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#### I'm still here!

After my plea for a replacement or help as editor, no one as yet has come forward able to take over, so I will soldier on for the time being. But, as I said in the last issue, I can't keep on going much longer. It needs someone new, with new ideas and energy to step forward as soon as possible.

We have another jam packed issue for you, with our regular contributors filling the pages with articles and information on all sorts of subjects relevant to the village. I cannot thank them enough. But we always welcome any one new with an article or news or an idea.

The same thanks applies to our wonderful band of deliverers who distribute the Gander throughout the village. And to our regular advertisers, who we are reliant on to fund it all.

It is great that so many new plans are being made in the village, for your enjoyment.

The big event for this year has to be the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, 2-5th June, and you can read about plans so far for Goxhill on pages 17-19. The Parish Council, Memorial Hall, Church, Chapel, Bell Ringers, Goxhill Singers, WI, Bowling Club, Pop up Pub, Shawbriggs Farm and many other individuals are all giving their time to help organise it all. But there is plenty of room for more volunteers so please help out if you can. The finalised plans will be in the next issue of the Gander and I hope you will all be able to take part and enjoy these special celebration events for this unique occasion.

But there are many other things being organised in the next few months, including VE Day celebrations over the early May Bank Holiday, very much as planned a couple of years ago before sadly cancelled because of the first lockdown - see page 15. Open Gardens are planning two dates this summer to look forward to, see details on page 11.

Goxhill is entering the Best Kept Village again and I hope more residents than ever will be able to make the most of their frontages, front gardens, hanging baskets, planters etc. to really make a difference to our 'Gorgeous Goxhill'. Aileen has listed the categories that villages are judged on, see page 27, so you can see what you can do to help push for that No1 spot again, that we won two years ago.

The **Noticeboard pages 7-13**, are also packed with many other activities and entertainments for your pleasure.

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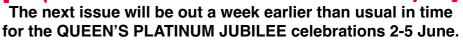
Two local groups, 1st Goxhill & Barrow Scouts and the Wilderspin & National School Museum, both on page 31, describe the wonderful work they do, on a voluntary basis. Both are asking for new volunteers to keep

their events going for the benefit of young and old.

with the organisation and running of them.

Please also see the Goxhill Map Survey on page 39. We really need your opinions on this subject to see if there is a need for an updated map of the village with all properties named, to make locating addresses Thank you.

## **SPECIAL JUBILEE ISSUE**



We would love to include your Royal memories and photographs in this special issue. See page 19 for more information.

Please get them to me by 25th April at the latest.

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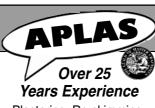




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#### LETTER FROM THE CHURCH

#### **Curtains and Crocuses**

If you ask most people what they associate with Spring, most responses would probably be along the lines of daffodils, sunny days, Easter (or at least Easter eggs), gardening plans and arranging a summer holiday. For some inexplicable reason, Spring provokes in me a fixation with soft furnishings. As soon as the sun starts to make an appearance and a few daffodils pop up, I start thinking about changing the bedroom curtains and wondering if we could do with a new bedspread. My family know it's coming and start joking about my curtain fetish well before the end of February, but I'm unrepentant. In fact it's probably just another version of our urge to Spring clean. As soon as there's a chance of drying things outside and enough daylight to see what needs doing, we reach for dusters and mops and start touching up paintwork. Spring's the time when we start to feel refreshed and ready to tackle things after a period of huddling by the fire as much as possible, so I reckon my curtains are all part of the process of emerging from hibernation.

It would be good to think that the country is beginning to emerge from the enforced hibernation of the pandemic too and looking to a brighter future. We know there's a long way to go and many countries are nothing like as fortunate as we are, but there are fresh shoots of hope and optimism here too. When Easter comes it would be wonderful if the feast of the Resurrection could also herald a new time of recovery and stability after two years of anxiety and sadness all over the world.

Whatever we do to celebrate the arrival of Spring, let's make the most of it. Most of us feel our spirits lift on bright days and with some good things ahead (although my husband doesn't greet the prospect of mowing the lawn again with much enthusiasm). It's been a tough couple of years so it's good to have better times ahead. As for me, this year we're having some new wallpaper as well! Revd. Liz

<b>Easter</b>	Maundy Thursday	у –	14th April	6pm	service at Goxhill Chapel
Services	Good Friday	_	15th April	7pm	at All Saints Church
	Easter Sunday	_	17th April	9.30am	at All Saints Church

#### LETTER FROM THE CHAPEL

#### **Dear Friends**

As we move through February, I always begin to feel much happier. The days are getting longer and the threat of snow is receding. Bulbs are coming through in the garden and I'm looking forward to seeing the first spring flowers. There is so much hope and optimism about. There are signs of new life and much to look forward to as the year unfolds.

In the Christian Year we are approaching Lent, a period of six weeks that leads up to Easter. Often Lent starts in February but this year, as Easter is later, it doesn't begin until 2nd March. For Christians Lent is in many respects a sombre time. We think about how Jesus was tempted in the wilderness and how we, unlike Jesus, often give in to temptation. It is a time to be sorry for the wrong we have done and to think about how Jesus made his final journey to Jerusalem where he was crucified. People sometimes give things up for Lent so that they can grow closer to God and as a sign that there are things that they want to change in their lives.

But Lent can also be seen as a time of hope which points us ahead to a new life to come. Recognising that there are things about ourselves that we are not happy with is an important first step in changing for the better. As we think about Jesus offering up his life, we know that we can be forgiven and can truly have a new start, putting the past behind us. Once we have journeyed through Lent we come to Easter and the joyful news that Jesus overcame death and offers new life to all of us. Best wishes, Sally

Where have the Bongs gone?

As you may have noticed, All Saints Church clock is no longer striking the hour. The strike mechanism has failed (it was getting old like the rest of us!).

However, Goxhill Parish Council, who maintain the clock as a Parish Amenity, have kindly agreed to fund the necessary repairs, thank you. Hopefully it won't be too long before the new mechanism can be made and fitted (these parts aren't available off the shelf)! Best regards, Janet Shephardson, Church Warden

#### DEADLINE FOR THE SUMMER EDITION OF THE GANDER

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#### Pop In

The Pop In is held (usually) the third Saturday in the month in the Chapel Schoolroom from 10am – 12md. Bacon Butties and toasted teacakes are served. We also have some second-hand books. If you are wanting to meet new people come to the Pop In, where you will find plenty of friendly people and a warm welcome.

Pop In Dates are -

19th March

9th April (note change, this is because of Easter)
 21st May This will be the Big Breakfast when we serve a Full English Breakfast from 10am - 2.30pm to raise money for Christian Aid.

18th June

#### Easter Egg Bingo

April 8th 7pm in the Memorial Hall

#### Knit and Natter group

Meet 2pm on a Thursday in the Chapel Schoolroom.

Churches Together Platinum Jubilee
Celebrations

**Sunday 5th June** - we are looking forward to the Queen's Jubilee.

**At 9.30am** - we will be having a service at All Saints Church to Celebrate Pentecost.

From Mid-day Sunday - following the National suggestion, we will be holding a Big Lunch, in the Church Paddock (in the Church if raining). People in the surrounding area are invited to bring a picnic lunch, we will provide hot drinks and cordial, but if people wish to have something a bit stronger they can fetch their own alcohol.

**At 2pm** - there will be a Service in All Saints Church to celebrate the **Queens Jubilee**. We hope many will attend to celebrate this great achievement.

A tree to mark the Jubilee - will be planted at some point in the afternoon.

#### **Easter Services**

Maundy Thursday – 14th April 6pm service at Goxhill Chapel

Good Friday – 15th April 7pm All Saints Church
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Rosemarie Guggiari

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Sean Ashton



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Thank you to you all.

Penny Carnell for Churches Together in Goxhill

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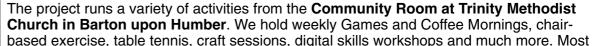
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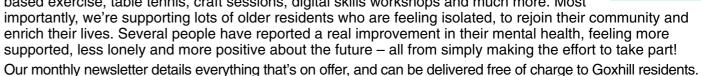
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### **Goxhill Open Gardens 2022**

As I write this in late January, hellebores, aconites and snowdrops are beginning to open their flowers, so the year has truly begun and by the time you read this, spring will have sprung in earnest. Let's hope that this spring isn't followed by a blast of winter weather, as it was last year.

At our first **Goxhill Open Gardens** meeting of 2022 we decided that we would aim to open gardens (still with a few fingers crossed to ward off covid complications) as follows: -

**Saturday 21st May, 1pm - 5pm** - a few gardens will be open and refreshments will be available in the Chapel schoolroom until 2.30pm, as a continuation of the **Christian Aid** 'Big Brekkie'. Garden location maps will be sold at the Chapel from 1pm to 2.30pm and throughout the afternoon in all open gardens – the cost will be decided when we know how many gardens we have to offer. Look out for posters around the village and on the Grapevine for more details, nearer the time.

**Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th June, 1pm – 5pm each day**, with refreshments available in the Chapel schoolroom throughout. Garden entry tickets/maps will cost a maximum of £4 per adult per day. *Further details will be advertised in the summer edition of The Gander.* 

If you are able to donate cakes for the cake stall in Chapel and/or for serving in the schoolroom during the 25th & 26th June Open Gardens weekend, please let Jane Arnott, Sandra Smith or me know. We are also looking for sponsors to fund our printing costs, advertising and raffles. All support is greatly appreciated.

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

LiveLincs Concert

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who like music, for people who like books and, especially, for people who like music about books.

#### 7.30pm Sunday 10th April 2022 - The Bookshop Band.

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The Bookshop Band's most recent project was composing the original soundtrack for Robin Robin, the Christmas 2021 offering from Aardman Animations (perhaps best known for their Wallace & Gromit films), about a baby Robin adopted by a family of mice.

