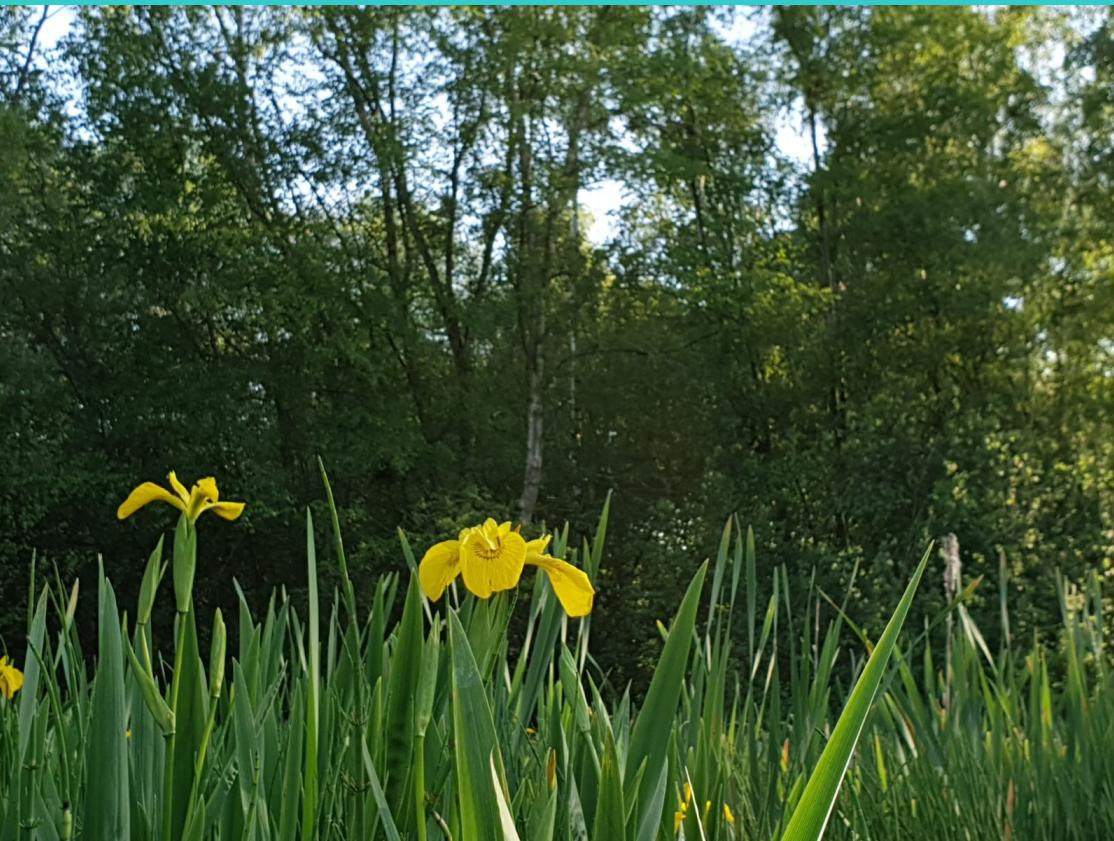


Hempton

# Parish News



## August 2022

Meetings are held on Wednesday's at 7pm  
in the Church Rooms, Hempton:-

21 Sep, 16 Nov

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# Welcome

Welcome to our August newsletter...As I write this piece the temperature is soaring, the air stifling and the heat quite exhausting...the wildfires around the world and some very much closer to home are scary...our duck pond is virtually dry, an event not witnessed in many, many years and most areas around the village are tinder dry. Please be cautious, careful, extra vigilant and watch out for each other.

Here is a quick update on what the Parish Council has been up to in the past month.

## **The Duck Pond**

Our specialist contractor has visited site...he will be along with a large cutter to clear much of the area which has seen a growth spurt that even he was surprised by. We have assurance that the wet meadow flower seeds will be planted in the autumn. Working in co-operation with the Estate Manager the cut materials will be removed from the site to avoid a cycle of excess nutrients getting into the soil and negatively impacting the species that grow in the space.

## **The Merger**

We had a meeting with a solicitor from NNDC's legal team to work through the formal document that will see the two Parish Councils merge. We are now working to September for implementation.

## **Play Area**

ROSPA the health and safety inspectorate that audit our play area on an annual basis have submitted their report. They have made a couple of advisory observations which we will look to implement.

## **'Bee Roads'**

We have agreed to approach the Raynham Estate about creating some wildflower areas to attract vital pollinating insects...If you have any ideas on where you would like to see this type of planting the please get in touch.

