

**Deadline for JULY & AUG  
is: 19th JUNE**

**Items to;  
Pat Losco-Bradley  
The Willows, Briar Close,  
Willoughby  
01507 466018  
losco-bradley@nascr.net**

## **“Willoughby Welcomes” - 2007**

Do you know who Captain John Smith was? How important he was in the formation of the USA? Well over the next couple of years various articles in the magazine will explain who he was and what the “Willoughby Welcomes” group are planning for 2007 to commemorate with those in the United States 400 years of the first settlement in Virginia. If you want to be ahead of the game you can do two things;

1) read about him in The Connection purchasable from the Church and  
2) come to a

**Wine and Cheese evening  
at the church  
on June 10th  
at 7.30pm  
when the New Book  
written in conjunction with  
John Haden and  
the children of Willoughby School  
will be launched in Willoughby.**

2007 is a very important year and all members of this community are going to have to work together, share and use all the skills in the village if we are to make a success of the celebrations.

So keep an eye on the magazine for news on the 2007 activities and come along and support events connected with our history.

**Music Makers.** Both Mumby and Willoughby have no organist at the moment. If you play any kind of instrument or want to develop your organ skills in either Mumby or Willoughby we could do with your help.

## **Rectors Thoughts:-**

### Are our Churches Dying?

The Church of England along with other main stream denominations have seen a decline in numbers since at least the 2nd WW. For example St. Martins in the Fields had an electoral roll of 1568 in 1941 but now has 380. The worry is that “The pressure to survive can distort our purpose”.

There is a fear that the general populous are losing the “Christian grammar” both in terms of the complete Christian story and what to do in a church setting. In the last couple of years I have noticed that the phrase “let us pray” does not lead automatically to the congregation sitting or kneeling for the prayers but they remain standing unsure what to do. The Bible may still be a best seller but is not read widely.

To combat this there has developed Christian basic courses such as Alpha or Emmaus. In the Diocese at the present there’s the Just 10 series with J John at the Cathedral and then video locally shown in Alford. These are good but don’t work for everyone or all circumstances.

I have been committed to the ideas similar of *www.InclusiveChurch.net* for years and the congregations of Willoughby Group of Parishes have listen to me as I have tried to unpack a Christianity that is challenging within a modern context. A Christianity that accepts people as they are.

I regard as essential to the church being alive that we are committed to the full inclusiveness. For example inclusiveness mean accepting that

women are equal in all walks of life and have always been part of Jesus’ entourage of apostles.

The churches’ possible split over the appointment of Gene Robinson’s as Bishop in the USA because he is gay and the churches failure to recognise the long term relationships of gay people classing them as sick rather than children of God and the treatment of aids sufferers as outcasts (the new lepers) is a sign I believe of a church that has lost its way.

I stand by the creed:

God loves all creation unconditionally

That we are commanded to do likewise

We find God in the ordinary things of life when we accept God’s unconditional love

Working this out in practice in a confused and integrated world is not easy and means that we will go wrong at times but this is no excuse for not continuing the conversation. Others do not agree with me but I believe a live church is one that searches for truth. Baptism is a sign of belonging, Eucharist is a sign of commitment, Pentecost is a sign of God’s support in our search for and giving unconditional love.

**Where do you believe ?  
Wherever you believe  
let us bring life to this group.**

**Rev Daffyd Robinson, The Rectory, Station Road, Willoughby, Lincs.  
rector@willoughby-lincs.org.uk 01507 462045**

## WILLOUGHBY DIARY - JUNE

### **Wednesday 1st WILLOUGHBY HISTORY GROUP**

Meeting 7PM - Beckfield House  
All Welcome

### **Thursday 2nd WILLOUGHBEES**

Mrs S. Smithson - 'Life of a Vet'  
Village Hall 7.30pm

### **Tuesday 7th SHEILA'S LUNCHEON CLUB**

The Anchor Inn, Alford

### **FRIDAY 10th Wine & Cheese Evening**

at the Church - 7.30pm  
when the New Book  
written in conjunction with  
John Haden and the children of Willoughby School  
will be launched in Willoughby.

