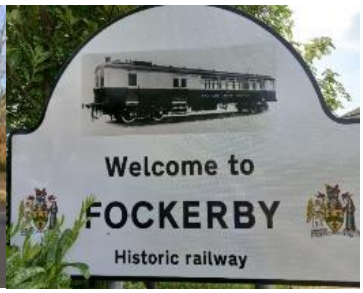

Garthorpe and Fockerby Newsletter

December 22 email me at garthorpefockerbynews@gmail.com

Firstly, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a stress-free New Year.

I look back at all the contributions from our lovely community and organisations and reflect on the events of the year.

We have had some amazing events in the last 12 months. Hopefully they have been advertised and recorded here! I still can't believe this is issue no 24 of the newsletter. Thank you to everyone who has supported this newsletter and has contributed month on month, and to all the volunteers who regularly deliver it to your doorstep. I currently print 180 each month, send 15 emails. It has even been read in India and Canada.

None of these would happen without the volunteers that give up their time for others.

Massive thanks to Friends of Garthorpe and Fockerby, the Royal British Legion, the Village Hall Committee, Jubilee Committee (which may/will become the Coronation Committee!) The Parish Council for supporting us all.

In 2023 if you could help, spare an hour please come and help. We need 2023 to be as successful as 2022, but it won't be if we don't get support. You don't have to be on a committee unless you want to be.

Contact any member of the Parish Council, Village Hall Committee, Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby or email garthorpefockerbynews@gmail.com

News from the Parish Council

The parish council minutes are online www.garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk

and I am not permitted to replicate them here, however we now get monthly

feedback from the parish council from the clerk, which keeps us all in the loop.

There are ongoing enquiries for a litter bin at the bus stop opposite Luddington Road junction; a new Isle of Axholme flag is awaited to fly in the village; still waiting for news of an additional grant for the new mower and a memorial area is being considered in the cemetery for the scattering of ashes.

Next meeting Friday **16th December at 6.45pm** when the annual precept will be set for 2023/24.

Residents are entitled to attend meetings of the Parish Council as observers only and are given the opportunity to address the Council during full Parish Council meetings for a duration of up to 15 minutes.

If you wish to contact, please email Clerk, clerk@garthorpeandfockerbypc.org, or

Phone 01724 764490 or 07718050614.

News from the Village Hall

The **Children's Christmas Party** at the Village Hall will be on **Sunday December 11th 5 – 7 pm**. Santa will be calling. £3.50 per child which includes food and a present. There will be a bar for the parents as well!

Following the village hall AGM, Committee members have been reappointed and the Accounts have been submitted to the Charity Commission. The Committee has made some small changes to the hire rates for the hall which will take effect in January 2023. (See notices). But rest assured, they are only small, and most rates remain the same: hiring Garthorpe Village Hall is still very good value!

CANCELLATION

We are very sorry but the talk by Matson Taylor (author of the "Evie" books) which was to take place on **8th December** has been **cancelled**. We hope to reschedule Matson in the spring. Look out for notices. Meanwhile, the next talk at the hall will be **1st February** when **Ron Gilleard** will be telling the story of his family business in the village.

For anything about the village hall, you can use Facebook,

or garthorpevh@btinternet.com,

or telephone **01724-798118,** or speak to any Committee member: Jonny Martinson, Sammie Simms, Jo Smith, Sam Peel, Debbie Martinson, Amy Greaves or Jiggy Lloyd.

Friends of Garthorpe and Fockerby

FoGaF (Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby) would like to send a special thank you to all our Lincs Lotto supporters both old and new.

To qualify for many awards, we need both supporters and money contribution, and these have been achieved through the funds raised via Lincs Lotto. This local North Lincolnshire Lottery run by The Council, supports local groups as each ticket purchased provides a 50p donation to a selected cause, and a further 10p to other causes across the region. Our Lincs Lotto supporters have allowed our group to grow, undertake new activities and collaborate & assist other groups and individuals in our area achieving the following in the last year:

Christmas Event 2021- felt, wreath making, Billy Biscuit, Games, Stalls, Santa etc. Decorating the village with decorations.

Began 'Pantry on the Isle' - purchasing and redistributing surplus food from Fair Share

Fun run/walk (including the new 10k for this year)

Halloween train ride event

Contribute to other community groups and events such as Jubilee, and production of this newsletter.

All these things would not have been possible without our supporters, volunteers, donators, residents past and present and the passion and commitment of our community, so thank you to you all.

