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write what you want to say.**

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# The Last Letter from the Revd. Chris Levy

Dear Friends,

What can I say? This will be my last letter to you all before I reach my retirement at the end of July. For Denise and myself it is both an exciting time as we look towards our future in our new home and also a time for nostalgia as we look back over the time spent in these wonderful Parishes. For those of you who will continue to worship here there is I know some uncertainty as to what the future holds and I know that Zoe will be working alongside you to help in that transition which sees one Priest exit stage left and another enter stage right.

Let me leave you to ponder the following: -

“Who am I, O Lord God, and what is my house that you have brought me thus far?”

These are the words of King David after he had built himself a house and settled in Jerusalem. He is looking back over his life, seeing his humble beginnings and all that has been achieved since. These words have often resonated with me over the years. Far be it that I should seek to compare myself with King David but in those days when I was considering whether or not God was calling me to offer myself for Ordination it did seem that this passage cropped up at different times in different places. I often contemplated what is it saying to me?

I think we have all met people in our lives who have influenced us in one way or another. I used to look at the clergy I knew or read about and think am I able to do what these people are doing? Surely God does not want me to follow in their footsteps? However, the decision ultimately was not mine as we can only offer ourselves to the Church for Ordination and it is up to others who discern whether or not we do have a calling to the sacred ministry. Obviously the fact that I am now about to retire from this role as Incumbent of these Parishes would seem to testify that the Church decided that I did have a calling. Over the years there have been times when it has been necessary to review where am I and if it was time to move elsewhere.

At each stage of change this text again would come back into my mind. There is a sense that David is saying to God, as we all do, you have brought me thus far, is that it? Or do you want me to go onwards doing even more for you? David wanted to build a dwelling place for God. However, God decided that this would be carried out by Solomon. So as we progress in life we are all faced with the realisation that we have achieved so much and there may well be a time for others to continue what has been started. Most Clergy will tell you that there is always something else that they would like to do but realise that on occasions it is best if they move

aside and let someone else take that task on board. For all of you in these Parishes there is a sense that yes we have made this journey together. We have reached a particular point along the road and the journey will continue. More importantly, though, it is God who is at the centre of all our journeying. He leads us all to this place in this moment of time. Hopefully all of us at time will ponder the question "Who am I?" We might see ourselves as not worthy of serving God but the lesson I

learnt all those years ago was if God wants you however much we might try to fight him he will win in the end.

So enjoy serving God. I wish all you well in the future and look forward to seeing you from time to time. Besides Mansfield is not too far away.

God Bless,

Love  
*Chris.*



**Lammas Day**  
**Monday August 1st**  
**8.00am**  
**Holy Communion**

**With the blessing of the first sheaf of corn  
of harvest**

**The service will be followed by breakfast  
at Crosshill House.**

**If you would like breakfast, please order  
from Brenda Noble on 870541 as we need  
numbers for catering.**

## 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. NB If it rains we will be in the top barn at Crosshill Farm.

Thank you

*Brenda*

### Tombola Stall for Laxton Garden Fête

Will anybody who wishes to donate to this please drop off their prizes with Pat Naylor during the week before the fete so she has time to process them.

Sorry, but there was a mistake last month. This has nothing to do with WI!

Thanks for your help - and donations of prizes.

## Congratulations

Welcome to the world Isabelle.  
On Thursday 19th May, at Kings Mill Hospital Anna and Rob Chase welcomed the arrival of a beautiful daughter, Isabelle Charlotte Mary weighing 7lb 2oz. She is a special little sister for Harry, a granddaughter for Richard and Diane Wood and a great granddaughter for Ken Shepherd  
We would like to thank all that sent us cards and gifts.

*Great Grandad Ken with Isabelle*



## Congratulations

We would like to announce the engagement of Stuart Wood and Gemma Shields, which took place recently whilst on holiday in Italy. Stuart is the son of Richard and Diane Wood and grandson of Ken Shepherd.

We wish you both every happiness in your future life together.



# Strawberry Tea

17th July

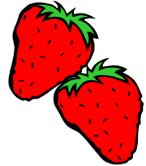
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Proceeds to the Golden Hour Appeal,  
towards the provision of  
helipads at hospitals



## Coffee Morning



This month will be on **14th July** at  
The Old Vicarage, opposite the  
former shop 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  
in to enjoy some friendly, cheerful  
company.



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



# The Vicar's Last Communion Service

As most people will be aware by now, the Rev. Chris Levy will be retiring as priest-in charge of the benefice of St Michael the Archangel, Laxton with Moorhouse, St Bartholomew's, Kneesall and St Swithin's, Wellow. He also retires as rector of Holy Trinity, Kirton and Vicar of St Edmunds, Walesby and St. Mary our Lady, Egmonton.



His last holy communion service at Laxton will be on Sunday 10th July at 10.30am. We hope as many people as possible will come along and join us to say thank you and goodbye to him.

## Things to Do this Month

### History Group Booklet Launch Exhibition

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|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>June 24<sup>th</sup></b> | Crosshill Farm, 2.45pm - 4.30pm   |
| <b>June 25<sup>th</sup></b> | Crosshill Farm, 11am - 3.00pm   |
| <b>June 26<sup>th</sup></b> | Egmonton Village Hall, Garden Party @ 5pm followed by evening entertainment         |
| <b>June 27<sup>th</sup></b> | Mothers' Union - talk on day to day life at Southwell Minster. Details from Members |
| <b>July 1<sup>st</sup></b>  | Laxton Garden Fete, 6.30pm, Old Vicarage Gardens                                    |
| <b>July 2<sup>nd</sup></b>  | Tuxford Young Farmers' Party  |
| <b>July 3<sup>rd</sup></b>  | Michael Ducksbury Memorial Tractor Run  |
| <b>July 8<sup>th</sup></b>  | Dovecote Summer Ball  |
| <b>July 9<sup>th</sup></b>  | Laxton Charity Gymkhana & Dog Show  |
| <b>July 13<sup>th</sup></b> | Laxton WI, 'The Fish Lady' 7.30pm, Village Hall                                     |
| <b>July 17<sup>th</sup></b> | Strawberry Tea, 3.30 - 5.30, Corner Farm  |
| <b>July 17<sup>th</sup></b> | Concert in the Shed, 7.30pm, Kirton   |
| <b>July 20<sup>th</sup></b> | History Group, 'The Pilgrim Fathers', 7.30pm. VH                                    |

## Mothers' Union Outing

As mentioned in the last magazine, our outing was to Hayton and Clayworth churches on 23rd May.

