Sheriff Hutton

Village News



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Parish Council

The Parish Council met on the 9th March 2023. Councillors present at the meeting were Penny Bean (Chairman), Marcus Oxendale, Sally Wright and Sam Warriner. Clerk – Louise Pink. 4 members of the public (3 x part meeting only).

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

23/00071/FUL Building At Moor Farm Sheriff Hutton.

Change of use of a 2no bedroom dwelling to a shop with offices and change of use of part of an agricultural building to a wine storage area (retrospective application).

Decision - No Objection.

The following new planning decision was received this month:-

22/01358/HOUSE Dene Le Ville, The Green, Sheriff Hutton

Erection of first-floor extension over the existing side extension and alterations to fenestration. APPROVED.

Trees

Following the recent successful tree planting in the village, all new trees have been registered as part of the Queen's Green Canopy. If any resident would like to adopt a tree that has been planted close to their house and look after the watering etc, this would be very much appreciated. To adopt a tree please contact the clerk.

Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be Thursday 13th April 2023 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.

Super-Mobile Library

The next visit will be on Friday April 21st 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. 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 a reservation will need your borrower number and PIN, selecting 'Supermobile' as your pick-up location. Free downloads of eBooks and audiobooks are available from the website at www.northyorks.gov.uk/digital-library If you are not a member of our libraries, you can join at the Super-Mobile Library. It is FREE. For enquiries, please call 01609 533878 or email supermobile@northyorks.gov.uk

The Village Ramble

Meet in the Village Hall carpark at 9.30am on Thursday April 27th for a 5 mile walk starting in Hovingham going south and back by Wath. Lunch at the Worsley Arms.

Sheriff Hutton Bowling Club

Bowls Prize Bingo at the Village Hall, Friday 7th April Doors open 7pm – Eyes Down 7.30pm

We will then break over the summer, next event 15th September

Sheriff Hutton Art Group

February's Workshop

On Saturday 25th February the Sheriff Hutton Art Group held another Workshop in the Village Hall. The Mixed Media Workshop was run by Ione Harrison, a well-known local artist who lives in East Gilling.

Painting mainly in watercolour and ink, lone's art is inspired by the natural world around her and the land and seascapes of North Yorkshire. She certainly inspired us and we all enjoyed her friendly, calm approach to the day's challenges.

It was particularly interesting to try out new techniques with both watercolour and acrylic inks. The vibrancy of the inks helped us to realise a sense of shape, colour and texture. We even used fragments of fern and grass, natural fibres and found objects to incorporate a physical element and marks of the landscape in the finished work.

As usual we were all happily exhausted by the end of the day, but very satisfied with the new ideas we had acquired. There is no doubt that we will be asking lone to share her talents and expertise with us again in the future.

A Date for your Diary

Although it is early to be thinking of Easter, we hope that you will mark a special mention of the Art Group on your calendar.

Amazingly, this will be our 50th Annual Art Exhibition and we would love you to support our celebration by coming along to the Village Hall on Easter Sunday or Easter Monday in order to enjoy the display of another year's art endeavours.

Friends of Sheriff Hutton Village Hall

A huge thank you to everyone who supported our second Book and Puzzle Sale in February. It was a big success and this time raised over £1300 for the village hall funds.

Due to the success of the Jigsaw Puzzle sales, we are setting up a

JIGSAW PUZZLE EXCHANGE on FRIDAY 14th APRIL 10-12pm

Come along and pick up a puzzle for £! or exchange one for 50p.

Have a chat with friends, tea and cake while you choose your next puzzle.

The exchange will take place at the Village Hall on the second Friday of the month between 10 am and 12 pm with the first one taking place on the above date. Further dates to follow in the next Newsletter.

All profits will go to much needed Village Hall funds.

For more details or to donate puzzles please contact

Jenny Mcmillan

01347 879175

Sheriff Hutton Village Hall Friends -200 Club

March £25 prize winners were 48, 73 157, 202 and 237.

North Yorkshire Open Studios 2023

Dates: Friday 2nd June (preview evening starting at 6pm), 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th June (10am-5pm)

Dear all.

