

# Ellerker NEWS



A roundup of news from around the parish - Issue 77 - Winter 2016

## Playing Field

The Playing Field Committee are feeling all festive after the annual children's Christmas party in the village hall on Saturday, 10th December. The kids enjoyed traditional party games before tucking in to the party food and goodies. Father Christmas himself took time out of his busy schedule to visit the children and deliver a special gift for each of them (after consulting his naughty and nice lists of course!). We're all now looking forward to the holidays ... roll on Christmas Day ...

On another note, a date for your diaries. After the success of the combined Village Fayre and Beer Fest this year, we are planning to follow the same format in 2017. Our annual fundraiser will take place on Saturday, 1st July. Please make a note on your new calendars, and come along on the day (and evening) to enjoy the atmosphere and help us raise some cash for the upkeep of our wonderful playing fields.

But in the meantime, we wish you all a peaceful and happy Christmas, and look forward to a new year in our lovely village.

— *Sophie Rosinke*

## St Anne's

Church Services over the Christmas period are as follows:-  
Sunday 18th December at 6 p.m.  
– Christmas Nativity and Carols  
Tuesday 20 December at 6 p.m. –  
Carol Singing around the village –  
We will meet at Ellerker Lodge  
Garden Centre at 6 pm. Please join

us (and Santa). We are aiming to sing carols at every house in the village. No qualifications are required.

Christmas Eve at 11.30 p.m. –  
Midnight Mass

Christmas Day at 9.30 a.m. –  
Christmas Special

A Christmas Tree for the Church has been kindly donated by Ellerker Lodge Garden Centre and we are most grateful for their generosity.

Pew cushions are to be purchased in the new year to make the church more comfortable. It is the intention to help fund the cost by asking if anyone would be interested in sponsoring a pew which would cost in the region of £100. Please contact Mike Parker on 421132 for more details.

A number of gravestones require attention as with the passage of time they are leaning rather badly. The relative permissions are being obtained and the work will commence in the new year.

Earlier in the year Mr and Mrs Dennis Cooney kindly donated new pew bibles and protective plastic covers have now been fitted for which we are extremely grateful. The old pew bibles have been donated to H.M. Prison at South Cave together with some old Mission Praise books.

Money raised from Carol Singing has been given each year to four charities: Earl Haig Fund, Leprosy Fund, Church Pastoral Society and Church Missionary Society This year we shall continue to support the Earl Haig Fund and Church

Pastoral Society plus Compassion UK and the Hull Homeless Community Project. It is the intention to give £200 to each of these charities. St. Anne's has participated in the Samaritan's Purse Project and have filled shoeboxes with christmas gifts for needy children. Thank you to all who took part.

A meeting is to take place with parents in the village regarding the future of the Busy Bible Club as attendance over the past term has been diminishing. However, 14 adults and 7 children visited the Yorkshire Wildlife Park earlier in the year and had a great day.

It is that time again! Rehearsals are in full swing for the 19th Annual Ellerker Show. It will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall, Ellerker on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 26th, 27th and 28th January. Tickets are available from:

Mike Parker 421132  
Diana Bushby 422757  
David Wood 424474

Tickets are already selling briskly so please book early to avoid disappointment — we look forward to seeing you there.

— *Mike & Sue Parker*

## Yorkshire Country Women's Association

I understand that until such time a new Chairman steps forward, meetings of the Ellerker branch of the organisation have been suspended.

— *The Editor*

## Women's Institute

At our October meeting Sue Woodcock from the Yorkshire Post gave us the second instalment of her life story 'From Copper to Crofter'. She also brought some work in progress - a quilt made from old ties.

In November we had a very fitting talk from Clive and Kath Richardson entitled 'Lest We Forget'.

December brought us Phil Walker with "Horses, Shire Horses, Coal and Beer" - a power point presentation about his grandfather's life.

Sarah Watson was re-elected as President in November and Maggie Tomlinson as Secretary, phone: 01482 666519.

