

# GAYTON NEWS

## SEPTEMBER 2016



## Gayton Churchyard Tidy-Up

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2016 saw about 20 volunteers from Gayton and beyond turn out to help give our churchyard a bit of a tidy up. At least that was the intention - what happened in reality was significantly different. The pictures show just what can happen when a band of willing volunteers are fed with tea and cake and let loose with assorted machinery and safety gear!

The walls of the churchyard have been thickly covered with ivy for more years than anyone present could remember. Three hours of sawing, cutting, heaving and scraping revealed a beautiful ironstone wall most of which is intact and showing few signs of damage. After a little pointing and stone infill the wall be as good as the day it was built.

Grassed areas in the 'new churchyard' has been mown, sunken graves filled and reseeded and some neglected graves given a bit of tidy. There is still much to do but the area is looking much improved. Suckers have been removed from some of the lime trees and a number of 'rogue' shrubs taken from between some of the gravestones in the 'old' churchyard.



I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank those who gave up their Saturday morning, from the machine wielding artisans to the makers and servers of tea and cake. For fear of missing someone out I will not attempt to name all of them here. However I would like to give special thanks to Ian Cochram for the loan of his flatbed truck and to David Crossley for driving it and recycling the huge amount of ivy, branches of trees and assorted clippings that were generated on the day. Also thank you in advance to Martin Church who has offered to repoint the wall and kill off the remaining ivy free of charge.



Another tidy up morning will be planned for the autumn. If you would like to come along please keep a look out for the publicity and get in touch. Many hands certainly do make light work - and the cake is pretty good too!

David Coppock. Church Warden  
859645.



# **80'S HALLOWEEN DISCO**

**ON 29TH OCTOBER 2016  
AT GAYTON VILLAGE HALL  
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AND RAFFLE**

**CONTACT MARTIN CHURCH**

**01604 859237**

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# Gayton



# Supper &



Gayton Village Hall

Saturday 1st October at 7pm

Tickets £10.00

Once again Hilary Aslett will be our Quizmaster and supper will be served during the evening.

Your ticket includes a chilli supper and a vegetarian option, puddings and the bar will be open.

Please email Alison Foster at [ali.foster2000@googlemail.com](mailto:ali.foster2000@googlemail.com), or contact Alison on 01604 858884 to buy your tickets.

Please book as space is limited.

*Offers to make puddings and/or chilli would be much appreciated! Raffle prizes also welcome! Please let Alison know if you are able to help. Many thanks.*

All proceeds to St Mary's Church, Gayton

# ELVIS IS COMING

(‘aka’ Andy Kelso)



To ‘PATTISHALL VILLAGE HALL’

On SATURDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2016  
at 7pm

Please support our daughter, Camila's Charity Expedition, Skiing to the North Pole in aid of



**TICKETS £12 including a drink and mince pie**

**Contact Robin & Barbara Kelso for tickets and more information on 01604 857585**

Paddington Bear says ‘Ski for tiny lives’

Thank you to those who supported our Coffee Morning on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August. We raised £800 to support our daughter, Camila's, Charity Challenge skiing to the North Pole in April 2017.



Robin & Barbara Kelso

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# Gayton Open Gardens 2016



The weather was perfect and all the hard work paid off.

The afternoon raised £1,107.08 for Gayton Church.

A very big thank you to all who got involved in this fund raising event. Gardeners, tea makers, cake bakers, organisers of stalls, the art exhibition, and the teddies! Your support was very much appreciated.

Joy Ayre and Carol Coppock

## GAYTON EVERGREEN CLUB

At the beginning of June we held a social afternoon with a Quiz and Cream Tea. Len Schofield kindly set the quiz based on 'herbs, fruit and veg and some of their variety names'. As usual it was a very good quiz, challenging without being off putting and members enjoyed giving their brains a work out. The cream tea with homemade scones revived those who were flagging!

At the end of the month we had a summer outing to Brixworth Country Park for morning coffee and then on to the Brampton Halt (between Pitsford and Chapel Brampton) for lunch. Unfortunately the weather had forgotten it was summer! Had it been more seasonable we would have enjoyed sitting outside for our coffee with views across the reservoir and then lunch overlooking the lake and countryside at the pub. However, everyone agreed that despite the awful weather it was a very enjoyable day.

Our traditional Strawberry Tea was held at the beginning of July. This was a very well attended meeting. Members enjoyed a 'flutter' on the tombola before sitting down to a traditional afternoon tea with sandwiches, strawberries and cream and cake.

The annual fund raising coffee morning was held in August. Again, this was a successful event, which was well attended by residents of Gayton and those who live further afield. There were plenty of opportunities for retail therapy at the bring and buy, and homemade cake stalls. Members generously supported the tombola and the raffle. In total the morning raised £289.61 for club funds. This money along with a generous donation from the Gayton Alms Charity is used to fund our events during the year, particularly the Christmas Lunch.

The committee and members continue to be very grateful for the help they receive from Anna Fox, Penny Taylor, Viv Watterson and David Coppock at our meetings.

We have a full and varied programme of activities planned for the rest of 2016, details of which can be found on the Gayton website. Our events for the next few months are:

Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Oakhouse Foods demonstration, talk and tastings
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Outing to Beckworth Emporium
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Bingo
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Talk by Kevin Varty, 'Sweet Memories - but don't get me started on the Waggon Wheels'
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Autumn outing to Northampton Garden Centre at Wootton
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Entertainment afternoon with the 'Rich Tones'
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas lunch

Non-members are most welcome to any of the above events for a small charge.

The Christmas lunch is strictly members only.

The members were very sad to learn of the death of Craig Sarson our Fish and Chip man. Craig and his wife provided our lunches twice a year for well over 10 years. They produced what we considered were the best Fish and Chips in the County. Condolences were sent, on behalf of the members, to Craig's family. He will be missed by all.

Gayton Evergreen Club warmly welcomes new members, who are 55 and over. Please contact Carol Coppock (859645), Jan Leeding (859275), Manja Ronne (859253), or Naomi Sheehan (859814).

## **GAYTON 'LITTER PICK'**

Sunday 30th October

Meet at Linthorpe House, Back Lane from 10am onwards.

Picking tools, sacks and hi-viz tabards are provided. Gloves are available but it is preferable for you to use your own if possible.



Tea or coffee will be awaiting you on your return.

