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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

BBC -

being busy at Burton Agnes!

The summer outing for the BBC this year was to the magnificent Burton Agnes Hall. It was another joyous occasion, with adults outnumbering

opened, most of us thought better of it.

A big thank you goes to all parents and grandparents of BBC members for coming along, joining in the fun and providing such a delicious picnic.

- CW



being the 11 youngsters by one – always safer that way!!

If you have never visited the Hall, we can strongly recommend it for a delightful day out. The house is absolutely beautiful and the guides are very patient and informative, pointing out all the obvious treasures and those hidden ones like the 16 rams in the ornate plaster ceiling, which kept our gang occupied for quite a while.

The gardens in July were spectacular too. There is something for everyone from the most wonderful and well-stocked walled garden encompassing an enormous glass house with all sorts of exotica, to formal ponds, follies, a lovely woodland walk with carved animals to find along the path, a maze and other themed garden rooms, including giant snakes and ladders and a chess board, which the BBC made their own over the picnic lunch. A shop and plant stall helped us to spend our pocket money before we all had teas and ices. Our plan had been to nip down to Bridlington for a quick dip in the sea but when the skies

Chairs for Sale

Four old Village Hall wooden chairs (round seats) for sale. Offers to P Christmas - 01430 422104. Proceeds to the Village Hall refurbishment fund.

- PAC

Kay

Kay and Frank Barratt wish to say a very sincere 'Thank You' to all their friends for the lovely cards, flowers and super food dishes, sent during Kay's recent convalescence following her hip operation. Kay is now making very good progress .

- Ed

St Anne's

Harvest Festival is on Friday, 1st October at 7pm followed by Harvest Supper in the Village Hall. On Sunday 3rd October at 9.30am, children are invited to bring gifts which are later taken to Newland Children's Home.

- MRB

Views expressed are not necessarily those of the Editor

Advance Warning !

(Get your excuses ready for not going – or Be There)

The seventh Annual Ellerker Village Entertainment will take place in the Village Hall on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 27th, 28th and 29th January, 2005. Tickets will be available Mid-December as usual, with the customary wonderful catering by the St Anne's Church Ladies. Auditions (for the Show, not the catering) will be taking place in the near future and, if you have a particular talent and fancy showing it off in public, perhaps as no-one has seen you before, then please do not hesitate to contact the 'event coordinator' at 424474 as soon as possible. Thanks.

- DRW

Acknowledgement

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

- Ed

Yorkshire Countrywomen

Our summer season has been very varied – a cruise on the River Ouse from York, an audio assisted talk on Radio Nostalgia and a memorable talk on the children of Chernobyl. Children come for three weeks each year to the same house for five years and this is reckoned to add two years to their shortened lives. Local Dentists, Doctors and Opticians give free care and they are sent home with new winter coats and a year's supply of vitamins. A collection that YCA evening raised over £100 towards their next year's clothes.



We held our handicraft show in September and prize-winners included Mrs Joan Scott for the best item in the show and Mrs Janet Green as the year's overall winner in monthly competitions.

- MD

Women's Institute

In July, our advertised speaker was unable to come so our President, Margaret, ably took over and gave an informative talk on jam making. "Oh, how W.!!" I hear you saying; but there is a lot more to jam and pickles than one would imagine. Margaret recently qualified as a 'Jam Judge' for local produce shows.

Our annual outing, in August, was to Burton Agnes Hall, opened especially for us in the eve-

ning. The guide was excellent and despite several previous visits, we all learnt more about the history of this lovely home and its collections. A wonderful buffet meal was enjoyed and many took advantage of 'seconds and thirds!' After viewing the gardens, shopping for souvenirs etc., some members and guests found time to play 'outdoor chess' by torchlight as the night drew in!



September 1st was our annual Produce and Craft Show. Thank you to all those who helped to stage this and treat the six judges to traditional afternoon tea. The number of members entering the different categories is increasing, so thank you all. New member Kate Harris won the Handicraft Cup, but 'Best in Show' went to Beatrice Young for her own-designed needlepoint cushion. One new family category for a photograph of a family pet, taken by the owner, attracted 17 entries. We hope to keep up this interest and keep our little show going when so many seem to be folding up these days.

