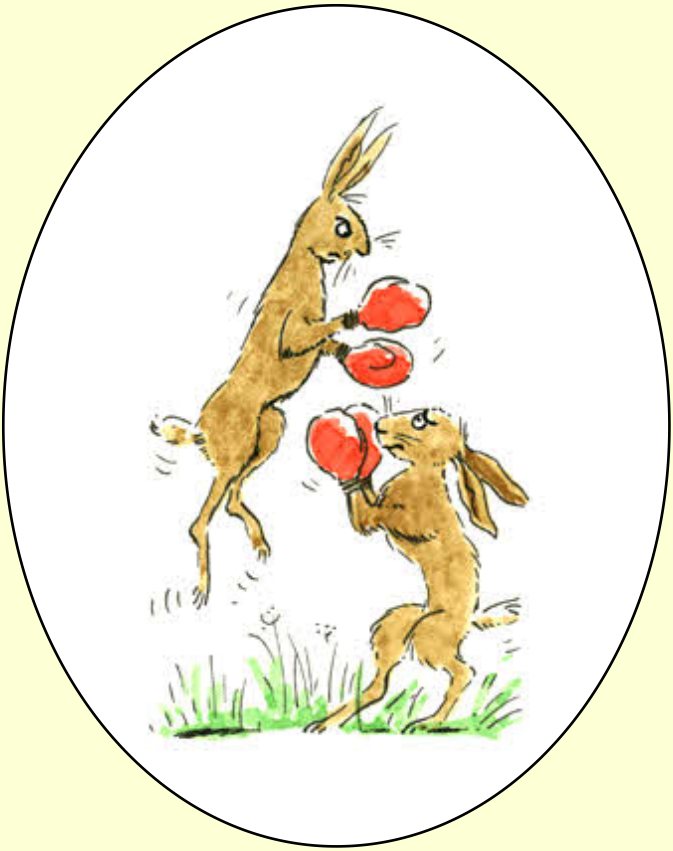
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VILLAGE	STOP	DAY / DATE	TIME
Hackthorn	Near School	Monday 9th March	09.45 - 10.15
Spridlington	Bus Shelter		10.30 - 11.00
Normanby	Council Houses		11.15 11.45

DONATIONS & POTS

Normanby PO £14.91

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Please Note. Due to change of Editor!!!
Deadline for April Signpost

Friday 13th March 6.00 p.m.

RECTOR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

SIGNPOST

After many years service, first of all as sub-editor and then for the last six years as editor, Colin Rainer has decided that it is time to retire.

We all owe Colin an immense debt of gratitude for the hours, the care and the enthusiasm he has brought to this task. It is due to Colin that Signpost has grown into the attractive magazine that it now is, and the success it has become for the residents of all our villages. So it is time to think about the future. There is absolutely no sign of a volunteer to take over Colin's role. The task requires considerable and specific skills, as well as many hours.

The Signpost Management Committee has therefore asked Steve Harvey, who is webmaster for our website www.owmbygroup.co.uk to take over as editor. Steve will be doing this on a professional, i.e. paid, basis. Signpost is already a small (but perfectly formed) business with a turnover of about £5,000 per annum. Depending on the number of pages each issue, it costs between £300 and £400 each month to print 770 copies of our magazine. Now, it is going commercial. We are replacing a volunteer editor with a paid one.

Steve takes over as editor with effect from the April issue (closing date for copy 15th March). Steve can be contacted at steve@owmbygroup.co.uk. For a few months Colin will still act as sub-editor, & Jeannie Fortnum continues as treasurer.

Most of our income comes through advertising. We also rely on voluntary donations from local organisations which use Signpost, and from individuals. From now on, however, we must ask every contributor, whether a church, a parish council, a local club or other organisation, or individual, to make a contribution towards costs with their entry. There can be no exception to this. Jeannie will continue to be the clearing house through which payments for advertising and donations for other contributions can be made. Organisations within the area will receive a letter asking for a specific donation, depending on their likely input into the magazine.

