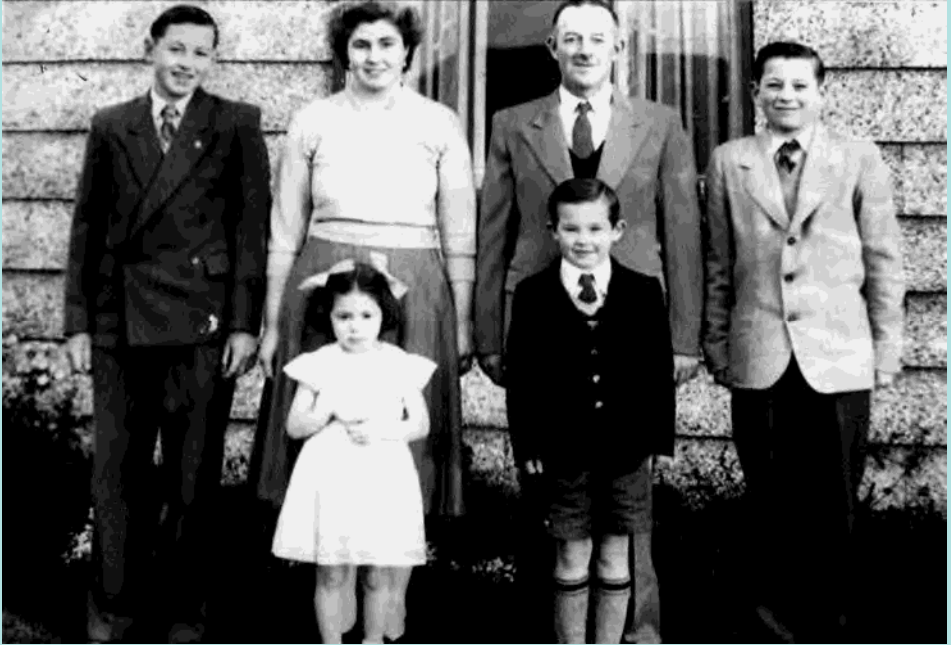


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VILLAGE NEWS & VIEWS

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER 2017



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The cover photograph this month was left in the Church by visitors from Australia. It was left by Adrian Adcock, the son of Frank and Iris Adcock (nee Capps), and his family who now live in New South Wales in Australia.

The family lived in a house in Church Road until 1955 when they emigrated to Australia. Adrian was in the choir and was a bell ringer at Wigtoft Church.

The picture shows Frank and Iris with their children Adrian, Heather, Graham and David.

The car on the last issue cover has been identified by a reader as a 1920 Humber Tourer

There seems to be plenty happening in the village at the moment. There was a table top sale in the village hall at the end of July and in the coming months there is Jean Knight's Open Garden, the garden Club Flower Festival over the weekend of September 22nd to 24th, the Macmillan Coffee Morning on Saturday September 30th and then the Harvest Supper on October 8th and of course the Christmas Tree Festival in December.

Well done to all those volunteers who organise all of these events.

Church Lottery Winners June 2017

1st Mr P Bruce (£20)
2nd Leslie Waudby (£10)
3rd Mrs J Barkham (£5)

Drawn at the Coffee Morning 24th June

Church Lottery Winners July 2017

1st..... Mrs R King (£20)
2nd..... Mr P Smith (£10)
3rd..... Mr J Craggs (£5)

Drawn at the Coffee Morning 22nd July

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St. Peter & St. Paul

WIGTOFT PARISH CHURCH NEWS

Special Service for Revd. Sue Hentley

We were so pleased that the Group Service on July 2nd was due to be held at Wigtoft as it was our turn on the Rota.

Sue Hentley had been church warden at Swineshead for around 10 years and was also licensed as a Lay reader. Sue felt called to the ministry and after various interviews and discussions began a 4 year course to achieve her ambition. There were times when she found it tough but continued her course and in June 2016 she was ordained as a Deacon in Lincoln Cathedral and a coach was organised to take members of the Haven Group to this service. After a year serving the Haven Group, under the guidance of our vicar Revd. Charlie Robertson, on July 1st this year Sue was ordained as a priest at Lincoln Cathedral. This meant that Sue could now celebrate Holy Communion, a very special occasion for her at the Haven Group Service in Wigtoft.

