

Sheriff Hutton Village News



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Sheriff Hutton Art Group

51st Annual Art Exhibition

Original work created by members of the
SHERIFF HUTTON ART GROUP

Easter Sunday, 31st March 2024 & 1st April 2024

10.30am – 4.30pm

The Village Hall

Please do come along to see our work, there is something for everyone.
Sheriff Hutton Primary School children's artwork will also be on display.

Entrance is £1, Children Free
Refreshments Available.

If you paint and would like to join the group, please ask for details.
We have a great programme of workshops and offer plenty of friendly advice.

Super-Mobile Library

The next visit will be on Friday, 19th April, 10am - 12 noon.

The mobile library can be used as a drop-in facility to select or return books as it used to be before the pandemic. If you wish to request a specific title, please browse our online catalogue at <https://capitadiscovery.co.uk/northyorkshire> and place a reservation using your borrower number and your PIN, selecting 'Supermobile' as your pick-up location. There may be a small charge for this service. Free downloads of eBooks, e-audiobooks and magazines are available from our website at www.northyorks.gov.uk/digital-library

If you are not a member of our libraries, you can join at the SuperMobile Library for FREE! For any enquiries, please call 01609 533878 or email supermobile@northyorks.gov.uk

For more information about library services visit www.northyorks.gov.uk/libraries or download our library App.

Search for: North Yorkshire Libraries in the App Store of Google Play

NB. The Super-Mobile Library dates may be subject to change and cancellations at short notice.

Dementia Forward

The team at Dementia Forward is excited to announce two new services for people with dementia in the Ryedale area. **The Brain Health Cafe** is for anyone who would like to explore ways to keep their brains healthy and will run every **Thursday from 10am to 12 noon, at Trinity Church Rooms in Norton from April 11th**. Please come along, or contact Dementia Forward for more information. They are also opening their first **Ryedale day service (known as a Hub Club) in Welburn Village Hall**. There is no start date as yet, but if you would like to find out more or register your interest, please contact the Dementia Forward Helpline on **03300 578592**, where you can also make a referral into their support services. Please note, Dementia Forward provides free, confidential support and advice, but Hub Clubs are a paid service and an assessment is needed before attending.

Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group

The Ladies group had a very enjoyable bring and share lunch in March followed by our well attended AGM. Barbara was thanked for her many years as Chairperson and all she has done for the group. We also thanked Linda and Kay for their time working on the committee.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 10th April at 2pm in the Village Hall when we will hear about the work the York Osteoporosis Volunteers Group does.

Everyone is welcome for any more information please contact
Anne 07391515299 Gail 01347 878373

Parish Council

The Parish Council met on the 14th March 2024. Councillors present at the meeting were Penny Bean (Chairman), Marcus Oxendale, Sally Wright, Dave Smith, Sam Warriner and Phillip Lazenby. Louise Pink – Clerk. 1 member of the public.

The following new planning application was received for consideration this month:-

ZE23/01660/MFUL Land Off Daskett Hill Sheriff Hutton.

Change of use of agricultural and equestrian land to allow the siting of 24no. holiday lodges, 1no. wardens lodge and 1no. reception/shop with associated access, parking, infrastructure and landscaping (revised detail to planning approval 20/00701/MFUL dated 15.11.2021). RESUBMISSION.

Decision – The Parish Council object to this planning application, on the following grounds:-

The Parish Council feel there is insufficient detail on the planning application with many details missing.

The original planning application stated a certain type of lodge. This planning application provides no details of the material to be used.

The infrastructure for 24 lodges cannot be the same for 16 lodges.

The village has a commitment to support its local amenities. The planning application proposes a new shop.

The village does not need a 2nd shop.

Over development of the site.

The location is too close to neighbours.

The development would create too many car movements on a dangerous hill.

It is vital that the occupancy must be partial only and not fully residential, in line with other holiday sites in the village.

No planning decisions were received this month.

Cold Calling

The Parish Council are aware of recent incidents of cold calling in the village. If you experience such issues and feel intimidated at any time, please contact the police on 101. Also, please be aware that you do not need to sign up to anything straight away – please take advice before entering into any contract. In relation to recent information supplied by broadband suppliers to some residents – the Parish Council do not believe that landlines will be lost.

