

Winter 2019

HEMINGBY



January

Wednesday 2nd, Food Bank St Margaret's Church 11.00-13.00
 Thursday 3rd Walking for Health, New Year Amble Tetford Meet Village Hall 10.00
 Sunday 6th 100 Club Draw Coach and Horses 19.00
 Wednesday 16th Sew Lovely Village Hall 09.30
 Thursday 17th Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue Talk, Village Hall 17.30
 Thursday 17th Parish Council Village Hall 19.30
 Monday 21st Bread Making, Village Hall. 09.00
 Thursday 24th Linus , Palavas, 14.00
 Friday 25th Souper soup Palavas, 12.30—14.30

February

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 Tuesday 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th Walkers for Health Village Hall 09.30
 Wednesday 6th, 20th Sew Lovely Village Hall 09.30
 Wednesday 6th Food Bank St Margaret's Church 11.00-13.00
 Thursday 7th Walking for Health, Scrivelsby Park meet at Village Hall 10.00
 Sunday 17th Rural Touring Concert Village Hall 19.30
 Monday 18th Bread Making, Village Hall. 09.00
 Thursday 21st Linus , Palavas, 14.00
 Friday 22nd Souper soup Palavas, 12.30—14.30
 Tuesday 26th Hemingby Play Readers Honeycroft Lodge 19.00

March

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Chair
Doug Rodwell

Foreword

It will not escape the notice of the readers of this edition of InHemingby that we have dedicated a considerable amount of space to commemorate the centenary of the First World War. It was always the case that when we started this project back in 2014 with the planting of a commemoration tree in the graveyard and a special remembrance event in the church, that we would conclude this important period of reflection with a further event to mark the conclusion in 2018. I would therefore like to pay tribute to all those villagers who have given of their time to mark this special occasion over the four-year period with a fitting tribute to those who served and to those who were sacrificed. Obviously, the church will still be holding the annual Remembrance Service each year and in these times of division, both nationally and internationally, it is so vital that we do not forget the importance of the lessons we can learn from history.

Another important aspect of our lives which leads to closer relationships and understanding is the existence of community and the need to share a common purpose. Something which we have in abundance in Hemingby which is sadly lacking in many places. One of the most important ways this is achieved is through socialisation and the many opportunities that exist to get involved in varied pursuits with our friends and neighbours. However, none of this would be possible without the leadership and commitment of certain individuals who take time out to organise these events. On behalf of all residents I would like to pay tribute to these people without whom these activities may not exist or flourish. I refer of course to Bread Making, Carpet Bowls, Children's Christmas Party, Church Services, Concerts, Darts, Dominoes, Fashion Show, Fetes, Food Bank, Neighbourhood Watch, Play Reading, Pool, Quiz Nights, Rural Theatre, Sewing Groups, Souper Soup, Table Tennis, Upholstery, Village Meals or Walking for Health, all activities that allow us to contribute and enrich our lives. Activities which everyone is welcome to attend if they so wish. However, don't forget that if you have a special interest that you would like to share with others there is always the opportunity to give it a try.

On behalf of the Parish Council may I take this opportunity to wish each and everyone a very happy Christmas and a healthy and peaceful New Year.

Regards

Doug

A Fond Farewell

On behalf of the Parish Council, Play Area Committee, residents and all the other organisations and charities you have supported over your time as licensees of the Coach & Horses we would like to wish Keith & Debbie a fond farewell, happy, healthy retirement and a well earned rest.

A Warm Welcome

On behalf of all residents we would like to welcome Damien, Caroline and the children to Hemingby as the new licensees of the Coach & Horses. We hope that you will find friendship and support in the village and we wish you the very best of luck and good fortune with this new episode in your life.

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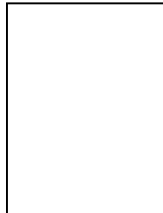
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Parish Council Meeting Dates

17th January

21st March

19:30 prompt - Village Hall



Only Remembered For What We Have Done.



Just before Christmas 2014, a group of villagers presented a programme of poetry, prose and music telling the story of the Christmas Truce and the Hemingby men who went to fight in World War I.

It was felt that the story of those Hemingby men should be concluded. What happened to those men, and how did it affect the men, women and children of the village.

On the 4th November 2018, St. Margaret's church gradually filled, the readers took their places and the lights were lowered. The poetry and prose read that evening reflected the events of those four years of war.

“Above all I am not concerned with Poetry.
My subject is War, and the pity of War.
The poetry is in the pity.”