Together with our friends from Swineshead and the other churches we were able to have a buffet meal after the Service and thanks to her sister Barbara who supplied a very suitable splendid cake.

Sue is now the Revd. Sue Hentley and her role is Curate to the Haven group of churches working with the guidance of Charlie.

We wish you all the best in your new role and look forward to working with you at Wigtoft.

The PCC would like to thank everyone from the Friends and Church who so generously gave their time to prepare the buffet and the Church for this special service. Thank You

Members of the Wigtoft Parochial Church Council are:

Rev. Charles Robertson
Myrtle Holliday ----- Secretary
Virna Atkinson
Jane Barkham
Colin Scrapps
Malcolm Franklin
John Craggs ----- Treasurer

Wigtoft Church Flower Arranging

Flower arranging in the Church for August will be done by Jane Barkham.

In October Judy Collingwood will be doing the flowers.

Thanks to all who help with this

The Haven Group Church Services For August

Date	Wigtoft	Swineshead	Sutterton	Donington	Bicker
6 th					10.30am Group Service
13 th	9.15am Holy Communion	10.45am Holy Communion	10am Holy Communion 3.30pm Jelly Church	9.30am Holy Communion	8am Holy Communion
20 th		10.45am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	9.30am Morning Prayer	10.45am Holy Communion
27 th		10.45am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	4pm Evensong

The Haven Group Church Services For September

3 rd				10.30am Group Service	
10 th	9.15am Holy Communion	10.45am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion 3.30pm Jelly Church	9.30am Holy Communion	8am Holy Communion
17 th	9.15am Holy Communion	10.45am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	10.45am Holy Communion
24 th		10.45am Holy Communion	9.15am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	4pm Evensong

Wigtoft Village Hall Dates & Information

August 2017

September 2017

Tue	1	10am	Scraps R Us	Fri	1		
Wed	2			Sat	2		
Thu	3			Sun	3		
Fri	4			Mon	4		
Sat	5			Tue	5		
Sun	6			Wed	6		
Mon	7	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	Thu	7		
Tue	8			Fri	8	6.30pm	Bird Auction
Wed	9			Sat	9		
Thu	10			Sun	10		
Fri	11	6.30pm	Bird Auction	Mon	11		
Sat	12			Tue	12	10am	Scraps R Us
Sun	13			Wed	13		
Mon	14			Thu	14		
Tue	15	10am 7pm	Scraps R Us Gardening Club	Fri	15		
Wed	16			Sat	16		
Thu	17	2pm	Welcome Club	Sun	17		
Fri	18			Mon	18		
Sat	19			Tue	19	10am 7pm	Scraps R Us Gardening Club
Sun	20			Wed	20		
Mon	21			Thu	21	2pm	Welcome Club
Tue	22			Fri	22	6.30pm	Bird Auction
Wed	23			Sat	23		
Thu	24			Sun	24		
Fri	25	6.30pm	Bird Auction	Mon	25	3pm	Newsletter Meeting
Sat	26			Tue	26		
Sun	27			Wed	27		
Mon	28			Thu	28		
Tue	29	10am	Scraps R Us	Fri	29		
Wed	30			Sat	30	10am	Macmillan Coffee Morning
Thu	31						

Village Hall News

The village hall committee would like to thank the ladies of Scraps R Us for providing a new freezer for the Village Hall to replace the aging existing one.

We would also like to thank the family of Jean & Philip Deane for donating two wheel chairs, one for the Village Hall and one for the Church. Jean & Philip sadly both passed away earlier this year.

You may have noticed that much of the final finishing off of the new extension has now been completed and a new fire exit door has been installed.

The very observant of you may also have noticed that the pot hole in the road at the entrance to the Village Hall car park has now been filled in by the council.

