The Owmby Group Community Magazine

Annual Memorial Service

This year the annual **All Soul's Service** at which we remember all those we love and miss will be held at **Ss Peter & Paul Church, Owmby by Spital at 6.00pm on Sunday 6th November**. All are welcome.

Armistice Day / Remembrance Sunday



November 2022

The Parish Councils of **Owmby by Spital** and **Normanby by Spital** will hold their annual **Remembrance Day Ceremony** at the War Memorial. Assemble at 10.45am on Friday 11th November. All are welcome to join them.

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St Michael & All Angels, Hackthorn will hold a **Service of Remembrance** at 10.50am on Sunday 13th November.

St. Peter's Church, Glentham will hold a **United Remembrance Service** with the Methodist Chapel at 6.00pm on Sunday 13th Of November.

NOTICE

There will be no Signpost Magazine delivered in January.

Regular contributors to the Signpost magazine will be aware of this but newcomers to the area will not. The January Signpost is combined with the December edition, so if you have an event scheduled for January 2023, please send it to the editor **before the 15th of November** deadline to ensure it is published.

Deadline for entries to the December/January Signpost is November 15th. February 2023 Signpost entries must be received before 6:00pm January 15th 2023

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THIS MONTH'S MINISTRY TEAM LETTER

The season of mellow fruitfulness has passed. The crops have been gathered in and the apple trees in our garden are almost denuded of fruit. However, the glorious autumn colours are still in abundance, especially as we travel on our country roads, with the trees and hedgerows trying to outdo each other with glorious abandon.. We now pass into what some call, the beginnings of winter. We wonder what the weather will bring us, rain, snow, ice or all of these at once. Well, we are in Britain!

I am reminded, however, that although we have gathered in our harvests, there are those of us, who will not gather a harvest. They will be at the mercy of whatever inclement weather the season throws at us due to the cost-of-living crisis. There are still kind and generous people who put food items in the kettle box in Owmby shop. These items are needed more than ever and I write to thank those people who donate to all our foodbanks. I am sure those kindly souls will donate more as we reach the Christmas season of peace and goodwill to all. Perhaps with Christmas goodies.

Most of us are looking forward to Christmas, especially the children as they celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Once again, they see the manger with the animals gathered around to welcome the Christ Child. The shepherds, who come to glory in His arrival as did the three wise men with their gifts of gold frankincense and myrrh. This Child grew to be our Saviour and whilst on this earth, His commandment to us was, love one another. As long as the World has Christmas, God reaches out to give us love, this love we must share with others, as Jesus Christ commanded. So, no child or adult should go without food this Christmas, no elderly person should go without warmth and heating. Let us pray that God's love will surround all of us, rich or poor, that no one will go without anything this season and that we will, once again, celebrate and enjoy the wonder of Christmas.

Liz Harris

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A **Reverse Advent Calendar** involves buying an item every day to give to someone else. Can you please join us giving some of those people Christmas cheer through Foodbank? And our Advent Calendar is for November **not** December!

We've produced a list of 25 things we could collect which would brighten a family's Christmas. Over November would you buy some extras whenever you shop? We've come up with a list of 25 suggestions (for 25 days of an Advent Calendar). Tear it out and take it with you whenever you go shopping.

You could drop your items off at these collection points:

Hackthorn: Cathy Andrews, 'Stone Cottage', Main Street. LN8 3PF Spridlington: Rev.Sally Turnbull, 'Sunnymede', Faldingworth Road. LN8 2DF Saxby/E. Firsby: Rosemary Cox, Manor Farm, East Firsby. LN8 2DB Owmby-by-Spital: Liz Harris, 'Berries', Church Lane. LN8 2HN Normanby-by-Spital: Village shop Glentham: Peter and Jenny Atkinson, 'Tilsit', Bishop Norton Road. LN8 2EU

Or phone to arrange collection... Cathy Andrews (01673 861058) or Rosemary Cox (07825 082604)

We need to gather all our gifts by Wednesday 30th November.

- These are only suggestions. If you can't manage 25 items anything will help. Be creative but be festive!
- Perhaps a club could put the list out inviting members to cross off an item they will buy.
- •Or get together with your family, friends or neighbours to buy a complete list.