But don't just take my word for it that this will be a great night out. Listen to Bob Harris of BBC Radio 2 "Really fabulous new music ... just delightful" or Louis de

Bernières, author of Captain Corelli's Mandolin, "The Bookshop Band's approach to song writing is entirely original. and the results are both surprising and beautiful."

Tickets for this concert are £8 adults, £4 children under 14 or for £22 buy a family ticket saver (2 adults & 2 children). All profits go to Goxhill Memorial Hall charity to help with running and maintaining the hall. The evening will be suitable for all ages and you are very welcome to bring along your own refreshments.

It helps immensely if you reserve tickets in advance so that we can lay out the seating appropriately. although you may still turn up and pay at the door on the night. To reserve tickets telephone 530363 or email jg.goxhill@btinternet.com For updates, web-links and details about LiveLincs and other events locally please see @GoxhillEvents on Facebook or follow @Goxhill Events on Twitter. John Guggiari



The Ropewalk's annual Gardening Day THE ROPEWALK returns on Sunday, May 15 from 10am to 3pm, with a wide choice of plant stalls to tempt

green-fingered gardeners. Whether you are a novice at gardening or have a full-blown set of green fingers the day promises something for everyone whether you are looking for tips on how to make the best of your garden or are just starting out this event is the place to be.

This year there will be a wider range of stallholders than ever, including for the first time, a stall selling house plants. Others there will include Carol the Plant Lady, who already has a large following in the local area, through to Waltham Herbs, a family based, specialising mainly in herbs, lavenders and perennials. and Woodland Plants. Other gardening related stalls will include one manned by the Barton Allotment **Society** whose members will be selling plants surplus to their own requirements, and other attractions.

Also there is the return of the popular themed gardening talks in Ropery Hall.

As well as the Ropery Coffee Shop being open for refreshments a second refreshment area will be open half-way down the building.

There is no admission charge and free parking is available.



#### **Ghost Walk**

If you haven't managed to catch the Barton Ghost walk yet, don't worry there are still a couple of chances

before the end of the season. We have two remaining walks this year on Friday 25th Feb and Friday 25th March. The walks start at 7.30pm prompt from the car park of Baysgarth House Museum. All tickets cost £5 and can be booked in advance on

https://sbplayers.weebly.com/tickets.html

The walk takes about an hour and 15 minutes and includes lots of ghostly tales of bygone Barton, told by actors in period costume. Look out for lots of spooky surprises along the way too! Make sure to wrap up warm and wear sensible footwear.

As our performance venue, the Joseph Wright Hall, is still undergoing renovations we are unable to put on any plays at the moment. However we are planning a **Murder** Mystery night or two at local pubs, and we hope to be able to put on a pantomime next Christmas, so keep an eye out for further details. Why not follow our SB Players Facebook page to keep up to date.

New members are always welcome - we need backstage and front of house help as well as actors, so we welcome anyone with an interest in the theatre! For more info please contact Liz on 01469 589187.

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#### **NOTICE BOARD - Goxhill Memorial Hall**

Looking out the window I can see blue skies, hinting that the worst of winter could soon be over. During the darkest of those overcast days, COVID made its presence felt with tripling infection rates and more tragic deaths. These concerns led to the Pop-Up Pub cancelling their December opening schedule. They did decide however to go ahead with the **New Year's Eve celebration** but insisted all ticket holders showed either a COVID passport or proof of a recent negative flow test before entering the premises. According to those who attended, the evening was a roaring success. Well done Sam and Lucy for making the evening as safe and enjoyable as possible.

Since the Goxhill Memorial Hall charity took over the running of the Hall in September 2019, the trustees have worked hard trying to get the charity converted to a **Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)**. It has taken a while but at the end of last year we were informed by the Charity Commission that all the old charity's assets (No 521928); buildings, land, contents and cash reserves had been registered in the new organisation's name and we could now operate under the new CIO registration (No 1193651). The main difference with a CIO charity is that it is the organisation that is the legal entity, not the trustees. The new CIO charity employs the same objectives as the old one, with a committee of the same trustees, although we are currently looking for more volunteers, **(phone 01469 530363 if interested)**. The new committee is chaired by Mr John Guggiari, with John Noton as Treasurer and Sam England as booking secretary.

Not sitting on our laurels, the committee has continued with its programme of planned improvements. The tiling in the kitchen is now complete, and new carpets have been laid in the side wings and in the lady's toilet corridor. New towel dispensers have also been installed in all the toilets, issuing soft white paper towels for everyone's delicate little handy-wandys.

Moving forward, our next big event will be the **Spring Craft Fair (March 20th)**. For that fair, our Tombola stall stewards (Roy and Charlie) have appealed for donations, having run out completely during the Christmas Fair. Any unwanted gifts or unused purchases will be gratefully received (anonymity assured), to be repurposed as prizes for the Tombola stall.

At the end of April we have a PUP weekend celebrating **VE day** (rescheduled from the event cancelled in 2020). As well as the bar, there will be craft activities and a live 10 piece, 40's style swing band on the **Saturday evening** (30th April). The WI are also putting on an afternoon tea on the Saturday.

The Platinum Jubilee weekend celebrations (June 2-5th) will again see the return of the PUP, who have a packed schedule of Jubilee-based events for the whole family to enjoy. I will also be setting up a royalty-inspired treasure hunt for that weekend. Maps/clues/draw prize entry forms available from outside the Memorial Hall.

While actively pursuing the charity's objectives (providing a safe space for village leisure and educational activities), the committee still reminds itself of the building's status as a War Memorial. Last year we made a £200 donation to the Royal British Legion while this year we hope to develop a quiet contemplative outside space. The Pop-up Pub has also kindly promised to dedicate the profits from their VE day weekend to the British Legion.

Although we still need to fund-raise, it's the continued use of the hall's facilities that keeps the coffers filled. As you can see from the weekly list of events (bottom of page), there is an interesting selection of activities on offer at the moment. We also recommend our music and film evenings (advertised on posters dotted around the village). If you can't attend any of these events, another way you can support your local village hall from the comfort of your armchair at no extra cost, is to use the **SMILE** link when buying online from **Amazon.co.uk**. SMILE lets Amazon donate 0.5% of the purchase price to a charity of your choice. Although we have only had £20 from Amazon so far, if more people selected **GOXHILL MEMORIAL HALL AND RECREATION GROUND** before buying, that sum would soon increase for very little effort.

Until next time... Ann Carter

#### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN THE MEMORIAL HALL INDIVIDUAL EVENTS IN THE MEMORIAL HALL

n: Parent and Toddlers (9.15-11.30am) Mar 20th (Sunday) - Spring Craft Fair.

Tai Chi (2-3pm) Apr 10th (Sunday) 7:30pm Bookshop Band (music)

Short Mat Bowls (7-9pm)
Pilates (10-11am),
Apr 29th – May 2nd (Fri-Mon) - PUP VE Day Celebrations

Martial Arts (4-8pm)

April 30th (Saturday) - WI Tea

Wed: Short Mat Bowls (7-9pm) Apr 30th (Saturday) - Swing Band @ the PUP Thurs: Pilates (10-11am), June 2nd – 5th (Thurs-Sun) - Platinum Jubilee PUP

Yoga (7-8pm)
Short Mat Bowls (10-12am)
June 3rd (Friday) -

Dog Training S&S (6:30 -8pm)

Taekwando (11:30 -2pm) Starts Mar 5th.

August 28/29th (Sun/Mon) - Scarecrow Trail

October 30th Fotofrolic – Photo competition

## APPEAL FOR OLD PHOTOGRAPHS OF EVENTS IN THE MEMORIAL HALL

I've recently been introduced to the Goxhill Gander, through Elizabeth Fincham, and have very much enjoyed browsing the archives.

I was brought up in Goxhill - my maiden name is Chappell & I'm Clara Towle's granddaughter.

I now have grandchildren of my own, and would love to share with them memories of the Memorial Hall concerts that we took part in.

I particularly remember St Trinians, the Black and White Minstrels, and a Christmas play called 'The Last House' - these would have been in the late 1950s.

WI Tea

I'd be very grateful if you could ask if any of your readers have any photographs of these events please - it would be amazing to find some.

Thank you in anticipation, Carole Mooney.

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## The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations Thursday 2nd June to Sunday 5th June 2022

Seventy years is a long time, it's a life time, it's too long to contemplate. It is the length of time that Her Majesty The Queen has been our Monarch and Head of the Commonwealth. I guess when they told her she had a job for life – they meant it!

Across the Nation and Commonwealth we will be invited to partake in a weekend of celebrations and in Goxhill we will be doing our best to ensure that everyone has a great time. A group of interested villagers have got together to plan a host of activities, which we hope will be fully supported by the whole village. The Goxhill Parish Council have made funds available to allow the team to get the ball rolling but it is hoped that, ultimately, through grants, sponsorship and donations the weekend will be cost neutral.

We hope villagers and businesses will decorate their gardens, house frontages and business properties following the Jubilee theme, to put on a wonderful show for the celebration long weekend. And prizes will be given!

Throughout the Jubilee Bank Holiday Weekend, the **Pop Up Pub will be open at the Memorial Hall** with its own programme of activities.

Where possible we will be following the **National programme of events** with a few Goxhill activities mixed in.

Listed below are the events and activities being planned for the Jubilee weekend, but the finalised details will be published nearer the time and a **Jubilee edition of the Gander** will include the full programme.

#### Thursday 2nd June - Jubilee Day

At 2pm across the country **Town Criers will make a Proclamation** announcing the lighting of Beacons later in the evening. If you think you have the voice for this please let me know asap. If we have more than one volunteer we will pick a number of locations for the proclamation.

