

# Sheriff Hutton Village News



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## Parish Council News

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The Parish Council met on Friday 21 February 2014 with an additional meeting on 24 January 2014 to consider the Cornborough Road development. Councillors present were Douglas Wooles (Chairman), Penny Bean (Vice-Chairman), David Lea, Martin Dodd, Brian Parkinson and Sally Downing. The Clerk was Nigel Knapton. Councillor David Smith, County Councillor Clare Wood and District Councillor Eric Hope sent their apologies.

### Planning Applications for consideration

3/01461/FUL – Siting of two bedroom timber cabin for use as a temporary rural workers dwelling to include formation of access track and hardstanding, and provision of a domestic curtilage (retrospective application) at Land at Cornborough Road, Sheriff Hutton for Mrs L Banks. **After hearing from members of the public both in support and against the application the Council decided that it did not support the application due to its location on a green field site and the inappropriateness of the materials used in the construction which are out of character with the local vernacular. It believes that if this application were granted it would open the floodgates for similar applications on green field sites around the parish which would impact on the very nature of the village. It also believes that the business cases proposed in the application do not require a residence onsite and that the application may result in a permanent residence on the site after the three years has expired.**

14/00148/HOUSE – Erection of part two storey/part first floor side extension at New House Farm, Sheriff Hutton for Mr MW Easterby. **No objections.**

### Ryedale District Council – Decisions and Appeals

13/01385/FUL – Erection of 2 bay practice cricket cage at Cricket Field, Strensall for Sheriff Hutton Bridge CC (Mr Shaun Sutcliffe). **Approved.**

### Public Forum

A member of the public attended and gave their views on the current development taking place on Cornborough Road.

### Parking

It was agreed to ask NYCC Highways for a site meeting to discuss solutions to the erosion of the grass verges in West End due to parked cars.

### Lighting Column in Calverts Garth

It was agreed to replace the lighting column in Calverts Garth. This work would be carried out by Ryedale DC on behalf of the Parish Council.

### Parish Burial Ground

It was agreed to make a grant of £300 to the Parochial Church Council for the maintenance of the Parish Burial Ground.

### Affordable Housing Survey

Colin Huby, the Rural Housing Enabler for Ryedale District Council delivered the report on the recent housing needs survey. The recommendation of the report was that six affordable housing units were needed in the village in order to meet the present need. The next stage would be to identify any suitable exception sites for the development.

### Noticeboard

A replacement for the dilapidated public noticeboard near the Church was agreed. This would be constructed varnished oak and would have non-lockable doors to allow members of the public to put up notices.

### Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is 21 March 2014 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

**Nigel Knapton, the Parish Clerk, can be contacted regarding all Parish Council matters at [nigel.knapton@townandparish.co.uk](mailto:nigel.knapton@townandparish.co.uk) or on 0777 999 4712**

## **Kenneth W Brown, 1926 - 2014**

Many Sheriff Hutton people will mourn the loss of Kenneth Brown who died peacefully, aged 87, on 3<sup>rd</sup> February. After retiring from a distinguished career in British Railways, he had a long service in voluntary work in Ryedale and York.

At age 15 Ken began employment at a small railway station near Sheffield and remained a railwayman for the whole of his working life, interrupted only by national service in the army, serving as a Captain in India and Burma. In 1963 Ken was appointed the senior programmer for the largest computer bureau in British Railways at Peterborough, and eventually became the computer bureau manager. Before taking early retirement, he was the Data Processing Officer for the Eastern Region based in York and ended his railway career developing the future of computers at the B R Board in Derby.

On retirement, he joined the Citizens Advice Bureau in Malton in the 1980s as an advisor but fairly quickly found he was specialising in the computerisation of their work. In 2002 he was issued with a long service certificate by Citizens Advice for 18 year's service but continued to serve the bureau until late last year.

Ken was the Treasurer of St Helen and the Holy Cross Church, Sheriff Hutton for over 30 years and was still in post last year, having become Churchwarden Emeritus. He was also a National Trust guide at Nunnington Hall, moving to York Civic Trust at Fairfax House in November 1984; Ken was also a regular member of Sheriff Hutton Bowling Club and a keen supporter of football and Yorkshire Cricket.