It is that time of year again when local artists will be opening their doors to their studios and galleries to the public. This year we have Steve Page, a local sculptor based in Church End, Justine Warner, a textiles and mixed media artist and Patrick Smith, a painter and printmaker based in West End taking part in the event. We will have lots of new work to look at and to buy as well as a chance to see the studios we work in.

The studios are officially open to all on the dates shown but this year NYOS have also encouraged us to offer our studios open by appointment only throughout the adjoining week. This might be of interest to some of you who can't make the official dates. We also tend to have a large proportion of very local visitors on the Friday night when new work can be seen for the first time and refreshments are available. The second weekend will also be the open gardens weekend so lots to do in the village.

There are a whopping 140 artists taking part in this event across Yorkshire this year. Information about these artists can be found on the website www.nyos.org.uk or, if you wish to have a taster of what the artists are about, there is an exhibition of their work currently showing at the Danby Visitor Centre on the Yorkshire Moors, including a piece from each of us. This will be showing until mid-May.

It would be lovely to see you and please feel free to let other art lovers further afield know that this is happening in our lovely village.

Justine, Patrick and Steve

Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group.

The Ladies Group held their AGM on Wednesday the 8th March, but first we sat down for lunch, each member providing a plate of food to share.

The AGM followed, with reports from the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.

Moira Parkinson has decided to step down from the committee and we would like to say a big thank you for all the work she did as treasurer. Following her proposal, Kay Smith was then voted on to the committee.

The afternoon ended with tea and biscuits.

At our next meeting, at 2:00pm on Wednesday 12th April 2023, Gail Lazenby, one of our members, will talk about her charity work with "Operation Orphan - Keep a Child Warm" and in particular her recent trip to Moldova to deliver aid to children. If members would like to make a donation to this charity, then any of the items from the list below would be welcomed and they can be brought to the meeting.

The charity is in great need of hats, scarves, gloves and socks (age 3 upwards new or used), bars of soap, shampoo, toothpaste and brushes plus any women's sanitary items - all will be gratefully received.

Many thanks

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.

Be Hedgehog Aware

Hedgehogs have been seen out and about recently. Please if you can put out food (kitten kibble and/or meaty hedgehog food) and water. They will be very hungry and thirsty after the winter and needing a good start to the year before having babies.

Hedgehog Awareness Week is May 2-8. Expect more information.

Thank you

Lynne, Sally and the hedgehogs

Sheriff Hutton Bowls Club

Spring is in the air and the clocks have sprung forward but the weather has not been kind to us. The green work has been put back, so we will not be able to open the green for playing until April 10th. If you are interested in coming to learn a new sport in good company with free tuition and equipment, come down on a Monday or Wednesday afternoon just before 2pm. We also have a session on Tuesday evenings from 6.30 pm.

It has been a good year for the monthly bingo sessions with lots of new faces, and we would like to thank you all for your support. Unfortunately our last Bingo session is Friday 7th April. We will be taking a summer break, but will be back again Friday 15th September, so make sure you put that date in your diary!

We will be supporting the Jumblies by serving refreshments at the Bowls

Club from 2-4 pm on Jumble sale days, 15th April, 20th May, 17th June and 15th July.

All welcome!

For all enquires please contact Cherry

Mob. 07789326664 email. sheriffhuttonbc@outlook.com

Marton Church

Now we are back in British Summer Time, we are celebrating the lighter evenings with services at 6pm on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. We also meet for Midday Prayers every Tuesday lunchtime (arriving from 12noon and finished by 1pm). We look forward to warmer days when we can sit outside for this and have a picnic lunch together!

We will be welcoming Easter on Sunday 9th April with a quiet dawn vigil. Weather permitting, we will watch the sunrise at 6.22 and wait for sunlight to pour through the east window above the altar and then the little stained glass window above the arch. There will also be an Easter Communion Service that same evening at 6pm. Our other service in April will be a reflective service on Sunday 23rd April (St George's Day). Everyone is always welcome; the church and churchyard are open daily.

