

Sheriff Hutton Village News



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Parish Council

The Parish Council met on the 14th August 2019. Councillors present at the meeting were Penny Bean (Chairman), Elaine Nelson, Martin Dodd, Dave Smith, Sally Wright and Marcus Oxendale. District Councillor Eric Hope and Louise Pink – Clerk.

The following new planning applications were received for consideration:-

20/00684/HOUSE 1 Park Cottages, Strensall to Sheriff Hutton Road, Sheriff Hutton

Erection of part single storey, part two storey extension to west elevation following removal of existing garage, store and lobby.

Decision – No Objection.

20/00701/MFUL Land Off Daskett Hill, Sheriff Hutton

Change of use of agricultural and equestrian land to allow the siting of 16no. holiday lodges, 1no. wardens lodge with associated access, parking, infrastructure and landscaping.

Decision – The Parish Council have concerns regarding access and screening and have requested a site visit.

20/00644/73 The Granary, Cheese Vat Farm, Daskett Hill, Sheriff Hutton

Removal of Condition 04 of planning approval 15/00527/FUL dated 02.07.2015 - allow the permanent residential occupation of the dwelling.

Decision – No Objection.

20/00658/FUL 16-20, Frozen In Time Ltd, Dale Road, Sheriff Hutton

Erection of single storey lean to extension to the rear of the existing industrial unit.

Decision – No Objection.

20/00660/FUL Land at OS Field, Cornborough Road, Sheriff Hutton

Formation of new field access off north side of Cornborough Road.

Decision – The Parish Council wish to OBJECT to this planning application, on the following grounds:- The visibility splay is not sufficient for a 60mph road, especially when located on a blind bend.

No new planning decision or appeals were received.

Dog Fouling

Once again the village is experiencing issues with dog fouling. Anyone in charge of a dog, who does not immediately clear up after their dog, is liable for a fine by the issue of a Fixed Penalty Notice. This applies on any land which the Council has designated under the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996. If you see anyone not clearing up after their dog please report it to Ryedale District Council on 01653 600666, ext 208 or email - dogwarden@ryedale.gov.uk. Failure to pay within 14 days or repeat offenders may be prosecuted in the magistrate's court and may face a penalty of up to £1000.

Fixed Penalty Notices may be issued by local authority officers, Police Officers, Police Community Support Officers or any person with designated powers.

Overgrown Hedges

The Parish Council would again like to remind everyone that it is the resident's responsibility to cut back all overhanging hedges and trees around your property. This is vital to ensure that clear access to all footpaths is maintained.

Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be Friday 11th September 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Louise Pink, the Parish Clerk, can be contacted regarding all Parish Council matters at sheriffhuttonparishcouncil@gmail.com or on (01904) 861131. 13 White Rose Avenue, New Earswick, York. YO32 4AG

Super-Mobile Library

There continues to be a range of e-books and publications available to download, for further information visit <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/libraries>

Village Market

Sadly, after much discussion, the logistics required to run a COVID safe market in September cannot be fully met and we therefore regret to inform you that the market has been suspended until March 2021. It is paramount that we can provide stallholders and visitors the safety needed however, at this stage our team of volunteers does not feel we can do this hence the sensible decision has been made to halt proceedings.

After costs have been calculated, our 2019 market figures indicate that we have £3418 in our account however, whilst we aimed to put this back into the community, the committee decided that the funds will be carried over towards next year's running costs.

Meanwhile, please do join me to thank our volunteers and cafe co-ordinators who have put much time and effort into researching legislation, safety and wellbeing.

We look forward to seeing you in 2021.

Louise Chandler

Sheriff Hutton Glebe Conservation Area

I am sure many will have noticed the wonderful condition of the Glebe in recent weeks - a haven of peace and beauty for all to enjoy.

The Trustees invite all Friends to check that their Standing Order is in place (£10 per annum) as we are keen to ensure we have supporters and funds to help maintain this valuable amenity, a common space owned by the village.

If anyone would like to join our Friends list, please let me know. We usually run membership from August. Online banking is the best way to set up a regular payment. Please contact me for account details, or if you would like a standing order form to send to your Bank.

Thanks for your support.

Simon Sweeney (Treasurer/Secretary) 3 Glebe Cottages T: 878562 E: simon.sweeney@york.ac.uk

Brian Shepherd (Chair) 11 Castle View

Sheriff Hutton Village Hall Friends –200 Club

August's £25 prize winners were 129, 153, 181, 242 and 253.

Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group

This month's newsletter is just an update as to what's happening with our Ladies Group.

Our committee held a meeting on the 13th August to discuss going forward and we have provisionally booked the village hall for April 14th 2021 for our next meeting when author Jean Harrod will talk about her crime books.

As we haven't been able to hold any meetings this year, we have deferred the fees from this year until next year and as we have had no expenses to pay, we have decided to make a donation of £50 to the Malton Food Bank, who are always desperate for funds.

Let's hope we will be able to start again next year, as a lot of our members have missed our get-togethers and I will be so happy to see everyone again.

Barbara Grinham

01347878476

Village Volunteers

Just a reminder that the Village Volunteers are continuing. There are still some people who are wanting support and we don't know if, or when, there will be a second wave, local spike or local lockdown. We felt it was better to keep the structure in place so we can leap into action whenever needed. So please do continue to ask us for help if you would like to.

Jill Hodges 878595

On behalf of the two churches, the Village Stores, the Parish Council and the Village Market.

Sheriff Hutton Bridge Cricket Club

July and August has brought an abundance of cricket at both the Castle and Bridge grounds.

The 1st team is sitting 3rd in their league with 3 wins from 5, with both lost games going down to the last over.

There have been some great performances with York being beaten at Clifton Park, Tommy Hudson being the pick with a sparkling 90.

Skipper Adam Fisher weighed in with a Hundred against Dunnington in a losing cause.

The bowling honours in the 1st team were going to a consistent Ben Harrison until he had a badly broken thumb, curtailing his season.

There have been other good performances of note throughout the club with Danny Cass and Isaac Giannini both registering 50's for the second team who lie 5th in their league with 3 wins from 5 matches. Nadeem Shefta has been the pick of the bowlers for the 2nd team with good figures each week.

One of the highlights has been the emergence of junior players into the senior ranks with three 14 year olds playing in the 2nd team and not looking out of place.

The 3rd and fourths have also had their sides enhanced by youth. The 3rds sit 2nd in their league with 4 wins from 5; the 4ths who are in a horrendously difficult league sit 10th of 10. Their Skipper Josh Moate with the toughest job in the club has been incredible in keeping it going; his reward this week was a win over Hovingham with an evergreen Paul Scaling 100 backed up by another "vet" in Danny Kieran with 50. On the bowling side 13 year old Arron Cowton had 3 for very few.

All the results can be found on ypln.play-cricket.com

There have some great junior matches played at both Bridge and Castle grounds with an u11 side playing Flixton at the Castle in what we believe was the first junior match to be played in the village in probably 50 years.

The match was attended by a large crowd including Councillor Steve Arnold and his wife County Councillor Val Arnold.

Unfortunately a York and District U9 representative game at the Castle had to be cancelled due to weather.

We have some good 9 year olds playing hardball cricket at U11, some 11 year olds playing U13 and U15 and as mentioned some of them excelling in senior cricket.

The junior results are mixed but mainly positive. The coaches do a great job with around 100 children to take care of and help to become cricketers.

Results should make it to the club website. www.sheriffhuttonbridge.co.uk

On a more contentious note we are experiencing quite a lot of dog fouling at the Castle ground; we appreciate that there is a footpath at the top but please be considerate as dog fouling can become a serious health hazard on a sports field.

Thank You Janet

After delivering Village News every month since it started, almost 51 years ago, Janet Fairclough has decided that the time has come for her to retire from being a Village News 'paper girl.' We wish to thank her for her unstinting efforts – in all weathers – and wish her a very happy retirement.

The Editorial Team

We Need Someone to Deliver Village News

Village News is looking for someone to deliver Village News every month to the houses in North Garth Lane and Coble Lane. If you are interested please ring Richard & Wendy on 01347 878581

Simon Sweeney – Great North Run re-imagined 13 September 2020

There is no GNR this year, so I won't be on Tyneside on 13 September as planned. Instead I'm doing a local re-imagined version, from my house to Strensall, then to Flaxton and then home, 13.1 miles. I am raising funds for **St Leonard's Hospice** in York, so please donate via my Just Giving page if, like me, you think this is a worthy cause in the year of Coronavirus. Many thanks.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/simon-sweeney7>

Notices for St. Helen's for September 2020

Services

As you may know the church has been open for private prayer and contemplation, and we also had our first services in August. They were more streamlined and we can't have any hymns yet but lovely to be back in church again.

