

# Wold & Marsh

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2004  
October

Deadline for next month's news is the

19th this month

Items to:  
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**Register:**

**Weddings:**

David Paul Johnson/Louise  
Elizabeth Swallow (W)

**Sunday 7th November 2004**  
**ALL SOULS SERVICE**  
**St Helena's - 3pm**

An opportunity to remember loved ones departed this life from this parish and dedication of the stone placed in the Garden of Remembrance in memory of Sheila Kemp.

All are welcome.

An opportunity will be available to add names to the list of those remembered.

## ST HELENA'S CHURCH

On Monday 23rd August 2004 the wall safe at St Helena's Church, Willoughby was broken into and stolen from. We ask that any donations you wish to give be placed in an envelope (provided) and left at the garage. We apologise for any inconvenience. In due course the Church PCC will discuss the matter of how donations should be left without inconvenience.

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● **ULCEBY HARVEST FESTIVAL** ●  
● Monday October 11th 7.15pm ●  
● Service & Auction ●  
● The Haywain ●  
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## Rectors Thoughts: -

I been reading the Gospel of Thomas. No I'm not reading a different bible to you, it's part of a collection of writing known as the Gnostic gospels and writings. They were rejected from the New Testament that we have today. Gnosticism was a movement that developed early within the Christian church and fully established in the 2nd century but scholars tell us there is evidence of gnostic elements in the New Testament. Gnosticism is a term describing a system of belief to impart a special knowledge of God, of his relation to the world and to men, and of redemption, whose possession intellectually and spiritually enlightened the initiated and thus guaranteed the salvation of their souls.

There are three different Thomas Gospels which are probably not connected. 1) the infancy naritives - the age of which is not known though the earliest manuscript is 5th or 6th century. 2) a list of sayings similar to "The Book of Proverbs" in the Old Testament. 3) the tale of the Apostle Thomas traveling to India. Translations of these can be found at the website "<http://home.epix.net/~miser17/Thomas.html>".

An extract from "Gospel of Thomas. Greek Text A" (The infancy naritives) will give a flavour.

*"II. 1 This little child Jesus when he was five years old was playing at the ford of a brook: and he gathered together the waters that flowed there into pools, and made them clean, and commanded them by his word alone. 2 having made soft clay, he fashioned twelve sparrows. it was the Sabbath when he did these things. And there were also many other little children playing with him. 3 a certain Jew when he saw what Jesus did, playing upon the Sabbath day, departed and told his father Joseph: your child is at the brook, and he has taken clay and fashioned twelve little birds, and has polluted the Sabbath day. 4 Joseph came to the place and saw: and cried out to him, saying: Why do you these things on the Sabbath, which it is not lawful to do? But Jesus clapped his hands together and cried out to the spar-*

*rows and said to them: Go! and the sparrows took their flight and went away chirping. 5 when the Jews saw it they were amazed, and departed and told their chief men that which they had seen Jesus do. III. 1 The son of Annas the scribe was standing there with Joseph; and he took a branch of a willow and dispersed the waters which Jesus had gathered together. 2 when Jesus saw what was done, he was angry and said to him: O evil, ungodly, and foolish one, what harm did the pools and the waters do you? Now you will be withered like a tree, and shall not bear leaves, neither root, nor fruit. 3 That lad withered up completely. Jesus departed and went to Joseph's house. The parents of the boy who was withered took him up wailing and brought him to Joseph, and accused him 'for you have such a child which does such deeds.'*

In different manuscripts of this gospel the stories are subtly different but the same stories appear. Generally speaking Jesus as a little boy harms all sorts of people. Not the sort of boy you want in the family.

When you look at the Gospels; Matthew, Mark, Luke and John in the New Testament; there is a different feel to them compared to this extract. Many of the 2nd group, the list of sayings, can be found in the Gospels but in this form they are abrupt and not tied together. The tale of Thomas the Apostle's journey to India has an unreal feel to modern ears.

What value are these to us? These and the many others found help to show that the early church was not a uniformed organisation right from the beginning. Basically there were two factions; those who believed Jesus was a man like Buddha and those who thought he was pure God like Krishna. They also help scholars to understand the influences of thought, language and cultures in the Gospels and letter of the day which in turn leads to a better understanding of the "truth" about Jesus, which will lead us closer to the Love of God.

