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All the news and views from our three villages

IN MY OPINION

Would you like to contribute something that you feel strongly about and want to tell our readers? If so, please email it or let your village representative have your copy (around 350 words) in good time for next month.

All advertising copy and alterations to advertisements must be submitted by the 16th of the month.

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Dear Readers

Over the coming months we will be publishing the writings of P F Parkin, who has very kindly sent us his 'Childhood Memories' and 'Ranskill Ramblings'. Here is what he had to say about his work:

"I am at least the fourth generation of my family to live near the village crossroads and when I realised that my generation of "Old Ranskillians" was getting thin on the ground, I thought I ought to write down a few memories in case my children, grandchildren or anyone else was interested.

There is no trace now of many of the places or events that I describe. I still have many queries that could have been resolved by my parents and grandparents. There is some repetition in these articles as they were written over several years, mostly on wet days, and I never bothered to look back."

We hope you enjoy reading the articles and if Peter has inspired you, we would like to hear more stories from the villages.

Enjoy

Luci





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Childhood Memories - Part 1

One day, for no apparent reason, I got to wondering how many people were left in Ranskill who were either born here or who had lived the majority of their lives here. When I got to 20 odd I started to struggle. I then thought, as I was born in 1938, that if anyone, especially my grandchildren, were interested in Ranskill in the 1940s I had better do something about it and jot a few things down.

My earliest memories are of the war years, spending nights in the air raid shelter my grandfather had built in the garden whilst Sheffield was being bombed. It was dark and damp with a musty smell and sometimes heated by a paraffin stove. I did not realise at the time but my father, who was in the RASC at that time, was driving an army ambulance in Sheffield throughout the blitz. I also remember the blackout, we had shutters for some windows but others had to be blocked up before we put the lights on. My grandfather had a 1934 Austin 10 and black tin boxes with slits were fitted over the headlights, how anybody could see to drive in the dark I

do not know. Everyone had rations books and I used to try and make my monthly ration of sweets last until the next month.

When I was five I started school at Torworth, travelling there on a seat on the back of my mother's bike. On the first morning I screamed the place down, a feeling that was to last for the next ten years.

In the bad winter of 1947 the snow drifted on the path between Ranskill and Torworth to a depth of 2-3 feet. Mr Duckmanton, the local road man, cut a path through them and I can remember walking in single file to school behind Miss Ash the infant teacher. Miss Ash was a fine figure of a woman and her star jumps in

PT were quite memorable. At that time every child at school was issued with a red gas mask.

My grandfather had a garage on what is now part of the Blue Bell car park and I used to potter about in there. I can also remember the arrival of the first electric petrol pump. If the power failed, which was not unusual, you had to bolt a handle onto a pulley and turn it but it was not easy. On a Sunday morning some of the senior citizens would gather to discuss the previous week's events and I would be loitering in the background trying not to miss anything. Grandad kept the takings in a tea caddy on the office table.

To be continued... P F Parkin



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Christian Perspective



I'm wondering as I look around at all that is going on these days—how high are our expectations? Do we expect to always experience a higher and higher standard of living? Do we look at others who seem

to have it all and feel envious and think life is unfair? We are told 'everybody is struggling' and therefore it is assumed, life is bad. Is this the attitude that believers in Jesus Christ should take?

I was struck recently by words of the Apostle Paul writing to the church in Philippi. He writes, *I have learnt to be content whatever the circumstances. Phil 4:11*. So he has learnt—there is a learning process, and it's not something that comes easily and naturally. But rather it comes through experiencing the highs and lows of life. Paul says he is rejoicing because they have sent him a gift which makes his life easier and blesses him because they have remembered him, but he is content anyway, with or without the gift.

We may be right now, in a situation of difficulty. Paul knows all about this. He says: *I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. v12*.

Paul has been there, he has endured and enjoyed both the need and the plenty. And, just as

there is a learning process, so there is also a 'secret' to arriving at this attitude of being content.

