



Parish Council Matters

We were delighted to welcome a new Councillor, Stewart Darcy, to join the team at the meeting at the end of September. There are still vacancies, so please think about following him and giving it a go! Details of the application process are on the PC website.

We were also pleased to welcome some members of the public to the meeting. They shared their concerns about the speed of traffic entering and leaving Great Bircham from the south. Unfortunately, our request to move the 30-mph speed limit beyond the first houses was not accepted by the County Council Highways Department. However, the village gates will be moved about 250m south and the new welcome sign will say "Please slow down".

In addition, we will apply to the County Council for matched funding to purchase two portable solar-powered SAM3 speed awareness devices for our excellent Speedwatch team to use.

Local development is a regular topic on the agenda. We will keep a close eye on the Borough Council's new Local Plan as it evolves. Also, the future of the King George VI school site is being considered by the County Council. We have expressed our strong wish for it to have an educational or community use rather than it being solely used for housing development.

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on **Wednesday, 25th November 2026**, starting at **7.30pm in Bircham Social Club**.

If you wish to discuss a Parish matter, please attend the meeting or write to the Clerk.

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Newsletter Thoughts

In this month's issue we cover a lot of ground – from the nice autumnal edibles to the not-so-nice seasonal jabs. We've also a review of a new book about Sixties musical legends as well as a musical day in the village on November 8th and a barn dance further afield in Dersingham. And since October is the month of ghostly comings and goings we hear once more from Paul Lee, this time about the hauntings at Bircham Newton. Also, dare you go along to Fear in the Fens filmic festival? And we learn about the progress on the windmill renovation: a mighty task lies in store but such a treasure we have in our own village. "Dates for the diary" includes many of the upcoming festivals, fairs and attractions to get you ready or in the mood for Christmas. Our final page is devoted to a bunch of local winners.

Do remember that the *Bircham Times* can be delivered to parishioners by email. You can email us at news@thebirchams.uk to request that (or for any other matter). In addition, we publish, in advance of the paper copy and in Full Colour, on the 15th of every month on our website: www.thebirchams.uk



Jab Season

FLU Free annual flu jabs are available from October 1 from your GP or a participating pharmacy. You can phone the surgery or book a jab online or via the NHS app. It's free if you are over 65 (or will be 65 by next March 31); or aged 16-64 with long-term health conditions; pregnant; or a carer for an older or disabled person. Of course if you are employed your employer may have a free scheme and if all else fails you can pay for a jab... it costs in the region of £25.



RSV (known in these quarters as RSVP!). This is respiratory syncytial virus and is advised for people who already have lung problems and for young infants. It's free if you are pregnant, or 75 years or older, an adult aged 65-74 with lung condition/weakened immune system. The surgery should contact you if you are registered.

SHINGLES Nasty condition this! And the criteria for eligibility isn't entirely logical. So here goes. People who turn 65 after Sept 1 2023 (think of it as your 65th birthday present). The next cohort is those aged 70-79, and then those over 18 with a severely weakened system. Again, you should be contacted if you fall into any of these groups. This is a two-dose vaccine, given 6-12 months apart.

PNEUMONIA (pneumococcal vaccine). Another 65th birthday treat! This one helps prevent pneumonia, sepsis, meningitis... bacterial infections in general. It's also given to babies but it should form part of a baby's early life package of jabs.

And finally, everyone's favourite – the **COVID 19** jab. You can book your Covid winter vaccine online or via the NHS app. Appointments, as with flu, are taking place from October 1 and are recommended for those who are 75 or over (or will be 75 by January 31, 2027). Also those aged 6 months to 74, with weakened immune systems.

If you have any doubts about the necessity or your qualification status, do contact your GP or local pharmacy for advice. Or read the NHS advice here <https://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations/>

Local Cinemas and Halloween Film Season



Films are shown monthly at 7.30pm at **Dersingham Village Centre**, opposite St Nicholas' Church in Manor Road. The price of entry is £6 (for under-16s it's £3). Entry includes tea, coffee, squash. Bar drinks available.



Tuesday October 27 *Swear* (15), starring Robert Aramayo, Maxine Peake, Shirley Henderson, Peter Mullan. The world, including his family, struggles to understand a man with Tourette syndrome, until a kind ally encourages him to speak out and spark change.