We are planning to use the **Millennium Green** as our location for the **Beacon lighting which takes place at 9.45pm** to the accompaniment of bagpipe music, a bugle call and choir singing, it will be very moving. If there is enough interest and support we hope to have food, music, games and stalls in the afternoon and evening.

#### Friday 3rd June

The Goxhill Bowls Club will open its gates and welcome villagers to a Family Open Day with refreshments, bowls coaching, competitions and prizes.

Goxhill WI will be doing teas in the Memorial Hall in the afternoon.

Local bell ringers will ring a Peal of Celebration Bells at All Saints Church starting at 3pm.

#### Saturday 4th June

**Judging of the decorations** on properties, gardens, businesses etc, throughout the village, will take place during the afternoon and prizes awarded.

There will be a royalty inspired **Treasure Hunt** in the village organised by and starting from the Memorial Hall throughout the long weekend. Come and take a stroll round Goxhill, solving clues and admiring the Jubilee displays.

#### Sunday 5th June

There will be the usual **church service at 9.30am** in All Saints Church plus a **Service of Celebration for the Queens Platinum Jubilee at 2pm.** 

The Friends of the Church will be hosting a "bring a picnic" Lunch in the Church grounds which fits nicely with the National Big Lunch. Plus a tree will be planted during the afternoon and dedicated to mark the Jubilee.

Rather than a single organised Big Lunch there will be an **off road street picnic at Shawbriggs Farm Shop**, details are yet to be finalised but the idea is to have a dedicated safe area for families to join up and have a picnic. I'm sure that additional treats such as games, entertainment, ice cream, etc will be included as interest grows and support is offered.

We had hoped to **have another picnic** in the school grounds but that isn't possible, so we are looking for an alternative location and organiser for a picnic somewhere else in the main village.

So we will have a weekend of Jubilee Celebration organised by Goxhill people for Goxhill people. How big and exciting it can be will be up to you!

There are a lot of things we still need support with: another venue for a Big Lunch picnic and organisers; Town Criers; a Bagpipe player; a Bugler; singers to support the Goxhill Singers; people interested in organising games for children and families; stall holders for the Millennium Green; entertainers for the activities at the Green and Sunday Picnics; people willing to decorate their houses and businesses; an official Photographer for the weekend and of course financial sponsors and donations.

If you are willing to help and support Goxhill's Platinum Jubilee Celebration Weekend please contact Jack Lawtey 07576 111883, jacklawtey@btinternet.com

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#### **All Saints Church Bell Ringing**

With the upcoming **Queen's Platinum Jubilee** this year, it will be a very busy period for bellringers all over the country. After a long break from ringing in many places due to the Covid restrictions it is proving to be a struggle for many local bands of ringers to get back to normal. Sadly some have simply given up. That is certainly not the case in the **Barrow & District Society Ringing Centre** where full activity has been resumed. The Ringing Centre provides ringers for a number of bell towers around the area for weddings and other special Services where churches do not have their own ringers, or not enough ringers to ring their bells unaided.

Goxhill is one of those towers where ringing is co-ordinated by **Patricia Donnelly**. Part of the process of keeping the bells ring is on-going maintenance and over recent months a professional assessment of the bells has been carried out. An assortment of overhaul items have been found to be necessary and it was also found that the bell ropes are at the end of their lives and need to be replaced. The state of the ropes has restricted ringing over the last months, and it is important that the bells and ropes are put in order in preparation for the Jubilee ringing. This work will be carried out in March.

Special ringing is planned to take place on **St Georges Day, 23rd April**, and on **Friday 3rd June there will be an attempt to ring a full Peal for the Jubilee**, conducted by the Ringing Centre Ringing Master. This will last about two and three quarter hours if successful and will be recorded in the annals of ringing in perpetuity. We know that the sound of the bells is much appreciated by local residents and it will be good to have them readily available for ringing again.

The bellringers have also been asked to ring for **Goxhill Open Gardens** on **Saturday 21st May** and **Saturday 25th, Sunday 26th June**. This will be a **quarter peal at 2pm on each day**.

Janet Shephardson

#### **GOXHILL BOWLING CLUB**

Welcome to our Platinum Jubilee Open Day. Every year our Club tries to provide opportunities for people in Goxhill to try lawn bowling, whether for the first time or to try it again. Our experience and expectation is that, with a little coaching from our regular bowlers, everyone will enjoy themselves. And if we are lucky, then some will enjoy it enough to want to make it a regular sport.

This year, as part of Goxhill's celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, we have planned a family open day on the bank holiday Friday 3rd June 2022. We are inviting everyone interested, but particularly mixed-age and family groups, to come along for some fun bowling on our green off Manor Lane. This year we are buying several sets of junior size bowls especially designed for use by children where a full-size bowl would be too large for them to handle. Exact timings and arrangements will be publicised nearer the date but we would like you to book a time slot to come along during the day



and have some fun – see the contact details below. After a bit of practice time bowling with your group and picking up the basics of lawn bowling (they don't run in an exact straight line!) there will be a variety of different challenges. These will include knocking down skittles, bowl on to the target, bowl nearest the edge, through the hoop and bowl into the box. We plan to have refreshments available so you will be able to sit and watch whilst you wait for your turn and afterwards. We will keep a record of everyone's score and at the end we will be awarding prizes for the best in a variety of age and group categories.

As always, we welcome interest from both new and experienced bowlers who might like to take up the sport with us for the 2022 season. If you would prefer to try bowling on a one-to-one or other basis instead of at the open day then please get in touch by email to <code>jg.goxhill@btinternet.com</code> or call me on <code>530363</code> or via our website at <code>http://goxhill-bowls-club.weebly.com</code>. The basics of bowling are easy to pick up and the sport is suitable for all ages, abilities and fitness levels, even if you don't consider yourself a 'sporty' type of person. All that you really need to start is a pair of flat-soled shoes that will not damage the green as everything else is available to borrow free from the Club. Full membership of the Club costs £40 for 2022 or even less if you just want the opportunity for some social bowling.

\*\*John Guggiari\*\*

## SPECIAL JUBILEE ISSUE



The next issue of the Gander will be published a week earlier than usual, in time for the QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE celebrations 2-5 June.

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#### **GOXHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

#### **Uninvited Guests**

Christmas is over for another year and how beautiful everywhere looked in the village, so many people put in such a lot of hard work, and during this difficult time for everyone it brought the brightness and cheer that we all needed. That is all taken down now and sparkling Bambi is put away again and Spring is on the way. Nature seems to be in a hurry to get started this year and some of the activity has become very obvious indeed.

During routine inspections and normal maintenance work it has been noticed that much of the surface of the grass area in the Cemetery and in the rear field has been disturbed, not deeply, but certainly to the soil beneath. We have also received several calls from residents in the last few months, reporting this, I am no track expert but we believe that the disturbance is being caused by Deer, natures 'Bambi', hoof marks can be distinguished and some trails lead to the open farm fields. There is very little that we can do about this, we are fortunate to live in beautiful countryside and nature will always play its own part. The turf will be put back and will reattach itself, and grow; no real permanent damage has been done.

The Badger Set located in the rear corner has been there for many years and they keep within a few yards of the boundary and there appears to be no deep digging from them anywhere else, quite a well behaved family group. This would be a good example to a few residents in the village, while wildlife have a natural need to do as they do, some



people do things just because they want to, not because they want to, not because they need to, even though they are causing damage.

We have experienced several instances of vandalism over the past twelve months. The Skate park newly built and opened, had to be professionally cleaned, it been covered in lewd Graffiti. The basketball backboard has been

smashed and knocked down from the top of the net post, and needs replacing. Damage such as this is not carried out by young children, but it is obvious, by the nature and position of some of the damage that it is carried out by people old enough to know better. Both of these items have proved very expensive, and these are just two of the incidents recorded. I hope that this year proves less costly in this direction, and any monies we do have available can be used to add or improve services for everyone.

**Cemetery**. The boundary hedge has been trimmed and any tree pruning needed has been carried out, ensuring safety. The small building in the corner has had a new door, and the roof has been repaired. Inspections are carried out regularly and any problems found are dealt with as soon as possible. Recent repairs have been carried out to part of the footpath.

**Library** Open as usual Monday 3.30pm-6pm and Wednesday 2pm-5pm. It is most important to support this, Libraries are being closed in many areas and we are fortunate that we still have ours.

Millennium Green More trees were planted recently to add to the new group on the left hand side, this section is now complete, and hopefully they will all survive. A close eye will be kept on them and should any fail they will be replaced. Sadly some of the trees planted on the far right of the green have been removed by vandals, yet again and will need to be replanted. This will be done when the weather improves.

**Playing Field** Except for the vandalism already noted, the field is in good condition, inspections are carried out regularly and any damage or work needed is carried out as soon as possible. The self closing gate has been repaired, yet again and is in full working order, it would help if children did not swing on it. I know that it is a natural thing to do, and very tempting, but it is a difficult item to repair.

Freda Dunkley

Useful Contacts for Goxhill Parish Council -

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## Request to Lincolnshire Coop Ltd for a post office in Goxhill

Written by Michael Jones

(Abridged version)

I am writing on behalf of the residents of Goxhill for consideration to be given to establishing a Post Office counter service at the Lincolnshire Co-operative shop, located on Howe Lane, Goxhill. Canvasing for the recent Parish Council by-election identified that one of the issues of greatest concern throughout the village, was the absence of a post office. I promised I would write to you to explore whether opening a Post Office counter service within the shop would be possible.

Goxhill has very few facilities despite being one of the biggest villages in England by area. There are no banking or postal facilities in Goxhill, although there is a cash point in the Co-op. The nearest post office is in Barrow on Humber three miles away and Barton upon Humber six miles.