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**WILLOUGHBY DIARY - OCTOBER**

**Friday 1st HARVEST FESTIVAL**  
 School Service - St Helena`s Church 2.30pm  
 Village Service - 6.30pm - Auction after

**Saturday 2nd HARVEST SUPPER**  
 Village Hall. 7pm Tickets 4

**Wednesday 6th CHURCH PAROCHIAL COUNCIL**  
 Meeting at St Helena`s Church

**Thursday 7th WILLOUGHBEES**  
**Education & Welfare for Children in India**  
 (with slides) - Mr Brian Harrison  
 Village Hall - All Welcome.

**Tuesday 12th SHEILA`S LUNCHEON CLUB**  
 Blacksmiths Arms, Skendleby

**Wednesday 13th THE VINYARD**  
 Prayer Meeting. St Helena`s 7pm

**Friday 15th SILENT AUCTION**  
 Village Hall 7.30pm

**Tuesday 19th VILLAGE HISTORY GROUP**  
 Talk in Village Hall 7PM  
 See details in box on right

**Thursday 21st PARISH COUNCIL**  
 Village Hall 8pm All Welcome

**Tuesday 26th WILLOUGHBY GARDEN CLUB**  
**GARDENERS QUESTION TIME**  
 Village Hall 7.30pm  
 Gardening questions are welcome  
 You do not need to be a member of the club to  
 submit a question - phone Mavis Skinn on 462736  
 for details

**Wednesday 27th WILLOUGHBY VILLAGE**  
**HISTORY GROUP**  
 Meeting - 2pm Beckfield House

**Wednesday 27th THE VINYARD**  
 Prayer Meeting. St Helena`s 7pm

Willoughby Rota - October/November 2004			
	Flowers/Brasses	Lectern	Cleaning
15th Oct	Mrs Seymour Mrs Skinn	Mrs Webb	Mrs Cullis Mrs Fulwood
29th Oct	Mrs Jones Mrs Perks	Mrs Pridgeon	Mrs Parish Mrs Bristow
12th Nov	Mrs Challis Mrs Cobb	Mrs Pridgeon	Mrs Seymour Mrs Skinn

**Willoughby Village History Group**  
**Evening Class**  
**``MAGNIFICENT HEADSTONES``**  
**History of the development of gravestones and**  
**unusual epitaphs**  
**Speaker: Hilary Healey**  
**Tuesday October 19th**  
**7pm - 9pm**  
**Village Hall**  
**1.50 to include drink and biscuits**  
**No need to book**

**THE WILLOUGHBEES**

The WilloughBees have been ``Busy bees`` this month! On September 2nd we explored our creative side, under Judith`s direction, as we both learnt about, and assembled individual, hand-made birthday cards. Her collection of cards of all descriptions - everything from birth of baby to Christmas cards, was fascinating. This stimulating evening gave us a real sense of achievement. Thank you Judith for all your hard work NEXT MEETING see diary, all welcome..

**YE OLDE WORLDE TEA SHOPPE**

An appreciative assembly gathered in the village hall to sample the delicacies made by our ladies and sup from bone china served by our traditionally clad waitresses. Further home-made cakes were on sale together with our nearly-new stall which provided many bargains. Name the doll was another attraction. Thank you everyone who took part to make this such a successful event. Thank you too for the generous support of the ``customers`` enabling us to raise 326.75. Louth Hospice has been well supported once again.  
 Glennis Smith

**WILLOUGHBY VILLAGE HISTORY GROUP** held an afternoon tea at Beckfield House, Willoughby, on August 25th. This raised 150 for the Alford Manor House Trust - many thanks to all who helped and supported us.

**St Helena`s School, Willoughby**  
**PARENT & TODDLER GROUP**  
 Join our friendly pre-school group who meet in  
 our School Hall  
**Every Tuesday from 2pm until 3:15pm**  
**Play oportunties, indoor & out,**  
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**birthday**  
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### PLEASE THINK WHEN PARKING

I have been asked to point out that at a recent private function in the village hall some people parked within the hall car park but with the front of their cars across the pavement, making it impossible for a Willoughby wheelchair user to get along the pavement.

Of course this is not just relevant to someone in a wheelchair - it also means that a mother with a pushchair would have to move into the road to pass by - or a person who walks with difficulty - or a deaf person who may not hear oncoming traffic - so it could affect quite a lot of people within the village.

Obviously this was not intentional, but.....

### SO PLEASE THINK WHEN PARKING

#### LINCOLNSHIRE OLD CHURCHES TRUST SPONSORED BICYCLE RIDE & WALK

Saturday 11th September

Brian Smith cycled to seven churches in aid of the Trust, calling at FARLESTHORPE, BILSBY, ALFORD, WELL, WELTON, GUNBY HALL & WILLOUGHBY. A total of 19 and a half miles in a time of 3 and a half hours. A sponsored sum of 38 was raised (half to the Trust and half to St Helena's Church). Glennis Smith

#### SHEILA'S LUNCHEON CLUB

September 7th saw a hungry band of diners assemble at the "Half Moon", Alford. Enjoyable meals with mouthwatering desserts were soon polished off.

