

the Gander

GOXHILL VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Summer 2014

'RAISE THE ROOF' COMMUNITY CAFE HELD AT GOXHILL SCHOOL

Goxhill School raised £1000 towards the Church's roof appeal with tea and cakes and entertainment from the children. More details on page 19.

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Frank Thompson, who sadly died in January this year at the incredible age of 101, was born just before the start of World War 1 (see a tribute to Frank on page 37).
He probably would not have known much about the war at the time, nor would any of us, first hand, as it was so long ago. But with so many lives lost in the 'War to end all Wars', every one of us is likely to have had a relative or friend who was involved on the battlefields of Europe in some way.

This year is 100 years since the start of the 'Great War' and there are national events of commemoration to mark this milestone, for such an enormous sacrifice by so many, should never be forgotten. Goxhill's own War Memorial to the fallen of both the first and second World Wars, is the Memorial Hall itself, opened in 1925, with the plaques on its wall featuring the names of all those from the village or with close connections to it, who died in these wars.

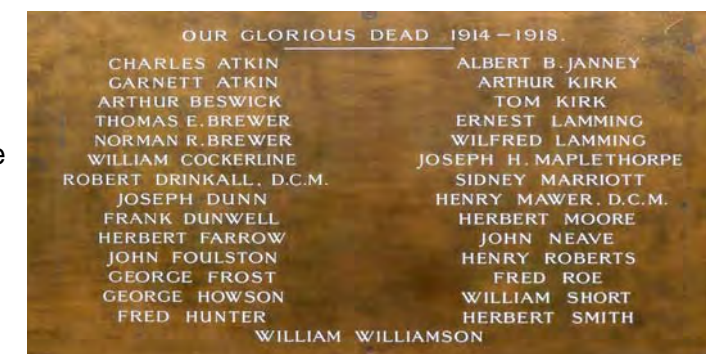
On pages 15 & 17, this list is reprinted with some additional information on their regiment, when and where they died and where they are buried, if known.

Behind every one of these names will be a story of bravery, even heroism, while doing their duty to protect our country. Each will have left behind wives, children, families, friends. Others, not listed, will have fortunately defied the odds and returned home, though many would have been injured or damaged by the experience.

DO YOU HAVE ANY STORIES OF GOXHILL RESIDENTS IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR?...

...that you would like to share, of a past member or friend of your family, involved in WW1. Whether it be heroic or sad, of camaraderie and events or personal experiences of the war, that have been handed down through the generations.

If so I would like to be able to print some of these memories in the next issue of the Gander, so our readers can experience the human stories behind the statistics, in order to understand more the effect on the lives of our village. In this way we can continue the important commemoration of the sacrifices made by so many to protect our future.



The Goxhill Gander AGM

At the AGM held on the 23rd April, the Gander Team agreed that we should publicly thank all those involved in the production of your village newsletter.

Our particular thanks go to all the unsung volunteers who deliver over 1000 copies of the Gander to all the houses and businesses in the parish. The Gander has grown over the years and is now a massive 48 pages, packed with news and stories and filled with advertisers (there is even a waiting list for advertising space). I hope this expansion means that you enjoy reading the Gander and that the information and services advertised in it, are of use to you. For that is the sole reason for its existence.

If you have any suggestions of other things you would like to see included, then please contact any member of the team below.
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LETTER FROM THE VICARAGE

There can't be many people in Goxhill who are unaware of the sad events over the Christmas / New Year period, that resulted in a considerable amount of lead being stolen from the church roof. I devoted my last letter in the Gander to this subject and feel it only appropriate to update our readers on developments over recent months.

The Church Council are extremely grateful to the Gander Team for including in the last issue a special leaflet detailing the 'Roof Appeal' which we had launched to try to address the challenge ahead of us. Thanks to their kindness we are confident that maximum awareness of the crisis has been enabled.

The Roof Appeal at Goxhill continues with events planned and an ongoing raffle. If you haven't managed to secure tickets yet for the raffle, which includes many excellent prizes donated by local businesses, please contact Margaret Goodhand on 530951 and she will be pleased to sell you some!

An appeal 'Gift Day' was held in church on April 2nd. Prior to this Goxhill Primary School had organised a 'Community Cafe' towards the appeal and following the initial various fund raising events and a number of very generous donations we had raised £9664-76. The PCC decided at an emergency meeting to have the south aisle roof felted as a temporary, but efficient, measure to make that part of the church watertight and, most importantly, to protect the organ. In time, of course, this will have to be re-roofed with steel as a permanent measure, but in the short term we do believe this was the best way forward.

Timescales for work on the roof is very restricted because the church has a bat population and these are a species protected by law, which precludes their disturbance during the nesting (i.e. summer) period. We have a window of opportunity in September and October to do more work before the bats hibernate, following which they must not be disturbed and it is hoped that by then we will have raised enough to re-roof the north aisle in steel.

In the meantime though the North Aisle is covered with polythene sheeting and the church wardens have the unenviable task of making sure it remains as watertight as possible. We anticipate that further fund raising and available resources will allow the north aisle (and if we are very fortunate, the south aisle) to be roofed in a form of stainless steel which is a recognised viable long term replacement for lead, but we do need help to achieve this.

The PCC is working very hard to ensure the long term future of the building but we do ask, if you are able, that you support the events and raffle or perhaps have a fundraising event of your own to help us. With the help of the community we can ensure that the building will remain for generations to come.

Rev John Girtchen

PAULINE BRAWN 1933 - 2014

Pauline Brawn started teaching at Goxhill School in 1969 and retired in 1995. Two of her former colleagues have written tributes to her.

I met Pauline Brawn in January 1974, when I took my 4 year old son for his first day in Reception at Goxhill School, then situated on Thorn Lane. She assured a tearful child and an anxious mother, that he would be perfectly alright in school, where he would soon settle and make good friends.... She was right, of course!

First my son and then my daughter were fortunate to have Pauline as their teacher and have fond memories of their time in her care.

Within a few years I too joined the teaching staff of Goxhill School, by now in its present premises, and occupied a classroom adjacent to Pauline's, separated by a folding "door" which gave us easy access to each other when required.

During my time there I found her to be unfailingly supportive of newer and less experienced colleagues. I have had reason to be grateful for her impartial advice and encouragement on a number of occasions.

Her professional integrity was second to none, inspiring respect and affection in both pupils and staff and she was a much valued colleague who, on retirement was greatly missed.

Barbara White (retired Teacher at Goxhill Primary School)

The current Headteacher, Staff and Governors of Goxhill School, send their condolences to Maurice and his family. Pauline was a fantastic teacher who influenced the lives of so many children in her 26 years at the school.

I had the pleasure of working with Pauline Brawn for over 10 years, so it was with sadness that I heard of her recent death. Pauline was in charge of the Y6 class at Goxhill Primary School, and was much admired, trusted and respected by colleagues, parents, governors and above all the children. Her quiet and relaxed manner allowed her to see the best in all children, and she took great pride in fostering all their skills and achievements.

She was a wise and sincere lady whose advice I always appreciated and took notice of. I remember her keen and correct concerns over the introduction of SATs and OFSTED and the impact it would have on children and staff.

For many years she was the piano player in assembly and on other school occasions, as well as coaxing the Christmas carols from the Church organ. I have fond recollections of Pauline and myself trying to get all the children to sing the notoriously difficult carol 'Joy to the World' with enthusiasm and power. She usually succeeded!

I know the children and staff who worked with Pauline over the years will remember her with great affection and our best wishes go to Maurice and family.

John Bailey (Headteacher Goxhill Primary School 1984-2001)



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Quiz Night

Friday 11th July 7.30pm Methodist Schoolroom.
 Admission £5 which includes supper.
 To book a team ring Jane 530962 or Sandra 530065

A Pate and Pimms Afternoon

Sunday 20th July from 2pm
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 Tickets available from Mrs Delie Simons 530630

Book Sale

Saturday 23rd August in aid of Goxhill Church Roof 9.30-12noon In the Vicars Room, Barrow.

Pop In

Join us for our monthly Pop In
 A time to chat over tea/coffee, and various refreshments, sometimes bacon butties! Second hand books, Fairtrade goods.
 10am – 12noon in the Chapel Schoolroom
 Saturdays 21st June, 19th July, 16th August, 20th September

Car Boot and Table Top Sale

Sat Sept 13th in the church car park. To book a space £5, contact Delie Simon 530630

Silent Auction

Friday 19th Sept in the Memorial Hall 7.00pm.
 Item and promises needed please contact Delie or Margaret 530630/530951. Tickets to include Pie and Pea supper with wine £5. Many Items already donated including deep fat fryer, electric sewing machine, Mabel Lily hat, puppet, Christmas cake, doll, champagne and chocolates. Can you add to these please to make this a huge success?

Wine Tasting Evening

Date for your diary - with Mike Ruddock
 14 th November in the Memorial Hall. Grand raffle to be drawn at this event.
 Raffle tickets £1 each available from The Post Office and most church members.
 For any further information, contact **Sandra Smith on 530065**

Auntie Wainwright's

We are once again asking for you support in donating any items you may not want for our Bric a Brac stall. We are a group of volunteers raising much needed money for repairs to the church. Our stocks are low so please take a look. Last year we raised over £100 on our stall for the church. Thank you to all those that have donated in the past, your efforts are appreciated.

The fete is held at the Memorial Hall 7th June so if we could have items before thank you.

