

# Sheriff Hutton Village News



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## Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

After months of planning and many sleepless nights it all came together in the end. Our aim was to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of our wonderful Queen in a traditional way, give everybody the opportunity to enjoy themselves after the awful past two years and we couldn't have asked for a better day with people of all ages coming along and joining in. On behalf of the Committee, thank you to those brilliant people who came along on the Friday night and Saturday morning to help set up and make a fitting venue for the celebration. Thank you to all those who made bunting and especially the children from the primary school who each made a pennant which when assembled looked absolutely fantastic. This will be kept for posterity in the Village Archives.

Thank you to everyone who took part to make the day a memorable success. We are so lucky to have such a wealth of talent within our community that we have been able to tap into. The Elastic Band played a great part in creating the atmosphere with music from throughout the last 70 years. The History Group display brought many happy memories to our older residents. The children's sports, football and tug of war were a huge success with many more taking part than we dared to hope for. The Royal photoshoot banner was well used and the steam engines were an added bonus providing a great attraction to people of all ages. MC Andy Caley pulled the whole afternoon together making it flow seamlessly, with his comical commentary.

Thank you to all the stall holders who were able to raise money for their organisations. At a rough estimate, over £1,300 was raised. Thank you to everyone who responded to our appeal by displaying bunting and flags around the village and to those who dressed in the red, white and blue theme. Finally, thank you to all you wonderful people who came along and joined in. It was great to see everyone enjoying themselves and made all the hard work well worthwhile.

Justine Warner, Jenni Nichols, Julie Bartlett, Andy Caley, Tricia Brooks, Jill Hodges, Sam Williams, Pat Cooper, Hugh Ainley.

Thank you, Penny Bean

## Village Charity

The next meeting of the trustees is on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July and any application for a grant from residents of the civil parish of Sheriff Hutton, should be with me, as secretary, by Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Please include as much detail as possible in your application e.g., for books, include title and cost where possible. This is the last meeting of the trustees before the new University/College term, so don't delay. John Oakley - [jsoak@btinternet.com](mailto:jsoak@btinternet.com) 01347878754

## Super-Mobile Library

**The next visit will be on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July, 10am to 12 noon.**

We are offering a select and collect service. To pre-order a selection of books call 01609 533878 or email [supermobile@northyorks.gov.uk](mailto:supermobile@northyorks.gov.uk). Alternatively, a selection can be made for you from the vehicle on the day of visit. If you wish to request a specific title, please browse our online catalogue at <https://capitadiscovery.co.uk/northyorkshire>. There may be a small charge for this service and placing of a reservation using your borrower number and your PIN, selecting 'Supermobile' as your pick-up location. Free downloads of eBooks and audiobooks are available from website at [www.northyorks.gov.uk/digital-library](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/digital-library)

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## Parish Council

The Parish Council met on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Councillors present at the meeting were Penny Bean (Chairman), Marcus Oxendale, Sally Wright, Sam Warriner and Dave Smith. Clerk Louise Pink. County Councillor Caroline Goodrick.

### The following new planning applications were received for consideration:

- **22/00539/FUL** Middleton House, Finkle Street, Sheriff Hutton.

Erection of rear two storey extension to form additional living space and bedroom along with new entrance door to west elevation with canopy for Middleton House and the erection of 2no. four-bedroom dwellings and 1no. five-bedroom dwelling with detached garages, parking and landscaping.

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

the Parish Council have grave concerns regarding access and visibility onto an already dangerous corner. The proposed housing types are not required in the village.

If the application was to be approved, the Parish Council would wish to see a restriction on the number of properties the road serves to 4.

- **22/00540/CLOPUD** Foss House, Strensall to Sheriff Hutton Road, Sheriff Hutton.

Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed use or development in respect of external alterations to include installation of French doors and existing door opening to create a window, replace existing doors and windows, loft conversion to include two new bedrooms and associated rooflights together with proposed works to outbuilding to include new garage doors to existing openings and a new door to the southern gable.

**Decision** – No comment.

- **22/00528/HOUSE** Moatside, Finkle Street, Sheriff Hutton.

