

Ellerker NEWS

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A r o u n d u p o f n e w s f r o m a r o u n d t h e p a r i s h

Women's Institute

We started off the New Year with our Annual Celebration Dinner. This consisted of a delicious meal and the prize giving for the winners of our monthly competitions. Mr Alan Richards, who played the Village Hall's organ and led us all in a sing-a-long, provided the entertainment. Customs & Excise were due to attend the February meeting with one of their working dogs. Unfortunately, their representative couldn't make it so we had a talk by a fascinating lady who'd had more hobbies than most of us had had hot dinners! She was a very talented woman and inspired many of us. This month sees us being visited by Wallace Arnold Travel.

Members are all busy at the moment, preparing for The Rally in May where the theme for all the stands is a book title. By the time you read this we will have had our first jumble sale of the year – we hope you attended and picked up a bargain!



Don't forget we meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in Ellerker Village Hall – we can assure you a warm welcome!

- YM

Village Hall

Even though the Committee has only met twice since the beginning of the year, there's been quite a lot to do. The National Lotteries Board required an End of Grant Report (which took some completing!) but they were more than pleased with our efforts.

Leeds Library Theatre Touring Company will be coming to the Hall once again, on Friday, 4 May 2001, 7pm for 7.30pm. Those of you who came to "Educating Rita" know you'll be in for a treat. This time they will be putting on a production of "Sleuth" which promises to be both thrilling and funny. Tickets will be £5 for adults

and £4 for children aged 12-16 years and will be available soon from Green's Garden Centre. Look out for the posters, which will appear around the village.

There is still space on the Committee for a few more members so, if you have a little time to spare, contact one of the Committee about joining us.

- YM

Yorkshire Countrywomen

Ellerker YCA's winter season began with the Christmas party in the village Hall, followed by Mr Philip Copeland in January with a succession of Yorkshire tales. The competition was for a Christmas Card, which produced an immense variety of styles.

In February the Headway Players paid a return visit, with sketches and songs from their repertoire. The hat competition included a Chinese hat, a Sombrero and an army hat, as well as fashion items of straw, feathers and felt.

We are sorry that Mrs Margaret Friend is retiring as Chairman at our annual meeting in March, when the speaker will be the well-known gardener, Doug Stewart.

At the recent Hull Musical Festival one of our members, Mrs Marjorie Robinson came second in her singing class.

- MD

Easter Litter Pick

The 3rd Annual Parish Litter Pick is planned for Saturday, 14th April. It is hoped that FMD movement restrictions will not prevent it taking place. Please contact Tim Pickles (422585) if you wish to take part.

- TJP

Parish Council

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Bus Shelter - a site meeting has been held with ERYC and the builder, Mr Thornham, the position of the shelter has been marked out. Work is due to start soon.

A63 interchange - Mr Rennie of ERYC Highways section addressed the Parish Council meeting on 6th February. He proposed a new road layout for the end of the interchange nearest the petrol filling station. It will involve some road re-alignment, a roundabout and a longer curved exit path from the dual carriageway. Money to make the changes is available and he reported that the work will take place this year. Inevitably there will be traffic disruption for the duration of the changes.

Oil spillage in beck - A number of people noticed the smell of oil and then the iridescent sheen on the water surface on Monday, 8th January. The source was traced to Brantingham, allegedly the source was a vandalised heating oil tank behind the Village Hall. An Ellerker resident informed the Environment Agency via ERYC. The pollution stretched through the village as far as Brough Haven. The Parish Council has decided not to press the EA for any action – it is understood that the Brantingham Village Hall heating is being converted from oil to gas.



Sewage treatment - In order to meet EU directives, all effluent entering the Humber must be a treated to an agreed standard by the end of 2003, at the moment a significant volume is untreated. Yorkshire Water meetings are being held every 2 to 3 months, to discuss where waste water treatment plants are going to be located, the Parish Clerk is representing Ellerker. One option being considered is the routing of sewage from Brough and Elloughton to the Ellerker Waste Water Treatment Works (Ellerker WWTW) on Norfolk Bank Lane. At the moment the Ellerker WWTW takes the sewage from Newport to Newbald and all drops in between! The Works have been unable to cope with the flow during recent heavy rain and effluent has been flowing out of the works into the adjacent field and watercourse. The Council is naturally concerned at the prospect of more waste coming to the Parish. There will be a public exhibition of plans later this year.