You are very welcome to come and use the church on the days on which it is open, but please keep safe when you do by following the instructions on the door i.e. using sanitiser and not touching anything. If you would like prayers said for anyone or anything, please let us know and we will include them.

During September, the church is open on the following dates. Please see below. As you will see there are services on 13th and 27th, both at 10.00 am. Sadly, it isn't possible to have coffee and refreshments afterwards, and services can only last for approx. 30 minutes. However, the Village Café at the Village Hall is a really good place for catching up over breakfast, a bacon butty, cakes, scones and tea/coffee.

The church is open on the following dates. We have to leave 72 hours between services/opening times to allow for any contamination of Covid-19 to disappear.

Monday	1st September
Saturday	5 th September
Wednesday	9 th September
Sunday	13 th September MORNING PRAYER at 10.00am
Thursday	17 th September
Tuesday	22 nd September
Sunday	27 th September COMMUNION SERVICE at 10.100am

Advance Notice – we are intending to have our Harvest Festival on Sunday, 11th October.

We have designated places to sit, at a distance of 2m apart. We can accommodate upto 30 people but that includes couples who can obviously sit together. If everyone comes as an individual, we can seat 21 people. If you use the church, please use the hand gel provided and use only the seats indicated.

Churchyard and church tours

If you are interested in a churchyard and church tour, please contact Jill on 878595. Come and see the little Prince of Wales tomb, Winifred Coates' grave (she was a nurse who died in WW1), the two WW2 graves and hear the history of the Egerton flag and memorial and hear about our little quirky things! The church has been there for over 1000 years and has seen so much history and has many tales to tell. Roy Thompson is a fount of information about the church and the churchyard so please let me know if you are interested in finding out more about our village and its past inhabitants.

Tour dates are Wednesday, 9th September at 10.30am and Sunday, 13th September at 2.30pm. Cream teas in a local garden available afterwards. We're looking at a maximum group of 6 people to ensure social distancing and the cost is £5. The tour will be about an hour long. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Books

As you will be aware the pop-up library has to close so as to not impact upon the North Yorkshire library service, but the books can still be available to buy at 50p or borrow from the church on a more informal basis.

Churchyard

The churchyard is there for our whole community to use as a green and pleasant space. Some of it is kept mown and other areas are allowed to be wilder. If you have a family grave in a wild area and want it kept so that it can be easily visited, please let us know and we will work with you to make it possible.

We have noticed that some dog poo in the churchyard has not been cleared up recently. Please clean up after your pet; children as well as older people use the churchyard regularly. Thank you.

The Methodist Church

It was hoped to have a Harvest Festival service on the last Sunday in September within the government guidelines but when the premises were inspected it was found that one of the main church lights had fallen from the ceiling and so rewiring is needed in the worship area. This will need to be completed before we will be able to even consider meeting together.

So I'm afraid we remain CLOSED.

But it doesn't stop us worshipping a God who is caring for us at this difficult time, studying his word in the bible and praying for everyone throughout our village, country, and world. This we all can do in our homes.

To help your worship at home the Revd Ruth Duck, each week, produces a printed service which can be delivered to you. If you would like one please ask David Marwood (878937) or Eric Hayhurst (878471). Ruth also leads a Zoom service for those able to access it, and again if you would like to join a Sunday service, or Wednesday prayers at 9 a.m. contact David or Eric for details.

Lord of the harvest, plant your word in our hearts,
Make our lives good soil.
Help us to live in the light of your word,
To know the freedom that comes from knowing you.
Make us sowers of your message of good news;
in Facebook post, phone call or text message giving encouragement,
in shopping delivery, rainbow picture or gift to a foodbank,
in word, in deed, in prayer,
that others may see and hear what it means to know you
And may see your Church at work in all of us.
Amen

Marton Church

We are still opening the church for personal prayer on Thursday mornings (9-12) and Sunday afternoons (2-5) so do drop in if you are passing and would like to sit and rest in this peaceful church. We will let you know as soon as we're able to hold services again. Many thanks to the Tompkins family who mow the paths and also to Sarah, Rome and Helen who are currently scything the wildflower meadow in the churchyard. This gives any wildlife living in it every opportunity to hide, hop, crawl or fly away! We found last year that leaving the cuttings in piles provided some great habitats for winter, and also kept the grass down so these were ideal sites for planting more wildflowers in the spring. This year the bees and butterflies have really enjoyed the flowers. Do get in touch if you would like to hear more about how the churchyard is being maintained or if you would like to receive a weekly email with worship material from Rev Steve as part of our online church community as 'Marton Friends'.