We can see something of the secret in the words he uses at the end of this passage: *I can do all things through Him who gives me strength. v13*. It's about having faith in Jesus to meet our needs as we focus on serving him and trusting him in all circumstances. Because Paul is trusting in Jesus Christ, serving him and about his business, he knows that God will take care of him and teach him inner contentment and security whatever is happening the world around him.

Paul is on the same subject when he writes to Timothy: *But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. 1 Tim 6:6-8*. He goes on to say that our attitude to money matters. *Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. 1 Tim 6:7,8*.

It's important where we place our focus. If we make it our aim to please God and use the gifts he has given us for his kingdom, then we can be sure he will provide for us in every way. He loves us and knows every detail about us. He doesn't always give us everything we might want, but certainly what we need.



Brenda Critchley

Puzzle for September

Sudoku is a number placement puzzle. The aim of Sudoku is to complete the grid by entering numbers from 1 to 9 in each empty cell of the 9x9 grid which comprises 9 sub-grids each with 9 cells in a 3x3 pattern. Each row, column and sub-grid must contain only one instance of each number.

There are variants of Sudoku. In this puzzle there are 9 shaded cells, one in each sub-grid. These shaded cells must also contain the numbers 1 to 9. The solution is included elsewhere in the **STAR**.

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In case this all sounds rather familiar, it probably is. This is the talk Tim would have given last March had it not been for the unexpected Snow! Fingers crossed we don't get snow in September!

This meeting will be held at Idle Valley Centre starting at 7.15pm, on Thursday, 14 September; £3.00 entry includes tea and biscuits. All welcome; no need to book.

If you haven't already, why not sign up for email updates to ensure you get all the information about the North Notts Local Group's talks and activities straight to your inbox? Don't miss any of the excitement!

For more information, phone Jan **01777 709974** or **07969180067** or email **janwilliamson133@gmail.com** if you would like to receive email updates of Local Group activities.

Wednesday Memory Group Movement and Mood

If anything is guaranteed to improve mood, it's movement. Joyful movement, that is! For me, at least, the thoughts of running on a treadmill would do nothing to improve my mood! But finding activities we enjoy and can enjoy even more in the company of friends is the key to keeping us fit and healthy for as long as possible.

This is where our sports lady, Sian scores. When she does indoor, seated exercises, she plays jolly music, has a big smile, loads of enthusiasm and a fantastic talent for getting everyone to join in. Sian only visits once a month but we are not inactive at other times. One of our members, Trevor, fills in. He's really good and there's always plenty of laughter and teasing goes on when he's leading the session.

What's really important is that no one sits still for the entire meeting. So, the message is, if you want to

stay active and cheerful for as long as possible, do a spot of exercise, or at least try to avoid sitting for too long. Go for a walk if you can, even round the garden can get things moving and lift the spirits. Set your kitchen timer to remind you to get up and walk about for a while. This is just as important for the carer as the person they are looking after.

If you care for someone with dementia or you yourself have a diagnosis and you think the Wednesday Group might be helpful, do get in touch. For more information, contact Jan on **01777 709974** or **07969180067** or email **janwilliamson133@gmail.com** for the latest on what we are doing and current availability. We sometimes have to operate a waiting list but not currently and although we make a charge to cover our costs, your first visit is free.



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The *Time Capsule* will be buried on the afternoon of Scrooby Show, 2nd September.



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Brownies began the summer half term with a visit to Retford Fire Station where they watched a film about home safety, had a look round the station and a fire engine and even got to spray the water hoses. Thanks to Blue Watch.

Girls have been doing their Unit Meeting Activities and Skills Builders for Take Action Theme Award and enjoying games and songs. Along with the Rainbows we had fundraising stalls at Ranskill and Torworth Festival in June and Torworth day in July. Thanks to everyone who donated prizes and we will continue to collect soft toys to save for next year if anyone has any donations.

Grace, Anya, Holly and Hattie made their Brownie Promise in July. On the 15th the girls again joined the Rainbows for a coach trip to Eureka at Halifax. Great day had by all and as always a pleasure to see them enjoy themselves as very well behaved Brownies.