To assist with organisation please let me know if you are coming.

Joan Wood

01604 858800 email: joanwood8@btinternet.com

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## **GAYTON WALKERS**

We continue to meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month outside Fiveways in the village. Sadly numbers have been depleted over the past few months. We are always looking for new people to join us. Walks don't last more than 2 hours, it's a great chance to catch up with friends and to meet new people, and we usually retire to a local pub for refreshments. Why not get your walking boots or wellies on and come and join us.

If you would like more details please contact me, Robin Kelso, on 01604 857585.



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# Gayton Primary School

We would like to welcome our new reception, Year 1, 2 and Year 3 pupils along with parents that have joined us here at Gayton Primary School.

The summer has flown by and we hope all the children are ready and refreshed for a busy and exciting school year ahead.

Our topic over the next few weeks 'Let's Discover' will include looking at fossils and water cycles and I am sure the children will find this a fun and very interesting topic.



We wish good luck to our year six pupils that left us in July and hope they have fun moving onto their new schools. They celebrated their time at Gayton by putting on a fantastic leavers show for all our pupils and parents. They then had their leaving prom with all the other year six pupils across the Federation on their last week, they all looked lovely for the occasion and enjoyed dancing, 'mocktails' and the photo booth on the evening.

We are always very grateful to parent helpers coming into school and helping in the school. If you would like to come in and help please do get in touch with the school office.

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Warwickshire and Northamptonshire Air Ambulance is an air ambulance service providing a Helicopter Emergency Medical Service to the counties of Warwickshire, Northamptonshire and the Milton Keynes area. We do not receive any government funding, and rely entirely on donations made by the general public. Our helicopters are literally lifted in the air by the kindness of people like you. Thank you.

Rachel Billing has a 'Clothing Bank' located on her driveway into her home on Wrights Lane, Gayton.

Your unwanted clothes, bags and shoes will help keep the Air Ambulance flying. Please drop off any unwanted items to the clothing bank.

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## Gayton Parish Council

**Viv Hartley.** I've lived in Gayton most of my life and clerked for the Parish Council since 1991. I have four children who all attended Campion, you'll often see me round the village with dogs or bicycles. Tea is my favourite tipple!



**Karen Cooper.** I have lived in the village with my husband Alex and our son Max, for 22 years. I am your Chairman to Gayton Parish Council and Joint District Councillor with Cllr Ann Addison, for the Harpole & Grange Ward. I am newly appointed to the Cabinet at SNC, my Portfolio is Community Engagement & Wellbeing.



**Rod Poxon.** I moved to Gayton in 1983, joined the Parish Council in 1998 and became Chairman. I was heavily involved with the Millennium fund raising events & activities in the village, and had close involvement with the "Glimpses" books on Gayton, the Church Guide & DVD. I am the PC's internal auditor and Vice Chairman.



**Rachel Billing.** I have lived in Gayton all my life. I take a keen interest in village life running our farm and riding stables. I have been a Parish Councillor for ten years.



**Julie Wood.** I live at 4 Brittain Cottages with my husband Peter, our two dogs Oliver and Bella and our six rescued battery hens. We have lived in the village for seven years. I became a Gayton Parish Councillor in June last year. I am Chair of the NHW and am part of the Gayton Communications Group. I volunteer for TADD, Towcester & District Door to Door, taking people without transport to their doctors and hospital appointments.



**Carl Hamilton.** I spent my formative years in the Orkney Islands. I put my roots down in Gayton 2001. I live in Bugbrooke Road with my artist wife Judy and our Cairn Terrier, Bertie. My interests are game fishing and growing vegetables on our allotment in Cub Close. I joined the PC to get more involved in the community.



**Sam Fitzgerald.** I have been a Parish Councillor since September 2015. I have lived in Gayton for the past seventeen years. I live with my husband Shay and have two children, two dogs, a cat and three guinea pigs! I am a Mental Health Social Worker by profession.



**James Foster.** I live in Deans Row with my wife and two daughters who attend the village school. I lived in Gayton until I was ten years old where I also attended the village school. When my wife and I decided to look for our first home together I wanted to come back to Gayton. We bought our current home at the beginning of 2003. My hobbies are classic cars, golfing and fishing. I am a Mechanical Engineer by trade, working for a couple of local companies in Northampton. I wanted to join the Parish Council to help maintain and try to improve our lovely village in some small way.



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## Ladies Dance Fitness

The ladies' dance fitness class had such an amazing response I have made arrangements to hire the hall on a regular basis.

The classes are 'pay as you go' at £4 for 1 hour.

Please bring a drink, towel or gym mat. All ages and abilities welcome.

Please call Katie on 07732387716 for more information.

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## Allotment News

September is a fantastic month for the allotment holder. The summer crops of beans, cabbage, fennel and carrots (not to mention peppers, chillies and cucumbers if you have a greenhouse) are still prolific and autumn crops are coming on stream - a time of plenty. If we were in Cornwall, this would also be a great time for surfing, warm sea and raising swells providing perfect conditions. However, Gayton is not famed for its beaches so we have more time to spend on the allotment harvesting the fruits of our labours. What luck!



Not to worry though, we can still enjoy the late summer sun, maybe light a BBQ (wearing Speedos may help you visualise the surf) and even do a bit of gardening. The winter squashes and brassicas are fast reaching maturity adding to the bounty of summer crops. Lovely salad potatoes are waiting to be dug to go with the last of our summer lettuces and tomatoes. Let's make the most of them though because it will soon be back to the less tasty supermarket salad if we choose to shun seasonal eating. This really is the month of variety on the veg plot.

Not everything is perfect though. The courgettes that we longed for throughout the long winter months have turned into a green and yellow nightmare. Surely, even the biggest courgette fan must get fed up of the ability of a few plants to produce vast quantities of these subtle flavoured (some would say bland) vegetables. We've eaten them raw, grilled and fried. We've made them into fritters and bhajis and still had plenty left to make gallons of courgette soup to freeze for the winter. Will I grow more next year? Of course I will!

As the air cools it will encourage us to get stuck in to the tasks required to prepare for the winter break. Digging, muck spreading and covering areas in weed suppressing material so that crops can be planted next year in weed free soil that does not need to be dug. This is a growing trend in modern horticulture, disturb the soil as little as possible, maybe only needing to dig when potatoes are planted. It certainly gets my vote, less digging can't be bad.

