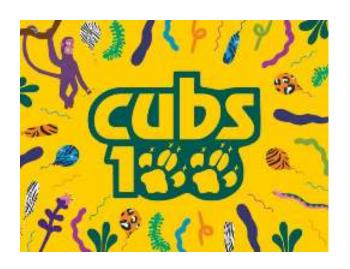


**Langar cum Barnstone Parish Newsletter** 



Articles for next newsletter (Mid Sept) should be sent either directly to Heather Whitaker lbparishmag@gmail.com or to the Clerk or any member of the Parish Council by 15th Aug 2016 at the latest.

# Cub Scouts are 100 years old this year!



To celebrate 100 years of Cub Scouting,  $1^{st}$  Langar (Vale of Belvoir) Scout Group are holding a thank you party and reunion. We are inviting everyone currently involved in our Group to say thank you for helping Cubs reach the big 100!

But we're not stopping there; we've decided to invite all our past Leaders and members to the event to say thank you to them and that includes anyone who has been a Beaver Scout, Cub Scout, Scout, Venture Scout, Leader or committee member.

# Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 1pm onwards at the Scout Hut, Coach Gap Lane

We cordially invite everyone who is, or has been, involved in Scouting at Langar to come down and help us celebrate. Maybe you will meet some old friends from your Scouting past at Langar or perhaps you just want to come along and see your old Leader to find out how many grey hairs you gave them when you were a Cub or Scout?

Bring your family to the event and join us for a BBQ and refreshments.

If you are still in touch with any of your old Scouting friends, please let them know about the event. Please let us know if you can attend, either via a message through the 1<sup>st</sup> Langar Facebook page or by email (<u>michael.baggy@gmail.com</u>), so that we can make sure we buy enough food and refreshments.

We look forward to seeing you there.



Come and enjoy a drink of tea, coffee, hot chocolate or squash with a sausage, bacon or egg bap or slice of homemade cake while chatting with friends and neighbours.

Then, look through our selection of used books and swap or buy, browse and buy from stalls selling locally produced bread, eggs, vegetables, homemade cake, biscuits, preserves, meat pies & greetings cards

Open on the second Saturday of each month in Barnstone Village Hall 10 am - 12 noon

# Special Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June Celebrate the Queen's official 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Forthcoming events
Saturday 9th July, Saturday 10th September,
No event in August



# **Festival Café**

As part of the Langar and Barnstone Festival there will be a **Festival Café**At Barnstone Village Hall

Open on Saturday 25th June from 10 am to 12 noon offering a

# **FULL ENGLISH BREAKFAST**

Together with a selection of fruit juices, tea, coffee & toast with jam or marmalade

### Langar cum Barnstone Parish Council Chairman's Report 2015/16

Your Parish Council has once again had a very busy year, which started with the local elections in May 2015, the results from a Parish Council point of view were very disappointing with three vacancies still remaining. The results of a transport survey in the parish, to which 31% of the parish responded, were passed on to NCC & Trent Barton Bus Services.

Once again the LcB Festival in June proved a great success and our thanks go to all who made it possible. We have also, in an effort to improve the parish facilities in general, appointed two Parish Wardens, who will become the eyes and ears of the community. They will be carrying out maintenance on parish properties and ensuring local footpaths are maintained to a reasonable standard as well as other duties.

2015 was the year in which the PC who, after many years of badgering the relevant authorities, were pleased to see Superfast Broadband introduced in the parish. We are aware that not everyone has been connected, but as technology advances we hope they too will soon be connected up.

The PC continues to carry out its programme of improvements to the village hall, a new water heater has been installed and we will shortly be installing a new heating system, unfortunately the present system has been found not fit for purpose, this has been borne out by the number of complaints received from the users of the village hall. On a brighter note I am pleased to report that the new heating system has been donated by a heating contractor with the Parish Council only being invoiced for the installation costs. I would like to mention at this point that the PC has also taken over responsibility for the financial management of the village hall.

From a financial point of view I am pleased to report that the PC has been successful in applying for funding in order to install outdoor gym equipment at the Barnstone outdoor play area in May 2016, we were awarded a total of £5000 towards the cost of the equipment.

In October of last year the PC received a letter from the solicitors of the late Mr R Gale of Langar which informed us that we were to receive a legacy of £25,000 towards the upkeep of the Parish village hall. For those of you who may not be familiar with the name, Mr Gale was a local farmer and owner of a major part of Langar airfield.

With regards to highway matters we continue to correspond with Notts County Council regarding safety at Langar crossroads with no progress being made despite many suggestion being put forward, however I am sure that you are all aware of the signs that have been erected around the village school, this all part of a county wide safety programme where it is hoped that the entrance and exit areas are a safer place for parents and children alike.

On a more sombre note, despite efforts made by various bodies, the Church of England authorities have decided to close St Marys Church Barnstone due to the cost of repairs and maintenance to the fabric of the building. There was also the unfortunate incident of the fire at The Unicorns Head which robbed the Parish of its only Public House. However I am sure that we will all be extremely interested to learn of the progress being made in the rebuilding programme which we will learn about later in the evening in a presentation to be given by representatives of Everards Brewery. We as a Parish have also suffered the recent loss of our local Post Office.

Finally, the Parish Council will continue to strive to improve the facilities within the Parish and make further improvements to the village hall for the benefit of the Parish in general.

R Brooks 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016

### Your Parish Councillors

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There are currently 3 vacancies on the Parish Council. If you would like more information, please contact the Clerk, Claire Pegg, or any of the councillors.

