

# Hempton

# Parish News



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## May 2021

Parish Council Meetings for 2021

May 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Meeting & Annual Parish Council Meeting,

**Venue: The Gallow, Fakenham Racecourse at 6.30pm**

July 15th, Sept 16th & Nov 18th

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# From the Parish Council

Welcome to our May Newsletter. As I write the sun is shining and that icy chill has abated, at least during the day, although temperatures are still plummeting by night making summer planting very risky...hopefully this will change soon.

The passing of HRH Prince Philip was very sad, even if inevitable, he was a visionary and showed great humanity through his long life. He was also extremely accomplished and leaves a huge legacy; not least The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme which has had a lasting impact on the lives of thousands of young people over many years. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to his family, and HRH Queen Elizabeth in particular, who has lost her beloved husband and consort.

We have the local elections being held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May and the Memorial Hall will be open for you to cast your vote, unless of course you opted for the postal route. Covid-19 precautions will be in operation, so please remember your mask and pen.

Moving on to the Parish Councils update of what's happening in Hempton:-

## **Roundabout**

Due to the pre-election period known as 'purdah' the planning application has been delayed until after the elections. We will put a post on the website and Facebook when the application becomes available.

## **Duckpond Area**

Some young shrubs have been planted close to the coppiced willow tree. But supply of the specific grass seed identified for the site is not available to purchase at present. This means that the sowing may now have to wait until the end of the summer. We will continue to take the advice of the specialists and keep you updated. The Highways Department have been out to clear the blockage that was causing some localised flooding. We await the outcome of their efforts.

## **Memorial Hall**

Those who use the hall on regular basis will know that rainwater pools at the entrance gates. A contractor will be undertaking works to 'cure' the problem. This work is scheduled to commence in June and the work should take approximately 3-4 days. An alternative temporary entrance/exit will be in operation.

# Hempton Memorial Hall

Monday	<b>CAR BOOT SALE</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> May from 8am	Call 01328 862250
Tuesday			
Wednesday	Lace Making	26 <sup>th</sup> May 7pm-9pm	Call 01328 862250
Thursday			
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday			

**CAR BOOT SALE**  
**Bank Holiday Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May**  
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 Laura on 07532 690758 or email [enquiriesmh@gmail.com](mailto:enquiriesmh@gmail.com)

 HM Government

**STEP 3**

**NO EARLIER THAN 17 MAY**  
 At least 5 weeks after Step 2

 <b>BUSINESS / ACTIVITIES</b> Indoor hospitality Indoor entertainment and attractions Organised indoor sport (adult) Remaining accommodation Remaining outdoor entertainment (including performances)	 <b>SOCIAL CONTACT</b> Maximum 30 people outdoors Indoors: Up to 6 people or a larger group from 2 households only (subject to review)	 <b>LARGER EVENTS</b> Most significant life events (30 people) Indoor events 1,000 people or 50% capacity (whichever is lower) Outdoor events 4,000 people or 50% capacity (whichever is lower) Large seated outdoor venues 10,000 people or 25% capacity (whichever is lower)	 <b>TRAVEL</b> Domestic overnight stays International travel (subject to review)
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**COVID-19 ROADMAP 2021**

## Hempton Church Rooms

### Church Room Bookings

For more information or to book the Church Rooms please contact Christine on  
 01328 856147 - Hire is £5 per hour

# From the Holy Trinity Church

*Fr Andrew writes.....*

By the time you read this, Easter will be over. Or will it?

It is so easy to think of the great Christian Festivals as events which happen on a particular day, and then are over with for another year. Easter was on 4th April, well back into last month. Last year we were not allowed to celebrate it publicly – thankfully, this year we were, and what beautiful flowers we had in Holy Trinity Church to help us do so. We were glad to rejoice at Christ's Resurrection, and enjoy the feast and Holy day (and holiday)? Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

But does Easter, or indeed any festival, simply happen; can it simply be enjoyed 'On the day' only? I hope not. If so, then we surely live only for the day, and ultimately, we would lose any continuity in our lives. Life is after all, a series of events, one controlling or being controlled by another: it is not a series of completely unconnected things - or at least if it is, then it is a sad life indeed.

Easter Day in particular is the beginning of a new part of the Church's year; it is so important that its celebration continues for 50 days. It seems almost too obvious to state that it is Eastertide!

Yes, it continues until the end of its season, when we celebrate the great Feast of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost (Whitsunday), 23rd May. Don't panic - Trinity Sunday is the Sunday after Pentecost, 30th. This will be my first year in Hempton at Holy Trinity Church, and I am hopeful we might manage some special celebration: I enjoy a celebration – who doesn't?!

Celebrations cause us to remember. We like to remember. We naturally remember Prince Philip at this time, and others who have gone before us. Their lives are celebrations, too, of course. Prince Philip always remembered Christ's words, as we should, 'I will not leave you comfortless'. We remember the Risen Lord appeared to the Disciples, gave them His peace, and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit' - on the day of his resurrection. We remember how God had breathed into the first man to give him life - now He breathed into man again to give him new life.

