

R.O.F. Ranskill—Part 3

Road access to Ranskill Station and the R.O.F. site was vital. As Danes Hill Farm was central, Bridge Road (*beach tree avenue past the travellers site*) was extended to join Common Lane at Ranskill and to the station. Owing to heavy main line traffic over the level crossing, further land adjoining the Ranskill sidings was taken. This gave direct access connection from the main line north bound at Ranskill and south bound at Torworth into the eight goods and two passenger sidings and into the factory. (*train sidings were adjacent to the old landfill site*).

Once the plant had been constructed, it was capable of producing 300 tons a week of soventless cordite of different diameters to suit the many types of military weapons in use.

The factory comprised of six main areas. To the north were administration, workshops, acid production and rail sidings. To the south were cordite, magazines, rolling sheds, main canteen, laundry, surgery and passenger platform.



The process was continuous with three shifts, seven days a week and required a workforce of around 4000, the majority being women. Two trains per shift transported workers to and from nearby towns and buses from local villages. *Workforce memories of Ranskill R.O.F.*

Diary Dates

* **Lound Oil Syndicate:**

5th March last order date.

* **Lound Lingerers:**

20th March—Retford Golf Club.

* **Village Plant Sale:**

20th and 21st March 10am to 4pm at Cherry Tree Farm.

* **Defibrillator AGM:**

Sunday 19th April in the Village Hall at 12 noon.

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Lound Oil Syndicate



It's that time of year again when we need more heating fuel. We intend to place an order for Lound home oil deliveries during week commencing **9th March**.

We therefore need your requirements for oil by **Thursday 5th March** at the very latest, so that we can obtain quotations from potential oil suppliers.

To place an order (min. 500L) or for any questions about the process, please e-mail us at:

loundoilsyndicate@gmail.com

or telephone Rod Austin on:

Tel: 01777 818089

We look forward to hearing from you all, both existing and new oil purchasers.

Bone Cancer Stamp Appeal

By collecting postage stamps from your letters or parcels the cancer appeal can fund research into bone cancer.

One kilo of stamps can fund one hour of essential research.

Will you please help by collecting stamps and dropping

them into my letter box at number 50, Town Street and I will pass them on.



Remember.....every stamp collected helps bone cancer research.

Thank you:-

Maureen Holgate

‘Four Score Draw’



February £20 Winners

- 141 Matt Morley
109 Adrian & Jane Jackson
10 Sheila Deere
48 John Schuller

Premium Prize Winner

£50 Chris Chambers

Parish Council

Planning Issues: Application

20/00152/HSE - Erect Two Storey Side and Rear Extension with New Side Porch.
43 Town Street Lound Retford Nottinghamshire

St. Bartholomew's Church



Church Services March

- 1st Songs of Praise 9.15am
8th Holy Communion 9.15am
15th Family Service 9.15am
22nd Mothering Sunday 9.15am
29th Benefice Service at Babworth 11.00am

Village Hall Hire—2020

To hire your Village Hall and one of the frame marquees remain very competitive.

Village Hall Hire Rates:

Regular.....	£6.25/hr.
Occasional.....	£7.25/hr.
Outside Village.....	£9.25/hr.
Children's Party.....	£45.00
Adult's Party	£75.00



Marquee Hire Rates:

6m x 6m	£200.00*
12m x 6m	£300.00*
18m x 6m	£400.00*

*Lound residents only and with the marquee sited within the village, the above charges are reduced by £50.00

A recently purchased frame Gazebo 3m x 6m is also available for hire at £60.00

Tables and chairs are available with or without marquee hire.

Note: A deposit will be required for marquee hire.

Transport costs may apply for marquee hire outside the village.

Lound Lingerers

Our March walk is on **Friday 20th** and will begin and end at Retford Golf Club which is set in beautiful surroundings, including woodland and open fields.

It should take about an hour.

As usual, we meet at Willow Cottage, 65 Town Street at 10.45am. Please let Gee know on Tel: 818792 if you would like to come by **Wednesday 18th** so that we can tell the Chef at the Golf Club in good time how many of us would like lunch.

He has promised us chips but he needs notice of what he can put with them!

Do join us - everyone welcome!

Village Plant Sale

Sally Bujko and Sarah Austin have joined forces to create Cottage Garden Plants.

Over the last 6 months they have been growing plants sourced from private gardens throughout the UK and are now happy to announce their first plant sale.

This will be held on **20th and 21st March**, 10am to 4pm at Cherry Tree Farm, 10, Town Street, Lound.
Hope to see you there...

Lound Phoenix Group



Julie, collector of Steiff bears, shared her knowledge of the history and development of such valuable teddies.

All present were allowed to handle the bears noting their distinctive ear tags, prominent noses and humped backs. Such toys can be worth thousands of pounds to collectors and occasionally are found in forgotten corners of an attic at home. It may be worth checking!

The next meeting is at 7.30pm on Tuesday 17th March when Candice Lucas will be sharing her expertise of **‘Herbs for health and well-being’**.

A herb is any plant with leaves, seeds, or flowers used for flavouring, food, perfume or medicine.



All are welcome to enjoy refreshments and a get together.