

# **BATTLE'S** OVER



A NATION'S TRIBUTE

11TH NOVEMBER 2018

100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE

In commemoration and remembrance of the end of the First World War and the many millions who were killed or who came home dreadfully wounded, **1000 Beacons of Light** will be lit at **7pm** on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November** throughout the UK, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territories – a century after the guns fell silent.

The Beacons will symbolise the 'light of hope' that emerged from the darkness of War. Elsham is taking part. Our Beacon will be in Mr Palmer's Paddock, (where the Queen's Diamond Jubilee events were held, on Church Street).

The Fish and Chip van will serve at the Village Hall from **5.30pm** to help get things under way, with tea and coffee available (donations welcome to the ABF, the Soldier's Charity). Proceed at **6.30** for the main event on Church Street:

At **6.50pm** a 'Tribute to the Millions' will be read out by Dawn Enser, Lay Minister and Church Warden.

At **6.55pm** a bugler will play the Last Post.

At **7.00pm** the Beacon will be lit (weather permitting of course!)

At **7.05pm** the church bells will be rung.

## **Best Kept Village Competition 2018**

Elsham is entered in the small village group, that is places with a population of under 1000. The population in our parish is about 400. The population affects the amount of money raised as the precept and therefore the amount that can be spent on things like plants.

There were two new entries in the group this year and one of them, Amcotts, swept the board. They not only won Best Kept Village, but also Best New Entrant and Best Community Planting. For the first time, North Lincolnshire Council gave garden vouchers as prizes, so they will have lots to spend. We will have to up our game!

Elsham was equal third this year but with only two points between the top four – Amcotts 148, Redbourne 147, and Appleby and Elsham 146. Many thanks as usual to my Elsham Elves for their sterling efforts. Besides the gentlemen mentioned below, the team includes Dawn Enser, Catherine Bowmer, Sandra van Oosterhout and Christine Busby.

We did win the Best Churchyard, and for that we have to congratulate and thank Martyn Clark for his grass cutting and Karrigan Enser and Terry Faulkner. Martyn has been responsible for maintaining the flower bed at the top of Hall Lane but is now retiring. We thank him for his past work there.

There is always room for new recruits because besides the plants and their maintenance, the Elsham Elves also clean all the street signs annually and keep the Doll Lane and Church Lane alleyways clear, among other jobs. Now that Richard and Frances Coupland have sadly left the village, Di and Andrew Horner are the only ones who regularly litter pick. Many thanks to them. At the Presentation Evening we were congratulated on the lack of debris around the village.

The Council for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE) do award prizes for the Best Playground and Best War Memorial too. Something to aim for in the future.

We do try to vary the colour scheme and plants each year but suggestions for these and other ways to enhance our village are welcome.

Lorraine Guest

## **ELSHAM INDOOR BOWLS CLUB**

The new season has got underway. We are again in the Kirton Lindsey and District Short Mat Bowls League.

This year we have a new Captain, Terry Leaning, and we wish him well.

At going to press we have only played one match, at Bottesford. After a very close game we narrowly lost 4-6.

Our club nights are on **WEDNESDAY** and **SUNDAYS** in the Village Hall **7-9PM**.

Six of our members have left the area so we are in urgent need of new members.

Bowls is a game for all ages where you meet and make new friends.

We have got one new member already – Patsy Davies who is the Ladies Captain at Elsham Golf Club, and she is making very good progress.

Please come along and join us. You will be assured of a warm welcome and will be given help and tuition if required.

Best wishes

**JOHN TOMLINSON 688221**

### **Dog fouling**

*The Parish Council has received complaints about dog fouling in the village – again. There are some areas where this is happening on a regular basis, even though there are numerous dog waste bins around and about. If additional bins are thought necessary please contact one of the Parish Councillors.*

*If you do see any dog fouling then please report it to North Lincs Council via their web-site:*

<http://www.northlincs.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/environmental-crime/dog-control/dog-fouling/> or by telephoning on 01724 297000

## ALL SAINTS CHURCH ELSHAM FLOWER FESTIVAL – 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018

For those who were not aware of the outcome of our Flower Festival, I would like to thank all our Villagers (both Elsham and others), for their kindness and generosity in attending our Flower Festival, and offering so much help during the day. It was extraordinary.

