rescue him from the Big City. Another success for Aardman, creators of the iconic Wallace & Gromit. This film has a PG certificate (for rude humour) making it suitable for general viewing.

Please come along and bring your family and friends. Tickets will be sold on the door priced at £3 each for adults and £2 for children where the certificate allows. The doors will open about 30 minutes before the scheduled start time. If you have any other questions then please email GoxhillEvents@mybtinternet.com or telephone me on 530363. John Guggiari

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GOXHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL REPORT

It is with such fond reflections I look back over the summer term, over the course of the whole year and wonder just why time goes by so quickly. We've certainly had a very busy year!

Once again we had to say 'Goodbye' to our year 6 children who had an intensely full year from an academic point of view, but a very successful one at that. Their end of year performance in the 'Last Long Lost Opera' which was written and directed by one of our Governors, Steven Bennett, was an amazing high quality production which would easily impress markers at A' Level standard. Every single child rose to the occasion and contributed to an outstanding performance for their parents and the rest of the children from the school at the Memorial Hall.

Across the whole year we have tried to enhance the children's provision with enrichment activities and days out. From the Foundation children visiting the Yorkshire Wild Life Park to Sam Safari visiting with all of his amazing exotic animals; The year 5 annual residential visit to Robinwood to their participation in the Formula One Challenge; and then another very successful visit to CERN for the children in Year 6 to see the Large Hadron Collider and visit the United Nations building; finishing the year off with a really relaxing week long trip to Robin Hood's Bay in North Yorkshire – these are just a few!

Year on year our school changes so quickly and as always there are changes in our staffing structure. Sadly we said 'Goodbye' also to Mrs Neve, Mrs Lind and Mrs Goulthorpe.

Mrs Neve has been at our school for a very long time and we were all

dreading the day when of course she would tell us she was going to retire. Denise has grown with our school and has seen many changes over the years but her commitment and love of the school and everything it represents has never waned. She has been one of our key staff who have made community events, organised through the school, so successful. She 'owned' our summer fairs by making them exciting and colourfully varied year on year: with the mighty successful 'Goxhill's Got Talent', the gymnastic displays; the Barton Brass Band and then her perfectly pretty community café events which welcomed many of our community friends and parents. Mrs Neve will always remain a part of the school and whilst we wish her a long, happy and healthy

retirement, enjoying her time as a doting Grandma to Amelia Grace, we certainly will look forward to her coming back and telling us her stories of all of the enjoyable times she will undoubtedly have.

Mrs Lind moves on to pastures new with her move to another school. Again her commitment to Goxhill has been outstanding and she has left behind many friends who have enjoyed working with her so much. I will remain always grateful to her for her organisation and guidance which she has offered to all of the staff in her role as Art Resource manager. Her extremely high expectations and attention to detail has been what has made our school environment so vibrant and informative. She will no doubt be an asset in her new post and we wish much love and good luck in all that she does in the future.

Mrs Goulthorpe leaves us to move to a management post in another school in Scunthorpe. Even though her time with us was quite short her contribution was immense. We wish her well in all she does. She certainly is a 'leader' of the future.

Although it's been a very busy but tough year, we were all so happy and relaxed on the last day watching the year 5 children enjoying their water fight with their teachers. Then came the ultra-competitive Rounder's match between the year 6 children and their teachers. Even though Miss

Atkinson and Miss Twidale should have been sent off, the staff went on to win 23:16!!! I always love to say 'Goodbye' to our children at the end of the last day and it was with a heavy heart I bid 'Farewell' to our Year 6 children...

Armani, Ashley, Owen, Cameron, Ellie –Lou et al... to name a few. They are all greatly loved and will be welcomed back in the future.

I know all of our children by name although I did call Caitlin Coffey, Hannah by mistake. I knew it was wrong and got a special 'hug' to apologise.

Every single one of our children are special to us and we pride ourselves on making ourselves accessible to all of our parents. We are a true partnership and we will always welcome back our children in the future.

We're all tired and we do truly need a rest but I shall look forward to September for another busy, hectic term and fun filled year!

Caroline Breslin, Head Teacher



Goxhill School is not just about the best education for its pupils. It is also about bringing out talent, self confidence and having fun. As demonstrated by these photographs of the Y6 Leavers production, Goxhill's Got Talent show, the Summer Fair and Sports Day. All with fantastic support from family and friends.





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MY CERN EXPERIENCE

"I woke up at 4:00 am with excitement level 100/10. At 4:30 I set off for school, and hung around chatting to my friends when we got there. The bus arrived 10 minutes later, and only Jake was missing (probably still asleep!). We got on the bus, and Jake still wasn't there! Just as the bus started, a car pulls up with none other than Jake, 15 minutes late, just in the nick of time. On the bus, I tried to get to sleep, but John made this impossible by being extremely loud! Finally, at 7:20, we arrived at the airport in Manchester, went through security; Jemima, John and Miss Twidale were stopped. We had a look around for a place to eat, and found Burger King. I had breakfast with my group, which was Jake, Liam, Charlie, and (of course) myself. We got to the lounge with plenty of time to spare (as our flight was delayed by 2 hours). We ended up waiting until 12:50, because of the delay, to board the plane. When we got onto the plane we started to fly. Floyd had never been on a plane before, so he got to sit next to the window. It was an uneventful flight, apart from when Tyler Darlow screamed. When we arrived in Geneva, we walked through the airport to the train station. We travelled on the train to the tram station (Joanna fell over when the tram started). When we got off the tram at the Geneva Hostel, we got into our rooms. I was with Jake, Josh, Floyd, Reuben, and Mr Teasdale. We each had a key card to open our locker, toilet, and the dormitory door.

We went for a walk a short way around Lake Geneva. While we were there we saw the Jet d'Eau. It's a huge fountain which shoots straight up then curves down in a mist. When we got back to the hostel we had dinner then went to bed after some ghost stories.

We woke up the next morning at 6:00. After we'd got dressed we went down for breakfast. We took a tram from the station to CERN head-quarters where we walked into the reception. When we were finished in reception we



In the fascinating CERN exhibition centre, opened since last year's visit.

went into several different rooms filled with information about CERN. The last room was filled on one wall with a picture of CMS; there was also a small section where they displayed computers. After we had been in that room we went to the shop, a lot of people bought a t-shirt or a hoodie. Then we made our way across to another building. We all went inside and sat down in a room with lots of desks in and a screen at the front. We found out that CERN was founded in 1954 and that the first experiment was in 1957. The man explained to us that there were 4 different things that CERN are trying to do: become more knowledgeable (answering questions like 'where are we going?'), to develop technology, to train the scientists of tomorrow and to unite people from different countries and cultures. Inside LHC it is a freezing -217 c but it can create temperatures