Tom Wallis from Lowna-Award Winning Cheese Makers, gave a talk in the evening; providing free samples. One member said the cheeses pleasantly surprised her, as normally she does not like goats' cheese. Apparently, the bilberry ice cream was "to die for." I'm very upset I missed it due to family holidays.

Next month, October 6th, will be our special General Meeting – to elect new officers and committee. This is a change in the year's programme as the President will be away in November. So she will miss the Yorkshire Air Ambulance's visit in that month. Please join us, ladies, 7.30 pm Village Hall.

- PH

Village Hall

You will see elsewhere in this issue of Ellerker News, an update of refurbishment work which has taken place in recent months.

Local group, "Quarto", will be providing an evening of entertainment in the Hall on Saturday 25 September. The show will start at 7.30pm and tickets cost £5.50, which includes tea and biscuits. Tickets are available from Green's Garden Centre.

As part of our continued fund-raising, another jumble sale is planned for next month. It will take place on Saturday 16 October in the Village Hall. The doors open at 2pm so be sure to come along and bag a bargain!

And finally ... this year's Annual General Meet-

ing will be held on Wednesday 10 November at 8pm in the Hall where a new Committee will be elected.

- YM

Ellerker Local History

The Local History Group, which meets every quarter, is finding out more about the origins and history of the buildings in the village. For more information about joining the Group contact Tim Pickles (422585).

- TJP

Busy Bible Club

The Busy Bible Club restarts on Sunday 19th September, for children aged 5-11. We meet on the first and third Sundays in the month at the Village Hall, from 9.20 to 10.30.

Should you wish to know more, please contact Claire Wood (424474).

- CW

Parish Council

Beck Cleaning

The Beck Cleaning session for Sunday, 10th October has been cancelled. Many thanks, once again, to those who have helped throughout this season.

Beck Bridges

There is still uncertainty about whether or not ERYC is responsible for maintaining the bridges over the Beck. A letter seeking clarification is to be sent to the Chief Executive of East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

Notice Board

The new Notice Board has been erected on the Village Hall wall and the original one has been placed in the Hill Top bus shelter.

Planning Applications

- 1) Sebastopol Cottage, erection of 2 storey extension & conservatory – APPROVED
- 2) Ellerker Growers – change of use – APPROVED
- 3) Hunsdale Farm – erection of new industrial building to replace pig unit – Awaiting Decision
- 4) Hunsdale Farm – conversion of Dutch Barn to Grain Store – Awaiting Decision
- 5) Beckside Nursery – retrospective permission to retain hard standing – Awaiting Decision

Hutchinson 3G/Gridcom mobile phone mast

A site meeting was held on Brantingham Road with an ERYC Highways Department Officer and a representative YEDL. Promises were made of remedial work to be undertaken by both agencies, but as yet no substantive work has taken place. The chief problem concerns potential obstruction of the Beck by a 5 metre length of

power cable suspended low over the water.

Boundary footpath

Excavations by YEDL's contractors has lead to the footpath on the Ellerker – South Cave Boundary, near Stonepit Road, becoming impassable and a new, unofficial route has been formed by foot-path users. The original route has to be reinstated but so far no action has been taken by ERYC.

Streetscene

You may see yellow footpath and road markings where work is to due take place. This is a continuation of ERYC's 'Streetscene' activity and is a response to the questionnaire completed by the Parish Council.

Plinth

A quotation for repairs to the village name plinth on Cave Lane has been requested, the top two courses of bricks are eroding.

Ring Beck Cross Roads

ERYC were questioned about the bad habits by a few articulated vehicles at Ring Beck Crossroads. When these vehicles find that they are heading South on the wrong road they U-turn at this junction rather than using Stockbridge roundabout. This is a dangerous manoeuvre and damaging to the road surface, making it polished and consequently hazardous in wet weather. ERYC's response is that will monitor the situation once the A63 South Cave Interchange roundabout is complete.

