

# Sheriff Hutton Village News



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## Parish Council

The Parish Council met on the 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Councillors present at the meeting were Penny Bean (Chairman), Marcus Oxendale, Sally Wright, Dave Smith, Ed Stephenson and Sam Warriner. Clerk – Louise Pink.

### **The following new planning application was received for consideration 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.

Decision – No Objection.

**No new planning decisions were received this month.**

## Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 7.30pm in Sheriff Hutton Village Hall.

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.

**Lillings Ambo Parish Council** has a vacancy for the position of clerk due to the resignation of Mrs Fiona Hill. Fiona, who is stepping down due to family commitments, has been our parish clerk for four years and will be sorely missed.

If you are interested and wish to learn more about this position, please contact Fiona at [lillingsamboparishcouncil@outlook.com](mailto:lillingsamboparishcouncil@outlook.com). She will be able to tell you about the position and what it entails.

Helen Loynes, Chairman of Lillings Ambo Parish Council

## Nancy Megginson

Judith and Helen would like to thank everyone for the cards, messages of sympathy, flowers and donations received following Nancy's death.

Nancy was born in Sheriff Hutton and lived almost all of her life either in the village or within two miles.

Her family hopes that her memory will live on, particularly through her extensive written and other contributions to the History archive.

## Super-Mobile Library

**The next visit will be on Friday February 24<sup>th</sup> 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 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](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/digital-library)

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## **Sheriff Hutton Tennis Club**

ADVANCE NOTICE to members. The proposed date of the Tennis Club AGM is Wednesday 8th March, 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall. Please check our website and Club noticeboard for confirmation, in due course. ALL MEMBERS are eligible to attend and it would be lovely to see as many of you as possible. All current members aged 18 years and over are eligible to vote on any proposals put forward at the meeting with regard to the running of the Club in the 2023/24 season.

Christine

Chairperson

[clubspark.lta.org.uk/SheriffHuttonTennisClub](http://clubspark.lta.org.uk/SheriffHuttonTennisClub)

Thomas

## **Derick Forsdyke**

Margaret and Mervyn would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, calls and kind thoughts on their recent loss of Derick, who will be sadly missed by many. A generous amount of £651.15 was raised at the funeral, which will go to Yorkshire air Ambulance and the wonderful Macmillan nurses.

## **Sheriff Hutton Bowling Club**

Bowls Prize Bingo at the Village Hall, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February

Doors open 7pm – Eyes Down 7.30pm

Future dates in 2023: 17<sup>th</sup> March, 7<sup>th</sup> April

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

232 members will be taking part in this year's draws, and as this is down on 2022 membership of 241, there will be a reduced number of half yearly prizes of £50 to 6 (3 in June and 3 in December) from 8. There will be a single end of year extra prize of £20, to bring the total prize pay out to 50% of the draw income. If, having read this, you realise you inadvertently missed renewing, please let me know, and I'll ensure you get an early invitation to re-join for 2024.

January £25 prize winners were 100, 201, 216, 219 and 242.

Brian Shepherd Tel. 01347 878310

## **Spinning and Craft Group** meets monthly 10.30 am to 3.30pm in the Refreshment Room of the

Village Hall. Participation costs £3 per meeting, to include refreshments. Our dates for the year are

Feb 11<sup>th</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> Sat)    4<sup>th</sup> Mar (1<sup>st</sup> Sat)    1<sup>st</sup> April (1<sup>st</sup> Sat)    7<sup>th</sup> May (1<sup>st</sup> Sat)    10<sup>th</sup> Jun (2<sup>nd</sup> Sat)

8<sup>th</sup> Jul (2<sup>nd</sup> Sat)    5<sup>th</sup> Aug (1<sup>st</sup> Sat)    2<sup>nd</sup> Sep (1<sup>st</sup> Sat)    14<sup>th</sup> Oct (2<sup>nd</sup> Sat)    11<sup>th</sup> Nov (2<sup>nd</sup> Sat)

and 9<sup>th</sup> Dec (2<sup>nd</sup> Sat). For further details please contact Fiona on 01347 878447.

