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VILLAGE	STOP	DAY	DATE	TIME
Glentham	Village Hall	Tue	12 & 26 February	9.10 - 9.20
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Normanby	Bottle & Glass Council Houses	Fri	8 & 22 February	13.00-13.40 13.45-14.05
Hackthorn	School Near School	Fri	8 & 22 February	14.25 - 15.10 15.10 - 15.25

Please check on dates as this is only a projection based on previous times

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**Deadline for March Signpost
Friday 15th February 6.00 p.m.**

RECTORS LETTER

My dear friends,

A gloomy place

Do you think real people can be like characters out of stories? Some people do seem to be like someone out of *The Famous Five*, or *The Wind in the Willows*, or *Winnie-the-Pooh*.

I cannot imagine why people sometimes give me cards or little toys with Eeyore out of *Winnie-the-Pooh*. I'm looking right now at a toy Eeyore that someone once had as a free gift from Macdonalds. I use it to clean my computer screen. Poor Eeyore. I'm not really that miserable ... am I?

So on the study radiator there is a fridge magnet given me by some kind person which proclaims "EEYORE'S GLOOMY PLACE".

Sometimes the whole world can seem a gloomy place. Terrible things happen, and even when the sun is shining so much of the world seems covered in darkness.

What do we do about it?

I think there are two choices. We can wring our hands, and moan about how terrible things are nowadays. Certain newspapers seem to do that all the time. I think they are out to make their readers depressed.

Or we can try to brighten things up a little, to be a spark of light in someone's dark life. That doesn't require a relentless cheerfulness from us all the time. We're not all cut out to be Tigger, thank goodness. Thank goodness indeed. I find Tigger hard work.

It's in the little things that we do to support one another, whether it's a person we know and love, a family member, or a near neighbour, or even if it's someone on the other side of the world, through a coin in a charity box. It all adds up. Very likely the best thing we can do is simply to express our solidarity with that other person.

An old friend of mine recently became Dean of St Paul's Cathedral in London. It was a Dean of St Paul's centuries ago, a man called John Donne, who remarked that "No man is an island", reminding us that all our lives are interconnected in some way. Christians aren't simply concerned with their own welfare, but have a concern for others. We tell newly baptised Christians to "shine as a light in the world". Jesus described himself as the light of the world, and told his listeners that they ought to be the same.

Even if we can be glum old customers some of the time.

I suppose none of you is sitting on a thistle by any chance?

Peter Godden

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH BAGHDAD

I've had an acknowledgment of our gift of £1320 "Dear Reverend Godden & the Owmby Group of Parishes - you are all wonderful, praise God for your generosity", signed by Canon Andrew White, & with a copy of his book "Iraq - Searching for Hope". Please let me know if you'd like to read it after I've finished it. There may be a queue...

Thanks
Peter

LENT 2008

Lent comes early this year. So will Easter.

Ash Wednesday February 6th. Holy Communion with imposition of ashes at Spridlington 10.00 a.m.

Lent Course at Owmby on Wednesday mornings at 10.00 a.m., beginning Wednesday 13th February - HOLY READING (Lectio Divina)

Holy Communion on Thursday mornings. Rotating around the churches at 9.30 a.m. Further details on the Sunday sheet.



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THE FOCUS FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS MONTH

Give thanks for a year of love and protection.

Pray for a deeper sense of God's love during the year ahead.

PLEASE JOIN YOUR PRAYERS WITH US DAILY THROUGHOUT THIS MONTH.
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We had such fun at our Christmas Messy Church that we have decided to plan similar events throughout the year.

So we are all busy preparing for a new year of 'Messy Church', putting together an exciting programme of events including a Holiday Club and BBQs during the summer.

Next Date : Sunday 2nd March 10:45am Glenthams Chapel

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call.

Jenny & Peter ATKINSON
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Owmby & Normanby

NORMANBY-BY-SPITAL PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Cllrs R Bellamy, D Kelsey, S Mundy and A Crowther attended the meeting held on 9th January. There were 2 members of the public and the Clerk was in attendance.

The Highways Department are doing some remedial work along Private Lane. We are still waiting to hear details regarding the permanent speed flashing signs.

As mentioned in the last Signpost, it has been suggested that all properties be numbered. If any residents object to this idea, could they please contact the Clerk (878148). All residents will be consulted before or even if this idea goes ahead.

There is to be a Public Hearing on Tuesday 22nd January at Hemswell Court, starting at 10am to discuss Footpath No 3.

It was agreed to pay:- the LALC £58.75 towards the laptop and laser printer the Parish Council has recently acquired from them, £23.20 to Cllr. K Green for expenses – as he collected the Free Trees for the village, £60 has been given to Mr J Connor from the War Memorial Fund as he is researching the names on the War Memorial from WW11.

