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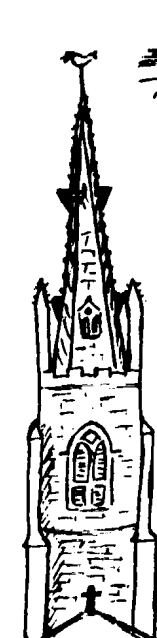
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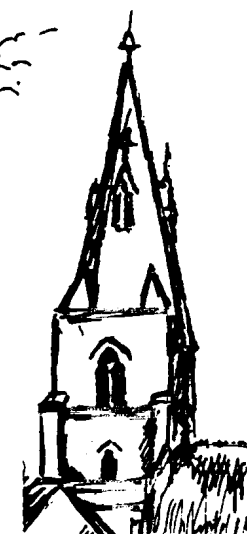
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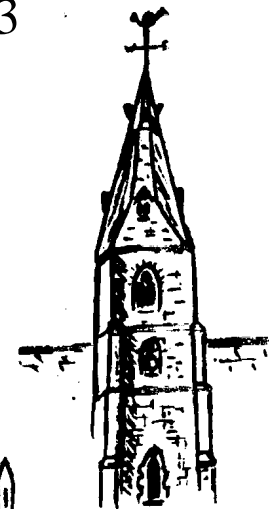
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WILDLIFE GARDENING IN NOVEMBER

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It is tempting, as part of the autumn/early winter tidy up to go forth with gusto (and a pair of sharp secateurs), to remove many of the dead flowers and old stems from our garden perennials. Completing this task certainly gives a feeling of satisfaction at a job well done. However, leaving some plants uncut may give valuable overwintering places for garden fauna, and can also provide some interesting structural features in a winter garden landscape. Leaving some old vegetation can also protect new tender buds (e.g. leaving old *Hydrangea* flowers over the winter). It may also be the wrong time of year to cut back some plants such as *Clematis* – so do check beforehand in your gardening books.

Deciduous overwintering grasses are excellent features to shelter insects, and their fountains of plumes look good too. After you have enjoyed their appearance through the winter, they can then be cut back in late winter or early spring. Attractive winter outlines are provided by the old flowerheads of plants such as *Rudbeckia*, *Allium*, *Agapanthus* and many others. The starry bracts of umbelliferous plants (members of the carrot family) are particularly attractive in this respect along with teasels which finches love for the seeds.

If you have a lot of ivy that has got out of hand and needs tidying up, if you can, then wait until the end of this month, when it should have finished flowering. Bees and other insects will certainly thank you for that as they make full use of the flowers as a late nectar source.

Similarly if you have berry bearing hedges, then it will help until birds have taken a good share of the crop, before carrying out hedge-trimming. Leaving hips on garden roses will give similar benefits, but you will need to decide whether this will cause too much winter wind-rock (roses generally have shallow roots, so plants are prone to being dislodged by winter winds).

It is worth remembering that autumn/winter cutting of Leyland cypress hedges can make them susceptible to the development of brown patches.

Tim and Donna

Found in Tallington, where the path from St Lawrence Way meets the Main Road. If anybody has lost a silver bracelet, they can contact Lisa on 07743988819

Dear All

This month's letter was inspired by some accidental eavesdropping. I say accidental, because I wasn't trying to listen, but people on trains do seem these days to be ready to let the whole carriage hear their conversation, especially when they're on the phone. A while back I was in a train where we were all treated to a very loud business discussion, at the end of which the man boomed into his phone 'Of course, this is all completely confidential'...

Anyway, the conversation I unintentionally overheard recently was someone who had evidently just been diagnosed with a serious illness, discussing with a friend the reactions she was getting from the people she told, and how everyone was telling her how well she was going to cope, and how wonderful life was going to be, and she felt bad that it didn't seem to be cheering her up much. The temptation to join in the conversation was huge – a bit difficult, as she was sitting somewhere behind me, so I wasn't even sure who was speaking – but I felt like standing up and shouting 'let yourself grieve!'

Let yourself grieve. It's something we're not always very good at doing. We're getting a bit better at grieving a death, particularly of a family member, as shown by the growing popularity of the All Souls' and Remembrance services. Even then, tho', we often think our grieving should be over fairly quickly, with 'normal life' resuming after just a few weeks. But that's just not realistic. I don't really want to see everyone going around in black or grey, times have changed too much, but actually that old-fashioned habit of going into mourning, and letting everyone know that you were still needing space to grieve, wasn't all bad, and the timescale was pretty realistic – you were expected to be in mourning for a year for a parent, up to two for a partner.