## **Quiz and Curry Night Farlington Village Hall 7pm Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February**

Come and enjoy a fun quiz and curry night at our cosy hall. Teams of up to 4 people, £10 per head, prize for winning team. Tickets available from Sue via [secretary@farlington.org.uk](mailto:secretary@farlington.org.uk).

Closing date 18<sup>th</sup> February.

## **Just a Reminder**

It will soon be time to roll out the red, white and blue bunting for **The Coronation of King Charles III** which will take place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May with a Bank Holiday on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May - only 3 months away. Are you involved in organising an event to celebrate the occasion?

Please remember to contact the Village News with details to ensure maximum publicity is given.

## **Message from the Jumbliies**

It seems such a long time since our last Jumble Sale and we know many people are eagerly awaiting our first sale of 2023.

Make a note on your calendar – **11<sup>th</sup> March is the big day, 2pm at the Village Hall.**

We will be raising money for Sheriff Hutton Preschool – such a vital asset to our Community.

We welcome donations of good condition clothing, particularly ladies and mens, bric-a-brac, household linen and books, shoes, bags, so please sort out your cupboards and drawers and let us have anything you no longer need. Your cast offs are someone else's treasure.

We will be at the Village Hall from 8.30 on the morning of the sale to accept your donations. If this is a problem for you please contact one of the Jumbliies when perhaps we can arrange an alternative during the week leading up to the sale. Unfortunately we do not have storage facilities so are not able to accept anything before then.

Please support our event by donating articles and coming along to the sale. There will also be a cake stall and tombola. Delicious refreshments will be available at the Bowling Club from which the proceeds will go to help to pay for the upkeep of the wonderful facilities there.

Looking forward to your support  
Thank you

Penny Bean

Sheriff Hutton Jumbliies

**Turning cast offs into cash**

**01347 878392**

## **Sheriff Hutton Art Group**

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> January the Sheriff Hutton Art Group held an Art Workshop in the Village Hall. The Mixed Media Workshop was run by well-known local artist, and resident of Sheriff Hutton, Justine Warner.

A fantastic day was had by all the attendees learning many new skills. The workshop commenced with a quick overview of Justine's career to date including her taking part in Landscape Artist of The Year. The rest of the morning was spent associating ourselves with different materials like Tyvek, Lutradur and Bondaweb, all unknown to the attendees for use in this environment, that can be reshaped, deformed and perforated using heat guns and irons to produce amazing textured surfaces in pictures and collages.

After lunch the attendees were tasked with producing a collage using their results from the material tests along with other textures such as paper, card and pieces of printed medium all adhered to the picture using glue from plain or painted Bondaweb.

The results were outstanding and surprised us all with what could be produced using such a variety of materials. All the attendees were left pleased and excited with what they had produced and learning what could be taken forward to be combined with their future pictures to add a new and interesting twist.

A massive thank you needs to go out to Justine Warner for running such an interesting and exciting workshop from which everyone took away new and varied techniques to use in the future.

**Ryedale Reindeers** would like to give a big Thank You to everyone who supported them with their carols and Christmas songs around Ryedale, raising £1821.43p for the Covid Ward 28 at York District Hospital.

Best wishes to you all,  
Peter Bean

## **Sheriff Hutton History Group**

After the Christmas break, we are pleased to announce that in February we will resume our programme of talks and this time will welcome back Chris Berendt, the Chairman of the Towton Battlefield Society. Readers should note that we intend to change the day on which our meetings are held to Wednesdays, (but that the switch over will be gradual this year). Some meetings will be in the afternoon in future rather than the evening and that other meetings will be held in the Miss Ward Room of the Methodist Church rather than the Village Hall.

On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, at 7.30pm in the Miss Ward Room of the Methodist Church, Chris Berendt will be talking to us about the Siege of York in 1644. This was a prolonged contest for the City during the first English Civil War between the Scottish Covenanter army and the Parliamentary forces. From April 1644 until July the City was under siege and this was only lifted when Royalist forces under Prince Rupert came to the aid of the Scottish army.

Those of you who were present at Chris's talk last March on the Battle of Towton will know, we can be sure of a thoroughly interesting and enlightening account about an important piece of local history. As usual light refreshments will be provided after the talk.