Trees

The Parish Council would like to request that if residents have any issues with any trees in the village that they are reported to the clerk. Action must not be taken by any resident to prune any trees themselves.

Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be Thursday 11th April 2024 at 7.30pm in the Miss Ward Room at the Methodist Church.

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.

The Bluebells of Stittenham

Sally's Bluebell Pop-up Café is returning again this year when the bluebells of Stittenham will be in full bloom. This will probably be towards the end of April, weather depending. Please keep a look out for posters regarding dates and time for the café.

Puzzle Exchange

The next exchange date is **Friday 12th April, 10.00 – 12.00**

We will hopefully be holding it in the main hall as at times it becomes quite congested in the refreshments room. There will be more room to spread out the numerous jigsaws for easier viewing and seating will be less cramped. Tea/coffee and cake will be available. Everyone is most welcome.

Thank you to all that support us. We had another successful morning in March, raising £125.

DATES FOR FUTURE FUNDRAISERS in 2024 run by Friends of the Village Hall committee.

Sunday 2nd June - Table Top sale

Sunday 6th October - Annual Book and Jigsaw sale

Friday 13th December - Xmas coffee morning and monthly jigsaw exchange

- details to follow or ask any committee member for further details

Sheriff Hutton Primary School PTFA

are very excited to invite you all to participate in this year's **Scarecrow Trail!** on **Saturday 20th** and **Sunday 21st** April. A great day out for all the family!

Maps are £3.50. These can be purchased Saturday, by Castle Pub 10am - 2pm OR Sunday at the Village Market Café, which will be run by the PTFA, 9am – 2pm.

Start your trail with a breakfast bap or cake first!

There will be a prize for the most scarecrows correctly named!

Why not try your luck in winning a prize for making the best scarecrow?! Please email PTFA@sheriffhutton.n-yorks.sch.uk by 11th April to enter.

Art Open Studios 2024

Some arty dates for your diary in Sheriff Hutton and your local area. This year we are excited to say we have a lot more coming your way, and are looking forward to welcoming you all to our studios to see work in progress, chat to the artists and see our work for sale. As usual, you will be given the warmest of welcomes.

The following open studios will be taking place in 2024.

York Open Studios

- Preview Evening - Friday 12th April
- Main dates - 13th, 14th, 20th, and 21st April
- Taking part - Justine Warner and Patrick Smith on West End, Sheriff Hutton

North Yorkshire Open Studios

- Preview Evening - 31st May
- Main dates - 1st, 2nd, 8th, and 9th June
- Taking part - Justine Warner and Patrick Smith on West End and Steve Page on East End, Sheriff Hutton.

North Yorkshire Winter Open Studios

- Main dates - 2nd and 3rd November
- More details to follow nearer the time.

Check out our websites and social media for more information. A list of all artists taking part can be seen on YOS and NYOS websites. So many amazing artists to see!

Justine, Steve, Patrick

Sheriff Hutton Vintage Tractor Run

This year's Sheriff Hutton Vintage Tractor Run will be held on Saturday 22nd June. We are now in our fifth year and, thanks to your support, our last four events have raised over £2600 for charities. This year we will be raising money for Daisy Chain, a charity that supports autistic and neurodivergent children, young people and adults across the North East.

Tractors ranging from 30 to 75 years old will set off from The Highwayman at 10:30am and arrive back at The Highwayman at approximately 4pm. Whether you have a vintage tractor or not, we would love to see you there.

If you would like to get in contact, you can E-mail us: vintagetractorrun@gmail.com

Sheriff Hutton Tennis Club

Subscriptions 2024/25 Season

Our rates remain comparable with similar sized clubs in the area. At the recent AGM it was agreed that the Adult membership will be £60 (an increase of £5 from last season). All other rates remain the same. Please visit the website for full details of rates, and how to pay.

The new season commences on 1st April, when the access code on the courts will be changed.