### **Saturday 11th - WILLOUGHBY GARDEN CLUB**

Visit to Blickling Hall & Gardens, Norfolk  
**There still are a few seats on the coach for this trip**  
Tel: Anne Cullis on 01507 463783

### **Thursday 16th - PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Village Hall 8pm - All Welcome

### **Tuesday 28th WILLOUGHBY GARDEN CLUB**

Visit to: Aby House Farm Cottage, Aby. 7pm.  
£1.50 inc. refreshments.

## **STRAWBERRY CREAM TEAS**

**SUNDAY JULY 3 RD**

**At St Helena's Church**



## **OLDE WORLDE TEA SHOPPE**

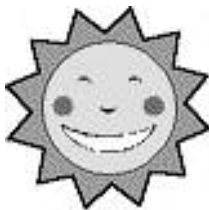
**SATURDAY JULY 9 TH**  
**VILLAGE HALL 2 - 5 pm**



Home made cakes for sale  
In Aid of Alford First Responders

## **GARDEN FETE**

**SATURDAY 20th AUGUST**  
**on the Playing Field.**  
**in Aid of Playing Field Funds**



**TO BOOK WILLOUGHBY VILLAGE HALL  
FOR ALL KINDS OF EVENTS  
AT VERY REASONABLE PRICES  
PLEASE PHONE GLORIA ON 466233  
SHE WILL BE PLEASED TO HELP YOU**

## **PLAYING FIELD FUNDS - QUIZ EVENING**

The quiz night held in the school on Saturday 7th May was a huge success. The hall was full to overflowing!!! There was a lot of joviality as the questions were answered - or not - and it was good to see team progress being put up on the board. A race half way through the evening had all the children up out of their seats cheering on their own bet on horses.

It really was an excellent evening and thanks go to Barbara and John for organising this. The sum raised was around £138. Our thanks go to everyone who supported this event.  
Linda Seymour

## **WILLOUGHBY GARDEN CLUB**

On their first garden visit of the season 21 members braved what was a very cold wet night to visit the Old Rectory at east Keal, the home of Mrs Ruth Ward. This visit was on the 21st April and though quite early in the year, the garden gave members a lot of inspiration, and the views from the garden over the surrounding countryside were stunning. After an hour of viewing we were invited inside the cottages to very welcome hot drinks.

**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME;** for enquiries on forthcoming events telephone Anne Cullis 01507 463783 or Pauline Chappell 01507 462703

## **PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY**

There is a vacancy on the Parish Council  
If you would like details please phone the Clerk, Mrs Sara Marshall on 01754 890377 for details - before the next meeting on June 16th

**RESPECT** - interesting word isn't it? My first reaction -- it was a great song to dance to - in the 1960's, Aretha Franklin I think? My dictionary gives me other meanings - but basically a 14th century latin word with a main meaning of 'to show consideration for, or treat kindly'.

Perhaps we could all (old and young) do with showing a little respect today in our village which might make it a better place: we could lose the dog muck for a start; we could slow down in our cars (I plead guilty here); we could respect the playing field which is open to all, and think of the people living around it; we could respect spaces such as the Village Green or the Churchyard which are open to all, and peaceful to sit in. **Just a thought - RESPECT** - let me know how you feel about this. I'm off to the loft to find an old record if I can,  
Pat L-B

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 opportunities, indoor & out,  
led by a school staff member

Part time places for children; term after their 4th  
birthday

Contact Helen Brough on  
01507 462367

## ON TWO WHEELS:

For those who are interested in the progress of Willoughby racer Peter Hickman here is the story so far:

**End of 2004** Peter won the Superstock Cup Championship at Donnington Park, on a Kawasaki ZX10R 1000cc motor cycle. This being a series for unknowns and novices.

**January 2005** Peter received the A.C.U. academy rider of the year award.

**March 27th** Round 1 Brands Hatch.

Our first outing of the year again riding the Kawasaki ZX10R. This time he moved up a class to National Superstock Championship, with well experienced older riders. Peter qualified 21st on the grid out of 44 riders and finished the race in 24th place. This was to prove a hard learning curve.