### **Advance Notices**

Next month on Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> March we will again be welcoming Tony Morgan who will regale us with tales of some of York's personalities, both famous and less well known. This will be an evening talk in the Village Hall.

For further information contact Meg on 01347 878136 or Linda on 07453 393286 or Peter Brown at [peterbrown222.brown@btinternet.com](mailto:peterbrown222.brown@btinternet.com)

## **Gardening Club**

We're expecting a good turnout for February's speaker, Adrian Read, who will be exploring the mysteries of 'Vegetable growing and showing'. The showing aspect should be particularly useful for those who plan to enter the vegetable classes at the Village Show in August. Non-members can attend for £3.00, and the talk begins at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February.

Coincidentally, this will also be the meeting at which gardening club members and others pick up their pots and seed potatoes for the potato growing competition which is judged in August at the great potato weigh-in! Why not have a go this year?

### **Gardening tips**

Hopefully the worst of the winter is behind us, but even if not the garden will be coming into life with lengthening days. Performers at the moment include bulbs and winter flowering shrubs and these shrubs need pruning after flowering. If they are done at this time then the job is done for the year as they will already have had their autumn feed.

So now is the time to feed the summer attractions such as roses, shrubs, herbaceous perennials and fruit bushes. A good mulch at this time will keep in the moisture, reducing or perhaps eradicating the need for later watering and providing a slow-release fertilizer which is adequate for a lot of plants, although roses and other high performance flowering/fruited plants will require extra feed. This is where homemade compost is ideal and saves money, but there are plenty of alternative products on the market.

Weeding is best done before mulching, but as long as perennial weeds are removed now, the annual ones can be hoed later. It is recommended that herbaceous perennials be divided at least every three years, which does aid the fight against the perennial weed. Now is a good time to start on the ones not done in the autumn, as they emerge. Grasses need tidying, so cut back the non-evergreen types (evergreens only need a rake through and a trim). Don't forget the lavenders and Mediterranean type plants will benefit from a trim now to stop them becoming leggy but make sure there are fresh buds bursting below the cut. If you haven't done the second prune of the wisteria get onto it!

Lots to do after long winter nights and short days. Go with the weather.....

## **Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group.**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> December 28 members of our ladies group sat down to a lovely Christmas lunch at The Highwayman. Thanks to Lisa and Ian and all the staff for a superb meal, everything was perfect and everyone thoroughly enjoyed their day.

Our first meeting of 2023 was in the way of a quiz, expertly put together by our member Gail Lazenby. You certainly needed to brush up on everything 2022 to stand a chance of winning, however, Gail kindly gave everyone a chocolate bar just for taking part.

Our next meeting, on the 8<sup>th</sup> February, is a return visit by Chris Cade. Chris, who is a freelance actor and storyteller in educational theatre, is coming to entertain us with his story "Meet the Butler" which is set in the Victorian times. If you are interested then please come along to Sheriff Hutton Village Hall, at 2pm on the 8<sup>th</sup> February.

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

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Mob 07811259184

Linda Turner 01347878037

Mob 07453393286

Many Thanks.

Barbara Grinham (Chair)

Sheriff Hutton Ladies Group.

## **Sheriff Hutton Village Market**

The Christmas Market was a huge success so a big thank you to everyone who attended. The cafe, hosted by St Helen's Church (Sheriff Hutton), St Laurences' Church (Flaxton) and St Mary's church (Marton on the Forest) raised £904.28.

Our next market is not until Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March, however we do have our AGM on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February, 7pm at the Village Hall. Anyone is welcome to come along. You may want to join the committee, volunteer your services in other ways or simply just listen.

Meanwhile, check our website [www.shvm.co.uk](http://www.shvm.co.uk) for the 2023 market dates and details of our stallholders.

Sheriff Hutton Village Market team

## **Notices for St. Helen's February**

Services for February are :-

12<sup>th</sup> February – Holy Communion at 10.00am

26<sup>th</sup> February – Morning worship at 10.00am

Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you.

An advance date for your diaries – the church is hosting a free classical music organ recital on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm. There will be wine and nibbles. More details to follow in next month's newsletter.