To join our little group of ladies please contact Glennis Smith on 01507 462388.

**Next Venue:** The Blacksmiths Arms, Skendleby.  
October 12th. 12.30pm

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### WILLOUGHBY GARDEN CLUB

#### ANNUAL SHOW 2004 - TROPHY WINNERS

Tansley Cup (most points in show)	M Fullwood
Duncan Cup (Fruit & Veg)	J Chappell
Towler Cup (best Veg)	B Walmsley
Roughton Cup (Flower arranging)	A Riddington
Lammiman Cup (best arrangement)	A Patchett
Rose Bowl (pot plants & flowers)	AD Lowes
Margaret Markham Trophy (best pot plant or flower)	AD Lowes
John Bridgman Rose Bowl (best Rose)	J Chappell
Hales Cup (most points in Homecrafts)	A Evans
Buchanan Cup (best baking)	A Evans
John Taylor Memorial Trophy (best preserve)	M Pridgeon
Johnson Trophy (best Fushsia)	B Cullis
Millennium Mug (best photograph)	M Harrison
Parish Council Shield (best front garden)	Mr & Mrs Colley, Elder House
Monthly Competition Cup	A Walmsley
Cawthorne Shield (Childrens section)	W Riggall
Willoughby Garden Club Shield (best hanging baskets/tubs)	Tom & Kerry Willoughby Arms

#### CUMBERWORTH CORNER

Is it because of my failing sight that these days I don't seem to see so many of our tufted and curiously coloured caterpillars, or are they really becoming rarer. Obviously they must try to keep themselves fairly well concealed to deter predators, and thus preserve themselves to fulfill their own cycle of life which will be to become fliers of the day or fliers of the night.

Because of the moths nocturnal habits their beauty is rarely seen and even more rarely remarked upon. Not so the butterflies who delight us by day with their bright showy wings almost all the colours of the rainbow. But what I search for daily along my honeysuckle clad fences, is a moth that does fly by day. It is the hummingbird moth. It is a delightful miniature of the hummingbird itself. I first saw one a few years ago in my garden gathering nectar from our honeysuckle. So far this year it has eluded me. I don't believe they are particularly rare so I am hoping that someone else in our area has had the joy of discovering a visit from a hummingbird moth.



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## MUMBY NEWS

Compiled by Steve Mugglestone, "Rayell" Parklands. Tel. 490552  
Items for inclusion in the next issue should reach me by the Monday  
previous to the 19<sup>th</sup> of this month.

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### Crafty Afternoon Club

New members or visitors are always made welcome!  
2.00 - 4.00pm, Monday Afternoons, in Becket's  
Community Centre, Mumby Church.

### Mumby Community Group

**Scarecrow week** – Once again, Mumby, you did us proud. We counted thirty-one in total, even though we were up against the elements this year with the rain lashing down, together with thunder and lightning. Scarecrows kept appearing and disappearing, some reappearing when they had dried out. Others hung on indoors for a few days until they thought the weather might improve. Some just stopped in the downpours and took all that the weather could throw at them. We smiled at the last few that arrived complete with mackintoshes and galoshes.

Your ingenuity is incredible – we had giant green caterpillars, cats and gorillas to poor Olympic hopefuls who had lost their way. Well done everyone, especially the children!



### Giant Book Sale

Thank you to everyone who donated and came to buy books at our Giant Book Sale on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> September. Also a big THANKS to all our helpers. We have been able to present Radcliffe Donkey Sanctuary, Huttoft, with a cheque for £360.64. All the books that were not sold will be distributed to various charities and organisations. Roger & Eileen Gilburd.

### Mumby in Bloom 2004-09-17

Sponsored by Mumby Parish Council, "Mumby in Bloom" began eight years ago, not as a competition that had to be entered, but as an independently judged event open to everyone.

There have always been three judged categories –

1. Best Garden.
2. Best Hanging Basket
3. Best Container.

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Our judge again this year was Philip Maddison, Head Gardener to the Harrington Hall Estate and the "Best Collection" award has been kindly donated on their behalf.

Chris Dring of Mumby Parish Council, who organises the event, would like to express his thanks on behalf of the council, to Philip for agreeing to take on the very difficult task of being our judge for a forth year and for the generous donation of an award. The judging of this event was again very difficult.