Temporary Closure of Courts

Thanks to grants received from North Yorkshire Sports and Sheriff Hutton Markets Committee, the courts will be cleaned, repaired and repainted. The work is scheduled to commence on 22nd April but could be delayed if the weather is not kind to us. Keep an eye on the website for information. The Committee apologises for any inconvenience but I am sure all members will agree, it will be worth it. New nets have also been purchased.

League Tennis

The teams always need new players so don't be shy, get in touch with the Team Captains for more information if you are interested. League matches start end of April/beginning of May.

See you on court!

Christine Thomas, Chair Website: lta.org.uk/sheriffhuttontennisclub

Email: sheriffhuttontennisclub@gmail.com

Sheriff Hutton Bowling Club

The outdoor bowling season will be with us shortly after the publication of this edition of the Village News (provisional opening of the green is April 8th subject to the vagaries of the weather). At the time of writing these notes the green has been prepared and had two cuts at a medium height. The constant wet weather has been a hindrance and has caused problems to approaches and areas used for parking for Village Hall events, important for charity fund raising.

During the winter the Bowls Club has supported the Jumble sales by providing teas in the Clubhouse, running popular Bingo sessions and held weekly well supported social bowling sessions at Ryedale Indoor Bowls Club at Norton with some of our members invited to play in their league teams. The new outdoor season will have social bowling at 2pm on Mondays, 6.30pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 2pm when the league team has no fixtures. The Club will play in Ryedale Veterans League Division Two.

The fees for playing bowls at Sheriff Hutton are modest and any wanting to start are supported by free coaching, loan equipment and opportunities to play in supportive teams. Several joining in the last few years have said it is the best decision they have made. We are an all-age, all-skills club. There will be news next month of our plans for the national Big Bowls Weekend in May.

For further information please contact Cherry on 07789 326664 or email sheriffhuttonbc@outlook.com

Sheriff Hutton Bowls Bingo at the Village Hall

£100 major prize and many others including meat and confectionary

FRIDAY 19th April - Open 7pm eyes down 7.30pm

Refreshments served in a relaxed and fun atmosphere

Message from the Jumblies

Our March Jumble Sale was an exhausting weekend, mountains of jumble, great cake stall and masses of buyers. We were also blessed with a sunny but very cold day so were able to have stalls outside and fortunately the rain held off until the end of the afternoon when we were packing up.

Thank you so much to everyone who sent jumble along and this time we did not have to turn anyone away.

However, whilst we really appreciate your donations, we would ask for your help by keeping to the drop off times which are set to reflect when we will be at the hall ready to take jumble in and direct it to the correct areas. Please do not leave articles for sale outside the hall where they could be damaged by rain. If you are unable to meet these times, please contact us and we will try to make alternative arrangements.

The day was another huge success raising £2,300 for the Sheriff Hutton Primary School PTFA. A great event to benefit our young children.

Appeal for Help

Age is beginning to tell on a lot of the Jumblies and we have now realised that we are not as strong as we once were. We are very keen to carry on but we need help at the end of the sale to load the clearance van and clear the hall. Therefore, we need to recruit 3 or 4 physically able people to help us.

If you are free for an hour between 4 and 5 o'clock on the day of the sale and would like to help please please, please contact me on the number below.

Our next sale will be on 13th April at 2pm to raise money for Dementia Forward which supports people suffering dementia and their carers and families. We will be happy to receive donations of good condition books, toys, bric-a-brac and particularly clothes which are our biggest seller. Sorry we are unable to take furniture.

We will be at the Village Hall on the morning of the sale between 8.30 and 11.00 to receive your donations. We may be able to accept them on the Friday night but we will not know until nearer the time. Please check with a Jumbly beforehand.

The Bowling Club will again be providing refreshments to raise money for their club funds to pay for running costs.

A Message of Easter Hope

As the vibrant colours of spring begin to bloom and the promise of new life fills the air, we are reminded of the profound significance of the Easter season. It is a time of rejoicing, renewal, and reflection on the ultimate sacrifice made by Jesus Christ for all humanity. Easter is not merely a historical event to be commemorated; it is a living reality that continues to shape our lives and our faith. Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we are offered the gift of salvation and the hope of eternal life.

