



**INGOLDISTHORPE VILLAGE WI  
KEEPING IN TOUCH  
FEBRUARY 2021**

**President's Message**

It feels a bit like "Déjà Vu" writing my update. Although it's good news regarding the vaccine it looks like it will be some time yet before we can go back to operating normally.

So, I'm changing tactics and instead will talk about some of the funny things that have happened to me over the years (some many years ago!)

1. My Mum locked us out once, leaving her street door keys inside. (As soon as you closed the door you needed the key to open it). To get back in I was carried up a ladder by a neighbour and pushed through a top opening in the window to land with a bounce on Mum's bed. I could then open the door from the inside.
2. Whilst on a walk on holiday I 'got the hump' and I threw my hat up the lane. Mum's response was 'Don't know why you did that, it's not your hats fault'.
3. At work we went on a 'team building' day out to Cromer and in pairs had to come up with an initiative. I decided to be a Crab Conservation Officer, got a hi viz waistcoat, put a label on my back saying, "Crab Conservation Officer" and together with my colleague walked up and down the pier. When stopped and asked a question, as I was several times, my replies were all made up !! (and I kept a straight face).
4. When I learnt to drive, I used the driving school BSM. I learnt in my own car (mini) and I had the tallest driving instructor they had, he must have been over 6 feet.

Hope the above gives you a chuckle. Stay safe, keep your spirits up and we will see what the next four weeks bring.

*Lesley x*



**Birthdays**

Happy Birthday to Pam and Olive, your Birthstone is Amethyst and the flower Violet meaning Faithfulness. Hope you have a good day with a chat to family and friends.

**Programme Secretary**

Now we are in the middle of our third lockdown and unable to predict when it may be possible for us all to meet again it seems like the right time to share with you all our proposed programme for the year ahead (please see last page) to December 2021. You may notice the similarity to last years programme. This is because our speakers have been very helpful in moving dates from year to year. We cannot be certain when meetings may be possible so things may move again, please bear with us. We look forward to seeing you all soon.

*Carole Casey*



My pet hate is waste, especially food.

Last week I went through my cupboards and as packets and tins get pushed to the back inevitably you find yourself with out of date products.

Periodically I have a 'waste not, want not' soup or stew using some of these products. Tin stuff may have altered in colour and texture but is still edible. Dried pasta and noodles, spices, herbs etc are all still usable. So today I made a soup using less than perfect ingredients.

Very limp remains of a head of celery.

Dirty, split, left in the ground, forgotten carrots from allotment.

A couple of onions, starting to go soft. Piece of sweet potato and loads of garlic.

Best before Mar 2020 tin of Flageolet beans.

All this sautéed with a piece of chorizo sausage, leftover fresh herbs, tomato purée, salt and pepper and cooked in the slow cooker made for a hearty soup, eaten with chunky bread and homemade dumplings. I added a diced chicken breast 30mins before eating.

Just what was needed on a snowy, cold day. No recipe, just chuck it in. It reminds me of my Nan's cooking back in the 50's when food was scarce, anything goes and waste was frowned upon.

Enjoy.

**Sue P**

### **Feedback**

Sue Nulty's Tuna Pate. I made this and have had it hot and cold, both delicious. It took a little longer in my Aga, perhaps an hour and quarter? Thank you.

**May Davey**

### **History in a Poem**

In the 1930's children had an easy way of learning about succession of the rulers of Britain:



### **Kings and Queens**



Willy, Willy, Harry, Stee,  
Harry, Dick, John, Harry Three,  
One, Two, Three Neds, Richard Two,

Harry Four, Five, Six, then who?  
Edward, Edward, Dick the Bad,  
Harry's Twain and Ned the Lad,  
Mary, Elizabeth, James' reign,  
Charlie, Charlie, James again,  
William and Mary, Anne Gloria,  
Four Georges, William and Victoria,  
Edward and George then followed twice  
And now Elizabeth - she's nice.

With slight alterations it has been brought up to date:

Edward, George then Edward eight  
Married but had to abdicate  
George VI was left to reign  
And now we have Good Queen Bess again.  
After that, if all goes right  
Prince Charles will reign with all his might.

**Shirley** pieced together items from reader's letters in a newspaper to bring it up to date, but one reader claimed to have taught the poem to her pupils in 1990.