If you have any Bric a Brac please contact:
 (Sorry we do not accept electrical items)

Janine 01469 531150 Justine 07977 955990

Goxhill Women's Institute

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

Future programme -

9th June visit by Athena Owls hopefully with an Owl
14th July a talk on Housekeeping thro' the Ages
5th July we are having Afternoon Tea in the Memorial Hall which is open to everyone please look out for posters with more details.

No meeting in August but on **8th September** we will be 'Felt Making' with Sue Hawksmoor.

The Luncheon Club

Meets at the Chapel at 12 noon on the second Wednesday of every month. If you would like to come along and share an excellent two-course meal and conversation, phone **Jane Arnott** on **530962** to book your place.

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As an interim measure and so the area does not become unmanageable members of Humber Conservation Volunteers have now embarked on a semi management plan to restore the green.

The first job has been cutting back the overgrown Hawthorne on the footpath with the eventual aim of laying it in the autumn.

The second job has been mowing the grassed footpath thus allowing persons to walk and enjoy the green for what is intended.

Our third job has been filling some of the potholes in the walkways with crushed stone.

All this work so far has been completed by volunteers from outside the village excluding obviously myself and my wife.

Should you wish to join the conservation volunteers on any of their activities, these include, tree planting, brush cutting, hedge laying, tree identification, wildflower identification along with moth/butterfly/insect identification then please contact me on **07775775853** and you will be made most welcome. **Mike Gathercole**

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Many thanks, **George Turner.**

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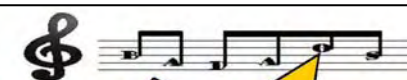
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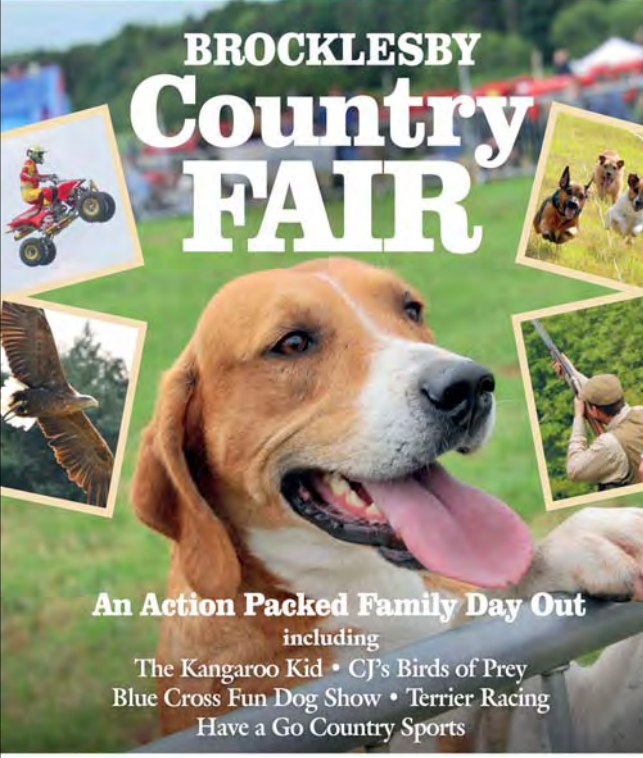
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17th Barton Arts Festival 2014

The Festival has something for everyone with a fantastic programme of events starting on 22nd June, including music, poetry, comedy, theatre, film and an open art exhibition.

Festival programmer Liz Bennet says she will not be missing jazz guitarist Martin Taylor, one of the best guitarists of a generation, who has recorded over 20 albums with the French jazz violin legend Stephane Grappelli.

Other highlights include something new for Barton; Young Opera Venture from Leeds, who will be performing highlights from four favourite operas.

For theatre lovers Wilderspin National School is hosting 'Warnings to the Curious' and Ropery Hall has 'The Trials of Oscar Wilde'. The week concludes with a performance by Bash Street Theatre in Baysgarth Park.

Sunday 22 June 3.30pm (gates open at 2.30pm)
Illyria presents Macbeth

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Friday 27 June 7.30pm

European Arts present The Trial of Oscar Wilde
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Saturday 28 to Sunday 6 July
North Lincolnshire Print Open

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Saturday 28 to Sunday 6 July
Open Art Exhibition

The Lecture Hall, Trinity Church, Chapel Lane. Daily 10.30am - 4.30pm - Entry £1.50
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Saturday 28 June 8pm

Miranda Sykes and Rex Preston

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Saturday 28 June 8pm

Martin Taylor and Alison Burns

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Sunday 29 June 7.30pm

Lindsey Chamber Orchestra

St Mary's Church, Burgate - £7 (under 18's £2)
With guest soloist on the organ Geoff Brown the orchestra will play a programme of Bach, Handel, Holst, Nielsen, Parry and Giannini.

Monday 30 June 7.30pm

Monday Night at the Movies

Ropery Hall, Maltkiln Road - £8. A throwback to an earlier age of cinema. Pianist Kieran White will play his original piano score written to accompany Buster Keaton's silent classic, The General. It is a gag driven, hugely funny, second by second musical mapping of the onscreen antics being watched.

Tuesday 1 July 7pm

The Graham Saunders Lecture: Music of the WW1

Wilderspin School, Queen Street - £4
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Tuesday 1 July 7pm

Barton Muse

Upstairs at the Old Mill

An evening of poetry and verse from the Barton poets with guests from the Stitchwort Poets of Grimsby.

Thursday 3 July 7.30pm

Young Opera Venture present Opera Appetizers

Trinity Church, Chapel Lane - £12 (under 18's £2)
A brilliant introduction for new audiences and an evening of pleasure for aficionados The Magic Flute – Mozart, Carmen – Bizet, The Merry Wives of Windsor – Nicolai, Così fan tutte – Mozart.

Friday 4 July 8pm

Fake Thackray presents Lah Di Dah - The Rise, Demise and Songs of Jake Thackray

Ropery Hall, Maltkiln Road - £12 in advance £14 on the door. Funny, witty, satirical, fiercely intelligent songs combined with Jake's life story in his own words.

Saturday 5 July 10am - 12.30pm

St. Mary's Garden Party - Free Entry

Saturday 5 July 7.30pm

Best Cellar presents Warnings to the Curious: The Ghost Stories of M. R. James

Wilderspin School, Queen Street - £7
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Sunday 6 July 2pm

Barton Tourism Partnership presents Bash Street Theatre performing The Strongman

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Charles ATKIN, Private 240816, 5th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Died of wounds 22 September 1918. Born and enlisted Grimsby, resident Goxhill. Buried in ROISEL COMMUNAL CEMETERY EXTENSION, Somme, France.

Garnett ATKIN, Private 11136, 7th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Died of wounds 16 February 1916. Born Thoresway, enlisted Grimsby, resident Goxhill. Buried in LIJSSENTHOEK MILITARY CEMETERY, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

Arthur BESWICK, Private 201936, 4th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Died of wounds 23 March 1918. Born Croxton, Lincs, enlisted Hull, resident Goxhill. Buried in DERNANCOURT COMMUNAL CEMETERY EXTENSION, Somme, France.

Thomas Edison BREWER, Second Lieutenant, 55th Squadron, Royal Flying Corps. Died 12 June 1918. Born Tow Law, Co. Durham, enlisted Sunderland, resident Durham. Buried in CHARMES MILITARY CEMETERY, ESSEGNEY, Vosges, France. His father William Thomas, moved to Goxhill with his family, to be the schoolmaster.

Norman Reginald BREWER, Private 20/257, 20th Battalion, Durham Light Infantry. Killed in action 21 September 1917. Brother of above. No known grave. Commemorated on TYNE COT MEMORIAL, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

William COCKERLINE, Private 15616, 1st Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Died of wounds 26 June 1916. Aged 31. Born Weston, Leeds, enlisted Hull. Son of Geo. and Leah Cockerline, of Weeton, Hull. Buried in CORBIE COMMUNAL CEMETERY EXTENSION, Somme, France.

Robert DRINKALL, D.C.M. Serjeant 9884, 3rd Battalion, Worcestershire Regiment. Killed in action 7 June 1915. Aged 23. Born Woodhall, Horncastle, enlisted Lincoln, resident Goxhill. Son of John and Ellen Drinkall, of North End, Goxhill. Awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal (D.C.M.). No known grave. Commemorated on YPRES (MENIN GATE) MEMORIAL, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

Joseph DUNN, Sapper 164772, 509th Field Company, Royal Engineers. Killed in action 21 March 1918. Aged 35. Born and resident Goxhill, enlisted Hull. Son of the late George and Mary Dunn, of Goxhill. No known grave. Commemorated on ARRAS MEMORIAL, Pas de Calais, France.

Frank DUNWELL, Private 22634, 2nd Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Killed in action 23 October 1915. Born Ulceby, enlisted Lincoln, resident Goxhill. No known grave. Commemorated on PLOEGSTEERT MEMORIAL, Hainaut, Belgium.

Herbert FARROW, Private 12/1535, 11th Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment. Died of wounds 11 July 1918. Aged



Some of the pupils at Goxhill School with the help of Viv Sharland, created their own Memorial to those who died in the 1914-18 war.

34. Born Goxhill, enlisted Hull. Husband of Rosa Farrow, of Goole. Buried in LONGUENESSE (ST. OMER) SOUVENIR CEMETERY, Pas de Calais, France.

