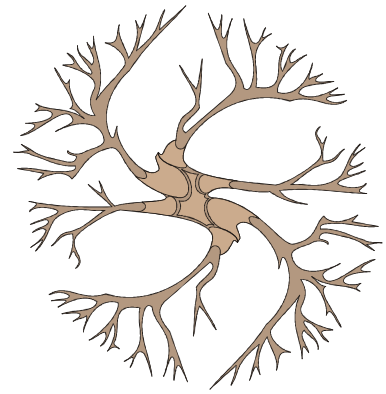


# Ellerker NEWS

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A roundup of news from around the parish

## Parish Boundary Walk



### Stop Press!

Twenty seven walkers set off to walk clockwise around Ellerker Parish Boundary at 9.10 on Saturday, 18th September. How long did it take to walk the 15 miles? How much money was raised to help fund next July's Millenium Village Day? How many walkers finished? Find out in the full report in the next issue of Ellerker News!

- Ed.

## Women's Institute

Once more the WI has demonstrated it's versatility. Mrs Jessie Puckering and Mrs Mavis Cooney have both again shone at line dancing, gaining their Silver Medals. Congratulations ladies!

In conjunction with "The Day of a Thousand Cakes" to raise funds for our Beverley Federation Office, the WI hosted a Coffee Evening on Wednesday 4 August in the Village Hall. The tables veritably groaned with the amount of home-grown vegetables and plants, cakes and biscuits, and 'bring & buy' items. We were kept busy supplying our customers with refreshments of tea, coffee and an assortment of fruit scones and fresh cream — no doubt the diet went out of the window for many that evening! It was not surprising, then, to find the takings reached £122, out of which a donation will be made to the Federation Office.

Our Annual Produce Show took place on 1 September. The speaker for the evening was

aromatherapist, Janet Brown, who gave an extremely interesting talk on its history and uses. We all got the opportunity to 'guess the aroma' and have a quick hand massage. The Members put on a splendid display of their talents, with trophies awarded as follows:

Mrs Joan Seward and Mrs May Jackson were joint winners in the Handicraft section; Mrs Brenda Jackson won the Produce section; and Mrs Amanda Baggley won the cups for Cookery, Flowers and Best In Show. The Children's section provided a lovely display with Louise Baggley coming 1st, Elaine Puckering 2nd and Richard Green 3rd.

- YM

## Playing Fields

'It is an ill wind that blows nobody any good', and the rain that fell with the wind in the early part of the summer ensured that the grass on the two playing fields grew well. Now, in late summer the Green has never looked better and makes a fine centre feature of our village.

The annual Barn Dance to raise funds for the maintenance of the two playing fields was held on 26 June at White House Farm and an excellent evening was enjoyed by all those who attended. 216 tickets were sold, up by about 30 on 1998, which endorses the popularity of the event and the band has already been booked for 25 June 2000. Particular thanks are due to the Bradley family for providing the venue and to the Ladies of the Village under Mrs Jessie Puckering who once again organised the catering.

The Village Sports Day was held in beautiful summer weather on Saturday, 8 September and there were entries into all the activities and sports from all age groups within the village, but particularly the children. Miss Rita Nichols judged the children's competition entries, which she commented were of a very high standard.

The competitions were a) picture a house in the year 2999 b) a Family Tree and c) a vehicle made from waste household material d) five



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"Time Capsule" items e) costume through the last 1000 years – fancy dress. There was also an "all comers" competition for a photograph depicting an Ellerker person or place; the adult winner was Dennis Mellor and the junior winner, Emma Hall. The overall winner of the indoor competitions and fancy dress was Fiona Scott. The Senior Gardener trophy went to Phil Copeland. Particular thanks must go to Marti Hall who organised a workshop in the Village Hall for the children to prepare their entries on the previous Saturday; many of the entries were completed during the workshop.

