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read so many times on Facebook, that people say that Goxhill is a beautiful village, that it is a wonderful place to live. What makes it like that?

Well I, for one, moved here many years ago, because it seemed such a peaceful place, 'though friends thought it was 'back of beyond', and we soon found that the people were really nice and there were lots of things to do. It was a perfect choice to start to bring up our children in a lovely, welcoming village.

But a lovely village is not just created by its location in a peaceful countryside setting. It is the people who live in it that make it so welcoming and special. We (well my wife initially, as I was out at work most of the time) got involved with lots of village activities, the chapel, mums and toddlers, GAPs (Goxhill Amateur Players), soon followed by school, scouts, guides, to name but a few. We even got involved in saving the area from a nuclear waste dump on our doorstep. We helped organise fundraising for all these groups. But above all we made lifelong friends and we had fun, this was possibly the most important part of it all. This edition of the Gander has 7 pages packed with events in the village, from local groups to fundraising and entertainments. Sadly many of these groups and events struggle to keep going and need new blood to replace those who have been organising them for years. And they need new people to get involved to safeguard their future and carry on their good works, and to continue to make it enjoyable for all involved.

There are a number of articles in this packed edition of the Gander, on village groups, that are in this position.

The Memorial Hall, such a vital heart of the village's social life, are holding a meeting on 4th September, to try to enlist a new committee to run it and ensure its continuing success. Please attend and give your ideas and support. See page 17 for details. Even the WI, such a stalwart of village life and the organiser and provider of teas and

cakes at so many important events in the village, as well as so much fundraising, for so many years, are struggling for members and volunteers to help run it. No one is too old or too young to enjoy being involved in their activities. For contact details see page 7.

Goxhill has won a 'Best Kept Village' award in the past. A small group of volunteers have done a fantastic job this year with limited time, resources and people. See STOP PRESS for last minute news of their success. With a bit more support and a little involvement from more people in the village, we could win the main accolade again. It won't take much to make Goxhill really lovely again and a village to be proud of. See article on pages 43-45.

The Gander has featured many excellent articles on Goxhill's wartime past and memories of those from the village who lost their lives during the two World Wars. With Remembrance Day coming up soon, it is appropriate to be thinking of how we, as a village, should mark VE Day, next year. A meeting is being held on 10 Sept, to brainstorm ideas to celebrate such a momentous anniversary. Your ideas or involvement will be gratefully appreciated. See page 11 for full details.

One longstanding threat to Goxhill's peaceful existence, is the inherent drainage problems that culminated in flooding in areas of the village in 2007, and continue to cause problems in certain areas whenever it rains heavily. At last, North Lincolnshire Council have taken our concerns seriously and have been doing intensive surveys to identify problem areas. They are holding a consultation day on their findings and hopefully solutions to the problems, on 25th September. See page 11 for details.

The most important message from all of this is that the more we can get involved and work together, the better Goxhill Jeff Teasdale - Editor will be as a place to live, to socialise and bring up our children, and have fun in the process. email: editor@goxhillgander.com Website: www.goxhillgander.com

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#### STOP PRESS

#### Fantastic news -

In the Best Kept Village Competition, Goxhill have been 'Highly Commended' and won the 'Best Kept Cemetery' category. Well done to all involved! Let's make next year even better.

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#### LETTER FROM THE CHURCH

#### A View from the Rafters

It was the first Sunday in September and the bats of Goxhill church were just hanging around – they do a lot of that. Bats have a very inflated sense of their own importance generally, but the Goxhill bats have particularly well-developed egos as they were able to influence the timing of the repairs to the church roof merely by being present. They observed the gathering congregation with lofty superiority (if somewhat inverted due to their habitual position).

"Here they come", remarked Godfrey. "Back from their holidays and ready for action. I expect that blasted racket will start soon. 'Singing' they call it. Wonder where they've all been".

"You can usually work it out", observed Cedric, who rather fancied himself as a sleuth. "Just look at them. That one there - down by the pillar and the colour of burnt toast. She's been off somewhere abroad (probably grabbing her last chance before the borders are closed after Brexit). She'll have spent a wad of money to feel like a sausage being done on a barbecue. They're a funny lot". "Nothing funny about interfering with the sleeping habits of respectable bats", Godfrey harrumphed. His gout was playing up and it always affected his temper.

Cedric ignored him and continued his Sherlock Holmes impression.

"That one's hobbling. So much for the walking holiday. I expect he got as far as the first tea room and walked to the counter to order a scone and cream. Ha! And that one over there – the one gibbering and looking a bit wild-eyed – she's been looking after the grandchildren. That hunted look is a dead giveaway. Oh and here comes the vicar. Not particularly brown, slightly dazed expression and bleary-eyed. That'll be the usual ten days in a tent with a mountain of books, the odd trip up a mountain and too much beer. Clergy are a particularly odd bunch but churches seem to attract them for some reason".

Godfrey was grudgingly impressed at these powers of deduction, but he felt one very obvious question hadn't been addressed.

"That's all very well", he said, easing his gouty wing to a more comfortable position, "but why do they do it? What's the point of gadding off all over the place when they could hang round comfortably at home? What's it supposed to achieve? You don't catch bats going on holiday, do you?" (As the good people of Goxhill could attest, this was entirely true. They'd been hoping the bats would go on a long trip for some years).

Cedric regarded the gathering congregation with amusement.

"Apparently it makes them feel refreshed. They're all coming back bright-eyes and bushy-tailed and ready to tackle life head-on. Well, most of them are" he added after a glance at the gibbering grandparent who was absent-mindedly eating her notice sheet.

"I don't suppose the singing will've improved", grumbled Godfrey. "It's enough to make a chap decide to take a holiday himself. Can't think where to go, that's the problem".

Cedric considered the matter for a moment and a wicked gleam lit his beady black eyes.

"I understand the church in Barton is due to begin work on its new roof next week...." he observed, nonchalantly.

Godfrey grinned evilly. Suddenly his gout felt much better.

Revd. Liz Brown

**Autumn** Sunday 15th September 3pm Harvest Festival in The Chapel **Services** Sunday 22nd September 2.30pm Horse and Rider at All Saints Church.

Friday 4th October 7pm Harvest Festival Choral Evensong - All Saints Church followed by refreshments.

Saturday 2nd November 7pm Bereavement Service at the Chapel Sunday 10th November 10.45am Remembrance Day service at the Memorial Hall

2pm Service at the Airfield Propeller Tribute

#### LETTER FROM THE CHAPEL

You have never seen anything like it - there were over 143 knitted figures on tables round the hall and Goxhill's were, of course, outstanding! Goxhill had 'ruffians' and 'Moravians' to knit at knit and natter and they had done a mighty fine job of them. What for? Well it's a nationwide tour of knitted bible scenes which will be displayed at Barrow, Brigg, Hibaldstow and Barton\* and since we wanted to show some local talent we added 15 huge displays from the life of John Wesley with our own knitted figures to go alongside the 33 knitted scenes from the bible.

We also thought it would make it more interesting and add local colour to show the men whom John Wesley, the man who founded Methodism, described in his Journal in April 1764 as being 'two such brutes as I have seldom seen' who rowed him across the Humber to Hull! So do come and see them in all their glory, knitted by Goxhill Knit and Natter, alongside a stunning boat on which Wesley travelled to Georgia in America.

It was in this vessel that he feared for his life in the midst of a terrible storm, so bad that even sailors thought they were doomed. Wesley saw a group of people kneeling, singing and praising God in the midst of this tempest. Asking them why they were not afraid to die, Peter Bohler the leader of the Moravians explained that they knew God loved them and would welcome them to heaven, for God loves every person ever made and welcomes them into eternity with God.

This was a revelation to Wesley who had previously thought that God's love had to be earned! This wonderful 'assurance' of being loved became one of the great foundation stones of faith for Methodists. So we sing some marvellous hymns (like 'Blessed. Assurance') but also 'The storms may roar without me, my heart may low be laid, but God is round about me, I shall not be

May you know assuredly that you are loved and that even in the storms of life, when the tempests roar and life is uncertain and fearful, even then, God's love is all around you. With my prayers **Revd Nichola Jones** 

<sup>\*</sup> See information on **page 7** for more information

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#### **NOTICE BOARD**

#### **CHURCHES TOGETHER EVENTS**

#### Prize Bingo

Friday 13th September - 7pm in the Chapel Schoolroom

#### **Quiz Night**

Friday 20th September - 7.30pm in the Chapel Schoolroom. £5 per person which includes supper.

