



# BROUGHTON BULLETIN

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# Next Round of Funding Benefits Broughton



Contributor  
Elizabeth Welch

In September BCSA and a representative from the Wressle Oil Fun met to consider the next round of funding for community groups and Broughton in the Broughton Parish. The following funding awards were given.

2nd Broughton Brownies | £350.00  
 Little Acorns Pre-School | £8,081.88  
 1st Broughton Guides | £1,880.00  
 TeamBR | £12,513.56  
 1st Broughton Scouts | £1,204.91  
 Broughton Town Council | £4,500.00  
 Broughton Cricket Club | £8,649.76  
 Purple Pineapple Theatre Academy | £2,305.16  
 Broughton Ravens JFC | £6,940.02

The next funding window closes on the 31st December and is open to any not-for-profit community group within the parish of Broughton that has its own bank account and a group constitution.

## Looking Forward: A change to the fund

It was decided by the committee that after two years of funding solely to the parish of Broughton the January - April funding window would extend the reach of the fund to community groups outside of Broughton that operate for the benefit of Broughton People.

Groups must not have a conflict of interest with existing groups already in the Broughton Parish and must adhere to all the existing requirements of the fund.

It is our hope that this will enable us to reach other worthy charitable causes in desperate need of funding that enrich and support the lives of the residents of the Broughton Parish.

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# Groups funded so far

- Team BR (Broughton Runners)
- Broughton Guides
- Brigg & District Rangers
- Broughton Town Council
- BCSA
- Broughton Cricket Club
- Broughton Primary School
- Broughton Ravers JFC
- Broughton Dramatic Society
- Purple Pineapple Theatre Academy
- 1st Broughton Scouts
- Broughton Brownies
- Little Acorns Pre-School
- Team BR
- Broughton Angling Club
- Broughton Skate Park
- Broughton Village Hall
- Broughton Youth Club
- Broughton Allotment Association
- Village Hall Dance Group



With thanks to the Wressle Oil Community Fund for their investment in Broughton so far.

We are really keen to ensure these funds get to the groups who need it the most, so if you need any help with your application or any questions please do reach out to [info@thisisbcsa.co.uk](mailto:info@thisisbcsa.co.uk)

# Broughton Town Council



Contributor  
Sonia Baig

Date,  
5 November, 2024

## Your Volunteer Councillors

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Broughton Town Council has been busy this year making Broughton a better place to live for our residents. Below is an outline of events that have taken place locally.

The D-Day 80th anniversary event took place at the Village Hall on Thursday 6th June to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Normandy Landings. A procession was led by local groups from the Village Hall to the Memorial and then on to the Phil Grundy Centre where the beacon was lit. The event was well attended by young and old alike.

The Fireworks' event took place on Saturday 2nd November and was once again a huge success with a brilliant turnout and a range of vendors attending such as a fish and chips van, Greek gyros, burgers, German sausages, a pizza stall and waffles & milkshake. There was also a bar and fair rides. The event was supported by local children's groups such as the Brownies, Guides and Scouts and indoor groups included a face painter, metal art and various charity groups.



Contributor  
Sonia Baig

Date,  
5 November, 2024

A consultation event took place on the 19th September regarding the re-generation of the Phil Grundy Community and Sports Centre allowing residents and other users of the site to give their views on the proposed plans.

Please contact the office if you would like any further information regarding the project.

Please also note:

There are a number of Easy Gardening Plots available at Broughton Allotments, these are allocated on the basis of individual need. For further information please contact the Deputy Clerk on 01652 659441 or via email [deputy.clerk@broughtontowncouncil.co.uk](mailto:deputy.clerk@broughtontowncouncil.co.uk)

#### Community Service Award

The nominations for the Community Service Award 2024/25 can now be made by completing a nomination form please email [admin@broughtontowncouncil.co.uk](mailto:admin@broughtontowncouncil.co.uk) for more information.

North Lincolnshire Council (NLC) Self-Service portal <https://northlincs-self.achieveservice.com/module/home>  
By using the above link, you are now able to report any NLC issues via their portal – from potholes, dog fouling, fly-tipping to bin collections. Alternatively, you can ring on 01724 297000.

