



All Saints, Nocton

Parish Magazine  
June 2011

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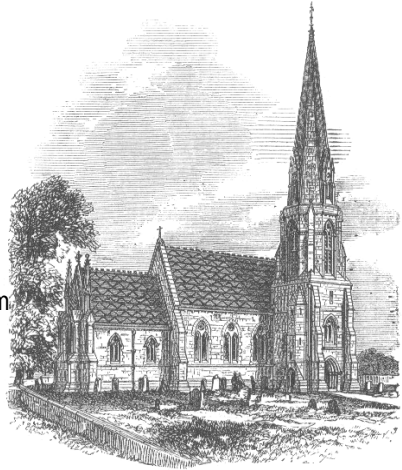
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**The church building will be closed for essential roof repairs from 4th July to the end of Jan 2012. Please note this is the building !! The church in Nocton will be fully active and all services and other commitments will take place as normal. All Services will be held in the village hall at the published times.**

### One Going Up .....One Going Down.

It's such a shame as we embark on the restoration of our wonderful church to watch Nocton Hall and its surrounding area being slowly driven into the ground. Only last week an arson attack on some of the remaining buildings



A view through the burned out wreckage towards the Residential Home  
(Picture courtesy of Geoff Hall.)

to the side of the old hall saw fire vehicles rush to the scene around 3am and the residents of the cottage care home evacuated. Fortunately no-one was hurt. Its good that the hall is under review by NKDC, but action is needed now or there will be nothing left.

Nocton residents are asked to contact the police if they see anything suspicious.

## The Message - '3 Good Reasons'

You may be aware (I suspect not) but the week 20-26th June in the US has been declared 'National Happy Week' by the organisation Action for Happiness. If like me when you hear or see of such things, you regard them as a little off the wall and then dismiss them, I don't blame you. However this one I thought was worth a closer look.

It is suggested that with all the stress and pressure of today's life some simple self help activities will bring things back into balance. OK its free so far....lets keep reading. They then go on to suggest that it is human nature to always dwell on the bad side of life, I can't disagree with that. So what's the answer....?

They suggest spending a few minutes each day focusing on some of the good things that happen to us. By doing this we start to notice what goes right as well as wrong in our lives. Even on a bad day there are some good things that happen, however small. In effect we are encouraged to express our gratitude. Here's how it goes:

1. **Every night** - before you go to bed, think back over your day and remember three good things that happened - things that went well, that you enjoyed or were grateful for. These can be small (e.g. a delicious sandwich or a child smiling on the bus) or of bigger importance for you. You'll probably find it varies. Try doing this for a week to start with.
2. **Note them down** - this is important. You may want to get a small notebook just for this purpose.
3. **Think about why** - for each thing you're grateful for, write down why it happened and why you feel good about it. This may feel a bit tricky at first but you'll soon get the hang of it.
4. **Look back** - after a week, have a look back on what you've written. How does it feel when you look at all these good things? Do you notice any themes?
5. **Keep it up** - Try keeping it up for another couple of weeks at least. Many people find it becomes a bedtime habit. After a while you may find that you don't need to do it every night. Three times a week or even once a week might be enough. You may also find that you start to appreciate the good things more as they happen.

**HANG ON!!!** This may have a Scientific and Psychological basis behind, but I've been doing this for years.....**It's called prayer!** Offering to God my Gratitude for the Good things in my day as well as asking him for support in my moments of need is prayer! And it's a real two way conversation, between my thoughts and Gods inspiration.

But '3 Good Reasons' at this time has a more spiritual tone too. Next Sunday June 19th is Trinity Sunday. It is the Sunday that we celebrate God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The 3 persons or 3 facets of the one God. The Son who came to save us, the Holy Spirit who gives us strength and supports us and the Father who will welcome us home. Good things often come in 3's.