We hope to see you at the Christmas 2022 event on **10th December** for wreath making, gingerbread decorating, table decorating, felt crafting, stalls, mulled wine and of cause a special visit from Santa.

To those not able to make it to this year's event, we would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year!

https://www.lincslotto.co.uk

St Mary's Church & Friends of Garthorpe Christmas Event 10.12.22

From 1pm to 5pm

This year the team have changed this event. As someone pointed out we are fortunate to have two village halls in this village we have the usual village Hall and then Church which can provide space for activities.

This year the Village Hall will be holding for adults the following workshops:

Wreath Making £10 and Christmas Table decoration £5 all materials supplied. (These workshops are provided by Emma and Susan. Handmade Books using textured paper and textiles £4. Christmas Card Making (Free), Raffle £1 a strip, Tea/Coffee, Soft Drinks, Cake & Chocolate apples. There also will be stalls.

In church:

Mother and Father Christmas 3pm cost £3, Assorted Games from 50p a go, Face Painting & Lucky Dip £1

Pantry on the Isle

The last pantry on the isle will be on 22.12.22. it will reopen on 5.1.23.

Santa's visit

Santa will visit the village on **Saturday 3rd** December. This is arranged by the Isle of Axholme lions. They start in Luddington at 4pm then come to the village you can track Santa on the web page

www.isle-lions.org.uk

Victoriana's

Victoriana's Pop-up Eatery has been busy this year with new visitors and regular customers.

The last Victoriana's will be on Wednesday **7th & 14th** December.

Doors open at 10-30 am and close at 1pm.

It is then closed till spring 2023 more information in the newsletter.

The Victoriana's team would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year and thank you for your continued support.

Burns Night

On **28.1.2023** Victoriana's will be holding a Charity Burns Night @ £12 pp at Garthorpe & Fockerby Village Hall and the time is tba

"Sorry but there will be no other alternative Meal offered."

Chatsworth Coach Trip

46 people went from Garthorpe to The Chatsworth House Christmas Market in November.

Before we went to Chatsworth, we visited Dobies Garden Centre and Rowsley Shopping Village.

Chatsworth Christmas Market and House did not disappoint.

I just want to add my thanks to Susan and David for a well organised trip and making sure everyone was looked after. We all had a lovely day and despite rain forecast for much of the day, it only arrived as we were waiting for the coach, absolute bonus!!

Mobile Library news

Until June the Mobile Library had one household in Fockerby and Garthorpe that actively used the service in the village**.** We now have at least 7 households so well done!!

There will be no Mobile Library visits between Monday 26 December to Friday 6 January inclusive. In addition to days which are bank holidays, which are already 'no service' days, the affected routes are:

Friday 6 January: Luddington, Eastoft, Garthorpe and Keadby

Next mobile service is 16.12.22 from 2.10pm-2.30pm. No service 6th January.

St Mary's Church

St Mary's church held their annual Christmas coffee morning on 26/11.30. It was well supported by the community, purchasing gift items.

It was great to see some youngsters and new faces too.

There will be no more coffee mornings till 2023 and thanks to everyone who have supported them and donated cakes and raffle prizes.

Annual Giving

To keep the cost down at St Mary's we have tried to make savings but still have large outgoings and somehow these must be covered. We do our part by fundraising and from the collection plate when we have a service.

The Annual Giving continues until the end of December if you would still like to gift, please do so by dropping the donation to 2, Church Cottages, Shore Rd, Garthorpe and please address it to St Mary's

It doesn't matter how small the donation is it will certainly help towards the running cost of your Church.

St Mary's would like to thank all those who have kindly gifted this year it's very much appreciated

Carol Crib and Christingle service

On **Sunday 18th December** at 4-30pm, we are having a combined Carol, Crib and Christingle service by candlelight. This will be a traditional Christmas Service with a Christingle and crib service included so children will be encouraged to get involved if they would like to.

We have all grown up with this type of service from a child to an adult and therefore we would like to invite you and your family and friends to join with us to celebrate everything that's Christmas and the service will not be longer than an hour.

The collection will be shared between three organisations, The Children's Society, Salvation Army, and St Mary's.

The church will be decorated and toastie so please do come along and you will be made very welcome.

Tea and coffee will available after the service.

Kindly note that the Church will not be open on Christmas Eve.

If you know of anyone on their own this Christmas just pop round to see if they are ok, it will mean a lot to them.

St Mary's PCC would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas.

Garthorpe & District Royal British Legion.