The issue of transportation in general will change dramatically over the next few years as we fully embrace green energy and move to electric vehicles and reduce mileage driven. Access to a Post Office counter service will become more tenuous and is of great concern to the elderly, those that do not drive and those that cannot afford to drive. The village would be very grateful if you were able to give this request your full consideration and full support.

## Response from the Lincolnshire Co-op Ltd (Abridged version)

Thank you for your letter dated 13 December 2021 about a post office service for Goxhill.

We currently manage 37 community post offices across our trading area and recognise the important role they play. However, to ensure we can continue to serve our members and customers, we have to take a balanced approach. In recent years, the situation facing post offices has been difficult. This is due to reductions in the income given to run post offices by the government.

We have made representation of our disappointment in these income reductions to local MPs and Post Office Ltd. For those reasons, unfortunately we are unable to take on new ones. Despite not being in Goxhill, I am sure the local postmasters in Barrow and Barton appreciate the business.

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# Bird And Wildlife Sightings by Steve Routledge

Well what an amazing start to the year January has provided, with 3 patch lifers (White-tailed Lapwing, Cattle Egret & Glossy Ibis) along with Bewick's Swan, Long-eared Owl and Red-crested Pochard all adding spice already.

Saturday 15th January Today the mitigation area was the star site, being covered in birds, with waders featuring heavily. A cracking Glossy Ibis flew in, did a couple of circuits and landed on the first pool. This is the first record for the local patch of this long awaited addition.

There were great counts of Waders, 37 Redshank, 98 Curlew, 521 Lapwing, 11 Black-tailed Godwit and 45 Dunlin. Wildfowl included 227 Wigeon, 8 Gadwall, 18 Shoveler and 73 Teal. Plus a male Stonechat, gorgeous male Bullfinch and a calling Cetti's Warbler in the borrow pit along the Humber floodbank.

Up to the Skitter I saw a Water Pipit, 18 Shelduck, 29 Avocet and a whopping count of 1102 Dunlin.

Back to Winter's, a nice find for the year list was a pair of drake Pochard, with wildfowl, including 23 Shoveler, the female Goldeneye still, 34 Tufted Duck, 20 Gadwall and 127 Mallard.

Sunday 16th A bright and early start with another stonking bird for the patch, as a jogger flushed a Long-eared Owl from the small copse near the car park at Winter's and landed in the hedge next to me before flying a further 2 times. The first I have seen here for many, many years.

Also at Winter's, a single Barnacle Goose flew over head towards the Skitter, another year tick.



The White-tailed Lapwing was on its favoured pool and gave some nice views of it feeding. It really is a smart bird, one of the rarest in the country currently and long may it continue an amazing record for here



I decided to go over to Goxhill and have a look for the Cattle Egret and it was in exactly the place a friend had relocated it at. It gave some cracking views feeding in amongst the Sheep, what a great little bird.

Sunday 23rd An early start today saw me adding a Little Owl to the year list before dawn, heard calling near East Halton Grange As it was WEBS day, I counted Winter's first. Highlights were 61 Tufted Duck, 29 Coot, the

single adult Great-crested Grebe, a singing male Cetti's Warbler and a female Goldeneye. Overhead a female Marsh Harrier put in an appearance. A quick look along the shore up to North Killingholme Haven revealed a decent sized flock of 550 Lapwing. The mitigation area was my next destination. The highlight, was

the White-tailed Lapwing seen on its favoured pool again. Other sightings were 12 Gadwall, 77 Wigeon, 42 Curlew, 2 little Egret and 2 Drake Pintail, the 2nd sighting of the species for myself here this year.

The Skitter was next with 179 Wigeon, 127 Goldeneye, 150

Dunlin, Common Buzzard, 93 Curlew and singles of both Rock and Water Pipits plus a pair of Stonechat. At the flood bank, a male Peregrine

flew in and settled on the inland fields, year tick number 2 for the day. Also here were a flock of 44 Stock Dove, with 23 Jackdaw, adult Grey Heron and another Little Egret.

Goxhill Marsh had a flock of 1336 Pinkfooted Geese in their usual pastures



Pipit. East Halton Skitter

near Dawson City, 1400 Lapwing, Common Buzzard and 22 Pied Wagtails on the wet field behind the pig farm.

Dawson City area next, but there was hardly anything apart from a passing female Marsh Harrier. Some serious management work is needed on this reserve, it is a shadow of what it used to be.

On the Humber, were a single Great-crested Grebe, an unusual record for the time of year, and 10 Bar-tailed Godwit feeding on the mud, year tick number 3 for the day.

Saturday 29th Today I covered the whole patch, walking up to Goxhill Haven, then back along East Marsh Road, Chapel Field Road, along the Beck and back along the mitigation area to Winter's, approx.14 miles walked.

It was hard going in the force 6-7 westerly wind, particularly at Goxhill Haven, but it was great to be out again, despite only getting 5 hours sleep after my nightshift.

Some great sightings were had, as always. Winter's had good numbers of wildfowl, with 89 Gadwall, a cracking count for here, along with 198 Wigeon feeding on the car park grassland. Also 64 Tufted Duck, 29 Coot, Great-crested Grebe, 16 Canada Geese. female Goldeneye and 2 stunning Drake Pochard, the latter, only the second sighting of the species here this year.

Between North Killingholme Haven and the Skitter, highlights included 9 Black-tailed Godwit, 294 Dunlin, 9 Shelduck, 55 Teal and 450 Lapwing.

The Skitter had scant coverage due to the wind, but 625 Lapwing

31 Teal and 11 Curlew were noted. Along Goxhill Marsh, the lovely sight and sound of at least 1870 Pinkfooted Geese as they passed overhead to their favoured field to feed, and 12 Shelduck.

Dawson City area revealed 7 Grey Plover huddling together out of the wind along the shoreline, my first sighting of the species for the year.



East Halton Skitter

Also 400 Golden Plover, 550 Lapwing and 150 Dunlin, with a male Stonechat battling against the wind.

Very little seen at Goxhill Haven, as I passed by trying to stay standing in the gale force westerly, but 42 Wigeon, 17 Teal and a single Black-tailed Godwit did there best to shelter in the Haven.

I turned down East Marsh Road, with the wind at my back at last. A few notables, included 1 new species for the year, a single Tree Sparrow, 25 Collared Dove, 16 Stock Dove and 3 Moorhen.

Chapel Field Road was equally quiet, but the local Corvids entertained, with 170+ Rooks and 33 Jackdaw making their presence known as I passed by, plus 2 lovely Common Buzzard.

A welcome shelter behind Chapel Farm, with another Common Buzzard, 5 Long-tailed Tit, 34 Chaffinch and 6 Greenfinch.

The last leg back to the car was along the mitigation area with 52 Mallard, 67 Curlew, 28 Teal, 20 Dunlin and a single Meadow Pipit.

**Sunday 30th** Another early start before dawn, adding my 5th species of Owl for the local patch this year, the first time I have ever achieved this here. A duo of calling male Tawny Owls were heard, 1 at East Halton Grange and 1 in Redhouse Wood, plus a calling Little Owl. At Winter's, I added another 2 Owl species, 2 Short-eared and a Barn Owl hunted on the mitigation area. 4 owl species for the day was superb!

I spent a long time today watching the White-tailed Plover. This bird is an absolute cracker. I obtained some cracking close up video of the Peewit as it fed on the first pool on the mit site, out in the open for a change instead of partially hidden behind

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

#### **Sporting Events at Goxhill School**



#### **Get Glowing**

The children took part in an event called 'Get Glowing' organised through our partnership with Get Ahead. They had a go at different games with UV equipment. The games explored fundamental movement skills such as throwing, catching, batting and most



importantly, team work! Unfortunately, the sun did manage to shine through the windows in the hall so it wasn't as dark as we hoped it would Miss Fallen (P.E leader and year 4 class teacher) be but the children still had heaps of fun!

### Year 1 and Year 2 balance bike training

Year 1 and 2 children took to their wheels and thoroughly enjoyed the individual and



team activities that allowed them to develop their skills throughout the session. An important aspect of the session was educating children regarding bike safety (helmets, checking tyres, cycling in a safe space). It was lovely to see the children combining fun and safety!

Mrs Briggs (Year 2 Teaching Assistant)

#### Year 5 and 6 Bikeability

Year 5 and 6 children learnt the rules of the road regarding cycling safely. Following a two-day intensive training course, the children received certificates as confirmation of their success in completing the course. Some children, who could not ride a bike at the beginning of their training, successfully learnt to ride a bike and pass the test within the two-day time frame. This was a super achievement and one that was greatly celebrated. The children were certainly very proud of themselves.

Mrs Plant (Year 6 Teaching Assistant)

#### **Additional Sporting Enrichment**

After school sports clubs currently on offer include street dance and gymnastics. After half term, tag rugby and boxercise will also be made available to the children.

#### **Chess Club**

KCOM approached the school regarding a new initiative to raise the profile of chess in primary

schools across Hull. East Riding and North Lincolnshire. The school are participating in an online tournament against four other schools from Hull and East Riding. The school received chess boards, books on 'how to play chess' for beginners and goodie bags containing water bottles which were very popular. All of these goods were provided by KCOM. Our KS2 children have been learning to perfect their opening gambits and apply tactical manoeuvres in conjunction with the rules of play. It has been lovely to see children that are more confident helping their peers to develop their skills. KCOM will be providing prizes for the winners of the tournament. Graham Chesters, President of Hull and District Chess Association, has been very supportive of the school and Miss Elliott who set up and oversees the club.