<https://www.facebook.com/martonchurch>

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/18888/> cjhunt.home@gmail.com

St Leonard's, Farlington

In September our usual pattern of services on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 11.15am continues.

Sunday 13 th	11.15am	Shortened Matins (BCP)
Sunday 27 th	11.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)

Come and see St Leonard's decorated for Harvest!

Sadly, current restrictions mean that our usual, joyous Harvest Festival with Harvest Supper cannot go ahead this year. But we shall be decorating the church as we would each year – 'dressing it' for this important event in the rural calendar – and it will be open for everyone to visit from 10.00am – 5.00pm on Friday 25th, Saturday 26th and after the service on Sunday 27th September. We hope you will come along and celebrate the harvest in this different way.

Other Church Opening Times. Finally, other than for services, the church will continue to be open every Tuesday and Saturday between 10.00am and 4.30pm for private prayer and contemplation. The Churchyard continues to be open at all times for you to visit and spend some 'quiet time'.

Sheriff Hutton Bowling Club – Celebrating 60 years!

The Club has been able to play regular internal games under Covid-19 regulations and guidance from BowlsEngland. Most of our club competitions are being played in August and September and the names of former playing members are reflected in the names on the trophies or honours board, such as Charlie Howe (a Huntington milkman), Harry Goddard, Phil Meads and Eric Todd as well as the Highwayman Trophy. The first of our competitions played this year was for the Charlie Howe Trophy won by Bernard Walker, this year's President and entering for the first time!

We have been able to attract and coach several new members and we are always looking for more. Lawn bowls is not a difficult game to learn to play and brings the added benefits of physical and mental stimulus at a very modest cost. If you are interested in trying it out contact any member or the undersigned.

Regretfully our regular Bingo sessions in winter months in the Village Hall are cancelled for the foreseeable future due to the pandemic restrictions on numbers. One of the effects has been on our Club income which has also taken a hit from loss of fundraising opportunities (Village Market café, Jumbles etc). Although we received a welcome government grant through the RDC we were required to spend it speedily and locally on capital projects (we used it on replacing ageing doors and windows) nevertheless our running costs of the maintenance of the building and green will outweigh our income and so an annual draw is being planned. Please watch out for more details.

Roy Thompson, Chairman/Secretary

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Village Show 2020

Sunny blue skies with a light breeze, bunting gently flapping, perfect weather for the Sheriff Hutton Village Show. The Sheriff Hutton Gardening Club Committee worked hard to plan and set up the event during uncertain times, but felt it was important to celebrate our community's creativity and achievements this year in the Village Show. It was therefore very rewarding to see people turning up with armfuls of delicious cakes and preserves, baskets of fresh vegetables and fruit and beautifully arranged flowers. Show entrants had clearly been busy over the last year growing produce, baking, making preserves, crafting and taking photographs. Inside the village hall was laid out with a very colourful display of exhibits and despite the restraints of bringing people together during the COVID-19 pandemic, those who were able to come to the show enjoyed seeing the entries.

The Sheriff Hutton Primary School artwork was highly praised by show visitors who remarked on the wide variety of 'My Favourite Animal' pieces. The children's classes' judge commented on the sensitivity and very good observational skills demonstrated in the drawings and paintings, and the creativity in the collages. Children who brought art and craft work on the day proudly laid out some particularly imaginative pieces such as the most detailed miniature gardens, inventive models crafted from recycled materials and beautifully arranged flowers in mugs. There were carefully constructed models from kits and some very original animals created from fruit and vegetables.

There was a very good response to the photography classes with plenty of well composed pictures and expressive images. Home bakers presented such appetising produce that some visitors asked to buy the entries; scones were particularly popular. The craft judge was very impressed with the skill and creativity evident in all the pieces displayed by the community.

More people than perhaps expected came to the show and most commented that they had enjoyed looking round. Some elderly and vulnerable people felt sufficiently confident to take part and attend. Young families were encouraged to take part through the addition of new classes for the under 5s.

The SHGC committee were unable to provide refreshments this year and also there was no raffle or admission charges which meant that funding for the event was much reduced. However, generous on-the-door donations made by those who visited the show were a very welcome contribution to the costs of putting on the show. Many thanks to those who supported the village show this year and especially to those who helped on the day.