Sheriff Hutton Tennis Club

Membership Fees 2023/24 Season We are pleased to be able to advise our members that these have not been increased for the coming season. All existing members will have received an email reminder membership fees are due on or before 1st April 2023. The lock codes will be changed on 1st April. To obtain the new code, pay your fees and then contact our Treasurer, Tim Dryland, who will issue you with the code. Full details are on our Website.

Friday Night is Club Night for our 9 to 16 years olds. As usual these will start in May and end in July, with the competition on the final Friday. Please keep an eye on our website and the club Notice Board for details.

Junior Coaching For the younger ones (Primary School age). A big **THANK YOU** to the **Sheriff Hutton Village Charity** who once again have given our Club the funding to enable us to offer these free to attend sessions for our budding tennis stars. Full details will be published later in the season.

League Tennis The fixture lists for our matches in the various leagues our club enters are starting to come through giving the opportunity for our Adults (and some of our older talented Juniors) the opportunity to play competitive tennis against other clubs. If you wish to help us build on last season's successes please contact us. We'd love to hear from you!

Christine Thomas, Chair

Website: clubspark.lta.org.uk/sheriffhuttontennisclub

email: SheriffHuttonTennisClub@gmail.com

Sheriff Hutton Nature Group

Thank you to our members who attended our AGM in March. We looked over our last year and plans for the future and appreciated everyone's input. A new committee were voted in and we are now seven strong on the committee and looking forward to the future. We followed this with wonderful sessions from two of our members on local areas with a focus on nature conservation; Marton Church yard with Caroline Hunt and The Glebe Conservation Area with Brian Shepherd.

Wednesday 5th April 7.30pm Garden Birds with Mike Gray

For our next evening talk we are very pleased to welcome Mike Gray who is going to be talking about Garden Birds. Mike is a Yorkshire Ambassador for Bird Watch for the British Trust for Ornithology. So come along to hear the talk and to ask any questions about Garden Birds. All are very welcome to this event:-

Sheriff Hutton Methodist Church Hall 7.30pm £3 for non-members on the night.

Sunday 23rd April 8.00am Early Bird Walk at Sheriff Hutton with Andy Chapman

On Sunday, 23rd April we will be hosting out first outdoor event of 2023. We are really pleased to welcome again Andy Chapman, Bird Expert and RSPB volunteer to lead our early Bird Walk around Sheriff Hutton. We will be seeing which birds are about and identifying them by sight and/or their calls. Start time 8am until 10.30am followed afterwards by breakfast rolls and hot drinks. Very popular last year and pre-booking is required as there are limited places. Get in touch as below if you are interested in attending. £3 non-members.

Wednesday 3rd May 7.30pm Dark Bordered Beauty Moth with Dr Peter Mayhew

Looking ahead to Wednesday 3rd May it is our final evening talk before the summer break. Ecologist Dr Peter Mayhew will be talking about the Dark Bordered Beauty Moth. Come and hear about this very rare moth with its only English location nearby at Strensall Common. £3 for non-members on the night.

Sunday 21st May Village Market Café 8.30am to 1.30pm

Later in the month on Sunday, 21st 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

Please note the following upcoming outdoor events to pre-book:

June 10th 8.00am from Sheriff – or 8.45am at **Wheldrake** Nature Group - Guided Bird Walk – Wheldrake Ings with Andy Chapman

June 14th 7.00pm Nature Group – at venue Guided walk of Askham Bog with Alastair Fitter

Message from the Jumblies

Wow!!!!

What a day – Our first Jumble Sale of the year was spectacular. You really pulled the stops out for us. We had an incredible amount of good condition jumble and you may have seen the photos on the SH Community and SH Jumblies' Facebook pages. Mountains of clothes, tonnes of books and jigsaws and a great quantity of toys and bric-a-brac etc. Regretfully we had to stop taking in your donations at 10.15am as we ran out of space. Although the weather was too cold to have stalls outside, with a lot of juggling we managed to fit everything inside.

Thank you so much for your contributions and we must apologise to those people who had to take their jumble back home.