In a world marked by uncertainty and turmoil, the message of Easter shines brightly as a beacon of hope. It reminds us that even in the midst of darkness, there is light; even in times of despair, there is hope; and even in the face of death, there is the promise of new life. The Easter story is one of triumph over adversity, of love conquering hate, and of grace overcoming sin. It is a story that speaks to the deepest longings of the human heart – the longing for redemption, forgiveness, and reconciliation with God.

As we complete our journey through the season of Lent and approach the celebration of Easter, let us take time to reflect on the significance of this holy season. Let us examine our hearts and our lives, seeking to align them more closely with the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Easter is a time for spiritual renewal and growth. It is an opportunity for us to deepen our relationship with God and to recommit ourselves to lives of faith, love, and service to others. Let us also remember those who are suffering or in need during this time. Easter calls us to extend a hand of compassion and generosity to those who are less fortunate, embodying the love and grace of Christ in our actions.

For anyone reading this who does not know the Lord or uses the term 'I have no faith' may I say that in a secular context, Easter and the hope of resurrection signify the triumph of hope over despair, renewal over stagnation. It offers a universal narrative of rebirth, emphasizing the potential for personal growth and collective renewal amidst life's challenges. And, I believe, this is a hope we all need in the world in which we now live.

As we gather with family, friends, and neighbours to celebrate Easter, let us do so with hearts full of gratitude and praise. Let us give thanks for the gift of salvation and the hope of new life that we have been given through Jesus Christ.

May this Easter be a time of joy, peace, and renewal for you and your loved ones. May the light of Christ shine brightly in your hearts and illuminate your lives now and always.

With warmest wishes for a blessed Easter, Rev Steve

Sheriff Hutton Nature Group

Thank you to our members who attended our AGM in March where we looked over our last year and plans for the future. Everyone's input was much appreciated. 5 Committee members continue on the Committee following on from last year. We have 2 remaining vacant posts; Treasurer and a general committee member to assist with summer events. If you are interested, please get in touch as these additional duties are currently being covered by existing members of the Committee.

We followed the AGM with a wonderful and informative talk on Twenty Years of Bird Surveying at Strensall Common by Committee member Nigel Boatman.

Renewal of Annual Membership

A reminder that renewal of Annual Group Membership will be due at the next evening meeting on 3rd April.

Wednesday, 3rd April Evening Meeting Talk on Forest of Flowers, Huby

We are really looking forward to welcoming Alwyn Craven and Tom Hook to talk about the Forest of Flowers project near York which has created 74 acres of new woodland and wildflower meadows, to provide a thriving natural sanctuary for wildlife. Venue Methodist Church Hall, Sheriff Hutton Starts at 7.30pm, £3 for non-members.

Saturday, 20th April Early Bird Walk, Birkdale Farm Terrington

We have our first outdoor activity in April an early bird walk at Birkdale Farm, Terrington led by Andy Chapman Bird Expert and RSPB Volunteer. This is from 7 to 9 am to give a good chance of seeing and hearing a variety of birds. Booking is required in advance. Let us know at the next meeting or by email if you would like to book. £3 for non-members. Places limited.

Sunday 19th May Village Market Café 8.30am to 1.30pm

In May we will be running the Village Market Café. If you are able to help us as a volunteer on the day or can bake a cake for us we would love to hear from you.

We have been busy planning our summer programme of outdoor events and will release the details shortly. If you would like to be added to our email distribution list for this please get in touch. Note all outside events require pre-booking.

If you would like any more information on the Sheriff Hutton Nature Group, please contact Sally on 01347 878272 or email shnaturegroup@gmail.com

Notices for St. Helen's April 24

Firstly, I hope you all had a lovely Easter.

Services for Easter and April are :-

31st March, Easter Sunday 10.00am at St. Helen's. This is a family Holy Communion service led by Rob, and there will be an Easter Egg hunt around the church and churchyard.

Please watch this space for any Good Friday arrangements.

14th April at 10.00am - Holy Communion and led by Steve.

28th April at 10.00am at St Helen's. This will be a morning worship service, led by Harold.

The church is open at all times. There is a children's pew and a children's activity table. There is also a tea and coffee welcome tray complete with biscuits. Please do come and use our beautiful historic church whether it is to wander, have some space or explore.