### Clerk to the Parish Council

# **Mrs Claire Pegg**

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Barnstone Nottingham. NG13 9JG

Tel: 01949 860123

langarbarnstoneclerk@gmail.com

### Parish Council Website

www.langarbarnstone.com

## Parish Council Meetings

Generally held on the 3rd Thursday of each month except August. Full meeting calendar available on the website under **Your Council**.

Members of the public are welcome to attend all Parish Council meetings. There is a special Open Session at the start of each meeting between 7.30 – 7.45pm, for residents to ask questions or raise items of interest.

Agendas and Minutes are available on the village noticeboards and on the website at www.langarbarnstone.com

# **Future Meeting Dates**

2016 Thursday 16th June Thursday 21st July Thursday 15th September

Articles for next newsletter (March) should be sent either directly to Heather Whitaker (Ibparishmag@gmail.com) or to the Clerk or any member of the Parish Council

**Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> August** for publication approximately mid September

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Please cut out and keep for future reference as these details may not be printed in every issue

Spring is here and with it the latest news from Rushcliffe and the Villages in the Nevile & Langar Ward

# Councillor's Newsletter

### Notice to all motorists:

A new speed limit, of 50 mph, has been introduced on the A 606 into Nottingham from Widmerpool to Tollerton. The existing limits of 40 mph have not been changed.

School advisory speed limits of 20 mph have been installed outside some schools. They are there to keep our children safe –please adhere to them.

# Speeding

There are areas of concern for speeding traffic within our parishes –please be aware Needham Hill out of Kinoulton, Hickling Lane/Owthorpe Lane through Kinoulton past Nevile Arms Kinoulton Lane coming into Hickling, Bridegate Lane, Hickling, Clawson Lane, Hickling A606 in Upper Broughton past the Golden Fleece Station Road Upper Broughton Bingham Road/Musters Road Cross Roads, Langar Colston Bassett, Hall Lane, Church Gate Colston Bassett

# BROADBAND

Many areas now have superfast broadband to the cabinet. You do have to contact your Internet provider to be upgraded. Contract 2 is set to roll out which is great news for some of our areas – Colston Bassett should have superfast fibre between April and September of this year. For those still deprived "Broadband for All' Voucher scheme offers £350 to get satellite Broadband.

#### AND

If there are Parishes still confused as to what is being offered Tim Dring from Notts County Council will happily visit Parish Councils and explain what is on offer.

### Waste

Rushcliffe is the lowest council for contaminated waste i.e. items put in the wrong bin. However it still happens, probably erroneously –

### Bin there done that!

notices are on the back of your bin collection calendar however there are still areas of confusion –All plastic bottles can be recycled but owing to the County Council disposal contract with Veolia, Rushcliffe cannot take the hard plastic tops and spray dispensers. These need taking off and putting in the grey bin. Envelopes with plastic liners i.e. Jiffy bags go in the grey bin. Junk mail is recyclable but not the polythene bag it comes in.

### **Facts**

Did you know 8-10 tons of batteries are collected annually by Rushcliffe. Tie a bag with old batteries on to your bin and Rushcliffe will collect.

Did you know that 2300 tons of glass are collected from the bring sites are separated and recycled. –this is far more than kerbside collections in other areas. So keep up the good work. Did you also know all Rushcliffe Grey bin waste goes to the Eastcroft Incinerator and is turned into energy. If you wish you can visit the Veolia recycling centre at Mansfield and see how the waste gets sorted.

### BEACON ON THE STANDARD

Hickling are hosting a Rushcliffe Beacon, courtesy of the Collishaw family, at the trig point on Hickling Standard –the historic site for Beacons –to celebrate the Queens 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. We shall celebrate round the fire with songs and stories. More details coming soon.

#### **PLANNING**

Several of the villages have experienced difficulties with planning applications. I have outlined below what are material and not material considerations. —these are the things planners will or will not take into account when considering an application





## Perhaps you can influence the design and future of your village.

Recent planning issues only go to emphasise the need to produce neighbourhood plans –to plan for any needs and restrict unwanted development. Upper Broughton and Hickling are moving forward with a plan and need residents to become involved.

If you have any concerns regarding planning or other community issues or are willing to get involved with neighbourhood planning please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Cllr. Tina Combellack Rushcliffe Borough Council Cllr.tcombellack@rushcliffe.gov.uk



# 1<sup>st</sup> Barnstone Brownies Update



We have ALL had great fun over the last few weeks. the leaders as much as the girls -please check out our phone box to find out more about us. We had an eggciting Easter -sorry! We were visited by the local Archery Club as part of the Sports Badge. We have been to The Eco Centre at Screveton where we collected eggs from the hens, saw the baby goats, bottle fed lambs and cooked delicious pizzas.

Our future packed programme includes a party to celebrate the Queen's Birthday, attending the annual Mayfest where we get to meet girls from all over the County, and an **open evening** on

# Tuesday 21st June 2016, 6 -7.30pm.

Please come and join us. There will be an ice cream parlour, hook a duck, raffles and more.

We will also be organising the annual **Ceilidh** on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2016** as part of the Langar & Barnstone Festival.

We do have some vacancies for more girls aged 7 –10 years old to join us. If you would like more information please call Brown Owl on 01949 860022.

# **Notes and News**

# Village Hall

We are pleased to report that the radiant heaters have now been replaced with more efficient radiators- at labour cost only.