Fortunately, although the day was very cold the rain held off and we did have some sunshine which was very welcome by the crowds waiting for the doors to open. It is a long time since we had a queue as long. Everyone so cheerful and glad to see us and be able to spend their money on all the bargains available.

The amount raised to date is £2414 for the Preschool and Toddlers Group. The Bowling Club provided delicious refreshments and they were able to raise £240 for their funds.

We were all absolutely whacked at the end of the day but so happy the day had been a huge success.

Our next jumble sale will be on the 15th April 2pm to 4pm to raise money for York Against Cancer. Many people in our community have benefitted from the services they provide and we are sure everyone will be so happy to support them in continuing their invaluable work. We will be so grateful to receive your donations of unwanted good condition clothes, toys, books, bric-a-brac etc. so please dig deep again. We will be taking things in at the Village Hall from 8.30am so do come early but if you are unable to bring it then, please contact us during the week before to see if we can arrange an alternative.

As with all this year's jumble sales refreshments will be provided at the Bowling Club by their members to raise money for their funds.

Looking forward to your support Thank you

News Just in – Bonnie's Preloved Jewellery stall was a great success at the Village Market and raised £315 for York Against Cancer.

Penny Bean Sheriff Hutton Jumblies **Turning cast offs into cash 01347 878392**

Coronation Weekend Afternoon Tea, Sunday 7th May

It seemed to be quiet on the Coronation front for activities around the Village, so thought we should at least hold an 'Afternoon Tea' at the Village Hall, 2-4pm. It is all booked so pop that date in your diary.

All are welcome, it will be donations only (so only what you can afford). I love a get together, so hoping it will be a great excuse for us to all meet with neighbours and friends, and maybe make some new ones too. All proceeds raised will go to the Village Hall.

We will have use of the main Hall, but fingers crossed it will be dry and sunny, so if you want to bring a picnic rug along and games for the children, please do.

I will need help please, for as much or little time you can offer. Key areas: baking, setting up in the morning, help in the kitchen in the afternoon and clearing up. If you can help in anyway, it is important to let me know ahead of the event, so we don't enter DEFCON panic levels, thinking there aren't enough scones and cakes, or we are unable to string bunting up.

Now that the Covid spirit has waned with work, travel and general busyness coming back to the forefront, I hope you will be able to support this informal Community event.

Keep an eye out for further updates in next month's Village News (available online as well), social media or posters around the village nearer the time.

Melanie 07721 891758 or hm99960@rocketmail.com

Sheriff Hutton History Group

In our February meeting Chris Berendt gave another of his enlightening historical talks, this time on the Siege of York 1644. This often overlooked event was highly significant in the first phase of the English Civil War. His talk was illustrated with slides showing the main points, the weapons used, armour worn and the army commanders.

By 1642, King Charles I was in dispute with Parliament and the puritan Scottish Covenanters with whom they became allied. However, York was a Royalist city, and the King came and stayed there for seven months gathering support before moving on to Nottingham.

In 1644 the Covenanter army moved south and joined up with a Parliamentarian force in Wetherby in April before defeating Royalists at the Battle of Selby. As a result the City of York prepared its defences. The City was contained within the walls and surrounded by farmland so to defend it, fortified canon positions ("sconces") were built on the roads into the City but far enough outside to protect agriculture.

The combined Parliamentarian forces of three armies laid siege to the city demanding surrender but this was rejected by the Royalists since they hoped for relief from a force commanded by Prince Rupert approaching from the West. To allow him to lift the siege Rupert sent a decoy force to Tadcaster, luring the opposition away so that he could enter the city unopposed.

Following this he pursued them away from York and the armies met at Marston Moor. However, the smaller Royalist forces lost the battle, enabling the Parliamentary forces to take York and gain a decisive upper hand in the Civil War.

On April 21st we will be holding our AGM at 7pm in the Miss Ward Room of the Methodist Church in West End. Following the formal part of the meeting we will be holding a traditional Magic Lantern Show. We are fortunate to be the custodians of this rare artefact, donated by Jean and Alan Farnaby and to have a collection of glass slides to be used with it. These are mostly of Sheriff Hutton and this promises to be a rare opportunity to experience something of times past. As usual light refreshments will be served after the show.

