

# FOSDYKE NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2013



All Fosdyke Boys at St Johns School, Spalding on 1 May, 1975 where they drew 1-1. Referee was Roy White.



## RACEY EVE

The very popular annual Race Night returns to the Social Club on Saturday, 16 November.

If you fancy a little fun flutter this is the place to be. Contact Jane Bristow asap on 260455. Places are going fast! See advert on Page 7.

Back row: Tim White, Neil Gott, Mark Gott, Peter Hilton, Michael Bryant, Simon Nayler; front row: Mark Johnson, Michael Troops, Crus Runnals, David Allen, Jonathan Moore. Photo: courtesy Alan White.

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# FINDING FUN IN FOSDYKE



With the Fosdyke Newsletter being available online from the [fosdyke.org.uk](http://fosdyke.org.uk) website it seems that more and more people are getting to read it. However people who don't live in the village might need a little guidance when it comes to finding the Fosdyke Social Club.

Looking forward to a night of free live music two Bostonians travelled to the village for the October Open Mic night and waited outside the Village Hall for ten minutes before realising nothing was happening there. They then visited The Ship in the hope they'd get some guidance and eventually arrived an hour after the music had started. But they didn't regret the journey and intend attending on a regular basis. So, here's a

## HOW TO FIND FOSDYKE SOCIAL CLUB:

Drive into the village from either end along the Old Main Road and look for the Playing Field sign pointing down Puttock Gate. About 200 yards down there on the right you'll find the car park to the playing field and Social Club. Not too difficult when you know how.

## Fosdyke Social Club

**Saturday, 30 November**  
**CHRISTMAS MEAL**

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# HAYSTACK HAVOCK TRACTOR TAKEN



Separate haystack fires have occurred on different farms in the Boston and Spalding area, one incident on Thursday, 3rd October and two incidents reported today, 4th October 2013.

1) On 03/10/13 at 19:49 hrs two haystack fires on farm at Freiston, Boston. Quote inc no 404 03/10/13.

2) On 04/10/13, 00:29 hrs 400 tonnes of straw set alight at Bicker Fen, Boston. Quote inc no 9 04/10/13.

3) On 04/10/13, 08:09 hrs straw bales set alight overnight at a farm in Donington, Spalding. Quote in no 66 04/10/13.

If you are local to the area and noticed any suspicious activity, persons or vehicle, or if you have any information please contact Lincolnshire Police, tel 101 (non emergency number) or 999 in an emergency.

Alternatively call Crimestoppers anonymously tel 0800 555 111.

Between 19:00 hours on Monday 7th October and 09:00 hours on Tuesday 8th October 2013, a green and yellow John Deere 2600 Tractor was stolen from the bottom of a field opposite the Scopwick Level Crossing, Lincoln.

The tractor was displaying a number plate of L209 RJL, and has Philip Baumber Agricultural Contractors written round the rim of the cab. There is also a V shaped crop roller on the back.

Is this tractor being stored in a location near you? Please be vigilant.

Should anyone have information which may assist us with this incident, please contact us on 101 quoting Incident number 112 08/10/13.

You can still be a panto sponsor.  
Call Liz on 260275

Please be aware of a green Ford Mondeo estate and a silver Mercedes, no registration available. It is believed to be involved in hare coursing in the Billingham area on Thursday 17 October.

Also a silver Vauxhall Frontera, registration beginning X921 is believed to have been involved in hare coursing on Friday 11 October.

Please report any sightings on 101.

## THE FIREWORKS CODE FOR ADULTS

- Only buy fireworks marked BS 7114.
- Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks.
- Keep fireworks in a closed box.
- Follow the instructions on each firework.
- Light them at arm's length, using a taper.
- Stand well back.
- Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode.
- Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them.
- Always supervise children around fireworks.
- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves.
- Never give sparklers to a child under five.
- Keep pets indoors.
- Don't set off noisy fireworks late at night and never after 11pm.

# BOOKING SOON!

Rehearsals for Fosdyke's very own pantomime are progressing well and it is hoped tickets will be available from about 16 November. So keep Saturday 28 December free for the panto!

Seats have been set at a ridiculously low £2.50 for adults and £1 for a child over two years old. Liz Martin, pantomime director and driving force behind the panto, wants everyone to be able to enjoy a bit of magic and believes those prices puts it in the realm of everyone whatever their position. It shouldn't cost any more than £7 for the average family. Exceptional value for money considering the normal price of theatre tickets. E-mail [liz@fosdyke.org.uk](mailto:liz@fosdyke.org.uk) to reserve your tickets or ring her on 260275.

"It's all a bit of fun and there will

be something for all the family to enjoy," Liz declared.