**April 10th** Round 2 Thruxton.

Not to fall foul again Peter qualified 14th fastest with the same number of riders and finished the race in 10th place. Having also just celebrated his 18th birthday - smiles all round.

**April 24th** Round 3 Mallory Park.

Not having much practice at this circuit Peter qualified 20th and finished the race in 11th place. Instead of the full laps of 25 they only ran 14 due to earlier stoppages. Still a good days racing and a good result.

**1st May** Round 4 Oulton Park

Peter qualified 15th on the grid and finished the race in 7th place. His best result so far. Peter rode extremely well and shows a lot of potential.

**May 13th** Round 5 - Mondello Park - After a calm sea crossing things got a little rough in qualifying, on a hard twisty track Peter struggled to qualify but managed 20th out of 41. Sunday race day proved to be a lot better, finishing a strong 13th and picking up championship points Peter retained his 13th position in the championship standings.

Round 6 - Croft June 3-5 Round 7 - Knockhill June 24-26  
Future reports to follow

Regards Proud parents Sue and Dave Hickman

## WILLOUGHBY PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual Parish Meeting of Willoughby with Sloothby & Claxby St Andrew was held in the Village Hall on May 19th at 7.40pm.

Concerns raised by the public included: Speeding through Willoughby. Use of the Playing Field. Dog fouling in public places. Unused signpost.

It was agreed to: contact the Highways Department and ask what signs/methods are available to the Council re speed limits. The Clerk gave details re use of the Playing Field and a contact name at ELDC. To contact the Dog Warden and ask them to look into this problem.

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council followed at 8pm.

Mr S Eyre was elected as Chairman.

Mrs M Pridgeon was elected as Vice Chairman.

Items discussed included:

Annual Accounts. Insurance Review.  
Clerk's Salary. Planning Consents  
Vandalism on the Bowling Green.

Road verges on Bonthorpe Road - photographs are to be sent to the relevant authorities re this.

The use of motorised scooters and mini-motor cycles on public highways.

## THE WILLOUGHBEES

On My 12th the group met in the village hall for a talk by Mr Paul Charles on 'Seagull Recycling'. This was started in 1989 as an offshoot of Greenpeace with the name coming from the Skegness Environmental Action Group.

Its aim is to divert industrial waste from landfill sites. It also provides opportunities for training teenagers with problems, to allow them to gain qualifications and benefit from one-to-one education. Adults with learning difficulties or disabilities are employed part-time for 9 months.

We were amazed how much useful material and other items are thrown away by industry. These are collected and recycled. This was a very interesting and challenging talk.

Raffle winners: Mary Pridgeon. Glennis Smith

## SHEILA'S LUNCHEON CLUB

On May 17th our ladies gathered at the Open Gate Inn, Ulceby. A good meal was enjoyed by all.

*Advertisement*



**Plants and Garden  
Centre**

**Ailby, Nr Alford  
01507 466198**

**Turn by Alford Police Station,  
1½ miles down Tothby Lane.  
For a large range of garden plants  
and sundries**

**Fruit trees, Ornamental trees, Compost, Roses,  
Shubs, Conifers, Heathers, Alpines, Greenhouses,  
Slabs, Trellis, Arches, Hedging**

*Advertisement*

## **Need A Taxi ?**

**Then call Cumberworth Private Hire  
on 01507 490234**

**Your reliable local  
service for long and  
short journeys at very  
competitive prices**



# 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.

## Thoughts

We cannot change events in life-

But attitude can be the knife  
That cuts through endless pain  
And gives us strength  
to live again!

Annette Borrill.

## 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

Can anyone spare an hour, once a week as we need help with the weeding in the Village Garden. We are really pleased with the way the plants are growing BUT the weeds are flourishing just as much. The wild flower meadow is coming along nicely too.

Please note that we have changed our Helping Hour (6.30pm - 7.30pm) to every Wednesday.

## BOOKSALE

We are now collecting books for our Book Sale in the Autumn. Once again, we hope to have over 2000 books and the proceeds will go to Radcliffe Donkey Sanctuary in Huttoft. So if you have any books you would care to donate, we will be pleased to accept them. We can collect locally if necessary.