Winners of the sports on the Green, again ably co-ordinated by Paddy Hall, were:  
100 Yards Sprint - Adele Sewell; Round the Green - Leon Sewell; Men's Welly - Martin Sewell, Ladies Welly - Gill Noble, Boys Welly - James Saxby; Girls Welly - Lucy.

For those who entered the photograph competition, we would like to copy the pictures and make a collage to commemorate Ellerker at the end of the 2nd Millenium. Please will you let Tim Pickles have the originals or copies of your pictures. In fact the same applies to anyone who would like their picture included but who didn't enter the competition.

The next Playing Field Committee activity is the Childrens' Christmas Party which is planned for Saturday, 8 January 2000. All Children living in the village aged 14 years or under will receive an invitation to this annual event, when Father Christmas also finds time to call in. Please make a note of it in your diary today.

*TC-T*

### **St. Anne's**

The District PCC wish to thank Mr and Mrs Parker for hosting the Cheese and Wine Party on 20<sup>th</sup> June – a great success.

A special thank you to Mrs June Davenport for the extremely successful Garden Party at Ellerker Manor on 31<sup>st</sup> July, raising £1,000 for Church Funds. The weather was absolutely perfect for Dennis and his friend from Swanland to display twelve vintage motorcycles, many thanks for all the pushing and the loan of the tennis court, a perfect hard standing for this display. The cream teas, bouncy castle, bottle stall, golf, the music (enjoyed by everyone during the whole afternoon), the produce and cake stall, hot dogs, lucky dip, guess the weight of the lamb (thank you Chris Bradley for this rural flavour); the loan of the Hull City School of Excellence Goal Keeper - LEON SEWELL, all complemented each other to make this afternoon such

a memorable occasion. Thank you for all your hard work, including the cleaning up afterwards, leaving the grounds of Ellerker Manor just as we found them, especially to everyone who came and supported us during the afternoon.

Yes, the Church will be floodlit for the Millenium, many thanks for the donations which have made this possible, including the cost of the electricity. Local and Senior Police Officers have given their backing to this project and planning permission is not required. The lights will be on from dusk until 11pm.

The steam organ service on the village green was well attended with a congregation of 90+, who all enjoyed afternoon tea and cakes. We wish to thank Mr and Mrs Sayer for the supply of electricity and Alan Scott for the loan of his tractor and trailer to move the chairs and tables and above all for the delicious cakes which we all look forward to every year. "FORGIVENESS SHOUL BE AN ATTITUDE OF THE MIND" WAS THE SPIRITUAL MESSAGE.

### **FUTURE EVENTS**

**1<sup>st</sup> October** – Harvest Thanksgiving Service, 7pm with Supper in the Village Hall.

**3<sup>rd</sup> October** – Family Harvest Service, 9.30am, for the children to bring their produce and gifts to be donated to the Newland Children's Homes on the Monday.

**19<sup>th</sup> October** – Antiques Road Show and Supper, subject to confirmation of venue and speaker/ auctioneer.

**19<sup>th</sup> November** – Quiz night, place and time to be confirmed.

**January 2000** – Millenium Evenings of Entertainment.

**23<sup>rd</sup> July 2000** – Sunday before St. Anne's Day (26<sup>th</sup> July) Richard Frith, the Bishop of Hull will be preaching.

**January to December 2000** – A sponsored 2,000 mile cycle ride or walk around the village, seven laps a day x 365 to complete the ride or walk. FEELING DIZZY? THE PRIZE A FREE-STANDING FLAG POLE in the Church yard, subject to planning approval of course. ONE PENNY A MILE or whatever you wish to sponsor for the completed 2,000 miles.

**- MB**

### **Parish Council**

**Traffic Survey** — Ellerker is the only village in the area which does not have a speed limit of less than 60mph. The survey was requested with the intention of using the information gathered to justify a lower limit. The two survey points were determined by the police and were positioned in the same place as the previous exercise, some 3

years earlier.