Many villagers will remember his long and caring life with Marjorie, his gentle wife. Ken leaves a son, Jonathan and a daughter, Louise and grandsons, Christopher and Matthew. A Service of Thanksgiving for his life was held at St Helen and the Holy Cross, Sheriff on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> February. RT

## **Neighbourhood Watch**

Burglaries continue locally to be giving concern, with two further reports from Hovingham and, more locally, in Flaxton, a house was broken in to and, amongst other items, a car was taken. In the more rural areas, Howthorpe Farm had a number of tools and a quad bike stolen, and a gas bird-scarer has been taken from just outside of Sheriff Hutton. Understandably the Police are concerned about the number and types of crimes committed recently, and are linking the house thefts to people outside of our area and are being dealt with at 'Force' level as well as by local Police. The rural crimes are being linked to poaching activity. I also note from the local newspapers that thefts of 4x4s (luxury and utility) are being reported.

Bearing the above in mind it is obviously well worth being vigilant in the weeks ahead. The Police have asked that I make you aware of a scheme they are currently operating for farmers to purchase 'Smartwater' (a security product which is not removable and has a unique 'DNA' enabling stolen items to be readily identified). The price of these packs has been reduced from £140+VAT to £65+VAT. In order to take advantage of this offer you need to contact PCSO Nicki Pounder at Malton Police station.

Cold callers continue to be something of an issue, with one more group operating in the last week.

With lighter evenings there has been a noticeable increase in the number of cyclists (including me...) and horse-riders out and about, can I please ask that motorists take due care. It is worth noting that a number of complaints were made last year regarding cyclists riding without sufficient lighting, as well as groups of cyclists passing horses at speed, obviously posing a risk to both cyclist and horse-rider alike.

As I always ask, if anyone should see anything suspicious, or has been 'cold-called', will they PLEASE ring 101 as soon as possible.

The Police have also issued me with a fact-sheet regarding the use and abuse of 'Social-Media'. I accept that this is not in the remit of NHW, however I think there are a number of points raised that may be of general interest, so I will offer a report to the editors for possible inclusion in next month's report.

The next NHW meeting will be held on 8 April at 7.15pm. Anyone interested in joining the scheme as a coordinator should contact either Alan Pitman at the Post Office in Sheriff Hutton or by calling Chris Hudson on 01347 878389.

Alan Pitman 17 February 14

## **Super-Mobile Library**

The super-mobile library will visit the Village Hall Car Park between 10.00 and 12.00 on Fridays 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> March.

## **Cinderella Pantomime 2014**

We would just like to say a huge THANK YOU to every single person who has been involved in the making of this year's panto. It has been an amazing experience that we never thought would happen!

Thank you to all the people who supported us by coming to the shows too. We are hoping and planning to put on something next year as we just can't believe it's over. One of our cast members commented that we didn't just build skills, we also built relationships. So true!

Thank you all again, Amy and Jasmin.

## **Cinderella – Reviews from Appreciative Theatregoers**

**Congratulations** to all the young people who took part in the pantomime last month. It was a marvellous production and enjoyed by everybody. No wonder it was a sell out!

Look forward to next year's production.

Well Done!

**What an absolutely fantastic show**, the best ever. I for one did not want it to end. It lightened up a cold wet winter night and left me feeling so proud of our young people. Their talent and commitment is to be applauded. Well done to everyone involved. You and your families should be so proud of you. Congratulations to Amy and Jasmin for achieving such a brilliant production from their original idea. Can we look forward to another one next year?

Thank you so much for giving us a wonderfully entertaining evening.

From a member of the audience

**"Oh yes we did"**..... have a brilliant time getting carried away booing, hissing, clapping and laughing at the Sheriff Hutton Panto! What a wonderful village event – huge congratulations to everyone who was involved in any way – cast, support staff, directors, producer, set designers, lighting, refreshments etc.

Amy and Jasmin you should be very proud of yourselves for having such a great idea leading to such a fantastic show. Thank you.

## **Glebe Conservation Area - Thank You!**

The trustees would like to say a big thank you to the enthusiastic and energetic bunch of around twenty volunteers who turned up on Saturday 8 February. In two hours we all dragged, cut and burnt the huge pile of brushwood, mainly resulting from the cutting back of a large hawthorn, which was blocking the even development of a tall lime tree. It was extremely encouraging to see so many people of all ages gathering to help with the maintenance of the area.

