



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

President's News

I hope you are enjoying (or survived) the warm spell of weather and, gradually but safely being able to see family and friends again. I am in the midst of doing another ring round soon, so by the time you read this we may have already had a catch up.

It's a case of 'here we go again' with possible changes to Covid restrictions. We, as a committee, met on 16th June, delayed due to the latest government announcement to discuss our first potential meeting on 15th July. Alas, again we cannot go ahead. Our latest plans are - we have a members only Afternoon Tea and Chat on Saturday 21st August, then resuming as normal from September, with our first community event being a Harvest Lunch on Saturday 25th September. So afraid today, once again it's 'watch this space'.

Another decision made at committee was to continue with Sylvia taking responsibility for the newsletter, with it staying in its current format but there will be a change to how you receive it. From July all members on email will receive their copy electronically. So, keep a lookout in your 'inbox' around the 16th of the month. Those without email will get a paper copy at the meeting and if you are not there it will be delivered to you.

And a final reminder, about voting on the resolution. To make things easier you just need to let me know if you want to vote against the resolution before 22nd June.

Take care.

Lesley



Birthdays

Happy birthday Di, let's hope you are able to celebrate with family getting together to provide the toast. Your Birthstone is Pearl.



PEANUT BISCUITS – makes 30

185g (6 ½oz) softened unsalted butter.
370g (13oz) soft brown sugar
140g (5oz) smooth peanut butter
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 egg

185g (6½oz) plain flour
½ teaspoon baking powder
125g (4 ½ oz) rolled porridge oats.
120g (4 ¼ oz) peanuts

Preheat oven 180°C (350° F) Gas 4. Line 2 baking trays with baking paper.

In a bowl beat butter, sugar, peanut butter and vanilla extract together until light and creamy.

Add egg and beat until smooth.

Transfer to a larger bowl and mix in flour and baking powder.

Fold in oats, peanuts and mix until smooth.

Chill until firm.

Roll heaped tablespoons of mixture into balls and place on baking trays – allow room to spread.

Press down on top of each with a floured fork to make a criss cross pattern.

Bake for 15 – 20 minutes or until golden.

Leave to cool slightly before transferring to the cooling rack.

Lesley



Gardening News

At last I am back doing odd jobs in the garden. This after my total knee replacement just 6 weeks ago.

All the wet weather just before and after has encouraged weeds to take over. Unable to kneel, I sit on my stool and weed the front of the borders, relying on the gardeners to weed the back.

- Although about a month behind, borders are now a riot of colour. Roses are in full bloom, Lupins, Canterbury Bells and Foxgloves stand high and colourful above the Antirrhinums, California Poppies and Calendula

Unfortunately the late frosts badly affected the new shoots of the Hydrangeas, but having left them they have recovered and new growth has developed.

Rhododendrons thrived in the wet conditions and this year have looked their best.

The vegetable plot is also a little behind but I am harvesting lettuce and cucumber, and the broad beans I sowed in November are ready. Potatoes in sacks are full of foliage and beginning to flower so will be ready by the end of the month. As will the runner beans, started off in the greenhouse in early April and now in the ground and climbing.

Gooseberries are ripening well, as are the red currants, but the apple trees suffered while in flower because of the frosts, so no abundance of fruit this year.

Meanwhile the most important jobs are watering the vegetables and pots and feeding both once a week, especially tomatoes and cucumber plants. Deadheading flowers such as Roses and cutting back spring flowers once they have finished.

Sandie

A Hospital Experience

Despite Covid and a bed anywhere, would I be prepared at short notice to have a total hip replacement? Out of pain and desperation I replied 'Yes Please'.

A large private room with en suite wet room and toilet, huge wall mounted TV, two comfortable arm chairs and multi position bed and full length windows looking onto a garden, was mine. Knowing I was deaf but can lip read, staff entered my room wearing a face shield not a mask. A buzzer console meant I could turn lights on or dim them, turn the TV on and summon staff. Even order tea or coffee.

A Catering member of staff came in early every morning with the day's menus to choose from. Excellent food, roasts, salads, stir fries and salmon, fresh or smoked, was available for lunch and dinner.

The surgeon visited every day for a chat and physioherapists twice a day. I was not the only NHS patient at the Fitzwilliam Hospital in Peterborough and treated no differently than a private one.

So lucky and blessed that I was able to benefit, but when I returned for my check up I did wonder if it was all a mistake and that I would be presented with the bill for £11,500!

Dorothy



Wednesday the 9th of June found us together for the second time this year and what a good couple of hours they were. We had plenty of news to catch up with, and lots of laughter causing stitches to be dropped or was it one too many increased?

Sylvia



June Quiz Those Poems we learnt at School

1. Robert Herrick wrote the poem 'To Daffodils' the first line of which is, 'Fair daffodils we weep to see' What is the second line?
2. Who went to sea in a sieve?
3. Up the airy mountain, down the rushy glen, we daren't go hunting. Why?
4. Who wrote 'Oh, to be in England, Now that April's there'?
5. Who married the Owl and the PussyCat?
6. How many of the Light Brigade rode into the Shadow of Death?
7. In Kipling's Poem The Smuggler's Song, 'How many ponies were trotting through the dark'?
8. What were those ponies carrying for the Parson and the Clerk?
9. 'Stands the Church Clock at ten to three, and is there honey still for tea'. Who wrote these famous lines?
10. What colour was Macavity the cat?

In case that one was too easy, try this one about Great Britain

1. Scotland has its own bank notes, which are valid across the UK?
2. What charity works to preserve buildings, coastline and countryside in the UK?
3. What seafood delicacy is associated with Colchester?
4. What is the name of the Theatre in Bury St. Edmunds?
5. What county is Stonehenge in?
6. Where is The Refley Temple?
7. What is York Minster famous for?
8. What destroyed parts of London during the reign of Charles 11?
9. What is the King's Lynn firm of Savages famous for?
10. Who was voted the Greatest Briton of all time in 2002?

You'd never recognise Grandma

Where did the Grandma of yesterday go?
The Grandma who took all the kids to the show,
Who stopped by to chat and
Before we could ask it
Had tackled the laundry that spilled from the basket.
Who offered to mend and to make the girl's dresses,
And pitched in to help clean up toddler-made messes.
Who came on the run when the kids needed sitting,
And brought along story-books, cookies and knitting



Today's Grandma knows how to run a computer,
She watches the market and buys stocks that suit her.
She dons a pink smock for the hospital lobby
And has taken up sky-diving just for a hobby.
She has gone back to college to get a degree
And nips around town in her bright yellow 'z'
Grandma is still here, and there's no one to match her,Jo
But call before eight, or you simply won't catch her.



Music in Church

For many years our village church has been without an organist but a few months prior to March 2020 Michael and Alison came to live in the village resulting in Michael becoming our Resident Organist. With the church being closed for months we have not been able to enjoy his playing but now we are in for a treat.

Once a month Michael will hold an Open Organ Practice with an informal classical music recital starting on Friday June 25th. He will be in church from 11 o'clock through noon to 1 o'clock on the last Friday of the month.

You are very welcome to pop in during that time and relax in the peaceful surroundings and go home refreshed.

Typing Errors

A well known Scottish preacher prepared an address for a Women's Temperance meeting and discovered he had typed 'and now two final pints'.

A nine year old girl returning from school the Monday before Easter announced that this was to be her last week at that school. Her Mother assured her that she was wrong. 'But Mummy it's true, here's a note from my teacher. When her Mother read it she discovered the typist

had accidentally inserted a comma in the wrong place. The note read ‘ The school will be closed for Good, Friday.



Lesley has mentioned that I will be doing the newsletter in future, but it is not just me. Without The Keeping in Touch team it would not happen. So my thanks to Di for adding colour making it more attractive, Carole for producing the hard copies each month, Pam who has walked around Ingoldisthorpe and Dersingham delivering them. Also thanks to Sandie. Originally Sandie did the proof reading, this is now done by Di while Sandie has become our resident gardening advisor. My sincere thanks to the team and to all of you who have helped to make it so interesting.

Sylvia

And Finally

The Vicar called the other day and said at my age I should be thinking about the hereafter. I told him, oh, I do all the time.

No matter where I am, in the parlour, upstairs, in the kitchen or down in the basement I ask myself.....**Now what am I here after?**



Those Poems we learnt at School

1. ‘You haste away so soon’
2. The Jumblies
3. ‘For fear of little men’
4. Robert Browning
5. ‘The Turkey who lives on the hill’.
6. Six Hundred
7. Five and Twenty
8. ‘Brandy for the Parson and ‘Baccy for the Clerk’
9. Rupert Brooke
10. Yellow

Answers to Great Britain Quiz.

1. True
2. National Trust
3. Oysters
4. The Theatre Royal
5. Wiltshire
6. South Wootton.
7. Stained Glass Rose Window
8. The Great Fire
9. Fairground Machinery
10. Winston Churchill