The results show that during the 5 day survey period 3,098 vehicles were counted on Cave Lane and 2,225 on Howden Croft Hill, travelling at an average speed of 25.3mph and 33.4mph respectively. Only one vehicle exceeded the 60mph speed limit! The figures for volume of traffic show that it has increased on the two roads by 4.3% and 9.8% and this is not considered to be sufficient by Humberside Police to justify a speed limit in the village.

The final say on the matter is with East Riding of Yorkshire Council. It has been suggested that a petition may be useful in attracting the attention of East Riding Councillors. A repeat survey is to be requested by the Council, with monitoring equipment situated at different points, for a full week and with results showing how many vehicles exceed 40mph.

**Footpaths** — East Riding of Yorkshire Council have been asked by the Council about the maintenance of Footpaths in the Parish, both those which are paved and those which follow field boundaries. Five months ago they were asked to remove a tree growing out of the footpath outside Rose Cottage, it is still there and getting bigger. More recently they were asked about their poor maintenance of field footpaths. The Parish Footpaths Officer is to be invited to speak at the October meeting about the Parish Paths Partnership (South Cave, Welton and Elloughton are all "partners").

Residents are reminded that plants growing on their property should not be allowed to obstruct public rights of way (footway, bridleway or highway).

**Guard Rail** — East Riding of Yorkshire Council are planning to repair the roadside guard rail at the east end of Main Street before the end of the year.

**Litter Bin** — A bin has been requested, to be placed at the bus stop layby at Ring Beck crossroads. This happens to be at the centre of the area in the Parish which suffers most from litter (the old A63).

**Clerk's Salary** — The Salary of the Clerk to the Parish Council has been increased for the current year in line with the official recommendation.

**A Rights of Way Survey** — A Survey by the Rambler's Association which covered footpaths of the Parishes within the old Beverley Borough was circulated, comments were forwarded by the Council at their request.

**Telephones** — The promise earlier in the year by Kingston Communications, of cable laying for connection to their network "in the summer", seems to be less certain now than it was in the Spring. The Council Clerk awaits a reply from the Marketing Director on the latest position.

**Election** — Expenses for the Parish May elec-

tion were £60.69.

**Planning** — A meeting to attempt to resolve the problems of noise and smell emanating from the Black Horse was convened on 1<sup>st</sup> July 1999 by East Riding of Yorkshire Council's Chief Planning Officer. Residents adjacent to The Black Horse, representatives of The Black Horse and of the Parish Council were present.

An application for construction of a conservatory at Verdone was approved.

The application to build an extension at Fern Villa was refused, the applicant is to appeal against this decision.

**Conservation Area Status** — Now that Ellerker has Conservation Area Status it is necessary to request permission of East Riding of Yorkshire Council to fell any tree with a trunk diameter of more than 3 inches.

A member of the Council now represents Ellerker on the East Riding of Yorkshire Council Rural Conservation Committee. As part of the Parish rota the Committee will meet at the Village Hall in Ellerker on October 27<sup>th</sup>, starting at 10am.

**Correspondence** — Advice from the National Association for Local Councils, is that the deadline for correspondence to be included as part of the business at Council meetings, is 7 days before the meeting date.

**Meeting dates** — 26<sup>th</sup> October, 14<sup>th</sup> December and 8<sup>th</sup> February 2000. All in the Village Hall commencing 7.30pm.

- TJP

## Yorkshire Countrywomen

Ellerker YCA have had a happy summer, including an August outing to the Hemswell Craft and Antique Centre, with a meal at Briggate Lodge on the return journey.

In July we had a demonstration on Herbs by Mrs Carol Atkinson, which was much enjoyed.

The September meeting was members night, the highlight of which was a talk by Mrs Gladys Handley on her visit to Russia. The show was well supported and trophy winners were:

Flowers - Mrs B. Harper; Cookery - Mrs M. Dennis; Handicrafts - Mrs E Jones; Fruit and Vegetables - Mrs B. Harper. The award for the best item in the show was shared jointly by Mrs Mary Dennis for a fruit loaf and Mrs Joan Waudby for a tray of vegetables.