John [William] FOULSTON, Driver T/324930, Royal Army Service Corps. Died 26 October 1918. Aged 28. Born, resident and enlisted Grimsby. Son of John and Selina Foulston, of Great Grimsby; husband of Alice Foulston, of 78, Oundle Rd., Woodstone, Peterborough. Buried in ABBEVILLE COMMUNAL CEMETERY EXTENSION, Somme, France.

George FROST, No further information currently available.

George HOWSON, Mess Room Steward, S.S. "Tycho" (Hull), Mercantile Marine. Drowned, as a result of an attack by an enemy submarine when his ship was torpedoed 20 May 1917. Aged 17. Son of Albert and Jane Elizabeth Howson, of 6, Church St., Goxhill. No known grave. Commemorated on TOWER HILL MEMORIAL, London.

Fred HUNTER No further information currently available.

Albert Butler JANNEY, Private 13/705, 13th Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment. Killed in action 13 November 1916. Born Thornton Curtis, enlisted Hull. No known grave. Commemorated on THIEPVAL MEMORIAL, Somme, France.

Arthur KIRK, Gunner 294667, 146th Heavy Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery. Killed in action 25 September 1917. Born Goxhill, enlisted Hull. Son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Kirk, of Ing's Lane, Barton-on-Humber. Native of Goxhill Marsh. Buried in YPRES RESERVOIR CEMETERY, West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

Tom KIRK, No further information currently available.

Ernest LAMMING, Corporal 240710, "C" Company, 1/5th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Killed in action 20 June 1917. Aged 23. Born Melton Ross, enlisted Grimsby, resident Goxhill. Son of Mr. W. and Mrs. F. Lamming, of "Westgate," Station Rd, Goxhill. Buried in LOOS BRITISH CEMETERY, Pas de Calais, France.

Wilfred LAMMING, Private 17/1438, 17th Battalion (N.E.R. Pioneers), Northumberland Fusiliers. Killed in action 26 January 1916. Enlisted Hull. Buried in AUTHUILE MILITARY CEMETERY, Somme, France.

Joseph Henry MAPLETHORPE, Private 12560, 8th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Killed in action 3 July 1916. Aged 21. Born East Halton, enlisted Grimsby, resident Habrough. Son of George Croft Mapplethorpe and Hannah Elizabeth Mapplethorpe, of Church End, East Halton. No known grave. Commemorated on THIEPVAL MEMORIAL, Somme, France.

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Sidney MARRIOTT, No further information currently available.

Henry 'Harry' MAWER, D.C.M. Private 201820, 1/4th Battalion, East Yorkshire. Died of wounds 23 April 1917. Born and enlisted Hull, resident Goxhill. Awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal (D.C.M.). No known grave. Commemorated on ARRAS MEMORIAL, Pas de Calais, France.

Herbert MOORE, Deck Hand 16789/DA, H.M.S. Victory, Royal Naval Reserve. Died from disease 9 November 1918. Aged 33. Born 7 October 1884 in Killingholme. Husband of Francis Bernice Moore, of Church St, Goxhill. Buried in ALL SAINTS CHURCHYARD, GOXHILL. Old ground.

John NEAVE, Stoker 1st Class K/36517, H.M.S. Torrent, Royal Navy. Died 23 December 1917. Aged 37. Born 29 September 1880 at Brigg. Son of Septimus and Elizabeth Neave, of Goxhill, husband of Minnie Neave, of Saxby-All-Saints, and Flon Villa, Worlaby. No known grave. Commemorated on PORTSMOUTH NAVAL MEMORIAL, Hampshire.

Henry ROBERTS, No further information currently available.

Frederick 'Fred' ROE, Private 71, 10th Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Killed in action 28 April 1917. Aged 25. Born Goxhill, enlisted Grimsby. Son of William Roe, who ran a family carpentry firm in Church End. Buried in CRUMP TRENCH BRITISH CEMETERY, FAMPOUX, Pas de Calais, France.

William SHORT, Lance Corporal 15173, 1st Battalion, Lincolnshire Regiment. Killed in action 6 November 1918.

Born Scunthorpe, enlisted Grimsby, resident Barrow-on-Humber. Buried in BERLAIMONT COMMUNAL CEMETERY EXTENSION, Nord, France.

Herbert SMITH, No further information currently available.

William WILLIAMSON, No further information currently available.

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The Drawing Room at Brocklesby Hall as a 'Hospital Ward' during the 1914-18 war. Lady Yarborough is 1st on the right. Picture supplied by Maurice Barrick

If any one has any interesting stories of Goxhill relatives, in the 1st World War, I would love to be able to include them in the next issue of the Gander, to continue this remembrance.

Thanks Jeff Teasdale, Editor

GNEWS FROM GOXHILL NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Whilst the following is far from being an entirely new scam, we have been alerted by Safer Neighbourhoods that it was in use in North Lincolnshire during April. This therefore is a reminder of how it works so that you can avoid becoming caught up in it.

- A parcel or package - typically containing mobile phones - is delivered by a legitimate courier company. Assuming that the householder agrees to sign for the package they will shortly be visited by the scammer, who might even have been watching from a car and waiting for the delivery to take place.
- The scammer's pitch will be to ask whether a package they were expecting has been delivered to the householder by mistake. They might well say that they live close by or have just moved in nearby and the wrong delivery address must have been used by the supplier.
- The mobile phones were purchased online using a stolen credit card and the scammer needed a delivery address that could not be traced back to them. The scammer then sells the mobile phones and that is how they make their money.

Hopefully in Goxhill we all know our neighbours sufficiently well to identify a stranger, and our use of

house names rather than numbers weakens the "wrong address" excuse used by the scammer. However, assuming that you fell for their story then, at best, you would subsequently be faced with having to explain your innocent role in it all. So, if you receive a package at your address that you have not ordered, do one of the following:

- The best course of action is to simply tell the delivery driver that it is not yours and politely tell them to take it back.
- Should you only realise after signing for the parcel that it is not something you have ordered, contact the courier or supplier detailed on the labelling and arrange for them to take it back. It should not cost you anything and it is their responsibility to collect it or provide you with a free means of returning it.
- If for any reason you are faced with a caller (scammer) wanting "their package" and feel unable to refuse then, without putting yourself at any risk, try to remember what the person who collected the package looks like and the registration of their car if possible. Whether you manage that or not, contact the police on 101 immediately the scammer has left.

For this and similar tips and advice, please see our website at <http://gnew-goxhill.clubbz.com> and join free of charge to receive bulletins or warnings that the police and other local agencies send us.

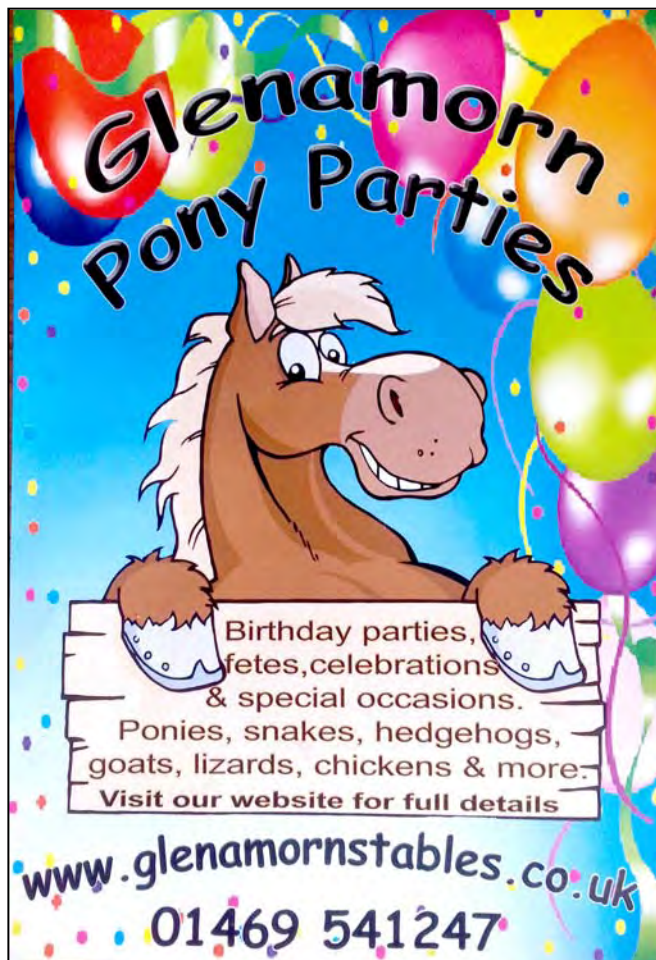
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GOXHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL REPORT

What a difference a year makes!!!! I am coming to the conclusion that it is so hard to plan or predict for the coming year as things change so quickly. It's hard to believe that this time last year in the first summer installment for the Goxhill Gander that I was informing you of our involvement in the consultation for the Federation with East Halton School. And following on from our very recent and very well attended Parent



Children investigating 3D nets

Consultation meetings, questions from some of you wanted to know how the Federation has impacted on us and the day to day running of Goxhill. Despite some initial hurdles and alot of hard work from everyone involved, the federation has certainly enabled our staff at Goxhill to grow, first of all in experience and not just for our management team!! And also, we have

grown in numbers too. The Federation has given us the opportunity to provide some work for other members of our school community, which we would not have been able to offer as a standalone school. The Local Authority have been really supportive and helped to make sure that the process was managed so that there was as little upheaval to all involved. I hope too as parents that you have not had to feel any negative impact and that you see that Goxhill has continued to function to an exceptionally high level as was always the norm.