The ongoing efforts of John Eastlake, Tim Hunt and Jim Warrington in timber and boundary management are very much appreciated.

## **Sheriff Hutton Field Naturalists February 2014**

Our speaker this month was Ann Hanson from Yorkshire Farming and Wildlife who spoke on small mammal identification and population tracking. She showed us how to differentiate between different species of vole, mouse and shrew and explained how groups such as the Mammal Society track populations of each species in target areas to understand population levels. Anyone can join in and she issues an open invitation to members to join the Mammal Society when they undertake this work.

Our next meeting will be our AGM on Wednesday 5th March when there will be drinks, nibbles and a raffle. We will be having a run through of the highlights of 2013's summer events, and asking for ideas for our 2014 programme so bring your suggestions for that speaker you really want to come and talk or a place you would like to visit. We will also be electing the committee, so if anyone feels like taking on one of the roles or could help in any way, please feel free to come forward, the more help the better.

Anyone wishing to join the group or needing more information about Field Naturalists, please get in touch with either Andy on 878785 or Tricia on 878995.

## **Farlington Circle of Friendship**

The next meeting of the Farlington Circle will be on **Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> March** in the Village Hall at 3pm. All welcome – come for chat, tea, cake and fellowship. Please bring £1 to support village hall costs.

## **Village Auction - Saturday 26th April 2014**

The United Christian Churches Committee will be organising this year's village auction, to raise funds for the annual New Year Party for Over 60s.

The New Year Party is a celebration and thank you to older members of our community, and we enjoy providing a warm welcome, tasty tea, and good entertainment in early January.

At the village auction, we will happily sell all sorts of good quality household and garden items, including furniture, sports equipment, kitchen utensils, tools, paintings etc. This is always a very enjoyable and entertaining afternoon, with INCREDIBLE bargains and wonderful catering!

There are a number of items we CANNOT sell and therefore will not be able to accept: these include large white goods (fridges, freezers, dishwashers), mattresses, sofas, upholstered chairs without an attached fire-resistant label, children's bike helmets/car seats and anything which is broken. However we are always amazed at the generosity and quantity of saleable items donated. Recently these have included a wood-burning stove, Le Creuset crocks, a beautiful rocking chair, a climbing frame, an entire bathroom suite, bunk beds, a canoe, and even a particularly memorable stuffed badger! I wonder what will surprise us this year?

If you wish to donate a more expensive item, but wish to state a minimum sale price, then please let us know. Although knock-down prices are attractive, we also respect that a precious item should raise a reasonable amount of money! If your minimum sale price was not reached, then the item would be removed from the sale so it can be returned to you. A little bit of information about precious items is also very helpful to our auctioneers so please feel free to attach a card with details.

Sadly, for the last couple of years we have had scrap metal dealers circulating Sheriff Hutton and Lilling in vans on the Friday evening and Saturday morning of the auction weekend, which have traditionally been the times when we invite villagers to leave out items for us to collect. In order to reduce any possible confusion about WHO items are intended for, we would therefore ask you to phone Caroline (878242) to confirm that you have items to collect and to arrange a time slot. Please then keep these items CLOSE TO YOUR HOUSE or INSIDE until we come to knock. We will also be very grateful for any items delivered to the Village Hall on Friday 25th (6-9pm) and the Saturday morning (9am to 11am). If you have items to donate but are not around that weekend, please contact Caroline so that we can make arrangements to collect them and store them for you.

If you have any questions about this event, or would like to help in any way, please contact Caroline. Otherwise, we look forward to seeing you there!

## **Puddleducks Children's Nursery 'Save a Baby's Life Workshop'**

Puddleducks are delighted to be hosting a training event to be carried out by the Royal Life Saving Society. Participants will gain knowledge of the basic skills necessary to save a baby's life. The training is open to everyone. Can you be confident that all those involved in supervising your children would know how to perform first aid to save their life? Parents, grandparents, siblings, friends and anyone else wanting to gain this knowledge are welcome to attend. EVERYBODY should know the basic skills necessary to save a baby's life.

The training is taking place on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2014 from 7-9pm at the nursery.

