

Lincolnshire Gardens Trust Newsletter

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Wyndham Park Regenerated



With commemorations of the centenary of the end of WW1 abounding, and campaigns national and local being instigated to 'Save Our Parks' the LGT visit to Grantham's Wyndham Park in September was not only enjoyable but was also a very topical reminder of just how important civic parks have been – and continue to be.

Members and friends saw the best of Grantham gardens during an afternoon visit masterminded by LGT Events organiser, Elizabeth Bowskill. Following a tour of Grantham House and gardens the group dashed in heavy rain to

to see the recently reopened Wyndham Park.

There we found a new learning and activity building next to the upgraded boating lake (see main photo) and refurbished entrance offices and pavilion (right).

An interpretive exhibition outlined clearly the impetus for the formation of the park – a desire to reward a civilian population which had suffered greatly during the First World War, combined with an intention to commemorate the enormous sacrifices made by military men such as Colonel Wyndham.



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Steffie Shields Honoured

Lincs Gardens Trust Chair, Steffie Shields has received the MBE. Friends and Members were delighted that her achievements have been nationally recognised. The following entry (as ever – understated) is taken from her press release to the Grantham Journal:

Stephanie ‘Steffie’ Shields of Welby has received an MBE in this year’s Queen’s Birthday Honours List.

Steffie is cited for playing a major role in nurturing and successfully merging the Association of Gardens Trusts and the Garden History Society, to create the new Gardens Trust – a thriving forum for research into and promotion of gardens and gardening.

The 71-year-old is also a respected expert and scholar on the landscape architect Lancelot ‘Capability’ Brown. She played a major role in developing the success of the 2016 Capability

Brown Festival and she organised a successful London photography exhibition of his works.

Her book ‘Moving Heaven and Earth: Capability Brown’s Gift of Landscape’ was a finalist in the Inspirational Book of the Year Category at the Garden Media Guild Awards.

Wimbledon-born Steffie, who lives in Church Lane, moved to Welby in 1995 with husband Michael, formerly a Group Captain at RAF Cranwell.

Steffie, who has a daughter Gabrielle and grand-daughter Emily, told the Journal: “I trained as a teacher but with moving around the country it was hard to get settled in a school and with photography, you can do that anywhere.”

Steffie has just had a hip replacement and at the time of going to press is reported to be making good progress.



Chairman’s Letter

We’re blooming! 2018 has been notable for the hot summer and the remarkable numbers of new publications to mark the Humphry Repton Bicentenary, including new research by CGTs in Norfolk, Essex, Hertfordshire, Yorkshire, Essex, London and Buckinghamshire, with yet more in the pipeline! Our LGT visit to Scrivelsby last March, 228 years after the designer’s proposals, was totally memorable, especially the chance to explore garden and deer park views, after perusing one of his earliest ‘Red Books’, thanks to the warm hospitality of Francis and Gail Dymoke. Another scrumptious tea followed in April, after picturesque pastures new in the arboretum at Ashfield House in Branston with dazzling magnolia blossom and nodding snakehead fritillaries under groves of birch. May saw LGT host a stand to support Boultham Park celebrations for their Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) restoration, coinciding with the Royal Wedding! We were thrilled to see the smart new greenhouse!

Golden roses bloomed in June, when Queen’s Birthday Honours included my MBE for services to ‘conservation heritage’. Belated thanks to those who wrote to congratulate, and indeed all who have supported me over the years, especially the late Mary Fry, Lady Sally Bruce-Gardyne, Gilly Drummond and Andrew Barber, not forgetting the LGT committee and members, a team with a shared love of gardens. I am immensely grateful for garden owners’ generality and for opportunities to learn from so many, not forgetting a certain Capability Brown for his inspiration and Johnny Phibbs MBE for dreaming up that

national CB300 Festival. After admiring South Ormsby’s idyllic parkland setting, we celebrated in summer style with strawberries and prosecco – courtesy of Elizabeth!

Our gratitude goes to Danny Rollit, who on finishing his university degree, then promptly re-designed our website! Another LGT display, near to great hollyhocks, on a baking hot afternoon supported Grimsthorpe Castle Annual Gardens Day, a growing annual event increasing in popularity. Rain clouds gathered but could not mar September’s visit: Penny and James Herdman gave us a splendid tour of Grantham House gardens and their historic home. Elizabeth then explained the HLF restoration and exhibition in a smart new Visitor Centre in Grantham’s archetypal town park, Wyndham WWI Memorial Park. She deserves more than our thanks for efficient LGT events organisation but also, as valiant Acting Secretary, let alone her work, including research, as Wyndham Park Forum Secretary, enabling a huge volunteer contribution towards the park restoration, AND a magnificent seventh Green Flag award! We can all be proud of our significant #countygardenstrust’s achievements helping to further garden conservation and education. Read on for reports including Emma Schofield’s on the school gardens front, Lorraine Cooper’s piece on a Lincoln community garden and more exciting happenings to come in 2019!