## **Other Ponds**

We have not forgotten about the work to get these cleared and reinstated to their former glory...and if they are confirmed as pingos then that will be an exciting development for the village.

## **Memorial Hall**

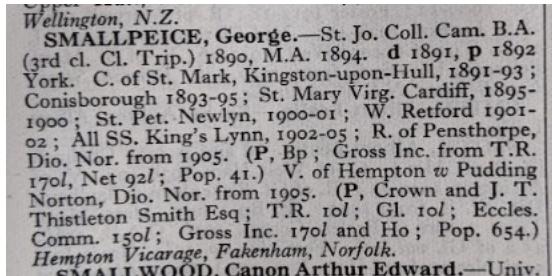
The handrails are going to be stripped back and repainted within the next few weeks...and don't forget the boot sale on Bank Holiday Monday.

Take care and stay safe  
Vivien Woods, Chair

# How many Vicars have there been in Hempton? By Claire Travis

Some of us are more familiar with clerical nomenclature than others. I like to think that with all my research I am beginning to work some of it out. I attended all the local denomination Churches as a young girl with brownies and guides and all the Father, Priest, Vicar, Rector, Reverend, Curate, became very confused in my head. As I understand it, in really simple laymen's terms, the Vicar lives in the Vicarage which is a property belonging to the Parish Church. (It is a bit more complicated than that!)

When searching Crockfords Clerical Directory for an entry, like below from my copy of the 1948 edition, George Smallpeice is described as vicar of Hempton with Pudding Norton from 1905.



So, George was a Vicar, but how many Vicars have there been for Hempton? How many Clergy have been resident\* in the Vicarage in its 164-year history?

- |                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1. Charles St Denys Moxon.           | consecration to 1874 (See Nov 2021 Parish News)   |
| 2. Ambrose James Johnson             | 1874 to 1886<br>(The Priest-In-Charge Rev. Humphreys, 1886 to 1895 lived in Fakenham and not Hempton) |
| 3. Samuel Lee Coverley               | 1895 to 1905  |
| 4. George Smallpeice                 | 1905 to 1949 (See April 2022 Parish News)   |
| 5. Reginald John Leavey              | 1949 to 1959  |
| 6. Hugh David Robin                  | 1960 to 1965  |
| 7. Stuart Michael Bamforth           | 1967 to 1971 (See Dec 2021 Parish News)   |
| 8. Richard Nevill Stranack           | 1972 to 1981  |
| 9. Herman North Annis                | 1982 to 1984  |
| 10. Hilary Gervase Alexander Jalland | 1986 to 1990  |

The answer to my question is just 10. Since 1990, over the last 32 years there have been many clergy as Priest-in-Charge of Holy Trinity but it seems that Rev. Jalland was the last to live at the Vicarage.

If anyone knows or remembers anything different, can help me with my research or has photographs of the piano recitals hosted by Father Annis in the Vicarage or the garden fetes held on the Vicarage lawn, I would love to hear from you.

\*When I say resident – as their place of residence whilst they are serving their tenure at Holy Trinity. Some clergy have lived at the Vicarage as a locum or as curate of another parish.

# Hempton History Quiz

How much do you know about the history of Hempton?

**1. In the reign of Henry I, 1100-1135, a hospital was founded and changed to a Priory. The foundations still remain to the South of what farm site, now demolished?**

Abbey Farm

**2. In 1200 AD, King John granted a Fair to the canons of the Hempton Priory. How often were they held annually?**

Three times annually on the Green. Two of them were Cattle Fairs and one was a Sheep Fair.

**3. When was the first sheep and lamb show held on the Green?**

2nd September 1848. 5,000 - 6,000 sheep and lambs came. The final sheep fair was held on 3rd September 1969.

**4. When was the Dereham and Fakenham East Railway Line completed and opened?**

1849. It connected with the King's Lynn and Dereham Railway which was begun in 1845. The M&GN line was formed on 1 July 1883 and closed on February 28th 1959.

**5. In the early days, the Hempton railway line which ran only between King's Lynn and Fakenham, was known locally as?**

Liver and Fry

**6. What was the name of the Day School held in the School Room in the Church complex built by Rev. Moxon?**

Trinity Church National School. After the 1870 Education Act it was not found possible to appoint a certificated teacher as required by the Act, so it closed.

**7. What were the two last mills in Hempton?**

Hempton Watermill known as Goggs' Mill as the formidable Thomas Goggs owned and worked the mill. It was demolished in June 1954.