Signpost Management Committee is sorry that we cannot continue to provide the magazine as a purely voluntary arrangement. We still rely on volunteers for distribution and delivery, and Signpost will continue to be delivered free to every house in the villages of the Owmby Group of Parishes. Copies posted to addresses outside the villages will be charged at £10 per annum, or £1 each.

If you wish to respond to any of the issues in this letter, please contact me in the first instance.

Signpost has long been a boon and a blessing within our communities. Long may it continue to be so.

Yours ever,

Peter Godden

SERVICES

Ownby Group of Parishes - March 09

	Time	Service	Place	By
Sunday March 1	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Glentham	JD
Lent 1	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Spridlington	JT
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Owmby	PG
Thursday March 5	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Owmby	PG
Sunday March 8	8.30 am	Holy Communion	Spridlington	PG
Lent 2	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Hackthorn	PG
	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Saxby	PG
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Glentham	PG
Thursday March 12	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Spridlington	JD
Saturday March 14	1.30 pm	Wedding	Hackthorn	PG
Sunday March 15	8.30 am	Holy Communion	Glentham	MC
Lent 3	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Owmby	JD
	11.00 am	Morning Service with Baptism	Hackthorn	PG
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Spridlington	PG
Thursday March 19	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Glentham	MC
Sunday March 22	8.30 am	Holy Communion	Hackthorn	PG
Mothering Sunday	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Saxby	PG
	11.00 am	Family Service	Owmby	PG
Thursday March 26	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Hackthorn	MC
Saturday March 28	1.00 pm	Wedding	Owmby	PG
	6.00 pm	Family Communion	Spridlington	JD
Sunday March 29 Lent 5	10.00 am	Group Communion	Spridlington	JD

OWMBY GROUP OF PARISHES

A CHEESE & SAVOURIES WINE EVENING

Saturday 18th April 7.00 pm
Hackthorn Village Hall

Tickets to include refreshments and first glass of wine £5
Proceeds to STRUT and St. Andrew's Children's Hospice Grimsby
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RAFFLE

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Women's World Day of Prayer

Interdenominational Service

Friday 6th March – 7:00pm

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Organised by Glentham Methodist Church

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1st	Morning Service 9:30 am	Mrs Jane Lloyd
8th	Evening Service 6:00 pm	Rev Marty Presdee
15th	Morning Service 9:30 am	Rev Andrew Lomax
22nd	Messy Church for Mother's Day	10:45 am
29th	Morning Service 9:30 am	Rev Marty Presdee



Glentham Chapel

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Sunday 22nd March

10:45 am

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FROM THE EDITOR

Time to Go

This will be my last edition as editor of Signpost . It is with a tinge of sadness and considerable regret that I have decided that it is time I handed over the job to a professional who will hopefully bring a fresh approach to the magazine.

Signpost has gone from strength to strength since the first issue, seventeen years ago, when it was edited by Revd. Ivan Howett, the Rector of the Owmby Group of Parishes at the time.

I will be staying on as Sub-editor for a while until the new editor, Steve Harvey (steve@owmbygroup.co.uk) is fully up to speed.

Thank you to those people who have pointed out my errors over the years; I wish there had been equal offers of help when it was asked for in the magazine!

Thank you to all our advertisers, without whom Signpost would not exist. I have enjoyed making up some of the adverts and hope that I might still be able to help a bit in the future.

Last but not least, thank you to the Signpost team, Peter, Diana, Judith, & Jeannie and Terry & Merv for collecting and distributing Signpost.

I will miss putting the Signpost together very much but all good things come to an end

Colin Rainer

FROM THE REGISTERS



Funerals

at Glentham on 22nd January, followed by cremation

Leslie Clark, aged 77

MESSAGE FROM OUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Dear residents,

Looking out on the winter wonderland, will bring back a few memories of how wintersA always seemed to be!

However, bright cold days are better than the dreary, fog laden rain, that seems to have been the previous offerings of Mr Hudson.

The County council have voted through a 1.75% rise in council tax, sorry it has to be anything at all in these straightened times, however it will be among the lowest in England and will deliver services at roughly three quarters of the price of neighbouring authorities.

