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Editorial

Dear readers

Well, we're halfway through the year and I'm writing this as we approach the longest day! Even though we have reached that milestone of celebration last month (there is a roundup of the jubilee events around the villages on the centre pages of this issue), it's definitely not all downhill from here - the best of the summer is still ahead.

On the page opposite we have details of **The Wansford Show**, and there is still time to enter into the judging classes, all listed on The Horticultural and Crafts section of page 21 .

Please continue to support your local magazine with contributions, letters and articles, they are much appreciated. All our contact details, and those of all your local contacts, plus important numbers, are listed inside the back cover.

Best wishes

Craig

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NOTE: 31st July BENEFICE HOLY COMMUNION AT YARWELL 10.00 A.M. ALL WELCOME!

St. Leonard's, Apethorpe			St. Mary's, Wansford		
3 rd	11.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Every Wednesday 10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer		
17 th	11.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	10 th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
			24 th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
St. Mary's and All Saints, Nassington			St. Mary's. Woodnewton		
Every Thursday 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion BCP			3 rd	9.30 a.m.	Morning Prayer
3 rd	8.15 a.m.	Holy Communion BCP	17 th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
	11.a.m.	Family Service and Picnic	24 th	8.30 a.m.	Holy Communion BCP
10 th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion			
17 th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion			
24 th	9.30 a.m.	Family Communion			
St. Andrew's, Thornhaugh			St. Mary Magdalene's, Yarwell		
3 rd	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	10 th	11.00 a.m.	Holy Communion
17 th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	17 th	3.00 p.m.	Methodist Service
			24 th	11.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
			31st	10.00 a.m.	Benefice Holy Communion

The Jubilee weekend may seem a long time ago by the time you read this, but I hope everyone has happy memories of this unique celebration.

Each of our churches and villages celebrated in different ways, but all the events and services brought people together to enjoy hospitality and other people's company. After so long living under covid restrictions, I think we were all ready to get together again! Thank you so much to everyone who worked so hard to offer people so many wonderful opportunities in our villages over the long weekend, and to those who decorated our churches so beautifully. It was good to be able to offer welcome in our churches with services and celebrations as well. Our God is a welcoming God and our welcome reflects his welcome; hospitality is at the heart of the Christian faith.

This summer we are able to do so much more now that covid restrictions have been removed and there have been many welcomes in homes, gardens and the like as people get together again. There have also been significant welcomes as people in our villages have offer shelter and sanctuary to those fleeing the war in Ukraine; a reminder of those who need a welcome from us. May we continue to reflect God's welcome in our times of welcome, wherever, or whenever they may be, and may this be a blessed summer for us all.

With every blessing,

Rev. Jane

REFLECTIONS

CASTOR BENEFICE

Castor Benefice Services

We are still maintaining the following service pattern every Sunday in each of our **Parish churches** until further notice.

Marholm 9.00am - Holy Communion (Morning Prayer on 4th Sunday)

Castor 8.00am Holy Communion (said service) 10.15am - Sung Eucharist

Sutton 9.00am on 4th Sunday of the month - Holy Communion

Every **Wednesday** morning at **10am** there is a service of Holy Communion at **Castor**.

We still continue to celebrate **Evensong via Zoom at 6pm every Sunday**, if you wish to join us please contact the Benefice office for the Zoom link and access code.

admin.castor@btconnect.com

The next service at **St. John the Baptist, Stibbington** will be to celebrate our **Patronal Festival on Sunday 3rd July at 4pm**, refreshments will be served afterwards.

Please also note that we have a new Deputy Church Warden at Stibbington, Richard and Carol have 'retired' and Charlotte Bradshaw has kindly agreed to take over.

David Ridgeway

The Friends of St Remigius Water Newton

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In addition to the live talks, annual members also receive additional benefits. If you wish to find out more about our Society or about becoming a member, please visit our website for more information: www.the-arts-society-peterborough.org.uk. This year's varied programme of talks includes The Koh-i-noor Diamond; Why Morocco got painted Blue; 20th Century Sculpture; The Fascination of Jewellery, and Is Christmas in Good Taste? More details about each of these talks can be found on our website. Our next two talks are described below:

8th September 2022

Morocco Blues - Why and how Morocco got painted blue by Elizabeth Gowing.

The stories behind the blue pigment used for the fishing boats and doorways of photogenic Essaouira on the Moroccan coast.