Philip's final verdict was –

#### 1. Best Garden.

1<sup>st</sup> Mr & Mrs Hamilton, "Shoestrings," Cumberworth Lane.

2<sup>nd</sup> Mr & Mrs Thraves, "Langdale," Hogsthorpe Road.

3<sup>rd</sup> Mr & Mrs Witt, "Shy Beaver," Cumberworth Lane.

Highly Commended, Mr & Mrs Swann, "Verini," Parklands.

#### 2. Best Hanging Basket.

1<sup>st</sup> Mr & Mrs Gavins, "Triskelion," Cumberworth Lane.

2<sup>nd</sup> Mr & Mrs Hamilton, "Shoestrings," Cumberworth Lane.

3<sup>rd</sup> Mrs Dring, "Manor Barn," Thrumber Marsh Lane.

Highly Commended, Mr & Mrs Stark, "Rosedene," Washdyke Lane.

#### 3. Best Container.

1<sup>st</sup> Mr & Mrs Hamilton, "Shoestrings," Cumberworth Lane.

2<sup>nd</sup> Mr & Mrs Gilburd, "Cygnus," Washdyke Lane.

3<sup>rd</sup> MR & Mrs Blyth, "Ashlea," Cumberworth Road.

Highly Commended, Mr & Mrs Thraves, "Langdale," Hogsthorpe Road

#### .4. Best Collection.

1<sup>st</sup> Mr & Mrs Gavins, "Triskelion," Cumberworth Lane.

2<sup>nd</sup> Mr & Mrs Hamilton, "Shoestrings," Cumberworth Lane.

3<sup>rd</sup> Mr 7 Mrs Blyth, "Ashlea," Cumberworth Road.

Highly Commended, Mr & Mrs Vickers, "Willowdown," Parklands.

Unfortunately, Philip was unable to attend the presentation owing to prior commitments, so Council Chairman, Steve Mugglestone, will present the Awards, in the winning garden.

Congratulations to all this year's winners and we look forward to another "Blooming" success with Mumby in Bloom 2005. Chris Dring.

## **Halifax Bomber Crash**

A Memorial to the crew of a Halifax Bomber, which crashed in Mumby over 60 years ago, was dedicated on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> September. It was the night of September 1<sup>st</sup> 1942 when Halifax 11 BB216 (LQ-D) crashed in a farmer's field, in Langham Road.

Those who died were Canadians and relatives travelled from Ontario for the impressive and poignant ceremony. The members of the Canadian Royal Air Force who died were Flt. Sgt. Norman Mackenzie, Sgt. Gordon Eagles, Sgt. Harold Stone and Flt. Sgt. Louis Dawdy.

The dedication took place, under blazing sunshine, in the corner of a cornfield, yards from where the Halifax crashed as it tried to limp home from a bombing raid over Germany.

Many dignitaries, a lot of them from nearby RAF stations, attended the service, conducted by the Rev. Daffyd Robinson. They included Major Marvin Mungeone, of the Royal Canadian Air Force, Group Captain John Ford, Air Training Corps Regional HQ and Squadron Leader John Wright of RAF Cranwell. Also representatives of the local District and Parish Councils. The RAF Cadet Band, from Chorley in Lancashire, provided the music and their programme included the Last Post and the National Anthems of Canada and Great Britain. Adding to the pomp and ceremony were the Standard Bearers from RAFA Skegness, Alford Air Cadets and Gumby British Legion, escorted by a Colour Party of Alford Air Cadet Squadron.

Mr. David Hill, the main organiser of the Memorial, addressed the assembly with the following remarks- On behalf of all of us who have had a part in erecting this Memorial, I would lie to say thank you to you all for coming today and for the support that we have had for this project. Especially I welcome the members of the families of the crew who have made a great effort to be here with us and I thank Daffyd Robinson for performing this dedication. My mother was 36 at the time of this crash. In 1979, when she was 73, she wrote this account-