Booking is necessary as there are limited places. Please email the training provider Catherine at [catherinebutt71@hotmail.com](mailto:catherinebutt71@hotmail.com) to book a place, or contact Sarah at the nursery for further information (Tel: 01347878648 or email [sarah@sheriffhuttonnursery.co.uk](mailto:sarah@sheriffhuttonnursery.co.uk))

## **Richard Cliff**

Sally Cliff and family would like to say a huge thank you to the many friends from the village who have been so supportive these last few weeks since the sudden loss of her husband Richard. It has been of great comfort and much appreciated. THANK YOU. "

## **Sheriff Hutton Cricket Club**

In readiness for the 2014 season our indoor nets start this month. They will be held once again at Easingwold Galtres Centre starting Wednesday 5th March from 8.15 to 9.15pm.

If you are interested in attending or in finding out more about how to get involved with the club in a playing or non-playing capacity, please contact Tony Fisher (01904 491832) or John Armitage (07931 384227).

## Sheriff Hutton Tennis Club

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup> 2014 at 7.30pm. The Agenda will include subscription rates, team/social tennis, junior tennis and the election of the committee for the coming year.

The committee work hard to provide the opportunity for members to play the tennis that they enjoy and to keep the courts and surrounds in a good state of repair. The AGM is your opportunity to have a say in how the club is run and to put forward proposals for improvements. New committee members are always welcome.

Ladies Tennis. There will be a Practice session on Saturday March 1<sup>st</sup> from 1.30pm.

The Wednesday morning session will start at 10.30am to follow the coaching sessions which will now run from 9.30am to 10.30am.

Coaching Sessions. Damian is running coaching sessions from 9.30am to 10.30am on a Wednesday morning. These are for members of all standards and the cost is £5.00 per session.

Further details of the club are available from Josephine Johnson tel. 01347878626 or email [josephinejohnson6@gmail.com](mailto:josephinejohnson6@gmail.com)

## Village Archive

Despite the unpredictable weather the builder Richard Turner has battled on with the archive store and it is looking good. No decision has been made for moving in but it will most probably be late spring when the building has dried out and the shelving, flooring and heating has been installed. We will be having an opening event and will keep everyone updated on its progress. As we now need to raise money to equip the store our first fund raising event will be on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 7.30 in the village hall, £3 entrance with light refreshments. The presentation titled 'Hidden Treasure in Sheriff Hutton' our speaker John Hendry will be giving the audience a chance to see a rarely displayed set of Communion plate, valued for itself and valued as a memorial to a local family. The story of how it came to be here has some remarkable twists. This promises to be a very interesting talk, please buy your ticket early. Contact Margaret 878465 or Meg 878136 for further details.

Diary dates village hall:

- Open meeting Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2 - 3.30 pm
- AGM Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup> 7- 10 pm with John Williamson talking on *Post War Development of Sheriff Hutton* – an account of how the village has grown to meet the housing and social needs of its inhabitants.

Everyone is welcome to these meetings. We are looking for new members to be involved in the group so if you have an interest the history of this wonderful village then please come along.

The sponsor an archive box is ongoing if you would like to know more about this money raising scheme please contact us on the above numbers. Thank you.

## Message from the Jumbles

The total raised at the February Jumble Sale was £1647 for the Play Group, bringing our running total to £3,436. Thank you so much to everyone who supported it.

Our next Jumble Sale will be on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, raising money for Treasure Chest. Treasure Chest Breastfeeding Group is based in York and aims to promote, support and encourage breastfeeding in the York area by training local women to be peer supporters who can run drop-in groups, antenatal classes and offer support to new breastfeeding mothers. More information is available on [www.treasurechest.org.uk](http://www.treasurechest.org.uk)

We will be open to receive donations of jumble etc. between 9am and 12 noon and the sale will start at 2pm. Reminder that we are not holding a dedicated second hand book sale this year but your unwanted books, cds, dvds and jigsaws are most welcome for our book room sales at each Jumble Sale. The book sale opens at 1pm with good reading available at bargain prices.

We are delighted to be hosting a concert given by The Chanticleer Singers, on 29<sup>th</sup> March, which they are giving following our fund raising event for them last year. We hope you will be able to come along to join us for a guaranteed enjoyable evening. The concert will start at 7.30pm and refreshments will be available. Tickets are £10 adults, £7 concessions, children free and are available from Penny Bean on 878392 or Pat Cooper on 878677.

Money raised at the concert will be given to the History Group towards the funding needed to complete the Archive Room.