Hempton Towermill - Built in 1833 (recorded by Harry Apling) and was seven storey. During the First World War the windmill was used for storage and no longer for milling. It is believed it was demolished during the second war for rubble.

**8. What was the name of the cottages that were behind the bakery?**

Victoria Crescent

**9. According to early Deeds, what was Shereford Road once called?**

Kendall Way

**10. In 1905, who lived at Wensum House?**

Rev. H. Gray. He was given permission by the Bishop to say Mass in his own house until the Catholic Church was built and opened in 1909 in Fakenham.

**11. On October 11th 1910, who moved from Gresham to Wensum House?**

The National Union of Agricultural Workers. Until 1933 the Union held a big demonstration on Hempton Green annually on the first Sunday in June.

**12. How many mounted troops camped on Hempton Green on Christmas Eve 1914?**

2,000

**13. When did the first aeroplane land on Hempton Green?**

June 29th 1916

**14. Fakenham Golf Club was one of the earliest to be established in Norfolk and was on Hempton Green. Was it a 9 or 18 hole course?**

9-hole course. Caddies were paid 3d and carried a hessian bag of damp sand to make the tee on which to place the ball.



For more wonderful historic photos and information about Hempton, Fakenham and surrounding villages take a look at the Fakenham Community Archives website

[www.fakenhamcommunityarchive.weebly.com/local-history-corner.html](http://www.fakenhamcommunityarchive.weebly.com/local-history-corner.html)

They also run regular public sessions at Fakenham Parish Church.

Fakenham Community Archive

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## Looking After 'The Customers'

From The Circus



## Elephants Never Forgotten

Elephants never forget, but human beings can have long memories too. This was proved yesterday, the day the circus passed through Fakenham.

The same circus had passed the same way some time ago and the elephants had stopped outside the fruit shop of Mr. E. Leach at the junction with Norwich Street and Norwich Road. They spotted a rubbish box outside the shop and in no time at all had scattered papers over the road and helped themselves to what titbits they could find.

Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Leach and the assistants were prepared. The elephants, true to tradition, had not forgotten. But instead of a rubbish box they found a box of apples waiting for them.

After the elephants had eaten their fill, the remaining apples were given to one of the young attendants.

THE CIRCUS COMES TO TOWN

Courtesy of Fakenham Community Archives

# Hempton History Quiz

**15. When did the present church of the Holy Trinity open?**

6th October 1856

**16. Who was the first vicar?**

Reverend Moxon - He lived at the Grove and largely at his own expense, gifts from his family and friends and with the aid of a grant from the Incorporated Church Building Society he built what was planned to become the chancel of a larger church.

**17. What was the name of the first architect for the church?**

John Henry Hakewill - He was also responsible for a large restoration of Great Yarmouth's St Nicholas Church.

**18. In 1950s plans went forward to enlarge the church, and the new part of the church was consecrated? What year?**

1955

**19. Where did the benches in the extension of the church come from?**

Former chapel of the US Air Base at Sculthorpe.

**20. How many Inns did Hempton have in 1930s?**

Three - The Buck Inn (closed in 1934), the King's Head (closed in 1966) and The Bell (established as an inn called the Bell in 1721 and owned by a linen weaver but evidence points to its existence in the early 1600s.), still open today as a Public House.

**21. Why was the Buck Inn demolished?**

The Buck was situated at the end of Horns Row and was demolished to make way for the Fakenham By-Pass. It has been known as the Stag's Head (advertised for sale in 1779), Deer's Head (advertised for sale on 8 November 1783), and as 'Horns' in both September 1789 and September 1794.

**22. What was the Woolhouse once named?**

It was the site of an Inn called the Cock in 1543 then the Crane and Dragon. From 1721 the Woolhouse. The brickworks with a tall chimney took over the Woolhouse in 1800 and this is now the site of Clarence House along Shereford Road which was built of the bricks from the yard.

**23. In 1945, at the end of war, a fund was opened to raise money for the building of a hall, as a memorial to those who died in the war. When was the Memorial Hall opened?**

28th October 1972

**24. Hempton WI were responsible for raising the money and presenting the sign to the village. When did Hempton acquire the village sign?**

July 1974

**25. A club for the over-60s held its preliminary meeting on January 3rd 1973. What was it called?**

Hamatuna Club

**26. When was the bowling green officially opened?**

May 1976

**27. Where does the 'Bullock Hill' gets its name?**

The Cattle Fairs

**28. Who is Lord of the Manor?**

Lord Charles Townsend

JULY ANSWERS: 1.Cancer, 2.Larkspur, 3.Ruby, 4.Neil Armstrong, 5.Paris, 6.4th July, 7.Diana, 8.J K Rowling, 9.Julius Caesar, 10.Quintilis, 11. Juillet, 12.Eva Peron, 13.The Salvation Army, 14.The Mallard, 15.Steve Fossett, 16.11 July, 17.Tom Cruise, 18.Debbie Harry, 19. Ringo Starr, 20.Harry Edward Kane