The Winter Bacon Butty Morning will start again in the Village Hall. As usual the first being run by Jean Knight in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support on September 30th then from October 7th raising funds for the Village Hall. These Saturday mornings as always well supported and raise much needed funds to help maintain the Village Hall so please come along and if you are able to offer help in running these events please get in touch with a Village Hall Committee member, the more help there is the easier it is for everyone involved.

Booking Wigtoft Village Hall

To book the Village Hall, please contact Wendy on 01205 461005
or e-mail villagehall@wigtoft.com

*The hire charge is £8 per hour, which includes heating,
lighting and the use of the kitchen and all crockery.*

Church Cleaning

***Church cleaning for August will be Wednesday the 9th and
for September, Wednesday the 13th from 10am both days***

We also share together in a chat (*what the rest of us call a gossip*) and a cuppa.
If you would like to help please come along, you will be made most welcome

In Memory

It is with deep sadness we announce the oldest member of our village, Mr Len Lowe, has recently passed away.

Len was of senior years and had lived in Wigtoft most of his life. He attended Wigtoft Parish Church and held office there for many years. He was a gracious and lovely man and received the great honour of the Maundy Thursday money from the Queen when she came to Lincoln.

Len was a staunch supporter of Wigtoft Church, being a member of the Parochial Church Council for over 18 years

The funeral takes place at Wigtoft Church on Monday 31st July at 11 am. He will be sadly missed by us all. Our condolences are extended to his family.

Thank You Barbara & Norman

We wish to thank Barbara and Norman who entertained us in their lovely garden on an equally lovely evening recently.

The members of Wigtoft Gardening Club met together and enjoyed walking around this spacious and well cared for haven. As usual Barbara offered us refreshments that were delicious!!! Many thanks from us all.

Libby

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Bacon Butty Morning

On Saturday September 30th, 10am until Noon,
our annual Bacon Butty Morning will take place
in Wigtoft Village Hall.

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For further information please contact
Jean on 01205 460546

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Wigtoft Church Roof Repairs

Following a recent meeting with the appointed contractors and architect we have finally agreed a start date for the Church roof repairs that does not affect the bats.

Hopefully work on site will start either the third or fourth week of August and should last between 16 and 18 week, the work being completed by the end of this year.

Scaffolding will go up around the tower first, moving gradually along to the chancel. Hopefully no unforeseen problems will be found during the work, but it is impossible to be know what will be found once the existing roof covering is removed.

The contractors make a point of not using hi-vis jackets on site, so if you see anyone around the church, especially out of working hours, please call the police as they are probably there to cause damage or steal materials. The roof alarm will still be in operation when work is not taking place so there will still be a high level of security in place.

Services and events will still be taking place during the 4 months of work, there will be some minor disruption but hopefully nothing too serious. The Bacon Butty Mornings, Garden Club Flower Festival and Christmas Tree Festival will all go ahead as planned.

Once again, if you do see anything suspicious around the church please either contact a member of the PCC or the police as soon as possible

Blisbury Charity Student Grants

Every year the Blisbury Charity has a small sum of money which is available to help students to buy books, equipment, travel etc. Students eligible to apply for this grant must be continuing in Further Education, eg Sixth Form, College or University and residing in Wigtoft. If successful the grants will be paid towards the end of September.

Please apply by letter giving full particulars by the 9th September 2017 and send to:

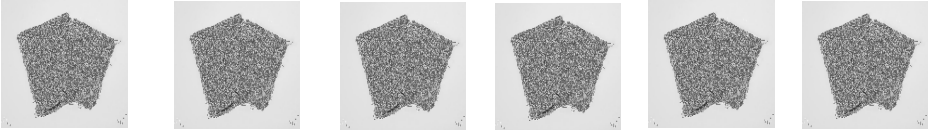
**Blisbury Charity, Five Bells Lodge,
Five Bell Lane, Wigtoft, Boston Lincs. PE20 2PX**

From 1949 we all learned to make a few sacrifices. Recycling was a large part of our lives. Aprons were made from parts of worn summer dresses. Parachute underwear or frilly covers for our faded furniture. Sewing machines were a 'must have' in any household.



