The Times of Tetford and Salmonby

Times present, Times past, Times future

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More than 60 million service men, service women and civilians worldwide died in World War II

another 25 million were 'battle' wounded plus many more civilians – 'collateral damage'

VE Day 80th Anniversary

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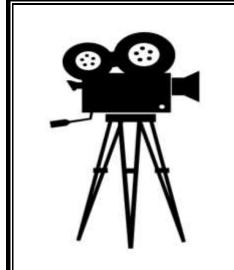
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

EVENT & LOCATION	DATE & TIME
Tetford Walking Group Walk, meet Hamilton Hall	Wednesday 16 th April 9.50am
Easter Day, St Olave, Ruckland	Sunday 20 th April 10am
Tea & Chat, Hamilton Hall	Tuesday 22 nd April 2-4pm
W.I. Meeting, Hamilton Hall	Wednesday 23 rd April 7.30pm
Spring Litter Pick (meet Hamilton Hall Car Park)	Sunday 27 th April 10.15 meet
Tea & Chat, Hamilton Hall	Tuesday 29 th April 2-4pm
Tea & Chat, Hamilton Hall	Tuesday 6 th May 2-4pm
Informal Worship, Tetford St Mary	Sunday 4 th May 10am
Tetford Cricket Home Game, the Rec	Sunday 4 th May 1.30pm
Wednesday Club Lunch, Gibraltar Point	Wednesday 7 th May
Tetford Walking Group Walk, meet Hamilton Hall	Wednesday 7 th May 9.50am
Access Mobile Delivery/Returns	Thursday 8 th May
PPG Meeting	Friday 9 th May
W.I. Annual Quiz, Hamilton Hall	Friday 9 th May 7.30pm
TTOTAS Copy Deadline	Friday 9 th May
Harrington Race Night, Hamilton Hall	Saturday 10 th May 6.30pm for 7
VE Day 80 th Anniversary Tea Party	Sunday 11 th May 3.30pm for 4
Tea & Chat, Hamilton Hall	Tuesday 13 th May 2-4pm
Parish Council Monthly Meeting and AGM, Hamilton Hall	Wednesday 14 th May 7.30pm
Horncastle Young Stagers: Wind in the Willows, Lion Theatre	Thu 15 th - Sat 17 th May 7.30pm
Rogation Sunday, Bag Enderby St Margaret	Sunday 18 th May 10am
Tea & Chat, Hamilton Hall	Tuesday 20 th May 2-4pm
Tetford Walking Group Walk, meet Hamilton Hall	Wednesday 21 st May 9.50am
Tea & Chat, Hamilton Hall	Tuesday 27 th May 2-4pm
Reading Group	Friday 30 th May 7pm

THE TIMES OF TETFORD & SALMONBY

Welcome to the 40th edition of *The Times of Tetford and Salmonby (TTOTAS)*

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THIS MONTH we have advance notice of the VE Day celebrations on May 11th, an afternoon tea bonanza in the village hall, free to all residents and advance notice too of the fabled Tetford and District Flower and Vegetable Show. The cricket season starts on May 4th with a match at home, on the Rec – come and support your team! Exciting news too about the proposal to hang three more bells in St Mary's tower, adding vastly to the quality and quantity of peals we can set up. The new Walking Group is proving popular and a local man meets an Olympic competitor. And don't forget the much-anticipated Annual W.I. Quiz on May 9th – poster on the back cover. All this and most of our regulars to boot, what more could you wish for? (to be able to print in full colour! – Ed.)

Donations £20 this month from standing orders that people have kindly set up in our favour, plus £50.40. Total donations £1835.40 so far (since June 2021). Further donations please put through the Barley Corn Cottage door (postcode LN9 6QH) or by bank transfer a/c **36053762** sort code **30-99-50** account name **The Times of Tetford & Salmonby**. Please note that the magazine is funded entirely by donation and by the editor. Currently that's still about half each.

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Please continue to alert us where we print falsehoods, or typos, or any sort of misinformation e.g. if something's out of date.

Please keep us up to date by submitting dates and details of your events well in advance of our deadlines, around the 10th of the month. And please, please bring us NEWS!

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NEWS ROUND UP ROUND THE VILLAGES

TETFORD

V. E. DAY ANNIVERSARY TEA PARTY Everybody is invited to Afternoon Tea in the Village Hall to celebrate the 80th Anniversary of Victory in Europe Day. This will be a lovely village occasion, free to all residents of Tetford & Salmonby. If you are able to help on the day, Sunday May 11th, or by baking, please give your name and contact details to the Parish Clerk Pauline Murray at clerk@tetfordparishcouncil.gov.uk or telephone Maddie Hoad on 01507 533575 and they will be in touch. There will be a raffle and a prize for the best 40s outfit. Also it would be appreciated if you could contact the organisers to let them know if you will be attending, so approximate numbers can be ascertained for catering. Special dietary requirements catered for on request.

THE TETFORD WALKING GROUP continues to get a good press in social media. For instance, Mike Coulson says on the Tetford Area Community Facebook page "Buddy and I had a wonderful time with the Tetford walking group today [25th March], great weather, good company and well organized. Thank you Jonty we're looking forward to the next one."

THE HONESTY SHOP outside the Mansion House in Little London re-opened on the 28th March to great acclaim. Odile Sutcliffe later posted on the *Tetford Matters* Facebook page "What a fabulous welcome back 'The Honesty Shop' got last week. I had to do extra bakes to keep up with you all. I really can't thank you enough and hope you all enjoyed your bakes." You can read customers' reviews online.

Opening times remain Friday, Saturday and Sunday 8am 'til dark. Cash or QR Code. Contact: odile@the-mansion-house.com

SALMONBY BENDS. Please everyone keep complaining! Potholes are gradually reappearing! Email <u>CllrH.Marfleet@lincolnshire.gov.uk</u> or look online for 'Salmonby' on FixMyStreet Lincolnshire or go to Lincolnshire.gov.uk and find 'Roads and Transport.' We have a fine example of a cage-rattler in our '*Readers Letters*' this month, written by Steve Sewell.

THE SPRING LITTER PICK will take place on Sunday 27th April. All volunteers meet in the car park behind the village hall between 10.15 and 10.30am. If you can't make that date and/or want to be involved during the days before, please let **Trevor Cawthorne** know so he can get equipment to you: tcawthornemeridian@gmail.com or Tel. 07903 643628.

NEW VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!

CRICKET. The 2025 cricket season starts for Tetford on Sunday May 4th when we are playing Grimsby Town at Home, start 1.30pm. If you are interested in joining the club the contact details are in the *Activities and Facilities Section*. We are away to Clee Town Laportes on May 11th and home to the same team on the 18th.

PLUMBERS are booked for Wednesday to Friday 16th-18th April to replace the pipework in the kitchen of the village hall with the intention of curing the faults which have led to intermittent leakages through the kitchen ceiling.

ST MARY'S CHURCH BELLS. In the *Church News* section David Bennett brings us up to date with progress on the project to put three more bells in the church tower. David is funding the project, together with contributions from the Friends of St Mary's and the South Ormsby Parochial Church Council, who are releasing the remainder of the Bells Fund set up in the early 2000s by Dr. Harper-Smith for the restoration of the three original bells.

THE TETFORD & SALMONBY PARISH COUNCIL Monthly Meeting and Annual General Meeting will be held in the Hamilton Hall on Wednesday 14th May at 7.30pm.

The Annual Parish (Residents') Meeting, usually held in May but date to be arranged, is an event for all the village, and all residents should attend. This is because village-wide issues will be discussed, the Council will present its annual report and all Groups and Institutions in the two villages will be invited to present reports of their activities and achievements over the last year, as a way of communicating their contribution to village life and to encourage participation by the community in their activities and aspirations.

