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GOXHILL VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

Summer 2017

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**F**irst the **GOOD NEWS!** The winner of the **2017 SHORT AWARD** is .....  
I'm sorry to keep the suspense going, but ..... see **Page 41** for full details.  
Congratulations to a very worthy winner!!! Plus a huge thank you to all those nominated. They all make a fantastic contribution to our wonderful village.

The **NOT SO SURE ABOUT NEWS** is .....

the impact of the traffic issues, particularly on Thornton Road and Ferry Road, exacerbated by the additional volumes of traffic going to the Humber Pipeline project. Further information on this is on **pages 22-23**.

**The BAD NEWS** is .... Well I don't really know whether the Brock is good news or bad news as the situation keeps changing and may be different by the time you read this issue? See the article on **page 39** for more information.

On a positive note, our village community spirit lives on in the memory of Enid and Geoff Girdham. A Community Cafe organised in their memory by Goxhill School, was a great success and raised an amazing £702.30 for the Church and Chapel.

On a sad note, I attended the funeral of one of the founder members of this very newsletter. Paul Thornton died recently after a short battle with cancer. The tributes to him, for all the things he achieved in his life that were all for the benefit of others, demonstrated his selfless qualities, typical of so many Goxhill residents.

However, many clubs and village groups do struggle for people to organise or give a little help. Lorraine Gibbins has recently taken over Neighbourhood Watch. Her enthusiasm is already making a difference but she needs help to share the load a little, especially at a time when there seems to be an increase in crime in the village. See the article on **page 23**.

1st Goxhill & Barrow Scouts Group are victims of their own success and are in need of adult volunteers to cope with the number of boys and girls wanting to join. See their appeal on **page 27**.

You may have noticed this is a bumper edition with an extra 4 pages in it. This is as a result of the fantastic amount of articles and news sent in to me for this issue. Normally I manage to squeeze everything in but it was impossible this time. And I have even had to hold some articles back until the next issue. Eg. I had such a response to the Old Shops article in the last issue, that I have a follow up article.

I am really grateful for all our regular contributors and new ones, for it is the variety of articles that makes the Gander such a good read and so successful.

I must apologise for a few delivery problems last time. All our deliverers are volunteers and we could not manage without them and we are extremely grateful

to everyone of them for their vital help. Although most deliver their Ganders straight away, sometimes deliveries are delayed by health, holidays or other personal issues, so please be patient. If you haven't received your copy within a couple of weeks into June, please email or phone me on the number below, with details of your address etc.

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## LETTER FROM THE CHAPEL

Hundreds and hundreds of birthday candles to you! We are about to celebrate Pentecost – or Whitsun as some folk call it. At first it sounds a bit mysterious – celebrating an event when a hurricane seems to blow through the house and tongues of fire dance upon heads. That, though, is bright poetic language for something utterly wonderful and stimulating – the vivid discovery that Jesus is present with us, alive in all his vitality. Now - life is spectacularly different. Now - we can start living life to the full. That's a good way of thinking about the Holy Spirit – Jesus with us, permanently, to help us live 'life to the full.'

It clearly means that Christians, as they start to enjoy life to the full, also want everyone else in the world to know that fullness of life: they want the world to be better for everyone. Christians urgently want an end to violence and war, to hunger and poverty, to loneliness and emptiness. We want all humanity to live life to the full with justice and mercy prevailing everywhere, otherwise there is no chance that the poor and the underdogs will even sniff the full life, let alone know it!

In the Hope that the Spirit brings, we want to see the hungry fed and the downtrodden given a totally new chance. Roll on any agency that can make those things happen in our day and age, in the here and now! (and three cheers for Christian Aid and All We Can and scores of other similar group at work today.)

The full, good life is never one in which we think, first and foremost, of ourselves. That is flat contrary to what the risen Christ teaches. The Holy Spirit is not given us to make us feel better than everyone else or to be smug about our faith. He/she is given us to open our whole being, our whole heart, to the world that Jesus loves.

If the wind of the holy spirit is to blow in our direction and the tongues of fire are to rest on our heads, then let them blow away any notion that we would consider first our own benefits and concerns! Let the holy spirit blow away all the self-concern and self-obsession that can plague us and which prevents us from living life to the full. Let the holy spirit also blow away any notion that the Church's first task is to look after herself. Not so. The church's first task is to help the whole world find the full life.

To that end let justice flow far and wide – locally, nationally, globally - and all in the power of the Spirit!

May you know a determined new work for God this Pentecost in your private life and in your church life! Happy Birthday Christian Church – time to help the world celebrate!  
**Rev'd Nichola Jones**

## LETTER FROM THE VICARAGE

On our day off, my wife & I love to eat out and one of our regular venues is a well known restaurant just over the Humber Bridge. I usually have a beer with my meal, but Sue is likely to have a cola. The restaurant we favour offers 'unlimited free refills' to keep the diner refreshed! You pay for one glass - and then fill it up as much and as often as you wish!

As I reflected on this very pleasant offer, I was reminded that Jesus Christ came to give us a 'spiritual refill' or, if you like, a second chance for free. And not just a second, but a third or fourth ... unlimited chances at a new start in fact. When we invite him into our lives we are given new life. The Bible tells us that in Christ we can become 'new creations (2 Corinthians 5.17). As we live this new life we will, along the way, stumble and fall, or occasionally lose our way. Then, all we have to do is ask Jesus for a 'refill', or second chance, after we've acknowledged that our spiritual glass is getting low. Not for nothing do we begin our Sunday morning services with a form of confession in which we admit that failure and mistakes are part of being human - but that we have a God who longs to forgive if we can bring ourselves to admit it and to seek forgiveness.

He simply asks us to acknowledge our condition, to trust in him, to obey his word, and to try to respond to his guiding Holy Spirit.

He will then not just "refill our glass", he will keep it full and running over. If we stay connected to him, he will keep our souls refreshed with his Holy Spirit and with his love. And, who knows, we may even have enough to offer some others a taste of what we've received. So why not try Jesus Christ - like a famous brand of cola – he's the 'real thing'!

**Rev. John Girtchen**

### All Saints Church Goxhill - HELP NEEDED

**Do you have a few hours a month to help our team of volunteers to help keep this beautiful building clean?** Only light dusting and vacuuming, oh and chasing a few cobwebs. Of course there are brasses to clean too if that is more your thing. The more help we can get, the less often each of us will need to take a turn and none of us are getting any younger.

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### EVENTS PROGRAMME

#### Friends of All Saint's Church

#### All Saints Church Garden Party

Saturday 10th June - 2pm onwards  
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As well as Cake Stall, raffle, tombola, teas and  
many games.

If it is wet we will hold the event in the church.  
Watch the Grapevine for news of change of venue.

#### Entertainment by Swaddling Band & Friends

Friday 11th August - 7.30pm All Saints Church  
A light supper will be served during the interval with  
non-alcoholic drinks. You may bring your own  
alcohol if you wish.

#### Coffee Morning, Book and Bric a Brac Sale

Saturday 9th September - 10am  
in All Saints Church. Come and join us.

#### Pop in dates

24th June, 15th July, 19th August, 16th September  
From June the Pop In is returning to the times of  
10-12noon.

Come and join us at the Pop In for Bacon Butties  
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For any further information on any of these events,  
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We meet on Wednesday afternoon in the room at  
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are a beginner we would help you with every aspect  
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except for August, at 7 p.m. in the  
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and visitors, including gentlemen,  
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For further information please contact **Mrs. Alyson  
O'Leary**, President, on **01469 531568.**

#### Our future programme includes:

**June** - Talk about the Jerry Green Dog Rescue  
Centre

**July** - Talk about the Carers' Support Centre,  
Brigg, by Rosa Torraca .

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### Goxhill Memorial Hall 200 Club

#### Winners for the last 3 months

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	65	Peter Timms	£20.00
	236	Jean Stead	£15.00
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submission) Images can be any size you wish.

**Submissions can be made up to**  
**19TH AUGUST, 2017**

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Entries should include your name and address, and  
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**IN EARLY SEPTEMBER entries will be**  
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**Mon 26 June** Gerry Collins - Queens and Things

**Mon 31 July** Eddy Gadd - A talk on Preparing  
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**Mon 21 Aug** John Guggiari - Fun Quiz  
followed by Open Forum

*Unless stated otherwise our meetings start at 7.30pm on  
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We sing everything and everyone is welcome! We have primary school children and their parents, mums, dads, young people in their twenties and retired ladies and gentlemen from not only Goxhill but the surrounding villages.

Our aim is to sing for fun and to enjoy ourselves. Every week we take suggestions of songs to sing the weeks following, lyrics sheets are provided and all we ask is a £1 contribution towards room hire and costs.

Sally, Jay, Zoe and I run it for the joy of singing. We love it and love singing together with friends.

Examples of a few songs we've sung since starting:

- Bohemian Rhapsody/Queen • Reach/S Club 7
- I Don't Know How To Love Him/Jesus Christ Superstar • I Know Him So Well/Elaine Paige
- Favourite Things/Sound of Music
- I Will Follow Him/Sister Act • Stars/Les Miserable
- Close To You/The Carpenters • Anything/Oliver
- The Sun Will Come Out Tomorrow/Annie
- Living on a Prayer/Bon Jovi • Jerusalem

We have already been asked to sing in public and hope to see villagers at the Open Gardens in June and also at other events coming up this summer.

The more the merrier so please pop along for a sing song!

Best wishes, **Jodi Shanahan 07731361339**

# GOXHILL OPEN GARDENS

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## NOTICE BOARD Part 4

### MEMORIAL HALL NEWS

Some of the Hall's users may have noticed a lot of workman wandering around recently. I thought everyone might like to know what has been going on since not all the work that's been carried out is immediately obvious. To improve safety we have replaced three emergency lights and installed another four. We now have smoke and heat sensors throughout the building, linked them to a rather LOUD fire alarm. The kitchen door has been replaced with an emergency door. All the wiring in the building has been checked and where necessary replaced. A new electrical junction box has been wired in. All the portable equipment has been PAT tested and the fire extinguishers overhauled.

