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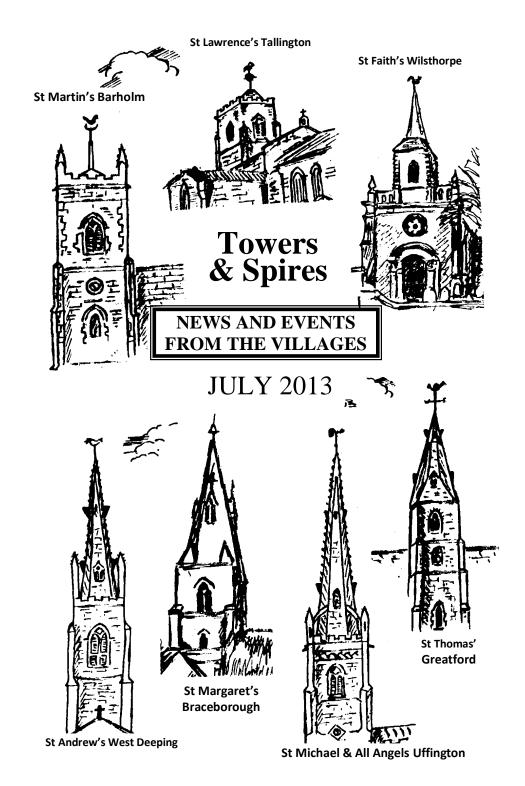
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Coffee Morning. Teddy Bears Picnic. Saturday 20th July. 10.30am-12noon 68 King Street West Deeping. Hosted by Allen and Wendy Calvert for St Andrew's Church. There'll be prizes for the Biggest and Smallest Teddy and Guess the number of Teddy's attending? There'll be home-baked cakes and preserves for sale and organized activities for children.

Bible Studies. Tuesdays. 2.45 for 3pm Cromwell House. One hour's study and discussion is followed by tea. For more information contact Susanna Aldred on 01778 380014.

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West Deeping Parish Website: http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/WestDeeping/ It is one year since the website started up. Most village organisations now have pages and the Village News and Event and the Galleries are there to give local people, as well as the outside world, a good idea of what goes on in the village. Your input (comments, ideas for new pages and photographs) is always welcome via the Feedback page on the website.



West Deeping Heritage Group presents

"The Boaty Show"
Sunday 21st July from 2.30pm.
at West Deeping Village Hall

<u>All welcome</u>: join us for free Tea and Cakes and an update on progress with "The Boaty" Story, a heritage project on the Stamford Canal

3.00pm. Introduction followed by a brief talk on the

significance of the Stamford Canal by Dr Barry Barton, Panel for Historical Engineering Works, I.C.E.

3.30pm. onwards: Launch of the website and an opportunity to talk to the people who have been involved with the project. Look at the archives that have been collected and catalogued and see the prototype of interpretation boards. Browse through a photographic record of the canal's route as it is in 2013.

4.30pm. Village Walkabout (Weather permitting): Find out where exactly is "The Boaty", how King Street crossed the canal and where we are going to put an information board.

Dear Friends,

Are you feeling fit? By the time this comes through your door, Wimbledon will be in full swing, and most of us will be being put to shame by all those super-fit bodies bounding around, making the tennis courts look tiny as they dash all over the place. I know I was never going to be that fit - but then I go to the school or watch toddlers playing, and see the energy of the children, and I *can* remember the days when I, too, played outside for hours on end, cycled everywhere and didn't know what an aching muscle was.

I'll never recapture the boundless energy of childhood, but it does seem that the more exercise we do, the more we're capable of doing for longer. I took the funeral of a 94-year-old who had not only played tennis and golf as long as she was able, but had done her exercises every day almost to the end. Keeping active kept her going. And the same seems to apply to our minds - we're told that the more we use our brains, the longer we're able to use them, so doing puzzles and thinking about things can keep our minds active.

It's not good news for the lazy. If we want to stay active, we obviously have to put some effort in. Walking, swimming, gardening - reading, discussing, learning new skills - we need to use our bodies and our minds if we want to carry on using them for as long as possible.

And it's not only minds and bodies. Souls need exercise, too. We get out of practice at spiritual matters just as easily, then wonder why there seems to be something missing from our lives, why we feel somehow unfulfilled. We need prayer and worship, we need to appreciate the beauty around us - the beauty of creation, of art and music, of love - we need to explore the meaning of our lives.