The ladies who prepared the flowers worked so very hard, and every display was different, all with their own take on what Peace meant to them. Peace was the theme of our Festival to celebrate the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> World War, and I believe this was shown in all the floral arrangements.

All our wonderful ladies (and a few gentlemen) who manned the Refreshments really pushed themselves, and again, I say a big Thank You to all of you who came along, made tea, coffee, sliced and served cakes and washed and cleaned up.

The Craft Stalls gave us all an insight into things I know I am not able to do, but there was so much talent. It gives me ideas, but I don't think I could do most of it.

We did have a lot of Sponsors, who contributed towards the initial costs of our Event, and I can report that after some small expenses, we made a profit of **£3,231.52** – which is unbelievable.

On behalf of All Saints Church, **Thank You.** Dawn Enser.

These monies will go a long way to funding our repair programme.

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### **Safe & Sound Home Assistance Grant**

This Council grant can be applied for by home owners over the age of 70, up to a maximum value of £250. It is to be used to improve home security (e.g. door chains, door viewers, window alarms and locks).

To apply, contact North Lincs Council on 01724 297000 or go to [www.northlincs.gov.uk](http://www.northlincs.gov.uk) for more information.

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### **Did you know?**

The Elsham Leader is available online on the Parish Council website – useful for friends and family who have an interest in the village. Simply Google 'Elsham Parish Council' or go to <https://e-voice.org.uk/elshamparishcouncil/>

## Any Volunteers?

The village has adopted the old red telephone kiosk, and we are looking for suggestions regarding what use we can put it to. One of the most common uses is as a library/book swap facility. Saxby uses theirs for a floral display, and another common use is for displaying local art works.

The phone box unfortunately cannot be moved to another part of the village. There are still BT cables etc. present and physically it isn't in such a robust state.

Before considering future uses, are there any volunteers who may be able to give it a good clean and act as caretakers? If you are interested, please contact a Parish Councillor.

## Church coffee mornings

The church is now holding regular coffee mornings in the Village Hall, starting at 10.30am, £2 for a drink and biscuits. It is hoped to raise money for the Church and give friends and neighbours a chance to catch up and have a chat. Here are the dates for the next few months: **October 25th**, **November 22<sup>nd</sup>** (Christmas, with raffle) **December 20<sup>th</sup>** - none.

## Readers' contributions

*We would like to start a section for readers' contributions and encourage residents to send us any information they think may be interesting to other villagers, such as a book/film/pub review, favourite recipes, interesting hobbies etc. Please email [candcbusby@gmail.com](mailto:candcbusby@gmail.com) or [sandra.rawlin@sky.com](mailto:sandra.rawlin@sky.com)*

## Village Golf Competition.

The Competition was held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July - in extremely hot conditions! Two ladies and thirteen gentlemen took part.

### Results:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Roland Guest, with 42 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Helen Moir, with 41 points and
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Steve Moir, with 39 points.

Next year's competition will be held on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July.

## Elsham Parish Council

**THERE IS A VACANCY FOR A NEW  
PARISH COUNCILLOR - CONTACT DEB  
HOTSON IF YOU ARE INTERESTED**

**Public participation time, when you can  
air your views, is from 6.30 to 6.45pm**

The dates of meetings are given elsewhere  
in this newsletter.