13th October 2022

Constantin Brancusi and 20th Century Sculpture by David Worthington.

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As many having been celebrating the Jubilee, we added June's meeting to our celebrations. So after the business for the month was out of the way, the main part of our meeting was dedicated to our celebrations. This started with a supper kindly put together by the committee and followed with members raised a glass of bubbly to the Queen, herself a W.I. member (Sandringham branch). After there were a few rounds of Jubilee themed bingo along with prizes, a very enjoyable evening for all.

Looking forward to the July meeting, Lucy Lewis will be our speaker. As the first female bomb disposal expert, this sounds really interesting, with Lucy taking her through her working life and her adventures along the way. This is a very dangerous occupation, and I will be keen to hear how she was able to manage the ongoing danger and maintain the safety of herself and her working team.

Now that we are meeting in St Mary's Church visitors are most welcome to our monthly meetings to hear our visiting speakers. Please see below for our upcoming events

Future events:

Tuesday 12th July , 7pm W.I. meeting St Mary's Church – Speaker Lucy Lewis, First female bomb disposal expert.

Tuesday 5th July, 2-4pm Coffee & Craft club, at St Mary's Church.

Tuesday 19th July, 2-4pm Coffee & Craft club, at St Mary's Church.

Thursday 28th July, 7.30pm Book Club meeting, at The Cross Keys Wansford

Both the Coffee & Craft club, and Book Club are open, not just for WI members only, and we look forward to others joining us.

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The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Street Party took place on the 4th June, which proved to be a great success with even the weather creating a sunny afternoon. Residents from all over the village joined in to have a lot of fun and laughter, creating some wonderfully decorated tables and present some beautiful cakes.

Huge thanks to everyone to helped plan and create this memorable day, but especially Elin Styles and Jeanette Morris for their support, and of course my husband Archie Bennett, who brought along The Queen to celebrate.

Lee Clarke, Executive chef at the Haycock Hotel judged the best decorated cake and duly awarded the first prize to Loraine Lyons who created the cake shown below. The best table was judged by Kate Grange, and the first prize went to Sue Arnold, also pictured below.

The Best Child costume was awarded to Thomas Morris, Pictured below, wearing his excellent costume, and of course accompanied by Her Majesty.

The day was rounded off with a superb BBQ supplied by the Haycock Hotel, where residents gathered to relax and enjoy themselves with a glass of Sangria.



THORNSHAUGH JUBILEE PARTY – NEVER MIND THE WEATHER.....

Despite what the weather threw at us on 5th June (hypothermia came close, some say..) the residents of Thornshaugh had a great time at the party organised to honour the Queen's Jubilee. Pimms, tea and copious amounts of food on offer and lots of catching up with neighbours new and not so new. Competition was high ... from the "best dressed Jubilee house", to "best crown", not to mention a "walk about" and a "table" quiz. Great fun, with an amazing team who worked long and hard to make it happen (Joan and Alan's marquee could tell many a tale if only it could talk!). As well as appreciating everything the volunteer group did, our thanks also go to Steve Kruger and Bunny Guinness who were "co-opted" team members on the day, Bunny judging the best dressed house competition and Steve keeping the music going. We had hoped to plant a Jubilee Tree too, but time was against us. We'll still be doing this soon.



It would appear that nothing the weather threw at us could dampen the community spirit ... I think the Pimms might have helped too. Here's to the next event.

Chris Smith



Service of Thanksgiving at St.Mary's Church Wansford

The disappointing weather on Sunday 5th June did not dampen the enthusiasm for celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a Service of Thanksgiving at St.Mary's Church Wansford. The singing was led by the Choir under the direction of Eddie McDonnell who performed Alleluia by William Boyce, Mozarts Jubilate arranged by Alan Bullard and the hymn While for All Mankind We Pray.

Specially written prayers for the occasion were said and appropriate hymns sung.

A novel feature was two members of the congregation giving their own personal recollections of the Queen's Coronation in June 1953.

The Service ended with the singing of two verses of the National Anthem.

A commemorative Rowan tree was then planted in the Churchyard by Churchwardens Caroline Ashley and Alan Jones.



This was followed by Coffee and celebration cakes kindly provided by the Friend's of St Mary's and St Andrews.