Thank you, Penny Bean 01347 878392

## THE METHODIST CHURCH

'Look for the silver lining' were the words of an old time song and after a day of sunshine it's surprising how things can look so much better than the day before. There are more and more snowdrops carpeting the woods around us and the gardens are brightening up too with crocus and aconites. Birds are singing longer, nights getting lighter, before long spring will be upon us. Good news too when we're told that our Christmas shoeboxes had been safely delivered to Serbia bringing a bit of sunshine into orphan childrens' lives. So in the words of another old time song let's spread a little happiness as we go by. That's what Jesus did.

### Services at the church in March

2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am	Revd Peter Clark – World Mission service	6.30pm	Revd Elizabeth Cushion
9 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mr Paul Parker		
16 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mrs Freda Taylor		
23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30am	Revd Elizabeth Cushion – Holy Communion		
30 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mother's Day Family Praise at the Parish Church		

### Other Activities

Monday	7.30 p.m.	Guild night see separate programme below.
Wednesday	8.30 a.m.	Morning Prayers in the church
	10.00 a.m.	Drop in for Coffee and Chat in the Miss Ward room
	6.15 p.m.	Singing Group in the Miss Ward room 5th and 19th March

### Wesley Guild in the Miss Ward room at 7.30 p.m.

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Memories of Our Chapel's Past. This will be a nostalgic evening of reminiscing about what used to happen in the old chapel and the things we have today. A delving into the archive box you might say.
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	We shall have a pictorial journey "Around the World" with Bob Woolsey at the helm.
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	If climbing or walking up mountains is your pleasure then tonight you will hear how help is always at hand. Peter Holtby is the speaker on "Mountain Rescue".
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	There will not be a meeting at Sheriff Hutton tonight. Instead we will be going to Huntington Methodist Church to share in their Guild Rally. The speaker is Revd Hazel Hanson. We will try to provide transport if needed.
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup>	A change has had to be made to the original programme. Instead of hearing about aid being transported to Chernobyl we will be told how a charity is developing a child protection programme in Zambia. Rachel Baker a lay pastor in The Benefice of Harton visited her family there last year and we are grateful to her for helping us with our programme.

All evenings start at 7.30 p.m. in the Miss Ward room and we aim to finish by 9 p.m. having had a cup of tea and a biscuit. We love to welcome visitors.

### Shoeboxes to Serbia

Your shoebox was one of 51,000 boxes which were sent to bless children in Serbia in 2013.

*Operation Christmas Child* shoeboxes are such a blessing to the children, teaching them what it means to give. Anita is 2 year old – a sweet and cheerful child. According to her parents, three days after receiving her shoebox, she still didn't want to open it, instead keeping it safely beside her bed.

Petar (age 10) was abandoned by his mother as a baby and left in the care of his father. While still a small child their house collapsed. Petar's father does seasonal work, forcing Petar to stay out in the streets, waiting for him to return. But despite his difficult life, Petar joyfully and regularly comes to church. A shoebox from OCC gave Petar great joy, and his thank you note said "Thank you for bringing us the shoeboxes (presents), may God Bless You. We are happy that we could receive the shoeboxes and we really like them."

When we asked Luka (aged 4) if he liked his shoebox he said "I like it. Look how many things I got .... there is a pencil, a scarf, a car, there's even sweets and soap."

Thank you for joining with us in 2013 to bless children around the world and show them they are loved. Please remember to pray for the child who has received your shoebox.

### Sheriff Hutton Village Hall – 200 Club

Lucky £25 winners for February were 30, 44, 72, 91 and 116.

# St. Helen & the Holy Cross Sheriff Hutton with St. Leonard Farlington

The Forest of Galtres Benefice of St. Leonard, Farlington: St Mary, Marton: St. Helen & The Holy Cross, Sheriff Hutton: St. Nicholas, Stillington; All Hallows, Sutton-on-the-Forest

## SERVICES IN MARCH

Sheriff Hutton	2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion	5pm	Benefice Celtic Eucharist Marton
	9 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Morning Worship	4.30-5.15	Benefice Family Praise
	16 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Benefice Family Eucharist at Stillington	5pm	Benefice Celtic Reflective Worship at Marton
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion		
	29 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Communion		
	30 <sup>th</sup>	10am	Ecumenical Family Praise		
Farlington	9 <sup>th</sup>	11.15am	Morning Worship	4.30-5.15	Family Praise Sheriff Hutton
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	11.15am	Holy Communion		