Our guide, Mick Storri, tells us all about CERN

hotter than the sun. After we had left the room, we went to a huge workshop and created a cloud chamber. We did this by putting 3 slabs of 'dry ice' into the bottom of a wooden box. Then we got an aluminium tray with a groove cut around the edge and squirted alcohol into the groove to create a 'river'. Next we got a fish tank with felt in the bottom, and soaked the felt with alcohol. After that, we put the tank onto the grooves of the tray, where it fitted snugly. We turned the lights off, and shone a torch into the tank. We could see waves of mist rolling across the



We created a cloud chamber and could see cosmic rays from outer space.

bottom of the tank. We could also see small white lines travelling through the mist. These were cosmic rays from outer space! After this excitement, we had lunch! After lunch, we went to the AMS control room. The work there is to do with the International Space Station, creating cloud chambers on a far larger scale, and studying the cosmic rays. When we had finished we went to CMS which is one of the 4 points of LHC. We went into France to get there. After we got there we had to wear hard hats. Then we went underground! To get there we had to go in a lift where we went down 95 metres. When we were there we split up into two different groups and looked at different things. My group looked at a room where they stored lots of information digitally. We saw the cabinet that contained equipment that ensured the scientists didn't get harmed by the radioactivity in the LHC, and stood next to the wall separating us from the LHC itself! Our guide said that if you were to brush against the wall with a bank card in your pocket the bank card would no longer

function due to the high level of magnetism. The tour took us to an office, then we got back into the lift, went up, and that was the end of our time at the CERN HQ. After a brief film on the beginning of the world and dark matter, we went back to the hostel by tram, had dinner and fell asleep.

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In front of AMS, the building where experiments for CERN, on the International Space Station are monitored.



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In the morning we got up at 8:00. After we had our breakfast we went for a walk. We walked through a woody area and came to a fountain with a park behind it while some children were playing a group of us went to look at the animals that were there. There were flamingos, deer and chickens. After we had visited the park we went to the United Nations. Before we were allowed in we had to go through security, you had to put



In one of the many conference rooms at the UN in Geneva.

all your bags and coats through a scanner, it was like being at the airport! When we got to the reception we were introduced to our guide, Sorin, he told us that the U.N was founded in 1945 after WW2. The first room we went into was the meeting hall where they have approximately 10,000 meetings a year. We learnt in there that the U.N in Geneva is the second largest U.N building in the world and that the idea for the U.N was created by the president of the U.S.A, Woodrow Wilson. The people at the U.N speak six different languages, English, French, Spanish, Russian, Mandarin and Arabic. The secretary leader is Ban Ki-Moon, they rotate where the secretary of state comes from so they don't show favourites. After we had finished in the meeting room we walked to room 20 where the human rights council meets. Room 20 has a beautiful 3D ceiling made to look like the

sea bed it was designed and made by Miquel Barceló a Spanish artist. We didn't stay long in that room. Then we went to the room of 'lost footsteps' which was actually a corridor housing an exhibition for the world health organisation at the time. In the corridor there was a lovely view out of the window, you could see Lake Geneva and Mont Blanc (the White Mountain) in the background. Unfortunately then our time at the U.N was over and we went to get lunch in the Red Cross Museum building opposite.

After lunch we went back into the City centre, did some shopping and walked up to a play park on top of the old city walls. Then we got a water taxi across Lake Geneva, back to the hostel to get our bags and then we went to the airport. The first thing we did when we got there was find somewhere to eat. Unfortunately we all finished eating at different times so no one knew where anyone else was. My group met Mr Smith's group and we were just going through passport control when we realised that Miss Twidale had Charlie's passport! The rest of Mr Teasdale's group had to go with Mr Smith while Mr Teasdale went with Charlie to find Miss Twidale. When they found Miss Twidale and all got through passport control, we had to wait another hour for the plane to come as it was delayed. When it was ready, we wasted no time in boarding it. We set off at 10:00pm and arrived at 11:40pm. When we got through passport control we got to the bus. We spent 2 and a half hours on the bus and we arrived at 2:10am.

I have learnt so much from my trip. It was fascinating to see how the LHC works, in the actual setting where it is all happening, and the amazing technology that we struggle to understand fully. I have really enjoyed the trip, being away with my friends, and hope that I can go again someday.

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Update from your Local Councillors representing Ferry Ward

Councillor David Wells

We, as your ward councillors for Ferry Ward continue to work hard for you. I wanted to update you on a few local issues.

The Call Connect bus, pictured below in Goxhill, is proving very busy with excellent take up already. This additional rural bus service was funded by the Government from a £350,000 grant. You can register for free by calling 0345 263 8139 or website www.northlincs.gov.uk/callconnect. Older people can use their concessionary bus passes on this service.

We have just received excellent news regarding the **Imagination library**. Over 91% of children under 5 are registered for the imagination library in the Goxhill region. We are excited to be part of North Lincolnshire's vision for Words Count and share the Council's goal of helping children to love books and love reading for life.

The River Humber gas pipeline replacement project manager, Steve Ellison, who is responsible for overseeing the work, has advised me that the national grid are carrying out some important preparatory work with North Lincolnshire Council's agreement, ahead of the secretary of state's decision. Importantly, though this work can be reversed if permission is not granted.

If you experience a **power failure**, from September 6th you can report this by dialling **105, the new national helpline number**.

As always please do not hesitate to contact me or my



ward colleagues, Richard or Peter, if there is anything we can help you with.

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Queen Elizabeth II's 90th Birthday Celebrations - Afternoon Tea on Sunday 12th June

Goxhill WI would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make this event such a resounding success. The Gentlemen who put up bunting and cleared the side room for Peter's model railway and also speedily cleared away afterwards. The Ladies who baked cakes, made sandwiches, poured tea and generally helped around the hall where it was standing room only at one stage. The Riverside Brass Quintet with their live music and DJ Johnny the King of Swing with his record collection. And not forgetting everyone who attended. A really good sing song was had at the end.

Thanks also go to the North Lincolnshire Council, Goxhill Parish Council and the Memorial Hall Committee, as without their support we would not have been able to put on the Tea Party. Thanks also go to all the leaflet distributors, you did a sterling job. **Thank you.**



The Queen was in fact, Margaret Lawtey who has close family ties with Goxhill. There were also some fine dancers, nostalgic music, a great patriotic atmosphere & a few other notable characters there too. Guess who?

The WI would like to thank, for their generous donation of funds -

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*The WI's brilliantly organised Queen's birthday Tea Dance, the tremendously successful 'Wish upon a Star' charity night and a glamorous Wedding reception, are perfect examples from this year, that show you don't need to look anywhere else for a great location for your special event. For enquiries about booking the Memorial Hall contact **Creasey's Shop** tel. 01469 530354*



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GOXHILL OPEN GARDENS 2016

This year's Goxhill Open Gardens on Sunday 26th June had 10 garden-related attractions open to the public including a number of first time gardens and, despite the weather forecast changing twice a day for the proceeding week, we ended up with a fine day. Just over 70 adults paid to enjoy the amazing vistas on view as well as partaking of tea in the Chapel school room. Over £500 was raised on the day with the help of donations and plant sales. On behalf of the gardeners opening their gardens this year I would like to say thank you to all our visitors.