Steffie Shields



South Ormsby Park



Wyndham Park visit

Annual General Meeting

Saturday 17 November 2018 2.00pm
International Bomber Command Centre,
Lincoln LN4 2RF



Guest Speaker Karen Lynch:
‘Researching Brown and Repton:
the Pain and the Pleasure’

Choose one of two options:

1. 11.00am COFFEE followed by Guided Walk led by landscape architect Shona Hatton, responsible for the new setting & BUFFET LUNCH followed by AGM & talk one inclusive price: Members £21 Non-Members £26 Booking is essential as lunch is included

2. 2.00pm AGM & talk only
Members £11 Non-Members £13

These prices include a special parking rate for visiting groups as car parking charges apply. Turning right into the Centre is not recommended, so please approach the site from Bracebridge Heath on the B1131, which is easily accessible from the A15 and the City of Lincoln. To book visit www.lincolnshiregardenstrust.org.uk and select EVENTS

AGM Speaker, Karen Lynch



Karen is a writer and researcher with a particular interest in eighteenth century landscape. She curated the Harrogate exhibition *Noble Prospects: Capability Brown and the Yorkshire Landscape* and wrote the accompanying book.

Her extensive new research on Brown can be found in *Yorkshire Capabilities: New Arcadian Journal* 75/76 (2016)

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Events 2019

Postcodes, directions, updates and final costs will be on the website: www.lincolnshiregardenstrust.org.uk

For March/Spring visit to be confirmed
The Garden House
Saxby, Market Rasen, Lincoln LN8 2DQ

Wednesday 19th June
Baumber Walled Gardens
Horncastle LN9 5NL
The Walled Garden is located approx 1 mile west of Baumber (going towards Lincoln) off the A158. The gate will open at 1.45pm; the tour of the gardens can begin at 2.00pm. Sorry no picnics. Look for our green sign on the long straight. This marks our turning. PLEASE NOTE: there is NO access from the B1225, your sat nav is telling fibs!

Friday 19th July 2.00pm
Hagworthingham Manor Gardens
Manor House, Manor Road, Hagworthingham, Spilsby, Lincolnshire PE23 4LN
5 miles east of Horncastle.
2 acre garden on South-facing slope, partly terraced and well protected by established trees and shrubs. Redeveloped over 18yrs with natural and formal ponds. Shrub roses, laburnum walk, hosta border, gravel bed and other areas mainly planted with hardy perennials, trees and shrubs.

Monday September 16th 2019
The Fern Nursery
Grimsby Road, Binbrook, Lincolnshire, LN8 6DH
Details to be confirmed.

We continue to monitor planning applications sent to us by Planning Officers of District Councils and from a weekly list emailed out by Conservation Officers at the Gardens Trust. We endeavour to comment on those applications that we consider might impact on Lincolnshire's registered historic parks and gardens or any designed landscapes that we consider of local or national significance. In February 2018 South Kesteven DC consulted LGT regarding their Conservation Area re-appraisal for Denton. We welcomed that key views of the Denton area have been taken into consideration, including Denton Park, a Georgian-designed landscape with notable surviving architectural features, views and planting. LGT support that it should be put forward for listing in the HE Register of Parks and Gardens. East Lindsey DC are looking to update their masterplan 2010 concerning the Skegness foreshore following HE Grade II listing of Tower and Esplanade Gardens. In the spring, LGT were consulted by the design consultants commissioned for various ideas of improvement including the car-park area.