Get together a team of four, give yourself a name, then ring **Jane 530962** or **Sandra 530065** to book a place for your team. If you like quizzes but can't make up a team, still come along, as there are usually teams short of a member.

#### **Horse and Rider Service**

Sunday 22nd September 2.30pm on the land next to All Saints carpark. A time for horses and their riders to come together as we give thanks for the horse.

There will be a short service followed by refreshments. **All welcome**.

#### **Date for your diary**

Christmas Tree Festival Once again we will be holding this on the weekend of Saturday 30th November and Sunday 1st December 1-5pm on both days - in All Saints Church.

Refreshments will be available, and a Cake Stall, Tombola, Craft Stall and secondhand books.

There will be a memory tree were you can place a message in memory of your loved one.

If you would like to place a tree in the church for your business or personal, please contact **Sandra 530065**.

Trees may be brought into church between 3-6pm Thursday and Friday. There is no charge to place trees in the church.

Pop In dates - 10am - 12MD

Saturday 21st September

Saturday 19th October

Saturday 16th November

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

#### THE LUNCHEON CLUB

Meets at the Chapel at 12 noon on the second Wednesday of every month. If you would like to come along and share an excellent two-course meal and conversation.

Phone Jane Arnott on 530962 to book a place.

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#### **GOXHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**



The W.I. meet every 2nd
Monday of the month
throughout the year except for
August, at 7 pm in the
Memorial Hall.

New members and visitors, including gentlemen, are welcome at any of the meetings. For further information Contact Mrs. Alyson O'Leary, President, on **01469 531568.** 

#### Our future programme

9 Sept - Harvest Supper & Sale

14 Oct - Gunpowder Plot, Speaker, Eric Jackson

11 Nov - Christmas Crafts

**9 Dec** - Christmas Party

#### **Big Coffee Morning**

Friday, 27th September 10am - 1pm In the Memorial Hall, Chapel Street,

Goxhill. Please come and join us for coffee, homemade cakes and much more.

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You Bring... We Bake... We Serve...You Eat Cake

Goxhill WI needs your Help

Friday, 1st November 2 - 4.30pm. We are collecting baby, children's and adults clothes for the local Women's refuge.



The refuge has a used clothes shop and is able to raise funds from any clothes donated.

Please sort through your no longer needed clothes and bring them along to the Methodist School Room, Chapel Street on the date above.

You can swap unwanted clothes for Tea and Cake.

# **Barton Methodist Church John Wesley knitted scenes from his life**



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#### Saturday 7th September from 10.00 till 12.00

This year I am raising money for Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance and intend holding my first ever coffee morning. All will be made welcome at "Shambles" Ferry Road. Aileen Hanlon-Bennett

#### **BARTON PEER SUPPORT GROUP**

#### Are you caring for a loved one and need a break?

Did you know that in Barton we have a fortnightly peer support group who will support you?

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The Carer support group meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at The Baysgarth House Museum, 1pm - 3pm.

For more information about these friendly informal meetings please call:

The Carers Support Service on 01652 650585. We look forward to meeting you soon.

#### AIRFIELD REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

A Remembrance service will be held on Sunday 10th November, 2.00pm at the Airfield Tribute, all are welcome.

#### NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE BEEKEEPERS

Our next three months events are as follows:

Mon 30 Sept Gerry Collins - Master Beekeeper and Honey Judge - Talk subject still to be decided.

Mon 28 Oct District Honey Show together with Cake and Photography Competitions.

Mon 25 Nov Tinda and Wendy from Beverley Beekeepers - A talk entitled "Our Beekeeping Year"

Unless stated otherwise our meetings commence at 7.30pm on the last Monday of the month at Broughton Village Hall, 59, High Street, Broughton DN20 0JX

Admission, £1 Members and Non members which includes refreshments.

**Kevin Seddon - Secretary North Lincolnshire** Beekeepers District. Tel 07505 821228 email - kevinbeeseddon@gmail.com

website - www.northlincsbeekeepers.org.uk Facebook Group -

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#### THE WAYFARERS FOLK GROUP

#### Friday October 11th at 7.30pm

Plus Country & Western Singer, Plus a Guest Artist In Goxhill Methodist Chapel Schoolroom A great night, not to be missed.

#### **KNIT & NATTER**

CHAPEL SCHOOL ROOM Thursdays 2-4pm Tea, coffee, biscuits, Raffle - £3 All welcome

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#### **NOTICE BOARD Part 3**

#### **GOXHILL CALENDAR 2020**

An Update for entries for the Community Calendar for 2020 with photographs featuring any village topics, historical, leisure interests and any activities through the year.

Closing date for submissions is 21st September for entries of up to a maximum of 4 photos per person.

Prizes, once again, for the chosen front cover and best junior entrant.

Voting for Winning Entries on September 28th 2pm to 5pm - all entries will be displayed for you to vote on your choices, at a Tea and Cake event at the Church. All welcome.

Send entries to **goxhillcalendar@gmail.com** or telephone **01469 530138** 

Penny Carnell for Friends of All Saints Church.

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During the Summer Mark has also donated money raised from skips to other local causes eg £106.60 to

the Goxhill Heroes Lifestyle group.

So please continue to put any scrap metal in the skip on Mark's long drive at 'The Old Hatchery' on Westfield Road (corner of Stothards Lane). Open all

year round 7 days a week, just open the gates and drive up to the skip.

An enormous thank you to Mark Ogilvie!

Editor

#### A Date for your diary!

#### North Lincolnshire Council Flood Risk and Drainage Team

Are coming to the village to give the parishioners of Goxhill the opportunity to raise any questions or concerns you may have on the following:

- Areas identified to carry out works to mitigate flood risk for the settlement
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#### **GOXHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

Would like to invite all the local organisations of Goxhill to a brainstorming meeting, bringing together ideas on how the Village can celebrate VE Day 75th Anniversary

Tuesday 10th September 2019 6.30pm - 8.30pm The Memorial Hall

Should you wish to attend or find out more please contact:

Vicky Haines, Clerk to the Parish Council
Tel 07834 418338 (available at the Parish Rooms
Tus 9.15am-12pm &Wed 5pm-7.30pm)

**HANDBAG APPEAL** Kindness, compassion and generosity all gathered together in a handbag. On 18th July, 58 handbags of varying colour and design, were received by the Friends of All Saints Church at the Chapel Schoolroom.

Thank you to all the ladies who donated the bags containing items of necessity for women leaving their home, seeking urgent shelter and safety from an abusive situation. All donations are now with the "Women's Aid" in Grimsby. Thanks also to the Knit & Natter Group for all their help.

Sincere appreciation to all the ladies providing the delicious cakes and biscuits for the refreshments. Friends of All Saints Church.





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#### **NOTICE BOARD Part 4**

#### **Goxhill Memorial Hall 200 Club**

The winners of the 200 club are for -

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235 Dennis Joyce £27.50

230 Pat Finch £20.00

 230
 Pat Finch
 £20.00

 186
 Andy Holtby
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 212
 Marilyn Burkett
 £10.00

#### **Update about the Goxhill 200 Club**

In the previous issue of The Gander, Penny Nadin and Iris Thompson, who ran the most recent incarnation of Goxhill 200 Club, announced that they were retiring from it. Whilst there could be a short hiatus of a month or so, the 200 Club will nevertheless be continuing with Rosemarie Guggiari as its new organiser. As legislation continually changes in respect of holding personal details it was important to ensure that the 'new' club met all of those requirements as well as current gambling laws. It is necessary to set up a new bank account too and that's a lot slower process than it used to be, especially for voluntary clubs and societies.

But a number of newcomers to our village may well be asking "what exactly is the 200 Club?" so perhaps an explanation would be useful. In a nutshell the Goxhill 200 Club is a great way for villagers like you to support the running of our Memorial Hall whilst having a bit of a flutter. Here's how it works:

- You complete and sign a membership form and pay the annual subscription of £10. This buys you one membership number that enters you into a monthly draw. All participants must be over 16.
- As well as monthly prizes there is a jackpot prize once a quarter. The names of winners are published in the next issue of The Gander.
- About half the money collected in subscriptions funds the prizes with the other half donated to Goxhill Memorial Hall.

A new constitution to comply with current requirements has been drawn up and will be displayed on the Memorial Hall notice board and online. If you are an existing member of Goxhill 200 Club then you will be contacted soon to verify your continued membership.

