

Reading Room—Part 1

The Reading Room is the building in the corner of Lound Nursing Home garden on Town Street. It is thought to be one of the oldest buildings in Lound dating back to 1816 when it was built as a non-conformist independent chapel.

The building has been used for many different functions in the past. At present it is the home for the Village Archive, also for storing the Marquee and party tent for hiring out, along with other equipment used for events organised by the Village Hall Committee. Before its present use it was the Village Hall even though it is really tiny, village social events took place there including the Village Dance. There is still the open fire in place but no chimney remaining. The Reading Room name probably came from this period when villagers came to read a shared newspaper and catch up with the local gossip.

Earlier, when it had been a Chapel is probably when the wooden panelling around the lower half of the inside walls was installed. But the mystery is, was it used for another purpose after it was a chapel as a door was bricked up on the Town Street side before the interior was panelled out!

Brian Horne

100 Years Ago...



On a beautiful summer's day, Sunday 14th August 1921, a large group of people gathered to witness the Honourable Mrs Huntsman of Lound Hall unveil our newly erected War Memorial.

The obelisk of grey Scottish granite, dedicated to the men from Lound who were killed in the Great War, was draped with the Union Flag for the ceremony. As the names on the memorial tell us, of its 342 inhabitants at the time Lound sent 51 of its sons to fight in that war to end all wars and only 46 of them returned.

The memorial was erected using donations from parishioners and stands on a piece of land given to the village by the Duke of Portland. Mrs Huntsman said "*Lest we forget, let us see that we keep this memorial in perfect order and honour for all time*". Today, we are grateful that this duty continues to be lovingly discharged by Dave White.

Details of the event are in cuttings from the Retford Times, which can be seen in the village archive.

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War Memorial 100 Years Old—P4

30th August - Bicycle Treasure Hunt

Lound Summer Freedom Fest >>>7th August 2021

★ **Playing Field >4.00pm** ★

BBQ's to cook your own food from 4.30pm

> The Bluebell Bar <

Live Music from 5.00pm (timings approximate):

***Easyrider* > 5.00pm**

***THE ZEROES* > 6.00pm**

***Bright Lights* > 7.15pm**

A **free** relaxed family friendly village event...

Please note the change to the live music line up from the flier. We now have a mix of jazz, new wave/punk and disco/funk. The music line up and timings may vary subject to any covid or isolating problems in the bands. However, we aim to have an enjoyable and safe event for you in these challenging times.

Village Green



I would like to thank the villagers for the positive compliments on the progress of the garden so far. The new planting has come on well with the weather helping enormously. Many wild flowers have been allowed to flower before being cut back allowing pollinators to do their work. Brambles, nettles and goose grass are a menace, we could do without, but we will reduce the problem. The geraniums have taken over a bit this year in some beds but they are colourful and they do shade out unwanted weeds.

We will need to rethink one flower bed as the tree covering the bed is just too much of a canopy leaving little sun light and water for most smaller plants. Grass may be the answer!

We do not use any chemicals on the site. The fertility is from horse manure and our own composted materials. The unwanted weeds are removed by hand and mechanical means. The planting is being done to keep down maintenance as much as possible, but this all takes time.

If you would like to become involved we meet at the garden on the last Sunday in the month at 10.00am. Please come along.
Brian Horne

Bicycle Treasure Hunt

This is a family friendly event but is open to anyone, and will take place on **Monday 30th August (Bank Holiday)** starting at 2.00pm from the Bluebell Inn car park.



There are two routes, a longer and a shorter one to suit all ages.

The short route could be walked by non-cyclists.

Participants will be sent off at five minute intervals to minimise espionage and times will be recorded.

Note: The pub will be open from 2.00pm.

There will be PRIZES!

Lound Lingerers

Do join us for a walk of about one and a half hours on **Friday 13th August** followed by lunch under cover at the Angel Inn, Blyth.

Please could you let Gee know on Tel: 818792 if you would like to come by **Tuesday August 10th** latest.

We will meet at Willow Cottage, 65 Town Street at 10.45am.

St. Bartholomew's Church



Church Services -August-

1st Family Service.9.30 am
8th..... Worship for all 9.30 am
15th... Holy Communion 9.30 am
22nd.. Songs of Praise 9.30 am
29th... No service at our church.
Benefice Service at Scofton (this is also awaiting confirmation)

Parish Council

Road Side Hedges: Now that baby birds have fledged it is time to trim your overhanging roadside garden hedge. If overhanging the footpath it may prevent walkers from passing without diverting into the road.



July PC Meeting: Due to local Covid alerts the Parish Council meeting has been postponed until **Tuesday 10th August**.

Bluebell Reopening Sunday 1st August

The Bluebell Inn would like to thank all of our customers for your support and understanding. We hope to be open on **Sunday 1st August**. We are honoured to be part of Freedom Fest on Saturday 7th and will be providing a full cash bar. We will not be serving food at the Bluebell on that day. Looking forward to seeing you at the Freedom Fest (and at the Bluebell of course.)

Phoenix Group



The first meeting will be on **Tuesday 21st September** at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. Simon Hopkinson will share his enthusiasm for metal detecting with us and show everyone some of the interesting items he has discovered.

Phoenix is a monthly meeting for all local ladies. There is no membership, just come along if the topic appeals to you, enjoy the company, share a drink and biscuit and relax. There is an entrance fee of £3 to cover room hire and speakers' expenses.

Four Score Draw

Four Score Draw £20 prize winners for July 2021

111 Jane Noble
141 Mat Morley
57 Sarah Alexander
129 John Leake
The £50 premium prize is rolled over to August!