THE MAY PPG MEETING takes place on May 9th, not May 2nd as reported in *Dates for your Diary* last month (it was just a guess on our part!)
PPG meeting notes are posted on the ELMG website (see the Facilities section for the *link*). The March PPG meeting recorded that:

- There will be further One You and Digital Awareness sessions to be organised at the Wolds Surgery
- The NHS is advertising for 'corridor nurses' with the aim of avoiding admitting patients to hospital if there is an alternative service
- NHS England [while it still exists! Ed] has made a commitment to provide 170
 Community Diagnostic Hubs across England providing services such as CT scans,
 MRI scans, ultrasound, phlebotomy, pregnancy testing, ECGs, blood pressure, and
 some larger Hub will be offering endoscopy services.
- The Occupational Therapy Team is providing education awareness sessions for falls prevention called **Steady Steps**, the first of which took place on Monday 17th March at Meridian Leisure Centre in Louth
- From October 25th SystmConnect will be available from 8am to 6.30pm so that
 patients will no longer be required to call for an appointment between 8am and 9am.
 The practice will be adopting a phased approach to implementing the requirements.
 There will be a pilot for two weeks from 1st April.
- ELMG employs six GPs. Positive feedback has been received regarding Dr Tom taking time to visit patients at home. All staff are listed on the East Lindsey Medical Group website.

TETFORD & DISTRICT FLOWER & VEGETABLE SHOW IS BACK FOR 2025

SHOW DATE: Saturday 26 July 2025.

Exhibits to be in the hall by 11.30pm. Show open to the public from 2pm. Sell off of produce from 3pm.

We think growing flowers and vegetables is for everyone. So, we want as many people as possible to join in. There really is a category for everyone. Don't forget if you are not a grower there is the produce section with cakes, jams, bread, chutneys and more.

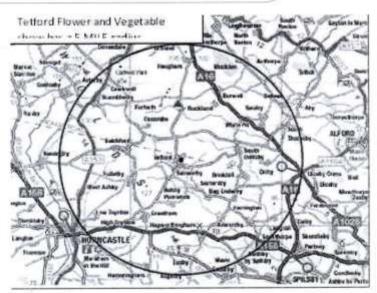
New this year is a craft section too:

- A piece of handmade jewellery.
- A decorated, wrapped present, no bigger than a shoe box.
- A knitted item.
- · An item crafted by wood.

Afternoon teas are available.

At the end of the show there will be the selling off of the produce donated by entrants and a raffle. Any profits will go to a local charity.

The schedules are to be put through letter boxes of Tetford and Salmonby soon and published on the Tetford Matters Facebook.



Anyone who lives within a 5 mile radius of Tetford can enter the Tetford and District Flower and Vegetable show. Children who enter can live anywhere!

If you'd like more information please email tetfordflowerandvegshow@gmail.com

HARRINGTON

AN EVENING AT THE RACES. FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!

Harrington St Mary's will be holding a "Race Night" Fund Raiser on Saturday 10th May at Hamilton Hall Tetford. Funds raised will be used towards the upkeep of the fabric of the church buildings, particularly the repairs and renewal of the tower roof.

The race programme includes 6 races, each of 8 horses; first race at 7:00 pm - with the opportunity for those attending to place a wager on their fancy for each race using the 'Tote' for as little as 25p per bet.

The way it works is we show videos on a big screen of actual horse races taken at random from a large database. Punters have to place their bets before we show them the horses so they have no way of knowing who will win. So it's really just a game of chance.

There will also be a light buffet supper and a grand raffle, all for an entrance fee of just £10 per person, children half price.

There is also the opportunity for you to 'own' and name one or more of the horses in each race. To buy a horse costs just £2.50 and if the horse wins the race the owner wins a prize! So even if you can't attend on the night, you can participate!!

If you'd like to buy tickets for the evening - or a horse! - please contact: Jo Hughes: 01507 533677 or Shirley Ford: 07903 313290

Race Night Saturday 10th May 2025 at Hamilton Hall, Tetford



Entry £10 per person, includes light buffet supper. Children half price. Bring your own drinks!

Grand Raffle!

Doors Open 6.30 pm; First Race 7.00 pm

For tickets please contact: Jo Hughes: 01507 533677 or Shirley Ford: 07903 313290

Please also let us know if you have any dietary requirements

Proceeds from this evening to be donated to St Mary's Church, Harrington – Fabric Fund

Tetford man meets Royalty

Harrison Towers Meets HRH Princess Anne

A change of outfit was required last month for Tetford man Harrison Towers (aged 20), as he had the honour of attending the London Guild Hall to meet HRH Princess Anne. This recognition came in light of his continued success in setting up and growing his own small business.



Harrison was awarded a young farmers grant in 2024, which he wisely invested in furthering his training. This prepared him to establish HMT Landscaping, a business dedicated to providing tree felling, hedge cutting, lawn and garden maintenance services to local towns and villages. Having grown up and still based in Tetford, Harrison also applied to the **Edward Richardson Trust** which allocated funds to help purchase the initial equipment needed to help him setup his business.

Among the four recipients of the young farmers grant, Harrison was fortunate enough to receive an invitation to attend the prestigious Future Generation Forum. This event celebrates innovation and hard work among young entrepreneurs, providing them with the opportunity to connect with leaders and peers, and gain further insights into their industries. While at the event he was lucky enough to have the opportunity to chat with HRH Princess Anne about starting and running his own business and how the Young Farmers Grant and



help from the Edward Richardson Trust were key to him being able to do so. HRH expressed how happy and impressed she was to see young people taking the initiative and developing their own businesses and wished Harrison continued success.

For more information on HMT Landscaping, visit www.hmtlandscaping.co.uk or contact Harrison Towers at 07506 774589.

Harrison Towers, HMT Landscaping

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READERS' LETTERS

To the Editor, from Steph Wilkinson

Pleased to see an excellent Arts and Culture section and particularly pleased to see an entry from our young writer.

And here we reproduce a letter from Steve Sewell to the Lincolnshire Highways Department

For the attention of the Head of Highways

Dear Sir, I do seem to recall that sometime during the previous tax year I did read in a 'FixMyStreet' response from LCC that they were 'working on a Scheme' for the aforementioned location. We are now in the New Financial Year so please can you advise me whether or not LCC HIGHWAYS DEPT has programmed for a 'Scheme' for this particular location, and if so just what will it include for?

This might only seem like a quiet country lane to yourselves, but I can assure you that it is quite busy. Firstly It is part of the bus route between Louth and Horncastle, it is also on the school route for many parents bringing their children to and from the Edward Richardson Junior School in the centre of Tetford, and it is also on the 'rat-run' for some people travelling between Horncastle and Louth areas. We are of course in the middle of the Wolds which is predominantly a farming area which itself generates a lot of heavy transport. I have even witnessed heavy articulated cartransporters taking this route!

Therefore, the point that I am trying (and hoping) to make is that it really does need a 'proper' scheme designing, rather than just sending out the usual 2 men, a van, and a wheel-barrow full of tarmac! The area is continually wet due to rainwater running down off the adjacent fields, some work was actually done in this respect a couple of years ago but unfortunately this was inadequate, so even in relatively dry spells, like the present, there are always several puddles some of them disguising potholes, particularly dangerous of course for cyclists and motorcyclists.

To do the job properly I would imagine that the road would have to be closed to the public and suitable diversionary routes planned, it would therefore probably be best planned to be carried out during a school holiday period.

So please could you let me know what the situation is, is work scheduled in the current Programme, and if so what does the planned work involve.

I would be very grateful to hear back from you in the near future. I would propose passing on your response to the Editor of *The Times of Tetford & Salmonby* for inclusion in the next issue.

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The Men on the Tetford War Memorial by Jonty Wild

Pte. 12407, Robert Dales Trolley, 7th Bn., Lincolnshire Regiment. Died 02/03/1916, aged 25.

Please note: Robert was the fourth and last Tetford related man to serve and die in the above regiment. They all went overseas together and so shared much of their experience of the war. As this is described in previous articles, Robert's experience is abbreviated here. For more detail see previous articles or read the full biographies which will appear in the Tetford church.

Robert appears in the 1891 census, just two weeks old, living in Little London and recorded as born in Tetford. The household was listed as Henry Trolley (grandfather), a widower aged 72 and his daughter Ellen aged 32 (Robert's unmarried mother). Henry was recorded as a cottager working for himself and Ellen his housekeeper.

Ellen married Arthur George Sanderson in 1898 and in 1901 they, and Robert, were living at 'The Fen', Tetford – probably Fen Farm, off Clay Lane, which was about a



mile outside of the village, with Arthur's brother Thomas. Arthur, like his brother, was a farmer working on his own account, and, although younger than Thomas, was listed as head of the household. Robert, now 10, was listed, perhaps curiously, as a boarder. In 1911, they were still in Clay Lane, and the household members had not changed, nor had their occupations, other than Robert was now listed as a 'son', single and assisting on the farm.

