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## Letter from the Revd. Chris Levy

Dear Friends,

There are times in all of our lives that we have to say 'goodbye'. Be it to a member of the family or a special friend. Sometimes we know that they that it will be just a short while before we are reunited. On other occasions we are aware that we might not see them again. The Disciples had already experienced that moment of seeing Jesus put to death and were convinced that they would not see him again. Easter Day saw Jesus come back to life and the despair of those followers of Jesus was turned to joy. They rejoiced because once he was dead and now he is alive again. However, Jesus warns them that this time of being reunited is to be short as soon He will leave them to return to be with His Father

Hence forty days after Easter there does come that time for the final farewell as Jesus goes back to be with God. In between Jesus had shown to them in different ways that he was truly alive and given them further teaching in order that they might be ready to undertake the work they would soon be asked to do. Jesus could not stay around for ever. If he had done so the Disciples would not have taken on board the responsibility of proclaiming the Gospel in the way that they did. If Jesus was there they would be constantly looking towards Him for guidance and not doing things for themselves. So it

was that at this final farewell we see the Disciples returning home to Jerusalem not in sorrow but in joy. Jesus promised that they would see Him again and also that he would send them the gift of the Holy Spirit in order that they would have the strength to carry out the tasks that lay before them.

So it was that just over a week later that moment came when the Disciples were granted the gift and felt empowered to go out and preach to the crowds. Up until this moment they had cowered away in the upper room. Now they did not care what the people said or did. They stood up in the street and spoke openly about Jesus without caring about how the Jewish authorities might respond. They were accused of being drunk. They were in a sense. Not drunk with wine but with the power of the Holy Spirit. All that Jesus had told them came together in this moment. This is not to say they would not face fierce opposition but they did not seem bothered as Jesus had given them the assurance that He would be there with them giving all that they would need to withstand all assaults made upon them.

So separation can be painful.
Sometimes there is joy when we see our loved one return. Sometime that time of being reunited may not be as quick as we like. However, the message of Easter, Ascension and Pentecost must surely be that

there will be a time to be reunited. In the mean-time just as we can carry Jesus within us so too we can keep close within us those who are special to us who now are with God enjoying the gift of Eternal Life which is given to us because of Jesus rising from the dead.

May we all be aware of God's presence with us at this time and know how close we are to Him at all times

Yours, Christopher

# From the Registers - Baptism

Congratulations to Delilah Rose who was baptised into the church on Sunday 10th April 2016. Delilah is the daughter of Alice Brackenbury and Samuel Smith of Retford and granddaughter of Roberta from Crosshill House in Laxton.

# From the Registers - Sympathy

Our sympathy to the family of Raymond Harris of Twitchill Farmhouse, whose ashes were interred in the Garden of Remembrance in the churchyard on Monday 21st March 2016.



# **Hot Cross Bun Service**

Approximately 40 adults and children attended the Hot Cross Bun Service on Good Friday. The Revd. Chris Levy led the service

Three crosses were placed in front of the screen and he told the story of Jesus being crucified on the cross.

After the service everyone enjoyed Hot Cross Buns which were served by the Revd. Levy and kindly donated by Jean Crofts of Wellow.



## Sunday May 29th - Change to Rota

Please note that because of the Rogation Service on Sunday May 1st, our Holy Communion Service will be held in church on Sunday 29th May at 10.30am. This is a change to our usual rota of services.

## Laxton Garden Fête

Friday July 1st is the date of the Annual Church Garden Fête and the PCC would be very grateful for any offers of help to run the stalls or games or for any donations to the cake stall, tombola, plants, books etc.

Thank you Brenda

## **Get Well Soon**

We were very sorry to hear that Brenda Noble had been taken ill in the middle of April, just after she sent in her contributions for this magazine. We are all so used to Brenda doing so much that everyone was shocked by the news. We all miss her in the thick of things and hope she is soon fighting fit again and taking things a bit easier. GET WELL SOON Brenda

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## **Church Dance**

We had a very successful Supper Dance on Friday 18th March, possibly the most people we have had at any of our dances. Panic set in in the kitchen as to whether we would have enough food when people just kept turning up both with and without tickets. It was nice to see some new faces there.

As usual Bruce and Marion were on full form with the music, keeping everyone on their feet.

Thank you to everyone who supported us in any way - to those who gave food and raffle prizes and to our helpers, especially Jean for doing the shopping and for being on the door.

Thanks again to everyone. A total of £630 was raised for church funds, which I think must be a record.

Brenda

## Things to Do this Month

Apr 25 <sup>th</sup>	Mothers Union - "The Rector's Wife and Me" the Old Vicarage, 7.30pm.
May 1st	Dance in the May at Laxton Castle with Rattlejag Morris dancers
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Great Notts Local History Fair, Mansfield
May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Village Hall AGM
May 25 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council
May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Minions being shown free at Maplebeck Village Hall
May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Wellow Maypole Celebrations, Wellow Green



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## **Behind the Archive Doors**



The doors are staying shut this month because we have had an interesting follow up to the piece we published about bricklayers in March. Many thanks to Marian Cooper for finding the photo and taking the trouble to contact us.

