

# Ellerker NEWS

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A roundup of news from around the parish

## Didn't we have a quacking good time, the day we went to Sewerby!

Sixteen children aged between 3 and 73 joined the Busy Bible Club's summer outing to Sewerby Hall and Gardens in Bridlington. The splendid weather encouraged all to join in the fun of a day at the seaside. Monkeys, llamas, penguins and pot-bellied pigs were highlights at the zoo in the morning and this visit was followed by a pre-lunch clamber in the adventure playground - the younger children being supervised by the older ones! Fortified by a splendid picnic under the majestic trees in the park, with cakes from both Joan Scott's and Jessie Puckering's kitchens, our entourage set off on the little train to the beach, where within seconds our party had stripped off and were either fully immersed or paddling in the waves. Teas and ice-creams followed before the return journey to the car park where a rather hot white knight in shining armour was awaiting with a spare set of car keys for one of our damsels in distress!



We all agreed that it had been a topping day!

- CW

## Acknowledgement

Many thanks to Morgan, Lloyd, Jones Associates for their generous help in producing this publication.

- Ed

## Yorkshire Countrywomen

Ellerker branch has just had its annual produce

show, which was judged by Mrs Christine Patchett of Broomfleet, with Mrs Margaret Brooker of Ellerker WI acting as steward. The speakers were Mr and Mrs Horner of the Make a Wish Foundation, a charity which grants the wishes of children with life-threatening diseases in order to brighten their lives a little. Examples included, being a policeman for a day, when every means was employed to make it memorable, like riding in a patrol car, sirens blaring and lights flashing, or handcuffing their friends and putting them in a cell for 5 minutes.

This contrasted with the August speaker from Sundora Foods at Pocklington, who supply major supermarkets and buy their dried fruits from all over the world. He travels to Chile and China, Turkey and Thailand in his searches.

Twenty members attended a lunch at the Hessle Country Park Inn to mark the twentieth anniversary of the Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association. This was followed by entertainment by the Headway Players.

Our Chairman, Mrs Hilary Ward, is progressing following a stroke and we all wish her well.

- MD

## St Anne's

Many thanks to all those who volunteered their gardens for the Ellerker Open Gardens Day, about £800 was raised. A programme of Events and Christmas services will be circulated nearer the time. More news to come in the next issue of Ellerker News.

- MRB

## Barn Owl Boxes

As mentioned in the last issue of EN we have 3 boxes mounted in trees around the parish, it is still too early to tell how soon and if the Owls will use them. For the additional four boxes that go on the top of poles, we have the poles and their steel brackets in place and ready to be erected. One of the boxes has been made and we have the materials for the other three. We should have all of these ready for occupancy by December. Many thanks for work done by the Environment Agency, Martin Sewell and Mark Green.

- TJP

## Women's Institute

This third quarter of the year has been a busy time once again for Ellerker WI. Instead of a meeting in August we took to The Ouse – literally! A trip to York was organised where we set sail up river to a lovely restaurant for a meal and then back down the river at dusk, taking in the sights as we went. The coach journey there was almost as eventful as the excursion itself with the driver mistakenly turning down a dead end road in York and having to do some nifty manoeuvring to get back out again! Needless to say, he had plenty of 'back seat drivers'!



The meeting in September saw our Annual Produce & Craft Show, which was very well supported indeed. We had an excellent talk by Midge Thomas who is a Denman WI College tutor. The results of the Show were as follows:

Cookery	-	Audrey Nicholls
Flowers	-	Jean Hall
Handicraft	-	Beatrice Young
Produce	-	Margaret Brooker

The cup for most overall marks went to our President, Margaret Brooker. The trophy for Handicraft went to Brenda Jackson for her 'hardanger' Christmas angel. The cup for 'Best In Show' went to Eleanor Bell for her tomatoes – "such perfect specimens" the judge remarked! Well done to everyone that entered and grateful thanks to all those who organised the day and ensured it went without a hitch.

- YM

## Parish Council

**Norfolk Bank Lane** – lay-bys have at long last been constructed. NOTE. Most of the work on the Humber Bank at Crabley and at the Sewage

Treatment Works is now complete!