Robert was known to be a member of the Tetford United Brass Band and a very able cornet player.

When he enlisted, he was living in Tetford and still working for his stepfather. A newspaper reported that he enlisted on or about September 7th, 1914, in Tetford and into the 7th Lincolnshire Regiment. Other articles explain that this was probably with George Hannath, Reg Cheeseman, Ernest Brown and that Wilfred Gant joined later – all except Reg appear on the war memorial. Wilfred died September 5th, Ernest on October 22nd, 1915, and George on February 15th, 1916. Reg was wounded and invalided out of the Army, only to die in 1920 of Spanish Flu. It is likely that all the surviving men named were close by as each was killed except, as explained below, Robert was absent when George died. To avoid repeating previous articles we pick up Robert's story just before George's death.

The New Year of 1916 was welcomed in with heavy shelling by the Germans, but on the 4th they left the trenches, moved to Ypres Ramparts and then on the 7th moved to rest and training at St Omer. Here they were well clear of the Front Line, and they remained there until February when, on the 6th, they went by rail to Goderswersvelde (France) - and then marched to Reninghelst via Poperinghe, and to the trenches near Ypres known as 'The Bluff' – all in Belgium.

This is when Robert's experience differed from the other Tetford men still alive, as he was recorded as home on leave from around the second week of February, probably for no more than 10-days. His leave may have coincided with George Hannath's, as he had received leave around the middle of January, maybe they met up in Tetford. Robert was certainly on leave on February 15th. We know

this because he had returned by the 23rd, when he wrote a letter to the local paper about the death of a comrade, Jim Barlow (alias Rossington from Horncastle) who died on the 15th. The letter was written from the Grenade Section at Headquarters, so it seems that he had volunteered to be a bomber. This all suggests that Robert missed the chaotic events that the rest of the Battalion experienced between February 14th and the 17th, during which George Hannath died. Whether Robert knew of George's death is uncertain, but he may have heard about the significant casualties which included: 1 Officer killed and 7 wounded, and 23 ORs killed and 71 wounded, of whom 3 died of their wounds.

On March 1st, the Battalion made final preparations to move back to the lines to take part in the offensive planned at The Bluff and at 5pm 20 Officers and 558 ORs marched out to the Assembly trenches. Robert was with them. The following day by 00:40am all were ready and waiting in those trenches. They had a nervous wait as the attack was not launched until 4:30am. The 7th Lincolnshires were forward support and the 10th Sherwoods were in reserve. By 8am runners reported back that the "whole objective was in our hands and we (are) consolidating the captured trenches."

Robert had survived this action, but sadly not for much longer. At this time German orders were to counterattack to recapture any ground lost and they always seemed well-organised to do so. They commenced an intense barrage which continued until late on the 3rd. The War Diary confirms the losses as 6 Officers and in the Other Ranks: 31 killed, 148 wounded and 30 missing. These were soon revised to 33, 178 and 16 respectively, as men were found or died. One of whom was Robert.

He had survived his friend George by 18 days. He had been home on leave and his family and friends thought him safe. Like George, Robert's body was never recovered, or if it was, could not be identified. It seems particularly sad that only eight days before his death, he had written a touching letter home about a comrade's brave and heroic death. Perhaps if he had survived longer, he would have written home about George Hannath's death too? For Robert this duty fell to an Officer, who wrote: "Dear Madam, I have the great regret to inform you of the death of your son who was serving as a Grenadier in this Regiment. He died in the service of his King and country, doing his duty nobly and well until the last, and his loss is very keenly felt by his comrades and myself. We offer to you and yours a heartfelt sympathy in your bereavement."

He too is commemorated on Menin Gate, sharing a panel with George, just a few names apart there and adjacent on the Tetford War Memorial.

News of his death must have reached his mother by March 23rd, 1916, as it was reported in the Lincolnshire Echo and the Stamford Mercury.

Post War

After Robert's death, his pay owed was calculated as £5 16s 2d and authorised on May 11th, 1916, to go to his mother. Later, his war gratuity was calculated as £6 and authorised to go to his stepfather on September 10th, 1919.

His mother would have received his Death Plaque - often called a Death Penny - and his medals: the 1914/15 Star, British War and Victory medals.

These are abbreviated biographies. Longer versions ('book' or 'full' versions) are available via <u>jontywild@byacatswhisker.co.uk</u> or will be available to read in the church. **If you can add anything** for the men, such as information/photographs/corrections please tell me. Jonty Wild

NATURE'S NOOK - from Paul Learoyd, CEO, Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust

On the Tideline - Ship Collision

My last article finished on the beach at high tide. A month later, on the same beach, instead of picking shells we were picking up burnt plastic waste following a major ship collision in the North Sea. This is the tale of that incident from the tideline.

On the 10th March 2025 the container ship Solong and the oil/chemical tanker Stena Immaculate collided, resulting in a huge explosion and one fatality, 14 nautical miles northeast of Spurn Head at the entrance to the Humber Estuary. I took the call from a colleague just as we reached the end of our walk, the tranquillity of the beach at Anderby Creek disguising the events which were unfolding out at sea.

By the next morning the container ship Solong, still on fire, was drifting out of control down the Lincolnshire coast. Getting closer due to onshore winds the ship was clearly visible from Saltfleetby-Theddlethorpe Dunes National Nature Reserve with plumes of smoke rising. Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust staff on the beach were getting nervous. Residents of Mablethorpe reported smelling the fumes; at this stage it was still unclear what was burning.

Reports came through that the ship may have contained poisonous chemicals - to everyone's relief this was later dismissed. The rumours of large volumes of alcohol prompted some excitement and a note from the Government's Receiver of Wreck; there was to be no Whisky Galore! What was there was tonnes of burning plastic: this was to become a problem.

Surveillance flights by the Coastguard along the coast spotted large rafts of floating debris. This turned out to be burnt plastic material known as nurdles. Nurdles are small plastic pellets about the size of a lentil, that are melted down to make almost all plastic products. These are a threat to wildlife and so needed to be removed from the beach.

Hence, we were back on the beach with litter pickers and council-issued plastic bags. Many tonnes of material have been collected over recent weeks by various agencies, Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust staff and volunteers - including former Tetford Primary School teacher Mrs Tracy Lynam.

Thanks to them all!

Paul Learoyd

To find out more about Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust: www.lincstrust.org.uk

If you have a wildlife or nature topic you'd like Paul to address, please let him know at paullearoyd@googlemail.com

TETFORD & DISTRICT W.I. from Sue Le Page

In March, members warmly welcomed Organic Gardener Philip Maddison who, with an illuminating presentation, challenged us to recognise common garden friends and foes - the goodies and baddies of the insect world - and how to deal with them. To encourage bees etc., Philip suggested choosing old fashioned, open-faced flower varieties which are more easily accessible to pollinators. There were valuable tips on soil types: to dig or not to dig; what to put onto the compost heap; ways to speed up the composting process and much discussion about worms! Philip was heartily thanked for an interesting and information-packed evening. The winner of March's competition for a Garden Photo was Gillian Berwick.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 23rd April in the Hamilton Hall. The speaker Kenneth Moore will tell us about the Dickin Medal, the highest award any animal can receive while serving in military conflict, and some of the animals who have received it. The competition is for an Animal Ornament

This is closely followed by our Annual Quiz on Friday 9th May in the Hamilton Hall commencing at 7.30pm. Entry is £4.00/ person to include light refreshments, maximum 6 persons per team. There will also be a raffle. Feel free to bring additional beverages.

Further details can be obtained from our President, Terri Willings on 07488 323847 or 01790 612341

READING GROUP from Karen Watkins

Another well-attended meeting in March to discuss The Dark Circle by Linda Grant.

The post-war years of the 1950s and the early days of the welfare state are the backdrop to this novel which explores themes including class, friendship and sexuality through the lives of a diverse range of characters brought together through their treatment for TB under the care of the newly created NHS.

While the story divided opinion all agreed it was very well researched and it created an interesting discussion with several members of the group sharing their own family stories and memories relating to TB and the sanatoriums set up to treat patients, including one in Louth.

Thinking of some of the aims of a reading group such as the reading of texts out of our 'comfort zones', enhancing knowledge, and creating a wider debate around them, *The Dark Circle* was certainly an interesting and thought-provoking read.