If anyone else would like to become a member of the Goxhill 200 Club then please contact Rosemarie by email goxhill.200club@gmail.com or by telephone 530363.

John Guggiari

	DIAF	RY OF EVENTS	3
DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
01-Sep	10.30am	Memory Book Dedication	Chape
04-Sep	7.30pm	Mem/Hall Open Meeting	Mem/Hal
07-Sep	10-12noon	Coffee Morning	Shambles
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09-Sep	7.00pm	WI	Mem/Hal
10-Sep	6.30-8.30pm	VE Day ideas meeting	Mem/Hal
13-Sep	7pm	Prize Bingo	Chapel S/F
13-22 Se		Barton Heritage Open Day	rs Bartor
14-15 Se	pt various	John Wesley Knitted scen	es Bartor
20-Sep	7.30pm	Quiz Night	Chapel S/F
21-Sep	10-12noon	Pop In	Chapel S/F
21-Sep		Calendar Closing Date	
22-Sep	2.30pm	Horse & Rider Service	Church C/Park
25-Sep	3.30-7.30pm	Flood/Drainage Consultati	on Mem/Hal
27-Sep	10-1pm	Big Coffee Morning	Mem/Hal
28-Sep	2-5pm	Calendar Voting	Church
30-Sep	7.30pm	Beekeepers	Broughtor
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01-Nov	7.30pm	Barton Ghost Walk	Baysgarth Pk
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10-Nov	10.45am	Remembrance Service	Mem/Hal
10-Nov	2pm	Airfield Remembrance	Propelle
11-Nov	7.00pm	WI	Mem/Hal
16-Nov	10-12noon	Pop In	Chapel S/P
22-Nov	7.30pm	La Bella	Mem/Hal
24-Nov	10am-3pm	Christmas Fair	Mem/Hal
25-Nov	7.30pm	Beekeepers	Broughtor
30-Nov	1-5pm	Christmas Tree Festival	Church
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Pilates	10-11am	Tuesday & Thursday
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	7-9pm	Wednesday
	10-12 noon	Friday
Tennis	10-12 noon	Saturday
		Sunday by arrangement
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#### **NOTICE BOARD - Memorial Hall - 1**

#### **MEMORIAL HALL NEWS**

(Charity No 521928)

We've had varied weather this summer, much like the variety of activities held at the hall over the warmer months. As I'm writing this, the Village Show (17th Aug) and Scarecrow Trail (24th/25th Aug) are still in the planning stages, with committee organisers hoping for good attendance and that everyone enjoys themselves. Disney workshops are also on the calendar, while Pilates and short-mat bowls sessions continue through the holidays. We have used this guiet time to install the CCTV and Hearing Loop systems, and widen the side door, levelling the floor to improve electric chair access and replacing the carpets for slip-resistant heavy duty flooring. The money for these improvements came from the Pop-Up Pub and other fund-raising events. Once we have the grant from National Grid, we will replace the two old boilers for newer, more efficient ones. Events planned for this autumn include two LiveLincs events - Nikki and JD Knot Fri 11 Oct and La Bella and the lost chord of Ulaanbataar Fri 22 Nov. We also have a Christmas Fair planned for Sun 24th Nov. and a bus booked to go to Beverlev Christmas Market on Sun 8th Dec (see Penny or Iris). The Pop-Up Pub will be popping back this winter for the first weekend in November (1st-3rd), plus Christmas and New Year. Scrapyard Dogs are booked for Saturday 21st December and New Year's Eve will be a ticketed event. For more information follow Goxhill Pop Up Pub on

Our biggest news this time however, has to be the Open Meeting earmarked for September 4th. where attendees can propose and elect new Memorial Hall committee members, giving everyone there a greater say in how the Memorial Hall is run. --- See you all at the hall.

Ann Carter - Secretary - 530635

Facebook or contact Sam England (531097).

#### NEW SOUND SYSTEM

On behalf of Goxhill WI, Sheila Leadley presents John Noton, Treasurer for the Memorial Hall, with a



cheque for £500 as a donation towards the cost of the new hearing loop and audio system which was installed in the Hall in mid-July 2019. Behind Sheila stands Sam England, representing the Pop up Pub's volunteers and customers who raised the major part of the cost of new system.

If you think that you might benefit from the hearing loop and/or the speaker system, please let the event organiser or the Hall's booking secretary know, preferably before your visit to the Hall, so that the system can be switched on."

# POP UP PUB

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Details of Christmas and New Year opening

in the next issue

#### **BEVERLEY CHRISTMAS MARKET**

Sunday 8th December, 2019

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.

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#### **NOTICE BOARD - Memorial Hall - 2**

#### **PUBLIC MEETING to elect trustees for Goxhill Memorial Hall**

On Wednesday 4th September at 7.30pm there will be a public meeting to elect trustees to form a Committee for Goxhill Memorial Hall (GMH) and restore it to management under the terms of its charitable constitution. A few years ago, when there was a shortage of volunteers prepared to be trustees for the GMH charity, the Goxhill Parish Council stepped in as its sole corporate trustee as a temporary arrangement. GPC has subsequently been overseeing the hall management through one of its many sub-committees and, it's probably fair to say, for a lot longer than was originally envisaged. Whilst GMH has certainly benefitted from that relationship it is not an ideal use of the time of the Council, who have many other responsibilities. Arguably it is also not the ideal way to encourage or actively involve volunteers from beyond the Council in the Hall's running and development.

Goxhill Memorial Hall was built through public donations, formally opened on 7th March 1925 and given as a permanent memorial to the dead of the Great War. It's therefore been around for almost a century and it is right and proper that we do all we can as a village to ensure that it continues. That means keeping the fabric of the building in good repair, staying true to the objectives of the charity and ensuring our use of the Hall remains relevant to the wishes of as many of Goxhill's residents as we can.

Under its 1976 constitution, Goxhill Memorial Hall is an unincorporated registered charity to be run by a committee of trustees - a mixture of individuals appointed by local groups or elected at a public meeting from the adult population of Goxhill. If GMH is to be successful then it is essential that there are sufficient keen volunteers willing and able to be active committee trustees. But beyond that there needs to be a

## GOXHILL MEMORIAL HALL AND RECREATION GROUND

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 521928

#### Notice of Public Meeting

Open to all inhabitants of the Parish of Goxhill aged 18 years or more to attend and vote.

7.30pm Wednesday 4th September 2019

Goxhill Memorial Hall, Chapel Street, Goxhill, North Lincolnshire DN19 7JJ

#### Agenda

- 1. Explanation of the charity's recent history and the basis of the meeting.
- 2. Opportunity for those present to ask questions.
- 3. Election of up to 10 persons to act as trustees of the charity and forthwith form part of its committee until the charity's AGM in 2020.

groundswell of interest in supporting GMH, its Committee and the events and activities at the Hall. The public meeting on 4th September is intended to give everyone a decent understanding of how things stand with GMH, both financially and administratively, and allow people to ask questions to help quash any misconceptions. If you live in the Parish of Goxhill and want GMH to be all that it could be for your village then please come along to the public meeting ready to play your part by showing your support and voting in a new Committee.

#### **LiveLincs is bringing Dance to Goxhill**

Over the past 18 months there have been some cutting-edge dance shows available from the LiveLincs Rural Touring Scheme. We know because we have seen some ourselves, including two at Barton Assembly Rooms: Point of Echoes and Leviathan. If you saw either show then you will understand exactly why we are so enthusiastic. Until now we have been unsuccessful in securing one of these dance shows for Goxhill ... but no longer! If you like your dance to be energetic, tell a story and leave you breathless with admiration, then you will absolutely love this.



**7.30pm Friday 11th October, Nikki and JD: Knot.** Exhilarating and touchingly poignant, Knot is an internationally acclaimed circus and dance work by Nikki Rummer and JD Broussé. These talented performers use dance and acrobatics to tell the tale of an impossible choice: how to be honest with ourselves without hurting those we love? Knot is a journey through the struggles of commitment told with delicate sensitivity, breathtaking acrobatics and heart wrenching dance. Quality acrobatics, good story-telling and a surprising twist make this an inspiration for young adults but suitable for adults of all ages.

A little more than a month later we will have a completely different offering from LiveLincs but one promising to be no less entertaining.

