

Legbourne & Little Cawthorpe Newsletter

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EASTER BINGO

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Legbourne Community Centre

Friday 8th April



Doors open 6.30pm Eyes down 7.30pm

Easter Themed Prizes



Raffle, refreshments and bar.

**Community Centre Chairman - Mick Booth
Community Centre Secretary - Linda Pocklington - 601501
Booking Clerk- Robin Peck - 07508651029
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Michelle Oates

EXTRA COPIES CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SHOP, THE QUEEN'S HEAD OR THE "SPLASH". Email Michelle or Linda to get a copy via email.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON THE PLAYING FIELD OR IN THE CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA.

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All Saints Church. Legbourne

The Welcome on Wednesday Coffee Morning raised **£497.60** for the **Red Cross Ukrainian Appeal**.

Thank you so much all the people who came and gave so generously. Also, to Daphne and Sheila who made the wonderful cakes.

The next WOW coffee morning will be on 20th April. Look forward to seeing you there.

The church car boot is on Monday 2nd May. Can you help with the car parking that morning, it would be great if you could, just a couple of hours of your free time?

Church cleaning is on 2nd April and then 30th April 9.30 for an hour.

Hilary King
01507 601885

WELCOME ON WEDNESDAY

COFFEE MORNING

IN CHURCH

10am – Noon

20th April

Then third Wednesday of the month.

Everyone welcome



Queens Head

Part 2

There have been many licensees of the Queen's Head since it first appeared in the documentary record but the only tenure of which we have any narrative is that of Robert Winn who ran the pub from sometime in the 1930s through the Second World War. We have this record because his daughter Mary contributed an article on her childhood memories to the millennium book - perhaps her most striking recollection is of a wartime Friday tea time, when a tracked army vehicle (probably a Bren gun carrier) came crashing through the Q.H. wall, the driver, like so many since, having failed to negotiate the Q. H. corner.

Another recollection is of a couple of Romany families who spent their winters on one of the pub fields (1). Mary recalled their caravans as being gaily painted, festooned with brasses and spotlessly clean. She formed a close and lasting friendship with both families. Another regular event was the annual parade of the circus on its way to Mablethorpe. Presumably it had arrived by rail at Louth and chose to process to Mablethorpe rather than continue on the Willoughby railway loop, to make sure everyone knew they had arrived for the season. Over the years it had become customary for this procession, which always happened on the same Sunday morning each year, to pause before rounding the corner into Reston Road, for Miss Graves, a near neighbour to the Q.H., to offer bread buns to the leading animal – an old bull elephant. And the story goes that he left, in exchange, a pile of droppings which over the years gave Miss Graves the best roses in the village – such is the stuff of local folk lore!

The war really began for East Lincolnshire in the summer of 1940 some nine months after the declaration. It was then that troops, rescued from Dunkirk, arrived. They were sent here partly for rest and recuperation but also to play whatever part they could in the repulsion of an invasion over Lincolnshire's firm sandy beaches

(4). The rest and recuperation element was reflected by the nightly carousing in Q.H. – singing and drinking from opening to closing time, which is not surprising given the horrors that they had experienced in retreating to the beaches and then on the beaches. However, some were content with what was available in the Naafi set up in the Reading Room, at the time adjacent to the village school but now the pavilion on the playing field.

The repulsion of any attempted invasion would have been largely in the hands of the Royal Artillery contingent that found itself in this part of Lincolnshire, they were here to operate a battery of 5.5-inch artillery pieces located on what is now Kenwick Golf Course. Their fire was to be directed by spotters on Saltfleetby church tower. In addition, there was a Scottish regiment stationed in the village that did what Scottish regiments always did – play their bagpipes to much local annoyance.

All the military other ranks were housed in Nissen huts in various locations – some in Village Farm yard, some in the nearby field, and others on what is now the playing field. Some lucky individuals were billeted in the school room of the chapel in Chapel Lane and the sergeants and officers were accommodated in private houses.

Mary also tells of the appearance in the village of service men of a very different sort– Italian prisoners of war sent to Legbourne later in the war, probably from the camp at North Somercotes, to work on local farms. They were housed in some of the Nissen Huts, by this time abandoned by the army. One particular occasion, remembered by Mary, was when a group of them tried to get into the Queen’s Head. Her father would not let them in at any price and his reaction to the Italians is understandable but it does beg the question of why prisoners of war were roaming free enough and felt free enough to be seeking a drink in a British village pub. The answer is almost certainly that they were “Cooperators”.

Italy joined the war as an ally of Germany a few days after the Dunkirk rescue when it looked as though Britain was bound to lose the war. After three years of warfare in the North African desert (2) Italy threw in the towel in September 1943 and by this time there were over 100,000 Italian PoWs in Britain. All of them had been given the choice of spending their time in a secure PoW camp or being allowed to leave the camp to do work of various kinds in the surrounding area and even living on site, especially if it was a farm. In return they were paid slightly more, perhaps enough to finance a visit to a pub, (and undoubtedly that happened in some places) than those who chose to remain in the camps.

