



Fosdyke Newsletter

December 2012

SANTA SLEIGHS 'EM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Fosdyke's annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, 1st December, at the Village Hall, was once again visited by Father Christmas in his familiar red garb. He wandered around the stalls and tables wishing everyone, especially the children, a Merry Christmas.

Before jumping on his sleigh to continue his duties elsewhere Santa judged the children's colouring competition.

With some late advertising the bazaar wasn't quite as busy as previous years but it still attracted a fair crowd who were able to enjoy a host of tables selling cakes, jams, chutnies a huge assortment of vegetables, games, books, DVD, sweets and more.

The beans in the pot (in sixty seconds) competition, run by Val Lineham, was won by Alan White with 31 beans, pipping two others who'd managed 30.

Our local vicar, the Rev. Gary Morgan also held court at the bazaar and even won a few items in the grand draw at the end of the afternoon.

Tea and home made snacks were available during the afternoon with some delicious sausage rolls and yummy cakes that kept up the visitors energy levels to enable them to take everything in. Social Club trio The Unrehearsed entertained visitors with some seasonal songs that added to the festive atmosphere.

See you all there again next year!

New editor

Hi, I'm Terry, your new Editor for the Fosdyke Newsletter. I'd like to offer a huge "thank you", on behalf of you all, to Jon Tofts who's been keeping us up to date these last twenty-something years with what's about to happen and what's been going on in the village. I'm sure you all appreciate what he has done. It can be a thankless task putting together newsletters, and often a labour of love - or do we like punishing ourselves?

A big "thank you" too to the volunteers who deliver the newsletter!



CALL FOR NEWS

Well, I'm not a roving journo or one of the paparazzi so if you don't tell me what's been going on or what events are coming up we'll be delivering blank sheets of paper.

So, you can drop any news through my letter box:

6 Whitecross Gate

telephone me on

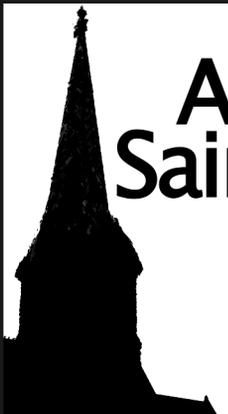
260275 (leave a message

and your telephone number if I'm not around - I'll get back to you)

or preferably send me your news via e-mail to

terry@fosdyke.org.uk

- but as long as you let me know *somehow*, I don't mind!



All Saints

SUNDAY 16TH DECEMBER
9 LESSONS & CAROLS - 6PM

MONDAY 24TH DECEMBER
MIDNIGHT MASS
HOLY COMMUNION - 9PM

SWINGS INTO THE NEW YEAR

The Playing Field Committee is currently in the process of raising money to install a new set of swings. The swings in the adventure play area are only suitable for use by toddlers and very young children and the committee have been asked by young people in the village if we can provide a set suitable for their use. The swings we are proposing to install will be suitable for use by anyone from primary school age up to adult. We have set ourselves a target to have these installed by next March. The cost of these supplied and installed complete with the wet pour safety surface (like spongy tarmac) is almost £6,000.

With the money we already have in the Playing Field Funds and grants gratefully received from Lincolnshire County Councillor Mike Brooke's Big Society Fund and the Lincolnshire Co-op, a grant promised by Fosdyke Parish Council and a grant we hope to receive from the Mayflower Housing Association, we still need to raise approximately another £1,000. Some people in the village have already donated money towards this and we would welcome any further donations. For a minimum donation of £5 you also get a Fosdyke Queens Diamond Jubilee medal (in a few years these will be collectors items).

If you do wish to donate please contact Denis Glenn (Playing Field Treasurer) on 260615.

FOSDYKE PAROCHIAL CHARITIES CHRISTMAS DOLE

The Christmas Dole will be given out on Friday 21 December 2012 at 12.00 in the Village Hall. Anyone who has not received the Dole previously but considers they may be eligible for it should apply in writing giving their details and a contact telephone number to the address below by Monday 10 December 2012.
Clerk to the Trustees, Denis Glenn, 3 Old Main Road, Fosdyke, Boston.