If this story brings back any memories of the time, and especially if you have any photos we could share, the History Group would be delighted to be able to include them in future editions.

Mr William Barnes, the Thoresby Estate bricklayer referred to in the March edition of Open Field was my great uncle by his marriage to my great aunt, Florence Bennett.

William grew up in Sheffield, a younger member of a large family who were employed in the cutlery trade. William chose to become a bricklayer, hence his appointment as head bricklayer for the Thoresby Estate. He arrived at Laxton to lodge with Mr & Mrs Jim Cook at Crosshill House until his marriage to Florence in 1923 when he joined her at the shop which she had taken in 1911.

The estate workers cycled to their work around the villages in all weathers. There was a depot in each village where building materials were stored. The Laxton depot was behind the telephone kiosk.



On the photo of the estate workers in Laxton, William Barnes is on the left next to Bruce Harrison from Walesby, his trainee. I think one of the others would be Mr Tatley from Kneesall who worked with the team.

The villages were kept in good repair and I remember Mr Argles, the Thoresby Agent,

cycling to Laxton or being driven by his wife Lady Sybil in her Austin 7.

Marian Cooper







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# Dovecote Inn Easter Monday Family Fun Day

Despite the appalling weather the day before, and on Easter Monday morning, our Easter Monday Family Fun Day went ahead as planned. A little too cold for the Bar B Q chicken and sausages perhaps, but once the bouncy castle had dried off, the day's events

proceeded as expected.

Over 30 local children and their families turned up for a fun afternoon, of clue finding in search of an Easter Egg, fun in the orchard, all day bouncing on the bouncy castle and an Easter charity raffle in aid of the Air Ambulance.

The bar was open all afternoon to keep the adults entertained and the restaurant was jammed to overflowing with happy satisfied diners.



The Easter eggs **before** the children arrived

Thank you to everyone who attended and joined in the fun, and for making this another fab community event.

We can plan and host an event, but without the attendance and support of you our community, they are neither fun nor a success. So a massive thank you to lovely friends and neighbours who turned up, had a great time, and helped to raise close on £100 for the Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance.

Bring on the Summer Ball! (Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July just in case you were wondering).

Linda

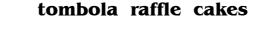
## **BBC Sport Relief**

After the buffet supper at the church dance on March 18th, a collection was taken for BBC Sport Relief. This raised £54. Thanks to everyone for their generous contributions over and above making the dance such a success.

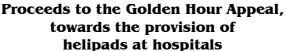








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# Coffee Morning

This month will be on 12th May at Ivy Cottage opposite The Dovecote from 10.30am -11.30am.

Everyone is welcome to this

informal group. You don't have to commit to monthly attendance and are welcome to pop

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in to enjoy some friendly, cheerful company.

Plenty of tea, cakes, chatter and warm welcomes for newcomers

## **Maplebeck Films**

On Sunday 20th March I took Emily to see 'Maleficent' at Maplebeck Village Hall after seeing it advertised in the magazine. It was free admission for everyone. They only asked us to buy pop and sweets there, and at 30p per item it was a bargain.

It was just like being in the cinema - a big screen, surround sound and rattling crisp packets!

I would definitely recommend it for an afternoon's entertainment. The next film is 'Minions' on Sunday 29th May at 3.30pm.

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## Friday May 27<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm for 7.30pm Spanish Tapas Night

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## Friday June 10<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Cheese & Wine

A selection of wines to taste and try, matched to regional cheeses and cheeses from further afield. £15 per person

## Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup> noon through to 7.00pm Father's Day

Traditional home cooked lunch Book early to secure your preferred time 2 courses £17.95, 3 courses £19.95

Bookings now being taken on all these events. For further information of our events or to book a table, please call us on 01777 871586, visit the Website <a href="https://www.dovecoteinn.co.uk">www.dovecoteinn.co.uk</a> or find us on Facebook.

Look forward to seeing you all soon at your local pub, The Dovecote Inn at Laxton

# You are Invited to Laxton History Group's Booklet Launch and Exhibition



# Friday 24th and Saturday 25th Jung at Crosshill Farm.

2.45pm - 4.30pm on 24th & 11am - 3pm on 25th

The project has turned the spotlight on Laxton during the period 1900 - 1920 to give a 'Snapshot in Time' of life for those living and working in the village then. There are four booklets looking at Agriculture, Education, Life in Laxton and WWI as well as educational materials for use in primary schools.

All villagers, friends and family are warmly welcomed to join us at some point during this period to see the results of our efforts.

Light refreshments will be available throughout this **free** event. We hope to see you there.

# **Moorhouse Garden Fete**

Friday June 3rd 6.30pm Willoughby Farm Moorhouse

Cake stall \* Teas \* Raffle Games \* Tombola

**Everyone welcome** 

All proceeds to Moorhouse church

## **Wellington Bomber**

At the beginning of April, Stuart Rose found the piece of aluminium shown in the photos in the mud and soil cleared out of Moor Dyke.

It measures approx. 2 feet square, has over 60 rivet holes in it and some series numbers. It was found approx. 150yds from where a Wellington Bomber, carrying a crew of five young men from the Royal Canadian Air Force, crashed and burst into flames on 5th January 1945. A memorial to the four members of the crew who lost their lives in the crash and the single survivor stands by the side of the road opposite the site. A further

memorial has been placed on the wall in the church.

