FROM THE EDITOR
Spring is in the air! Hopefully the winter storms will abate and we can all enjoy the crocus and daffodils in our gardens and countryside. This month I have included Local Bus service information and the Mobile Library service timetables for both villages. Best Wishes, Jonathan

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St Andrews Restoration Appeal (SARA)
LUCKY BALL LOTTERY

There are still a few numbers available if anybody would like to join the draw.

For £1 a week, this is a chance to win a weekly £25 prize and at the same time support St Andrew’s Church.

For further details, please contact
Tim Elliott
(01366 728571)
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Ann Howarth
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**St. Andrew’s Northwold Church Services**

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**MARCH 2017**

- **5th:** Holy Communion 10.00am
  St. Mary’s, Feltwell
- **12th:** Holy Communion 11.00am
- **19th:** Service of the Word 10.00am
  Holy Communion
  St. Mary’s, Weeting 11.00am
- **26th:** Holy Communion 9.15am

**N.B. ALL BENEFICE SERVICES ARE IN BOLD & ITALIC**

**THERE MAY BE CHANGES SO PLEASE KEEP AN EYE ON THE NOTICE BOARDS**

If you have any questions or would like further information, please look at the church notice board or website:

[www.northwoldchurch.org.uk](http://www.northwoldchurch.org.uk)

To discuss weddings, baptisms, funerals or any other pastoral matters, please contact the Benefice Rector:

The Reverend Joan Horan
01842 828034
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**St. Andrew’s Church Choir**

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If you enjoy singing and would like to join us, please contact

Carol Sharp Tel. 728227

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Mrs Janet Allen and Mrs Linda Curd are in charge of the cleaning and flowers at Whittington Church this month. Heather & Elaine will be doing the same at Wretton.

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Georgina Sims

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Our President, Sue, welcomed 22 members to the February meeting, including our newest member, Ann. We had a lot of items to discuss during the business part of the evening including the forthcoming Annual Federation Meeting in Norwich and a visit to the WI Fair which will be held at Alexandra Palace in London.

Closer to home our members were reminded that bookings were being taken for stalls at the Village Yard Sale in May. (If you are reading this and you would like a stall, look for the advert on the front page of Village Life and contact either Brenda or Rebecca). Several of our members will be attending the meeting about the Village Carnival – we are all looking forward to learning what this year’s theme will be!

The monthly lunch club is becoming more popular with 8 members meeting up at The Swan in Hilborough at the end of January. In February, the venue will be The Wellington in Feltwell. Brenda had booked tickets for the entertainment events that are either imminent or proving to be very popular. It is certainly going to be a busy few months for some of our members!

The newest addition to our monthly meetings is a book stall. Members can take a book away for 50p and, if they wish, they can bring another book back to replenish the stall. However, it’s not a way to dispose of members unwanted books all in one go – that would become totally unmanageable; just bring the same number of books that are taken away.

Our speaker for the evening was Geoff Evans. A few years ago, he and his wife had spent a holiday in Alaska and we were shown some wonderful photographs of both the scenery and the local bear population. The sheer size of the bears and how close they came to the viewing platforms was incredible. Although the cubs looked cute they were certainly well protected by their mother - she would have been very aware of any potential threat to them. It was very interesting to learn the different ways in which visiting tourists get to see the bears in the wild – some ventures totally forbid tourists carrying any sort of food with them, whilst others allow the group guide to carry a rucksack full of food for lunch!! Whatever the merits, we were very pleased that Geoff could share their experiences with us. He is such a good speaker that we will, no doubt, ask him to return another time and show us more of his brilliant photographs.

The February competition was ‘A Sentimental Bear’ and there were many well-loved teddies on the table for Geoff to judge. The results were: 1st Sue, 2nd Doreen and 3rd Rosemary. After the delicious teas provided by Anita, Rebecca and Angela, it was time to head back to our homes.

In March, we will hear about the work of the Associated Countrywomen of the World from Brenda Packman. Although it is a charity that is well supported by the WI, many of us have little knowledge of their work. Why not come along and join us in Northwold Village Hall on Tuesday 14th March at 7.15pm. You would be warmly welcomed!