Erection of a two-storey side extension, raising of eaves and ridge height to allow formation of first floor living accommodation, installation of dormer windows to both front and rear elevations, installation of rooflights, alterations to fenestration and rendering.

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

over development of the site: out of keeping with the area of historical monument.

- **22/00192/MFUL** Land off Stittenham Hill, Bulmer.

Change of use of agricultural land to a wild camping site to include siting of a maximum of 10no. canvas tents, 10no. camping pods, 5no. yurts, 9no. off-grid composting toilets, 6no. off-grid LPG shower units and 1no. non-permanent site office/reception and formation of new vehicular access off the C91 and area of hardstanding and closure of 2no. existing accesses off the C91 (part retrospective).

**Decision** – The parish council have no objection to this planning application but still have concerns regarding access.

### The following new planning decisions were received this month:

- **22/00401/HOUSE** 14 Mill Lane Avenue Sheriff Hutton

Erection of pergola and coy carp tank (retrospective).

APPROVED.

- **22/00450/73** Howards End, East End, Sheriff Hutton

Variation of Condition 02 of planning approval 20/00536/HOUSE dated 09.08.2020 to allow a reduction in the length of the Garden Room.

APPROVED.

- **22/00296/FUL** Playing Field, Finkle Street, Sheriff Hutton

Siting of a storage container.

APPROVED.

## Tree Planting

The Parish Council will be carrying out extensive tree planting throughout the village in November. If any resident would be interested in assisting with the tree planting, please contact the clerk.

## Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022 in Sheriff Hutton Village Hall. This meeting will begin at 7.30pm. Louise Pink, the Parish Clerk, can be contacted regarding all Parish Council matters at [sheriffhuttonparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:sheriffhuttonparishcouncil@gmail.com) or on (01904) 861131. 13 White Rose Avenue, New Earswick, York. YO32 4AG.

## Community Speed Watch (CSW)

Sadly, the original team of 7 set up in 2017 has gradually dwindled, so now due to illness and the recent retirement of Philip Barber, an original and stalwart member, we can no longer operate, as we need a minimum team of 3 to comply with Police Safety requirements. If we are to continue this important work, we need volunteers, only an hour of your time per session is required, training will be provided, and we only operate in suitable weather.

You are no doubt aware of the continuing speeding problem here, which is confirmed by our statistics, and Data collected by North Yorkshire Highways, and the Speed Matrix, so if we can muster a sufficient team, we can deploy more teams of 3 and improve the coverage, which is badly needed if we are to address the issue.

Would anyone be interested in helping? If there is, don't delay, please contact me for further information. Terry Johnson, CSW Lead Resident 01347 878626 [Terryj70@btinternet.com](mailto:Terryj70@btinternet.com)

## Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group

At our meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> June, we listened to a very interesting talk by Richard and Jan Crouch. It was a return visit by Richard and Jan and this time they informed us about the life of Queen Mary. After the talk we had a cup of tea and coronation tarts. The coronation tarts were made to an original recipe to celebrate the coronation in 1911, of King George IV and Queen Mary. This recipe used ground rice instead of the usual ground almonds, as they were not readily available at the time, however, everyone seemed to thoroughly enjoy them.

There is no ladies group meeting next month, we return on the 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 2pm, in the Village Hall for an afternoon cream tea.

If anyone would like information about any of our meetings, please get in touch with

Barbara Grinham – 01347878476 Mob 07811259184

Linda Turner 01347878037 Mob 07453393286

Many Thanks, Barbara Grinham (Chair) Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group.

## Village Hall

The changes signalled in last month's Village News are moving forward.

**Booking Secretary:** Shelley Walker has now taken over as booking secretary. If you are a hirer, please make sure that you use the email address: [SHVHbookings@gmail.com](mailto:SHVHbookings@gmail.com) to reach Shelley.

**Caretaking:** so far, no-one has come forward wanting to take on this paid role. If you are interested, please contact me, Steve Page (07800 731 381), or Chair of Trustees, Gill Fairbotham (07585 678 222). We are now proceeding on the basis that we have no caretaker and planning how to make the Hall easier for hirers to get out and put away the furniture you need.