With particular reference to your views from the parent questionnaires (which a very high percentage of you completed at the parents' evenings), It is very apparent that the majority of you, as parents, feel that our school is a highly thought of and hard working school in which your children are well provided for and looked after. Thank you so much for all of your kind comments.

Starting with those events which have been most recent - we had a very successful Easter Egg Trail organised and run by some of our parents in ours PiPs committee. Our parents worked so hard to make a special day for all of the children who took part and I would like to thank them for their generosity in time and effort as they managed to raise £577 for School Funds. It was a great day and equally could not have been as successful without the very generous contributions of



Equine Assisted Therapy sessions - an extra curricular enrichment activity

Easter eggs from a number of contributors. The businesses that donated eggs for the Easter Egg trail were:

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I hope next year's trail will be even better; we always welcome additional help from parents who may have time to help us in the future.

We also had an immensely successful 'Raise the Roof' Community Cafe day to raise funds for the Church roof repair after the recent lead thefts. This day coupled with raffles at the Year 5 Spring performance, we managed to round up the total collected to a nice round £1000. We really love these opportunities to 'open' up our school to the village and feedback from those of you who have come along to enjoy the refreshments, reflects a mutual feeling!



Year 3 children visited the Jorvik Dig as a part of their Spring term topic - the Vikings

At our school we really try to be unique in our provision for our many different learners to help with their engagement, confidence and self esteem. Over the rest of the summer term some of our children will get the

opportunity to participate in some Equine Assisted Therapy classes and some will be welcoming Mac the dog into school to read him stories.

Children in year 4 and 5, have already worked with a Shakespearean specialist in recreating The Tempest, whilst all of the children in school enjoyed an afternoon where 'Captain Grammaticus' entertained us with 'Let's eat Grandma.'

Our Year 4 children have also just completed an extensive eight week swimming programme at

the Baysgarth Leisure centre and will be celebrating their successes at a specially arranged swimming party at the end of May.

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Year 6 children enjoying tennis lessons

One big event coming up (for which we hope the weather will be kind to us) is **Sports Day on Thursday 12th June**. We are going to have a number of races and competitive events for children to take part in and of course there will be a parents' race! We welcome other members of our village to an afternoon, which I'm hoping will be a great success and much fun for the children.

Here are some thoughts and memories of Goxhill from our year 6 children:

Year 6 has been exciting and fun, made us nervous and been hard work... but most of all it has prepared us for our next stage in life, as we go to our new secondary schools. I have had a great experience at Goxhill Primary School: especially this year being Head Boy and I'm about to do my SAT'S in under a week. It's all been brilliant right from the beginning, as I joined in Foundation. All the teachers have been very heart-warming over the years and generous and so have the pupils. Even though the year is nearly over we still have the residential and SAT'S party to look forward to. Goxhill has been a great experience for me and I hope Vale will be as good for me. Thank you Goxhill – I will miss you.

By Sid Brown

My Memories of Goxhill Primary School

Year Six is the best year in school. Admittedly, like everything, it has pros and cons. Pros being getting to sit on chairs in assembly, getting prefect badges, and doing fun things after your SATs. Also, we get to do a leavers' play, which should be really fun. The cons being SATs and really hard work!! Year Six is not the only good thing about Goxhill though. We have had some really cool teachers, like Mrs Doherty and Miss Thorburn. As well as all this, some of the after school clubs are amazing. Personally, football club isn't for me, but knitting club and cooking club (both of which I go to) I really enjoy. So all in all, in my opinion, Goxhill School is amazing, and I've had a really good time going there. But even though I love it here, I have to go to secondary school at Caistor Grammar School, which will be a big stage in my life. I'm quite excited about going there, but I'm quite nervous as well. One minute I'm a big kid at the top of the school, next I'm one of the littlies again! But to be honest, it's just another step in the big journey of life, and I'll be moving on again before I know it.

By Hannah Scott

MY TIME AT GOXHILL SCHOOL

While I have been at Goxhill I have found that my levels are higher than they were before I came here in

This is a special time in school as we get ready for Year 6 SATs week, which will be over by the time you are reading this edition. Year on year we acknowledge just how hard our children are working towards this final hurdle in their primary education. Not only do they have a long week filled with tests and assessments but also they face the prospect of moving on to a new but exciting phase of their lives, when they start secondary school in September. I cannot speak highly enough of this year's year 6 class and the efforts they have made to really rise to all of the challenges they have been faced with. They are a lovely group of children and it has been a real pleasure for all of us to get to know them and their families. We couldn't be more proud!

All of our thoughts and prayers are going to little Hollie Goodwin, who is one of the bravest people we know and love. Hollie is working hard to get better and we can't wait to see her back at school sometime very soon.

Thank you to all of our parents and community who have given us support over the course of this year.

See you all at the **Summer Fair** also, on

Saturday 21st June.

Miss C Breslin

Year 6. I am now working at a Level 6 in reading and maths. I also achieved a Level 6 in a practice SPAG paper. I am a pupil from East Halton School. I've been at Goxhill since the end of January. I've found that I've made a lot more friends that are going to Baysgarth and so that will help me in September. I've enjoyed my time here and I now feel a lot more confident with my SATs. I now know that going up into a bigger School isn't anything to be scared or worried about. I also think that while I have been here my personality has changed as I use to be scared to talk to a lot of people but now I'm not as scared as I was. As East Halton is such a small school I wouldn't have had the opportunities to do some of the things you get to do here. I would like to say thank you to Miss Breslin for bringing us to Goxhill and to Mrs Kell for helping me prepare for my SATs.

By Olivia Reeve

MY TIME AT GOXHILL SCHOOL

While I've been at Goxhill I have seen my levels go up and some of the questions I found hard are now easy. I have made a lot of new friends and now I am less nervous about my SATs. First, I was scared of going from a small school to a big school but I have had a lot of fun here. I wish I could go to East Halton for the morning and Goxhill for the afternoon! I am going to miss lots of people when I leave. Thank you everyone for been so kind to me and thank you Miss Breslin for letting me come here.

By Amos

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From One Wedding to Another!

So spring has burst upon us and since I last wrote, new people have arrived in the village and old friends have moved on, and in the midst of early spring some very unkind people chose to steal the lead from the church roof.

I gather the value of the theft was about £2,000 yet the damage will cost around £50,000 to repair. Whether you are a church regular or not, whether you have a faith or not, the historical building that is All Saints Church Goxhill, needs all ours help. The supportive spirit that is in Goxhill means that a lot of money has already been raise or committed and, at the time of writing this, I gather £30,000 still needs to be found. Perhaps a few pounds per household...?

The missing lead from the church roof has not 'dampened' spirits though. A temporary felt has been laid and plans to repair the roof with an alternative to lead will commence later this year and I am delighted to report, that thanks to the fantastic efforts of the team at the church, led by the Rev. John Girtchen, made sure that no rain made it through during the fantastic wedding of our daughter Helen to Dave Harding on 25th April.

So also that led to the first event of the year in our garden, a post-wedding celebration the day after and many of the garden's flowers had bloomed in time to add their presence to the event. Many thanks for all the feedback about the garden from all those who stroll by and stop to chat.

During the next part of the year, there are more open garden events planned, so watch out for those too.

And so, by the next time I write our second daughter Jody will have been married too - yes, two weddings in one year!

What a year this is turning out to be, the circle of life is showing itself throughout; friends local and afar have passed on; new life has come into the world; and new couples step out on their big adventure that is a life together.

May you all have a great and healthy summer and Gill and I look forward to seeing you at some point.

Gary Payne



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The Road to Nowhere

I live in the village of Goxhill but I have no ancient connection with the village having been born in Northamptonshire so I can consider the place for what it is and without sentiment. I had never seen a place like this before I came here and did not recognise its unique character until I had lived here for many years. It is a very fortunate and quite unusual village because it is on the road to nowhere. You do not find Goxhill as you travel through the village on the way to somewhere else. We have no major roads and no route through the village, you do not come upon us by chance, and if you want to visit Goxhill you must leave the main roads and follow the sign posts that will bring you to our village.



This does not mean that we are isolated for at the southern edge of the parish but not in the populated area we have the commuter route between the towns and villages along which the people of Barton, Barrow, and Hull travel to work at the ports and refineries of Killingholme and Immingham. This is our bypass but it is also our connection with the rest of the world, and mighty convenient it is, from it we have access to the city and towns on both banks of the River Humber where work and employment can be found. This helps us to develop an understanding that most of us will have to travel from the village to our work and so we look outwards to the rest of the world.

We do not travel far along our country roads before we reach the dual carriageways of the motorways and major roads but here again we are fortunate because the towns and their surrounding villages in North and North East Lincolnshire do not obstruct these important routes. Scunthorpe and Grimsby and Cleethorpes are served by roads connecting the United Kingdom to Europe, they use these roads to import and provide raw materials for the rest of the country and carry the manufactured goods to market and they offer services to travellers upon them. This is not only of particular importance to the ports of Grimsby and Immingham, to the refineries and to the new development of Able Marine at Killingholme but also to the many industries established in the estates to the West of Grimsby. There is a convenient roundabout on either the M180 or the A180 to give access to Scunthorpe, Brigg, The Humber Bridge, to the South Bank industries and to Grimsby and Cleethorpes.