It seems this find must almost certainly be from the plane. It is hoped to be able to have it examined to verify this if possible. How amazing



for it to come to light after all this time. We will report further in the future.

Copies of the photo have been sent to Newark Air Museum asking for their help. Howard Heeley, the Secretary posted the picture below on a forum and received the reply:

"440 is Wellington III, not sure if taken in the context of that

number, nearest I know to 169 is 168 T6G so maybe not a lot of help, for sure looks like aircraft related"

We will keep in touch and report any further developments.

Michael Manning



## Village Hall News Annual General Meeting

## The AGM of the Village Hall will be on

## MONDAY 16/5/16 @ 8pm

## All are welcome

## Refreshments will be provided

## Strawberry Tea for Hospital Helipads

Jean Hennell's Strawberry Teas in support of funds to provide helipads for hospitals have been very successful in recent years and they have now become a regular feature of the busy Laxton summer calendar of events.

The money raised is used to install facilities on hospital premises to enable Air Ambulances to land on site and save patients from the delay and discomfort of a transfer by land ambulance from the nearest suitable landing point into the safe hands of the medical staff awaiting them in the Accident and emergency departments.

This year the event will take place on Sunday 17th July at Corner Farm. If anyone has anything they could donate for the raffle or tombola, it would be much appreciated. Have you got any other simple fund raising ideas that could be used in the garden setting? All suggestions welcome to make this a very successful afternoon for a cause any one of us could benefit from.

The tea will include the usual salad, strawberries and cream, cakes and a cuppa. Tickets cost £7 each from Jean on 01777 870276. The fences at Corner Farm aren't elastic even if your waist band is in the presence of strawberries, so if you want to come for a delicious Sunday tea with good company in a good cause, order yours soon. Tickets always sell fast.

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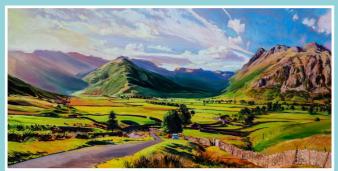
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# Parish Council News - Household Recycling Centres

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It appears that NCC feel they are spending over £200,000 per year recycling items brought in from outside Nottinghamshire! Why they think people are travelling from Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Kent to use Nottinghamshire Recycling Centres is beyond us. As a result they have decided to operate a registered vehicle scheme available to Nottinghamshire Residents only.

At the meeting we made very clear to our District and County Councillors our total objection to the introduction of such a scheme as we feel it will deter people from using the Centres and encourage "fly tipping" instead, which is a major problem in rural backwaters.

In the meantime you will have to register your cars - up to two per address. The procedure to do this is below.

Before starting the registration form you will be asked to create an online account, on:

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or to log in if you already have an account.

Once you have created and logged in to your online account you will need to complete the form to register to use the recycling centres. Once you have registered, you will be able to use the recycling centres straight away. You will not receive a physical permit as handheld devices will be used at the Recycling Centres to check that the vehicles using them have registered.

### Alternative way to register:

If you are unable to register online, please telephone the NCC Customer Service Centre on **0300 500 80 80**.

## Note from Notts County Council.

"Please note it is not currently possible to complete the registration process using the Chrome browser on Android devices. Please use another device or telephone our customer service centre on 0300 500 80 80."

## **Running for Beaumond House Hospice**

After Christmas and feeling so unfit, I couldn't run to the garden gate! So after twelve weeks of training (did you see me looking bright red and out of breath?) running up to Beth Shalom and back with the aid of Newark Striders Running Club, I achieved my first 5k (5,000 metres) medal completing the run on 4th April.

To make my running worthwhile I have decided to 'Chase the Rainbow'. This is a 5k run on 15th June for Beaumond House Hospice. While some days I think "This is really hard going today", the thought of those worse off than myself keeps me running.

If anyone would like to donate or sponsor me, please can you contact myself or Jean.

**Thanks** 

Amanda Hennell

PS If you see me running you know it is for a good cause and I haven't gone totally mad!!

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Emily Hennell on passing her grade one piano exam.

Well done from a proud Granny and Pampa.



# Can You Help? Clothes Rail Needed

We have dressing up clothes for children at Retford Child Contact Centre, a safe place where children can meet up regularly with a parent (or grandparent) that they no longer live with - but we could do with a clothes rail that can be easily dismantled for storage. Do you have one that you can spare?

Tessa Rolph 01777 872034

## **Tuxford Young Farmers**



As usual the Young Farmers have been busy. Thanks to Kaetlin for this summary of their spring activities.

On 17th February we went bowling at Newark. Well done to Harry from Tuxford who got the highest score of the night.

On 24th February Tuxford YFC went to the Visitor Centre near the Dovecote Inn in Laxton. Here we made Mothers Day cards because most of us will be at Skegness on Mothering Sunday. Katie and Jess brought some things to stick on to our cards and Jess showed us how to make butterflies for our flowers.

On March 2nd a florist came along to show us how to make amazing bunches of flowers for our Mums. Even the boys joined in.