The readings focused on the last year of the war and the first Armistice Remembrance in 1919, presenting the accumulation of death, not only of the fighting men but also the terrible suffering of horses. We concluded with an extract from 'Barbed Wire for Kisses - A Village at War 1914 - 1918', showing how the war had touched the village of Hemingby.

Reading	Author
In Flanders Fields	John McCrae
Mist on Meadows	Ivor Gurney
Break of Day in the Trenches	Isaac Rosenberg
Song: Lili Marlene	Hans Leip
Only Remembered	John Tams
As the Team's Head Brass	Edward Thomas
A Soldiers Kiss	Henry Chappell
For the Fallen	Lawrence Binyon
Any Soldier to his Son	George Willis
The Gift of Memory a Meditation	CGT
Barbed Wire for Kisses	Hugh Lupton, Nick Hennessey, John Dipper and James Patterson

The readers were: Kiera Jones, Alison Fairchild, Julian Fairchild, Sue Kemp, Alan Kemp and John Marwood. David Dean orchestrated the music and the narrator was Colin Thornton.

Wine, nibbles and much conversation concluded the evening.

A retiring collection raised £130.00 for the Horncastle Branch of the British Legion.



Charles Bryant

Play Area

The Play Area Committee drew the curtains on its fundraising campaign of 2018 with an explosive event held at the Village Hall on Sunday 9th December. It was lovely to see a resurgent Children's Christmas Party take place. The event was masterminded by Kate Waite and her precision and attention to detail, in organising it, has already had some suggest that she is the only lady able to get us through the Brexit process. Thirty children attended the party and it was lovely to see so many happy little faces getting into the spirit of Christmas. sadly, the Chairman had to curtail his stay at the event, with the noise and rapid movement of little people proving to be too challenging for him, following another event in the village the previous evening!

I would like to thank Kate, all the other committee members and those from the village who helped with the event either on the day or providing food. It was a great success and I am pleased this event has once again become an annual fixture.

Generally, 2018 has been a very successful year for the Play Area Committee. A variety of successful events have been held all thanks to the hard work of the committee but also the substantial support of the village.

Ongoing maintenance of the equipment is being monitored by the committee and we are aware of some necessary work which will hopefully be put in hand shortly. Thank you to all those who helped with the grass cutting rota this year. I thought the play area looked very smart throughout the summer and I am sure this helps to attract visitors from far and wide. I have been contacted by representatives of other villages who are very jealous of our facility and are looking to replicate something similar in their own village, so I suspect we are getting something right.

More events I am sure will be planned for in 2019 including the Fashion Show on April 29th.

Winter Preparations

Over the past few years the parish council has tried to ensure through volunteers, that in the event of severely inclement weather we are able to look after each other and provide support where necessary. With the suggestion that we could endure a lengthy period of bad weather this Winter we will once again be endeavouring to do the same. Charlie Bryant has been acting as Snow Warden previously but due to circumstances he will be assisted by Jo McInnes. We have already arranged for a one-ton bag of salt to be delivered to Charlie's house and have received assurances that all Grit Bins will be full. Obviously, we have neither the numbers or resource to carry out this task alone, although councillors will be assisting, we would like to have notice of persons we could call upon to help. Should you wish to volunteer please could you register an interest by contacting Charlie or Jo whose numbers appear at the front of this publication. We stress that you would only be asked in extreme weather conditions, but due to current public service cuts there is a greater need to be self-supporting due to limited resources. In the event of a prolonged period of severe weather we are also aware that a few vulnerable people may not be able to access supplies. If you feel you fall within this category please also let us know, but in any event even if you have not told us previously, if you are in difficulties we would want to help.

Wolds Walkers for Health (Hemingby)

We have now completed our fifth year as the Wolds Walkers for Health based here in Hemingby and 14 members enjoyed their annual Christmas Lunch together at the Redwood Restaurant as we all looked back on another excellent year of walking and we have now set our new programme for 2019 with new walks which will include Market Rasen, Gayton Le Wold, Goltho and Willingham Woods.

The weekly walks do not run during January and so they will recommence on Tuesday 5th February 2019 at 9.30 prompt outside the Village Hall.

Our first walk in 2019 will be the January monthly walk on Thursday 3rd January 2019 when walkers will be able to walk off a little of the festive excesses with a New Year Amble through Tetford. Our February monthly walk on the 7th February 2019 will be a beautiful walk through Scrivelsby Park at snowdrop time, hopefully not covered too deeply in snow! All walkers for the monthly walks should meet at 10 am outside the Village Hall to enable car sharing to our starting points. Anyone wishing to drive to the starting points, should arrive at the allotted starting point for a 10.30 am start.