For the last 25 years or more the job of organising the Open Gardens event has been managed by just a small handful of people. It isn't an easy task encouraging people to open their gardens, arranging for people to bake and serve teas, as well as all the other small but important jobs that have to be done before the day itself. Following this year's open day gardeners and Chapel organisers met to discuss next year's event and I am pleased to say that Open Gardens will be back next year on Father's Day, Sunday 18th June 2017.

As someone who has been opening their garden for a number of years I can tell you that it is a very rewarding experience. I love meeting people who come round year after year to see what has changed; people who come to see what ideas they can take away for their garden;

they will look for a specific type of plant, a particular planting scheme, a different way to grow plants or vegetables; or just to marvel at what you have done in such a small/large/strange place. The garden doesn't need to be perfect or have a lot of money spent on it. It can be "work in progress", pots on a patio, raised or sunken beds, flowers or vegetables, the all important point is that it is open for people to come and look at it. Next year we will be increasing the amount of publicity we put out about our event. We will be registering Goxhill Open Gardens on the Open Gardens National Directory and inviting the country to come and have a walk round. We will be using social media, local radio and businesses to promote the day as well. This is all very good but we need gardens for people to come and visit, most of the events on the national directory have at least 15 gardens open to the public, so we are asking the people of Goxhill to join with us and throw open their garden for one afternoon a year. So don't be shy, join our happy band and open your garden with pride. Please think about it and contact me if you want more information or advice. We will put more reminders in the Gander and we will be doing a leaflet drop early in 2017 asking for volunteers – your garden might just have the inspiration that someone needs to get their garden sorted.



Jack Lawtey, jacklawtey@btinternet.com, 01469532015, Station Cottage, Howe Lane, Goxhill

'Best Eco Garden' award 2016

I entered North Lincolnshire Council's 'Best Garden' competition again really to offer my support to this event – with all the council cutbacks it could well be a case of use it or lose it which would be such a shame as this competition has been running every year since 1983 but has a history that dates back to before the Second World War. So on the evening of 19 July Kevin and I joined lots of like-minded people at Normanby Hall for the 'Best Garden' ceremony. There are 7 categories within the competition – I entered 'Best Eco Garden' section but other sections included 'Best Large Garden', 'Best Medium Garden', 'Best Small Garden', 'Best Allotment', 'Best School Garden' and 'Best Garden Maintained by Someone with a Disability'. Lots of people, of all ages, attended the ceremony and the prizes were presented by Trevor Foster, Mayor of North Lincolnshire. I was delighted to win the 'Best Eco Garden' for the 3rd year running and received gift vouchers to the value of £100.00 kindly donated by Brigg Garden Centre. It doesn't cost a lot to be eco-friendly, considering nasty pesticide sprays can be quite expensive to buy. I use lots of different 'green' concoctions in my garden using items from the store cupboard - vinegar, garlic, washing up liquid (eco-friendly of course!) These are remedies that cost very little and more importantly don't harm the bees and butterflies which of course is the aim of an eco-friendly garden. If this article has inspired you to enter the competition then either collect an entry form from Brigg Garden Centre or check out the North Lincolnshires Council website around March/April time and put your name forward. Good luck!

Shelagh Seddon



Shelagh Seddon receiving her award for the 'Best Eco Garden' 2016, from the Mayor of North Lincolnshire, Councillor Trevor Foster, and in her beautiful garden



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'Natures' Natural design

Here in Goxhill, if we wish to get out and about, either for a gentle stroll a pleasant dog walk or for more physical pursuits, we have ample opportunity. There are over twenty footpaths, some linking the neighbouring villages, that with some effort are kept open, give or take a little puddle here and there. We have the millennium green, tennis courts and the Bowling Green, and the young people have the MUGGA to make good use of, which I'm sure they do. However, it is not always the well prepared, best maintained areas that give the most pleasure, but very often the natural, one might say neglected, areas that can surprise and delight. Just recently we have been treated to the Chelsea flower show and the RHS Hampton Court show, shown most nights on the TV, the gold medal designs using predominately different grasses, thistles, poppies etc., to produce a 'natural' landscape effect, we merely have to walk across a disused airfield.



Nature is it's own designer! From what was constructed to be part of war, during very difficult times, a training and operating base from where brave young men, far from home, flew, and sadly sometimes did not return, gradually turned into an area of gentle natural beauty, changing with each season.

Spring brings new growth to the trees, blossom to the Blackthorn, and a soft new cushion of green underfoot. Early summer the hedges are filled with dog roses, and May blossom, the ground is covered with yellow bird's foot trefoil, buttercups and the soft lilac of clover.

In summer, we would make those gold medal winning garden designers jealous, the grasses, sedges in creams and soft pinks, and the blue of the teasel heads, the orange flowers of the fox and cubs, with meadowsweet in natural drifts filling the air with their soft scent, wild sweet peas in flower and in one nicely hidden spot wild orchids pop their heads up.

Winter is no less attractive the frost across the airfield highlights all the seed heads especially the teasels, now grey and silver, two foot high and glistening.

We can try hard to create recreational spaces which of course we must maintain to facilitate safe use, but however hard we try if it is just exercise and relaxation we want, and need, and we have that in spades full, we cannot beat nature in either the relaxation game or gentle beauty.

Planters

Sometime ago the provision of roadside planters was mentioned, these are now going ahead. It would be helpful, and indeed more inclusive, if some of the planting could be sponsored by individuals or local businesses. Two have already been identified for this and if anyone wishes to help please contact any parish councillor who I am sure would be delighted to take

details.

Allotments

Although a cold spring, therefore, a dodgy start to the year, it's go now for production. There are two vacant plots available at present; these are free until November, which gives any new plot holders time for late planting and a good time for preparing the land for next year.

Cemetery

Work has now started again on the rear field after such a slow start due to poor weather.

Library

Still running very efficiently by our fantastic volunteers, please go along and take the children. Don't forget if the book you or they would like is not there, it can be ordered for you.

Playground

On general inspection it was noted that some users are leaving their litter on the field it would be helpful and more pleasant for other users if the rubbish could be disposed of in the bins provided, not left for others to clear away. Also on one of the days I inspected, dogs were running loose and one was quite aggressive, I would not have wished a child in that position. Please if you take your dogs, ensure that they are under control and please remove any excrement. An area of old partially buried concrete is to be removed from between the children's play area and the MUGGA, for safety reasons.

Ferry Road Cherry trees

We have all been dismayed by the 'work' carried out on many of the trees on Ferry road, this has been investigated and following a meeting with NLC who accept responsibility for the action. A promise has been made that all trees will be replaced, with suitable varieties for alongside the highway, taking into account the size of traffic now using the road, and any future growth. Meantime many trees will need to be taken down completely, prior to replacement. We are awaiting a timetable for this work.

Memorial Hall

Monthly meetings are held at the Memorial hall on each third Wednesday of the month, open to all.