**7.30pm Friday 22nd November, La Bella and the Lost Chord of Ulaanbataar**. Join the Band called La Bella and follow our three hapless musicologists on a musical journey to find the fabled

Lost Chord which will enable any musician to find enlightenment, play any tune and possibly solve the mystery of K's missing scotch egg. Think Tintin, Holmes and possibly Gardener's Question Time

wrapped up with some banging tunes, stentorian theatrics and the joke in the dying minutes. This show is suitable for both families and adults with a sense of humour.

Tickets for each show are £7 for adults but only £6 per ticket if you book for both shows at the same time and £3 for children aged under 14. Both are at Goxhill Memorial Hall which receives all profits to help with running and maintaining the hall.

For updates, web-links and more details about LiveLincs and other events locally please see @GoxhillEvents on Facebook or follow @Goxhill\_Events on Twitter. Tickets will be available to buy in advance from September - email jg.goxhill@btinternet.com or telephone 530363.

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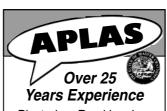




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#### **NOTICE BOARD - Arts & Entertainment**

#### The Ropewalk

#### **Autumn at Ropery Hall**

There's something for everyone this autumn at Ropery Hall from welcoming back old friends to new acts as well as old favourites such as the monthly Folk Nights, Barnstormers Comedy Club nights and the latest edition to the stable, Quiz Nights.

Film nights and matinees begin in September with matinee performances beginning at 1.30pm to allow the audience to get home in daylight during the winter months as does the monthly gig where Snake Davis performs with an invited guest.

Among those returning this season is the 3hattrio, comedian Tom Binns and his alter ego Ivan Brackenbury, actor Gerard Logan who will be performing what promises to be a spinetingling tales of the supernatural and comedy historian Robert Ross who will be celebrating perennial seasonal treats in Christmas Crackers.

Folk duo O'Hooley & Tidow, whose song Gentleman Jack features as the closing theme song of the BBC series of the same name will be appearing in December and at the end of the month Snake Davis and his Alligator Shoes will be bidding a rousing farewell to 2019.

New theatre to Ropery Hall comes in the form of Shackleton's Carpenter, the tale of the man who defied Shackleton but whose skills played a vital role in saving the entire crew when Endurance sank in Antarctica and 12 Silk Handkerchiefs, Songs & Storytelling that opens a window on Hull's Hessle Road fishing community and fishwife Lilian Bilocca's successful campaign for improved trawler safety in the aftermath of the 1968 triple trawler disaster.

For the full programme go to www.roperyhall.co.uk



At the end of June, our junior group took centre stage (with some help from the adults) to host a 'who nicked it' (as opposed to whodunnit). The event took the form of an

Oscars presentation, during which the Lifetime Achievement Award went missing - but who stole it?! We were very pleased to welcome back former member Jamie Ward, who acted as the Master of Ceremonies for the evening (and very over the top he was too!). Quite a few audience members worked out that the culprit was Chris Drury, our sound and light technician, who stole the award because he never gets the recognition he deserves. However, he was more than happy to hand it back when he discovered that the Lifetime Achievement Award was being given posthumously to Chris Bloor, our wardrobe mistress (among other roles) who sadly passed away in April. The evening was a lot of fun, and a great opportunity to dress

We also recently had the premiere of our filmed version of 'Shelter From The Bombs', written by member Martin James. This was filmed in the second world war public shelter that stands in the grounds of Applegate House in Barton - a perfect location. The film was very well received, and will be shown again at Appleby 1940's Day and during the Heritage weekend in September in Barton. Look out for details nearer the time. Copies of the film are available to buy at £5 each. Contact Jeanine on the number below.

Our next event will be the Halloween Ghost Walk and we're doing two this year - on Halloween itself and also the following night, 1st November. Walks start at 7.30pm prompt at Baysgarth Museum and cost £5. Booking is recommended as it can get very busy. Call Dennis on 01469 531003 or book online at www.sbplayers.co.uk

Following that, Panto season will soon be upon us! We'll be performing 'Dick Whittington', written by member Liz Drury, at the Joseph Wright Hall, Queen Street, Barton on Thurs 5th, Fri 6th and Sat 7th December at 7.30pm, with a matinee at 2.30pm on the Saturday. Tickets will be available on our website, or at the Wilderspin School Museum nearer the time.

Anyone interested in joining either our junior or adult groups can contact Jeanine Guy on 07879 777267. We meet on Sunday evenings at the Joseph Wright Hall in Barton, 6pm for juniors and 7.30pm for adults. Thank you! Liz Drury

#### Bunkers, shipyards, talks and tours for Barton's Heritage Open Days 2019 festival!

If you missed the opportunity to explore the public air raid shelter in Barton upon Humber during Heritage Open Days last year, you'll have another chance this September. The Heritage Open Days 2019 festival programme includes exclusive tours of the Humber Bridge anchorage, a behind-the-scenes glimpse of Barton Haven Shipyard and even Tai Chi sessions at The Ropewalk!

From Friday 13 to Sunday 22 September 2019, 16 historic venues around Barton upon Humber will throw open their doors and offer a variety of unusual events and activities to celebrate their rich heritage. Last year's festival attracted tens of thousands of visitors to the town, shining a spotlight on the history of this special area of North Lincolnshire. This year's theme is "Lincolnshire Learning, Wisdom and Folklore", so prepare to roll up your sleeves and get stuck in!

Most events during Heritage Open Days are free of charge, although booking for several is essential due to limited spaces. All events are listed on the Barton Tourism Partnership website www.barton-upon-humber.org.uk and the Historic Barton Facebook Page www.facebook.com/historicbarton. Tickets can be reserved on 01652 660380 or via the Barton Tourism Partnership website - but it's first come, first served and tickets are snapped up quickly! A souvenir brochure is now available giving more information on the events and venues taking part in Heritage Open Days in Barton upon Humber.

#### DEADLINE FOR THE WINTER EDITION OF THE GANDER

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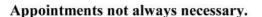
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### Goxhill Methodist Chapel News

Much to my mother's disappointment, I am not a gardener. I appreciate a beautiful garden and the hard work that goes into maintaining them, and I definitely enjoy the produce from well tended vegetable beds, greenhouses and fruit bushes, but as for getting my hands dirty, it's not for me. It's



a few years now since I got to any of the gardens open during Open Gardens weekend because I am always in the Chapel helping out, serving on the tombola or taking money on the door or cake stall. It's the Chapel's biggest event of the year and with the growth possible since Jack Lawtey and team stepped forward to help us out, perhaps the biggest in the

village calendar too. It would be nice to share visitors' enjoyment of the gardens, but I am proud to be a part of an event that brings so many people together, whether they are from Church, Chapel or folk who find spiritual riches in nurturing a seedling, toil on the soil, or time outdoors in silence broken only by bird song.

If I was a gardener I imagine I'd welcome the mix of sunshine and rain we had over Open Gardens weekend this year. Too much of one over the other is not good for growth - plants, like people are nourished by a mixture. As someone cool and dry in the Chapel, I was sympathetic to the people who got soaked through by the sudden torrential downpours that hit Goxhill particularly during the Sunday afternoon. However, I was also pleased to

see how many were forced into the Chapel by the rain as their need of a cup of tea and slice of cake made for a very profitable weekend. Together Church and Chapel shared £2063.14 but seeing so many people come through the Chapel and enjoy the flower arrangements, local children's displays of Old Testament stories in old cereal boxes, and the dedicated windows installed since last year's event was at least as important as the boost to our coffers.

It seems to me that a gardener's work is never done. There's always weeding or planting or harvesting to do. There have been times pulling together all the window dedications for the book has felt like that too. Eileen Mosey and I have been working on this project for 18 months but finally we are about to produce a crop. Two weeks before our Methodist harvest festival - all are welcome on Sunday 15th September at 3pm, with tea to follow - we are having

a special service to celebrate the lives of those remembered in the windows by dedicating the hardback version of the recollections



that will go on permanent display in the Chapel. At 10.30 on Sunday 1st September we hope the place will be full of people saying thank you to the many people who have contributed so much to the Chapel and through us the

village over the years. So delighted are we with the memories, we want to share them with as many people as possible, and therefore paperback versions of the book will be available at that service giving everyone the chance to read them. At £7 each or three for £20, we hope they will make lovely gifts or keepsakes. Any proceeds will be spent on keeping the Chapel at the heart of the community for years to come, as further work is needed on maintaining the building for continued use

for lunches, bingo, whist drives, quizzes, knit & natter, pop-ins, parties and worship. Adam Ellis



Classic Car enthusiasts from all over the area meet at the Black Bull, East Halton, every month. If you have a classic car, or any vehicle, over 20 years old, please come along on the 1st Wed of the month at around 7pm. However for the winter, from November, we meet on the 1st Sunday of the month, from 2pm. We get from 12 to 25 vehicles ranging from a 1920 Model T Ford, to classic Jaguars, Minis and motorbikes.