Can I also address an issue about the equipment you might need to be able to join the group. We do not insist walkers wears anything specific, however we do ask walkers to wear 'suitable and appropriate' clothing and footwear, taking into account the terrain on the walk and the weather on the day. During some of our walks, some wear trainers, some wear wellies. Usually, an email is sent out prior to each monthly longer walk, which identifies the terrain we shall encounter so as to allow walkers to choose the appropriate footwear. We cannot predict the weather, so this is left to the walkers own initiative on the day! Please do not be put off joining the group because you might feel you do not have proper walking boots. Walking boots give good support and if you enjoy walking on a regular basis, they are by far the safest footwear to use BUT they are expensive which is why we do not insist on them. Walking for Health is all about walking regularly to improve your own health and wellbeing, it is not about what you walk in!

The new walk programme has now been 'published' for 2019 and if you would like to receive an emailed copy of this Programme, then please send me an email to winter52@btinternet.com and I will send you one. Likewise, if there is anyone out there who would like to join us in the New Year, please do come along and join us, you will be most welcome. If you have not walked before then perhaps the Tuesday weekly walks would be your better walks to start with and in time you can progress to the longer monthly walks which are usually between 4 and 5 miles in length and last approximately 90 minutes.

It is proved that regular walking does improve your health. Make 2019 the year you walk with us to improve your health.

Wishing you all a very happy and healthy Christmas and 2019.

Play Area 100 Club Results

October	1st - 06	2nd - 17	3rd - 87
November	1st - 01	2nd - 53	3rd - 32
December	1st - 91	2nd - 74	3rd - 43



St Margaret's Church

We were very pleased to donate our Harvest festival collection of £110 to the animal unit at St. Lawrence School, also £300 to the local branch of the British Legion from collections at the Poetry and Prose evening and our Remembrance Service. Thanks, must particularly go to Colin for organising the evening event and to Jack for speaking at the service. Both events served to really focus our minds on those soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice.

On a lighter note, all who attended our exciting Bingo night on 30th November had a great evening. We raised a fabulous £300 thanks to the generosity of those attending and those who gave prizes. It was particularly nice of Santa to join us as caller but no wonder he wouldn't read out his own jokes!

A stoic performance at the Candlelit Concert of Seasonal Music, was given by Kate Witney, soprano, accompanied by Robert Foster on lute, which raised an amazing £300 for UNICEF. Despite suffering from a cold Kate & Robert entertained the audience with some beautiful medieval carols and seasonal songs. Thanks to all those who supported.

When you start putting entries into your 2019 diaries please be sure to enter the date for our annual lunch on 17th March. This will be raising essential funds for St. Margaret's Building and Churchyard Fund, so do please join us!

Passing by the church you will see that sadly time is standing still in Hemingby again. Our very rare and historically significant clock, manufactured in 1787 and coming to Hemingby from Gautby hall, has developed wear in 3 critical areas, so we need our local horologist Marcus to repair these items. Your village church committee as custodians of this piece of history feel it is vital that, even with limited funds, we keep our timepiece alive and ticking. Any donations to help with this work would of course be gratefully received and we are registered for gift aid—we can therefore increase the amount of your gift by 25% if you complete a simple declaration. Please speak to our treasurer David Dean. Landline 01507 578 635. Mobile 07932 687 043.

A big thank you must go to all the donors of items left in church for Horncastle Food Larder. A sad reflection of our times is that they are currently providing 4 or 5 parcels a week, and this can be for as many as 6 family members. In particular they are presently in need of tins of fruit and veg, plus sugar, jam, washing powder and toilet rolls. Do please look in your cupboards and see if you can spare anything. Now the church is open daily such items can be left at any time (in the big box marked Food larder). Of course, in addition all are most welcome to visit St Margaret's for prayer or a bit of quiet peace and reflection.

A full list of services appears in the Parish magazine, but we do hope to see as many of you as possible for the Christmas Eve service at 11.30pm, so we can give you Christmas wishes in person. Failing that, St Margaret's VCC send you their very best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Hemingby V.C.C consists of:

Betty Morton	Chairperson	01507 578273
John Marwood	Church Warden	01507 578783
David Dean	Treasurer	01507 578635
David Cotton		01507 343888
Alison Fairchild		01507 578539
Alan Kemp		01507 578550

Bread Making In Hemingby for 2018



Bread Making In Hemingby for next year 2019

9.00am Monday 21st January

9.00am Monday 18th February

9.00am Monday 18th March

We meet at the Village Hall, £2.00 per session. We're all having great fun making different breads together ... and they're nice to eat as well (usually!!) Spaces still available but please contact Di Stephenson 01507 578695

Super Soup



Our next soup sessions at Palavas, New End, Hemingby, are

12.30 – 2.30 on Fridays 25th January, 22nd February 2019. Again, proceeds raised (£2.50) or products donated go to charity.