Potato rationing was threatened but never introduced. We had fields of them so were not too worried.

In the six dark war years Christmas Day began and ended without a real fuss. Children today get so many presents that they really don't appreciate them.



We only needed a slim purse to spend our clothing coupons. American soldiers gave their girlfriends gifts of nylon stockings, which the rest of us longed to possess.

Rice, tapioca, cornflour and even custard powder were in short supply but fortunately we had apple, pear and plum trees as well as raspberries and black and red currants. Our own milk, butter and eggs helped the pudding supply and flour seemed to be available.

Liquor was never rationed so we were able to enjoy a welcome cup of tea or coffee with the right spirit.

Britain won the war but we were worse off for a while. Bombing ceased but rationing continued. Spam helped the meat ration but was tasteless. No wonder those with the space reared their own pigs to supplement rations. I don't remember many overweight people in those days!

Avis M Padley, July 2017



Dear Editor

I am sending this email to say a BIG thank you to all the ladies and gentlemen who help with the bacon butties etc. on a Saturday morning at the Village Hall and the Church. We always get a lovely welcome and a smile. I know they all work extremely hard.

Also the Wigtoft News which has so much interesting reading and also some laughs. You all work extremely hard and just wanted to let you all know that it is well appreciated.

Thank you

Eileen and Dave Bartlett - Asperton Road.

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Dear Editor

Thank you for publishing my email in the last issue of the village magazine. However there seems to be some doubt about my existence. I have heard several comments, especially from those ladies who come into the Church once a month supposedly to clean but who seem to spend most of their time gossiping and drinking. In fact one Wednesday in July I saw one of these ladies doing something really weird with a cup of coffee , I think she needs help!! Just because they cannot see me and my friends they think that we don't exist, if they want proof they can always email me directly at bertie@wigtoft.com.

I cannot guarantee a quick response, partly because of the terrible Wi-Fi reception here but also because I am extremely exhausted at present. We have just reached the end of our breeding season and I need some rest, but now have lots of extra mouths to feed and hours of teaching to fly to do.

One day in July there were several men with clipboards wandering around the building looking very important. If some work is being planned can I please ask that it is done quietly and definitely not at night so that it does not disturb us.

Bertie the Bat

On behalf of the batty residents of Wigtoft Church

Sent via E-Mail over our very slow connection

Topical Talk

We were taken on a visit recently to Bletchley Park, near Milton Keynes. To the uninitiated this is the place that was at the centre of code breaking during world war two – this enabled the Allies to decipher vital messages sent by the Germans to their fighting forces, and gave us warning of their strength and weaknesses.

Bletchley Park was the birthplace of modern computing and many historians estimate that the efforts of these code breakers helped to shorten the war by up to 2 years and saved countless lives. At its peak around 10,000 people worked here and at its associated stations: so tight was the security here that the exact number is not known, even today. They tackled the complex task of intercepting, deciphering, analysing and distributing the intelligence gathered from enemy radio signals, while their work remained shrouded in the highest level of secrecy. Even to this day families of many of those who worked here never knew the full extent of their involvement.

A machine known as the “Bombe” was developed early on in the war to help in the process of deciphering – and eventually this led to the construction of another machine known as the “Colossus”, the forerunner of the modern computer. By the end of the war there were 10 working machines at the Park.

One of the most memorable and probably one of the most tragic figures to be associated with Bletchley was Alan Turing. He had attended university at Cambridge and was a brilliant mathematician and was described by many people who knew him as a genius; it is possible, because of some aspects of his behaviour, that he was near-autistic. He was one of the driving forces behind the creation of the Colossus.

Turing was a homosexual, this at a time when it was a criminal offence, and this led him into trouble with the law. In 1952 he was charged with homosexuality, but was spared prison, but had to undergo treatment at Manchester Royal Infirmary.

His sentence expired in 1953 – he continued with his career, at this time with the University of Manchester in the Theory of Computing. Then, tragically, at the age of 42 he committed suicide. Had he been alive today his sexuality would have been accepted and he would have been recognised just for the genius he was.

