# Church and September 2012 Community News

AN OLYMPIC BENCHMARK!



John Curry, Olympic torch-bearer, officially unveils the new bench to commemorate the Olympic torch passing through Wrawby.

Many residents will have noticed the new bench situated alongside the village map and millstone opposite Vicarage Motors. The bench was purchased with the donations collected at various stalls when the Olympic Torch passed through the village on 26th June. It is inscribed with the words "The Olympic Torch passed here on 26th June 2012". The bench was officially unveiled on 27th July, to coincide with the opening of the Olympic Games, and was attended by many Wrawby residents of all ages. Ian Smith, chairman of the Parish Council and John Curry, one of the torchbearers, both spoke to thank residents publicly for their generosity of community spirit in making the event such a memorable success.

Thanks also went to Brack Plant Hire, who installed the bench on very short notice with their usual jovial efficiency.

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# Who's Who in Wrawby St Mary's Parish Church

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# **Funny Olympic Commentating Howlers**

"The Republic of China - back in the Olympic Games for the first time."

"And the line up for the final of the Women's 400 metres hurdles includes three Russians, two East Germans, a Pole, a Swede and a Frenchman."

"That's the fastest time ever run - but it's not as fast as the world record."

"Old Olympic skiers never die. They just go downhill."

On the Paralympics: "They're making great strides with their swimming".

"The late start for this final is due to the time."

"Watch the time - it gives you an indication of just how fast they are running"

Basketball analyst: "He dribbles a lot and the opposition does not like it. In fact you can see it all over their faces".

"You won't win silver medals at the Olympic Games unless you're the very, very best." Pat Glenn, weightlifting commentator.

Taken from "Will and Guy's Humour".

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# Copy deadline for the next magazine - 21st September 2012

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# **Little Explorers**

Now in it's second year, Little Explorers is an excellent playgroup which meets every Thursday morning during term time in the Village Hall. It starts again on Thursday 13th September and has a fantastic selection of toys, crafts, a baby area and singing at the end of each session. If you have pre-school children or are a childminder or carer, then pop along and see us. It is a great way to meet new faces. There is always tea and coffee and home-made cake and a warm



welcome. The sessions run from 9.15am to 11.15am and the cost is still only £2.00 per family. If you would like more information please contact Lisa on 07715 398549.

We look forward to seeing you!

# Make and sale

A small group of dedicated crafters and chatters meet monthly in the church for a cup of tea, swapping of material and ideas. Following two sales of our work we now have some funds to give groups. The members decided to divide the money between Wrawby Under 5s, £50 towards their building fund, and £50 to the Playing Fields Ass. to help towards buying some new play equipment. Our main fund raising event will be the Autumn Fair on Saturday November 10th 2pm -4pm in the Village Hall. If there any local organisations who would like a stall to raise funds, please contact either Liz Hirst 651371 or Kath Flewker 656446.

The next meeting of the group is on Thursday 20th September 1.30pm in the church. All welcome, come for a chat and craft.

# A BIG THANK-YOU

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone in the village who helped and supported me to raise the funds to go to Malawi, Africa. I got back on the first week of august and it was a fantastic experience. During the expedition, the team and I did volunteer work at Luwawa health centre where we re-renovated the outer-buildings. This entailed cleaning and repainting which did make a big difference to the centre.

Thanks again, Mike Saxby.



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# Parish Council Meeting 7th August 2012

### **Police Matters**

The police statistics for June show that there were no recorded crimes in Wrawby for that month. Another gratifying situation but once again residents are asked to remain vigilant.

# **Fun Day**

Wrawby held its "fun day" on 28th July and council wishes to thank all who helped make it another successful day.

## **Commemorative Seats**

Residents will have noticed an "Olympic" seat which has been sited near the new board etc. across the road from Vicarage Motors. Again, council wishes to thank all who helped with organising the supply and installation of this seat which was recently "opened" by local Olympic torch bearer John Curry at a brief ceremony.

**Graham Foster** 

## **Police News**

The only crime recorded in July 2012 was one theft in a dwelling. Eight other concerns included three reports of youngsters behaving irresponsibly – including trashing one of the Olympic gardens. Police were also called re a noisy party, a domestic incident and a non-stop traffic collision. Two callers reported suspicious activity, but in both cases all proved to be in order.