Rita Nickles

NORTHWOLD DANCING GROUP

The next dance will be held on Saturday 18th March at 7.30pm in Northwold Village Hall. Everyone is very welcome.

Future dates : April 29th & May 20th.

For more information, please contact Carol Sharp on Tel. 728227 or email carol.sharp09@btinternet.com.
NORTHWOLD CARE GROUP LUNCH CLUB

On Monday 13th February, the ladies served us a delicious lunch consisting of chicken and ham pie, new potatoes, carrots and runner beans followed by winter fruit crumble and custard. It was a really lovely sunny day and we were pleased to see several people who have been quite poorly, once again with us. Sadly we learnt that one of our regular diners, Mieke Bush, has passed away and our thoughts are with her family and friends.

The Car Scheme has been extremely quiet for the start of this year so far. So Drivers that I have not spoken to or asked to do a drive recently, it’s not because you have been forgotten - it’s purely that it’s been very quiet. Mind you, by the time you all receive this edition it could have completely gone the other way!

March’s meal will be served at Noon, in the Village Hall, on Monday 13th March and will consist of pork casserole, new potatoes and vegetables followed by pineapple upside down cake and cream. Hoping to see as many of you there as possible.

Chris Webb

FOOT HEALTH CLINIC

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15th & 22nd March
26th April

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(Guests subject to change)

MARCH
10th - Sheila James
24th - Victoria Neal

APRIL
7th - TBA - Clairvoyant Night or Reading Night
21st - Terry Burton

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Faye 07523 866797

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Donation per person:-
£2.00 service including tea/coffee.
£4.00 Clairvoyant evenings

NORTHWOLD SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

Hovell’s Lane, Northwold.

COMEDY NIGHT
compered by Lewis Bryan.
8th April 2017
£10 for Members.
£12 for Non-Members.
Doors open at 7:30pm
Comedy starts at 8:30pm.

QUEEN TRIBUTE ACT
1st July 2017
7pm till late

Please contact a committee member for further information
Please note that membership is now due.

Many thanks
Sheena Randell

Northwold Cricket Club

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The months pass by so quickly, we’re now enjoying day light for longer and beginning to see the spring buds appearing. In amongst all of this, the school journey continues and the children begin to flourish as they become more confident learners.

This part of our school year sees Year 2 and Year 6 children having to ‘step up a gear’ as they approach their statutory assessments. Whether, as educators, we agree with the assessment and testing system or not, it is our duty to provide the children with the greatest opportunities to develop as life-long learners – testing is a small part of this and I’m pleased to say that our children at The Norman School always try to be as good as they can be. So whilst the intensity of learning increases for some, our other year groups are also encouraged to ‘step-up’ as they head towards their next year group and the challenges that this will bring them.

This term we look forward to Easter and the ‘chocolatey’ expectations that it brings for the children; however, we place our focus upon the reasons why Easter is a part of the year and how this is part of the Christian calendar. During the weeks before the Easter break, the children will discover a variety of events that occurred leading up to The Crucifixion and The Resurrection. We will prepare for an Easter Service in St. Andrew’s Church and share this with our families and the local community – who are always welcome to join us. In addition to this, we will look forward to the creation of ‘Easter Bonnets’ that will be paraded by our children just before the Easter break.

Musically, our Year 6 children are looking forward to sharing their ‘P-Bone’ skills at a celebration of Whole Class Music Teaching in Norwich. In case you’re not sure: ‘P-Bones’ are plastic trombones that are made in a variety of attractive colours! Groups from our Partner Schools – Duchy and Weeting will also be taking part in this event and we are very much looking forward to the experience.

In the last article I referred to the Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby Team – I have an update: Success in the Level 1 competition in November led our team to the Level 2 competition at Watton in January. The great news is that the team were extremely successful at Watton and reached the Level 3 stage of competition which took them to Norwich Rugby Club. The team travelled to Norwich in very wet and murky conditions – the weather didn’t improve all day but that did not ‘dampen their spirits’. The team played well in their pool games and reached the ‘Plate Final’ where they came a very creditable 3rd – this is the first time that a Norman School Rugby Team has reached the level 3 stage of competition since these events began.
Well done ‘Norman’!