Goodfellowship Bowls Club

Some of you may not have realised that Fosdyke has its own bowls club. And don't be fooled it's an old persons sport. Their youngest member is just fourteen and plays regularly in the leagues.

Despite being a small club they have won the Spalding three-wood EBA league for the last two years having been promoted from the second division three years ago and also do well in the EBF Boston, Spalding and Conningsby leagues, playing Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings during the outdoor season.

They are keen to encourage new players, particularly from the village, and are friendly and helpful. If you've not played before keep an eye out in the Spring for an open day where anyone who fancies giving it a try can go down to the green and try their hand.

If you're looking for a change of club, look no further!

For more information contact Sue on 01205 460305 or Liz on 01205 260275.

fosdyke fact or fiction

Fosdyke has its own website
at www.fosdyke.org.uk

Live music!

Free live music has come to Fosdyke? That's right! Currently on the first Saturday of each month Fosdyke Social Club hosts an Open Mic Night where anyone can come along and play a set for fifteen minutes. So, if you're fed up with the telly on a Saturday night why not come along and check out the varied local (and not so local) talent. And did we say it was free? Acts start at 8.30 pm and finish promptly at 11 pm with Terry Martin organising and introducing the acts.

Which leads us on to the resident trio for the open mic nights, **The Unrehearsed**. They also have a Facebook page if you want to follow their exploits. They've gigged at The Eagle in Boston twice, having made their first appearance at the very successful Comedy Night at the Fosdyke Social Club in September - not that they're particularly funny!

But they're not the only talent from the village, Hana Gronhaug and Kiya Brown, also make an appearance when other commitments don't get in the way.

FREE PARTY

A free party was enjoyed by over one hundred people at the Village Hall recently. That's right, regulars to the weekly Monday Bingo night at the Village Hall were treated to a slap up party that cost them nothing.

One hundred and twenty four guests sat down for a Christmas-Dinner "thank you" for supporting the Bingo sessions. A bar of

chocolate with their name on, indicated their table position, and their meal was enriched with wine or a non-alcoholic drink or bottled

water. The meal was topped off with tea and coffee served with biscuits.

Following the meal a special Bingo session was played for cash prizes and a raffle was held.

As each person left to go home they were given a present. The whole event cost them nothing.

To make sure the event will be free again next year a tombola was held at the beginning of the evening with proceeds starting the funds for the next year's party.

Village hall
Bingo

Fosdyke Football Club

Fosdyke have a thriving Football club with a first and reserve team playing in Division Two and Three respectively of the Boston & District Saturday Football League. If you have a free Saturday afternoon pop down to the Puttock Gate playing field and give them your support. Even at this level you can be assured of entertaining football.

The Fosdyke Social Club also opens at half-time so if it's a particularly cold day you can watch from inside with a nice cup of coffee, or a pint if you prefer.



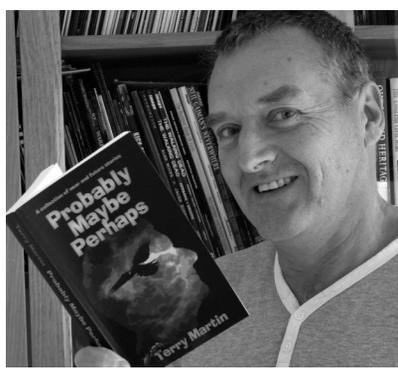
Anytime you'd like to see what's happening at the Social Club you can check up at the Fosdyke Playing Field & Social Club Facebook page.

If you have any suggestions for events at the club leave a message at the site or contact the committee.

foslite people spotlight

To start the ball rolling with our occasional Who's Who of villagers we're going to put the spotlight on **Terry Martin**. Nepotism? No, it's just an easy one to start with!

Terry moved to Fosdyke with his wife Liz just over five years ago having resigned from his job as Project Manager with a consultancy firm working at the Ministry of Justice in Victoria Street, London, to start his own publishing business.



He had always dabbled with publishing having begun his career at a local newspaper series in Hertford. He produced several fanzines in areas such as tabletop wargames and paintball and wrote a regular column for a monthly sports magazine before making the leap into producing his own professional publications with high production values.