LGT trustees have been consulted by Historic England (HE) concerning Grimsby Golf Club and an application for addition to the Register of Historic Parks & Gardens. This course has been designed by Harry Shapland Colt (1869–1951) at the height of his career, a designer considered one of the finest golf course architects, and now recognised internationally as the father of golf course architecture as a profession. In 1922 Colt was commissioned by the founding members of Grimsby Golf Club who had been offered a lease for Little Coates Farm, covering approximately 123 acres, part of the estate of Sir Walter Gilbey, (1859-1945). Chairman of a family firm of wine merchants and distillers, W. & A. Gilbey,

he was an influential figure in horse-breeding and sports. In 1923 the first nine holes were officially opened for play, the second nine holes a year later. Notwithstanding some changes since, with the ephemeral nature of designed landscape over many years, LGT supported this move towards registration of this prestigious, undulating Lincolnshire course considered one of the major 18-hole golf courses in England. Registration would raise its profile and a greater appreciation of the value of this designed landscape by the wider community, so that it would be treated with care and respect, and afforded greater protection from nearby or surrounding, inappropriate development. Also, HE would give the club expert advice finding ways in which to enhance and protect its designed landscape for the future.

Recently, we have been approached for information re the John Dawber Garden, Lincoln created in the 1990's, a walled garden in the north-west corner of the grounds of the former Lawns Hospital which might hopefully be restored in time for Sir Joseph Banks's 2020 Bicentenary. It was paid for in the 1990's by the John Dawber charity. Its principal objective, a legacy of the Victorian founder of the Dawber Brewery, is to make monetary awards to appropriate inhabitants of Lincoln and of the Parish of Bracebridge "as the Mayor, Alderman and citizens of Lincoln may from time to time direct." It is thought that the theme of the garden was to highlight Lincoln's twinning with various other countries including China, Germany and Australia. If any members can recall/know any more details, or have press cuttings, from the about the time when the Lawn was developed, just as Lincs GT was just beginning, please get in touch.

In addition, it is hoped that members will endeavour to support The Joseph Banks Society (JBS) who are planning an appropriate celebration to mark Banks's significant 200th Anniversary. The JBS is also involved with a "Love Lincolnshire Plants Project". To preserve Lincolnshire's botanical heritage with a new collection of Lincolnshire plants:

- To inspire young people to train as botanists of the future;
- To introduce children to the importance of plants in the modern world, and
- To train volunteers in traditional plant collecting and archiving skills.

If you would like to be involved in this unique project, or you know others also passionate about plants, the countryside and the environment, see the main Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust website for more information: www.lincstrust.org.uk/what-we-do/love-lincs-plants Volunteers are required to come on board now for initial training and throughout the 3 years the project will run. Other partners include the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust, University of Lincolnshire, the Natural History Museum and the Lincolnshire Naturalists Union. In the first instance please contact the Society's Chairman, Jean Shaftoe, on 01507 533354 or if you prefer to email, jean.shaftoe@joseph-banks.org.co.uk.

Twelve volunteers, the **LGT research group**, met earlier this year at Bishop Grosseteste University, thanks to Dr Andrew Jackson, Head of Humanities. We are beginning to make progress on an ambitious but worthwhile undertaking to bring a gazetteer of the county's parks and gardens to publication – (over 300 are listed on the Historic Environment Record online!) If you would like to join them in gathering information – a prefect winter hobby! – or if you have unearthed an old photograph, postcard or painting of a local garden of interest, please contact me. We would like to cover the whole county and need more volunteers to cover notable individual manor and rectory gardens or parks in North Lincolnshire, East Lindsey and South Holland.

This year, **The Gardens Trust AGM**, 2 September 2018 was held at Birmingham University. Representatives of 18 County Gardens Trusts (CGTs) were included in all those present welcomed by Chairman Dr James Bartos. Now on firm financial footing after the merger of the Garden History with the Association of Gardens Trusts, the Gardens Trust is moving forward with confidence and making a difference in increased volume of responses to planning applications. Linden Groves, who has spearheaded the Humphry Repton Bicentenary celebrations including a HLF Project, has been appointed a new Strategic Development Officer to target the conservation campaign, educational research and events work of the trust even more effectively. The Garden History Grapevine has been set up by a network of experienced lecturers and researchers in the history of gardens, designed landscapes and horticulture. Read David Marsh's Blog and find out more about specialist courses at www.gardenhistorygrapevine.wordpress.com. Vice President Gilly Drummond OBE presented

the Gilly Drummond Volunteer of the Year Award. This was shared between two well-deserved, long-serving county gardens trust trustees – Sally Bate of Norfolk GT and Jill Plater of Essex GT, who over and above events and research, have both edited and contributed much research to two publications each to mark both the Capability Brown Tercentenary and the Humphry Repton Bicentenary to highlight the work of these two significant designers within their counties.