# What's On

## Memorial Hall

For more info please contact Laura on 07532 690758 or [enquirieshmh@gmail.com](mailto:enquirieshmh@gmail.com)

### **Monday**

Exercise Class, 10-11am, £5, 07851135074

Line Dancing Beginners, 11-12noon, £5, 07851350704

Pilates, 4.45, 6, 7.15pm, 07384 415015

### **Tuesday**

Artists on the Green, 9.45am–12.45pm (will be back on 13th September)

Fakenham Painters, 1.30-4.30pm, fortnightly

Line Dancing, Beginners 6-7pm , Improvers 7-8pm, 07851350704

### **Wednesday**

Lace Making, 7–9pm, fortnightly, 01328862250

Keep fit 9.45am-11.45am Annamarie [stretch@daytimefitnessclasses.co.uk](mailto:stretch@daytimefitnessclasses.co.uk)

Rainbows 4.30pm-6pm

### **Thursday**

Yoga, 9.15–11.15am, Liz Ward

Brownies 5-6.30pm

Dog Training, 7-10pm, Lisa Pearson, [hemptondogtraininggroup@gmail.com](mailto:hemptondogtraininggroup@gmail.com)

### **Saturday**

Craft Club, Every 3rd Saturday of each month 9.30-2.00pm, Becky 07577 644892.

August Bank Holiday— 29th August

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Sellers from 7am, buyers from 8am call 01328 862250 for more info



# What's On

## Church Rooms

For more info please contact Christine on 01328 856147.

**Craft Club**—1st Wednesday of each month, 6.30-9.30pm,  
Contact Becky, 07577 644892

**Wood Carvers** are looking for new members on Tuesday mornings, those with no experience and those who would like to share their skills.  
Contact 07979 855255.

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[sunflowerchoirs1@btinternet.com](mailto:sunflowerchoirs1@btinternet.com) or find us on Facebook.



## Coffee Morning's (and cake!)

10.30am on the first Wednesday of each month...please do come along... every body is welcome, whether you go to the church service or not! We would love to see you there...Hempton Church Rooms.

# Information & Notices

## Useful contacts

### Tom FitzPatrick—Norfolk County Councillor

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### Nigel Housden—North Norfolk District Councillor

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Ward: The Raynhams

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## Did you know

The Parish Council is responsible for the street lights, dog waste and litter bins (however they are emptied by NNDC), commenting on all planning applications, maintaining the grass cutting, children's play area, allotments and other open spaces and assets.

The Parish Council has a Facebook page and website which display information such as planning applications, meeting agendas and minutes, the monthly newsletter, details of road closures and other useful information.

**Fly tipping** can be reported directly to NNDC via [www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/tasks/environmental-protection/report-fly-tipping/](http://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/tasks/environmental-protection/report-fly-tipping/) or by calling the Environmental Protection Team on 01263 516085.

**Potholes** and other highways issues can be reported directly to NCC Highways via [www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads).

# Information & Notices

## **Ice Cream Van**

An ice cream van will be stopping in Hempton, in River Court and either Batterby Green or King George Road then maybe the pub early evenings on Thursdays and Sundays.



## **Help with Cost of Living**

These are the cost of living payments provided by central government that people may be eligible to receive:

### **Winter Fuel Payments**

[www.gov.uk/winter-fuel-payment/eligibility](http://www.gov.uk/winter-fuel-payment/eligibility))

### **Council Tax Rebate**

[www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-council-tax-rebate-2022-23-billing-authority-guidance](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-council-tax-rebate-2022-23-billing-authority-guidance)

### **Norfolk County Council–Norfolk–Assistance Scheme website (NAS)**

[www.norfolk.gov.uk/care-support-and-health/support-for-living-independently/money-and-benefits/norfolk-assistance-scheme](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/care-support-and-health/support-for-living-independently/money-and-benefits/norfolk-assistance-scheme)

### **Norfolk County Council–Accessing Support website**

[www.norfolk.gov.uk/what-we-do-and-how-we-work/campaigns/help-with-living-costs](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/what-we-do-and-how-we-work/campaigns/help-with-living-costs)

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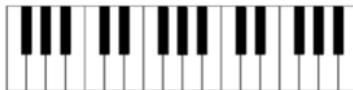


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