



## Garthorpe and Fockerby Newsletter

February 2024 email me at [garthorpefockerbynews@gmail.com](mailto:garthorpefockerbynews@gmail.com)

Happy New Year to you all, this is the first newsletter of 2024, and I can't believe we are in year 4 of the newsletter. Looking back to 2023 there have been many events, concerts, coffee mornings, fund raising and charity events.

There were many acts of kindness and generosity, including the work of every volunteer, they cover so many roles, but without them nothing would happen.

Highlight of Christmas for me was the visit from Santa by Friends of Fockerby and Garthorpe and Adlingfleet, lovely dry night and great parade around the village. Looking forward, this will happen again this year. Please note this is not a fundraising event, just sharing the Christmas spirit.

Every month 182 copies of the newsletter are printed and delivered to every household. It has been viewed 5345 times online on the village hall site alone. It is shared many times and is on many local community pages.

This year I would like to re visit the list of self-employed trades, If you wish to be included, and it's a free advert, please get in touch via the email address at the top of the newsletter.

I will be in touch with the people on the original list to see if you require any amendments.

Sadly, the Marshland Messenger is no longer being produced the final magazine was published for December 2023. No one is willing to take it on and produce it.

Information about Incredible Edibles is still available online and in this newsletter. Attached to the newsletter are the workshops in 2024.

### News from the Parish Council

The parish council minutes are online [www.garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk](http://www.garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk)

The December meeting was attended by 6 councillors, the Clerk, one member of the public and two representatives from Openreach.

The representatives from Openreach gave the council the annual comprehensive summary of the proposed full fibre network from Eastoft to Adlingfleet. This will provide a more reliable and faster broadband regardless of the location within the village. Eligible properties will be awarded a £4000 voucher by the government to join the scheme provided

by Openreach. The voucher goes directly to Openreach – the householder will have nothing further to pay. There will also be no new poles required.

The annual budget was considered, and it was agreed to keep the 2024/5 Precept at £9,000 despite a slight increase in the budget.

Village Issues included a complaint regarding overnight parking in the lay-by at the cemetery entrance on Back Lane. Residents are reminded that the lay-by is for cemetery parking only overnight parking is not permitted. Signs will be erected shortly.

Following the annual play area inspection, the roundabout was declared unsafe and has been taken out of service until repairs are carried out.

Members of the public are welcome to attend all meetings of the Parish Council as observers only, but a period of 15 minutes is allocated for a Public Forum at the beginning of each meeting.

The next meeting will be on Friday **16<sup>th</sup> February 2024** at 6.45pm.

#### **CEMETERY CARETAKER/GARDENER**

CEMETERY CARETAKER Required from March 2024 Flexible hours in the range of 100 – 125 hours between the months of March to November Work to include grass cutting, strimming, weeding flowerbed borders, maintaining boundary hedges, and To monitor the condition of gravestones and surrounding trees. Application Form, Job Description & Salary Details Available on request from The Clerk – [clerk@garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@garthorpeandfockerbypc.org.uk) Or telephone 01724 764490

JACKIE WALKER - CLERK

#### **Garthorpe & Fockerby Parish Council Notice Board.**

A Parish Council Noticeboard is now on Facebook. This is for information only and no comments will be permitted.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100087353412062>

Clerk to Garthorpe & Fockerby Parish Council. If you wish to contact, please email [clerk@garthorpeandfockerbypc.org](mailto:clerk@garthorpeandfockerbypc.org), or Phone 01724 764490 or 07718050614.

#### **Bin Collections**

Brown Bin collections will resume from Monday 5 February, until then garden waste can be taken to Household Recycling Centres, this is the latest change from North Lincolnshire Council.

#### **News from the Village Hall**

##### **Lucky Numbers Reminder**

Lucky Number tickets for 2024 are now available. Village Hall Committee members will be calling at houses in the village, inviting renewals and new members. If you want to renew or join, you can also do so at one of the talks (see below) or contact us directly, using the contact details below.

Tickets are £5 for the year; there are 3 prizes each month (£20, £10 and £5), plus a Christmas special. More than 40% of the money is returned in prizes. It is great way to support the hall with a good chance of winning something!

##### **Two more talks of local interest**

North Lincolnshire families and communities have a long history of compassion and support for refugees. Our first talk of the year will be:

## **“Refugees in North Lincolnshire”**

Wednesday February 7th. Kerry Dunn and Christina Clark will explain the role of the North Lincolnshire Refugee Settlement service and share the remarkable human stories that lie behind statistics and headlines.

Make a calendar note now for the final talk in the 2324 series. On Wednesday 6th March Bryan Longbone will offer a glimpse of local life before, during and after World War 1. His talk will feature photos and articles from the Crowle Advertiser. Prepare to be surprised! Somethings change and some just stay the same....?