WANSFORD PARISH COUNCIL



June has been a busy month for Wansford Parish Council. Although the Jubilee beacon lighting on the Thursday was well attended, the lunches organized for the Sunday were a bit of a damp squib with cold rain all day. Despite the rain, 35 hardy folks turned out for the Old North Road/Robins Field/ Robinswood gathering and a good time was had thanks to the shelter of a large marquee.

Those who are observant will have noticed that the finger post signs in the centre of Wansford have been modified to correct the mis-spelling of King's Cliffe. The new signs have improved the appearance of the area around the church and the next step is to get the remaining PCC signs straightened, replace the litter bins with wooden ones and remove several redundant bits of street furniture. There has been a suggestion to install a permanent village beacon near the Yarwell Road junction. Does anyone have any thoughts on this?

The telephone box (now defibrillator and book exchange) on Old North Road has been renovated. After a thorough wire brush and following a brief appearance in pink primer, the box is now resplendent in the familiar cherry red. Thank you to the team of residents who have helped with this.

Two of the councillors walked around the Wansford picnic site with a PCC representative and agreed a new arrangement for the litter bins. With the picnic site closed, the bins will be set out to be of use to people using the footpath under the A1. It would be useful if the person who throws an energy drink can onto the grass every day would put it in a bin instead!

The A47 upgrade review by the Planning Inspectorate is proceeding with the submissions for Deadline 8 now available. From these submissions it is clear that National Highways did not use the correct procedures when selecting the route of the new road in the area of the Scheduled Monument. The Inspector is also questioning the traffic modelling of the Wansford western roundabout. The Inspector is due to complete his examination by the 11th July with a decision by the Secretary of State for Transport at the end of the year.

The new external lighting for Wansford Church is now in place and working well. There was a small overrun of costs because of the need to protect the lights with cages but the whole cost has been covered by Wansford Parish Council. Many thanks to JMF Electrical who did this work at cost without labour charges.

Wansford Parish Council met on the 13th June with a very full 26 point agenda. The Chairman was unwell so the meeting was chaired by the Vice-Chairman. Full minutes are on the WPC web site www.wansford-pc.gov.uk.

Two planning applications within the village (a garden room at 21 Old North Road and minor modifications to the plans for 8 Robinswood) received no objections.

More contentious was an application to extend the Rockingham Forest Park by the addition of 80 new lodges and an amenity building. As happened when considering the initial development, a group of councillors visited the site to look at the new location and also to see whether the developer had done what they promised with the original cabins. The main concerns were the amount of traffic generated, the sewerage disposal arrangements and the impact on wildlife. It was clear from the visit that the existing park was being managed carefully and all the originally planned features had been incorporated. Check in and check out times cover quite a long period so there will be no pulse of traffic at weekends.

The existing lodges have their effluent treated in a package treatment works on site with the clean output being pumped to a local stream. Anglian Water have required the new development to pump its effluent to the King's Cliffe treatment works which is reported to have sufficient capacity. WPC have suggested in their response that there should be at least 24 hours effluent storage on site to address power cuts.

WPC have also asked that the layout of the lodges be changed slightly so that there is a gap between the original development and the new lodges. This will give wildlife a corridor so that they are not confronted with a continuous wall of development.

Councillors also discussed the heavy vehicle traffic from the King's Cliffe Industrial Estate. The signage at the estate exit has been much improved, warning trucks not to enter Wansford Village. The signage at the junction of Old Leicester Road and King's Cliffe Road will be modified to clearly show the correct route to the A1. WPC will discuss with PCC the option to put a 7.5T weight limit on trucks using Old Leicester Road past Robins Field.

The refreshed Wansford Parish Council web site is getting much more use than the old one and other parish councils seem to be using it as an information source.

We are still looking for someone to fill the vacant seat as a parish councillor. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Clerk.

Richard Clarke

At present the grassy area at Nene Close is the only publicly accessible open space in Wansford. The main part of this is mown grass and is used for ball games and other activities. Six years ago, in the south of the area, the Parish Council built a children's playground which is fenced.

This year the Parish Council has planted an oak tree to celebrate the Royal Platinum Jubilee just to the west of the play area. This is thriving and is now in leaf.

To further enhance the space immediately around the play area, the Parish Council is considering clearing some of the brambles and allowing a range of wild flowers and grasses to grow. This will get away from the monoculture of just plain grass and provide food for a range of birds, butterflies and bees.