Improvements of a more general nature include replacing the oven and hob for newer models, replacing the cracked side window, repainting the walls and woodwork in the snooker room, corridors and meeting room and replacing the old curtains in these areas with new, fireproof blinds. We have also had all the lights in the main hall replaced for brighter ones. They were so high we had to use a mobile platform to get them changed. There is also a new light in the corridor next to the kitchen, so no more fumbling in the dark to find the hall lights.

We hope everyone enjoys these improvements and appreciates that a significant amount of our funds have gone into making the hall safer and more pleasant to use. We hope to continue with the good work by redoing the tennis court, replacing the serving counter and refurbishing the ladies toilets. As always, this is dependent on having the cash and volunteers available. We will be holding several fund raising events in the coming months. – The Plant and Household goods auction in May, and a Scarecrow Trail later in the year. Please support us in our efforts to make your Memorial Hall a place to be proud of.

**Ann Carter – Secretary**

### DIARY OF EVENTS

29 May	7.00am	Car Boot Sale	- Barrow P/F
10 June	2.00pm	Church Garden Party	- Conifer Cottage
12 June	7.00pm	WI	- Memorial Hall
18 June	1.00pm	Open Gardens	- Chapel
18 June	9.00am	Country Fair	- Brocklesby
21 June		Micro-chipping	- Barton
22 June - 2 July		Barton Arts	- Barton
24 June	10.00am	Pop In	- Church
24 June	1.00pm	Goxhill School Summer Fair	
25 June	9.30am	Craft De-Stash	- Memorial Hall
10 July	7.00pm	WI	- Memorial Hall
14 July	9.00am	Coach Trip to York	
15 July	10.00am	Pop In	- Church
16 July		Wobbly Wheelers	- Barrow
19 July		Micro-chipping	- Brigg
1 Aug		Deadline for Autumn Gander	
11 Aug	7.30pm	Swaddling Band	- Church
12 Aug	2.00pm	Strawberry Tea	- Mill Lane
13 Aug		East Halton Show	
19 Aug		Deadline for Calendar entries	
28 Aug	7.00am	Car Boot Sale	- Barrow P/F
30 Aug		Micro-chipping	- Scunthorpe
9 Sept	10.00am	Coffee Morning etc	- Church
11 Sept	7.00pm	WI	- Memorial Hall
16 Sept	10.00am	Pop In	- Church

### REGULAR EVENTS

#### Chapel School Room

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#### Memorial Hall

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		Sunday by arrangement
WI	7pm	2nd Mon of the month
Library	3.30-7pm	Monday
	2-5pm	Wednesday
	3-6pm	Friday
Bowling Club	2pm	Tuesday

#### Broughton Village Hall

Beekeepers	7.30pm	Last Monday of the month
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#### Baysgarth Museum

Carers Group	1-3pm	Tuesdays
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## NOTICE BOARD - Arts & Entertainment



### **£4,500 RAISED FOR WHEN YOU WISH UPON A STAR**

It was a fantastic night on 6th May, with another full house and 130 guests seated in the Memorial Hall. The Silver Circle Band were as brilliant as ever and thanks to the immense generosity of everybody who came and the wonderful businesses and individuals who very kindly donated some outstanding prizes, we were able to raise an incredible **£4.5K** for **When You Wish Upon A Star!!** Please express my heartfelt thanks to everyone who came. **Katrina Everson**



### SOUTH BANK PLAYERS

In March the group took part in the annual All England Theatre Festival regional heat at the Bridlington Spa Theatre. We performed a one act

play which was written by member Kate Wilcox, called 'Arnold Parsons is Missing'. When Arnold Parsons mysteriously disappears following a row over holidays with his wife Loveday, the Police are stumped as to where he can have got to. There's no doubt in Loveday's mind that he has left her in the lurch and gone off with his strumpet of a secretary, even though she knows deep down that he would never have done such a thing. But what other explanation could there be? Will Arnold ever return?

The play was well received by the audience at The Spa Theatre, and Martin James of Goxhill received a nomination for the Best Supporting Actor award for his portrayal of Arnold Parsons - well done Martin!

The Ghost Walk season finished in March, and in total around 300 people came to our walks during 2016-17. This is the best season we have had for a few years so thanks to everyone who came. If you've never experienced the Barton Ghost Walk, the next one will be on Halloween at 7.30pm from Baysgarth Museum. Tickets cost £5 adults and £3 concessions and can be booked in advance on 01469 531003. Booking is highly recommended for Halloween as it gets very busy!

Our next project will be a full length play to be performed in October which has yet to be decided upon. If you have ever fancied giving acting a go, now is the time to join us before we cast the next play! Non-acting members are also welcome - we always need lots of help behind the scenes too. Anyone interested in joining us in any capacity is encouraged to get in touch, either by ringing **Dennis on 01469 531003**, emailing **Liz on liz@drury.org.uk** or by visiting the **SBPlayers Facebook page** or our website **www.sbplayers.co.uk**

We currently meet most Sunday evenings at 7pm at Barrow Squash Club, but we recommend getting in touch to check we are meeting if you plan to pop along, as we may have a change of venue shortly.

We are hoping to re-start our **junior group** in the near future, so if you are a young actor under the age of 18 we would especially love to hear from you.

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The Ropewalk's Ropery Coffee Shop is extending its opening hours every Friday evening from June 2 with food service hours continuing until 8pm with last orders for food 45 minutes earlier. There is no need to book - just drop in and enjoy a relaxed early evening meal!



## LiVeLincs and FilmLincs

There was quite a variety of offerings earlier this year through the LiveLincs Rural Touring Scheme and a similarly mixed response in terms of ticket sales. Both the Eduardo Niebla Duo at Goxhill Memorial Hall and Aaaaagh! Dinosaurs! at Goxhill Primary School enjoyed good audiences. Unfortunately advance sales of only 3 tickets persuaded us to cancel the show Gloriat (at considerable cost to LiveLincs). Hopefully the positives will outweigh the

negatives when the allocation of autumn shows takes place. Incidentally, I went to see the Gloriat show at Kirton-in-Lindsey and it was every bit as funny as expected. Sometimes you just have to take a chance so why not risk the £7 or so next time there's a show on?

Although initial funding of FilmLincs expired at the end of March, screenings are set to continue but with a higher commission payable. Nevertheless we aim to keep the cost at £3 adults and £2 children. Watch out online and on lamp post for posters to discover dates and forthcoming films.

For updates, web-links and more details of films and live acts please check out the **Goxhill Events Facebook page** or follow **@Goxhill\_Events** on Twitter. Email **Goxhill-events@mybtinternet.com** to book tickets or telephone **530363** or buy from **Creasey's** nearer the dates.



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## NOTICE BOARD - Barton Arts Festival 2017

### Barton Arts is celebrating its 20th anniversary in some style this year.

Tickets are now on sale and art lovers of all genres are spoilt for choice with this year's 11 day programme, with events ranging from Clare Teal celebrating a major star of the silver screen, Doris Day, to John Hegley turning his poetic genius and silliness to an interactive family show. This year's Festival focuses on the broad umbrella of the arts with film, theatre, comedy, music, lectures, art, and a children's workshop all included.

Celebrity performers stopping by to add their own touch of magic to the Festival, include Dr Phil Hammond, the NHS doctor and TV personality, Comic Mitch Benn. attempting to avoid the grim reaper and the First United Methodist Church of Birmingham Youth Choir, from USA.

There is the traditional Songs and Scones, poetry, the Graham Saunders Lecture and the first of this season's Performances in (Baysgarth) Park when Heartbreak Theatre presents David Walliams' Billionaire Boy.

Details of all events are listed here or can be found on [www.bartonarts.co.uk](http://www.bartonarts.co.uk)

#### Thursday 22 June - 7.30pm

##### Mind The Gap

Ropery Hall, Maltkiln Road - £6/£5 concessions

*Do we ever speak the truth? Do we ever listen properly? And are these the core of our problems or the very root of our creativity and energy? Mind the Gap is the latest powerful and dynamic show from The Hull to Scarborough Line, aka Felix Hodcroft and Sue Wilsea, comprising dialogue, story and poetry.*

#### Friday 23 June - 7.30pm

##### Burton

Ropery Hall, Maltkiln Road - £13/15 otd £5 students

*The life of the great Welsh actor Richard Burton is presented in his own words, from his humble beginnings to Hollywood mega-stardom. Rhodri Miles (Game of Thrones, Atlantis) takes on the role of the younger Burton and received critical acclaim at both the Edinburgh and Hollywood Fringe Festivals.*

#### Saturday 24 June - 10am-4pm

##### Art on the Railings

Wilderspin School Museum, Queen St - Free  
Wilderspin, Steelrooms and Scunthorpe Art Groups display their work with artists working in the playground.

#### Saturday 24 June - 9.30am-4pm

##### 3D Stop Motion Animation Workshop

Wilderspin School, Queen Street  
Nominated Barton school children will be given the chance to work with author and illustrator Andrew Sanders.

#### Saturday 24 June - 8pm

##### Clare Teal Trio celebrates Doris Day

Joseph Wright Hall, Queen Street £20/£22 otd

*Award winning singer and BBC Radio 2 presenter Clare Teal has turned her attention to one of the world's greatest musical stars, the iconic and much loved Doris Day. The show is an entertaining, joyful journey through the*

*musical life of one of the biggest legends of Hollywood. Songs include: Secret Love, Move Over Darling, Perhaps Perhaps Perhaps, and Deadwood Stage. A spectacular tribute to a great star.*

#### Sunday 25 June - 7.30pm

##### Barton Muse presents Poetry & Song

Corn Exchange Club, Market Place - £7  
Featuring Matt Abbott and John Hartshorne in an evening of entertaining poetry to remember. Plus an Open Mic for those who wish to contribute their own work, register on the night (01652 661823 for further details).

#### Monday 26 June - 7.30pm

##### Monday Night at the Movies

Ropery Hall, Maltkiln Road - £4

*The Happiest Days of Your Life (1950) is this year's choice to a step back to the golden age of cinema. Chaos ensues for staff and students alike when an all-boys and an all-girls school are amalgamated. Stars Alastair Sim and Margaret Rutherford. Plus short.*

#### Tuesday 27 June - 2-5pm

##### The Graham Saunders Lecture:

**Cowboys, Indians and all that Jazz**  
Wilderspin School, Queen Street - £5  
Graham Saunders' annual music lecture looks at the origins and influences of American Music.