A request has been received from the Fire Station in Kirton-in-Lindsey that a petition be signed by everyone to try to keep the fire station open. It was agreed to ask the Post Office if the petition could be kept there.

Nadine Fox (Clerk)

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Thursday 7th February 2008

at

MOAT HOUSE

Field Lane, Normanby-by-Spital

10.30 am

By kind invitation of Mr. & Mrs. G. Walker

All welcome

Proceeds to Church funds.



OWMBY PARISH COUNCIL.

Notes of the meeting held in the Parish Church on 19th November 2007 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs G.D. Crompton-Howe; DJ Mellor; Mrs J.M. Buckley; Mrs D. Leah; Mrs ME Perry. (The Clerk);

Cllrs C.L. Strange; J.J. Summers & Cllr Mrs A Crowther (Normanby PC)

VOICES OF 39 PROJECT.

Cllr Crowther explained the proposed project to basically report the "They went to War" book for the villagers of the Second World War again compiled by Jim Conor. The funds derived from the original book was to restore the War Memorial. Now with the new book and hopefully additional funds (currently standing at £778.73) The Parish Council together with Normanby PC were being asked to again form a joint working group to assist Jim in the compilation of the book and to allow the funds to be used to cover expenses in compiling the new book. In addition Owmbly should this time be the applicant for funding.

REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOUR.

Cllr Strange reported that the County C were opposed to the closure of local post offices.

Cllrs requested Cllr Strange put pressure on the Highways to look at re surfacing footpaths in the village, return the village sign on Spridlington Rd* and replace the Give Way sign approaching the A15*

*Both now done.

POLICE REPORT.

Speeding vehicles again a concern if the numbers of the offending vehicles are put into the Police Report Box in the Post Office then the officers will have a word. NB. Police Report Box use it or lose it.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Winner of the Housing Needs Survey draw Cllr Parry had been unable to take up the price of a fee meal at the Owmbly Golf Club as they no longer do meals!.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr DJ Mellor a member of Owmbly PCC.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 03.09.07

Resolved that the Minutes be signed as a true record.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

1. Speed Indicating Device now being managed by the Lincs Fire & Safety, efforts are still being made to obtain one for the village.
2. Resolved unanimously that

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cancellation otherwise a charge for loss of session may be incurred

- a. OPC participate in the joint working group for the “Voices of 39” Project.
 - b. That the existing fund be used to finance the research.
 - c. That OPC complete the application for funding.
 - d. To pass on our thanks to Jim Conor for dedicating his time to this worthwhile project that we are all sure will be as successful as the last one.
3. Owner of dwelling on Normanby Road had fenced off land down to the highway edge. Highway Authority to be asked to check ownership. Still ongoing

FINANCE & ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Balances: Current Account: £420.45 Dep A/C £2015.52;

Reserve Account: £2002.76

Resolved that the following be paid:

Royal British Legion Wreath	£16.50
Audit Fee Moore Stevens	£58.75
Grass cutting 2 cuts	£146.62
OPCC for Hire of Church	£12.00
Clerk's salary £135.90 + £29.04 expenses	£79.75

Cllr Joined the meeting at 8.35pm

Reported that the decision on the Market Rasen Swimming Baths was due shortly.

PRECEPT FOR 2008/9.

Resolved:-

- Use of Church to be increase to £15/ session.
- To pay the Clerk a minimum of 2 hrs / week.
- That the Chairman obtain estimates for a bus shelter, clerk to enquire into funding.
- Precept st at £2,125

HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY.

Sadly only there were only 53 responses out of the 293 forms circulated. The analysis of those showed that there was no current need for any affordable housing in the village.

The next meeting will be on Monday 31st March in Owmbly Church at 7.30pm.

Chairman OPC Graham Crompton-Howe Tel 878 386.

NB Free trees & hedges have now been distributed. Also by the time you get this our new notice board should be in place!

HARVEST SERVICE AND LUNCH

An update on the Harvest collection money for St. Georges in Baghdad our total reported in Decembers Signpost was £1070.50. Hackthorn has now donated £70 00, now giving a total so far of £1140.50. I understand we are able to give a total of £1320.00 to cover the four days, thanks to another donation. This is a wonderful achievement from such a small group of parishes many thanks to everyone. We have now received a letter of thanks from St. Georges in Baghdad.

Avril

OWMBY CHURCH CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Many thanks to the kind hospitality of Carole Roberts the Christmas Fayre was held at Cliff House, there was an amazement of prizes to be won on the Raffle and the Quiz table, plus Courtney Wiggins (6yrs) guessed the weight of the Christmas cake all by herself, also she won a prize guessing the correct number in Ranees game,

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along with Janet Buckley who won the other prize. The cakes, produce and tombola stalls had lots of lovely things to buy and win. Many thanks to everyone to contributed to the event and for those few dedicated people who came along and spent their money on all the products available. It is quite amazing the afternoon amounted to the grand total of £453, once again thank you very much.