So let's hope that, even if we don't have the energy and enthusiasm of childhood, we can find enough energy to keep exploring the world around us, and exercising our bodies, minds and souls, so that we can be fulfilled in all we do for a long time to come.

Yours in Christ,

Carolyn Kennedy

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptism

26th May Tallington Mary Anne Joyce Franks

Wedding

8th June Tallington Andrew Claydon Yates & Vanessa Elizabeth Depinto

Burial of Ashes

8th June Greatford Joanne Louise Bickley-Parton

READINGS FOR JULY

Usually, the readings for communion services are the NT and Gospel, and for Morning or Evening Prayer the Psalm, OT and NT.

	Psalm	ОТ	NT	Gospel
7 th July	66:1-8	Isaiah 66:10-14	Galatians	Luke
Trinity 6			6:1-16	10:1-11 + 16-20
Proper 9				
14 th July	25:1-10	Deuteronomy	Colossians	Luke
Trinity 7		30:9-14	1:1-14	10:25-37
Proper 10				
21 st July	15	Genesis	Colossians	Luke
Trinity 8		18:1-10a	1:15-28	10:38-42
Proper 11				
28 th July	138	Genesis	Colossians	Luke
Trinity 9		18:20-32	2:6-19	11:1-13
Proper 12				
4 th August	49:1-9	Ecclesiastes	Colossians	Luke
Trinity 10		1:2, 12-14	3:1-11	12:13-21
Proper 13		+ 2:18-23		

The 'proper' number is given for people picking hymns - some books list suggestions for a particular Sunday under that heading. The colour this month is green (ordinary time).

TALLINGTON

Church Flowers

7th July - Mrs 1 Cornwell 14th/21st July - Mrs L Freeman 28th July - Mrs J Sewell

200 May Winners: No 62 Mrs Rosemary Berridge £15; No 165 Mr Alf Marvell £10; No 110 Miss Gemma Stent £5.

Social Evening: There will be no Social Evening in July but it is hoped that everyone will go to the Hog Roast and Barn Dance on the 13th.

Bingo: Just a prior note to remind you that there will be no Bingo in August.

Mobile Library Service: The Mobile Library will be in Church Lane on Thursday 4th July between 10.00 and 10.30am.

Post Office: The Post Office, offering many services, is open every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon in the Village Hall between 2.00 and 4.00pm. Please try to use it if possible as it would be very inconvenient if it had to close.

Parish Council: The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 9th July 2013. Village residents are always welcome.

TALLINGTON ANNUAL BARN DANCE AND HOG ROAST

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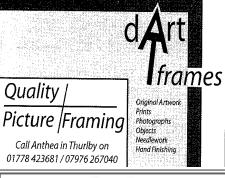
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UFFINGTON

Church Flowers

7th July – Jackie Rawden 14th/21st July – Joan Hickman 28th July/4th August – Jane Heap

Flying the Flag. Either the Union Jack or St George's Flag has been flown as follows:

Date	Event	Sponsor(s)
24 th May	Commonwealth Day	Rodney Yates
2 nd June	Michael Crowe's birthday	Vanessa DePinto

Why not mark your special day by sponsoring a flag, for a donation of £5 to Church funds? Contact Graham Creedy (481084) or David Genever (765005).

Uffington Cricket Club invite you to a dance, to raise funds for their new pavilion, on Saturday 6th July at Croft Farm. Tickets are £10 to include Fish & Chip Supper and children under 12 £5. Dancing to "The Groovy Tuesday Band ". Tickets available from Katie Genever on Tel: 01780 764234 and Gail Genever on Tel: 01780 765005. On the following day, Sunday 7th July, the Annual Chairman's Game will be held at the Club Ground.

Uffington Church is hosting an open afternoon of tea, cakes and activities in church on Sunday 21st July to say thank you to everyone who has supported the Church in their fund raising efforts for the new roof. Please come along between 2pm and 4pm for a cup of tea and a chat. For further details please ring Les on 01780 76508.

Continued elsewhere:

Uffington Continued:

Uffington Parish Council. Report from APM and AGM of Uffington Parish Council held on Wednesday, 22nd May, 2013 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The One Way System was working fairly well most of the time, C. Cllr. M. Trollope-Bellew reported that the signage was being looked at and he was suggesting a "Stop Sign" should be erected at the Greatford Road/Charters junction rather that the "Give Way" sign.

