



PARISH NEWS

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2015

MIDDLETON, NORTH RUNCTON & EAST WINCH

MIDDLETON CHURCH NEEDS FRIENDS

Our church buildings are signs of our Christian heritage - the oldest building still in use in every parish in the land. The visitors' books show evidence of the interest of people from all over the world, whose ancestors were baptised, married, and buried here.

Now we need help with maintenance. The last report from the architect, in July 2014, told us of urgent roof repairs needed. We had applied for help from the Government, like many other churches, through the Listed Places of Worship scheme, which they set up last December, but we were unsuccessful. We had applied to many other charities, which offer help for church buildings, but Norfolk Churches Trust are the only people who have offered to help. They will give us £8,000, which is very generous but is barely a tenth of the money needed.

Middleton church needs friends to help with fundraising. Are there any people in Middleton and surrounding villages who could organise interesting and fun events to raise the cash needed for our church roof?

If so, please get in touch with Churchwardens, either Edward Boon (01553 840320), or Mrs Joan Van Dyke (01553 840716).

Gleaming Success at West Norfolk Village Games!

Well done and thank you so much to all those who represented our G.L.E.A.M. villages in the West Norfolk Village Games held at Lynnsport in June this year (that is Gayton, Leziat, East Winch, Ashwick & Middleton).

We finished in joint 2nd place with 39 points (tied with Feltwell), which was just behind Terrington St Clement who had 41 points.

It was a great day out for us all, and particular congratulations must go to the juniors in our team (pictured below) who won Badminton, Archery and the Gladiator Challenge.



We ended the day with a celebratory get-together at the Crown in Gayton.

Thank you again to Sibelco, who very kindly paid once more for our team T-shirts.

Sarah Byatt
villagegames@hotmail.co.uk

IS ANYONE ELSE IN MIDDLETON MARKING HEDGEHOGS?

By Pat Lorber

As previously written, I have been conducting a population study of hedgehogs in a small garden in Middleton since 2010 as a retirement project (once a biological recorder, always a biological recorder). This involves marking them individually with non-toxic artist's acrylic paint so that I know who is who, and how many visitors I get.

The latest, very large one, No. 109, was picked up at the food dishes on 9th August and whilst being gently tipped into the weighing bowl (over a kilo – 1042g!) it curled up and I noticed that it had previously been marked underneath either side of its tail with blue paint. I have never used blue and do not mark the animals in this way, nor do the friends in Hill Road who also feed and identify their visiting hedgehogs. Is anyone else in Middleton identifying hedgehogs? If so, please feel free to contact me at hedgehogsmiddleton@gmail.com.

Numbers have been very low this year, reflecting the critical drop in population which has put them on the Endangered Species List. Between crop spraying and traffic, the hedgehog life strategy is not effective in the

modern world. It is quite possible that they will become extinct in our lifetime which would be very sad indeed, and unless humans pay more attention to maintaining biodiversity and intricate life webs, the world will be a much worse place and eventually our own species will be threatened. If we spray the fields with pesticides at the current rate, for example, we will continue losing our pollinating bees, threatening crops and fruit.

We can all help hedgehogs by putting out a plate of food at night. I know we have a severe cat problem in Middleton, so probably no one will be putting out dog or cat food unless they want to make it worse, but cats don't eat sunflower hearts or banana which gives the hedgehogs a quick meal before they go on catching the pests in our gardens. So please put out a plate at night (never bread and milk) and remember the hedgehogs when strimming under hedges or using slug pellets in the garden.



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ERNEST RYE AND THE CAMPAIGN IN PALESTINE

By Chris Dixon

The First World War is closely associated in many people's minds with the mud of Flanders, but it was in all respects a worldwide conflict.

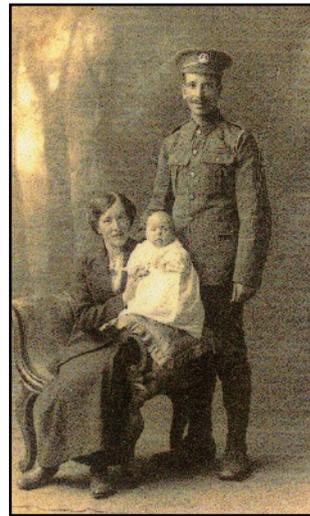
By 1915 there had been fighting beyond Europe in China, East, West, and North Africa, Turkey and Iraq and naval engagements on every ocean.