On 5th and 6th March club members went to Skegness for volley ball and ultimate frisbee. Well done to everyone who went. I can't say we won but we did our best! All in all everyone had a good time even though probably some club members ended up with hangovers.

On March 9th we had our new members night at Egmanton Village Hall. We played games and everyone had a great time. It is nice to see more young people joining our Young Farmers group - Remember; you don't have to be a farmer to be a Young Farmer.

On 16th of March we went to the Laxton Visitor Centre where we made posters to display in local schools to encourage students to join Young Farmers. We also sorted out who was doing what at Newark show.

# **Tuxford Young Farmers at 85**

Many people living in the area will have attended Tuxford Young Farmers events over the years. This year they are planning to celebrate their 85th birthday with a party at **Egmanton Village Hall on Saturday July 2nd 7.30pm.** Everyone is invited to enjoy a hog roast followed by strawberries and cream and music / disco. Tickets price £10.

If you have any photos of Tuxford Young Farmers they would love to borrow them to copy to make a display for the event. Please contact <a href="mailto:jessicaruthrose@hotmailco.uk">jessicaruthrose@hotmailco.uk</a> for tickets or if you can help.



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## **Wellow Maypole Celebrations**



The late Spring Bank Holiday on 30th May will see the next Wellow Maypole celebrations. This is one of the largest free events of the year in this area and one well worth visiting whether you have been before or not.

We have a Laxton connection through Sylvia Rose who trains the dancers and both she and younger daughter Jessica are former May Queens. If there is more

than one candidate, the new Queen is elected by secret ballot among

the people of Wellow earlier in the year. She chooses a charity to support with her collection taken during the proceedings, and selects her retinue and the colour for their dresses. In the six weeks prior to the event the children practice their traditional dances or train be 'Bogies' - the youngsters who support the Wellow Jack and bring mischief and mayhem to the event.

When the big day arrives, ribbons adorn the Maypole; the Village Green is surrounded by

chairs for the audience and the central ring is roped off for the dancing. From 12 noon there are stalls, games, entertainment and refreshments.

At 2.45pm the retiring May Queen leads the procession from St Swithun's Church to the green, followed by her retinue, the dancers and the newly elected May Queen. They enter the ring and the crowning of the new May Queen takes place on a flower decked stage. The retiring Queen places the crown on her successor's head



before she receives a garland of forget me nots and a locket, which will be a permanent reminder of her year in office. After the formalities, the May Queen asks to see the dancing. It is a bright and colourful event livened up more by Morris dancers beside the Red Lion, traditional swing boats and Punch and Judy.





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# Rattlejag May Day at Laxton Castle and Dawn Chorus Walk

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Every May Day (1st May) the Rattlejag Morris dancers from Retford 'dance in the May' at Laxton castle. They gather at the castle mound to see the



sun rise. This occurs not much after 5.20am.

The castle mound can be reached by walking up the grass path opposite the church, known as Hall Lane. The gate into the castle grounds is at the top and newcomers can follow the path and the crowd to the castle. The event takes place irrespective of the weather, but on a good weekend morning there can be a couple of hundred people there. Allow time for the walk, or if you are driving, for not being able to park right by the church.

Rattlejag perform a programme of dances, usually concluding by inviting the audience to have a go. There is no charge for the event, but there is a BBQ breakfast and drinks including a barrel of beer to be had in exchange for a small donation.

When the dancing is over, the sun has risen and the BBQ has been enjoyed, Stuart Rose leads a walk through the three great open fields of Laxton to listen to the dawn chorus and to try to identify the birds taking part in the singing. Lynda Milner from Notts Wildlife Trust and a member of the RSPB accompanies the walk to help with the identification - usually assisted be a well informed member of the public or two.

If you haven't been, and as 1st May this year is on a Sunday, why not go and join the fun? The only cost is the donation for the BBQ and drinks and there are short cuts back for anyone who can't manage the full walk which usually returns to the village about 10am.

If you are interested in joining the walk, please contact Stuart Rose on **07939 228353** or meet him by the Visitor Centre at 5.00am.

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		9.00 am MOORHOUSE	
Walesby − Evening Prayer	St Paulinus – Messy Church		
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		8.00 am Egmanton	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>
		10.30 am Boughton	
		8.00 am Walesby	Pentecost
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# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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May 11<sup>th</sup> WI

May 12<sup>th</sup> Coffee Morning

May 18<sup>th</sup> History Group May 25<sup>th</sup> Parish Council

May 29<sup>th</sup> Maplebeck Children's Film May 30<sup>th</sup> Wellow Maypole Celebrations

**Forward Planning** 

June 18<sup>th</sup> WI Queen's 90th Birthday Tea

June 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> History Group Booklet launch

July 1<sup>st</sup> Laxton Church Fete

July 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuxford Young Farmers' Party

July 3<sup>rd</sup> Michael Ducksbury Memorial Tractor Run

July 8<sup>th</sup> Dovecote Summer Ball

July 9<sup>th</sup> Laxton Charity Gymkhana and Dog Show July 17<sup>th</sup> Strawberry Tea for Helipads for Hospitals

Aug 13<sup>th</sup> Charity Barn Dance

Sept 24<sup>th</sup> Southwell Ploughing Match, Farnsfield

Nov 18<sup>th</sup> Church Dance **Dec 2**<sup>nd</sup> **Quiz Night** 

NB New entries appear in **bold italics** for the first month.