Freda Dunkley

PROPOSED NEW ROAD SIGN

After consultation with the village including an appeal for suggestions in a previous issue of the Gander, this is the proposed new sign to mark the entrance to the village on Thornton Road. North Lincolnshire Council will be erecting the sign in due course.



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The 'BROCK' CAN BE SAVED ...

Everything the Friends of the Brock have done so far has proved that the Brock can be saved. And a huge amount of work is going on behind the scenes to make it happen and be a success!

...With the will of the village - We received over 170 responses to the survey, full of positive ideas to make the Brock a successful village pub. Thank you to everyone who completed the survey. Your opinions and support are vital to prove the level of commitment from the village. Added to the enthusiasm shown at the public meeting back in March and the promise of skills, expertise and sheer hard work, this has already exceeded the expectations of our expert advisors.

...With a thoroughly worked out business plan - All the detailed background information that is needed for a successful business plan are being put together. From the history of the pub and its position in the village, the social impact, the potential benefits to the village, the costs of purchase and refurbishment, the funding arrangements for this, the projected running costs and trading figures, the management structure and future plans to secure the future of the pub and much more.

...With financial support - with the help of the Plunkett Foundation, who have helped many pubs in just the same situation as we are in at Goxhill, to source grants and loans to help with the purchase. They have also supplied sound business advice on the business models to follow and how to set up very successful share schemes to make the project financially viable.

...With the depth of experience of other pubs who have faced the same problems - The Plunkett Foundation have also put us in touch with a number of similar pubs who have faced a variety reasons for their closure, but have all been saved through the efforts of their communities. We are learning a huge amount from their experiences, what they did right, what they did wrong, the pitfalls as well as the successes.

...With the right management structure to run the pub - Various options are being reviewed particularly a Community Benefit Society with shareholders, which has proved very successful in all the pubs we have surveyed. The right tenant, backed by a committee from the Community Benefit Society, to run the pub, are a vital component to the future success. It is intended to be professionally run not staffed by volunteers.

...With all the hardwork and voluntary skills within the village - We already have offers of help from architects, financial advisors, builders, plumbers, electricians, decorators and willing labourers. All raring to go to start work! We have called upon all the vital experience and advice of a village couple, who were among the more successful landlords of the Brock, to help with our trading predictions.

SO WHAT CAN GO WRONG?

The opportunity to save the Brock is as a result of the S106 agreed by Keigar Homes with North Lincolnshire Council, to enable the village to buy back the Brock as a Community Asset and village pub, within 12 months. We have done all the essential preliminary work prior to a purchase, including an independent valuation, a structural survey and obtained expert legal advice.

But there is a huge gap between our valuation and Keigar Homes' price.

We are doing everything we can to conduct negotiations in a business like manner, to arrive at a fair purchase price for the pub in its present state. With the support of the Council's Planning Department, our local Councillors, our MP and the goodwill of Keigar Homes, to fulfill the S106 agreement as it was intended during the negotiations with the Planning Committee and the agreement of the Parish Council, then there is no reason the Brock cannot be saved.

The Brock can be brought back to life, to become a social point within our village, to satisfy the varying needs of the whole community and be a success!

EDITOR. I apologise if things have moved on a bit since writing this article, but the Gander is produced several weeks before it is published and distributed.



This wonderful water colour by Stan Short, shows the possible improved kerb appeal, one of many things asked for by residents in our survey. However, the Brock may well look very different from this when finally refurbished, possibly more like its original style (see the photograph to the right).



The Brock in 1928 after a major refurbishment, very similar to its current style.

The Brocklesby Hunt was probably built around the same time as the railway was brought to Goxhill, in 1848. This photograph shows it as was originally built, before the front bay windows were added and it was rendered.

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The History of Goxhill Control Tower

Ron Parker's Jottings

In 2003 the Control Tower (Watch Tower for RAF) on Goxhill airfield which was built in early 1941, was demolished and transported to America in Virginia Beach at the Military Aviation Museum where it has just been reconstructed for its original use controlling preserved airworthy wartime Fighters of its Era in flight and to house Museum Exhibits.

This building was built of bricks made within the Parish, the brick-making industry at Goxhill goes back something like one and a half centuries with the know-how passed on with each generation of workers. There were 7 brickyards here on the banks of the River Humber for 2 reasons - the supply of clay and the river transport for the products, before road vehicles were available. Each had a Jetty into the Humber for loading Sloops, as the Humber Sailing Barges were called, and the bricks could be sent to any ports on the east coast as far away as London and up the coast north if need-be, possibly covering half of England. It was the Spreety Barges from the River Thames, which came to collect them for the Capital and other towns in the area, also into the rivers that led from the Wash to the towns inland in Lincolnshire and Norfolk. They were also carried inland up the rivers such as the Trent & Ouse, then further inland by canals. 5 brickyards were working until 1915 or so when they had to close down due to the work force volunteering or being conscripted in to the Army during the First War of the 20th century

It is interesting that 3 of these brickyards were named after the renowned Gold Rush towns, Klondike and Dawson City, it is believed that they were opened for manufacturing at approximately the time the Press printed the news of these gold fields. An old map of the sites in 1890 shows only farms and no existing brickyards. The Goldrush came at Klondike in 1896 & Dawson city in 1898 so one can expect they were opened around 1900. Then we have number 3, Quebec, which is now known as the Sandtoft Tileries making concrete tiles today. Goxhill Brick Works was founded in 1899 by the Hull brick maker, Mr David Goy, who bought a 49 acre field on the south bank of the river Humber in the parish of Goxhill. In 1901 came the erection of a continuous Hoffman Brick Kiln, Chimney, Brick Mill, Drying Sheds and 6 Cottages. Brick making commenced and the name of Goy Works was changed to "Quebec" until the 1914 war when production ceased, (the history of the Quebec gold rush covers a period from 1849 to the 1960s) so no-doubt Mr Goy, not to be out done for a name with his operation, chose the much publicised name of Quebec, to compete with Klondike & Dawson City just up the road. Quebec was the only yard to open up again after the war. In 1920, a Hull Company acquired this non-productive yard and appointed a manger, Mr George Smith, and production of bricks restarted, until he retired in 1926, when Mr A Oldridge was appointed manager, with Mr E Lacey as his assistant. In 1932, a second yard was built for making facing bricks and clay roofing tiles, named Goxhill

Brickworks Ltd. In 1939 the making of Roof Tiles ceased under the direction of the Ministry of Works since the making of bricks was more essential for the building of air-raid shelters and airfield construction. During the recession of the 1930s, unsold stocks had piled up to some extent and with the construction of Goxhill airfield and others in Lincolnshire, Goxhill Bricks became an asset to the War Effort. A supply was already there, and the Control Tower and most of the other buildings on our airfield were constructed with them.