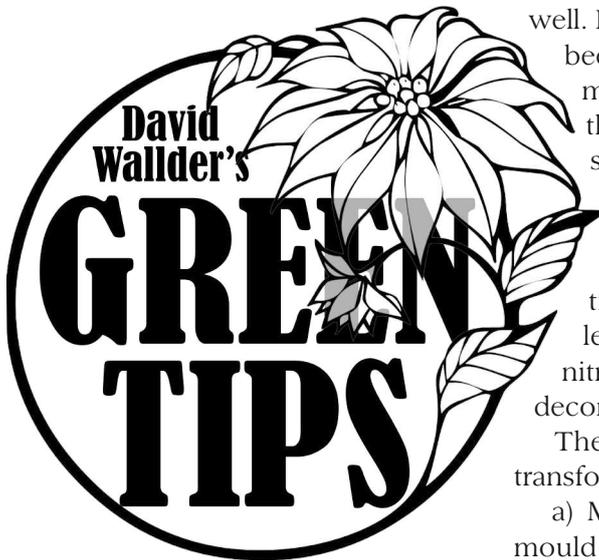
An additional sponsor has come forward to help behind the scenes: Ambient Sounds have offered to help master the Village Hall's acoustics, with Tom O'Malley supplying additional sound equipment.

That brings our total sponsors to four: Ironwork specialist R Wicks is helping with props and scenery and the artistic staff at The House of Murky Depths are scenery painting and designing the souvenir programme and tickets while Petina

Hayes is sponsoring the children's goodies. Other villagers are helping with the design and making of costumes and supplying refreshments on the day, but if you would still like to be a sponsor then Liz would like to hear from you.



Saturday  
28 December  
Fosdyke  
Village Hall



This time of the year I spend mostly raking leaves, but there are plenty of other things to do around the garden and some things you can do with the leaves.

Instead of carting leaves to your council composting bin, recycle them the way nature does, by turning them into an invaluable soil builder. Leaf mould greatly improves the structure and water-holding capacity of soil. There are some gardens around Fosdyke with extremely poor soil structure, I know because I've tried to dig them over. It also creates the perfect conditions for the community of beneficial organisms that dwell in your soil, and it's great in potting mix.

There's really no excuse not to make leaf mould. It's free, easy-to-make, and readily available. If you don't have enough leaves in your own garden, trade raking duty with your neighbours in exchange for theirs. Before you use leaves that have fallen on your neighbours' lawns, be sure to ask them if the grass has recently been sprayed with any chemicals. If so, don't use the leaves. Grass clippings with chemical residues can get mixed in with the leaves and contaminate them with disastrous consequences. However, chemicals on your leaves are not a major worry as with leaf mould its lengthy decomposition time allows for chemicals to break down as

well. Do not use leaves that have been raked into the street for municipal pickup, because they may contain lots of sand, fuel, or oil residues.

Ensure that the leaves are thoroughly wet, which shouldn't be a problem this time of year, dehydrated leaves begin to lose nitrogen, and this hinders the decomposition process.

There are two ways to transform leaves into leaf mould;

a) Make a 3-by-3-foot leaf mould cage from stakes and chicken wire. Speed up the leaves' rate of decomposition by running a lawn mower over the pile a few times. To ensure even decomposition, turn the pile occasionally.

b) Pile leaves in a sheltered, inconspicuous area of your garden and leave them for two years. I admit that I tend to use the second method. You can also seal the leaves in a plastic bag, which speeds up the process, but after six



## SUPER SOUNDS

Another great Open Mic night on Thursday 10 October, and it seems the message is getting out there as a few more people from the village made the most of this free evening's entertainment that the Social Club hold once a month.

Artists included all those from the previous month as well as Sam and Jason North, who you'll normally see playing with the *Blues Boy Kings*. They've promised to be back in November. Make a date!

months the bags tend to rot as well.

Now, here's how to you can use this nutrient-rich soil conditioner.

- Peat substitute. Use leaf mould in place of peat because it has similar qualities and it's a renewable resource.

- Moisture-retaining mulch. Leaf mould can hold up to 500 times its own weight in water. Place it around (but not touching) the crowns of annuals, perennials, and vegetables to help them maintain moisture during summer.

- Soil conditioner. It's easier for roots to penetrate soil and take up nutrients when the soil is not as dense

- Drought-proof soil. Soils mixed with leaf mould increased their water-holding capacity.

- Seedling mix. Mix one part leaf mould with one part well-aged compost or worm castings for a nutrient-rich potting mixture for seedlings.

Happy raking!

## ALL SAINTS SPECIAL THANKS

Thanks go to all those who attended or helped out in any way at All Saint's very popular Harvest Lunch and Auction of Produce on the 3rd October. Over £500 was raised for much needed church funds, and a great time was had by all. Special thanks go to Jim Gott who once again made a splendid job with the auction.