#### Police Report

Please notify ALL non-emergency concerns to the Humberside Police by telephoning 101. By doing this all complaints will be added to the statistics which will hopefully assist in future policing.

To report crimes online via the Humberside Police website please use the following link: -

[www.humberside.police.uk/report-a-crime](http://www.humberside.police.uk/report-a-crime)

To view crimes in the neighbourhood log onto the following website. [www.police.co.uk/](http://www.police.co.uk/)

Crime Stoppers – 100% anonymous, call 0800 555 111 or go online to report at

<https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously>

# Broughton Sequence Dancing



**Contributor**  
**Rod Blackburn**

The summer of 2024 has been a busy time for our club and members.

We had return visits from keyboard players, Philip Randles and Mark Spafford, and a first visit by organist Chris Powell. These events were well attended and their enthusiastic playing ensured a busy dance floor.

We also held a themed dance to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the D-Day Landings. Some members wore 1940's clothing while others wore red, white and blue. The music was 1940's themed and the village hall had already been decorated in red, white and blue and with union flag bunting, so a memorable night was enjoyed by all.

Keep fit, make new friends and enjoy good music, every Wednesday evening at 7.45pm in the village hall. Contact [rodblackburn@hotmail.com](mailto:rodblackburn@hotmail.com).

# Broughton Walking Group

**Contributor**  
**Roger bonnett**

The group meets every week for alternate short (3.5 miles) or longer (5 to 7.5 miles) walks dependent on preference or ability. We walk either locally around woodland/fields or travel a short distance to different locations. All walks, where possible finish with option for a pub lunch. We are a friendly group and try to maintain a pace that slightly raises heart rate. Search for Broughton Walking Group on Facebook or email [roger\\_bonnett@hotmail.com](mailto:roger_bonnett@hotmail.com) for further details.

# Broughton Pensioner Group

**Contributor**  
**Ann Smith**

Wed pensioners meet up every other Wednesday 10am - 3pm.

we play games, cards, bingo and have meals. We have a Christmas meal and have trips out. It's a very friendly afternoon.

# Broughton Country Club

**Contributor**  
**Ann Smith**

At Broughton Country Club we have speakers once a month, play games and outings which include meals. Meetings take place on the 1st Monday of every month except a bank holiday. It starts at 7 pm till 9.30 pm and is a good friendly night for lady's.

# Broughton Cricket Club



Contributor  
Neil Simpson

Broughton Cricket Club have, for the last few weeks, been running some technical coaching sessions for our Under-11 and Under-13 boys and girls, with some additional sessions for our Under-15/16 girls. Over the course of the sessions we have been working in small groups of between 6 and 10 kids and have been working on:

- High front elbow on the drives
- Bent front knee on the drives
- Making the pull shot instinctive
- The value of an early call and shot placement

The progress of over 30 players on a Sunday night has been phenomenal.

In the Spring we will be extending this further to get ourselves ready for the 2025 cricket season by running coaching sessions at Ancholme Leisure Centre in Brigg.

In 2025 our junior section will consist of:

- 4x Mixed Teams at Under-11 (13 for Girls)
- 2x Mixed Teams at Under-13 (15 for Girls)
- 1x Girls Only Team at Under-15
- 1x Mixed Team at Under-16

We are always on the look out for more players, junior and senior, so if you are interested please get in touch on our Facebook Page (Broughton CC - Lincs), or via email: [broughtonclincs@gmail.com](mailto:broughtonclincs@gmail.com).

In 2024 Broughton CC were indebted to a multitude of sponsors. We express our gratitude to our lead section sponsors Mitchells Timberworks (senior), Forest Pines Hotel, Spa and Golf Resort (junior) and Clixby Active Pro Sports (women & girls).