Those of you who are observant will have noticed that I have omitted services at Stillington and Sutton. This is to save space in the Village News and also to save me some work. If you would like this information restored please let me know – incidentally the information is in the church and is in the detailed service plans which are circulated every month. If you don't receive a copy of the plan please give me your e-mail address and I will add your name to the circulation list. – John Oakley

## EVENTS

11 <sup>th</sup> March	Annual Parish Meeting - 7.30 - Miss Ward Room
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Village Charity 7.30 Village Hall
30 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Clocks SPRING Forward</b>

## NOTICES

On March 9<sup>th</sup> there will be a short Family Praise in the Parish Church from 4.30-5.15. All are most welcome

### **It's No fun Growing Old!**

I never thought that it would happen to me. I am ashamed – lifelong friends and I cannot remember their names! What will they think of me!

I used to help others. Now I need their help! I can't even get out of my chair without help. Walking down the street everyone passes me. I took pride in doing a good day's work. Now I just sit back tired, when there is so much to do.

What has God left for me? Dependence! That is just the problem. I used to be so independent. I took pride in doing things for myself. Now I must depend on others. I don't like it. Perhaps dependence gives to others the opportunity to serve.

I have always found it harder to receive service than to give it. I must learn to receive with thanks, and so be an example to others.

Has God given me anything else? Time. Indeed, too much time. I used to be so busy I never had enough time. Now I have so much time. How can I use it? More time for prayer. Prayer is like opening window so that the creative energy of God can flow into a situation. I never used to find enough time for prayer, there was so much to do. So many in the world today are like I used to be. They are very busy; they do not find it easy to pray.

I can pray for them. I can pray for all the many people who need my prayers. Is that all that God has given me? The most important thing – I still have the knowledge of his presence with me. This knowledge I can share with others, and especially with the young. They are more ready to learn from one of my age than from those who are younger than I am.

PS. Top tip ..... Invest in a Bird Feeder unit and place it where you can see it through the window from your favourite chair. Amazing! Buy a Birds of Britain book. Stimulating!

Revd. Chris Ellis



## Yorkshire Area Point to Point Club

We would like to thank all who supported us at the point to point on 12th January – we had a fantastic day and as a result the Yorkshire Air Ambulance will receive just over £14,000 which I am sure you will all agree is wonderful. We would like to specially thank all the people who helped us by giving of their time to work on the gate, in the car park or stewarding a fence, without your help we could not stage the point to point. Do not forget there will be an additional point to point at Sheriff Hutton this year on Easter Monday 21st April when the Staintondale Hunt will hold their meeting. This meeting is to raise funds for the new injured jockeys' hostel currently being built in Malton. We hope as many of you as possible will come along again – hopefully it will be warmer by then – make a day of it and support us again – there will be a bar and food available and entry is £10 per person (children free).

If anyone would like to help the April meeting in anyway either by sponsoring us, putting an advert in the race card or helping on the day please contact Chris Drury on 878439.

## Friends of the Village Hall

### Easter Coffee Morning Saturday April 5th

10am – 12 noon in the Village Hall

Admission £1.50 to include Coffee/Tea and a Hot Cross Bun. Children 50p to include a drink and a bun/biscuit. Raffle and Children's Tombola. Easter Egg Hunt (at 11am) and one or two Easter themed games and a free craft activity table for children and anyone else who wishes to have a go!

Friendly company and a warm welcome for all!

Donations of Raffle and Tombola prizes etc. would be most welcome either to Margaret 878314 or on the day.

## Village Ramble

Welcome in an active new year and join us for the first ramble of the 2014 season on **Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**. Meet the group at the Village Hall car park at 9.30am for a ramble of about 5 miles in beautiful North Yorkshire. The walk will be followed by a pub lunch; back home by 3pm.

Sheriff Hutton Bowls Club

### FRIDAY BINGO

Sheriff Hutton Village Hall

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

7.30pm

PRIZES PRIZES PRIZES

£100 Special Jackpot

Everyone Welcome

## Village Charity

The next meeting of the Village Charity is on  
**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March – 7.30pm**  
in Village Hall.

Requests should be with the secretary [John Oakley - Old School House <tel:878754>] by Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March at the latest.