#### **GEOFF ELLIOT**

Elizabeth and her family would like to express their thanks to everyone for the cards and messages of sympathy, following Geoff's death.

The amazing attendance and support at his funeral service was very comforting.

Lindsey Lodge Hospice have received £595 in donations made, to thank them for the wonderful care given to Geoff and also to us as a family.



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#### **GOXHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL REPORT**

I often reflect on the fact that I have had the opportunity to work with many talented and committed staff at Goxhill and as a team we have grown stronger over the years. I am very proud to be associated with the many people who make our school – our staff, governors, parents and children. Goxhill Primary School embodies a strong commitment to the community and such a great village deserves to have a great school at its centre. But we all know things just don't stand still and people retire! At the end of the summer term we celebrated the longevity of Mrs Wilson (Lorraine) and her 39 years committed in some capacity to our school.

All of us at school know how hard it was for Mrs Wilson to finally come to make the decision that it would be this year she would choose to move on to the next phase of her life with her family. Lorraine started many years ago as a dinner lady in our dining hall. Alongside this she volunteered and then worked at the preschool which at that time was in the Memorial Hall. When she took the opportunity to work more hours in school she took on a teaching





Lorraine Wilson's leaving do after 39 years at Goxhill School and with some of her past and present colleagues from the Early Years Stage.



Fun and fundraising at the school Summer Fair, including the Pop up Pub. assistant's role and then progressed on to become a full time nursery nurse in the Foundation stage area. She has shown such commitment, loyalty, kindness, interest and generosity and it would be difficult to calculate the number of children she has supported and taught over the many years - but I'm sure it would go into a 4 or 5 digit number if we could work it out. I'm sure I speak on behalf of all of our staff, governors, pupils and parents when I use this opportunity to say a huge 'Thank you' to Lorraine for all that she has done for our school and know she won't be a stranger! She will always be welcome and we look forward to the occasions she may give us in the future when she can come into school and help out. We are sending much love and fondness to Lorraine and her family and will continue to work hard to support Toby and Oscar in their journey at our school through to year 6.

Our year 6 children finished the term with a few tears but on a 'high' – they are certainly ready for the next stage in their adventure at secondary school. They were an amazing group of children who have done so well over the years at our school. We wish them so much joy, happiness and success for the future. (See the brilliant SATs results below.)

I shall sign off by saying again how much we valued our parents and community's support. Thank you for everything you all do to ensure that the children continue to experience a happy and resourceful education at our school. All of our staff are enjoying the summer rest but will be back with recharged batteries in September for what we know will be another challenging year in a three school Federation—but hey, who doesn't like a challenge????

**Caroline Breslin - Executive Head Teacher** 

#### **GOXHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL - OUTSTANDING SATS RESULTS 2019**

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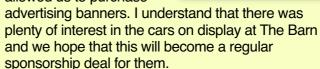
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#### **GOXHILL OPEN GARDENS**

2019 will be remembered as a year of change among the Goxhill Open Gardeners. New ideas tried, new gardens opened to the public, decisions made to change open days and new ways to advertise the event.

This year we had a sponsor for the Open Gardens, Immingham Motors kindly donated funds to the event which allowed us to purchase





As usual we were strongly supported by local businesses and without their generosity we would struggle to promote the event. So a big thank you to Gill Payne Partnership Ltd and Mr & Mrs Mosey for printing posters maps and leaflets. Hanging baskets, a garden planter and a food hamper were donated by Tuplins Nurseries; Deepdale Garden Centre, The Plant Lady; Goosemans Growers; Shawbriggs Farm and we raised £125 towards our total.

The gardeners were out in force this year with a record number of gardens available to view. We had 18 gardens in total, 12 open each day and 8 new gardens this year, an absolute feast for the eyes and so much variety.

But Open Gardens is only part of the Churches Together fund raising weekend. There were activities in both the Chapel and the Church as well as four separate performances by The Goxhill Singing Group

in the Chapel and gardens.

This year we asked our visitors for some feedback regarding how they heard about



the event, where they had come from and what they thought about their visit. The posters and banners attracted the local visitors but radio and national promotion brought in visitors from Wakefield, Doncaster, Beverley, Lincoln and the East Coast but the prize for the longest journey went to the lady from New Zealand (though she had come over to see her dad). The comments were very complimentary though a number of people struggled to get round the gardens in the time available.

The gardeners came together later in the month to celebrate their success and discuss the approach to 2020. We had already decided to move the Open Gardens weekend to the 2nd weekend in June to avoid clashing with Brocklesby Show and Fathers Day. We agreed to open the gardens from 1200 next year to give people more time and we are exploring the possibility of providing a minibus shuttle round the village to help people get around.

So lots happening, lots changing and to top it all the gardens alone raised a total of £1225. A big, big thank you to all the gardeners, helpers, supporters and of course the visitors.

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# Ooooooh Vicar!

"I know that you believe you understand what you think I said, but I'm not sure you realise that what you heard is not what I meant." Robert McCloskey.

It is always a good thing to have someone proof read notices and announcements, even in religious institutions.

#### Here are some classics for you.

- Thursday night potluck supper. Prayer and medication to
- · Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and the community.
- · For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
- The rosebud on the altar this morning is to announce the birth of David Alan Belzer, the sin of Rev. and Mrs. Julius Belzer.
- This afternoon there will be a meeting in the south and north ends of the church. Children will be baptized at both ends.
- Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. there will be an ice cream social. All ladies giving milk will please come early.
- · Wednesday, the Ladies Liturgy Society will meet. Mrs. Jones will sing "Put Me In My Little Bed" accompanied by the pastor.
- Thursday at 5:00 p.m. there will be a meeting of the Little Mothers Club. All wishing to become little mothers, please see the minister in his study.
- · This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs. Lewis to come forward and lay an egg on the altar.
- The service will close with "Little Drops Of Water." One of the ladies will start quietly, and the rest of the congregation will join in.
- · Next Sunday, a special collection will be taken to defray the cost of the new carpet. All those wishing to do something on the new carpet will come forward and get a piece of paper.
- The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind and they may be seen in the church basement Friday.
- A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall Music will follow.
- At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What Is Hell?" - come early and listen to our choir practice.
- Miss Charlene Mason sang, "I will not pass this way again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
- · Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands."
- The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water." The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."
- · Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.
- · Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor Jack's sermons.
- The Rector will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing "Break Forth into Joy."
- Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
- Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

- · Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles, and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.
- Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person(s) you want remembered.
- The church will host an evening of fine dining, superb entertainment, and gracious hostility.
- The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday morning.
- · Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday. Please use the back door.
- · The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7:00 p.m. The Congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.
- Weight Watchers will meet at 7:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.
- The outreach committee has enlisted 25 visitors to make calls on people who are not afflicted with any church.
- The Rev. Merriwether spoke briefly, much to the delight of the audience.
- Next Sunday Mrs. Vinson will be soloist for the morning service. The pastor will then speak on "It's a Terrible Experience."
- The music for today's service was all composed by George Friedrich Handel in celebration of the 300th anniversary of his birth.
- Today's Sermon: HOW MUCH CAN A MAN DRINK? with hymns from a full choir.
- Pastor is on vacation. Massages can be given to church
- This evening at 7 pm there will be a hymn sing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.
- · Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.
- · The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new tithing campaign slogan last Sunday "I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours."
- During the absence of our pastor, we enjoyed the rare privilege of hearing a good sermon when J.F. Stubbs supplied our pulpit.
- Don't let worry kill you off let the church help.
- · Diana and Don request your presents at their wedding.
- 22 members were present at the church meeting held at the home of Mrs. Marsha Crutchfield last evening. Mrs. Crutchfield and Mrs. Rankin sang a duet, The Lord Knows Why.
- The choir invites any member of the congregation who enjoys sinning to join the choir.
- Hymn: "I Love Thee My Ford."
- · Women's Luncheon: Each member bring a sandwich. Polly Phillips will give the medication.
- Announcement in the church bulletin for a National PRAYER & FASTING conference: "The cost for attending the Fasting and Prayer conference includes meals." **Kevin Guy**

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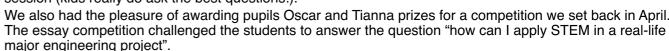
By Steve Ellison, Lead Project Manager

#### Supporting the Goxhill community

This summer, we've supported Goxhill Memorial Hall with a £5,000 grant towards works to make the building more energy efficient, including the installation of a new boiler and hot water system with new pipes and taps.