We were having a discussion recently about the amount of debt that most graduates from university have on their graduation. It is quite common for them to have a debt of £50,000 round their neck, even before they have found a job: on top of this they are charged an interest rate of 6%. When they find work they have money deducted from their salaries monthly once they are earning in

excess of £22,000 per annum. But with a debt of £50,000, charged at 6% they find that debt increased by £3,000 a year, so that, unless they are earning a really good salary their indebtedness increases year on year. Their only respite is the fact that, after 30 years the government cancels their debt, but by this time they are in their 50's – there must be something to be said for not bothering to look for work !!!.

You may have read recently of the passing of Peter Sallis, better known as “Cleggy” of “Last of the Summer Wine”. Though he played the part of a Yorkshire man in this role, he was in fact, born a Londoner and had grown up with a Cockney voice; this was “knocked out” of him when he was at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art (RADA) Before the onset of the war he had followed his father into banking but was not happy – at the outbreak of the war he enlisted into the RAF but failed his medical for aircrew, but became a radio instructor at Cranwell: it was here that he first became interested in acting, where a play a month was put on. When he was demobbed he successfully applied to join RADA. After many years playing supporting roles on the stage he was offered the part of “Cleggy”, his first appearance being in 1973, and he was still there when the series ended in 2010, the only member of the cast who had appeared in all 295 episodes, then approaching 90 years of age.

Another of his successes was the voice of Wallace in the Wallace and Gromit series; he won Oscars for his part in these.

In his later years he had failing eyesight, suffering from macular degeneration, which meant that he could not read or recognise faces, he did his lines for Wallace by copying what the directors shouted at him.

He had a complicated private life; he married Elaine Usher, an actress, in 1957 and they had a son Crispian. The couple separated and reconciled at least 16 times and were finally divorced in 1965, only to re-marry. His wife died last year.

Colin Scrapps

Wigtoft Welcome Club

The Welcome Club meets at Wigtoft Village Hall on the 3rd Thursday at 2pm every month.

Everyone is welcome to join for £3 a year joining fee.

Play bingo for cash, and a raffle. Tea and coffee is served at half time.

**Please contact Ray or Lesley Woods for further information on
01205 460234**

Open Garden

Jean Knight is kindly opening her garden once more for us to enjoy on August 6th from 10am - 4pm. For those who have visited before then I am sure you will wish to come again.

For those who have not visited, then come along and experience the tranquillity and beauty of this lovely garden.

Delicious refreshments will be served throughout the day including bacon butty and homemade cakes. So come along and bring your friends to enjoy this day. Looking forward to seeing you there!!

All proceeds to Wigtoft Parish church and McMillan.

Jean lives in Station Road, Sutterton. If you wish directions please telephone 01205460546

Wigtoft Village Hall Bacon Butty Mornings

Our winter Bacon Butty Mornings will start again on October 7th 10am until noon

We will have our delicious Bacon Butties and cakes each Saturday until next spring

If you are able to help out at any time please get in touch, the more help we have the easier it is to organise.

All funds raised go towards the maintenance and development of this village facility.

Wigtoft Parish Church



Coffee Morning 

Coffee mornings to raise funds for the Church continue for the summer months

Saturday Mornings 10 - Noon

Please come along for a friendly chat and light refreshments which now include bacon butties and home made cakes.



All funds raised for Church maintenance and repairs



Organised and run by The Friends Of Wigtoft Church

Christmas Craft Mornings

Craft mornings to prepare for the decorating of Church Christmas trees this coming December.

These will be held on Tuesday August 22nd September 19th and October 31st at Wigtoft Church from 10am to noon.

**If you would like to join us then please do so
Light refreshments will be served.**

Please come and join us. For further information contact Jean. Tel:- 01205 460546.