On top of their unwavering support we also had match and player sponsorship from local businesses including; Infocus ID, Holland & James, South Farm CPA IT Services, UCNL - University Campus North Lincolnshire, Slater & Co, Jon Maw Builders, Graham Wilson Sports Massage Therapy, Spelmans Butchers, Cargo Marketing Services, Westdijk Transport, Sino Trading, Paddingtons Dog Grooming, WASP Sports, Holmes Forestry, Ye Olde Thatch Inn, LFD Auto Repairs, Matthew Jackson Landscaping & Gardening, The Wheatsheaf Hibaldstow, Bloom & Grey Hairdressers PLUS all of our personal player sponsors - we are grateful for every single piece of support received.

# Team BR



Contributor  
Steve Portess

TeamBR has been busy over the last year and is building into a strong club. Last year we started the youth section of the club and it has been growing extremely fast. We now have over 30 members of the youth section and that is only expected to increase. Because of this we are currently training new coaches to be able to support the increased numbers at our sessions and the Wressle Oil fund has really helped us to do this. We have always prided ourselves on giving a solid offering to our members to help their athleticism in all areas and it's really showing with some great progression from members who have taken on board the mentoring of our coaches to improve in their desired areas.

As a club, one of our aims is to help people see and achieve their potential and we do this by running training courses which are great for runners of all abilities. Our beginner course, zero2hero, is a course that builds runners from absolutely nothing to be able to run 5km. We have run this course twice this year to bring more people into the running community and some have gone on to join the club. We also have a 5-10k course, which we usually run in conjunction with the Broughton Burn so that those people who have completed a 5km can then build up to a 10km run in a structured, safe manner and complete at the Broughton Burn. Recently, we have just introduced our 6-13 mile course which aims to further that progression from 6 miles (or 10km) to a half marathon

It starts in December and we have already had a lot of interest so we're really looking forward to it! In all cases our courses are led by fully qualified England Athletics trained coaches to ensure that the participants are getting nothing shorter than the best training.

In July we held a 24 hour relay event for our team members to raise money for Lindsey Lodge Hospice. We had two teams of 4 people running a 2 mile loop of Broughton around the clock. We had a phenomenal response from the Broughton community which really made it a fantastic event! It was topped off by a mesmerizing £3,000 raised for Lindsey Lodge, which we were immensely proud of and thankful to everyone who supported us.

Coming up in 2025 we have our trail series which will be taking place in the woods around Broughton. There will be 4 events taking place once every month from January to April. This year we have increased the entry cap to 100 people due to the popularity of last year and we have also added a youth series to try and get more children involved in the sport we love. As always, we will put some communications out on social media closer to the times.

If you're interested in learning more about our club, you can look on our website ([teambr.org](https://teambr.org)) or get in touch by our social media pages. Alternatively, our committee can be mailed on [committee@teambr.org](mailto:committee@teambr.org).



# Broughton Allotments



Contributor  
Sue Turner

Broughton Allotment Association was formed in 2007 with the aim of creating a community-based organisation representing the interests of allotment holders and local gardeners.

Run by a committee of volunteers from the allotment - the Association aims to provide a friendly and sociable environment so that plot holders and local gardeners can share advice, expertise, seeds, plants and produce.

Over the past year, in an effort to improve the facilities on offer at the allotment site, the Association has created a community garden on one of the allotment plots. This garden contains ten 8ftx4ft raised beds, seating

areas and a summer house to provide shelter. These raised beds are available to rent at £5 per annum and have

been designed to provide a gardening environment for people in Broughton who are no longer able to work an allotment, or who have additional physical or social needs and would benefit from being part of a friendly community. At the moment six of these beds have been rented out.

If you would like more information about our community garden please contact Sonia, the deputy clerk, at Broughton Town Council.

The Association has regular social gatherings and hopes to continually improve facilities and make the experience of 'growing your own' an enjoyable activity.

There are some vacant plots so if you feel like you would like to have a go at growing your own fruit, vegetables and flowers then please contact Broughton Town Council.

Currently, membership of the Allotment Association is £5.00 per annum and is open to any plot holder or local gardener.