Due to illness our numbers were down. Those attending had a lovely afternoon being made very welcome by the people who met us and showed us around.

Hayton was the first church on our trip. We all found it difficult to find! It was down a lane away from the village. The present village seems to have developed away from the original settlement and church.



The second church at Clayworth held a wonderful surprise inside. We had been expecting to see one or two painted panels, but we discovered that fine murals covered all the chancel walls. These were the work of Edinburgh artist Phoebe Anna Traquair and were painted in 1904 - 5, commissioned by the

Lady of the Manor in thanksgiving for the safe return of her son from the Boer War.

Our guide, Ellis, gave us a very interesting talk on the church, pointing out several interesting features. These included a lovely stone screen entrance into the side chapel and a stone carving at the base of one of the pillars, thought to be a memorial to the stone mason's child.





Very bizarre were the stone carved heads on the pillars etc., which had had their noses cut off! This was thought to have been done by Oliver Cromwell's men who were billeted in the church as they passed through.

There was a very fine tomb in memory of a

judge. The only other example of this is in a church in London. This is due to be restored. It is so big I don't know how they will get it through the screen and out of the church!

A lovely afternoon ended with tea and cakes supplied by the ladies of the church.

*Janet*



## Mothers' Union June Meeting

On Monday 27 June, there will be a talk by John Meredith, former verger at Southwell Minster, who will talk about the unseen day to day life at the Minister. Everyone is welcome to join us.

### **Pauline's Annual Charity Coffee Morning** **Saturday 2nd July, £2**

Proceeds in aid of Weston WI and Jessop Wing, Sheffield Hospital - the neonatal ward which also supports parents after stillbirths.

Everyone is welcome to join us, meet friends, enjoy the chatter and refreshments, raffle and stalls.

**To be held in Weston Village Hall, 10am - 12 noon**

# **The Dovecote Inn at Laxton**

## **Your Local Village Pub**



**Friday July 8<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm**  
**Summer Ball**  
Ticket Only event

**Thursday July 21<sup>st</sup> 7.00pm for 7.30pm**  
**A Night in the Caribbean**

Join us for a Mojito cocktail reception followed by three courses of delicious Caribbean cuisine, finishing with a shot or two of Caribbean rum. £27.50 per person inc. drinks

**Monday July 25<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm**  
**Steak Night - 6.00pm to 9.00pm**

Your steak cut to size in the restaurant by Doncaster's of Newark then cooked to your liking. Price dependent on size of steak.

**Monday August 15<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm for 7.30pm**  
**Mediterranean Gourmet Night**

Fizz reception followed by 3 lovely courses of Mediterranean food with carefully chosen wine. £29.95 per person. inc. wine

**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 [www.dovecoteinn.co.uk](http://www.dovecoteinn.co.uk) or find us on Facebook.**

**We look forward to seeing you all soon at your local pub,  
The Dovecote Inn at Laxton**

**A Farewell Service**  
To mark the retirement of the  
**Revd. Chris Levy**  
will be held on Sunday 31st July at  
at St Michael the Archangel's Church, Laxton  
at 4.00pm

This will be followed by refreshments. If you would like to attend this service please ring Brenda on 01777 870541 by 30th June for catering and seating arrangements as this is a joint group service for all seven churches and other guests.

**Laxton Charity Show Needs Your Help!**

The Laxton Charity Gymkhana is to be held on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2016. This will be our 14<sup>th</sup> show and over the years we have donated £17,800 to the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance and made donations to local organisations and charities.



The current committee are well practiced in the organisation leading up to the event, however it would be greatly appreciated if extra volunteers were available to help set up the day before and/or help on show day. It is never too late to offer your help, so if you are free on the days we need help, please get in touch. We would be very pleased to hear from you.

I am sure you will agree that the Air Ambulance is a very worthy cause which any one of us could need at some time.

If you are able to help us or would like some more information then please contact:

Debbie Dawson **07977 666584** Tracey Leech **07900 178344** or Julia Banks **07971 627591**.



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## Well Done Sophie

Sophie Bailey ran her first 26.2 miles marathon at Brighton on April 17<sup>th</sup>. She managed a time of 3h 35mins which she was over the moon about. However, she nearly didn't make the event as her train was cancelled on her way to Brighton so she had to quickly make alternative arrangements en route. As Sophie crossed the finishing line there was a welcome glass of prosecco from her friends, which was followed by a couple more glasses later that evening. Well done Soph!



## Strawberry Tea for Hospital Helipads



This year's Strawberry tea is on Sunday 17th July at Corner Farm and tickets are selling fast. Donations for the cake stall, raffle or tombola would be much appreciated along with simple fund raising ideas that are suitable for a garden setting? All suggestions welcome to make this a very successful afternoon for to help to provide helipads for hospitals. These facilities on hospital premises to enable Air Ambulances to land on site, saving patients the delay and discomfort of a transfer by land ambulance from the nearest landing point into the safe hands of doctors awaiting them in the Accident and Emergency departments.

