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BLOOMING GREAT

I am sure that most of you have noticed the way in which our village has been looking in recent months. The Yorkshire in Bloom judges have now carried out their spring and summer judging, and we eagerly await the 5th September when the results are announced. The new judging system introduced this year will see awards made in a similar way to those used at RHS shows (Chelsea etc.,). The Nafferton in Bloom committee, as well as many of you, will be hoping that Nafferton is among the medal winners!

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR THE OFFICIAL RESULTS.

I would, on behalf of the committee, like to thank you all for keeping our village in such blooming great condition. This leads me on to the maintenance of our present displays/borders/planters etc. and new projects, all of which are carried out by the small NIB committee. Although this can be time consuming, it is also very rewarding watching the fruits of our labour enjoyed, not only by the residents of Nafferton, but our many visitors. We continue to seek out new members, particularly those under 60!! So come on, the more helpers the better.

Thank you. Richard Boddy. NIB committee

Footnote:

With reference to the article on page 15 of the Driffield Times Wednesday, July 12th regarding the state of the Nafferton Churchyard, the NIB committee would like to state that they were not officially contacted by Mr Crabtree, and that the Committee do not have a responsibility for the Churchyard. The NIB committee do, in fact, take care of the Church grassed banks.

The 67th Nafferton Open Show

The sun shone very brightly on the 67th Nafferton Open Show on Saturday, 15 July. In most respects, this was a very favourable omen: increased profits, better attendance and the same high quality entries as last year.

One possible downside of the long, hot July weather may have been heat problems which didn't altogether help gardeners and may have affected entries in the flowers, fruits and vegetables categories. Who knows? We can't win them all, as they say!

So, from the Village Hall Committee, many thanks to those villagers who turned out to support the Show and for their excellent entries, to the President and Opener, Mr & Mrs David Johnson, to John Ullyott for his good-humoured auctioning skills and to the

judges for their hard and often difficult job. All of these factors contributed toward a very successful Show, which made a profit of £560 to boost village Hall funds.'

Library Shuttle Service

The new, bigger library bus that now comes into the village, with its more extensive service, cannot stop at as many places as the old bus. As a result, some people may be finding it difficult to access the library in Westgate. NMC is planning, therefore, to make the community minibus available to help people access this service.

Nafferton Millennium Committee and the Library Service have agreed to run a shuttle service within the village for a trial period this autumn. On Monday afternoons between 2pm and 3pm the minibus will be available to take people to and from Westgate in order that they can visit the library bus.

This will have to operate on a dial-a-ride basis. In other words, anyone wanting a lift on the minibus will have to phone and book a place. Calls can be made anytime up to 12noon on Monday and anyone interested should dial 0774 344 3029 and talk to Tim, the minibus co-ordinator. He will want to know where you would like to be picked up and dropped off, and he should be able to give you an approximate pick up time.

The service will start on Monday 4th September. The trial period will run up to Christmas so that we can see what demand there is. It may be that a weekly service is not necessary, fortnightly or even monthly might be enough. We will want your feedback.

There is no charge for the service, but any donation into the collection box would be welcome. Call Tim on 0774 344 3029 to book your place!

Nafferton Open Gardens 2006

£1,750 was raised at the recent Open Gardens, in aid of All Saint's Church. The display in the church, commemorating the life of the Rev. Davidson, was another attraction along with the cookery book, which is still available from the village shops. The day ended with Songs of Praise in church, where new hymn books were dedicated to the memory of the late Michael Merritt. Musical copies of the hymn book were presented to Derrick Clarke

and Gerald Winn. Derrick, on retiring as Churchwarden and secretary, and Gerald on completing 19 years as Churchwarden.

Also a new chancel carpet was dedicated to the memory of Jose Winn.

Services at All Saints', Nafferton & St Mary's, Wansford

Priest-in-charge

Reverend P. Jean Artley [01377 254372]

Each Sunday there is a Holy Communion Service – 8.00am at All Saints' and 9.00 am at St. Mary's.

PLEASE NOTE the service **on 20th August at St. Mary's at 9.00am will be a Family Communion** – please encourage those from our parishes to bring children to this service. In addition the following services are held at All Saints' at 10.30am.