CHRISTMAS FOODBANK COLLECTION

- 1. Tin of carrots or peas
- 2. Custard
- 3. Pasta
- 4. Pasta Sauce
- 5. Rice
- 6. Tin of sweetcorn or mixed veg
- 7. Instant noodles
- 8. Heinz BIG Soup (or similar)
- 9. Festive biscuits
- 10. A Pudding
- 11. Mince pies
- 12. Selection box or chocolates
- 13. Coffee or tea
- 14. Longlife milk
- 15. Longlife fruit juice
- 16. Tinned fish
- 17. Tube of crisps (or other snack)
- 18. Jam, peanut butter, or Nutella
- 19. Gravy granules
- 20. Tin of tomatoes
- 21. Tin of potatoes/instant mash
- 22. Tin of meat
- 23. Stuffing
- 24. Tin of fruit
- 25. Your own choice, e.g. Christmas crackers, toiletries (shampoo, shower gel, deodorant), pet food, pop, nappies, sanitary towels, baby food...)

Help Us to Help You

If you have any ideas to improve Signpost or comments about the magazine, please let us know. You can contact the editor directly by phone or email.

It's your magazine; together we can make it what you want!

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HACKTHORN & COLD HANWORTH

HACKTHORN C. OF E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

It's hard to believe that we've only been back a month...so much seems to have happened already! We've held elections for school council and the successful candidates have already attended their first meeting. They are full of ideas!

KS2 pupils completed applications to become a collective worship councillor. The applications were of such a high quality that all who applied this year were appointed.

These roles are just a small part of one of this year's priorities to develop citizens of the future. We want to broaden our children's knowledge and understanding of local and global responsibility, diversity and equality, peoples' rights and environmental sustainability.

We have been recognising and celebrating the history and achievements of Black people during our collective worship sessions, as part of Black History Month. This week we reflected on Marcus Rashford's service to his community, supporting charity work to ensure young people have access to food. We want our children to understand that everyone can play a part, no matter how small. Their Harvest contributions were donated to the local foodbanks and Nomad Trust.

Our value of 'Community' is extremely important to us and we are fortunate to have excellent links with Hackthorn Hall. As such, we have been invited to pick apples from the Hall's orchard once again. The whole school walks to the kitchen gardens and the Hall provides refreshments and bags for the children to carry their pickings. We limit the number of apples the younger children can pick as the walk back can sometimes be a challenge when their bags are too heavy.

It will soon be time for parents to start thinking about choosing that all-important first school for children who are due to start in September 2023. Our first pre-school activity afternoon was very popular but don't worry if you missed it as we will be running another one on Tuesday 13th December at 1:30pm. Contact the school if you would like to reserve a place. We also like to give personal tours around the school to see it in action. Contact the front office on 01673 860295 to arrange a visit or have a look around our website at www.hackthorn.lincs.sch.uk to find out more about us.

Alternatively, you might like to join us at our Christmas fair on Friday 25th November (3:30 - 5pm). Everyone is welcome at this event.

We look forward to meeting you.

Mrs Appleby - Headteacher



Hackthorn Art Group

The Art group have an exhibition of their work at the Village Hall on **Saturday 26th November** from 1pm - 5pm.

Wine and nibbles will be served. Everyone welcome.



Hackthorn Lunch Club



The next Lunch Club at Hackthorn Village Hall will be on Wednesday 9th November, 12.00pm for 12.30pm.

Soup plus a roll, followed by a pudding and hot drink.

All welcome, no age restriction. Donation pot - any donations gratefully received for St Michael & All Angels' Church. Help with transport available.

If you would like to come, please contact Anne (01673 861821) or Cathy (01673 861058)

PRE-CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 10th December at 10:30am - 12:00pm



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Looking for an evening of Thrills and Glamour?



Be at Spridlington Village Hall's FABULOUS CASINO NIGHT on Friday 25th November from 7:00pm

Will your next throw be a double 6? Your next card be an ace? Red or black on the roulette wheel? Can you keep a poker face? Will Lady Luck stand by your side. With a smile like the sun? But it matters not if you win or lose, the evening's all about fun.

For the uninitiated, this is not real gambling - you will be provided with a bundle of "funny money" at the beginning of the evening giving you the opportunity to experience all the glamour and excitement of the casino without the danger of actually losing your shirt!

The price of a ticket - an absolute bargain at £5 per person - will get you your bundle and some delicious light refreshments, but **you will need to bring your own drinks**. Don't miss out, book your tickets early by ringing Ian/Deb on 01673 860283 or by email to debk5903@gmail.com.