Thanks also to independent businesses, Graham's Ices ice cream van, and Mel Hunt and daughter who provided a pop-up café outside the village hall. Both ice cream van and café were very popular with those needing refreshments.

Prize giving was held outside and it was a delight to see the children in particular collect their prizes, trophies, shields and cups. Well done to everyone who entered the show and especially to those who won prizes.

Prize winners 2020

The Association Cup: Jim Warrington

The Warwick Cup for Fruit & Vegetables: Tony Thompson

The Richard the Third Cup for Flowers & Pot Plants: Jim Warrington

The Craft Cup: Amanda Dick

The Neville Plate - Best Exhibit in Craft: Alex Holford

The Cookery & Preserves Cup: Sarah Anderson

The Photography Cup: David Loades

Under 5s Prize: Emme Johnson & Olivia Shipley

Children's Junior Cup: Summer Shipley

Children's Senior Cup: Holly Shipley

The Children's Shield - Best Exhibit: George Rutherford

The Alan Farnaby Memorial Trophy: Summer Shipley & Holly Shipley

Potato Competition

Heaviest Potato Crop: Tony Thompson **2nd Heaviest Potato Crop:** Margaret Thompson

Heaviest Potato: Derick Forsdyke

Suggested Gardening Activities for September

- Harvest early varieties of apples and pears as they become ripe. Handle with care and store in a cool, airy, vermin-proof place.
- Daffodil bulbs should be planted this month – ten to twelve centimetres deep. Ensure that drainage is good and water the bulbs if the soil is dry. Do not incorporate animal manure when planting bulbs of any type.
- September to mid-October is the best time to establish a new lawn either by seed (cheaper) or by turf. Levelling the site and thorough preparation of the soil is important. Any fertiliser incorporated should be low in nitrogen, which leads to soft growth and fungal disease problems at this time of year.
- Take cuttings of tender perennials, eg pelargoniums, as soon as possible to provide good young plants for next year.

Our Autumn programme starts on Wednesday 16th September at 7.30pm. John and Pat Summerfield, who specialise in growing ornamental grasses, will give a talk 'Pride in the Fall'.

Current restrictions allow a maximum of 30 people in the VH, **so please let me know if you are hoping to attend.**

email: jnburnett@btinternet.com or shgardeningclub@gmail.com or phone: 878143 / 07985 930581

Playgroup

On behalf of the committee I would like to say a big thank you to all of the staff at Playgroup who have worked so hard since March meeting the challenges COVID 19 set us.

We were delighted to reopen in June after the enforced closure and we ended the term with a lovely teddy bears picnic and mini sports day for our leavers who will be starting school in September.

We couldn't have the parents there as we normally do but we still made it special for the children and they enjoyed their gift bags full of memories of their time at playgroup.

We are back on the 8th September looking forward to the new term and meeting our new starters!

We currently have spaces available for 2,3 and 4 year olds, so if you are interested in your child attending our setting please get in touch and we can organise a taster session.

Playgroup is a great place to send your child and makes the transition to school very easy for the children who attend here.

Please contact Angela on 07717 799646 or visit the website for availability.

Babies and Toddlers – Update

As this group is an open session and people come from all the surrounding area we do not feel we could open safely and meet the guidelines in the current circumstances. We will continue to monitor it and look forward to a time in the future when we can start up again. **Please note this means that there will be no Health Visitor this month.**

Jess Dunford Chairperson

Message from the Jumbles

September normally sees us busy with a jumble sale and our Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning but this year things have to be different.

We will not be holding a jumble sale and whilst we will not be able to hold our Coffee Morning in our usual way we are still very keen to support the Macmillan event as they are desperate for funds to carry on their vital work. Subject to Covid 19 regulations on Saturday 26th September this year we are hoping to hold our event on The Village Green. There will be a cake and produce stall, second hand jewellery stall, lucky square etc. However we will not be serving drinks.

We are looking for donations of cakes, produce and preserves and we would love to hear from you.

If you are able to help in this way please contact me.

The sale will be between 10am and 12 noon and if you unable to come along but would like to make a monetary donation please contact any of the Jumbles.

Whilst we realise we will not be able to raise as much as we normally do any money we raise will be greatly appreciated. However it is 5+ weeks between the closing date for entries for the Village News and the proposed date of the event and things may change so watch out for posters giving the up to date information.