#### STEM day at Goxhill Primary School

We were recently invited to Goxhill Primary School to deliver an assembly designed to inspire an interest in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). We presented to over 180 pupils about why STEM is important in the modern world and gave an overview of our project, followed by a Q&A session (kids really do ask the best questions!).



#### **Tunnel construction progress**

Aside from supporting local initiatives in the Goxhill Community, our team has been hard at work on the construction of the tunnel under the Humber. Tunnelling was completed in late-Summer and work has now started to get the tunnel ready for the installation of the gas pipeline that will eventually sit within it.

You can keep up-to-date with our progress via our tracker on our website at www.riverhumberpipeline.com/home/project-progress-tracker.

#### **Road Conditions in Goxhill**

Our team has worked closely with North Lincolnshire Council to improve the road conditions on our haulage route in Goxhill. Sections of Chapel Field Road, East Marsh Road and Ferry Road have now been resurfaced. North Lincolnshire Council undertook the repairs backed by a six-figure contribution from our project. We will continue to assist the Council with their regular road inspections.

#### Keeping in touch

If you need to get in touch please contact a member of our community relations team, by email at

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Our memories from years ago always had sunny days.
However, Goxhill Gala in summer 1963 was held on a wet day but that did not stop a large crowd attending. It was opened by TV star Pat Phoenix, who starred as Elsie Tanner in ITV's Coronation Street. Who is the little girl presenting the bouquet? Pictures by David Lee

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It is nearly 12 months since we started the ball

rolling and we have just been informed our application has finally been approved and the formal Designation date is 12 August 2019. But while waiting we have continued to move forward with our plans.

Since the Visioning Day in January and the formation of a Steering Committee, we have been busy making a firm foundation for the Plan to ensure that as we gather information, evidence and villagers' views we can use them to create a solid plan.

We aim to have a survey ready to distribute to all Goxhill parishioners by the end of the summer. It will be designed to gather information about a number of subjects relevant to the Plan and will be an extremely valuable part of the process. Of course it will only be useful if lots of people take the time to complete it and return it to us – and that's where you come in. When the survey is distributed please fill it in and return it, it is



important for you to have your

You may have seen members of the committee "spreading the word" at Open Gardens weekend and at the School Summer Fair. This proved to be a good exercise and we were pleased with the number of positive comments and the interaction we had with villagers. At the school we also

had a guiz for children to complete and we asked for their views on Goxhill as it is their village as well.

We heard from NLC that they have completed a review of flooding and drainage issues in Goxhill and will be holding a consultation meeting in the Memorial Hall on Wednesday 25th September. Please come along and find out what they have discovered and how they plan to resolve the problems.

So please watch out for the survey and ensure that we have your views. If you would like to be more actively involved as part of one of the focus groups, contact me or one of the steering committee members, you will be more than welcome.

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in the Parish Rooms on Howe Lane, run by volunteers and entirely free for you to use, including a wi-fi broadband connection. Make a note of the opening times to avoid a wasted visit.

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#### **GOXHILL BOWLING CLUB**

There are a few more weeks of league bowling still to be completed this season but, to put things in football terms, we are more a Europa League qualifier than Champions League this year. However, we are finalists next month in a knockout competition called the Barnetby League Shield so I will cross my fingers for success in that - although not when bowling of course. There have been successes for individual players at the club. We congratulate Goxhill residents Peter Cox and Dorothy Jerrison for winning the County Mixed Pairs competition and wish them well in the National Finals at Skegness in August.

We are very fortunate in having a dedicated group amongst our membership who maintain our bowling green and the whole site around our pavilion in such good condition whatever the challenges. The cold May weather meant that grass seed was reluctant to germinate and the exceptional heat in July brought

another set of problems. When brown oblongs started appearing on some of the bowling rinks it was a while before we realized that, when bowlers left a mat in place at each end when practicing, the black rubber was heating up so much it was cooking the grass beneath.

To try lawn bowling in 2020 just get in touch via our website at http://goxhill-bowls-club.weebly.com or call me on 530363. It is suitable for all ages, abilities and fitness levels.

The only thing needed to start is a pair of flat-soled shoes (cost ~£20 upwards) with everything else available to borrow free from the Club. Yearly membership subscription ranges from £20 for social bowling to £40 for league bowling, enabling you to bowl for fun on the green any time it's not in use for a competition. John Guggiari

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If you think you are just the person to give George a new lease of life, please get in touch. His lively personality, watchdog ways and loving nature will make him a truly special companion and a great dog to have around, day and night.



Please contact Luna Animal Rescue to find out more: Call Julie-Ann 07966 549832 or Natalie 07970 800530. Visit: www.lunaanimalrescue.org Luna Animal Rescue or Email: Iuna.ar@hotmail.co.uk

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'I'm very proud I have received my award today at the school, thank you all who voted for me and thank you to all that use the skip. Goxhill School have been amazing over the past 6 years, the time and support

they give to our children is just incredible. Thank you to all the teachers and staff, you deserve all the fundraising we as parents can give you. Special thanks to Ambrose Farrow for their support with the free skips that allowed me to set up the Scrap For School Skip in the first place.' Mark Ogilvie

Typical of Mark's generosity is that he gave away the £50 award, through a draw from the names of all those who deposited scrap metal in the skip during the month of June.

To date, his amazing idea has raised for our schools, a staggering £7000.07 in about 2 1/2 years.

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I have said in the past, possibly to the point of boredom, that we live in a beautiful village, and I am sure that many others feel just the same about their own area, but this year a special effort has been made to help ours stand out a little more. For the first time in many years we have entered "Best Kept Village". Many people, a good mix of Residents, Parish councilors, and Contractors, giving their time for free, or moving their schedule to fit in with the timetable, painted fencing, swept areas not cleaned for ages, have mown, cleared planted and watered up, and we have a lovely result. We know that this year perhaps will not be a winner in the judges eyes, but we also know what we can do, and that as common sense tells us, we can do more, when we work together. I'm completely biased but I think it looks great, and by the time we are reading this, the judging will be over and we will all know the results, but we will know what we need to do next year in good time. It has been, and will continue to be, a difficult time with

extra traffic still continuing from the Humber Pipe Line work, and the sure knowledge that more disruption will start with the new housing. Acceptance of change and a positive view of the future is the only way to handle this. We know that it brings in new people, let's hope that they will also appreciate the good things in our " best kept village " too.

Work is ongoing at present to make sure that our myriad of footpaths and bridal ways, are walkable/ridable. They have sadly been neglected over the past year or two, despite our requests and our efforts to put pressure on North Lincs Council, who are the responsible body for this work. We are now planning our own arrangements, together with the authority, and our own contractor. This will take time, but it is one small step, or in this instance it has felt like one giant leap for village!

I would like to thank all the people who have helped to either clean up, provide items, or plant boxes, or generally support the tidying up in the village, it is looking great. With our experience this time, we can only get better in years to come. Grateful thanks to all.

The main area is looking smart and clean, and the rear area is still developing. Over one hundred Crataegus (thorn) bushes have been planted along the side boundary, in the rear field, to complete this another hundred are needed. This will in time make a secure hedge. All the new trees are developing well and the area is making a relaxing area for visitors to walk. Hopefully in the future we can have some seats.

#### **Playing Field**

The footpaths have been newly edged, so back to the correct width and resurfaced. A new planning application has been sent to North Lincs council for the re siting of the proposed Skate Park, fingers crossed "again", we don't give up easily.

#### **Allotments**

All full and worked, just one person on the waiting list at present.

#### Millennium Green

Looking good at present one fallen tree was removed,

but no real disaster. A seat has been repaired with great care and attention by volunteers, excellent work. Some wild flowers have been planted under the trees and more will be added at the right time of the year. One sad thing that I must comment on, at the entrance there were two Hebe shrubs, purple flowers, one went missing several months ago, the second nicely mown around and coming into flower, has also gone missing. I intend to replace them myself and I hope that they will remain in place.