If you know the date of a meeting or an event, please pass it on so that others can take it into account when planning.

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## **Laxton WI**

Members were surprised to see our new Secretary, Lesley Booth, in the chair. Unfortunately our President, Brenda, was unwell and unable to be with us. Everyone sent their best wishes and thought of her.



Lesley began with two pleasant tasks. The first was to invite Sandra to present Joy with a beautiful outdoor planted pot as a thank you for making the photo book of Laxton's celebrations of the NFWI Centenary. The county Federation have asked to buy one for their archives, which proves this format is easier to share than the scrapbooks such as that we made in 1965, and which was exhibited in London.

The second presentation was to Rosemary Crothers, who is about to celebrate one of those wonderful birthdays with a nought at the end. Happy birthday Rosemary.

Sandra has organised the summer outing to the new deli in Tuxford on June 8th and took names for that.

Several members had been to the Spring Council, which is reported elsewhere. We are looking forward to the May meeting when we will have a Faith Supper to accompany the discussion of the Resolutions for the national AGM. Joy had just returned from a meeting to learn more about them, and it seems the discussion may uncover some difficulties with the wording. We shall at least have delicious home made puds to look forward to. Still on the subject of catering, the History Group have asked the WI to provide the tea, coffee and cakes for their Booklet Launch in June. Volunteers are needed, so members, please check you diaries to see if you are free on 24th or 25th.

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Lesley had been conducting the business against a strange background noise. When our speaker, Annette Mackenzie, took the floor we were soon enlightened. Under the table in a box was her pet barn owl, Boogie, who was making known her disapproval at being shut away from the audience.

We learned that Annette's involvement with birds of prey began 17 years ago with a leaflet picked up sparking the idea of an experience day as an unusual Christmas present. So taken was she with the birds that after a second course a few weeks later she began to volunteer weekly at the centre, which was a 130 mile round trip from her Gainsborough home.

Before long this keen volunteer was offered a job which

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entailed a quick flat hunt nearer the centre and four days working with the birds and one in the gift shop. There she remained until she left after new owners took over, and soon after that the centre closed. That was when a friend who still worked there said the birds and animals were being rehomed and offered her the chance to take Boogie, who is now 6.

In the wild they live barely 3 years because of all the pressures they have to overcome. Their habitat is under pressure and they are very dependent on the weather in their breeding season and the number of voles etc. they can catch. The species fell disastrously from



around 20,000 breeding pairs to around 3,500 some 20 years ago. They have slowly recovered, and helped by an exceptional year in 2014 now number around 10,000 breeding pairs in the wild. There are



some 90,000 birds in captivity and because they drive out wild born birds, the decision has been made to allow only very few releases back to the wild.

After the talk Annett allowed members to hold Boogie. Jackie was thrilled to have her first experience of holding a bird, and Mavis had brought Amelie, her granddaughter to share the fun. Annette judged the competition for a bird ornament or picture, choosing Margaret Noble's Crown derby owl for first prize, Lesley's beautiful bird painting second and Anna's ornamental owl third.

We are holding an afternoon tea in the Village Hall on Saturday 18th June to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday. This will take place from 3pm - 5pm and the cost will be £5 adults and £2.50 for children under 12. We hope people will come along and join us. Everyone is welcome. Any profit made will be divided between the 'Child Bereavement Centre', Newark and WI funds.

## **Notts County WI Spring Council Meeting**

Seven members attended the county Spring Council Meeting in Nottingham early in April. The Lord Mayor of Nottingham attended for her second year. She is a wonderful speaker, well able to make a joke at her own expense and win her audience over with her natural charm.

She clearly enjoyed being with WI members as she recounted how she had been involved in setting up two Institutes. She went on to speak about the skills the WI had equipped her with and how useful these had been in her later political life. Public speaking and running meetings were obviously important, but members were astonished when she said that if guests in the Mayor's Parlour are to be served cakes, she has to make them herself.

As the Lord Mayor sat down and County Chair Jane Jefferson began to thank her for welcoming us to the City, she remembered she he not actually given the formal welcome. She quickly took back the microphone to do so to the sound of sympathetic laughter.

Once again Jenny Bailey from Eakring WI, the County Treasurer, gave her report in rhyme making a hard job harder. For the second year we had made a loss and with challenges to our fund raising income coming from rising costs, small committees organising events and a likely reduced income from the 2016 County Show, we were challenged to raise some funds ourselves. Each Institute was given £10 and challenged to find innovative ways to grow it. At Laxton will have to put our thinking caps on.

We heard that the water bottle collection for ACWW to pay for clean water for three areas in the Volta in Ghana had reached its target in nine months. We were given a new challenge to raise £2,944 for a project to help women in Malawi raise pigs for food and income - saving in piggy banks perhaps?