#### Contacts:

Chairman Tony Morris [anthony.morris2@talktalk.net](mailto:anthony.morris2@talktalk.net)  
Secretary Catherine Connah [cat\\_turner@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cat_turner@hotmail.co.uk)  
Treasurer Sue Turner [suejturmer@hotmail.com](mailto:suejturmer@hotmail.com)

# Broughton Directory Groups for Young People

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## Monday

**Broughton Taekwondo:** 6:30 - 7:15 pm Juniors, at the sports hall. Contact Mel White at 07791608512

## Wednesday

**Parent and Toddler Group:** 9.30 - 11.15 am at Broughton Village Hall

**Purple Pineapple Theatre Academy:** Juniors 6 - 7, Seniors 7 - 8.30 at Broughton Methodist Chapel. Contact Lizi Welch at 07896601071

**Broughton Guides:** 6.30 - 8 pm, girls aged 11 - 14 at Sports Hall. Contact Lousie Price at 07830 427169.

## Thursday

**Beaver Scouts:** 6 - 7 pm aged 6 - 8 years old at Broughton Methodist Chapel

**Cub Scouts :** 6.30 pm - 8 pm, aged 8 - 10 years old at sports hall

**Scouts:** 7 - 8.30 pm, aged 10 - 14 year old at Broughton Methodist Chapel

contact for all groups, Jayne Hempstock [jayne.hempstock@northlincsscouts.org.uk](mailto:jayne.hempstock@northlincsscouts.org.uk)

**Broughton Taekwondo:** 6:30 - 7:15 pm, at the sports hall. Contact Mel White at 07791608512

## Friday

**Music Bugs:** 9.30 - 11.45, babies, at Broughton Village Hall.

# Broughton Directory

## Groups for Adults

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### Monday

**Broughton Taekwondo:** 7:30 - 8.30 pm Adults, at the sports hall. Contact Mel White at 07791608512

**Country Club:** 7 pm - 9.30 on the first Monday of the month at Broughton Village Hall. Contact Jackie Barr 01652 656959

**North Lincs Beekeepers:** 7 - 9.30 pm on the last Monday of the month at Broughton Village Hall. Contact teresagraham.nlbkd@gmail.com

**Broughton Dramatic Society:** 7.30 pm - 10 pm. Rehearsals take place in the drama building off Estate Avenue. Contact Lizi Welch 07896601071

### Tuesday

**Coffee Mornings:** 9 - 11.15 am at Broughton Village Hall. Contact Ann Smith 01652 664773

**Zumba:** 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm at Broughton Village Hall

**Pound Fitness:** 7.50 pm start, drumming-based fitness at Broughton Village Hall, Contact Aly Rocks 07757997380.

### Wednesday

**Broughton Pensioners:** 1 pm - 3 pm fortnightly at Broughton Village Hall contact Ann Smith 01652 664773

**Open Church:** 10 am - 1 pm at Broughton Methodist Church, Contact Rev Eames 01652 600860

**Old Time Dance Club:** 7.30 pm - 10 pm at Broughton Village Hall, contact rodblackburn@hotmail.com

### Thursday

**Mid-week service:** 10am - St Mary's Church, Contact, rev.eames@gmail.com

**Broughton Taekwondo:** 6:30 - 7:15 pm, at the sports hall. Contact Mel White at 07791608512

**Women's Institute:** 7.00 pm - 9.30 pm - the second Thursday of the month at Broughton Village Hall, contact broughtonwievents@gmail.com

**Broughton Dramatic Society:** 7.30 pm - 10 pm. Rehearsals take place in the drama building off Estate Avenue. Contact Lizi Welch 07896601071

### Friday

**Curling Club:** 10 am - 12 pm at Broughton Village Hall, Contact Brian Sharp 01652 781559

**Art and Craft Club:** 1 - 3pm at Broughton Village Hall, Contact Mr Michael Hickson 01652 652681

### Weekend

**Sequence Dancing:** 1st Saturday of the month, 7 pm - 10 pm at Broughton Village Hall Contact rodblackburn@hotmail.com.

**Encounter God:** Saturday (monthly) 2 pm at Broughton Village Hall, Contact Diane 07934608837

**Church Service:** Sunday, 10.45 at St Mary's Church, Contact rev.eames@gmail.com

# Broughton in Bloom



Contributor  
Sue Turner

Broughton in Bloom has had a busy and successful 2024.