#### Library

Running efficiently still by very able volunteers. Please make good use of it, don't forget Monday, Wednesday and Friday, all yours to browse.



A community project certificate was awarded to Parish Councillor Freda Dunkley, representing Goxhill Parish Council, at Normanby Hall on 26th July.

The presentation was made by the leader of North Lincolnshire Council, Cllr. Rob Waltham MBE, also in attendance the Mayor of NLC. Cllr. Jonathon Evison and Cllr. Peter Clark.

Goxhill Parish Council has been awarded £600 for their community project. 15 fairly mature trees were purchased with the money, and were planted on the corner of the playing field, which had been previously left rough, after the erection of the MUGA, when surplus soil had been deposited there, it was also very wet. The trees are a mix or Crataegus (thorne), Rowan (mountain ash) and Malus (crab apple), all flowering and all bearing fruit or berries, for wild life. The trees were planted by myself, Cll Freda Dunkley, Cll Mike Gathercole and Mr Ray Barwick. The leader of North Lincolnshire Council was pleased that the grant had been used in this way and I hope the people of Goxhill will also be happy, and that in the future we can do more work in this category. Freda Dunkley

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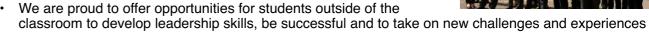
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Note: There are also Automated External Defibrillators (AED) in Goxhill for public emergency use: one outside the Parish Rooms on Howe Lane and another at the school on North End. Once switched on, the AED speaks to the user in a computer-generated voice that guides you through the whole procedure. AEDs are capable of interpreting a person's heart rhythm, determining if a defibrillation shock is required and automatically delivering the shock with only minimal input from the operator. John Guggiari

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#### MORE GOXHILL FAMILIES FROM WORLD WAR 1 REMEMBERED

For this fourth article, detailing the Goxhill connections of some of the young men who gave their lives in World War 1, I need to return to Greengate Lane; then known as Workhouse Lane. I would also like, in Wes Crampin's words (Gander Autumn 2014), to include some of 'Goxhill's brave men of World War One, who (fought) and never talked about it'.

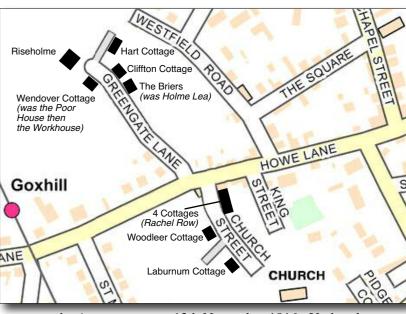
Of the five families listed in this section of the 1901 census, the Williamson and Howson families (Gander Summer 2019), are recorded alongside a family named Janney. An Albert B. Janney is listed on the village War Memorial. Robert and Elizabeth Janney are listed on this 1901 census with four of their children, including their youngest child Albert. I was keen to try to establish where the Janneys had lived and the 1939 census provided some clues. Amongst those recorded it lists the Spilman family (parents of Phyllis

Hackford of St Michael's Court), who I remember living at the house previously called Holme Lea, now named The Briers; Ann Clayton, William and Beatrice Janney, Harry Farrow and The Tuplings at Hart Cottage.

I sought the help of Pat Finch (nee Farrow). Now living in Thorn Lane, Pat was brought up in Greengate Lane. Her parents (Harry Farrow was the village corn merchant) lived at Holme Lea (now The Briers), before building Riseholme. Pat remembered an old lady at Wendover Cottage, who lived along with a housekeeper and her family, and that they were named Thornton. The old lady Pat remembered is, I believe, the Ann Clayton listed along with her 'domestic servant', Joyce Keal whose married name, Thornton, was added to the census later. Wendover Cottage was originally the Poor House, then the Workhouse, which gave Greengate Lane its original name. Pat remembered two ladies named Janney, who she recalled always dressing in black, living at what is now called Cliffton Cottage (I remember it as the home of Cliff and Alice Rayton, which may explain the name).

William and Beatrice Janney, named in 1939, were two of the fourteen children of Robert and Elizabeth Janney. William, their fourth son was, in 1901, serving in the Royal Navy as a Stoker onboard HMS Repulse, which at that point was sitting alongside in Gibraltar. He served in the Royal Navy from 30 November 1896 until 4 December 1908 and then re-enlisted on 4 October 1916 serving until 31 October 1918.

The youngest sibling, Albert, enlisted in Hull on 23rd November 1914 and served with the East Yorkshire Regiment. He married Florence Ethel Spencer in Hull in 1915. On 3rd March 1917, a heart wrenching appeal, recorded in the Hull Daily Mail, stated that 'Mr and Mrs Janney, Green Gate Lane, Goxhill, Lincs, would be grateful to anyone who could provide any information concerning their son Private A. B. Janney, the E.Y.R. (East Yorkshire Regiment) who was reported wounded and missing November 13th 1916. Previous to enlisting he was employed in the G.C.R. (Great Central Railway), as a shunter at Immingham'. Albert Butler Janney was later declared to have been Killed in Action, at North Serre in



the Ancre sector on 13th November 1916. Undertaken from 13th-19th November, this was the last operation of the Somme offensive. Albert is commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial alongside tens of thousands of other British and South African men who died in the Battle of the Somme and who have no known grave.



Albert Butler JANNEY, Private 13/705, 13th Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment. Killed in Action 13 November 1916. Aged 24 years. Born 1 September 1892 Thornton Curtis. Resident of Hull. Son of Robert and Elizabeth Janney of Greengate Lane, Goxhill. Husband of Florence Ethel Janney of Hull. No known grave. Commemorated on Thiepval Memorial Pier and Panel 2C, France.

In 1901, after Workhouse Lane, the census enumerator recorded Church Lane (now Street). George William Sergeant, a bricklayer, and his wife Mary were one of the families recorded. Three of their sons served in and survived the First World War. Their second son, George Thompson Sergeant, was recorded in 1911 serving his apprenticeship as a Blacksmith with Young Parker in The Square. He was recruited in Hull on 20 November 1915 but it appears that he was not called for duty until 9 July 1917. He had married Leonora (Nora) Roberts in Bonby on 14 June 1917. Nora and her sister, Eleanor had worked for Thomas Cavill at Manor Farm in the village. George junior served in the Royal Engineers in the Egyptian

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**Expeditionary** Force. His records show that he left for Egypt on 13 October 1917. In the 1939 census George and Nora are shown living on Churchside, possibly in the middle cottage of a row of three, now called Ivy Cottage.

The Sergeant's third son, Young, was by 1911 recorded working on the railways and boarding in

Cleethorpes. He enlisted in September 1914 and served achieving the rank of Sergeant in the 7th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. He was wounded by shrapnel on 19th December 1915 which was reported in the Hull Daily Mail on 29th January 1916. He recovered, including having sick leave at home and returned to serve with the 9th Battalion.

Walter, their fifth son, had joined the Royal Navy on 21 April 1910 and served through WW1 before being discharged on 4 August 1922. He married in Portsmouth in 1918. His wife Ethel was a war widow, her first husband Albert Chapman had been killed in 1916 in France. Walter and Ethel are shown in the census of 1939 living on Thornton Road and like his father, Walter became a bricklayer.

Percy Latham Farrow (uncle of Pat Finch) was another villager who served and survived. He enlisted with the East Yorkshire Yeomanry in Hull on 1 November 1915 giving his address as Laburnum House, Church Lane. Percy's father Tom was a shoemaker and repairer working in Church Lane. Pat confirmed that the Farrows had lived in the house now named Laburnum Cottage. Percy went on to serve on the Salonika front. This was the name given to the military theatre in Macedonia, where the allies who comprised a multinational force under the French, strove to aid Serbia against the attack on them by Germany, Austria-



Hungary and Bulgaria. Percy was a transport driver now serving with 2nd Battalion King's Own Royal Lancashire Regiment. The precise dates of his service are unclear because of the poor quality of the scanned records, but his voyage home commenced on 17 February 1919.

Initially I struggled to work out, using the 1901 and 1911 census records, where the Sergeants lived in relation to the Farrows. However Harry Farrow's school admission



Church Street-1955-showing Farrow shoe shop in second cottag Copyright The Francis Frith Collection

record dated 24 May 1898 recorded his father Tom's home address as Rachel Row. Rachel Row comprised the four cottages immediately after the shop (now Penny Lane hairdressers) on Church Street. It seems that the Farrows had initially lived and worked in Rachel Row, before retaining the business there but moving down the street to live in Laburnum Cottage. From this I believe that George William Sergeant lived at Woodleer Cottage.