In early 1917, the British force defending the Suez Canal in Egypt had crossed the northern edge of the Sinai desert, building a railway, a road and laying a water pipe as they went. By April the canal was safe and the Turkish army in Palestine was under threat. After three attempts to capture Gaza, the British pushed the Turks back, capturing Jerusalem in December. With the assistance of Indian, Australian and New Zealand forces, T.E. Lawrence's Arab army on their right and pressure from their compatriots in Mesopotamia, the advance continued until the capture of Damascus, in Syria, forced the Turkish armistice on 31st October 1918.

It was the most successful of all the theatres of the war, brought to an end the 600 year old Ottoman Empire and made Germany's position untenable.

The 5th Battalion of the Norfolk Regiment, after their disaster in Gallipoli, were sent to Egypt to recuperate and were part of the advance into Palestine. During the march towards Gaza, they were joined by a number of reinforcements, including Ernest Rye.

Ernest is the great great uncle of local resident, Claire Legg who lives in Tower End. Claire explains that Ernest Edward Rye was her late grandfather's uncle, after whom he was named. Born in 1888, Ernest was one of the 22 children of John and Mary (Polly) Rye of Tower End. In 1915 he had married Bertha Goodberry from Watlington and they had a son, James, who sadly died in his teenage years. Claire has kindly provided the following photograph of Ernest, Bertha and baby James.



Ernest had worked at Middleton Tower and the sandpits at Leziate and in 1916, he enlisted in the Norfolk Regiment. In early March 1917, he joined the Regiment near the Palestine and Egyptian border, where, on the 26th, he saw his first action in the First Battle of Gaza. This was a failure, but the Norfolks had little

involvement. Preparations went ahead for a bigger effort and on 19th April the Second Battle took place.

At 7.50 am, Ernest's Regiment attacked from a position about five miles south east of Gaza, towards the Turkish trenches in an area later known as Tank Redoubt. They immediately came under artillery and machine gun fire, but continued on. A large number of them took shelter behind the only tank in the operation, which attracted even more fire from all around. Only a small number of the Norfolks reached the redoubt, but they took it and captured about 40 prisoners. Here the tank finally expired, but the attackers clung on, despite continuous bombardment and with the attacks around them having failed.

About 2.00 pm they were ordered to retire to where they had started. 19 out of the 20 officers and 643 other ranks of the Norfolks had become casualties. Ernest Rye was one of these and he died of his wounds two days later on 21st April 1917. He is buried in Deir El Belah Cemetery, Palestine.



Stewart's Marathon - Update

As many of you will be aware from the last Parish News I am running the Dublin Marathon for charity at the end of October.

Firstly, I must thank those of you who have already donated so generously to my good cause - the Kidney Transplant Unit at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge. This is where I donated a kidney to our son Joel in 1999 and where Oliver had his transplant in 2002. I have been overwhelmed by your support. I have had sponsorship from people I know well, from people I know less well and from people who I have never met before in my life. Also, I know that some of you have had your own health issues and yet you have still been so kind as to donate to my cause. The experience has been quite humbling for me. Thank you all most sincerely.

I am still training; my longest run to date is 21 miles, that's from Toftrees (just outside Fakenham) to home at Blackborough End. I have had a few aches and pains but hopefully everything will be alright for the big day. At 67 years of age I can't imagine that I will want to run another marathon (26.2 miles) after this one!

I am over half way towards my target of raising £2,000 but if any readers would still like to sponsor me you can do so by contacting me on **01553 841267** or by cheque made out to **ACT (Kidney Transplant Unit)** and send to me: **Stewart South, Fornside, Setch Road, Blackborough End, King's Lynn, PE32 1SL** or you can make an online donation by visiting My Page at Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust by this link: <http://www.act4addenbrookes.org.uk/supporter/StewartsMarathon>.

Thank you all, *Stewart*



Editor's Note: This photo shows Stewart out training with his personal coach, mentor and wife, Ali. Stewart will be reporting in the next issue on his marathon run. Please sponsor him if you can. Good Luck Stewart!