Broughton was once again awarded The Best Small Town by the CPRE judges (that's three out of the past four years!) and received another Silver Award from East Midlands in Bloom. None of this would be possible without the hard work of all the volunteers involved in caring for planting areas and keeping the town looking great.

We have increased the number of planting areas in the town and replanted others while continuing the work to make the planting more drought-tolerant and sustainable. The increased use of perennial rather than annual plants means that fewer need to be bought and there is something to see all year round.

This year, grants from East Midlands in Bloom and Wressle Oil have allowed us to build a composting area at the allotments so that we can make our own compost and also purchase a polytunnel, which means we can grow and propagate many of our own plants, starting with the winter pansies that you will see this year.

Many have been grown from seed and some bought as tiny plug plants. All these improvements will increase sustainability and reduce costs.

All the planting that you see around Broughton, Wressle and Castletorpe began with a simple idea to plant a few daffodils in some of the grass verges and with hard work from volunteers we have developed so many displays and raised beds.

If you would like to get involved with Broughton in Bloom then please contact Broughton Town Council and hopefully this group will go from strength to strength





# LINDSEY LODGE

## TREE-CYCLING

Monday 6th January - Friday 10th January



Recycle your Christmas Tree with Lindsey Lodge and take the stress out of the Christmas clean up. For a minimum donation of £10 we will pick up your Christmas from your house and take it away.

**Last day to book treecycling is Friday 3rd January**

To book scan the QR code or visit [lindseylodgehospice.org.uk](http://lindseylodgehospice.org.uk)

Your donation will support a North Lincolnshire family with vital care through one of their most difficult times



Collection available from the following postcodes

**DN9 1, DN15, DN16, DN17, DN18, DN19, DN20, DN21 3, DN21 4, DN38, DN39**

## JOG ON JANUARY

Kick start your year with a challenge to support Lindsey Lodge?

The virtual event will run for one month and will finish with an event at Parkrun, a 5 and 10k run with walkers also welcome.

**6TH JAN - 8TH FEB**

*Choose your Challenge*



Step Up  
to 10K

Walk



Sofa to 5K  
(0-5K)

Jog



5K & Up

Run



SCAN ME

Scan the QR code and sign up at [lindseylodgehospice.org.uk](http://lindseylodgehospice.org.uk)

# Purple Pineapple Theatre



Contributor  
Lizi Welch

It's a busy period over at Purple Pineapple headquarters with two shows on our horizon.

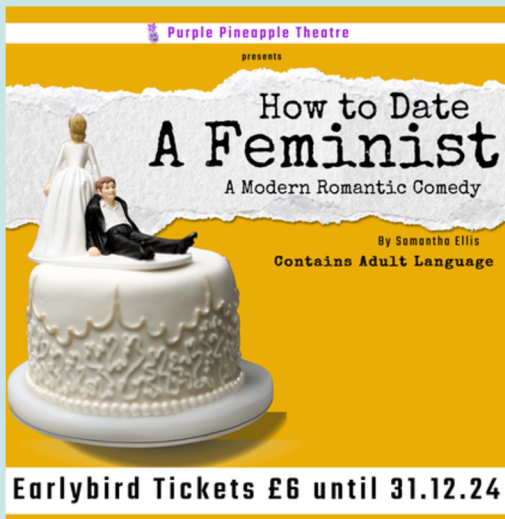
On the 7th December, our juniors and seniors will be taking Broughton Village Hall's stage to present their show Deed's Not Words.

'Deeds Not Words' is a thrilling dive into the heart-pounding world of the suffragette movement. Transported back to 1912, audiences will witness the fiery passion and unwavering determination of two sisters, locked in a battle for equality. Edith faces a soul-shattering choice: sacrifice her dreams for her family or ignite a revolution. Meanwhile, Mary's quiet spirit explodes into a fierce defiance as she joins the fight, only to be consumed by its dangerous undercurrents. Inspired by true events, this dramatic play explores the ultimate cost of freedom and the unbreakable bonds of sisterhood.