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Born in 1897 in Northwold to Henry & Mary Matthews. KIA 5th March 1917, aged approx 19 yrs. He has no known grave and is remembered on the Theipval Memorial, Aithuille, France, Pier 10, Face D.

PRIVATE, 35906,
JOSEPH CHARLES REED
11th Bn., Essex Regiment
Born in 1888 in Mundford to John & Mary Ann Reed. Died on 22nd March 1918, aged 30. He has no known grave and is remembered on the Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais, France, Bay 7, Course B, Stone 3.

PRIVATE, 13986,
ARTHUR PERCY CHAPMAN
‘C’ Coy, 7th Bn., Norfolk Regt.
Born in early 1895 to John & Maria Chapman of Methwold Rd, Northwold. He died on 27th March 1918, aged 22. He has no known grave and is remembered on the Pozieres Memorial, Ovillers-la-Boisselle, Albert, France, Panel 23.

Swaffham Museum reopened in February after a busy six weeks. Behind the scenes work included two new exhibitions, a new activity for adults and children ‘Do you know how to use a 1930’s typewriter?’, additional dressing-up options and a new museum trail.

The first new exhibition ‘Philo’s diary’ has extracts from a diary written in 1850 by James Philo (1810-1877) who worked as a boot and shoemaker from his home at 8 London Street – approximately where Blaine’s shop is today. He revisited the diary in 1873 and he describes the changes in Swaffham over the 19th Century. Besides his own personal sentiments, there are references to Education, Emigration, Local Government, Unions and Entertainment in Swaffham.

Our second exhibition is a display of paintings from our store. This is mostly paintings from the Carter family – Samuel John (father to Howard Carter), and Harry Carter who is well respected for his village signs. There are some copies of Harry’s original designs. There are also some works from the graphic designer, Max Mueller. Max was a graphic artist and printer in Liepzig before becoming an unwilling conscript in the German army during WW11. He surrendered to the American army and eventually came to live as a prisoner of war in the camp at Cockley Cley. After his release he remained within the locality working for a funeral director before setting up his own printing press.

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A manufacturing company, feeling it was time for a shake-up, hired a new CEO. The new boss was determined to rid the company of all slackers. On a tour of the facilities, the CEO noticed a guy leaning on a wall. The room was full of workers and he wanted to let them know that he meant business. He walked up to the guy leaning against the wall and asked, “How much money do you make a week?” A little surprised, the young man looked at him and replied, “I make £200 a week. Why?” The CEO then hands the guy £800 in cash and screams, “Here’s four weeks’ pay. Now GET OUT and don’t come back!” Feeling pretty good about himself, the CEO looked around the room and asked, “Does anyone want to tell me what job that slacker did here?” From across the room came a voice: “That was the pizza delivery guy.”

Advice for people of my generation:
Do not introduce yourself too vigorously to new people – they may be old friends you have forgotten. Give up the mother-in-law jokes as, nowadays, your wife is the mother-in-law. Don’t be envious of your friends who tell you they are doing it five times a night – they mean going to the loo! When discussing the grandchildren's history lessons, don't let them know that you were there.

Unsolicited telephone sales calls:
If, like me, you hate receiving an uninvited sales call, you probably lie awake at night, dreaming up ways to deal with them. My favourite is to shout to an imaginary grandchild to go and get Grandpa who is in the barn by the fourth meadow down the hill, just behind the lake. I warn the child to be careful rowing across the lake and invite the caller to hold on! There follows an amalgam of my ideas and some I found on the worldwide cobweb. I am particularly irritated if they start out with, “How are you today?” Try saying, “Why do you want to know?” or “I’m so glad you asked, because no one seems to care these days and I have all these problems, my sciatica is acting up, my eyelashes are sore, my dog just died . . .” When they try to get back to the sales process, just continue on with telling about your problems. If they want to lend you money, tell them you just filed for bankruptcy and you could really use some money. Ask, “How long can I keep it? Do I have to ever pay it back, or is it like the other money I borrowed before my bankruptcy?” If the person says they’re Joe Soap from the XYZ Company, ask them to spell their name, then ask them to spell the company name, then ask where it is located. Continue asking personal questions or questions about the company for as long as necessary.

