

Rural Round-up

The newsletter linking the parishes of Kirmington, Croxton, Brocklesby, Great Limber, Melton Ross & New Barnetby

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Great Limber

June was 'Limber up for St Peter's' month and many of us were adding extra stretches, walks and exercise into our daily schedule in the hope we could get fit and raise some sponsorship for the village church funds. It is not too late to take part – it can always be Limber up for St Peter's summer! Or ... if exercise is a step too far 😊, John Hoyle (Treasurer) is happy to accept a donation, however great or small, with our thanks. Tel. 01469561071



The village also took part in the Keep Britain Tidy Great British Spring Clean event and volunteers picked litter, tidied up, washed down the phone box and generally ensured that the village looks great. Thanks to everyone who took part. More info about the Keep Britain Tidy Campaign [HERE](#).

St Peter's Church has a tapestry of Great Limber and its environs mounted on the north wall. This was completed by Limber and Brocklesby WI in 1971. As someone fairly new to the village I am intrigued to know more. Who was involved in this – why was it done? It is a fabulous and detailed piece of work – have we any of these skilled needlewomen amongst us still? Rosemary Hoyle.



Among the Fields of Barley

Barley fields are an impressive sight. Standing in the field in Melton Ross, a Skylark was singing its heart out above me. I assume it was above me as Skylarks can be difficult to locate and see. Fields of Barley have captured the imagination of poets, songwriters, and artists for years, and it is easy to see why. Watching the way a field moves, in waves and swirls as the winds passes over it is magnificent. With the musical accompaniment of the Lark, I was briefly standing in a little heaven.



It can be in moments like this when we feel most close to God. Those moments when our senses are filled with the sights sounds and smells of the goodness of creation. For me, in this moment the field of Barley was not an inspiration for a work of art but a reminder of the God that loves us and the God that created the world around us. This does not need to happen in a field in Melton Ross but can happen almost anywhere. The important thing is to hold on to them, enjoy them and take them with us. They are a reminder that when the earth was created God saw it and saw that it was good. Blessings, Rev Lee.

Croxton

Mr James Gibson was a rich man indeed!
Poster reproduced by Wendy Forman

Croxton Grange,
NEAR CAISTON AND BRIGG.

Sale of Valuable Sheep, Horses, Pigs, Farming Implements, &c.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION BY
Messrs. MASON & SONS & Messrs. SPILMAN & GLASIER
(GENERAL COMMISSIONERS).

On TUESDAY, THE 22nd DAY OF MARCH, 1904,
Upon the Premises of Mr. JAMES GIBSON (who is leaving the Farm),
at Croxton, aforesaid:

200 SHEEP,
7 HORSES,
12 PIGS.

SHEEP:—100 Lincoln Long-wool He and She Hogs, 100 Half-bred Hogs.

HORSES:

Brown Mare "Blossom," 7 years old.	Chestnut Horse "Punch," aged.
Bay Horse "Tom," 7 years old.	Grey Horse "Royal," aged.
Black Mare "Gopey," 8 years old.	Bay Harness Mare, aged.
Bay Mare "Bonnie," 11 years old.	

PIGS:—12 Strong Store Pigs.

The FARMING IMPLEMENTS
Comprise 2 Narrow-wheel Single-shafted Waggon, 1 Broad-wheel ditto, 3 Broad-wheel Carts, 2 Double-furrow Ploughs, 2 Single ditto, Iron Drag, 2 Dockfocks, Nicholson's Cultivator, Potato Plough, Net 2-horse Harrows, 2 sets of Seed ditto, Chain ditto, 2 Cambridge Rolls, Flat ditto (Hodgson), Corn Drill (Hornaby), Corn and Turnip Drill combined, 2 Press Drills, Scourer, Massey Harris Reaper, Albion ditto (Harrison & Macgregor), Circular Chaff-cutter, Cake-breaker, Weighing Machine and Weights, Dressing Machine, Corn Siewel, 2-horse Hoop, Stock-lifter, Water Barrel, Buck and Easing Barrows, Wheelbarrows, Turnbrilla, Circular Iron Tank, Corn Bin, Swath Makers, Long and Short Ladders, Tools, Old Wood and Iron, etc.

GEARS FOR 8 HORSES.
Several Quarters of **BARLEY.** Six Dozen **NEW TRAYS.**

Many of the Hogs are very fresh. The Horses are active, good workers, and will be worked up to the day of Sale. The Implements are by the best makers. The place of Sale is situate about four miles from Barnetby, Brocklesby, and Ubley Stations on the G.C.R.

REFRESHMENTS will be provided upon the usual terms.

Sale to commence at **12-30 prompt.**
Office: Lush & Grady.