On a practical front, three quarters of the drive has been resurfaced and the road outside the gate restructured to prevent water damage in the future. The next projects (which we can do thanks to the grant we received from South Northants Council in the New Year) will entail construction of our communal shed and completion of the driveway and car park. As everything is done on a purely voluntary basis progress can be slow, but it is always steady!

Our annual BBQ went well as always. It was a rather blustery day which made life difficult for the cook but everyone had a good time and people brought along some fabulous greedy puds, all of which were served in our posh new gazebo - once again purchased from our grant money. We also participated in the open garden event for the first time this year and had a lot of people visit. It is a great way to spread the word about the pleasures of veg growing and those of us that were involved met a lot of interesting and agreeable people. We also had a teddy bear hidden in plain sight for those children and adults involved in teddy hunting.

As always I'll end with a request for new recruits. We will always do our utmost to find a plot that is just right for you. If you are interested please contact Rose Metcalf on 07907 702969 or email her at [treasurergaytonallotments@btinternet.com](mailto:treasurergaytonallotments@btinternet.com)

Best wishes Carl 🍊

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### **Gayton Petition - Against the Proposed Strategic Rail Freight Interchange**

Thank you to the many people who signed the petition in response to the information letter delivered round the village last month. The paper versions have been forwarded to the Secretary of State for Transport, Rt. Hon. Christopher Grayling, MP House of Commons, SW1A 0AA. Ashfield Land has finally published their updated plans and visualisations for community consultation on the proposed Rail Freight Interchange Development between Blisworth and Milton Malsor.

**Stop Rail Central's response to the updated plan** - Stop Rail Central is appalled by the ludicrously small scale of the representation of the landscape and the impact of the development. In our view, the pictures completely fail to give a proper perspective to cranes and warehouses which will be thirty metres tall and we have written accordingly to Ashfield Land.

For further information

[http://railcentral.com/site/assets/files/1087/1754\\_r\\_central\\_updated\\_plans\\_visuals\\_v15.pdf](http://railcentral.com/site/assets/files/1087/1754_r_central_updated_plans_visuals_v15.pdf) or you can go to [www.railcentral.com](http://www.railcentral.com) and look at the section called Project Library, scroll to the bottom to the document called "updated plans and visualisations for community consultation (High Res)".

### **Done Deal? - I think Not - From Phillip Hayward, Stop Rail Central Admin Team**

For those of you that might still be thinking that Rail Central is a 'done deal' and will go ahead no matter what we do, I would draw your attention to a recent decision on a Scottish SRFI.

In August 2016 the Scottish Courts upheld a decision to refuse planning permission for the development of a Strategic Rail Freight Interchange in Mosshead Glasgow. The reasons for refusal are reasons that could equally apply to the Rail Central proposal. It is clear that a parallel can be drawn with Rail Central's proximity to DIRFT when they mention 'eclipsing existing and proposed alternative sites' (not to mention other potential RFI developments). Similar parallels can also be drawn re the conflict with the local plan, loss of green space and the adverse impacts on nearby housing.

A full account of the decision can be viewed at: <http://www.theplanner.co.uk/news/judges-quash-scottish-government-decision-on-freight-terminal>

To add your own thoughts to Ashfield Land regarding the Rail Central Freight Inter- Link and the impact on a far wider area than is envisaged in their plans then all correspondence should reach the developer, Ashfield Land by 30<sup>th</sup> September which is when the first phase of the consultation ends. e-mail: [railcentral@camargue.uk](mailto:railcentral@camargue.uk) Post: Freepost Rail Central.

Stop Rail Central Admin Team would appreciate copies of any comments you send to Ashfield Land which will be reflected in the SRC final submission to the Inspectorate later in the process. SRC contact: Phillip Hayward e-mail: [pkhayward@aol.com](mailto:pkhayward@aol.com) It is also helpful to send copies to: Christopher Heaton Harris MP [chris.heatonharris.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:chris.heatonharris.mp@parliament.uk) Constituency Office, 78 St Georges St. Northampton NN2 6JF and Dennis Winterbottom, South Northants Case Officer: [dennis.winterbottom@southnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:dennis.winterbottom@southnorthants.gov.uk) The Forum, Moat Lane Towcester NN12 6AD.

Ashfield Land's blinkered plans have not considered the impact on the wider area which includes Gayton. It is clear that even greater local pressure is needed in order to put a halt to the proposed Rail Freight Interchange from going ahead on our doorstep.

Stop Rail Group Contacts:- Anna Fox - [anna6fox@gmail.com](mailto:anna6fox@gmail.com)  
Cherie Carruthers - [cherie-carruthers@sky.com](mailto:cherie-carruthers@sky.com)

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## Gayton and Tiffield Community Minibus

Hi Everyone

Well, after dusting off our bikinis, mankinis and sunglasses ready for the annual summer heat wave we were delighted to have some great periods of lovely sun and blue skies for our Tuesday and Friday runs to Towcester and Northampton. Let's hope we have a few more before the de-icer comes out again!

We now have a total of eleven volunteer drivers on our rota and we are all enjoying the opportunity to continue to provide our communities of Gayton and Tiffield with a regular scheduled community bus

service which actually commenced in May 1984 following the withdrawal of unprofitable rural bus services by commercial operators. Although in 1984 an excess of thirty community minibus schemes were set up throughout the county, we are one of only three that have managed to keep going, with the other schemes ceasing to operate because of a lack of volunteer drivers or local coordinators prepared to manage and organise the service. So it says a lot about our communities that we have so many volunteers prepared to give of their time to continue to provide a first class community service as we enter our **thirty-third continuous year!**



Passenger numbers have shown an improvement recently and the fare increase has also helped improve this element of revenue stream which we hope will continue to be the case. But the numbers of passengers on the Tuesday run into Northampton often continues to be low. So please do try to utilise this service into Northampton whenever you can.

Our private hire revenue has hit an all-time record this year! In June and July we undertook nineteen invoiced school runs for Blisworth Primary, Sponne and Campion Schools and this, together with the Northampton branch of the British Rail Pensioners

Club, utilising the Minibus for a day-trip each month, allied to other runs by the Evergreens and community groups, our private hire revenue for June and July was over £1,200. We have also received over £1,600 in private hire income for the first six months of the year which is in excess of our normal annual total!