The summer term ended with a picnic at Idle Valley Nature Reserve followed by den building.

Following a vote the girls are changing the six names and in September will have elephants, penguins, polar bears and penguins and be joined by new girls to make a full unit.

Rainbows also visited the Fire Station the night after the Brownies and learnt about home safety. They were also very lucky to meet Nottinghamshire Chief Fire Officer who was on a visit to Retford and he said he was honoured to meet Ranskill Rainbows!

The Rainbow Promise has been made by Pippa, Bethany, Katie, Georgia and Cressida and they have joined in fantastically with our Be Well Challenge and enjoyed games and activities. Due to very heavy rain our last meeting was at Scrooby and not Idle Valley to avoid very soggy teddies and sandwiches. They enjoyed teddy games, a story and songs and Sofia, Lottie, Evelyn and Pippa got their Pot of Gold badges as they move onto Brownies in September.



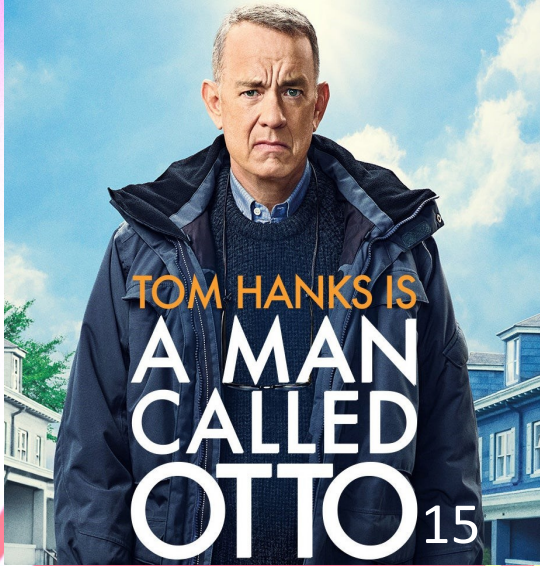
Brownie and Rainbow meetings begin on 11th and 12th September respectively.

We do have a waiting list for Rainbows so if you have a daughter who will be four next year please do go to Girlguiding UK and register your interest. We do have a two year old on our long waiting list!!

Thanks go as ever to our volunteers and we are always ready to welcome more. 14+ girls who wish to help and support or anyone who feels they would like to help and be useful and support our young people in their Guiding meetings. Do register as above or contact me for a chat.

Janet Symonds 0177818713

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Suggested dates are below but these will be confirmed when the level of interest has been confirmed:

- Defibrillator Course - Wednesday 13th September 7.15pm - 9.15pm
- First Aid Course - Wednesday 20th September 7.15pm - 9.15pm

To register your interest in either session, please email Scrooby Parish Council parishcouncil@scrooby.net

Whinze Update

After a recent report of a fallen tree blocking the path at the Whinze the Parish Council had to take swift action to clear the path. We would appreciate reports of any further fallen or damaged trees etc to scroobypc@gmail.com to ensure a coordinated effort and all work is strictly covered by our risk assessment and we can continue to ensure everyone can enjoy the area safely.

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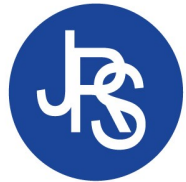


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Her questioning of a young village beat officer (when we had such things) would have him checking his notebook carefully before answering her queries!

Thank you, Pat, for 25 years of service, kindness and sense of humour.

The PC would still like to call on your experience and memory when the situation arises. The whole of Ranskill Parish Council wishes you well for the future.



Ranskill and Torworth W.I

The meeting being held on Tuesday 26th September will be the ANNUAL MEETING.

Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month commencing 2pm in the Village Hall, Kennel Drive, Barnby Moor. Visitors are always welcome.