But grieving isn't only about death. When we have a major change in our life circumstances, including – perhaps especially – our health, we need to grieve the loss of what is gone. We can learn to cope with long-term health conditions – of course we can. We can keep going, learn to do things differently, get used to taking tablets, doing exercises, giving ourselves injections – life can still be very good. But we must have the chance to grieve for the loss of the life we knew, the old way of doing things, because it's only when we grieve the loss and accept the change in our lives that we can move on to coping and being positive and discovering the riches of the new way of life we've been forced to develop.

Yours,

Carolyn Kennedy.

GREATFORD

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Church Services: Following the AGM in March it was decided to hold non-communion services on the fourth Sunday of each month for a trial period. The services in November will Holy Communion at 9am on 10th November (this will be a simple said service in view of the Group Remembrance Service at Uffington at 10:30am) and a Family Service at 9am on 24th November. Advance notice: there will be a Christingle Service on Sunday 8th December in Greatford Church at 4.00pm. An auction of produce was held in the Hare and Hares on the afternoon of 22nd September and we are grateful to all those who organised this and helped to raise over £300 for Church Funds. A large batch of goods was taken to Stamford Foodbank following a collection at the Harvest Festival on September 22nd. Thanks are also due to those who assisted with the Churchyard Clearing on Saturday 28th September.

Coffee Morning in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support: Thursday 7th November 9:30am - 11:30am at Glen Farm Cottage, Greatford. Refreshments will be provided. Any cake donations and raffle prizes would be gratefully received. For further information contact Heather 01778 560768.

Carlby & District WI: This WI has members attending from Carlby, Bourne, Thurlby, Wilsthorpe, Braceborough and Greatford. The meeting held on Tuesday 8th October was an amazing demonstration of Middle Eastern dancing and culture by Margaret Rushworth, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. There were also harvest and book stalls. The next meeting is on Tuesday 12th November at Carlby Village Hall, starting at 7.30 pm and will be a Members' night. New members and visitors are always welcome. For further information please telephone 01778 590180.

Bellringing: Greatford practice night: Wednesday 13th 7.30-9pm.

Mobile Library: Please try and use this service if you can as it is threatened with closure by the County Council. The van will call at Greatford opposite the phone box on Thursdays 21st November and 19th December from 11.30am to 12.00noon.

World Book Night: After the huge success of World Book Night this year, Steve at the Hare and Hounds has kindly offered to have a 'bring and borrow' book area in the pub. Several titles are already available but if you've read a particular book and enjoyed it, please do consider bringing it in. With the threatened closure of our mobile Library service this community initiative could be vital in ensuring that books are available to everyone.

Flood risk reduction: The Greatford Flood Warden (Chris G-White) provides periodic email updates for the Parish Council on flood risk-reduction plans or activities. If you wish to be added to the circulation please let Chris know (email cgw41f@gmail.com or by phone 01778 561181).

Village Fete: The organisers of Greatford village fete would like to extend their thanks to the legions of cake bakers, rat splatters, tombola prize donors and the members of the village hall committee who support this lovely event every year. We were lucky with the weather, despite gloomy forecasts, and once again local support was strong. The best thing (apart from the cakes and the Neil Diamond act – thanks Ian Beardsley) is a chance to pause, drink in hand, and catch up with neighbours. We hope to have raised about £800 to help with running costs of the hall. Special thanks go to Lisa and Trevor Cuthbert.

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. The Union flag was flown for the Greatford Village Hall Fete on 14th September.

READINGS FOR NOVEMBER

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

| | Psalm | OT | NT | Gospel |
|--|-------|-------------------------|--|---|
| 3rd November All Saints | 149 | Daniel 7:1-3 + 15-18 | Ephesians 1:11-23 | Luke 6:20-31 |
| 10th November 3 before Advent Remembrance Service | 46 | Micah 4:1-5 | 2 Thess. 2:5 + 13-17 Romans 8:35-39 | Luke 20:27-38 John 15:9-17 |
| 17th November 2 before Advent | 98 | Malachi 4:1-2a | 2 Thess. 3:6-13 | Luke 21:5-19 |
| 24th November Christ the King | 46 | Jeremiah 23:1-6 | Colossians 1:11-20 | Luke 23:33-43 |
| 1st December Advent Sunday | 122 | Isaiah 2:1-5 | Romans 13:11-end | Matthew 24:36-44 |

Colours in church: November starts off white for All Saints, then we can choose between red or green for the rest of the month before changing to purple/blue for Advent. Year A begins on the 1st Sunday of Advent, so if you read from a printed up lectionary, it's back to the beginning of the book.