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Then He charged them with action – to go and tell, to share with others the Good News, the Gospel, of the Risen Lord. Thus, his work was to continue, by those disciples, by others all through the ages – even down to us. It always amazes me: God's work was entrusted to man! We might have faith in Him – but what faith He has in us.

It's no wonder we need fifty days to celebrate Easter!

This year that's May – but wait, there's more, in this merry month of May.

May is also the month which the faithful have dedicated to Mary, Our Blessed Lady, Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of their homes, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration.

This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin arose at the end of the 13th century, when the Church took over various secular feasts which were wont to take place at that time. As one old madrigal puts it, 'Now is the month of maying, when merry lads are playing' – better not go there!!

The Blessed Virgin Mary was the Mother of Our Lord, is the Mother of the Church, and therefore the example, as well as the guide and inspiration, of everyone who, in and through the Church, seeks to be the servant of God and man, and the obedient agent of the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit [see above] is the soul of the Church. All the activity and service of its members, beginning with the supreme participation of the Blessed Mother in the work of the Church, is vivified by the Holy Spirit as the body, in all its activities, is vivified by its soul. The Holy Spirit is the great Comforter which Christ Himself sent to be our consolation in the sorrowful mysteries of life, our source of moderation in the joyful mysteries of life, our added principle of exaltation in the glorious mysteries of life.

So, he was for the Blessed Mother; so also, He is for the least of us; so also He is for the rest of the Church, even for those who are its unconscious but conscientious members.

'Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, the Lord hath risen indeed. Alleluia!' Happy May – one and all!

# Information

## Scarecrow Trail



Let's spread some cheer again this year!

From May 22<sup>nd</sup> – June 18<sup>th</sup> please join in a fun Scarecrow Trail around the village. Enter into the fun by either building a Scarecrow and standing it in your garden or colour one in and place in your window for everyone to see!

How many Scarecrows will you find in the village?

If there is a particular one that you like, then please send a photo to the Parish Clerk and it may be published in the next Newsletter!

There may even be a prize for the most popular one!

## Easter Trail

Thank you to all that took part in our Easter Egg Trail.

**The Winner was Alex Noakes! Congratulations!**

Congratulations to all the runners up too!

We would also like to say a huge thank you to everyone who volunteered to place an egg in their window, we couldn't have done it without you!

VE Day 8 May 2021



The 75th anniversary of V-E Day is on Saturday, May 8, 2021.  
A Tommy Statue will be installed outside the Memorial Hall in memory of all those lost during conflict. Photos to follow.

# From the Parish Council

## **Council Shed**

The roof has been re-felted and a new coat of paint will be applied within the next few months.

## **Bus Shelter**

The roof re-tiling work should be carried out within the next 3-4 weeks. Once this has been done, we will give it a 'spruce up' and locate a noticeboard in there so that residents living on the West side of the A1065 will have easier access to parish notices. We are also exploring the feasibility of having a mini library in the shelter following a suggestion by a parishioner.

## **Open Spaces**

We recently met with a member of FACT to discuss their return to activities post Covid-19 lock down. Once we have received a programme of works we will publish it...they are always looking for volunteers so please contact the Clerk or FACT directly if you are interested.

A group of volunteers recently carried out a litter pick at the Bullock Hills and did a great job, but everyone has a responsibility to keep these beautiful areas free from rubbish and dog walkers need to clear up after their pets. We are looking into the provision of litter and dog bins at the Bullock Hills and have been in communication with Fakenham Town Council and the Raynham Estate.

## **Annual Parish Meeting & Annual Meeting of the Parish Council**

Both meetings will be held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May, starting with the Annual Parish Meeting at 6.30pm. Tom Raynham (Raynham Estate), Jerome Mayhew MP, Nigel Housden (District Councillor), our County Councillor (incoming from the results of the local elections), PC Rich Dawson and Inspector Terri Cooper-Barnes from Norfolk Police (Fakenham branch) will be present. Each guest will say a few words and then take questions. Unfortunately, the Memorial Hall will not be available to the Parish Council to hold the meetings, so the venue will be a function room at the Gallow, Fakenham Sports Centre (Racecourse). There will be ample parking and space to adhere to Covid-19 practices can be observed and adhered to. We look forward to seeing you then.

Take care, Viv Woods (Chair)