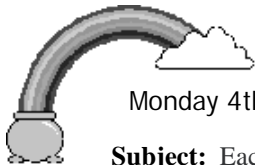
Avril

F.O.N.S. CHRISTMAS FAYRE AND CAROLS

I would like to thank FONS for their busy Christmas Fayre held at the school, it was well patronised, we were lucky enough to win a bottle of wine, rather than water! Also we were winners of the raffle, which was a very good Christmas hamper, and much appreciated, thank you. After the Fayre the children went around Normanby and onto Owmbly, singing Christmas Carols, Carole very kindly opened Owmbly Church, put the heaters and lights on tree for us and made it very welcoming, for our carol singing. On our way back we called at one or two houses in Normanby but unfortunately, they made it very clear the children were not welcome, which is a great shame as they were really enjoying their selves and singing well. So undaunted moved onto the Bottle and Glass and the Post Office and sang outside there. May I pass on my thanks to Joan's generosity towards the children, which they all appreciated. So well done FONS and I hope the whole event proved profitable.

Avril

OWMBY CHURCH MONTHLY DRAW December 2007 / January 2008		
1st	2nd	3rd
Post Office Danny Mellor	Susan Corcoras Paul Arden	Andrew & Judith Hall Lucy Roberts



RAINBOW FELLOWSHIP

Doram, Chapel Lane, Normanby

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12/12	Tina Harrison	Neville James
9/1	Avril Harrison	Ken Green
2nd Lady		2nd Gent
14/11	Jean Cowperthwaite	Barry Stevens
12/12	Jean Cooperthwaite	Richard Harrison
9/1	Tina Harrison	Richard Harrison
Low Score		Near Score
14/11	Shirley James & en Green	Shirley James & Barry Stevens
12/12	Avril Harrison & en Green	Jean Cowperthwaite & Ken Green
9/1	Marlene James & Shirley James	Ken Green & Marlene James
Miniature		Raffle
4/11	Neville James & Avril Harrison	Lois Green & Tina Harrison
12/12	Lois Green & Neville James	Richard/, Brian&Jean
	Tina Harrison & Ken Green	Ken ,Tina, Lois, Neville & Avril
9/1	Shirley & Marlene James	Neville James, Ken Green & Jean Cowperthwaite

Anyone wishing to join us at the next Whist Drive, it will be held at the home of Don and Jean Cowperthwaite at Normanby- by- Spital on the 6th February 2008 7.30pm and the following whist drive on 5th March at Neville and Shirley James. We are always pleased to see new faces, and it is always a very light hearted evening.

Glenthams & Caenby

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REPORT FROM GLENTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Various matters were discussed at the December meeting of Glenthams Parish Council. These included the reporting of a drain which was not performing well on Bishop Norton Road and the state of the road on Highfield Terrace. At the January meeting it was reported that Highways intended to surface dress Highfield Terrace in 2008. The Parish Council are trying to arrange a meeting with Highways to discuss this road and also the pathway of Little Hill.

The Council have applied to the Councillor Initiative Fund for a grant to have a thorough Spring Clean of Little Hill. This would enable the hedges and trees to be cut back and all the nettles and assorted debris cleaned away. The Council will then pay for follow up maintenance as necessary.

Several Councillors met with Steve Wiles, LCC Highways, on 15th November to discuss the provision of a Speed Indicator Device. Unfortunately, Highways feel that the accident figures do not justify the installation of such a device. They are going to lower a section of the banking on the main road to provide better visibility.

The Parish Council have made a request to the Diocesan Board for a faculty with regard to a clock winding mechanism.

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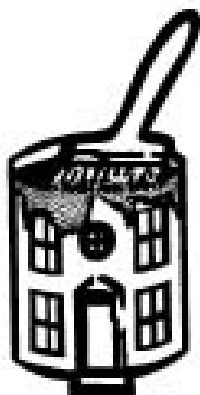
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Four tenders had been received from various contractors for the grounds maintenance for 2008. The Council agreed to accept Service

Team for a minimum of 10 cuts per year. Barff Meadow transfer is complete and the seat and bin have been installed. The Council accepted a quote for maintenance of this area from Service Team.

The Council finalised the budget for 2008/2009 at £5865 with the precept to be set at £5000. The total in hand at present is £17006.

Other matters discussed included the Dial a Ride service which may be discontinued. It was agreed to write to LCC to complain as this could have an effect on residents without transport.

