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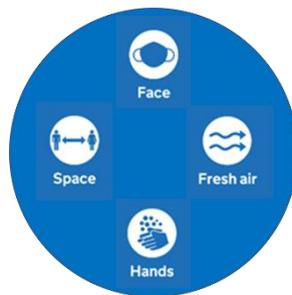
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WELCOME to the June / July 2021 edition of the Parish News. We are sure everyone is welcoming some return to normality as the lockdown restrictions ease, and our communities become safer as the vaccine uptake continues.

Whilst we are on the right track, we still need to keep vigilant and think of others.



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PUPPY SOCIALIZATION

Lockdowns have brought all our social lives to a bit of a halt, but there is a whole new generation of puppies that have not yet been able to socialise with both other people and other dogs. This early socialisation is such an important stage in the development of all puppies and must be addressed as soon as we are allowed to do so.

At our practice we have a veterinary surgeon in our team with a certificate in small animal behaviour. It is a subject we often discuss regarding our concerns for the lockdown puppy generation. We are always on hand to discuss any concerns our clients may have, but there are a fair few general pointers to getting started with your puppy's socialisation.

Little and often socialisation opportunities are key; different environments and different age groups of people and dogs, but always with caution. This is particularly important if this involves children, whose behaviour can be much more unpredictable, especially if they themselves are not used to dogs. Even being aware that your dog may not yet have seen someone in a large flappy raincoat, or with an umbrella, will help, as these things can initially be terrifying to the dog.



Rewarding and reassurance, with treats and lots of fuss and talking in a calm manner, is key to putting your puppy at ease. Definitely not raising your voice, or shouting in the event your puppy does not do absolutely the right thing first time, but absolutely reinforcing and rewarding the good behaviour.

Start off with shorter car journeys, again little and often, even sitting with your dog in the car and starting up the engine for a minute or two just

getting it used to the noises and the vibrations, so that first journey is less daunting. When walking on the lead, short leads are preferable to long extension leads, as you can be more in control of your dog in new surroundings, where behaviour can be unpredictable. Your dog should be microchipped and up to date with vaccinations and routine flea and worm treatments, especially when mixing with other dogs.



Please be aware that all these environments are new to your dog and that factors such as allergies may emerge when your dog experiences different types of grass and pollens for the first time. You should contact your vet for advice if your dog shows any signs of reaction, such as hives or even breathing difficulties.

When you are out and about with your new dog, be keen to walk the dog on a lead, not carry them, as this again is not the best way for them to meet other people or dogs, as it can be confusing for them if they are not meeting at the right level.

All in all, little and often social activities for your pets are important, once they are allowed. The pandemic has been challenging for us humans, but our pets too, and anxiety will be present to begin with, but with gentle introductions and an abundance of rewarding and reassurance, they should be fine.

Andrew Moll BVetMed MRCVS

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

So here it is at last! Spring has sprung, and with it the first easing of Covid restrictions. Now it really is up to all of us to take on board our own responsibility for keeping ourselves and those around us safe.

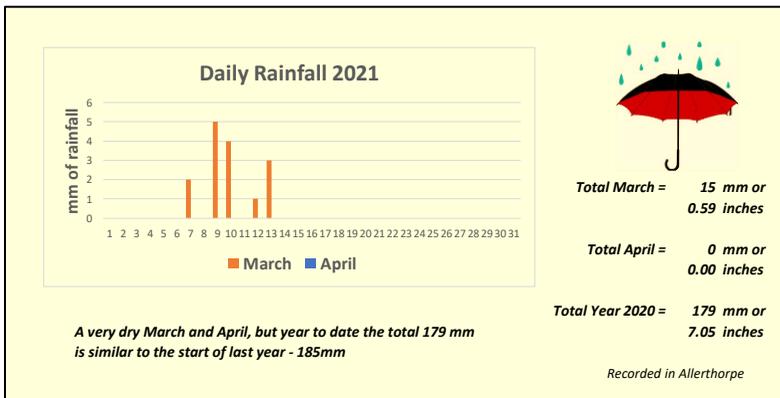


With lighter, warmer evenings we shall be in the garden so, whether you are working or relaxing, remember to keep your own personal security measures up to scratch. Lock doors, especially when you are out of sight of access to the inside of your house. Do not leave garage or shed doors open for anyone to view all your valuable tools, cycles, etc. And as ever, hide your keys, laptops, and valuables. Sneak thieves can commit a theft in a number of seconds and then be off and away.

