A roundup of news from around the parish

St Anne's

The Reverend Peter Draper was ordained Deacon on the 29th June and he is serving his title in South Cave, Ellerker and Broomfleet. Like myself he is employed outside the Church, so does not have a stipend. He has already started leading services and preaching. His sermons have been extremely interesting.

The Archbishop of York in his final address to the Diocesan Synod spoke about his relief at returning to parish life and the need to help his Parish with the £ 96,000 quota. His central theme was parish mission statements and the need to support the growth of the church. He has no desire to spend any more time in London; he much prefers the Yorkshire climate and way of life. There was great surprise from the Ilkley parishioners when he emerged from the vestry at the end of a service to meet them.

We are opening our gardens again in 2005 to meet the ever-increasing cost of running our lovely church.

The PCC wish to thank EVERYONE WHO HAS HELPED in every possible way during 2004.

We are looking forward to the show and a lot of fun in 2005. We will be carol singing around the village during the week before Christmas, come and join us as we make our merry way.

A Very Happy Christmas to you all.

- MRB

Tombola

Thank you to all in the village who gave prizes for the Playing Field's **Seventies Evening** Tombola.

- *PW*

Acknowledgement

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

-Ed

Women's Institute

In October we held a Special General Meeting, instead of the AGM being held in November so that our President could attend.

After a review of the past year, Kate Ollett, from the East Yorkshire Federation, supervised the election of the Committee and

Margaret Brooker was reelected President. After further business, Kate gave us a thought provoking talk on Pennies for Friendship and related many of her experiences in the Far East.



Unfortunately our Speakers for November failed to turn up so Patsy Harrison gave an impromptu talk on her experiences as a urodynamics technician at the Hull Women and Children's Hospital. We welcomed some guests from North and South Cliffe WI who enjoyed their evening with us, despite our sudden change of plans!

Our Jumble Sale made a profit of over £82 in mid-November. Around this time, the President and Secretary enjoyed joining in the celebration of South Cave WI's 75th Birthday.

On December 1st, we had our Christmas Party! The food was prepared by our members and was of the usual high standard – delicious! Brenda Jackson organised "Dominoes with a Difference", which soon had everyone intermingling and gig-

gling at our pathetic attempts to add up the scores – after a glass of wine!

Next month, on Wed. January 5th, our speaker will be Terry Richards on Music and Events. The competition will be "My Favourite Christmas Card". Please come and join us. For further information about joining Ellerker WI, ring the Secretary, Patsy Harrison on 01430- 421593.

Merry Christmas to All the Readers and A Happy New Year!

- PH

Playing Fields

Sports Day – this was well attended, trophy winners were:–

George Langrick Senior Citizens' Cup

Claire Wood Single Rose Bowl
Bethany Gray Fancy Dress
Molly Tinker 100 Yards Race

Thomas Noble Neighbourhood Watch

Round the Field Race -

1st

William Sayer Neighbourhood Watch

Round the Field Race -

2nd

Hannah Wright Neighbourhood Watch

Round the Field Race -3^{rd}

Thomas Noble Challenge Cup

Ian Sayer Welly Chucker – Men's
Heidi Toffolo Welly Chucker – Women's
James Wiliams Welly Chucker – Chil

dren's

Thanks to Anne Walters and Margaret Brooker for being judges.

Seventies Evening – this was a success. In particular the Tombola, run very ably by David and Claire Wood. Thanks to all in the village who donated prizes.

Annual Inspection – the report from the RoSPA Inspector is due following the inspection in September. Daily Inspections continue to be carried out by members of the Committee.

Trees – Three trees are to be pruned or felled.

Guidelines for Use of the Fields – these are to act a benchmark for those wishing to hire the fields.

Neighbourhood Watch Quiz – Hosted this year by the Playing Field Committee it took place on 14th October and once again was a success in all respects. Thanks to Clive Gray for being Quiz Master and to the ladies for the refreshments.

Fergie Tractor – this had to be removed from the field due to its dangerous condition. Mr Bradley found a buyer and this has helped to raise funds for a replacement piece of play equipment.

Parish Precept - a letter had been sent to the Parish Council requesting help with the cost of annual maintenance. It was suggested that the costs could be collected from the village as part of the Parish Precept. Due to more stringent licensing regulations, it has become difficult to raise money to meet annual running costs through the traditional midsummer Barn Dance, whilst remaining within the law. It was felt that everyone in the community benefited from the Playing Fields and as a village asset it could be paid for by the village. A guaranteed means must to be found to secure the Fields for the village in perpetuity. The request for assistance has been rejected.

- *HO*

Village Hall

The Annual General Meeting took place on Wednesday 10th November in the Hall and was very well attended. Phil Copeland started off the evening with a rendition of his poetry and a fair sprinkling of jokes, delivered in his inimitable style. Business was kept to the essentials, with each attendee receiving a copy of the previous minutes, the Chairman's Report and the Treasurer's Report. The representatives from the village organisations were confirmed as follows:

Women's Institute:

Ann Barker & Lilian Cole Countrywomen's Association:

Diana Tarleton & Mary Dennis Parish Council:

Jessie Puckering & Dennis Cooney

Playing Fields Committee:
Ann Barker & Lilian Cole

St Anne's Church:

Patricia Christmas (2nd rep to be confirmed)

The new Committee was elected as follows: Jane Standen, David Wood, Mike Parker, Sue Parker, Soraya Hutchinson and Melanie Williams. Roles of officers will be decided at their first meeting.