The tea consists of ham and salmon 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, call soon.

## Well Done Amanda



### Made it!

Over 500 runners assembled for the 'Chase the Rainbow' run on 15th of June.

Amanda took her place in the crowd and at 7 o'clock the fun run

started. The course of 5 kilometres could be run, walked, or what ever; the point was just to get round. Amanda kept to her training and completed the course in just over 33 mins.

She sends a huge thank you to all who have sponsored her, and raised around £180. When all the monies are in she will publish the final total in next months magazine.

Well done Amanda from all the family.



## Thank You

A big THANK YOU to Roberta and John for their hospitality once again for the Lammas breakfast. Please help them by letting Brenda know you intend to come.

For details please see the advertisement on page 4



## Summer Outing Opportunity

Weston WI organise an annual coach trip to places of interest and they invite anyone who would like to join them to book a place.

This year the trip will be leaving Weston in the late morning on Tuesday 16th August bound for Wollaton Hall, Nottingham. This will be



followed by an evening cruise on the Rover Trent aboard the Trent Princess departing from Colwick. A carvery dinner will be served on board. The total cost of the trip including the dinner is £27.50.

To book a place, please contact Sue Morris on 07711 262203.

## Advertisements

Open Field is very grateful to the advertisers who support 'Open Field' throughout the year. They have enabled us to offer the

addition of a colour cover and back page and colour adverts in recent times, which liven up the magazine no end. It is now the time of year when we renew our arrangements with the advertisers, which means sending out the invoices for their adverts and keeping track of payments and any changes to their requirements.

# Open Field

We would be grateful to know as soon as possible what you would like to appear in the magazine for the coming year. Pages are set out when the payments are received and with colour and mono to fit in we need a bit more time to make sure we get it right.

Invoices will be going out soon and we would appreciate receiving payment, ideally electronically, by the date shown.

Thank you.

# Laxton History Group



Group members' attention has been firmly focussed on the finishing line of the HLF funded project for the past couple of months.

At the time of writing, the first two booklets are complete and have been collected from the printers. They are awaiting the big day of our Launch on 24th June, when they will be revealed to our guests and visitors to our exhibition. There will be a report on the event next month as it is too late for the July edition.

Andy Columbine, designer of our new logo which now appears with our articles, has been burning the midnight oil to get the final two booklets set out and ready to go to the printers. They are being printed locally in Nottingham.

By the time Open Field is distributed, villagers should be receiving their deliveries of a free set of booklets with the compliments of Laxton History Group, paid for within the grant of £31,400 which we received from the HLF.

As the project comes to a conclusion we have to report back on what we did, how well we met the objectives we stated in our bid and how much effort we put into it. This is almost impossible to calculate, and for quite a few people at times it has felt like a full time job. We have done our best to tot up the hours expended on the project and up to the date of the launch we estimate that

**Over 50 volunteers have spent in excess of 5,500 hours (685 working days) contributing to the project**



The HLF uses a figure of £50 a day to put a monetary value on volunteer input for general tasks and £100 a day for professional services. Using the lower figure our efforts equate to over

**£120,000.**

We think we have given very good value for their money.

In addition to our booklets we have prepared teaching and Learning Packs for use in primary schools, which will be made available to them via the internet.

We are now working on a presentation to take out to community groups to tell them about what we have discovered and how we have gone about it. If you know a group which might like to book us, please let any History Group member have details. We also have a free-standing display which can be used in libraries, schools and public



spaces. In May, members spent the evening preparing materials for the Launch event -

stuffing envelopes, cutting and laminating etc. In June the task was packing sets of booklets into bags ready for distribution.

In July we are back to business as usual with a talk from Sue Allen about the Pilgrim Fathers. She comes highly recommended by a member who has heard

her speak and as always visitors and guests are welcome to attend. We will be meeting in the Village Hall on July 20th at 7.30pm.





# Laxton Cricket Club

Laxton Cricket Club are pleased to be fielding a side again this year in division 1 of the Newark Evening league. Home matches are played on Tuesday evenings with a 6pm start.

28th June Balderton Home  
 5th July Thurgarton Home  
 12th July Fiskerton Away  
 19th July Farndon Home  
 26th July Beckingham Home



We hope you may find time one evening to come along and cheer us on.

## Bus Timetable for Laxton

<b>Newark Bus Service</b>					
<u>From Laxton</u>					
Wednesday	9.10				
Friday	9.10				
<u>From Newark</u>	12.15pm			In Laxton	1pm
<b>Tuxford Bus Service</b>	To run on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday				
<u>From Laxton</u>	9.10am	11.10am	1.10pm		
<u>From Tuxford</u>	9.40am	11.40am	1.40pm	2.40pm	

**This service will begin on 1st August.**

It will allow 1 hour in Ollerton e.g. for shopping in Tesco and Briar Road

## Behind the Archive Doors



This month we are having another look inside the University of Nottingham's Manvers Collection, held with their Manuscripts & Special Collections.

The correspondence between tenants, vicar and the Estate agent reveal many references to health concerns and treatments. The Estate took an interest in these problems and offered help as when in 1921 Mr Argles wrote to the then vicar, Revd. S B Bleau, saying '*I hope that Walter Moody and Lacey will soon be much better. In future, if you have concerns that any of your parishioners connected with the Thoresby Estate require any special treatment, I hope you will not hesitate to send me a line, then it may be possible to arrange something for their benefit.*'

With the cold and draughty houses as well as the hard life most of the villagers led, rheumatism seems to have been something which concerned many. Askern, a village seven miles north of Doncaster and nine miles south of Pontefract was known for its waters and villagers were sent there for treatment.