So overall, things are looking very positive, but please do try and use the bus service whenever you can as we depend on our passenger numbers to justify the scheduled services and therefore the community minibus.

‘Lest we forget’ - there was a time when there was no minibus, no volunteer drivers, no detailed timetables, no coordinator to organise the service or a treasurer to collect and account for the fares and private hire income. So special thanks to the ‘Minibus Pioneers’ who, with support from NCC, collectively made it all happen and managed and developed the entire process over the years.

Lastly, our thanks to all of our volunteer drivers, coordinators and treasurers past and present, our trustees and of course to our passengers and the Parish Councils of Gayton and Tiffield for their support which has enabled the service to keep running for an amazing thirty-three years!

**Rae Spencer 01327 353352 - rae.spencer@btopenworld.com - Mobile 07784 - 561268**

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## Neighbourhood Watch



Please remember NEVER answer your door to any uninvited people.

A family on Blisworth Road had their car stolen from their drive in the early hours of 15th July. The thieves cut out one of the window panes in their study and leaned in and took the keys from a desk. They also took a wallet, but ignored iPhones, iPads and laptops! Unfortunately the car was later found completely stripped. This highlights how devious thieves can be.

Please consider where you leave keys, laptops, valuables etc and maybe put them out of sight when leaving your property.

*I cannot stress enough how important it is to call 101 if you have ANY suspicions - the more information the Police gather the more effective they can be.*

## Dog Fouling

The main reason for dog fouling laws is because dog faeces is unhygienic and a health hazard. Dog fouling is unsightly, unpleasant and can lead to toxocariasis in humans. Fouling laws do not cover faeces from other animals, because they aren't hosts for toxicara and are less likely to foul in areas where the public walk or play. Toxocariasis causes serious illness and even blindness. It is caused by a parasite known as Toxocara Canis (also known as Roundworm). These parasites live in dogs' digestive systems. Eggs are released in the faeces of infected animals and contaminated soil. If someone ingests infected material, the eggs may hatch into larvae and can lead to toxocariasis.

Toxocariasis usually affects children aged between one and four years. But cases of toxocariasis have been reported in people of all ages. Young children are most at risk because they are more likely to put things into their mouths and less likely to wash their hands properly. Symptoms of toxocariasis can include seizures, breathing difficulties, a very red and painful eye and clouded vision, usually only in one eye. Left untreated, toxocariasis can cause permanent loss of vision in the affected eye.

Environmental Enforcement Officer, Robin Skinner from South Northants Council visited the village in July and walked the areas of the village where residents had concerns with dog fouling. He will now regularly patrol the village on our behalf.

**BE AWARE, BE RESPONSIBLE, TAKE YOUR DOGS MESS HOME AND DISPOSE OF IT PROPERLY.**

If you see somebody allowing their dog to foul the pavements/footpaths then please gather as much information as you can, the name and address of the person in charge of the dog (if known), a description of the dog, plus details of the date, time and place of the offence. If fouling occurs at regular times it may be possible for an officer to witness the fouling and take action accordingly. If you wish to complain then please go to <http://www.southnorthants.gov.uk/dog-fouling> or call 01327 322322.

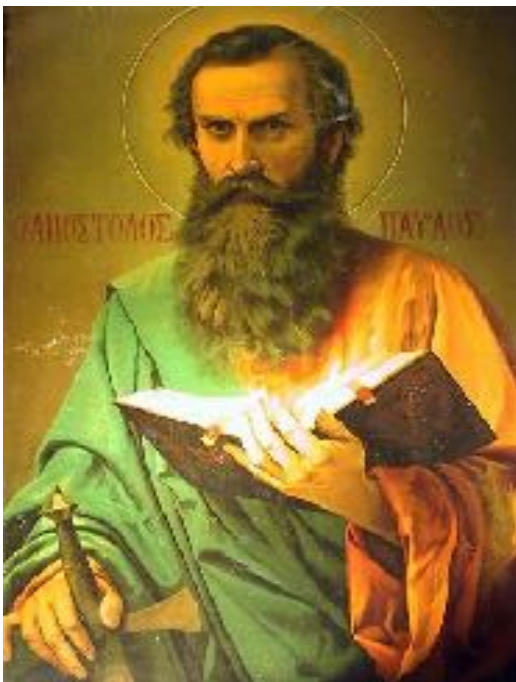
## NHW Street Wardens

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Pat Byrom	westgatehouse@aol.com	Westgate House, Eastcote Road	859355	Westgate House and Goggs Farm

The NHW helps to keep the village safe with regular updates from the PCSO team and information from the Police. If you would like to join the NHW scheme please contact me [julie.a.wood@btinternet.com](mailto:julie.a.wood@btinternet.com) or 01604 858259. I require your postal and email addresses and telephone number. All information is held confidentially and will not be shared with anyone outside of the NHW team. If you know of anyone joining or leaving the village please let me know so I can amend the database and issue a 'Welcome to Gayton' letter where relevant. Non-emergency incidents or crimes should be reported by telephoning 101. There is also a 'Do It Online' section on Northamptonshire Police Website [www.northants.police.uk](http://www.northants.police.uk). Emergencies must be reported by dialling 999.

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## Church Updates from Reverend Marion Reynolds



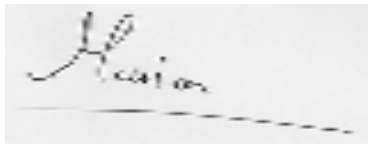
St Paul talks a lot in his letters about running the race, persevering in the race, winning the race. Was he making these observations as he watched the athletes competing in Athens (the home of the Olympics) one wonders? Over the last few weeks I've so often heard statements like: "the only thing that matters is gold, nothing else is worthwhile", "the plucky Brits did well to come fourth (despite the fact they had been hyped up to win gold!)", "sensational", "the best ever Olympian" and many other similar comments.

Whilst watching coverage of the Olympic Games (mostly without the inane gabble, gabble of the BBC so-called commentators), I can't help thinking: "Is it all about the winning?" "Has an Olympian failed if (s)he does not win a gold medal?" To my mind, the answer is emphatically NO and we need to celebrate far more the achievements of those who may not have won gold but who have so far excelled what they imagined they could achieve (take our trampolinist, the 3m synchronised divers to name but three people). The age old saying is so true: "it is not the winning, it is the taking part that counts". I know, try saying that to Bradley Wiggins for example! And, yes, we are so proud when our country's Olympians do win medals.