Tuesday November 24 *Military Wives* (12), starring Kristin Scott Thomas, Sharon Horgan, Jason Flemyng. A group of women, whose husbands are military personnel, forms a choir when their partners are on duty in Afghanistan. Soon, they attract media attention and are at the centre of a global movement.

The annual **Fear in the Fens Festival** runs October 23 to 25 and is showing films in the Cornmarket Cinema in King's Lynn. The programme contains classic horror movies as well as locally made films, accompanied by genre talks. Tickets are available for single shows or for the full programme but are limited. See <https://www.fearinthefens.com> for further details.

There are also films shown at the **King's Lynn Corn Exchange**, including Event Cinema where performances from the National Theatre Live, Royal Opera House and other venues are available.

Fakenham Cinema – **The Central Cinema** – has some new releases but also shows more oddball and long-forgotten films. And for those who can't give up on a multiplex, we are just about equidistant from **Vue Norwich** (8 screens) and **The Light Wisbech** (also 8 screens).



Windmill News

Bircham Windmill is undergoing a major periodic repair. The white top of the windmill is called the cap and the original one that you are all used to seeing, made by my father, Roger Wagg, went up in 1979. It is in need of major repairs – let's face it, it's been up there nearly 50 years! The only option was to remove the cap. To do this we first had to take down the four sails and two stocks. The sails are wooden and all need replacing. The stocks are metal: one was galvanised and is in good condition, the other wasn't and we will need to replace it.

You may have noticed the stocks and sails gradually disappearing, and then on October 2nd we had a crane in to take off the cap and put on what looks like a little sailor's cap. It's just a temporary cap that we built to keep out the weather while we do the work. Thank you to a lovely village lady, Aren, for painting it!

We have got the original cap in the car park right next to the road, so do have a look when you walk past. Anyone interested is welcome to chat, take pictures and generally keep up with our progress. Try not to use "when are you going to have it finished?" as your opener.

We are enjoying the journey to be honest and are pretty sure it will be up during 2027 with the sails maybe taking until 2028 – but we'll see. Unlike other mills, many of which seem to be struggling at the moment, you can rest assured that – barring some kind of disaster – we fully intend to put the cap, stocks and sails back up and have the sails turning on windy days, in fact, when we get to that stage it would be great to have some new team member who would just run the mill for us on windy days. Do let us know if that would interest you.

The stocks are currently lying in the car park; you are welcome to come and look at them too. They may both have to be sent away when we are having the new one made.

It's a big thank you to all our lovely customers who come and buy bread, cakes and coffee from us over the summertime. It's thanks to you all that we can look forward to getting the wind in our sails again in the near future.

Elly x

Dersingham Barn Dance

Get your dancing shoes on, for on Saturday November 7 at 7.30pm (doors open at 6.45pm) Dersingham Village Centre is hosting a barn dance, with music from Whirligig, Norfolk's premier ceilidh band.

Tickets are limited and are available from Dersingham News (there's no on-the-door admission). Adults £12.50/under-16s £7. There's also a bar and a raffle will be held.

Dates for the Diary

Bircham Windmill Reopens
Mar 25, 2027

RAF Bircham Newton
10-4pm (alt Suns)

RAF Sculthorpe 10-4pm
(afterwards 1st Sun month til Nov)

Anmer Social Club Coffee, cake and chat, Mondays 10-12.
Contact 07947 580555

Snettisham Park Daily, 10-4pm

Houghton Hall & Grounds
Reopens late spring

Sandringham House and gardens reopen spring 2027

Oct 16-24 Wells Festival of Literature

Oct 17 Finds Day @ Lynn Museum, 11-3pm, booking recommended

Oct 17 Letters from Norfolk: essay and poetry reading by contemporary authors, Stanhoe Village Hall, 7pm

Oct 20 RBO The Met Opera's production of *Macbeth*, 6pm, at Majestic Cinema and KL Corn Exchange

Oct 21 Fungi Walk, Sculthorpe Moor, 10-noon, £16

Oct 23 Acoustic Night, Anmer Social Club, 7.30pm

Oct 23-25 Fear in the Fens film festival, various KL venues
www.fearinthefens.com/

Oct 23-Nov 1 Pumpkin Festival @ Pensthorpe, <https://tickets.pensthorpe.com/book>