Historic England has produced a new report drawing on the 2016 Capability Brown Festival research, the first-ever catalogue of 82 known 'Capability' Brown plans, (including Brocklesby, Grimsthorpe, Hainton and Belvoir – 7 plans in total), which is free to download at: <https://historicengland.org.uk/research/current/conservationn-research/designedlandscapes/capability-brownlandscapes>

The Gardens Trust Training and Networking events orientated towards members of CGTs: 1. **Historic Landscapes Assembly** on 19 November 2018 in York, 10.00am - 6.00pm, the Hospitum, Museum Gardens, York, YO30 7DR. Tickets online via Eventbrite at <http://gardenstrusts.org.events> £30 for CGT members; £45 non-members. 2. **Member's Meet-Up:** January 2019 Grantham including a key speaker from the Woodland Trust.

We have been supporting Heritage Lincolnshire "**Layers of Landscape Project**" in the hope of attracting more members and researchers to join LGT. An exciting new development has been free Online Courses free to anyone who registers online. Please see online <https://www.heritagelincshshire.org/layers/courses>

An Introduction to Landscape Studies, and Parks and Gardens are both designed for newcomers to the subject including: **Historical aspects of garden design through the ages**, Case Study: Dr William Stukeley, Case Study: Aswarby Park, Lincolnshire Gardens Trust. Do try it out! And if you enjoyed it, encourage others to do likewise. We would be grateful for feedback.

Lastly, more good news, thanks to members continued support for events, LGT trustees have approved an LGT Small Grant of £200 to Woodlands Academy, Spilsby towards a Woodlands Project, namely for a wooden pathway edging, weed suppressant and bulbs.

Our World War 1 Garden as part of RHS East Midlands in Bloom

At Boston West Academy we proudly supported Boston In Bloom and the special development in our school grounds was in recognition of the anniversary of World War 1. It is a concept that was inspired by remembrance and memories. The children in year 6 worked on the elements of design and content: there were living statues in a field of memories inspired by the words of the war poets; the children read and looked at the many poems and selected their 'favourite' part that meant something to them; these were then framed and hung on the 'poetree'; the living statues 'think' of the soldiers and war horses of WW1 learnt about through story and poems; the shadows and silhouettes of the horses and men can be seen behind them in the wildflower meadows; on the remembrance bench sat a cup of tea and a photograph album – perhaps a grandfather or great grandfather who fought in the trenches.

A painting of poppies was created by one of children in year 5 who had read "War Horse". Then we saw the trench with objects and flowers that 100 years ago would have been there and nature had subsequently taken back - hence the wildflowers taking over. Postcards were also written as if from the men of Boston who were named on the memorial in town – who may have had connections to children at Boston West Academy. The postcards are to loved ones back home in England with messages of love.

The trench area was a snapshot of the life left behind in 1918 - a time of great suffering and bravery. The football was a memory of

the Winter Christmas Football match (hence the white geranium to represent snow). The sandbags were planted in red, white and blue of the Union Jack. Our colours were chosen carefully and the plants were cared for by our children at Eco club.

Working closely with me and Mrs Chain (my colleague and a keen gardening TA) , the children at Eco Club and children in year 6 have presented our homage to the brave humans and animals who were in the trenches and may not have made it back to their loved ones.

We will remember them. Please have a look on the Garden Trust website where a little virtual tour and some photos of the garden can be found to enjoy.

Emma Schofield



Blooming Marvellous!

Royal Horticultural Society East Midlands in Bloom Best School Garden Award



Yes, 'Blooming Marvellous!' – that is how I would sum up the month of July! Alongside the ever popular 'In Bloom' competitions that run across the country which often include a local school in the judges route, many schools are now entering their regions 'Best Schools Garden' Award.

This Summer, I witnessed 14 schools enter the 'East Midlands in Bloom Best Schools Garden Awards' category. I was delighted to be asked to be part of the judging panel once more and along with my fellow judges we roamed over the whole of the East Midlands to view these worthy gardens. Of the 14 schools, I am delighted to say that all will have gained an overall RHS award in recognition of their hard work.

The impact that gardening can have not only on the curriculum to enhance it but to the well-being of all children and staff involved is without question. To inspire these young people now will ensure that gardening and its associated benefits, careers, enjoyment, future of green spaces is in safe hands. It was great to have the opportunity, in the beautiful

July sunshine, along with my fellow judges (all RHS Master Gardeners), to visit the variety of schools who entered across the East Midlands during the Summer term and meet the children. I actively encourage all 'Bloom' groups across Lincolnshire to promote any schools in their area to get involved and put themselves forward for individual recognition for their hard work. It is a valuable experience for all schools whatever their speciality and age range and provides them with the recognition, encouragement and advice to keep on growing! Each visit for the judge was a delight and for those schools who re-enter each year we as judges love to revisit to see how they are developing.