Tree felling - It was re-stated that permission to fell trees inside the Ellerker Conservation Area must be obtained from ERYC before work can commence. Most people in the village are complying. If you are not clear whether or not your property is within the conservation area, please

contact the Clerk to the Parish Council.

Planning Applications - Approvals: Ebenezer House and Mill House. Refusals: Stonepit Lane site and Ellerker Frowers (Ings Lane). Pending: Hunsdale Propellant Powder Store - changes have been suggested to ERYC in order to make the development more acceptable.

Police - Nigel Stork has replaced Simon Gooding as the local Constable.

Annual Village Assembly - this will form part of the meeting in May.

Future Meetings - at 7.30pm in the Village Hall:
3rd April 2001
29th May 2001

- TJP

Acknowledgement

Many thanks to Morgan Associates for their assistance in producing this publication.

- Ed

Playing Fields

We are holding a Family Treasure Hunt on Sunday 22 April 2001, starting from the Village hall at 2pm, so please put the date in your diary now. There will be prizes for families and prizes for young groups and questions for all, so bring your friends.

After the Treasure Hunt, at 4pm, the doors open for a special Ellerker Strawberry Tea, organised by Jessie Puckering and her ladies and the strawberries have been grown in Ellerker as well, none of those imported ones.

Why? You may ask are we raising money. Well, you will have noticed that the Horse Chestnut tree has had major surgery in the last month and there is no NHS for old Chestnuts and the operation had to be done privately and it cost a pretty penny too. Sadly, the Tree Surgeon was not over optimistic about our old friend making a full recovery and although he hopes that the tree will go on for a few more years yet, after major surgery, the shock can be fatal.

You will have noticed that, to prepare for the inevitable, a young tree has been planted in the shade of the old tree. Pretty puny it looks too, by comparison, but it will look bigger when it is in leaf, so before too long we will have a healthy young specimen, which will grow into a fine re-

placement.

Please put these dates in your diary:



19 April – Ellerker Playing Field
AGM at 7.30pm

22 April – Treasure Hunt at 2pm, Strawberry Tea
and Cake Stall at 4pm. Tickets for Treasure Hunt
and Strawberry Tea through Jessie Puckering,
Tel: 01430 422761

19 May – Jumble Sale and Cake Stall at 2pm

22 June – Ellerker Barn Dance at White House
Farm – start booking your Barn Dance tickets
now through Sheilagh Bradley at White House
Farm, Tel: 01430 422420

- TC-T

Medibus

The East Riding of Yorkshire Council has been awarded a £423,000 grant from Central Government for Rural Bus Challenge. The money is to be used to provide a dedicated dial-a-ride door to door service for hospital users in rural areas.

Each bus can carry 8 passengers (including 1 wheelchair)

1. Patients with hospital appointments.
2. Carers/friends accompanying patients.
3. People visiting patients in hospital.
4. Any other users if there's room.

There is a charge made for the service, but it is cheaper than a taxi.

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To book your seat call 01482-885880 the day before you need it, or preferably earlier. Bookings are taken on a first come first served basis. You will be given a time when you will be collected and you will be contacted by phone if there is a delay. Arrange the return journey with the driver of the Medibus.

If you have any questions, the Medibus Officer is Richard Willis on 01482-883059/ 871711.

- Ed

Up Periscope

An evening with Lt Commander Dick Cathcart: about submarines and the men who sail in them.

Friday, 30th March at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Tickets are £5 for admission and refreshments, from Frank Barratt (422591), Joan Scott (422542), Sue Parker (421132) or Mike Bushby (422757).

- Ed

Foot and Mouth

You may already have seen the Public Notice on the Parish Council Notice Board, it reads:

"The Foot and Mouth Disease (Amendment) (England) Order 2001

The East Riding of Yorkshire Council acting through a duly authorised officer hereby declares, after consultation with the Minister, the prohibition of movement of any person in or out of agricultural land by means of any public bridleway or footpath within the Council's area.

This prohibition shall apply until further notice.