They also were allowed some freedom of movement within a certain distance provided they wore a yellow triangle on their backs. They were known as “Co-operators”. Many of them chose to stay in Britain after the war and a few years later invited their relatives in war- ravaged Italy to take up jobs in labour hungry British coal mines and strangely, in the brickyards of Bedfordshire.

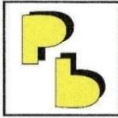
The photograph at the beginning of this article shows the Queen’s Head in the 1960s after the Bateman’s make- over following their acquisition shortly after the war (3). Two flat roof extensions are evident, the walls have been rendered and painted and the signage is somewhat celebratory. It may also be that the part of the pub beyond the middle chimney stack was added at this time to provide domestic accommodation and a beer cellar - changes that made the building more efficient in that the business and domestic parts were now quite separate.

1. On 4th Sept 1919 in the Yorkshire Post and Leeds Intelligencer there appeared the following notice “Legbourne. Beerhouse Known as the Queen’s Head and nine acres of land sold for £800”.

2. Google “The Desert War” for the full story

3.. On 9th May 1945 Robert Winn Advertised his “two furrow tractor plough, in sound condition”, for sale. This could suggest two things – that he had been cultivating at least some of the nine acres and that he was leaving (or retiring) or even clearing the decks in preparation for selling to Batemans.

4. A few pill boxes and tank “traps” can still be seen nearer to the coast.



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Coming as soon as permitted: parent & baby groups - to include outside nature walks and tea and talk sessions.

Please email or phone us now to register your interest (see above.)

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Results of Draw for March

Drawn at the Queen's Head 02/03/22

£100	Apr, Sept and Dec only
£25	Georgina Conduit, Station Rd. Legbourne. 125
£10	Arthur Garland, Mill Lane, Legbourne. 56
£10	Chris Rolph, Furze Lane Legbourne. 160
£10	Ray Smith, Station Rd, Legbourne, 25
£10	Peter Bigley, Chapel Lane, Legbourne. 34
£10	Dean Myhill, A.S. Way, Legbourne. 167

Ponderings

Throughout the world the more wrong a man does,
the more indignant is he at wrong done to him

Quoted in the Sunday Times

A clear conscience is a sure
sign of a bad memory

Mark Twain

Our knowledge can only be finite,
while our ignorance must necessarily be infinite

Quoted in the Sunday Times

Spirit of the Age

The University of Bristol encouraged staff to use an online pronoun guide that included not just the neo pronouns “ze/zir/zirs”, but also “cat gender” and “emoji self”. According to the guide people who identify as feline may go by the pronouns “nya” and “nyan” meaning “meow” in Japanese, while users of an “emoji self” swap letter pronouns for an emoji.

Update from Legbourne Parish Council

Dear Residents

Your Parish Council met on the 21st February and 14th March 2022 and continues to review planning, highways and other day to day matters on behalf of the village. A Welcome Letter has been created for new residents moving into Legbourne, signposting them to local services, facilities and contacts for additional information. A copy of the letter is posted on our website and if you are aware of anyone moving into your locality, please let a Councillor know or contact the Clerk so we can ensure they receive a welcome to the village.

The noticeboard from the centre of the village is still under refurbishment but we hope to have this back in situ shortly and the Parish Council will be working with East Wold CE Primary School to incorporate designs from our younger residents when refurbishing the board outside the school. A village map board is also under discussion and we hope to work with a local graphics designer to create the look of our new map but also using illustrations from an original hand painted map of the village.

Planning applications received and reviewed were as follows:

N/100/00239/22 – Field View, Station Road, Legbourne – Rear extension to existing dwelling to provide additional living accommodation. No objections were raised and it was resolved to support this application.

N/100/00360/22 Anns Cottage, Station Rd, Legbourne, LN11 8LH – Single storey rear extension and alterations to existing dwelling to provide additional living accommodation. Demolition of existing conservatory. No objections were raised and it was resolved to support this application.

0025/22/TPA – Wedgwood, Station Rd, Legbourne: Works to 3 trees on property.

This tree order was supported by Council and an additional request made to trim back the hedge at this site. APP/D2510/W/12/3283686 - Notification of appeal on planning application N/100/00501/21- Land between Boothby House and Ann's Cottage, Statin Rd, Legbourne. The Parish Council had previously objected to this planning application and it was agreed that the objection was still relevant and would be submitted in response to the appeal.

The 'Tommy Statues' ordered have been received and will be displayed at the entrances to the village in the weeks running up to Remembrance Day. Additional sites in the village will be considered for them to be placed during the rest of the year.

As you are no doubt aware it will be Queen's Platinum Jubilee this year and a long bank holiday weekend from the 2nd to the 5th June 2022 is in place. The Parish Council will be supporting Legbourne & Little Cawthorpe Community Centre running a fete on Sunday 5th June. Event details will be published soon and we hope it will be an occasion to bring the community together to mark the celebrations.

Lastly, we are asking for volunteers to help with our Spring Clean Litter Pick scheduled for Sunday 3rd of April 2022. Equipment can be provided and we would ask helpers to meet at the village hall car park at 10am on the day. Please help us keep our village looking good by lending a hand.