When the grass is allowed to grow out a little, the area already has snowdrops, daffodils and two or three other varieties of flowers.

The intention would be to plant a range of primroses as plugs and also sow a mix of wild flower seeds. The range of flowers would be developed over the next two years and to trigger this we would hold a planting day in the Autumn.

As part of allowing the wild flowers to grow, the mowing regime of the area would be changed so that the grass is always at least 100mm long and in late summer part of it would be allowed to get longer so that flowers can set seeds. The play area and a path into it would continue to be mown as at present.

These plans have been discussed with Peterborough Environmental City Trust (PECT) and Peterborough City Council. PECT will be providing some of the plants and helping with the project. Do residents think that this is a good idea and if so would you be willing to help with the management of the area? Please let us know your views by contacting clerk@wansford-pc.gov.uk or one of the councillors.



The diary of a parish council clerk



My last diary entry for you told the story of my challenges in setting up the parish council's new website (www.wansford-pc.gov.uk). This time, in complete contrast, I want to let you know of an old parish council book that has come to light and which contains a treasure trove of handwritten entries that bring to life the Wansford of many years ago.

The origins of parish councils date back to the Tudor period, but what we recognise today as parish councils really began as the result of the Local Government Act of 1894. Our treasured leather-bound book has handwritten records of Wansford parish meetings from that year (1894). Published by Knight & Company of 90 Fleet Street, London, its first pages set out the controlling procedures for parish meetings where a chairman is appointed each year with a group of overseers (now known as parish councillors) and where "all speakers must stand whilst addressing the chairman"! Perhaps a rule that should be reinstated! The book draws its reader into an environment which was very different to the Wansford of today, where in

March 1895 it records an annual parish budget (now known as the precept) of 11 shillings and 6 pence. Parish meetings were held in the reading room of a building we now know as Chapel Court.

The minutes of parish meetings held in March 1910 and April 1914 record issues with drainage - not the most interesting subject, you may think - but read on. The 1910 entry states that there was "a continued running of water across the Leicester Road (our Old Leicester Road) near Major Wickham's stable yard causing much inconvenience to traffic, especially cyclists during the frosty weather." "This has been caused by an overflowing drain which made a gutter across the road." A gutter in the road tells us that it was likely a long-term problem and also one which we would today regard as a health and safety issue. It also suggests that in 1910 there were more cyclists on the road than today and almost portrays a comedy of cyclists freewheeling down the hill and skidding on frozen drain water. Again, in April 1914 a drainage issue is noted when the parish meeting agreed "to ask the county authority to have drains installed to take away surface water from the roads from the crossroads to the top of the hill leading to Stamford, also the main road leading to Leicester". As we know, today's north end of Wansford village rarely has issues with drainage although these continue on the south side of the river in our neighbouring parish.

In May 1915 the parish meeting agreed that "in view of the present crisis (perhaps an understatement for WW1) it would be very convenient to have a finger post at the crossroads and Wansford Street indicating Stamford, Peterborough and London and the county authority would be asked to give this matter their attention." Pace does not seem to have been a priority in 1915 as the parish minutes of 8 November (some six months later) report that a letter was received from one Mr Deacon responding to the request for a finger post at the crossroads and that this matter would be considered. The parish council of today would expect a prompt response but at that time parish meetings were held only twice a year, surely a recipe for operating at a snail's pace whereas now our meetings are held each month.

At a parish meeting held in March 1919 a letter was read from the Mayor of Peterborough regarding plans for a War Memorial in connection with a new Infirmary in Peterborough. That Memorial Hospital, as it became known, was eventually opened by Field Marshal Sir William Robertson in 1928 as a living memorial to those of the city and the 6th Northamptonshire Regiment who died in WW1 and was the beginning of Peterborough's health service amenities we see today. To be continued.

SIBSON-CUM-STIBBINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Sibson-cum-Stibbington Parish Council met at The Christie Hall on Thursday 12th May 2022 – Annual Parish Meeting, Annual Parish Council Meeting followed by Normal Parish Council Meeting. Details were printed in June’s Living Villages magazine and are available online.

Date of next meeting – Election takes place on Thursday 5th May so next meetings scheduled for Thursday 7th July 2022 in the Christie Hall commencing at 7 p.m.

THORNHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL

THORNHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND ANNUAL PARISHIONERS MEETING

The AGM and APM are currently scheduled to take place on 16th May 2022, however these will now take place at 7pm on 18th July in St Andrews Church, Thornhaugh. Please accept this document as formal Notice of the change of date.