#### Tuesday 27 June - 8pm

##### Dr Phil's Health Revolution

Joseph Wright Hall, Queen Street £15/£12 NHS staff

*Private Eye journalist and whistle-blowing comic - combines both of his 2016 sell-out \*\*\* Edinburgh fringe shows in one unforgettable evening. Laugh, sort your life out, stay sane, plan your death and save the NHS - all in only 99 minutes*

#### Wednesday 28 June - 2-4pm

##### Songs & Scones with The Dovetail Trio

St Mary's Church Hall, Burgate - Free  
Professional musicians from the Live Music Now charity perform a selection of classical and popular songs. Founded by Yehudi Menuhin and Ian Stoutzker the charity supports inspirational professional musicians to use their talents to benefit the wellbeing of older people. Working alongside Age UK/Barton Rotary and volunteers, Songs and Scones brings together older people in the local community for a social musical session followed by refreshments.

#### Wednesday 28 June - 7.30pm

##### Green Matthews presents:

##### A Brief History of Music

Joseph Wright Hall, Queen Street £10/£5 students

*Six hundred years of musical history in 90 minutes! Beginning in the Middle Ages and ending up in the 20th century (and incorporating everything in between!) this fun and fast-moving show is a whistle-stop tour of Western musical history.*

#### Thursday 29 June - 8pm

##### Mitch Benn: Don't Fear The Reaper

Ropery Hall, Maltkiln Road - £13/£15 otd

*It's been a morbid time for Mitch. He's turned 47 - over the hill by anyone's standards - his personal life is in turmoil and his childhood heroes are dropping like flies. At times like these, a man feels the Reaper creeping up on him... But is death anything to fear? And is it really the end? (Yes. Yes it is, sorry) Mitch confronts his, and your, mortality with hilarious (and tuneful) consequences. Join him. It's time in your life you're not getting back!*

#### Friday 30 June - 3pm

##### K'antu Ensemble - New Age Music

St Mary's Church Hall, Burgate - £5 (carers free)

*Through an innovative and ground breaking new project, older people living in care have*

*contributed to a new piece of music by renowned composer Kerry Andrew, to be performed publicly by K'antu Ensemble. The project developed by Live Music Now, marks an innovative collaboration between national leaders in the adult social care and the music for wellbeing sectors, combining their complementary knowledge and expertise to do something new together.*

#### Friday 30 June 7.30pm

##### Animal Alphaboat with John Hegley

Ropery Hall, Maltkiln Road - £12/£14 otd £5 students

*Poet John Hegley returns to Barton with an interactive show for families to enchant children and adults alike with his poetic genius and silliness. The poet's unique approach to poetry, dance & song are all present in this family show.*

#### Saturday 1 July - 10.30am-12noon

##### Louise Beech in conversation with Sue Wilsea

Wilderspin School, Queen Street - £5  
Join Louise Beech in conversation with writer Sue Wilsea discussing life, writing and more.

#### Saturday 1 July - 7pm

##### First United Methodist Church of Birmingham Youth Choir

Trinity Church Holydyke - (pay what you think)  
*The IXOYC Choir is the church's Senior High School Choir with many of its members having been singing in Youth Choirs at First UMC since they were in pre-school. In addition to sharing their music the concert tour is an important opportunity for the choir to learn about their Methodist heritage.*

#### Sunday 2 July - 2pm

##### Barton Tourism Partnership presents

##### Heartbreak Theatre's Billionaire Boy

Baysgarth Park, Caistor Road - Free  
*This adaptation of David Walliams' Billionaire Boy tells the story of Joe who has a lot of reasons to be happy. About a billion of them, in fact as he's rich, really, really rich with his own bowling alley, his own cinema, even his own butler who is also an orangutan. He's the wealthiest 12 year old in the land. Yes, Joe has absolutely everything he could possibly want but there's just one thing he really needs - a friend. Bring a chair, a picnic and a friend!*

#### Sunday 2 July - 8pm

##### The Danberrys

Ropery Hall, Maltkiln Road - £13/£15 otd

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## GOXHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL REPORT

### World Book Day

This year's World Book Day celebrations at school were a roaring success. The whole school joined in attempting to learn the poem, 'Please Mrs Butler' written by Janet and Allan Ahlberg. Two year 6 children were kidnapped and given the secret mission of not only learning the poem with actions but teaching it to the entire school within a day.

Throughout the day (in lessons, on the playground and in the dinner hall) older children and younger children were working in partnership to achieve their goal. There was a real energy around school and it was lovely seeing the children so enthusiastic about both the poem and the task.

All of the children gathered in the hall at the end of the day to recite the poem back to staff and they did so with energy and excitement.

In addition to the poetry spread, year 4 did a World Book Day Scavenger Hunt. The children had 15 words/expressions to find in any reading book and had to record the book title, page number and whether it was in the form of a word or picture or both. The children worked on their own for 15 minutes and could then chose a partner to work with if wanted. All pupils who found 10 or more in the 30 minutes won a small prize (this was everyone!) During their English lesson, they chose a list poem and did recitals and choral speaking in small groups. The 'performances' were practiced and then recorded.

Children in the Foundation stage discussed their favourite books and characters which they went on to draw and paint. The children focussed on traditional tales throughout the day and re-told the plots using puppets and role play. Other classes did book reviews and made displays linked to book covers and year 6 participated in poetry workshops – they recited poems and worked together in groups to apply what they had learnt to writing their own poetry.

The day was very successful in inspiring children to be passionate about books and reading. Staff really enjoyed working alongside the children throughout this celebration.

### Easter Egg trail

It was lovely to see so many faces at the annual Easter Egg Trail held in April. The weather was kind to us allowing our happy egg hunters, both children and adults, to enjoy solving the clues around the village. A variety of fun stalls and delicious refreshments were definitely enjoyed by all. Thank you to all who donated cakes and

### SCRAP FOR SCHOOL

Mark Ogilvie, a parent of 2 children at Goxhill School, had the brilliantly simple idea of putting a skip on his drive for residents to put their scrap metal in. Stokesleys supply the skips for free so everything made on the scrap goes straight to our school. 8 skips have been filled so far raising a **fantastic £826.90**. The school are so grateful to Mark for such an amazing contribution that goes towards enrichment activities for the children. **The skip is on the long drive at 'The Old Hatchery' on Westfield Road (corner of Stothards Lane).**

buns. This event raised a massive £754.35! We wouldn't be able to hold these events without the fantastic dedication and organisation from our PIPs (Parents In Partnership) team along with members of our school staff. A lot of work goes on behind the scenes in the build up to the event, a particular thank you to Mrs Wilkinson and Mrs Bowskin for their continued commitment. Thank you also for the kind donations of eggs and raffle prizes, we were so humbled by people's generosity. The money raised will go towards further enrichment across both sites. Every pound raised benefits our children.



### THE AMAZING ADVENTURES OF SUPERSTAN

Last month, the Year 5 children from Goxhill Primary School showcased their take on The Amazing Adventures of Superstan. From the very first day to the very last, the children enjoyed every minute of the acting, the singing,

the dancing and everything else that comes along with a school production. The production lasted a total of 1 hour and 15 minutes where the children got the opportunity to come to life with their counter-ego characters and embraced the spotlight in front of the school and their families.

The play's plot line explored how the Candy King schemed to control Megaville (eventually the world) by using his sugar coated surprises, which included hypnotising the Mayor. He needed help from his minions, evil scientists and those from the rent-a-

villain agency, Curly and Wurly. However, his plans were vanquished by the arrival of Superstan and his gang of Crumbles, seeking to end all super villains. The play involved fight scenes as well as regular news (thanks to the ever helpful crew of Clark, Kent, Peter and Parker) bulletins from Max Volume and Sunny Day to keep the crowd informed on the progression of events.

There were several songs and dances such as 'Live a Little' and 'Anti-Gravity Pants' where the children showcased their choreography skills working together as a team.

The play was enjoyed by all who came to watch,

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with fantastic feedback from parents about how much they enjoyed everyone's part in the play (including the many, many jokes) and how well it came together. The children who saw the play were thrilled by what they saw and laughed along the way. Year 5 children were proud of how much they had achieved in completing the show, putting in some stellar performances. The Year 5 team would like to congratulate all the children for all their hard work and dedication in learning all their roles. Also a big thank you to all the parents, for providing us with all the costumes and committing time at home for the children to learn their lines.

**Hayley Twidale, Laurie Teasdale and Liam Stott**



Over the last two and a half years Baysgarth has undergone a complete transformation. In summer 2014 our results were the second worst in the Local Authority and were on a 3 year downward trend. Since then we have made significant and sustained improvements; in 2015 we were named the most improved school in North Lincolnshire and in 2016 we were in the top five schools in the Humber region, in the top two schools in North Lincolnshire and amongst the top 10% of schools nationally!

This transformation has come about for a number of reasons. Firstly, we raised our expectations of what our students can achieve and insisted on high standards of behaviour and appearance. Secondly, we focused our staff on the quality of learning taking place in the classroom. We came up with our own Baysgarth Learning Model that underpins our lessons and focused on promoting collaborative learning and Kagan techniques in the classroom. Thirdly, we focused on changing the culture of the school to ensure that we promoted strong teams, encouraged creativity and risk-taking, and praised success.

As a result our classrooms have become vibrant and creative places that are enjoyable for staff and students, and we have a very strong teaching staff in all departments. In October 2016 we moved into a brand new school with every classroom fitted with state-of-the-art facilities to enhance learning. The site also includes the Humber Skills Centre, which supplies vocational provision to learners from within Baysgarth and beyond, and the Baysgarth Sports Village which incorporates a wide range of sporting facilities. These will be further enhanced in summer 2017 with the addition of a latest specification full-size, floodlit 3G pitch for use by the school and the community, which is likely to be opened for the autumn/winter season. Securing the funding for the full-size floodlit 3G pitch has been a two year journey, with £425,000 donated from the Premier League and FA, alongside significant investment from the Local Authority. The Sports Village has secured a total investment of almost £1 million. No local school can match the facilities that Baysgarth has and we are very proud of our provision.