New, padded chairs have been purchased to replace the old plastic chairs which have found a new home in St Andrews Church, Langar. We hope you like the changes!

### **Belvoir Archers**

As spring arrived the Club has moved outdoors to shoot on the field at Barnstone with Club Nights of Tuesday and Thursday and Club day on Saturday which are expected to be very busy as our members start to get the practice for the County tournaments.

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April saw Belvoir Archers 5<sup>th</sup> Founder members shoot, Awards and AGM. It was a cold windy day with a selection of members attending

The senior trophy went to David Worth and the Junior trophy went to Paige Jones
The Club also presented the Handicap improvement award for 2015 season which this year
went to Sheila Worth.

We held our First Double Word Record Status World Archery 50m 60m Cadet and 70 m tournament on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2016. This event was full very early with a waiting list.



We had entries from 1 ArcheryGB national team as well as a dozen entries from ArcheryGB Junior Team. We have been informed by ArcheryGB that they had selected this shoots as one for the National Series which concludes with the Final at Wollaton Hall in September

The event saw a Junior Lady shoot a national record (subject to ratification) by a Junior Lady and another Junior Lady claim her six gold end.

We have started to take bookings for this event next year.

Friday 30 April 2016 Bryan Haynes, Richard Haydock, Ros Creasey and Ian Davies beat 4 Archers from Bingham LAC in the ArcheryGB on Target interclub competition and progressed to the next level in this competition.

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May saw 7 members of Belvoir Archers take part in the first of the three league shoots for Nottinghamshire Archers and also the 1<sup>st</sup> Oregon Competition (where Nottinghamshire and Oregon in USA compete against each other in two rounds). The results of this competition will not be known until the 2<sup>nd</sup> Shoot for those who are entered as part of the Oregon Competition or August as it is the best of two rounds. Although one of our members did manage to "Robin Hood another archers arrow" (picture

attached)

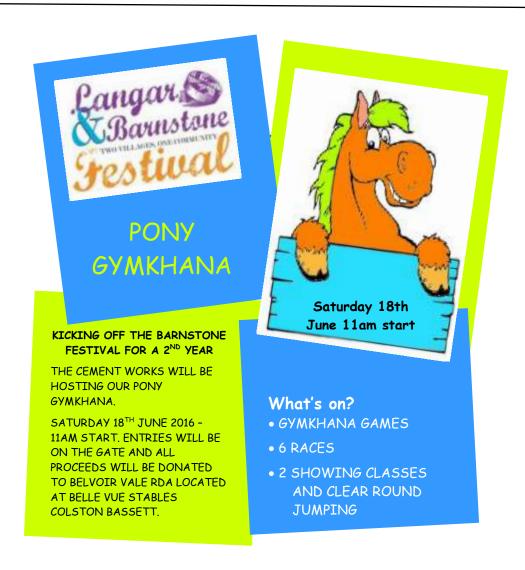


Belvoir Archers will be holding beginners courses in June and August 2016 as well as a have a go session on the last Thursday of each month commencing May to August The beginner courses are 4 x 3 hours sessions and the have a go sessions are 2 hours.

The end of May's Have a Go will be on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June to link into ArcherGBs' Big Weekend at the Start of June which is where the whole countries Archery clubs put on Have a Go's.

We also holding a Have a Go at Dove Cottage on Sunday 15th May for their Summer Fete and also on Saturday 11th June we are holding a Have a GO for the International Police Organisation.

If you are interested in trying archery please contact us. More information about Belvoir Archers can be found on our web page <a href="https://www.belvoirarchers.co.uk">www.belvoirarchers.co.uk</a> May 2016



PLAYING FIELD OPPOSITE THE WORKS FOR SCHEDULE AND SHOW RULES PLEASE CONTACT US:

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Time: 11AM Start Date: 18/06/2016





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E-mail: Niki.heath@tarmac.com Josie morrissey@tarmac.com



### SHOW RULES \$\$ OTAHWA



- All horses and ponies must be a mare or geiding 4 f. years or over on the date of the show
- The show is unaffiliated and is for fun!
- Hats owet be worn at all times on the show field. Hats must meet minimum standards - required by the Pony Club (details available on the website) and must be correctly fastened at all times when mounted. Back protectors are advisable
- The organisers reserve the right to disquality anyone for misuse of whips or spure, dangerous riting or any horse in poor or lense conditions.
- All entries are non-returnable after closure of 5 entries (at latest start of class):
- Class times are approximate. The proximater re-8 serve the right to change or shandon any class.
- Competitors will be responsible for care and conirol of their animals.
- Organisers and all other persons connected with ā the event do not accept liability for accidents. damage, injury to or filteess of horse/pony, owner, rider, speciator or any other person(x), property ar verbicle suhatspever
- ALL competitors will be responsible for cleaning up any droppings from their horses
- No Skipping out torries / trailers on the playing
- No Dogs allowed as per the rules of the local punish council

# BARNSTONE CEMENT WORKS

PLAYING FIELD

CHARITY GYMKHANA EVENT



Raising Money for Betvoir Vale RDA

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# Charity Event



Belivier Vale RDA is a small and thereby new riding for the disabled charity situated in the sittings of Colotan Bassatt in Neithinghamatrias. The Group in based all bolds vise Statelan, a riding school and livery yard run by instructor, Asi Vialber. Asi is supported by fellow coach, Tara Seraki, and Lindey Davler with is a qualified County Coach for the Harttl Mediands RDA.