During January, the County council, hosted, a number of primary school councils to see what democracy was about, Normanby school council-aged 6-11, came for a day at the council chamber,and as the local councillor, I and several officers enjoyed listening to a debate on traffic calming outside their school, the young people, were a credit to all concerned and asked me to get the governors, road safety partnership and parish to provide traffic calming measures. I look forward to the various bodies including the County council to get the ball rolling!- which it will with the whole hearted support from everyone concerned. We also explained how the council worked, and had a buffet lunch-everything was eaten!, and I am sure they enjoyed the visit we

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certainly enjoyed their input, posters and written suggestions-all very professional and well done to the teachers!
Glentham has been successful in raising the lottery funding, for new play equipment, and look forward to a pair of flashers in the the village.- sorry reactive signs !
The heavy rain over the last two years, twice as much as usual, has damaged the road foundations in places causing far more pot holes, however we have ten new two (people)! teams out and about to repair those pesky pot holes
-please ring 0152255222 to report any you come upon.
Best wishes.
Lewis Strange
County councillor for Ancholme cliff div-LCC

NORMANBY & OWMBY

RAINBOW FELLOWSHIP

Doram, Chapel Lane, Normanby

Monday 2nd March 2009 2pm

Subject: The Heroine of the Suffragette Movement led by Mrs. Liz Harris.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME





Whist Drive Results
4TH February 2009

1st Lady	Lois Green	**1st Gent**	Eric Lee
2nd Lady	Shirley James	**2nd Gent**	Brian Jois
Low Score	Rita Cottingham Ken Green	**Near Score**	Tina Harrison Richard Harrison
Miniature	Tina Harrison Richard Harrison	**Raffle**	Brian Jois Richard Harrison

*Anyone wishing to join us at the next Whist Drive, it will be held at the home of **Lois and Ken Green, Normanby 4th March 2009 7.30pm** We are always pleased to see new faces, and it is always a very light hearted evening.*

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REPORT FROM GLENTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

At the meeting held on 22nd January the following items were raised from the adjournment period:
Mr Batty, Parish Champion, reported that he and others had removed the old tree stakes and had planted two new trees. He was thanked by the Chairman.

The Chairman introduced Mr Steve Leary, Recycling Officer, WLDC. Mr Leary spoke about the need for recycling and about the consultation being undertaken with regard to providing a three bin system. This system would mean a green bin for every household but the black bin would only be emptied fortnightly. Those with large families or special needs would be provided with a larger bin. Mr Leary was thanked by the Chairman.

Apologies were received from the police but they had provided a report which showed that there was no crime to report in the Glentham area.

The Council have received a Lottery Grant and also a grant from LCC and WLDC for the new equipment for the playpark. Work will start immediately and it is anticipated that the work should be completed in February. An Open Day is to be arranged for March.

Cllr Fox reported that the Parish Plan was nearly finished and would be presented to the Council in the spring.

Cllr D Wiseman brought the council's attention to the new tables (bought) and chairs (donated) in the Village Hall. It was agreed that these are much better than the old ones and make the Village Hall more attractive for users.

Quotes for the Village Hall potholes, Noticeboard area on High Street and Grounds Maintenance for 2009 are being awaited.

The March meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday 12th March in The Village Hall at 7.30pm.

A full set of draft minutes are on the noticeboards.

Diane Millward - Clerk

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Glentham Village Hall

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Monday 9th March 2.00 p.m.

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Andrew Sankey gave a very informative and entertaining talk, illustrated by cartoons, on the history of garden features in Britain from Roman topiary to Victorian gnomes. It was a shame that only a few people attended.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th March at 7.30 pm in Glentham Village Hall. Steven Lovell will give a talk on wildlife gardens called 'Our Friends Outside'. Free entry including refreshments.

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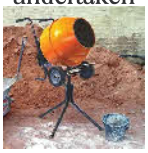
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ST PETER'S GUILD

Again a very pleasant coffee morning was held at the home of Michael and Bernardette Chapaman in Caenby. The proceeds from the very lively raffle and bring and buy go to assisting in the maintenance of the Church in Glentham. New friends are always welcome.