If you've not been before, you would be most welcome but please let me know in advance for catering purposes.

Contact Di for further information 01507 578695

Linus Quilting



Linus Quilting

Easy hand sewing which we make into squares for a quilt.

Do come and have a go!

2.00pm Thursday 24th January 2019

2.00pm Thursday 21st February 2019

2.00pm Thursday 21st March 2019

at Di's, Palavas, New End, Hemingby,

01507 578695

Sew Lovely



A craft group at

Hemingby Village Hall

on

Wednesdays 16th January

6th and 20th February

13th and 27th March

£2 each morning

A chance to try different crafts in a relaxed, fun group. We're not experts but love to have a go at new skills!

Do contact Marie (01507578345) or Di (01507578695) for more info.

We'd love to see you.

Hemingby Village Hall

Our Christmas Branle

If you don't know what the Branle is, then come along and find out!



Saturday 22nd December 7.00 – 9.00pm. Bar, minced pies, mulled wine.

Christmas songs and carols with music provided by local band ... and it's all free! All welcome.

For further details, contact Paul/Di 01507 578695

Hemingby Play Reading Group

A great time was had recently at Honeycroft Lodge hosted by Ellie Chapman. The chosen play was Cinderella - it was hilarious, and Cinderella will never be the same again. Janet Winter took three parts and was star of the night, sides were aching with laughter and the evening ended with cheese, crackers, mince pies and Prosecco, really enjoyed by all but we need more "readers" no acting required just read for fun or sit in and listen - all contributions to LIVES. Why not join us in the New Year?

The Dates

January 29th

February 26th

March 26th



Can you find the Nativity stones hidden around Hemingby?



Wednesday 19th to Wednesday 27th December

Search for special stones which will have a picture of the Nativity story. These stones will be found on a trail between the village hall and the church. Pick up your sticker card and directions from the plastic box outside the main doors of the village hall. Complete your card with stickers found by each stone as you go around the trail. Help yourself to a little treat when you finish at the church.

Happy Christmas everyone

More info contact Di/Paul Stephenson 01507 578695



Neighbourhood Watch Team

John Marwood	01507 578783	Bill Goodall	01507 578650
Sue Sutcliffe	01507 578491	Janet Winter	01507 578676

Christmas is a great time of the year for an opportunist thief! Many of us have been 'hitting' the shops and on line shopping websites as we search for those Christmas presents we wish to give our loved ones and friends over the festive period. Our homes have a lot of extra desirable and easily disposable goods, all ready for those opportunistic thieves who might not have all of these lovely presents and do not wish to pay for them prior to giving them to their family and friends!

It is also the time of the year when we need to make sure we remember our NHW 'lessons'.

* Keep doors locked at all times, even when we are in the house.

* Make sure when we go out or are going away, we do not make it too obvious e.g. closing curtains which will then remain closed during the daylight hours. If your neighbour has two cars, ask if they would mind placing one of their cars in your driveway whilst you are away.

* Leave a radio playing in the house when you are out for a short while - make it appear that you are in the house.

* Invest in a day/night light which comes on at night and then goes off during the day. They are not very expensive but they are effective in making it appear as though someone is at home.

Tell your neighbours you are going to be away over the Christmas period and if you are that neighbour, take a walk around the property at various times of each day. Push any post through the door, take in their bins – anything which makes it look as though there is someone in residence.

Be a good neighbour! - Keep our community safe over the festive period.

Some of you might also be aware of an incident which happened to a member of the Hemingby community, when their car was parked at the intersection of the Roman Road with Green Lane. There was more than one car present on that day in November, as it is a popular parking spot for dog walkers or walkers walking the Roman Road. However for whatever reason, our opportunistic thief decided to smash not just one, but two windows of our resident's car windows and was only able to steal a small amount of car parking money. The damage to the car and the inconvenience far exceeded the amount stolen. Nothing was left on show in the car but for some reason only one of the cars was targeted - perhaps the thief was disturbed, who knows? Just be mindful of the remoteness of this parking spot and although it was not the case in this instance, NEVER leave money or valuables on show or even better still, do not take any valuables or money with you if you are not going to be carrying them about your person. Hemingby is not immune from criminal activity so we must all play our role in helping to protect the community.