Advance Notice

On Wednesday May 17^{th.} the talk by Hugh Ainsley entitled "Two Men went to War – a Village Story" will be given in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. This talk was cancelled last year and we are pleased that it can be presented now.

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

Sheriff Hutton Preschool playgroup

We would like to say a big thank you to the Sheriff Hutton Jumblies for raising an incredible £2414.50 at the jumble sale they held for playgroup!

We truly value the local, and wider community support and involvement with events like these, as the proceeds are vital in order to keep us running our wonderful groups. We truly appreciate the time and effort it takes to organise and run such a great sale; it was a very busy one: thank you!

Thank you to our committee volunteers too who gave their time to help with the event too!

Our children have been enjoying lots of Spring themed craft activities including painting daffodils, blossom trees and making lovely Mother's Day cards which they were very proud of.

If you are interested in your child attending playgroup we will have some spaces available in September.

We offer half days 9-12pm or 12-3pm and full days 9-3pm with after school club 3-3.20pm too for those with older children at school.

If you would like to come and look around please feel free to get in touch!

Contact Angela for availability on 07717 799646 or via our website.

We provide a great environment for your children to enjoy playing, making friends and starting their learning journey which helps make the transition to school very easy once that time comes for them.

On behalf of the committee I would like to thank our dedicated staff Angela, Julie and Becky for all their hard work and constant commitment to keeping playgroup a clean and safe environment for the children going there.

Babies and Toddlers

Our Babies and Toddlers group is held on a Thursday morning 9.45-11.45am at Sheriff Hutton Village Hall. It's a lovely setting for families to come and socialise and it's also a great place to come and meet people from the village and surrounding villages too!

If you would like any more information on our group contact Jess on 07817891339 or visit our Facebook page Sheriff Hutton Parents, Toddlers and Babies Group.

We look forward to seeing you all soon!

Thank you to Margaret and our committee volunteers who help run the group each week!

Jess Dunford Chairperson

THE METHODIST CHURCH

I don't know if it is an age thing but as I get older I appreciate the passage of the seasons more each year. Spring is now with us the earth is awakening and we are surrounded by trees coming into leaf and flowers bursting out in glorious colours. Birds are building their nests the days are getting longer and there is the promise of summer around the corner.

But, the early new growth fights against the harsh weather of late winter. Frost creeps in at night when we least expect it, cold winds feel like they could cut us in two and strip away delicate tree blossom; there is always the threat of one last snowstorm as we found in March. But somehow nature always triumphs against the weather and the world bursts into new life. Delicate spring flowers which appeared to be crushed by the weight of snow, straighten in the warmth of a still watery sun. Winter is swept away as that sun strengthens and banishes its emptiness.

The period up to Easter is similar in a spiritual way. We have the period called Lent where we examine and prepare ourselves for new life in Christ but amidst all the looking forward there is the pain of Christ's crucifixion to endure on Good Friday before that new life is joyfully celebrated on Easter Sunday with Jesus' resurrection. Christians call themselves Easter people because the resurrection of Jesus shows that suffering, disappointment, and death can be transformed into new life. Just as winter gives way to spring, so in Christ's resurrection we find the promise of that new life in all its fullness; not just as something to look forward to in heaven but here, now, today. No matter who we are or where we are, Christ's promise is for everyone. To quote possibly the most famous line in the New Testament of the Bible, 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life'.

Whether you are a regular church goer, an infrequent worshipper or have never been to church in your life but want to know more, we invite you to come and join us at the Methodist Church as we journey through the Easter story. All are welcome as we acclaim Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, 2nd April; we mourn his death on Good Friday, 7th April and celebrate his triumph over death on Easter Sunday, 9th April. May you be blessed by the transforming love of Jesus Christ this Easter and always.

Reverend John

Services in the month of April

Sunday 2nd 10.30 a.m.

Friday 7th 2.00 p.m.

Sunday 9th 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 16th 10.30 a.m.