As a Christian I am called to express my faith, to debate and discuss, but even more than that it is my mission to let people see God through me, my actions, my happiness and my being. And if that happiness is the result of my 3 little thoughts offered to God, in prayer on a daily basis - that's really is Good News. In fact it's more than that it's the best news ever. ....Have a go for yourself and see what happens.

Chris

# Village Diary

**Sat 18th Jun** - Sculptor and Artist Martin Griffiths gives a lecture entitled "Experiencing the Spiritual in Art". Start at 7pm. Free Entry. Refreshments.

**Sat 25th Jun** - 'The Lincs Effect' A Concert. 7.30pm at All Saints Church. Tickets £12. Concession £10 (paid up supporters £8.50). See page 9.

**Sat 2nd Jul** - 'The Annual Dunston Duck Race' 2pm

**Sat 2nd Jul** - 'Victorian Teas' St Andrews, Potterhanworth, in the afternoon.

**Mon 4th Jul** - 'Church Closes for Repairs' hopefully it will be available again for use in early February 2010. Services take place in Village Hall. Normal Times.

**Tue 19th Jul** - 'Parish Council Meeting' in the village hall at 7pm. No meeting in August.

**Wed 13th Jul** - 'Village Hall Coffee Morning' 10-12 Midday. Free Tea & Coffee.

**Sat 27th Aug** - 'Wine Tasting Night' at Nocton Social Club. Detail See page 13

**Sun 4th Sep** - 'The Annual Fruit and Veg Show' at Nocton Social Club. Further details to follow.....Get planting!

**Sat 3rd Sep**- 'Harvest Supper' in the village hall at 7pm. Details to follow

**Sun 4th Sep** - 'Harvest Festival Service' 11-12 Midday at Nocton Village Hall.

**Sat 10th Sep** - 'An Evening with Celebrity Chef, Rachel Green' at the Potterhanworth memorial Hall. See info on Page 9.

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**Morning Prayer:** 7.30am Wed-Sat, 7.00am Sun

**Eucharist:** 6.30pm Wed, 12.15pm Thu, Fri & Sat

**Midday Prayer:** 12.00pm Thu-Sat 12.30pm Wed & Sun

**Evening Prayer:** 5.30pm Wed-Sun

**Night Prayer:** 8.30pm Wed-Sat

The house is **closed to day guests** on

**Mondays & Tuesdays** as these are silent days  
for the community

## Nocton Cricket Club

The cricket club lost its first two games, but then won its next two, before the fifth game was lost to the weather. Bardney defeated them at home, in the league; and then Scopwick beat them away, in a friendly. They then beat Aisthorpe away and Bardney away in the league, but the rain of Whit Sunday prevented any games from taking place on that day. With the bat, Matthew Stephens and David Franklin are doing well, and with the ball, Sam Allison took five wickets against Aisthorpe. The next home match will be on Sunday 3 July. Please note that the village fete, at the cricket ground, originally proposed for 10 July, has been deferred to a date to be announced, in August. (DG)

District Councillor Rob Kendrick attended his first Nocton Parish Council Meeting since being elected last month. Unfortunately District Councillor John Money was unable to attend but sent his sincere apologies.

**Highways.** A good proportion of the meeting was taken up with Highway issues, no doubt you have seen that one of the kerbs has been dropped and there are more than a few yellow markings on the pavement! Residents are also still very concerned with the routing of some of the large lorries and hazard caused by overhanging branches, forcing buses and lorries to take to the middle of the road.

A request was made for a footpath to connect Nocton Top with Wellhead Lane and the possibility of re-siting the 30mph sign to the more obvious site by the Copper Nocton sign, maybe even providing an interactive permanent sign.

**Nocton Park.** After many months of very little action the Parish Council have received a letter indicating that Plot 14 is finally to be completed and that *'approval from Highways is 99% there' and 'work on the road should start in the next 4 to 6 weeks'*.

As there are so many questions relating to both the above items it is hope that Alan Brown from Highways and a Senior Planner from NKDC will attend the July Parish Council Meeting to answer questions and address residents concerns.