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Peter and Karen McGuire

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 10am Scraps R Us <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	2 10am - Noon Coffee Morning <i>Sutton Methodists</i>	3	4 Green Bin Collection	5 10am - Noon Coffee Morning <i>Wigtoft Church</i>
6 10am - 4pm Open Garden <i>Jean Knight's Garden Sutton</i>	7 7.30 pm Parish Council Meeting <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	8	9 10am Church Cleaning <i>Wigtoft Parish Church</i>	10	11 Blue / Brown Bin	12 10am - Noon Coffee Morning <i>Wigtoft Church</i>
13	14	15	16	17	18 Green Bin Collection	19 10am - Noon Coffee Morning <i>Wigtoft Church</i>
9.15am Holy Communion <i>Wigtoft Parish Church</i>		10am Scraps R Us <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i> 7pm Gardening Club <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>			6.30pm Bird Auction <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	
20	21	22	23	24	25 Blue / Brown Bin	26 10am - Noon Coffee Morning <i>Wigtoft Church</i>
		10am Craft Morning <i>Wigtoft Parish Church</i>	10am - Noon Coffee Morning <i>Sutton Methodists</i>	2pm Welcome Club <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	6.30pm Bird Auction <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	
27	28 Bank Holiday	29 10am Scraps R Us <i>Wigtoft Village Hall</i>	30	31		

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Local Worthies

Brian Bolland

Brian Bolland was born in 1951 in Butterwick, near Boston. He is described as a writer, penciller and inker.

He is a comics artist, having worked extensively in the industry – he has been involved in many Batman productions and also the Judge Dredd series.

His parents were Albert John (A J) Bolland and Lillie Bolland; they were local farmers. As a youngster he had a “thing” about comics and he accumulated quite a collection – he began to draw his own comics by the age of ten featuring, as he says, “any big creatures that looked vaguely like a dinosaur”. On family outings to Skegness he would trawl through local newsagents for comics to add to his collection, which he kept in a wooden bookcase which he had made in school woodwork.

He took both his O-levels and A-levels in art and then spent five years in art school, starting in 1969, learning graphic design and art history. He admits that learning to draw comics was more of a self taught thing, as for the five years he spent at art schools his tutors never taught him a thing about comics.

He wrote a 15,000 word dissertation on the artist Neal Adams in 1973, an artist his tutors had never heard of.

He married his girlfriend Rachel Birkett in 1981 – they have one son, Brian Bolland himself was an only child.

He has won many awards for his work, which he now carries out from America, having moved there in the early 1980's.

Richard Dring Carter (1891-1969)

Richard Dring Carter was born at Hubberts Bridge, near Boston. His fame lies in the fact that he was a competent cricketer, and was a right-handed batsman.

He was educated at Wellingborough Grammar School: early in his cricket career he played for Norfolk in minor counties cricket, making his debut for them against Essex Second X1 in 1920. Between 1920-1925 he made 44 appearances for Norfolk.

In 1927 he made his appearance for the East of England team against the touring New Zealanders at Wisbech Cricket Club: the New Zealanders won by 8 wickets; he was dismissed in the first innings for a duck and in the second innings he was dismissed for one run.

Later in his life he lived at Crabbs Abbey, Stowbridge. He died in August 1969; his brother and later, his son, both played minor counties cricket for Norfolk.

Colin Scrupps

Historic Documents

The newsletter team have been sent copies of some historic documents relating to Wigtoft and the surrounding area by someone living in New Zealand.

The documents, being old, are difficult to read but date from between about 1710 and 1750 and appear to be indentures. This type of document is normally a contract or agreement often relating to a young person working as an apprentice. But they can, as appears to be the case with these documents, be an contract or bond to work on, rent or buy land.

The main names in the documents relate to the Dawson family from Wigtoft at the time. Specifically they refer mainly to John Dawson in about 1713 and Samuel Dawson and his wife Mary in about 1740.

Other names mentioned from Wigtoft, Bicker, Swineshead, Kirton and Hofleet are Thomas and Margaret King, Richard Tomlinson, John Thomas, Johnathan Brown and Johnathan Grundy amongst others. Land around the Wigtoft area and even in Norfolk is referred to.

The custodian of these documents, Angela Taylor, is hoping to visit the UK in September and October and would like to be able to match the documents with families here. So if you think that there may be any connection you, your family or anyone you know please get in touch with the newsletter or one of the editorial team so that a meeting with Angela can be arranged.