Briefly, Goxhill bricks were made of Clay baked in a kiln, fired by coal, controlled by a skilled operator to maintain the correct heat by the amount of coal fed in and controlling the air flowing through, combined with the length of time. Too hot and they melt into a block or heat too low and time too short they are soft and will disintegrate in face of the weather. When the kiln was filled with bricks for burning, the doorway was sealed with a mixture of Humber mud, sand and cement before the fires was lit, the mixture was called "Pug".

First the clay was dug in the winter, by hand and wheeled in barrows along planks and tipped into a large square stack so it could weather (mature) for a time. At different levels there is different types of clay, when digging down and they are mixed accordingly. As it was made in to a stack, a layer of one type of clay would be dug and spread horizontal across it and then another type, and then another, layer upon layer

of different types all in repeated orders, (due to the experience of past generations of brickyard workers) until it was approximately 12 feet high. Then it was reloaded into barrows for transportation to the Mill, (it was dug in strips in a vertical direction so it mixed all the different clays together) in a skip on a small railway line. It was again remixed in the mill which churned it up into the correct texture so it could be forced through the die in the shape of the brick in a long length, then when it was at a certain length, the operator brought over a handle, in a half circle of movement with a frame of 9 wires attached, like a cheese wire, all at the same distance apart, the thickness of the brick. The bricks had a set of holes in them for 2 reasons. The first was for a wooden fork, with the prongs made to fit the holes so they could pick up the bricks 3 at once because they were too soft to pick up by hand. With the fork these wet bricks were loaded onto barrows and wheeled into the drying sheds, each known as a chassis, and allowed to dry-out naturally, no artificial heat, being turned over several times in the process until they were ready for the kiln. Then, to the kiln for burning. With the burning finished, and the kiln had cooled after the fire had been allowed to go out, they were removed and stacked outside for a further period of cooling, before delivery to the builder. The 2nd reason for the holes is when they are used with the wet cement it penetrates into the holes and holds them together better than with a smooth surface.

When the Clay-digging finished and Brick-making began in April for the summer, it was the same time as the Pied Wagtails, often called "Willie Wagtails", would return to



Goxhill Control Tower in 1997, several years before being demolished and shipped to America to be reconstructed at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach (See article on page 33)



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their summer nesting sites around the village and some of the local residents called them "Brick Makers", possibly started by retired brick-yard workers.

During the American occupation of Goxhill Airfield the USAAF had at times the need for bricks and sent their transport to collect them, one day in 1944, a Jimmy (nickname for their GMC trucks) went to Quebec for a load of bricks. On arriving, the GI who was riding with the driver, got out and asked for directions where to load. He then got on the step at the side of the drivers door (left hand drive) to direct him to the bricks. They had to pass under the walkway which was used to gain access to the top storey of the Hoffman Kiln, where it was fed with coal for the fires and the top of the canopy that covered back of the truck, hit the



walkway and dislodged some planks that fell down onto the truck, hitting the GI on the step and killed him. Had it been a right hand drive vehicle they would have missed him.

So now a piece of this once little known village in Lincolnshire [now North Lincolnshire] has been established on American soil, by using the raw material of the village land in the form of Clay, made into bricks by Goxhill residents, over seventy years ago. Now rebuilt into the building as it was when operated by our American Allies who helped us to defeat the common enemy in the nineteen forties, at the Military Aviation Museum, owned by Gerald Yagen, in the City of Virginia Beach, USA.

By the Late **Ron Parker**. January 2009
By kind permission of his family

The Best Laid Plans ...

by Mike Potter, Military Aviation Museum Director

Months of planning were laughed at by Mother Nature on the first day of our largest airshow of the year, "Warbirds Over the Beach" in May 2016, but a truly heartwarming ceremony was held in the Fighter Factory maintenance building nonetheless for the dedication of the RAF Goxhill Control Tower.

The museum's acquisition and rebuilding of this iconic sentinel may become one of the most important exhibits



guest will experience in the future. RAF Goxhill was the very first English airfield that was turned over to the arriving Americans just months after Pearl Harbor when the Allies were desperately putting together their strategies for the air war over Europe. The Military Aviation Museum now has the only Allied control tower of its type (a "Watch Office" to our English cousins) that will ever be seen outside of England. This is truly a museum offering that will never be duplicated. Even though the ceremony at the tower with USAF jets flying by could not happen due to the weather, representatives of the Royal Air Force, U.S. Air Force, reenactors, and museum guests listened to moving messages from each service and from Mr. "Mack" MacAllister, one of the first airmen to be stationed at Goxhill during World War Two. A memorial wreath was presented by RAF and USAF commanders, and Mr. Yagen, the museum owner, was presented with a Royal Air Force ensign for the museum that was flown over RAF Coningsby, the home of the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight.



All of the speakers said that they were proud and honoured to be involved in the ceremony, and each of them was presented with an original Goxhill brick with a commemorative plate on it, along with a copy of our specially created 50 page booklet on wartime Goxhill. That booklet could not have happened without the generosity of the late Ron Parker of Goxhill and his family.

It was Ron Parker who wrote in an article some years ago "So now a piece of this little known village in Lincolnshire is to become established on American soil at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach, Virginia". (See Ron's article above).

The Goxhill community in North Lincolnshire has become very excited to learn of the progress on "their" tower, and we here in Virginia are both honoured and proud to preserve it for future generations. It is our hope that the extraordinary bonds between our two countries will be made even a bit stronger by this piece of intensely shared heritage.

EDITOR - If you are interested in obtaining a copy of their commemorative booklet please contact me at editor@goxhillgander.com or 07774 671175



Goxhill Control Tower fully restored in America with a Spitfire and a P-51 Mustang. The Mustang is wearing the livery of "Double Trouble Two". The plane with that exact paint scheme was stationed at Goxhill as it's pilot's first assignment in the UK during the war



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Museum founders Jerry & Elaine Yagen with the late Ron Parker at the Goxhill Airfield Memorial.

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The Rhubarb Plant, the Mangle and the Stone Jars

This may appear to be a collection of odd items however there is a connection but we need to go back to my grandmother's kitchen to see what it is all about. We should arrive there in late August or September about a hundred years ago. First of all, the Mangle, for the

younger ones amongst us we must explain what a mangle is or was. Made with a heavy cast iron frame it had two wooden rollers a wooden tray to catch the water and channel it into a bucket, some gear wheels and a large wheel fitted with a handle by which it was turned. It was about a metre wide and one and a half metres tall. It stood in the kitchen and took up a lot of space. Mangling was hard work. In the days before the Washing Machine and the Tumble Dryer were invented the mangle was used to squeeze the water out of the bed sheets and clothing after they had been washed before they were hung on the clothes line to dry.

We have not come to see the mangle in use on wash day. We are here for an annual event, the making of the Rhubarb Wine. First grandma cleaned the mangle, it was scrubbed and scraped so that no trace of its laundry use remained in any nook or cranny of the woodwork. A panshon, which was a large pottery bowl used to make the dough for bread, was put in place beneath the mangle (unfortunately the

Rhubarb in large quantities was grown in the garden it provided a useful ingredient for pies and tarts from early spring and on into the summer but by August the stems had become thick and hard, a tall flower stem had appeared and with the first frost it would all disappear.