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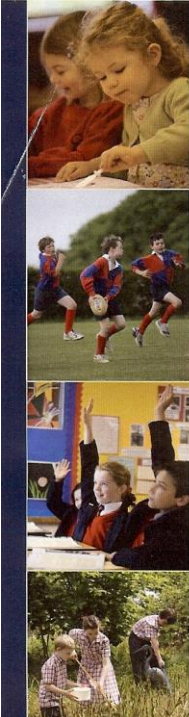
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BRACEBOROUGH & WILSTHORPE

Clerk's notes of Braceborough & Wilsthorpe Parish Council on Monday 7th October 2013 at Braceborough Village Hall

The clerk reported that she had informed SKDC that Paul Morriss from Braceborough had been co-opted onto the Parish Council in place of Pete Milne. It is understood that Anglianwater had submitted a planning application for a pumping station at Wilsthorpe to Lincolnshire County Council. Cllrs Susan Burgoin and James Shorrocks arranged for residents of Wilsthorpe to view the plans at the Church. Cllr Burgoin reported that 23 people attended, with the majority happy with the final outcome.

It is understood that Ashton Estates will be concentrating on trying to resolve the flooding problems at Quincey's Lane in the very near future. Once that has been completed they will then move to the Cocked Hat Junction.

Grant Thornton had concluded the external audit and it is in accordance with proper accounting practice. The information has been placed on the parish website:- <http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/BraceboroughandWilsthorpe>. The Parish Council also agreed that the Village Hall Defibrillator fund should be supported but more information was required before a grant was given.

The following planning applications had been approved:- Braceborough -Ivy Lodge, Ivy Farmhouse, Manor Farm. Wilsthorpe – Glenside. The Parish Council agreed to no objection to the felling of 3 Hawthorn bushes at the Village Hall.

Potholes were again an issue along the Wilsthorpe to Braceborough road.

Cllr Kentish reported that the questionnaire for the Parish Plan/Development Statement had been to the Steering Group. It was agreed that the Parish Council would hold a prize draw and that there would be a central collection point for the return of the forms in each village.

D.Cllr Miss Channell asked if 'Dog Fouling' notices were required.

C.Cllr Trollope-Bellew reported that The Boundary Commission would be doing a full review of Lincolnshire County Council and it is expected that the number of councillors will be reduced. He said that the 'Big Society Fund' is once again in operation, if any organisation would like to apply please contact him direct. The Government is looking at reducing its grant to local authorities which could have serious effect on services. Finally, the Library consultation finished at the end of September.

Next meeting – Monday 4th November 2013 at Braceborough Village Hall at 8pm. All Welcome.

Rosemary Woolley, Clerk to the Council. Email-bwparishcouncil@msn.com or 560634 (answer machine).

TALLINGTON

Church Flowers

3rd/10th November - Mrs K Dodworth

17th/24th November - Mrs A Knox

St Lawrence's Church: Tallington Village Hall Association held a Harvest Supper at the Village Hall which was enjoyed by those attending – thanks to the ladies catering.

A raffle in aid of St Lawrence's raised £58.50 – well done! Thanks to all prize contributors.

Gift Day: The Parochial Church Council thank all those who made a contribution towards the Gift Day on Saturday 12th October and helped with the maintenance of our beautiful Church. The generosity of the friends of the Church is much appreciated. The final total in next month's Towers & Spires.

Cycle Ride: David Tilson and Anne Knox raised a total of £440 shared between Lincolnshire Old Churches Trust and St Lawrence's, Tallington. A special thank you to their many sponsors.

Coffee Morning: There will be a coffee morning in the Village Hall on Saturday 23rd November, 10.00 am to 12 noon. Various stalls, raffle, proceeds to St Lawrence's Church.

Travelling Crib: Available on a rota basis for families in the Village during December. To book the crib for its use on three days contact Anne Knox (740268).

200 September Winners: No 189 Mrs Joan Boalch £15; No 60 Mr Chris Clifford £10; No 102 Mr and Mrs Christopher Dee £5.

Social Evening: On Friday 29th November the second Fish and Chip Supper, with Quiz, of the year will be held. Why not come along and enjoy a good supper and pit your wits against your friends and neighbours in the Quiz. It's not really very difficult but usually noisy and fun! All orders for the supper have to be received by 7.30 pm so that our requirements can be telephoned through to Lindeman's and we are not too late eating.