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An application form is available for download from the Owmby Group website by going to owmbygroup.co.uk/NEC - Please note that all students over the age of 16 must make the written application themselves.

All applications must be received by **Thursday 1st December 2022**. Unfortunately, applications received after this date will not be accepted as the reports have to be prepared in time for the Meeting of the Trustees.

Please may I remind you that all students - even those who have received a payment in previous years - must apply.

For further information please contact Keith Hanson, Secretary Normanby Education Charity, The Stables, Private Lane, LN8 2HF. Tel 01673 878947 or by email bloodytower@hotmail.com

*Please note due to the terms of the Trust only students resident in Normanby by Spital are eligible to apply. If you are interested in finding out more about the bequest that was made in 1767, for the education of the children of Normanby by Spital, there is a plaque in Normanby by Spital Church. The plaque can be found above the arch on the bell tower wall, commemorating the benefactor and the original terms of her bequest.

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In addition, sincere thanks are also given to District Councillor Jeff Summers for grants provided from the *West Lindsey Councillor Initiative Fund*, and to the Lincolnshire Co-op staff and customers for raising funds for us through the *Community Champions* scheme.

All of these generous contributions will enable us to make great progress in achieving the changes that you have asked for on the Community Park.

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Owmby & Normanby Community Park



Christmas Craft Fair

2.00-4.00 pm on Sunday 20th November 2022 Normanby Primary School Hall, Main Street

Come and buy Christmas gifts from talented local crafters, meet your neighbours, have tasty refreshments and take a chance on our side show games.

There will be a selection of different crafts on sale so you are sure to find something you like.

> Proceeds will go towards the development of our Community Park.





Owmby & Normanby Community Park





Christmas Jumper Walk

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PRAYER FOCUS FOR NOVEMBER 2022

Help us, Lord, to work together for the good of one another.

Give us courage to do our part worthily;

To maintain unfalteringly the ideals of love and service that we have learnt of Christ;

To accept no standard of honesty, purity and truth but that which he has taught;

And so to work and pray that when our days here shall end

We may know that we have striven not in vain to uphold what is right,

To be worthy of our trust,

To be of service to our fellow men and thee.

By E.M.Venables (from Short Prayers for the Long Day)

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If you are in the Glentham area call Hilary on 01673 878733. Those of you in other areas can contact one of the distribution team - Liz on 01673 878829 or Keith on 01673 878947. Alternatively, send an email to



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SERVICES IN NOVEMBER				
	OWMBY GROUP CHURCHES			
Sunday 6th 3rd before Advent		Holy Communion All Souls Service	Spridlington Owmby	LH/
Sunday 13th 2nd before Advent	6.00 pm	Remembrance Service Joint Remembrance with Chapel <i>Sunday Special</i>	Hackthorn Glentham <i>Owmby</i>	LH
Sunday 20th Christ the King	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Owmby	
Sunday 27th Advent 1	11.00 am	Family Service Holy Communion Morning Prayer	Owmby Glentham Hackthorn	LH AH
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On the **second Sunday** of each month, Liz Harris holds a 'Sunday Special' Sunday School at Owmby at 10.30 am. Please note, this is **not** a Service. Contact Liz for further details. (Info is on the back cover).

GLENTHAM METHODIST CHURCH (PART OF THE WOLDS & TRENT CIRCUIT)

Sunday 6th	10.30 am		Richard Alderson
Sunday 13th	6.00 pm	United Remembrance Service at Parish Church	1
Sunday 20th	10.30 am	Messy Church	Ian Hardcastle
Sunday 27th		No service	
In add	ition to the abo	we, a Circuit Zoom Service is being held each Sunday	/ at 6:00pm.

Please contact Jenny Atkinson by email (jennymarian8@gmail.com) or by telephone (01673 878806) for the meeting ID and passcode for our weekly Zoom services. I look forward to hearing from you. God bless.

FROM THE REGISTERS

We welcome into the family of the Church by baptism: Ivy Rose Edith Turner - Baptised at Owmby by Spital on 25 September 2022

Willow Anne Neve Turner - Baptised at Ownby by Spital on 25 September 2022

We share in the joy of those being joined in marriage in the Church: Fiona Jane Marris and Lliam David Smith at Spridlington on 17 September 2022 Abby Kolberg and Joseph Philip Stanbridge at Hackthorn on 17 September 2022

We remember, with love, those who have died:

Caroline Elizabeth Wells - Funeral at St Hilary's Church, Spridlington on 15 September 2022, followed by The Committal at St Michael and All Angel's Church, Hackthorn.