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Clear Round Running all Day S £1.00 Heights can be set to suit rider

> ability Refreshments available

> > Dress Code

Riding halls must be wore and Budy Protectors must be warm for Jumping

This Event is a 'come and have a go- so don't worry if you





2016

# 18th to 26th June

Welcome to the 4th Langar & Barnstone Festival!

As in previous years we have a mix of events, some new and some old favourites, for all interests and ages put on by local groups, businesses and individuals for the enjoyment of villagers, their friends and family and visitors to Langar and Barnstone.

# Please come along and enjoy yourself!

As the events are organised by volunteers and some could be affected by adverse weather we may have to make late changes to the programme.

Please check on http://www.langarbarnstone.com

For any further information please contact:

Nigel Wood: 01949 860001

Claire Pegg: 01949 860123

# Saturday 18 June



# Pony Gymkhana

Kicking off the Langar & Barnstone Festival for a 2<sup>nd</sup> year the Cement Works will be hosting a Pony Gymkhana starting at 11.00 am

Entries will be on the gate and all proceeds donated to Belvoir Vale RDA

What's on?: Gymkhana Games

6 Races

2 Showing Classes and Clear Round Jumping

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For Schedule & Show Rules please contact

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# A Summer Concert by The Boots Orchestra St Andrew's, Langar

7.30 PM

Tickets £7.00

Light refreshments, wine & soft drinks will be served.
A raffle will be held.

Tickets available from Pearl White 32 Belvoir Crescent Langar Nottingham NG13 9HU

01949 860560

# Sunday 19 June



# Barnstone Cement Works Site Tours

Come along and look around one of the oldest businesses in the parish still providing local employment for more than 150 years.

Tour 1: 11.00 am

Tour 2: 12.30 pm

History of Barnstone Cement Works

The tours will show how the plant operates today and the history of the works

Please be aware the plant will be in operation,

Please wear sensible shoes no heels or open toes

Please wear trousers

Personal protective equipment will be provided

For more information please contact

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# Tuesday 21 June

# Brownies Ice Cream Parlour & Open Evening @ The Village Hall, Barnstone

6.00 pm to 7.30 pm

Come along and meet the Brownies and see what fun they have.

Enjoy a tasty ice cream!

# Wednesday 22 June

# Quiz Night @ Barnstone Village Hall

Come along and take part in the Village Hall Committee's Quiz Night

Test your knowledge and have some fun

Entry Fee: £10 per team (maximum of 4 members)

Refreshments for all competitors

Starts at 7.30 pm

Contact: Tom Mcharg on 01949 860384

# Thursday 23 June

# Want to know more about the Merrivale Energy AD Electricity Generating Plant?

Merrivale Energy Ltd is offering the opportunity to look around its AD Electricity Generating Plant to see how it operates and to hear about how it uses farm produce to generate the electricity used by the Tarmac Barnstone Cement Works.

Meet at the entrance to the Football Field, Works Lane, Barnstone at 5.30 pm.

Please be aware the plant will be in operation,

Please wear sensible shoes no heels or open toes



Ever thought of trying archery but didn't know how to do it?

Come along to a Have-a-Go Session with your local club.

All equipment is provided and you will be supervised by Archery GB qualified coaches.

Starts at 6.pm until 8.00 pm at the Football Field, Works Lane, Barnstone.

# Friday 24 June

# Ceilidh 2016



Back by popular request!

Come along and enjoy an evening of music and dance with your family and friends!

From 7.30 pm until 11.00 pm @ Barnstone Village Hall

Tickets: Adults £6 & Children £3

Licenced Bar

Tickets from:

Dot Clayton: 01949 860022 or bobdot37@yahoo.co.uk

Lu Denty: 07834042947 or ljdenty@gmail.com

Proceeds to 1st Barnstone Brownies' funds.

# Saturday 25 June

# Langar & Barnstone Festival Short Story Competition

The winning entries will be announced and prizes awarded at 4.30 pm

Langar C of E Primary School Hall

# Saturday 25 June

# Enjoy an English Breakfast @ Festival Café

From 10.00 am until 12.00 noon

Brought to you by the Vale Market Café at the Village Hall, Barnstone

What could be better than to start your weekend with a Classic English Breakfast?

Satisfaction Guaranteed!

# Women's Institute Cake Stall @ Barnstone

From 10.00 am until 12.00 noon.

Members of the WI will be selling a fine range of home made cakes from their stall near the Phone Box on Works Lane, Barnstone.

# Classic Cars on Show @ Langar

As has become traditional for the Langar & Barnstone Festival we are bringing together Classic Cars from around the East Midlands for visitors to admire.

Cars will start assembling at Church Green, Langar from 10.00 am onwards.

A 'Run' around the Vale of Belvoir for the cars on show will take place during the afternoon ending in the grounds of Langar Hall

There will be no entrance fee or prizes, the 'Run' will be voluntary and not a test of performance, and there will be no judging. It is a fun event for volunteers by volunteers.

# Langar & Barnstone Festival Art Exhibition

A group of local artists and photographers will be displaying examples of their work including

# A Retrospective Exhibition in Memory of Bob Clayton

From 12.00 noon until 5.00 pm

Langar C of E Primary School Hall

# Saturday 25 June

# Langar C of E Primary School PTA

# **Presents**

# Prom & Picnic

From 12.00 noon onwards

Langar C of E Primary School Grounds, Barnstone Road, Langar

For more information contact the PTA via the School Office

# LEGO® Grand Prix

Try your skills at building and racing a LEGO® Technic "pull back" model

Open to teams of up to 3 people - at least one member must be 16 years or younger.