### February Quiz - General Knowledge

1. What is a Mullion?
2. Who wrote Watership Down?
3. Who founded the Promenade Concerts?
4. Where are the Islets of Langerhans?
5. Where is the Tree of Tenere (Arbre du Ténéré)?
6. Which famous European resort is home to Levante Beach?
7. Which department is housed at the postcode SA99 1BN
8. In the 1982 film 'ET' what is the name of the boy who first finds and befriends The Alien'?
9. What value coin was introduced in the UK on the 9th June 1982
10. What was the previous name of the country Taiwan?

### FEBRUARY

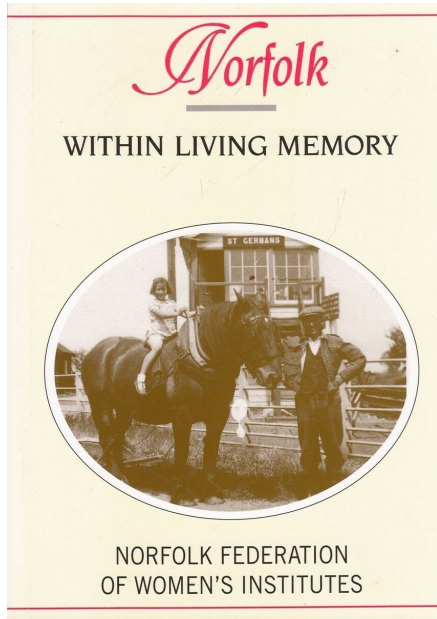
Splish, splosh, February-fill-the-dyke  
Sleet in the wind, mud underfoot.  
What hint, you ask, of spring? But trust  
The honest mistle-thrush, who shouts his song  
And builds his nest – a less accomplished singer  
Than is the clear-voiced Mavis, but he is brave and true.  
And trust the aconite and crocus bright  
As wicks of thread which now are lighted up  
For ceremonials of Candlemas.

*John Heath-Stubbs*



### **Candlemas Day 2nd February**

The old rhyme tells us that if Candlemas Day be fair and bright,  
winter will have another fight,  
but if Candlemas Day brings clouds and rain,  
winter won't come again.



Another event in February is St. Valentine's Day on the 14th. In 1995 Norfolk Federation published a book entitled Norfolk within Living Memory. Previously members had been asked to contribute to this book by writing about how their village had changed over the years and also about customs that had died out. A member from Ingoldisthorpe wrote how the children celebrated the 14th of February.

‘A group of children would meet at a prearranged place and went off to sing at every door of the houses and remained until the occupant opened up and gave them money. They covered much of the village before going to school. The head teacher Miss Yaxley let them out of school early so that they could finish their rounds. When they went to the Rectory, Rev. Wynne made them stand

in a half circle while he did a head count and then gave them a penny each. At the Hall Col. Davey counted them and again gave a penny to each of them. At the Manor the gardener threw apples and sixpences at them.

They then ran down to the village shop where the money was counted and divided between them all. What was left over was used to buy sweets and they usually ended up with two or three sweets each. After a quick meal at their homes, they rushed back to school for the afternoon’.

If any of you know who wrote the article and can tell me when the custom ceased do let me know.

*Sylvia*

### **Hobbies**

During these Lockdowns have you taken up a previous hobby or started a new one? I can no longer hold a sewing needle and cannot do Cross Stitch now. I have a large pile of magazines called The World of Cross stitching, so if any of you are having a go at this form of needlework you are very welcome to all or some of these magazines. I also have three kits with silks, fabric and needle plus instructions if this is something you would like to have a go at, but don't want to lay out a lot of money in case you find it isn't for you. Give me a call on 01485 544362.

## To all my Friends at Ingoldisthorpe WI

Thank you for all the condolence cards, letters, messages and flowers for Tony's passing. They are such a comfort to me. Tony enjoyed WI company at Tea and Chats, strawberry teas, fish and chip lunches and harvest lunches and I'm sure he would be very pleased to know he was remembered. He will be cremated on Friday 29th, no service but there will be a memorial service when times are back to normal.