Both talks begin at 7.30pm (doors open at 7) and the charge of £3 includes a glass of wine, tea, or coffee.

## **The New Kitchen!**

Thank you to those that came to the fund-raising Chilli-Quiz night. So far, we have secured more than half the money needed to build the extension, there is another grant application in the pipeline, and we have our beady eyes on two more sources that would cover fitting the kitchen and get us “over the line”. Local fund-raising will continue – look out for news about this.

For Committee-run events at the village hall, you can use Facebook, or garthorpevh@btinternet.com, or telephone 01724-798118, or speak to a committee member (Jonny Martinson, Jiggy Lloyd, Sam Simms, Debbie Martinson, Joanne Smith, Samantha Peel, Charlie Parsonage, Emma Davies, and Leona Swan.)

(For events run by organisations who hire the hall, please contact them direct).

Remember the Hall is available for hire for meetings, parties, sales events, workshops, etc. Our rates compare very favourably with other venues in the area. The hall belongs to us all – let’s use it!

## **Serpafit**

Held at Garthorpe Village Hall every Tuesday from 7pm to 8pm.

Feeling the strain after the festive period? Trousers a wee bit too tight? Why not join our small group of members for a fun work-out, using a weighted Bulgarian Bag which come in various sizes.

The exercises work on the inner core thus firming you up from the inside outwards.

Cost is £2.00 per week (no charge for the use of a bag) and first trial session is only £1.00. This is a non-profit club, and you only pay for the sessions you attend.

Need further information then contact me (Bridget) on 07708703054 and leave a message if I’m not around and I will get back to you.

## **Book Box**

In 2021 we started the caring is sharing theme and introduce the book box. It’s still in use and the books are regularly changed, books can be donated, and everyone has access to choose books and return them for someone else to read. The boxes are the righthand side of the main door.

## **Garthorpe First friends -Play Group**

Play group did resume with the hope that a rota could be implemented to help run the group, however this didn’t come to fruition and playgroup is suspended.

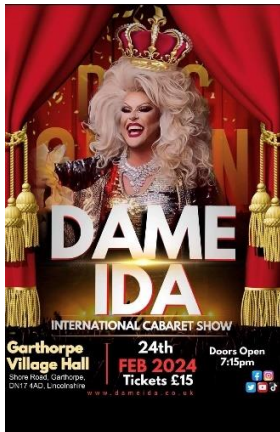
If anyone would like to take over the running of the group, could they contact

Sally on 07955850910 for a chat. Sally has stepped down now, as her child started school nursery.

Sally is still available to talk to anyone who is interested in taking forward this group, please feel free to contact her.

### **Dame Ida cabaret show**

Grab your tickets and you won't be disappointed, bring your own tippie and enjoy!



### **Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby**

The Pantry on the Isle continues to be well supported. Thank you to FOGOF for the generous Christmas gesture of a free bag on the week of Christmas.

Watch this space for the announcement of this year's events.

### **Christmas event on 9.12.23**

The Christmas event last year was well attended with stall holders and Craft tables.

A very large raffle and 1<sup>st</sup> prize was kindly donated by friends of Adlingfleet to which we would like to thank them.

St Mary's had a visit by Father Christmas and as always games for the children while waiting to see him.

Thank you to all who attended.

FOGAF would like to thank all the volunteers and stall holders that gave time to make this event a success.

This year we can announce that Father Christmas will be at the miniature steam railway a date is to be confirmed.

Please note limited number of seats will be available for Children and pre- booking and payment will be required and more details will follow through the year.

A special thanks needs to go out to all the helpers that made the village look great this year from decorating outside St Mary's and putting Christmas trees up around the Village, the Church being decorated inside and looking great for the Carole Service, and the village hall was nicely decorated inside and out.

St Mary's would like to thank the Parish Council for purchasing the Community Christmas Tree for outside the Church.

### **Victoriana's**

New dates will be announced soon.

A great day out to York Christmas Market and York City Centre, dropping off at Mcarther Glen shopping outlet. Many thanks to Susan Graham's Victoriana's and Garthorpe Parish Council (SSE) for funding the trip and Sue for arranging it.

### **St Mary's Church**



It has already been confirmed that School will be back for 2024 for the Christingle service, it was standing room only for the

church service with 60 Christingles. Lovely to see the church packed with students and parents. Fabulous that so many were able to attend.

Also confirmed that the Carol service held on 17.12.23 will be back again this year, as there were 30 in the congregation. Our lovely Church was beautifully decorated, and the service taken by Rev Mark.