Should we though make comparisons with what St Paul is saying and the Olympic Games? My answer to that is: yes and no. Yes, because God has given each and every one of us gift and talent and he asks us to use them to the very best of our ability (and, no, He does not expect us to do everything!) in the same way competitors do their very best. He also asks us to train hard, not physically but spiritually by reading scripture and applying it to our lives, by worship and by growing in faith. No because being a Christian isn't a competition! We are not in the business of "I'm better than you". God so loves each and every one of us equally and there is nothing we can do over and above what others can do to earn his love - grace is freely given.



So, whilst we applaud all our Olympians, let us run the race [of faith] that is set before us knowing that at the end of our lives it's not a gold medal but the best prize ever that awaits us - eternal life with our gracious, loving God.



## From the Rector

Did you know that the easiest way to ensure that your regular giving to your church is maximised at no cost in money, time of effort to yourself is to give through Peterborough Diocese? You can set up a standing order mandate payable to the diocese who will then give the money plus the tax refund (presuming you are a UK tax payer) to your church every month. For details ask the church treasurer or Rev'd Marion.



## Upcoming Events

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October:** Gayton harvest supper and quiz. Contact Alison Foster for tickets and details on 01604 858884 or email Alison at [alifoster2000@googlemail.com](mailto:alifoster2000@googlemail.com)

## St Mary's Church, Gayton

Gayton Church Heritage Trust continues its programme of events through 2016.



### Harvest Festival with the Gayton Festival Singers Gayton Church

Sunday 2 October 5.30pm

Please bring an offering of store cupboard goods for a collection for Towcester Food Bank and The Hope Centre



### All Souls Service in Gayton Church

Sunday 6 November 2016 at 3.00pm

For further details please contact Anna Fox - 01604 859444 or [anna@foxfam.demond.co.uk](mailto:anna@foxfam.demond.co.uk). John Shaw - 01604 859364 or [joloshaw2@gmail.com](mailto:joloshaw2@gmail.com)

## Remembrance Service in Gayton Church

There will be a collection for a Charity  
for Service Personnel

Sunday 13 November 2016  
5.30pm



## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 4:30pm in Gayton Church

"A heartwarming drama of love, war and odd jobs - one man's battle with Shakespeare" written and performed by Mark Carey. Set during the Second World War, this story will appeal to all from eleven years and up. A vivid portrait of village life with all seventeen characters played by Mark Carey. Tickets £12 includes a glass of mulled wine or juice and a mince pie.

Contact Anna Fox for tickets 859444 email: [anna6fox@gmail.com](mailto:anna6fox@gmail.com)



## Carol Service with the Gayton Festival Singers and Gayton School

Sunday 11 December 2016 5.30pm



## Christmas Day Service



Collection for a Charity for the  
Homeless Sunday 25 December 9.30am

For further details please contact Anna Fox on 01604  
859444 email: [anna@foxfam.demon.co.uk](mailto:anna@foxfam.demon.co.uk)  
John Shaw on 01604 859364 email: [joloshaw2@gmail.com](mailto:joloshaw2@gmail.com)

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# Delapré Abbey

The beautiful Grade II\* Listed Delapré Abbey, just one mile from Northampton town centre, is entering an exciting new phase in its history.

Following the success of a Heritage Lottery Fund application in 2013, a £6.3 million project is underway to see this "Building At Risk" undergo substantial repair and restoration works. The Abbey will be opening its doors to the public for the first time in its 900 year history in February 2017, with the Delapré Abbey Preservation Trust managing the building as a fantastic historic venue for local, national and even international visitors.



With occupation of the site for nearly 900 years Delapré Abbey has a rich and interesting history. We continue to build our knowledge and understanding

of the people and families who lived here and the effect they had on the landscape and buildings that we see today. This story will be told in the exhibitions and displays at the Abbey as well as through the planned tours and events that visitors to the site will be able to enjoy.

Not only will this be a fantastic, new historical attraction for Northamptonshire, but the building will also be a great venue for weddings and functions. The Abbey will be licensed for ceremonies and receptions, so from small, intimate gatherings to large, sociable occasions, Delapré Abbey can suit anyone's 'big day'. There is also a whole suite of spaces that will be available for business and meeting hire, as well as for the community to use - be it breakfast meetings, a team away day, community group activities - there is a place for you at Delapré Abbey.

Furthermore, our café, restaurant and event catering will cover all your needs. Opening in November 2016, a range of refreshments will be available to visitors to the Park and Abbey alike, serving throughout the day from morning to evening.

Delapré Abbey Preservation Trust contact details:

Telephone: 01604 760817 Email: [info@delapreabbey.org](mailto:info@delapreabbey.org)

Twitter: @DelapreAbbey Facebook: @delapreabbey.org



Merryn Robinson in Gayton has been a Trustee for over five years. You can contact Merryn for more information on 01604 858276 or [merryn.robinson5@gmail.com](mailto:merryn.robinson5@gmail.com). A number of our readers have recently enjoyed Merryn's tours of the wonderful restoration work.

Merryn Robinson  
Trustee - Delapre Abbey Preservation Trust

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## The Saga of the Village Sign

When I was asked to consider refurbishing the village sign, I thought, how hard can it be? However, when it arrived in my back garden, I realised it would require a lot of work to restore it to anything like its former glory, but hey, I like a challenge and this was certainly going to be that.

As you saw from the photos we put in the Gayton News in the Spring the metal work was in a poor state and the painting itself was almost non-existent! The paint was falling off in flakes and the metalwork rusting badly, so my first job was to record as much information as I could about the original colours and artwork and come up with a way to renovate the frame. I took lots of photos to make a visual record of what remained of the original sign and got advice as to the best way to preserve it in the future.

The sign then went off to Ian Cockram who organised the powder coating and any other metalwork required. He removed the painted panel from the main frame and returned it to my studio where I could make a full scaled tracing. By this time we knew I would be working on aluminium as opposed to wood and, after much discussion, decided that as there was no knowing what materials had been used initially, the old panels would have to be replaced. Ian produced two new panels while I did a spot of research on how to produce a stable surface to paint on.

What would we do without the internet and YouTube? Carl and I trawled through many interesting "how to" videos and websites. My questions were, how do I paint on aluminium, how do I prep it and what paint would be suitable for the job? I contacted a company in Cambridge who make and supply paint for canal barges and finally found a human who could give me some answers. After talking to him, I ordered what I was fairly confident would be the right materials.