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, EAST WINCH - BUILDING WORKS NEAR COMPLETION

By Nell Steele

The workmen have finished most of the tower and porch, though the west window and door are still unfinished. The soakaway on the north side of the church was filled in after the old bones excavated had been reburied, with prayers. Spare earth has been distributed round the churchyard, which will therefore look muddy for a while. The west window in the tower has been taken away for cleaning, and the west door has gone for restoration too - rather more than originally expected.

Meanwhile, the electrician, Jason, arrived earlier than expected and has been installing improved heating in the chancel and nave. To protect it while this goes on, the organ has been shrouded in a great plastic hood.

Gift day and special service to celebrate the completion of building works. Sunday, 1st November at 10.00am

The benefice service at East Winch in November will be a special celebration to mark the completion of the considerable works, mainly funded by Heritage Lottery, but also by Norfolk Churches Trust, Adrian Flux and several others. It's also our Gift Day. We hope you will join us for the service and refreshments afterwards to help us make this celebration especially memorable, and to test out our new heaters! See you there!

CONTRIBUTORS NEEDED

Would you like to write a regular column in the Parish News? Any subject likely to be of interest to readers (e.g. travel, cooking, hobbies) would be welcome. If you would like to contribute on a regular or occasional basis, please contact the Editor.

5 - A - TIME - QUIZ (answers on Page 19)

1. What is the new shop between Card Factory and Car phone Warehouse?
2. King's Lynn Bus Station is also called King's Lynn Bus?
3. Cozens Court is part of which building?
4. In which league do King's Lynn Football Club now play?
5. In Broad Street which shop has a sign with 1860 on it?

East Winch Parish Council 10th August

The "September" meeting of the Council took place a month early. Parishioners were notified by a flier delivered with the magazine and several members of the public attended.

Matters Arising included: At last it seems that NCC Highways will do something to improve the state of the right of way from the A47 at West Bilney to Walton Rd. Purchase of the telephone box is in hand. The KLWNBC is responsible for erecting new road signs - in this case at Walton Rd. Later in the month the PC was asked to check with residents whether they objected to having the sign attached to their property. Mr Bland is to repair the Town Close notice board. The seat outside the Village Hall is unusable because of bird droppings. Does anyone have suggestions where it should be moved?

A resident living in Gayton Rd on the bend near the RSPCA complained that a vehicle had skidded into his garden - the eleventh in as many years. Using the flashing sign as a speed indicator, he found that in an hour, half the 70 vehicles which passed were going at nearly 40mph. **Please respect the speed limit. It is not safe to ignore it.**

Keith Harrod reported on the meeting between East Winch and Leziate Parish Councils and Sibelco. Min 40, the field to the northwest of the village, is part of the land identified for excavation over the next seven years to meet government quotas for mineral extraction. Sibelco needs planning permission, before starting work. There is a gap between the houses and the proposed extent of the works, but with a few properties it is as little as 100 metres. The company proposes to approach those house owners separately to come to an agreement if possible. The excavation of the area closest to the houses would be expected to take 4 months. A 2nd meeting is to be held with East Winch PC before a public meeting takes place.

The clerk reported that KLWNBC had thought that they had over 5 years' land earmarked for building, but that a new inspector had applied different criteria and told them that they had

only 19 months' land and must think again. Meanwhile, current regulations are being relaxed.

It was reported that the footpath behind the playing area is overgrown and roots have made the surface uneven. NCC highways to be notified.

There is an increase in dog muck round Town Close and Gayton Rd. **Please clear up your dog's mess. Other people hate it so much.**

Sewage is backing up in some areas. Keith Harrod, as a Parish Councillor, is to get in touch with Anglian Water to put pressure on them to clear up the underlying problem that makes this happen every year.

Next Meeting: Monday 2nd November at 7.30

William Burt Social Club West Winch

The Chase the Ace jackpot currently stands at over £6,000 with 24 cards remaining of which two are Aces. A lucky member recently won over £400 last when her card was drawn.

The list for the Christmas trip to the Thursford Spectacular on the 6th December has now been closed.

The club hosts a monthly charity quiz run and organised by two club members. Teams consist of 4 persons and costs £2.50 per person. A cash prize for the evening winners is given, plus a rollover jackpot. The proceeds go to the Breast Cancer Unit at the QEH.

During the school holidays the club organised a day bus trip to Gt Yarmouth which was well supported by members and their families.

A solo or duo act provides the music for dancing on Saturday nights, however once a month a band is booked to appear at the club. During the interval you have the chance of winning a minimum of £100 for a full house at Bingo as well as cash prizes for one and two lines. The Chase the Ace jackpot is also drawn.