Your Parish Councillors are:-

Graham Evison (Chairman)  
(680980)

Lorraine Guest	(680679)
John Taylor	(680438)
Sandra van Oosterhout	(681899)
Dave Harness	(688005)
Christine Busby	(688770)

Parish Clerk –  
Deb Hotson (0784 2201877)  
(Available weekdays 10am – 2pm)

### **Hire of the Village Hall**

*The village hall can seat up to 120 and  
with its full kitchen makes an attractive  
venue for wedding receptions, children's  
parties and other such events.*

*The rates are very reasonable - for full  
details and bookings contact Sandra van  
Oosterhout on 01652 681899 or Roland  
Guest on 01652 680679*

### **Wine Club**

Meeting at **8pm** in the Village Hall

Dates for this term:

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October, Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>

November and Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November

Starting again Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January,  
fortnightly for another six sessions.

## **ELSHAM PARK NEWS**



The Park is open for everyone's enjoyment from  
9am until dusk, but will remain closed in inclement  
weather.

We are very grateful to our rota of volunteer  
keyholders. If you would like to join our team of  
volunteer Elsham householders then please let  
anyone of us know.

The keyholders' rota for the coming weeks/months  
is as follows

Autumn & Winter Park Rota - weeks commencing  
Saturdays:

6 Oct – Lucy Gillchrist  
13 Oct – Lucy Gillchrist  
20 Oct – Vee Harness  
27 Oct – Helen Machin

3 Nov – Jane Ousby  
10 Nov – Charlie & Ian Yeo  
17 Nov – Charlie & Ian Yeo  
24 Nov – Michelle Mann & Helen Fazakerly

1 Dec – Michelle & Helen  
8 Dec – Jo Leaning  
15 Dec – Jo Leaning  
22 Dec – Helen Richardson  
29 Dec – Helen Richardson

5 Jan – Helen Machin  
12 Jan – Julz & Rich Middleton  
19 Jan – Julz & Rich Middleton  
26 Jan – Jane Ousby

Should any adults wish to use the fitness equipment  
before 9am, just let us know as this can be  
facilitated after 7am.

The Parish Council have a weekly/monthly safety-  
check form to complete so should you be aware of  
any problems with the equipment in the park or wish  
to report anything else, please let Graham Evison or  
the Clerk to the Parish Council (Deb Hotson) know  
asap: [theparishcouncil@outlook.com](mailto:theparishcouncil@outlook.com)

Thank you everyone for taking such pride in our  
wonderful village play park.

Jane & Graham Evison (680980)

## **THE RAF ELSHAM WOLD ASSOCIATION**

The Annual Reunion Weekend was held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of September.

Many members said how much they enjoyed their annual visit to Elsham and remembered how peaceful and beautiful the surroundings are.

After the recent death of our president George Mellor (1918-2018) a new president was appointed at the AGM. We congratulate MARGARET BAILEY who served at Elsham during the war as a WAAF Driver mainly conveying Air Crews to and from their planes before take-off and upon return.

Margaret unfortunately broke her leg in a fall recently, but after a spell in hospital responded well to treatment and physiotherapy and was able to attend our Reunion. We wished her belated greetings for her 95<sup>th</sup> birthday in April.

Recently a 'Blue Plaque' was unveiled outside the former home of CY GRANT at Jackson Lane in North London where he had lived for over 50 years. He died at the age of 90. He served at Elsham as a Navigator for 103 Squadron.

After the war he turned to acting and was a familiar face on the BBC's 'TONIGHT' Show, singing the news in Tropical Calypso style. Then he went on to appear alongside Dame Cleo Lane, actor Richard Burton and actress Dame Joan Collins.

A Remembrance Service will be held on **November 4<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 am** in Elsham, All Saints Church followed by wreath laying at the Memorial at Anglian Water Works, Middlegate Lane. All are welcome.