We are very proud of our school and the experiences that we offer to the children. All staff across the school and the federation work incredibly hard and go above and beyond what is expected to motivate, inspire and care for our pupils. We are certainly blessed to have such a kind and nurturing 'staff family'. We are equally blessed to be part of a supportive community. We thank you all for your continued involvement and the learning opportunities that we are able to provide to the Miss Twidale, Deputy Head Teacher children as a direct result of your support.

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#### **OFF THE HOOF**

"Do something wonderful people may imitate it." Albert Schweitzer.

So much has happened in 2021 regarding the pandemic, which has affected people's lives and continues to do so. Jo Firth-Burns was unable to organise her usual fun Christmas ride through the village in aid of Lincolnshire Air Ambulance. Over the years she has raised thousands for this worthy cause. Hopefully it will resume next year.

I raise money for different charities or projects in the village. Unfortunately, I had offered to do a Tombola at the Memorial Hall, but I found out the day before the Christmas Fair that they had organised a Tombola themselves and didn't need mine. People had given generously for my stall, so for those who donated I can only apologise and I will run a charity tombola elsewhere at a later date.

It is going to be a busy year in the village with some restrictions being lifted. VE day is on the 8th May and all being well there will be a mini 'Open Gardens' (usually four gardens)

followed by the main Open Gardens event, which usually has ten or more gardens involved.

#### **Best Kept Village Competition**

Best Kept Village is normally judged on the last two weeks of July and gardeners will know that now is the time to start planning if you are growing from seed.

It occurred to me that most people have no idea what the criteria is for the Best Kept Village competition so I thought it may be useful to publish what is expected so we may do better this year. We fall into the 'Large Village' category, which we won in 2020, but sadly scored one from bottom of the table in 2021, which was disappointing but not totally unexpected.

**General Tidiness and Appearance** 

**Garden and Community Areas** 

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## Litter, fly tipping, graffiti, including at bus stops & telephone boxes. General maintenance of hedges, trees, verges, fences, walls, paths and seats Community centres, village halls, schools, parks, playing fields, churchyards/cemeteries, chapel surrounds, war memorials and public Gardens, window boxes, hanging baskets, tubs and planters, community

It is clear to see that most points were lost in group three, part of which you and I, as residents, are largely responsible for. Until reading the result I was oblivious of the fact that the allotments were judged, as are shops, farmsteads and outside perimeters of properties, which used to be sprayed for weeds by the council but is no longer. Fly tipping goes without saying and we are not too bad in our village although, the person dumping masses of garden waste, in the ditch, down Nan Brighan should be ashamed of themselves. They know it is wrong on every level.

Shops, inns, farmsteads, workshops, business premises, advertisements and

A short precis of the result comments by the judges: Absence of litter in general but a bit on the playground. Cemetery excellent report.

Innovative planting - dropped three points so room for

improvement there.

War Memorial and Propeller Tribute good but benches would benefit from painting.

Community planting dropped 4 points. We need more community participation for this section. However, we were praised for the new flower bed at North End.

Please be aware that North Lincs Highways own the verges, and nothing should be placed on them without written permission. However, residents do an amazing job on the whole keeping the front of their properties mown and tidy it is a few that spoil it aesthetically, but perhaps they were not aware and a bit more could be done. Unfortunately, there are not many places to put planters and baskets up high, which some villages have, but the problem is consistent watering.

At this point I would like to acknowledge the work on the church yard by a group of volunteers. You have done a splendid job.

#### **Plant Exchange**

It would be a good idea to have a plant exchange going so cost would be minimal but could produce stunning displays. I've started planting seeds so hopefully will get more plants than I need so please feel free to contact me if you are interested in participating in such a scheme. Displays along Howe Lane were commended but the areas around the shops let us down and the Village Hall and some properties along Chapel Street could do more. Please note hedges should be kept tidy but avoid cutting during the main bird breeding season (March to August) but still check for birds nesting outside this time.

#### Dog Poo

People are still not picking up after their dogs. Please note I know there are people who take carriers bags of dog poo from their own garden and put it in the bins provided. This causes the bins to fill up quickly and bags are left at the base. This is very unsanitary, and it will be soon fly season, which will be attracted to them and someone has to pick them up and dispose of them. All dog poos at home should be placed in a bag and placed in your GENERAL WASTE BIN not those provided for dog walkers.

#### **Towing Bars**

Do you have a towing facility on your vehicle? If so, did you know it should be included on your insurance details as a modification. You

may find if not declared it could void your insurance if you are involved in an accident. I do not think it adds to the cost of the insurance.

#### **Country Music Nights**

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With the pandemic so many places and businesses have been forced to close. Amongst these are several country clubs so if you like country music consider joining 'The Tumbleweeds' at Wrawby Village Hall, on a Saturday, which is now reducing to once a fortnight, and is a "bring your own" venue but has teas and coffees available. Another Country night has just started on Tuesday at the Farmhouse in Little London, which is the other side of Immingham and there is a bar. Both offer a good night with live artists. If we don't use them, we will lose them.

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#### **Prize Winner**

The lucky winner of a bale of Rivera bedding was Shelia Seddon who is using it for her chickens.

#### **Bird Watch**

For those who did 'Bird Watch' this year I wonder if you noticed a decline in numbers from last year. Thanks go to Val Gorbett who made up packs consisting of good quality bird seeds, suet blocks and half a coconut shell free to customers for the 'Bird Watch' weekend.

#### **Green Ramper**

After many discussions about Green Ramper I have been reliably informed that, at last, land drains will be put in to help keep it drier and more usable than at present. This still prohibits vehicles but should prove an asset to the village.

#### **All Road Users**

After walking out my pony I believe that the signs reminding people to pass wide and slow have been a positive reminder. Thank you to all that are being considerate to other road users. As of 29th January, the Highway code has been amended and everyone needs to be aware of the changes. Two things that spring to mind are:

A pedestrian wanting to cross the road at a junction that a vehicle is turning into will have right of way!

*New horse riders, and those that have not ridden for a while,* are being told to consider taking the 'Ride Safe Award' from the British Horse Society, which will involve a cost.

Whilst not following the Highway Code is not automatically an offence it would be referred to during prosecutions for driving without due care and attention! All the changes can be seen on the Government website.

https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/review-ofthe-highway-code-to-improve-road-safety-for-cyclistspedestrians-and-horse-riders/summary-of-the-consultation -proposals-on-a-review-of-the-highway-code .

I think that's all from me this time.

Take care and ride safely. Aileen. 01469 530643

#### **News from Goxhill Methodist Chapel**

I was recently lent some photos of the chapel in days gone by. I recognise some of the faces in the pictures and even more of the names, but many were just too long ago for me to know who I am looking at. Nonetheless, they are a fascinating snapshot of days gone by, when services at the chapel could be packed, when the Sunday School was filled with young people, and there were as many opportunities for socialising as worshipping. I love old pictures generally, but especially when they connect to a place that has always had such an important role in my life.

Thanks to Ruth Finlay, who gave me the pictures and allowed me to take them away for scanning, I have been able to journey down memory lane and share a few of these pictures with you now. It also made me wonder who else might have photos of chapel events from the past. Were you a Sunday School Queen or did a parent join their chapel friends at one of our events; somewhere in the loft, the back of a drawer or in a box under the bed do you have photos or programmes or mementos of the village getting together at the chapel? I'd love to see them and share them. I am hoping there might be enough for a display as part of our Open Gardens weekend in June so am also interested in anything from the Silver Jubilee in 1977 or even the Coronation of 1953.

In the meantime, I hope you enjoy a few of the pictures Ruth so kindly passed to me, just a few from her life-long association with the chapel reflecting its important part in this community over the years. **Adam Ellis** 









MATCH OF THE DAY 1968 A comic football match in aid of charity, was held on July 11th 1968, between teams from Goxhill and Barrow. Were you playing in this? Picture by David Lee Photography for the Grimsby Evening Telegraph.

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We have our own meeting place which is located at the **Scout Hut on Barrow Road, New Holland** with each section having its own meeting night and time as follows:

Beavers - Tuesday evenings 5.30 - 6.30 pm

Cubs - Thursday evenings 6.30 - 8 pm

Scouts - Tuesday evenings 7 - 8.45 pm

Explorers - Monday evenings 7 - 9 pm

We charge a subscription fee of £25 for Beavers and £35 for all other sections paid each school term. There is currently a waiting list for Beavers but the other sections have capacity to accept new members at this time. The Group is run wholly by volunteers, known as Warranted Leaders and Section Assistants, who work directly with the young people in our Beaver, Cub, Scout and Explorer sections. The Leaders plan, organise and run the weekly activities, as well as other days out, camps and expeditions. They play an important part in helping young people gain skills for life through the activities and adventures whilst making sure everyone's safe, supported, included and having fun. The Leaders are assisted by parent helpers on a regular basis.

We are currently looking to recruit new
Warranted Leaders and Section Assistants to all
the sections within our Group, but we have an
urgent requirement for an Assistant Beaver Leader

to support our current Beaver Leader Becky and an Explorer Leader and Assistant Explorer Leader to replace Kevan and Nigel who have recently left the Group.

No previous experience with young people? No problem. All Scouting Leaders are provided with individual training plans which include mandatory, role specific and on-going learning. The training programmes build on your existing skills and knowledge and some elements count towards externally-recognised awards. All adults involved in Scouting also undertake a DBS check.

Everyone volunteers for different reasons it might be:

- Try something new
- Make friends
- Spend time with their own children or gain experience with young people
- Do something good for their community & themselves
- Keep their bodies and brains active and happy whether that's by scaling mountains, sharing skills or serving tea

Whatever the reason all end up making a huge difference to young people's lives, gifting them with skills for life, and learning a whole lot about themselves along the way. Volunteering's not just about giving back – it goes both ways. It improves your wellbeing, gives you skills for the future, and helps you make new friends and memories. Please help us make a difference to the lives of young people in our communities and join our Leadership team. If you are interested in becoming a Warranted Leader or Section Assistant, or have a child who would like to join Scouting, please contact me on email:

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Thank you. Andy Oliver Group Scout Leader

## Get Involved and Volunteer at the Wilderspin

Wilderspin The Wilderspin & National School Museum is one of Barton-upon-Humber's true success stories, with a derelict school being transformed into a popular school museum and community resource. But did you know that this award-winning museum is mainly run by an enthusiastic team of volunteers?