Sunday, 6th August – Family Service

Sunday, 13th August - Holy Communion in contemporary language

Sunday 20th August – Morning Prayer

Sunday 27th August - Holy Communion in contemporary language

Sunday 3rd September – Family Communion

Sunday 10th September - Holy Communion

Sunday 17th September – Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th September - Holy Communion

YOU WILL BE MADE VERY WELCOME AT ANY OF THESE SERVICES.

Dear Friends.

The last few weeks have been very busy ones for many people in our villages. We had the Midsummer Fair in the Vicarage garden, kindly opened by Mike Goy, Head teacher of Nafferton Primary School. The school Steel Band entertained us royally and gave us a real flavour of the Caribbean! Then it was Open Gardens and the Davidson Exhibition in church, along with the launch of the revised Guidebook and the Davidson Cookbook. We ended the day with Songs of Praise in church.

A major highlight was the Deanery Confirmation Service on 18th June led by Bishop Richard of Hull and held at All Saints', Nafferton. Two people from Driffield were confirmed, plus six members of All Saints' and St. Mary's. A very special occasion! We have much to celebrate and to thank God for. Thank you too to everyone who worked so hard to give us pleasure.

I must say a word about the grass in the All Saint's churchyards. We are aware of the upset caused. We share your concern and we have sought an answer to the problem, so far, in vain. The issue is a financial one. The weekly expenditure of the church is currently twice that of regular Sunday collections. We rely on events to pay the remainder in order to keep the church open for worship. Quite simply, we do not have the money to pay for the grass-cutting. Many people have been cutting the grass around family graves, and we are grateful for this. We will continue to seek an answer to the problem and would welcome any suggestions. Please contact Stephen Burdass, Michael Anderson if you can help. There must be a solution and we will seek until we find it. **Kindest regards, Jean.**

Thanks from Nafferton School

A very big THANK YOU to everyone who supported both our 'blue bag' collection, and the School Summer Fair. Both events were a big success and contributed a total of £1,500 towards our Adventure Trail.

You will be receiving another blue bag on your doormat in November, so until then, please don't throw away any clothing, bedding, curtains, towels, shoes and handbags, even suitcases if they've collapsed after the holiday overload!

Footpath Issues

The footpath bordering the northern boundary of the former Smiths Flour Mills has been the subject of some discussion in this newsletter in previous editions. The Parish Council has received a letter from Elaine Stephenson, Highway Control Officer at the East Riding of Yorkshire Council in which she states: "I can confirm that I have checked the status of this footpath with the Countryside Access Team. They have informed me that, according to their records, this footpath is not a definitive public right of way. The developer is therefore not obliged to reinstate it"

However, there is some compensation, the proposed development on the Feoffee and Diocese land, also on Station Road, is to have a footpath from Westend Falls to Station Road, constructed as part of the development.

Attention all cyclists

Everyone should know by now that the footpath along the road to Driffield has been designated as a combined pedestrian and cycle track. The Parish Council wishes to remind all cyclists that this is the **only** footpath in the village which they can ride along. There may be some confusion as there are individuals riding their bicycles along the pavements in the village. This is potentially dangerous, especially as we have so many houses with front doors opening directly on to the pavement. A resident, who narrowly missed being knocked over, has informed us of this problem.

Riding on the pavement is a criminal offence and should be reported to the police.	

Thursday 17th August.

Some dates for your Diary

There will be a **Teddy Bears' Picnic** for Nafferton & Wansford in the vicarage garden from **11.30 – 2.00pm**. Please bring a packed lunch, a seat or rug to sit on and, of course, a teddy. People of all ages, and teddies are welcome. There will be games and teddy competitions. **Entrance is FREE as long as you bring a teddy.**

Friday 29th September.

At Westwood House, 16 North Street, Nafferton. Mrs Diana Pick will be hosting a **Coffee Morning** in aid of Macmillan Cancer Relief. **Beginning at 10.30am**, there will be stalls selling cakes etc.

Admission £1.00

This issue was edited by Sheila Stone with thanks to the many contributors, without whom, there would *be* no Newsletter. Items for the October issue should be sent to Geoff Hall, 41 Nethergate, tel. 272617. **By September 15**th. **PLEASE.**