## Fosdyke Social Club

Thursday, 14 November

## OPEN MIC NIGHT

Doors open 7.30 pm

Music starts 8.30 pm

**FREE LIVE MUSIC!**

# fosdyke sport

## FOSDYKE'S FOOTIE FAULTER

**BOSTON & DISTRICT SATURDAY FOOTBALL LEAGUE FOSDYKE 3 WYBERTON RESERVES 4**

Fosdyke's game with the top of the league side started evenly, but the home side grew into the match and had the better of the early exchanges. Shame then that a Wyberton player found some room at the back post from a driven free kick to head back across goal into the path of the grateful lively forward. Not deserved!

One soon became two when the same player got on the end of a lucky pass and finished neatly. Fosdyke trudged off to the changing room at half time 2-0 down after an impressive but luckless first half performance.

Fosdyke started the second half in equally impressive form, playing some lovely football and it wasn't long until Sam Reeson reduced the deficit. With the wind in their sails, they continued to press and a speculative effort by Dave Reid fell into the path of a grateful Gary O'Connor who finished with aplomb.

Fosdyke were looking good and more likely to score again. The next goal unfortunately went to Wyberton when the home side failed to clear their lines. Wyberton scored again soon after to make the score 4-2. But Fosdyke weren't finished and after another passage of good play Sam Reeson reduced the arrears again to 4-3, with time left for an equaliser, but it wasn't to be. Despite a gallant effort, Fosdyke succumbed to defeat, but with heads held high. A performance co managers Scott Wiseman and Marv Jolly were proud of. They will undoubtedly play a lot worse and win! Man of the match was our very own Teddy Sheringham Sam Reeson for some lovely football and two great finishes.

The following week Fosdyke were knocked out of the Fishtoft Cup by Freiston 1-2.

Don't forget, if you enjoy watching football, to support Fosdyke FC on a Saturday afternoon. Bar opens at half time for home games.

## POOL LEAGUE SURPRISE

When registration forms for both the Wigtoft Sunday and Wednesday winter pool leagues arrived with secretary Ann Mulbregt she was disappointed to find that some of the previous teams were unable to field

Kirton Leisure, The Queen and the two Pincushion teams failed to register for the Wednesday league and similarly in the Sunday league. The outcome is that the teams will play each other four times during the season.

Know of any teams that would like to play regularly or you'd like to form a third Fosdyke team then ring Ann on 460021.

## WIGTOFT & DISTRICT WEDNESDAY POOL LEAGUE

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	PLAYED	WON	LOST	PTS
SPORTSMAN	16	15	1	71
GOLDEN FLEECE A	16	15	1	68
<b>FOSDYKE SPORTS A</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>46</b>
GOLDEN FLEECE B	16	10	6	44
KIRTON LEISURE	16	4	12	45
PINCUSHION A	14	4	10	45
THE QUEEN	15	3	12	19
<b>FOSDYKE SPORTS B</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>
PINCUSHION B	14	5	9	18

## WIGTOFT & DISTRICT SUNDAY POOL LEAGUE

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	PLAYED	WON	LOST	PTS
SPORTSMAN	14	12	2	52
GOLDEN FLEECE A	14	13	1	48
<b>FOSDYKE SPORTS</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>43</b>
BLACK BULL	14	6	8	33
HAMMER & Pincer	14	7	7	34
KIRTON LEISURE	12	4	8	29
GOLDEN FLEECE B	13	1	12	16
THE QUEEN	13	3	10	15

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# FAITHFUL CONFIDENT JOYFUL

What a fantastic summer we've had! The wonderful warm weather and those big, blue skies seemed to go on for ever.

However, there's no doubt now that things have changed and the season is turning. As I write, the bright blue sky has given way to grey as the rain pitter-patters on my window. Warm woollies and raincoats have been dusted down, and all around us the glorious green of summer is giving way to the browns, reds and yellows of autumn.

While I enjoy the summer, I also enjoy this time of year. Those changing colours which are all around us, the fruit on the trees and those fallen leaves crunching underfoot, are a reminder that human life is marked by change as much as it is by constancy. And as the light summer days give way to the darkness of winter that is coming, we are reminded, too, of our own mortality and the transient nature of this earthly life.

Our church calendar is a big help here, since at the beginning of this month we keep the festivals of All Saints and All Souls.

All Saints is a day when, as a church, we remember that great cloud of witnesses who have gone before us; the saints whose lives are an example and an inspiration to us as we try to live out our vocation as disciples of Jesus Christ in our time, just as they did in theirs.

All Souls - or as it is also known, the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed - is a time for us to remember our loved ones before God, giving thanks for all that they

have given to us, and commending them to his unfailing love.

If there are services for these festivals taking place in a church near you, I encourage you to go along and take a full part in them. Both of them are an opportunity to examine our own Christian lives in the light of those who have gone before us, who have loved us and inspired us, and to dedicate ourselves once again to follow Jesus in the service of others and of God.