Membership is open to all, for more information see the clubs website or contact the club direct.

EAST WINCH CHRISTMAS FAIR

Christmas crafts? Yummy cakes? Second Hand Stall? Refreshments and fun?

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Harvest Worship at All Saints Church North Runcton on 11th October at 11.15am

We will be decorating the church on **Thursday 8th October at 1.00pm**. If anyone is able to come along to help or maybe donate a bunch of flowers, please ring Lynda 01553 840553.

North Runcton Harvest Supper At the Sports Club on Wednesday 28th October

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Please bring your own drinks.

All food is home cooked so if anyone has any cooking apples that could go into our pies it would be appreciated.

For tickets please phone
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Lynda Fuller 01553 840553

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For more information please contact:
Denise(Organiser) 075 2654 9454 or Janet 01553 841 514

Norfolk Ornithologists' Association (NOA)

The NOA is a Norfolk charity dedicated to the scientific study of birds, and has been running Holme Bird Observatory since 1962. This is the only accredited Bird Observatory in Norfolk. It focuses primarily on bird migration and population dynamics through bird ringing and daily census work, and the information collected acts as an indicator of environmental health locally, nationally and internationally.

We welcome visitors and new members, so please come and see us at Holme Bird Observatory which is situated at the end of Broadwater Road next to Holme Dunes NWT reserve and adjacent to the Norfolk Coast Path between Holme-next-the-Sea and Thornham villages. The Observatory is staffed daily and bird ringing is carried out on a regular basis, weather permitting. If you wish to come and watch please do, although a phone call to the number below would be advisable, to check that ringing is going to take place. There are no refreshments or toilets at the Observatory, but facilities are available at Holme Dunes NWT visitor centre on a seasonal basis. The Great Grey Shrike (pictured right) is one of the birds that can be seen at Holme Bird Observatory in autumn.



The NOA also manages other local reserves where access is free to members and open to non-members for a small donation. These reserves not only attract birds but are also important for plants and invertebrates. Hempton Marsh is on the A1065 just outside Fakenham, and is manned by volunteers. Walsey Hills is on the A149 just east of Cley-next-the-Sea, and has a weekend summer warden and volunteer support midweek. Refreshments and toilets are available year-round at Cley NWT visitor centre, which is nearby.

The NOA also keeps daily records of moths, which are trapped and released at Holme from March through to the autumn, and butterflies and dragonflies are also recorded daily. We hold annual "moth days" at Holme and Hempton when everyone is welcome to come and see the moths caught overnight, and to wonder at the beautiful colours and markings of these fascinating creatures. Although this year's moth days have already taken place, we plan similar events in future years. Admission to these events is free. We also attend Holme Open Gardens each summer where moths are shown and identified, and where the NOA Warden, Sophie Barker, is on hand to speak to visitors about the work of the NOA.

Further details of locations and access can be obtained by telephoning Holme Bird Observatory (01485 525406) or by visiting our website, www.noa.org.uk, which is currently being revised to increase the information about the NOA and its activities.

West Winch Bowls Club

Another successful year came to an end when the last game of the season was played in the Albert Victor league on the 28th of August. The club fielded a team for each of the five leagues. This ensured that every member gets to play competitively. It has been a season of mixed fortunes but overall, all teams fared well in their respective leagues.

Next year, the club would like to field a ladies team, and in consequence is looking for new lady members as well as males for the other leagues. Complete novices are invited to come along and try your hand. Many of us in the bowls club are complete beginners but nevertheless we are given the opportunity to play competitively in the leagues. Other than the Ladies team, ladies play alongside the men in the other leagues. Equality rules OK!

We are fortunate to have a green that is maintained by members to a very high standard along with a modern comfortable pavilion where members and visitors can relax and watch the play.

Dates for your diary. The AGM will be held in the club's pavilion on Monday **12th October** commencing at 7.45 pm. The annual Christmas fund raising bingo will take place on Thursday **26th November** in the West Winch village hall. Eyes down will be at 7.15pm.