The new aluminium panel came back to my studio to be etched and primed, then once the layers dried, I traced the images onto both sides. As I had expected, there wasn't enough information on the tracings, so a walk to the church with my camera was required in order to finalise a picture in my head.

The coloured paints turned out to be very unpleasant to work with, very strong oil gloss paint! Even with my studio door open the headaches were a nuisance so I could only do a couple of hours at a time.

When I had finished the painting on both sides it needed sufficient drying time before the varnish could be applied. I turned my attention to the four 'banners' each of which had to have the letters traced on and be hand painted. Two of them could come to my studio but two had to stay attached to the main frame so I did those in situ at Ian's workshop.

When everything finally dried I started to apply the varnish, then panicked!! Even as I was applying it, the varnish was drying to a milky finish. A very quick call to the suppliers confirmed they had sent the wrong varnish even though I had stressed what the project was! I was advised to wash the varnish off with white spirit and reassured that as long as the paint was dry, it wouldn't take all those months of work off at the same time!! Phew, it worked!! The correct varnish arrived the next day by special courier and many apologies. I am happy to say there were no more dramas and the finished sign is resting comfortably in my studio waiting for the new post and refurbished frame to be erected, over to the men with the big machines.....I hope the sign will be up soon and you are happy with the end result. Judy Hamilton

# GAYTON AND THE GREAT WAR

In 2014 many events were arranged to commemorate World War I. Some were designed on a grand scale, such as the Jutland Memorial in the Orkneys and other projects looked back over 100 years at how the onset of War led to changes in small areas of Britain. Encouraged by a grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund, we wanted to examine what went on in Gayton before the outbreak of war and how the lives of people connected with the village were altered and often cut short by the conflict.

The Lottery funding also required us to produce some lasting evidence of our work within a tight time frame, which they kindly extended to the end of November 2016. Our legacy was to produce an embroidered banner focusing on the fifteen men whose names are inscribed on the Memorial in St Mary's Church and a booklet to provide some insight into Gayton village life 100 years ago.

The banner is nearly complete but since the church is damp, we have to protect the material in a large picture frame. Because the weight of the frame limits the size of the banner, we have had to restrict this to the names on the War Memorial. The remaining embroidered squares will be completed by the sewing group as an Armistice Banner to be displayed on Remembrance Sunday for years to come.

The booklet will be available on the village website as a PDF before the deadline - the printed version will come later. Thanks to the efforts of Carol Coppock, Joy Ayre, Margaret Mclain, Dan Jeffery and Pete Foster, these two projects will be completed by Armistice Day, 11th November just before the Heritage Lottery Fund deadline.

We hope that the Gayton and the Great War project will be a springboard for other people to do their own research into family members affected by war.

Anna Fox  
Gayton Church Heritage Trust

## Eleanor Ayre has kindly shared her wonderful World Challenge to Peru experience

We left for Heathrow at 4am, an early start, a welcome journey as most of us couldn't sleep for excitement. We said goodbye to our families at a BBQ the night before and our leaders checked we were ready. The first flight went without a problem, but the flight from Paris to Lima we lost our leader, we almost had to leave her in Paris! Luckily she found us just before they closed the gate. We arrived in Lima very tired but still took in some of the sights in the taxi ride. We spent two days in Lima organising, booking the bus and accommodation in the next town, Huaraz. After a nine hour bus journey we arrived in Huaraz, 3,000m above sea level, we were all hit with altitude sickness. By the next day, the first day of acclimatisation, most of us had recovered, we were ready to go. We had three days of acclimatisation treks, we saw tiny Peruvian villages, the Andes from a distance and an amazing glacier, the path for the glacier was narrow and I nearly fell off. In the evenings we found amazing places to eat, a few of us tried guinea pig, which was unnerving as it came whole, including its head. It was quite nice but there wasn't a lot of meat on it. We also found a really nice bakery and we became their best customers. We journeyed up to the first camp, 3,700m above sea level. We were very lucky to have a cook, and he was amazing! Our menu mainly consisted of sweet and sour chicken, spaghetti, pancakes, sausage and egg, soup and chicken and rice. We trekked through a valley in the Andes, reassuringly called Death Canyon, passing glaciers and rivers. We were very lucky as it didn't rain at all. I was very glad of my fitness level, I could take in the views as well, which were absolutely stunning. We had mules to carry our big rucksacks so only had to take our smaller ones. The mules kept trying to eat our lunches, one took our leaders cheese sandwich. The highest we got to was 4,200m, we all felt it but the views were ridiculous. We could see from where we started two days ago to where we would finish. We then returned to Huaraz to organise transport and accommodation for the next week. All the booking we did was amazing, I am now very well versed in how to ask for hotel rooms and bus tickets in Spanish. The next week we spent travelling up to the Amazon region. The first stop was Trujillo, we went to the beach and to the Chan Chan ruins, some pre-Incan ruins home to indigenous hairless dogs, which were the weirdest things, every day they had to have sunblock applied so they didn't burn. We then went on to Chachapoyas on a fifteen hour overnight bus. We went up to the Kuelap ruins the next morning which were amazing, had some spectacular views and pretty cool llamas, but we were shattered. On the way back we had some amazing fish at a restaurant, which turned out to be the regions specialty. We also discovered plantain, a type of savoury banana that Peruvians have fried or boiled as a staple of their diet. Not many of us were fans but they are amazing in crisp form. Tarapoto was the next town, it was here we all noticed the temperature change, it was baking, very humid and full of bugs. We went white water rafting which was definitely one of the best parts, the rapids there were massive.