At lunch time members were able to visit the very small alternative to the County Show competition area. The Show Committee, faced with the news that they would be unable to have their pavilion at the event and the prohibitive cost of a marquee, had tried their best to set up competitions for small and portable items of cookery and crafts. Elizabeth Banks entered and was rewarded with two first places for her preserves.

Elizabeth had another moment in the spotlight being presented with a cup for the best cookery at last year's County Show. We learned that

## **Recent Bonus Ball Winners**

Date	No	Name
19/3/2016	22	Margaret Rose
26/3/2016	28	Pat & Bert
2/4/2016	15	Keith Dutton
9/4/2016	18	Ken Shepherd
16/4/2016	54	Simon Hill

Thank you all for your continuing support for our Sports Field. Since the National Lottery increased the number of balls to 59 several of the new numbers have been allocated, but there are still some available. If you would like to join, you can choose from the numbers 1,52, 53, 56, 57, 58 and 59. Anyone with a current ball is also invited to take another.

To take a new ball please contact either Ken Shep on 870605 or myself on 870844. Thank you.

Michael Manning

## **Laxton Charity Barn Dance**

The date has now been agreed for this event

# Saturday 13th August 2016.

Put it in your diary now. Advance ticket sales will be available soon.



We will be having our next meeting on **Thursday 31st March at 19.30pm** at Bar Farm, Laxton. We would very much welcome support from the local community to join our small existing committee to help in the planning and preparation of this event.

For further details please contact

Georgie on 07904 979361

## WI Spring Council contd.

a partial solution to the issue of our presence at the Show has been found. The WI have been invited to cook for the Members at the event and have also been provided with a marquee where they can serve take away drinks and cakes, but there will be no seating in the area.

The guest of honour, the BBC antiques expert Paul Hayes, manfully sat through the proceedings in the morning and having amused members as he listened he finally got his chance to speak after lunch. He proved to be a natural and entertaining speaker, which was just what the meeting needed. He described being 'discovered' when he was a dealer at an Antiques Fair and both teams in an episode of Bargain Hunt bought from him. He was invited to sign up as an 'expert' and his career has not looked back. We learned that he shared a flat with TV chef James Martin for six months during filming for one programme, and James never cooked once.

He gave a number of insights into the way 'Cash in the Attic' was researched and filmed and concluded with some slides of antique items which he described, most notably a selection which had achieved record prices at auction. We learned that antique photographs could be the next big thing and were astonished to be shown an unremarkable image which had sold for £4.5 million!

Paul was warmly thanked for his talk - and invited to see if his old flat mate might like to come next year for a bargain fee! Well, if you don't ask, you don't get, do you? We shall see.

## **Light Relief**

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In April 2015, rules around pensions changed and for the first time, people were able to decide whether they buy an annuity, cash in their whole pension pot, take a lump sum, or a mixture of these options.

Lesley Barrick, Advice Service Manager at Citizens Advice Sherwood & Newark said:

# "It's never too early to start thinking about your pension"

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- 2. Check if there are any restrictions on your pension, such as penalties for taking it early.
- 3. Get a state pension forecast you can find out how to do this from the Pension Wise website.
- 4. Gather information on any benefits you receive as any pension decision you make could affect these.
- 5. Work out your likely living expenses, including the cost of essentials like housing and utilities, and leisure activities. This should help you come up with a rough budget, which you can compare to your potential pension income.

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Sat 18 June A Summer Concert in Edwinstowe Village Hall at 7pm. Tickets are available for this very popular Concert and available from Choir members or Jan on 01623 823416

Sat 25 June A Concert at Milton Mausoleum, Nr. Walesby at 7pm. I have seen this unique building many times but we have never performed at this venue before and we are really looking forward to it.

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Jan

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The Mausoleum is now open every Sunday, May to September 2 – 4pm. with ten volunteer stewards to open the church and tell you about its history.

We have a number of events at the church during this year.

June 25<sup>th</sup> Dukeries Singers 7pm

June 26<sup>th</sup> Mid Summer Tea Party 2 – 4pm

September 11 Heritage Open Day 2 – 4pm

Speaker, Janet Roberts, author of 'The Clumber Love Story'.

December 3<sup>rd</sup> Winter Music 2pm.

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# Minutes of the Meeting of Laxton & Moorhouse Parish Council held on 23/3/2016

A meeting of Laxton, and Moorhouse Parish Council was held in Laxton Visitors Centre on Wednesday 23rd March 2016 at 7.30pm.

#### **Attendees**

 Mr M Manning(Vice-Chairman), Mr K Shepherd(Clerk), Mr D Brown, Mr R Hennell, Mr J Hill, Mr S Hill, Mr M Hennell.
 Also Present District Councillor Mrs S Michaels and one Parishioner

Apologies were received from Mr J V Godson (Chairman) and County Councillor B Laughton.

Due to the absence of MR J V Godson Mr M Manning chaired the meeting

# <u>Parishioners Time (10 Minutes Set Aside Prior To The Meeting For Parishioners to Raise Any Items)</u>

 The Parishioner asked about some previous planning applications that appeared not to have been reviewed by the Parish Council prior to permission being granted. Mr M Manning asked the Parishioner if the matter could be discussed later as planning applications was on the meeting agenda, this was agreed.