## St Leonard's, Farlington Urgently Needs Some Help

Due to the sad death of our Secretary and the Treasurer moving away, we are in desperate need of two new people to fill these two voluntary posts for the Parochial Church Council. You do not need to be a church member but, ideally, living in or near Farlington and committed to helping ensure the continuity of this church in the community. There are four meetings of the Council a year and, because this is a small church the electronic accounts are relatively simple to maintain.

For more information please contact one of the two Churchwardens – Margaret Singelton (878735) or Sally Downing (878745).

## Guide Dogs for the Blind Association

The AGM of the Easingwold and District Branch will be held at Greystones, The Green, Sheriff Hutton on Tuesday, 18th March at 7.30pm. You are welcome to come and see what we have been doing, and how we raise funds for this excellent cause (and hopefully how you can help in the future!)

## Health Visitor Drop-in

The Health Visitor will be next at the Village Hall from 9.30am – 11.30am on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March**, during the Toddler Session for anyone with pre-school children who would like to see her. Anyone wanting to see the Health Visitor is more than welcome to pop into Toddlers (if not attending anyway) while they are waiting, but consultations with the Health Visitor are confidential and in a separate room.

## Yorkshire Countrywomen



Our meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February was attended by a handful of people who had braved the wind and rain but unfortunately there wasn't enough to do the Beetle Drive so we just chatted and had a drink then went home.

Would the people who are going to the Easingwold lunch on 10<sup>th</sup> June who haven't paid please bring £22 to the next meeting as this is due for payment very shortly.

The next meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm in the village hall is our Annual Branch Meeting .Please could members bring something for the faith supper which will follow the meeting.

Barbara Grinham

## **Gardening Club**

Wednesday 19th March, 7.30pm at the village hall when the speaker will be Sarah Hopps, a well-known local speaker, gardener and tour guide. Her subject will be 'Gardens of the French Riviera'. Plants for sale.

Potato sets and sunflower seeds will be available at this meeting. Potatoes and bucket £2 each/£1 per child. The sunflower, 50p for 2 seeds, will be a shorter variety and, hopefully, earlier maturing. Shock-o-lat is a multi-headed variety but we only require the biggest and the best. We are turning the potato weighing evening into a social event, Tues. 5th August from 7pm, when baked potatoes and drinks will be available. All indoors if the evening is wet.

The Yellow Book, charity open gardens of Yorkshire, is available at meetings.

## **Sheriff Hutton Pre-School Playgroup News**

This term we were fortunate to secure 'Quality First' funding from North Yorkshire County Council to provide training related to provision for two year olds. Some of our funding was used to focus on developing children's communication, language and literacy skills through an interactive story session with Audrey Woodhouse from Taletastic Tent. Our children and parents arrived at Playgroup one morning in January to find a magical tent where they enjoyed stories told interactively with puppets, music, dressing-up and drama. This focus has been further extended by our staff who have been hard at work creating 'story sacks' based on some classic children's stories such as Owl Babies, The Smartest Giant in Town, and Elmer. Each story sack has been created with young children in mind and so the focus picture book is accompanied by a range of colourful, multi-sensory objects to stimulate the imagination and provide a truly interactive experience. As well as being used within our setting, the story sacks will be made available to families who can use these wonderful resources at home.

## **Fundraising News and Events**

Many thanks to all those who supported our Kids' Stuff Sale on Saturday 25 January 2014 in the Village Hall. The quality of donations was fantastic and we managed to raise £440 for Playgroup funds. We are hoping to repeat the sale later in the year to offer families another opportunity to purchase great quality used children's toys, clothing and equipment at bargain prices.



**Table Top Sale at St. Crux Hall**, Pavement, York on Tuesday 18 March 10am – 3pm. Playgroup will be hosting a café and table top sale at St Crux Hall in the centre of York. We welcome donations of toys, books, bric-a-brac and jewellery as well as cakes and biscuits (sorry no electrical items or jumble). We are also keen to hear from anyone who is able to help on the day. Please leave donations at Playgroup (Wed 12 and Fri 14 March) or Babies and Toddlers (Thurs 13 March). For further information please contact Gillian on 878517. All proceeds will go to Sheriff Hutton Pre-School Playgroup and Toddlers (Registered Charity No. 1021113).