The YCA are entering a Quiz team lead by Mrs Shirley Cliffe for the forthcoming Neighbourhood Watch fund raising event.

We look forward to the October meeting when Mr Doug Stewart of Bishop Burton College will take as his subject "The Holly and the Ivy".

- MD

## Millenium Group

A circular, giving an update of the committee's work has recently been delivered to all households. Two important dates for all diaries in the year 2000 are the Village Day on 15<sup>th</sup> July and the Fireworks in November.

An Ellerker Menu book is nearing the printing stage and should be available in time for the approaching Festive Season's gift list. Think of how many you will need! On 15th July 2000 there will be an Ellerker Millennium Day. This is open to all current residents in Ellerker and Hilldales. In addition, we would like to extend a welcome to all the ex-residents of Ellerker and Hilldales. If any reader is in touch with, or knows the address of any ex-resident, please extend a welcome to them to attend the Day. Alternatively, please let the Millennium Committee know their address so that a letter of invitation can be sent to them. The chestnut tree competition took place on the 11th. September and was judged by Mr. F. Gratton. The cup was won by Mr. Zed Richards. The trees are to be planted around the area, with each tree specifically located by satellite navigational means. This will allow future generations to exactly locate them. Anyone who grew a tree but did not enter it into the competition, are invited to take their trees to Green's Garden Centre, so that they can be planted out and located with the others.

- JA

## Operation Lifestyle

Louise Mellor, Sarah Hallas, Rachel Blee took part in this local Lifestyle project.

Their "Work in the Community" project was to clear grass and weeds from the graves in St. Anne's churchyard, a walk past the Church reveals their results.

For their money making event, the Safeway supermarket in Brough gave them permission to hold a bun stall outside their store for 2 hours. They managed to raise £74.98, which they took to the Children's Ward at the Hull Royal Infirmary. The money is to be used to buy new toys.

- *Jessie Puckering*

## Village Hall

Well, we should keep warm this winter. The heating systems new boiler has been installed, along with a hot water supply to a mixer tap in the sink. Unfortunately the work to the front of the hall is not progressing as quickly as we would have liked. First of all, waiting for the planning permission and now the builder's estimates for the work. However, the committee are confident that we shall get there eventually. We entered the village hall in the East Riding of York-

shire Council Rural Development Awards. Best village hall, being short-listed into the final six. Unfortunately we did not win. When the judges visited Ellerker for an inspection they were impressed with the general condition of our hall, suggesting one or two points for improvement. In the committees attempt to continue improving the facilities, they will be considered for future projects. The hall continues to be well used. Mrs. Jessie Puckering will be pleased to take bookings for your party, reception, etc. The A.G.M. has been fixed for November the 2nd. at 8 p.m.. All the residents of Ellerker and Hilldales are invited to attend this meeting to raise any points they wish with the committee. Don't forget it is your hall so come and get involved. Light refreshments and a session of Big Prize Bingo, free to all who attend, will follow the A.G.M. Make it a date.

- DC

## ELLERKER EVENT DIARY OCTOBER – DECEMBER

### October

- 1 Harvest Thanksgiving, Village Hall, 7pm
- 3 Family Harvest Service, St. Anne's, 9.30am
- 6 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 7 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 19 Antiques Road Show - venue to be advised
- 26 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30pm

### November

- 2 Village Hall AGM, Village Hall, 8pm
- 3 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 4 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm

### December

- 1 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 2 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 14 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30pm

## Acknowledgement

Many thanks to British Aerospace for their assistance in producing this publication. - Ed.

## Correction

It was reported in EN07 that Mary Dennis was the first woman on the Parish Coucil, in fact she was preceded in this by Mrs. E.A. Wood, Mrs. M. Green and Miss. W. Hutchinson. Mary is the however the only woman to be Chairman of the Council so far. - Ed.



Recent quote from someone in the Village:  
"When you're out walking in the country you can always tell when your approaching habitation, by the increase in the amount of dog c\*\*p on the footpath".  
*- Ed*

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