Our next meeting is **Friday**, **30th May at 7.00pm** and the book for discussion will be *The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother*, an autobiography and memoir by James McBride.

Contact Karen at kwatkinshmg@gmail.com

TETFORD WALKING GROUP from Jonty Wild

The first walk went well and was just under 5 miles around South Ormsby, Calceby and Driby. The weather was beautiful, as were the views. We had 12 walkers with 4 dogs and I believe all enjoyed it and all behaved impeccably – *including the walkers!*

We will go forward with two walks a month on the first and third Wednesdays, but I expect the format will evolve over time, as we get a feel for numbers, what people want and how to best organise cars.

The 'ethos' of the group will continue to be informal, with members walking as a group, but responsible for themselves. Membership is free, you just have to accept the ethos of the Group. If you plan to join and walk it would be really helpful if you would contact jontywild@byacatswhisker.co.uk in advance, as this will save time on the day, and you can have details in advance.

The two walks in April will be loops around Belchford – Scamblesby and Bag Enderby – Hagworthingham – both under 5 miles. We will meet at the village hall at 9:50am for a prompt 10am departure.

If you would like to join us, have any questions or need more information please email me at the above address.

WEDNESDAY CLUB

On April 2nd members of the Wednesday Club were instructed by representatives of LIVES on the application of Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and the use of a defibrillator machine in case of an emergency. Members were encouraged to 'have a go' on the dummies and many questions were asked about the procedure, such as "what to do first?"

Lesley Harper-Smith thanked the demonstrators and presented LIVES with a cheque for £100.

The last meeting of the Wednesday Club season is a lunch at Gibraltar Point on May 7th.



FOR SALE

8 x glass display cabinets each 39cm (wide) x 35cm (deep) x 163 cm (high), all with lights & 4 shelves £40 each (discounts for 2+)

2 x lockable glass display cabinets with wood effect at top and base - dimensions as above - again with lights & 4 shelves £40 each (£70 for the 2)

BRAND NEW jewellery and accessories at 50% off original price - includes silver equestrian jewellery, semi-precious Ronin beaded jewellery (hand made in Wales), Tribal Steel bracelets, various other fashion jewellery, scarves, kimonos, bags etc.

Tel: 01507 533639 (Tetford) to arrange viewings.

FOR SALE

Electric coal-effect fire, good working order (fits into grate) £10

'Padders' Ladies' shoes, beige, size 6, NEW £15 o.n.o

6 person tent £50 o.n.o

Camping fridge, only used once £35

Tel. 01507 533769 (Tetford)



CHURCH NEWS - St. Mary's, Tetford

A Sunday informal worship is held on the first Sunday of the month in St Mary's Tetford at 10am. There is time for coffee and a chat afterwards, all welcome.

The quinquennial inspection of St Mary's took place in early March. 21 action recommendations were made, of which all were minor with only three being rated 'urgent'.

Friends of St Mary's

The friends help with the upkeep of the Church and Churchyard, many thanks to everyone who cleans, provides the flowers and particularly with keeping the Churchyard tidy, you really are appreciated. Donations towards the upkeep of St Mary's Church can be made to 'Friends of St Mary's' account number 34267660; sort code 30-99-50. Cash, and cheques payable to "Friends of St Mary's" please deliver to 'Hill View', North Road, Tetford.

TETFORD CHURCH BELLS - An update from David Bennett

It was in the Autumn of last year that I explained we were going ahead with the installation of three additional Bells at St. Mary's Church.

A lot has been happening since then. First of all, Paul Sargent laboured for several days, ably assisted by Julia Larder-Sargent and Derek Le Page, clearing the accumulated debris from the belfry in preparation for an engineer's report on the suitability of the tower to have the three new bells installed. Paul also secured an engineers report that has been favourable.

Paul has been an absolute stalwart of the project for not only has he done the above, but he has also himself prepared the electronic chiming mechanism which is needed for ringing the Bells. He has also done much of the groundwork for the detailed application for the Faculty.

The Parochial Church Council have applied for a Diocesan Faculty which is a necessary precondition for carrying out any work on the Church. [Making almost any physical change to your church building, contents or churchyard requires permission. Permission is granted by the Consistory Court of the Diocese, and is called a Faculty – Ed.]

Taylors Bell Foundry have retrieved the three Bells from their storage pit (photograph attached) and have started to prepare the Bells for their installation in due course.

So a lot of preparatory work has been going on and we hope it won't be too long now before the six Bells can be heard ringing out across the Village.



THE SOUTH ORMSBY GROUP OF CHURCHES

For general enquiries contact the Rural Dean Reverend Fran Jeffries 01790 752526

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Each month there is a lay-led family service at **Tetford St Mary** on the first Sunday of the month and then two weeks later a further service in one of the other churches in the South Ormsby Group, taken by a member of the clergy.

Sun20th AprilRuckland St OlaveEaster Day10amSun4th MayTetford St MaryInformal Worship10amSun18th MayBag Enderby St MargaretRogation Sunday10am

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The AGM of the South Ormsby Group of Churches Parochial Church Council took place on Monday 10th March. Marlene Renshaw (Chair) and Julia Larder were confirmed as churchwardens of St Mary's Tetford, with Marlene Renshaw also churchwarden of St Olave's, Ruckland.

The South Ormsby Tower Project has taken up a considerable amount of time and effort this year, but the tower is now in a safe and stable condition. There is a growing pest problem with pigeons within the church and consideration is being given to netting for protection. So far the cost of stabilising the church tower has reached £69,000 plus VAT, although astutely about £10,000 VAT has been clawed back. Also the scaffolding which has been purchased, being more cost-effective than hiring, accounts for over £37,000 plus VAT and will be sold when no longer required.

St Mary's Harrington. The plan to replace the tower roof is going ahead at a total cost of circa £50,000 plus VAT.

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The Hamilton Hall

is available to hire for all events such as private parties or fundraising events.

To book the hall ring 07795 662007

Hamilton Hall Committee

Kate Stark (Chair) David Needs Pat Sparks Paul Head (Treasurer)	Marlene Renshaw (Bookings etc.) Pat Harrison (Secretary) Lesley Harper-Smith
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Update from Marlene Renshaw

- Table tennis on Monday evening and Thursday afternoon, Pilates and Yoga are going well
- The Bowls club meets on Tuesday evening at 7.30, new members always welcome, and the first three evenings are free
- The Farmers Market has been discontinued, although there could be ad hoc events.
- Tea and chat, Tuesday afternoons 2 4pm. A lovely friendly group, please come and join us as we look forward to that Summer sunshine.

REGULAR HAMILTON HALL ACTIVITIES and FACILITIES:

Tea & Chat Tuesdays 2-4pm All welcome

Short Mat Bowls, Tuesdays at 7.30pm Contact Mr D Needs 01507 533705

Wednesday Club First Wednesday of the month from September to May 7.30pm (usually).

Contact Lesley Harper-Smith on 01507 533355. See Group News

Tetford Village Market – DISCONTINUED (hopefully temporarily). Previously every 3rd

Wednesday of the month usually 1-3pm Contact Marie Gray on Tetford Matters

www.facebook.com/groups/160817426092384/ or see poster.

Table Tennis Monday evenings from 7-9pm and Thursday afternoons from 2-4pm. Email tetfordtabletennisclub@gmail.com for enquiries. The club has five tables.

Pilates-Plus Mondays 09.30am. Contact Debbie Jenner debbiejenner@outlook.com. £9 per class. Also on Zoom Tuesday & Friday 09.30am and at Spilsby on Wednesdays.

Yoga -Thursday 6-7pm run by 'Claire' from Hagworthingham

Teas for the Walkers This service is available for booking in the Hamilton Hall by walkers' groups. Groups should contact Marlene Renshaw 01507 533209

Parish Council Usually 2nd Wednesday of each month 7.30pm. See feature(s)

Tetford and District W.I. Fourth Wednesday of the month 7.30pm (see Group News). Contact Terri Willings (Branch President) 01790 612341

TEA & CHAT



2-4pm

All Welcome

"A lovely friendly group"

Pilates-Plus classes in Tetford Monday 09.30 Hamilton Hall £9,- per class

Build a stronger core, improve your posture-flexibility, mobility, breathing and circulation.

Learn to move your spine in a safe, effective way and all that in a mindful, gentle manner. The 'Plus' comes from extra stretching and mobilising exercises with use of balls in various sizes (can be supplied). You just need your mat.