While we are writing about protection of the community I would like to make an URGENT appeal for two new Neighbourhood Watch Team members, one for New End and one for Chapel Lane. This is not an arduous task and the only requirement is that you are able to circulate email alerts and report incidents. Please contact me for further details.

Lastly, wishing you all a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

Janet



Village Hall

Josie Marshall

For Hall Bookings Ring Josie 01507 578328

Christmas will soon be upon us and it is very pleasing that the weather has not been too bad, let's hope it stays that way. The hall has been keeping busy with bookings and we have received many complimentary comments regarding the refurbishment of the kitchen and bar area.

The next stage of our improvement plan has been to have WIFI installed at the hall with a view to increasing our bookings as well as an improved facility for residents. The next part of the plan will take place during the middle of December with an upgrade to the lighting (also a lit noticeboard) which has been expertly refurbished thanks to Nigel Eborall. To ensure we can reduce running costs we have entered into a 3-year fixed price electricity contract which will also decrease the frequency of price rises.

Further improvement plans are in the pipeline and we are currently seeking quotes to install a new sound and projector system providing we can raise enough funds. We are also examining the feasibility of improving the area outside the hall to control the weeds and to make it more attractive to hirers. As ever your continued support for this facility is very much appreciated as we seek to enhance this important village facility.

Support was very much in attendance for the Lincoln Red Evening which was very successful and raised £604 for village hall funds. Our grateful thanks to John Harrison and Michael Read for what was judged as the best beef we have ever tasted and thanks to all others for their hard work.

Another great success was the Christmas Lunch where seventy-four diners sat down to a delicious three course meal. It was particularly pleasing to see that the age of those attending ranged from one year old to some that were in their eighties. This wonderful family event also raised a considerable amount for village hall funds and would not be possible without the hard work of many people and the non-committee members who lent their support, thank you.

May I finish by wishing everyone a very Happy Christmas and a Safe New Year and will look forward to seeing you at the village hall in 2019.

Diary Dates

Saturday 22nd December – Singalong at the hall at 7.30pm, there will be a bar available, so why not come along and get into the festive spirit.

Also, early 2019 will see the Village Hall AGM at which all are welcome to attend, please look out for flyers advertising this event.

Village Clean Up

Plans are being put in place for the first of our two village clean ups to take place on Saturday 2nd March at 2pm, weather permitting. If you would like to take part in this event, we meet outside the village hall and all attendees are asked to come in the correct attire appropriate for the weather conditions on the day. It is also important to wear a stout pair of shoes or boots. Once again, Julian Fairchild will make all the necessary arrangements to ensure we have the correct tools for the job. We look forward to seeing as many as possible turn out on the day which will make sure it is not very time consuming.

Remembrance Day Talk

Many of you will know that Dorothy and I have regularly visited “the old front line”, that series of First World War trenches and battlefields where millions of ordinary men of both sides were needlessly slaughtered in four years of warfare. We have occasionally been asked, “what are your most poignant memories”?

The first must be finding the grave of my grandfather, killed in action during the final weeks of the war, one of those ordinary men now buried in a foreign field leaving behind a wife and three children. This discovery led to a deeper interest in the history of the so-called war to end all wars.

The second was standing beside the resting place of an exemplary brave man, Noel Chevasse, a man who never fired a shot during the conflict as he was a doctor. Yet, he was awarded two Victoria Crosses and the Military Cross, the only man ever so honoured. He risked his own life on numerous occasions to save wounded men lying only feet from enemy trenches during both the Battle of the Somme and at Passchendaele, being numerous wounded and refusing medical treatment he eventually died of his many wounds.

Thirdly, staring unbelievably at a piece of scarred timber near to Ypres in Belgium. No ordinary piece of wood though but a thick stake standing in a small backyard where many of our own troops, ordinary men in the war were “shot at dawn”. Our own men shot by others of our own men on often flimsy charges. I say ordinary men, but many were merely teenagers, four of them only seventeen years of age, boys in today's world. Another had won two good conduct awards for bravery at Gallipoli and the Somme but eventually faced the firing squad. Unbelievably many were shot in the final week of the war. All 306 soldiers to die by execution were pardoned in 2006. Today the vast majority would identify as suffering Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and be helped rather than shot.

But what of our own Hemingby men? It has been so easy for me to say over the years that so and so was killed in action in wherever. What were the battles really like where these ordinary men perished?