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

**The Village Ramble** on 23<sup>rd</sup> February will be a town walk of just over 4 miles around Thirsk and Sowerby including the Thirsk and Sowerby History Trail (15 information boards). If conditions allow, we will walk through fields to Sowerby and back to Thirsk through Sowerby Front Street. We will then explore the streets of Thirsk before a lunch at the Golden Fleece Hotel in the Market Place. Please note, there will be a car parking charge in Thirsk. Please meet at 9.30am in the Village Hall car park.

## St Leonard's, Farlington

The well-attended celebrations of Christmas and then Plough Sunday are now just happy memories. This month sees the start of the 40 day solemn period of Lent which starts on Ash Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Our services in February will be:

Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Shortened Matins
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	7.00pm	<i>Ash Wednesday service at Stillington church</i>
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Holy Communion

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

### Browse with a Butty Is Back!

The cold months of winter will be still with us for quite a while so now is a good time to refresh your stock of

### Good-Quality Paperback Books and Jigsaw Puzzles

to keep you amused until the good days of summer arrive. So, come to the Village Hall on

**Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> between 10.00am and 1.00pm**

to bag Books and Puzzles at bargain prices  
while enjoying delicious bacon butties, sausage rolls, cakes, coffee and tea.  
at this Friends of the Village Hall fundraising event.

New for 2023 – Card Payments Accepted

If you have **good quality paperback books or puzzles** you no longer want, we will be glad to have them. Contact

**Jenny: 07920 175498      Barbara: 07811 259184**

**or bring them to the Hall between 2.00pm and 5.00pm on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February**

## Sheriff Hutton Nature Group

For our first talk of 2023 on Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023 we are very pleased to have Ecologist Professor Alastair Fitter giving a talk on 'The State of Nature in Yorkshire.' Alastair is going to be covering 'How do we know what plants and animals there are in our county, how well they are faring and how well protected are they?'

All are very welcome to this event. Sheriff Hutton Methodist Church Hall 7.30pm £2 for non-members on the night.

AGM and March meeting 1<sup>st</sup> March.

Note: This year due to our larger group numbers we are planning to have our AGM prior to a standard March meeting. All **members** are welcome to attend the AGM which will start at **6.30pm**.

We will welcome in the New Committee; look back over the past year and forward to the next.

From **7.30 pm** we will be having a Nature Group meeting to which members and guests are welcome to join.

In March we are focusing on local Nature Habitats and are planning two informal sessions on the same evening by two of our members covering:

- Marton Churchyard with Caroline Hunt
- The Glebe Conservation Area with Brian Shepherd.

Come and hear about these special places where there is a focus on Nature Conservation.

Both March meetings are at Sheriff Hutton Methodist Church Hall.

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

## **The Methodist Church**

I write this on a day when I have been walking on Ilkley moor. Not “bar t’at”, it was too cold to risk catching my “deeath o cowl” so I wore a woolly, thermal hat. Walking up to the Cow and Calf rocks I noticed that the topmost edge of the Cow was lit by the setting sun, giving it a golden streak of brilliant light set against the grey of the rocks. I took a photo as it was such a remarkable sight and it got me thinking about the importance of light, particularly in the depths of winter.

We have come through a period of festivals of light. Hindus, Jains, Sikhs and some Buddhists celebrate Diwali in October, Jews celebrate the festival of Hannukah in late December and of course Christians celebrate Christmas. I enjoyed walking around the village on an evening to see the Christmas decorations lighting up the night. They bring a warmth and welcome at the darkest time of the year. Of course, as we enter February they have long since been put away until next December but Christmas, or more correctly, Christmastide has not yet quite ended. Contrary to popular belief Christmas does not end on twelfth night but continues until 2<sup>nd</sup> February when it goes out with one final blaze of light at Candlemas.

Candlemas? Perhaps you have never heard of it and you would not be alone. It is a Christian feast day which has disappeared in many places. It celebrates the Jewish custom of the ritual purification following childbirth of Mary and the presentation of Jesus in the Temple. It also tells the story of two old people, Simeon and Anna as they recognise that the baby in front of them in the Temple is the fulfilment of prophecy. You can read all about this in the Bible in Luke chapter 2 starting at verse 22. It is marked in some churches by candlelit services on the evening of the 2<sup>nd</sup> or the morning service on the nearest Sunday.