# A Walk Around Hempton Quiz

NO	CLUE	ANSWER
	<b>START FROM THE PUB</b>	
1.	What kind of room do you find at the Bell?	
	<b>TURN LEFT</b>	
2.	Where would you put a baby?	
3.	What is the collection time on a Wednesday from the Post Box?	
4.	Where does a wild bird with brown feathers live?	
	<b>TURN LEFT</b>	
5.	What date is given to the Rights of Way Act?	
6.	Who is the owner of No 6 Beauty?	
	<b>TURN LEFT</b>	
7.	What does SYD stand for?	
8.	Where does the owl live?	
9.	What colour is the door of No 54?	
10.	What time does the Garden Centre close on a Sunday?	
	<b>PASS THE GARDEN CENTRE AND TURN LEFT ONTO SMALL FOOTPATH</b>	
11.	What kind of Recycling Centre is found straight ahead?	
12.	What is the number to call for a Gas Emergency?	
	<b>CROSS MAIN ROAD AT CROSSING</b>	
13.	What is the Postbox Number?	
14.	How many miles is it to Dereham?	
	<b>TURN RIGHT INTO SHEREFORD ROAD</b>	
15.	Where can you find a prickly shrub?	
16.	What is the number of the house that has been spelt backwards 'dnestihw'?	
	<b>TURN AROUND AT 25 Shereford Road</b>	
17.	The Price of Wales also lives here?	
18.	How many gnomes are sitting in the window?	
19.	What is the number of the road to Swaffham?	
	<b>TURN RIGHT AT MAIN ROAD</b>	
20.	The President of United States also lives here?	
21.	What happens at the Dog House?	
22.	What date is found in the wall?	
23.	What is the name of the house with an anagram of 'Dover'?	
24.	What colour is the close?	
25.	If you add the two identical numbers together, found either side of a door on a bungalow, what would the total be?	
	<b>CROSS MAIN ROAD TO RESTRICTED BRIDLEWAY AND BEAR RIGHT</b>	
26.	What is the colour of the bin at the end?	
	<b>CROSS MAIN ROAD ONTO PAVED FOOTPATH AND TURN LEFT</b>	
27.	How many wheels are on the two signs?	
28.	What does the 'High Risk Accident Site' sign tell you to do?	
29.	What road takes you to Brisley?	
	<b>CONTINUE STRAIGHT ACROSS ROAD AT JUNCTION</b>	
30.	What can you buy at Colkirk?	



# A Walk Around Hempton Quiz

NO	CLUE	ANSWER
	<b>CONTINUE AND TURN LEFT THROUGH 6'6"</b>	
31.	How many animals are on the village sign?	
	<b>TURN LEFT ONTO PUBLIC BRIDLEWAY</b>	
32.	What is the number of the cottage where you can find Harmony?	
33.	Who are the Church Wardens?	
34.	What was opened in April 2016?	
35.	What nut can be found on the Green Sign at the Play Area?	
	<b>TAKE FOOTPATH IN FRONT OF HORNS ROW</b>	
36.	At what number can you find ivy?	
	<b>TURN RIGHT ONTO FOOTPATH TOWARDS GARDEN CENTRE</b>	
37.	Who Welcomes You?	
	<b>TURN RIGHT</b>	
38.	Where can you get Expert Advice? (P and A)	
39.	How many posts are marked red opposite Garden Centre?	
40.	Where does Jason live?	

(Please use a separate sheet of paper if necessary, but remember to number the clues and include your contact details.

## Good Luck!

**Prize: £5.00 Garden Centre Voucher**

Completed entry forms should be posted in the Parish Council post box located on the front wall of the Memorial Hall by the closing date of 18th June 2021.

Name ..... Tel No. ....

Address .....

Email Address .....

The winner will be drawn at random from all correct entries received and details will be published in the July Newsletter. By submitting a completed quiz sheet all entries will, by default, be giving us permission to contact them and publish their name should they win.



# May Quiz

All the answers are either associated with the month of May or have the letters 'May' in the answer.

1. What is the birthstone for May?
2. What is the birth flower for May?
3. A tv series set in the 1990s telling the story of the Larkins?
4. If you were born towards the end of May, what is your star sign?
5. A strong feeling of fear or sadness caused by something unpleasant and unexpected?
6. Aquatic insects?
7. Member of the British Royal Family?
8. A thick dressing made of beaten raw egg yolk, oil and vinegar?
9. Song by Rod Stewart?
10. British former Prime Minister?
11. A pole decorated with streamers that those celebrating May Day hold while dancing?
12. This American Actor was born on 31 May 1930?
13. A song by the Bee Gees, released in 1960s?
14. An area in the West End of London towards Hyde Park?
15. An English former professional footballer born on 2 May 1975?
16. The head of government of a city or town?
17. How many days are in the month of May?
18. The name of an English Ship?
19. A range of makeup and cosmetics?
20. Perhaps, possibly?



Easter Quiz Answers  
Chile, Ostrich, Easter Parade, The Easter Bunny, Beatrix Potter, Beans, United Kingdom, Peter Carl Fabergé, Palm Sunday, Simnel, Bambi, 1875, Easter Bonnet, White Lily, Osterhase, New York, Cadbury Crème Egg, Lion, Lamb, Lent, Hot Cross Bun, Argentina, Rugby, Hop

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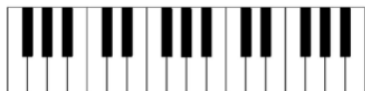
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## Out and About

Following the further easing of Lockdown  
restrictions on 12<sup>th</sup> April, it has been good to  
see that The Bell have reopened for  
business...outdoors only for now. There is a  
marquee up outside ready and waiting for  
people to enjoy a pint or two in a Covid19  
safe environment.





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