Bishop Christopher



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3 November  
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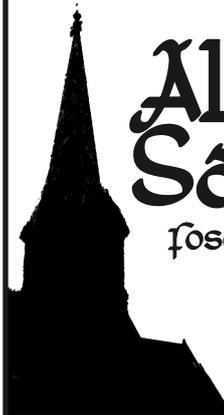
**Annual Patronal  
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All Saints**

Sunday  
17 November  
at 6.00 pm

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# FORGOTTEN STORY

The Christmas story has been around for a long time, but today it's being forgotten.

Just twelve per cent of adults know the nativity story, and more than one-third of children don't know whose birthday it is. Meanwhile, Fifty-one per cent of people now say the birth of Jesus is irrelevant to their Christmas.

## Together we can reverse the trend

Some of the UK's leading Christian groups, including the Church of England, the Evangelical Alliance and Bible Society, are coming together because we believe Christmas is worth saving.

Christmas Starts with Christ is a campaign aimed at helping churches to make Christ and the



amazing story of his birth the focus of the nation's favourite time of year.

## Christmas Starts Sunday

The campaign kicks off on December 1st this year with the first-ever nationwide Christmas Starts Sunday, at the beginning of Advent.

Join the campaign now by using the form on the right. We'll be making posters, radio commercials and other great resources available to churches and groups throughout the autumn, and we'll keep you in touch with what's happening.

Thanks for reading. Please tell others about Christmas Starts with Christ by tweeting and sharing... on and offline!

See more at:

<http://www.christmasstartswithchrist.com/#sthash.8MCvD1P8.dpuf>

**Fosdyke Village Hall Lottery 250 Draw - Latest Winners**

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210	Mr B Barnes	Sutterton	£10
185	Mr J W Potter	Sutterton	£10
11	Mrs L Barnes	Sutterton	£10
217	Mrs J Robinson	M S E	£15
100	Mrs B Hall	Donington	£20
164	Mr S Ford	Fosdyke	£25

**Next draw: Monday 11 November 2013 at the Bingo**

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**Fosdyke Social Club**

**Saturday, 16 November**

**RACE NIGHT**

Doors open 7 pm  
**TOTE** opens 7.15  
First of **8 RACES** starts 7.30  
£5 entry - 50p a bet

# NEWSLETTER CONTENT

We're always on the lookout for newsworthy stories or informative articles, so send us your ideas.

Have you done something a bit different recently? Been to a gig somewhere that you'd like to tell everyone about? Have you a special event coming up or know someone who has? Does someone need recognition for an achievement or needs a big public thank you? That's when the Fosdyke Newsletter can be your tool and servant.

**Fosdyke Social Club**

**Saturday, 23 November**

**QUIZ NIGHT**

8 pm start  
Fish, scampi, or chicken and chips supper

£5 members - £5.50 non-members

## FOSDYKE NEWSLETTER

**Copy Deadline**

News that means nothing to you might be interesting to someone else so don't be afraid to contact Terry - preferably via email:  
[terry@fosdyke.org.uk](mailto:terry@fosdyke.org.uk)  
 or phone: 260275  
 or knock on the door or post your info through the letter box  
 6 Whitecross Gate

**to arrive no later than 15 November**

# RUBBISH REPORT

If you've seen Malcolm Gwynn recently collecting rubbish you'll know that he's still astonished at the amount of litter that is left around Fosdyke.



Is it a case of "leave it for Malcolm"? We should all do our bit to keep the village tidy and looking like it's had some TLC. If we all picked up one piece of rubbish when out walking it would make a big difference. We should be proud to live in Fosdyke - and that means making it look attractive.

# SEVERAL SORRIES FOR SOCIAL CLUB SLIP-UP

The Social Club's Harvest Supper was well attended but apologies are due as we failed to advertise the supper in last month's Fosdyke Newsletter.

Also due is an apology to you, our readers, who have come to rely on the newsletter to inform you of what's going on in Fosdyke. Sorry!

**Fosdyke Village Hall**

# BINGO

**Every Monday**

Doors open 6.30 pm for eyes down at 7.30 pm

Strip of six books £5

**Alan (260654) will find you a seat!**

**Fosdyke Annual Christmas Fayre**

**Saturday, 30 November**

in the **Fosdyke Village Hall** from 2 pm

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Visit from Santa</li> <li>* Tombola</li> <li>* Produce Stall</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Bric a Brac</li> <li>* Raffle</li> <li>* Refreshments</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Grand Christmas Hamper draw</li> <li>* Cakes and Puddings etc.</li> <li>* Bric a Brac</li> <li>* Raffle</li> <li>* Refreshments</li> <li>* Childrens colouring competition</li> <li>* Books, DVDs, Games</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Soft Toys.....etc.etc.etc.</li> </ul>

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