## **Glebe Conservation Area**

It is all too apparent that a number of could-not-care-less dog owners are regularly allowing their pets to foul the Glebe and The Croft, and are simply ignoring their responsibility to CLEAR UP after their dog. At the time of writing, one of the Glebe trustees has counted no less than sixteen separate piles of poo between the area's entrance on the Croft and the small wooden gate on the south edge of the reserve, where there is a small fenced pond.

The trustees have no wish to restrict the many responsible and observant owners who make proper use of the Glebe when exercising their dogs, watching them when off the lead, and clearing up when necessary. It is an offence not to clean up after your dog: the penalties are stated at each of the area entrances.

There are many users of our beautiful area, including young children, so please be vigilant and conscientious when walking your dog.

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Sun	9.30am	Holy Communion	Parish Church but check in church for details			
	10.30am	Morning Service	Methodist Church			
Mon	9.30am	Playgroup	Village Hall	2.00pm	Ladies Tennis	Tennis Club
				7.30pm	Badminton	Village Hall
Tues	9.15am	Pilates	Village Hall	12.30pm	Luncheon Club	Village Hall
	10.30 am	Pilates	Village Hall	7.00pm	Youth Group	Village Hall
				7.00pm	Circuit Training	School
				8.00pm	Pilates	School
Wed	8.30am	Morning Prayers	Methodist Church			
	9.30am	Playgroup	Village Hall			
	10.00am	Drop in for Coffee	Methodist Church			
	11.00am	Ladies Tennis	Tennis Club			
Thurs	9.45am	Babes & Toddlers	Village Hall			
Fri	9.30am	Playgroup	Village Hall			

## Additional Activities in March

Mon	3 <sup>rd</sup>	7.30pm	Guild in Miss Ward Room – Memories of Our Chapel's Past
Wed	5 <sup>th</sup>	6.15pm	Singing Group in Miss Ward Room
		7.30pm	Tennis Club AGM in Village Hall
		7.30pm	Field Naturalists AGM in Village Hall
Thurs	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 – 11.30am	Health Visitor at Village Hall
Mon	10 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Guild in Miss Ward Room – “Around the World” with Bob Woolsey
Tues	11 <sup>th</sup>	2 – 3.30pm	History Group Open Meeting in Village Hall
Wed	12 <sup>th</sup>	3pm	Farlington Circle meets in Farlington Village Hall
		7.30pm	Yorkshire Countrywomen – Annual Branch Meeting
Fri	14 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in Village Hall
Mon	17 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Guild in Miss Ward Room – Peter Holtby on Mountain Rescue
Tues	18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 3pm	Sale at St Crux Hall, York for Playgroup
		7.30pm	Guide Dogs meeting at Greystones on the Village Green
Wed	19 <sup>th</sup>	6.15pm	Singing Group in Miss Ward Room
		7.30pm	Gardening Club – Gardens of the French Riviera, in Village Hall
Sat	22 <sup>nd</sup>	2pm	Jumble sale for Treasure Chest, in Village Hall
Mon	24 <sup>th</sup>		Guild at Huntington Methodist Church with Revd Hazel Hanson
		7.30pm	Village Charity Meeting in Village Hall
Thurs	27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Village Ramble, meet at Village Hall car park
Fri	28 <sup>th</sup>	7 – 9.00pm	Saving a Baby's Life Workshop at Puddleducks Nursery
		7.30pm	Talk “Hidden Treasures in Sheriff Hutton” in Village Hall
Sat	29 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Chanticleer Singers in aid of the Archive Room, in the Village Hall
Mon	31 <sup>st</sup>	7.30pm	Guild in Miss Ward Room – Rachel Baker speaks on Child Protection in Zambia

## Dates to Note

April	5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 12.00	Easter Coffee Morning for (and in) The Village Hall
	8 <sup>th</sup>	7 – 10.00pm	History Group AGM
	8 <sup>th</sup>	7.15pm	Neighbourhood Watch Meeting in Village Hall
	14 <sup>th</sup>		Folk concert in the Village Hall
	21 <sup>st</sup>		Point-to-Point in aid of Injured Jockey's Centre, Malton
	26 <sup>th</sup>		Village Auction
August	5 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	Potato and Sunflower Extravaganza at Village Hall
	9 <sup>th</sup>		Village Show

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