Written for Purple Pineapple by Elizabeth Welch  
Performed by the Students of Purple Pineapple



Deeds Not Words  
Saturday 7th December 3pm | 7pm  
Broughton Village Hall  
Tickets: £5 (adults) £3 (children)  
purchase online from [purplepineappletheatre.com](http://purplepineappletheatre.com)



Contributor  
Lizi Welch

In February 2025 our senior students were offered the opportunity to get hands-on experience on the production side of theatre. This is a fantastic learning experience for each and every one of them to get to grips with a side of theatre beyond the performance, which not only will make them a better performer but also hopefully ignite a lifelong love and appreciation of all aspects of theatre.

In February we will be flipping the roles and our youth theatre leaders will be taking to the stage supported by our senior pineapples. The students will be getting involved in everything from publicity to lights and sound.

The production itself will be touring around North Lincolnshire visiting different village halls in rural locations and finishing for a final performance at The Plowright Theatre. The tour will be kicking off on home turf in Broughton on Saturday 8th February.

Earlybird tickets are on-sale now and are £6 until 31st December, after which will be available for £8.

This project was achievable thanks to a grant from the Wressle Oil fund.

How To Date A Feminist  
Saturday 8th February 2025  
Broughton Village Hall | £6  
Tickets from [purplepineappletheatre.com](http://purplepineappletheatre.com)

A hilarious new spin on the Hollywood romcom featuring two proposals, two weddings, an elopement and a cast of unforgettable characters portrayed by our two actors.

Kate likes her men tall, dark and smouldering. She has a fatal attraction to bad men. Then she meets Steve... Steve is a feminist.

Can Kate overcome her love of lipstick, cupcakes and Heathcliff? Can Steve forgo the ethical confetti and learn to be a little bit more ravishing in bed? Can the two of them reinvent romance for the twenty-first century?

This play is brought to life by two actors multi-rolling all the parts. When we first read this play we immediately fell in love with it, as a modern-day romance story. Please be advised the play contains adult themes and language.

Featuring: Craig Benson and Elizabeth Welch  
Directed by: Mick McNeill

# Events

**BCSA Family Christmas Disco**  
 6.30 - 9pm  
 13.12.24  
 Broughton Working Men's Club  
 Still only £2 per child Adults FREE

**Save The Date!**  
**Community Tree Planting**  
**SATURDAY 21<sup>st</sup> & SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER**  
**Anytime between 9.00 & 15.00**  
 Meet in the bottom carpark of the Phil Grundy Centre.  
 Bring a spade!

# St Mary's Church

**Val's charity Christmas Quiz**  
 Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December  
 At 7.30p.m.  
 At Broughton Club  
 £5 per team (up to six in a team)

ALL profits to be shared equally between  
 Lincs Air Ambulance and Crohn's and Colitis UK

A cash prize for the winning team, spot prizes and raffle.

Christmas jumpers actively encouraged!

**BOISE**  
 Broughton At Seven in the Evening  
 A carol service with a difference!!  
 A mix of contemporary carols and traditional carols in contemporary style  
 Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November

Saturday 30th Nov  
 Christmas Fayre (in the Village Hall)  
 Sunday 1st Dec 4.00pm  
 Christingle  
 Saturday 7th Dec  
 Decorating church (from midday)  
 Wed 11th Dec 7.00pm  
 Annual Memorial Service (Scawby)  
 Christmas Eve 5.00pm  
 Crib Service

## ADVERTISE HERE

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# Broughton Dramatic Society



Contributor  
Susan Baker

Did you know that the Broughton Dramatic Society is 75 years old?

We meet and rehearse twice a week, in Broughton! Being part of a drama group is an opportunity to be part of your community, and we are on your doorstep!

## A bit of history

Broughton Dramatic Society began in 1949 from a night school drama group. The first performance in Broughton, long before the village hall existed was *When We Are Married* by J B Priestley. In the 1960s, our esteemed member, Carol Bowness, became a leading player as well as director. She remembers the community raising money to have the village hall built which is why we have the facility to stage our plays! It was down to her that the Society was taken to town, performing at the Civic Theatre in Scunthorpe (now Plowright). The first play we performed there was *All In Good Time* by Bill Naughton.