Candlemas is one of my favourite feasts as it reminds me that darkness does not have substance, it is just the absence of light. Many children and some adults fear the dark giving it a power which, having no substance, it does not have. We often use darkness as a metaphor for life's difficulties. We might refer to the dark days of war or the pandemic or, being in a dark place or mood. But light always banishes darkness. We have lights in our Christmas decorations and at Candlemas as we recognise the light of Christ entering the world to banish spiritual darkness. Jesus tells us, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

Maybe you are finding life tough now. We live in uncertain and difficult times. If you are in that dark place I encourage you to find comfort in the knowledge of Christ's light in the world. Light a candle on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and witness how the darkness disappears in the radiance of the flame. I pray that in its light you may find the comfort and peace you are seeking.

Every blessing  
Rev John Hayward

### **Sunday services in February**

5 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Mrs Sylvia Bunting
12 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Rev Ann Vaughan (Communion)
19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Mrs Gillian Mason
26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Rev Dr Michael Chester (Missions Sunday)

### **Additional Activities**

Wednesdays 9.30 a.m. Morning prayers and Quiet Meditation in the Chapel  
10.00 a.m. Drop in for Coffee and Chat in the Miss Ward room

### **Ash Wednesday (22<sup>nd</sup> February)**

United Village Churches “Hunger Lunch” of bread and cheese at 12 noon, followed by Prayers and Meditation led by Revs John Hayward and Steve Whiting in the Miss Ward room. A collection for Christian Aid will be taken. This is an opportunity to prepare for the period of Lent when there will be a study group at 11.15 a.m. in the first four Wednesdays of March.



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

Thank you for supporting Friends' Fundraising in 2022. We raised over £4000 for the Hall alongside providing a few social events which we hope you all enjoyed. The Book and Puzzle Sale raised £1100 (please see the advert in this edition as we are running another next month ). The Christmas coffee morning raised £167, providing refreshments for the Badapple theatre production raised £85, helping to run the Open Gardens in the summer raised £624 and finally our biggest income comes from our 200 Club which raised £2170. I would like to say a huge thank you to all the committee members and the extra helpers for their hard work in 2022 but would particularly like to thank Brian Shepherd who puts in a great deal of time and effort to make the 200 club happen every year. Please support us in 2023 if you can,

Jenny Mcmillan  
Friends of SHVH

## **Sheriff Hutton Bridge Cricket Club**

The club wishes the village and all the readers of the "News" a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

The weather is the main talking point at the club and the effect it has on "winter jobs" that need doing in preparation for next season. There is painting to be done and general housekeeping and tidying to be done, the work never stops. Also a lot of chat about more good news for the club with Matty Fisher being selected for the England Lions squad to Sri Lanka at the end of the month. He is only one of four players to be in both red and white ball squads, Good luck Matty.

Junior nets have started in earnest at Galtres Centre at Easingwold on Friday evenings 7pm -8.15pm with the senior nets starting on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan 7pm – 9pm at St Olave's School. The first couple of weeks will be restricted to first and second team players and then opened up to the rest of the seniors plus selected juniors who have played in last year's Senior teams.

We are fortunate that we have some good juniors on The Hub and Pathways coaching programmes which will hopefully stand them in good stead for Representative honours in the coming season. The club maintains its strategy of building from within to counteract the crazy amounts of money being paid to players in other clubs. We believe that it is unsustainable at Recreational cricket level to have huge wage bills when the main source of income is from sponsors. We will continue with our youth policy and offer the best form of coaching that the club can provide. With current District and county players in our junior ranks we believe that we are on the right course.

As reported before Christmas the under 10 group were doing well in an indoor competition at Copmanthorpe which we are pleased to report they went on to win remaining undefeated through the tournament.

The club holds its annual dinner on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January at Sandburn Hall; this will be the first dinner since the Covid restrictions and hopefully will be well attended.



## **Yesterday's Village**

In so ancient a village as ours it is natural that there should be many strange old customs and ways of life which, with the passing of the years, have died out, and of which we today have no knowledge whatever. But there are still accounts to be found of these things which are interesting to recall.