Classes are for all levels and ages taught by Debbie Jenner a teacher trainer with more than 24 years experience of teaching Pilates to instructors and consumers and 43 years of group exercise teaching.

Contact for more info/questions: <u>debbiejenner&outlook.com</u>

READING GROUP An informal group of people who like to read that meets every other month. We take it in turns to choose the book and lead the discussion. Meetings are held at various venues and the books can range from classics to modern – free choice. **Next meeting 7pm Friday May 30th 2025. May's book title is** *The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother by James McBride*. Contact Karen Watkins Email kwatkinshmg@gmail.com

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TETFORD RECREATION GROUND If anyone feels they would like to make a donation (thank you to those who have) or to support us through our weekly lottery (it's £1 per week by direct debit – cancel anytime) then please get in touch, lottery details below. We continue to seek grant funding where we can to keep the rec going for the next year.

Many thanks to you all.

www.selcplottery.co.uk/support/tetford-and-salmonby-recreation-ground

Secretary Alison Sparks Email alisparks@sky.com Tel. 01507 534384; Chairman Paul Learoyd Email paullearoyd@gmail.com Tel. 07885 135406

THE MANSION HONESTY SHOP for homemade bakes in Little London is open Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays 8am 'til dark weather permitting and while stocks last.

CRICKET Tetford Cricket Club's home ground is the village recreation ground. The team plays on Sundays in the East Lindsey Cricket League. Information about fixtures, results, teams and stats can be found by searching for **elcl.play-cricket.com** on the Internet. Mark Hughes is captain (07887 750696) and Kai Stephenson is vice-captain (07871 720882). Mark Kelsey (07789 626804) is the face of the team in Tetford, being the local postman! The team has 2 gazebos for them to change in, plus plenty of seating for spectators.

TETFORD WALKING GROUP – Jonty Wild jontywild@byacatswhisker.co.uk 01507 534075

SOUTH ROAD RED TELEPHONE KIOSK The kiosk acts as a book exchange and tourist information hub

FISH and CHIPS The Jolly Rogers Mobile Fish and Chips van stops in South Road opposite the Care Home between 5pm and 5.15pm every Monday.

HORNCASTLE LIBRARY is open Monday 9am-4pm; Tuesday Closed; Wednesday 9am-1pm; Thursday 9am-6pm; Friday 9am-5pm; Saturday 9am-1pm; Sunday Closed. Tel. 01522 782010 (Lincs County Council)

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE. The Mobile Library stop at Tetford has been withdrawn due to insufficient borrowers using the service. Borrowers who struggle to reach their local library or community library facilities, due to mobility, age or ill health are invited to use the Access Mobile North home delivery service instead. Contact Graham Owen (Team Leader North) tel. 07483 017085 – email: graham.owen@gll.org with your library borrower number and he will add you to the route, all free. Delivery/ Collection is monthly, on Thursdays: May 8th; June 5th; July 3rd; July 31st; August 28th; September 25th; October 23rd; November 20th; December 18th

THE HORNCASTLE TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE (Tel. 01507 526065) is in the Sir Joseph Banks Centre at 11 Bridge Street LN9 5HZ, run by the Sir Joseph Banks Society. Follow the link https://joseph-banks.org.uk to start. The centre is also home to the Horncastle History and Heritage Society https://horncastlejbc.info/horncastle-history-heritage-society; some battery and printer ink recycling, a natural history museum and Victoria Atkins, our local MP. It is open from 10am-4pm, Thursday, Friday and Saturday (having said that, members of the individual societies and groups are often around outside those hours, so if you are happy to take pot-luck...). The Society is working on creating a digital OS Map of local places of interest.

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SURGERY. The Wolds Surgery in Tetford is open from 8am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday; closed weekends and bank holidays. The surgery is part of the East Lindsey Medical Group (ELMG), Newmarket, Louth Tel. **01507 603121** (**Option 1** Automated system to book, set or cancel appointments/order repeat prescriptions **Option 2** Care Navigation Team **Option 3** Pharmacy/Prescriptions 9am to 1pm and 2pm to 4pm). Dial 999 for life-threatening emergencies. There is a doctor in the practice at least 4 days a week and extra cover is provided by the advanced nurse practitioners. The practice has a Care Coordinator, who in liaison with the hospital can help patients in need to access services such as Macmillan, physio, medication, and has links with the disability nurse. There is a Veteran's liaison and a digital liaison person.

PRIVATE GP CLINIC A new private practice is up and running in Louth, a 20 minute appointment is £120, any forward treatments can be continued privately or referred back to the NHS.

The **online** ordering system (mainly for blood or smear tests, ordering repeat prescriptions and viewing your medical record), is at https://systmonline.tpp-uk.com.
You will need to register with the surgery before you can log into this online system.

<u>Also</u> there is an app – 'Airmid' – which "provides you with existing SystmOnline functionality plus lots more." You can log in with your SystmOnline username and password. However it has received very poor reviews with one reviewer judging it as "about as useful as a trap door in a canoe."

You can also download the NHS App which enables you to

- Order repeat prescriptions.
- Book nurse and health care assistant appointments.
- View medical records.
- Access test results and hospital letters.

The main difference between the **SystmOnline** and the **NHS App** is that the NHS App provides access to hospital letters.

The old separate Wolds **pharmacy** number **01507 535001** will now take you to the same options as the surgery number. The pharmacy is Option 3 but <u>the availability of the option to request repeat prescriptions over the phone is under review</u>. The pharmacy is open for collection of medicines from 9am to 2pm & 4pm to 6pm Monday or 9am – 6pm Tuesday -Friday. Controlled drugs must be collected before 5pm.

The ELMG website is at http://www.eastlindseymedicalgroup.co.uk/. The new 'total triage' system is accessed here. Search on 'East Lindsey Medical Group' and select 'Appointments' then you have various options including 'Use our online form' which takes you to 'Medical request/New condition' which takes you into the triage. Operates from 8am to 1pm.

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The Wolds Surgery Patient Participation Group (PPG) represents patients and ELMG medical staff of the Wolds Surgery Tetford and is scheduled to meet every two months and to deliver a regular Newsletter. Reports from the meetings are, when available, printed in this magazine. Minutes/Notes from the meetings can be found on the East Lindsey Medical Group database under Online Services/Get involved: i.e. https://www.eastlindseymedicalgroup.nhs.uk/get-involved/patient-group/. If you wish to correspond with the PPG contact the Practice Manager Mickaela Crane at https://www.eastlindseymedicalgroup.nhs.uk/get-involved/patient-group/. If you wish to correspond with the PPG contact the Practice Manager Mickaela Crane at https://www.eastlindseymedicalgroup. Medical Group) switchboard on 01507 603121 or leave your correspondence at reception or with any PPG Member

'LIVES' First Responders. For cardiac arrests, phone 999 and report the incident. You will be given a code for either the DEFIBRILLATOR on the Wolds surgery outside wall or on the village hall outside wall by the front door. Follow the instructions and close the defibrillator door (to stop the alarm). An ambulance will have been despatched and a LIVES First Responder alerted.

LOCAL DEFIBRILLATORS:-

(names are on the Notes).

Tetford Hamilton Hall and the Wolds Surgery NB. If a defibrillator is used please alert Councillor Julia Larder on 07852 877425 as soon as possible after the event to ensure the necessary used items are replaced.

Brinkhill The porch of St Philip's Church

Langton Langton village hall

Raithby Red Telephone Box, Raithby Road

Somersby Somersby Farm Office

SOUTH WOLDS NURSING HOME is offering tea and sandwiches to those who need a bit of company. They also offer, at cost, their chiropody and hairdressing services and will order milk in for you. Contact Linzy Stockdale on 01507 533393

NEWSPAPERS The nearest newspapers are at the Shell garage this side of Horncastle, but they sell out early (they don't get many in of some titles). Later in the day it's safer to go to Perkins newsagent in the centre of Horncastle or one of the supermarkets

EDWARD RICHARDSON PRIMARY SCHOOL Head Teacher Mr Stuart Spendlow. Contact: enquiries@edward-richardson.lincs.sch.uk Tel. 01507 533686 https://www.edward-richardson.lincs.sch.uk/index.html

MILK is once again being delivered to Tetford, this time by McQueens Dairies who now have a milk round that includes Tetford (even though their website says they don't). They make weekly deliveries on a Monday and Thursday. You can alter your order online and pay via direct debit. Tel. 0330 555 5588; website www.mcqueensdairies.co.uk.