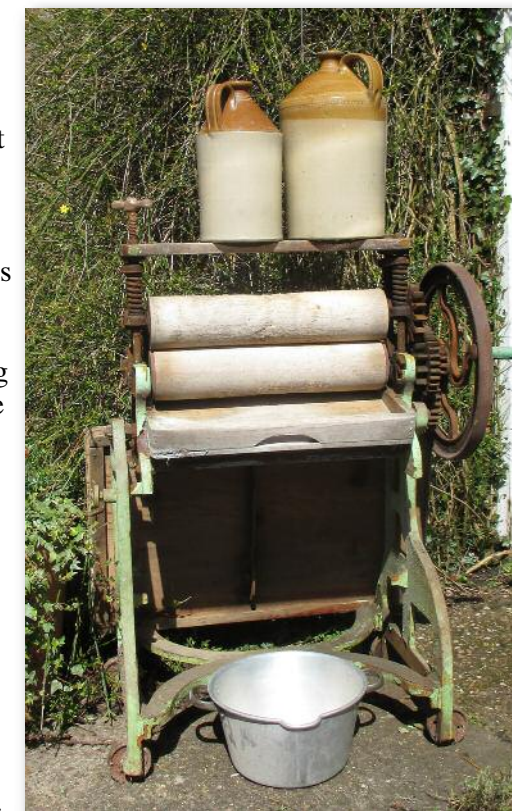
The rhubarb was pulled trimmed and taken into the kitchen where it was fed between the rollers of the mangle which crushed it and squeezed out the juice. Quite a lot of juice was obtained and often several containers were needed to hold it all. The juice was allowed to stand overnight so that it separated into a pink clear liquid at the top and a green lower layer which was discarded. The pink juice was used to make wine.

The stone jars were now washed and cleaned ready for use. Made in the late nineteenth century these had originally contained wines and spirits or the products of the local breweries but were then retained for home use. Two pounds of sugar (make it a kilo) were added to each gallon of the juice together with a little brewer's yeast. The mixture was

poured into the jars using an enamel funnel and the jars were filled to the top. A cork was loosely placed in the top so that the gas from the fermentation could escape and the jars were put into a spare bedroom. After fermentation was complete the cork was pressed in tight to seal the jar and to allow the wine to mature.

Houses were small and families were large at that time so spare bedrooms were rare it was not unusual for the jars to be placed under the bed in a room where people slept. Grandma had only two bedrooms with two sons and a nephew who all slept in one room whilst she and her daughter had the other one. One of her jars of wine was under a bed in the boy's room. When it was opened she found that it was empty, the boys had drunk all of the wine. Times may have changed but as now so it was then, "Boys will be Boys"

Maurice Brawn



UPDATE ON THE HUMBER PIPELINE PROJECT

Steve Ellison, River Humber Pipeline Project Manager, has advised the latest situation.

Ahead of the Secretary of State's decision on this project (due in September 2016), and with the agreement of North Lincolnshire Council, some important preparatory work is being undertaken in order to enable the project to keep to its timetable. This includes excavating topsoil and creating bunds at the edge of the Goxhill construction site, installing fencing, improving local roads at passing places on

the approach to the site, installing staff offices and portacabins. This may increase activity at the Goxhill main works compound on Chapelfield Road and on the temporary haulage road between Southend and Soff Lane. If Development Consent is not granted, all these works are reversible.

Up to date information on the entire project can be found on the following website address :- **www.riverhumberpipeline.com**

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OFF THE HOOF

"Use things up, wear things out, make your money do or do wi'out!" ANON

Well I guess that is a lesson we could all use. As finances get tighter it might be worth trying it for a year and see how much we actually save. There is a great difference between need and want.

Unfortunately we live in a throwaway society and credit is so easy to get. Not so easy to pay back though.

Whilst going through my books I came across Book Two of "Goxhill Bygones – Memories, Reminiscence and Photos" I started to read it and couldn't put it down. Some of it was a parallel to my early years, so I could relate to it. Surnames seemed familiar of the 'old' Goxhill families. Some I can remember from when I first became a resident. Sadly most have now passed away.

There was a clarification of the saying, "It's cold enough to freeze the balls off a brass monkey", I hadn't thought much about it but apparently, in the days of cannons on ships when a supply of ammunition was kept near the cannons problems arose as they kept rolling away. With a base of sixteen balls thirty could be stored to form a pyramid. The lower sixteen sat on a metal plate with sixteen indentations to fit them in. The plate was known as a monkey. In the beginning the plate, like the cannon balls, were made of iron, and in damp conditions the two rusted together, so the monkey was then made of brass. It worked well for a time until the temperature dropped. This caused the brass to contract therefore forcing the balls out. Hence the saying, "Cold enough to freeze the balls off a brass monkey"!

Some poetry is also present which reminded me of my dad as he used to write to me in basic verse to tell me what was going on. One bit interested me, "Green Ramper, once a carpet of flowers wild, Where you could have a picnic as a child". I can also remember my old next door neighbour, who was a farmer, saying they used to cut it for hay and cattle used to graze on it. I was once shown a photograph of another bridle way - Nan Brighan, taken in the 60's I guess. It was wide, neat and tidy with lovely trees overhanging. Could you imagine either of these as they used to be?

On the subject of bridleways, or lack of them, I have contacted the council again, basically for a progress report. Trying to get to speak to anyone or the right person is a nightmare. Eventually a message was left for me and they are thinking of making two areas bridleways. Sounds good – but don't get excited, we already ride them so very little difference. I'm hoping to speak with them next week and see what else is possible.

I have written before about the increase in fast heavy traffic down Thornton and Ferry Road. At present it is hay making, harvest and pea vining time so is very busy. So much so, I thought the two year project had started, but it hasn't. The roads are deteriorating quickly and badly so once that does start it will be worse. When it does rain heavy water sits on the road, which in itself is dangerous. Time to clear the ditches and dig culverts into them I think. Preferably before it all starts. As with most things, preparation is key. Once again I would ask that grass cuttings go in the bins provided or to the tip not in the ditch. Fly tipping is illegal.

It was reported in the previous issue of the Gander that the

trees giving a beautiful display of blossom in the spring, had been cut back in preparation for the project. I am hoping, at some point, the trees which have died previously will be replaced. Looking around, many trees have ivy climbing up, sapping the life out of them. I am not sure who is responsible for their preservation but if the ivy invasion is not stopped many of our trees will die. Maybe a work party is the answer.

I have been and chopped down foliage which was obliterating the "slow Down for Horses" sign on Ferry Road with the hope that someone will take notice and actually slow down.

We cannot escape the recent vote to withdraw from the EU.

The impact this will make is not yet sure but it has been reported that the Central Equine Database will still continue and be improved. This monitors horses to prevent them from entering into the human food chain. It also gives opportunities to improve animal welfare. Time alone will tell.