Gallipoli, Turkey 1915, perhaps the worst planned operation of the whole war, this attempt to open a sea route to Russia underestimated the strength and ability of the Turkish forces, shelling and firing down from cliff top positions onto our troops as they attempted to land. Despite fighting bravely for ten months we were eventually forced to withdraw, not a yard of ground gained and suffering 45,000 killed in action. Private A. Marshall and M. Griffin, ordinary lads from Hemingby, fought in these futile battles and became the first villagers to die. Private Marshall's body was one of 14,000 never to be found.

At the outbreak of war Lord Kitchener's call for volunteers drew thousands of young men to arms. Trained but totally inexperienced in warfare their first encounter with the enemy fell on Saturday 1st July 1916. Within five short months they were decimated, 420,000 killed, missing or wounded, 20,000 of them killed on the first day of the battle. The worst day ever in the history of the British army. Ordinary men repeatedly sent up against a hail of bullets and shells until a final ceasefire was called to the slaughter on November 18th. However, this Battle of the Somme saw one further tragedy for a farm working lad from this village. Drummer Lowe, bringing in the wounded from the battlefield on the following day was unbelievably killed by a sniper's bullet, our third local man to die.

The 3rd Battle of Arras, 5 weeks during the spring of 1917 claimed 160,000 casualties. This cluster of battles around Arras brought one major victory, the capture of Vimy Ridge by the Canadians, but after this early achievement other battles continued without success and stalemate was re-established. However, one such encounter at Bullecourt where Australian troops suffered 11,500 casualties also claimed the life of another villager. Private S. Brown became the 4th Hemingby man to die. His death must have been horrendous as the Battle of Arras saw a greater daily death toll than any other battle fought by the British during the war.

The 3rd Battle of Ypres, July to November 1917, 240,000 casualties, more commonly known as Passchendaele is remembered not only for the horrific loss of lives but the way men died. Shelled and mown down as they attempted to fight their way uphill in weather which was against them. Torrential rain had turned the crated ground into a quagmire. Struggling across with full packs was virtually impossible. Men slid into the numerous shell holes, partly filled with thick muddy water and often the bodies of dead or dying comrades and were unable to scramble out. We lost two Hemingby boys at Passchendaele, the 5th and 6th from this village to die. Lance Corporal Harrison was killed on the very first day whilst Private W. Cheseldine, commemorated on the Horncastle memorial, died during October. Fortunately, his body was found and buried but Fred Harrison was one of 42,000 men whose body was never found.

That we should lose to Hemingby men in the same battle was unbelievable but within 10 days of Passchendaele another attempt to break the German defences was launched at Cambria. Using tanks en masse, for the first time in war, three hundred and seventy-eight such armoured vehicles pushed the enemy back 4 miles on the first day but in doing half the tanks were out of action. After 9 days of battle, during which we advanced a total of 6 miles the Germans hit back hard. Our men were driven back to their original positions and when fighting ceased we had suffered a further 45,000 casualties. Regrettably, during that German counter attack on November 30th, two more ordinary lads from Hemingby were killed on the same day. Private Whiting and Griffin, possibly childhood friends from this small village, now lie in separate French cemeteries, the 7th and 8th villagers killed in action.

So, came the end of this “war to end all wars”. But was that really so? Sadly, the countries of the world stood passively by whilst Germany re-armed and a mere twenty years later the slaughter of even more ordinary folk began again.

However today on the hundredth anniversary of the cessation of hostilities in 1918 we can commemorate and honour all those who died or were wounded, not only in the Great War but in numerous conflicts since then, such as Korea, where in 1951 the village lost its 9th victim to war, thirty-year-old, Lance Corporal Cecil Sharpe. Men and women devoted to a cause in search of ever lasting peace and thousands still serving. In God's name we express to them our gratitude and praise.

Avon Representative

My name is Kerry Graham and I am your new Avon Representative for the village. I have recently been distributing brochures. If you would like to take a look at the new range of Avon and I have missed you please give me a call 07879 887735 or you can see the brochure and order online at my store www.avon.uk.com/store/kerrysbeautyandessentials

Oil Syndicate

The next order for oil will be placed during February. The recent order placed was at a price of 46.75p per litre, which compared favourably with Boiler Juice at 49.95p.

If you want to join in next time and place an order, please contact me Marie 578345

Horncastle Open Access Minor Injuries Service

Horncastle Medical Group has apparently started a Minor Injuries Service at their practice in Spilsby Road. The service is there to help with injuries that need urgent attention but are not critical or life threatening, such as;

- Sprains, strains, cuts and grazes
- Arm, foot and leg injuries
- Bites, minor burns and scalds
- Minor head injuries
- Bruises
- Stings
- Removal of foreign bodies (excluding from the eyes)



The Minor Injury Service is open to everyone in the area and is available to all registered patients, local community and visitors including both children and adults. The service is open from 8am until 6.30pm from Monday to Friday. You don't need to make an appointment and you will be assessed and treated by their nursing staff in a calm relaxed setting. This is an opportunity to access care closer to home providing you condition is only a minor one.