We then moved on to Yurimaguas, the last stop before our volunteering, we bought food and went to the Jorge Chavez village on a speed boat up the Amazon river. We were welcomed by the villagers with music. The village was the most beautiful part of the river and the sunset and sunrise over it were spectacular. On the first night we were introduced to the village and started to build the frames for the posters we were putting up with information about the Tarykaya Turtles, the ones we were helping to conserve. We helped with dinner, the food there was amazing. The first night we had chicken with a spicy sauce and rice, we all went up for seconds. We were staying in a cabana, basically an open hut, the view of the stars was like nothing we had seen in England. We

went night fishing to help the fisherman get in their days catch, I ended up sat in a puddle, the only place where you had anything to do with the fish. They kept jumping out of the bowl onto my lap, I can honestly say being attacked by live fish is not something I would repeat, however the experience was great, we had the fish for lunch the day after. The next day we worked to help construct an artificial beach for the turtles to lay their eggs in, we dug up a large area, weeded it and put sand down. It was hard work and the temperature was about 28 degrees, it was very humid. When it got too hot to work we were given a talk about why the Tarykaya turtles are so important and the conservation efforts that The Amazonian River Turtles group had made to keep the turtles from extinction, as the locals used to eat them and their eggs. We were given one of the baby turtles to look after for a day, we held and fed it. We spent a lot of time with the community and had chance to teach some of the kids a little bit more English which was really rewarding, they also helped me improve my Spanish by correcting my grammar and laughing at me when I said the wrong word. The final day of our project we travelled by boat to one of the natural habitats of the Tarykaya, we saw some weird and wonderful wildlife, a poisonous spider which decided to crawl on to our boat, you can imagine chaos ensued until one of the locals flicked it away with a big stick. We saw tiny frogs, birds that walked on the water lilies, vultures, dragonflies and butterflies. We made our way back to the speed boat after saying goodbye and thank you to the village for having us, and also after trying whichatee grubs, which actually when cooked tasted like sausage. The next stage of our trip was by cargo boat. We strung up hammocks on the top deck and watched the sunrise, honestly it was breath taking. We spent three days travelling down the Amazon river on the boat, we got beached about twenty minutes from the dock, it took twelve hours to get moving again, it was the most relaxing we had done all trip! We all bonded and reflected and planned our final week in Peru, the main activity was jungle exploration. We saw pink river dolphins from the boat as a pod followed us for a while. In Iquitos we travelled to San Pedro, in dense rainforest, for jungle exploration. We saw poisonous frogs, Caimen, Wooli monkeys, spiders, moths and parakeets. The Wooli monkeys came onto our boat, we fed them papaya, one of the monkeys kept throwing his peel at one of the boys in our group. We had some rest and relaxation after that in Iquitos, explored the town, visited the Belen market, one of the biggest in Peru. We flew back to Lima and had our last evening there. It was one girls birthday the day, we took her out for a big last meal all together. The next day we flew home, much to my parent's relief arrived intact although slightly bitten. I just want to say a huge thank you to everyone who attended my fundraisers, donated and supported me, without them I would not have been able to go on such a fantastic experience. It has really helped me with my leadership and communication skills, with my confidence and my Spanish! I want to say a special thank you to David & Carol Coppock and Anna Fox who have been amazing helping me organise fundraisers, set up and sell tickets. I would also like to thank my parents Joy and David Ayre, without them most of the fundraisers wouldn't have happened. Peru was honestly a life changing experience and I am so grateful to everyone who helped me raise the money. If you would like to see photos of our time volunteering then you can visit <https://www.facebook.com/amazonturtles> (you may have to scroll down until you find pictures of a group of school students with world challenge in the left bottom corner of the photo as they regularly update their site).

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## Gayton Village Hall Management Committee

The recent AGM, May 2016, was not well attended and we assume that all the community are satisfied with the way the current management committee are managing the day-to-day running of the hall. Chairman's Annual Report: Village Hall updates are provided regularly in the Gayton News and the main highlights of 2015/16 are:

Electricity meters use old (pre 1991) 50p pieces and our collection of these coins was running low. However a request to the community resulted in a significant number of these coins being donated and we can continue to use our electricity meters in their current form (no expensive modifications required).

With Carolyn Estall retiring from the committee in February 2016 we only have four committee members. There is a real need to increase our number and the community should be invited to promote volunteers!

The website continues to provide custom for the village hall outside the local community and is a good advertisement for our village hall.

The previous twelve months have had the lowest use (income) for the village hall in the last twenty years. The community will soon need to decide on the future of the village hall. If the reduced use of the village hall continues then income will not meet expenditure and the village hall will not be able to support itself.

David Ayre

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## Village Hall Hire Charges

The village hall can be hired from as little as £15 (from £11 for the committee room) for a wide range of social activities.

If you require the hall for a private function then charges start at £60 - if alcohol is to be sold an appropriate licence will be required.

Further information is available at [www.gayton-northants.co.uk/services/villagehall.html](http://www.gayton-northants.co.uk/services/villagehall.html)

Or contact Joan Adams 01604 859416 for bookings.

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# **Kislingbury Christmas Market**

**Saturday 3rd December 2016**

**10am - 3pm**

**Kislingbury Village Hall, Ashby Court, off Bugbrooke  
Road, Kislingbury NN7 4JE**

**Make it a date to come along and do some Christmas  
shopping from a great choice of quality stalls**

***Jewellery - Candles - Toys - plants - cards  
Flower arrangements - Christmas Decorations  
Festive Beers & Wines - Food and Crafts***

***‘Name the Teddy Bear’***

**‘Christmas Hamper Raffle’ and ‘Christmas Tombola’**

**Sit and relax with your family and friends  
and enjoy our refreshments**

**Soup, mince pies, mulled wine, tea, coffee and soft  
drinks**



**Shared proceeds with Gossett Ward Premature Baby Unit  
Northampton General Hospital**

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## St Mary the Virgin, Gayton

Very many thanks indeed to all those who hosted, helped and attended the Open Gardens weekend earlier in the summer, a grand total of £1,107 was raised to support the church's running costs including heating, insurance and our annual payment to the Diocese etc. At the time of writing, we look forward to the imminent Ride and Stride, Gala Concert and Harvest Quiz 'n' Chips, all are very good fun and will be enjoyed by many of us Gaytonians.

Hopefully, those of you who frequent the Milton Road approach to the village will have noticed we now have our church yard wall back. A gang of locals annoyed the passing motorist by blocking the road with the discarded ivy and over-hanging tree branches one Saturday morning, the hack and slash team-building sessions was a hit with all concerned. Continuing the graveyard theme, now that the wild flowers have done their stuff, the contractors who cut the village verges are due to do a clearance in the grave yard, much to the delight of the PCC, the work will be paid for by Gayton Parish Council as will the future routine mowing, enabling us volunteers to spend our limited time working on other aspects to ensure the area is attractive to a variety of tastes.