Mask up and stay safe

Penny Bean – Sheriff Hutton Jumbles – Turning cast offs into cash 01347 878392

Eight months ago, I took a service on the Sunday between Christmas and New Year. I remember saying something along the lines of “No-one knows what 2020 will bring – there may be good news and bad, challenges and joy..... and it is probably a good job no-one can see into the future”. I am not in any sense claiming of prophetic words, for we could all say something similar! Every year holds a similar mix of experiences, but who would have thought that we would all have been impacted in the way that we have through Covid 19?

September is the month for ‘going back’ – back to school, college or university – or going for the first time. Some Churches have run “Back to Church” Sundays too....but how different this year is. For children and young people, and adults involved in education it has been very difficult, and as I write the A level and GCSE results system is throwing up yet more uncertainty.

We cannot know how any of this will work out. Will schools be able to accommodate all children safely for all of the time? Will universities be able to cope with increased demand on places? Will there be a second peak of Covid-19 that will take the whole country back into lockdown or localized restrictions? More questions than answers.

Will all churches re-open – allowing everyone to enjoy a “Back to Church Sunday”? Christians frequently say that Church is not the building – or only the building, and important as our buildings are as places specifically for prayer and gathering together in worship – we are not confined to those spaces. We can pray wherever we are, and many people are finding new ways of gathering through the wonders of the internet, or using printed services in their own homes, knowing that others are too. Although we had hoped to re-open the Methodist Chapel in September, we are keeping this under review, and will let everyone know when a firm decision is made. Going back isn't always the best way forward! We wait and pray for the new things that God may want to do with us and through us.

In the meantime I return to the service in December 2019 – my message then, and still is, that God is With Us. This is what the name Emmanuel (given to Jesus before his birth) means, and it is a message not just for Christmas, but for life. A message that we need more than ever in these uncertain times.

May God bless you with His presence and peace.

Ruth

Rev R Duck

Sheriff Hutton Field Naturalists

"I've walked to a local pond with my wife many times and in many weathers, and every time I'd missed the dragonflies." Photographing Damselfly and Dragonflies is always a pleasure, but only when they keep still! Like many insects they dart around, changing position in an instant - and usually just out of the carefully set up camera position.

The large blue dragonfly - perhaps an Emperor (Anax Imperator) is 78mm, has the familiar elongate body, and seems to be on a hunting patrol over open water, coming back and forth; noticeably keeping away from similar dragonflies.

In a gap in the bank was an area of shallow water covered with grasses and water weeds. Tiny blue Coenagrion Damselflies (Coenagrion Puella) are 33mm, there were maybe a dozen flitting about or sitting on half submerged blades of grass. Sadly, my eyes could not discern from their expression what was on their minds. Some sat motionless, but might have been concentrating on their next meal. Two other damselflies, a Common Blue Damselfly, (Enallagma cyathigerum) length 32mm, has a series of black bands down its pale blue body. The couple I watched were being intimate, the females' head tightly gripped by the end of the males' body, whilst the males' body was joined to the end of the female, which was a pale greenish colour. When they started to fly about with gay abandon thus joined together, I felt they were showing off, and having taken the photograph, I thought I'd not intrude into their privacy any longer...

A description of the body parts of these fascinating creatures, and their mating habits can be obtained from most nature spotting books, and from "Damselfly Facts" on Google.

If you are interested to find out more about the Field Naturalists group, please get in touch with either Dave on 878672, Jim on 878667 or Angela on 878347.

Sheriff Hutton Tennis Club

The courts have remained busy and the club are pleased to report that the membership levels have continued to grow and are now at the same level as last year. Our coach, Ben Orton continues to promote tennis at the club and ran a week of Junior Tennis Camp which was sold out, Ben continues to offer individual and group coaching to members.

The booking system is working well and we would ask members to continue to use it as we have to keep a record of court use for the Track and Trace requirements.

The Wednesday Ladies tennis is running again with an earlier start time of 10.00am, although you can come anytime during the morning.

Club Competitions. The proposed dates for the competitions are Ladies Singles September 5th, Ladies Doubles September 26th, Mixed Doubles September 12th, Men's Doubles Sunday morning September 20th. More details and confirmation of the dates are on our website.

Wimbledon Tickets. Members of the club who are British Tennis Members with the LTA are eligible for entry into the club draw for Wimbledon tickets. You should shortly receive an email from the LTA to ask you to opt in to register for this. The club gets an allocation of tickets depending on the number of opt-in members so please click on to opt in and increase the number of tickets we receive.