Christmas & New Year Opening Hours

Horncastle Medical Practice have advised that the surgery will be closed on Tuesday 25th December and Wednesday 26th December and reopening as usual on Thursday 27th December 2018 at 8am. The surgery will also be closed on Tuesday 1st January 2019 and reopen as usual on Wednesday 2nd January 2019 at 8am.

Other surgeries may have similar opening and closing times over the holiday period, but you should check to ensure this is the case. You are also advised to check that you have sufficient medication to last during the holiday period and order in advance if that is not the case.



Lincolnshire Rural & Community Touring Programme

In concert at Hemingby Village Hall

Sunday 17th February 7.30pm

Jaywalkers

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Regular darts, pool and domino matches are held
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Au Revoir

Although we are still at The Coach and Horses as I write this, by the time you read it we should be settled in our house in Rotherham, sitting with our feet up, brandy in hand and reminiscing about the good times we have had during our 26 years (almost) in Hemingby. We would like to thank all our loyal customers for their support and all of you for your friendship and for making us feel a part of the village. We hope you will continue to support Damien and Caroline in their new venture and keep The Coach & Horses a thriving village pub. We will be popping back from time to time to visit our sons so it won't be the last you see of us, but it is goodbye for now, Merry Christmas to you all and once again thank you.

Debbie & Keith xxx

Hello from 'The Coach & Horses'

We are pleased to be able to say we are here and open for business as usual and take this time to introduce ourselves. We are Damien and Caroline Nou, and as recognisable as the accent is, we have recently moved from Australia (just in case you think it could be New Zealand) with our children Sophie and Matthew. We are looking forward to becoming part of the community, not only as the business but also a family. Soon we are hoping that we will expand the team, a proficient hand to assist in running the kitchen. Recommendations definitely welcome. Continuing the tradition, the annual pub quiz will run as usual in early March and we welcome and support the dominos, darts and pool teams. Dogs continue to be welcomed and muddy boots won't be turned away. We had chosen Hemingby and The Coach and Horses Inn to be our new home because from the outset the people and village appealed to what we were after, so we are not looking to make any major changes excluding obviously the people who are serving you.

Please give us a little time to get settled in and learn how everything works, and please let us know if there is anything that would make your pub visit more enjoyable as well as any way we can help in the community.

Damien & Caroline

For more information, or to book a table, call Damien or Caroline on 01507 578280,
email coachandhorses@hemingby.net,
or like and follow us on Facebook to keep up with what's happening.

Christmas Greetings



In lieu of sending Christmas cards we will be donating to the RAF Benevolent Fund this year. With Good Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Colin, Gillian, Clare and Fiona Sach at Eastgate House.

Susie Hemingway Moursi would like to wish all her dear Hemingby Friends a very joyous Christmas and a healthy and peaceful 2019. A donation to Myeloma UK in lieu of cards will be made.



Shaun and Debbie Wilson would like to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a Healthy New Year and will be donating to McMillan Cancer Support instead of sending cards this year.

Doug & Joy would like to wish all our Hemingby friends and neighbours a very Happy Christmas and a Healthy & Peaceful New Year. We will be donating to the Nomad Trust this year in support of the homeless.



Dorothy and Jack, now at Torksey, send greetings for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our friends in Hemingby. Rather than cards, a donation will be made to "Lives". Best wishes to all."



Wishing all our friends & neighbours of the village old a new a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Healthy 2019.

Best Wishes Paul, Kerry, Tristan & Elliot Graham and Jester xx

This year we will be donating cost of cards to Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance, Alzheimer's & Cancer Research.



Richard, Helen, Caylen and Morgan Jones would like to wish all our wonderful neighbours and friends a fabulous Christmas and Prosperous 2019. Instead of buying cards for local friends this year, we are donating to a Dementia Charity in support of a very close family member.



Charlotte Beath would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Joyful New Year.