Each team to provide its own kit

Only standard kits to be used - no modifications allowed

Other LEGO® Technics kits may be entered at the organisers discretion.

Entries can be made on the day.

Commences at 2.00 pm at the MUGA at Langar C of E Primary School.

LEGO®is a trademark of the LEGO Group of companies which does not sponsor, authorize or endorse this event



# Ball Room Dancing @ Barnstone

Come along and enjoy demonstrations by the British Champions

See how much fun dancing can be

Try some steps yourself

Commences at 7.00 pm

Village Hall, Barnstone

# Sunday 26 June

# Open Bowls Tournament



# Blue Circle Barnstone Bowls Club

Open to teams of 3 people of any ability

No previous experience required

All equipment provided

Flat shoes must be worn

Competition commences at 11.00 am at Works Lane, Barnstone

Refreshments available

Contact Steve Wrate: 01949 861353 for more details

# Medieval Graffiti at St Andrew's Langar

The Derbyshire & Nottinghamshire Graffiti Survey is holding an exhibition on its project and providing an opportunity for visitors to see some of the fine examples of graffiti in the church.

A short talk followed by a tour of the graffiti will take place at 2.00 pm, 2.45 pm and 3.30 pm.

Please come along to one of the sessions and take the opportunity to gain an insight into the lives of parishioners of the past.

# An Uncivil War

A history walk/play based on Langar & Barnstone in the English Civil War Suitable for all ages

Starts at 6.30 pm on Church Green, Langar

For more information contact Nigel Wood on 01949 860001

### Overview

Let's Bring Back Sophie is a six part cinematic webseries and exploration into the dynamics between a group of characters whose lives are changed after the disappearance of a girl in a dysfunctional teenage Nottingham. With a run time of 10-15 minutes per episode, the internet based drama will centre around the efforts taken by her closest friend Robin, his friend Ellie and a group of local youngsters to discover the truth.

### Story

The story opens with 17-year-old Robin approaching the Sophie's father after discovering the news of Sophie's disappearance. He decides to take matters into his own hands along with the help of his reluctant friend Ellie. Like-minded people are enlisted to help him find his friend. Robin and Ellie invest in a social media campaign entitled 'Let's Bring Back Sophie' to implore people to consider any potential darker circumstances surrounding her disappearance and allowing others to get involved in their cause. Among the people who show interest are: obnoxious and quick-witted Thomas; reserved and resourceful Alexander; and brother-sister pairing Sniper and Nicole (who have a dark dynamic entirely of their own). Every episode will feature a different protagonist, allowing the audience to explore the characters' past and why they found it necessary to help.



### Who

Edward Fleming is an 18 year old filmmaker from Nottingham (17 at the time of creation) with a fascination for visual art. This talented individual has created videos since the age of 11 and since joining Confetti has also enjoyed making films. Let's Bring Back Sophie is a combination of both passions for big and small screen, the format being cinematic, yet quite alternative and stylised for the web, littered with lots of quirky montages, cutaways and lots of Wes Anderson inspired centre frame.

Let's Bring Back Sophie was written by Edward in the summer of 2015, and in autumn he recruited screenwriter Elliott S. Sutton to write the individual episodes. The majority of the film crew all met at Confetti College: including director of photography, Alex Butler and sound recordist, Kyle Smith.

Lead actor and casting director, Morris Findley, met creator Edward at the age of 14 whilst working on a project called YouNG for Rushcliffe Borough Council. The duo have since become close friends. Following the writing stages of the series, Morris was keen to offer his talents, both behind and in front of camera. The show is almost entirely cast by Nottingham's Bafta-award-winning Television Workshop, an organisation that raises young East Midlands talent – their most notorious actors being Jack O'Connell (Skins, Unbroken) and Samantha Morton (Minority Report, John Carter). Ian Smith, ex-director of the workshop, plays a lead part in the series.

### **Budget**

The series has a precise budget of £832. 25% of this was crowdfunded though an Indiegogo campaign and the rest was obtained through generous sponsorship donations from The Nottingham Forest Youth Academy and the Vale of Belvoir Rotary. The series is not only a voluntary passion project for young director, producer and editor Edward Fleming but also a fantastic industry opportunity for cast and crew.

### **Dates**

Trailer 8th April 2016 Premiere 27th May 2016 Episode 1 Release 1st June 2016



# 1916

# Part 1

Of all of the years during which the First World War was fought 1916 is the one etched in people's consciousness. This is unsurprising as three of the most significant actions of the war took place in this year - Verdun, Jutland and the Somme. Verdun was a ferocious campaign fought between the French and German armies. The aim of the Germans was to bleed the French Army dry and they came very close to achieving their goal. The Battle of Jutland was fought between the Royal Navy and the German Imperial Navy with both sides claiming victory. The damage inflicted by both sides resulted in no further mass battles between surface ships and the Germans largely concentrating on the use of U-Boats to sink both warships and merchant ships. The Somme was to see the concerted use of Kitchener's New Army made up largely of volunteer soldiers in the so-called Pals Battalions using methods of attack thought to be better suited to a non-professional army. Sadly the reality was that the result was slaughter on a massive scale with any gains achieved being limited and costly.