In addition to all the fantastic improvements to the school, we have facilitated a number of trips and expeditions to allow students to obtain skills and

knowledge outside of the classroom, which they can take forward with them throughout their adult lives.

In February 2017, a group of 44 students visited Saalbach in Austria on a ski and snow boarding trip. Students enjoyed an excellent choice of après ski activities for one week during the half term break. Students also enjoyed vast sporting facilities, including climbing walls, a sports center, basketball, table tennis, volleyball and table football, whilst learning or improving their winter sports skills. This trip is a very popular event, with next year's excursion been increased to allow 68 students to take part!

April 2017 took a group of 15 students to the Big Apple, for a 'New York Movie Moments Experience', where they were asked to re-create cinema history on location in all five boroughs of the city. Filming 12 scenes over three days and working in teams, this fantastic opportunity elevated budding actors, along with their media and leadership skills. In between filming, students hit the shops of Manhattan, visited the Statue of Liberty and also took in a Yankees game! We have also arranged a once in a lifetime expedition to Mongolia and China, which will take place in the summer of 2017. The main purpose of the 21 day expedition is for 14 students to help the orphans and disadvantaged children in the city of Ulaanbaatar. After students trek for two days along the Mongolian Steppe and camp under the stars they will be spending one week in the city. Here they will be spending seven days of hard graft teaching the most vulnerable children in the city and running a day care summer camp. Even though seven days is only a small amount of time to give, the gift students will be giving those in need will be life long and will also help the future generations of this area. To facilitate this trip, students have raised some of the travel fees themselves; they have done a fantastic job by holding fundraising events and securing generous donations from local companies and businesses. This is a mere snapshot of all activities, events, trips, ongoing work and effort we as school put into every student each day, as we aim to support their needs and develop their futures.

Keep up to date with all our school news via our **Facebook** page, our website [www.baysgarthschool.co.uk](http://www.baysgarthschool.co.uk) or our new **FREE** app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play by searching 'Baysgarth School'.





# Goxhill Traffic Survey

Back in March a traffic survey was produced to get a general idea and input of residents primarily on Thornton Road and Ferry Road. Some were delivered to the centre of the village but by the time they had been set out printed and delivered we were very much running out of time. A meeting with our MP Martin Vickers and councillor Richard Hannigan had been organised and armed with completed surveys we wanted to draw their attention to residents concerns. The meeting seemed to go well but as yet, nothing has changed. There were only four of us delivering and collecting, sometimes in horrendous weather, so apologies if anyone feels left out.

Just doing it was certainly an eye opener for me. The ones, who seemed least interested, and at times extremely rude, were the horse fraternity. As one rider could not stop and admitted she had just had a “go” at someone in the village made me realise just why people get a certain opinion of riders. Her companion said nothing, as she was busy on her mobile phone! Manners cost nothing.

On the other hand I thought I would have a captive audience if I went to the Community Hall on a Wednesday afternoon. There were people of a certain age and all ladies apart from one gentleman. Shelia, my friend, and myself had a lovely time. Tea and biscuits and a raffle; lots of banter and laughter. Most filled in the questionnaire while others took one home for their partners. I will certainly go again.

I was invited in to a lovely couples bungalow who also made me welcome. They told me they had both not been well with a virus that they could not shake. Because of this they were not going out and I realised that it does not take much to be isolated but I hope they felt better for my visit.

Before producing the questionnaires both Barricks Haulage and the Tileries were asked if some could be left as we wanted the lorry drivers input. No one was around at Barricks that was prepared to take the surveys in. The manager at the Tileries was away, although some were left no replies were received.

**Anyway here are the results of the Traffic survey conducted in response to the increased traffic in the village on Thornton and Ferry Road 19/03/17.**

**Those who completed the survey**  
148 people  
262 residents were affected  
The majority (84%) of those involved were residents (15.5%) were visitors to the Goxhill  
1 Lorry and 1 bus driver completed the survey  
90% of people commented on the increase in traffic  
**Of those who had experienced problems on Thornton or Ferry Road**  
5% were disabled  
the majority (78%) were drivers, 20% cyclists, 9% were horse riders  
38% pedestrians, 22% dog walkers, 16% walked with children, 5% walkers or runners  
**Issues highlighted**  
The majority commented on speeding as being a major issue – (83%) and whilst the speed of the HGVs was largely commented on, quite a number were concerned by the residents who speed, especially at ‘work’ times and in particular there were several who raised the issue of the Tileyard lorries and workers from the Humber Bank speeding to and from work.  
Noise and pollution (51%) was a factor – including the mud and dirt on the roads and the effects of the spray and noise from large vehicles on people, animals and property.  
**Narrow and unsuitable roads**  
40% raised a variety of concerns related to the effect the increased volume of heavy traffic (Tileyard lorries, Barricks and sometimes coaches as well as construction HGVs) is already having on roads not designed or built to carry it – they sited the wear and tear and damage already being caused on the roads, verges and railway bridge and people’s driveways; traffic congestion has increased (including on Thornton Road where parked cars make it more difficult for lorries to pass); lorries mounting the pavement at sharp bends and where the road is too narrow for 2 lorries to physically pass each other; a few said they have been forced to jump on the verges or swerved to avoid oncoming or passing lorries, especially where there are non-existent footpaths – worse still where

there are little or no verges either.  
One person said “HGV’s have little regard for the safety of cyclists (both children and adults). They do not slow down to pass but career by – leaving the rider to cope with the ‘backdraft’ that the speeding HGV makes”; horse and dogs are also affected.  
13% were experiencing difficulty getting in/out of their driveways - 3 people cited lorries using their driveways as passing places.  
14% consider it too dangerous to cycle/walk/dog walk or horse ride and some said they were seriously concerned about walking with young children to /from school.  
5 people have had what they call a ‘near miss’ with a lorry, a cracked windscreen due to stones being thrown up by a passing lorry and, one collision was sited.  
**Effects on property**  
House value depreciation was sited by 20% of those surveyed. Issues also raised included houses and windows shaking; damage to driveways,  
**Suggestions**  
Traffic lights at North End were commented on by 36 (24%) of those surveyed; in total 14% said no to lights and 11% said yes.  
**Solutions to the speeding included:**  
Enforcing the limit with the use of speed cameras (19% said no, 13% said yes).  
Other suggestions included 20mph limit for lorries around the bends, the bridge and on Chapelfield Road; speed bumps, speed indicators.  
A new road being built from New Holland was the most favoured - 47% yes ; a few suggested some kind of one way system or re-routing at least the construction HGVs to Chapelfield Road/South End.  
A few made the comment that these are early days; the temporary road construction is already behind schedule and we have another 3 + years of the problem.  
**One resident said:**  
“What will happen when tunnelling and extracting thousands of tons of chalk begins – will that too be transported along Ferry Road?  
What was once a beautiful area has become a ‘racetrack’

for HGV drivers on ‘incentive’ schemes, who would sooner overtake than slow down.  
The Pipeline Project has not yet begun. This is only site establishment that we are experiencing.... Over the project there will also be 30,000 tunnel sections to be transported through Goxhill!”  
**Another asked:**  
“Are there any plans ... for a continual repair programme to damaged driveways, verges, pavements, roads ? ... to prevent lorries mounting the verges and kerbs ”  
He concluded “ ... **the main work had still to commence – imagine the damage and chaos”**

As you can see speed seems to be the main issue. There is such a simple solution. All traffic just needs to “slow down”. In 2015 (before the project started), Highways did a speed check and although the majority were over the limit it was not deemed necessary to take any action. Another one has been taken since then and a third is due to be taken in June.  
Our Parish Council is to organise flashing light speed signs along Ferry Road and, although late, are now imminent. I believe the one-way system is now complete and by the time this edition of the Gander goes out it should be fully operational. It was agreed when their shift system starts, traffic will go on site via Ferry Road and off site via Chapelfield Road and South End.  
If anyone has any queries regarding pipeline work please contact **Jonathan Compton** who is the Public Liaison Officer and can be contacted on **07771 812756** or **jonathan.compton@skanska.co.uk**

## Update from National Grid River Humber Gas Pipeline Replacement Project By Steve Ellison, project manager

We are currently progressing with our pipeline replacement project in Goxhill and we are pleased to announce the one-way system for project traffic is operational.  
We are committed to reducing the effect our presence has on the local community and environment and acknowledge that the installation of the passing places and the Soff Lane diversion has taken longer than we had hoped. However, these measures are now complete, allowing us to open a one-way system for our works traffic which will help ease congestion and improve the flow of traffic on the project’s route.  
All our project traffic including HGVs, plant traffic, and staff vehicles will use the one-way system and Soff Lane diversion during the hours Monday to Friday 0700-1900 / Saturday 0700-1300. Outside these hours only staff vehicles may be driving to and from site.  
After listening to feedback from local residents and North Lincolnshire Council we have also put in place a number of additional traffic mitigation measures that go beyond those included in the original traffic management plan. These include additional speed controls at North End, lowering speed limits along our route, installing an additional passing place and implementing moving speed traps. To ensure that Goxhill residents have a dedicated contact, we have appointed Jonathan Compton as our onsite community liaison officer. You may have seen Jonathan in Goxhill meeting residents, recording the condition of the highways and conducting speed patrols.  
The River Humber pipeline is a nationally significant pipeline – connecting an import location for gas at Easington on the East Yorkshire coast to the wider network, delivering gas to millions of customers throughout the UK.  
Keep a look out for the pipeline project Community Update bulletin for more information about traffic management, the work progressing on site and the community initiatives National Grid is supporting.  
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## GOXHILL NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - more help needed!