As there were no more questions Mr M Manning opened the council meeting.

#### **Previous Minutes**

1. The minutes of the previous Parish Council meetings held on 27th January 2016 and an emergency meeting regarding the Parish Council accounts external auditors on the 23rd February 2016 were distributed to councillors and were accepted as correct.

#### Matters arising from the previous minutes

1. The clerk informed the meeting of the actual hours he had worked over the last two months, as he was asked to do this at the last meeting as a query had been raised regarding his hours after the running of the public toilets was no longer done by the council. The average hours worked over the last eight weeks were 3.5 hours per week and this was not counting telephone calls. The matter is to be discussed further at the next meeting as the Clerks pay is based on an average of 2.5 hours per week

#### **Accounts**

1. A bill for the new perspex for Moorhouse Notice Board had received and it was agreed to pay the £38.11p.

2. The current account stands at £4570.21 and the deposit account stands at £1125.06.

#### Correspondence

- A letter regarding the Code of Conduct of Parish Council towards its employees had been received and was read out to the Councillors. Dist. Cllr Mrs S Michaels said the Parish Council only has to follow existing rules. It was decided to discuss this further at the next meeting
- 2. An email regarding the bus service had been received but the matter was on the agenda so it was left until this matter was discussed
- 3. An email has been received from the Nottinghamshire Police regarding a new text alert service or people in rural areas informing them of recent incidents; advice on how to avoid becoming a victim of crime, what's being done to tackle rural crime etc. This is a free service and is available by logging on to the website and following the directions. Please see the below link:

#### http://www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/alert

- 4. An email regarding Recycling Centre Service Changes had been received; in the future all vehicles using the service must be registered with the county council which can be done on-line or by telephone to the Customer Service Centre (see details below). Two vehicles can be registered at any one address. The service starts on 1st April 2016 but a certain amount of leniency may be tolerated up to the 1st September 2016 when vehicles will be turned away. An article is also to be placed in the Open Field magazine to explain the new arrangement and how to register your cars
  - http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/ recycling-centres/using-ourrecycling-centres/register or 0300 500 80 80
- 5. Further correspondence has been sent by the District Council informing all residents of the new Garden Waste collection service which for a small fee per year is available.
- 6. The Citizen Advice had sent a letter asking for a donation, this matter will be discussed further at the next meeting.

#### **Laxton & Moorhouse Parish Council contd.**

#### **Planning**

It was reported that some planning applications in the Parish over the last 10 months had not been discussed by the Parish Council,

1. the Clerk informed the meeting that on the two occasions that have been raised he had not received the plans that had reportedly been

1. sent out. A further discussion took place and it was decided to ask for plans to be sent via E-mail for a trial period.

#### **Defibrillator**

1. Mr M Manning informed the meeting that the Sportsfield Committee had recently discussed with members of the Shepherd family about funds from part of Stuarts memorial football match and the Sports Field committee to provide a defibrillator for the village and would the Parish Council help with the purchase, it would require a donation of about £350. The council said in principal they would not be against this project.

#### **District and County Councils**

- 1. Mr M Manning said he had recently been speaking to Mr C Ward at the County Council and no further progress had been made with regard to the revised bus services
- 2. A discussion took place about the length of time it took to get street lights repaired. The Clerk said he had been told that they needed three lights out to come to repair, he said there were now three lights out and he would again contact the county council after the Easter weekend

#### **Matters for Future Discussion**

- 1. It was decided to put the Transparency Code on the agenda of the next meeting to ensure all aspects where being covered by the Parish Council. The Clerk felt that the Parish Council fulfilled the conditions as he was always available at reasonable times to meet with the Parishioners to review the accounts, the minutes were always available and financial payments and receipts were published in the minutes and a list of councillors made available on the website and in the magazine. Copies of the Transparency Code would be emailed to the Councillors following the meeting to help the discussion at the next meeting
- 2. The position of the 30mph sign on Moorhouse Road needs reviewing as it is blocking access to properties
- 3. Due to the narrowness of the road gateways are being used as turning points on Moorhouse Road and these were getting rougher.
- 4. There are some broken kerbstones near Kneesall Road corner which have been reported for a while and no action taken.
- 5. Village Hall re-development progress
- 6. The lack of Parishioners attending the Parish Council meetings and what can be done to engage with them more to ensure the Parish Council is dealing with issues which are important to them and the local community and not just items the Parish Council believe are

important to them. Mrs S Michaels suggested that we invite other groups such as the W.I., Sports Field etc.

There being no further matters Mr M Manning closed the meeting at 9.20pm and thanked everyone for their attendance.

#### Next Meeting

Next meeting is arranged for **25th May** 2016 at 7.30pm in the Visitors Centre subject to no urgent matters arising sooner.

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#### www.laxtonandmoorhouseparishcouncil.co.uk

Please note: These minutes are draft until being agreed as correct at the next Parish Council Meeting

# Health Matters - Hives (Urticaria)

This month we cover a common condition that can be most alarming when it affects people – hives, or to use its medical term, urticaria. Hives is an itchy, often raised rash that occurs spontaneously or as a result of a number of different triggers, and is usually acute but in some can persist long term.

