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There's been a lot in the newspapers in the last few days about the mistreatment of children and young people training for major events in athletics. It sounds very nasty, and it raised lots of questions in my mind. One question was: why would coaches and parents behave this way? Well, it's all bout winning, isn't it? If the child wins it benefits the coach's reputation and I expect the child's family benefits financially in a variety of ways.

But winning and the drive to win, either ourselves or via someone we associate with (think football fans!) is much more than that. It's about doing something better than anyone else, even if the thing done has little value in itself. Frequently the drive to win becomes an obsession which can seem virtuous if we call it 'commitment', but that drive can destroy so many truly important parts of a human life and its development.

I'm not for a moment saying that there's anything wrong with doing the best we reasonably can. And I've nothing against seeing who can run fastest, jump highest, or bake the best cake for that matter. The trouble is that competition tends to take over our lives, and destroys the balance of activities and priorities that we need to develop our humanity. How can we truly empathise with other people if we are wholly focussed on defeating everyone? How can we develop all aspects of ourselves if we give all our attention to one aspect? What sort of relationships can we have with each other if all our time is committed to the goal of winning?

Balance is important to our development physically, mentally and emotionally, and it's important that we value it as much as we value commitment.

Service Schedule July 2022.

Friday 1st July- Hedon- Evening Prayer, 6-00pm

Sunday 3rd July

Hedon- Holy Communion, 9-30 Sproatley- Morning Prayer, 9-30 Paull- Holy Communion, 11-15 Preston- Service of Christian Unity, 6-00pm

Wednesday 6th July- Hedon- Celtic Communion, 10-00am Friday 8th July- Hedon- Evening Prayer, 6-00pm

Garden Party

at Paull

Sara Shaw and family
invite you to a garden party
at River View
Main Street
Paull
on the 16th July 2022
between the hours of 2-00pm and 4-00pm

There will be children's competitions for:

best miniature garden

best drawing or picture of a garden

best vegetable animal

prizes 1st - £5, 2nd - £3, 3rd - £1

Also: Strawberry Teas Tombola Games Raffle



Sunday 10th July

Hedon-Holy Communion, 9-30
Preston- Service at the Methodist Church, 10-30
Sproatley- Holy Communion, 11-15

Wednesday 13th July- Hedon- Celtic Communion, 10-00am Friday 15th July- Hedon- Evening Prayer, 6-00pm.

Sunday 17th July

Hedon- Morning Prayer, 9-30.

Sproatley- Holy Communion (joint service with Preston), 9-30

Paull- Evening Prayer, 6-30

Wednesday 20th July- Hedon- Celtic Communion, 10-00am Friday 22nd July- Hedon- Evening Prayer, 6-00pm

Sunday 24th July
Preston- Holy Communion (joint service with Sproatley), 9-30
Hedon- Holy Communion, 9-30.

Wednesday 27th July- Hedon- Celtic Eucharist, 10-00am. Friday 29th July - Hedon - Evening Prayer, 6-00pm.

Sunday 31 July
Preston- Benefice Holy Communion, 10-00am.

St Andrew's Paull

Saturday 4th June Car Boot Sale,
Paull Village Playing Field 9-00am to 1-00pm

Every Sunday throughout the Summer the Café in the Church will be open at St. Andrew's Church, Paull for Tea, Coffee or Juice and Biscuits

St Swithin's Church, Sproatley

- St Swithin's Church open for Cream Teas Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th 1.00pm to 4.00pm.
- Beverley Brass Band Concert and Community Singalong at St Swithin's Saturday 16th July at 7.30pm in aid of the Restoration Fund. Tickets £5 from Sproatley Village Shop, or call 01482 814188 or 01482 814407. (A poster is attached for this; I don't know if you would be able to include this or not).
- Church open five days per week, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday at least between 10.00am and 4.00pm, and Sunday afternoons to 4.00pm, subject to services taking place (regular and occasional).

All Saints Preston

Hedon and District Church's Together Service of Christian Unity
All Saints Church Preston Sunday 3rd July 6pm
A service of thanks to God for the unity we have in our local church's and that we may grow together in truth and love.

Preston Church is open on Saturday Mornings for
Coffee/Tea and Biscuits and CHAT
All Welcome

The change in our joint services with Sproatley is to celebrate St.Swithins day
At Sproatley











HEDON FLOWER FESTIVAL

Saturday 9th July 10.30am – 4pm Sunday 10th July 12pm – 4pm

at St. Augustine's Church, Hedon



'70 Years of Hedon'



Flower Arrangements, Miniature
Gardens (by local school children) & Open
Gardens.
Refreshments available to purchase

£2.50 Church only £4 Church and Open Gardens (Children are free)

Tickets are available from the Church, the Town Hall & John Dennis Estate Agents
...or just pay on the day at the Church.

Sponsored by Local Traders, Cost of flowers supported by Sandhill Nurseries

Proceeds to: Emmaus Hull & East Riding and St Augustine's Church

Also, at Hedon:

Every Tuesday morning coffee mornings, and Pantry (foodbank) 10.30-12noon every Thursday.