Middleton Hall Golf Club will be the venue for the club's **annual dinner**. Timings for this function will be 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Further details, including the date, will be given at the AGM. The 2016 pre season General Meeting will be held on Monday **7th March 2016** in the club's pavilion commencing at 7.45pm. **David Skerritt**

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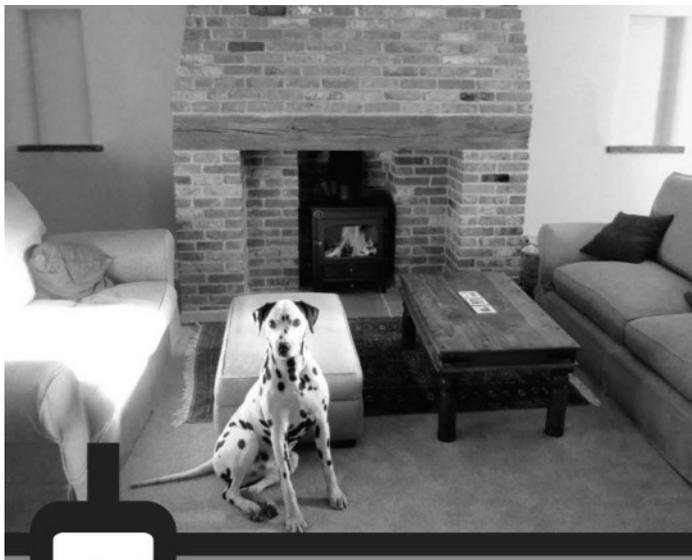
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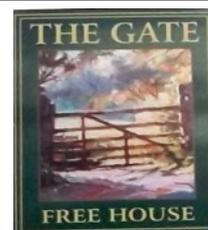
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With Steve Donoclift

Have you ever stopped and wondered 'where did that go'? I don't know about you, but I am thinking, was that it !!? Summer has gone, or has it?

We already notice that the nights are drawing out and getting longer. And undoubtedly the weather is becoming more unsettled - apparently that's down to a 'kinky jet stream'.....interesting, I am sure you will agree.

However, there is still warmth in our sun to ripen all of our fruit, the blackberries are ripening and along with the apples I can't wait to bake a pie. We should (just a suggestion) have a little Autumn competition, who can make the best Autumn apple and blackberry pie or crumble!

I can remember my very first entry at the Qui show near Cambridge. My entry on the cake stall was a chocolate and honey cake. I came third. WOW! I thought 'I am some cake maker'!! So as I paraded around with my third place rosette proud as punch, I was told there were only three entries!! OK, I thought I came last.....

This has been a little different to the normal theme of my article, but I hope you have enjoyed a little reminiscing.

So to all you lovely people of Middleton, East Winch, Blackborough End, North Runcton and Fair Green, get baking. Enjoy with custard, cream or just on its own.

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Admission is just £1 for adults and free for under-12s. Lots of space to park. Find us at the Indoor School, Magpie Centre, home of West Norfolk Riding for the Disabled Association, Wallington Hall, Lynn Road, South Runcton, Kings Lynn, PE33 0EP (on A10, three miles north of Downham Market).

If you have any spare tack or horsey items, why not book a stall and turn them into Christmas cash? Pitches are just £7 each (bring your own table). For enquiries and bookings call 01553 828935.

Sorry – no dogs except guide dogs.

Leziate, Ashwicken & Bawsey Women's Institute

We meet every 3rd Tuesday of the month from 2 - 4.30pm at Leziate Village Hall. At our meetings we have guest speakers who inform & entertain us on a variety of interesting topics & on some afternoons we have games, quizzes & competitions.

20 October - Victorian Lynn with speaker Michael Aldiss

17 November - AGM & evening visit to Caithness Crystal

15 December - Christmas Tea with card & present exchange

Come & enjoy a cuppa with us & then maybe decide if you would like to join our very informal & friendly group for future meetings.

For any further information please call Jan 01553 841514 or Ali 01553 841267.

Nar Valley Ornithological Society (NarVOS)



Indoor meetings at the Barn Theatre, Sacred Heart Convent School, Swaffham. Access and parking from Sporle Road.

Birding in Arizona and Southern California with Allan Hale Tuesday 27th October, 7.30pm

Allan Hale is a founder member of NarVOS and an accomplished speaker. Allan spends much of his time monitoring breeding bird populations in West Norfolk and Breckland. However, he does like to travel abroad from time to time and you can be sure that he will entertain us with his memories of this American trip. A most enjoyable evening to look forward to.

