

THE TOWER

January/February 2015



EDITORIAL

We hope that you have all had a very good Christmas and will have a very happy and prosperous 2015.

The village Christmas Tree and lights looked even better this year, as did the lights put up on properties around the village. This is traditionally the time of year for reflecting on the last twelve months events and making new plans and resolutions for the next twelve months. 2015 promises to be an interesting year as we have both national and local elections taking place in May. No doubt we will all be fed up to the back teeth with 'election fever' by the end of April and will be longing for the summer holidays so that we can get away from it all.

2014 ended with unseasonably warm weather which we might possibly regret this year as the normal growth pattern for some plants and crops has been put out of sync. We might however just be lucky (or unlucky, depending upon your point of view) and get a more traditional January and February this year with frosty clear mornings and maybe some more snow to redress the balance of nature. But it does make us smile to think that a few millimetres of snow is able to bring the country to a virtual standstill these days. Back in the 1950's and 60's, we never had time off school when it snowed and the road and rail network did not grind to a halt either. As a nation, we seem to be losing the ability to apply common sense and determination to get things done when the going gets tough.

This time of year is also a time that is the hardest for our wild birds, food being scarce and the weather cold and wet. We all like to see birds like Robins and Blue Tits in the garden, but without our help, many will struggle to survive the winter. Please put high quality food out like fat blocks, sunflower hearts, peanuts and mealworms for the birds to help them through until spring arrives.

Mervyn & Judy Head

SOUTH KYME ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL COLLECTION

The total amount raised by the 2014 door to door collection was £143.63. Thank you to all who donated to this very worthy cause.

Lesley Moore

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Items for JANUARY/FEBRUARY must be received by 22nd February 2015**

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

SOUTH KYME SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

The club meets in the village hall at 7.30-10.00 p.m. on Wednesdays and at 2.00-4.00 p.m. on Fridays. Membership is £5.00/year, with a session/match fee of £1.50. New members will be most welcome.

SOUTH KYME TABLE TENNIS CLUB

The club meets in the village hall on Tuesday evenings from 7.30 - 8.30 p.m. Membership is £5.00/year, with a session fee of £2.00. Age restriction is 16+ and any new members will be welcome. We have 3 tables and plenty of bats and balls. Tables can also be hired by non members at other times for £2.50 per hour per person. To book, please call 01526 861566 or 01526 869297

SOUTH KYME WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

South Kyme WI meets in the Village Hall, at 7.30 pm, on the second Monday of the month. Why not join us? We have some interesting talks and demonstrations lined up and there's always time for a chat when the refreshments are served.

Monday 12 January. Nikki will be giving a talk about 'Life on Board', with the ship as a home and crew for family. She will also tell us about the shows she participates in, the costumes and the malfunctions!

Monday 9 February. Quiz Night with Melissa followed by hot puddings, to keep out the chill.

The Membership fee for 2015 will £36.00, but you are welcome to come along to a meeting free of charge before joining.

For further details, please contact Barbara on 01526 861566, Moira on 01526 860122, go to our website at www.skwi.weebly.com, or find us on Facebook.

LADIES KEEP FIT

Every Monday afternoon in The Coronation Hall from 2 - 3 p.m. ladies keep fit classes take place. Why not come along? All ages welcome. Cost only £3.50 per session.

SOUTH KYME GOLF CLUB

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We are a friendly bunch dedicated to the upkeep of the village, and new recruits are always welcome. Why not come and join us in 2015. We meet on the last Saturday of the month outside the Coronation Hall at 8.30am. The next scheduled session will be in March.

FREE BOOK EXCHANGE

Please come along and exchange your books free of charge. The Coronation Hall is open weekly for book exchanges on Tuesday 7.30 - 8.30 p.m., Wednesday 7.30 - 10.00 p.m.



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Church Services

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Service</u>
4 January	9.30/11.00 am	Plough Sunday (see below)
18 January	11.00 am	Family Service
1 February	9.30am	Holy Communion
15 February	11.00 am	Family Service

Letter from the Vicar

A Happy New Year to you all.