A Bath Charity was established in 1825 to enable 'poor persons to avail themselves of the benefit of the waters.' The water is described as having a sulphurous smell and drinking the water and using it in baths was deemed 'very efficacious' in rheumatism, gout, and a range of other conditions.

Soon after this letter, Mr Argles wrote to Dr P B Whittington in Tuxford '*My dear Whittington*'. '*Lord Manvers has got some tickets for the*

### **Laxton Visitor Centre Trust Annual General Meeting**

The AGM of the Visitor Centre Trust will be on

**MONDAY 27/6/16 @ 7:30pm**

**in the Visitor Centre.**

*Askern Bath Charity, and I hope to hear tomorrow of suitable lodgings for Lacey. He will then be able to go immediately to Askern on Monday or Friday. I see the following rule, "Patients must come provided with a medical certificate stating condition of heart and kidneys". Will you kindly provide Lacey with this certificate. I think it may be possible to get him away on Monday next.'*

Taking responsibility for arranging the visit, he writes first to Mrs Birtwhistle, Lacey's sister in Belton, Doncaster, saying *'I have arranged for your brother W Lacey to go to Askern on Friday next. He will leave Tuxford at 9.40 and will arrive Doncaster Station at 10.26. You will no doubt meet him there or write and tell him at what time you arrive at Doncaster and he will then look out for you. I suppose you will go to Askern with him, and as I told you before, I have arranged lodgings for him at Mrs Bradley's. Mrs Cree, Laxton, informs me that she also stayed at Mrs Bradley's and I hope he will be very comfortable there. I will pay for the lodging direct from the Thoresby Estate Office and I gave your brother money yesterday for railway expenses and something towards the cost of his board.'*

He also informs Mrs Cree of the arrangements: *'Will you kindly tell Lacey that the arrangements have been made for him to go to Askern on Friday next, and I have obtained suitable rooms for him at Mrs Bradley's, Matlock House, High St., Askern. I have just written to Mrs Birtwhistle to say that he is going to Askern on Friday, and I hope to call and see Lacey next week.'* Contacting neighbours and friends seems the norm as other examples in coming months will show.

Finally Mr Argles writes to *'The Secretary, Askern Bath Charity, High Street, Askern. 'Mr W Lacey, Laxton, Newark, who is being sent by Lord Manvers for treatment, will come to Askern on Friday next and will bring with him the three tickets you kindly sent me a short time ago, and for which I enclose the sum of 20/-. Lacey will bring a medical certificate with him which I have just received from Dr Whittington, Tuxford. I enclose copy of this certificate.'*

It was not only the tenants who suffered. In 1906 Mr Wordsworth concludes a letter to Rev. Collinson *'very trying weather for rheumatism, but I hope you are better'*.

Mr Willis, the village schoolmaster, and someone the estate liaised with frequently in relation to the school and on village affairs, found himself out of favour when negotiating alterations to School House. In favour of his case he wrote *'I feel very strongly about this because my wife suffers from rheumatism and bronchial asthma and this doorway would save the carrying of things out of doors into the wash house....I shall be much obliged if you can have the work started immediately after Whit-week'*, signing deferentially *'Yours obediently'*. Unfortunately his plans put him out of favour with the Agent.



# Laxton Garden Fête

6.30pm

Friday July 1st

The Old Vicarage, High Street, Laxton

If wet in the top barn at Crosshill Farm

Children's Fancy Dress

Tombola, Raffle, Plants, Cakes, Books, Games etc.

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# Moorhouse Garden Fête

At least Moorhouse fête for once enjoyed fine weather, but it could hardly have been described as warm. The picture as you looked around the garden was of people wrapped in coats, with the hardy ones braving the chill in jumpers more reminiscent of November than 2nd June.



The temperature did not deter locals and visitors alike from joining in the fun and games and buying the produce and raffle tickets. The unheard of happened and they ran out of raffle tickets!!

As always the sandwiches were delicious and the cakes tempting. Both disappeared rapidly.

It was good to see friends

from Laxton and Wellow coming to support and also to see Revd. Chris Levy attending his last fete as vicar, while Revd. Zoe Burton was there lending support, chatting and getting the feel of another of

our traditional events in the rural area she is about to take under her wing. The Wellow ladies had to leave early and their haul of raffle prizes followed them!



The hook a duck game proved as popular as ever and this young lady seems to have the knack.

We will let you know the amount raised

for Moorhouse Church as soon as we hear. Thanks to everyone for supporting the event.



# Health Matters - Prescribed Medication

*Please note that this item has kindly been supplied by Dr Chris Shearstone-Walker from Tuxford surgery. The principles of not requesting unnecessary medication etc. applies to everyone, but for specific details of times and process patients of any other surgery e.g. at Sutton-on-Trent, Ollerton or elsewhere, should contact their own surgery to check what they prefer or offer. Thank you.*

This month focuses on using the surgery dispensary effectively and all trying to reduce medication costs, given overstretched NHS budgets. The surgery dispensary provides repeat printed prescriptions for patients ineligible for medications dispensed from the surgery as they live too close to the local chemist, and it orders and provides medication to the remaining patients. It is open from 9 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. Monday to Friday. However workloads within the dispensary have to be organised to ensure that the staff have protected time to carry out vital behind the scenes activities and avoid errors and incorrect storage of medication items. If a fridge item is delivered the dispensary staff must store it promptly in the fridge. Controlled drugs must be logged in and locked away. The preferred method of ordering repeat medications is via the online facility provided by our clinical system, EMIS Web. To use this service, each service user must register it. This is done by asking reception to generate the relevant password, which is printed out at reception, and is individual to every patient. As this also provides access to health record information, full written consent is required by all adult patients who do not request this in person. Ordering on line generates a request for either a printed prescription, or invokes the fulfilment of the prescription by providing the medication. This work can be performed at times when the dispenser is not being interrupted by either phone requests, or trying to fulfil the prescriptions of surgery patients who have attended with acute problems. This reduces the possible number of errors. We all know that if you are interrupted during a task, sometimes that task is not completed properly as there are a limited number of plates that we can all spin at one time!