**Storage:** we are revising storage at the Hall, to make furniture storage safer and easier to access. The Ladies changing room, which is very seldom booked, is being converted into an additional furniture store and, therefore, is not available for hire or other uses.

**Revised Hire Charges:** Heating and lighting costs are increasing significantly at the Hall, as they are for all of us. However, the loss of our caretaker does decrease our overheads. Taking these two factors into account, for the twelve months from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022, we are reducing hire costs for the main hall by 10% and keeping all other charges at their current rate. These charges will be reviewed and revised (upwards) if we recruit a caretaker in the future.

### Hire charges from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022

	1st 2 hours	Subsequently, per hour.
Main Hall before 6pm	£20.00	£9.00
Main Hall after 6pm	£25.00	£10.00
Refreshments room	£13.20	£6.60
Kitchen	£5.50	£2.75
Committee Room	£6.80	£3.40
Changing Room	£8.00	£4.00
Stage Set Up	£12.50	
Use of projector	£10.00	

Steve Page, Chair of Operation Group.

## Message from the Jumblies

The May Jumble Sale was another great success raising £1830 for the school PTFA. Many thanks to everyone who contributed. We are now getting back into the swing of things and it is lovely to see old and new faces coming along to take advantage of the bargains.

The June Jumble Sale was very well attended. Word is getting around that we have started up our sales and more new buyers are coming to see what's on offer. The total raised was £1500 for York Breathe Easy, a group which supports people with breathing problems and provides much needed equipment for York Hospital. Thank you to everyone who donated such good jumble. The running total for this year is £5668.

Our next Jumble Sale is **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July in aid of Marie Curie Kirkbymoorside Support Group**. This fantastic charity supports terminally ill people and their families in their own homes. All the money raised goes towards funding the nurses who work in our local area. Many of you will either have received their support or know of someone who has. All donations of good condition clothes, bric-a-brac, books, toys, jigsaws household linen etc will be most gratefully received. We will be at the Village Hall between 8.30 and 11.00 am to receive anything you might like to donate, and then doors close to enable us to get everything sorted ready for the sale at 2pm. As usual refreshments will be on sale at the Bowling Club from 1.30pm, but this time they will be provided by the Marie Curie Supporters with money raised being included in the event.

If you have ever wondered what happens to the left-over goods at the end of a sale, much of it is passed on to various other organisations to help those in need, and raise much needed funds.

- Kitchen and household equipment is taken to The Rainbow Centre at Scarborough courtesy of Howard and Joan Maw and Ann and Jim Warrington. They provide support for people on very low incomes who are setting up home.
- Sleeping bags, blankets and some men's clothing are taken to Carecent in York. This used to be done by Philip Barber but is now taken by David Marwood.
- Some household linen and clothing are taken up to Middlesbrough to a volunteer group who provide for refugees.
- Other clothing, shoes and household linen is bagged up and collected by the school PTFA, or Playgroup on a rota basis, for which they receive funds from The Great Northern Air Ambulance who in turn receive money from recycling companies.

So, you can see that other people as well as the Jumblies are involved and in addition to the cash raised initially, a great many people benefit from your generosity. Obviously, there is still some jumble left that we have been unable to sell which is collected by a clearance company.

Looking forward to your continuing support and seeing you all again

Please note there will not be a Jumble Sale in August, so the next Jumble Sale will be on the 10<sup>th</sup> September to raise money for Swinton Brass Band. More information in the August and September News.

Stay Safe, Penny Bean – Sheriff Hutton Jumblies. **Turning cast offs into cash 01347 878392**

## Sheriff Hutton Bowling Club

The new season is progressing satisfactorily, blessed by good weather in the main. The highlight is the return to the competitive Ryedale Veterans League under new Club Captain Peter Wheeler, Club Chairman Steve Thompson, skips newcomer Paul Bennett and the evergreen Brian Shepherd. A 'full points' win over Thornton le Dale on June 8<sup>th</sup> took Sheriff Hutton into 3<sup>rd</sup> place in Division 2 with games in hand, high enough to cause regulars a nose bleed, with the best result and league place in years. The Club is currently playing Monday afternoons at 2pm (Internal League), Tuesday evenings at 6.30pm (informal) and Wednesday afternoons at 2pm (League or Club competitions). We are always seeking new members, several who have recently joined are already leading members of the Club teams.