### No Trains due to engineering works

Early warning due to Engineering Work there will be no trains between Scunthorpe & Doncaster from **17th Feb to 25th Feb**. There will be bus replacements.

### Concerts in Garthorpe in 2024

Four concerts have been announced this year so far. We want to continue with the concerts, which have been popular, and the attendance has grown and concertgoers have been local and also come from far and wide.

The price point on all concert tickets is recommended by the artist/band as they want all concerts to have consistent ticket prices with other venues unless they are offering something different.

The artists are all on national tours, and our venue is listed on their websites and tour lists.

They are not pub acts nor are they a tribute acts but paying tribute to the artist songs .



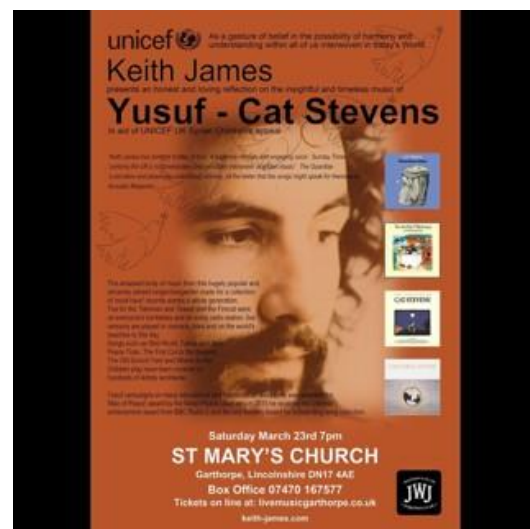
Live Music Garthorpe are proud to present Steve Mitchell in his solo show

“ Celebrating Wham & George Michael” Steve has 18.5k followers on his Facebook page and has featured on BBC & ITV. He has toured the UK & Europe and is coming to Garthorpe Village Hall . Tickets available at £16.

AVAILABLE FROM OUR WEBSITE:  
livemusicgarthorpe.co.uk

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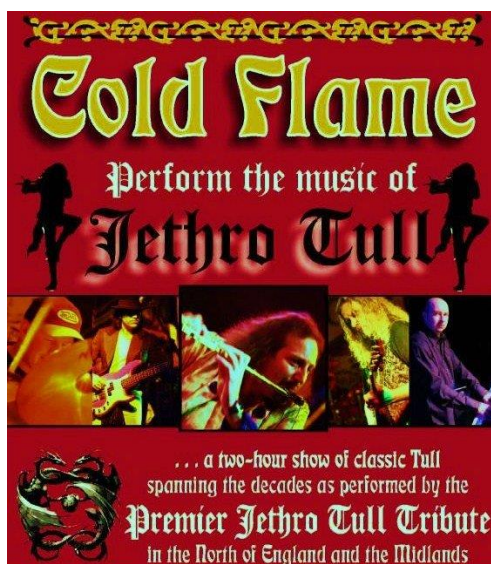
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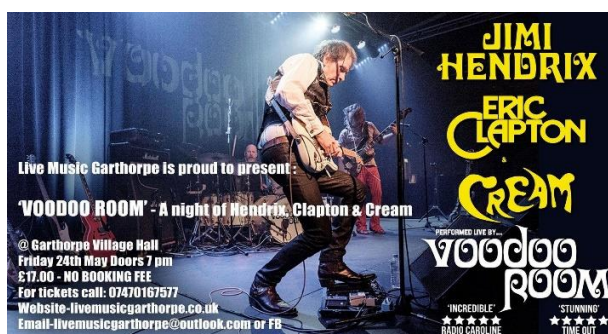
Keith James presents **The Cat Steven Songbook** at St Marys Church on **Saturday 23.3.24**, doors open at 7pm for 7.30pm start. You can find Keith James on Facebook. This is part of his national tour.

### Cold Flame

Saturday **6.4.24 Cold Flame** to perform the music of Jethro Tull, a 2- hour show of classic Tull spanning the decades, to be held at St Mary's Garthorpe. Tickets are £12.00.



### Voodoo Room



**Voodoo Room**- is an exciting classic power trio, paying tribute to the incredible music of Jimi Hendrix, Eric Clapton & Cream. Featuring some of the UK's finest musicians, they perform a high energy, world-class show in total appreciation of these musical pioneers from the world of classic blues/rock.

Garthorpe Village Hall 7pm £17.00

### Garthorpe & District Royal British Legion

Future Events are being planned for 2024 but dates are to be confirmed.

The sale of 20 lovely handmade Christmas trees was another success this last year and a donation to our local RBL has been made. Many thanks to David Armstrong for all his hard work.

### Mobile Library news

Next visit is due on 9.2.24 at the Bay Horse between 2.10pm- 2.30pm.