C. Cllr. M. Trollope-Bellew thanked everyone who voted for him and elected him back on to the LCC. but he stated that the turn out had been very low in this area. The C. Council is a 77 seat Council, the Conservatives only won 36 seats but managed to get a workable majority by being joined by 3 Liberal Democrats and 3 members of the Lincs. Independent Group.

District Councillor R. Woolley report that the District had had a very busy year which included hosting the Olympic Torch. She also reported that the idea of Wind Turbines seems to be shifting to Solar Panel Farms in various areas within the District. The Boundary Review had suggested that the present seats at District be reduced to 55 taking one less seat from the rural area and possibly two from the urban areas.

The meeting then moved on to the AGM of the Parish Council. The Officers on the Parish Council remained the same as last year.

Play Area – The results of the questionnaire survey is a follows: 100% responded to the area being maintained; 76% responded in favour of play equipment to be installed on the area; 20% responded in the negative and 4% did not know. There was support for ensuring the privacy of the residents backing on to the area, which is already supported by removing the option of a climbing frame. Mr. C. Harris of Barholm has been contracted to cut the grass on the "play area" on a three weekly basis.

Dog Fouling – It was reported that there was an improvement on the "Play Area".

Allotments – The encroachment on to the allotments by a resident of Somes Close has still not been rectified another reminder to be sent.

Planning – Various Planning Applications were discussed the comments have been put on the Uffington Web site.

Footpath No. 4 – Part of this footpath on the way to Barholm has not been defined it was agreed to write to the land owner asking him to mark it out. Date of next meeting Wednesday, 10^{th} July, 2013 at 8 p.m.

GREATFORD

Church Flowers: Lois Webb Church Cleaning: Lois Webb and Carol Bettinson

Church Services: At the APCM in March it was decided to hold non-communion services on the fourth Sunday of each month for a trial period. Therefore the services in July will be a Communion Service on the second Sunday and a Morning Family Prayer without communion followed by light refreshments on the Fourth Sunday. Please come and join us.

Carlby & District WI: This WI has members attending from Carlby, Bourne, Thurlby, Wilsthorpe, Braceborough and Greatford. The next meeting will be a Joint Meeting with Witham WI at Witham Village hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 2nd July and the Speaker will be A. Magician. New members and visitors are always welcome. For further information please telephone 01778 590180.

Bellringing: Wednesday 10th July – Greatford practice from 7.30pm.

Flood risk reduction: The Parish Council and residents of Greatford attended a comprehensive briefing on 11 June delivered by Paul Hunt of the Environment Agency (EA). During this session (attended by 60 residents) Paul Hunt (supported by Paul Styles) gave a wide-ranging talk about the EA approach and work for river management and flood risk-reduction. He then focussed on the issues relevant to Greatford and the options for managing the potential flood risk in the future, This included the potential for a water holding area to the west of Greatford to contain any overflowing water before releasing it back into the river later at a controlled rate. Paul also talked through the concept of having a partnership scheme for flood risk-reduction work to be carried out. Such a scheme for Greatford would be competing with schemes elsewhere for the limited funding available. This briefing, followed by an extensive discussion, provided a valuable background for the Parish Council and residents to gain a better understanding of the risks and options for managing the flood risk. This is important to help safeguard properties from flood damage, to maintain property values, and enable residents to insure their properties at a reasonable cost. This session was an essential part of the consultative process required for the proposed partnership scheme.

The Mobile Library will call at Greatford opposite the phone box on Thursdays 4th July, 1st August and 29th August from 11:30am to 12noon.

Flying the Flag: You can help to raise funds by having the Union Jack or the Flag of St George flown in honour of any special event. The Flags can be flown at the Village Hall in aid of Village Hall Funds or on the flagpole outside the Church in aid of Church Funds. Please contact Cyril Webb on 560437 in either case.

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BRACEBOROUGH

Sunday 7th July - Holy Communion at 9am. Please come along and join us for Holy Communion. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to read either the first reading or the Gospel or perhaps the prayers of intercession at any of our regular services please contact Malcolm. The readings are published a month in advance in Towers & Spires if you would like to see them and have a practice run. It would be really good to share this opportunity with anyone who might be interested.

Flying the Flag. Date: 15th July Event: Lyn's Birthday Sponsors: Malc & Lindsey

Music Concert. The May concert & afternoon tea raised £215 which will be shared between the Village Hall & Church. Many thanks to all who helped make this possible.