Obviously there were no soldiers from Langar or Barnstone at Verdun and neither of our sailors, Edward Stanley Mingay and James Alfred Goodwin, were at Jutland. However, a number of our soldiers fought during the various stages of the Somme with six of them dying including one on 1 July, the first day of the battle, and one on 18 November, the last official day. In this issue of *Signpost* I will tell the stories of the first two casualties and those of the remaining four in the next issue.

The casualty of 1 July has proved to be one of the trickiest to research and it is only this year that I have been able to definitely identify him. The Service of Dedication for the Parish War Memorial lists those whose names were originally inscribed on the cross in St Andrew's churchyard. One of these was Harry Smith of the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry (KOYLI). Initially, I could find no Harry Smith connected with the parish through census records, parish records or newspaper articles. As you could imagine doing an Internet search for someone called Smith of no known address or date of birth was almost impossible. Eventually, I ended up with a shortlist of three possible candidates, two Privates and one Lance Corporal, each of whom had a Nottinghamshire connections. Then earlier this year I found an In Memoriam entry in the edition of the Nottingham Evening Post for 2 July 1917 for Lance Corporal Harry Smith, KOYLI, late of Barnstone, killed in action on 1 July 1916. This ruled

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Harry Smith's Medal Record Card

out the other two leaving me with "our" Harry Smith. Sadly, the person placing the notice did not say who they were.

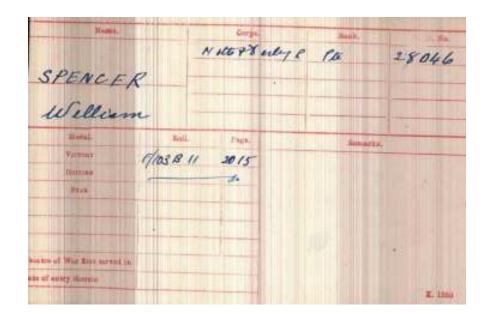
Harry was born in 1892 in South Muskham, the son of John Thomas and Ellen Smith. John was a shepherd and, as he moved to different jobs, his family moved with him. In 1901 they were living in Screveton but by 1911 Harry had moved on and was working as a farm servant for John Robert Lawrence at Peafield Farm, Mansfield Farm. By 1914 Harry was living in Barnstone. On 1 September 1914 he went to Hucknall along with Alfred and Bertie Reeve, John Matthews and Thomas William Garrett to volunteer for the Army. Harry joined 8th Battalion, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry along with Bertie Reeve.

After training he landed in France on 26 August 1915 and 8/KOYLI served in the area around Armentieres on the France/Belgium border. The battalion was mainly involved in small scale actions such as trench raids and bombing attacks until June 1916 when it moved south to the Somme region to be one of the units to be involved in the attacks on 1 July. The battalion was in the trenches near Ovillers to the north-east of Albert. It was to form part of the attack to overrun the German trenches and capture the village of Pozieres and a strongpoint called Mouquet Farm, some two miles beyond the German front line. Following a prolonged artillery barrage, which was meant to smash the German defences, the attack started at 7.30 am. The KOYLI's left their trenches and were immediately met by intense machine gun fire from the German trenches. Those who made it to the German trenches found that the barbed wire, which should have been cut by the bombardment, was largely intact and many more men were killed trying to get through. It is not actually known what happened to Harry and his comrades as there were so many casualties amongst the officers of the battalion that an accurate record could not be made in the Battalion War Diary for 1 July. The battalion went into action with 25 Officers, 1 Medical Officer and 659 Other Ranks. Of these only the Medical Officer and 110 Other Ranks survived the attack. Harry was one of 314 men listed as missing and has no known grave.

He is commemorated on Pier & Face 11C to 12A of the Thiepval Memorial to the Missing of the Somme. Although contemporary records relating to his death give his date of death as being 1 July 1916, the Commonwealth War Graves Commission Records show it as 4 September 1916. This is incorrect as the battalion was out of the line and training replacements for the earlier casualties and there were no casualties on this date.



The entry for Harry Smith from the Register of Soldier's Effects. This shows his date of death as 1 July 1916 and his father, John, as beneficiary of a sum of £8 12s 6d.



William Spencer's Medal Record Card

William Spencer was killed in action on 1 August 1916, but not on the Somme. He met his death in an action further north in the Givenchy region.

William was born in 1885, the son of William Spencer, a labourer at the Barnstone Lime Works. When old enough, William junior joined his father also as a General Labourer at the Works. A keen footballer, equally at home playing at Right Back or Inside Right, William became a fixture on the Langar Rising Star Football Club team sheet. In 1911 he married Mabel Smithson and together they had two daughters, Mary born in 1912 and Annie born in 1916. They lived at The Rookery in Barnstone.

William joined the 17<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Sherwood Foresters (Welbeck Rangers) as a Private with Service Number 28046. The Welbeck Rangers was a unit set up with the encouragement of the Duke of Portland as a Pals Battalion for Nottinghamshire. William and his comrades were all volunteers with little or no previous military experience.

The battalion arrived in France on 7 March 1915 and served on the Front Line in the Bethune and Festubert regions. The daily routine was a mix of training behind the Front Line, manning the trenches and taking part in trench raids to gather information and take prisoners. It was on such raid that William met his death.