For 35 years the society continued there, performing two plays per year, most directed by Carol. In 2011, owing to price increases and a new management company, as well as the persuasion of the local council, we returned to the village hall. We have continued to stage two annual productions, enjoying good support from the community.

Would you like to join us? We have great fun! If you don't feel ready to tread the boards, there are backstage roles which might appeal to you.

If you are 16 or over, and you want to find out more, please contact us via our website

[www.broughtondramaticsociety.co.uk](http://www.broughtondramaticsociety.co.uk)  
Or on 07534 017296

# Albert Harold Richardson 1893 – 1965

Contributor  
Peter Clixby



Albert Harold Richardson was born in Brigg on the 4th of January 1893, to parents George and Mary Jeaneatta Richardson and he was baptised on the 15th of March 1893.

In the 1901 census, Albert was 8 years old and lived with his parents on Carr Road, Broughton. His father was a bricklayer's labourer. In the 1911 census, Albert was 18, a farm labourer, he lived with his parents in Broughton.

On the 12th of November 1914, Albert enlisted in the 5th Battalion, The Lincolnshire Regiment at the Drill Hall, Doughty Road, Grimsby. He was one of at least 3 other Broughton men to enlist on that day, they were Edwin Hare, William Hollin and Charles Hogg. Albert served in France with 1/5th Bn. Lincolnshire Regiment from the 17th of August 1915. On the 13th of October 1915, the 1/5th Lincolns played a major role in the attack on the Hohenzollern Redoubt. During this engagement Albert was wounded, other Broughton men: Herbert Bowers, was gassed but survived, Percy Graves was wounded and Charles Hogg was unfortunately killed in action. Albert must have recovered from this injury as he later took part in action with the 1/5th Lincolns on the 2nd of July 1916, at Gommecourt, the 2nd day of the Battle of the Somme. During this action Albert received another injury, a gunshot wound to his right-hand. Due to the serious nature of his injury, Albert was returned to the UK on the 11th of July 1916 and discharged from the service on the 11th of April, 1917. His injury resulted in him losing his lower right arm.

For his war service Albert received three medals, 1914-15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal, known colloquially as "Pip, Squeak and Wilfred".

Albert then went to live in Toxteth, Liverpool where he worked on the docks.

On the 12th of October 1918, Albert married Broughton woman, Gertrude Ayre, daughter of Fred and Hannah Ayre, at Toxteth, St Bede, Liverpool.

In the 1921 census Albert and Gertrude were still living in Toxteth, Liverpool and in 1929, Albert and Gertrude had a son, John Alan Richardson. Later the family returned to live in Broughton. In 1939 they lived in Mill Lane Broughton. Albert was employed as a watchman on public works. Albert died at his home in Catherine Grove, Broughton on the 23rd of September 1965.

Earlier this year, a remarkable discovery was made in a field close to Broughton by John Godley, a local metal detectorist, who had permission to detect in the field. He unearthed a World War 1, 1914-15, Star medal. The medal was in good condition and on the reverse of the medal was stated the recipient's name, service number and regiment. John told me of his find and he asked me to try and identify the recipient of the medal.



My investigations identified the once owner of the medal to be Private Albert Harold Richardson, 3351 of the 1/5th Lincolnshire Regiment. Further research revealed Albert's army service and his life afterwards. I identified Albert's grandson as Kevin Richardson, who still lives in Broughton. Arrangements were made to reunite the medal with Kevin at Broughton's, Ivan Glover Library, where the medal was kindly handed over to Kevin by John Godley, the metal detectorist who found the medal.

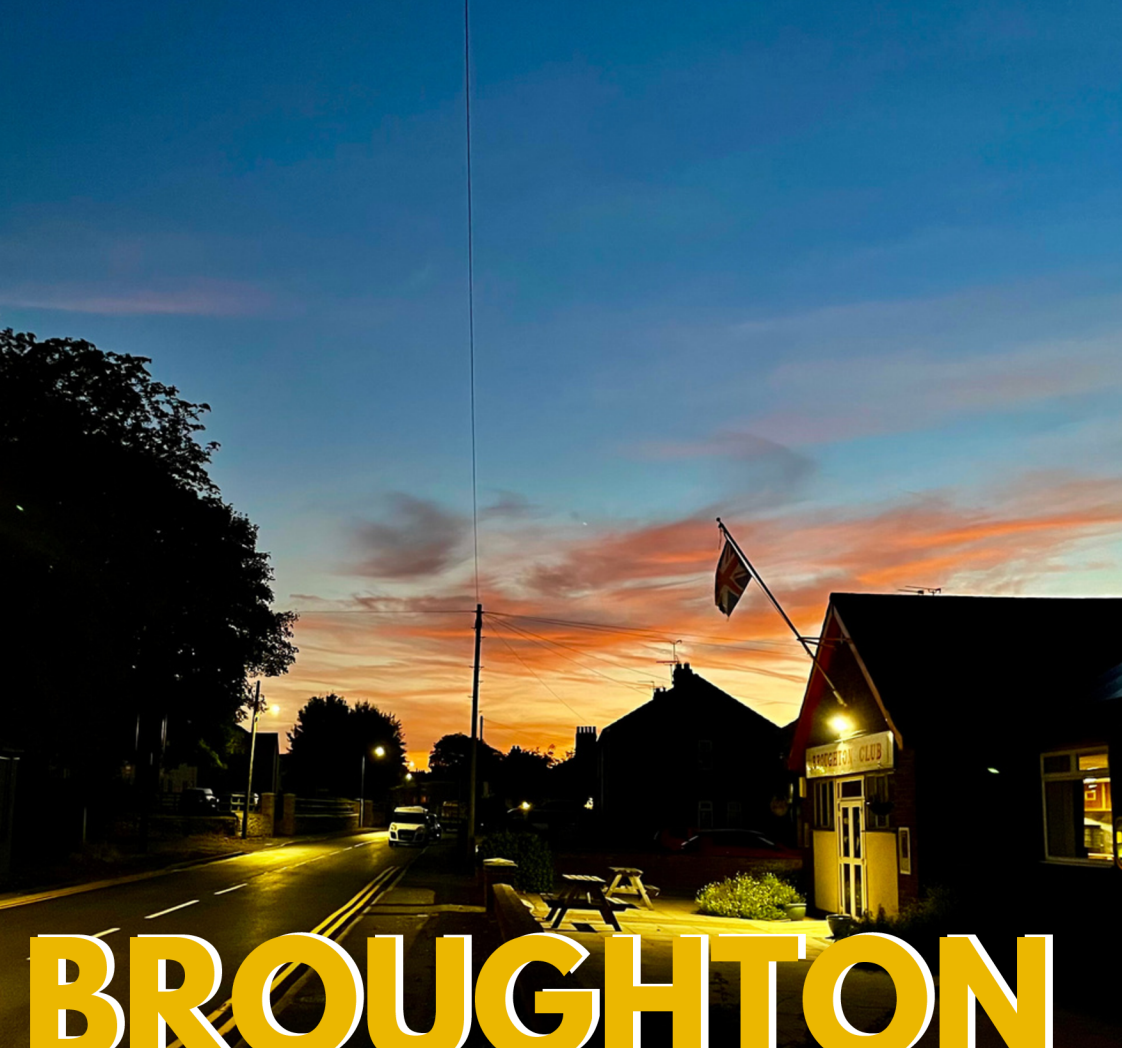
#### Albert's 1914-15 Star

The question on everybody's lips was "how did the medal end up being buried in the field?" Unfortunately, we will never know for sure. However, it is possible that the medal was accidentally or deliberately thrown out with the household rubbish. The range and quantity of finds made by John in this field, indicates that it was probably used as a dumping ground for Broughton in the past. Examples of further finds made by John in this field are on display in the Ivan Glover Library at Broughton.



John Godley uniting Albert's medal with his grandson Kevin Richardson.

Many thanks to John Godley, Ken Jacobs, Kevin Richardson and Chris Bailey for their help.



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