The Clubhouse is supporting the Jumblies by serving teas and cakes provided by Club members, or run by the charity associated with the jumble sale.

On May 29<sup>th</sup> the Club joined in the national Big Bowls Weekend during which the Spring Triples was played and won by Steve, Jim, Cherry and Brian. A successful coaching session resulted in new members joining. RT email [thompsonroy5@gmail.com](mailto:thompsonroy5@gmail.com)

## History Group Platinum Jubilee

We had a brilliant Saturday event, the sun shone (eventually) and many people enjoyed a fun day with picnics. Our thanks to Penny Bean and the organising group for their hard work in planning such a successful happy day and thanks to the Cafe team. A big thank you to everyone who gave us information, photographs and snippets of their life in the village during the Coronation and past jubilees. With the invaluable help of the Village News, which we read thoroughly and extracted many articles, we discovered a great wealth of information in our community news and were able to produce a very interesting display of life over the past 70 years in Sheriff. Thank you SHHG committee.

## Sheriff Hutton Gardening Club

The club's annual day trip in June was enhanced by wonderful weather, which showed off to their advantage the gardens both at Eggleston Hall and at Wynyard Hall, where more than 130 rose varieties were on show. Many thanks to those who contributed to or helped at the club's Jubilee plant sale, which raised more than £270.00. **The club's next outing is on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**, an evening visit to Sleightholmedale Lodge, Fadmoor. Those needing or offering a lift should meet at the village hall for 6.15pm, and those going independently should plan to arrive at our destination for 7pm (YO26 7JG if using 'satnav'). Cost for members is £5.00, payable on the day, preferably in the correct change please.

### Gardening tips

Dead heading is a priority for this month to ensure continued flowering. Cutting back early flowering perennials which have gone over and are not being left for the seed heads can leave gaps in borders, so have something in a pot to fill the space, either annual or perennial. It is worth looking at 'following' plants – those flowering at the moment. A potted plant can be put in the ground, still in its pot, to see if it works in the space, so saving root disturbance and a check in growth. If it works, remember to plant it in the ground later in the year. A full garden means less weeding. At this time the weeds are seeding and should not be put in the compost. Finally, a reminder about pruning early flowering shrubs, which should be done before the end of July to ensure they flower next year. Anything flowering after July can be left until the winter. Enjoy your garden this summer!

### The Village Show

The 2022 village show will take place on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August. Details are in the pull-out show schedule included in this edition of the village news, and as a download on the website. The show celebrates the creativity and home produce of those from Sheriff Hutton and the surrounding communities; visitors to the area are also welcome to take part. So, get the date in your diary, have a good look at the schedule and start planning your entries now, whether they are things you have grown in the house or garden, art and craft items, preserves and cooking, or photography. There are several classes for children (from pre-school to 14year-olds), so please encourage young people to take part. Afternoon teas and ice creams will be available; winners will be announced and prizes presented at 4pm.

If you would like to help at the show on the day or wish to donate cakes for the afternoon teas, please email [shgardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:shgardenclub@gmail.com)

## Sheriff Hutton Tennis Club

As I write this, it is still early in the season but these are a few of the things that are happening.

**Junior Club night** (9yrs+) Fridays 6:30pm to 7:30pm. As usual, these are well attended by our young, enthusiastic Members. There will be the usual end of season round robin competition in July.

**Junior Coaching** (Primary School Age). These FREE coaching sessions for our young Members, delivered by Ben Orton (LTA Coach), are proving popular. See website, Club Notice Board or contact Ben for details of dates and times.

**League matches:** Hovingham League Mixed Monday evenings won 2, lost 1, currently lying 3rd in their division; Ladies Thursday evenings lost 1, drew 1, won 1: York League Gentlemen Sundays lost 2, won 1: Ladies Weekends, yet to secure a win having this year been promoted to a higher division.

**Ladies and Gentlemen Members**, it is not too late to become involved in the teams. If you are interested, please e-mail the Club stating which team/teams you would like to be a part of, and your enquiry will be forwarded to the appropriate Captain/Captains. Please include a contact phone number.