The churchyard is also a lovely area so please do make use of that too; walking dogs, sitting on one of the benches or strolling through. We have also planted some spring bulbs which should be appearing over the next few weeks.

Please do use the churchyard respectfully. It is the resting place of many loved ones and people come and bring flowers and pay their respects. With many people tending graves and the gardeners to soon start with mowing regularly again, out of respect for everyone that uses the churchyard, if you have dogs and use the churchyard to walk them, please keep them on the lead and clear up after them. We do expect dogs to be under full supervision and control at all times. It appears that dog excrement has increased significantly in recent months. As a gentle reminder we will be displaying signage to support this. It is a beautiful area and we want everyone to be able to enjoy the area and find it a place of tranquillity and peace. Thank you.

St Mary's Church, Marton in the Forest

Happy Easter! After a wonderful flurry of snowdrops, aconites and daffodils, we look forward to more and more signs of spring in our churchyard. One sunny lunchtime in March my Merlin phone app identified 13 different birds by their song and I am so looking forward to stopping and listening to the dawn chorus at our Easter Sunday sunrise vigil. We have been increasingly aware of birdsong during our services too and look forward to warmer days when we can sit outside or have our services with the doors open. Our services on Sunday 7th April and Sunday 21st April will be at 6pm as we have reverted to evening services during British Summer Time. Our Celtic communion service on Sunday 7th April will be preceded by our APCM (the church version of an AGM) at 5pm with tea and cake. Everyone very welcome to both, or either! We continue to look forward to our History Day on Saturday 17th August so please do root out any stories, photos or other memorabilia. I am currently very interested in the lives and times of the Moxby nuns - if anyone has any insights or information please do contact me via martonontheforest@gmail.com

UCCC Spring Fling Tea Party

Many thanks to everyone who helped in so many different ways to pull together a lovely tea party in March. We had some very constructive feedback which will really help us plan ahead! Many thanks in particular to Sally Hemingway who provided the most wonderful sandwiches, sausage rolls and cakes. The tables looked spring-like and cheerful with daffodils and vintage china. The enjoyable and upbeat musical entertainment was provided by the village's own Elastic Band including one of the guests, classy crooner Jack Ashbridge. There was a good buzz of conversation around the hall with familiar faces and those newer to the village enjoying the get-together. Guests and helpers alike commented on how good it was to have such a celebratory community event running again. The new spring date and afternoon timing of the party were also well-received. Believe it or not, it will be the Diamond Anniversary of the UCCC parties in 2027 so we'd better get working on some pretty amazing raffle prizes...

Sheriff Hutton Village Market

Our first market of 2024 was held this month and, for the first market in absolutely ages, the weather was a little unkind! It didn't stop the plenty of visitors who enjoyed the plethora of stalls, we were full!

A HUGE 'thank you' must go out to the wonderful market volunteers who stood out in the rain from 7am 'til 1pm erecting stalls, setting up, managing the parking etc whilst getting soaked to the skin.

The cafe did well raising over £500 towards our village run Children's Shoebox Appeal and IDAS (York's Women's Aid charity) - again well done team, the volunteers, bakers etc all worked hard to pull the service together.

Finally thank you to our visitors. The wet weather did not deter you and for that, we hope you enjoyed what you saw and will return when we do it all over again on Sunday 21st April.

The Market Team

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday services in April 2024

7 th	10.30 a.m.	Rev John Hayward
14 th	10.30 a.m.	Victoria Etherington (Youth Ministry Leader)
21 st	10.30 a.m.	An Own Arrangement Service
28 th	10.30 a.m.	David Marwood

Other Activity

Every Wednesday

9.30 a.m.

Morning Prayer, Quiet Meditation in the Chapel

10.00 to 11.15 a.m.

The Miss Ward room will be open for Coffee, Tea, Biscuits friendly chat with people from the village. No charge. Why not pop in you will be very welcome.

St Leonard's, Farlington

The churchyard is bursting into life and looking wonderful. Why not come and sit on one of our two outdoor seats to enjoy some 'quiet time' in this area of peace and tranquillity.

The Church is open daily for private prayer; the Churchyard is open at all times

The **Easter Day** service will be on **Sunday, March 31st** at 10.30am. It will be a Holy Communion celebration of Easter.