Slugs! with Chris du Feu Tuesday 24th November, 7.30pm

Chris du Feu is a self-confessed slug enthusiast. He hunts, records and preaches about them whenever and wherever he gets the opportunity – even on holiday. Chris, a retired Maths teacher, is an amateur limacologist – meaning he loves slugs. Please come along for Chris's talk – you never know, you might end up becoming a slug fan!

Visitors most welcome at these meetings. Admission £2 on the night if you are not a NarVOS member. For more information about these meetings or NarVOS call Ian Black on 01760 724092.

WILD BIRD FOOD

Wild bird food can be purchased at St. Mary's Church Hall, West Winch, on the second Monday of each month from 9am to 11am. Tea and coffee will be available, so why not stay for a cuppa and a chat?

Would you like to publicise your local event in the Parish News?

If so, please send details by e-mail to: editorofparishnews@gmail.com or by phone on 01553 849725. The deadline for the December/January issue is Friday, 13 November.



MIDDLETON & DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Our October Trafalgar Day Evening Buffet will be on the **21st October** at the William Burt Centre, West Winch, 6.30 pm for 7 pm. Please book tickets for this by contacting Lilian Fisher 01553 841852 or Email: lilianfisher@talktalk.net.

For those of you that have never attended one of our buffets please come and enjoy an evening with us, all are welcome. Not only do we provide you with a full buffet but also wine and or soft drinks are all included in the ticket price of just £6.

On **6th November** we have our Remembrance Day Dinner at Middleton Hall Golf Club at 6.30 pm. Tickets are £19.50 available, together with a menu, from Lilian Fisher (contact details above). These need to be booked by the 19th October with a £5 deposit.

The Remembrance Day service will be at West Winch Church on the **8th November** at 10.45 am.

Our 2015 Agenda /Events list is now live on www.britishlegion-middleton.co.uk.

Julian Kirk, Chairman

Lunch Club usually meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at Middleton Hall Golf Club at 12 for 12.30pm. For further details contact Olive Turpin 840623.

Lonely? Housebound? New to the village?

We are a group of people from St. Mary's Church Middleton who are willing to offer company and support. If you would like one of us to visit you, please contact Joan Van Dyke on 840716. If you live in North Runcton, please phone Wendy Galley on 840344 and somebody from West Winch Church will visit you.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB



If you are 50+ you will be most welcome to join in the activities of the Friendship Club, which meets on the first Wednesday of the month at Middleton Village Hall. **New members very welcome.**

7 October: Gifts & Jewellery, plus Bring & Buy
4 November: Xmas shopping at Springfields and Baytree Garden Centre, Spalding
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CARPET BOWLS



Carpet Bowls has a growing following in Middleton and the sessions are open to players from North Runcton as well. Join us at the Village Hall on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. Please wear soft flat shoes. More details from Club Secretary, Peter Wall on 840471.

Middleton Badminton Club

Play badminton most Monday evenings (not Bank Holidays) at the Village Hall from 7pm to 9pm. The club is friendly and always welcomes new members. Contact Nigel Gray (01553 841541) for more information.



Cameo Café

Cameo Café is held at the Village Hall on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 2.30pm till 4.30pm. The Café is supported by members of the Middleton Mothers' Union to provide an opportunity for people of all ages to call in for a "cuppa" and cakes or biscuits and to enjoy some friendly company. Carpet bowls is also played and new players, including beginners, are most welcome. Refreshments are free but we are grateful for donations towards the running costs.

The **Community Car Scheme** is to help villagers who have no transport, who are elderly or disabled to attend at local doctors' or dentists' surgeries, opticians, health clinics or to keep hospital appointments. A small charge is made to cover petrol expenses. If you require help or further information, or if you wish to volunteer help in any way, please contact Colin Skipper on 842448.



Mothers' Union News

We met in September and welcomed 11 members to the new session after the summer break. Our guest speaker was Mrs Rosemary Bowers of Grimston who told us the story of the GAP church which was a project formed under the New Expressions of Worship initiative. It was an amazing account of how God used a small group of Christians to achieve great things in a rural village. Sadly the GAP closed after the death of the farmer who owned the barn in which services were held and the farm was sold. Efforts are being made to re-start the GAP after a break of 4 years. The new venue is Roydon Church.