He not only published but was also editor-in-chief of the award-winning short story anthology

magazine Murky Depths. His business, The House of Murky Depths, also publishes anthologies, novels, comics and graphic novels and in 2011 one of these publications won the British Fantasy Awards Best Novel. He is currently Artist in Residence at a primary school in Wisbech.

Terry was a keen footballer and played regular Saturday and Sunday football from when he left school at sixteen until he was forty. He and Liz then took up Wu Shu Kwan (Chinese Boxing) and he started running regularly, eventually becoming secretary of Harlow Running Club and a qualified UK Athletics endurance coach. At forty-five he set new club records in his age

category in almost all the distances with a personal best of 2.47:58 in the London Marathon and a third place in the Essex County championships at 1500 metres, a sign of his running versatility.

Terry's latest collection of short stories, *Probably Maybe Perhaps*, has just been published and he also writes songs and poetry and is a third of *The Unrehearsed*, the resident trio at the open mic nights at the Fosdyke Social Club.

And, of course, he is now editor of Fosdyke Newsletter

Village hall

It's the ideal place for
**Children's Birthday
Parties**
with room for a bouncy
castle, etc.

Contact
Alan on 260654

FOSDYKE SOCIAL CLUB

Membership of the club is just
£3.50 a year or £6 for a family of
four and entitles you to a
reduction on all events held at the
club. You can pay at the club or
contact Terry on 260275 and he'll
sort out your membership card or
Jane on 260455 for other inquiries.

DECEMBER

Saturday, 8th Quiz Night

with fish, scampi or chicken & chips supper
£4.50 for members
£5 for non-members

Saturday 15th Bingo

£1 a book
Snowball currently £40

Friday 21st Christmas Draw

@ 9 pm

Christmas Eve

Open 8 pm New Year's Eve

Bring a plate of food for the
American Buffet 8 pm

JANUARY

Saturday 5th Open Mic Night

8 pm (acts start 8.30 pm)

Check the noticeboard outside the
club or the Club's Facebook page
for other future events.

Whoops!



Mind the roads! April Mehmet lost control of her car on Wednesday in the mud and ice, so if you're using the backroads - this was in Mandike Road - take a little more care. April would like to thank everyone who stopped to see if she was okay and in particular Christian who lives in Snaith Avenue for rushing off to get his Range Rover to pull her out. Luckily there was no damage and April had just dropped off her year-old-daughter at her grandmother's house. Phew!

FOSDYKE PARISH COUNCIL

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Councillor Martin Pitt (Chairman) Tel. 01205 260378

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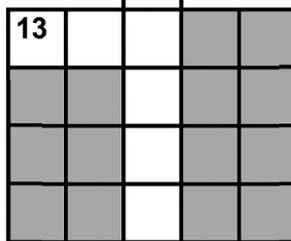
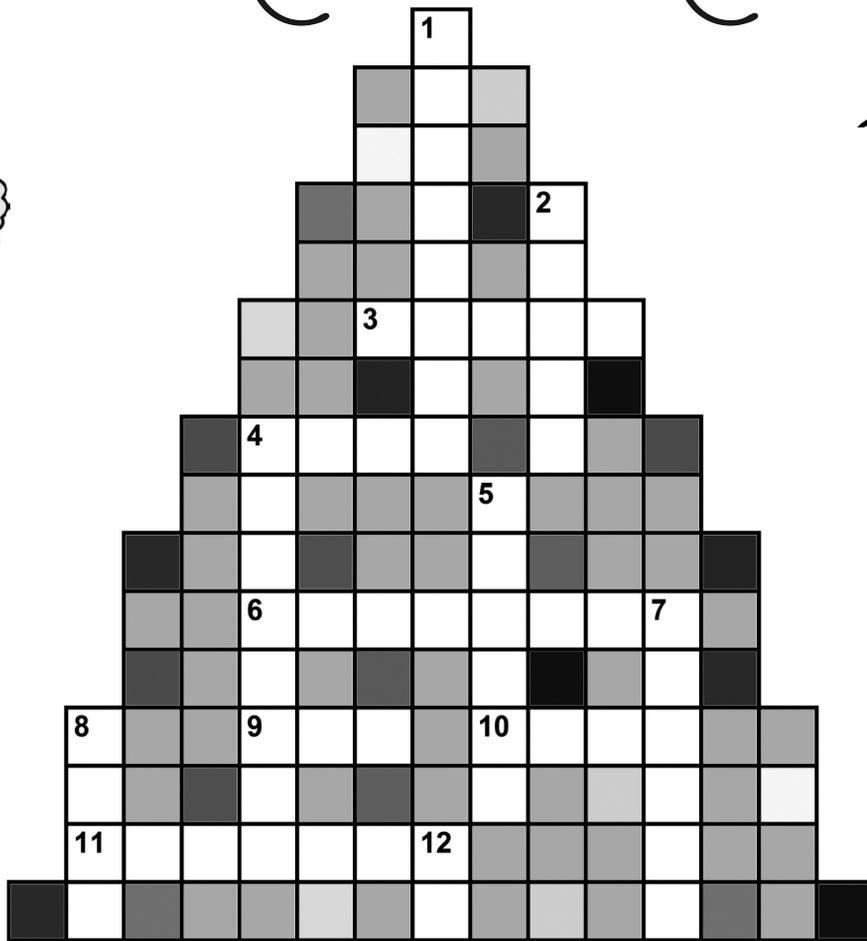
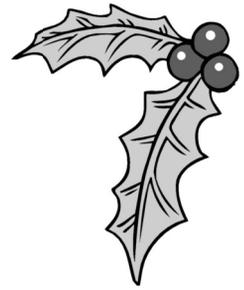
fosdyke fact or fiction