United Palm Sunday - Jonathon Morley

Good Friday Liturgy – Rev Steve Whiting

Easter Sunday – Rev Ruth Duck (Communion)

United Anglican service at Chapel – Canon Law

Sunday 23rd 10.30 a.m. Rev Elizabeth Cushion

Sunday 30th 10.30 a.m. United Service at the Parish Church led by Rev John Hayward.

Wednesdays 9.30 a.m. Morning Prayers and Quiet meditation in the Chapel 10.00 a.m. Coffee and Chat in the Miss Ward room.

Notices for St. Helen's April

Services for April are :-

7th April at 2pm – Good Friday reflections at the Methodist Church led by Rev. Steve Whiting

9th April at 10.00 am – Easter Sunday service at St. Helen's, led by Canon Robert Law

16th April at 10.30 am – joint Holy Communion service at the Methodist Church led by Canon Robert Law

23rd April at 10.00am – morning worship led by Margaret Price

30th April at 10.00am – joint service with the Methodists at St. Helen's

We are a friendly and inclusive church community and everyone is very welcome. We look forward to seeing you. Our Easter Day service will be a family one at 10.00 am and there will also be an Easter Egg hunt. Please see notices on the church door or on our Facebook page for any details

We have reinstated our Welcome Tea Tray so please help yourselves if are coming to visit, to have a look round or to pray, think or reflect. There's tea, coffee, squash and biscuits.

The white gate at the entrance to the church footpath is now open throughout the day to make the church and churchyard more accessible for those with buggies, with dogs or just everyone generally.

Please let us know if there is anything else we can do to help people feel welcome or that visitors and villagers would find helpful.

We have a lovely churchyard with beautiful views and we welcome dog-walkers. Please keep your dogs on a lead though and clean up after them. There are poo bags and bins around. There is also a water bowl in the porch. We have a lot of families visiting graves and try and keep the churchyard tidy for them.

Please contact Jill Donaldson Hodges on 878595 or 07968 052118 if you have any queries

Sheriff Hutton Bridge Cricket Club

The first cuts to the grass at both the Bridge and Castle have started, the smell of cut grass signals Spring; sight screens and other bits and pieces of equipment are being cleaned and ready for the season.

The season is only a few weeks away and winter nets are coming to an end with the expectation of being on grass around Easter. Nets, both junior and senior have gone well with good attendance and plenty of fun. The juniors who have been on The Hub and Yorkshire Pathways are all ready now for their Observation days (in old money - Trials) at the end of March and first weekend in April. They will then know if they have a chance of playing for North Yorkshire and/or York and District representative sides; do well for North Yorkshire and the opportunity arises for County honours.

Recruitment has gone reasonably well with two lads in particular from the university: Angad and Aditye, who we hope will enjoy their cricket at Sheriff Hutton Bridge and add to the strength of the club.

Our youth policy still applies and we will still strive to bring the juniors through into senior cricket at the appropriate level, they all develop differently and at a variant pace!

Here's to a good season and the hope that all across the club we will be hunting for silverware.

Sheriff Hutton Village Auction - Sat 29th April in the Village Hall

We are so looking forward to our annual auction when we will be raising funds for the UCCC, History Group and School PTFA.

Viewing is on **Saturday from 11am -12 noon ONLY** (when our cafe also opens and you can set up a cash or card account with our cashiers and get your bidding number). Bidding starts at 12noon and finishes when the last item is sold (hopefully by 6pm). If you need to leave the auction you can pay your balance but leave a secret bid with our commission team who will bid on your behalf and aim to get you a real bargain! Any items won on commission must be collected by 6pm as we have to completely clear the hall.

If you are having a spring clean or generally decluttering, we would be very grateful for donations of indoor and outdoor furniture, office items, tools, kitchenware, tableware, sports and camping equipment etc. However, please note that we cannot sell the following items: white goods (including microwaves), electric blankets or heaters, car seats, bike helmets, clothes, books, videos, mattresses, upholstered chairs without fire safety labels, old CRT televisions/stands or anything which is deemed unfit or unsuitable for sale. We also cannot accept large heavy items such as sofas or pianos because we have no easy way of disposing of them if they are unsold. It has been suggested that we should prioritise items that can fit in a large car, but if you have a large item that you had hoped to donate, or if you have queries about the suitability of any item, please feel free to contact Caroline (cjhunt.home@gmail.com or call 878242). We may be able to auction off large items from a photo and description instead!