Mary Bernadette Chapman - A Memorial Service at Lea Fields Crematorium Chapel, Gainsborough on 19 September 2022.

Geoffrey Turnbull - Funeral at St Hilary's Church, Spridlington on 11 October 2022, followed by The Committal at Lea Fields Crematorium, Gainsborough.

Shirley May Carrick - Funeral at Lea Fields Crematorium, Gainsborough on 12 October 2022, followed by Service of Celebration at St Michael and All Angel's Church, Hackthorn

But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

(NIV)

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A BIG THANK YOU

To all those who helped, supported and donated at the afternoon tea for Macmillan Cancer Support. The total raised was $\pounds732.50$



ST PETER'S CHURCH, GLENTHAM

Continuing thanks for those supporting the church through the West Lindsey community lottery. There were 62 winners in the 4 weeks up to the 8th October. By the time this is published a random draw will have taken place on the 29th October with a prize of a £1,000 bike voucher. The evening service at the church at 6pm on Sunday 9th October was a Harvest Festival. Many thanks to those who attended with gifts of food, which were donated to a local food bank. Thank you also to those who cleaned and decorated the church for the service. The next special service at the church is at 6pm on Sunday the 13th November, which is Remembrance Sunday.

Robert Rowe, Churchwarden, St Peter's Church.



'Nags Head' at Middle Rasen Men's Breakfast

Saturday 12th November at 9:00am

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THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

At the beginning of a new school year, a class teacher stands up in front of her students holding a £50 note.

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Every hand in the room goes up, to which the teacher says, "I am going to give this money to someone here, but first, let me do this..."

She takes the note and crumples it up in her hands, before asking, "Who still wants it?"

The hands stay up.

The teacher then drops the note on the floor, stomps and grinds it into the ground, and picks it back up. "How about now?" she asks again.

The hands stay up.

"Class, I hope you see the lesson here. It didn't matter what I did to this money, you still wanted it because its value stayed the same. Even with its creases and dirtiness, it's still worth £50."

She continues, "It's the same with us. There will be similar times in your life when you're dropped, bruised, and muddied. Yet no matter what happens, you never lose your value."

Moral of the story:

Life's hardships are inevitable and we'll all be put through the ringer at some point, often through no fault of our own.

Don't let these challenges alter your feelings of self-worth. You'll always be enough; you have something unique and special to give and offer the world.

Uncle Henrys

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AT THE 11th HOUR ON THE 11th DAY OF THE 11th MONTH IN 1918 THE GUNS STOPPED FIRING AND SO ENDED THE GREAT WAR

In 2014, the Royal British Legion and Poppy Scotland initiated the Everyman Remembered Project. The aim is for every one of the 1,175,179 British men and women, who gave their lives for their country in the Great War, to be personally remembered by someone. Dr Sandra Pendlington, a supporter of the charities, was sent the name of Private George Edward Brewer of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, who was killed in action on 30 October 1917. Dr Pendlington began to research "her soldier" and has written her findings in a booklet IN **MEMORIAM: GEORGE EDWARD BREWER M.M.**

George's story began in Spridlington, continued through Canada, Belgium and France. Her research uncovers over 100 pages of records drawn from many sources. I am grateful that Dr Pendlington has given permission for extracts from her research to be shared with Signpost Magazine readers.

A LINCOLNSHIRE LAD: George Edward Brewer was born in Spidlington on 27 October 1895 and was baptised on 25 February 1896 at St Hilary's Church. At the age of 15, George moved to East Firsby, working as a farm labourer on a large estate. At the age of 16 he sailed for Canada travelling west on the Canadian Pacific Railway to Craven - where he worked on his uncle's farm and intended to settle.

WAR: When the Great War began in Europe in 1914, the British Empire Countries, including Canada, rallied to support Great Britain. In 1915 George enlisted into the Canadian Expeditionary Force and in 1916 was deployed into one of the most famous Canadian battalions, the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. The Patricia's were engaged in the Ypres Salient in early June 1916. They then marched across into France and George was one of 250 men drafted in to join them there.