We move into the time of Epiphany when we celebrate all that is new and we mark the time when history was truly made, in God making Himself known to us in the flesh, and by making Himself known to the Magi (the Kings who presented Jesus with the gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh). Epiphany is also a time to reflect upon the feelings which stir up within us when we realise that the old has passed, and the new is fresh in our lives. It is a time to acknowledge what has changed in our lives and in us, since last year. I invite you to think about what changes have occurred in your life this past year and into 2015. Is it a fresh start for you? Is it an Epiphany of change for you? I pray that God will bless this change in your life and that you will see in it God's plan for your life being worked out and brought into full being. 2015 promises to be a year of huge change for our country. May we embrace all that is good in ourselves and others and let Jesus shine a light into our hearts.

Plough Sunday is on 4th January this year. We begin the service in St Michael's, Billinghay at 9.30am, then we move on to St Andrew's, Timberland followed by the Ploughman's Lunch in Timberland Village Hall. We celebrate our Farming community in these services and we bless the Plough, as a symbol of nurture and nature. We give thanks to God for the food we eat, for the farmers and the workers who ensure our plates are not empty.

May Our Lord bless you this New Year, this new Epiphany 2015"

Your Vicar,
Mike



The Hume Arms

Friday 14th February

St Valentines Dinner

*It's not just for couples - Parties and Family groups welcome too.
Bookings Only*

Menu

STARTER

A hot and cold sharing platter of Baked Camembert, Smoked Salmon, Norwegian cooked and peeled prawns and a large flat mushroom stuffed with smooth chicken liver and whisky pate.

MAINS

- CUPID'S ARROW:** A large skinless and boneless butterflied Chicken breast, with a white wine, tarragon and cream sauce finished with an asparagus spear..... £19.50
- RINGS OF LOVE:** Medallions of Aberdeen Angus fillet of beef, carved at your table and accompanied with a freshly milled black peppercorn sauce..... £25.00
- CARIBBEAN HONEYMOON:** Extra large king prawns, pan fried, finished in Vijay's unique sauce with a hint of brandy and tabasco..... £27.50
- TWO IN A BED:** Red and green 'Belle' pepper packed with 'Rat' atouille on a 'sweet cherry tomato' and 'bad boy' basil concasse..... £15.50

All mains are served with fresh Lincolnshire vegetables and potatoes.

DESSERT

A sharing platter of Beverly's homemade assortment of delicious puddings.

COFFEE

freshly brewed filter coffee and mints.

Prices are for all 3 courses with coffee ... charged by the main course selected

UPGRADE TO THE ALCOHOL PACKAGE: £15.00 PER PERSON

A 125mls glass of champagne on arrival

A 175mls of Oxford landing Sauvignon blanc with the starter

A 175mls of Calvet Cotes du Rhone Villages with the main course

A measure of spirit or liquor of your choice or an Irish Coffee

Phone Vijay or Maeve: 01526 869143 or call in to book

A £5.00 deposit per person (non returnable) will be required at time of booking.

SOUTH KYME CORONATION HALL

Salvation Army Concert

The Salvation Army entertained many of you in early December with what has become our traditional Christmas concert. Thank you for donating £215 for their much needed work. The backdrop of a splendid Christmas tree and lights set the scene for the initial carol outside. Thank you to everyone who helped erect the tree and the lights this year as well as those who helped with the concert.

Ideas for 2015

We are always interested in new ideas for the hall and at our last meeting we agreed to explore creating two new volunteer roles. Although there are two roles, they could be done by one person with appropriate interests and skills.

We have had several stage acts complain about the “all or nothing” stage lighting and the degree of heat radiated by the lights, so installing some modern stage lighting would be particularly welcome. Combined with this is a general desire to improve the technical aspects of the Hall so that we can offer a wider range of facilities and events.