Continued elsewhere:

Tallington Continued:

Tallington Village Welcome Leaflet: Just a reminder that a new leaflet has been produced to welcome new residents to our Village and to ask you to let Laura (740445) or any member of the Village Hall Committee know if you have new neighbours so that they can deliver a leaflet and Tallington book to them.

Mobile Library Service: The Mobile Library will be in Church Lane on Thursday 21st November between 10 and 10.30am. Please use it or we shall surely lose it!

Parish Council: The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th November 2013. Village residents are always welcome.

Heron's Close and Millennium Green: Sunday 3rd November. All are welcome to attend the unveiling of interpretation boards and celebrate the completion of the Heritage Lottery Funded project to raise awareness of the Stamford Canal. 2.00pm Meet outside Tallington Village Hall for the walk to Heron's Close and Millennium Green where the interpretation boards will be unveiled. From 3.30pm Tallington Village Hall will be open for refreshments and an opportunity to look at the achievements of the project. If you can't make the walk, join us at the Village Hall. Please let us know you are coming to give an idea of numbers: wdheritage@hotmail.co.uk or 01778 344768

BRACEBOROUGH

50 Years in Braceborough - Hugo and Jennifer would like to thank everyone who helped them celebrate their 50years in Braceborough and for the very unexpected gift. The seat has been well used already and will be a reminder of a very happy afternoon.

WILSTHORPE

The Wednesday Singers in Concert – Saturday 19th October. With the church decorated for Harvest Festival, the scene was set for 'Putting on the Ritz'. It turned out to be a cracker of an evening! The Wednesday Singers performed a selection of Ivor novella songs, songs from WWII and after the interval, an ABBA medley with audience participation. Once again The Wednesday Singers were 1st Class with some fine solo efforts, including the beautiful 'Glamorous Nights' sung by Wilsthorpe's Anna Hawley. A delicious buffet with wine followed by a raffle ended a really enjoyable evening. The concert raised nearly £300 towards church funds. A huge thank you to all those who helped make it such a successful event.

Harvest Festival – This was held on Sunday 21st October – the church was beautifully decorated with an autumnal theme, depicting the colours of autumn and the produce for the season. There was also a large amount of dried foods donated which will be passed onto a local Food Bank. Thank you everybody for your kind generosity.

24th December - The Carol Service and dressing of the crib will be on Christmas Eve at 3pm, followed by mulled wine and mince pies. Details for decorating the church will be in the December Towers & Spires.

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Uffington Continued:

Uffington WI. Uffington WI made the most of seasonal produce when they held a harvest supper in the Village Hall. Twenty one members enjoyed pork casserole in cider sauce, followed by fruit crumble with cream or custard. The meal was cooked by President Maggie Carter and her Committee: Pauline Earley, Pam Norwood, Sally Baker, Sheila Croft, Jenny Ppear, Alison Dodsworth and Sue Naden. There was an Autumn Sales Table and the competition for an unusual shaped vegetable was won by Alison Dodsworth. The next meeting is on November 6th when John Munday will speak on the Queen's bodyguard of the Yeomen of the Guard. The competition will be for a piece of royal memorabilia.

Uffington Village Hall - Forthcoming Events.

Sunday, November 10th - Family film matinee starring "Despicable Me"; all children to be accompanied by parent/adult, cinema snacks will be available. Bring a cushion or beanbag and enjoy the fun!

Quiz night - Saturday 23rd at 7.30pm courtesy of John and Bridget our resident quizmasters. Teams of six as usual, soup supper and bar. If you can't make it can you donate a raffle prize?

In December the annual children's party will take place on Saturday, 7th December - look out for further details. The adults' party - a meal by Lucy's Kitchen - is on Saturday, 14th December; again, can you donate a wrapped prize for our mystery raffle?

We hope to see as many of you as possible - proceeds from events to our roof appeal.

Uffington Carol Service. The annual Christmas carol service will be held in Uffington Parish Church on Sunday 22nd December at 6pm. As in previous years, a special choir will be assembled for this service which will be under the baton of Tim Hurst-Brown. The choir will meet for rehearsals at Copthill School (by kind permission of the Teesdale family) on the following Wednesday evenings: 20th and 27th November, and 4th, 11th and 18th December. People are warmly encouraged to come along and join the choir. Please ring David Genever (01780 765005) for more information.