How safe is your lorry if a fire should break out? It doesn't bare thinking about but it pays to be prepared.

It is recommended to carry two 2Kg dry powder extinguishers, one in the cab and the other in the living area and a 2L foam extinguisher. Any gas bottles should be in outside lockers and turned off until required. It seems most lorry fires have been attributed to electrical faults.

In case of fire, get the horses out, call the fire brigade and the police in case they need to direct or divert traffic. Use extinguishers if it is safe to do so, but keep as clear as possible. Make use of anyone who stops to help in that they can direct traffic until the police arrive. Arrange transport for the horses, check your insurance policy to see what it covers.

Always have high-viz vests (I still have a couple of freebies) torch and a warning triangle in your lorry, just in case.

Have your electrics checked at least yearly by a qualified auto-electrician. Don't wait for a fire to happen. Make your plans just in case. One for if you are travelling alone and another if you have company. It could save your horses lives. Those with trailers should also make plans.

Please remember to put fly repellent on your horse, a high factor sun block on all white noses, socks, etc. Don't forget to wash your geldings sheath and your mares need attention there too. They both get a build-up of thick, black, sticky goo which the flies are attracted too. Warm soapy water and flannel/ facecloth, stand to the side as they are sensitive and may kick out, so go gently.

Please keep news and views coming in.

Until the next time. Take care – Ride safely

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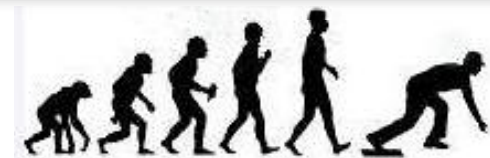
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At the time of writing there is still a reasonable amount of the 2016 outdoor bowling season to go. To date our fortunes in the three leagues



we compete in has been about as mixed as the weather has. We have been deprived of several of our more experienced bowlers for league matches by recoveries from operations, a departure from the village and, very sadly, a death. We are not doing badly by any means, but we look unlikely to be amongst the top teams come September. On the plus side, quite a number of our newer bowlers have gained some good experience and are showing real promise, so we can be optimistic for the future.

Whilst our own village Club is about lawn bowling and hence the summer months, there are opportunities elsewhere locally, and throughout the year, for bowling indoors. There is a full length indoor bowling centre in Scunthorpe off the Carlton Street car park (near 20-21 Visual Arts Centre). Closer to home is a short-mat bowling group based at Goxhill Memorial Hall.

As implied by both the term 'short-mat' and the dimensions of the hall this requires less physical effort but no less skill. Neither indoor group is connected to Goxhill Bowls Club but

hopefully, if the indoor game grabs your interest, you will consider bowling outdoors with us next summer. Rather annoyingly the free hosting of our website by Clubbz.com came to an abrupt and unexpected end this year. One day it just vanished without warning and the domain name was taken over by two French bloggers known as "Club Bastien et Zac". We are not alone in losing out since Clubbz.com hosted many local sports and social groups including GNeW-Goxhill and our neighbours Barrow Bowls Club.

To learn more about our Club, until a new website has been set up, please contact me by emailing Goxhill-Bowls@mybtinternet.com or telephoning **530363.** **John Guggiari**

MAJOR SURGERY DOESN'T STOP TOP BOWLER

Chris Ellis has overcome total hip replacement surgery to get back to a decent standard of bowling - she had surgery early December last year and was back bowling towards the end of the indoor season at Scunthorpe late February 2016.

The photograph shows Christine Ellis, a member of Goxhill Bowls Club for 17 years, being presented with the Humberside Ladies 4 bowl singles trophy. This is just the latest of 18 county champion titles that she has won for outdoor or indoor bowling either as an individual or as part of a pairs or triples team. Being County Champion, Chris will compete in the national finals at Skegness in August. We wish her good luck for a national singles success to go with the National Ladies Pairs title she won with Tina Morris, also of Goxhill, in 2011.

Presentation of the Trophy to Chris Ellis (on the left) Ladies County 4 bowl singles winner, by Natalie Gray, Humberside County Ladies President, 17th July, 2016



GBBO star makes guest appearance for Lindsey Lodge Hospice

Great British Bake Off winner, Nancy Birtwhistle, made a guest appearance talking about her journey on the popular TV show in aid of a charity close to her heart.

Nancy from Barton spoke to over 100 people at Elsham Golf Club and helped to raise £1,200 for Lindsey Lodge Hospice on Burringham Road in Scunthorpe.

The hospice provides support and end of life care for patients and families' living with terminal illnesses and the baker has first-hand experience with visiting loved ones there.

Nancy said: "I support Lindsey Lodge because it receives little funding therefore it's important everyone gets behind it to keep the vital service running. The support and care they give is fantastic as I have experienced. "It's a local charity for local people and I feel like I can make a difference from events like this one by making an appearance and raising much-needed funds".

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If any children from your family took part in this year's **Summer Reading Challenge - The Big Friendly Read** - then we hope that they enjoyed themselves. Whether or not they read Roald Dahl's BFG, many will doubtless be off to see the new Steven Spielberg film of that name very soon. Afterwards why not encourage them to further explore Mr Dahl's imagination.

Through Goxhill library they could borrow anything from his first children's book, *The Gremlins* (1943), through to *The Vicar of Nibbleswicke*, published posthumously in 1991. With some books just a couple of dozen pages long, they are ideal for reluctant readers too and packed with laughs.

WE STILL NEED MORE VOLUNTEER LIBRARIANS.

Whilst last Gander's plea for new volunteers brought us another recruit, we are still struggling occasionally to keep the library open. If you could help staff our library for a couple of hours - whether regularly or as a "Super-Sub" - then we would love to hear from you. Goxhill's Community Library is situated in the Parish Rooms on Howe Lane and our opening times are:

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John Guggiari

GNeWs from Goxhill Neighbourhood Watch

After setting up our village's neighbourhood watch in 1996, quite a number of villagers undertook activities to raise both our profile and funds. What we spent was mostly for routine running expenses, apart from a few substantial donations such as money towards the Memorial Hall's security cameras.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

But times change and much of what we used to incur - printing and copying letters, leaflets and other information, HANWaG subscription, signs, property marking - has pretty much disappeared. Communication by email and The Gander is effectively free, NLC Safer Neighbourhoods have been supplying replacement signs free of charge lately, and until recently our website was also free (see Bowls Club article for explanation).

Consequently we are sitting on more funds than we really need to keep things ticking over. In fact there was so little activity on our bank account that our bank closed it as being dormant. Having reviewed the situation, rather than re-open our bank account, we intend to donate the majority - £600 - to one or more relevant local projects. We will retain a much smaller amount as cash for maintenance of signs and meeting attendance. If we cannot have a free website then we will probably go without.

THIS IS YOUR CHANCE FOR A SAY ON HOW OUR FUNDS ARE SPENT IN THE VILLAGE!

Given that lead theft was the cause of All Saints Church's roof problems, we are proposing to make a donation towards their roof fund.