1916-1917 THE SOMME: George had several periods of medical leave because of injuries received while fighting. He returned to the front in October 1916 at the start of a very cold winter with heavy snow, where the Patricia's were under fire for much of the time. It was during this time that George Edward Brewer was awarded the Military Medal for bravery. His citation reads:

In the vicinity of Vernon Crater near Neuville St Vaast, on the morning of the 26 Nov 1916, this man seeing Lieu McLean go forward to carry in a wounded man who had been badly hit in Vernon Crater and could not be taken through the narrow C.T. very gallantly and under close observation and fire helped to hold the man on Lieu Mc Lean's back and get him safely back and get himself safely into O trench. Had it not been for the prompt and gallant action of Pte Brewer the wounded man would have remained in the open all day in which case his chance of recovery would have been very doubtful.

PASSCHENDAELE: It is known that George Brewer was a stretcher bearer, and that he was carrying wounded in broad daylight on the 30 October 1917 when he was shot and killed by a sniper. His body has never been identified.

There are five known commemorations of George Edward Brewer - on the Menin Gate at Ypres, Belgium; in Craven Canada; online on the Saskatchewan Virtual War Memorial; at the Commonwealth War Graves Commission and in St Hilary's Church, Spridlington.

George Edward Brewer M.M. is remembered on a memorial in St Hilary's Church, along with five other men from Spridlington who died during the Great War.

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G.E.BREWER M.M.	H. WILKINSON	H. FRANKLIN	
W. WILKINSON	G.A.MOUNTCASTLE	H. WILKINSON	-

Anne Hunter - Spridlington

POETRY

Principles or The Sacrifice of Youth by Peter R Atkinson For days the guns belched forth their awful shells, to fall on men, who far too late cried out. Soon, among the refuse of the trench, blasted bits of flesh added to the stench of unwashed bodies. Men, whose fear multiplied and grew. Until, with evening darkness came, The blanket of the night, beneath which they cowered. Men afraid and yet hidden from the sight Of that nameless unseen foe, still firing through the gloom, Those screaming shells, To fall and blast them to their doom. And all the while, leaders, of both friend and foe It seemed were getting bored They played those men like markers upon a chequers board. Killed in thousands then replaced, to them pawns without a name. For four long years they played this idiotic game, With their hunger fed by heroes, Who rose and fought and fell, to die amid the mud and blood, in that terrifying hell. So 'twas left for us to tell the futility of war, And why those men in so called power, wanted more and more to be the victors. But who really wins? The dead? Resting now, both friend and foe, in tidy rows Beneath the sod, the brown earth for their bed, Passed far beyond those battlefields on which they fought and bled. No cowards they, what race or creed, they passed life's greatest test. For us they died and now they lie, peaceful souls at rest. But once again across the land, armies clashed in war It seems to me, few ever learn from mistakes made oft' before Once more the flower of Empire rose in answer to the call, With fond farewells to those behind, they gave for us their all. The Great War 'was the war to end all wars', they said And we believed them. Politicians, with their flowers of blue and red Whose speeches played with words, Whilst men died for one more cause Why oh why do principles lead countries into wars??

A poem written on an overnight flight from Washington DC to UK in August 1983 after reading 'The Blanket of the Night' in Rudyard Kipling's anthology.

If you have news, an article or story, or are holding an event you feel would be of interest to other local residents, please contact Steve, the editor. Signpost

SURROUNDING AREAS

WELTON VILLAGE LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY HUB

Based at Manor Park, Hackthorn Road Welton LN2 3PA

Our opening hours are Monday: 12noon to 5pm, Tuesday: 9:30am to 2:30pm, Wednesday & Saturday: 10am to 12 noon (excluding Bank and Public Holidays)

First, a big thank you to all those who joined us for our Macmillan Afternoon Tea last month, we are pleased to report that £160 was raised for this good cause.

Looking forward we have a Community Hub event on Tuesday 8th November when popular local speaker Elaine Johnson will join us for her new talk; The tale of Miss Beatrix Potter and Mrs Heelis. The talk starts at 2:00pm with light refreshments from 1:30, everyone is welcome although please note this talk is not for children as it will concentrate upon Beatrix Potter herself rather than on her books and characters. Admission is free, library membership is not required, there will be a retiring collection for Community Hub funds.