**Thank you to everyone.**

**Dorothy**

## History of a Village Sign



In a previous Newsletter Sylvia asked if any Members living outside the village could tell us about their village sign. To get the ball rolling I thought I would tell you about the village where I used to live before I moved to Ingoldisthorpe. The village sign in Landbeach near Cambridge was erected in 1978 to commemorate the Jubilee of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II. It was carved and painted by two local men. Stand facing the church and you will see the scene in front of you reflected in the carving on the sign, the church and the thatched cottage bisected by the tree. On the reverse side are pictured some of the historical connections of the village. The bishop's mitre represents Matthew Parker, the most famous of Landbeach rectors, who became the first Archbishop of Canterbury in 1558 during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I. The coat of arms between the church and the barn is that of Corpus Christi College who, as Lords of the Manor of Chamberlains, owned the living. The tithe barn indicates the link between the farming community and the church. The three sheep represent the flocks that were brought to graze on the higher pastures in Landbeach when Waterbeach was flooded in the winter. The sign was unveiled on 23rd April 1978 by the two oldest and the two youngest inhabitants of the village, one of which was my son John aged 3 months. **Di**

## Answers to the February Quiz

1. A vertical window bar
2. Richard Adams
3. Sir Henry Wood
4. In the Pancreas
5. Niger N. Africa
6. Benidorm, Spai7
7. DVLA Swansea
8. Elliott
9. 20p
10. Formosa

## Local News

I see in the EDP that the B1440 in the region of Coaly Lane will be closed again until 26th February for the purpose of connecting the sewers.

Thank you to Ann, Shirley, Sue P, and Pam for this month's quiz questions and to other contributors. Feedback is always good even if it is to say if there is something you do not like in the newsletter. Please feel free to let me have something you would like to share with our Members, don't wait to be asked to write an article. For those who do not have access to a computer, just a handwritten note through my letterbox will do - 83 Grovelands.

## Ingoldisthorpe Village WI 2021 Committee

President	Lesley Geer	Darts	Hazel Holyfield	Competition - A Perfect Rose
Secretary	Jean Mitchell	Co-opted	Sandie Tomkinson	Wash up - All Hands on Deck
Treasurer	Pam Kendal	Walks	Audrey Muttonck	<b>15th July</b>
Vice-President	Di Abraham	Meet & Greet	Hazel Holyfield	Members Evening planning
Asst. Secretary	Carol Hodges	Norfolk WI News	Carole Casey	Thanks -
Asst. Treasurer	Maureen Dennis	<b>Dates for your diary</b>	Hazel Holyfield	Flowers -
Programme Sec.	Carole Casey+	<b>21st January</b>		Competition - An item made of wood
	Team	Speaker moved to later in the year due to Covid		Wash up - Cath Roche, Carole Casey
Member Welfare	Sylvia Pratt	<b>18th February</b>		<b>16th September</b>
	Sandie Tomkinson	Speaker moved to later in the year due to Covid		Jonathon Carrie, Basket Making Demo
Web Editors	Barbara Jones	Covid		Thanks -
	Di Abraham/	<b>18th March</b>		Flowers -
MCS	Carol Hodges	Speaker moved to later in the year due to Covid		Competition - A plate of Fruit and Veg
Birthdays	Jean Mitchell	<b>15th April</b>		Wash up - Dianne Neeve, Sue Pearson
Publicity	Liz Dyer	Members meeting – Meeting up again		<b>21st October</b>
Tea Hostesses	Lesley Geer	Thanks -		Susan Parry - Postman's Park
	Di Abraham/	Flowers -		Thanks -
Church Hall	Carol Hodges	Competition - A small posy from the garden		Flowers -
Committee	Liz Dyer	Wash up - Barbara Jones, Ann Guilbert		Competition - Arrangement of Autumn
Competitions	Sue Pearson	<b>20th May</b>		Foliage
Newsletter	Lesley Geer	Resolutions/ Diane Westwood, Seal Rescue		Wash up - Kathy Drew, Sue Nulty
T/Pin Bowling/Walks	Jean Mitchell	Thanks -		<b>18th November</b>
Trips/Outings	Carole Casey +	Flowers -		Annual Meeting/ Leah Spencer + 1. Friendship
	Team	Competition - An item made from Copper		Thanks - Lesley Geer
Public Affairs Liaison	Carol Hodges	Wash up - Jennifer Lewis, Hazel Holyfield		Flowers - Carole Casey
New Members Info	Carol Hodges/	<b>17th June Open Meeting</b>		Competition - An item made from Cotton
	Di Abraham/ Pam	Peter Lawrence: A Policeman's Lot		Wash up - Margaret Dring, Maureen Dennis
	Kendal	Thanks -		<b>9th December</b>
		Flowers -		Christmas Party - Entertainment by:
				Thanks-
				Flowers -
				Wash up - All hands on deck