Pat Batchford

Church Notices for September

- Sunday 3rd: Ranskill – 9.30am CW HC
- Sunday 10th: Scrooby – 9.30am CW
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3. How many piers are there in Blackpool?
4. Which resort is known as the surf capital of the UK?
5. The largest hotel in Europe was opened in 1867 in which resort?
6. Which town is known as 'The Queen of the Welsh Resorts'?
7. Which resort's Grand Pier has been damaged by fire twice – in 1930 and 2008 ?
8. In which seaside town is Mary Shelley, author of Frankenstein, buried?
9. At 1.34 miles where is the longest pleasure pier in the UK?
10. The motto "Gem of the Norfolk Coast" is highlighted in which town's road signs?
11. Where has the annual UK National Sandcastle Competition been held since 1995?
12. In August 1979 which seaside resort opened Britain's first nudist beach?
13. Where would you find Sandown Beach, Shanklin Beach and Freshwater Bay?
14. In which county is Berrow Beach, the longest sandy beach in the UK?
15. Lunderston Bay is the nearest beach to which UK city?
16. Which holiday resort town has two Blue Flag beaches at Trecco Bay and Rest Bay?
17. The commemorative column Nelson's Monument is in which seaside town?
18. Which town, between 1956 and 1989, was the home of the Miss Great Britain contest?
19. Unscramble the words to find popular seaside destinations
poignant mobthrunuou klsanhin gsekssne
20. Unscramble the words to find things you would see at the seaside
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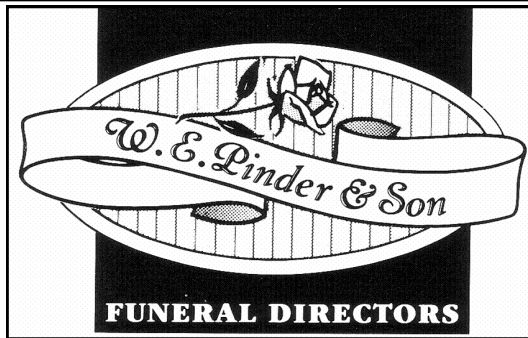
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2. Skegness
3. 3
4. Newquay
5. Scarborough
6. Llandudno
7. Weston-super-Mare
8. Bournemouth
9. Southend
10. Cromer
11. Woolacombe
12. Brighton
13. Isle of Wight
14. Somerset
15. Glasgow
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"Happiness is not a goal, it's a by-product"

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Solution to September puzzle

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6	5	7	2	9	3	4	1	8
1	3	2	8	4	7	9	5	6
5	8	3	1	7	4	6	9	2
9	2	6	5	3	8	1	4	7
7	1	4	9	2	6	8	3	5
8	6	1	3	5	9	2	7	4
3	7	9	4	6	2	5	8	1
2	4	5	7	8	1	3	6	9



Scrooby Harvest Supper

on Monday 2 October 2023 at 7p.m.
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2 eggs, beaten	2 tabsp milk	1lb skinned tomatoes
4oz grated cheese	1 level teasp mixed herbs	Pepper
½ level teasp each garlic salt and dry mustard		

Saute onion in butter till transparent

Take off heat and combine with breadcrumbs, cheese and seasonings

Beat eggs and milk together and add then spread over base of flan

Slice tomatoes – scatter “end” bits over flan and arrange slices, neatly overlapping

Sprinkle with pepper and bake for a further 20 mins

Brush with a little extra butter and cool

NIPPY BEETROOTS - serves 4

Cook, drain and dice 2-3 beetroots, 4 if smallish (to equal 2 cupsful)

In a saucepan:

3 tabsp or 1 generous oz of butter	1 tabsp honey	Pinch of salt
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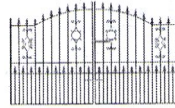
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Like Ripples it creates an opportunity for people who would appreciate some company for a while in a warm safe place. We will have games out such as dominoes and cards and activities like jigsaw puzzles and colouring, or just the chance to have a cuppa and a chat.

There is no charge but small donations towards costs will help.

Dates are:

September 5th

September 19th

October 3rd

October 17th

October 31st

November 7th

November 21st

December 5th

December 19th

Ripples Social Group takes place at the same time on the other Tuesdays.