**John Tomlinson**  
**Tel 688221**

## **ALL SAINTS CHURCH ELSHAM**

### **BISHOPS EPISCOPAL VISITATION & CONFIRMATION SERVICE**

The Bishop  
of Grimsby, The Right Revd. Dr. David Court,  
will be attending our Church,  
on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018.  
to take  
a Confirmation and Eucharist Service, starting at  
11.00am

Tea and coffee will be served at the end of the Service.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**  
**Dawn Enser**  
**Lay Minister and Church Warden**

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### **GOOD FILMS YOU MAY HAVE MISSED**

Now the nights are drawing in you may be wanting something worthwhile to watch at home. I first saw these two films in the cinema, and I enjoyed them so much that when they became available as DVDs I bought them & have watched them more than once at home.

#### **SUNSHINE ON LEITH PG 2015**

This is a musical which is not your usual Hollywood glitz! The intro is electric with anticipation. The story line is modern, believable & worthwhile with songs by the famous Proclaimers. The cast includes Jane Horrocks (who was the star in Little Voice & Bubble in Absolutely Fabulous). It is suitable viewing for all & provides many opportunities for toe tapping & sing-a-long.

#### **EYE IN THE SKY (15 YEARS & OVER)**

In this film Helen Mirren plays a British Army Officer; the part portrays her versatility as an actor. The story line again is modern & thought provoking. Alan Rickman also stars in what was his final role before his death. It is full of suspense but I didn't need to hide behind a cushion too much.

Both are available from Amazon, Amazon Prime & HMV stores.

Pat Taylor

## Information about the village and events

Apart from this newsletter, information can be found on the notice board situated at the end of the village hall car park, and also on the website.

Events which take place in the village hall are:-

Monday

Tuesday **New Age Kurling**  
10.00 - 12.00

### **Parish Council**

Monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 6.30 – 8.00pm (except April, August and Dec).

*Next meetings: -*

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018

### **Wine Club**

Fortnightly on a Tuesday 8.00 – 10.00 pm

*New members are welcome – tel. Roland Guest (680679) for further details.*

Wednesday **Bowls Club** 7.00 – 9.00pm

Thursday **Line Dancing** 7.00 – 9.00pm

Friday **Pilates** 10.30 – 11.30am

Saturday

Sunday **Bowls Club** 7.00 – 9.00pm

## Contact details re Keys / Booking etc. for Elsham Village Hall

### **Sandra van Oosterhout**

3 Doll Lane, Elsham

**Tel:- 01652 681899**

### **Dawn Enser**

21 Church Street, Elsham

**Tel:- 01652 688486**

### **Roland Guest**

5 Church Street, Elsham

**Tel:- 01652 680679**

### **Chairman**

Tony Steeper

**c/o Holme Farm Residential Home**

**Tel:- 01652 688755**

The revenue from adverts pays for the printing of the "Leader" so that it costs the Parish Council (and indirectly, you) very little. If you would like to advertise your business or a social event, please contact Christine Busby on 01652 688770. Fees are £8 per edition.



# KEVIN BILTON

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We also stock a comprehensive range of baits, terminal tackle and larger items. Items not in stock can be ordered with a prompt delivery. The fishery offers both day and night tickets for either of the two specimen lakes or the two silverfish lakes. Concessions are available. Disabled access.

Visit us at [www.hunterslodgefishery.com](http://www.hunterslodgefishery.com) or call 01652 680691

### To contact members of your NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM

**Telephone:** **101** ext 2190 and explain the reason for your call. (Emergency call **999**)

**Call in:** at the front desk at Brigg Police Station  
Mondays to Saturdays: 9.0 am – 1.0 pm and 2.0 pm – 5.0 pm

**Email:** [Amanda.barnett@humberside.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Amanda.barnett@humberside.pnn.police.uk)  
[Alison.clayton@humberside.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Alison.clayton@humberside.pnn.police.uk)  
North Lincs Community Policing Team  
Barton Police Station, Holydyke, DN18 5PP

**Web site:** <http://www.humberside.police.uk>

To call anonymously about a possible crime, ring the charity Crimestoppers on  
**0800 555 111**