At the Awards Ceremony held in Newark this September the overall winner was announced for the East Midlands - Leys Farm Junior School, North Lincolnshire. Gardening is NOT just for grown-ups, just for summer or just for those with large gardens or school grounds. There are hundreds of ways children have fun both in and outdoors, caring for their school's environment – from miniature gardens, hanging baskets,

garden pots, planting bulbs, pond areas and from weeding, digging and watering vegetable plots.

Children working outdoors is not a new radical agenda but a thoughtful, engaging approach to learning. It is an exciting, sensible and increasingly necessary part of school life as many children are spending too much time learning about the world through TV and the internet rather than going out and finding out things for themselves. I am passionate about children having opportunities to gain first-hand experience through real life learning outdoors to develop their understanding of the importance they have in the care and responsibility for the environment. Being recognised by the RHS for their endeavours is a wonderful and rewarding experience for the children and acknowledges the hard work of those adults in school who 'go the extra mile' to ensure children have opportunities beyond the classroom that enhance their daily learning.

Being a judge this year is an experience I thoroughly enjoyed being part of and am looking forward to next July to share in the good work that is going on outdoors in so many of our Lincolnshire schools. So if you know of any local schools, primary or secondary, who do work in their garden tell them about this celebration – who knows they too may receive an accolade for their efforts from the RHS.

Emma Schofield



Bransby in Bloom

Bransby Horses is a much-loved local equine charity wholly concerned with the rescue and welfare of horses & ponies, donkeys & mules in desperate need of loving care and on-going support. It is also a very special place with a national focus, celebrating the Visit England Hidden Gem 2017 Award for the East Midlands region which acknowledged its excellence in going that extra mile in providing a high quality and, in this case, learning experience for visitors. The Visitor Centre on this 600-acre site is situated just 8 miles north of Lincoln. It gives access to both adjoining paddocks for more than 400 rescued animals at any given time and to stables close by for those receiving emergency and round-the-clock attention in its Intensive Care Unit & Specialist Handling Yard.

2018 is even more a cause for celebration, because this year is its actual 50th birthday. Yes, Bransby Horses was founded in 1968 (known then as Bransby Home for Horses) through the dedication and enthusiasm of Mr Peter Hunt - an affable & committed colleague of my partner's father on the academic team of Bishop Grosseteste College (now Uni) at that time. Peter's overt aim continues today in making a positive difference to its rescued animals through rehabilitation, re-homing and education, and also in providing a safe haven for those equines that cannot be re-housed. Today, staff, volunteers, supporters and visitors are all currently taking part in a number of specialist and celebratory birthday events & activities until the end of November. Two of these are exciting gardening projects which were mooted and given the 'thumbs-up' – a Garden Design Competition in early spring open to all amateur gardeners aged 18 years and over, with the winning design being created as a Community Garden on site, and a Bransby in Bloom supportive gardening campaign as a continuing legacy.

With huge aplomb, Bransby secured the support of the Chelsea Gold Medal Winner, Adam Frost of BBC TV Gardener's World (having an interest in companion horses and now living with his family near Stamford) to oversee the Garden Design Competition concept and officially open the winning entry on 27 June. During my recent visit, I met with Fiona Bishop, the Community Engagement Team Leader and her Assistant, Jo Plummer, a Riseholme College Horticulture Graduate, who have both been enthusiastically spearheading the design and creation of the Community Garden, with Fiona bringing her expertise to the judging team. They have been joined by half a dozen dedicated hands-on gardening volunteers who it is hoped will continue to maintain the garden. Bransby Horses 50th Anniversary Garden Design Competition Winner was Kate Bull with her



skilful entry she called 'Big Hope Under Big Skies'. She describes her inspiration: *Every time I visit Bransby, I am always awed by the scale of the site and the number of horses being cared for. As you travel through the paddocks, turn after turn, horse after horse stands out in the landscape, each with its own story. With each visit I also find myself reflecting on the vastness of the Lincolnshire skies towering over the openness of the land. I have drawn on these inspirations for my garden design.*

Cleverly, the 12m x 12m garden is designed round a central horse motif, with structural planting intended to be of interest throughout the year. Kate continues: *The design of the horse outline is based on a toy horse I found looking through Lincolnshire 'Lincs to the Past' resources. The condition of the horse was described as poor and this reminded me of the condition of the horses when they arrive at the charity.*

Her colour scheme of blue shrubs and grasses aptly reflect the sky and these have been under-planted with pretty blue spring and summer flowers. Strong architectural shrubs such as Cornus & Corylus were chosen for their red & tan tones which are clearly intended to reflect the horses standing in the landscape.