### **The 14<sup>th</sup> Century Diet**

The diet of the poor was fairly monotonous, bread and vegetables being the staple foods. White bread made from wheat was eaten by those living in the castle, but lower orders had bread made from a mixture of wheat and rye or a darker bread made entirely from rye. Food for those in the castle was served on trenchers or plates made from rye bread. Afterwards the trenchers were gathered up and given to the poor. Some peasant folk in Sheriff Hutton no doubt ground their own grain and made their own bread although if unfree they were legally bound to grind their grain at the lord's mill and so could be fined or punished for possessing hand mills or taking grain elsewhere.

Bread and cheese were the peasants' daily diet in the field. In summer a soft cheese called "spermyse" or "green" cheese would be made. At other times a hard cheese was made from skimmed milk which kept well but was so hard that it sometimes had to be soaked and beaten before it could be eaten. Milk from cows, sheep and goats was used but the cow's milk was preferred because it took less time to milk a cow than a number of sheep. Pottage, a broth or stew of vegetables, and sometimes meat, was universal. It could be thick or "running" or it might be so thick it could be sliced when it was known as "stondyng." "Frumenty" a thick cereal porridge was also popular.

*(From unpublished notes by the late Mrs. Barbara Walker on 14<sup>th</sup> Century Life.)*

### **Plough Stotting**

An occasion which was of considerable interest to the villagers took place annually in February and went under the name of Plough Stotting. This was a form of entertainment performed by a party of village worthies who went around the village and district in fancy dress, and performed a series of dances very cleverly, including the sword dance and the garland dance. They spent some days over these performances and if by any chance, as most probably they would, it being February, they got their clothes wet and bedraggled, they would stay up all night, washing and preparing them for the next day's outing. This party of Sheriff Hutton Plough Stotters was famed for being the best of any in the district. The proceeds received were divided amongst themselves. They were not allowed to perform in York but on one occasion, owing to the good offices of the Lord Mayor, who happened to be a native of Sheriff Hutton, they were allowed into the city, so I presume on that occasion they would reap a rich harvest.

At about the same time there was also a famous brass band which gave its first performance at Sheriff Hutton when Queen Victoria visited Castle Howard.

*(Written about 1938, author unknown)*

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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
	12.30	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			

## Additional Activities in February

Wed	1 <sup>st</sup>	7.30pm	Nature Group <i>The State of Nature in Yorkshire</i> . Methodist Church Hall
Wed	8 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Ladies Group <i>Meet the Butler</i> in the Village Hall
		7.00pm	Sheriff Hutton Village Market AGM in the Village Hall
Sat	11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30-12.30	Menopause Yoga Workshop, in the Village Hall
		10.30 – 3.30	Spinning & Craft Group meeting in the Village Hall
Wed	15 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Gardening Club <i>Vegetable Growing &amp; Showing</i> in the Village Hall
Fri	17 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Bowls Club Bingo in the Village Hall
Sun	19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 1.00	Friends of the Village Hall Book & Puzzle Sale in the Village Hall
Wed	22 <sup>nd</sup>	12noon	Ash Wednesday Hunger Lunch in the Miss Ward Room Methodist Church
		7.30pm	History Group <i>The Siege of York</i> Miss Ward Room Methodist Church
Thurs	23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Village ramble meet in the Village Hall car park
Fri	24 <sup>th</sup>	10 - 12	Mobile library in the Village Hall car park
		7.00pm	Quiz and curry night in Farlington Village Hall

## Dates to Note

Mar	1 <sup>st</sup>	6.30pm	Nature Group AGM Miss Ward Room Methodist Church
		7.30pm	Nature Group meeting <i>Marton Churchyard</i> and <i>The Glebe</i> in the Miss Ward Room
	11 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Jumbies sale in the Village Hall
	19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Sheriff Hutton Village market at the Village Hall
	24 <sup>th</sup>		History Group <i>York's Personalities</i> in the Village Hall
April	29 <sup>th</sup>		UCCC Village Auction
May	12 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Classical Music Organ recital in St Helen's Church

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