Perhaps some of you will be aware by now that I have taken on the role of neighbourhood watch co-ordinator.  
There did not appear to be any activity of this in Goxhill and with the petty crime increasing in the area, particularly evident since Christmas. I felt that some action needed to be taken.  
After having 1200 leaflets printed to this effect, I was a little disappointed that there was not a larger uptake on the offer of co-ordinaries to help me with this scheme - this did not involve any work, only being a spokesman for their area in the event of any problems arising. I would be the one taking the concerns forward to the respective organisations such as the police. I only had something like 40 people willing to take this forward. However I am pressing ahead with this and hoping to arrange a police attended surgery at some time in the near future. For any of you on line on Facebook there is a site called GneW-Goxhill for you to keep up to date with what is going on and the opportunity to message me direct with any problems. I have put more signs up in the village after getting permission from the council. I have also managed to get free door and window alarms to give away. I have also asked the police for more patrols. If anybody would like to volunteer to help, or ask me any questions, or have any problems please feel free to get in touch with me.  
If people would like to contact me my email address is **lorraine.gibbins39@sky.com** or you can ring me on **01469 650470**.

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# Bethlehem and Jerusalem

**BY ANNA MARRITT** from Barrow Methodist Chapel

A team of 7 of us, from the Methodist Circuit with the Revd Nichola, went to Bethlehem with some high expectations and also uncertainty.

The Wall which surrounds Bethlehem and Jerusalem and all the towns and villages in the West Bank, is not the only sharp divide between the settled areas and the Palestinian Occupied Territories. Our destinations were frequently down at heel but always held a warm welcome. We met some extraordinary people who live their religion in a way many of us can only imagine. We were also privileged to see at last, places that are familiar through oft heard bible stories. An unforgettable journey.



*The Methodist Action Group outside Banksy's famous new hotel 'The Walled Off Hotel' in Bethlehem, after having been given tour!*



*The group of Methodists at the School of Joy in Bethany delivering knitted items from Goxhill, Barton and Barrow*

The school buildings we visited often lacked suitability for their purpose. In some instances, disabled children are carried to classrooms up numerous flights of stairs. Most lack suitable space for play outside. In contrast to the alternative, these facilities are amazing. The alternative is, nothing. Children would be on the street or left at home, uneducated. What these buildings lacked in luxury and resources, was made up for in the dedication of the staff who provided education, love and care.

We did not meet any extremists or zealots. We met

dignified people who live their lives in challenging circumstances. They do not talk about their difficulties in the overly dramatic language we hear on the telly. Those we met all said that violent protest was not the way forward. Whilst they have no hope that the current situation will change, they are sustained by their faith. Their hope is in God.

As for the sights, they were breathtaking. It wasn't just the sight of the Shepherds Fields and the wonderful church there, it was the feeling that went with it. From the Church of the Nativity to The Garden of Gethsemane, from the Mount of Olives to the Church of All Nations, each of these special places had a warmth and sense of peace.

As well as the many marvellous things we saw and experienced during our trip, there were many wonderful things that preceded our journey. It was amazing to see the mountain of clothes, hats, gloves,

*A little girl wearing a hat and scarf from Goxhill plus a toy the group took to her at Bethany School.*

toys and sports kit we took with us. The huge mound of teddies was positively Himalayan. The joy and thanks with which these gifts were received was a delight, as was the generosity of everyone who gave their support. Many thanks to you all who helped send us off with such practical loving gifts - 18 suitcases of them!

*If anyone wants to know more, do invite me or the Revd Nichola to come and give a talk.*



*Goxhill 'Knit and Natter group' who meet at the Chapel Schoolroom on Thursday's, were fantastic in making so many clothing items and toys. Others from the area generously supplied essential clothing, dresses, sports wear, teddies and toys for the orphans in Bethany School!*



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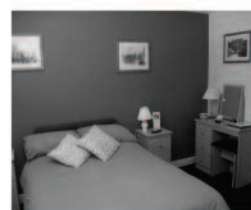
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## 1st GOXHILL BROWNIES

1st Goxhill Brownies have just returned after our Easter break having had a very busy term, highlights included our Easter party and completion of our Brownie skills badge. The girls also took part in a poster competition to promote Brownies as part of Girlguiding UK Thinking Day badge. The posters were judged by Janine Cook and the winning poster was by Erin Scullion (7). This poster will soon hopefully be seen around the village. Part of the Thinking Day badge was also to plant a tree and we have chosen to plant something suitable next to Enid and Geoff's bench in the cemetery. A lot of the Brownies still remember Enid and we thought this a fitting tribute from our group. Erin will have the opportunity as the poster winner to help plant the tree.

This summer term, we hope the weather to be nice for us to get out and about in the evenings so please look out for us and say hello as we may be trekking, singing or maybe even geocaching!!

We couldn't run Brownies without the support of the parents or the school for the hire of the building and we are extremely grateful to them all. However, we are always on the lookout for new Brownies to join us, so if you have a girl aged 7-11 and they may be interested, please contact either Sarah Bruce (Brown Owl) or myself, or pop along on a Tuesday night to see what we're about.

1st Goxhill Brownies meet every Tuesday during term time at the Integrated Services building at Goxhill Primary School. We meet from 6:00-7:30pm.

Many thanks, Jane Macleod (Tawny Owl)



Easter Party Fun!!

**Brownies**

## 1st GOXHILL & BARROW SCOUTS



1st Goxhill & Barrow Scouts would like to thank National Grid for their kind donation, which was used to purchase some badly needed tents for the Group. Fingers crossed for some good weather this summer so the kids can get out and enjoy themselves!!

## URGENT APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS

### 1st Goxhill & Barrow Scouts

You may have heard that there is a national shortage of volunteers in the Scouting Organisation. Sadly, we are no exception.

We currently need people to help with the running of 1st Goxhill & Barrow Scouts – for as little as one or two hours per week on an evening at our hut in New Holland.

Our group is very friendly and all aspects of support will be given; we will be grateful for whatever help you can offer to the younger members of our community. Thank You.

Please contact Jo Fielding (Secretary) on 07748 173264



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## GOXHILL PARISH COUNCIL

### Sustainability

Recently we have been informed that Goxhill is high on the official list as a sustainable village, which is wonderful news, but even armed with this knowledge, I'm sure that we were all aware that we were not going to disappear from the map at any time soon. With all the ongoing noise, heavy traffic, and disruptions being experienced by many residents at present, with tolerance and patience, and resolve we will continue to evolve. As with any other settlement, changes do occur, from the early years, and continue on through the ages, it is only growth and development that prevent stagnation. We face several years of upheaval while necessary works are carried out with the Humber pipeline, and we know that there is no way that we can avoid that, however, we can plan to ensure that all is put right upon completion. If we take careful note of the conditions at the start, we can not only put things right, but with careful attention we can go one step forward and use it as an opportunity. Very often at home, we don't make changes, we can't be bothered with the mess, we just live with it, we are content with the status quo, but if for any reason change is inevitable for normal repair, or to correct damage, we very often take that time to make a step forward, not just to repair, but to modernise and re-think, how to improve or move on, new ways, new designs, or new materials can always be found. This village has pulled itself up many times after enforced change of use, and it has come out at the other side a beautiful place to live. We are Eminently Sustainable, and you only have to take a long walk around our village footpaths across the fields, listen to the Skylarks, (which we are told by RSPB are on the danger) list, especially at this time of the year, and see that nature needs little help from us, but it does need a great deal of patience and a watchful eye to protect it. That is where we should be looking to ensure that all we have now, and what was there before any work started, is not only put back, but expanded upon, enhanced and protected for the future. That is real sustainability.

### Street Sport

This has been running at the MUGA for six months courtesy of NLC free of charge. According to the organisers this has been an overwhelming success and as such will continue. The only issue that has been

identified by parents is the lack of volunteers prepared to give a maximum of two hours. The reason for the need for volunteers is that NLC can only commit two staff for the facilities, and owing to various reasons, H&S child protection being a very important one, more parental volunteers are needed. When your dropping of your children can you give an hour, you could also enjoy it. Could I also ask that any items of litter are cleared while at street sport, it is not always easy to see everything, when it can get so busy, and when every one's enjoying them.

### Playing Field

All is in order, the gate has been repaired and now that the worst of the weather is over the grass is mown and better to use. The cable has been tightened on the Zip Wire so now it is possible to get right to the end again without dangling in the middle and coming to a halt, that spoils the fun.

### Special Item

A very hardworking lady, a local artist resident, has been working very hard in her wellies with big bag in hand, clearing up litter. We can only say a huge thank you to her, and hope that the ones who are doing the dumping, will take note that someone else with a conscience is clearing up their mess.

### Allotments

There are still vacant plots and there is still time, so get in your application to anyone at the parish council, and get digging, don't forget it's cheaper than joining the Gym, and you get great tasting food.

### Library

Still going strong, don't forget to take the children along, get them used to the facility and find the great selection of books for them. And don't forget if you can't find what you are looking for, it can be found for you, by our very helpful volunteers.

### Cemetery

Work continues at the rear field, the wide grass path has been mown and all three entrances are being prepared.

### Memorial Hall

The Hall continues successfully with good use for many varied activities. For example the Spring Fair in May, where plants etc. were for sale.

**Freda Dunkley**

## On Quarry Beach - Collected Poems 2008 - 2013

By Robert Jaggs-Fowler

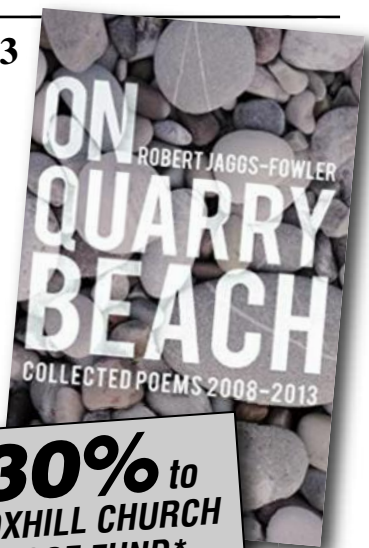
Prize-winning poet and former local GP Robert Jaggs-Fowler returns with his second collection of poetry. The collection draws from life's rich tapestry, capturing and distilling moments, thoughts and experiences. Within the book the reader finds a particular appreciation of travel, art, nature and philosophy.

Ranging in style from the lofty sonnet to the delicate haiku, this collection covers a range of eclectic subjects. The resulting poems are simultaneously personal and universally recognisable. On Quarry Beach also contains metaphysical overtones and a smattering of humour to entertain readers.

