

## FROM THE ARCHIVES

### From the pages of the Welton NEWS in July 2001....

Charles Ireland held his Welton seat at the county council and Edward Leigh held the Gainsborough constituency in the recent elections. The turnout at the 2001 general election was 64.25% compared to 80.3% in 1992.

The management of Welton Manor Park Golf Club and the chairman of the golf club were critical of the decision of the parish council not to allow an easement for the supply of utility services to the golf club across the parish land of Manor Park. This had led to a delay in the official opening of new facilities at the golf club and additional expenses. It was particularly galling as the owners of the golf club had donated the land for Manor Park in 1993.

An outbreak of foot and mouth disease caused the cancellation of a carriage driving event at Hackthorn Hall Park and a Red Arrow display in the Netherlands. Meanwhile the parish council reported that some footpaths in the county had reopened.

The police reported a recent armed robbery at the village post office and that three men had been arrested. Police were also concerned about vandalism and anti-social behaviour by youngsters in the village, fuelled in some cases by under-aged youths having access to alcohol.

The National Women's Register meeting included a review of national newspapers and their different approaches to news items. The club's report noted that two tabloids showed Prince Harry on the front page romping with some girls and another two tabloids ran features on Princess Diana's "untold revelations!" How can there be anything left to tell? asked the club.

### And from the July 2011 issue....

The **NEWS** said farewell to Roger Adams who had died recently and to Paul Strong who had retired as headteacher of William Farr School. We also reported that West Lindsey District Council had committed £100,000 towards redevelopment of Manor Park provided matching funds were raised elsewhere. A project for a communal swimming pool at William Farr School was gathering pace.

TV was going digital across the UK and readers were advised that the Yorkshire TV region would switch from the beginning of August. The BBC had set up the Switchover Help Scheme to help disabled people and those over 75 by providing equipment and support to switch one television in the household to digital.

The Methodist chapel reported that the chapel was set to expand. Stage one was already underway, with the purchase of the house next door in process to allow for a new community hall. The cost of the scheme was said to be in the region of half a million pounds.

Samantha Ford wrote that a good neighbour scheme had recently been formed in the village. She outlined some of the services the scheme could offer our community and invited interested readers to the group's next meeting in the Black Bull.