Our next branch meeting will be held in church on **Tuesday 8th October** and will take the form of a Holy Communion Service led by Rev Riaz. Visitors are welcome. Our **10th November** meeting will be at Church Farm at 7.30 pm and will be our AGM and Bring and Buy for Mothers Union Projects. New members are very welcome and if you wish to discuss anything we do please contact me on gillian.boon@gmail.com or 840320.

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QUIZ AND HOG ROAST Saturday, 21st November

Tickets are now available for the Quiz Night and Hog Roast run by the Magpie Centre, West Norfolk Riding for the Disabled.

The event, to be held at **Stowbridge Village Hall, PE34 3PE** is open to teams of 4 – 8 people, but singles and couples are welcome to make up teams on the night. Doors open 7.00 for 7.30 pm start.

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Sunday, 11 October

9.30am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.30am **E Winch** Morning Worship

11.15am **Middleton** Holy Communion

11.15am **N Runcton** Holy Communion

Sunday, 18 October

9.30am **W Winch** Holy Communion

11.15am **E Winch** Holy Communion

11.15am **Middleton** Morning Worship

3.00pm **N Runcton** Evening Service

Sunday, 25 October

8.00am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.00am **W Winch** Morning Worship

10.30am **E Winch** Morning Worship

11.15am **Middleton** Holy Communion

3.00pm **N Runcton** Evening Service

Sunday, 1 November

10.00am **E Winch** Benefice Eucharist

Sunday, 8 November - Remembrance Sunday

8.00am **W Winch** Holy Communion

10.45am **W Winch** Benefice Service of Remembrance

Sunday, 15 November

9.30am **W Winch** Sung Communion

11.15am **E Winch** Holy Communion

11.15am **Middleton** Morning Worship

3.00pm **N Runcton** Evening Prayer

Sunday, 22 November

8.00am **W Winch** Holy Communion

9.30am **N Runcton** Holy Communion

10.00am **W Winch** Morning Worship

10.30am **E Winch** Morning Worship

11.15am **Middleton** Holy Communion

Sunday, 29 November

9.30am **W Winch** Sung Communion

11.15am **Middleton** Holy Communion

11.15am **E Winch** Morning Prayer

3.00pm **N Runcton** Evening Prayer

Sunday, 6 December

10.00am **W Winch** Benefice Eucharist

A short Morning Prayer Service is held each Wednesday morning at 9.30am in Middleton Church and every Thursday morning at 10.00am in West Winch Church.

Bible Study

Bible Study has started again on Wednesdays at 7pm for 7.30pm. It takes place at the houses of people in Blackborough End, East Winch, Gayton and Grimston - and there's room for more variety! If you'd like to come along, please get in touch with Nell Steele, 01553 840814.

CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE CHURCHES - AN URGENT CALL

Many people believe that action on climate change is the most pressing ethical issue facing the world, not just because of the degree of harm that people and the wider creation face, but because of the message from scientists about timing. The window in which people's actions can make a radical difference may be quite short. In the Bible there is the word 'chairoi' for the moment given to us to respond and this appears to be a 'chairoi' time.

Vital talks are approaching in December, the UN Climate Change Conference in Paris. However, it could be argued that politicians have had little sense that the public is deeply concerned about the issues and Christians have generally not been very conspicuous in raising their voices. The Pope has made a very strong case this year in his encyclical Laudate Si for Christians to be 'custodians of Creation' and each of the big Christian aid organisations, CAFOD, Christian Aid and TearFund have been pressing for radical action for a long time, urging us to raise our voices (Their websites all have petitions and ideas on letter writing to political leaders). But Christians often find themselves very busy with immediate needs and are unsure what they can do.

On Sunday 4th October at 3pm at the Friends Meeting House, Bridge Street, PE30 5AB there will be an afternoon of short talks and discussion addressing this, starting with Julian Bryant from the Norwich Christian Aid office.

A fruitful response would be for a few people from each of our churches to attend this session and then take it further, maybe encouraging others in their churches to pop round to their houses for coffee, cake, discussion, writing cards or signing petitions.

Daphne Sampson (Reader at St Faith's Gaywood and member of King's Lynn Climate Concern group www.klimateblog.uk)

5 – A – TIME ANSWERS (from Page 4)

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The Council meets on the first Wednesday of the month (except August) in the Village Hall at 7pm from October to March and at 7.30pm from April to September.

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