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Sam Snail's Jobs In The Garden

What beautiful weather we are having, sunshine and warmth late into the evening is something we have not had for a few years. I know it makes gardening a little harder, unless you are a real sun lover. Early morning is certainly the best time for tackling the physical jobs of mowing and hedge cutting but enjoy it while it lasts. Continue cutting fast growing hedges such as Privet and shrubby Honeysuckle. Hawthorns need their first cut now to keep them in shape, they grow overnight it seems. Carry on summer pruning restricted forms of apple, especially espaliers.

Peg down strawberry runners to repot later to replace old plants. When they have rooted cut them free from the main plant. You can peg them down straight into flower pots and then it is easy to just cut them free.

Cut back early flowering perennials, oriental poppies, hardy geraniums and delphiniums should be cut to the ground so that they can regrow and flower again in late summer.

Keep feeding tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers once a week and keep them well watered in this heat.

Don't forget to wear a hat and sun screen for working in the garden it is amazing how quickly you burn. Do what you can then catch up when it's cooler.

Enjoy!

From Sam



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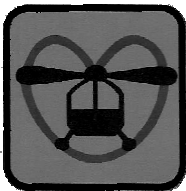
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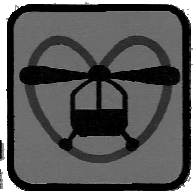
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The castle was built in 1281 by a man named Antony Bek. He gave it to King Edward 11 in 1309. One of its greatest claims to fame is the fact that the French King John 11 and his son were imprisoned here between 1359-1360, having been taken prisoner at the Battle of Poitiers. They were held here under the charge of Baron D'Eyncourt. The Kings stay was not exactly imprisonment as we would imagine it – he had a staff of 40 and fine French wine was imported through Boston for his consumption. During his stay at Somerton the French King supported several Lincolnshire churches and monasteries financially. In March 1360 it all came to an end – he made the 7 day journey back to London where his ransom of 3 million gold crowns were to be paid for his release.

The castle remained as Crown property until 1628, when it was bought by the Corporation of Lincoln. It then passed into the ownership of Sir Henry Hussey and has remained in private ownership ever since.

The surnames of D'Eyncourt and Hussey have local connections. D'Eyncourt Hall stood in Kirton Meeres until about the 1970's when, owned by the Denis family, it was decided to demolish it; this was done by placing many bales of straw inside it and setting it alight. The event was filmed by the BBC and I'm sure footage from the burning house will have been used over time. The original Hall dated back to William the Conqueror. The name still lives on in the village through the care home of the same name.

The Hussey family were prominent citizens of Boston – the Hussey tower on Skirbeck Road is the remains of their fortified dwelling from the middle ages. The first mention of the family seems to be around 1465 when the birth of John Hussey (1465-1538) was recorded. He became 1st Baron Hussey of Sleaford and chief Butler of England from 1521 until his death: he was a member of the House of Lords and a chamberlain to King Henry V111's daughter, Mary 1 of England.

Confessions Of A Mousehound

27th May Owner very active this morning. I was pushed in a large van along with four hairy monsters - Belgian Shepherd dogs - destination a huge dog show. The giants had their own cages built into the van. I had to stay in my own cage. Why couldn't I enter the Manchester Terrier ring? Perhaps it was too smelly. There were dogs of all sizes, shapes and colours. I behaved impeccably and earned a few fishy treats.



29th May Bank Holiday so why is it so quiet here? Taken for a long walk, then home all day for lots of affection and cuddles.

31st May Owner must have been to the big blue pool. She came home perfumed by chlorine.

9th Jun The boss decided to work in the garden. Why was I not allowed to 'do the digging'?

12th Jun Warm and windy yet again. Enjoying the long walks in the cool evening.

20th Jun Scrabble™ this afternoon. Met a nice gentleman and a sweet girlie, who loved me to bits.

27th Jun Scrabble™ again. I sat on friends knee. She had to hold me in place with her right hand and play Scrabble™ with her land hand. What larks!