**Priced at £8.99**, On Quarry Beach will soon be available through the usual bookshops and on-line stores. However, signed copies are available directly from the author.

\* **Robert is kindly donating 30% of the cover price to the Goxhill Church Roof Fund if you mention the Goxhill Gander when you order his book.**

Robert can be contacted by email: [r.jaggs-fowler@theretreat-barton.com](mailto:r.jaggs-fowler@theretreat-barton.com) or writing to **The Retreat, Park View, Barton on Humber, North Lincolnshire, DN18 6AX**



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*By Rod Ballard*

*Me and the 'Old Man' in  
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gardening or mucking out, is to shake talcum powder in them. The talc goes in your nails and stops all the muck getting in and talc is more easily washed out.

A few weeks ago I was driving past where the telephone box is at Green Ramper and remembered how children had planted the shrubs on the "Lifestyle Scheme". I must admit I was not in a very good mood when I saw a group of five children/teenagers that had picked all the daffodils, or just pulled their heads off and thrown them to the ground and all thought it was hilarious. They soon changed their minds when I turned round and alighted from my vehicle. Boy, did I give them a telling off saying they were disruptive, it was pointless and asking "why?", to which none could answer. I told them children had planted them and they should be proud of their village and do something useful. To be fair, one girl was very apologetic and the others looked a bit sheepish. In hindsight it could have been different. I told them to tidy things up and as I went back to my vehicle I saw them literally trying to push the stalks back into where they came from! I couldn't help but laugh at that but the most worrying thing for me is, "I'm turning into my mother!" I told them they would be appearing in the Gander, so here they are. If they are bored and would like something to do that can benefit the village I've had a light bulb moment and thought of something. Please do not be afraid to contact me and hear more and then decide whether to go for it or not. I promise it's not hard work.

Have you noticed how much bigger Goxhill has become over the last, even, five years. Also not many houses have numbers. They are all named, which is a nightmare for delivery drivers. The old "Guide to Goxhill" complete with maps is now out of date although there are plans afoot to produce a new one.

In the last edition Jo Burns-Firth had qualified for the Blue Chip Winter Cup finals at Hartpury with Medoc Calvert. She was very pleased with her performance as in one class she finished 15 out of 88! More success has followed and at the beginning of May Miss Sixpence won her class at Chesterfield. They received a rug, sash and a stunning rosette. This mare is owned by Mr and Mrs Brian Willis. Seems to make all the hard work worth it. Well done team Jo!

There is an open day at J J Equestrian with an opportunity to book a lesson with Jo. Saddles checked and flocked by a fully qualified saddler. There will be a neutralist on site from Dengie who will weigh your horse and give advice. There will also a therapist who sorts out your horses back. If interested contact **Jo on 07980 137416**.

I received a very volatile complaint about riders galloping down Little Ramper. While I certainly was not happy with the person who came banging on my door to tell me about

the galloping, with his flailing arms and colourful language suggesting that we all ride down The Marsh (If only we could safely do this!); please remember, this backs onto houses and some have access rights. There are also children down there who may rush out to see the horses. This is a byway and as such you are allowed to ride down there and obviously Green Ramper but have a bit of common sense and respect for those living down there. How would you feel if you knocked over a child? Some residents maintain the grass by mowing it and keeping it tidy. To gallop on it is disrespectful when it is not necessary. I know a lot of fly tipping goes on down there and grass cuttings that should go in the bin or to the dump. I've seen people cross the road and put their grass cuttings in the ditch. No wonder the ditches overflow when it rains.

Much has been written about the pipeline and no doubt that will continue until the end of the project. Several things could be done to make it more bearable and believe me I have put suggestions forward. The main problem is the speed of traffic and this is not just tile yard and project lorries. It is the residents too so please double-check your speed and slow down.

Hopefully by the time this reaches you we will have had the flashing signs installed and yes it is 30 MPH both day and night.

If you have any questions or problems related to the pipeline please contact the **Public Liaison Officer, Jonathan on 07771 812756 or email jonathan.Compton@skanska.co.uk** who would be only too pleased to help you.

At the moment the bridleways are pretty abysmal but it is even more important we keep them clear and useable owing to the pipeline work which will soon be in full swing. If you see rubbish or fallen trees please report it. They do need a good clear out and some of the trees replaced. In fact, we need more bridleways so if you can think of anywhere, which may be, possible please let the council know. I am trying once again for the railway line, but it's not looking good.

The British Horse Society are still pushing their "Dead Slow" campaign in a bid to improve road safety but comment that riders must take some responsibility to help protect themselves. On that note I have some more Hi-Viz vests if anyone requires one and you don't have to be a horse rider.

Owing to lack of venue, unless one can be found now, it is with regret that Goxhill Show may have to fold. If anyone has any ideas please contact **Jill Latchford on 07710 105293**.

That's enough of my rambling for this edition. Keep your news, tips and views coming in.

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## The Industrial Village

A recent enquiry to the Goxhill Gander led to an interesting discovery about the growing of tomatoes in Goxhill. Of course, when tomato growing was mentioned we immediately think of the Dutch families that came to the village and established the glass house industry that was so important here for many years but that isn't the beginning of the story.

In the 1881 census a Mr John Sarjantson is recorded as living at Lopholme in Church End and he is described as a Gardener. He had been born in 1843 at Mareham Le Fen in Lincolnshire. In the 1901 census, he is found at another address in Church End in a house called Fernlea where he is then described as a florist. We find from the Glandford Brigg valuation of 1900 that as well as a house and garden he had land and greenhouses. A picture probably taken by Mr Parker the blacksmith who lived nearby, shows Mr Sarjantson and his son in front of their house.



Mr Sarjantson Snr (left) and J Sarjantson at Fernlea, on the Square, Goxhill. (unfortunately the photograph was cropped off at the bottom).

According to the Granddaughter of John Sarjantson he was the first person to send tomatoes to Covent Garden in London. The existence of the railway station at Goxhill with its excellent connection to London through Habrough would have made delivery of tomatoes of the best quality to the early morning market easily possible. The railway was of great importance to the village in that it enabled milk, tomatoes and flowers to be taken to market whilst coal and other goods were easily brought to the village.

This would also have been an important consideration when The Van den Bos and Van Sluten families set up their glass houses in the village. Hawthorn Gardens was founded in 1920, on 20 acres of land owned by Jacob Van den Bos. Mr Herbert. Tyson was a fruit merchant living in Goxhill with a business in the Hull fruit market and much of the produce went to the Hull market by way of the Humber Ferry. Hawthorn Gardens was famous for tomatoes but costs forced owners to specialise in growing cut flowers for market. Tulips, roses, chrysanthemums, carnations and fern were all grown in large quantities. In 1956 the gardens employed 50 people but there were only 7 employees by 1986.

Industry and employment in Goxhill have in the past suffered problems some of which were national and others which were of local origin. The problem of high cost is perhaps better described as low cost competition. It soon became apparent after we had joined the European Market that any industry that

required large amounts of labour was in danger of being undercut by production in other countries where labour was cheap. In my own industry, I thought how good it would be to take our innovative designs to Europe but I found that in Spain and Italy our designs were copied and sold here and in Europe for low prices.

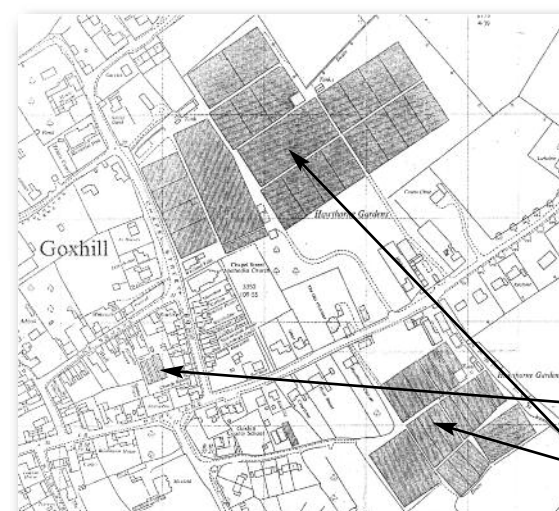
A much earlier industry in Goxhill was the making of bricks and tiles beside the Humber bank. Brick making went on for over a hundred years. There were five or more sites which were in use at various times. Clay was dug from the marsh and moulded into bricks which after drying were fired in Kilns. All of the work was done by hand and other than the odd horse there was little mechanical equipment. Each of the yards had a jetty

on the river bank and coal for the kilns and sand, dug from the sand banks of the river were brought in by barge. The empty barges carried the bricks to market. It seems strange that the brick and tile industry could work in this way for a hundred years but the National Grid has been unable to do this for the gas pipeline tunnel.

There were however problems with clay extraction in the marshy sites beside the river, because as the clay was dug out the hole that was left filled with water and this was often contaminated with salt from the river. It was not possible to dig deeper to extract more material and this limited what could be done on each site. The best clay was used for tile production but salt content of some of the bricks reduced their quality. It was not therefore economically possible to introduce powered machinery into the Humber brickmaking industry and as mechanisation developed elsewhere mass production of bricks moved away. Another factor in this was the discovery of clay deposits which contained some hydrocarbons. When the bricks made from this clay were fired the hydrocarbons contributed to the heat produced thus reducing cost.

It becomes increasingly apparent in modern times that circumstances in the wider world can cause changes which bring businesses to an end and lead to the loss of employment. It is therefore most important locally to ensure that we guard against this. The building of the National Grid Tunnel under the Humber is creating big difficulties for small equestrian establishments and for the tile works and others. Much attention is at present being given to Brexit and there is a lot of aggressive talk about migrants. Perhaps a little look at our past history of migration might be useful at this time. In 1881 John Sarjantson had only travelled a short distance to come to Goxhill but he brought valuable knowledge to the village. Our Dutch friends travelled further but they brought great employment and money to businesses in the area. The village has grown, hundreds of us have come here and have made our own small contribution. We have found a welcome and a pleasant place to live. Some have only crossed the river from Hull others have come from distant lands to find a home. We are grateful that we have been able to raise our families here and to enjoy this village.

**Maurice Brawn**



The 3 glasshouses at Fernlea. The extent of Hawthorn Gardens glasshouses.