#### **Other main items**

**Police.** There were three incidents reported, two at the old hospital site, where two men have been charged. (It is now the policy of LEDA properties to prosecute trespassers.) And one in Nocton Park where a man was trying to buy cars.

**Parish Councillor Position.** Two applications were received.

**Village Hall.** Cllr Askew once more reported on the lack of attendance by Nocton residents to village events. The recent Jumble Sale though well advertised was not well supported by locals! The issue of communication is one that needs to be addressed and hopefully an answer found, perhaps through the Nocton Community LED Plan.

**Nocton Book Launch and former District Cllrs Presentation.** Cllr Rumbelow read out a letter of thanks from John Rose and Bill Chambers on their retirement. Cllr Rumbelow also took the opportunity to thank Sue Morris on behalf of the entire village for the splendid celebration of the launch of Volume Two of Nocton - The Last Years of an Estate Village.

**District Cllr Marianne Overton** let us know County Council cuts have started and Youth services, day centres and local bus services would be among services affected, although hopefully some of the shortfall will be picked up by the private and voluntary sector.

**Speak out or just listen.** Next Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 19 July at 7pm. here will be no meeting in August.

**Councillor MaryAnn Williams**

## Church Roof Repairs - Update

By the time this newsletter is in circulation, several major steps will have been taken. The final choice of the new roof tiles will have been made (the new tiles will go on the north side and the salvaged tiles will go back on the south side). The contract itself will have been signed, after many trials with different tiles to try to get the best match with the original tiles. The scaffolding will be going up, to support the temporary roof, which will prevent the interior from getting wet when the tiles are removed. Internally, a start will have been made on preserving the damaged paintings on the walls of the chancel.

From July onwards church services will take place in the village hall at the normal times on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

## Following the success of the arts and singing workshops in Nocton and the fantastic spectacle resulting in the opening event at the Cathedral on May 28th the artsNK team have switched attention to Branston and the second event on 16th July.

### Can I be involved ?

artsNK are looking for residents of all ages, abilities artistic experience and skill to get involved and we really mean all levels and types of skills. On the arts side, we need help with everything from paper mache to ironing, singing to sewing. For the event itself we need volunteers to look after everything from car parking to children, making sandwiches to first aid duty. If you have enthusiasm we value your skill.



Clay Lanterns made at Nocton Village Hall

More workshops will be scheduled later, check out the web site or call artsNK.

Clay, fabric and art sessions, Branston Church Hall,  
9th June 23rd June 30th July 10.00 am till 4.00 pm

**Nick Jones**

artsNK Visual Arts Manager 01529 411190



**Concert at  
All Saints, Nocton.  
Sat 25th June 2011  
7.30pm**

**Barbershop Style Music**

Tickets £12, £10(Conc), £8.50 (Supporters)

Buffet and Complementary wine

Contact 01526 322930/322739

## All Saints, Branston Summer Music

Friday 8th July at 7.30pm  
North Hykeham Choral Society

## An Evening of Summer Music

Tickets £5

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01522 790680

## Group Captain Gilbert Stuart Martin Insall VC, MC. (1894 - 1972)



After Mike Kayes contribution in the March issue, much more has since come to light.....

Six weeks after the exploits that won the VC for Insall, he was flying in the same aircraft and engaged a German Fokker aircraft. This time however he was shot down and reported missing in action. Fortunately though Insall was only injured and taken prisoner by the Germans and interned at Heidelberg POW camp. He escaped but was recaptured five days later. He was then sent to Crefeld POW camp near Cologne, but escaped through a tunnel. Again he was soon recaptured and imprisoned at Strohen. During the summer of 1917 Insall and another RFC officer Lt GC Formilli

were imprisoned in the tiny cells at Crefeld in retaliation for the alleged ill-treatment of German Officer POWs in Britain. There wasn't a Geneva Convention to protect POWs until 1929.