Thanks to Pat Bunyan for her cooperation

July 2017, Avis M Padley

Sutterton Methodist Church Services for Aug/Sept



6 th August	10.30am - Rev David Curran
13 th August	10.30am - Worship Group 1
20 th August	10.30am - Mrs Libby Craggs
27 th August	10.30am - Rev Maurice Perry
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3 rd Sept	10.30am - Rev Alan Barker
10 th Sept	10.30am - Rev David Curran
17 th Sept	10.30am - Miss Par Gooding
24 th Sept	10.30am - Mr Roy Saxby

MINUTES OF THE WIGTOFT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (311) HELD ON MONDAY 8TH MAY 2017 IN WIGTOFT VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT M Scrupps, V. Atkinson, M. Cooper, M. Tunnard,
S. Baxter, P. Craven B Leggott, & M. Piper (Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

S. Collingwood, A. Spencer, M. Brookes

2. PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public attended .

3. MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 3rd April 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd April 2017 having been previously circulated are to be signed by Cllr. Leggott at the next meeting.

4. POLICE MATTERS

No members of the police attended and no crimes were reported .

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairman: S Collingwood proposed by Bruce Leggott
& seconded by Peter Craven.

Vice Chairman: Matt Tunnard proposed by Virna Atkinson
& seconded by Steve Baxter.

Clerk: Mary Piper proposed by Matt Tunnard &
seconded by Virna Atkinson

6. HIGHWAYS

Footpath from Church – Asperton Road very slippery

Footpath adjacent to Chicken Farm also very slippery

Footpath alongside Church wall also needs attention

There are some large potholes outside Village Hall

Street lights are out along from layby at Village Hall – Sutterton

Clerk to contact Highways again on above matters.

Road sign for Sleaford Road.

7. PLAYGROUND

Councillors to contact Malc Firth RE; safety matting around roundabout.

Clerk to contact T Blackamore re: loose grass cuttings around toddler area.

8. FINANCIAL

C/A £8416.12 D/A£2260.99

Annual accounts were presented by the clerk and approved by the Parish Council

9. PLANNING

There were no planning application.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Town & Country Planning Regulations.

Election Notices

11. A.O.B

Deer and Muntjacks seen on A17 .

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

The next meeting will take place at Wigtoft Village Hall on Monday 5th June 2017 at 7.30.pm

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MINUTES OF THE WIGTOFT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (312) HELD ON MONDAY 5TH JUNE 2017 IN WIGTOFT VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT M Scrupps, V. Atkinson, M. Tunnard, S. Baxter,
M. Cooper, S. Collingwood, M. Piper (Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

A. Spencer, M. Brookes, B Leggott & P. Craven

2. PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public attended .

3. MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 8th May 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th May 2017 having been previously circulated are to be signed by Cllr. Leggott at the next meeting.

4. POLICE MATTERS

PC Williams attended and reported three crimes in the village;

Theft of heating oil in Clover Lane.

Theft of garden equipment in Asperton Road.

Theft of diesel in Asperton Road .

5. HIGHWAYS

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Road sign for Sleaford Road.

6. PLAYGROUND

Councillors to contact Malc Firth RE; safety matting around roundabout.

7. FINANCIAL

C/A £8075.02 D/A £2260.99

Annual accounts to be sent to Grant Thornton (auditors)

Cheque for Mr Cutler £50.00. Received Cheque from Mr Waudby
£398.00

8. PLANNING

There were no planning application.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

Red ensign for Merchant Navy Day.

Dog exclusion sign, clerk to request one sign for playground

10. A.O.B

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

The next meeting will take place at Wigtoft Village Hall on Monday 3rd July 2017 at 7.30.pm

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***The next meeting will take place at Wigtoft Village Hall on
Monday 7th August 2017 at 7.30pm
There will be no meeting in September
All are welcome to attend***

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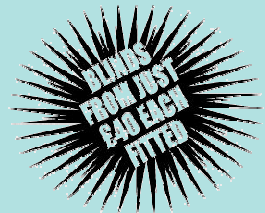
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