The second preferred way for requesting repeat prescriptions is to put them in writing and drop them in the box outside the dispensary hatch. This is emptied on a regular basis and, like electronic ordering, enables staff to process requests at times when they are not subject to interruptions. Telephone requests are still currently taken at Tuxford (although this may not be a service that we are able to provide indefinitely, and indeed some surgeries no longer take telephone requests), but this is the least favoured option as it can interrupt the dispenser mid-task, and is most susceptible to erroneous requests. The dispensary line is now open

between 9 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Monday to Thursday, and 9a.m. to 12 p.m. on Friday.

Routine prescriptions will be fulfilled 48 working hours after ordering to enable time for the doctors to check and sign requested printed prescription, and for the dispensary to order any medications from the wholesaler for those patients for whom we provide a dispensing service. We would urge patients to only request medications that they actually need. It is very easy to tick to request everything, or to say over the phone that you need everything, but please think carefully before ordering. Over recent months we have had great hoards of medication returned when someone has passed away and their relatives have cleared their cupboards. In some cases this amounted to several months' worth of medication. If you do not need an 'as required' medication (such as a cramp tablet or a painkiller), or have built up a stock of a regular medication that you have forgotten to take on occasion, then please do not request it. This also applies to patients who have arranged for the chemist to order repeat prescriptions. If the chemist dispenses a drug that you do not need and it then leaves the chemist it cannot be used for another patient, even if you return it unopened. Such an order results in the NHS being charged for the price of the medication and the relevant dispensing fee.

If you notice that you have built up a stock of any medication then please tell either our dispensers or the chemist. It is better to let us all know rather than add to the already escalating NHS drug budget. Your medications are likely to change from time to time so it is not sensible to build up a stock of something that may be rendered useless by a medication change. We would much prefer that everyone was honest with the doctors, dispensing staff and chemist about what they are actually taking. This will avoid excess prescribing of medication and enable your doctor to make management changes on what you *are* taking, not what they *may think* you are taking (but requesting to make it look like you are taking. Yes this does happen).

There are good reasons why we request that repeat prescriptions are picked up after 10.30 a.m. and we have noticed an increasing number of patients coming to pick up their repeat scripts or medication before this time. During the morning the dispensers are providing the acutely unwell patients who are booked in to see the doctors in the morning with medications that they should start as soon as possible. They are also checking in stock that comes in first thing in the morning, in particular controlled drugs such as morphine, which needs to be entered with care into the controlled drug registers. Repeated interruptions leaves these processes open to errors. We do realise that sometimes collection earlier than 10.30 a.m. is unavoidable, but would ask that patients request to pick up medication earlier in advance – it can then be put aside in a separate holding area (and will make any interruption much less intrusive).

## UNITED BENEFICE OF KNEESALL, LAXTON with MOORHOUSE, WELLOW with RUFFORD

JULY 2016	Holy Communion	Family services	Other Services
July 3 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Trinity 6</i>	8.00 am Walesby 9.00 am Kirton <b>9.00 am MOORHOUSE</b> 10.30 am Kneesall	3.00 pm New Ollerton WELCOME SERVICE	
July 10 <sup>th</sup> <i>Trinity 7</i>	9.00 am Walesby <b>10.30 am LAXTON</b> 4.00 pm Wellow	<b>4.00 pm</b> New Ollerton – Messy Church	6.00 pm Egmonton – Evening <i>Prayer</i>
July 17 <sup>th</sup> <i>Trinity 8</i>	8.00 am Walesby 9.00 am Egmonton 10.30 am Boughton		
July 24 <sup>th</sup> <i>Trinity 9</i>	8.00 am Egmonton 9.00 am Wellow 10.30 am Kirton		
July 31 <sup>st</sup> <i>Trinity 10</i>	8.00 am Walesby	10.30 am New Ollerton FAMILY SERVICE	<b>4.00 pm</b> LAXTON Farewell Service for Revd Chris Levy
August 1 <sup>st</sup> <b>Lammas*</b>	<b>8.00 am LAXTON</b> Lammas Holy Communion (followed by breakfast at Crosshill House *)		

\* Please give numbers for Lammas breakfast to Brenda Noble (870541)

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# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



## 2016

June 27 <sup>th</sup>	MU
July 1 <sup>st</sup>	Laxton Church Fete
July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tuxford Young Farmers' Party
July 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Michael Dicksbury 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
<b>July 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>Concert in the Shed, Kirton</i></b>
<b>July 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>History Group</i></b>
<b>July 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>Parish Council (at Moorhouse)</i></b>

## Forward Planning

Aug 13 <sup>th</sup>	Charity Barn Dance
Sept 24 <sup>th</sup>	Southwell Ploughing Match, Farnsfield
<b>Oct 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>Folk at the Hall</i></b>
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.

**Copy Date for August: 16th July.**

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# Laxton WI

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June is the month when traditionally Laxton WI go out for their meeting and this year was no exception. Sandra Clarke our events organiser had organised a successful party for us in April then had to turn her attention to arranging the outing. Members voted from a number of local possibilities and chose to visit the new deli in Tuxford this year. At least transport was not a headache!

About twenty members met there to hear a short talk about the owners and how they came to set up the shop, including their intention to source foods locally. This was followed by a cheese tasting. A selection of local cheeses were presented for everyone to try. Taste buds awakened it was time to buy some of the goodies on display.