### Garthorpe Canaries



There are currently 2 teams playing for Garthorpe Canaries, the under 11s and under 8s.

The U8s currently play in the U8s Scunthorpe ultimate league, and the U11s currently play in the Scunthorpe U11s Division 2.

### Home fixtures

03/02 - U8s v Dale Park Rangers

10/02 - U11s v Barton Junior Football Club

24/02 - U11s v Bottesford Town FC

02/03 - U8s v Bottesford Town FC

23/03 - U8s v Dale Park Devils

On the week of each fixture the kick off times will be posted on the Garthorpe Canaries Facebook followed by a short post-match review.

Tea, Coffee, and snacks served at all matchdays in the shack. Come and join us and watch your local team grow.

Both teams are actively looking to recruit new players to continue to build the club and keep providing the opportunity for local children to participate in football.

### **New Opportunity**

We are looking for volunteer coaches to start a new team for the 24/25 season.

Mini Canaries will be returning soon and will be posted on Facebook closer to the time of starting. This is for children in years 1 and reception. If you have child that is eligible for these sessions, please do not hesitate to contact the Facebook page or Jack Martinson on 07742314073 to show your interest for these sessions.

### **Incredible edibles**

Happy New Year to you all, and what precisely is winging its way to you this year? Accompanying this short update is the 2024 programme for Incredible Edible Marshland. So, whilst you were all wrapping presents, writing cards, planning meals etc, we were ringing people and arranging meetings to bring together yet another year of interesting things to join in with. I joke as this organising was on top of the Christmas arrangements as well.

Anyone is a member of Incredible Edible, and our motto is "If you eat, you are in". Our ethos is totally inclusive, and anyone can dip in and dip out as they wish – the object is to bring the community together through caring, sharing and learning, thus making it a happier place to live.

2024 continues with the weekly Yoga sessions (held at Reedness Primary school) as well as the monthly Hobby Huddle (held at Garthorpe Village Hall). The rest of the programme consists of Get-togethers in several areas – Cookery, Gardening, Craft Work, Wellbeing and full community events. So have a good look at the year's events and find one to suit you or just be a devil and try something new!!

Can't see anything you would really like to do?? Then get in touch with us to suggest something new and we will do our best to meet your requirements. We are a non-profit making organisation, mainly funded by appropriate grants so are always needing new ideas to maintain the interest. At the end of June, we will have been operating for 5 years and how we have grown.

I certainly have made many new friends and contacts and continue to take great pride in the community.

Our contact details are on the bottom of the first page of the flyer which will have landed on your doormat with the Garthorpe & Fockerby Newsletter. Happy Hunting in 2024

Bridget Bramley

For & on behalf of Incredible Edible Marshland

Thanks to Jiggy Lloyd & the Village Hall committee, Jackie Walker Clerk to the Parish Council, David Graham for St Marys Church, RBL, Victoriana's, & Music Events, Jack Martinson for Garthorpe Canaries information, Bridget Bramley for IEM, Garthorpe & Fockerby Parish Council & Friends of Garthorpe & Fockerby for their support. Anything you may wish to be included in the March 2024 newsletter to be emailed to me by **20.02.24** please.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Events in Jan /Feb</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Tues 23.1.24	7.00-8.00pm	Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 25.1.24	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Tues 30.1.24	4.30-6.30pm 7.00-8.00pm	Fish & Chip Van Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 1.2.24	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Tues 6.2.24	7.00-8.00pm	Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Weds 7.2.24	7 for 7.30pm	On your doorstep talk Refugees in North Lincolnshire	£3.00	Village Hall.
Thurs 8.2.24	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50	Village Hall.
Fri 9.2.24	2.10-2.30pm 7pm- 9-00pm	Mobile Library Hobby Huddle	Free	Bay Horse car park Village Hall
Tues 13.2.24	4.30-6.30pm 7.00-8.00pm	Fish & Chip Van Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 15.2.24	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Fri 16.2.24	6.45pm	Parish Council Meeting		Village Hall
Tues 20.2.24	7.00-8.00pm	Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 22. 2..24	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Sat 24.2.24	7.15pm	Dame Ida	£15.00	Village Hall
Tues 27.2.24	4.30-6.30pm 7.00-8.00pm	Fish & Chip Van Serpafit	£2.00	Village Hall
Thurs 28.2.24	5pm-6pm 7.30pm	Pantry on the isle Indoor Bowls	£5.50 £2.00	Village Hall
Sat 2.3.24	8pm	Celebrating Wham & George Michael		Village Hall
Weds 6.2.24	7 for 7.30pm	On your doorstep talk		Village Hall
Sat 23.3.24	7.00pm for 7.30	Cat Stevens Song Book		St Marys Church