Future Events

Saturday 20th July - Mini-Rock-Fest & Hog Roast at the Village Hall. Featuring 3 local bands from the village and guest bands Amplified & Taken Away. Bar opens at 4pm, Hog Roast at 5pm. Bands from 5pm & Disco until midnight. Tickets from Jason on 561256 or James on 560417. Adults £8, School age children £4, Family ticket (2 adults, 3 children) £20. A joint event for Village Hall and Church funds. 50% of the funds raised from this event will go to the Braceborough defibrillator fund. Come & support the fund & have fun!

Have great summer!

WILSTHORPE

Holy Communion is at 10.30am on the 1st Sunday of every month. Please come along and join us, where you will be made most welcome.

The Offertory Box was broken into sometime during the last 2 weeks, there was still $\mathfrak{L}1$ in the box so perhaps the vandals felt sorry for us! The lock has now been replaced.

Monday 15th July – The Braceborough and Wilsthorpe Parish Council Meeting will again be held in St Faiths Church at 8pm. There will be a 15 minute public forum before the commencement of the meeting. If you have any village concerns or would like to just come along and meet your Councillors, you are most welcome.

It is hoped to circulate details of fund raising events and dates very soon.

WILDLIFE GARDENING IN JULY

Pipistrelle bats are the most common of the 17 species of British bats and can be seen on summer evenings flying around our gardens and in and between our villages. They are our smallest bat, and usually have red-brown fur, short, broad ears, narrow wings and a short tail. In summer, they emerge from roosting around 20 minutes after sunset, generally earlier on warmer nights, catching and eating insects in mid-air. Usually these bats fly 5-10m above ground level or low over water.

They are found across most of the UK, but have declined over the past 30 years: between 1978 and 1993 there was a national decrease of 70 percent. All the UK species of bats are protected by law and it is illegal to harm them or disturb their roost sites. If you find bats roosting in or near your house, let Natural England or your local bat group know, and also seek advice from them before treating your home with chemicals.

Pipistrelles and other bat species have declined because of the loss of roost sites and suitable feeding areas such as hedgerows, ponds and old grassland, as well the use of agricultural insecticides, toxic treatments of roof timbers and, in urban gardens, cats sometimes catch roosting or low-flying bats.

To help maintain pipistrelle bat populations, you could put up a bat box which will provide roosting and safety for the bats, and you could also encourage twilight and night insects by planting night-scented flowers such as honeysuckles or evening primrose. The two most important aspects of a garden to them are trees and ponds. Mature trees provide roosting, shelter and safety for their young and in winter they can safely hibernate in deep crevices. Tree habitats with their associated shrubbery attract a wide variety of insects which bats prey on.

Pipistrelle bats feed on a wide variety of small, flying insects such as mayflies, lacewings, small moths, midges, caddis flies and mosquitoes. An individual may consume up to 3000 insects in a night, showing both how important garden insects are and how useful bats can be in controlling pest species. For more information see: www.wildaboutgardens.org.uk/wildlife/mammals/bat-pipistrelle.aspx

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	1 st	2 nd
	1.45pm Tallington VH Whist	
7 th	8 th	9 th
Trinity 6	4.45	
9am Braceborough HC	1.45pm Tallington VH whist	
10.30am Uffington HC 10.15am WDeeping MP		
10.30am Wilsthorpe HC & Baptism		
6pm Barholm ES		
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10.30am Uffington FS		
2pm WDVH Heritage Group –		
The Boaty Story		
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2pm WDVH Walkers		

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
2-4pm WDVH Bowls 2pm Tallington VH Bingo 7.30pm Uffington WI Bar-B-Q in Greatford	8-10pm WDVH Bowls		
10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th
2-4pm WDVH Bowls 2pm Tallington VH Welcome Club	8-10pm WDVH Bowls		7pm Tallington Hog Roast
17 th	18 th	19 th	20 th
2-4pm WDVH Bowls 2pm Tallington VH Welcome Club	8-10pm WDVH Bowls		10.30am 68 King St, WD – Teddy Bears' Picnic
24 th	25 th	26 th	27 th
2-4pm WDVH Bowls 2pm Tallington VH Welcome Club	8-10pm WDVH Bowls	7.45pm WDVH Rambling Readers	
31 st	1 st Aug		
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