How different this is to the situation of Hull on the North bank. The town developed hundreds of years ago in a small walled area at the point where the river Hull flowed into the Humber. On the banks of these rivers were built the Quays and Warehouses

through which the commerce of the town first grew. Hull was once the shopping centre for Goxhill. In the years before there were good roads the people of the village went by boat from the haven to buy timber, coal and manufactured goods. Enclosed docks with locks were built by the side of the Humber to enable ships to enter on the high tide and to be worked throughout the day. The town prospered as it carried on the trade of fishing and the import and export of timber, wool, fruit and similar goods. The port facilities were ideal for the

smaller cargo and passenger vessels of the time but as provision had to be made for the present day larger vessels they became redundant. The motorway and the roads to the city were built but they encountered a problem. Over the years the town had grown to become a city, its boundaries spread to join up with the

surrounding villages and towns to form a great conurbation and the roads had to pass through the city to get to the new deep water docks and jetties. Development to the east of Hull is strangled by the city itself.

A new motorway has been proposed to extend the M11 to the Humber Bridge. This has met with some opposition in Lincolnshire where it was felt that the motorway would not go to Lincoln, Kings Lynn or Boston and Spaulding, the towns of Lincolnshire. This is simply to misunderstand the purpose of a motorway. They do not go to towns but pass by so that from their elevated roundabouts there is access to the towns without delay to the rest of the traffic. Motorways are indeed roads to nowhere which enable people to get everywhere.

We are told that the development of the Able Marine site at Killingholme will be upon a massive scale. This will bring with it work and construction of new housing and industrial sites throughout the area and will we hope provide prosperity for the future. Let us hope that councils and planning authorities will ensure that our motorway and road services are not impeded and can if required be widened or up graded to accommodate the needs of the future. Let us not overlook matters closer to home. Our own little bypass will become busier and joining it at the cross roads, may become difficult during the rush hours, a roundabout may be needed. There is also that disused railway line that may be revived, keep an eye on that! Undoubtedly, because Goxhill is the best place to live, there will be an increase in the population and some new facilities will be required. Our parish council will become of great importance as it becomes necessary to ensure that whilst the village takes part in the growth it is not destroyed by it. I think the Goxhill Parish Council may need to appoint a Development Minister.

Maurice Brawn

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CHEF & FOOD FEATURES EDITOR

So... Is Eating Chocolate Good For You?

It's many people's favourite vice but if the latest evidence is to be believed then the last thing you should feel when you secretly tuck into a chunk of chocolate is guilty.

In this issue I've researched all you need to know about chocolate and reveal why we should all happily and healthily indulge in the sweet treat...

The facts about chocolate

Scientists have revealed that eating chocolate in reasonable amounts makes you feel emotionally better and so improves the smooth running of your body's endorphins. Apparently eating chocolate, in moderation I might add, even protects against heart disease.

Chocolate makes you live longer - Researchers at Harvard University in the U.S. studied 8,000 men for 65 years and found that those who ate modest amounts of chocolate up to three times a month lived almost a year longer than those who didn't eat any. They concluded that this is likely to be due to the fact that cocoa contains antioxidants called polyphenols, also found in red wine, which prevent the oxidation of harmful cholesterol. Antioxidants are also known to protect against cancer.

Chocolate is good for stress, this is thought to be because it contains valeric acid, which is a relaxant and tranquilliser. Also, the sugar in chocolate may reduce stress - sugar has been shown to have a calming and pain-relieving effect on babies and animals because sweet tastes activate the opiate-like substances in our brain.

We all know that chocolate makes us feel better. There are a number of scientific reasons for this. The smell of chocolate has been found to slow down brain waves, making us feel calm. Most of the time our brains are dominated by beta waves - normal waking frequency. When our brain activity slows to alpha waves, we experience a pleasant feeling of calm but alert relaxation. Also, because most of us find eating chocolate so pleasurable, we release endorphins that have similar pharmacological actions as morphine, acting as pain-relievers and giving us a sense of well-being.

Chocolate does not give you spots although many teenagers blame chocolate for their acne, there's no scientific data to confirm this link. Scientists at Missouri University even gave spot-prone subjects chocolate to eat and observed their skin for the next week with no effect. Nutritionists say that chocolate does not make you put on weight. You can't blame any single food on

weight gain. So long as you don't eat more calories than you burn off, you won't get fat.

Chocolate could boost concentration, this can occur for example if you eat it mid-afternoon, when

blood sugar levels get a bit low. Chocolate has a reasonably low glycaemic index which means it gives long-lasting energy because it doesn't raise blood sugar too quickly. For example, a typical bar of chocolate has a GI of 70 compared with 73 for a bowl of cornflakes. This means a chocolate bar will keep you going for longer. Also, chocolate is a good source of chromium, which helps control blood sugar because it is involved in making glucose available in the body.

Chocolate helps us digest milk, this means it is good for those who are lactose intolerant. Researchers at

Rhode Island University have shown that cocoa stimulates activity of the enzyme lactase in the intestine. We need this to digest lactose, the sugar found in milk. Lactose intolerant patients showed a reduction in bloating, cramping and diarrhoea when one-and-a-half teaspoons of cocoa were added to a cup of milk.

Chocolate boosts the appetite, this could be because it contains cannabinoid-like substances that are known to affect the hypothalamus, the part of the brain that controls hunger. This isn't ideal if you're on a diet but for those who need to put on weight or who are convalescing, chocolate could be just what you need to

help get your appetite back.

Chocolate can make you more alert as it contains a stimulant called theobromine, a caffeine-like substance that is thought to make us more alert. Theobromine doesn't have the side effects of giving us the jitters, like caffeine, and chocolate contains only minute amounts of caffeine. A mug of coffee has about 85mg compared with just 1mg in three squares of chocolate.

Chocolate is nutritious, a 50g bar of plain chocolate contains 1.2mg of iron, and 45mg of magnesium and milk chocolate is a reasonable source of calcium - a 50g bar contains 110mg. However, we'd need to eat about seven bars to get the recommended daily allowances of these minerals.

Now that I've helped you rid those guilty thoughts of eating the nation's favourite treat, here's a couple of fabulous recipes to indulge in; **chocolate fondant pudding and chocolate ice cream** to hit the spot. Enjoy every lasting and luscious spoon full!

Happy Cooking

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Chocolate Fondant Pudding

Ingredients

85g caster sugar

150g butter, chopped, plus extra for greasing

150g dark chocolate (70% cocoa solids), roughly chopped

3 free-range egg yolks

3 whole free-range eggs

1 tbsp plain flour

Method

Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/Gas 4. Grease 4 small dariole moulds.

Place the sugar, butter and chocolate into a heatproof bowl over a pan of simmering water.

Heat very gently until the butter and chocolate have melted, then remove from the heat. Whisk together until combined.

Add the egg yolks and whole eggs and beat well.

Fold in the flour.

Pour into the dariole moulds and place in the fridge to chill for at least 20-25 minutes.

Remove from the fridge and place onto a baking tray. Put straight into the oven and cook for 8-9 mins.

Allow to rest for a minute or two and then turn out onto individual serving plates and serve.



Chocolate Ice Cream

Ingredients

250g plain chocolate

100g unsalted butter

150g caster sugar

150ml water

4 large eggs, yolks only

500ml double cream

Method

Break up the chocolate and place with the unsalted butter in a warmish oven for about 15 minutes.

Remove and stir until melted and blended together.

Over a low heat dissolve the sugar in the water then turn up the heat and boil rapidly for a few minutes to get a light syrup. It's ready before the syrup takes any colour, when a little dropped on to a cold plate forms a thread when stretched between finger and thumb. Leave the mixture to cool for just a minute.

Place the egg yolks in a basin and begin whisking (ideally with an electric whisk), trickling in the hot syrup as you go. Continue whisking until the mixture is thick and mousse-like. Whisk in the cream. Then fold in the melted chocolate and butter until thoroughly blended. Then pour the mixture into an ice cream machine and churn until frozen.

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PARISH COUNCIL

WEBSITE Hopefully by the time you get to read this our Web page will be up and running www.goxhillparish-council.co.uk Not all the pages are finished but as with everything the PC is responsible for, it is your facility, so let the council know what you want on the site.

CEMETERY The Parish Council owns the field at the rear of the cemetery. Recently, following on from a recommendation from the Parish Council, a group of volunteers from Barton Rotary, namely Ann Leaning, Ted Treasure, John Leaning, David Lea, David Witter, also other volunteers from the village, Mike Knapp, Mike Gathercole, Freda Dunkley, Dave Whitmore, Sam England, Ray Barwick, Liz Hayes and Val Gorbett were able to plant over 120 tree's on the perimeter of the field, through a donation from Barton Rotary. It is the intention of the Parish Council to open an access point via the cemetery into the field, in order for the public to be able to walk around the site. Eventually the field will be turned into a rest area, with benches placed around, allowing visitors to the cemetery to enjoy the open area. The Parish Council would like to thank all those who attended and helped, as the saying goes, more hands make light work. How true.

MILLENNIUM GREEN Many people in the village enjoy this open area facility. However to keep the millennium green with it's open space, it needs assistance from YOU as a user. It is practically run by a small group of trustees who urgently need new people to sit on the trust that meets at least twice yearly. This trust is responsible for forming a separate management group to guide and manage volunteers who assist with the general upkeep of the area. Just recently, the millennium green has had a group of volunteers mainly from outside the village, who have perform essential roles, such as hedge cutting, clearing paths, cutting grass away from paths and to repair existing paths. This is only a few to mention. CAN YOU join a group as a trustee management committee or even a volunteer in

this task? Your millennium needs you urgently.