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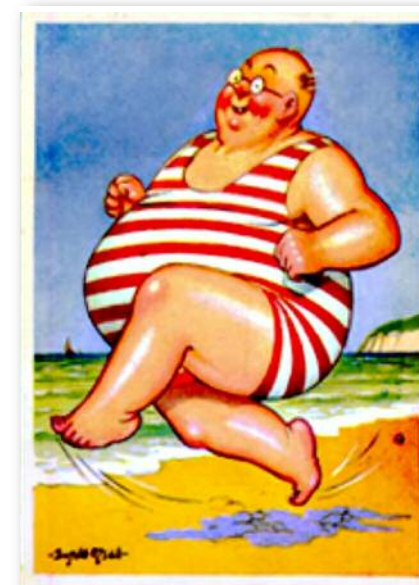
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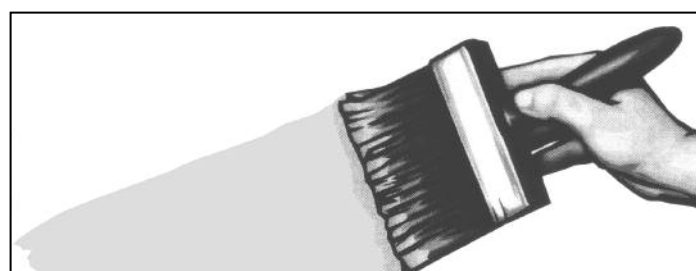
If you are anything like me, I am sure there have been moments when, whilst on holiday, we felt the need to complain about something. It is, for me, a last resort, and something I will not do lightly, but it seems some folks just do not have any grasp at all on reality.

The following are all complaints (allegedly) received by one of our larger holiday companies; make your own minds up.

1. "On my holiday to Goa in India, I was disgusted to find that almost every restaurant served curry. I don't like spicy food."
2. "They should not allow topless sunbathing on the beach. It was very distracting for my husband who just wanted to relax."
3. "We went on holiday to Spain and had a problem with the taxi drivers as they were all Spanish."
4. "We booked an excursion to a water park but no-one told us we had to bring our own swimsuits and towels. We assumed it would be included in the price."
5. "The beach was too sandy. We had to clean everything when we returned to our room."
6. "We found the sand was not like the sand in the brochure. Your brochure shows the sand as white but it was more yellow."
7. "It's lazy of the local shopkeepers in Puerto Vallarta to close in the afternoons. I often needed to buy things during 'siesta' time — this should be banned."
8. "No-one told us there would be fish in the water. The children were scared."
9. "Although the brochure said that there was a fully equipped kitchen, there was no egg-slicer in the drawers."
10. "I think it should be explained in the brochure that the local convenience store does not sell proper biscuits like custard creams or ginger nuts."
11. "The roads were uneven and bumpy, so we could not read the local guide book during the bus ride to the resort. Because of this, we were unaware of many things that would have made our holiday more fun."
12. "It took us nine hours to fly home from Jamaica to England. It took the Americans only three hours to get home. This seems unfair."
13. "I compared the size of our one-bedroom suite to our friends' three-bedroom and ours was significantly smaller."
14. "The brochure stated: 'No hairdressers at the resort.' We're trainee hairdressers and we think they knew and made us wait longer for service."
15. "When we were in Spain, there were too many Spanish people there. The receptionist spoke Spanish, the food was Spanish. No one told us that there would be so many foreigners."
16. "We had to line up outside to catch the boat and there was no air-conditioning."
17. "It is your duty as a tour operator to advise us of noisy or unruly guests before we travel."
18. "I was bitten by a mosquito. The brochure did not mention mosquitoes."
19. "My fiancée and I requested twin-beds when we booked, but instead we were placed in a room with a king bed. We now hold you responsible and want to be re-reimbursed for the fact that I became pregnant. This would not have happened if you had put us in the room that we booked."



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## THE BROCK - an update

In the last issue, the Friends of the Brock, which has now become Goxhill Community Pub Ltd, an officially registered Community Benefit Society, were within a whisker of signing a contract to secure the Brock for the village. Solicitors representing GCPL had reached agreement with the solicitors for Keigar Homes Ltd and the deposit was lodged with the solicitors ready for exchange.

Then, instead of the final contract arriving, our solicitor received a message retracting previously agreed clauses, leaving conditions that, as the seller was aware, effectively made the purchase impossible. Conditions that were totally unacceptable to the Committee representing the interests of the shareholders and precluded the sale.

One clause would have made it impossible to raise the extra funds needed to renovate the pub. Another meant it was almost impossible to run it profitably, because of restrictions on trading conditions.

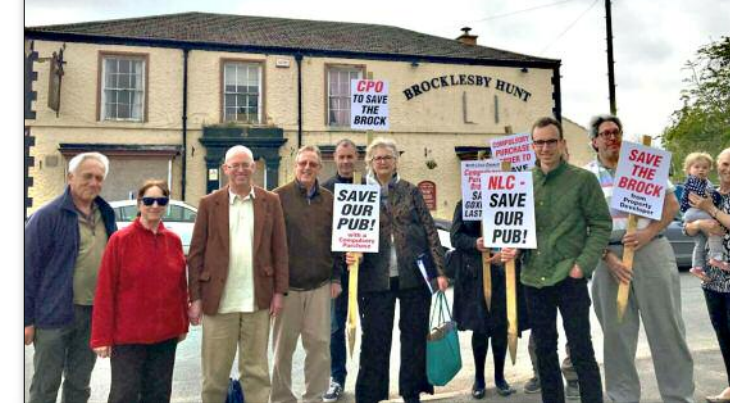
### IT WAS AN IMPASSE!

So the petition, signed by 785 residents demanding a Compulsory Purchase Order on the Brock, was sent to North Lincolnshire Council. Four of the GCPL committee were invited to a hearing in the Council Chamber at Scunthorpe and received a more than favourable and very supportive response from the 3 independent councillors and officials, supported by all of our 3 ward councillors.

It therefore came as a huge shock when the Compulsory Purchase Order was turned down on some very flimsy grounds. We are hoping for a resumption of negotiations by Keigar's solicitors to demonstrate a genuine willingness to sell and to get the SAVE THE BROCK campaign back on track.

**I can assure you, after a year of work, the committee will not easily give up the fight to Save the Brock!**

## SAVE OUR PUB!



*On their way to presenting the Petition to North Lincs Council*

## Saving the day for the Archbishop of York

I was lucky to be in the right place at the wrong time! The Archbishop of York was to take a journey from Hessle to Hull Marina to officially change Hull Holy Trinity to a Minster. The planned journey didn't go to plan! The boat I was on - "My Mate" was requested to help, we obliged and I recorded these pictures.

The Archbishop and his assistants were due to come down the river in a little motorised dingy (Petunia!) but they couldn't get it afloat off the trailer as it was rather rough - they called us over and we picked them up.

Dr John Sentamu was wet through so I lent him my jacket and Hull City scarf! He eventually enjoyed the journey and we were greeted at the marina by hundreds of people - lovely day! And we featured in the Hull Daily Mail (see link below). **Ian Neve**



See video on <http://www.hulldailymail.co.uk/live-updates-as-holy-trinity-church-officially-becomes-hull-minster/story-30330424-detail/story.html>

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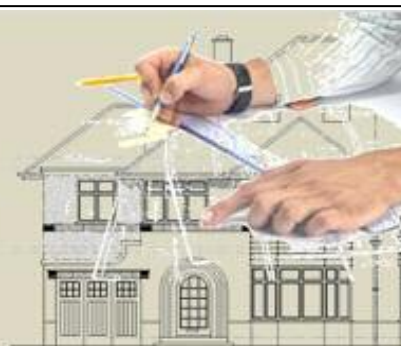
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## GOXHILL OPEN GARDENS - Sunday 18th June

As you read this article hopefully most of the preparations for this year's Open Gardens will have been completed. We will have at least ten gardens on show; I am still waiting for final replies from a couple of gardeners as I write this.

Whilst the principle of the Open Gardens Sunday remains the same as always we have tried this year to increase the experience with displays and demonstrations in some of the gardens. These will be provided by the community groups who indirectly benefit each year from the monies raised by Open Gardens. It is hoped that you will enjoy what you see, share the pleasure that the group members get from their involvement and maybe feel inclined to join one or more of them. There will also be a display of planted hanging baskets donated by local garden centres at one garden and you will have an opportunity to win one of them for a small donation to the Open Gardens fund.

As usual the tour of the gardens starts at the Methodist Chapel where before, during or after you have visited the gardens you will be able to view the flower display in the chapel as well as taking tea and cake in the chapel rooms. This year's display theme is "Hymn 377" from the Methodist Hymn Book. Please come and see how the ladies have interpreted the beautiful words of the hymn in their arrangements.

This year we are trying to make the occasion more visible with new signage to advertise the day and brighter notices to indicate the participating gardens. We would also like to encourage some visitor feedback by giving you the opportunity to vote for your favourite garden after you have completed the tour when you return for a well earned cup of tea at the Chapel. I am also hoping that we will see some photographs of the gardens posted on the Goxhill Grapevine page (please don't identify the garden location) as those of us that open our gardens never get to see the rest.

**Finally, should you feel the urge to open your garden next year as you wander round enjoying what you see, please speak to any of the garden owners to find out what is involved or contact me Jack Lawtey, at Station Cottage, Howe Lane, Goxhill.**

We look forward to seeing lots of you on **Sunday 18th June from 1pm onwards.**

Jack Lawtey



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There was a great response with 69 nomination forms collected and at their AGM on 17th May, the Gander Committee reviewed the entries.

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'Throughout the 40 years of knowing Jane, she has supported countless causes, always supporting others, even through adversities in her own family life.' 'She did lots for the children at school and the Chapel'. 'She has shown lots of commitment to the village, Chapel Warden, Gander Committee, Luncheon Club, helping in school and at village events. She is great!'. 'She is the loveliest person and does lots for the community.' were some of the reasons given.