POSTBOX COLLECTIONS in Tetford and Salmonby are 9am weekdays and 7am Saturdays from all four postboxes.

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BUS SERVICE 24 between Horncastle and Louth. Bus stop at St Mary's Church, Tetford. 30mins to Louth, 20mins to Horncastle. No Sunday service. **Tel. 0345 234 3344**; https://lincsbus.info

Louth to Horncastle **Mon-Fri** 09.27; 11.57; 13.57. **Sat** 10.17; 13.47 in Tetford Horncastle to Louth **Mon-Fri** 10.13; 12.43; 14.43. **Sat** 11.00; 14.30 in Tetford

Buses leave Horncastle Interchange Shelter at 09.50, 12.20 and 14.20 **Mon-Fri** and 10.40 and 14.10 **Saturdays**

Buses leave Louth Bus Station at 09.00, 11.30 and 13.30 Mon-Fri and 09.50 and 13.20 Saturdays Buses leave Louth Hospital at 10.40 and 13.10 Mon-Fri, connecting (sort of) at the Bus Station

There is also a CALLconnect On Demand Bus Service, subject to availability and within a radius of 12 miles (from Louth or Horncastle). You can book by app or by phone at one hours notice or up to 7 days in advance. It costs a maximum of £2 per single journey and can pick you up near your location. It is available to anyone and concessionary bus passes are accepted. The service operates 6 days a week, Monday to Saturday excluding Bank Holidays. Journeys are available to be booked from 7am to 7pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 6pm on Saturdays https://lincsbus.info/callconnect/more-information/

HORNCASTLE POST OFFICE and DELIVERY OFFICE These are two separate operations, even though they occupy the same building. So if you've missed a delivery you go to the Delivery Office, but to click and collect you go to the Post Office counter. The following opening times may change without notice, especially during pandemics:

The Post Office is open 09.00-17.30 Mon to Fri and 09.00-13.30 Saturday. https://www.postoffice.co.uk/branch-finder/1543245/horncastle; Tel. 01507 523 520.

The Delivery Office is open 08.00-10.00 Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri; 08.00-10.00 & 16.00-19.00 Thursday and 08.00-12.00 Saturday. https://www.localmint.com/uk/royal-mail-delivery-office-horncastle-hours-615198; Tel.0345 774 0740

RUBBISH and RECYCLING collections are on a MONDAY. Household waste (black bins) every two weeks. PURPLE-LIDDED BINS (FOR RECYCLING DRY PAPER AND CARDBOARD) and GREY BINS (other recycling INCLUDING GLASS BOTTLES AND JARS) alternate every two weeks on non-household weeks (so purple and grey are collected every 4 weeks each). Green waste (green bins) Tetford Friday, but Salmonby Monday, of purple or grey recycling weeks (reducing December to March). Apply to East Lindsey District Council for a collections calendar and, if required, a green waste bin **(£52.50 per year)**. Ensure bins are available from 5.30am on the morning of your collection.

https://www.e-lindsey.gov.uk/article/6714/Refuse-Recycling-and-Green-Waste-Collection-Days

INTERNET TETFORD INFORMATION SITES

Tetford & Salmonby Community	www.facebook.com/tetfordlincolnshire/
Tetford Matters	www.facebook.com/groups/160817426092384/
Tetford Area Community	www.facebook.com/groups/tetfordareacommunity/
Tetford & Salmonby Recreation Ground	www.facebook.com/TetfordandSalmonbyRecreationGround
Tetford Area Crimewatch	www.facebook.com/groups/189857514689064/
Tetford Parish Council	https://tetford.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk
NextDoor	https://nextdoor.co.uk/
Tetford and Surrounding Area Buying &	www.facebook.com/groups/169398526795061/
Selling	
Tetford Memories	www.facebook.com/groups/Tetford/
East Lindsey District Council	www.e-lindsey.gov.uk
Tetford & District Flower & Veg Show	tetfordflowerandvegshow@gmail.com

ARTS AND CULTURE

MEN by Man Yarner

And God created man We all do make mistakes Such hairy creepy creatures Some good, some bad, some fakes

They come in all shapes and sizes Chubby, tubby, spotty, thin Don't dwell upon exterior views The important part is what's within

The world is full of charmers Slick with tongue and sly with eye Best avoid these dashing devils For dirty deeds the trade they ply

Then there are the rowdy types
Big, loud and full of ale
Convinced that they are God's gift
Yet between the sheets they often fail

You may come across a gentle geek A scientific social nerd He'll blind you with his boring facts You'd rather not have heard

Sometimes there is a quiet one So shy and insecure You stand there in your bra and pants But still he won't take the lure

Beware the "Hooray-Henry"
Enticing you with gifts
He keeps his Porsche nice and clean
To give young ladies lifts

Then there are those gorgeous guys Convinced they're on a winner Girls continually swoon for them But they prefer the view in the mirror

There are some cheeky chaps Who catch you with their smile Get you drunk and snog you silly Then they run a mile

It's hard to find a man
Perfect in every way
The caring, sharing, simple sort
Don't come by every day

So in this world of macho men Are there any you can trust? Is there anyone really out there For my heart and soul, not lust?

Someone to share my life with To cuddle and have a joke He'll chat, cook and scratch my back Cos' that's my sort of bloke

One day I'll find my hero Who wants me for my mind If he's sort of cute and handsome They're just benefits in kind

If you ever hook a man So sweet you want to weep Just spoil him with your tender love And he'll be yours to keep!

Kia and the Faceless Monk by Lara Watson, aged 8

This is an ordinary story in an ordinary town. It's where no-one was scared that much, until someone was.....!

Chapter 2

After a joyful time at the Cinema the three friends strolled their way across the road to a restaurant called *Have a Bite*. The friends seated themselves and filled each tummy with pizza and pasta, chocolate eclairs and meringues. They walked out of the restaurant contentedly. Kia, Rozi and Maisie all plodded back to Kia's house wondering what to do next. "What should we do now?" said Maisie voicing the thoughts of the others. "Should we show each other our Halloween costumes?" Suggested Rozi. This was welcomed with cheers. Kia had a witch costume with sparkly stars and a midnight black pointy hat. Maisie had a bat costume and a headband with ghosts decorating it. Rozi, strangely, had not finished his. The two other friends rolled their eyes at each other. "But Halloween's tomorrow!" moaned Kia. "Just got to make a few tweaks!" said Rozi, ignoring her. "It's finished!" he sighed in relief, some time later. "Ta-da!" The two friends gasped as Rozi revealed... a FROG! "But that's not scary!!!" Kia protested. "Yeah!" said Maisie backing Kia up. "It's scary for me!" said Rozi. "You're afraid of frogs?" they said in unison. "Yes!" said Rozi looking surprised. "Didn't you know that?" "No" they shout.

To be continued!

HUMOROUS HEROES THROUGH THE AGES (Inadequately researched by Andrew Truscott)

- **2. Alexander the Great (356 BC to 323 BC)** was king of ancient Macedonia for less than 13 years, but he was one of the world's greatest military generals, creating a vast empire that stretched from Macedonia to Egypt and from Greece to part of India. He is credited with saying "There is nothing impossible to him who will try" and "upon the conduct of each depends the fate of all". Not many people know that Alexander the Great and Winnie the Pooh share the same middle name.
- **3. Hannibal (248 to 182)** was a great military general and political leader of ancient Carthage in North Africa. He is most famous for his victories over the Roman Republic during the Second Punic War, including a daring, surprise march across the Alps, complete with a large army, cavalry and war elephants which everyone agreed had been a mammoth task.
- **4. Julius Caesar** (**100 to 44 B.C.**) was the Roman Emperor who invaded Britain in 55 BC but had to come back a year later because he forgot to bring an army. Although little is known of the first invasion, the second invasion which lasted a only month, was far better documented by both sides. Welsh oral tradition suggests he couldn't get away fast enough after watching the British rock band Stonehenge and the Druids singing their platinum album title track "Keep Right on to the end of the Woad".

FILM RUNDOWN by James Learoyd

Hello all! As always, here's my rundown of some of the latest releases.