Both David Green (outgoing Chairman) and Yvonne Morris (outgoing Secretary) stood down but thanked the Committee for all their support over the years. David expressed the Committee's gratitude to all those who have proved invaluable with their time, effort and support whilst refurbishing the Hall. Frank Barratt gave a vote of thanks on behalf of the Committee's Trustees, congratulating the Committee who, over the years, have helped make the Hall what it is today. David will be concentrating his efforts on a new project, so watch this space! Both wished the new Committee much success in the coming year.

With very best wishes for Christmas and the New Year!

- *YM*

John and Jean

After many years on the Saint Anne's Church cleaning rota Mr & Mrs Kilvington are retiring,

I wish to thank them for there love and care of the church for more than 20 years.

Also I thank all the many ladies for there continuing support and help in keeping Saint Anne's looking beautiful and clean.

Thank you to you all.

- Margaret Green

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

Neighbourhood Watch PRESS RELEASE

Ellerker Neighbourhood Watch are awarded two Silver Awards. We would like to thank the members for your help and support in the fight to keep Ellerker crime free.

On behalf of the team I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and all the best for 2005.

Lynn Waddingham - Chairman

Parish Council

Bridges - There still seems to be uncertainty at ERYC as to who is responsible for the maintenance of the bridges over the Beck, despite them saying earlier that it was theirs.

Tree Felling and Lopping – If you need to fell or lop trees and live within the Conservation Area then you need per-

mission. Ask ERYC for a form to apply for this, since there are significant penalties for carrying out work without prior consent. Tree work has been approved (following applications) at Mill House and Brooklyn House.

Mill Hill One Way System – A number of people in the village have suggested that a one way traffic system would be a good idea. The whole village will need to be consulted as well as Humberside Police and ERYC Highways. Additional street signs will be necessary. This will be discussed more fully at future Council meetings along with alternative ideas.

South Cave Interchange – Following work completion, the Council considered that the insertion of a roundabout has been successful. A letter is to be to sent to ERYC thanking them for the work which has been carried out. One reservation was that there is problem to HGV's caused by the road camber.

Millennium Pump and Seat – The ownership and maintenance of these two items is to be taken over by the Council.

Village Name Plinths – the brick erosion will be dealt with when time permits and materials are available.

Village Precept 2005/2006 - this amount will be held at the same level as for the current year.

Playing Field Committee - a letter had been received asking for financial support for the maintenance of the Playing Fields -Mowing, Insurance and Annual Inspection. Only 3 members of the Council were eligible to vote as the other 4 had a connection with the Playing Field Committee. The letter explained that the situation regarding fund raising, is guite different now to that which pertained when the Playing Fields were purchased about 35 years ago. The 'red tape' now associated with public events such as the Barn Dance means that it can be difficult to raise sufficient money to cover annual running costs. The request for help was turned down.

The Committee had also asked whether or not the Council would be in favour of the custodian trusteeship for the Playing Fields being transferred from the Charity Commission to the National Playing Fields Association. The primary reasons for the suggestion are that Insurance premium would be reduced by 80% and the Annual Inspection would be free of charge, as would Legal Advice and Assistance. The Council decided not to discuss this issue until the Committee had made further progress.

Planning Applications

Hunsdale Farm - erection of new industrial building to replace pig unit - Awaiting Decision

Hunsdale Farm – conversion of Dutch Barn to Grain Store – Awaiting Decision

Beckside Nursery - retrospective permission to retain hard standing - Awaiting Decision

Woo Dale Farm - erection of a new building - Awaiting Decision

Plastic Posts – the white plastic posts on Mill Hill are to be removed by ERYC.

South Cave Wind Turbines – the Council replied to South Cave Parish Council stating their disagreement to the suggestion that three Turbines be erected in their Parish.

Next meetings: 13th January 2005 and 10th March 2005 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

- TJP

Yorkshire Countrywomen

Ellerker Branch now has fifty nine members, having absorbed several new ones from the now defunct Elloughton-cum-Brough WI.

We have heard Mr Richard Skelton speaking on the development of the family bakery business - a most entertaining speaker.

In November we welcomed former Ellerker resident, Mrs Audrey Jameson, who demonstrated Christmas Cracker Making for

special occasions.



The first Thursday in December was our party night. The Christmas Dinner was catered for by member Jenny Winn and we were later entertained on the keyboard for popular music and carols. Jenny is now a member of the East Riding YCA Committee and they organise the annual Carol Service in the Methodist Church in Driffield. The nine lessons and carols included items sung by the East Riding Choir and after the service we went to the Bell Hotel for a festive lunch and cabaret entertainment by the East Riding Committee. This event is regularly over-subscribed and tickets have to be allocated to each branch in good time.

We look forward in the New Year to a varied selection of meetings - from a talk on Family History, to a Fashion Show with our own members as models.

- MD

ELLERKER EVENT DIARY JANUARY — MARCH

January

- 5 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 6 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 13 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30pm

February

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

March

- 2 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 3 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 10 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30pm