Hovingham Fun League. Congratulations to the team members who are at the top of the fun league.

All details of the club activities are on our website

www.sheriffhuttontennisclub/clubspark/lta.org.uk

Or contact josephinejohnson6@gmail.com

Sheriff Hutton History Group

The following five short articles were compiled by John Hendry from information provided by the subject's family members. They are reproduced in full this month, given that the News was going to have to be 16 pages long.



Intriguing and More to Come

"Would you be interested in some old photographs?" So began this story about a remarkable personality with very close links indeed to Sheriff Hutton both past and present.

This tentative question came from Mrs Elaine Nelson (née Grinham), soon joined in the discussion by her sister Sally bringing a big envelope with some dozen or so old photos. The History Group members entrusted with this realised immediately it was full of value with one image in particular seizing their attention. It was probably taken around 1916 and showed an imposing man aged in his late thirties wearing Army uniform. Badges that were visible indicated that he was a senior Warrant Officer in the Royal Army Medical Corps.

The ladies knew him as their great-grandfather – nicknamed 'Buster' – who had both achieved a distinguished career and developed close links with Sheriff Hutton – this despite having started life as far away as Paris. This interesting scrap of biography – and much, much more – came from picking up the trail from the Army records of Charles William Grinham (CWG), the soldier in that photo.

Seeing our immediate interest, Elaine and Sally then brought us a large bag with many more photos and other documents – a veritable treasure trove of material which we are continuing to study.

The family name 'Grinham' deserves extensive elaboration in its own right and we hope to return to that later, but concentrating on CWG's own story, this begins in low key. In August 1897 as a lad of 18 he applied to join the British Army in London. He was recommended by an uncle who had served in the Scottish Rifles and so this was the regiment in which our hero's service began: with many twists and turns, it was to last for 21 years as we will start to explore in Part II. *Continued overleaf*

Part II – Still Intriguing

We left Charles William Grinham entering a new phase of his life as '5903 Private Grinham' in the Scottish Rifles. Now we see three fascinating threads taking shape in his life story – first his record of self-improvement, second his military experience, and third his marriage from which grew his connection with Sheriff Hutton.

Having made an early transfer into the RAMC, he gained a Certificate of Education, trained as a cook and most significantly qualified as a dispenser. This last achievement was the start of a real upward career path.

He was by no means exempt from real soldiering – there was a war on, to be precise the British Empire's struggle to retain control of South Africa. By now, making progress as a non-commissioned officer, C W Grinham was awarded both the South Africa service medals with several clasps. With other later awards these contributed to a striking group of medals still happily held by one of his descendants in Sheriff Hutton.

With various postings in Britain and abroad, his career and development continued after the Boer Wars until in 1907 he seems to have been mainly based in Chester although he may have moved around to attend courses etc.

Part III will introduce us to another quirk of military life – that for a soldier to marry required the permission of his senior officer – which was not always granted – the path of CWG's life was not always smooth!

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Part III – Still More

The records show that in 1907 then Lance Corporal CW Grinham of the RAMC met and married Ruth Hepton in Chester. Ruth was the daughter of a railwayman who, at the time of her birth, was working at the then Castle Howard railway station on the York to Scarborough line and later moved to Shipton station. In 1901 Ruth was in service in York, but we do not know of her movements there after until she marries in Chester.

We can only assume that this marriage was NOT with the permission of his senior officer because it is not acknowledged in his military record – but there IS a record of a subsequent marriage by (now) Corporal CW Grinham to the SAME lady in Lewisham in 1909. A little unusual to marry the same person twice within the space of two years but then, as we know, CWG was an unusual person!

We would dearly like to know more about how and when this couple met and courted – but as of now our records are blank – could friends or family tell us more? Certainly, prior to their (first!) marriage, Ruth had had a child, Reginald Grinham-Hepton, who became a railwayman himself and resided quietly in New Earswick until his death in 1978. We don't know if CWG was the father but there were two subsequent children of the marriage, William Charles Grinham who married Stella Goddard and Margaret Elizabeth Grinham who married James Rhodes. These local links will be familiar to long-time residents of our village and they will know that CWG's descendants will be reading these notes about their distinguished ancestor.