The services at St Leonard's in April are :

- Sunday 14th 10.30am Shortened Matins (BCP)
- Sunday 28th 10.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

St Leonard's follows the tradition of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and you are assured of a warm welcome at any of our services.

The Annual Parishioners' Meeting is on Wednesday 24th April at 2.00pm, in church. This meeting is open to residents of Farlington Parish and those who regularly attend services at St. Leonard's Church and is an opportunity to come and hear how the church is being run and perhaps have a say in its future.

Update on Farlington Village Alerts

This note is just to clear up some misunderstandings and to ensure that Farlington residents and friends of Farlington continue to receive information about parish matters, events, North Yorkshire Council notices etc.

Although the former Farlington email alerts system has now ceased, we do still have a Farlington Parish Meeting (FPM) and Sue Scotter is still the secretary and contact for village matters. The email alerts system, in its previous format, no longer functions due to our mass mailing system on the server no longer supporting gmail or yahoo, which are the majority of email addresses.

Farlington village information will now be posted only on the [farlington.org.uk](http://www.farlington.org.uk) website which can be found at <http://www.farlington.org.uk>. When you visit the website, you might get a message saying it is not secure. Please ignore this, it is because our website is http:// and not https://. As no financial or personal information is held on the system this is of no consequence, so do not be alarmed. You can choose to visit the website under your own steam but it is better to subscribe to push notifications so that you will get a notification when something new has been uploaded to the website. That way, you won't miss anything urgent that has a comment deadline like planning applications or upcoming events for example. If you have any problems, please email Sue at secretary@farlington.org.uk and I will endeavour to sort it out.

Kind regards,
Sue Scotter
Sec., FPM

Appeal for Knitted Poppies

Reminder – Can you knit? Some of our stock is past its prime so we are appealing for help and would be most grateful to receive Red and Purple poppies for the Remembrance Garden in November. If you need a pattern please contact Barbara Grinham on 878476.

Many thanks

Penny Bean, Barbara Grinham and Margaret Frank

Sheriff Hutton History Group

In the middle of February, we had our first meeting this year when Malcolm Brooke gave us a fascinating talk on the "Baedeker Raid" on York during WW2. This was an afternoon meeting and attendance exceeded all expectations with 12 members and 32 visitors – a superb turnout.

Malcom talked us through the defences and air raid precautions in an around York, including the considerable night fighter coverage and made the point that the city was by any reckoning a "legitimate target" with factories making aircraft parts, gun and bomb sights, ammunition and other wartime manufacturing industries in full swing.

He remarked that there was actually no reason to assume that the Germans used the Baedeker guides to establish targets – the term only arose because of the comment by a German propagandist that "we will use the Baedeker Guide to flatten all of England's 3 star cities" – there is no evidence that this was actually the case.

The raid on the 27th April 1942 was one of several on the city and was by no means a particularly large one; some 75 tons of bombs and some 100 incendiary clusters being dropped and the indications are that the aiming point was the station complex.

We were shewn photos of the damage and told about some extraordinary survival stories, but some 115 people died in the raid and apart from extensive damage to the station, engines and rolling stock, the Guildhall was destroyed and a great deal of damage done to housing and infrastructure.

This was a superb talk and of the greatest interest and we are most grateful to Malcom for sharing his extensive knowledge with us.

Coming Up

On April 24th we will be holding our AGM at 7.00 pm in the Miss Ward Room in the Methodist Chapel. After the formal business has been concluded at about 7.30pm we will be going on a virtual tour around the village – we'll use pictures, artefacts and memorabilia from our archive store to peer into village secrets and historical events and to pose the question by means of a light-hearted quiz – "how well do you REALLY know our village?"

This should be a great opportunity for an informal meeting and enjoyable gathering of friends and fellow villagers and a chance to enjoy some light refreshments such as cheese nibbles, cakes and non-alcoholic drinks.

Advance Notice

On the evening of the 22nd of May we will once again welcome Tony Morgan who will tell us about the Archbishops of York and their frequent arguments and disagreements during the Tudor period; this promises to be another insight into those turbulent times in our City.