After this we enjoyed a truly enormous supper. Most people chose the lasagne and the portions were more than generous. This concluded a good evening. Many thanks to Sandra for another successful event.

We will be very busy during June. The AGM of the National Federation of Women's Institutes took place in Brighton on June 11th and Joy went to represent Laxton, Kneesall, Ollerton and Egmanon.

Next on the calendar was the birthday tea for her Majesty the Queen's 90th birthday, of which more overleaf. The following week we shall be catering for the History Group's Booklet launch which concludes their HLF funded project. Members will be busy baking for and looking forward to a good turnout.

We are back in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on July 13th when we welcome Alison Cowan, who appears in our programme as 'The Fish Lady'. We look forward to her visit with interest. Everyone is welcome and we are always pleased to see new members and guests.

The competition will be for a posy or vase of garden flowers.



## Celebratory Birthday Tea for Her Majesty the Queen at 90

Laxton WI members were delighted to welcome over seventy members and guests to the special birthday tea organised to celebrate this very special milestone in the Queen's life. Unlike those who organised



street parties for the weekend of special celebrations last week, we at least managed a dry and reasonably warm day. Members had decorated the Village Hall outside with bunting. Inside with tables were set with real table cloths, dishes of flowers and dainty bone china loaned for the occasion by members.

The usual juggling act in the

kitchen was more of a miracle as somehow more and more space was found for the vast array of cakes and sandwiches arriving with each member who came. Pretty tiered cake stands helped by giving more levels to stack the treats on, but eventually it simply would not fit and the plates had to be carried to



the tables so more could be prepared.



It was lovely to see villagers of many years' standing alongside newcomers, members' friends and family and our local WI members who are always so generous in their support. The entertainment for the afternoon was simply the opportunity to sit and enjoy the company as well as the spread. There was time to linger and find room for one or two more of the tempting bits-sized cakes.

Wanting a stronger voice than the members present boasted, Jeff Naylor was persuaded to become an

'honorary WI member' for long enough to wish Her Majesty a very happy birthday and to encourage everyone to sing their good wishes.

The County Federation have challenged each institute to use a £10 to kick start a fund raising effort and grow it by the time of the Autumn Council meeting in September.

Laxton decided on a treasure hunt based on the old strips in the 1635 map of the village with the £10 as the prize. The lucky winner today



was Rosemary Crothers. £10 from the takings will be reinvested to repeat the challenge at the History Group Launch, so having raised over £50 today we should show a good return on our £10 by September.

There was an excellent raffle of prizes donated by members and a final addition to our funds when the surplus cakes were sold by the plate to eager takers.

Very many thanks to everyone who supported the event by attending and the members and friends who set up, baked, donated food and raffle prizes, washed up (Lesley did a sterling job of that keeping a team of wipers busy), cleared away or helped in any other way.



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# Parish Council News

## **Parish Council Web Site**

The Web site continues to grow and be more informative; there is now a specific section for the Sports and Recreation Field. We are hoping very soon to have a section specifically for the Village Hall so we can update on progress with the Improvement Plans. Many thanks go to David at the Dovecote for designing the site and maintaining it free of charge

## **New Bus Service**

Just a quick reminder that the new bus time-table is as published in May's magazine and starts on 1/8/16. Several residents supported by the Parish Council have fought very hard to win these new services so please lets use them!!!

If anyone has any problems with the news services please contact myself or a member of the Parish Council.

## **Annual Parish Council Meeting.**

At the recent Annual Parish Council meeting nominations for the positions of Chairman and Vice Chairman were received for Mr M Manning and Mr D. Brown respectively. I would like to say many thanks on behalf of David and myself for these nominations and we hope to add a new positivity to the future of the Council. Many thanks go to Johnny Godson for his many years as Chairman and he remains a Councillor.

We would be very pleased to see more residents/Parishioners attending our meetings to see what we do and how we do it. The meetings are notified in the Notice Boards in both Laxton and Moorhouse and on our web site, but generally they are bi-monthly on the 4th Wednesday in the month at Laxton Visitor Centre at 7:30.

*Michael Manning*

## **Folk at the Hall - Note the Date**

Howden Jones the folk duo who entertained us so well some time ago are coming to Laxton Village Hall again. The date is now confirmed as Saturday 29th October. The last time they came it was a great evening and tickets are sure to sell quickly. Book yours now to avoid disappointment. Call Mike Manning on 870844 or Pat Naylor on 870601 It will be a evening of folk music and a pie and pea supper. The price is still to be confirmed, but including supper will not exceed £10.00, bring your own drink and glasses.

## Recent Bonus Ball Winners

Date	No	Name
21/5/16	46	Alan and Steph
28/5/16	59	ROLLOVER
4/6/16	30	H Harwood
11/6/16	03	Jen Swordy

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 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

# Saturday 13th August

The band playing, "**Malt Whiskers**" have been booked to play live.

Please buy your tickets in good time. They are now available from Bar Farm, where the Barn Dance will be held, and from Laxton Show! We look forward to seeing you there.



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# Notts Wildlife Trust's Spot It! ID It! Event

On Sunday 17th July between 10am and 4pm visitors to the Idle Valley Centre will be able to learn more about identifying the wildlife they encounter.

Within the event, Retford & District Photographic Society will be displaying wildlife photos. They are also organising an exciting opportunity to learn about identifying tiny creatures

through a microscope and photomicroscopy - the way photographs can be taken through the microscope. This is a not to be missed opportunity to see something normally confined to the laboratory. The results can be stunning.



All NWT activities are free and there's no need to book (except for the bat workshop): Guided butterfly walks, Moth trap and display, Mammal tracking, Guided bird walks, Insect sweep and meadow wildlife recording, Fresh water wildlife recording and pond dip, Slugs and snail identification with the National Conchological Society and Botanical count (trees, wild flowers, grasses).