MASON & SONS, PROPRIETORS, BRIGG

Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe. — Albert Einstein

Brocklesby Park Group with Croxton & The Wolds Services

Please contact the Rev Lee for Zoom log on details.

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Jul 2021

4th	Limber	9.30	Holy Communion
	Barnetby	11.00	Holy Communion
7th	Zoom	9.30	Morning Prayer
11th	Croxton	9.30	Holy Communion (BCP)
	Elsham	11.00	Holy Communion
14th	Zoom	9.30	Morning Prayer
18th	Kirmington	9.30	Holy Communion
	Bigby	11.00	Holy Communion
21st	Zoom	9.30	Morning Prayer
25th	Melton Ross	9.30	Holy Communion
	Barnetby	11.00	Holy Communion
	Elsham	11.00	Family Service
28th	Zoom	9.30	Morning Prayer

Aug 2021

1st	Limber	9.30	Holy Communion
	Barnetby	11.00	Holy Communion
4th	Zoom	9.30	Morning Prayer
8th	Croxton	9.30	Holy Communion (BCP)
11th	Zoom	9.30	Morning Prayer
15th	Kirmington	9.30	Holy Communion
	Bigby	11.00	Holy Communion
18th	Zoom	9.30	Morning Prayer
22nd	Melton Ross	9.30	Holy Communion
	Barnetby	11.00	Holy Communion
	Elsham	11.00	Family Service
25th	Zoom	9.30	Morning Prayer
29th	Brocklesby	9.30	Holy Communion
	Somerby	11.00	Holy Communion
	Barnetby	11.00	Family Service
Sep	Limber	09.30	Holy Communion
1st	Barnetby	11.00	Holy Communion

Thank you

A huge thank you to Rosie Hoyle and John for organising the Limber Up for St. Peter's sponsored fundraiser, to all who took part, raising funds and getting fit, and to everyone who donated. It has made a huge difference and bills have been met. *Maggie Whelpton, Churchwarden.*

Speak well of your enemies. After all, you made them! *Anon*

Children's Corner



Three young blackbirds getting ready to fly the nest. Can you spot them? Answer on last page.

"Should there be a Difference?",
Frances Whitaker.

What makes the difference
Between flower and weed?
To a plant more beautiful,
Because man plants a seed?

Take the little daisy
With her choir boy frill.
Compare her exquisite beauty
With rose, or daffodil.

God planted all the buttercups,
Cow parsley and harebell.
The dandelion with its clock
And that obnoxious smell.

He put the seasonal treasures
For us to enjoy,
A quiet lane is paradise.
No gardener there employ.

God works with Mother Nature
Who provides from her store.
When you see her marvellous pattern,
Who could ask for more?

Church Donation information

St John's Croxton. Contact Wendy or Patrick Forman (Treasurer) on 01652 688799.

Church of the Ascension Melton Ross. Barclays Sort Code 20-98-98, Acc. No. 53279057 or drop into Christine Wood, Churchwarden at the Schoolhouse chrissiewood2@hotmail.com

St Helena's Kirmington. Santander business account St Helen's Church, Kirmington Sort code 090155 Acc. No. 59126700. (**Note:** Helen's not Helena's.) or drop into Gill Lancaster at Church Farm.

St Peter's Limber Drop into Maggie Whelpton or Treasurer John Hoyle. Call John on 01469 561071 for banking information.

Kirmington

Congratulations to Grace & Paul Czartowski and their family for a successful Open Garden Day in aid of Breast Cancer. The weather was kind and the sum of £850 was raised. A magnificent effort by all.



A total of £475 was donated by villagers for Mike & Nicky L'Angellier in appreciation of their service to village life and the church. Rev Lee presented this in the form of a £100 British Garden Centre gift voucher and £375 cash at the Marrowbone on May 5th. A good turn out and especially lovely to see Paddy Phillips, wife of the late Rev. Stephen Phillips, there and in excellent form as always.



Thank you from Mike & Nicky. A huge thank you to everyone who donated to our leaving gift and to all who sent cards. The gift will go towards a greenhouse. Currently the garden is grass with a hedge at the bottom and a field beyond with cattle and buttercups! In the trees nearby there are lots of sqawking rooks and we regularly see red kites. Still boxes to unpack due to lack of storage space but have ordered more kitchen units. There is only one drawer in the kitchen! Sunny weather and little rain has allowed us to explore the walks round here which are lovely - usually partly by the River Nidd. There are views up Nidderdale and on a clear day we can see The White Horse on the North Yorkshire Moors. I have been to the local church where the service was similar to Kirmington but with twenty plus people. It does have a more populated catchment area. Once again, many thanks. We miss you all. *The L'Angelliers*

Toddler Group. Deborah Bishop would like to know if anyone is interested in such a group being held at St Helena's on a regular basis. Please contact her on 07561134140. A lot of years have passed since this was taken Deborah! (Extreme left.)