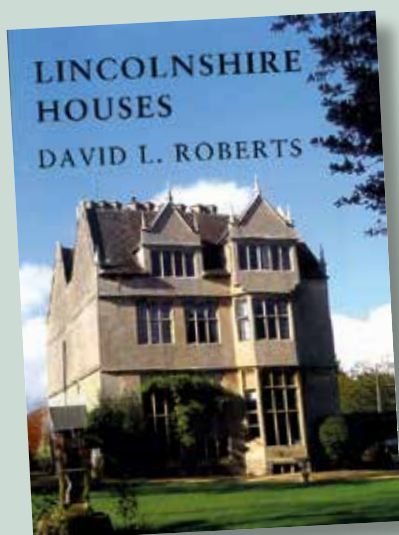
She explains that the soft billowy shrubs like the Cornus were also chosen by her to represent the clouds of the Lincolnshire skies. Meadow grass and wildflowers will give the viewer a glimpse across to the more formal beds when re-seeded after the parching of the relentless summer sun this year. Bransby's lovingly developed & quite delightful community garden next to the picnic & play areas is a real triumph, especially in the light of the hot, parched conditions to be faced and overcome since its creation.

The remainder of the 'Bransby in Bloom' Project has encompassed the flowering of the courtyard and stabling area which is gaily festooned with hanging baskets, wall mangers and planters full of summer flowering blooms. Quite a show! Currently, the volunteers have watering and deadheading rotas on 'engagement' days. Plans are afoot to extend all this evolving gardening activity with renovation of the greenhouse, raised beds for growing stock items, and a polytunnel for year-round activity. Sponsorship and funding is being avidly pursued so that all these marvellous gardening innovations can continue to grow. Fiona and Jo describe it all as 'the start of a journey'. They are musing on opportunities to offer plant sales and excess veg to visitors, as already the brand new Feedroom Café (highly recommended by us for its delicious tea & cakes and a warm welcome from the most helpful chef!) is benefitting from a glut of courgettes this year.

I trust this has whetted your appetite to go and visit this wonderful charity and its new blooming community garden work, so deserving of our support. It is open 362 days a year (10am - 4pm) with free admission and donations heartily welcomed.

Laraine D Cooper

Book Review



David L. Roberts's '**Lincolnshire Houses**' recently edited and published by Shaun Tyas Publishing, Donnington. Do read my full review in Lincolnshire Life's October issue of the extraordinary story of how the late this exceptional book came to be published almost fifty years after the project was first proposed. This architectural history, rich in detail and in-depth content, succeeds in highlighting a pattern of survival and rebuilding stemmed from typical traits engrained in old Lincolnshire: cost, practicality, reluctance to show-off, leading to 'sensible simplicity' in the county's architectural characteristics, with one exception: mid-17th

century fen artisans bringing back more elaborate Jacobean styles.

Roberts shares his 'understanding, joy and enthusiasm' beyond the grave, thanks to those owners' lives he touched, and to the enduring faith, and labour, of his widow Marion, architectural conservation consultant Mary Anderson and, not least, Shaun Tyas, without whom this epic treasure trove would never have seen the light of day. This is the perfect Christmas gift for many of your friends and everyone interested in/ researching any aspect of Lincolnshire history.

Steffie Shields

Meet the LGT Team: Danny Rollitt

Members will have noticed that the Lincolnshire Gardens Trust website now has a much clearer layout and structure. These improvements are thanks to the efforts and expertise of volunteer member Danny Rollitt who has been running the website since 2011.

The website now has a Parks and Gardens page which promotes gardens regularly open to the public in Lincolnshire. Danny is adding photos to the individual garden entries so please send him any photos you have taken of Lincolnshire parks and gardens.

He would also appreciate photos of LGT visits and events, 'to show how active the trust is and attract others to join'.

Danny has just graduated with a first class honours degree from The University of Sunderland at the National Glass Centre. He has had a few successful exhibitions already and is planning to continue making work for exhibitions, galleries, gardens and working to commissions.

Do have a look at his website: <http://dannyrollitt.wixsite.com/glass-and-ceramics>.



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