Mickey 17 is a bold, ambitious science-fiction dark-comedy from Oscar-winning South Korean writer-director Bong Joon Ho. I'm a huge fan of this filmmaker, and if you've seen any of his work, it's probably the Best Picture-winning *Parasite*. This movie about an expendable, government-owned clone who keeps getting killed, had a great deal to live up to. It is not one of his better films by any means, and people are disappointed by that. It is, nevertheless, incredibly entertaining, prescient, and well-acted. Hopefully, one day, it will get the recognition it deserves. (Unfortunately, now only showing at more conglomerate cinemas, but keep an eye out for when it's released on streaming.)

Black Bag, on the other hand, may very well be my favourite release from prolific director Steven Soderbergh – and that's saying a hell of a lot for one of my top filmmakers, who has often made two or more movies per year. I don't wish to give too much away, but this stylish masterpiece takes the structure of *Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy* and uses the template to tell a twisty story of a marriage between two MI5 agents – played incredibly by Cate Blanchett and Michael Fassbender. My friends and I left the cinema giddy. (Available to buy or rent from April 14th.)

Death of a Unicorn is not a film I would recommend, for it is unpleasant and poorly made.

Flow recently won the Academy Award for Best Animated Feature. This fascinating story of a black cat having to traverse a flood-affected environment is such a unique animation due to its complete lack of dialogue and human presence. Filled with religious imagery, environmental messaging and a genuinely reflective, mellow ending. This isn't your standard kids' movie, although they're sure to enjoy it as well. The filmmakers opted for a simple, old-fashioned approach to digital design so that they could focus their attention on creating these amazingly complex 'camera' movements. The result is unbelievably immersive. A must-watch for any animation fans in the village. (Playing at The Kinema in the Woods and Louth Playhouse Cinema – although expected to exit cinemas soon.)

In other local cinema news, *Babe* is about to have its 30th anniversary and thus will be screening at both The Kinema in the Woods and Louth Playhouse Cinema. While it's not a film I've watched for many years, it looms positively in my mind. This is a great time for a rewatch. Also, a little-known fact is that one of my favourite filmmakers, George Miller – the man behind every *Mad Max* movie; most recently *Furiosa* which I discussed – in fact wrote the film and went on to direct its sequel, *Babe: Pig in the City*.

As always, thank you so much for reading! -- James Learoyd, Laurel Cottage

THE NAME IS GREY by Anonymous

"Cloak and dagger man?" asked Clunch.

"My name is Grey, Parma Grey," I replied, "like a mouse's back, and I have a cloak, incarnadine in hue, but, alas, no dagger."

He gave that queer, lopsided grin of his. "Ah, Mr Grey, immortalised throughout our fair islands. Do come in."

I followed Clunch into a blue pavilion. The Ministry of Covert Warfare's idea of keeping a low profile. "Hardly immortalized, I'm supposed to be a secret agent!"

Clunch gave a throat-clearing splutter as he pressed a lift button. "Ah, but immortalized amongst we secret people, the cognoscenti of the garotte and poisoned umbrella!"

I tried to suppress a smug smile as the lift proceeded downwards.

The door opened onto a long corridor and we entered the first room on our left, where I was to be given a briefing on my mission. A huge bald man sat in a huge chair behind a huge desk. His name, appropriately, was Hugo. Hugo Mann.

"Mr Clunch, please bring Mr Grey the latest assortment of, er, gadgets."

Things had moved on since the days of Aston Martin ejector seats and boats that could take off and fly. Now it was all microelectronics, miniature cameras and bio-weapons. But there was still time for what I called 'fun things.' Umbrellas that could blow a hole in someone and phones that could burn people's hands off.

So, I was shown a range of new gadgets, amongst which I rather took a fancy to a laser pen. Innocuous-looking but with enough power to fry an enemy's eyeballs. "Be sure to keep the safety catch in the 'on' position," exhorted Clunch. Then there was what appeared to be an ammonite, an ancient fossil in two halves, but which had been impregnated with a special kind of plutonium. "Quite harmless," said Clunch, "but put the two halves together for sixty seconds and ... well, you'll need a fast car to get out of range!"

"You mean ...?"

"Yes."

Finally, clutching a briefcase with enough firepower to start - and finish - a small war, I found myself seated and facing the enormous Mr Mann again. Surely there was some diet he could go on, I thought.

"No there isn't," he said, as if having read my mind. "It's a genetic thing."

Genetic thing my arse. I'd bet he liked his doughnuts soaked in double cream.

He laughed. "And brandy. Well, Parma," he said, jabbing a finger in my direction, "your mission is to wipe out the Taliban."

"With pleasure," I exclaimed, "the uneducated swine!"

"You'll be parachuting into Kabul tomorrow morning."

"Couldn't I just go by passenger plane, y'know, incognito?"

Mr Hugo Mann's expansive pink face took on a shiny, sweaty hue. "Hmm. That'd mean getting you a ticket."

"Blimey. Surely the Ministry could manage that!"

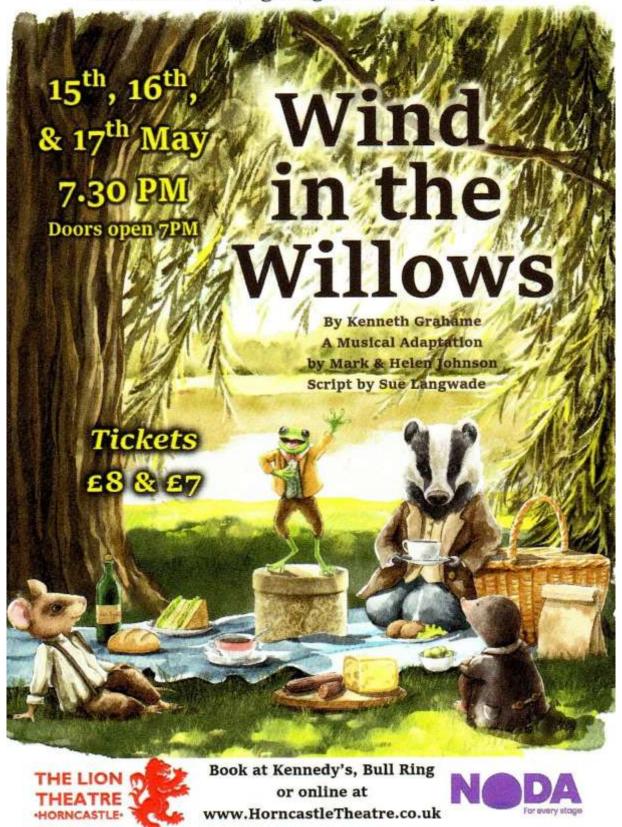
"Well, er, I suppose so, if you really don't want to parachute."

"Um, I'd rather not," I said. "You know, there are a lot of insects floating around up above the desert. I don't fancy a mouthful of flying earwig."

He stood up, with difficulty, and reached out a huge sweaty paw. "Good luck, Parma, the country, and indeed the world, is depending on you!"

I shook his hand and surreptitiously wiped the grease off on a handkerchief. "Lead on, Mr Clunch," I cried, "Afghanistan here I come!"

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Jointly Present

CARDINA BURAINA

10th May, 7pm, St James' Church, Louth



CHILDREN'S SECTION

Answers to the March Quiz

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THE APRIL QUIZ – here are some more clues all about numbers. These are all well-known phrases or sayings, but the numbers are missing. Some of these are harder than last month!

- 1. (...), (...), (...), and through and through, the vorpal blade went *snickersnack*
- 2. (...), (...), buckle my shoe, (...), (...), knock at the
- 3. (...) for sorrow, (...) for joy. (...) for a girl, (...) for a boy
- 4. What is the value of Pi to two decimal places?
- 5. (...) Sunset Strip
- 6. Two fat ladies in Bingo
- 7. An American quarter dollar coin is worth (...) cents
- 8. A cockney 'pony' is worth £(...)
- 9. What number is a 'score'?
- 10. In cricket how many runs are scored if the ball doesn't touch the ground before crossing the 'boundary'?
- 11. In tennis, what score does 'deuce' mean? "(...) all"
- 12. On the seventh day of Christmas my true love sent to me, (...) swans a-swimming
- 13. A 'bullseye' in darts scores (...)
- 14. Water freezes at (...) degrees centigrade
- 15. The Great Fire of London was in the year (...)
- 16. In miles, approximately how far is the sun from the earth (to the nearest million)
- 17. How many King Charles of England have there been?
- 18. In a bowling alley, there are (...) pins in each lane
- 19. There are (...) colours in a rainbow
- 20. A farmer has 19 sheep on his land. One day, a big storm hits and all but seven run away. How many sheep does the farmer have left?