On the night of 31 July/1 August 1916 "B" Company, in which William served, was ordered to carry out a raid on the German trenches adjacent to Duck's Bill Crater near Givenchy. The aim of the raid was to capture prisoners, kill Germans and destroy two mine shafts. Royal Engineers officers joined the raiding party to help with the latter. The raiding party moved out into No Man's Land at 11.43 pm under cover of a barrage fired by Heavy Trench Mortars. Unfortunately this was not as accurate as required and three of the party were killed by shells falling short. In attempting to reach the enemy trenches the party veered off course and failed to find the expected gap in the barbed wire. After more casualties were suffered the gap was found and the trench entered. Although the bombardment had largely destroyed the trench the party came under continuous machine gun fire and more casualties resulted. Four Germans were found alive and taken prisoner but due to the confusion of the situation these were able to escape. Yet more confusion surrounded the locating of the mine shafts. Sergeant Foster reported finding one shaft but this information failed to reach the Royal Engineers so nothing was done.

After being in the enemy trenches for 1 hour and 10 minutes, the survivors returned to the British lines. All told the raid resulted in 3 Officers and 8 Other Ranks being killed, 3 Officers and 43 Other Ranks wounded and 12 Other Ranks missing. Apart from the objective of raiding the enemy trenches, none of the other Objectives were achieved for such a high cost in casualties.

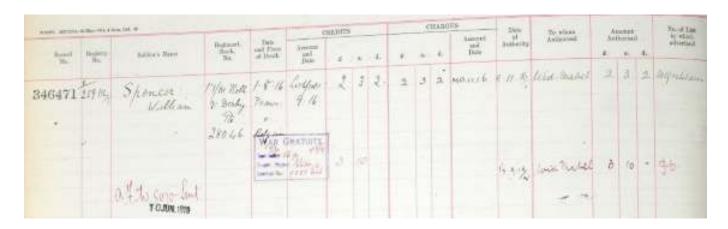
Just as Harry Smith has no known grave, the same is true for William Spencer. William is commemorated on Panel 87 to 89 of The Loos Memorial to the Missing, France.

The 4 September 1916 edition of the Nottingham Evening Post carries the following sad notice:

### **Roll of Honour**

**SPENCER.** - Killed in action, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 1916, Private William Spencer, Sherwood Foresters, aged 31 years, the beloved husband of Mabel Spencer, Barnstone. Give unto him eternal rest, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. - From his broken-hearted wife and children.

Harry Smith's father and Mabel both received a sum of money from the War Office. This was the balance of any pay due and a War Gratuity based on their rank and period of service and was recorded on the Register of Soldier's Effects. For Harry the sum was £8 12s 6d and for William the sum was £5 13s 2d..



The entry for William Spencer in the Register of Soldier's Effects.

I am still searching for information of four men from the parish to complete the story of those who served.

The first is Henry Allen, who is included on the Parish Roll of Honour. He was born in 1889 in Harby, the son of Henry and Mary Ann Allen. The family was living in Langar in 1901 and his parents were living in Barnstone in 1911. The Census for 1911 shows Henry lodging with Frederick and Mary Elizabeth Pepper in Netherfield and working as a Railway Engine Cleaner.

The next individual is George Samuel Goodwin. George was born in Stanton by Dale in 1894. He was the son of George Hudson and Charlotte Goodwin. George senior was a Colliery Agent and Hay Dealer, who moved to Langar in the years before World War One and lived at Swiss Cottage, now The Hawthorns, Langar. George Samuel is included on the Parish Roll of Honour and on the Absent Voters List for 1918 for Langar. He does not appear on the 1911 Census.

We then have Walter Moulds, who is also included on the Parish Roll of Honour. Walter was born in 1883 in Hose, the son of William Samuel and Mary Ann Moulds. In the 1911 Census Walter is shown as lodging with Richard and Harriett Capp at 87 St Albans Street, Bulwell. He is listed as being a Bone Works Labourer.

Finally, there is Arthur Richards. He, too, appears on the Absent Voters List for 1918 for Barnstone but not on the Roll of Honour. He was born in 1885 in Colston Bassett. In 1911 he is living with his mother, Mary Richards, in Colston Basset and working as a farm Labourer.

If anyone can throw any more light on these four men, I would be very grateful.

### **Nigel Wood**

# Refurbishment of Unicorn's Head, Langar

Everards Brewery and William Saunders Architects gave a very interesting presentation at the Annual Parish Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> April.

Below are a few photographs used to illustrate their talk



Roof stripped out



Roof structure using a jigsaw of pieces incorporating traditional joinery skills including bespoke jointing. All timbers numbered with Roman numerals.



Timber lath



Floor replacements



Replacement floor beams



Bespoke timber joints

Additional works to be carried out include: Masonry repairs, Chimney rebuild and Beam repairs.

A further package of works will include alteration to:

Bar area, Games room, Restaurant, Kitchen, Toilets, External Areas.

Planning Permission and Listed Building Consent is Pending

# LADIES WALKING GROUP

Spring Walks 2016 All welcome - tell your friends - please ring the contact person listed on each walk for confirmation/queries



# WALK 10 - Gunthorpe

Date: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June

Time: 6.45pm

Meet at: car park opposite Unicorn, Gunthorpe, (by river)

Distance: approx. 4.5 miles Flat, circular walk along river Contact: Ann 01949 851143

# WALK 11 - East Bridgford

Date: Tuesday 14th June

Time: 6.45pm

Meet at: Kneeton Road Distance: approx. 3 miles

Circular walk - lovely views overlooking Trent Valley, some hills

Contact: Claire 01949 861181

# WALK 12 - Langar to Colston Bassett

Date: Monday 20th June

Time: 6.45pm

Meet at: St Andrews Church Langar

Distance: approx. 4 miles

Pretty circular walk including field paths, village lanes

Contact: Julie 01949 861348

### WALK 13 - Hickling circular

Date: Monday 27th June

Time: 6.45pm

Meet at: The Plough, Hickling (+walk planning meeting with food option)

Distance: approx. 3.5 miles

Lovely views - village lanes, some hills

Contact: Cate 01949 861077



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On Thursday 21/04/16, I attended the AGM of the Langar & Barnstone Parish Council and it was a real pleasure.