SETTLING in to their new home in Kirmington's newly converted village hall are playgroup leader, Mrs Christine Garner, and her young charges.

Vacancies for village Churchwarden, Neighbourhood Watch representative and a casual Parish Counciller have yet to be filled. These posts are important in keeping the fabric of our village together so please seriously think about making a contribution. Anyone new to the village and able to provide a fresh outlook will be more than welcome. Contact Rev Lee Gabel for the church position and the Parish Council for the other two.

The BCP online

After the Authorised (King James) Version of the Bible, the Book of Common Prayer is the most frequently cited book in the Oxford Dictionary. Quotations and phrases such as "till death us do part", "read, mark, learn and inwardly digest", and "peace in our time" all come from the BCP. Thanks to online services, it has now found a new audience among young people. Clergy say congregants long for traditional comfort in times of uncertainty and during lockdown, one London church saw a five-fold rise in those opting for a BCP service. Bradley Smith, chairman of the Prayer Book Society said: "The BCP speaks with fresh clarity and authority in these uncertain times and many people, some new or returning to the faith, are finding real peace and comfort in its time-honoured rhythms." *Extracts from an article printed in the Daily Telegraph*

Chuckle!

An advertisement for a guest speaker at the Westside Church of Christ in Owensboro, Kentucky, USA.



To keep your marriage brimming with love in the wedding cup, whenever you're wrong, admit it; whenever you're right, shut up. *Ogden Nash*

Never try to impress a woman, because if you do, she'll expect you to keep up the standard for the rest of your life. *W.C. Fields.*

I married for love but the obvious side benefit of having someone around to find my glasses cannot be ignored. *Cameron Esposito*

I just asked my husband if he remembers what today is... Scaring men is easy. *Anon*

Relight my fire!

John Somerscales can often be found passing through Kirmington with family in tow – literally! On this particular occasion, he spent so much time chatting to locals that the engine's fire went out - resulting in loss of the all important steam! Villagers soon rallied round with wood to get him going again.



Life is Good.

I have just discovered my age group. I am a seenager – senior teenager. I have everything I wanted as a teenager, only 50-60 years later. I don't have to go to school or work and I get an allowance every month. I have my own pad, a driving license and a car and don't have a curfew. I don't have to show an ID to buy alcohol or to get into a bar.

The people I hang around with are not scared of anything having been blessed to live this long. And I don't have acne. Life is Good! *Anon*

John de Monins Johnson

Born on 17 May 1882 at Brocklesby Rectory in Kirmington, Lincolnshire, he was the son of the Rector, the Revd John Henry Johnson, and his wife Anna. His two older siblings Herbert and Anna were also born in Kirmington. The family employed a governess, cook, groom, and two housemaids. Sent as a boarder to Magdalen College School in Oxford he then went on to read Classics at Oxford's Exeter college, returning to Kirmington during vacations. After finals he stayed on to learn Arabic and then worked in the Egyptian Civil Service from 1905 – 1907 becoming a papyrologist. Johnson discovered a papyrus by Theocritus that was 900 years older than any such previously discovered manuscript. Deemed unfit for active service in WW! he joined Oxford University Press (OUP) and appointed Printer to the OUP in 1925. He remained in the post until retirement in 1946.



He is best remembered today for the John Johnson Collection of 1.5 million pieces of Printed Ephemera held at the Bodleian Libraries, Oxford University. *Extracts from an article in Headington History*

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Security alert reminder

As of 30 April 2021, over 5.8 million emails alone were reported to the government Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS). Since its launch, over 43,000 scams and 84,000 malicious websites have been removed. Typical scams are falsely using, HMRC, DVLA, TV licensing, and Microsoft Account Security Team as subject matter. Please report all suspicious emails to report@phishing.gov.uk and then delete, preferably before opening. Likewise, report suspicious texts and telephone calls to the same address. If you do not know who is calling you on your mobile or landline, do not answer. If it is anyone you know, they will leave a message.

Baby blackbirds – Two are easy to spot on top of the log pile. The third is a little more difficult – perched on left of the horizontal log in middle of picture.

Kirmington St Helena's Church 100 Club Lottery.

Only £12 per year. You can join at any time and even buy a subscription as a gift. Contact Angela Thomas, 34, East End, Kirmington.

Month	1 st Prize £10	2 nd Prize £8	3 rd Prize £7	4 th Prize £6	5 th Prize £5.50
May 2021	N. Page	H. Nicholls	M.A.P. Wilford	D. Hackford	S. Martin
June 2021	S. Johnson	P. Joyce	M. Pulpher	W. A. Stringfellow	D. Piper

No one can make you feel inferior without your consent. – *Eleanor Roosevelt*