Cllr G Fox gave the Steering Group Report and said that the questionnaire had been formulated and it was anticipated that it would be distributed sometime in February.

The next meeting of Glenthams Parish Council will be held on Thursday 14th February in The Village Hall at 7.30pm.

GLENTHAM VILLAGE HALL

BINGO NIGHT

Wednesday 20th February

Doors open 7.00pm Eyes down 7.30pm

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Coming Events

The Famous Glenthams Duck Races Sunday 23rd March. 2pm.

This year there will be the added attraction of a **Spring Fair** in the hall.

Stalls available at £5. Please see Colin Rainer on 878733.

Thursday Coffee Mornings, 10am, followed by **Keep-fit Class at 11.30pm** are continuing throughout the year. Why not try one, or both?

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ROSE BOWL QUIZ

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GLENTHAM PARISH PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE

A questionnaire will be delivered to all households in mid to late February. Please take a few minutes to complete it. This is your chance to say what is important to you.

ROSE BOWL QUIZ AND CHRISTMAS DRAW

A most enjoyable evening was had by all, despite the horrendous wet weather. A good number of teams participated with 'RTS' being the victors closely followed by 'Them 'n Us' and '3 Little Maids +1'. The wooden spoon was awarded to the 'Know Nowts' but after a challenge and an enquiry the rightful recipients 'Norfolk 'n Chance' proudly walked away with the trophy. The Christmas Draw then took place with a great number of prizes awarded, the winners names are on display in the Village Hall.

55 +CLUB

A lively group enjoyed a very pleasant festive lunch at the December 4th meeting. Many thanks to Hilary for all her hard work, also to Colin not just for that day but for all the work and effort they put in through the year. One or two new members swelled the numbers and they have shown an interest in participating with the Scrabble section, anyone else interested please come along. The next meeting is on Monday 11th February at 2.00 p.m. In the village hall



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I am "launching" my campaign on Saturday Feb 9th with a Coffee Morning from 10am at Jarebe, Bishop Norton Road, Glenthams.

**Please come along and support us
Shelagh Chapman**

GLENTHAM AND DISTRICT GARDENERS CLUB

The Gardening Club Christmas Supper was a great success with around 40 members and guests present. The Committee and helpers put on a splendid meal and a very interesting impromptu quiz was organised by Carol which everyone had great fun trying to solve the problems.

The next meeting on Tuesday 12 February 2008 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall will be 'Lincolnshire bats': a talk by Helen Scarborough of the Lincolnshire Bat Group. Helen will be bringing some bats to show us.

ST. PETER'S GUILD

The Christmas coffee morning held at Prospect House was attended by a good number of folk, possibly attracted by curiosity as to what Mervs' enthusiasm for the spirit of Christmas would bring out. They were not disappointed. Many thanks to the people who attended and those who sent donations. Over £175 was raised towards funds. Please feel free to come along and support these coffee mornings, you don't have to be a regular Church goer to come and enjoy them.

NEW YEARS' EVE

The start of the year 2008 was celebrated by a small but enthusiastic crowd in Glenthams Village Hall. Thanks to all who participated and made it such a friendly fun way to see in the New Year.

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SANTA'S SLEIGH RIDE

I would like to thank all the people who took part in the fund raising at the Crown, and for all the donations for the raffle. We raised a lot of money and will let you know in the next issue of the signpost how much was raised. All the money will be going to cancer research.

Thank you

Geoff Wiseman

THE GLENTHAM SINGERS

Yet again the Glentham Singers gave a most entertaining Christmas performance in the Village Hall. It was their ever popular mixture of well known Carols, new seasonally appropriate musical pieces, poems and monologues. A most enjoyable evening helped along with an intermission of mulled wine and nibbles. They were most pleased to have raised £120 to be donated to S.T.R.U.T.

Their next engagement is at South Kelsey on Good Friday and rehearsals have now started for that.

If you would like to join the Glentham Singers you would be most welcome, either ladies or gentleman. You don't have to be "a singer", so long as you enjoy singing for pleasure and can commit to one practice a week. Ring Margaret on 01673 879845 for details; she looks forward to hearing from you.

GLENTHAM & CAENBY TAPESTRY GROUP

The next meeting of the group will be on Tuesday 5th February at the Trap House, Glentham.

Glentham Village Hall

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GEOFFREY CALLAGHAN,

Those who remember him will be saddened to hear of the death of Geoffrey Callaghan, formerly of Greenfields, Glenthams, who died in Shrewsbury on 15th December, aged 76. He had been suffering with Parkinson's Disease for many years.

Geoffrey and Joyce moved to Greenfields in 1990, where Joyce died in 1994. Geoffrey moved away for a short spell in 1995 before returning for a while and finally moved away, first to Retford and then to Shrewsbury.