## Planning

Development Applications:

- 1) Keeper's Cottage, Dale Road, Brantingham – additional access road and erection of six 'Walker's Lodges' – APPEAL PENDING.
- 2) Hunsdale Farm, Brough Road – Farm Buildings change of use - Awaiting Decision.
- 3) 3 Hill Top Cottage – Porch extension - APPROVED.
- 4) Ring Beck House - Extension - APPROVED.
- 5) Croft Garth Farm – new dwelling to the West - APPEAL PENDING
- 6) Nine Gates Farm - Extension - APPROVED.
- 7) Florins – Conservatory - APPROVED.
- 8) 1 Croft Cottage - Extension – REFUSED
- 9) Cavegates - Demolish existing and erect new glasshouse - APPROVED
- 10) Ellerker Growers - New dwelling - Awaiting Decision.
- 11) Church House - Demolish existing and erect new double garage – Awaiting Decision.
- 12) Mount Airy Business Park - Phase 2 development - Awaiting Decision.
- 13) Belvedere - Extension to rear - Awaiting Decision.

**Insurance** – The Council's insurance premium continues to increase. A recent survey by the Clerk has so far failed to find a cheaper premium.

**Streetscene** – This is an 'initiative' by ERYC to improve cosmetic street maintenance. The Chairman, highlighting shortcomings in current maintenance has completed a questionnaire. A Parish 'walkabout' with ERYC officers took place on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> September.

**Parish Plan** – This is a plan which can be devised by the local community. It states what type of built environment they wish to see in the future. This is then used by Planners at Unitary and Regional level as guidance in their decisions on local planning matters. It is considered that this would involve major effort and it is not clear that there would be commensurate benefit. More information will be obtained from other Councils that have already been through this process to see if it worthwhile pursuing.



**Humber Emergency Plan** – A contingency plan for actions within the Parish and useful contacts in the event of an emergency e.g. serious flooding. This will be completed and maintained by the Parish Clerk based on the model Plan pro-

vided by East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

**Verges** – The Clerk is contacting ERYC for guidance on the acceptability of objects placed on verges to prevent grass erosion. In the past, it was considered that householders place themselves in a legally vulnerable position, since they are placing an obstruction on the Highway.

**Fly tipping** – In some parts of the village the grass verge is being used to dump garden waste, it has been confirmed that East Riding of Yorkshire Council regard this as 'fly tipping'.

**Wheelie Bins** – ERYC plans to replace black bin bags with wheeled bins, the Parish Council are not in favour and is writing to say so.

Next meetings: 9<sup>th</sup> October 2003, 10<sup>th</sup> December 2003

- TJP

## Ellerker Local History

The next meeting of the Local History Group will be on Thursday, 11th December at 7.30 pm. Contact Tim Pickles (422585) for further details.

- TJP

## Playing Fields

We are happy to report that this year's Barn Dance was a great success - apart from the weather! The organisation of this event is very much a team effort and as it's impossible to thank everyone individually we would like to take this opportunity to say to all those people who gave the Tombola Prizes and their valuable time - thank you.



The annual Sports Day was held recently and it was great to see a lot of young children from the village having such a good time in glorious weather.

Thomas Noble had a superb day, winning the Junior Welly Chucking, the Across the Green Race and the Overall Challenge Cup.

Edward Ohikere won the Neighbourhood Watch Trophy.

Clive Gray won the Men's Welly Chucking.

Terri Williamson won the Ladies Welly Chucking.

Mr George Langrick won the Senior Citizens Cup for 'Three Blooms'.

Mrs Pat Jorna win the prize for the Best House-plant.

Sarah Wood won the Rose Bowl for the Single Rose.

Again this event is very much a team effort and thanks go to all those who baked the wonderful cakes, to the ladies who were there on the day manning the stalls and to Mr Jim Bradley and William Puckering for the loan of the equipment.

The next event is a Jumble Sale on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm. All donations gratefully received! Please contact Sarah Wood on 422689 or Heather Ohikere on 423411 to arrange collection.

Thanks to everyone again.