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The first week of March will see village walks and children working to brighten up the community by donating planters which they will have planted up themselves. There will be visits from people to show what activities are available in local organisations and clubs, and throughout the week the children are going to be monitoring their daily step count using pedometers.

Healthy eating will be encouraged, and the children are going to be challenged to bring foods of different colours in their lunchboxes, or multi-coloured fruit snacks for morning break time.

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Key Individual Group E mail – We now have 55 members who have started to get updates from me by e-mail. For example the above was sent out today as I write this. If you wish to become part of the group please let me know your e-mail address.

Welton & Dunholme Police Community Meeting. By now the meeting will have been held at the Black Bull. Future dates will be advertised in poster form, via the above KIN group e-mail & the Lincs; Police Web site, under "Neighbourhood Policing". As I have mentioned before I am looking at setting up other local groups, more relevant to their immediate area than the whole of my beat (82 sq miles). The three village clusters I am looking at are –

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I will be approaching individual people who I know have expressed an interest, but I would ask that anyone who would like to become involved to let me know.

Crime prevention talks. If your group or organisation would like one of us to pop along and give crime prevention talk in 2009, please contact me at Welton Police office.

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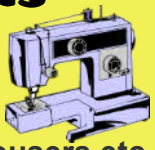
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WELTON HEALTH CENTRE NEWSLETTER

Apologies for not including a thank you to everyone for cards, gifts etc received during the Christmas period for the surgery staff – we all appreciated them greatly and have just about eaten our way through the chocolate mountain !

We now have our new Surgerypod machine installed in the waiting room and would like to encourage as many patients as possible to utilise this. It can take blood pressure readings, weight measurement and also record very useful information direct into the patients medical records, which should also save consultation time and improve care. Please ask at reception if you have any difficulties.

The new chiropody service will commence in the surgery from week commencing 9th March with appointments available weekly on Friday afternoons and one Tuesday afternoon per month. Further details available from Reception.

Could we please ask patients not to post emails which contain confidential patient material via our website – e.g. request for house calls, results etc. as we cannot guarantee when these will be picked up and this could cause some potential problems.

We are noticing an increase in calls during the morning for results of tests etc. It would be helpful if patients could wait until the afternoon to request these thus allowing the clinicians time to view and comment upon them where necessary, and will also free up the phone system for those wishing to make appointments.

During January we had 34 patients who made then failed to attend appointments in surgery and 22 reports from the hospital for non-attenders.

Some of the surgery staff are planning to take up the challenge of the Lincoln 10k run to be held at the end of March and have agreed that 'Matt's Fund' will be their chosen charity to support. Sponsor forms will be available at the reception desk and any donations would be gratefully received.

Sallie Stead

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH / POLICE WATCHLINE

The BBC is holding the ANTIQUES ROADSHOW in Lincoln Cathedral on Thursday 19th. March and is advertising for items for the programme. If there are large items the BBC is offering to collect but they **do not do any cold calling.**