He was born and grew up in Manchester, before joining the Royal Air Force, retiring as a Wing Commander at RAF Scampton in 1974. He and Joyce then lived in Saxilby and Heighington before settling in Glenthams.

He will probably be best remembered locally for his work with the late Dennis Knight on a small history of Caenby, Glenthams and Bishopbridge, published in 1992. It is hoped to produce a revised edition in the near future as a tribute to the two of them.

He was cremated on 29th December after a family service. Donations in his memory were requested for the Parkinsons Disease Society. There will be an opportunity for his wider circle of friends to remember him at a Memorial Service to be held in the Abbey Church, Shrewsbury, at 2.30 pm on Saturday 26th April 2008. Anyone wishing to know more or who is thinking of attending the Memorial Service is asked to contact his son, Nigel Callaghan, Hafan, Taliesin, Machynlleth SY20 8JH, phone 01970 832573, e-mail nigel@taliesin.co.uk

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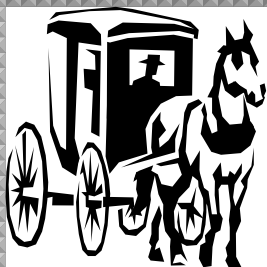
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Of course, it's not all about physical activity, and we were very proud of the achievements of our older pupils when they were presented with certificates for some very creditable performances in the National Primary Mathematics Challenge. This competition is aimed at Year 6 pupils and is designed to test their abilities to the full, so you can imagine how thrilled we were to see one Year 5 pupil take home a silver award !

We are very lucky this year to once again welcome the English Shakespeare Company. This year's workshop, for KS2 children (plus Y2 pupils), will take place on Friday 8th February. Over the years the Company have brought us many of The Bard's plays including Julius Caesar, Romeo & Juliet, Twelfth Night, The Tempest, Macbeth and Midsummer Night's Dream.

Contact the school on 01673 860295 to arrange a visit, or to request a School Brochure.



HACKTHORN LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

OPEN MEETING TO GATHER IDEAS AND INFORMATION

Hackthorn Village Hall

Thursday, 28th February 2008 at 2 p.m.

Diary Information:

Thursday 27th March at 7 p.m.

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SPRIDLINGTON VILLAGE HALL NEWS AND UPDATE

The Village hall Committee would like to thank all those who purchased Xmas raffle tickets, which raised over £100.00 for the village hall funds the raffle was drawn at the children's Christmas party on Saturday 15th December

The lucky winners were as follows

1st prize - Mr Rod McKinley

2nd prize - Mrs Vicky Nunnery

3rd prize - Mrs M Barton

4th prize - Sue Bamsdale

The children's Christmas party on the Saturday afternoon was a great success with 14 children attending from the village. Santa made a surprise visit with gills for all.

Thank you very much Santa for doing such a wonderful job and giving up your spare time at your busiest time of year!

Thank you also to Robert Cox for his kind donation of a magnificent Christmas tree for the hall, and to Richard Mumby for providing a stand and erecting the tree

The next Village hall Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 22nd January, 7.30 p.m. at The Old Post Office, Faldingworth Rd. All welcome.

Happy New Year from the village hall committee

CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

The Christmas Coffee Morning held at Spridlington Hall in December made the sum of £257.91. Thanks to Elizabeth Young who hosted the event, to all those who contributed raffle prizes and of course to those who attended.

CAROL SINGING

The carol singing in December made the magnificent sum of £210.00 that has been donated to the charity Gainsborough Cancer Care. Thanks are due to Simon for driving or should I say negotiating the tractor around the village, a feat I have to say that earned him the admiration of some of the ladies present. Thanks also to John and Joan who gamely led the singing assisting those of us with less pleasing voices, to



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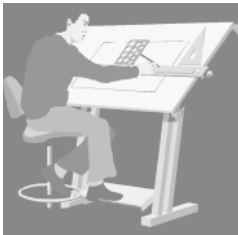
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those who kindly provided hospitality and most of all to those kind people who gave so generously. A letter of thanks has been received from the charity expressing their pleasure at receiving such a generous donation

ST. HILARY'S ORGAN RESTORATION APPEAL

The village of Spridlington enjoyed a weekend of celebration for the Re-Opening & Re-Dedication of the restored Thomas Nicholson Organ.

We wish to thank all the performers who participated and gave us a memorable evening of wonderful music on Saturday 12th January 2008.

On Sunday 13th January the Bishop of Lincoln re-dedicated the organ and a large congregation joined together for a special evensong of traditional hymns and organ music.

During 2008 there will be a series of events which will include

'The Stations of the Cross' on Good Friday 21st March.