In August 1917, along with two other officers he finally escaped and made his way back to Britain via Holland. For his exploits during his escape he was awarded the Military Cross. He was presented his VC by HM King George V on 26th September 1917 at Buckingham Palace. Following this he was one of 74 VC holders who formed the honour guard when the Unknown Soldier was laid to rest at Westminster Abbey on 11th November 1920.

After the war he stayed in the now newly formed RAF and in 1925 spotted a strange formation of pits on the ground below him. He took a photograph, and found he had discovered the Bronze Age site now known as Woodhenge two miles from Stonehenge. In 1929 he discovered Arminghall Henge in a similar way.

He was posted to No. 51 Home defence Sqn and later to No. 53 Wing also involved with home defence. During WW2 he commanded The No. 11 RAF Recruits Centre at Skegness (from Feb 1941—Oct 1944). There were over a 1000 trainees billeted in hotels such as the Abbot Hotel with the Sick Quarters at the Seacroft School.

He died at Scrooby near Bawtry from a heart attack on 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 1972 aged 77.

His VC is in the Royal Air Force Museum, Hendon, London. As well as a headstone at Nocton he also has a headstone at Rosehill Crematorium, in Doncaster, but there is no record of his ashes being interned there. His wife Olwen died in Clwyd in 1983, her ashes were then transported to, and interred at Nocton next to his memorial. Whether his ashes are there remains currently a mystery.

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My Grateful thanks to our own **Sheila Redshaw** and **Kevin Brazier (from his book 'The Complete Victoria Cross')** for contributing this further information.

## Useful Nocton Contacts:

Nocton Parish Council:

Chair - Debbie Wilson

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Doreen Green 322323

Editor - Chris Hewitt

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PC 298 Andrew Brown 07939896212

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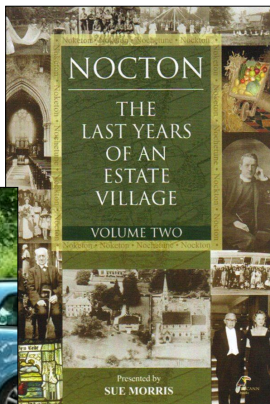
Nocton Primary School: 320324

Headteacher - Nick Dowler

School Administrator - Diane Powell

## The Last Years of an Estate Village - Vol 2.

June the 4th saw a lovely sunny afternoon for the launch of the second book chronicling the last years of Nocton as an Estate Village. This book presented by Sue Morris and building very much on the original idea, enthusiasm and work of Sheila Redshaw. Is a further fine example of works being done to preserve and record the histories of village like ours across the country. It is a superb collection of photographs and stories of peoples and places and well worth reading.



To celebrate the day a hog roast lunch was served on The Green and the event was attended by people from far and

wide. Many old acquaintances were renewed on the day. The book is available to purchase at a price of £25 from Nocton Post Office.

## NOCTON SCHOOL - COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Our Community Library hosted an opening for the village community, with tea and cakes, on 16 May. Thank you to those who supported the event, which raised £48.10 for the library. Many thanks also to those people who donated books for the library.



### ROYAL WEDDING 'STREET PARTY'

On Thursday 28 April we held our own 'street party' (in school) at Nocton Primary School to mark the Royal Wedding! To make the day extra special we challenged the children to come to school appropriately dressed in celebration outfits, with the theme of weddings, British or Royalty.



Two prizes of family bowling tickets were given for the outfits which the staff judged to be the most celebratory. The prizes were won by Isabel in Reception and Michael in Year 3. All the children and staff were given a commemorative coin to mark the occasion.

### BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION

Thank you for supporting the 'Bag2School' Scheme to help raise money for school funds. We collected 160 kilos and raised £80 for school funds.



### GARDENING CLUB

The Gardening Club have been busy preparing bedding plants for people who have ordered. The plants will be ready for collection at the front of the school on Friday 10 June. Tomato plants have also been on sale at school - £1 for three plants, if you still wish to purchase.



The Gardening Club will now take place on Fridays after school, 3 – 3.45 pm and is open to pupils in Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6, with a maximum number of ten places.