Vehicle nuisance is still an on-going issue in many Wolds villages, causing annoyance to local residents. Individuals are continuing to act in a mindless and reckless manner. If you have any information regarding any nuisance vehicles please contact Police by telephoning 101.

## **Broadband Update**

As reported earlier this year, new fibre-optic cables have been laid through the village to provide faster broadband speeds to all users. The cables were completed by 30th June but many residents have noticed little if any improvement in speed. A member of the Parish Council made an enquiry recently and was advised that, although the system went live in Wrawby on 30th June, the equipment needed to connect to the new cabling is to be installed and activated by the 30th September.

If residents have any experience of improved broadband speed or further information please forward to the Editors.



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## WRAWBY HORTICULTURAL SHOW

Following the 70th annual Wrawby Horticultural Show held on 11th August 2012, a big thank-you must go to all committee members and everyone who helped, especially to Irene, Sean and Sue for their help in the kitchen during the event. A really big thank-you goes to everyone who exhibited in the show - we couldn't have a show without the exhibits! I look forward to seeing everyone again next year with perhaps even more entries (weather permitting!) Thanks also to all who lent me memorabilia to display on the day. Anita. Secretary

Clockwise from top right; Mr & Mrs Walker presenting one of the prizes; floral exhibits for various classes and Olympic torchbearer Keith Tyler with one of the show classes they







# **BLOOMING MARVELLOUS!**

Continuing on the Olympic theme, Wrawby has won silver with a second place in the Large Village category of the "Best Kept Village" competition. This was an excellent result, particularly in light of the fact that the village was placed second from bottom last year. Only two points were lost overall; one for litter on Tunnel Road and one regarding the churchyard needing "a little TLC".

Thanks are extended to everyone who made an effort and thus contributed not only to the silver award but also to enhancing the village environment for all.

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Village Hall Lunches resume on Tuesday 25th September and continue every week until the 11th of December, the day of the Christmas Party. We look forward to seeing all those who attended last year, and catching up with events that have happened over the summer break. For those who have not been before, the lunches take place in the Village hall between 12.30 and 2pm. All ages are welcomed. The fayre is a choice of home made soups, special breads, cheese, plum bread, coffee and tea. There is no charge, but donations are invited. After costs, money raised this Autumn will be divided between the Wrawby Preschool and the restoration of the play park.

Wrawby Summer Fair .... Thank-you to everyone who supported this event, not least Cllr Nigel Sherwood and his wife for generously allowing their garden and marguee to be used for the event. A good time was had by all and funds were raised for charity and local organisations.

Alzheimer's Society Services in North Lincolnshire are holding a memory café in St. Mary's Catholic Church hall in Brigg on the last Wednesday of each month from 1.30pm to 3.30pm commencing in October.

**Www.wrawby.org** has an on-line edition of this magazine, together with plenty of additional photographs. including a copy of a postcard believed to be from 1916. The picture is in colour and shows the Church with the pond in front (opposite what is now Vicarage Motors). If anyone has other historical photographs of the village, the editors would be grateful to see them with a view to copying them to produce an on-line gallery.

**School News.** As the school holidays draw to an end, building work is already underway to provide a new classroom for Wrawby St. Mary's primary school. The new school year starts on Tuesday 4th September under its new headmistress, Mrs Potterton. Good luck to all pupils starting back, with particular best wishes to the new Reception class who will be starting school for the very first time!

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### How, when, where and why?

Detective stories - and probably most real life police enquiries - deal with four key questions: How? When? Where? And: Why? When these have been worked out, we know 'Who-dun-it!' All four questions are the stuff of everyday life - and, in fact, the answers we are able to give to these questions help us to answer the biggest question of life - not 'Who-dun-it?', but "Who are we?"

Let me take you back to your schooldays:

How? How good were you at science and technology? How good are you assembling flat-pack furniture? It may be too much of a generalisation, but the younger you are, the less of a problem. Just watch the teenagers in your family handling a mobile phone! As a society, if not as individuals, we know the 'how' of just about everything. We can work out its cash value, at least in terms of the here and now. If we want to have it, we can. If we want to do it, we can.