Time: Tuesdays at 1.30pm to 3.00pm

Place: Scrooby Village Hall

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**Thursday 14th September
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We have had the Brown's Cup, which was won by Martin Ash and Trevor Cubbin (our newest member!), with runners-up Philip Cooper and Simon Wallis. Also the Dyson Cup with winners Connie Sanderson and Carl Bennett, and the runners-up Dawn Wallis and Martin Ash. Both were a lovely challenging afternoon of super bowling. Congratulations to them all.

Members please note that Thursday evenings will be at 5pm for the rest of the outdoor season due to the falling light conditions.

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MEETING HELD AT LOUND VILLAGE HALL

Tuesday July 4th, 2023 at 7pm



PRESENT

Chair: Councillor C. Willis (CW)

Vice-Chair: Councillor J. Helliwell (JH)

Councillors: R. Willis (RW),

County Councillor: T Taylor

District Councillor: D Bamford

Clerk: C. Challenger (CC)

Members of the public: 0

01/0623

OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None

02/0623

WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The chair opens the meeting welcoming everyone.

03/0623

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

04/0623

CRIME REPORT

Police data from the PC Pickersgill received.

1 Criminal damage / arson on Huntsman Place

1 other theft on Danehill Road

05/0623

COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

County reported topics:

HIVE planning application update

Devolution update

Road Speed reduction consultation

New Mapping tool being introduced for road repairs in the Autumn

District reported topics:

The Street Name sign is to be moved for better visibility at Billy Button Lane following a request from a resident and subsequent review.

A call for volunteers will be placed through social media for a community Speed Watch group.

Please contact your District or County councillor direct for further information on the issues reported or to raise issues direct with them.

06/0623

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as accurate and as a true record of proceedings.

07/0623

COUNCILLOR RAISED ITEMS, MATTERS ARISING DURING THE MONTH & ONGOING MATTERS

The risk assessments circulated for review prior to the meeting are taken as read and readopted for the current period. Cllr C Willis to purchase first aid box replacement items as necessary.

Its is resolved that the playing field booking form is to be amended to state that equipment must not be moved, to be serviced within 5 days post of the event and that failure to comply with all terms and conditions will result in the bond being lost. A proposed layout plan must be received 1 month prior to the event.

A chairman allowance is discussed. The current expence policy allows for councillors to claim for mileage and other incurred expences. Other councils to be approached to see what is included within their expence policies for the chairman.

A request for Netball nets has been made by a local community group in the Playing field. Following discussion is resolved to progress.

£300 grant fund is requested from County Council for the purchase of playground equipment.

08/0623 FINANCE

The Bank Reconciliation is passed for review.

Payments presented and approved for the period:

2Nd Ranskill Scout Donation	£(75.00)
Yu Energy	£(30.68)
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Village Hall Rental	£(150.00)

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9/0623 AMENITIES AND FACILITIES

The playing field boundary reinstatement is to commence during the summer. Where some boundary creep has occurred, owners/executors to be contacted and informed of the works.

It is resolved to purchase a ex hire 1 trip storage container for the playing field. £3.5k earmarked.

Solar lighting at the park to be purchased £500 earmarked. Cllr R Willis to progress.

Clerk to get quotes for pink and white Hawthorn and Ceanothus for the September meeting.

A estimate for the reinstatement of fence 2 of £700 has been given. Works agreed to be progressed.

10/0623 PLANNING ISSUES DECLARED BEFORE OR AT THE MEETING

Planning Applications on consultation:

None

Determinations from previous Applications:

None

11/0623 CORRESPONDENCE AND CORRESPONDENCE TO BE CIRCULATED

Rural prosperity Grant expression of interest – interest expression to be made for sewage and water.

12/0623 UPDATES FROM OTHER COMMITTEES AND GROUPS

JBC – the Ranskill Chair has been appointed as the Joint Burial Committee chair for the period. The constitution review is to be progressed between the 2 Parish Council chairs.

13/0623 INFORMATION TO BE FORWARDED TO THE NEXT MEETING & ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

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14/0623: DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 5th September at 7pm

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