Tree felling & lopping

A number of applications for tree felling and lopping have been made recently. Almost all applications have been approved. Residents are reminded that applications are necessary within the village conservation area and that they are free of charge. Forms are available from East Riding of Yorkshire Council. Failure to apply can lead to a fine of up to £2,000.

Next meeting: 18th November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

- TJP

Playing Fields

We've tried in various articles to keep Ellerker residents up to date with the issue as to whether we should transfer the Custodian Trusteeship of the Playing Fields from the Charity Commission to the National Playing Fields Association (NPFA).

Having exhausted the information gathering & discussion stage, members of the Committee and the remaining original Trustees voted on whether or not to go ahead with the transition. Although there was a majority vote for transfer-



ring to the NPFA it was not unanimous, so the change will not be taking place. This is due to a condition we had set at the beginning of our discussions that any change should have the undisputed backing of all members, before putting the proposal to an open village meeting.



Hopefully by now you will all have seen the fabulous sign at the entrance to the village (courtesy of Len Rye) advertising the '70s evening to be held at Brantingham Park on October 2nd. We need as much support as possible here as it will be our main fund-raising event of the year. So please buy a ticket and we would very much appreciate it if you could give something to the Tombola.

Lastly, this year we are hosting the Neighbourhood Watch Quiz Night, which is due to take place on Thursday, 14th October. Teams of four are invited to attend at a cost of £10 per team. This will include supper to replenish all that brain energy required to answer the questions. The first event in the New Year will be the Village Children's Christmas Party on the Saturday, 8th January 2005 – please make a note in your new Diary and Calendar.

– HO

Village Hall (Refurbishment Update)

Previous editions of the 'Green 'Un' have reported on the angst associated with the seeking of funding for the above project, which, however much against the odds, culminated in the very gratefully received contributions particularly from Villagers, including generous offers of help 'in kind', from Lloyds TSB Charitable Trust and Waste Re-cycling Environmental Ltd ('WREN') which, through local councils, provides funding in relation to projects like ours from the landfill site taxes within our own geographical area.

The last few months have seen a marked advance in the project, which now only lacks the completion of the footpath around the Hall and re-roofing of the Ladies' and Gents' Toilets. Not only have all the windows been replaced along with much of the exterior woodwork, but a lot of work has been done towards the provision of emergency lighting, new emergency exiting and generous voluntary help in providing a new pathway and replacement of the oil tank. (Help still needed, though!)

But not forgetting, however, the complete re-decoration of the interior of the hall and all adjoining rooms. A very willing band of Villagers

and Committee members, armed with power tools and other (not-so-power) tools, sandpapers, paint brushes and cans and rollers, teapots, sugar, quiches, cakes and all other sorts of home-made confections – Toad would have had a Field day – descended on the Village hall for three full days with a great degree of enthusiasm and, despite the laughter and camaraderie, achieved exactly what we all set out to do. In addition to the volunteers from the Village, we were very pleased to welcome staff and inmates from HMP Wolds who contributed magnificently and very constructively to the entire project. All parties felt that the three days of work and banter had helped in producing a job well-done. Additionally, the inmates were able to enjoy some worthwhile work experience, we hope, and a chance to feel welcomed by the world to which they will shortly be returning. It is hoped that perhaps in the future, given sufficient publicity and forward thinking, similar projects can be arranged.

Sadly, all good things have to come to an end. The multi-choice of 'courses' at the mid-morning break, lunch-time and again at tea-time prompted in some of us a reluctance to return home to our regular one-choice diets! Thank you, everyone. (The Committee)

P.S. The newly-pristine Hall is now available, at an economical rental, for all your functions. Please contact our Bookings Secretary, Jessie Puckering at 01430-422761.

- DRW

ELLERKER EVENT DIARY OCTOBER — DECEMBER

October

- 1 Harvest Festival & Supper, 7pm
- 2 70s Night, Brantingham Park
- 3 Harvest Festival Gifts, St Anne's, 9.30am
- 6 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 7 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 14 NW Quiz Night, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 16 Jumble Sale, Village Hall, 2pm

November

- 3 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 4 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 10 Village Hall AGM, Village Hall, 8pm
- 18 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30pm

December

- 1 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 2 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm