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## HERITAGE PROJECT NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the July 2020 Newsletter and hopefully as you read this more restrictions on daily life have been lifted. The three month lockdown has been a unique moment in the history of the village and one that we have tried to record in the Covid section of the website. Thank you to everyone who sent in their photos to be included on the page.

The front page photo this month is of the Rose Family delivering milk in Wood End in the early 1900's. In the background on the right you can see the Saracen's Head pub and behind the cart on the left is the Village workhouse, this is one of very few photos that show the workhouse. Our thanks to Mr and Mrs Tim Rose for sharing this and many other amazing photos that have been added to the agriculture section of the website;

https://www.bhp-pc.org.uk/agriculture/

We have also added lots of details on the strong links between boxing and the village. There is a video of the Laud brothers training on Wood End, along with articles about Fred White, Bluntisham's own boxing promoter, the Gym at the Rose's farm and about the Laud Brother's boxing triumphs. There are some great photos and details and it's well worth spending some time looking through all the articles, thank you to Malcolm O'Neil for pulling it all together.

https://www.bhp-pc.org.uk/others/



We have also added lots of other content; lots of interesting articles about local archaeology and the finds in the village over the years which have been submitted by Peter Lusmore. The history of Colne Road and its houses; if you live on Colne Road your house will probably feature in David Gedye's story of the road. Some fabulous photos of the old school from 1957 from Bev White, including one shot of the entire school which thanks to many visitors to the site has nearly every name of all the pupils and teachers on it. All of these can be found on the website, along with a new section which includes images of the village during the Covid-19 lockdown. Thank you to Gordon McMillan for this photo taken in the village during the C-19 lockdown.



As always, a huge thank you to everyone who has contributed, the content of this site is provided by the folks that live in, or have a connection to the village and it would be empty without their contributions.

As soon as we are able to, post lockdown, we will arrange another meeting in the village hall where we can all come together and share more tales of Bluntisham.

If you would like to contribute to the project, please contact <u>info@bhp-pc.org.uk</u> or call the Heritage hotline on 07895 476682.