I imagine that most of you will jump to the conclusion that the presence of Everards Brewery and the ample refreshment provided by them, influenced my thinking, but you would be mistaken.

I left before the "party started" so to speak and therefore, enjoyable as that part of the evening may have been, it was not the reason for my pleasure. It was observing an active group of people coming together and making their community a better, richer place in which to live and work that did the trick. It is something that I like to think we reflect here at the plant.

I especially value the sense of togetherness that can be felt when a team is working really well. This feeling can't be measured or quantified, but it is powerful and can be the difference between a happy, cohesive workforce and a disgruntled, disjointed workforce.

When I look across the site and see the number of youngsters, the amount of training and the average longevity of service (now running at 15 years) we have, I sense that we are doing fine.

As you may or may not know, we are no longer Tarmac, Lafarge Tarmac, Lafarge or - for those of you with long memories - Blue Circle, we are now CRH Tarmac.

CRH are an Irish company and one of the biggest construction materials companies in the world and as such offer a great future for us as a plant. Although they are a large company, they are not heavy handed or prescriptive, except in the area of safety, where there are 16 Life Saving Rules which are applied worldwide. This aligns beautifully with our existing philosophy.

Safety is our No.1 goal and a bit like Dorothy on the Yellow Brick Road, we are on our own particular journey treading The Road to Zero Harm. Having drawn that comparison, I'm not sure which character I represent.

However, I'm as sure as I can be that I'm not Dorothy or even Toto......

Today, on 27/04/16, we have achieved 1665 Lost Time Injury Free days, so we are well on our way. The plant is thriving and our target sales for this year are around 220kt which is a small increase on 2015 but an increase none the less.

At the AGM I did put out some information which I had received from a Socio-Economic Survey that we have recently had carried out. I was pleasantly surprised by the results - we directly employ 73 people on the plant –this didn't surprise me, as I do know how many folk works here! But indirectly through the supply chain, that figure rises to 128 and if the impact on the wider economy is included, we reach the dizzy heights of 972.

This puts a fair amount into the local economy each year - about £3 million at the last count or enough, according to my research, to buy approx 10 weeks of Wayne Rooney's time.

As you may be aware there has been cement making on this site for over 150 years and a lot of the housing in the village was built by the company many years ago. This led to the plant having a long lineage of families who have worked here over the generations. That link is still here with the next generation of families happily filling vacant roles on the plant. It is also pleasing to see that 85% of our employees live within 10 miles of the plant.

Finally, to finish off I would like to quote L.P Hartley who wrote: "The past is a foreign country, they do things differently there". That may hold true for many occasions and experiences. However, in the world of cement the past has come back and it's not a foreign country nor is it different.

It has returned in the shape of a blue circle, which has returned as a major part of our company logo. I suppose you could say it has come full circle. The latest branding shows the blue circle in the front and centre of our new packaging.

For an old Blue Circle guy of 27 years standing, it does my heart good!

Kind Regards,

Chris Stephens. 03/05/16

# Could you be a Shared Lives carer?

The County Council has a target of recruiting five more people from Broxtowe, Gedling and Rushcliffe to become Shared Lives carers.

The Shared Lives scheme currently provides long-term accommodation and support or short breaks for 61 adults with care needs across the county, including older people, people with physical disabilities, learning disabilities and mental health needs.

Carers receive training and are paid depending on the level of need of the person (or people) they look after.

Kate Wilson, Shared Lives Team Manager, said: "Shared Lives carers provide a home and a real family life for people who need support. This helps them to maintain their independence and is a fantastic alternative to other forms of care.

"We really need to boost the number of carers in the south Nottinghamshire area – particularly people who are willing to provide support on a long term basis and are able to have someone living with them as part of their family. Being a Shared Lives carers is a big commitment but it is also very rewarding and would be perfect for anyone who has an interest in caring for others."

Anyone who is interested in becoming a Shared Lives carer can visit

www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/sharedlives, email: sharedlives@nottscc.gov.uk or phone 0300 500 8080.

# Case study

Mary Carter has been caring for older people in her home since 1981 and is currently looking after Jonathan Lloyd, 74, and a lady with dementia who is in her seventies.

Mary's main role is to support the people she cares for with daily living tasks. She also advises them on day-to- day issues and reminds them to take any medication.

She explains: "I always wanted to look after older people in my home and I found out about the scheme when I was a nurse. The people who I look after a like family and we have meals and watch TV together every night.

"They are fairly independent as they look after their own personal care and I'm like a good friend who is there to keep them company and give them the emotional and daily support when they need it.

"I've never regretted being a Shared Lives carer and love to see people happy in a sociable home environment and not living alone.

"As with any family, there are difficult times but I think my nursing experience has given me the skills to cope with challenging behaviour.

"I would encourage people who have a caring nature to consider the Shared Lives scheme – I've inspired my daughter who has now become a Shared Lives carer offering short breaks."



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