Oct 25 Charity Horse Rides @ Sandringham, 9.30am

Oct 25 Steeleye Span @ Princess Theatre, Hunstanton, £32. 7.30pm

Oct 25 RAF Bircham Newton Open Day

Oct 25 CLOCKS GO BACK

Oct 26 SCHOOLS HALF-TERM

Oct 26-31 Magic School, North Norfolk Railway <https://nnrailway.co.uk/autumn-steam/>



Foodie Fare

Aaargh! It is September as we write and the Waitrose Food Lovers' Christmas Catalogue is out (congrats to Waitrose for having the apostrophe in the right place btw). In it the suggestion is to buy your festive cocktails, spirits and liqueurs on September 27. Sheer madness... even the advocaat will be long gone by the big day itself. Apparently we can book our Christmas dinner delivery on the 30th of SEPTEMBER. Hello folks you may have missed it already. There's getting ahead and then there is also missing out on the rest of the year. Poor October and November barely get a look in nowadays, which is a pity since there's plenty of produce to indulge in before December 25.

Traditionally, the double seasonal celebrations of Hallowe'en and Bonfire Night (Guy Fawkes's Night) were chilly affairs, with fingers enlivened by holding a hot potato done in the fire's ashes or a hot dog or burger. These days it may not even be chill enough to don a coat, hat and scarf.

While it is not a local delicacy, parkin has a lot going for it and is largely a throwback to the past. Its roots are in Yorkshire, or the "North Country" more generally, and it can be described as a mature sticky gingerbread for adults.

PARKIN

As well as these autumnal celebrations, parkin is also part of New Year first footing, where in the North it traditionally substituted for the Scottish shortbread as a food offering. First-footing for those not in the know, is a Hogmanay/Northern celebration where good luck was guaranteed if the first person to cross the threshold after midnight was a dark man (a Heathcliff type if you will) who had to bring drink (whisky), food (parkin/shortbread) and a lump of coal (for the hearth). A blond man would never do... probably brought back memories of Viking invaders.

This version comes courtesy of Mary Berry.

200g self-raising flour
100g medium oatmeal or rolled oats
1 tbsp ground ginger
1 tsp ground cinnamon
100g light brown sugar
50g black treacle (molasses)
100g golden syrup
100g unsalted butter
1 beaten egg
4 tbsp milk

Preheat the oven to 150°C (130°C fan) and grease and line an 8-inch square cake tin with greaseproof paper. In a large mixing bowl, sift together the self-raising flour, oatmeal (or oats), ground ginger, cinnamon and brown sugar. Stir well to combine.

In a small saucepan, gently melt the butter, black treacle and golden syrup, stirring until the mixture is smooth. Remove from the heat and let it cool slightly.

Make a well in the centre of the dry ingredients and pour in the melted butter, treacle and syrup mixture. Stir until all the dry ingredients are evenly coated. Beat the egg with the milk and stir it into the mixture until well combined. The batter should be thick but pourable.

Pour the batter into the prepared tin, spreading it evenly. Bake in the preheated oven for 1-1¼ hours, or until a skewer inserted into the centre comes out clean. The cake should be firm to the touch. Allow the parkin to cool in the tin for 10 minutes, then turn it out onto a wire rack to cool completely. For best results, store the parkin in an airtight container for at least 2-3 days before serving to allow the flavours to develop and the cake to become stickier.

If you like ginger you can add some chopped stem ginger; if you like a richer taste adjust the treacle and syrup amounts. The former adds depth; the latter sweetness.



Ghostly Goings-On at Bircham Newton

In late 1971 and early 1972 attention focused on the old RAF Bircham Newton base (now the CITB) as a result of several ghostly observations of strange figures and odd sounds, especially at the squash courts on site. The BBC attention culminated in a trip by the *Nationwide* team with a group of people including a medium.

Although a lot of this has been reported elsewhere (YouTube for instance), the actual recording has been missing for more than 50 years, presumed wiped.

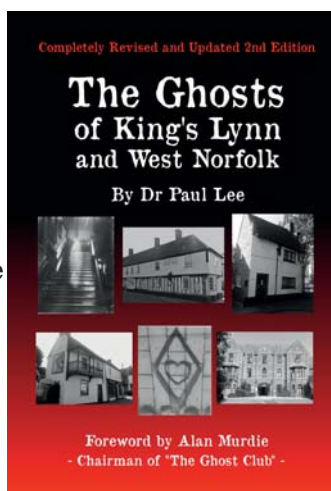
King's Lynn researcher Dr Paul Lee managed to find an obsolete tape at the British Film Institute that had this six-minute fragment intact, after multiple expensive trips to London. This was after the BBC tried to convince him that there was no documentation to support this TV show being



broadcast and suggested that it had been on ITV!