The organ will also be played during West Lindsey Open Churches Weekend by members of the Lincolnshire Organists Association, and a presentation by Peter Godden on the Nicholson organs at Hackthorn & Spridlington.

Further events will be advertised.

COFFEE MORNING



Wednesday 13th February

10.30 am

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COMMUNITY NEWS

BOBBIES BEAT

Anti-Social Behaviour

Local youths keep knocking on my door and running away/throwing eggs at my window, what can I do? It is possible that this type of behaviour could constitute harassment (see Related Information). However, it would probably be best if you firstly

made contact with your local neighbourhood policing team who may be aware of other incidents and know the identity of the youths involved (if you don't).

Police Community Support Officers are a valuable source of information. The





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officers may be able to consider applying for anti social behaviour orders if the same youths are persistently causing a community problem with these types of nuisance activities. You should be aware that these types of problems are not solved overnight; a lot of hard work is required by both officers and members of the community to combat anti social behaviour.

There are gangs of youths hanging around on street corners drinking what can be done about them? If this is a one off incident then you should contact the police who, if possible, will try and attend and disperse the youths. The police do now have powers to confiscate alcohol from youths in a public place including open and sealed containers (subject to certain conditions). If this is a persistent problem then it could be classed as anti social behaviour and you should contact your local neighbourhood police officer(s) who will over a period of time collate the necessary evidence against the youths with a view for eventually obtaining anti social behaviour orders (ASBOs) (see related question for details of an ASBO). Unfortunately this will not happen over night, as the police and local council have to ensure that they have all the necessary evidence. However, as a member of the public you could greatly assist the police by keeping your own diary of the behaviour. Ensuring that you record as much details as possible, including times, dates, types of behaviour, names and/or descriptions.

What can be done about children who play ball games on a grassed area/verge even though there is a no ball games sign? Playing ball games despite a no ball games sign could be a breach of a byelaw. You would need to contact your local police station but you must be aware that unfortunately it will not be a high priority matter for the police, you could also try the local council.

Normanby – A member of Normanby Parish Council has informed me that they have received complaints from three Normanby residents about my piece “Christmas plea” in the December issue. The complaints were about the content and that certain words were in capitals. Through the Parish Council I would like to apologise to the three residents.

Neighbourhood Policing Panel – A15 East – Next Meeting to which the public are invited will be at 7pm on Thursday 10th April 2008 at Faldingworth village hall.

Crime in your area: Period 01/12/07 to 13/01/08 – 05/12 , Caenby, Theft of Xmas ornaments – 13/12, Spridlington, Burglary – 21/12, Caenby, Burglary – 11/01, Glenthams, Damage to vehicle – 07/01, Normanby, Burglary.

Two arrested over lead theft raid

Two men have been arrested after a vehicle collided with a police car as it responded to reports of suspicious activity at a church. Officers were called to St Peter's church in Glenthams in the early hours of 15th January 2008. A white Vauxhall Astra van leaving the scene collided with the police car. A 15-year-old boy and a 21-year-old man, both from Gainsborough, were arrested on suspicion of theft of lead and aggravated taking without consent.

Reporting a Crime or Incident? Tel 01522 882222 (24 hr)

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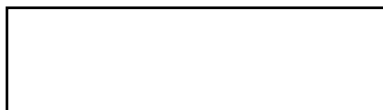
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WELTON & DISTRICT PATIENTS & DOCTORS ASSOCIATION

Donations

Over the past year we have received many donations of various amounts and this note is to acknowledge and thank our many supporters. During recent weeks we have received a generous bequest from the family / executors of the late John Henry Bogg of Dunholme and a donation of £100 from Welton Tours, both of which are very much appreciated.

All donations, together with funds raised by PDA committee members and friends, are used for the purchase of equipment or services which will, directly or indirectly, be of benefit to the patients of the Welton Practice. This includes our voluntary transport scheme, which provides transport at minimum cost for patients who have difficulty in attending medical or other similar appointments, and is supported by West Lindsey District Council - but still requires some funds to cover certain operating costs.

Volunteer Drivers

Our transport scheme provides a valuable community service and we would welcome another two or three drivers. There is no problem with insurance and public liability is covered. You won't make a profit from the mileage allowance which is paid but you will provide much needed support to many local residents. If you could spare a few hours per month and would like more information please call Janet Goddard 01673 862570. If the answer machine is on please leave your details and Janet will call you back.

Come on give it a try.

Roy Minnitt

Table Top Sale - Marie Curie Cancer Care

Our last sale on 15th. December was again a success with an attendance of over 200 and £361 being raised towards the care of cancer patients in Lincolnshire.

Your support for these events is very much appreciated and, hopefully, we shall have a full house at our next sale on Saturday 8th. March in Welton Village Hall from 1pm to 3pm, entry charge 20p.