The postponement has been triggered by the current election process for Parish Councillors. Applications for Parish Council had to be with Peterborough City Council by 5th April and unfortunately only two applications were received for Thornhaugh by the deadline. The upshot is the two people who applied will be elected uncontested but will not form a quorum and therefore cannot be classed as a decision-making body. After the formal election process finishes on 5th May the City Council will do a second round of election/co-option to fill the empty spaces on the Council.

Please be assured that the current Council Members will ensure that there is “business as normal” until 5th May, after which there will be a short break in business, with the two newly elected Councillors keeping a watching brief until such time as the Council is back up to full complement, or at least has a minimum of three Councillors to return it to a decision-making body.

If you are interested in becoming part of the Thornhaugh Parish Council, please contact any of the current Councillors or Deirdre McCumiskey (the Clerk to the Parish Council) for more information.

CHRISTINE SMITH
Chair, Thornhaugh Parish Council
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Our Events are up and running

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Please see the Flyer on separate page (kindly produced by Stuart Fenn)

You can also get involved at the Show by entering exhibits into the Show Marquee. This year we have a jubilee theme and plenty of classes for everyone to enjoy. We really encourage everyone to have a go and have some fun. In the next issue we will print the entry form.

We are also looking for young reporters to take photos on the day of the Show and publish on social media – let me know if you are interested (garypunter@aol.com)

Finally, for our Society members, we have our Summer Party on 30th July in the lovely garden of Mandy & Barry Veni (Stibbington House). A very traditional afternoon tea party and great fun.

Gary Punter

Wansford Show 'Classes to Enter' - Have Some Fun !

Vegetables & Fruit (no.)	Flowers & Floral Art	Crafts, Art & Photography
Potatoes (x5)	Large Dahlias (x3)	Knitting or Crochet
Onions (5)	Small Dahlias (3)	Cushion, Tapestry or Quilt
Carrots (3)	Collection of garden flowers (10)	Any other Crafted article
Runner beans (6)	Collection Roses (5)	Art (any medium) Landscape, Wildlife, Portrait
Dwarf French beans (6)	Single Rose (1)	Jubilee - Royal Themed photo
Beetroot (3)	Hanging basket/Patio Pot	Quartet of themed photos
Tomatoes (garden) (5)	Best Garden	Black & white Photo
Tomatoes (beefsteak) (3)	Floral Art 'The Queen & I'	Photo of Bird(s)
Tomatoes (cherry) (8)		Photo Dramatic weather
Tomatoes (plum) (5)		
Cucumber (1)		
Courgettes (3)		
Fresh Herbs (4)		
Other vegetables (3)		
Apples dessert (5)		
Apples cooking (5)		
Pears (5)		
Plums (5)		
Veg collection		
Fruit collection		
	Food and drink	Children's (all have categories for preschool, primary & secondary)
	Victoria Sponge Technical Challenge	Art (any medium)
	Chocolate Cake Signature bake	Freestyle Constructed model (any materials)
	Jubilee Cake for Royal Afternoon Tea	Art - The Queen
	Scones (6)	Photo 'Jubilee'
	Sausage Rolls (3)	Photo 'Pets'
	Home baked Loaf	Baked item and recipe
	Preserve	3 cup cakes
	Chutney	Flower, plant or vegetable you have grown
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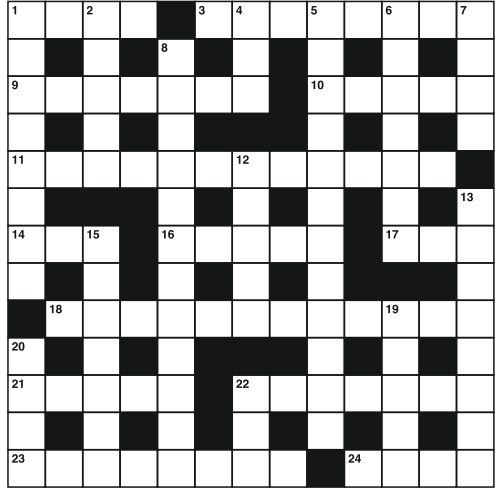
Quick Crossword