Perplexingly, just about every detail unearthed by the medium turned out to be wrong. But even so, this doesn't explain odd sounds recorded in sealed buildings and bizarre ghostly figures seen over the decades... and even to this day, there are fleeting reports of bizarre phenomena, such as a construction student answering a knock on his hotel door to be confronted by a figure in a Second World War RAF uniform.

There are more details about the ghosts of Bircham Newton (but not this recent data obviously!) in Paul's book, *The Ghosts of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk*.



Docking Recycling Centre Reprieve

The news broke in the first week of October that the threatened closure of the Docking recycling centre had been abandoned for now. Heads are spinning at the number of U-turns, but maybe people power won the day? However, we shouldn't rest on our laurels since of course there's always the chance of another U-turn in local government. We suggest that users continue to book their slots at the recycling centre as previously, and to those who have not yet used the facility, please consider doing so. It only continues to exist whilst there is a demand for it. All the clamouring in the world won't work if the financial sums fail to deliver. So check out your sheds and outbuildings now...

Dates for the Diary

- Oct 28** Halloween Discovery Day, Sculthorpe Moor, 10-12.30, children £6.50 (one accompanying adult for free)
- Oct 29** After Dark Pumpkin Festival @ Pensthorpe
- Oct 30** Quiz Night @ Anmer Social Club, from 7pm, £3pp call 07899 872351/email farmboy24@sky.com
- Oct 31** Hunstanton Craft Fair, Town Hall, 10-4pm
- Oct 31** Halloween UV Disco @ Snettisham Memorial Hall, 7pm £4/£2
- Nov 6** Quiz Night, Stanhoe Village Hall, 7pm, £2.50pp
- Nov 6** Fawkes in the Walks free fireworks, KL, from 6pm
- Nov 7** Farmers' Market, Creake Abbey, 9.30am-1pm
- Nov 7** Barn Dance, Dersingham Village Centre, 7.30pm, 07973 499786
- Nov 7** Christmas Fete With the Donkeys, Harpley Village Hall, 10am-1pm
- Nov 7** Hunstanton Clifftop Fireworks, 5-9pm
- Nov 7** Dragon Festival, St George's Guildhall, KL, 10am
- Nov 8** RAF Bircham Newton Open Day
- Nov 9** Cash Prize Bingo @ Bircham Social Club, eyes down 7.30pm
- Nov 13-15** Sandringham Christmas Craft, Food & Gift Fair, 10-5pm, £14/£6
- Nov 14** Syderstone Autumn Fair, Amy Robsart Hall, 10.30-2.30pm
- Nov 17** Coastal Crafters Workshop, Diamond Art Christmas Hanging, Docking, £10. Ring 07825 216009
- Nov 21-Dec 24** Luminare @ Sandringham, from 4.30pm
- Nov 21** Christmas Gift Fair, Creake Abbey, 10-3pm
- Nov 29** Christmas Market @ Pensthorpe, 10-3pm
- Nov 29** Christmas Dog Walk and Jumper Competition, Bandstand Hunstanton, 3pm



Toddler and Baby Group

A toddler and baby group is held on Wednesday mornings during term time from 9.30 to 11am at Hunstanton Methodist Church in Austin Street, Hunstanton PE36 6AL

For further details ring 01485 298316

All are welcome!

St Mary's 100 Club Draw

OCTOBER RESULTS: Here are the latest draw results: 1st prize no. **27**; 2nd prize no. **3**. (1st prize wins £25; 2nd prize £10).

Many congratulations to the winners!

Sally

Bircham Banter

Next Banter session is on Thursday November 5 from 2.30 to 4pm at St Mary's, Great Bircham. Do come along and join with the regulars for chat, tea/coffee and very good cake, especially if you are new to the village. You'll be made very welcome!!

Pauline



Stanhoe & Barwick WI

Forthcoming events to be held at the Stanhoe Reading Room, Cross Lane, PE31 8PS at 2pm.

November 5 David Reeve, a retired Royal Protection Officer, will give a talk about protecting the Royal Family.

December 3 Peg Hunter will be leading a floral posy workshop (members only).

Visitors are always welcome. Our charge is £5, which includes refreshments.