**Maintenance Work:** The gate has been repaired. **Please can all Members latch the gate when leaving.** By the time you read this the fencing/netting on the top court will have also been repaired.

[www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/SheriffHuttonTennisClub](http://www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/SheriffHuttonTennisClub) Email [sheriffhuttontennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:sheriffhuttontennisclub@gmail.com)

Christine Thomas, Chair

## THE METHODIST CHURCH

### Services on Sundays in July

3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30am.	Mr David Marwood
10 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am.	Mr Robin Jackson
17 <sup>th</sup>	10-30am.	Own Arrangement
24 <sup>th</sup>	10-30am.	Rev Elizabeth Cushion (Communion)
31 <sup>st</sup>	10-30am.	Rev John Hayward (5th Sunday in the month United Village Churches service)

### Other Activities on Wednesdays

9.30am.	Morning prayers & quiet meditation in the Chapel.
10.00am.	Drop in for Coffee and Chat in the Miss Ward room.

### St Leonard's, Farlington

There are just two services at St Leonard's in July. They are:

- June 10<sup>th</sup> 11.15am Shortened Matins (BCP)
- June 24<sup>th</sup> 11.15am 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. Most services are followed by refreshments and a good opportunity to chat. Looking ahead, make a note in your diary for our Lammastide service which will be on August 14<sup>th</sup>. The Church is open daily for private prayer; the peaceful Churchyard is open at all times.

### Marton Church

The churchyard is certainly full of wildlife right now. It's great to see the spread of plants like yellow rattle, introduced to suppress the grass to give more wildflowers a chance to become more established. We identified over 40 plants during our annual wildlife audit, using the app iNaturalist to help with identification, as part of the Beautiful Burial Grounds project. The church is open to visitors daily and provides a peaceful place for a quiet break.

We continue to meet for services twice monthly at 6pm during summer, please check for updates on [www.facebook.com/martonchurch](https://www.facebook.com/martonchurch) or [www.achurchnearyou.com/church/18888/](https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/18888/) or email us for more information at [martonintheforest@gmail.com](mailto:martonintheforest@gmail.com)

### Koinonia

June 2022, what a month that was, with the Country celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, history in the making; strange how it already feels like that was ages ago, now that the dust has settled. For me therein lies the problem, namely, the sense of community, the camaraderie and general good neighbourliness, we've now put it back in its box. The Platinum Jubilee came and went and we all go back to whatever we were doing and how we were living before that four-day bank holiday weekend. NO!

Why on earth don't we allow ourselves to let our guard down – let our hair down – more often? Why don't we pick up the baton of kinship and co-operation and run with it more often? One feature we cannot refute about the human condition, is that we are social animals. As far back as Aristotle who said that human beings are "social animals" we therefore naturally seek the companionship of others as part of their well-being.

That is my focus for this letter, something in Christian circles we call 'Koinonia' which is transliterated from the biblical Greek word κοινωνία (*society*). Today Koinonia refers to concepts such as fellowship, joint participation, the share which one has in anything, a gift jointly contributed, a collection, a contribution. There is a spiritual dimension as well which refers to the Christian fellowship or body of believers with all that this entails.

As I went round the villages witnessing the differing jubilee celebration events and the community spirit that was evident, my immediate thought was, 'let's have more of this, this is great', and it truly was.

My hope and prayer are that we can grasp some of that community spirit, take hold of it, and make it happen again and again, so that we can all enjoy the benefits of koinonia in our communities, and even make it part of the new normal.

Blessings  
Rev. Steve.

## St. Helen's

In June we celebrated The Queen's Diamond Jubilee with the Family Fun Day picnic at the Village Hall on Saturday afternoon, and then a special informal service at church on the Sunday. People told of their memories of meeting The Queen and what she meant to them. We had hymns, prayers and readings from both the Coronation Service and the Thanksgiving Service on the previous Friday. It was a lovely service.

The following weekend was Open Gardens and the church kitchen provided the café on both days. It was really busy and many cakes were consumed and bought. Overall, the café raised about £1800 for the Air Ambulance, the Village Hall and the church. Huge thanks to everyone who baked or helped in any way for the cafe over the weekend. We have had another wedding in June plus a baptism with more to follow in July. More details to follow next month.