Dated: 1st March 2001"

- Ed

The Parish Church of St Anne Ellerker

The Archbishop of York, the Privy Council and the Queen consented to St. Anne's becoming the Parish Church of Ellerker from 1st March 2001. This is just 340 years after the "MAGNIFICENT CHAPEL OF THE HOLY TRINITY HULL, BECAME AN INDEPENDENT PARISH FROM ALL SAINTS HESSLE". So even a big church was once a chapel like St Anne's. Having become an independent parish we elected our first Parochial Church Council and two church wardens on 13th March 2001.

St Anne's PCC wish to thank everyone who took part in the concert, the fellowship was fantastic and the money raised was a great boost to our funds. With the track record of three, the fourth is being planned. So have a gentle think about your slot for the 2002 concert.

Our next event is "UP PERISCOPE" (see above).

The PCC wish to thank everyone who has agreed to open their gardens on MONDAY 16th APRIL 2001 11 am to 5 pm. Refreshments will be available and plants for sale.

Admission is by programme £2, Children Free. Available on the day from the Village Hall or any of the Open Gardens, or before the day from Frank Barratt 422591 or Joan Scott 422542.

Look out for the balloons!!

A message from the Archbishop of York:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

One of the most exciting things about our Diocese is the enormous variety of settings in which the Church is present. First there are the Parishes – nearly 500 of them with all their huge contrasts. Then there are the Hospitals, Prisons, Schools, Colleges, Farms, Selby Coal Field, Hull Docks, Teesside Industry. In all these and more the church has a presence both lay and ordained.

In this first year of a new Christian Millennium I invite the Diocese to pause and reflect. I am asking you to think once again about that fundamental question "What is the Church for?" I would like to hear about your plans for the Mission entrusted to you by Christ for your locality.

LIVING THE GOSPEL is essentially local in nature. We have no Blue Print for Mission to impose. I would like you to share your priorities with me. What is it that you are seeking to be and do in Christ's name? I realise that Stock Taking of this kind goes on all the time in different parts of the Diocese. But I believe there is real merit in asking every church to address the same fundamental questions at the same time. This will, I hope, encourage a deepening sense of unity in Mission, and enable us better "To Bear One Another's Burdens and so fulfil the Law of Christ".

The outcome of a review of this kind might actually mean less work and fewer activities! Canon Robert Warren works with a large number of churches and he concludes that healthy churches often do fewer things – but to a higher standard. (Like the Ellerker Village Concert)

LIVING THE GOSPEL is a Mission initiative. It is aimed at supporting you in your discipleship in your particular locality. I need to know how the Diocesan Leadership can help you in fulfilling your witness and mission in this 21st Century.

God Bless You All. The Archbishop of York.

A Mission Statement for the Diocese of York into the 21st Century.

We are called by Jesus Christ to announce God's Kingdom and to make disciples.

In response, we will endeavour to:

INSPIRE AND RESOURCE the mission of the Church and the ministry of laity and clergy.

WORK IN CO-OPERATION with Christians of other traditions.

We commit ourselves to:

ATTENDING to God in worship, prayer, and the study of the Scriptures.

EXPLORING the faith and its implications and challenges for life today, through teaching, learning and nurture.

GROWING as communities of faith, hope and love, as a sign of God's Kingdom.

ENGAGING with God's world and its peoples, in compassion, service and evangelism.

MISSION PRAYER.

Lord Jesus Christ, you looked upon the City of Jerusalem with compassion and tears.

Look with mercy upon our Diocese and help us to gladden many hearts with the good news of your love and grace, as we proclaim and live the Gospel.

Amen.

-MB

Email

Several people in the village can be contacted by electronic mail. Unlike telephone numbers these are not usually available in a directory. If you have an email address and are happy to make it available to others in the village, please send a message to tim.pickles@mail.com. If I get any response I'll list them in the next issue of Ellerker News.

-TJP

ELLERKER EVENT DIARY APRIL — JUNE

April

- 3 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 4 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 5 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 16 Open Gardens, around the Village, 11am
- 19 Playing Field AGM, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 22 Family Treasure Hunt, Village Hall, 2pm
- 22 Strawberry Tea, Village Hall, 4pm

May

- 2 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 3 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 4 "Sleuth" by Leeds Library Theatre, Village Hall, 7pm
- 19 Jumble Sale, Village Hall, 2pm
- 29 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30pm

June

- 6 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 7 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 22 Barn Dance, White House Farm, 8pm

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