Also, we all, at some time or other, have left car windows open, particularly when it is hot (remember that – being hot?). There is probably expensive equipment inside and once a window is partially open it is much easier to gain access and steal the car itself. And – dear to my heart – make sure that all dogs are safe and secure – the recent spate of stealing dogs, pets or working dogs, I find unutterably cruel.

Enjoy the better weather and keep safe – there can be no back-sliding now, particularly if we want to return to our pre-Covid lives, or as near as possible. We can finish the job of beating the virus, and must.

Gail Turner



FARMING NEWS

The extended April drought finally came to an end on, as I'm sure you will remember, May 3rd the bank holiday Monday. The spring sowings, into tinder dry soils, went very well this year. However, on some of the heavier land the seeds have just sat there until the May rains came. This allowed them to germinate and emerge and grow, even if a little later than would be ideal. May sowings of cereals are generally known around these parts as "cuckoo corn" which will give a poorer yield than an April germination. More heavy rain came on the second Saturday of May which should enable the crops to prosper for some time.

Over-wintered oilseed rape crops have been very variable, with the cold spring weather and beetle damage holding back its development. Some 60,000 tonnes of oilseed rape are imported every year into this country from Uruguay. Farmer / producers here are restricted and closely monitored on the use of chemicals on the crop. Some products used in the past to control the dreaded beetle are now banned, which is seeing a contraction of the acreage grown. One wonders what the Uruguayans get up to when growing their crop. We have all these high standards, but imports of many foods don't seem to be so carefully controlled.

HMRC's "making tax digital" (MTD) legislation, relating to VAT returns, came into force in 2019. It applied to all farm businesses (and others) with a turnover of more than £85,000. From April 2022, all farm enterprises regardless of inputs and outputs will have to comply with MTD. The switch requires fundamental changes to logging details and the purchase of approved software, which is another expense, but it is important to get this right as most farm enterprises claim VAT back. Possible exemptions to opt out and stay manual are lack of broadband and age!

Teff is cereal that can be put into rotation by arable farmers in Ethiopia. It is a type of millet, which has very small kernels. This cultivated plant, which has hardly been scientifically studied, could be of interest to the western world. It can cope with both drought and waterlogging. It is very well suited to a nomadic way of life, so could be of interest to a few of us!

There are renewed concerns over the use of sky lanterns. Many organisations are calling for a complete national ban on their use. When they are released into the sky no-one knows where they will end up with the obvious risk of fire and the metal and plastic parts in them being digested by livestock. Many European countries have banned their use, and we must join them.



The Bishop Wilton Show Committee have made the regrettable decision to cancel our local agricultural show this year. This was scheduled to take place this July. The Yorkshire Wolds half marathon will still happen on Saturday 17th July. The Great Yorkshire Show, held at Harrogate, has been extended by a day, and it will be over 4 days from Tuesday 13th to Friday 16th July.

If you were to ask me what the word “woke” means I’m afraid I’d have to say that I can’t tell you in case it offends you.

G O Farmer



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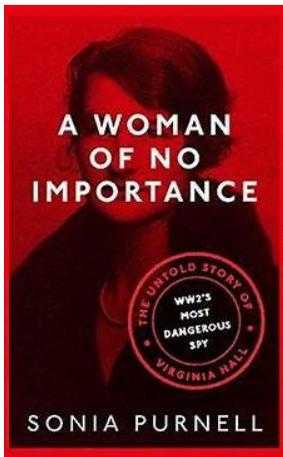
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A Woman of No Importance, by Sonia Purnell

This is the biography of Virginia Hall, an American spy in WWII. Born in 1906 to a wealthy family, she was very good at languages, studied French, German and Italian, and finished her studies in Europe.