Having been reminded by Stan Watterson, you will recall Eric White was a real stalwart in the village for most of his life, by either serving as Church Warden for many a year, running the table tennis club or helping others around the community. Should any of you wish to spare a few thoughts for him when in the church yard, you will be pleased to read that his headstone has now been put in place.

We were fortunate to receive a visiting band of bell ringers on August Bank Holiday morning, there were about twenty of them in total, enjoying a day's outing to the area visiting a number of churches and no doubt one or two watering holes as well, it was good to hear some quality ringing.

On the parochial front, should you need reminding, the regular communion services in Gayton remain at 9.30am on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month and 11.00am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, the latter taking the form of a Family Communion service and is aimed at being more "younger generation" friendly, so please come along to either or both. Additional services in the near future include:-

Harvest Festival at 5.30pm on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Service of Commemoration of the Departed, 3.00pm Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November

Remembrance Day Service, 5.30pm Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November

If you have any concerns or questions regarding church matters by all means please contact the Church Wardens David Coppock (859645) and Andy Hartley (858360) or Rev Marion Reynolds, The Rectory, Church Street, Pattishall, Northants NN12 8NB Tel: 01327 830573

*Andy Hartley*



# 'AnK Allsorts' is a new family run business in Gayton offering pet sitting services and yoga classes

Kevin runs the pet sitting and this summer we have enjoyed the company of many village dogs as well as some from further afield. Kevin served in the Army for twenty-four years and then in the Police for seventeen years and is now fulfilling a lifelong love of dogs with this new venture. Our primary work is with 'day' dogs and boarding dogs but we also offer home visits for feeding cats and dog walking.

If you would like to visit us with your dog(s) to see our facilities and meet Kevin please contact us to arrange a convenient time.

It is the aim for all customers to have complete peace of mind when leaving their dogs so they can completely unwind whilst away and know they will return to a relaxed and happy dog! For pet sitting enquiries please contact Kevin on 07900494869/01604 857546 or email any enquiries to [info@ankallsorts.co.uk](mailto:info@ankallsorts.co.uk)

Alex is teaching yoga classes from the end of September. Yoga is beneficial to everyone, young and old. Don't worry that you haven't done this before, I will be running beginner classes as well as more advanced. All you need is some comfy clothing and maybe a water bottle, I supply the mats. If you attend once a week, within six weeks you will notice an improvement. Yoga improves circulation, tones muscles, improves flexibility, boosts the immune, increases energy levels and reduces stress.

Classes will be held in our private studio in the garden and a maximum class size of ten. Classes will be small and you will need to book with me to make sure I don't have too many turning up. At the moment I'm planning a morning class 9.30 to 10.45 on Monday mornings, a Wednesday evening class at 6.30 to 7.45 and maybe a Saturday morning class at 9.30 to 10.45. I will see how numbers go and what the demand is. I will be running a few free taster classes initially so you can decide if it's for you or not. I look forward to meeting you on the mat!

For yoga please contact Alex on 07739479077/01604 857546 or email any enquiries to [info@ankallsorts.co.uk](mailto:info@ankallsorts.co.uk)



## Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust Sponsored ‘Ride and Stride’

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September Gayton Church opened its doors to welcome people either riding or striding, supporting this annual event helping raise much needed funds for our Church and those in Northamptonshire. People of any age can take part, you choose your own route, according to how many churches you wish to visit on the day. Anna Fox along with Joy Ayres, Astrid White, Liz Jell, Margaret McLain and myself spent the day in Church to welcome very wet bike riders and walkers with juice and biscuits, tea and coffee and Anna’s homemade cream teas. Nineteen people visited Gayton Church, many sponsored a cream tea, raising £82. Thank you for your homemade scones and jam Anna.

Heroes of the day included a wonderful couple from Pattishall, Chris and Margaret Bullied on their tandem.

Grandpa Charles Fox with his grandson Freddie, Morgan Wade, Tom and Ted Hornsby with their Dad Michael from Stoke Bruerne raised the outstanding sum of £160 in sponsorship.



Andy and Viv Hartley from Gayton, started the morning with a cream tea in Church then whizzed round the District visiting several churches, returning to Gayton Church at about 5.30pm.

Tony and Elaine Footitt took the easy option, they chose to drive! Having said that, they spent six hours in their car visiting a total of thirty-one churches around the district and raised the amazing amount of £390.



The money raised helps to save historic churches, chapels and meeting houses for future generations. Gayton Church benefits from half the money we raised.

**A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO EVERY ONE WHO TOOK PART AND ENABLED THE DAY TO BE SUCH A HUGE SUCCESS**

Karen



## October

Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup>	7.00pm	Harvest supper & Quiz - Village Hall
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Gayton Church
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	5.30pm	Harvest Festival with the Gayton Festival Singers, Gayton Church
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Gayton Walkers - monthly walk - meet at Fiveways
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	2.30-4pm	Evergreens - Bingo and refreshments
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Gayton Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Family Communion Service, Gayton Church
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30am	Gayton Cyclists - monthly ride - meet at Fiveways
Tuesday 25 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30am	Evergreens - details TBC

## November

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Gayton Church
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup>	3.30pm	All Souls Service, Gayton Church
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Gayton Parish Council Meeting -Village Hall
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Evergreens Outing TBC
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Gayton Walkers - monthly walk - meet at Fiveways
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm	Remembrance Service, Gayton Church
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Family Communion Service, Gayton Church
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	2.30pm	Evergreens Entertainment Afternoon - details TBC
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.20am	Gayton Cyclists - monthly ride - meet at Fiveways

## December

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Gayton Church
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	4.330pm	Christmas Entertainment, Gayton Church
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Elvis is Coming to Pattishall Village Hall
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Gayton Walkers - monthly walk - meet at Fiveways
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>	5.30pm	Carol Service with the Gayton Festival Singers, Gayton Church
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Family Communion Service, Gayton Church
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Christmas Day Service, Gayton Church

## January 2017

Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Gayton Church
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Gayton Walkers - monthly walk - meet at Fiveways
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Gayton Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Family Communion Service, Gayton Church
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am	Gayton Cyclists - monthly ride - meet at Fiveways

## February

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion, Gayton Church
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Gayton Walkers - monthly walk - meet at Fiveways
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Gayton Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Family Communion Service, Gayton Church
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Gayton Cyclists - monthly ride - meet at Fiveways

**DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES FOR THE WINTER EDITION BY THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER**

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