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A roundup of news from around the parish

ELLERKER SHOW 2007

It has come as a major shock to the artistes of the above Show that it is once again 'that time of the year'.

This will be our Ninth Production and it is hoped that performances will 'occur' on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 25th, 26th and 27th January, 2007 at 7-30 p.m. in Ellerker Village Hall.

As usual refreshments will be provided; funds are in aid of St Anne's Church, Ellerker. Tickets will be available from mid-December onwards from Mike Parker at 421132.

- DRW

Women's Institute

We welcomed guests from North & South Cliffe WI, in October, to hear Alwyn Tomlinson from the Yorkshire branch of the National Trust speak on "Housekeeping and Conservation". Many of us were very pleased to hear that we should only clean our brass and silver once a year, if that, as well as how to do it properly. It was very interesting to see slides on how the "big houses" are put to bed for the winter after being cleaned for the next visitor season.

At our AGM in November, Jean Butler was elected President and Patsy Harrison and Brenda Jackson remain Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Hazel Armstrong showed some wonderful slides of Southern India, from her travels with her husband, giving us a good insight into rural life there.

Our Jumble Sale in November, (including cake stall etc.), raised £200 for "Children in Need".

At our December Meeting, we are having a pie and pea supper followed by a

"needlework workshop" with member Audrey Tattersall, making Christmas Angels/ Fairies!

We will start the New Year with a Celebra-

tion Dinner in the Village Institute, provided by outside caterers. Hazel Armstrong will be a guest and as East Yorkshire's Representative for the ACWW, she will give us a short talk on the Countrywomen of the World. We are starting a scheme to



save copper coins over the year to present to the ACWW.

The programme for next year is underway and subjects include making chocolates, vet's life, heavy haulage, embroidery, ghost walk in Beverley, "hints, tips and wrinkles" as well as the Rally,

Produce/Handicraft Show and our annual outing in August. So why not join us – for further details contact the Secretary, Patsy Harrison tel. (01430) 421 593.

Merry Christmas and Happy New year to You All.

- PH

Parish Council

Councillor Vacancies

There are two vacancies on the Parish Council. If you feel that you wish to contribute something to your community by becoming a Councillor, or want to discuss what it involves, please contact the Parish Clerk, Michelle Scott on 471364.

Planning Applications

Mount Airey Business Park - Erection of three single storey office units and associated parking - WITHDRAWN

Hunsdale Farm - Construction of powder

propellant store and roadway PENDING

Land north of Ellerker Beck and south of Brantingham Road -Erection of 2 horse stables and

use of land for the grazing of horses - PENDING

Orchard House, Sands Lane - single storey extension to front - PENDING

Fly-Tipping

Anyone tipping garden waste (including grass mowings) on grass verges is flytipping and is therefore breaking the law.

Street lighting

The Council has found it impossible recently to commit any local contractor to maintain the footway lighting. A site meeting was held with East Riding of Yorkshire Council and they have been helpful with advice and getting all the lights working again.

Streetscene

The Cave Lane street name signs have been replaced, this time showing the correct name

Posters/Notices

If you use the Parish Council notice boards to post your notices please ensure that the Council notices are not covered by yours. The Council has a statutory duty to ensure that Minutes etc. are on public display.

Clerk Vacancy

The Clerk has resigned and will cease work in February. If you would like to be considered for this salaried position please contact the Council Chairman Mike Harrison (421593) or the Parish Clerk, Michelle Scott on 471364.

Next meeting:

8th February at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

- TJP

The Poppy Appeal

Between them, Mrs Dennett, Mr Moverley and Mrs Green collected £225 for *The Poppy Appeal* in the village. Many thanks to all those who contributed.

- Margaret Green

St Anne's

A highly successful Christmas Coffee Morning was held in the Village Hall on Saturday, 2nd December. Thanks to the work and effort put in about £480 was raised for Church Funds.

On the Sunday morning of 3rd December, a new Chalice and Plattern were dedicated in memory of Tony Leng a faithful worshipper and given by his widow Sheila. These will be in regular use and we are indeed grateful

Thanks go to Jim and Sheilagh Bradley for their gift of a candle stand – please come to the Carol Service at 6.15pm on 17th December and see it in use, together with the Nativity Scene made by the BBC.

Thanks must be recorded also to John May for his carpentry skills, used at the back of the church, to form catering and storage cupboards. These are both very useful additions.

The Friends of St Anne's will be Carolling round the village on the evening of 21st December. All proceeds are donated to charity. Everyone is welcome.

Midnight Communion 11.30pm Christmas Eve, shortened Family Service 9:30am Christmas Day. Church AGM 6.15pm Sunday 8th April 2007.

- *AS*

Playing Fields

The 70/80s Disco at the end of September was successful in raising over £840. This will go some way to fund essential running costs of mowing, insurance and annual inspection. A similar event is planned for next year.

Work continues in getting prices for a replacement tractor and the small field fence. Whatever is decided by the Committee will be presented to the village for their comments. Following that there will be an application for a grant.