Another Sergeant son Jack, was, like his father and brother Walter, a bricklayer. I remember my Dad telling me that he had built my great uncle Albert's house named Torholme, now known as Castleton House. Amongst other houses he built Riseholme for Harry Farrow, Percy's brother. In the 1939 census Jack is recorded living on North (later Chapel Street) at Berkley House, close to Harry Prescott at Chapelside (Wes Crampin in Gander Autumn 2014) and Percy Farrow at Macclesfield House.



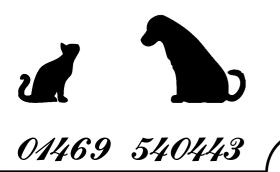
Church Street-perhaps early 1900s - showing Laburnum and Woodleen

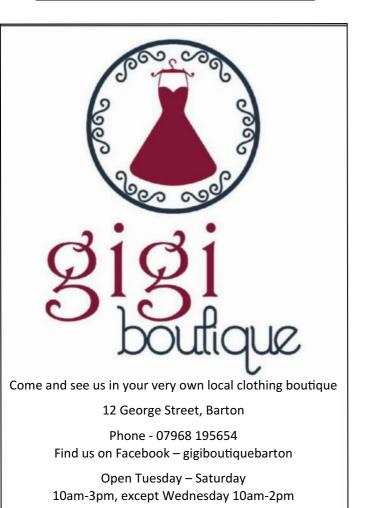
Again, I would appreciate and welcome any corrections or additional information to my research.

**Elizabeth Fincham** 

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#### **OFF THE HOOF**

"Beauty is in the eye of the beholder." Elle

How many times have you heard that phrase? In previous editions of The Gander the beauty of Goxhill has been extolled, to be honest I wonder if we live in the same village. I have seen old photos and it looked very quaint and buzzing with several pubs and thriving shops for a small population. The photos belonged to Mrs Peach, now deceased, and I wonder what happened to them. Some will say its progress as transport links evolved and the building of the Humber Bridge. In some respects, it did but where are we now, no pub, no post office and only the Co-op and a smattering of suppliers and salons. In my opinion the only time Goxhill looks pretty is during 'Open Gardens' when even those not taking part make an effort, the wooden planters are in full bloom and when the blossom is out down Ferry Road it looks beautiful but unfortunately soon goes with the first strong wind.

In their infinite wisdom the previous Parish Council entered Goxhill in the Best Kept Village competition. It was probably the best kept secret. I am told it was advertised on social media and I had a

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Some of the planters placed around the village for

the Best Kept Village competition.

poster in the Co-op pointed out to me. Unfortunately like a lot of people I do not do social media and the poster in the Co-op had another one across it, so it was obliterated. It was only at a social gathering on 6th July for those that had taken part in 'Open Gardens' we learnt about it, although I was told we had been entered four months earlier.

The following day I Cuprinoled two of the existing wooden planters whilst others

were busy doing other jobs. Meetings were called at the Parish Room for Saturday 13th July and Sunday 14th July asking for volunteers, leaving one week before the judging was due to commence. Only five residents and three councillors attended on the Saturday and no-one attended on the Sunday. Either the information did not get through, it was too short notice or lethargy is worse than I thought.

Those that have helped have been working tirelessly. Hopefully you will have noticed some spectacular planted troughs as you come into the village past JS Tyres who also provided a colourful planter. The concrete trough was kindly donated by John and Tracey Finch and planted up by Shelagh Seddon. Thanks also needs to be given to Tuplin's Nurseries for the kind donation of some plants. We nearly did not get to keep these displays as just as the last of the topsoil went in, which was also kindly donated, I received a

call from the Parish Council informing us they would have to be removed as they were a hazard. Luckily, we were able to contact North Lines Council who have now, thankfully, given permission for them to remain indefinitely.

You will also notice a few tubs around the village. They are not very salubrious but are all that could be generated at short notice and at least add a bit of colour.

Sheila Brocklebank and I cleared the dead grass off the open space opposite the village hall and Cuprinoled the fence, which tidied it up. We also Cuprinoled some of the Bridleway signs but had to clear rubbish and foliage to get to them. In all we took four large van loads to the tip and this is only a drop in the ocean to what is left to do. I am sure people think we are doing community service! Shelia also

cleaned the outside of the telephone boxes and removed hundreds of staples and drawing pins from telegraph poles. Please remember to remove them if you put a poster up and take it down again.

There have been others doing jobs and although we did not see them, evidence of grass and hedge cutting, as well as other

displays are apparent. Our combined efforts have made a difference, but I doubt it will be enough to make a big impression on the judges. More enthusiastic helpers will be needed if we take part next year. Goxhill has great potential and if entered for 'Best Kept Village' next year we cannot sit on our laurels. The 'Best Kept Village' competition is meant to demonstrate a community working together. Action is needed now. There are criteria that must be met. Unfortunately, we are not able to comply with some, i.e. we do not have a bus shelter, so other areas must be made spectacular and memorable to make up for it. At this point, as far as we are aware, nothing has been organised with a reference to next year, but I am sure it will. All I am requesting is to start preparations

now. If you are taking any shrubs up or any other plants which would pot on, please let us know and they can hopefully be used for flower beds in areas around the village as soon as possible to get them established. Also please let us know if you have any telegraph poles or sleepers or unwanted pots or containers, space to cultivate flowers for planters, etc. I doubt there is much money in the coffers, so desperation being the mother of invention, as proved by the stunning bath as a planter (no more baths please!). There is currently a definite lack of colour in the centre of the village, although brilliant from Howe Lane to the Station and several individual homes throughout the village are wonderful. There seems to be very few places to put hanging baskets, so thinking outside the box perhaps there may be a way of planting a clematis, or two, flowering at different times, one

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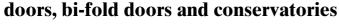


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side of a fence or wall, which would eventually creep over to benefit both sides. Montana is the fastest growing, I think.

Any expression of interest to be involved would be appreciated whether it be to produce a planter or small flower bed and maintain it or to volunteer to water a container close to you, or ideas which may be implemented. As nothing official has been sorted out at this point, those interested can contact either myself or Jack Lawtey in the first instance.

Hopefully by now the footpaths and bridle ways will have been mown. Despite two calls to North Lincs Council and one to the BHS Bridleways officer by myself, and several to the Parish Council they were not done in time for judging. It is one of the criteria, so extremely important. In future the Parish Council will be taking over the responsibility so hopefully they should improve. Who knows perhaps HRH Princess Anne will make good on her comment to return next year to see how the tree she planted at Sandes Farm is doing and progress on the pipeline?

At the time of writing we have been in the grips of a heat wave. Fly masks, sun cream and fly spray have little effect on my pony, so for the first time I relented and bought her a fly rug. Now it's raining!!

Show season is in full swing and I guess the most local one is East Holton, which is always a success with its diversity of entertainment for the spectators as well as the competitors. It has been reported that a Bill has been put forward to the UK parliament for tougher sentences, increasing the maximum sentence for animal abuse, so offenders could face up to five years imprisonment. A significant increase from the current six months. I do hope this does go through,

although no doubt it will take time. Goxhill has had its fair share of offenders in the past who, in my opinion, have got off far too lightly.

Employment Law is highlighted at the moment within the horse industry and I am sure there are other industries which fall foul. Anyone who is employed should have a contract and a job description. This is a protection for both employer and employee. If unsure contact ACAS for clarification or go online.

Seems hard to think about it but we will soon be buying Winter feed for our equines. Just an observation to pass on – I feed HiFi light, as a hay replacement. I do find I have to really break it down as it tends to stick together. My greedy pony who has suffered from several bouts of choke may have brought it on by diving into her feed and taking more than a mouthful. It's just a precaution I now take as, believe me, choke is horrible to deal with and as stressful for the owner as for the pony. It should clear itself, but with vets an hour away, or busy on other calls it always seems an eternity waiting, and it always seems to happen at night, weekend or bank holidays.

#### **COFFEE MORNING**

This year I am raising money for Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance and intend holding my first ever coffee morning, which will be on Saturday 7th September from 10.00am till 12.00noon. All will be made welcome at "Shambles" on Ferry Road.

That's all for this edition. Keep your news & views coming in. Aileen 01469 530643 Take care. Ride safely.

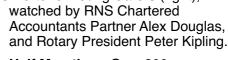
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