Roger and Eileen (TEL: 01507 490878)

## What's on in Mumby?

### Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00pm

Crafty Afternoon Club, in Becket's:  
Guest Speaker - A Community Nurse.  
All welcome.

### Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> July at 10.30am:

Huttoft Primary School children will be giving their Summer 2005 Musical Concert in Mumby Church.

Quite a number of children from Mumby will be taking part - please come along and support them - It's free!

### Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> August at 2.00pm:

L.I.V.E.S. AID Garden Party in the grounds of "On Your Marques," Thrumber Marsh Lane.

## Art Exhibition 2005

The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Exhibition and sale of Paintings was held over the May Day weekend in St. Thomas of Canterbury Church.

This is our major fund raising activity to maintain the life of the Church.

Over 300 paintings were on display, priced from £2 to £400, from over 50 local artists.

"The Music Makers" Handbell Ringers and Louth Recorder Ensemble provided entertainment during the days.

Mr. Lesley Treacher, from Cleethorpes, provided a Painting Workshop on all three days. He also had teaching videos and booklets available for sale. This created quite a lot of interest.

The "Holy roll Café" provided a range of food including "Ploughman's Lunches" which proved to be very popular with both visitors and Church members on duty. The Tombola stall was well supported as usual.

An enormous amount of work is involved in staging this event, starting in January, when invites and entry forms are sent out to artists. Then the entries have to be correlated and the catalogue prepared.

(Thanks to the local businesses for their adverts, which subsidise the cost.) The "Heavy Gang" starts on the previous Tuesday, clearing the Nave, erecting the display panels and setting out the other furniture required.

Their work continues for two days after the event, retuning the church back to its norm. Receiving and hanging the pictures takes the whole of Thursday and Friday. The Church Ladies and friends put a tremendous amount of time and effort into the refreshments, Tombola and on the Reception desk.

The Reverend Daffyd Robinson wishes to express his thanks to all, too many to name, who contributed to the success of the event.



### **Mumby's comes to Mumby**

St Thomas of Canterbury Church hosted the 2nd World wide Reunion of nearly 50 Mumby genealogists at the morning family service on Sunday May 15th, 2005. The service was followed by a sharing of information, family trees and photographs. Discussions continued over a delicious lunch at the Red Lion Pub.

Attendees included families from Texas and Nebraska, USA, Portsmouth, Kent, and many other counties as well as Lincolnshire.

"The best thing about these events is that you never know if you might meet a new cousin or two, but you certainly make lots of new friends" says Linda Van Meter of Lincoln, Nebraska, USA.

On behalf of co-organizers, Estelle Mumby of Winterton and Linda Van Meter, they would like to thank all those who came the reunion, as well as Rector Daffyd Robinson and members of the Mumby Church for their warm welcome and refreshments after the service.

Linda Van Meter



## **Sloothby News**

The Coffee Morning held on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April was a great success. We were delighted to find we had collected over £100. Thank you to all who supported the event in whatever way but in particular those who kindly went to the trouble of baking and providing cakes, scones etc. We had some mouth watering beauties! A great deal of skill revealed!!

Sorry about the smoke in the morning - what you were witnessing was the death of the stove in the Mission Hall. Part of the Mission Hall's history, sadly its age has finally caught up with it - we now have to find the money to replace it. In the meantime, many thanks to Stan of 'Coast and Country' for his efforts to keep it 'on its feet' as it were. Thanks also to Robert Overton for his efforts in this respect. Robert is really a good and long standing supporter of the Mission Church. He quietly goes about cleaning and preparing the room for church services and other events. A very willing, helpful and unassuming supporter whose help the committee really appreciates. We have another supporter like that! Our very own female Sterling Moss who whizzes round the lawn on her sit-on mower keeping the grass trim - thanks to Margaret Bonnett

**The next event is the ever popular Race Night on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June.** Raffle Donations would be very welcome. If you have any news/ideas/complaints or wish something published you can contact any member of the committee.- John Culbert - Current Chairman 01507 466651. Liz Culbert 01507 466651. Jenny Fox - Secretary 01507 463801 Alan Fox 01507 463801 Valerie Rutter - Treasurer 01507 466860 Sue Newey 01507 462685 Daffyd Robinson - Ex Officio Member 01507 462045

You may have already noticed that the village now has a Notice Board at the entrance to the Mission Church. This is thanks to the skills of Mark Newey. Mark also sorted out the front fencing which was worse for wear.