Services in July are:

July 10<sup>th</sup> Holy Communion at 10.00am

July 24<sup>th</sup> Morning Worship at 10.00am

July 31<sup>st</sup> Joint service at the Methodist Church.

Jill Donaldson Hodges 878595 or 07968 052118

## Sheriff Hutton Bridge Cricket Club

As is usual, it has been a mixed bag with some great wins and some defeats (some of which make you wonder!)

**The 1<sup>st</sup> XI** lost to Sessay in a shock result but pulled it back a week later to beat Scarborough, and in between Castleford in the Viking cup. The team currently sit third in the table.

Some excellent individual performance from Louis Foxton and Dulash with the bat and Ashly Watson with the ball. Dulash our Sri Lankan overseas player has now gone past 350 runs and Ashley sits on top of the bowlers with 19 victims. **The 1<sup>st</sup> XI** has also proceeded to the 20/20 finals by comprehensively beating both Acomb and Sessay on the same day; wicketkeeper Alex Liley scoring well.

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> XI** lost to both Heworth and Knaresborough but recorded fine wins against Sessay 2<sup>nd</sup>'s and Dringhouses. Again, there were some strong individual performances from Matthew Maltby and Danny Cass with the bat and David Hull with the ball.

**The 3<sup>rd</sup> XI** although started with a struggle have managed to pull off wins against Osbaldwick and Dringhouses. Dan Tuite starring with both bat and ball. The team sit ninth in the league.

**The 4<sup>th</sup> XI** with its mix of experience and youth continues to do well with wins against Rufforth and Hovington. Both games had major contributions from the youth; The Rufforth game had great bowling from Sam Giannini and Archie Goodwill; Jon Bell weighed in with a superb 47 ably supported by the experienced Wayne Fawcett and skipper Neil Cowton. Hovingham was equally convincing with a great half century from Archie goodwill and an even better knock from Will Fawcett with 74 not out. Archie also had three wickets as did Arron Cowton and Joe Thorn. They sit 6<sup>th</sup> in a tough league.

The weekend of 11<sup>th</sup> June saw eight Bridge teams play eight games without a defeat.

The juniors continue to perform well with the u11A's winning all before them at the moment including a fascinating game at Saxton in the cup where having been bowled out for 68, managed to win by 20 runs, Max Laycock taking 4 wickets ably supported by all the bowlers.

The U13's after losing to Heworth in the cup despite good contributions from Ollie Kettlewell, Will Hutton and Sam Giannini comprehensively beat them in the league, this was followed with a great win against Malton and Norton with Sam Giannini retiring on 31 with Ollie Lamb and Kettlewell in the wickets.

Our 15's are also progressing well with wins over Saxton and a concession from Yapham. The Saxton game produced half centuries from Rollo Storey and Alex Jenkins with two wickets for Sam Giannini.

The club is also proud of our U15 and U13 captains – Alfred Stephenson and Sam Giannini who have steered their respective York and District sides to the finals of each competition. Again, the club continues to play on superb wickets and the credit goes to the ground staff who give many hours of their time.

## **Sheriff Hutton Nature Group**

We had 2 successful Dawn Chorus walks in May; one locally at Sheriff Hutton and the second one at Strensall Common. We enjoyed seeing/hearing a variety of birds led by Andy Chapman who has an encyclopaedic knowledge of them. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend.

On 18 June, at the time of issue of the Village News, we will have had the practical session on Hedge Surveys led by Dr Barry Wright Principal Ecologist. This is focusing initially on two ancient hedges in the East of the village using indicator trees and ground flora plants in ageing, and presenting the data from the survey.

We are planning the following two outdoor practical events in July:

- **Tour around Hassacarr Nature Reserve/SSI near Dunnington 18<sup>th</sup> July.** Led by Terry Weston local warden planned Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> July start time 6.30pm, until approximately 8pm. This is a 4.5acre site with great local community involvement and diversity of wildlife.
- **Moth Morning, Strensall, planned Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** from 9am to approximately 11 am with 24<sup>th</sup> July as back up

A chance to see a variety of moths caught overnight, before they are released at Strensall with Andy Chapman. Also, Andy's wildlife friendly gardening space, developed with a group of neighbours and previously featured in the RSPB newsletter. There is a chance that the morning could be changed at short notice due to the weather being not suitable for moths flying, so Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July will be held as a backup date. In this case we will contact people booked on the event the previous day.