#### What does urticaria look like?

The rash can affect any area of skin. Typically the rash is raised in weals commonly 1-2 in diameter, which can look like mild white or red blisters, surrounded by inflamed red skin, described as 'flare'. They can affect just small areas of skin or appear confluent, covering large areas. As the weals settle the surrounding 'flare' can persist, making the skin look blotchy. Each weal will usually last less than 24 hours, but new ones may appear, giving the illusion of a moving rash.

#### How common is urticaria?

<u>Acute urticaria</u>, which develops suddenly and lasts less than 6 weeks, typically 24-48 hours, occurs in 1 in 6 people throughout their lives. Some people have recurrent episodes of acute urticaria.

<u>Chronic urticarial</u>, persisting for longer than 6 weeks and occurring on most days, occurs less commonly and only affects 1 in 1000. It is more common in women than men. In some the urticarial rash can last for years. Patients with chronic urticaria can suffer from a related condition called angio-oedema that can cause swelling of the eyelids, lips, genitals, and even the tongue and throat, which can cause difficulty breathing.

#### What causes urticaria?

Certain triggers cause urticaria by leading to the release of chemicals such as histamine from cells in the skin causing fluid to leak from tiny blood vessels under the skin surface, and the swelling of weals and dilatation of blood vessels leading to the flare surrounding the weals.

Although a trigger cannot be identified in up to 50% of cases, possible triggers include:

- Autoimmune problem antibodies to the body's own cells attach to under the skin and release histamine.
- Allergies to foods, certain medications, and reactions to wasp and bee stings
- Formation of immune complexes in a variant called vasculitic urticaria (weals last longer than 24 hours, are often painful and may leave red marks on skin)
- Deficiency in immunological cascade (C1 esterase inhibitor deficiency), often provoked by infection.
- Physical stimuli causing release of histamine from mast cells exercise, heat, cold, pressure, strong sunlight, emotion, sweating and scratching the skin (dermatographism). Rarer causes include contact with water of any temperature.
- Viral infections such as a cold or flu can trigger urticaria.
- Caffeine, alcohol, opiates, aspirin, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs such as ibuprofen and angiotensin-converting enzyme drugs such as ramipril can all cause urticaria.
- Occasionally infection with a germ called Helicobacter pylori can be the cause eradication may cure the urticaria.

#### Are any tests required?

Typically the diagnosis is made based on the history of the condition. Investigation is rarely required for acute urticaria. As chronic urticaria can be related to autoimmune conditions, blood test may be performed to exclude these.

#### What is the treatment for urticaria?

The mainstay of treatment is antihistamines which block the action of histamine involved in the development of urticaria. Typical non-sedating examples include cetirizine and loratadine. The doses required are often higher than those used for hay fever, and twice or three times daily dosing is not unusual. If itching at night is major feature a sedating antihistamine may be used at night. During pregnancy chlorphenamine (Piriton) is the drug of choice. For acute urticaria, treatment is continued until the rash has settled, but for chronic urticaria the treatment is often required for a number of months, then weaned off after a symptom free period.

For severe acute urticaria oral steroid medication may be required for a few days, but has no place in the treatment of chronic urticaria.

Cooling lotions such as calamine and menthol in aqueous cream can sooth the skin and help to relieve itch.

Avoidance of demonstrable triggers – particularly if any of the above physical triggers causes problems.

If symptoms cannot be controlled by the above referral to a specialist may be required and treatments may include immune suppression (with drugs such as ciclosporin), phototherapy and anti IgE antibody therapy (Omalizumab).

#### What is the outlook for urticaria sufferers?

Physical urticarias most commonly occur in healthy young adults and tend to improve with time, but this can be in the order of 2-5 years. Chronic urticaria may need protracted courses of antihistamines, but these can usually be withdrawn with time.

## CHinK Quiz Evening

78 people attended the quiz on Saturday 2nd April at St Nicholas Church Tuxford and enjoyed a brain challenging couple of hours. Our quiz master, Brian Bland, set some tricky questions. It was great fun and everybody seemed to enjoy the evening.



Money raised from the tombola stall was in aid of a baby boy who was born blind. This money will go towards special education for the boy. Unfortunately the little boy will never see. Money raised from the raffle will go towards three operations needed for Stephanie, who has attended CHinK Academy since she



At half time a delicious fish and chip supper was enjoyed by all. The supper was supplied by JM's Restaurant and Take Away, West Street, Retford who also donated a raffle prize. A big thank you to JM's. A

total of £515 was raised during the evening and everyone enjoyed another successful quiz evening with lots of laughs and excitement and a success for Chink. Another quiz will be arranged for later this year.

Our thanks to all who attended, supported and helped during the evening. Without you we would not be able to support these two worthy causes

If you would like to see photos of the progress we have made with CHinK Academy building as well as of Stephanie, please visit our charity shop on Newcastle Street Tuxford (next to Tuxford Co-op).

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Newark Hospital	01636 681681
Bassetlaw Hospital	01909 500990
King's Mill Hosptial	01623 622515

Fire Safety Advice (Tuxford Fire Station) 01777 870381

Parish Council website: www.laxtonandmoorhouseparishcouncil.co.uk

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