Rotten onions are good for
fertilising the soil and act as a
pesticide?

 Merry
Christmas

and a Happy
New Year!

Children's Christmas Crossword



Across:

Down:



Village hall

Bingo

for cash

every **Monday** evening
6.30 pm for eyes down at
7.30 pm

Last session this year:

24 December

Starts again:

7 January 2013

250 Draw

Drawn every second Monday of the month at the
Bingo Sessions in the Village Hall.

Recent winners

237	Mrs S Woods	Donington	£10
150	Mr A Sands	Fosdyke	£10
9	Mrs D Burdall	Fosdyke	£10
39	Mrs M Gray	Fosdyke	£10
17	Mr P Harris	Whaplode	£15
3	Mrs J Perkins	Boston	£20
145	Mrs E Nichols	Donington	£25

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SERVICE OFFERED	BUSINESS	Telephone	e-mail and website	NAME
Accountancy and Bookkeeping	Cathedral Business Services Ltd.	01205 260500		David Featherstone
BHS Riding instructor, exercise, clipping, natural horsemanship	Michelle Williams	07796 385407		Michelle Williams
Boat repairs/Marina	Fosdyke Marina	01205 260240		
Building Contractor	Bricklaying specialist	01205 260455		Dave Bristow
Coach Hire	Cropley Coaches	01205 260226		John or Sandra
Computer Services	Eurotech Innovations	07852 660929	sales@etinnovations.com	Steve Ingamells
Dog walking/animal care	PatterPaws	07795 160898	www.patter-paws.co.uk	Belinda Truepenny
Hypnotherapy Services	Help give up habits etc...	01205 260254		Jim Cobb
Inside and Outside Handyman Services	No job too small No call-out charge	01205 260674		Colin
Kitchens/bedrooms windows		01205 260642		Elwyn Hayes
Landscaping and Garden Services	Cardwell Landscapes	01205 260381		Doug Cardwell
Nail enhancements and overlays	Terri's Talons	01205 260497 07958 768843	Wright.terri@rocketmail.com	Terri Wright
Neighbourhood Policing Team		01205 722002 07944 776683	Nerys.mcgarry@lincs.pnn.police.uk	Nerys McGarry
Organic Produce	Woodlands farm delivery available	01205 724778		Sales
PA, Sound Equipment and DIY Disco Hire	Ambient Sound Hire	01205 260611 07973 789790	www.ambientsound.co.uk	Tom O'Malley
Painting and Decorating	Wright Choice Decorating	01205 260497 07886 378734		Paul Wright
Welding/wrought ironwork of all types		01205 260634		Ron Wickes
Portrait commissions	Acrylics on canvas	01205 260275	terry@fosdyke.org.uk	Terry Martin

We hope this list is up to date but if not let Terry know on 260275 or email terry@fosdyke.org.uk