On the night of 1<sup>st</sup> September 1942, we lived at Field Farm, Langham. Between 11pm and 12pm we had retired to bed and there was such a roar of noise and our bedroom was lit up as a plane roared by, very low and on fire. Not many minutes after, there was a roar and a crash and a rattling of windows and milk churns and a heavy thud and we thought our end had come! There was a trail of fire in the fields as we looked out, we knew then that a plane had crashed. My husband went out and a plane wing was in our field, about 25 yards from our back door. A big blaze of fire about half a mile away was where the rest of the plane hit the ground. After a short time the airman who had landed in a field of peas, (cut and in rows) thinking that he was landing in the sea, came to our door. He had hurt himself on landing. He was very concerned about the three of his pals still in the plane. He was the last to survive – Gordon Eagles was found in our field of Swedes, his parachute had caught fire and so he was killed by the fall. We found pieces of metal on our front lawn. Also my husband walked to the spot that night, where Gordon Eagles was picked up, and found his gold watch. The works had come out of the gold case, but I carefully put them together and wound it up and the watch ticked away. On the back of this watch was his name and it was a 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday present from his Dad and Mother. I took this watch to the Police Station and also wrote to Topcliffe and asked for Gordon's home address. I would have liked to have written to his parents, but this was not allowed. About 7am a Medical Officer, driven by a WAFF came and they picked up P/O Mason from Mowbray's of Anderby and he had some of Mr. Mowbray's clothes and a dressing gown. We were able to give these people a good breakfast. In the afternoon, at about 5pm, an ambulance collected the body of Gordon Eagles.

After the ceremony, the Guests were taken to Becketts for light refreshments, served by ladies of the Crafty Afternoon Club.



### **What's on in Mumby?**

**Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> September @7.15pm in Becketts;**  
Mumby Parish Council Meeting.

**Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> October, in the Red Lion @ 8.15pm;**  
1<sup>st</sup> Church Quiz Night of the 2004/5 Winter season.  
Teams of four @ £1 per person. Accumulator  
Question - 50p.

**Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, in Church @ 7.00pm;**  
Taize Service.

**Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> October, in Church @ 7.00pm;**  
Study / Discussion Group.

**Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> November, in Church @7.00pm.**  
Taize Service.

**Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> November, in the Red Lion @**  
**8.15pm.** Church Quiz Night.

**Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November, in Church @ 7.00pm.**  
Study / Discussion Group.

	October		6.30pm	Every Tuesday ½ hour of Prayer at Mumby	All Welcome
			6.30pm 7.00pm	1 & 3 Wednesdays ½ hour of Prayer at Willoughby 2nd & 4th The Vineyard Prayer Group	All Welcome
		Willoughby	10.00am	Sunday School in the Tower every Sunday	
3rd	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Trinity 17	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel,	
10th	Sunday	Ulceby	9.00	Trinity 18	Eucharist
		Willoughby	10.00		Eucharist
			9.30	Mumby Chapel,	
17th	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Trinity 19	Eucharist
		Sloothby	3.00	Harvest Festival	
			10.45	Mumby Chapel	
24th	Sunday	Willoughby	10.00	Last of Trinity	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel,	
	November				
7th	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	3 before Advent	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel,	

### **L.I.V.E.S. AID**

August Bank Holiday Saturday Afternoon and the Annual Garden Party, to raise funds to establish a first Responder Team in Mumby and Cumberworth, was in full swing in the grounds of “On Your Marques”, organised by Jane Dring and Dan Skarratts. Games and stalls of all descriptions were manned to persuade the hoards of visitors to part with their money. Local musicians provided musical entertainment. A goodly sum of £1,400 was raised.

Now the search is on to find 12 volunteers in the two villages, to become LIVES First Responders. Fund raising over the last three years has raised more than £5,000 – enough to buy the equipment and train the volunteers to become the vital link between the casualty and the emergency services. But reluctance amongst the villagers could lead to plans for being scrapped unless another seven people volunteer in the next few weeks! Fund-raiser, Jane Dring said; “We need 12 people who are willing to give up one evening every 12 days and stay in the village.” “We don’t intend to cover the days – just the nights, as those who’ve volunteered already have other jobs.”

Volunteers will undertake a first aid course and training on how to use the defibrillator. The responders could save someone’s life, as the first minutes of an emergency are vital. The equipment is easy to use and talks the responder through what to do. It gives the casualty a chance until the paramedics arrive.

A meeting will be held, in the near future, with a chance to see and to use the equipment and to decide how the money will be spent should the First Responders Group not attract enough volunteers to be viable.

### **Mumby Methodist Chapel**

The Harvest Festival Service, on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September drew a large congregation who enjoyed the singing of the traditional Harvest hymns. On the following evening, George Lowes auctioned the produce in his usual rip-roaring way, causing great merriment whilst raising over £300 for Chapel Funds. The Harvest Supper followed – a great spread provided by the lady members.

Thanks to all who contributed.

### **Mumby Church Concert**

The August Concert featured Richard Langridge (Guitar) and Kathryn O’Connor (Fiddle.) accompanying their close harmony singing. A larger audience were treated to a splendid evening.