If any village resident wishes to nominate another suitable Goxhill group to also benefit - especially if the need has arisen as a result of crime - we would seriously consider it. Please email Gnew@mybtinternet.com or telephone me on 530363 with your name, your nomination and a few words to explain why you chose them. A decision about donations should be taken during September.

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Students are released from their studies for a few weeks; looking for a way to earn some extra money. How different it was in my days (1940's); when holiday jobs were contributing to the maintenance of family life, for example: cleaning and shopping for the older members of the family, and in your own home; there were no 'labour saving' equipment in those days; so the 'student', or school age child of twelve or thirteen years old had to 'buckle in' all for many thanks but no monetary payment.

So when my son Kevin reached the grand age of fourteen in 1964, and unlike the older generations was still being educated, he needed to earn some extra money. Times had changed, 'labour saving' devices had made house work easier; the older generation had 'home help' provided via the new welfare state.

At that time, the Market Garden industry in Goxhill was in full swing. So popular an industry, supplying salad vegetables and flowers, that special arrangements were made by British Rail to allow trains extra time for loading produce onto the train to be taken to New Holland, from where it was all

transported by ferry to Hull. Thence to be distributed to many locations, by the Humber Street wholesale Markets.

How sad that today these Goxhill

industries have gone, Hawthorne Gardens; the van den Bos, van der Slutan, and Tyson; names that no longer feature in Goxhill businesses. All the Greenhouses have gone; replaced now with large housing estates that have changed the appearance of the old Goxhill. However change comes with time; it's a different village now; beautiful in a different way.

To return to my subject:

When the summer holidays came Kevin was interviewed for a holiday job at Hawthorne Gardens; having succeeded with the interview he began his job, sorting trays and trays of tomatoes. He would come home at the end of the day, covered in green from the leaves. He also brought home trays of 'cracked' tomatoes, was this caused by not enough water? However the family were fed on tomatoes in salads, tomato soup, fried tomatoes, tomatoes and bacon for breakfast, tomato chutney and every recipe we could invent. All our friends had a share of our 'bounty'.

Well at the end of the summer, Kevin had his money to spend. I'll point out that his bedroom had already been



The glasshouses at Hawthorne Gardens covered a huge area, as seen in this old photograph. Now they are new housing estates or future housing estates.

decorated to his liking, which was a colour scheme of black yellow and purple!!! So off he went to Hull. We awaited his return. Oh Horror! back he came. He'd had a hair- cut, curly hair disappeared, well hair cropped close to his head; wearing a pair of up to date trousers; and the jacket!! Had to be seen to be believed as it matched his bedroom decor perfectly, being black, with purple stripes, socks to match. Well he'd worked for the money to buy clothes of his choice, we duly admired his purchases thinking 'we all learn by experience'.

That was then, what happens nowadays with holiday or weekend jobs?

Taking the example from the Grandchildren. Well Harley, who is seventeen and one of my dear grandchildren, has a part time and holiday job at Costa, where he is a "barrista"; that is one who makes a variety of splendid coffees and 'smoothie' type fruity drinks. I've seen him at work there; very busy and being so polite to the customers. Surely this is good training in learning respect for others, apart from the earnings. He works spare time and holiday times. He tells me the extra money is used to buy clothes of his choice; to eat out or buy 'takeaways'. He has a small car and is studying for his car test, so some expense from that will be paid from his earnings. Well done in these times trying to 'help yourself' to contribute to life's expenses.

Ramona Percy (nee Parkin)

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The presentation of Scientific Calculators to Year 6 pupils at Goxhill School was made by John and Anne Leaning from Barton Rotary Club.

Pupils leaving Goxhill Primary School, progressing to secondary education, were each presented with a Scientific Calculator by Barton Rotary Club, to help them with their studies. A total of 213 calculators were handed out to the eleven Junior Schools in the Barton Rotary Club's area.

Barton Rotary Club now has their first Lady President.

Margaret Parrott, was inducted at the end of June and takes charge of a growing club with 24 members. "With many Rotary clubs losing members I am delighted that our membership grew in numbers and enthusiasm over the past year" Margaret said, "and I am intending that this should continue".

Margaret works for the NHS and is The Cancer Centre Manager of Cancer Services in Hull and the East Riding. She joined Rotary after being invited to help distribute the

Rotary Christmas Day meals to OAPs. She had been looking for a way of giving something back to the local community and found that Rotary "fitted the bill". "I particularly enjoy helping with the Christmas meals for the elderly and the Rotary Disabled games held in Scunthorpe. Our club puts out a large team of helpers to assist the disabled athletes".

Over £7,000 was given by Barton Rotary Club during the Rotary year, ending in June. Recipients included, Barton Allotment Society, 1st Barton Guides, Goxhill Primary School, Trinity Methodist Church, part cost of Motorised Wheelchair for local person, ST ART, British Legion, John Harrison School



Barrow, Bowmandale School, Ada Flower Trust, Immingham Seaman's Mission, Lindsey Lodge Hospice, Barton Living Memorial, St. Mary's Church, Barton Junior Football Club, 1st Barrow & Goxhill Scouts

Beavers, Barton Arts Week, Army Cadets, Help to York Flood victims, ShelterBox (10 ShelterKits to help in the Ecuador Earthquake), Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie Cancer Care, 225 Scientific Calculators given to pupils leaving 11 local schools and moving up to secondary education.

Barton Rotary Club - doing great things in Barton and the surrounding villages since 1977



ROTARY CLUB OF BARROW MERIDIAN

Hello again from the volunteers of the Rotary Club of Barrow Meridian. As the days turn into weeks, and the weeks into months, we notice how quickly time is passing.

Club News

As you read this we will have completed our handover – President Cheryl has stepped down and handed the reins to President Jacqueline for the next 12 months. Thanks to Cheryl for her hard work and guidance over the past year, and good luck and every success to Jacqueline for the year ahead. President Jacqueline has chosen to complete a six-month sponsored slim to raise funds for two of her chosen charities – Cystic Fibrosis and Cancer Research UK. We all wish her every success and would hope that some of you good folks will find some spare coins to swell her coffers. The unique handover of office took place in front of the poppy wave at Lincoln Castle.

We are very keen to work with all our local primary schools and we view these competitions as an opportunity to develop our links – we look forward to closer ties with Goxhill, New Holland and East Halton.



Membership

Prospective members and volunteers are always welcome – we meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in Barrow Sports and Fitness Centre, Thorngarth Lane, from 7pm. Please do contact us if you are interested in joining us or finding out more about what we do. Rotarian Simon is our current membership secretary.

Dates for your diary.

Monday 29th August 2016

Car Boot sale at Barrow Playing Fields

Saturday 10th December 2016

Xmas Fayre, Barrow Market Place.

December 2016

Santa's sleigh in our local villages; dates to be confirmed.

The Secretary, Rotary Club of Barrow Meridian, c/o Barrow Sports and Fitness Centre, Manor Farm, Thorngarth Lane, Barrow upon Humber DN19 7AW

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