## Charity Barn Dance Details

The group organising the Barn Dance have now got the important details sorted out. The event takes place on:

**31st August at Bar Farm**

**The charity supported by the profits from the event is:**

**Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance**

**Tickets are now available**

On the gate: Adult (12 years and over) £10 Children £5

Pre sale: Adult (12 years and over) £8 Children £3.50

Live music will be provided by the 'Malt Whiskers' and there will be a children's entertainer.

Tickets are available from Bar Farm and from Laxton Show (July 9th)

# VOLUNTEERS WEEK

**Volunteers donated £175,486 worth of time to Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark in the year up to April 2015.** Lesley Barrick, Advice Service Manager used Volunteers Week 2016 to thank the 35 volunteers who gave their time over the last 12 months.

Citizens Advice volunteers support people face-to-face and over the phone. Over the 12 months up to April 2015 they helped local people with 15,102 issues, by:

- Dealing with debt, designing payment plans and negotiating with lenders
- Improving people's financial skills, for example by finding ways to cut fuel bills
- Standing up for people's rights at work if they believe they have been bullied or unfairly dismissed
- Helping people claim their entitlements like sick pay and maternity pay

Volunteers also give their time in other areas including reception, administration and as trustees

## **“Citizens Advice volunteers change lives”.**

“It is thanks to the generosity of our volunteers that Citizens Advice Sherwood and Newark is able to help people take control of their finances, claim entitlements like sick pay and protect their rights at work”.

Volunteers comments:

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“It is really satisfying being able to help people solve their problems and see that a weight has been lifted off their mind. Being a volunteer at Citizens Advice has also given me an opportunity to learn valuable skills and work with great people”.

21,000 volunteers gave up their time across the Citizens Advice network last year. By working out how much it would cost for paid employees to do their work, Citizens Advice is able to estimate the value of hours donated by volunteers - some £100 million worth of time each year across England and Wales.

People interested in volunteering at Citizens Advice Sherwood & Newark

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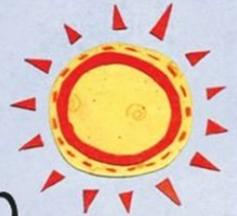
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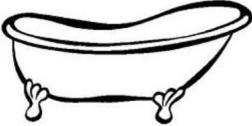
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## Dukeries Singers



I write this month's article cosily warm at the beginning of our English summer wearing a fleece and with the heating turned up sufficiently to sustain life! However our Choir rehearsals are cheery and energetic and warm the soul. If you would like to sing with us you would be very welcome, especially if you are a fella. Simply turn up at a practise night and give us a try out. There are no auditions and no necessity to read music, we are a very friendly group of people. Age is no barrier either. Our ages range from sixteen to eighty three.

We meet every Wednesday at The Dukeries Academy, Ollerton, in the refreshment area above the Concert Hall at 7-30pm until 9-30pm. This is accessed by the Leisure Centre entrance and car park.

We have a web site [thedukeriessingers.com](http://thedukeriessingers.com) where all details can be found.

We have one upcoming concert which will be a new experience for us; Friday 28th October 2016 A joint Concert with "Les Baladins des Bords de L'Indre" from Tours, France, at East Drayton Church.

Hopefully our schooldays French will all magically come flooding back to us!! Bon chance!

The Choir is having a two week break on the 24th and 31st August but will be back in September full of enthusiasm as usual. Let's hope for some glimmers of sunshine before then!

Happy Days,

Jan

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# Milton Mausoleum

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

Sept 11th Heritage Open Day 2 – 4pm

*Speaker, Janet Roberts,  
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December 3<sup>rd</sup> Winter Music 2pm.

These events are still being planned so please look for more information and posters soon.

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*Beryl Venables*

# Newark Book Festival, 9th & 10th July



Newark Book Festival aka 'Books in the Castle' is being held during the weekend of 9th/10th July.

Aside from the usual stalls, the focus this year is on three main genres: Crime/ Murder, Children's and History.

Eleven Crime authors are attending to put on seven talks on the Saturday.

Special guests include; Eva Schloss, Anne Frank's stepsister, who had a unique view of the publication of one of the worlds biggest ever selling books 'The Diary of Anne Frank' and Eva Clarke, one of only three Jewish babies known to have been born in a Nazi death camp and survived. Her story was a focus in the recent bestseller 'Born Survivors' by Wendy Holden.

Children's activities include multiple free author events and the local cruise boat will be converted into a pirate ship.

History authors include Prof. Stephen Church and Dr. Marc Morris who will be discussing the life of King John.

# CHink Fashion Show

Back by popular demand is our Giant sale event.

This will take place on the lane at the side of the charity shop, Newcastle Street, Tuxford, and the sale starts at 10.00 am. All manner of items will be for sale so come early so as not to be disappointed.

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# Laxton & Moorhouse Annual Parish Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Description** - Meeting Description

**Meeting Number** - 106A

**Meeting Location** - Laxton Visitors Centre

**Date & Time of Meeting** - Wednesday 25th May 2016 at 7.30pm.

**Meeting Attendees** - Mr M Manning, Mr D Brown, Mr J V Godso(Chairman) Mr S Hill  
Mr M Hennell, Mr K Shepherd, District Councillor Mrs S Michaels, Mrs T Rolph,  
Mrs J Geldard

**Apologies** - Mr J Hill & Mr R Hennell

**Chairman** – Mr J V Godson

**Distribution** - Those present Plus Joy Alison (Open Field Magazine)

**Issue Date of Minutes** - 10th June 2016

**Minutes Taken By** - Mr K Shepherd

**General Note** - At this meeting the Parish Councillors are only classed as Parishioners and there can't be any decisions made, they can only look at matters raised and then decide if they will discuss them at a future meeting.