I am old school and I get really fed up with this technique was an explosion calling me by my Christian name”. The most successful result I ever had with this technique was an explosion from the bloke who had called; he told me that I should be locked up in prison and hung up in a huff…..

A RESULT!
Alternatively, let the person go through their spiel, providing minimal but necessary feedback in the form of an occasional “Uh-huh, really” or, “That's fascinating.” Finally, when they ask you to buy, ask them to marry you, whether they be male or female. They will get all flustered. Then just tell them you couldn't give your credit card number to someone who is a complete stranger. This next one works better if you are male. Reverse it if you are female.

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There is also an option of speaking to an operator, if the caller wishes to contact another force.

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POLICE NON-EMERGENCY? CALL 101

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PRESENT: Councillors A. Collins Vice-Chairman, S. Leet, A. Muir, C. Anderson, A. Jenkinson, C. Pointeer, G. Gillett, S. Gillett, F. Eglington (also the temporary Clerk), and Mrs P Angus to take the minutes for this meeting. There were 3 members of the public.

1. PUBLIC FORUM
A member of the public said that he noticed that the website was not up to date, the Chair explained that in the absence of a Clerk they were unable to update the website and the Council are trying to find a solution to this problem. The same member of public said that he noticed that there was a question still outstanding that he asked this time last year regarding a footpath and the Chair said that Highways do not have the money for repairs and work on local footpaths.

2. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS
Norfolk County Council - Not at meeting.
Kings Lynn & West Norfolk Borough Council - Not at meeting

3. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Cllrs M. Peak and R. Crisp.

4. MEMBERS’ DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (for items on the Agenda) – Issue of Dispensations
None

5. TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 15th December 2016
Cllr Eglington said that some corrections have been made which involved the totals and the defibrillator and they are ready for the Chair to sign. Following this amendment all agreed that the minutes were true record of the meeting held on the 15th December 2016, a copy of the amended minutes will be sent to the Chair to sign and file in the minute book.

6. REPORTS AND MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
6.1 Chair’s report
The chair said that he had asked Bonnets to do the posts for the Cemetery, he has written to the bank to change the address where the statement is to go to.

6.2 Clerk’s report
No Clerk to report.

HIGHWAYS MATTERS
7.1 Highways Update - Cllr. Storey/Andy Wallace Highways
Nothing from Highways

7.2 Parking on Pavements
Not discussed at this point.

8. CORRESPONDENCE
The chair had received a letter from ALCC regarding the previous Clerk asking for copies of agendas and minutes.

9. NORMANDY CLOSE
A piece of land in Normandy Close was discussed in which there was a dispute over who owns this land as there is a problem with the parking on this area and who is responsible for cutting the grass. And following a discussion the Parish Council pointed out that this area is not their responsibility as it does not belong to the Council. Cllr Jenkinson offered in the meantime to cut the grass however he would require the residents in Normandy Close to sign a letter stating that if any stones cause any damage to their property it is not his responsibility.

10. SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB SOLAR PANELS
The Chair said that there was a problem with E-On regarding a wrong address that was given to them and he will keep the Cllrs updated on this situation.

11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND UPDATES (since last meeting)
The chair said that he had sent out the latest planning application regarding Hope Lodge for change of use of land for the site for 4 caravans and a glamping site in the area and there were no objections from the Council.

12. PARISH NOTICEBOARDS – update on options
The chair said he would put the notice board that Cllr Jenkinson had made outside the Village Hall, two more all-weather notice boards would be purchased for Whittington and Little London road.
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Whittington @ 09.06 am – Pick Up Point: Bus Shelter

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Whittington @ 10.15 am – A134 Bus Shelter

Leaves King’s Lynn bus station @ 1.30 pm

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9.24 am Opposite St. Andrew’s Church
9.26 am Tile Centre (T-junction: Methwold Rd/West End/High St)

Whittington – Pick up Point: 09.32 am A134, Norman Drive

Leaves King’s Lynn bus station @ 1.10 pm (or you can leave on the 1.30 pm CS40 as above)

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