For both events, all welcome – non-members £3 on the day. Annual Nature Group membership £12.50 Please contact [shnature@gmail.com](mailto:shnature@gmail.com) or phone Sally on 01347 878272 if you are wanting to book a place on the above events. Booking in advance is required.

Our evening talks will recommence from October onwards, with topics ranging from red kites in Yorkshire, to Astronomy, Spiders and the State of Nature in Yorkshire.

## **Big Butterfly Count**

If you are interested in reporting on butterflies, you are seeing locally, you can take part in the Big Butterfly Count run by Butterfly Conservation.

Between Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August, record butterflies seen within a fifteen-minute period. Collecting this data nationwide will assist not only monitoring butterfly numbers in isolation, but also in wider environment and biodiversity in general.

Last year there were 11 recorders for our area, it would be great to aim for additional locals being involved this year. See website for details <https://bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org>

## **Village Ramble Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July**

The July ramble is a circular route, slightly over 5 miles long with an option to shorten by a mile.

It is in upper Riccal Dale on the edge of the North York Moors, to the north of Helmsley. On a good day the scenery over the first 2 miles along the valley is excellent. The next 2 miles are along a forest track on the other side of the valley, with mixed woodland, deciduous woodland, then conifers. The scenery for the last mile is more varied. There are long gentle gradients and a few a bit steeper. Most of the route is on solid tracks with some shorter stretches through grass. There are some stiles as well as gates. Enjoy the total Riccal experience followed by a pub lunch in Helmsley.

We leave Sheriff Hutton Village Hall car park at 9:30am, car-sharing with spaces for non-drivers. New ramblers are always welcome.

Further details from Peter Brown, e-mail: [peterbrown222.brown@btinternet.com](mailto:peterbrown222.brown@btinternet.com)

## **Friends of Sheriff Hutton Village Hall 200 Club**

June prize winners were £150 - 2, £100 – 52, £50 - 12, 22, 60, and 72. £25 winners were 148, 172, 184, 209 and 226.



## **Collective Village Oil Buying Group - Is Now Active Again**

### **Next Order Late August/Early September.**

Further to the notice that group orders were suspended due to the Ukrainian situation, we have been advised that orders can now be placed again.

The next oil order is planned for delivery:

- **Approximately early September with Order cut-off Friday 12 August 2022.**

This is open to members of the Village Oil Buying Group and in addition anyone who wants to join in from Sheriff Hutton, Lilling, Whenby, Farlington and Stittenham. You can of course still join even if you only order occasionally. If you have already given your details to the group, you will receive a reminder in advance of the deadlines asking for confirmation on whether you require an order, and if so the details.

The group, run by volunteers purely for the convenience and to provide savings to Villagers, was set up many years ago buying heating oil as a group for Sheriff Hutton and Lilling. It now includes in addition, Whenby, Farlington and Stittenham. This offers a saving on ordering individually of up to 10%.

If you would like to join, please email us at [sheriffhuttonoil@gmail.com](mailto:sheriffhuttonoil@gmail.com) with your name, email, back up phone number, address, location of oil tank and oil order or request to be added to database. After the deadline and we have the total number of litres required, we will discuss the price with BATA and then let each person know how much their order will cost and the planned delivery date. The minimum quantity which can be ordered is 500 litres, but you can order any number of litres above that. Payment can be made to the driver or by phone to BATA within 7 days of the delivery.

Please note to enable the group to work, your details will be held on a database, and certain details e.g., name and order, will be shared with the rest of the group and name, address and contact details will be provided to BATA, or a future oil provider, in connection with oil orders. A privacy statement is available on request.

Contact [sheriffhuttonoil@gmail.com](mailto:sheriffhuttonoil@gmail.com) to join the group, we look forward to hearing from you.