— *Maggie Tomlinson*

## Village Hall

The AGM took place on 28th October and the following were elected: Tricia Christmas, David Wood, Mike Parker, Linda Wilson, Tony Hurley, Sue Parker and Suwfieya Habergham. There are no representatives from the WI and the Yorkshire Countrywomen have disbanded. This means the committee is severely depleted, anyone who is interested in joining the Committee please contact Tricia Christmas.

Lilian Cole, Ann Barker and Lyn Waddingham have resigned and grateful thanks were expressed to them for their hard work over the past years.

The Barn Dance for 2017 has been booked at White House Farm, Ellerker for Friday 16th June, when once again the White Horse Ceilidh Band will be providing the music and direction. Please make a note in your diary to ensure you do not miss a fantastic night!

With the departure of the Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association and the retirement of Rick Adams from the Art Class, we need to increase the number of lettings to balance the books and cover our expenses. Please spread the word about Ellerker's excellent venue.

Funding has now been obtained for the installation of the defibrillator, which is to be attached to the village hall and it is hoped this will be in place before Christmas.

— *Mike & Sue Parker*

## Parish Council

The Parish Council met on the 13th October and 8th December 2016.

Councillor Damian Johns and Councillor George Ohikere, on behalf of the Parish Council, have secured funding for a Defibrillator for the village. The equipment will be installed at the Village Hall and further details of the training provided by the Yorkshire Ambulance Service to follow.

The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (the Act) closes the Audit Commission and establishes new arrangements for the accountability and audit of local public bodies in England, including Parish Councils. The Act builds on the general principle that all local public bodies, regardless of size, must account for all the money they receive and spend, wherever it comes from. Local taxpayers expect local public bodies to be open and transparent about how they have handled public money, as these bodies are always accountable to the communities they serve.

Councillor Suwfieya Habergham and Clerk Alan Barker, on behalf of the Parish Council, have secured a grant from the Transparency Fund to purchase IT equipment, develop the Parish Council Website to enable the Council to function and communicate effectively and for

training for the Parish Councillors and Clerk.

Alan Barker has now completed 3 months in his role as Clerk to the Parish Council. Alan is a regular visitor to the village, attending meetings and updating the village notice boards. Alan can be contacted via the Ellerker Parish website or by email:

[clerk@ellerkerparish.uk](mailto:clerk@ellerkerparish.uk)

The Council is inviting some expert advice for the management of the fruit trees on the allotment. Although there was a good crop of fruit on some of the trees, others have some disease and need pruning or replacing. The necessary work will be done before the spring.

Steps are being taken to remove the redundant telephone box in the village before it falls into further disrepair.

The ERYC Street Scene workers have been reminded that the only places that weed killer is allowed in the village are against the kerbstones and around the external wall of The Croft.

Following four accidents recently on the stretch of road between Sewell's petrol filling station and the Brough Stockbridge roundabout, a letter requesting a 40mph speed limit and improved road signage and markings at the Ring Beck crossroads has been sent to the ERYC. Following their investigations, a response is expected in January.

Councillors considered the proposals in the East Riding for changes to Urgent Care and voted to support Option 1, which is to create 2 Urgent Care Centres at Beverley and Goole. In the proposal for wrap-around care Councillors voted for Option A, which is the creation of an integrated community and rehabilitation centre in a single location at Beverley, supported by *Time to Think* beds. The consultation runs until 17th January and residents can make their own views known on the ERYC website.

Following the resignation of Ruth Haycock, the Parish Council now has one vacancy, which it aims to fill before the next meeting on 2nd February. If any resident is interested in joining the Council, please contact the Clerk or any of the Parish Councillors.

Residents are again respectfully requested not to park on the grass verges, which are getting badly churned up in certain parts of the village.

Thank you to the three local companies who have sponsored the Ellerker Parish Website:

- Ellerker Lodge Garden Centre
- Wandahome (South Cave) Ltd
- Wintergreen Groundcare Ltd

Further sponsorship opportunities are available. Please contact the Clerk to the Council, Alan Barker.