Following the success of the new timings last year, we will **ONLY be collecting and receiving items in the Village Hall on Friday 28**th **April from 6-9pm**. If you are unable to bring them yourself on Friday evening, please ring Gill Noble on 07784 989637 to arrange a collection. Please ensure that your items are easily accessible but we strongly advise that you don't leave anything unattended outside your property, as scrap metal dealers frequently drive around the village during the weekend of the auction!

This is a great village event run by an all-age team of volunteers and is a very friendly auction! If you would like to help for an hour or so on Friday 28th April (6-9pm) or on the Saturday (9-6pm) please contact Anna on 07771 616535. If you enjoy baking, we would also welcome any donations of cakes, buns and tray bakes as refreshments will be on sale throughout the auction. PLEASE DRESS WARMLY as we will aim to keep the hall well-ventilated and it can be chilly when we go outside to sell the outdoor items! Caroline Hunt UCCC Secretary

Gardening Club

The speaker for Wednesday 19th April is Charles Lane 'Diseases and pests in plants and how we can help to protect national plant biosecurity': a subject which affects all us gardeners. Meet in the village hall at 7.30pm. For anyone interested in looking at gardens in London on the weekend of 10/11th June our speaker, Peter Mathers, introduced us to the London Garden Open Weekend. A total of 240 in and around the city, rather too many to do all at once but an opportunity to view private gardens often hidden away in surprising places. Worth having a look at the website.

For those attending the February meeting Adrian's advice may have encouraged us to grow vegetables, if not to show them. If showing, however, takes your fancy at a less intense level do have a go at the Village Show this August. April is just the right time to get started as the soil warms up. Also ideal for patching/sowing grass seed to be established before warmer, drier weather.

The potato competition is open to anyone. For a charge of £2 (£1 for children) you will receive a potato set and a bucket plus a set of rules then you can grow it as you wish. The potatoes are weighed at the village hall on the evening of 8th August when the heaviest amount of potatoes, the second heaviest and the largest potato all receive prizes. If nothing else there will be a bag of home grown potatoes to enjoy. If interested please contact Jane on 878143 or shgardeningclub@gmail.com NB Details of summer visits and trips will be available at the April meeting.

St Leonard's, Farlington

The churchyard is looking fabulous having had a lot of time spent on it in the last few weeks. We are very grateful to new Farlington resident, Guy, who has worked so hard and with such energy. So, why not come and sit on one of our two outdoor seats to enjoy peace and tranquillity in our lovely churchyard.

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

The services at St Leonard's in April are:

Sunday 9th 10.30am EASTER DAY ~ Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 23rd 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 26th 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.

1st Easingwold Scout Group Needs You!

1st Easingwold Scout Group is a thriving group offering exciting activities and skills-based learning to youngsters aged 6-25yrs. However, we have many young people on our waiting lists across our main sections (Beavers 6-8yrs, Cubs 8-10yrs and Scouts 10-14yrs), but we are unable to expand due to a severe shortage of helpers and leaders and our leaders are working flat out, which is unsustainable. If we do not recruit more helpers soon, it will compromise the whole future of the group. We are a friendly, social group looking for adults 18yrs or over to help us 2-3 hrs per week and the occasional weekend (if you can or on trips), but mostly assisting with evening section meetings in term time usually. No experience is required as there is free training and support in spades. You just need an enthusiasm for working with children both indoors and outdoors and helping them reach their potential in a fun environment. Obviously, if you have been a scout in your younger years, you will know how rewarding it is and how much the skills learned are valued by employers, and we would love to welcome former scouts back into the scouting family.

We are also in need of a digital media specialist to help with our website and social media output. So, if you do this type of thing for fun or work and would consider helping us, please get in touch.