From working behind the scenes on the collections, creating a stunning garden, working with school groups through to welcoming the public to look round the museum, you will find a cheerful volunteer using their expertise or even learning new skills. But more are needed and Ian Wolseley, the Chair of Trustees is putting out the call.

"This is an amazing museum," said Ian. "The commitment and warmth of the volunteers have always impressed me. There is a real sense of community, and everyone supports each other. We literally can't open the doors of the museum without our volunteers."



Ian means what he says as the museum is on the hunt for Front of House volunteers to welcome the public and look after visitors. "It's a great role", continued Ian, who often does shifts himself. "You meet some fascinating people and it's wonderful to see people enjoy the museum. We have recently re-interpreted the displays, adding a new historic classroom, so we are excited to see how people will respond".

That's not all. The museum is embarking on an exciting new project called the Memory Café. Older people are being asked to come into the museum and share their memories of childhood and their school days with the general public over a cup of tea and piece of delicious cake from the award-winning Old School Canteen. The Memory Café will be run over a series of events in the spring. The museum is also inviting people in care homes to meet with children from primary school to compare their childhood toys. Volunteers are needed to help run the project.

Anyone interested in volunteering for either role, are invited to get in contact and we can arrange a behind the scenes look at the museum so that they can explore these roles and meet volunteers who keep the museum going.

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# Two orphans listed on the WW1 plaque, whose families lived in Goxhill

Herbert FARROW, Private 12/1535, 11th Battalion, Yorkshire Regiment. Died of Wounds 11 July 1918. Aged 34 years. Born 10 April 1884 Goxhill. Son of late Isaac John and late Harriett Farrow of Goxhill. Buried Longuenesse Souvenir Cemetery, France. Commemorated Christ Church, New Holland and Goole Cenotaph.

A soldier named Herbert Farrow is listed on the village memorials. Herbert was not related to Harry and Percy Farrow the brothers who I wrote about in my Goxhill Gander Winter 2021

According to the School Admission Register, Herbert had been born in Goxhill on 10 April 1884. He was the youngest of the



Pension Ledger Card for Herbert Farrow's widow and children. This gives a different date of birth for him to that recorded in the School Admission Register.

nine children of Isaac and Harriett Farrow. Isaac and Harriett had both been born in Goxhill with Harriett a member of the Spittlehouse family who were possibly later to be involved in Herbert being listed on the plaque. Harriett Farrow died a month after Herbert's birth. In the census following her death, in 1891, her five oldest children, Mary, John, Sarah, George and Annie can be found working either as Servants or on Vessels on the river, four in Yorkshire and one, Annie, in Goxhill with the Allinson family who are recorded living in 'Millfield' at the end of Willow Lane.

Harriett's sixth child who was confusingly also named Harry Farrow was, in 1891, living with his paternal uncle Abraham Farrow in two rooms on Church Street. Harry Farrow made a Short Service Attestation into the Army Service Corps at Beverley on 12 January 1897. On his record it states that he was serving in the 3rd Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment. Harry joined the Corps at Aldershot and went on to serve in Natal, South Africa between 8 July 1899 and 1 March 1901 for which is received the South African Campaign Medal and Clasp. Harry's service was completed on 11 January 1913 and he lived later with his wife in Middlesex.

Harriett Farrow's widowed husband Isaac was, in the 1891 census, recorded living in North End with his youngest three children Frederick, Arthur and Herbert and a lady listed as his wife. Isaac and his family are 'Lodgers' to Fred and Jane Catley (Isaac's sister in law, the sister of the late Harriett Farrow) who with their four children comprised a household totalling eleven altogether. It seems that Isaac moved to Hull, perhaps looking for work. When his youngest son Herbert was enrolled into Goxhill School on 6 May 1889 Herbert's uncle, Fred Catley was listed as his 'Guardian'. Herbert left school on 24 March 1896, aged eleven. I believe that Isaac Farrow died in Hull in 1899. At the time of his father's death Herbert was aged fifteen

By 1901 Herbert Farrow is a 'Horseman on a Farm', working at Beaumoncote. This farm lies to the south of Barton and just off the Wold Road when driving from Barrow towards the Å15 Humber Bridge road. In an incredible quirk of rural life also working at Beaumoncote in this census are two familiar surnames. One is Charles Guilliatt. Charles Guilliatt is the great uncle of long-time Goxhill resident Charlie Guilliatt. Alongside Herbert Farrow and Charles Guilliatt is Tom Gilliatt. Tom was the grandson of Thomas Gilliatt of Goxhill. Tom's great aunt (by his grandfather's third marriage) was Catherine Gilliatt who went on to marry Joseph Northen. Catherine and Joseph's daughter Olive married Harry Farrow and another daughter Mabel married Arthur Drinkall. Harry and Arthur's service has been detailed in previous articles.

Herbert Farrow married Rose Audas, who had been born in Goole, in Goxhill on 25 November 1905. By the 1911 census Herbert and Rose have three children and are living at another large farm, Chapel Farm in Barton. Chapel Farm sits just the other side of the A15 from Beaumoncote. It seems that Herbert and Rose then moved to Hull; I have found the births of two sons there, in 1914 and 1915 however it appears that both these babies died young.

Herbert Farrow enlisted in Hull as Private in the 11th Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment. The 11th Battalion is known variously as the 'Hull Tradesman's or Service Battalion'. There are no records of Herbert's enlistment and it has been difficult to find specific records for the Battalion's engagements. Rosa is recorded living in Hull at the time of Herbert's death, on 11 July 1918, from the wounds he received in action. It appears that the 11th Battalion were based in St Omer in 1918. St Omer lies 45 kilometres south east of Calais and Herbert was buried in the CWGC cemetery at Longuenesse just to the south of St Omer.



Longuenesse Souvenir Cemetery, France-Herbert Farrow-Photograp credit to britishwargraves.co.uk

My understanding, from reading many online blogs on the subject, is that a line of headstones 'touching' like Herbert Farrow's, usually indicates that the Grave Recovery Team placed remains of soldiers brought from other sites side by side in a trench-like grave. You will see that Herbert's headstone is shared with J Hughes. The men died on the same day.

Herbert's widow Rose is then recorded living at 14 Thorney's Field in New Holland. These houses stood off Oxmarsh Lane, New Holland but are no longer there. She lived then at 18 Wesley Square in Goole. Herbert's paternal uncle Abraham Farrow had died in Goxhill in 1918 but Herbert had a large number of relatives in the village including Mr A. Spittlehouse who is recorded as a member of the Memorial Hall fundraising committee. I believe that this is Aaron Spittlehouse who was Herbert's cousin, the son of John Spittlehouse who was Harriett Farrow's brother. It is perhaps Aaron who put forward Herbert's name to be recorded on the Goxhill Memorial?

Herbert SMITH, Sergeant, 889, 1st/5th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Died of Wounds 20 July 1916. Aged 28 years. Born 1888 Barrow Haven. Son of late Henry and late Alice Smith last known living in Barton on Humber. Fiancee of Lily Twidale of Goxhill. Buried Warlincourt Halte British Cemetery, Saulty, Calais, France. Commemorated Barton on Humber and Brigg Memorials.

The death of another young man named Herbert, Herbert Smith, was reported in the Hull Daily Mail on 29 July 1916. The article stated that Sergeant Herbert Smith 'was an orphan who made his home in Goxhill, chiefly at the house of

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Article from Hull Daily Mail

dated 29 July 1916 announcing Herbert Smith's death.

their eldest son Henry Robert Smith, Henry's wife Alice and three grandchildren, Edith, Herbert (our commemorated serviceman) and John. Henry and Alice Smith would go on to have three more children, sons Arthur, Albert and Harold. Henry and Alice Smith's family life appears to have been nomadic: the children were born in different places in North Lincolnshire; but in the 1901 census Henry and Alice are recorded living in Newport Street in Barton on Humber. Henry has 'no occupation' and suffers from 'Fits'; his wife and sons Herbert, John, Arthur, Albert and Harold are recorded at home. Henry and Alice's only daughter Edith is recorded elsewhere in Barton and a servant. Herbert Smith was aged thirteen in this 1901 census. I can find no record for Henry and Alice after this. Herbert Smith was recorded in the 1911 census in Barton on Humber. He is boarding with the Doughtys, Fred and Mary and their children, and living at Glanford Villa on Westfield Road. Herbert is recorded as a 'Handle Bender at Cycle Works'. This will be at the Fred Hopper cycle works. The factory was initially on Brigg Road then moved down to Marsh Lane in Barton. Another resident listed in the house is Hannah Barrett, a widow aged 65. Hannah is Mary Doughty's mother and in the earlier census of 1901 Hannah was recorded living on Newport Street and a 'Confectioner'. Hannah's oldest son, another Albert is recorded a 'Foreman, Cycle Works'.

MrTwidall(sic), to whose daugh-

Herbert's connection to Goxhill is

complex. It is necessary to go back

to his paternal grandfather John

in Goxhill. Mary Ann had been born in the village in 1839. John and Mary Ann Smith lived in York-

shire, where two children were born, until their return to Goxhill in

Moving forward to the 1891

are recorded living in the four

around 1866 when the birth of three more children are recorded.

census John and Mary Ann Smith

roomed house in North End with

Smith to best understand it. John

Smith had been born in Paull across the River Humber in Yorkshire. In 1859 John married Mary Ann Flint

ter he was engaged'.