St Mary's Church and Garthorpe and District Royal British Legion held its annual Remembrance service on Sunday 13th November.

Before the service the congregation for the first time saw the Garthorpe and District Royal British Legion Standard.

This is something that the village should be proud of and is now part of Garthorpe and Fockerbys' history.

A dedication service for the standard is being arranged for spring 2023.

The service was started with a commemoration talk of 40 years of the Falklands Islands by veteran Spike and what an informative and poignant talk.

The church service was attended by over 60 parishioners.

As always, I would like to thank everyone who took part in the service and for your involvement It helps in so many ways.

We are complimented on the service we hold as it is slightly different to the standard service you may expect at other churches.

We are also proud that we have a lot of ex service personnel that come and get involved and support the Remembrance Service so thank you to them.

It is important that such a service is held in our Village as we should not forget the brave soldiers that have fallen in all wars.

We would like to thank the congregation for attending and hope to see you Sunday 12th November 2023 at 10-30 am.

To follow the Garthorpe and District Royal British Legion branch please look on our Facebook or information periodically come out in the newsletter.

If you would like to be part of your Royal British Legion or would like more information, please email the chairgrthpdistrictrbl@gmail.com

We know people lead busy lives and you mention the word committee it means meetings but please be assured we only hold an average 3-4 meetings a year and one is an AGM and if you considered joining and you attended that one this is acceptable.

We have had 2 members join this year as they like what we do and want to be part of it.

There is an annual fee with benefits and the nice thing is you don't even have to be

in the services to support this great organisation, so please do think about it and thank you for your continued support.

Garthorpe and District have had a busy year. The Branch are arranging new events for next year to which the community can get involved with.

The Plant Sale will be back in spring and the RBL Breakfast do keep a look out in the newsletter for more information and dates.

If you are not aware the branch has a Facebook page.

The sale of the wooden Christmas trees for RBL has exceeded expectations as 33 were sold, which is amazing.

The Garthorpe and District would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and happy 2023 and thank you for your kind support.

Music Events in Garthorpe

"Garthorpe Village Rocked"

On 26.11.22 The Moggies entertained a full house at the Village Hall. A great night's entertainment, with nonstop 60's music including requests! Especially as one was Apache by the Shadows and that isn't easy!

The dance floor was full of very energetic dancers who danced the night away to 60's music. Fantastic evening and enjoyed by Fockerby and Garthorpe residents as well as people from Winterton, Adlingfleet, Scunthorpe and Rawcliffe.

The raffle raised £110 for Barnardo's, well done to the organisers and thank you to all those who attended.

The Paul Simon Experience

St Marys Church Garthorpe 17.6.2023

Tickets are £18 and go on sale January 2023. Only 100 tickets will be available and there is a lot of interest and just not in Garthorpe.

This is presented by Dan Clews, who Tim Minchin described Dan as a "Great Player" and Beatles producer Sir George Martin describes him as "Too great a talent to ignore".

The evening will include hits such as |You Can Call Me Al, Graceland, The Boxer, Bridge over Troubled Water, The Sound of Silence, 50 Ways to Leave Your Lover and many more.

Dan has played a 230-show run at this year's Edinburgh Fringe Festival & touring this show around the UK.

Email:livemuzikgarthorpe@gmail.com

Dan will be doing a Meet and Greet after the show and selling his CD's

New Business in the Village

Designer Travel by Gen.

Hi everyone, I'm Gen. Welcome to the start of your perfect holiday. I live in North Lincolnshire, With my Husband & 4 beautiful children. Travel is in my blood. I have over 19 years Travel experience. In both Multiple & Independent Agencies. So, you can rest assured you're in safe hands. I have full Abta & Atoll bonding.

Life is short & the world is wide. I'm fortunate to have travelled to some beautiful destinations. Some of these include Safari & Stay in Kenya. Various Caribbean Islands, plus numerous parts of Spain, Greece, Egypt & Turkey. I've also cruised around the med.

With me as your Personal Travel Expert, I am completely independent. Meaning I have 100's of Tour Operators & Suppliers in my portfolio. No matter what your needs are I can help. Offering Luxury Tailor made itineraries, to family package holidays. To everything in between. I can offer advice & make recommendations. Ensuring you have your requirements met.