ALLOTMENTS Do you enjoy gardening? Why not grow your own produce; we have the answer for you to obtain an allotment, call **07775 775853**

MEMORIAL HALL At the AGM of the Memorial Hall held last month, it practically lost most of the committee members, as they retired and no new names were put forward for election. Those retiring have done their bit for our village, some members have been on for years, one in particular has served on the committee for over 40 years. The Memorial Hall is an integral part of the village, not only as a memorial for those lost in World War 1 and World War 2, but for the village to enjoy all the different activities that can be held there. Can you spare two hours a month to continue the work of the last volunteers on the committee? If so, please ring **Charlie** on **07811 651831** or **01469 530632** or come along to the Memorial Hall 17th June at 7.30pm in the side room.

SKATE PARK We have recently been awarded a grant of £50, 000 to provide skate park facilities in the park. We have four suppliers bidding for the contract but what is required? This is where we need HELP! So the youth of the village, this for you, as well as all the small children, Mums, Dads, Grandmas and Grandads, to give us your ideas of what is needed. We will leave literature of what can be provided in the library for you to look at and choose what you think would be the best facility for our village. The £50, 000 is only a small part of the project, we will have to raise more funding for the rest. The life span of these skate parks is about 30 years so this is a fantastic facility for the village for a very long time. So PLEASE PLEASE come forward and give us your opinions. If not you can't moan in the future.

NETWORK RAIL In the last addition of the Gander I mentioned that Network Rail still own the disused railway line. It should of read that they don't want people using it as they have plans to reopen it at some time in the future.

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The snow was great, the food was great and as always the pupils of Baysgarth School were fantastic; exemplary in fact. A disco, snow tubing, swimming and quiz night were topped off with a great presentation night with the instructors.

The ski trip in 2015 to Austria is currently being advertised.

Outward Bound

Students took the opportunity to embark upon a journey of self-discovery last weekend, attending an Outward Bound course in the picture postcard Ullswater area of the Lake District. Twenty-three pupils were accompanied by two staff on the trip, where activities undertaken included kayaking, trapeze, mountain walking and abseiling, amongst lots of others.

Despite overcast weather and ice-cold waters, it did not dampen the spirits of the team, who displayed



nerves of steel and endless courage in tackling the challenges presented. The weekend was thoroughly enjoyed by all involved, with the students being described as a 'credit to Baysgarth'.

Miss Fretwell and Mr Cook.

Business and Humanities Trip to France

A cross-curricular excursion to the exciting city of Paris was organised by Mr McClane and Mr Bee. Trips to the Eiffel Tower, a bus tour around Paris by night and the Palace of Versailles were on the itinerary, culminating in a fun trip to Eurodisney.

Mr Bee exclaimed, 'An exciting time was had by all!' but sadly added, 'I did miss my dogs!'



South Bank Players

The youth section of South Bank Players yet again wowed the audience and, more importantly, the Adjudicator at the All England Theatre Festival in North Ferriby on Friday 4th April with their performance of 'Detective Mimms and the Snaffler' by Geoff Bamber. As usual the nerves were showing but in true South Bank style everyone pulled together and gave a superb performance: Abi Ward, in her very first performance with the group, made an excellent Snaffler, sneaking behind the backs of the incompetent Detective Mimms (Kate Jackson) and her newly appointed side-kick PC Flint (Alex Champion). Accolades came thick and fast from the adjudicator with Alex Champion being awarded Best Youth Actress as well as three others also being nominated for best Youth Actress; young Jamie Morris was nominated for Best Youth Actor. A huge pat on the back to everyone who took part in the show and a big shout out to: Niamh Telfer; Amy Guy; Charlotte Mason and Jasmin James.

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House Sparrows

Ron Parker's Jottings

A century ago these birds of the finch family plagued the farms and smallholdings in their uncountable flocks of hundreds. During the winter they fed in the crew-yards with the cattle, picking out the weed seeds from the straw for bedding and hayseeds, from the tumbrels and the stack-yards, where they also roosted in the stacks along with the village dwellings. During the spring they nested in every pan-tiled roof, be it on farms, house or building and the same applied in the village, with their untidy nests often leaving a few lengths of straw or grass hanging out giving away their chosen nesting sites. Some built their nests in overgrown hawthorn bushes, the size of a small football, with straw or grass, in a very untidy heap to look at. But this was maybe their idea of camouflage, for in reality it had a small hole in the side near the top for entry and inside it was a snug round cup, lined with feathers mostly from the farmyard fowls that were also kept in the village for residents own egg supply. The sparrow just fitted in very comfortably and was where it incubated its four to six eggs. In general, often they built them in a small community of six or seven nests within a few feet of each other.

As a youth I recall at the farmstead next door, it had a double implement shed with an open front and a pantiled roof, at the far side of the stack-yard surrounded by trees, that had a sparrows nest in every nook and cranny. One night at nesting time, my friend Eric who lived there and myself climbed up the rafters and collected all the eggs we could find and finished up with a grand total of 93 eggs. Yet when autumn came and the sparrows returned to the farmyard for winter, their numbers were as good as ever. But of course like some other species they will nest again twice or even a third time and be successful at rearing three broods a year so their numbers never fell. When the ears of wheat started to develop they would descend on them in hundreds and remove the soft grain leaving the ears empty and large patches of green wheat would look white with the empty ears. The farmers shot at them with guns and shouted at them until they hoarse but the sparrows still persisted in eating the wheat. After the binder cut the crop they then attacked the stooks and later fed on the stubble until winter when many returned to the farmyards. There they could feed with the cattle or follow the thrashing machine from farm to farm finding grain and weed seeds in the chaff heaps and straw that was left in the wake of the machine. Some of the hardier ones did stop out on the stubble for winter and were joined by their cousins the tree sparrows, along with

chaffinches and a few other species such as the yellow hammers, reed buntings and sky larks, until a covering of snow arrived and then they would join their friends in the farmyard until it thawed. Though I never recall the sky larks feeding at the yards, they would go down to the river tide line where the tide and salt air keeps areas of grass clear and they could get the seeds of the salt marsh flowers that grow there. In these days they were persecuted by rural dwellers in many ways such as shooting, poison, traps and nets, not only by farmers but villagers as well for they ate off the garden seedlings that had to be covered with wire mesh if they were to survive. I recall as a youth how we went round the farm buildings and stacks with a powerful torch and an air-rifle on dark winters nights picking them off much to the delight of the farm cats that gorged themselves on them and yet it made no difference to the numbers of sparrows feeding in the yard next day. Two centuries ago when the villages were run by the Church, before Parish Councils, they paid out so much a dozen for dead sparrows, such was the menace. It is recorded at Humberston that one year the Church paid out for 900 sparrows, though it doesn't say how they were caught in such numbers, by the residents. An idea of how rapidly they breed is shown, for in 1852 one hundred sparrows from England were released in New York and today they have colonised all North America, becoming a pest as they used to be here.



In recent years the huge flocks here have disappeared, possibly it began in the 1980s out in the farmland and this last ten years, have seen them in the village slowly disappearing in numbers, with this year lower than ever in living memory. What is the reason, for there are several theories? One is that all the open pan-tiled roofs have gone, but I do not believe this is correct, for I know they can build nests in the hedgerows though I haven't seen one for at least fifteen years. Then there is a shortage of food at nesting time in the form of insects on which to feed their young and then when the young have left the nest they are vulnerable for a few weeks to the domestic cats, grey squirrels, magpies and sparrow hawks, however one thing is sure, they are no-longer in the large numbers of sixty years ago.

By the Late Ron Parker. OCT 2012

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DANIEL WHYLEY

- remember the name when he performs in Goxhill!



Daniel has lived in Goxhill from the age of 3 and attended Goxhill Primary School and Winterton Comprehensive, then onto John Leggott College and Newcastle University where he studied History. All the perfect preparation for a career in... COMEDY!

After getting his Degree, Daniel continued at the University, as a Graduate Ambassador for a year, talking to 16-18 year old students about all aspects of uni life, finance, how to apply etc. It included addressing groups from 10 to 400 and Daniel developed the art of public speaking and soon learned that making them laugh made an even better impact. He then moved to Southampton University, where he was working on fundraising and alumni relations, which again included organising large events on campus for successful former students and business people. Then it was back home for 18 months, working at John Leggott, mentoring students with all their personal issues and future university and career problems.

Daniel had already done a gig in Lincoln in September 2013, at an Open Mic Music and Comedy Night. It went really well and Daniel said, "I was overwhelmed by the response and loved being up there on stage. Some of the audience came up to me afterwards and told me how good it was." At this point, Daniel

decided to give it a go and pursue his dream of a career as a stand up comedian!

After some more gigs around Lincoln, he quit his job at Leggott after Christmas, to concentrate on comedy. And has since done a more gigs at clubs and bigger venues in Lincoln, as well as at Willenhall, London, Newcastle, Sheffield and has been in competitions in Scunthorpe and London. He is currently in the Liverpool round of a national comedy competition, in which the winner will perform at the Edinburgh Festival. We should all keep our fingers crossed for Daniel.