Across

- 1 - Overly curious (4)
- 3 - Photograph (8)
- 9 - Rubbish (7)
- 10 - Remains of an old building (5)
- 11 - Clearness (12)
- 14 - Compete for (3)
- 16 - Red cosmetic powder (5)
- 17 - One more than one (3)
- 18 - Heavy long-handled tool (12)
- 21 - Expressing emotions (of poetry) (5)
- 22 - Item used to cut metal (7)
- 23 - Liberties (8)
- 24 - Move fast in a straight line (4)

Down

- 1 - Opposite of positive (8)
- 2 - Country in the Middle East (5)
- 4 - Born (3)
- 5 - Persistence (12)
- 6 - Coiffure (7)
- 7 - Mission (4)
- 8 - Made in bulk (4-8)
- 12 - Severe (5)
- 13 - Took temporary possession of (8)
- 15 - Increase in size (7)
- 19 - Agreeable sound or tune (5)
- 20 - Treble ____ : symbol on a stave (4)
- 22 - Sewn edge (3)



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Sudoku

Solutions on Page 25

Wansford in England CC Fixtures 2022



Date	Opponents	Venue	Result/ Time
Sunday 3/07/22	Rushden	Away	12.30
Sunday 10/07/22	Islip CC	Home	1pm
Sunday 17/07/22	Holme CC	Home	1pm
Sunday 24/07/22	Woodford CC	Away	1pm
Sunday 31/07/22	Motley Crew CC	Home	1pm

T20 Games

Tuesday 5/7/22	Ashpat XI	Home	17:30
Tuesday 12/7/22	Camra tbc	HOME	17:30
Tuesday 19/7/21	Hampton tbc	TBC	17:30
Tuesday 26/7/22	BHARAT tbc	AWAY	17:30

May finished with a flourish of wins both midweek and Sunday games: May 24th Wansford beat Ashpat XI by 8 wickets in a midweek T20, with Harry Sorrensen, Al Eden and Steve Taylor all batting well and retiring on 30, Elliott Brewer was the pick of the bowlers with 3 for 18.

Sunday 29th was a 40 overs local grudge match against Peterborough CAMRA CC, with some good knocks from some of their key batsmen, CAMRA made 224 for 7 from their 40 overs, M Mitchell taking 2 for 30, Lino 2 for 41 and Ella B 2 for 39. Wansford opener Andy Briault lost his first partner without bothering the scorers but then staged a 200 run partnership with Darren Sweary who finally fell for 69, Steve Taylor came in and helped reach the target with a quick 10 runs off 3 balls, Andy Briault ended unbeaten on 104 not out! Wansford win by 8 wickets!

June started with a Sunday game cancelled by the opposition, then a tough, away T20 match at Hampton, Al Eden batting well enough to retire and Gary Barrett's 2 for 22 not enough to secure a win, Hampton chased down Wansford's total of 142 with an over to spare. However back to winning ways in an away fixture at Howitzers on Sunday 12th, the 35 over match saw Wansford post 192, with Mo Zubair top scoring with 61 and Dash Singh Janardhan narrowly missing out on a half century, falling LBW on 49!! Howitzers came out positively but some excellent bowling and fielding managed to dismiss the side for 158, Steve Taylor with 2 for 13, John Gill 2 for 16 and Matt Mitchell 2 for 22.

Peterborough CAMRA CC were our opposition for the Tuesday T20 match on 14th June, Wansford batted first, losing both openers cheaply, A Mashood and Briault came in and steadied the ship putting runs on the board fairly quickly before both being dismissed for less than 30, Steve Taylor, Kelsey Brace and Mo Zubair topped up the runs to leave CAMRA a total of 161 to chase. Al Eden opened for CAMRA and quickly retired on 33, however his team mates struggled to add too much to Al's total, finally all out for 85, Venu bowling an incredible spell of 3 for 4 off 4 overs! Other bowling highlights, Steve Taylor 2 for 6, Abbas 2 for 19 and Kev Botley 1 for 0 from 2 balls!!!

July home fixtures include Sunday 10th at home to Kettering and Islip, Sunday 17th Home to Holme, Sunday 31st home to Motley Crew with Tuesday night T20 fixtures every week.

As always, please feel free to come down and support us, bring a picnic etc, if you would like to play, please come down to one of the matches or contact Matt Mitchell on 07947 136134, we often practice using our nets on a Thursday evening too, kit is available to borrow if you want to give it a try.

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