Village Bonfire. There will be a Village Family Bonfire (no fireworks) on Tuesday, 5th November in the field behind the wood in Casewick Lane the route in will be lit. There will be mulled wine and hot chocolate, entrance will be free but any donations will be given to the Village Hall towards their roof fund. The fire will be lit at 6 p.m. so hopefully families with small children will be able to come.

UFFINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Report from Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 9th Oct 2013 in the Village Hall.

Play Area – Cllr. Mulvaney has contacted three designers two have replied and is awaiting a third when these are in the design ideas will be put to the village. The Parish Council had received a letter from Mr. & Mrs. Chantrell voicing their concerns over this project. The letter stated that in their opinion this village facility will cause a nuisance to Lindsey Road residents. A reply to be sent stating that the questionnaire was totally transparent and those in favour as well as those against had replied to the questionnaire.

The new notice board on School Corner has been erected by Councillor Brown and the Chairman and his family. This was made by Mr. B.W. Payne (a one time resident of Uffington and Parish Councillor) from Casewick oak donated by the Genever family. Several comments have been received stating how nice this looks.

County Councillor M. Trollope-Bellew suggested that the Parish Council apply to the LCC Big Society Fund to help pay for this notice board. He would supply the appropriate forms to the Clerk.

The application for the ground mounted photovoltaic panels at the Pheasantries Casewick will go before the SKDC Planning Committee on 29th October, 2013.

The Village Hall has now appointed a weekly cleaner and it was hoped that anyone booking the hall leaves it clean and tidy.

A report was made that branches of trees from the church yard are overhanging the footpath. The Chairman agreed to speak to Mr. G. Radley the Church Warden.

There was also a report about dog mess on Lindsey Road corner. District Councillor Cooke would supply some "No Dog Fouling" Notices.

District Councillor reported that the Georgian Festival was a great success and was well attended. She also reported that the % of waste recycled in the district was 49.5% just short of the 50% target. The green bin charge was well supported a take up of 90%. income received was £648K the was used for operational cost such as litter picking, clearing fly tipping, extra staff and the purchase of another vehicle.

County Councillor M. Trollope-Bellew reported that the Boundary Commission will be looking at the number of Councillors and the number of voters each voter represents and that Stamford will almost sure to be 2 Divisions.

Date of next meeting Wednesday, 20th November, 2013 at 8 p.m. in the Village Hall.

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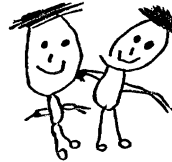
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West Deeping Heritage Group. Friday 8th November. Refreshments from 7pm for 7.30pm start, at West Deeping Village Hall. Alison Foster gives a talk entitled *A Bucketful of History*. Diet, farming and even disease can all leave clues to be investigated by the archeologist. What can a bucketful of soil reveal about the lives of our ancestors? Admission £2.50 at the door.

Bible Studies. Tuesday 12th November and Tuesday 26th November, 2.45 for 3.00pm at Cromwell House, followed by tea. The last meeting this year will be on 10th December. For more information contact Susanna Aldred on 01778 380014.

Coffee Morning. Saturday 16th November. 10.30am-12noon for St Andrew's Church. West Deeping Village Hall. Home-baked cakes and preserves for sale and organized activities for children.

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Harvest Supper on October 11th was a great success. A talk and slide show by Nicholas Watts was enjoyed by all. Proceeds from the raffle will go to Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust. The Harvest Festival Service led by Carolyn was held at St. Andrews on Sunday 13th October. We all commented on the flower arrangements as they were excellent.

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| 10th | 11th | 12th |
| 3 before Advent 9am Greatford HC 10.30am Uffington Remembrance | 1.45pm Tallington VH Whist | 2.45pm WD Bible Study at Cromwell House |
| 17th | 18th | 19th |
| 2 before Advent 9am Barholm HC 10.15am WDeeping MP 10.30am Uffington HC 2pm WDVH Walkers | 1.45pm Tallington VH Whist | |
| 24th | 25th | 26th |
| Christ the King 9am Greatford HC 10.15am WDeeping HC 10.30am Tallington HC 10.30am Uffington FS 7.30pm WD VH Lincs Rural Arts Performance | 1.45pm Tallington VH Whist | 2.45pm WD Bible Study at Cromwell House |

| Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1st | 2nd |
| | | 7.45pm WD VH Rambling Readers | 10.30am WD VH Coffee Morning |
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| 2pm Tallington VH Bingo 2-4pm WDVH Bowls | 8-10pm WD VH Bowls | 7pm WD VH Heritage Group | 7pm WD VH Quiz with Fish & Chips |
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