The winner will receive a £50 gift voucher and a certificate and their name will be added to the distinguished list in the Memorial Hall. The other names nominated were John Guggiari, Anne Lawtey, Alyson O'Leary, Penny Nadin, Stan Short, Jeff Teasdale and Cheryl the Post Lady. All would have been worthy winners in their own way, perhaps they will be in the future.

**Thank you to all who do good things for the village, however large or small. And thank you to all those who voted, it shows how much you appreciate these contributions to our community life.**





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## Health Care Then and Now

There has been so much publicity recently about the 'failing' National Health Service, that I am inspired to relate my recent experiences of the care that I received, and the observations that I made in The Diana Princess of Wales in Grimsby.

Before that let me say that I was a young married person in 1948 when this service was started. I lived in both Goxhill and Barrow at that time. Up until then we did not visit a doctor unless someone was seriously ill 'almost at Death's door'. We could not afford to pay, even though we paid into a scheme each week to a doctor, covering emergencies. So this was great news to us, but it was obvious that now we saw people going to the Doctor for trivial reasons; maybe there should have been more guidance given about some care that did not need a Doctor's intervention. However the point of this article is regarding my recent experience; in answer to accusations of Hospital failures. I would suggest that 'failure' is not there among the people who work closely with the patients, but with the hierarchy above that is: "too many chiefs and not enough Indians".

I was admitted into hospital on December 21st. to receive a new knee, and be home for Christmas. The pre-op. examination declared me fit to have the procedure; I was given guidance and chose to have a spinal injection, not a general anaesthetic; all the time I was patiently listened to regarding risks etc.; these people must be hearing the same questions day after day, but treated my enquiries with patience and showed me the utmost respect. In theatre I was able to follow the procedures while fully awake; with the help of the anaesthetist, who answered every question I asked, like 'what is he sawing now?'. The skill of those surgeons amazed me! I feel privileged to have received such skilful treatment.

Back on the ward: The attention received, and kindness shown by the nursing staff, including the 'care workers', was beyond expectations; even when in the middle of the night I awoke and was so disoriented that I had to ring and ask where I was 'we'd better have a cup of tea' the carer said and sat with me until I got my bearings.

The attention was constant with no complaints about



hard work from the staff. I was unable to go home as expected due to a skin infection. The consultant came round on his ward round each day about eight am; to discuss with me what could be done; and set things in motion; I mention this because when I heard people grumbling in the out patients department that their 9 am appointment was a few minutes late I was able to say 'Hey this consultant has done ward rounds before coming here to his clinic'. Many of the public demand immediate attention when the nurses working with staff shortages, are literally 'run off their feet'.

I cannot speak highly enough about my treatment with the NHS in The Diana Princess of Wales Hospital.. As well as the medical staff on the ward, we must not forget the ones who work at cleaning; they're all cogs in the wheel which would not turn if one cog was out of place; so think about these workers who keep our health service working. Stop 'throwing money at it' without specifying how it should be used.

We need no more jobs created for the administration; or long drawn out 'feasibility studies' we need more helpers at the point of care, where it is a struggle to keep going.

How many of you also remember the days before the NHS? We do not want to return to that situation.

**Ramona Percy**

(Member of The Barton and District History Group  
- new members welcome).



## HOME REMEDIES BEFORE THE NHS

Before NICE controlled the efficacy and quality of all medicines prescribed by your doctor and available over the counter, a whole range of home remedies were available to supposedly cure all ailments. Some made fantastic claims that they could cure every possible illness without any real proof. Now we have anti biotics that really do cure many things and an unbelievable range of proven medicines to help with pain and minor sicknesses for all ages. In my early childhood I have vivid recollections of one or two home remedy medicines. Cod Liver Oil is a vital product today, but I remember it given daily by the spoonful (not encased in a nice protective coating). It tasted awful but I was told 'it would do me good'. The most appalling flavoured medicine though was Fennings Fever mixture. It was disgusting. You really had to be very poorly to take it, it was so horrible. It certainly stopped you from pretending you were ill. Just the threat of a spoonful of that and you were out of bed and off to school. **Jeff Teasdale**





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Goxhill's Community Library is situated in the Parish Rooms on Howe Lane, run by volunteers and entirely free to use, including a wi-fi broadband connection. Make a note of our opening times to avoid a wasted visit:

Joining online via North Lincolnshire Council's website takes about 5 or 10 minutes. If you are unsure about using the internet or would like help with joining then call in and the volunteer on duty will help. To contact the library volunteer team about Goxhill community library please either email [goxhilllibrary@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:goxhilllibrary@yahoo.co.uk) or call in and talk to us.

### THE LIBRARY OPENING TIMES

• Mondays	from	3.30pm	until	7pm
• Wednesdays	from	2pm	until	5pm
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**John Guggiari**

## GOXHILL BOWLING CLUB

It does not feel likely at the time of writing but the Meteorology Office recently forecast a spell of warm weather throughout May.



Hopefully that has encouraged a few of you to try out lawn bowling, perhaps at our open afternoon on 21st. If you missed it or forgot then give me a call on 530363 and I'll make time for you to try it out. There is absolutely no charge for an introductory trial of bowling, whether or not you decide to join.

The cost is just £20 for social bowling and for that you could play every day of the week if you wish, as long as the green's not in use for a competition. The only 'specialist equipment' needed once you join is a pair of flat-soled shoes (costing from £20). Everything else can be borrowed free from the Club, including bowls until

you want to buy your own - usually the case once you decide which size suits you best.

For a higher subscription you can take part in our league matches as part of a three person 'triple' once you feel ready for a

bigger challenge - though some are happy to settle for just an occasional 'roll up' for fun.

Goxhill Club runs a regular Tuesday Bowls Drive starting at 2pm for two hours of bowling in alternating pairs or triples with a short tea break in the middle.

For this anyone, even a non-member, can just turn up and pay a £2 charge to cover prizes and refreshments.

Lawn bowling is suitable for all ages, abilities and fitness levels, so why not give it a try this summer? Get in touch via our website at <http://goxhill-bowls-club.weebly.com> or call me on 530363. **John Guggiari**



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The local LIVES group covering our village benefits tremendously from generous donations and funds raised by local people to enable it to keep going - so thank you to everyone who has contributed. It costs some £3,000 a year to run the group for Goxhill, Barrow & New Holland, including affiliation to LIVES for accreditation, renewal of medical equipment, replacement of medical consumables, oxygen supplies and the mobile phone bill.

If you can help LIVES locally, as a first responder volunteer or through fundraising, please contact **Damian Connolly**, branch co-ordinator, by phone 530656 or 07747499331 or [connolly.dam@gmail.com](mailto:connolly.dam@gmail.com) by email. LIVES is registered charity number 1098364.

**John Guggiari**

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## ROTARY CLUB OF BARTON-UPON-HUMBER



### Disability Games

Twelve member of Barton Rotary Club helped at the Rotary Disability Games, held at The Pods in Scunthorpe. Athletes from a wide area compete and Barton club members organised the Rifle Shooting section of the event

### Stroke Awareness

On May 12th, at the Tesco Supermarket in Barton, a Stroke Awareness - Know your Blood Pressure day was staged by Barton Rotary Club. Leaflets and "wallet cards" explaining how to identify the signs to look for of somebody suffering a stroke were handed out. Medical professionals were on hand to check shoppers blood pressure, free of charge. By the age of 75, One in five women and one in six men will have a stroke. The event was supported by the Stoke Association whose website [stroke.org.uk](http://stroke.org.uk) also gives details of what to do if you suspect someone is having a Stroke.



### Junior Football

Barton Rotary Club has supplied kit to Barton United Tigers Junior Football Team, who play in the Caparo Junior Football League. Team members come from Barrow, New Holland, Goxhill and Barton.

### Shelterbox

Disaster struck people of East Africa are being helped by a donation from Barton Rotary Club. £1000 has been sent to the Rotary-connected charity Shelterbox, to pay for Shelterkits. The kits include tarpaulins, tools, rope, solar lights, etc to enable people to provide shelter or repair a home. They are customised with other items to suit the location. We have supported Shelterbox for many years.

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## ROTARY CLUB OF BARROW MERIDIAN

Hello again from the volunteers of the Rotary Club of Barrow Meridian. As I write this we are already in British Summer Time and looking forward to some longer evenings and sunshine. Although it may appear that we have not done a lot since Christmas, we have been quite busy behind the scenes, so that once the frenetic activities surrounding Christmas are behind us we take the time to consider all that we have done since the start of our Rotary year last July; we look at what we did well, and also those events from which lessons can be learned. We have been busy discussing and planning possible and probable events for this year – those which are tried and tested, and which have become associated with the club, and new ventures.



We welcomed a new member, Bert Vermeulen, into our ranks in March, and he has already shown himself to be a valuable team member. Welcome Bert. The photograph (courtesy of Rotarian John Giddings) shows Bert being welcomed by our President, Jacqueline Setterfield.

Also in March (quite a busy month really) several Rotarians took part in the Great British Spring Clean around the village – this was a nationwide two day event sponsored in our area by NLDC and co-ordinated locally by Angela Grounds, Clerk to our Parish Council, and involved several local community groups. Thanks

Angela for all your hard work and providing the necessary equipment. President Jacqueline and I visited Goxhill PS on St Patrick's day at the invitation of the after school gardening club, ostensibly to see the wonderful display of the 'Purple for Polio' crocuses, but the children were also planting up potatoes with an enthusiasm that should have impressed St. Paddy himself. Thanks to everyone at the school for their continued support.

### Dates for your Diary

**Car Boot Sales: at Barrow Playing Fields: Monday 29th May 2017, and Monday 28th August 2017**

### Wobbly Wheelers

**Sunday 16th July 2017** further details to follow.

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

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- **You can plan a journey or get bus departure times on a web site.**

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- **Northern Rail** have an hourly stopping service from Scunthorpe through to Doncaster. Saturday services from Brigg and Kirton to Sheffield and Cleethorpes are also available. The website is [www.northernrailway.co.uk](http://www.northernrailway.co.uk)

There are a number of applications for mobile phones that give live information on the train services. These will provide information for specific stations like Barton or Goxhill on whether a train is on time or delayed. You can also purchase tickets via these applications to be collected from ticket machines at some stations.

To check train times, fares and station facilities for any train journey you can visit the following websites:

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