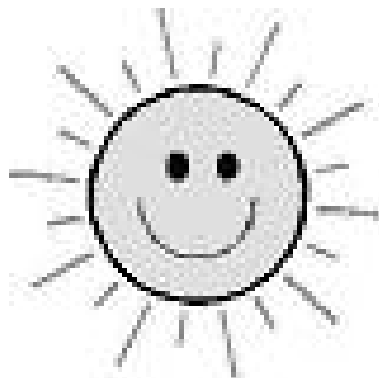
Finally, we would like to offer our deepest sympathy to Joe Crampton, the death of whose wife Hilda, was announced on the front of the April version of the Wolds and Marsh.

We look forward to seeing you all on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

JC - 01507 466651

### **Ulceby Gift Day.**

The Ulceby Parochial Church Council are holding a Gift Day On **Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> between 2.00 - 4.00pm**, Church Wardens and I will be at **All Saints Church** to welcome you, accept donations to the work of the church and to answer any questions theological or practical. We will have a cup of tea/coffee on the go.



	June		6.30pm	Every Tuesday ½ hour of Prayer at Mumby	All Welcome
			6.30pm	Every Wednesday ½ hour of Prayer at Willoughby	All Welcome
5th	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Trinity Sunday 2	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel, Neale	
12th	Sunday	Ukeby	9.00	Trinity 3	Eucharist
		Willoughby	10.00		Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel, Dobson	
19th	Sunday	Mumby	10.00	Trinity 4	Eucharist
		Sloothby	3.00	Songs of Praise	
			9.30	Mumby Chapel Barker	HC
26th	Sunday	Willoughby	10.00	Trinity 5	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel, Holmes	
	July				
3rd	Sunday	Willoughby	10.00	St Thomas the Apostle	Eucharist
			10.45	Mumby Chapel, Poorta	

### BEST KEPT VILLAGE - 2005

The Parish Council has entered Willoughby in this years Best Kept Village Competition. In 2004 we did very well and were a named village - lets see if we can do even better this year.

What can you do? Well, most of you have great and beautiful front gardens - that was mentioned last year. I guess we could all take a look around us, outside our gardens and houses - perhaps we could pick up any litter we notice, perhaps we could look at street signs and notices and tidy them up if needed. That might help.

"

Even if we do not win, we could get higher in the list.....

The judges will be looking at the village between June to August this year.....so it is up to us.

Willoughby Rota - July 2005			
	Flowers/Brasses	Lectern	Cleaning
2nd July	Mrs Toyne Mrs Barrand	Mrs Webb	Mrs Seymour Mrs Skinn
16th July	Mrs Parish Mrs Bistow	Mrs Webb	Mrs Bradshaw Mrs Whitehouse

### CUMBERWORTH CORNER

I heard on an early morning radio programme, a description of God being given to a child. He is just like the wind, they said, he is everywhere. Well I do know that someone has been rattling through my trees recently. Most of us who had trees full of pink blossom, now find we have a garden carpeted by them. Pink petals were also seen along our roadsides, very uplifting.

I have also been watching our lake (flooded field) to see what birds we had visiting, and there was that wind again. Small ripples ran across the surface of the water, which caught the rays of the sun, and turned it all into a beautiful shimmering lake.

With nature unfolding itself all around us, like it does every Springtime, we truly have much to wonder at, but I've still not heard that elusive cuckoo!

As you may have noticed, the mag is pretty full this month - with a varied selection for everyone I hope. To get everything in I have had to cut items to size. I hope I have not missed any important bits, apologies if I have - I try not to be too "Catch 22" when I edit things.  
Pat L-B