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WELTON HEALTH CENTRE NEWSLETTER

Firstly thank you to everyone who sent cards and gifts to the Practice over the Christmas period – they were greatly appreciated by us all.

We would also like to thank all those who have given monetary donations to our Patient Group or the Practice over the months – many have requested to remain anonymous or have been received as a result of bequests in wills and we are all extremely grateful for these.

All donations are put to good use to enhance patient care.

Our website is in its final stages of preparation and we hope to launch it during the next month – details next time.

Reminder that the surgery is closed from 12.30pm on the third Tuesday of each month for training purposes but now re-opens for late evening surgery at 4.45pm. The late night on a Tuesday (until 8.00pm) is continuing but patients are reminded that this is a pre-booked surgery and the surgery is not open for acute emergencies after 6.30pm – the out of hours emergency service remains in operation and should be accessed by ringing 0844 477 3072 in the usual manner.

Baby clinics at Welton Village Hall – with effect from 21st January 2008 these will run from 2pm – 3.30pm – please note change of time.

Baby clinics are also held on alternate weeks on a Tuesday at Scampton and Hemswell:

Week commencing 21st Jan 08 – Scampton clinic (term time only) 2.30 – 3.30pm
and week commencing 28th Jan 08 Hemswell clinic runs from 10 – 11.00am. Please contact our Health Visiting team for further details (01673 860543 / 863556)

Travel clinic moves from Tuesday to Wednesday afternoons with immediate effect and patients are reminded to enquire allowing plenty of time before travel when vaccinations are required.

Finally in December we had twenty seven patients who did not attend their surgery appointments and we were advised of three hospital appointments not kept.

Sallie Stead

HEMSWELL CLIFF PRIMARY SCHOOL

Happy New Year to all!

2008 is going to be another exciting year for us at Hemswell Cliff:

- We are in the middle of re-development of existing buildings to create a new Children's Centre. This will include a purpose built after school club room, a new kitchen, meeting rooms. Watch this space!
- The children are enjoying their fantastic new library, we are just waiting for the Interactive whiteboard and computers to be installed in mid-January
- The school and the Club on the Cliff committee are working together to improve our outdoor provision and create a play area that encompasses many ideas put forward by children, staff and adults in school. Thanks to the Club on the Cliff for securing the grant.
- We are pleased to announce that we have been given our Active Mark Award, in recognition of our commitment to developing high quality of PE in our school.
- We are this year working towards attaining Healthy School Status.



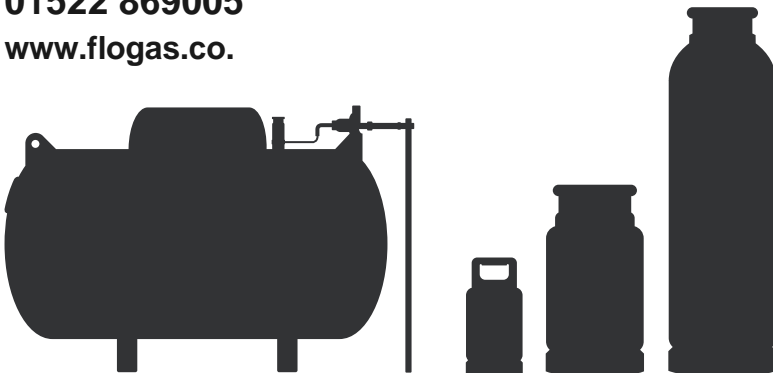
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If you would like to know more please contact the school on 01427 668383 or e mail enquiries@hemswellcliff.lincs.sch.uk for further information or to arrange a visit.

We look forward to meeting you!

IMPISH QUILTERS

It was lovely to see so many smiling faces braving the cold weather to join us for our Mince Pie & Punch evening in December. Those of you who were unable to attend missed a very eventful meeting. Linda delighted us with a brain teasing quiz to find well-known high street stores and then amazed us all with her inventive version of Quilt Block Bingo. Dorothy came up with a new slant on drawing the raffle that won't be forgotten in a hurry and it has been agreed that if we could bottle her giggle we'd make a fortune. If you weren't there ask someone to fill you in. The Chairlady's Challenge entries were all fabulous, all the contributors worked extremely hard and the work produced was of a very high standard, congratulations

to the winner Jane Lund with her table runner of blue fabric with yellow stars and Dorothy Newton came second. Special thanks to Linda for the lovely Father Christmas ornaments, I know despite her modesty they did take a lot of time and effort. Thank you to all that contributed to the refreshments and organisation, your help as always is greatly appreciated.