JOKES

A man went into a pizza parlour to order – guess what?- a pizza! The assistant asks him if he'd like it cut into six pieces or twelve. "Make it six," says the man, "I could never eat twelve!"

A man orders a steak in a restaurant but notices that the waiter bringing it to his table is pressing the steak to the plate with his thumb. "That's very unhygienic," complains the man." "It'll be more unhygienic if I drop it again," replies the waiter.

My doctor told me I should avoid any unnecessary excitement. So I started supporting Arsenal.

TETFORD & SALMONBY PARISH COUNCIL by the Editor

The Parish Council for Tetford and Salmonby consists of up to seven local elected members plus the Parish Clerk, who usually meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Hamilton Hall, Tetford at 7.30pm. Members of the public are welcome. Meeting agendas and official minutes are published on the Parish Council website: https://tetford.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk or specifically https://tetford.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/downloads/download/34/minutes-2024---2025 and on the Parish Council noticeboard outside the Hamilton Hall (take your reading specs and possibly a ladder). Parish Clerk Pauline Murray email: tetfordandsalmonbyparishclerk@outlook.com Your Parish Councillors are:

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS - Current, Future and Possible Newbuild Sites

For planning applications please see: https://publicaccess.e-lindsey.gov.uk/online-applications/ Recent activity in **BOLD**

Site Identity	Planning Ref	Original Submission Date	No. of Dwellings	Current Status	Notes
Bluebell Woods	S/177/01795/17	Oct 2017	11/12	11 Approved 1 not applied for	In progress North Road
Land Behind Mercia House	S/177/01913/19	Oct 2019	8	Approved	In progress South Road
Manor Farm	S/177/02206/20	Dec 2020	6	Approved	4 Building plots for sale, East Road
Manor Farm	S/177/01352/24	Sept 2024	2	Approved 20.1.2025	Pair of semis East Road
Manor Farm	S/177/01862/24	6 Dec 2024	1	Registered	Dwelling & vehicular access, East Road
Cross Keys Site	S/177/00644/23	April 2023	2?	Approved	1 built, 1 status unknown. Salmonby Rd.
Aura Soma	S/177/01273/17	July 2017	35	Withdrawn Oct 2017	A 'sleeper'? South Road
Aura Soma	S/177/01465/24	Sept 2024	9	Approved 9.12.2024	South Road
Land South of Upper Garth	S/177/01047/16	May 2016	7	Refused on Appeal	A 'sleeper' Salmonby Road
Land Adjacent to Arden	S/177/01443/24	Sept 2023	1	Approved 8.11.2024	North Road, between Wood Farm and 'Arden'
Ashwood House	S/177/02149/20	Nov 2020	1	Approved	In progress, Little London
Whitegate House	S/177/00695/22	April 2022	1	Approved	In progress, Tetford Hill
Field View	S/177/01739/24	11 Nov 2024	1	Approved 31.12.2024	Salmonby Road

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 19th 2025 (Editor's Notes)

Five of six councillors present. Seven members of the public (MoPs). District Councillor Simpson and County Councillor Marfleet present.

MoP Time

"Is the idea of a 'Pop-Up Pub' likely to be resurrected?" No, came the answer, 'it's a
dead duck.'

COUNCIL

• Bus Shelter. Minor progress made.

Highways.

- 1. Cllr Marfleet was asked about the Salmonby Bends (flooding, potholes) and West Road (flooding) but gave no positive answers.
- 2. Mill Road stream footpath has been 'repaired' but no Council funds to do more.
- 3. Brook Cottage footbridge half repaired but still closed and not safe to use.
- 4. The PC resolved to book a road sweeper from the ELDC
- 5. There is an issue with a badly damaged verge in South Road (where the fish&chip sign is). Who will repair it?

District Councillor Simpson reported that:

- 1. The Local Plan no progress
- 2. Grants are available from the 'Lincs Community Foundation' up to £4000 per annum for small projects.
- 3. Food waste bins per household have been ordered by the ELDC. The scheme is mandatory.
- Planning. Clay Lane field. Application has been made "change of use of field to paddock and proposed ménage, the erection of stables and hay barn with the construction of vehicular access." Conditions sought by the Parish Council viz. private use only, not commercial; no dwellings to be developed; no external lights, low lighting in stables. An application to convert the footpath to a bridleway is expected.
- VE Day Anniversary. A rather inconclusive discussion took place about what the
 format should be, what date, whether to have an outside bar (White Hart), whether
 to put fliers out and that the idea of involving the Rec committee had failed. A subcommittee may be formed.
- It is hoped to plant some flowering cherry trees on the edges of the Rec.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 9th 2025 (Editor's Notes)

Five of six councillors present. Eight members of the public (MoPs). District Councillor Simpson present.

MoP Time No issues raised by members of the public.

COUNCIL

- **VE Day Celebration.** It was resolved that this would take the form of an afternoon tea (party). Profit would be in aid of the village hall. There would be a donations box and a raffle. A poster was required and publicity compiled to be included in *The Times of Tetford & Salmonby*. Volunteers would be needed to help with putting on the event.
- Bus Shelter. A grant has been applied for.
- Highways. Brook Cottage footbridge is still closed.
- District Councillor Simpson maintained that in the shake-up of Lincolnshire councils
 the District Council would be dissolved but the County Council would remain. This
 seems to be borne out by the fact that both he and Cllr Marfleet are running for
 County Council in the May elections.
- The annual Spring Litter Pick will take place on Sunday 27th April (see poster).

P.S. On another subject, we (*TTOTAS*) were asked by one resident how come the Parish Council's precept, as part of Council Tax, had risen this year by 18%, when all the other parts of Council Tax have risen by just 4 or 5%? OK, it's still just £49 but what major project(s) are we planning?

And just as a matter of interest, why are our water rates so high (around £100 per month) when some other water companies' rates are around £30 per month?

The next Parish Council meeting which will include the AGM will be on Wednesday 14th May 2025 at 7.30 in the Hamilton Hall.

The Annual Parish (Residents' Meeting), usually held in May but date to be arranged, the Parish Council presents its annual report. All Groups and Institutions in the two villages are invited to present their activities and achievements over the last year, as a way of communicating their contribution to village life and to encourage participation by the community in their activities and aspirations. All residents should attend!

The Spring Litter Pick

will take place on Sunday April 27th. All volunteers meet in the car park behind the village hall between 10.15 and 10.30am.

If you can't make that date and/or want to be involved during the days before, please let <u>Trevor Cawthorne</u> know so he can get equipment to you:

tcawthornemeridian@gmail.com or Tel. 07903 643628

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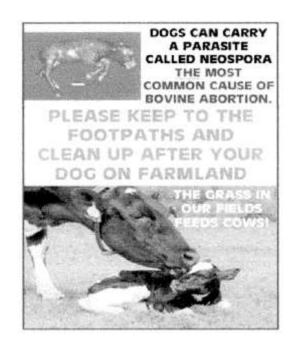
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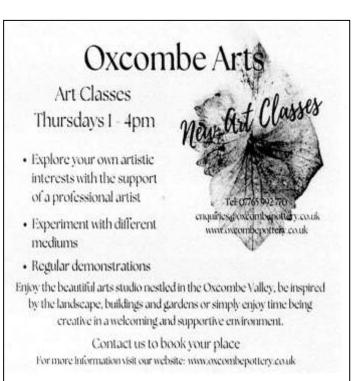
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The Edward Richardson Educational Foundation.....provides grants to young people who live within the villages of Tetford and Salmonby to help with educational expenses and exists to give small grants to those students going on to Higher or Further Education, typically £200-£300. This is advertised on the Parish Council website and on Facebook. This can include text books, course fees, help with computer expenses, tools and clothing for apprenticeships and educational trips. The trustees meet about 3 times per year.

Applicants must be under 26 years of age. Application forms are available from the clerk to the trust at ppurves@aol.com or Marlene Renshaw 07795 662007.

TETFORD & SALMONBY CONTACTS

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, ,	Marlene Renshaw	07795 662007
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Horncastle Theatre Company	https://www.horncastletheatre.co.uk/	101
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