The date of our next Parish Council meeting is **Monday 11th April 2022 @ 7:30pm**, Legbourne Community Centre. Visitors welcome, just come and listen or raise a comment / suggestion on any aspect of village life. Full details of Parish Council meetings and agendas can be viewed on the Parish website.

To contact your Parish Council:

Parish Council web site: - <http://parisheslincolnshire.gov.uk/Legbourne>

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Parish Clerk – Little Cawthorpe – Mrs Joyce Gay

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GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN



LEGBOURNE LITTER PICK

SUNDAY 3RD APRIL 2022



BE A LITTER HERO

MEET 10AM AT COMMUNITY CENTRE CAR PARK

EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

**PLEASE HELP US KEEP YOUR VILLAGE LOOKING GOOD
BY LENDING A HAND**

Car-Boot Sales 2022

<u>Date</u>	<u>Organisation</u>
Monday 2 nd May	Legbourne Church
Sunday 22 nd May	Legbourne Community Centre
Sunday 12 th June	Legbourne Community Centre
Sunday June 26 th	Legbourne Community Centre
Sunday 10 th July	Archery Club
Sunday 24 th July	Hockey Club
Sunday 7 th August	MacMillan
Monday 29 th August	Thoresby Methodist Church
Sunday 11 th September	Legbourne Community Centre
Sunday 25 th September	Legbourne Community Centre



Legbourne & Little Cawthorpe Community Centre

Summary of Minutes -Tuesday 8th March 2022

What's On

Easter Bingo – Friday 8th April @ 7.30pm

Easter Eggs and raffle prizes needed for the Easter Bingo

Community Centre Car Boot Sale – Sunday 22nd May @ 9am

Platinum Jubilee Family Picnic – Sunday 5th June 12 noon – 4pm

Community Centre Car Boot Sale – Sunday 12th June @9am

Reports

- Help needed at the Easter Bingo on the door @6.30pm and in the kitchen.
- We are trying to sort the problem with rabbits on the field.
- We are to look into extra heating in the Committee Room.
- No luck with selling the crickets nets or bowling machine yet.
- The back plate of the Basket Ball Wall has been mended.
- The pavilion roof has been fixed.
- Signs to be put up saying Private Car Park & No Over Night Parking
- Car Boot dates have been released.
- We need to find someone to take over running the Car Boots.
- We have vacancies on our committee if you fancy helping out in the community.
- Any ideas for functions or events please get in touch.

Our next meeting is on

Tuesday 12th April 2022 @ 7pm in the Committee Room.

Secretary contact details: lindapocklington@talktalk.net – 01507 601501



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A Word from The Rectory

Dear friends,

Since I last wrote, the world has been horrified by the eruption of war in Ukraine. We think of our brothers and sisters who are living under Putin's tyranny. We think of those brave souls who are not only resisting the invasion in Ukraine, but protesting against it in Russia. And as we look for guidance and for hope, we might remember that Jesus, his family and his nation were similarly a people under occupation, by a brutal invading force, the Roman Empire. Indeed, our entire New Testament was written under such circumstances. To read it is to hear of a people who, in their darkest hour politically, have found immense spiritual strength and courage, by rejecting the violent hunger of the world and instead pursuing the kingdom of heaven.

This month we celebrate the great feast of Easter. At its heart is the victory of life over death, of love over hate. That hate came in the form of the Putin-like Herod and Pontius Pilate, who believed themselves to have the power of life and death over people. Christ overcame the worst that these tyrants could throw at him, and he did so that we might not be afraid: 'perfect love casts out fear' (1 John 4.18). 'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body, for they cannot kill the soul' (Matthew 10.28). It is my prayer that in the strange, dazzling dawn of the resurrection that will rise upon us at Easter, the world may cast away its fears, and the hate that accompanies it, and look to one another and to the future with joy and hope, sure in the knowledge that the last word will always be God's.

With assurance of my prayers,

Fr James The Rectory, Westgate, Louth LN11 9YE 01507 604 215

DIARY DATES

Events are held at the community centre, unless stated otherwise

Legbourne Woldmarsh- Church services @ 11am

April 3rd - All Saints Church, Legbourne

April 10th - St Johns, Belleau

April 17th – All Saints Church, Legbourne

April 24th – St Vedast, Tathwell

Maudy Thursday –Thurs 14th April @ All Saints Church, Legbourne- 5pm

Good Friday – Fri 15th April - 10am – Walk of Witness- Withcall

5pm - All Saints Church, Legbourne

CHURCH COFFEE MORNING – Wednesday 20th April 10am – 12 noon

FRIENDSHIP CLUB- Thursdays April 7th, 21st 2022 @2pm @ Community Centre

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING- Monday 11 April 2022 @ 7.30pm

COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE MEETING- Tuesday 12th April 2022 - 7pm

ARCHERY- Every Wednesday at 6-8pm. (Members only)

EAST WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL- Term 5 starts – Wednesday 20th April 2022

LEGBOURNE PLAYGROUP- Every Friday from 9.30am until 11.00am during school term time.

The next issue will be for May 2022.

The closure date is Sat 16th April 2022

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