- SW

## BBC

The **Busy Bible Club** meets on the first and third Sundays of each month. This term starts on **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September.**

We meet at 9.20 at the Village Hall. During the past year, we have been taking the children into Church for the first 20 minutes of the service. The congregation has appreciated their presence; the Vicar/Curate have adapted the service to accommodate them and the children seem to have enjoyed taking part. So we intend continuing with this approach!

After 20 minutes, we retire to the Village Hall for songs, stories, games, craftwork and Jessie's homemade biscuits! Our aim is to make Sunday special with fun and friendship, to learn about the Bible and to consider how we can apply Christian teaching to our everyday life. We finish promptly at 10.30.

If you are new to the village or would like to know a little more, then please contact either Claire Wood (424474) or Heather Ohikere (423411).

All children aged 5 – 11 are welcome!

- CW

## Village Hall

Firstly, the Committee would like to say a big **"thank you"** to everyone who supported the fund-raising auction – those who donated unwanted curiosities and those who donated hard-earned cash by way of buying them. Someone locally owns the most expensive Pyrex jug ever! If you attended, I think you'll agree it was a very fun evening with the cardboard cut-out of Alan Titchmarsh fetching £20. The event raised

£599.97 towards the refurbishments and our thanks go to all those who put in a lot of effort to make it go with a swing.

As a result of David Wood's and Mike Parker's hard work on mountains of paperwork, we have been awarded a grant from WREN. This will enable works to commence shortly – hopefully early October, with completion early November (weather, etc, permitting). Primarily, the windows will be replaced and some repairs to the roof above the toilets. Disruption will be kept to a minimum but if you have any concerns please contact the Bookings Officer, Jessie Puckering, or any other member of the Village Hall Committee.

Your opportunity to receive the most up-to-date and/or forward views etc. and perhaps, join the Committee is available at our forthcoming Annual General Meeting. It will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> November 2003 in – wait for it – the Village Hall.

Thanks for your support.

- YM & DRW

## MEDIBUS

From Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2003 all bookings for Medibus and Bridlington Dial-a-Ride will be taken through the East Riding of Yorkshire Council dial-a-ride service call centre. All calls will now be charged at local call rate. The new Number is 08456 445959.

- Ed

## Be SEEN!

Now that days are getting shorter, it might be a good time to print this notice which due to lack of space wasn't included in last December's EN – Ed.

### POLITE NOTICE

Could all dog-walkers please ensure that they wear something light or light-reflective when walking around the village and it's locality so that cars can see you clearly on these dark mornings and nights. Thank you.

- DWG

## Celebrations

It is the 95<sup>th</sup> birthday of Vera Wood this month. Hugh and Tricia Christmas celebrated their Ruby Wedding Anniversary on 3rd August.

- Ed

## Proofing

Thanks must go to Barbara Pickles who for several years now has patiently read my efforts each quarter and tells me where I have gone wrong!

- Ed

## TO GARDENERS EVERYWHERE

A WOMANS GOT TO HAVE A SEAT,  
WHERE SHE CAN REST HER WEARY FEET,  
ESPECIALLY WHEN SHE'S FEELING BLUE,  
AND WORK OUT WHAT HE'S GOT TO DO.

EVERY MAN SHOULD HAVE A SHED, WHERE  
HE CAN REST HIS WEARY HEAD, AND TRY  
AND WORK OUT, WHAT SHE SAID.

THEN WHEN HE THINKS HE'S WORKED IT  
OUT,  
AND STRIVED ALL DAY, WITH SWEAT ON  
BROW,  
AND WHEN HE'S DONE, SHE'LL COME  
ALONG,  
TO TELL HIM THAT HE'S GOT IT WRONG.

FROM EXPERIENCE.

John Waudby  
Lynfield  
Mill Hill  
Ellerker

## ELLERKER EVENT DIARY OCTOBER—DECEMBER

### October

- 1 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 2 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 9 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 11 Jumble Sale, Village Hall, 2pm
- 19 Beck Cleaning 10.00am

### November

- 5 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 6 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 7 Quiz in South Cave Family Centre
- 13 Village Hall AGM, Village Hall, 7.30pm

### December

- 3 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 4 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 6 Church Coffee Morning
- 10 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 22 Carol Singing around the village