## Planning

### 16/03309/VAR

Westfield, Brough Road (Wandahomes) - Holiday homes - Approved 17.11.16

### 16/03326/TCA

Willow Garth (Tree felling and pruning) – Approved 14.11.16

### 16/02207/PLF

Ebenezer House (Amendment to entrance) – no consultation (Non Material – application approved)

### 16/03630/TCA

Ebenezer House (Cherry Tree / Conifers) – Approved by EPC 17.11.16

### 16/03691/PLF

Ferne Cottage, Main St (Change of garage use) – Approved by EPC 02.12.16

**Next meeting:** Thursday, 2nd February 2017. All residents are welcome.

— Alan Barker (C to PC)

## Brick People

Inside the Village Hall hangs a framed photograph of the opening of the Hall in 1929. Lord Deramore, the Lord Lieutenant at the time, is pictured ceremonially turning the key, flanked by Major & Mrs Field Till of Ellerker Hall, with Sir Arthur Atkinson between them.

On a closer look at this photograph it is interesting to see half of the inscribed bricks in their original exterior position. The late Mrs Edith Wood, of Hazel House used to say she raised money towards the building of the Hall by 'selling' inscribed bricks for half a crown (12½p) each.

When cloakrooms were eventually built, the commemorative bricks changed from being external and open to the weather, to internal and protected for posterity. There is a central brick inscribed AD 1929 and among the names of people which surround it are:

HAROLD WALTON and his brother LAURENCE WALTON who lived at Chapel House.

W. C. HYDE haulier and smallholder.

R. G. COULTOUS who lived at Oxmardine, opposite the church bell-cote. [Now Appleton House – Ed.]

WILLIAM REED of Church Lane.

A. BORMAN father of Emma, Gladys and Laura. Laura was housekeeper for Mrs Ellerker of Howdencroft.

FRANCIS E. BARRATT (Frank) of Micawber Cottage, potato merchant, church warden and WWII soldier.

KATHLEEN NEEDLER (Kay Barratt). Frank's late wife, who was two years old when these bricks were laid. She lived all her eighty-nine years in Ellerker and worked loyally for local blind people.

CHARLIE WOOD of Ashley House, who founded the present haulage business.

R. HORNSEY, Taylor of South Cave.

SOUTH CAVE SILVER BAND who played at local events and were

remembered for accompanying the carol singers who visited outlying farms, local streets and had many a good supper there.

Some names are un-remembered as their bricks mention Doncaster, Wetherby, London, Middlesbrough and Colwyn Bay, even Canada. They must all have had good memories of Ellerker.

— Mary Dennis

## Neighbourhood Watch

We are very sorry to report the resignation from our Committee due to ill health, of two of our long-standing co-ordinators, Mr and Mrs John and Pat May. They have both given the Committee and the Village as a whole their 100% support and guardianship respectively and we are sure that all you residents would wish to join us, the Committee members, in thanking them for that commitment.

Naturally this gives us two vacancies to continue the good work which comprises four quarterly meetings and some other support work. If you are interested, please do contact your co-ordinator or the writer at the telephone number below.

Incident-wise, apart from the recent burglary reported mid-quarter, we have again had notification of poaching. Please note, that if you wish to report suspicious events/vehicles in respect of that or any other matter, do, if possible, please make a note of the vehicle number involved as well as a description of its make, colour etc. Please contact 101 in the first instance and then put your co-ordinator in the picture.

Finally, we wish our readers all the very best for Christmas, but not without reminding ourselves always to be vigilant and not leave doors and windows open or presents lying around in full view, especially with wheels and outside!

— David Wood

## DIARY DATES

### December

18 at 6pm, Christmas Nativity and Carols, St Anne's

20 at 6pm, Carol Singing around the village, Ellerker Lodge GC start

24 at 11.30pm, Midnight Mass, St Anne's

25 at 9.30am, Christmas Special, St Anne's

### January

26, 27, 28 at 7.30pm, Ellerker Show, Village Hall

### February

2 at 7.30pm, Parish Council, Village Hall

**Women's Institute** meetings are normally held on the 1st Wednesday in the month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

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