Contact stanhoeandbarwickwi@gmail.com for more details about events and membership.

War Memorial and Remembrance



As you probably know the war memorial, at the junction of Lynn Road and Fring Road, has recently had a spruce up with improvements to the lettering on the monument. And after a recent traffic incident the grassed surrounding area has been restored. This is all very timely since the annual remembrance day ceremony will take place there at 11am on November 11th, led by Parish Council Chair Hugh Rayner. All are welcome to attend to pay their respects.





Curl Up With a Good Book

John & Paul: A Love Story in Songs (2025) by Ian Leslie.

Apparently there are more than 500 books about the Beatles, but this one unapologetically concentrates on the two names of the title – regarded as the best song-writing duo of the 20th century. Author Ian Leslie tells the life story of the two Beatles from before their first meeting in 1957 through to the early death of Lennon in 1980. Surprisingly, since we all think we already know their story, the book delves into the relationship of the two young men both carrying the trauma of family loss, and then the symbiotic dependence that develops between each other. Taciturn, angry, wistful and romantic by turn, the chronological telling of the Beatles story majors on the lyrics of their songs, where they expressed their moods, loves, regrets and hopes.



For those of a musical bent, Leslie describes the chords, keys, middle eights, bridges and so on of their songs' compositions. He dissects the harmonies, pinpoints who sang which line, identifies where inspiration was taken from, whether, family, friends, Liverpool or the wider pop and R&B world. But it is all delivered with a light touch and doesn't exclude the average (or tone-deaf!) reader.

There is a photo section in the book. There must be millions of pictures that the author could have chosen but here we have many adoring pictures of Paul gazing at John and vice versa, the men mirroring each other's stances, as well as images of those closest to them. The cover photo is just one such image. *John & Paul* is a beautiful book on the nature of love and friendship between two of the 20th-century's most impressive and talented icons: who together produced something greater than the sum of their individual parts.

A *Sunday Times* bestseller, the book is fully indexed, has a bibliography and exhaustive notes. There's a QR code that links to the *John & Paul* playlist – but long before that you'll have the memorable songs and their lyrics swirling in your head, maybe with a new consciousness as to where they came from. A worthy addition to that canon of 500.

LITERARY ANNIVERSARY

This month we've another literary anniversary: *Gulliver's Travels* by Jonathan Swift, which was published in 1726 and celebrates its 300th birthday. Sadly, it's a classic that almost everyone has heard of but hardly anyone has ever read. Which is a pity of course. The satire tells the tale of ship's surgeon Lemuel Gulliver, who embarks on a series of fantastical adventures to strange lands inhabited by, variously, giants (Brobdingnagians), tiny people (Lilliputians), a master race of horses (Houyhnhnms) who rule the roost over the human savages (the Yahoos) and a race of humans who age without dying (Struldbruggs). And seeing that we are always keen to add a local connection... well Swift's model for Flimnap, The Lord High Treasurer in Lilliput, was none other than Robert Walpole, the leader of the Whigs and England's first prime minister. Walpole was an extremely wily politician and Swift describes Flimnap as the most dexterous of the rope dancers.

Bircham Social Club Fundraising for Tapping House

On November 8 Bircham Social Club is hosting a charity all-dayer in aid of Tapping House. On this particular Sunday there will be three bands playing – from lunchtime until the evening: The Houndogs; The Whickers; and The Fallen. There will be food and, obviously, drink available. Tickets cost £5. Do go along and support this worthy cause while having a fun day out.



MOBILE POST OFFICE

Scheduled stop at Bircham Social Club, Church Lane is as follows.

Monday	10:45-11:30
Tuesday	10:45-11:30
Thursday	10:45-11:30
Friday	12:10-12:55

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE

Fridays Nov 6/Dec 4
Stops at:

Monks Close	15:15-15:35
Village Shop	15:45-16:00
Social Club	16:05-16:15
Windmill Hill	16:20-16:35

RECYCLING CENTRE

For pre-booking your visit at **any** Norfolk centre:

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/62632/Norfolk-Recycling-Centre-bookings>

Or phone 0344 800 8020

BUS 33 (new timetable from June 1)

To Hunstanton (from King's Head): Mon-Sat
07:36 (not Sat); 08:36; 10:36; 12:36; 14:36;
17:06

Return from Stand A Bus Station

To Lynn (from Bircham Stores): Mon-Sat
07:33 (not Sat); 09:18; 11:18; 13:18; 15:18;
17:18

Return from Stand E Bus Station

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Bircham Weather

High pressure again influenced our weather in September, although for most of the first half of the month it was positioned to the south of the UK. This allowed Atlantic fronts to move across at times so that up to the 18th there were only seven days without recorded rain. The close proximity of the high rendered these fronts generally weak though and rainfall totals were consequently small, apart from on the 4th when some heavy rain during the early morning made it the wettest day of the month when 11.2 mm was recorded.