We then have a new initiative, Book Chat, this is not a book club but very much an informal opportunity to swap your reading ideas and recommendations or share your latest read over a cuppa! Please join us on Tuesday 15th November at 10:30am, a warm welcome is guaranteed and you can benefit from our heating rather than yours for the morning!

Just mentioning our warm environment please remember that as well as using one of our public computers to browse the internet you are very welcome to come in and find a book, or bring your own, and sit and read at any time the library is open. For children we have a table where they can sit and crayon, read or just take time to look at any of our books aimed at their age group from new readers through to teenagers. We are a free local resource for local people, not everything requires membership and where is does you can join easily for free - please drop in for a chat with one of our friendly volunteers if you wish to find out more.

Mike Hubbert - Library Volunteer Coordinator

WELTON PATIENT AND DOCTORS ASSOCIATION

Can I give a reminder to all patients who use the PDA transport service that, in line with the Health Centre, we are continuing to ask both drivers and patients to wear a face covering when in the car (unless exempt) and if physically possible the patient should sit in the back of the car. It is as important now as it has been in the past because Covid certainly hasn't gone away and in fact, I understand, cases are increasing at the moment.

Raffle tickets for our Christmas Draw are now available from all drivers and from Welton Paper Shop and Welton Pet Food Store. Tickets are £1 each or £5 for a book. If you would like to buy some tickets but can't get out to buy your own, let me know and I'll arrange delivery! We will be selling tickets at the Autumn Fayre and hope to have a list of prizes promised so far.

The Christmas Lunch is planned for Friday 9th December and tickets will be on sale priced £7 from w/c 7th November. The meal will be the usual Christmas Fayre with a choice of Christmas pudding with brandy sauce or trifle for dessert. The bar will be open for those wanting to purchase a drink and St Marys School choir will be entertaining us with festive songs from 11.30am. We will open the doors at 11am and ask that everyone is seated, with their drinks purchased, by 11.30am so as not to distract the children.

There will be a raffle, cake stall and cards and books for sale prior to and after the meal.

Any further information on any of the above don't hesitate to give me a call on 862570.

Janet Goddard

The deadline for entries to the December 2022 / January 2023 Signpost is Tuesday the 15th of November 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

> Dig the well before you are thirsty. Chinese Proverb

Newsletter for November 2022

laugh Are you one of the 17 million people in the UK who are over 65 years old or are you simply no longer in full time employment? If so, have

you thought about joining your local u3a which relies on the energy & enthusiasm of local individuals to bring people together. At Lindsey u3a we have many such people running 28 different interest groups which might be of interest to you - look at our website lindseyu3a.org.uk for more information. We are always looking for newcomers with fresh ideas so, if you have any suggestions, please let us know.

On the first Thursday of every month we meet at Welton Village Hall.

Lindsey

learn,

live

Refreshments are available from 9.45am followed at 10.30am by a speaker.

On 3rd November Caroline Killeavy will be telling us about Lincolnshire YMCA. Do come along and, if you like what you see, you could become a member of Lindsey u3a for a small annual fee.

Another opportunity, open to anyone interested, is our coffee morning at the Gardeners' Retreat Tea Room at Scothern Nurseries on the 4th Thursday of the month at 10.15am. The next one will be on 24th November when members old and new will meet for a cuppa, perhaps a cake and a friendly chat. If you would like to join us please let me, Mandy, know at least one day before so that I can book a table.

Details about our meetings, our many group activities and all up to date information can be found on our website: www.lindseyu3a.org.uk

Should you require any further information about Lindsey u3a please do not hesitate to contact me - Mandy Murphy - Chairman. Email: mandy.murphy1396@gmail.com Tel: 01673 565295



Hi there! I just wanted to introduce myself - my name is Ellie, and I am your local community fundraiser for St Barnabas Hospice. My role is to raise awareness of all the amazing things our hospice does, alongside supporting you all in your fundraising journeys! I am hoping to write to you all more regularly to keep you up to date with all things at St Barnabas Hospice!