Daniel explained, "The Newcastle gig was the biggest I have done so far, apart from my leaving performance at John Leggott. I appeared in front of an audience of over 200. I am currently organising and hosting an even bigger Comedy Night at Hull University in a 400 seat venue. All my work experiences after university are combining to get me into this important part of the business and I am organising, comparing and appearing in more events in the future. It all helps to get my name better known and get the phone ringing with opportunities, rather than me doing all the chasing. But in the meantime I still have a part time job at the Ribs 'n' Bibs restaurant in Lincoln."

Daniel continued, "I have only been doing it for 7 or 8 months, but I love it and it is going better than I could have expected. It is my dream and I am determined to keep going as far as possible and make a career of it. Despite the bigger and better gigs I am performing at, I would love to put a show on in Goxhill. So watch this space! Remember the name, **Daniel Whyley - Stand-up comedian, perennial worrier, questionable dancer.**"

You can get news of Daniel's gigs on - Facebook: Daniel Whyley Twitter: @danielwhyley

Daniel is also available for private bookings for events such as weddings or parties. Please e-mail him at daniel.whyley@live.co.uk to enquire.



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FRANK THOMPSON AGED 101

Goxhill has lost its oldest Tradesman, Frank H. Thompson, who died on 15th January 2014, aged 101. He was born in Goxhill, the son of a Master Tailor, and lived here all his life. Most people probably don't know anything about him or the large part he served in the village.

At a very young age he was bullied at school by the Master for being left handed, and he was made to write with his right hand but he finished up being able to write perfectly with both hands.

As a young lad he joined the Boys Brigade, from there he took up 'All in Wrestling'. He was not very tall, but he could take care of himself, often making bigger lads wish they had kept well clear of him.

After leaving school he went to work for Mr. Turner, Joiner Undertaker, at East Halton. Not being keen on the undertaking side, he left and went to work for Mr. Tomlinson & Son, a Master 'Joiner Wheelwright' at Thornton. He was very keen to learn and became very skilled, he did all the sign writing on new carts & wagons. Later when Mr. Tomlinson's eyesight failed, Frank would go with him to Grimsby to select and buy quality timber from the Saw Mill Merchants. During his time there he went to night classes, 1 night a week at Hull, taking carpentry and joinery and developed excellent drawing skills.

Later when work was slack in this area, he would go to Scunthorpe on his bicycle, for work. Lots of new houses were being built at Ashby and he met up with two carpenters who could put roofs on, but they were unable to set out or cut all the angles & levels. This suited Frank as he was keen to put all his schooling into practice. His first job was making his saw stools and saw sharpening frame. He would then be up at daylight and work 'til dark, cutting spars, hips, valleys, jack rafters etc. All lengths and levels taken off his drawing board that became very easy for him. At night he would sharpen his two hand saws and about 10 pencils, ready for the next day. For 5 nights a week he would sleep in the houses that were nearly finished, on a pile of wood shavings. Being on piecework, he was getting a very good wage. After he finished at Scunthorpe, he started his own Joinery Workshop in Stothards Lane, Goxhill at the age of 20. From there he took his workshop to North End on land he had bought. He lifted his workshop 4" higher and extended it, and was soon employing a joiner and different lads. From there he worked for local people; all agricultural needs, brick and tile works, gardens, glass houses, lorry bodies in wood, steel and aluminium. He built bungalows, shops, houses including his own house, plus many fairground rides. In fact any work that came along, all done with lots of skills. He then built his new workshops.

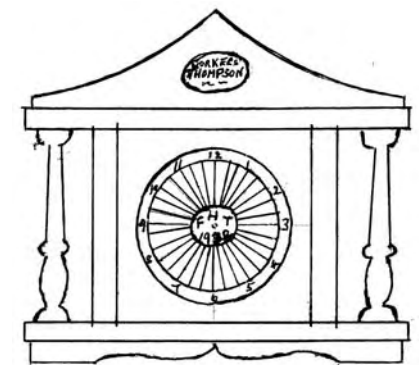
The 'Joiner Cabinet Maker' Don Labourne started with him in 1947, at the age of 24, and stayed for 50 years. I'm sorry to say he died last year, aged 90. He was a very skilled tradesman, winning the Open Woodwork Competition at the Lincolnshire Show, 6 times, plus a silver trophy and gold medal.

I started working for Frank after leaving school in 1949 and stayed on with him for over 53 years. In my retirement I have enjoyed making many things in wood, my favourite being a 42" diameter working model of a 36 horse Carousel, which I found easy to draw and make after spending a lot of time working on the full size fairground ones.

My last schoolmaster wrote in my Autograph Book –

*"The best thing a man can do for his land,
is a job that lies under his nose,
with the tools that lie under his hand."*

Charlie Guillatt



I have started making this clock as a memento of my 53 years working for Frank H. Thompson. On the centre disc, 30 names of the workers that he employed, will be scribed on the copper disc. It is made of solid English oak, some of which Frank handled. It has 4 columns. Size 10" high, 10.5" wide, 5.5" deep.

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Club members recently visited the St Andrew's Children's Hospice in Grimsby, where David Blakey presented a cheque for £1,000.



The money is part of the proceeds of the Christmas collections made in Barton and the Low villages. The children's Hospice catchment area includes Barton and Goxhill and the surrounding villages. Barton Club President, John Fagge, is on the left in the picture.

So far, during the current Rotary year, Barton Rotary Club has made donations totalling £7737.00. The money is raised through the generosity of local people.

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

THE ROTARY CLUB BARROW MERIDIAN



Car Boot Sale - The date of our next Car Boot Sale is Bank Holiday Monday 25th August

Goxhill Church Roof Appeal - We have made a donation to this fund towards the replacement of the stolen lead.

Emergency Flood Boxes - After a visit from members of the Rotary Club of Beverley, we put a plan together for an "emergency flood box" to contain many of the items required for a first stage clean up. They will be funded by ourselves and held in stock and supplied free of charge to residents in our area in the event of further flooding. A cycle ride is being planned through Yorkshire and Lincolnshire to raise funds to purchase these boxes, dates will be submitted as soon as they become available.



LIVES and Defibrillators - We were delighted to have Steve McWilliams, a volunteer with 'LIVES', as speaker at one of our meetings and he demonstrated how a defibrillator works and helps save lives. We are always looking at ways in which we can help our community and are purchasing a defibrillator and security box in conjunction with 'LIVES'. It will be sited on a building and has to have an electricity supply and be easily accessed by the residents. We would appreciate any suitable suggestions as to where it could be installed.

Write a story competition winner - Children from local Primary Schools competed in our Rotary District 1270 "Write a Story" competition. This covers a large area of Lincolnshire and Yorkshire with hundreds of entries and we are delighted to say **Hannah Coffey, from Goxhill Primary School**, was a runner up, an amazing achievement. Hannah also took first prize in our competition of local primary schools. Well done to everyone who took part, the standard of the entries we received were extremely high and difficult to judge, as they were all brilliant.

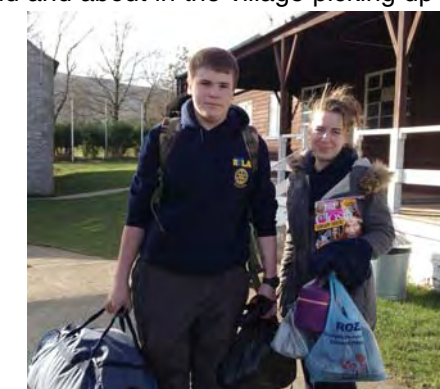
Happy Birthday to us - we have had an amazing two years and our president Ian Railton decided to celebrate this year at Elsham Golf Club. We had a visit from our District Governor, Simon Karlson and our speaker for the evening was past Rotarian and retired magistrate, Tom Pratt, who gave an amusing and interesting rendition of his experiences within the judicial system. A big thanks to Tom and Janet for making the night special.

Litter Picks - This Summer a group of Rotarians and volunteers will be round and about in the village picking up litter from the streets. Please feel free to stop and have a chat with us all.

Rotary Awards - Rotary always try to involve young people in any work/event we do, after all these are Rotarians of the future. These awards are not easily achieved and go to exceptional young people. We would like to congratulate: Henry Nicholson & Harriet Nicholson, both from Barrow upon Humber, Saffron Cox & Dylan Cox, both from Barton upon Humber.

RYLA (Rotary youth leadership awards) - We sent two young students from Baysgarth School to Castleton Camp, to take part in RYLA. Both of them passed with flying colours and they have even been asked back as volunteers in the future. Well done William and Ellie.

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OFF THE HOOF

*"Talk happiness. The world is sad enough without your woe.
No path is wholly rough"*

Ella Wheeler Wilcox (1850-1919)

Another season passes and we are nearly into summer which brings with it all the problems associated with horses.

Laminitis can strike at any time. It can be caused by too much grass, sudden changes in diet and shock - to name a few. As we seem to have had no really cold weather the grass has been plentiful and our horses have thrived quite well.

If you have one that is prone to it, I guess by now you will be trying to limit grazing and hopefully, along with exercise there should be a significant weight loss. A grazing muzzle can help but has to be monitored as they can cause sores so best to line with a sheepskin or synthetic protection.

I have a pony that has problems and blood tests revealed insulin intolerance so it is advisable to have one done if laminitis is present and there seems to be little weight loss. At least medication can be given to treat the cause.