We did see some sunshine every day during this period, although there was none of the wall-to-wall sunshine and heat that was experienced during the preceding summer months. Mainly gentle westerly and south-westerly winds helped to maintain the warm temperatures which contributed to the maximum exceeding 20°C on 19 days for the whole month with the highest figure being 24.8°C that was noted on the 6th. After the 18th the high pressure moved back across the UK and no further rain was recorded for the remainder of the month, apart from 1.0 mm during the night of the 30th. This brought the September rainfall total to just 26 mm, around half the expected amount. A good deal of sunshine during this latter period helped to maintain maximum temperatures mainly in the low twenties, bringing the average maximum for the month to 20.7°C, 1.5°C above the norm.

More impressive were the overnight minima which averaged 13.0°C, this being some 2.9°C above normal and aided by particularly mild nights, with minima of 17.2°C on the 3rd, 17.6°C on the 15th and 17.7°C on the 30th. The warmth continued into the final day when the temperature reached 23.3°C, although by then there was more than a hint that autumn had arrived with the first leaves beginning to fall.

Bryan



Our Surprisingly Big Day

Over the past six years we have worked to make our garden as nature-friendly as possible. So, alerted by the article in the May edition of the *Bircham Times*, we decided to enter this year's West Norfolk Garden Wildlife Competition.

Nature-friendly gardening is not about leaving it to go wild and look a mess. Borders and boundaries are important for it to look good and we have laid wildflower turf to give colour as well as attract butterflies and other insects. Wildflowers are very tolerant of poor soil and drought – particularly helpful this summer.

We have fitted up bird and bat boxes and a hedgehog house and have built a log pile for insects. Our solar panels do not have bird guards around them. Ivy and nettles have been left out of sight behind the garage. We have had the blackthorn hedge laid and added other hedge species to create a dense wildlife corridor that connects to the nearby copse. Since then, great tits, wrens and pied wagtails have nested. 'No Mow May' left seedheads for greenfinches, goldfinches and sparrows and removed the need to offer bird food, which risks spreading disease. And, to our huge delight, large numbers of beautiful bee orchids appeared!



Our pond, topped up from a rainwater butt, has attracted frogs, newts and dragonflies and has been a source of drinking water for birds and hedgehogs during the drought.



Rosemary checked us against the criteria for the small garden category and managed to tick all the boxes. One very hot day in July we were visited by the Mayor and two others from the competition team. We subsequently received an email informing us that we had been shortlisted but had not won. However, we were still invited to the awards ceremony and as we were keen to support the event (and claim some free cake) we went along.

When the three names for the small garden category went up on the screen, we were surprised to see Rosemary's name appear. We were even more surprised when she was announced as the winner of the Gold Award! Apparently, there had been a mix up with the emails. We came away with a lot more than free cake!

Hugh & Rosemary

Speedway Stars World Champion

Robert Lambert is the new World Speedway champion. He won the title at his home track in Torun, Poland but to British speedway fans Robert will be remembered as a King's Lynn Stars rider from 2013 to 2019 and also 2023. Congratulations to him. Of course Robert isn't the only former Stars rider to have won the world title; in 1980 Michael Lee won in Gothenburg, Sweden.

A reminder that the current Stars ride at the Adrian Flux arena on Saddlebow Road; the new season will start in the spring.

Soapbox Derby Results

The winners of the four categories of racing at the Hunstanton Soapbox racing in September were as follows:

Junior F1 came first in the Under-13s, beating CRC Racing and Berties;

FW14B won the Under-16s, beating Airforce Fighter 1 and Icenci Academy Tech Club;

Kawasaki Ninja won the Veterans, followed by Brake Expectations and Lmd Locksmiths.

The adult section was won by The Balloon in a record time of 24.70 seconds, followed by Apex Legend and Big Wheels. You can catch up with all the thrills and spills on YouTube.