Barry & Teresa are wishing you all a Very Happy Christmas and a very peaceful, healthy and prosperous 2019. This year in lieu of Christmas cards, we will be donating an appropriate amount to Pink Sparkle Fundraising who supports Breast Cancer Care and Macmillan. Should anyone else wish to donate to this worthy cause you can do it through Carly Dowman or via <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/carly-dowman1>

Sunday Lunch

Hemingby Village Hall

Sunday 17th March 1.30pm

Tickets £10 From Joy 578533 or Betty 578273

The tickets sell very quickly so please book your place as soon as possible

All proceeds go to the Church Graveyard fund



Bring your own drink

Have your Say

2018 Poppy Appeal.

I am delighted to be able to be given the opportunity to report on this year's Appeal. As it marked the 100 years since the end of WW1 there has been an increased amount of publicity, both nationally and locally. This resulted in a full weekend of activities, for which the planning started in January. As the Poppy Appeal Organiser for the Horncastle and District Branch of the Royal British Legion, I am able to report that the monies collected have far exceeded our expectations. The Appeal year runs from 1st October until the 30th September. Last year at this time we had collected £13,500, which rose to £17,500 by the end of the year. I am pleased to reveal that this year the total has already reached £17,000 with 10 months fundraising still to come. This money would not have been raised without the support of the local communities in and around Horncastle. I would therefore like to thank each and every one of those people who contributed in any way, not just those who donated cash, but also those who collected on behalf of the Appeal or helped in any other way.

The Horncastle Branch is always looking for new members and it is open to anyone, not just ex-service personnel. We meet at the Admiral Rodney at 7.30pm on the second Monday of each month.

Julian Millington

Horncastle And District Royal British Legion

Fly Tipping

As many of you will recall we have experienced several fly tipping incidents in and around Hemingby over the last few years.

During the late Summer Joy and I were witness to an incident that took place at the top of Green Lane where a member of public was offloading sacks from his car and putting them into the hedgerow. We were able to gather enough evidence including a picture of his car and number plate to enable us to report it to East Lindsey District Council. The council then sent us a form for us to make a statement regarding the event and to confirm whether, if necessary, we would be prepared to go to court. Following his appearance before council Enforcement Officers under caution, where he admitted the offence, he was served with a Fixed Penalty Notice and was required to pay the council £75.00. Obviously, it was not our decision, as we would have liked to have seen a far greater penalty, but it does highlight that the council will act if they have the right evidence. Just one word of caution, please be mindful of challenging anyone in these circumstances as you do not know how they may react

Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue Safety Engagement

Prior to the next Parish Council Meeting on Thursday 17th January 2019 we have invited the Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue Service to give a presentation called "Fire safety in the Home and Referrals into Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue". The talk will be held at the village hall and will commence at 5.30pm. The presenter will be Lee Marsh the Community Fire Safety Manager and will cover several subjects including; the main reason for accidental fires in domestic dwellings, how to mitigate the likelihood, how to prevent damage from fire, how to refer into Lincolnshire Fire & Rescue and what happens with the referral.

It was felt that it would be appropriate at this time of the year, when more heating is taking place, including open fires, that it would be useful to stage this event. Everyone is welcome and light refreshments will be available.



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Local Services contacts & numbers

Horncastle and Wragby Neighbourhood Policing Team

Horncastle Police Station (01507 523332) or Lincolnshire HQ (01522 532222)

The Police Station is open Monday to Friday (09.00-17.00) closed Weekends and Bank Holidays

PC Dave Mills 101 ext 4624 Mobile 07973 842568

Community Support Officers– P.C.S.O.'s Nigel Wass 101 ext 4627 Mobile 07973 846956 and Jad Mohamed 101 ext 4635. Mobile 07973 845624

email:: horncastlewragby.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk

Doctors / Prescriptions (01507 522477)

Open daily Mon—Fri, Spilsby Road, Horncastle. Repeat Prescriptions can be ordered in person or by email only : horncastlemedicalgroup@LPCT.nhs.uk

Councils

East Lindsey District Council: 01507 601111

Lincolnshire County Council: 01522 552222

Refuse Collection: Monday, General or Recycling or Tuesday for Green Waste

Wheelie bins should be placed at your gate on Sunday (or Monday for green bins) in the evening or early the following morning prior to the collection (General & Green waste every 2 weeks / Recycling every other).

Library

The main library is on Wharf Road in Horncastle (Closed all day Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons).

Post Deliveries: Daily 08.00-11.00

Post boxes are located on Church Lane & Mill Lane (No Sunday Collection)

The Postman will also take mail if you can not get to the post box.

Hospitals

Boston District Hospital 01205 364801

Lincoln County Hospital 01522 512512

Louth County Hospital 01507 600100

Other Services

NHS (Non Emergency but can't wait for GP appointment 111)

Environment Agency 0800 807060

Central Networks Electricity emergency 0800 0568090

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