For further information contact Meg on 01347 878136 or Linda at linda@turner.stargate.co.uk or Peter Brown at peterbrown222.brown@btinternet.com

Friends of Sheriff Hutton Village Hall 200 Club

The winning numbers in the March Draw, winning £25 each, are: 23, 48, 66, 176, and 194. Congratulations!

Village Ramble

This month's walk is on Thursday April 25th. It will be about four miles long starting in the village of Dunnington and taking us through Hagg Wood, which is famous for its beautiful carpet of bluebells at this time of year. We will return for lunch at a local pub. Please meet at 9.30am at The Village Hall car park.

If you've not been in the past, please come along and join our friendly group who will share car transport with non-drivers. For further information, please telephone this month's ramble leader John Williamson on 01904 491278.

Yesterday's Village

To 6 gallons ale...5 shillings.

(Invoice from Mr. Everett, proprietor of Castle Brewery, Sheriff Hutton. Dated 19/9/1907.)

Sheriff Hutton Bridge Cricket Club

YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU

As you may have noticed on the website or Facebook page, we are hoping to grow our volunteer grounds management team to help with outfield and pitch preparation. All you need to bring is your enthusiasm, other members of the team will provide help and hands on training. Any contribution, no matter how small will mean "many hands make light work" and help the club to continue to thrive. Please contact our club secretary Vince Coan on 07850 332728 for more information. If you have experience that's a bonus.

There is also an opportunity to help us with teas on a Saturday from late April to early September, there may be some form of remuneration if necessary, but we are hoping that someone (or 2 or 3 or 4 !) will help on a volunteer basis. If you feel that you can help, please contact Vince on the number above.

We are also having a work day on 6th April so feel free to come and join us carry out some necessary jobs prior to the season starting.

The rain persists, probably making the future preparations for the season squeezed into a short time frame. Hopefully better weather is on the way. Although weather is still having a serious effect on ground preparation at least some progress has been made with first and second cuts.

There is a lot of activity around the club with plans for a 75 year anniversary, new outdoor nets and early plans to up-grade the clubhouse; money of course is the driver so anyone who would like to sponsor the club in any way would be made very welcome. Social membership is also on offer for £120, good value as you can get an SHB item of clothing, Lottery Bonus ball entry and a Match ball sponsorship.

Junior nets come to an end in a couple of weeks with senior nets carrying on to the first week in April. All have been well attended with senior nets in particular having quite a few youngsters showing their senior peers that they can compete. Mentoring has been fantastic which has been greatly appreciated by the younger element, it really improves their confidence.

U9s and 11s have been involved in indoor tournaments and although in contention they both finished 3rd in their age groups.

Quite a number of our juniors have their observation days coming up in March and if successful could be part of North Yorkshire teams which exposes them to potential County selection. Hopefully they will all go well on the day.

Sheriff Hutton Gardening Club

The last talk of the year before the club begins its garden and nursery visits, will be on Wednesday 17th April at the Village Hall. Sarah Owen Hughes will be speaking on 'Science in the Garden', beginning at 19.30.














Gardening Tips Apparently, slugs are our new best friends! Not something gardeners are going to agree with. The dry spring last year gave some respite from the onslaught, but this year is completely different - so watch out. Encourage birds, frogs and toads into your garden for some help. Grit, oatmeal or any other dry material spread round vulnerable plants will reduce the slug's advance.

It's time to cut back the stems which have given us so much colour over the winter - cornus and willow - to encourage fresh new stems for another year. The pruned material can be used in the garden as plant supports. They may root but that's all to the good if more plants are needed or friends would like some. If you haven't cut back your hardy fuchsias or buddleias it isn't too late; they will just flower later in the season when there are more butterflies about to feed on them. Lavenders and woody salvias showing new growth down the stems can be reduced in size to prevent legginess, but cutting down into bare wood can kill them.

However, spring pans out there will be some successes and some failures.

Yesterday's Village

Sometime after 1942 we bought a tractor...sometimes it would not start so I would put the plugs in a tin lid with petrol, throw in a lighted match and run like hell. It usually started then.
(Farm worker's recollection.)