## **History Group**

At our May meeting, local author Rosemary Cook gave us an intriguing talk on "The Crimes of Dr Gramshaw", a "respectable" Victorian local doctor. She had become interested in him when researching other material in York and rapidly discovered that all was not as it seemed.

Dr Gramshaw was born in 1853, the son of a doctor and from a medical family. As was common in those days he served an apprenticeship, eventually qualified and was duly registered as a licensed practitioner. For 30 years he was the resident doctor in Stillington, covering Sheriff Hutton amongst other villages and was seemingly a pillar of his community.




However, when Rosemary started digging into his past, she found that his claims to a number of his qualifications were totally bogus, and that in his youth as an apprentice there had been at least one incident where an illegal abortion was performed on a patient, although it was the attending nurse who got the blame.

Toward the end of his time in Stillington he had amongst his patients a teenaged Margaret Brown, and there are strong indications that she may have become his mistress and had a child by him. There were also some financial irregularities concerning unpaid bills (including one for dental work for Margaret), and for whatever reason, he gave up his practice in Stillington and moved to York around 1903.

Margaret remained his "patient" however, and in 1908 she was again pregnant and living in lodgings paid for by him. She suffered a miscarriage, or so it seemed, and sadly died of complications. However, at the inquest it came out that Dr Gramshaw had apparently "used implements" while attending to Margaret, the strong implication being that he had procured an abortion leading to the death of the young woman.

Dr Gramshaw chose not to wait to hear the verdict of the inquest. He made his will on the evening of the first day and took an overdose, dying two days later. The coroner in due course directed the jury to a verdict of accidental death, but they clearly saw this as a cover-up and returned a verdict of manslaughter due to an illegal abortion, but Dr Gramshaw was not there to suffer the consequences. We were left with a picture of an outwardly respectable member of the professional classes who moved among contemporaries who would gang together to avoid scandal, and the only real crime he committed was that of getting caught.

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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	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			
	10.00am	Ladies Tennis	Tennis Club			
Thurs	9.45am	Babes & Toddlers	Village Hall			

## Additional Activities in July

Tue	5 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm	Pensioners' Luncheon Club in the Village Hall
Fri	8 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting in the Village Hall
Fri	15 <sup>th</sup>	10-12noon	Super mobile library in the Village Hall car park
Sat	16 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Jumbles Sale in the Village Hall Marie Curie Kirkbymoorside Support Group
Sun	17 <sup>th</sup>	10.30-1.30	Sheriff Hutton Village Market at the Village Hall
Mon	18 <sup>th</sup>	6.30pm	Nature Group tour around Hassacarr Nature Reserve
Wed	20 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	Gardening Club Members trip to Sleighthoedale Lodge, meet VH carpark 6.15pm
Sat	23 <sup>rd</sup>	9am	Nature Group trip to Strensall
Thur	28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Village Ramble, meet in the Village Hall car park

## Dates to Note

Aug	2 <sup>nd</sup>	12.30pm	Pensioners' Luncheon Club in the Village Hall
	10 <sup>th</sup>	2pm	Ladies group meeting in the Village Hall, afternoon Cream Tea
	20 <sup>th</sup>		Sheriff Hutton Village Show in the Village Hall
Sept	6 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm	Pensioners' Luncheon Club in the Village Hall
Sept	10 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Jumbles Sale in the Village Hall
	21 <sup>st</sup>	7.30pm	Gardening Club, Peter Williams Unnatural Gardening, Village Hall
	30 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Sheriff Hutton History Group meeting in the Village Hall
Oct	19 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Gardening Club, Alastair Fitter 'Friendly Mycorrhizal Fungi', Village Hall
	29 <sup>th</sup>	12.00	Sheriff Hutton History Group Annual Event in the Village Hall 12.00 – 4.00pm
Nov	16 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Gardening Club, AGM, Village Hall
	25 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Sheriff Hutton History Group meeting in the Village Hall
	26 <sup>th</sup>	11-3pm	Christmas Market at St Helen's Church
Dec	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7.30pm	St Leonard Farlington Grand Christmas Prize Bingo I Sheriff Hutton Village Hall
2023			
Jan	7 <sup>th</sup>		UCCC New Year Party
April	29 <sup>th</sup>		UCCC Village Auction

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