Did vou know that we have a Welfare and Benefits team? When you or someone in your family is going through the hardest of times and living with a life-limiting or terminal illness, the last thing you should have on your mind is financial

worries. Our Welfare and Benefits team offer a range of financial advice and support services which can give you peace of mind and an extra helping hand in understanding what help is available and applying for benefits and grants (e.g. completing forms, making phone calls or writing letters), accessing help with health costs, such as travel to hospital, applying for transport concessions, such as a disabled parking badge and accessing benefits following a bereavement and money towards funeral costs - Our Welfare Services Team can be contacted on 01476 513 544

I also wanted to keep you up to date with all the ways you can get involved and support your local hospice:

- Light up of Life Torchlight Procession: The Light Up a Life Torchlight Procession event is in its 22nd year and is taking place on Tuesday 22nd November 2022. The procession is an opportunity for the community to come together to reflect and remember. Registration will be available online from 1st November.
- Visit us at the Food & Gift Fayre on the 26th & 27th of November: Come and sample our new Ruby blend of Gin, Rum, and Coffee. They are delicious and would make a brilliant Christmas present this year!
- Ourselves & Lincoln Christmas Market are having a joint 40th birthday party at this years Christmas Markets! Come and see us! We are near the Tree of Life!
- Support us with Tree Cycle. During the beginning of the new year, we will be collecting and recycling all of your real Christmas trees. For a donation, they will be collected and disposed of for you, hassle free!! An easy way to help raise vital funds for your local hospice!
- It's not too late to sign up to this years **Rudy's Run**! Calling all groups in an early year setting, register now for your free antlers and red noses, and let's have some festive fun together!

If you need anymore information, please visit our website at https://stbarnabashospice.co.uk/ or please contact me personally on ellie.carter@stbarnabashospice.co.uk or 07586109692.

Enjoy the Autumnal weather everyone.

BISHOP NORTON VILLAGE HALL QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 19th November 7.30pm start

 $\pounds 4.00 \ per \ person$ - bring your own food and drinks

Places are limited. To book a team (of up to 6 people)

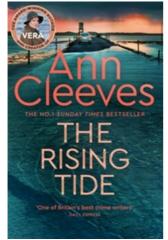
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Welton Village Library Book Review

Available to reserve if not on our shelf.

The Rising Tide by Ann Cleeves

I have 'known' and loved the character of Vera for many years through the wonderful TV series but until now never read the books...what was I thinking!!



Rising Tide is set on Lindisfarne - the Holy Island, as visitors will know only accessible across a causeway at certain times of the day. It is the setting for a reunion of a group of friends who have been meeting up regularly since a school sixth form trip brought them together. This time, after an evening of wine and music and shared memories they wake to find one of the group is dead...

This was wonderful - the setting on the island provides a perfect locked down situation with tides and timetables not only trapping the group but also the police investigators. Holy Island has its own spirituality and cut off by the tides, with a murderer on the loose this amplified the atmosphere.

The characters are sympathetically drawn - the group includes Annie who lost a baby as a young Mother, who has thrown herself into work at a Artisan food shop;

Philip, a bit of a lad, is now a priest contemplating his own mortality. Ken, suffering from dementia, occasionally veers towards lucidity, cared for by his wife Louisa. How likely are any of these to be a murderer? Who did it? -I had no idea.

The writing is perfect, the read effortless, giving all the feels and tension. I was fascinated by Vera who I have only met on screen. Reading this made the views of others towards her clearer, enabled me to watch her thought processes, and literally fleshed out her physicality... And every time she said, 'Pet' I could hear Brenda Blethyn and I thought, "there's our Vera".

Sally - Library Volunteer

BISHOP NORTON WEDNESDAY LUNCHES

Two course home-cooked meal with tea or coffee served in the village hall at 12 Noon £5.00 PER PERSON

The next dates for lunches are 9th November and 14th December 2022 EVERYONE WELCOME!

Please ring at least four days in advance if you are **NOT** attending

Karen 01673 818798

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Snitterby, opp Royal Oak Inn	09:33	Ermine West, adj Ruckland Avenue	13:37	
Bishop Norton, opp St Peter's Church	09:38	Hackthorn, adj War Memorial	13:55	
Glentham, opp The Old Parsonage	09:43	Spridlington, opp Bus Shelter	14:03	
Normanby by Spital, opp Church	09:48	Owmby by Spital, opp Surgery	14:10	
Owmby by Spital, adj Surgery	09:52	Normanby by Spital, adj Church	14:12	
Spridlington, at Bus Shelter	09:57	Glentham, adj The Old Parsonage	14:17	
Hackthorn, opp War Memorial	10:05	Bishop Norton, adj St Peter's Church	14:22	
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