Grazing muzzles only work if they stay on and I am sure my pony is related to Houdini! She managed to get a new one off and I searched the field to no avail. It was returned to me weeks later when it had been found two fields away. Obviously a fox had had great fun with it.

I have just ordered a "Greenguard muzzle" to see if that is better. I hope so as it cost £75! I figure that is still cheaper than a callout from the vet.

Another condition which comes with summer is 'Sweet Itch'. There are many products on the market so it is best to go by recommendation or try different ones. Citronella is quite good and I opt to use the wash when I bath them and use a spray at the end of grooming, although I spray onto a facecloth first and wipe them down with it avoiding the eyes. Horses don't like being sprayed so it saves upsetting them.

An obvious prevention is to keep them away from ponds and your muck heap, as both attract midges which are the cause of Sweet Itch. A Fly sheet could be a good investment. If you have used something which works, let me know and I will publish it next time.

If it gets hot, don't forget to use a sun block on your horse's nose particularly if the blaze runs down to pink skin. Fly masks can be used which does help and there are some quite humorous ones with faces on. Blue for the boys and the inevitable pink for the girls.

Grass Sickness is something we hear more of these days. It tends to affect younger horses and it is life-threatening as the toxins in the horse's gut kills the nerves.

The Animal Health Trust are looking to do research on 1200 horses to find a cure so if you suspect you have a horse with the condition, please contact them for help and advice through your vet.

There was a misprint in the last edition - the stretchy self-adhesive bandages from Wild Bird at Stallingborough are not 12 for £19 but 12 for £10 which

really does make them a bargain!

Also in the previous edition I said how expensive peroxide was and that the chemist wanted me to order 10 bottles. I am pleased to say I now have a litre at a fraction of the cost thanks to a hairdresser who read the article and contacted me as they use it all the time in their profession- many thanks for that.

Now a question of Road Safety. Riding and leading at the same time is a great way to exercise 2 horses at the same time and a good time-saver. Hi-Viz, as always, is important. All led horses should be on the inside to prevent their hindquarters swinging into the road. Also for more control the led horse should wear a bridle.

When riding up to a junction to turn right, you should signal right but stay on the left because if you are in the middle of the road you may find a car pulls up on your inside. A car coming in front of you and another turning into the same road, can box you in. Both of these are in the Riding and Road Safety Manual and are designed to keep you and your horse safe.

Unfortunately, Goxhill Show will not be taking place this year. Hopefully it will continue next year. I know it is a disappointment particularly for our local riders who do not have their own transport, so it is the only show they are able to compete at.

The Committee work had all year to make it a good day, which I think most people are oblivious of and the work that goes on behind the scenes to make it possible.

It takes a lot of organisation to find sponsors, retrieve trophies from the previous year, find good judges, organise the schedule and get it printed, order rosettes and book St Johns Ambulance (which costs a fortune). They have to find a suitable venue, organise and put up signage to the venue and the PA system, as well as the rings and tents. The jumps, which incidentally are maintained throughout the year, have to be collected and toilets ordered. On the day there are an army of volunteers to organise the parking, take the money at the gate, put up the jumps for the competition. The Entry Secretary gets very busy too, to name just a few things. Then, of course, it all has to be taken down again and stored for another year.

If you are keen to help next year, please contact a member of the committee for more information.

If you are entering any shows do read the 'conditions' as most will now state you have to wear a hat with a chinstrap. It would be sad to get all ready and plaited up and then asked to leave the ring as you have violated the rules.

That's all for this issue.

Please keep your news and views coming in.

Take Care - Ride Safely. **Aileen 01469 530643**

East Halton Show and Gymkhana

Sunday 10th August. See Page 9 for information

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The partnership canvassed local authorities, interested groups and Northern Rail itself and a name was put forward and approved.

On Saturday 26/4/2014 the partnership invited the NLC Mayor, together with the emissary of a local group and the name was emblazoned on a Class 153 multiple unit (the units that operate the line).

The name announced and displayed on the unit read John 'Longitude' Harrison, Inventor of the Marine Chronometer.

Harrison invented the chronometer after parliament of the day wanted a piece of equipment that could display the time at sea. Hence Longitude. After several attempts Harrison produced a clock that mastered the problem of a time piece that was not affected by the rolling action produced on ships whilst at sea. His masterpiece can still be seen in working order at the Maritime Museum in Greenwich London. He was awarded £20000 for his invention which at today's inflation rate is equivalent to approx £1.5 million pounds.

Being a local man in a carpentry business in the 1714s was a big achievement and he joins the ranks of inventors of his time. It is only now with the John Harrison foundation trying to raise awareness of his achievements and the BCCRP together with Northern Rail in promoting local people of an historical nature that his name is becoming more well known.

The train itself whilst in addition to running on the Barton to Cleethorpes line will run the whole of the Northern network which runs from North Lincolnshire / Nottinghamshire/ and South Yorkshire up to Carlisle and across to Newcastle and the east coast.

Mike Gathercole Chair BCCRP



GOXHILL COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Goxhill's community library is situated in the Parish Rooms on Howe Lane, run by volunteers and free for all in Goxhill or neighbouring villages to use. With a free Wi-Fi connection and several computers on hand for your use, there is a lot more than simply books on offer - though we have a good selection of those too. Library membership is free and usually it takes less than 15 minutes to organise, as long as you bring along some identification. Once a member at Goxhill you can browse the whole book catalogue of the North Lincolnshire Library Service and reserve titles from other branches at no cost to you whatsoever.

We are not open every day so please make a note of our opening times so that you do not have a wasted visit:

- Mondays from 3.30pm until 7pm
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We want our local library to be well used so if there is something that is stopping you from doing so then let us know so that we may try to rectify it. Visitor and borrower numbers are monitored constantly and, whilst it may be a trite comment, in these days of regular cutbacks the best way to keep a service is to use it.

If you want to ask about anything related to Goxhill community library then please either email goxhilllibrary@yahoo.co.uk or just call in when the library is open and speak to whichever volunteer is on duty. We are keen to hear from anyone who can join our team of volunteers running the library. Our numbers have dropped recently as some of our initial group have left the village or are less available than previously. Volunteering need not mean a commitment to work every week, but for that we need a reasonable pool of reliable people to ensure that the library is available at the published times.

John Guggiari



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Numerous LIVES groups cover areas all across Lincolnshire (meaning the historic county that includes North and North East Lincolnshire) and aim to provide a similarly high standard of response in all cases. Nevertheless, each group has a certain amount of autonomy and the scope to develop how it goes about its role. We are fortunate to have a well-led and vibrant group of volunteers - between them covering Goxhill, Barrow and New Holland - who are keen to continuously improve the service they offer.

For a change, instead of the usual article about what has happened, this article is to let local residents know a little about what their local group has planned for the future. First Response is about trained volunteers arriving where help is needed as rapidly and safely as possible, to provide help until an ambulance can arrive. Always on the lookout for ways in which to respond more effectively, your local group has been using your generously donated funds to purchase separate first responder kits so that two or more responders can attend an incident and, regardless of which one arrives first, immediately help - even when starting from different villages.

The next stage that the group is trying to push through is to have separate call-signs with the emergency service for each village. If accepted, this will hopefully mean that the emergency service will be able to identify which of our group's responders is best placed to respond to any particular call. LIVES' policy is for the call-out area to be 4 miles from the designated call-sign location. At present, the start point is taken as Barrow even though the responder on call might actually be in Goxhill or New Holland. So when two responders are available it could end up with them both rushing to the same emergency even though one is much better placed to attend than the other.

With separate call-signs, the emergency operator would be able to identify that one responder was in New Holland and send them to a call in that village. This would then leave another responder in Goxhill free and available to attend the next call (like buses, emergency call have a curious habit of there being none for ages and then two or more come along in quick succession). Continue reading the Gander and we will aim to keep you abreast of this and other local news about LIVES.

LIVES is registered charity number 1098364. Our local branch covers Goxhill, Barrow and New Holland, with several First Responder volunteers from each of those villages regularly on call to provide medical help and offer assistance until an ambulance arrives.

If you would like to support LIVES locally, whether through training to become a first responder or by fundraising, please contact **Damian Connolly, the branch co ordinator**, for more details; email connolly.dam@gmail.com or telephone 530656 or 07802 710065.



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Hopefully those of you who came to our open afternoon and barbecue in May enjoyed your bowling and had a good enough time to persuade you to join us. If anyone missed out on that for any reason but wants to try their hand at lawn bowling then it is by no means too late. There should still be plenty of good bowling weather available to us.

For £15 you can have a membership that enables you to turn up for a gentle morning or afternoon game of bowls several times a week if you wish. All you will need by way of 'special equipment' is a pair of shoes with flat soles (costing about £20); we can lend you everything else if you do not wish to buy your own bowls. We offer free coaching for all our new members to help you enjoy your bowling to the maximum. It really is that easy and represents great value by any measure.

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Lawn bowling is suitable for all ages and abilities so forget any stereotypes you may have in mind. David Bryant - probably the UK's most successful ever bowler - is

reputed to have described bowls as "a younger person's game which older people can play". Visit our website at <http://goxhill-bowls-club.clubbz.com> to find out more about what's on and to contact us by email; or you can give me a call on 530363. **John Guggiari**

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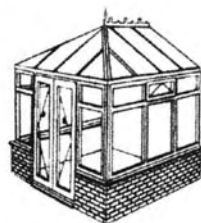
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