We shall pick up other links with Sheriff Hutton, but in the meantime must continue with the story of CWG himself. Inevitably, because of his chosen career he was swept up in the conflict of 1914 – 1918 and eventually added the 1914/15 Star, the British War Medal and the Victory Medal to his collection. He served with distinction and was promoted to Commissioned rank in 1917, was allowed to extend his service to 21 years and was awarded the Long Service and Good Conduct medal. His actual service extended beyond the end of the war and involved a senior rôle in military hospitals in post-war Germany.

In Part IV we will look at the later stages of his life – again directly connected with our village

Part IV – and more still

After the end of his military career (we don't know yet the date of his final discharge) there is a gap until he appears behind the bar of our very own Castle pub. There is clear documentation that he remained as its landlord from 1929 to 1937 and so two questions arise – does anyone know what he did after his discharge and does anyone have surviving memories of his time at The Castle?

In the pre-war registration in 1939, CWG and Ruth are found to be with one of their children in the Station Buildings in Flaxton – was he perhaps working as a railwayman then? – another avenue to be explored.

However, come the beginning of the war, with recruits flooding into Strensall camp for medical assessment etc, his training once again comes into play as the highly valued aide to Strensall's Doctor Blacklee – and there some excellent photos showing him as a benign elder statesman among his young successors – a fresh generation of RAMC troops. The last we hear of him professionally is a high commendation for his assistance in those early war years – a truly remarkable career.

He seems to have retired to Strensall eventually and died in 1946, leaving his widow Ruth, who lived at Bridge Cottage, Strensall and died in York in 1951.

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CWG was a remarkable man and we are privileged to have had access to so much of his history. Some of the documents and photographs, particularly those concerning his time in the WWI military hospitals, are not merely of local interest, but of national importance, since very few photos – and particularly photos of staff – have survived and we understand copies may be offered to the relevant museums to be preserved for posterity.

In our final part we will return to the roots of this remarkable man which are spread far and wide through geography and history. *Continued below*

Part V

While our focus has been on Charles William Grinham himself, it is only right to cast some light on his origins and background.

He was born in Paris in 1880, the eldest child of William Thomas Grinham and Elizabeth Mary Maidment, who met when William was the coachman and Elizabeth the governess, to the family of Ferdinand de Lesseps, the promoter and engineer of the Suez Canal. They married in the Embassy in 1878 and had three children, CWG born in 1880, his brother Thomas in 1882 and sister Jane Elizabeth in 1884, all born in France.

CWG's father William Thomas was the 5th child of Samuel Grinham of Bristol and was brought up in the Cheltenham area of Gloucestershire with his five other siblings. There seems to have been a significant military tradition in his family with other members serving in both the Army and Navy and CWG's uncle, Charles Atwood completing a full 21 years in the Scottish Rifles. The earlier origins of the Grinham's have yet to be explored, but there are indications that they were generally a West Country family.

Elizabeth Maidment was also a West Country girl. We are still exploring the details of this but a descendent of CWG's brother has told us that the Maidment family is an ancient one with documented Norman origins – something to be explored further.

We are lucky in that CWG's wife Ruth Hepton comes from a family which already has been documented in detail and which has been based in and around the Malton area for generations. The generous provision of this research will allow us to give something more back to the families of Elaine and Sally in thanks for access to the fascinating collection of Grinham photos etc.

Once again, our heartfelt thanks go out to Elaine and Sally for sharing these with us and we repeat our plea for further information, anecdotes etc. which might help to flesh out parts of the story.

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	10.30am	Morning Service	Methodist Church			
Mon				7.00pm	Sewing Class	Village Hall
				7.30pm	Yoga	Village School
				7.30pm	Badminton	Village Hall
Tues	9.15am	Pilates	Village Hall	7.00pm	Circuit Training	Village Hall
	10.30am	Pilates	Village Hall	8.00pm	Pilates	Village Hall
Wed	9.30am	Yoga	Village Hall			
	10.00am	Drop-in for Coffee	Miss Ward Room			
	10.30am	Ladies Tennis	Tennis Club			
Thurs	9.45am	Babes and Toddlers	Village Hall	6.30pm	Youth Group	Village Hall

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Sun	6,13,20,27	9.30- 12.30pm	Pop up Café in Village Hall (please note amended times)
Fri	11 th	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting in the Village Hall
Wed	16 th	7.30pm	Gardening Club " <i>Pride in the Fall</i> " in the Village Hall
Sat	26 th	10 - noon	Jumbles fundraiser for Macmillan Cancer Care on the Village Green

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