When and where? History and geography: Have you noticed, on television quiz shows, how little even some very clever people know about history - and even less about geography. Suppose I set you a quiz now:

- 1. Who was King of England at the time of the Great Fire of London?
- 2. Who led the two armies at the Battle of Hastings?
- 3. In which counties would you find (a) Swindon? (b) Ipswich?

My guess is that, if I could do a survey of how the people of Wrawby answered these, the older folk would do vastly better than the youngsters. But if 'here and now' is all that we know, it means we are living life in a kind of fog. If we don't know where we have come from or (relative to something else out there) where we are, how can we know where we are going?

Why? I wonder what school subject might cover this... Perhaps our biggest mistake is thinking that we can deal with at school at all - through religious studies. Comparing notes about the strange things that different faith communities do provides no answers to the 'Why?' question. Why are we here? What for? Just to enjoy the 'here and now' as frenetically as we can, until we burn out and get old, and then...?

Impressive people have found better answers to the 'Why?' question - and we need a coherent language for our spirituality, the language of faith, if we are going to find those answers for ourselves. Yet again, if you listen to the quiz shows, the religious questions are the ones that nobody knows!

Four big questions - how, when, where and why. All of them call for bigger answers if we are to answer the biggest question of all: Who are we? For some people it will be a life-time search. Others will have an inner assurance that will look effortless to the rest of us. Others will pretend they don't need to know - until life gets tough. I'm not claiming that one group will be in church and another group not. I just report the results of my search so far: The love of God seems to be at the heart of it - and the life of Jesus of Nazareth gives me the clues that make all the difference.

John Cole (first published June 2005)

Answers: 1. Charles II 2. King Harold and William of Normandy (the Conqueror) 3.(a) Swindon, Wiltshire 3.(b) Ipswich, Suffolk.

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# Wrawby's Diary for September 2012

September

1 Saturday 10.00 - 12.00 Coffee Morning in

Church - Cream Scones, Coffee etc

2 Sunday 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

St. Mary's 11.00 a.m. United Family Service

3 Monday 7.30 p.m. P.C.C. at St. Mary's

4 Tuesday 8.00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

in Village Hall

5 Wednesday St Mary's 9.00 a.m. Eucharist

> 8.00 p.m. Community Choir at St.Mary's Church and then every

Wednesday

9 Sunday 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

St. Mary's

10 Monday 2.00 p.m. Ladies Afternoon Club in

Village Hall. Tel. 653039 for details

12 Wednesday

St Mary's 9.00 a.m. Eucharist

Mobile library - see below for details

13 Thursday Little Explorers in the Village Hall

9.15am to 11.15am and every

Thursday in term-time

16 Sunday 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

St. Mary's 11.00 a.m. United Family Service

19 Wednesday

St Mary's 9.00 a.m. Eucharist

**20** Thursday Make and Sale meeting in the church

at 1.30pm

23 Sunday

St. Mary's 11am Morning Praise

25 Tuesday 12.30 - 2.00p.m. Village Hall

lunches recommence and then every

Tuesday up tp and including 11th

December

Wrawby Mobile Library Schedule

Alternate Wednesdays:-

Village Hall 12.20 - 12.40 p.m. Central Stores 1.45 - 2.10 p.m. Tunnel/Barton Road 2.15 - 2.25 p.m.

See Diary for this month's dates

26 Wednesday

St Mary's 9.00 a.m. Eucharist

Mobile Library - see below for times

30 Sunday

St. Mary's 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion

October

3 Wednesday

St Mary's 9.00 a.m. Eucharist

> 8.00 p.m. Community Choir at St.Mary's Church and then every

Wednesday





# The Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Wrawby

All are welcome to attend Sunday Services at St. Mary's Church. Those on the 1st and 3rd Sunday are particularly arranged as joint services with the Methodist congregation.

There is a Sunday School during services on the 2nd and 4th Sunday. The 9.00am Wednesday Eucharist Service is a short (30 minute) Communion service.

To book a Wedding or Baptism please see Fr Owain after Parish Communion on 2nd or 4th Sunday.

For all other matters contact him on 01652 653989 or email: fromitchell@btinternet.com

The Church is also available for use for community events. Should you wish to enquire about using the church building, please contact Father Owain on 653989