Technician

- Developing our stage lighting and affects
- Developing the use of IT in the Hall – projector, screen, Wi-Fi
- Creating background music playlists for use with a variety of events

A grant bid may be developed in respect of any proposal for new equipment and lighting

Secondly there is a desire to market our events more widely and more effectively

Marketing and social media

- Social media – to create and maintain a village hall Facebook site that promotes facilities and activities at the Hall
- Marketing of village events via email lists (e.g. using Mailchimp), village website, press releases, national and local media event listings etc

- Writing copy and articles for The Tower
- Providing copy for the village website
- Using your initiative to try new things out

If anyone is interested in either or both roles please contact Julian Purvis on 01526 861868 or by email at julianpurvis2@gmail.com by 31 January 2015. The minimum age for these roles is 16 and there is no need to be a resident of South Kyme to apply.

These roles may be of interest to younger people in the village who are seeking to gain practical experience they can add to their CVs.

Dance lessons

The Monday morning dance lessons (at 10.30 and 11.30am) and occasional tea dances organised by Terry and Valerie Metcalfe continue to be popular. Beginners and Improvers are from 10.30 until 11.30am and the advanced class is at 11.30am until 12.30pm.

Café Kyme

The next Café Kymes are on Tuesday 3rd February and Tuesday 3rd March.

HANGOVER FACTS

A hangover is a condition which is a result of the consumption of an excessively large amount of alcohol. In reality a hangover is more like a withdrawal from alcohol for a short time period. A lot of experts state that some of the ingredients which are present in alcohol cause the hangover. The ingredients which are present in alcohol are known as congeners.

During the ancient times, people used a combination containing myrrh and the beaks of birds which had been grounded to a fine paste, in order to treat a hangover. But most people feel that a similar combination cannot be used in the modern times in order to treat a hangover. Liquor which is light, such as vodka and gin should be consumed instead of heavy and dark liquors like whiskey and brandy.

All kinds of alcoholic beverages which contain chemicals should be avoided since they will cause a very severe hangover. The worst hangover will usually be caused by the consumption of red wine. A lot of people are also likely to become very angry and depressed after they have consumed a large amount of alcohol.

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There will be a Raffle and a Licensed Bar in the hall.

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FOR BOOKINGS

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HIRE RATES

Prices include the use of the kitchen.

Main Hall

<u>Village Resident</u>	<u>Non Resident</u>
All/Part Day £50.00	£100.00
Hourly £10.00	£12.00

Small Room

<u>Village Resident</u>	<u>Non Resident</u>
All/Part Day £25.00	£50.00

Alcohol Licence Fee £20.00 (if reqd.)

From Oct/March, a Heating Supplement of £10.00 will be applied.

A £20 set up fee and a £20 clear up fee will be charged where the Hall is used the night before/morning after an all day event.

All bookings for non residents of South Kyme are subject to an additional £25 returnable deposit.

Signing of a Hall Hire Agreement is required for all private bookings

Use of equipment and crockery hire is by separate arrangement

IN MEMORY OF PIETRO ALFREDO GIOVETTI

I can just remember Pietro, he was a lively young man and very good at football. He was born in Africa, his father was Italian and his mother was English.

He was educated in England, but when he volunteered to join the British Armed Forces during WWII, he was turned down because his father had been born in Italy. He persisted and in time joined the R A F VR and rose to the rank of Sergeant.

One day when chatting with my Grandpa, Pietro told him "we are a lucky crew, our pilot did a few sorties before we joined him and we are uneasy about having another. You see, when we get a call to abort a raid because the weather is closing in, our pilot's radio 'messes up' and he never returns until we have dropped our goods on the target." Pietro was typical of many RAF crew, who were very superstitious in this respect.



Sadly on 21 September whilst flying with a new pilot who had turned back when a raid was cancelled, his plane crashed at Kirkby - on - Bain, killing all on board. My father, Leonard Lamyan, managed to persuade the authorities to allow Pietro to have a military funeral in St Mary & All Saints church here at South Kyme. His grave is just south of The War Memorial.