January's meeting was well attended, thanks again to Linda for providing us with kits and patiently demonstrating how to make the lavender hearts and woven heart ornaments. Hope nice to spend an evening with like-minded friends and go home with a something beautiful that you have crafted

with your own hands. Special thanks to Penny Goddard who has worked very hard on our newsletter for the past 4 years, not an easy task, we are very grateful for all your time and efforts Penny. Many thanks to Sue Hall and Annabel Barber who have kindly offered to take on the newsletter. Our programme for 2008/2009 will soon be finalised and given out to members at the AGM in March, in the meantime our next meetings are:

February 14, Technique Taster Evening;
March 13, AGM & Social Evening.

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This system can only work for regular medications, therefore if you are prescribed something which you take as needed, we won't know when you will need some more. For these, please continue to request it in the usual way.

If you'd like to take advantage of this service, please let the dispensary staff know.

The surgery is joining the 21st century with the launch of its very own website.

The website will contain lots of information about the services we offer, the staff who work here and, eventually, include a link so that you can order repeat prescriptions online. It is hoped that it will be up and running in February

The first sections to go live include:

How to... Meet the team, Clinics & patient services, Contacts & useful information
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As well as being able to order repeat prescriptions online, it is hoped that patients will also be able to register online, complete pre-travel questionnaires, let us know that they're a carer for someone.

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So, the new monk goes to the Abbot to question this, pointing out that if someone made even a small error in the first copy, then it would never be picked up. In fact, the error would be continued in all subsequent copies.

The Abbot says, "We have been copying from the copies for centuries, but yes, you make a good point my son." Soon after, the Abbott goes down into the dark caves underneath the monastery, where the original manuscript is held as archives in a locked vault that hasn't been opened for hundreds of years.

Hours go by and nobody sees the old Abbot.

So, the young monk gets worried and goes downstairs to look for him.

He sees him banging his head against the wall, and wailing,

"We forgot the 'R', we forgot the 'R'!"

The Abbot's forehead is now all bloody and bruised and he is crying uncontrollably.

The young monk asks the old Abbot, "What is wrong, father?"

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Owmbly Group of Parishes - February 2008

	Time	Service	Place	By
Sunday February 3	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Glenthams	PG
The Presentation of Christ	11.00 am	Family Communion	Spridlington	PG
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Owmbly	PG
Wed February 6 Ash Wednesday	10.00 am	Holy Communion	Spridlington	PG
Sunday February 10	8.30 am	Holy Communion	Spridlington	PG
Lent 1	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Hackthorn	PG
	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Saxby	AOH
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Glenthams	PG
Sunday February 17	8.30 am	Holy Communion	Glenthams	PG
Lent 2	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Owmbly	PG
	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Hackthorn	PG
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Spridlington	PG
Sunday February 24	8.30 am	Holy Communion	Hackthorn	PG
Lent 3	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Saxby	PG
	11.00 am	Family Service	Owmbly	PG

Glenthams Methodist Chapel - February 2008

3	Morning Service	9:30 am	Mr Ken Knapton
10	Evening Service	6:00 pm	Rev Andrew Lomax
17	Morning Service	9:30 am	Mr Peter Atkinson
24	Morning Service	10:45 am	Rev Marty Presdee

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Day/ Date	Time	Function	Venue
Mon 4	2.00 pm	Rainbow Fellowship	Normanby
Tue 5	7.30 pm	Tapestry Group	Glentham
Wed 6	7.30 pm	Whist Drive	Normanby
Thur 7	10.00 am	Coffee morning & Keep Fit	Glentham
Thur 7	10.30 am	Coffee Morning	Nomanby
Sat 9	10.00 am	Marie Curie Coffee morning	Glentham
Sun 10	1.00 pm	Snowdrop Sunday	Hackthorn
Mon 11	2.00 pm	55+ Club	Glentham
Mon 11	7.30 pm	Power House	Glentham
Tue 12	7.30 pm	Garden Club	Glentham
Wed 13	10.30 am	Coffee Morning	Spridlington
Wed 13	7.30 pm	Pilgrim Fathers talk	Glentham
Thur 14	10.00 am	Coffee morning & Keep Fit	Glentham
Thur 14	7.30 pm	Impish Quilters	Welton

**Deadline for March Signpost
Friday 15th February 6.00 p.m.**

Wed 20	7.00 pm	Bingo	Glentham
Thur 21	10.00 am	Coffee morning & Keep Fit	Glentham
Thur 21	8.00 pm	Rose Bowl Quiz	Glentham
Wed 27	7.30 pm	Garden Club	Hackthorn
Thur 28	10.00 am	Coffee morning & Keep Fit	Glentham
Thur 28	2.00 pm	Local History Group	Hackthorn
Fri 29	6.30 pm	FONS Quiz	Normanby
Fri 29	8.00 pm	Hackthorn Social Club AGM	Hackthorn