### Confirmation Classes



Rev. Les Whitfield would like to start confirmation classes. He would therefore be happy to talk to any adults or young people who want to increase their knowledge of the Christian Faith. If you are interested please contact Rev. Les on 01522 791195 email: rev.les@tiscali.co.uk

## An Evening with Celebrity Chef

### Rachel Green



Rachel Green has agreed to come and give a talk about her life in Lincolnshire and as a celebrity chef. This will take place in the Memorial Hall at Potterhanworth. Saturday, 10th September 2011

The cost for the event is £10.00 per person. (Includes a light supper)

If you are interested please contact Barbara Nicholson on b\_j\_nicholson@btinternet.com or 01522 797667.

## Church Access

Via the Churchwardens and Treasurer;

or

Ann Kennedy - 01526 322739

Doreen Green - 01526 322323

Additionally you can call at '

Hawthorn House', Main St.

Or 'Nutwood', The Green..

## St Andrews Church, Potterhanworth - Victorian Teas



Saturday 2nd July from 12—4pm



## Nocton Social Club

**Quiz Nite- Fri 24th June**

**8.30pm - £1 per person**

### Normal Opening Times

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	19.30 - 23.00
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	19.30 - 23.00
Friday	19.30 - 23.00
Saturday	19.30 - 23.00
Sunday	12.00 - 17.00

On Sunday, families with children are allowed in the main bar.

## *Wine Tasting Event*



*Saturday 27 August 2011*

*Tickets available now £15*

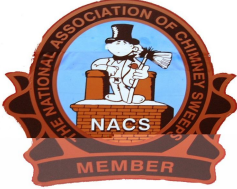
*Another chance to learn about and taste a selection of wines.*

Annual Membership of the club runs from 1st Oct to 30th Sept.  
Annual Membership Fees are: Age 14-18 £2; Adults £5; Seniors £1.  
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Next issues  
cut off date  
For July & Aug.

# 10th July

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### Fri 1st July 2011

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### Village Hall – Coffee Morning

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## Services For June/July 2011



*Sunday 19th June - Trinity Sunday*  
 Potterhanworth 9.30am Holy Communion  
 Branston 11.00am Family Service  
 Branston 6.00pm Holy Communion (BCP)  
 (Readings: Ps 8, Isaiah 40:12-17,27-31, 2Cor 13:11-13, Matt 28.16-20)

*Sunday 26th June - 1st Sunday after Trinity*  
**Nocton 9.30am Holy Communion**  
 Branston 11.00am Holy Communion (CW)  
 (Readings: Ps 13, Gen 22:1-14, Romans 6:12-23, Matt 10:40-42)

*Sunday 3rd July - Feast of St Thomas the Apostle*  
 Branston 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Potterhanworth 9.30am Holy Communion  
 Branston 11.00am Morning Prayer  
 (Readings: Ps 31:1-6, Hab 2:1-4, Ephesians 2:19-end, John 20:24-29)

*Sunday 10th July - 3rd Sunday after Trinity*  
**Nocton 9.30am Holy Communion**  
 Branston 11.00am Holy Communion (CW)  
 (Readings: Ps 119:105-112, Gen 25:19-34, Romans 8:1-11, Matt 13:1-9, 18-23)

*Sunday 17th July - 4th Sunday after Trinity*  
 Potterhanworth 9.30am Holy Communion  
 Branston 11.00am Family Service  
 Branston 6.00pm Holy Communion (BCP)  
 Readings: Ps 139:1-11, Gen 28:10-19a, Romans 8:12-25, Matt 13:24-30, 36-43)

*Sunday 24th July - 5th Sunday after Trinity*  
**Nocton 9.30am Holy Communion**  
 Branston 11.00am Holy Communion (CW)  
 (Readings: Ps 128, Gen 29:15-28, Romans 8:26-end, Matt 13:31-33, 44-52)

Readings given are for Common Worship Holy Communion .



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