Jean Morris

SOUTH KYME PARISH COUNCIL

So 2015 is upon us and as a whole, South Kyme as a community had a good 2014. However for some families and individuals we realise that 2014 has not been a great year and we hope that you were able to find support from the people of South Kyme when you required it.

The Parish Council has seen some changes in the past 12 months. We have had a new clerk and new councilors, giving us some fresh ideas and enthusiasm. As a council, we would like to think we have continued to effect some positive changes in and around the village.

The village tidy group goes from strength to strength and we thank Maeve and VJ for their hospitality and refreshments provided to revive the group at the end of the Saturday morning clean up sessions. Thank you to all the volunteers who each play their part, we hope to see you again in 2015 when Trevor next fires up the ride-on that has become the love of his life. Opposite is a copy of the certificate the village was awarded in the 2014 Best Kept Village competition. The standards were very high and we were awarded second place again, the winners being Silk Willoughby.

With the festive season still fresh in our thoughts, a warm thank you to Mr & Mrs Bell for donating the 2014 village Christmas tree, which I think you will all agree, looks really good. A pat on the back for the small group of volunteers who got the tree into position and decorated ready for the Carol Service.

Looking forward, the saga of the non existent bus service for South Kyme is trundling on and SKPC has now made direct representation to the Government's Minister For Transport. Meanwhile the South Kyme Festival Committee have offered the funds to operate a mini bus service to Sleaford on a 'once a week' basis for 6 months. This will be starting early in 2015 and further information on which day of the week and times, etc. will be communicated around the village once the details are confirmed. Those people with bus passes will be able to travel free and a small charge will be made for all other passengers.

The Slea Navigation Trust, in conjunction with SKPC and the Environment Agency have been making steady progress on the maintenance and accessibility of the river. In 2015 there are plans to reduce erosion, increase accessibility to the river and make life easier for narrow boats to get to and turn around at South Kyme.

On behalf of the village, I would like to thank Pete Bettis for looking after and maintaining the village web site. A lot of hard work goes into the web site which has not received the recognition it deserves. Information on all the past SKPC meetings and future dates are on the web site along with lots of information about what's happening in and around the village.

SKPC hope that you have a fulfilling 2015 and looks forward to seeing you at a Parish council meeting and/or as a volunteer supporting our community.

Dave Wood.
Chairman.



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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. M. Astoria'.

Signature

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NOTICES

THANKS

On behalf of the PCC I would like to thank everyone who helped to raise sufficient funds to replace the burnt out blower to the beautiful old organ at St Mary and All Saints Church. Even more exciting was the fact that the new "Blower" was in place for the first of the three weddings on July 12th and we had enough money to pay the account in full as soon as it was presented. It was down to everyone's generosity that the amount required was raised within a month -thank you so much everyone.

As the treasurer for the Church, I am so grateful to all who gave their time (as well as their money) to organise the cheese and wine evening, plus the auction and the Garden Party - all were very successful and most enjoyable. The total amount raised was £1,628.70, which having paid the account of £1,595, leaves us with a credit of £33.70. As this money was raised specifically for the organ, it will be held in order to help pay for the yearly tuning next year. Thank you all so much.

Ann Freeston

HALLOWEEN DANCE

A very big thank you to everyone who came and also "The Ruffs" for the wonderful entertainment. Thanks also to everyone who helped and gave donations for raffle prizes. A good evening was had by everyone and we raised £264 for the Coronation Hall and £264 for The Air Ambulance.

Rod & Sue Howes

DECORATION OF THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

Many thanks to all of those who donated Poinsettias to decorate the inside of the church for Christmas. They created a stunning display which was appreciated by everyone who came to services over the Christmas period.

Jean Morris

HUME COFFEE MORNINGS

The next monthly coffee mornings will be held on Wednesday 14 January and Wednesday 11 February

Please drop in for a chat, we are all very friendly and you will be made most welcome.

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