PLEASE consider helping 1st Easingwold Scout Group, the oldest scout group in the country, even if it's only on an *ad hoc* basis, so that we don't lose this wonderful group that does so much for Easingwold and District youngsters. Contact Sue Scotter at scottersusan@gmail.com or phone/text 07840 966041 for further info and an informal chat or visit to the Group.

Thank you.

Just a Reminder

The Coronation of King Charles III will take place on Saturday 6th May with a Bank Holiday on Monday 8th May. Not long now so get your bunting and flags out ready for the big day.

Are you involved in organising an event to celebrate the occasion? Are you having a Street Party? Please remember to contact the Village News with details to ensure maximum publicity is given

Regular Activities

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
	12.30pm	Pensioners Lunch	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	·		·

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Additional Activities in April

Sat	1	10.30-3.30pm	Spinning and Craft Group in the Village Hall			
Wed	5	7.30pm	Nature Group Mike Gray - Garden Birds, Miss Ward Room, Methodist Church			
Fri	7	7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in the Village Hall			
Sun -Mon	9-10	10.30 -4.30pm	Art Group Show in the Village Hall			
Thurs	13	7.30pm	Parish Council meeting in the Miss Ward Room Methodist Church			
Fri	14	10-12noon	Jigsaw Exchange and refreshments in the Village Hall			
Sat	15	2.00-4.00pm	Jumblies Sale in the Village Hall, Café at the Bowls Club			
Sun	16	10.30-1.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Village market at the Village Hall, Café run by Tennis Club			
Wed	19	7.30pm	Gardening Club <i>Diseases and Pests in plants</i> in the Village Hall			
Fri	21	10-12noon	Mobile Library in the Village Hall car park			
		7pm	History Group AGM, Magic Lantern Show, Miss Ward Room Methodist Church			
Sun	23	8.00am	Nature Group Early Bird Walk around Sheriff with Andy Chapman			
Wed	26	2.00pm	Farlington Parish meeting in St Leonard's Church			
Thurs	27	9.30	Village Ramble meet in the Village Hall car park			
Sat	29	11-6pm	UCCC Village Auction			

Dates to Note

May	3	7.30pm	Nature Group Dark bordered Beauty Moth Miss Ward Room		
	4	7.30pm	Badapple Theatre, Eddie and the Gold Tops, at the Village Hall		
	6		Coronation of King Charles III		
	7	2-4pm	Coronation Afternoon Tea at the Village Hall		
	7 10.30- 3.30pm		CANCELLED See below Spinning and Craft Group in the Village Hall		
	13	10.30- 3.30pm	Spinning and Craft Group in the Miss Ward Room Methodist Church		
	17	7.30pm	History Group Two men went to war" in the Village Hall		
	20	2.00-4.00pm	Jumblies Sale in the Village Hall, Café at the Bowls Club		
	21	10.30- 1.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Village market at the Village Hall, Café run by Nature Group		
	25	TBC	Lillings Ambo Parish Council Meeting at the Sheriff Hutton Village Hall		
June	2	6pm	Open Studios preview evening		
	3 - 4	10 – 5pm	Open Studios days		
	10	8.00am	Nature Group meet in Sheriff for Guided Bird Walk to Wheldrake Ings with Andy Chapman		
	10	TBC	Sheriff Hutton Open Gardens Open Studios		
	10	10.30- 3.30pm	Spinning and Craft Group in the Village Hall		
	11	TBC	Sheriff Hutton Open Gardens and Open Studios		
	14	7.00pm	Nature Group Guided walk at Askham Bog with Alastair Fitter		
	17	2.00-4.00pm	Jumblies Sale in the Village Hall, Café at the Bowls Club		
	18	10.30- 1.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Village Market at the Village Hall, café run by PTFA		
	30	TBC	Chanticleer Singers Concert		
July	8		Jumblies Coffee Morning		
	8		Spinning and Craft Group in the Village Hall		
	15	2.00-4.00pm	Jumblies Sale in the Village Hall, Café at the Bowls Club		
	16	10.30- 1.30pm	Sheriff Hutton Village market at the Village Hall		
Sept	15	7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in the Village Hall		

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