Herbert Smith had enlisted in Barton in the Territorial Force of the 5th Battalion of the Lincolnshire Regiment on 18 May

1909. He was appointed for four years' service on 10 June 1909 in Grimsby. The available records state that he 'Re-engaged' for service on 7 May 1914. On 14 February 1916 Herbert Smith was promoted Acting Sergeant and this was confirmed in 'The Field' on 19 May 1916. Herbert suffered what was described in his record as 'multiple shell wounds' and died as a result of his injuries two days later on 18 July 1916.



Warlincourt Halte British Cemetery, France. Herbert Smith Photograph credit britishwargraves.co.uk

The form that I have referred to in previous articles which has to be completed to identify the immediate relatives of the deceased service man was completed by Herbert Smith's sister Edith. Edith had married and was living in Brigg. She stated on the form that both of their parents were dead and neither did she list any surviving brothers.

We need return to Herbert Smith's Grandfather John Smith to complete the story. Another of John Smith's sons and Herbert's uncle Arthur Smith is recorded on the Goxhill Roll of Honour. Arthur Smith is recorded as a Drill Sergeant, Lincolnshire Regiment. Arthur signed up as a 'Special Reservist' on 3 September 1914 in Grimsby. His record shows that he had served previously for thirteen years in the 19th Prince of Wales Hussars. Arthur Smith served in the Lincolnshire Regiment Special Reserves during World War 1.

But who was Herbert's fiancée, the daughter of Mr Twidall (sic)? In a search for this lady I have concluded that she was the voungest child, the fourth daughter of Thomas and Susannah Twidale. Thomas Twidale was a farm labourer and in the 1911 census he and his wife are recorded living with their daughter Lily who was recorded in the 1926 Kelly's Trade Directory as a Dressmaker, in a four roomed home in North End. They are listed three residences from my great grandfather Robert Evison. I believe that this is around the Ruards Lane area of North End. She married in Goxhill in 1927 and lived later in Lincoln, Lily's nephew Donald Twidale later married Kitty Howson whose brother, George Henry Howson is also commemorated on the Goxhill Memorial. **Elizabeth Fincham** 

#### Barton-upon-Humber Civic Society - 2022 Programme of Talks

#### Friday 18 March, 7.30pm

#### Recreational Management along the Humber Estuary

The Humber Estuary is one of the most important estuaries in Europe for wildlife and is designated as a Special Area of Conservation. Jackson Sage describes the wonders of this internationally important wetland site, and the work of the Humber Nature Partnership.

#### Friday 15 April, 7.30pm

#### Susanna Wesley - "Mother of Methodism"

Susanna Wesley was the mother of John and Charles Wesley, the founders of the Methodist movement. Catherine Fordham shares Susanna's life story including her marriage to Samuel Wesley, her support of his work, and providing a stable home and education for their children at the Epworth Rectory.

#### Friday 20 May, 7.30pm

#### Soldiers in Petticoats: Fashion and the Suffragette Movement

Madeleine Gray, Collections Assistant with North Lincolnshire Museums Service, explores the history of

the suffragette movement, and how suffragettes used fashion to emphasise their cause. Non-members £4.

#### Friday 17 June, 7.30pm

#### The Horse, the Ambulance and the Wagoners' Special Reserve

Martin Watts, from the Wagoners' Museum at Sledmere, describes the importance of horses for the army in the First World War, and the role of Wagoners' Special Reserve's veterinary hospitals and mobile veterinary units. The talk includes a special screening of a short new film of the Museum's own preserved ambulance.

#### Talks later in the year will be listed in future Ganders.

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#### ROTARY CLUB OF BARTON-UPON-HUMBER

Club members and volunteers delivered sixty-five Christmas Day Dinners to elderly people who were on their own on Christmas Day. The delivery area included Barton and the surrounding villages including Goxhill. Barton Rotary Club has done this every Christmas since 1983.

We would like to thank those that came to help us and Rotarian's families who helped cook the meals. Tesco and their Community Champion Pip Bennett for their generous help, The White Swan Hotel who cooked the turkey for us and Trinity Methodist Church for allowing us to use their kitchen.

Chocolate Oranges were donated to the Caistor Road Viking Centre to help them with gifts for the children who attend their activities.

Recent donations were to The Barton Food Bank, the British Legion Poppy Appeal, Shelterbox, Barton Allotment Society, Young Carers, and The Trigeminal Neuralgia Association in memory of Rev Barrie Leah.

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#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARROW MERIDIAN

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the formation of The Rotary Club of Barrow Meridian and we celebrated this milestone with a charter dinner at The Haven Inn, Barrow Haven when we were again joined by guests/friends, some of whom were at our inaugural charter dinner in January 2012.

As life post Covid (?) returns to something approaching normal we have been able to hold our fundraising/social events and have been very busy.

#### **Curry Nights**

We held two curry nights in November, the first night in the restaurant and the following night, for those unable to attend, a takeaway night. These two evenings raised £1050 for the local MacMillan Cancer Support. We are once again indebted to the assistance and generosity of Faz at The Bengal Village, without whom these events would not be as successful as they are.

#### **Festive activities**

We were able to accompany Santa in his sleigh around the village in December and the reception/welcome we received from everyone (young and old alike) coupled with the generosity of donations was much appreciated. These donations enabled us



Presenting a cheque for £1050 to Macmillan Cancer Support which was raised at our curry night at Bengal Village!

to donate (amongst others) £250 to Barton Area Foodbank and a further £250 to "Christmas Hampers for Goxhill and surrounding Villages Appeal" organised by Christine Waldron.

Also in December we held our Christmas Fair in Barrow Market Place, to say that the weather was not kind to us would be an understatement as it rained heavily for most of the event and needless to say it stopped more or less as we were finishing!!

#### TWAM - Tools with a Mission

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#### A reminder

We are a small vibrant inclusive club made up of people from all walks of life, young and old who enjoy having fun and at the same time putting something back into our communities. If you are like-minded why not come and join us? I know that you will be made welcome. We normally meet twice a month on the first and third Wednesday at **Barrow Squash Club**. Similarly if you know of any individual/organisation that may benefit from our assistance please do let us know.

Simon Weightman (President) simon.weightman@outlook.com

#### DEADLINE FOR THE SUMMER EDITION OF THE GANDER

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**Short Award Presentation** With the Covid regulations forcing the Pub up Pub to cancel its planned Christmas opening, the ideal

opportunity to present the 2021 Short Award was sadly lost.



Sam England presented with the award by John Noton

So on the 8th January we finally managed to make the presentation to Sam England on behalf of himself and Lucy. John Noton, Treasurer of the Memorial Hall trustees and also Treasurer for the Gander, made the presentation of the Short Award certificate and a £50 Amazon voucher.

Sam was delighted to receive the award and said they had received lots of congratulations after it was announced in the Gander. But he was very keen to emphasise that he and Lucy were only the faces at the front of the Pop up Pub's success. He said "We couldn't do it without the tremendous support of all the amazing band of volunteer helpers, plus the residents of Goxhill and the support of the Memorial Hall Committee."

Sam also said, "How sorry we were to disappoint so many people by having to cancel the Christmas Pop up

Pub opening, especially as all the planning, preparations and stocking up had already been done. But we were very pleased how well the New Year do went with the strict Covid regulations we had to adhere to."

The Gander Team congratulate Sam & Lucy on winning the Short Award and thank all those who nominated them and the nominations for other residents of Goxhill, who all do so much for the village and deserve the recognition too.

So please make sure you get your Nomination Forms in when the 2022 Short Award comes round in the **Editor – Jeff Teasdale** Autumn.

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Delivery companies seem to manage most of the time to find locations as they visit the village so regularly, but the number of appeals for misdirected deliveries regularly on the Grapevine, shows it may still be a problem.

However there might be a need for help for others, especially the emergency services. Maps showing all house names could be useful, particularly avoiding delays being caused finding properties they have been called out to.

The same could apply to newcomers to the village and visitors.

In the past the Gander have produced 2 map booklets showing street names and house names. The first was produced many years ago and was a very thorough affair with a directory of all local and area businesses and services with addresses and contact

details, as well as maps. The most recent map booklet was produced in 2001.

At our recent Gander AGM, it was discussed whether a new one is needed now. Or

whether technology, such as mobile phones and SAT Navs,now do so much of the work finding addresses for us.

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#### HISTORY OF HORTICULTURE IN GOXHILL THE FIRST MARKET GARDENERS - ARTICLE 1

Articles published in recent editions of the Goxhill Gander have provided a wealth of information about Hawthorne Gardens (Goxhill) Ltd, those who ran the business (the Tyson and van den Bos families) and some of the people who worked there. The more I looked into the history of Market Gardening in Goxhill the more fascinating the story became.

#### Job Elletson Senior (1788-1865)

The earliest reference that I have found in Goxhill to 'Market Gardener' is a gentleman named Job Elletson. Job had been born in 1788 in Keyingham, Yorkshire. Keyingham lies about ten miles to the east of Hull, halfway between Hull and Patrington. Job married in Keyingham and I have found births for two children (Ann b. 1811 and John b. 1813) to Job and his first wife who was called Mary. Job had four children to his second wife who was also named Mary, three daughters and a son who was also named Job. His youngest child, a daughter named Mary Eve was born in Keyingham in 1830.

The next date of significance is the 1841 census when Job, his second wife Mary and only son Job were recorded living in Goxhill and he is listed as 'Gardener'. Job senior's oldest daughter Ann also appears to be elsewhere in Goxhill with possibly Mary Eve. Job's voungest daughter living with her. The Elletson family used very few given names and Job, Mary and Ann are repeated through many generations, so in early records it is very difficult to work out relationships.