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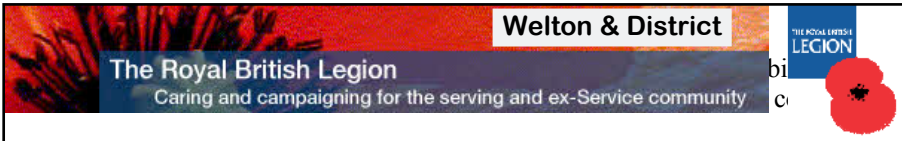
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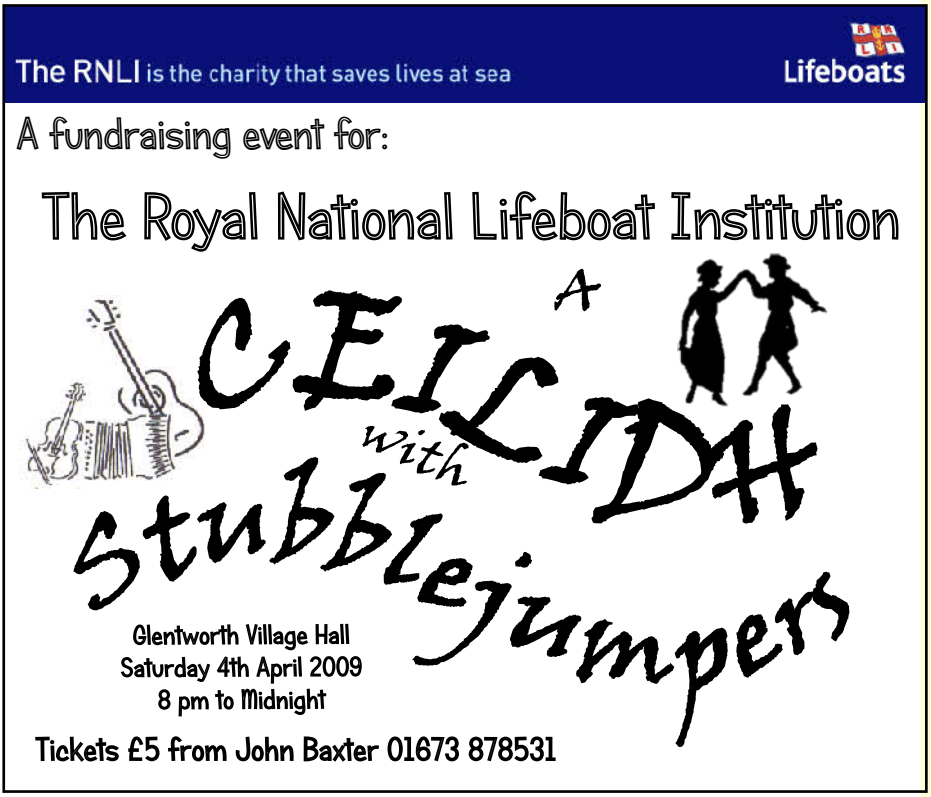


The Branch's first meeting at 'The Falconer' in February was well attended, despite the unwelcome arrival of snow during the day. Members enjoyed the new venue, with several taking the opportunity to have a meal before the meeting, and some staying afterwards for a drink and a chat.

Membership is gradually increasing, and a number of ideas were discussed with a view to widening the Branch's activities. All of these suggestions are being looked into, but any new ideas are always welcome.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, 12th March 2009 at 'The Falconer', starting at 7pm, and we look forward to seeing as many members as possible.

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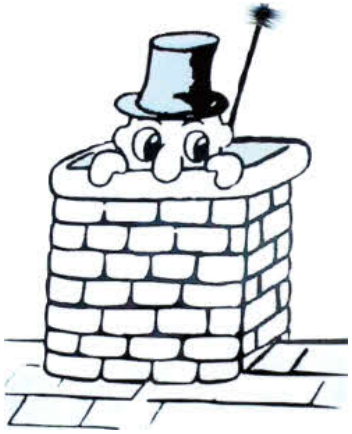
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Day/ Date		Time	Function	Venue
Mon	2	2.00 pm	Rainbow Fellowship	Normanby
Tue	3	7.30 pm	Tapestry Group	Trap House Glentham
Wed	4	7.30 pm	Whist Drive	Normanby
Thur	5	10.00 am	Coffee Morning	Glentham VH
Thur	5	10.30 am	Coffee Morning	Graber House NbyS
Fri	6	7.00 pm	Women's World Day of Prayer	Glentham Chapel
Sat	7	9.00 am	Men's Breakfast	Crown Inn
Mon	9	2.00 pm	55+ Club	Glentham VH
Tue	10	7.30 pm	Garden Club	Glentham VH
Thur	12	10.00 am	Coffee Morning	Glentham VH
Thur	12	7.30 pm	Glentham Parish Council	Glentham VH
Fri	13	8.30 pm	Hackthorn Social Club AGM	Hackthorn VH
			Deadline for April Signpost Friday 13th March 6.00 p.m.	
Tue	17	10.30 am	St Peter's Guild Coffee Morning	Trap House Glentham
Wed	18	10.30 am	Coffee Morning	The Ridings Sprid
Thur	19	10.00 am	Coffee Morning	Glentham VH
Fri	20	9.00 pm	Quiz Night	Hackthorn VH
Sun	22	2.00 pm	Afternoon Tea	Glentham VH
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