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Sun	10.00am	Morning Service	Parish Church but check in church for details			
	10.30am	Morning Service	Methodist Church			
Mon				7.00pm	Badminton	Village Hall
Tues	9.15am	Pilates	Village Hall	12.30pm	Luncheon club	Village Hall
	10.30am	Pilates	Village Hall	7.00pm	Circuit Training	Village Hall
				8.00pm	Pilates	Village Hall
Wed	9.30am	Yoga	Village Hall			
	10.00am	Drop-in for Coffee	Miss Ward Room			
	10.00am	Ladies Tennis	Tennis Club			
Thurs	9.45am	Babes & Toddlers	Village Hall			

Additional Activities in April

Mon	1 st	10.30 – 4.30	Art Exhibition in the Village Hall			
Wed	3 rd	7.30pm	Nature Group – <i>Forest of Flowers Project, Huby</i> – in the Miss Ward Room			
Wed	10 th	2.00pm	Ladies Group – <i>York Osteoporosis Volunteer Group</i> – in the Village Hall			
Thurs	11 th	7.30pm	Parish Council in the Miss Ward Room			
Fri	12 th	10.00 – 12.00	Puzzle Exchange in the Village Hall			
		6.00 – 9.00pm	York Open Studios Preview, West End, Sheriff Hutton			
Sat	13 th	2.00pm	Jumbles sale in the Village Hall in aid of <i>Dementia Forward</i>			
Sat / Sun	13 th / 14 th	10.00 – 5.00	York Open Studios, Justine Warner and Patrick Smith, West End, Sheriff Hutton			
Fri	19 th	10.00 – 12.00	Super-mobile Library in the Village Hall car park			
Fri	19 th	7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in the Village Hall			
Sat	20 th	7.00am at start point	Terrington Nature Group Early Bird Walk, meet at Birkdale Farm. Pre-booking required			
Sat	20 th	10.00 – 2.00	Scarecrow Trail – Maps from outside the Castle Inn			
Sun	21 st	9.00 – 2.00	Scarecrow Trail – Maps from the Sheriff Hutton market café			
Sat / Sun	20 th / 21 st	10.00 – 5.00	York Open Studios, Justine Warner and Patrick Smith, West End, Sheriff Hutton			
Wed	24 th	7.00pm	History Group AGM in the Miss Ward Room followed by a <i>Village Virtual Tour</i> quiz			
Thurs	25 th	9.30am	Village Ramble in the Dunnington area. Meet at the Village Hall car park			

Dates to Note 2024

May	1 st	7.30pm	SH Nature Group talk on The Jewel of York, the Tansy Beetle, by Geoff Oxford. Miss Ward Room, Methodist Church			
	19 th	10.30-1.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Village Market held at the Village Hall – café run by the Sheriff Hutton Nature Group			
	22 nd	7.30pm	History Group – <i>The Archbishops of York</i>			
	31 st	6.00 – 9.00pm	York Open Studios preview, Justine Warner, Patrick Smith, West End, Sheriff Hutton			
Jun	1/2 nd	10.00 – 5.00	NY Open Studios, Justine Warner, Patrick Smith on West End, Steve Page on East End, Sheriff Hutton, Calum Balding in Thornton-le-Clay Village Hall.			
	2 nd	TBC	Table Top sale in the Village Hall			
	8 th	10.00 at start point	Nature Group Bird Walk at St Aiden's RSPB reserve near Leeds. Leader Andy Chapman			
	8/9 th	10.00 – 5.00	NY Open Studios, Justine Warner, Patrick Smith on West End, Steve Page on East End, Sheriff Hutton, Calum Balding in Thornton-le-Clay Village Hall.			
	16 th	10.30-1.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Village Market held at the Village Hall			
	22 nd	10.30am	Tractor run starts from The Highwayman			
		TBC	Terrington Choir at St Helen's Church			
July	21 st	10.30-1.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Village Market held at the Village Hall			
Oct	6 th	TBC	Annual Book and Jigsaw sale in the Village Hall			
Nov	2 nd / 3 rd	TBC	North Yorkshire Open Studios			
Dec	13 th	TBC	Village Hall Christmas Coffee Morning			

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