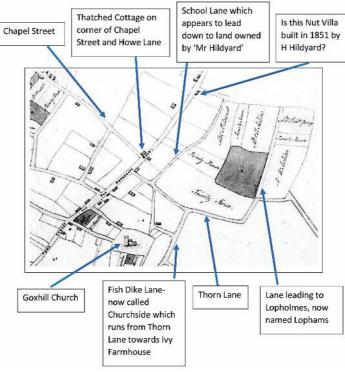
Lot 5.—All that COTTAGE or TENEMENT, situate in Goxhill aforesaid, with the Orchard or Croft thereto in Gorhill aloresaid, with the Orchard or Croft thereto, adjoining, containing by estimation One Acre, be the same more or less, well Stocked with thriving Fruit Trees, and now in the occupation of Job Elletson, bounded by Lands of Robert Bratow, North; Lands Dunded Burkinshaw, South; Lands of John Nelson, East; and the Town Street, West.

IN EAST-HALTON.

1842 advert for auction of Job Elletson's home in Goxhill published in Hull Packet dated 7 September 1842

In 1842 Job's rented home in Goxhill was listed for auction in the Hull Packet newspaper recording a Cottage with 'Orchard adjoining' of about one acre 'well stocked with thriving fruit trees'.

The reference to 'Town Street' is a generic term and often used to describe a number of streets in Goxhill however the



1852 Section of Tithes Map of Goxhill-PDF document gives my interpretation of roads and houses shown-Goxhill Gander archive

1852 Tithes Map does name a section of Howe Lane from Church Street going towards the Railway Station as Town Street and the section in the other direction towards the Marsh as The Horsegate Road. However I have seen other roads in the village recorded as 'Town Street' so it is not clear whether this is the area of the village where Job lived.

In the 1850 Slater's Directory Job Elletson is recorded under the Gardeners Section living in Goxhill. Then in the 1851 census the record shows him living immediately after Oswald Marriott, the vicar who was at the house now called 'The Old Vicarage' on Howe Lane. The 1861 census is vague and not easily interpreted. The record appears to jump around between the centre of the village and North End. The difficulty too is that during this period houses are being built (some have date stones to prove this) and so accurately determining where he was living is difficult.

Job Elletson died in Goxhill in 1865. His widow was referred to as 'Cottager' of 3 acres in the 1871 census. A Cottager refers to someone 'who leased a small plot of land with a cottage on it. The land was usually worked like a family vegetable plot and may have had a pen for a pig or a couple of sheep. ... Land tended to be passed on within the families'. Mary, Job's widow, was recorded again, living with her daughter Mary Eve and a granddaughter named Mary Ann Tharratt immediately after the Vicarage.

Mary Elletson, Mary Eve's mother died in 1875 and in the 1881 census Mary Eve is listed as a 'Cottager of 4 acres' again immediately after the Vicarage. The subsequent names in this census appear in later census records specifically in Chapel Street so it appears that the census enumerator worked down what is known now as Howe Lane from Chapel Street to the edge of the village before the Marsh. He returned then and re-started the record in Chapel Street. In the 1882 White's Directory and then in the 1891 census Mary Eve Elletson who is a single woman and aged 55 is listed as a Market Gardener.

Extract from 1882 White's Directory listing Mary Eve Elletson. Goxhill, Market

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Allen William Henry, New Market,
and Bracebridge Heath, Lincoln
Allison Abraham, Barrow, Hull
Andrew John, Bridge street, Deeping
St. James, Market Deeping
Applewhaite Allison, Washingbro', L
Atkinson William, Laceby, Grimsby
Baker Richd. Metheringham, Sleaford

Dawson George, New Market, and Bracebridge, Lincoln Dawson John, 6t. Steeping, Spileby Day John, Thurlby, Bourn Dibble George F. Blyton, Gainsbro' Dibble William F. Blyton, Gainsbro'

In order to work out where exactly she and her parents before her were living it is important to recognise that the village in 1891 was very different from the village today. Just walk through with me using a section of a map of Goxhill dated 1886. The census and the map (from the junction of Howe Lane and Chapel Street going towards the Marsh), lists Azubah Pinder. Azubah was one of the daughters of John Davey (senior). She lived at the house now named Northolme on Howe Lane. Northolme was previously known as Walnut Villa. After Azubah is Charles Robinson who lived at the cottage where

Springfield now stands. His home was known as 'Brickie Robinson's cottage'. Next on the census we have John Gilliatt Bell who lived opposite Brickie Robinson at a thatched cottage that stood on the corner of Chapel Street and Howe Lane.



John GIlliatt Bell photographed with his family outside the thatched cottage which stood on the corner of Chapel Street and Howe Lane

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After John Gilliatt Bell is Thomas Stamp. Thomas lived at the house now known as Churston but which was previously known as Meadow House.

John Hewitt is listed next. I believe that John Hewitt lived at the property, which was down School Lane which was owned by Trinity House and has long ago been demolished. The map appears to show a footpath from the back of Churston to John Hewitt's property and I have John Hewitt recorded specifically living in this house in the next census of 1901. After John Hewitt is the vicar Reverend William Seed at the Vicarage and then Mary Eve Elletson is recorded. After Mary Eve Elletson two more names are listed and then the census appears to restart in Chapel Street.

The 1886 map appears to show three properties after The Vicarage heading into The Marsh. Nut Villa is the first property which lies on the opposite side of the road. This house was built in 1851, there is a date stone above the first floor window which faces onto Howe Lane. Kees van den Bos, in his notes held in the Gander Archive, recorded that Nut Villa was built by 'H. Hildyard'. The 1894 Glandford Brigg Valuation List for Goxhill includes Mary Eve Elletson. It identifies the owner of the House, Building and Orchard she occupied as her brother Job Elletson. Mary Eve also occupied land owned by 'Horace N. Hildyard' and more land at Lopholmes owned by Job.



The first property is

referred to as a 'Machine

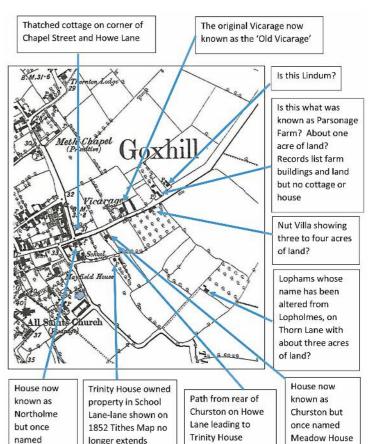
Shop' in the 1911 census

summary is followed by a

Private House.

I remember, as a child, brick buildings standing just after where the bungalow Highthorn is today. I wonder could the Machine Shop have once been Parsonage Farm, which would have been demolished long ago and modern houses sit on the plot now. The final property in this section would seem to be the house now extended and named Lindum.

It seems that Mary Eve Elletson was a prudent woman. The 1894 Valuation List shows that although she lived and worked the land at Nut Villa, which was owned by her brother, she had purchased two houses in the village. One of these houses was occupied by a Sarah Broughton and the other, apparently, standing empty. The 1897 Valuation List again shows Mary Eve owning two houses and some land. She is living in one of these houses and Sarah Broughton in the second. The record reflects the 1894 Valuation List recording the properties adjacent to the Sunday School room on Chapel Street. Further down the record Nut Villa is shown again owned by Job Elletson but now occupied by Walter Goodwin who was a Builder.



1886 Section of Map of Goxhill with my interpretation of roads and houses shown - Elizabeth Fincham

down to orchard at

Nut Villa

Walnut Villa

property on School

Lane

Mary Eve Elletson died at 82 Heneage Street in Grimsby on 28 September 1899 but her probate states that she was 'of Goxhill'. I was curious to try to work out who had lived at 82 Heneage Street so scoured the 1891 and 1901 census records. The occupants of the house were George and Mary Ann Oglesby. Mary Ann Oglesby was Mary Eve Elletson's niece who had been recorded living with Mary Eve and her mother in Goxhill in the 1871 census and she had married George Oglesby in the village in 1876.

So could I confirm which houses in Goxhill had been owned by Mary Eve Elletson? The 1901 Valuation Lists show that her brother Job, who had resided in Habrough since the 1881 census and was named in Mary Eve's probate, still owned four properties in Goxhill. One of these properties was Nut Villa occupied by Walter Goodwin but two of the other houses were occupied by Edward Nottingham and William Broughton. The 1901 census showed that Edward Nottingham lived next to the Sunday School room on Chapel Street in the houses now named Eastholme and that William Broughton lived in the adjacent house. This adjacent house has since been demolished along with other property and a modern home built on the plot in Chapel Street. The fourth house owned by Job Elletson, was occupied by Robert Janney who lived at the house named Cliffton in what is now Greengate Lane.

I am not a qualified historical researcher, just an individual with a fascination for the history of the village. I would welcome any information, viewpoints or questions concern ing what I have found so far.

In the next article on this subject I will detail those who followed Job Elletson and who worked alongside Mary Eve Elletson working as Market Gardeners in Goxhill.

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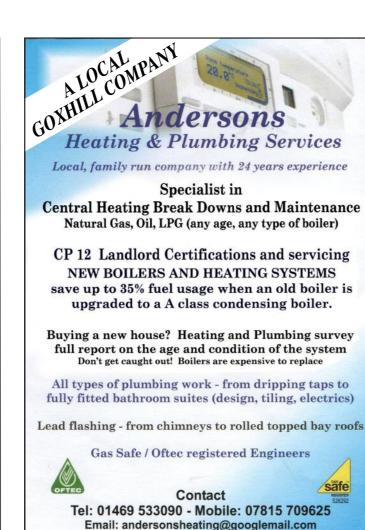
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