## **1.00 Previous Minutes**

1.01 The minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meetings were read out and accepted as correct.

## **2.00 Matters Arising From the Previous Minutes**

2.01 It was confirmed that the management of the public toilets had been taken over by the Visitors Centre from July 2015

## **3.00 Winter Weather**

3.01 A grit box has not been placed in Moorhouse. It was requested that the Clerk raise this with the Local Authority – Action for Clerk by 27/07/16

3.02 It was confirmed that if there were any issues with snow clearing Mr M Hennell was to be contacted Note

## **4.00 Village Hall**

4.01 An update to the work in the Village Hall was given by Mrs J Geldard. The Village Hall is currently awaiting the viability report, historical impact assessment and condition survey from the architect and will be undertaking a final village consultation in Moorhouse. It is anticipated that a stage 1 application to the Big Lottery will be completed by August/September 2016. Should this be accepted they will be in a position to submit a stage 2 application by return and it is anticipated that the process will take approximately 12 months

## **5.00 Police Aid Convoy**

5.01 There is £2268.00 in the fund. The question raised from the floor was, Is there any rule as to how the money must be spent? Mr M Manning replied that the only condition is that it is spent on a benefit to the parish. However at a previous Parish Council meeting it was agreed that the money collected would be used to help fund the replacement of our Village Signs"

## **6.00 Village Signs**

6.01 The cost of new village signs was to be looked into and It would need 7no signs for all incoming roads.

## **7.00 Household Recycling Centre**

7.01 From the 1st April 2016 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. A certain amount of leniency may be tolerated up to the 1st September 2016 when vehicles will be turned away.

<http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/recycling-centres/using-our-recycling-centres/register> or 0300 500 80 80

## **8.00 New Bus Timetable**

8.01 A new bus timetable will commence on the 1st August 2016 and it will now have a service to Ollerton.

## **9.00 Public Toilets**

9.01 Mr M Manning confirmed there were no issues with the management of the toilets.

## **10.00 The Cottage, The Bar**

10.01 The matter of the empty cottage on The Bar was raised. As the cottage is not in a bad state of repair so there is nothing the Parish Council can do. Dist. Cllr Mrs S Michaels reported that all payments required by the District Council regarding this property had been paid.

## **11.00 Church Paddock**

11.01 A question was raised about the letting of the Church Paddock. It was confirmed that a survey carried out on the churchyard had shown that there was more space left for burials so the Paddock would not be needed at this time. It was asked could another use be found for the Paddock. Mr M Manning said that it was let in line with similar land in the Parish. Mr M Manning also said he had a letter with him in his file with details regarding the letting procedure when the Parish Council first acquired the land and it had been let to Mr K Shepherd who acquired the tenancy after Mr Fenton from the Old Vicarage and had no wish to rent the paddock any longer. Mr M Manning asked if anyone would like to see the letter but the offer was declined.

## **12.00 Sports Field**

12.01 It was raised that the Parish Council had not claimed any rent from the Sports Field Committee. The Mr K Shepherd Clerk to the Parish Council said it had been left to allow the Sports Field Committee to build up their finances but appears it had not been put in the minutes and he would raise the matter at a future council meeting.

## **13.00 Social Housing**

13.01 The only housing in the village which could be classed as social housing is Lexington Court

## **14.00 Any Other Business**

14.01 It was raised that the Parish Council needed to look at how Parishioners were treated when they attended the Parish Council meetings as it was felt they were not given the respect they should be as members of the Parish.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm

**Date Of Next meeting**                      **May 2017** – Exact date TBC

## Laxton & Moorhouse Parish Council Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Description** - Laxton & Moorhouse Parish Council Meeting

**Meeting Number** - 106

**Meeting Location** - Laxton Visitors Centre

**Date & Time of Meeting** - 25th May 2016 at 9.15pm

**Meeting Attendees** - Mr M Manning – Chairman, Mr D Brown – Vice Chairman, Mr J V Godson, Mr S Hill, Mr M Hennell, Mr K Shepherd (Clerk), District Councillor Mrs S Michaels, No Parishioners attended

**Apologies** - Mr J Hill & Mr R Hennell - Both due to holidays

**Chairman** - Mr M Manning

**Distribution**, -Those present Plus Joy Alison (Open Field Magazine)

**Issue Date of Minutes** -10/06/16

**Minutes Taken By** - Mr K Shepherd (Clerk)

### **1.00 Nominations for Position on the Parish Council for the Coming Year**

1.01 Chairman. Mr J Godson opened the meeting and asked for nominations for the new Chairman;

Mr D Brown proposed Mr M Manning this position and Mr S Hill seconded the proposal. There were no further nominations Mr M Manning accepted the position as and took over the meeting as the new Chairman.

Mr M Manning then proposed Mr D Brown for the position as Vice-Chairman and Mr M Hennell seconded this. There being no further nominations Mr M Brown accepted the position as Vice-Chairman

Mr D Brown proposed Mr K Shepherd for the role as the Responsible Financial Officer and this was seconded by Mr M Hennell. There being no further nominations Mr K Shepherd accepted the position as RFO. Dist. Cllr Mr S Michaels said that most Parish Councils did appoint the Clerk as RFO.

1.02 Dist. Cllr Mrs S Michaels said she would like to thank Mr J Godson for all his hard work during his chairmanship and this was endorsed by the Clerk.

### **2.00 Accounts**

2.01 The clerk presented the completed annual accounts for the auditor and the Chairman signed them as correct.

These being the only matters on the meeting notice the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50pm.

**Time, Date & Location Of The Next Meeting** -7.30pm on 27th July 2017 at Moorhouse Church, Subject to no urgent matters arising

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# Laxton Charity Show 2016



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