The application for part-funding of essential running costs via the Parish Precept has been resubmitted to the Parish Council. The Committee is not optimistic about the out-

come.

One of the elected members has resigned. If you are interested in joining this Committee please contact Tim Pickles (422585).



Trees were pruned and the 'sleeper' bridge was repaired by a four-man working party in October.

A park bench in memory of Mr & Mrs Ken Habbershaw is to be placed in the North West corner of the large field. The bench and cost of installation has been donated by Rodney Habbershaw.

The Annual Children's Christmas Party will be held on 6th January (as is the tradition in Ellerker). If you would like to help please contact Philip Wood, Nicky Baker or Jessie Puckering. Father Christmas has promised to be there!

- TJP

Yorkshire Countrywomen

During the Autumn months we had a very informative and interesting talk by a Urodynamics Technician and an enjoyable Cookery demonstration.

We visited other branches Craft Fairs and Shows and a number of members joined in the Group Outing to the Sheffield Ice Arena to see Disney on Ice.

December 7th brings us round once more to our Christmas Dinner in Ellerker Village Hall when we are to be entertained by the Walkington Singers.

- WB

Village Hall

The overgrown trees and shrubs on the southern boundary have been cleared in preparation for gravelling the area between the Hall and this boundary.

After being held at the same level for several years, hire charges will increase by £1 per hour from April 2007.

Congratulations go to the Village Hall team

who won first prize in the Neighbourhood Watch Quiz on 13th October and thanks to Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association for organising such an enjoyable evening.

The Annual General Meeting was held in November when a new Committee was voted in. Mary Dennis stepped down as Chairman after 2 years at the helm conducting happy and productive meetings; she will stay on as YCA representative. The new Chairman is Tricia Christmas.

'According to Hoyle' was staged on 11th November by STARS (Slack and Tight Repertory Company). It was a feisty comedy by William Ganamaro performed in the round – the first for the Village Hall. It was superbly acted and well received by the audience and provided a financial boost to Village Hall funds. It is hoped to arrange for another play in the Hall in the Spring.

- SP

Acknowledgement

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

-Ed.

Neighbourhood Watch Alert

Humberside Police has been made aware of a scam currently operating across the region and is alerting members of the public, particularly as Christmas is fast approaching.

The scam involves a card being posted through letter boxes from a company called PDS (Parcel Delivery Service). It suggests that they were unable to deliver a parcel and that the occupant needs to contact them on 0906 6611911 (a premium rate number) in order to arrange delivery.

Information suggests this is a mail scam originating in Belize and people are advised NOT to call the number.

It is believed that anyone calling the number will start to hear a recorded message, by which time they will already have been billed £15 for the telephone call.

- *LW*

Caves Festival 2007

Plans are well under way for the second Caves Festival to be held the second week of July 2007. Popular items from the successful week this year have been retained. Fund raising events are arranged for early in the year with Caves Players putting on a special opening night performance of their spring production. The Big Band event takes place again at Brantingham Park, so chances to dust off the dancing shoes and show the Strictly Come Dancing judges what they have been missing.

The Art Exhibition will take place on 14th and 15th July at the Primary School, the opening coinciding with the Farmers Market. The exhibition is a chance for local artists to display their work either to sell or just for enjoyment. There are prizes for the open competition with children being divided into two categories this time, for Senior School and Primary School ages.

There will be a second hand Book Sale with proceeds going to local organisations. A good opportunity to stock up on reading matter for your summer holiday or a chance to clear your bookshelves to accept new material. The books are always priced to allow you to take a chance on a new author or subject.

Literature will also be supported through a Poetry Reading evening with musical entertainment and a poetry competition for children.

This years Creative Writing Workshop will take place in Ellerker Village Hall. Last years proved very successful, lead by local author Gina Douthwaite. No previous experience for creative writing is required. Part of the outcome of last year's workshop is that some of the participants are researching and writing a Ghost Walk for South Cave, to take place on Friday 13th July. Several people have come forward with their experiences already but they are still looking for contributions of stories about local ghosts in South Cave or the surrounding district. These can either be actual encounters or local legends. If you have a story

please contact Clive Gray on 421929.

If you are interested in the festival, its aims are to support local creative people of all ages and create opportunities within the North and South Cave Villages and surrounding areas.

Currently the festival does not seek national sponsorship encouraging instead local businesses to donate and show their commitment to local talent. If you would like to attend, help organise, enter or sponsor an event at the festival the Committee will be glad to hear from you. They meet the first Thursday of every month at the Town Hall in South Cave. Further details can also be obtained from Clive or Dorethea Desforges on 421275. The next meeting is on February 1st at 7.30pm.

- CG

ELLERKER EVENT DIARY JANUARY — MARCH

January

- 3 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 4 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 6 Christmas Party, Village Hall, 4pm
- 25 Ellerker Show, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 26 Ellerker Show, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 27 Ellerker Show, Village Hall, 7.30pm

February

- 1 YCA, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 7 WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 8 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.30pm

March

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