I'm able to offer home visit appointments in my Local area. Creating your perfect Holiday in the comfort of your own home. Alternatively give me a call to book a telephone appointment at a convenient time to suit yourselves. My number is 07984122616. Alternatively email me at gen@designertravel.co.uk . Please follow me on Facebook. I'll regularly be posting offers. Start your new adventures today, Making lasting memories.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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Incredible edibles

As a village we belong to the Incredible Edibles Marshland organisation and are represented on the committee. They are an amazing organisation and have funded all the planting boxes in the village this summer and the plants. All the events in the Marshland villages receive funding for workshops and they are available to everyone in the area. So in case you were wondering that's why they are included in the newsletter.

There are plans also for the re-planting of the Jubilee planters. Sessions will be held as before to plant these up and return them to your home. It has been lovely to see the splashes of colour throughout the villages in the absence of the wildflower verges. Snowdrops and bluebells have been planted throughout the villages earlier this year and will be showing in the spring in memory of Queen Elizabeth 11. Also, crocus, and mixed daffodils have been a recent addition planted by Groundwork UK on behalf of Incredible Edibles. With funding we were able to buy 12 sacks of daffodils and a sack of crocus amounting to several hundred bulbs. We approached each parish council and the schools and other groups in the area. Most of those approached took us up on the free bulbs and it will be good to again see the abundance of colour.

Future Forays

The last organised event of the year is Natural Material Wreath Making led once again by Wendy Bristow from Twigs & Sprigs. This takes place on 5th December at Swinefleet Village Hall from 6pm to 8pm. Please note the change of timings of this

event. It is an hour earlier than previously advertised. Cost £38.00.

The New Year plans are almost complete and will be advertised shortly. Nigel, our admin co-ordinator is working on uploading these events to the website which will be launched shortly. Arm Knitting is being repeated in January and Pottery making is being repeated in February by popular demand. Look out for the other events which will be released in due course.

All that remains, is for me to wish everyone (If you eat you are in) a Happy Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. Thank you to everyone who works tirelessly to make Incredible Edible Marshland work – you know who you are.

For further information look out for our adverts around the villages. Ring to book with IEM on 07901165349. (a deposit is required for each booking due to IEM being a non-profit making organisation.
Look forward to seeing you at one of our events.

Coronation Committee

The Jubilee Committee will now become the Coronation committee! If you wish to contribute your time, ideas for the event or any thoughts can you send them to me at the email at the newsletter email garthorpefockerbynews@gmail.com.
We look forward to hearing from you.

Many thanks to the people who always contribute to the newsletter and give their time so generously to enrich our village lives. This includes the Village Hall Committee, St Mary's Church, Parish Council, Friends of Garthorpe and Fockerby, Royal British Legion Incredible Edibles all contribute to this newsletter.

If you have an event and want to tell everyone, please send me the information.

Merry Christmas everyone and Happy New year.

Date	Time	Event	Cost	Venue
		DECEMBER 2022		
Thurs1.12.22	9.30-11.30am 5pm-6pm 7.30pm	playgroup Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£2.00 £5.00 £2.00	Village Hall
Sat 3.12.22	FROM 4PM ONWARDS	Isle of Axholme lions Santa arrives in the village		
Tues 6.12.22	7.00-8.00pm	Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Weds 7. 12.22	10.30am-1pm	Victoriana's		Village Hall
Thurs 8.12.22	9.30-11.30am 5pm-6pm	Playgroup Pantry on the isle	£2.00 £5.00	Village Hall
Sat 10.12.22	1pm-5pm	Christmas Fair		Village Hall
Sun 11.12.22	5pm -7pm	Children's Christmas party Bar for adults	£3.50	Village Hall
Mon12.12.22	5pm-7pm	Fish & chip Van		Village Hall
Tues13.12.22	7.00-8.00pm	Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 15.12.22	9.30am -11.30 5pm -6pm 7.30pm	Playgroup last one this year. Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£2.00 £5.00 £2.00	Village Hall
Fri 16.12.22	6.45pm	Parish Council meeting		Village Hall
Sun 18.12.22	4.30pm	Carol Crib and Christingle		St Marys
Tues 20.12.22	7.00-8.00pm	Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 22.12.22	5pm -6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle the last one this year Indoor Bowls	 £5.00 £2.00	Village Hall
5.1.23		Pantry on the Isle re opens		
28.1.23		Burn's Night	£12.00	Village Hall
1.2.23	7pm for 7.30pm	The Story of Gilleards in Garthorpe	£2.00	Village Hall
17.6.23		Paul Simon Experience	£18.00	St Mary's
5.8.23		Party in the Park		
12.11.23	10.30am	Remembrance Sunday		St Mary's