She wanted to be a diplomat in the US Foreign Service, but faced prejudice: women were just not accepted as diplomats at that time. She managed to obtain clerical posts in Poland and Turkey in the 1930s, and it was in Turkey where she shot herself in the leg in a hunting accident, which led to her leg being amputated. She was determined that losing her leg would make no difference, and called her new artificial leg Cuthbert.

On the outbreak of war, she became an ambulance driver in France, escaped through Spain, was trained by British Intelligence, and sent undercover to Vichy France posing as an American journalist. She set up spy rings and safe houses, became one of the most sought-after spies by the Germans, who called her The Limping Lady.

Sonia Purnell is a British journalist who has also written biographies of Clementine Churchill and Boris Johnson.



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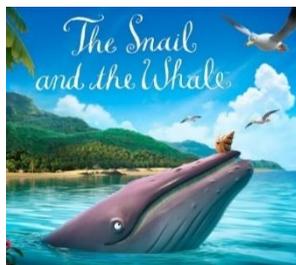
Have you been missing live theatre productions during lockdown? The good news is that theatres all over the country are reopening.

So, what's on in June and July in our local area?



1st to 5th June, York Theatre Royal. Multi award winning, BAFTA- nominated, actress Julie Hesmondhalgh (better known as Hayley in Coronation Street) stars in "The Greatest Play In The History of the World". The play was written for Julie by her Brentwood Award winning writer husband, Ian Kershaw.

2nd and 3rd July, York Theatre Royal. For young audiences comes "The Snail and the Whale". Inspired by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler's much-loved picture book. This Tall Stories Show is for ages 4+.



Book online yorktheatreroyal.co.uk or by telephone 01904 623568 Mon – Sat 12 noon to 3pm.



Still a little nervous about attending indoor performances? Mikron Theatre, in their 49th year of touring, put on their shows in places that other theatre companies would not dream of. Luckily for York, they are staging their latest play, "A Dog's Tale" (a new musical comedy caper by Poppy Hollman), outdoors at Scarcroft Allotments, York, on Friday 11th June at 6pm.

For ticket information on A Dog's Tale please visit <https://mikron.org.uk/shows/a-dogs-tale>

Julia Pattison

EMERGENCY?

A key element in saving a life is being ready and acting positively. In this article the focus is on cardiac arrest. This simply means the heart has stopped, and blood that carries oxygen can no longer be pumped through the body. The vital organs will fail without oxygen, and within a very short period of time the person will die. It can happen at any time.

Whatever your skill level you will need to get help, and should call 999. What happens next? A skilled ambulance emergency operator will ask you if the person is breathing and conscious and will confirm with you the location of the emergency (what3words is good location app to have on your mobile). In a life threatening situation, resources will be allocated at this point. The operator is trained for these events and has available on-call nurses, paramedics, doctors and mental health specialists, together with access to air ambulance service.

You will be instructed in what actions to take, including how to carry out chest compressions to maintain blood flow to the brain. In the meantime, you might be asked to get a defibrillator if there is one nearby, provided the casualty is not left alone. You will be given the individual code to open the defibrillator case. When the unit is brought back, open it and follow the voice prompts.



To achieve effective compressions the patient should be on a firm surface, and you may need to move them from a chair or bed, but the operator will advise you how to do this. Under current Covid (April 2021) guidelines mouth to mouth resuscitation is not applied. The role of a defibrillator is to analyse any electronic rhythm in the heart through the pads placed either side of the heart. In some cases an electronic shock will stop an incorrect rhythm and allow the brain to reset to the correct rhythm. No one should touch the person while they are being shocked. The heart may start to

beat following a shock, but not always. The operator will tell you what to do if the heart restarts.

Effective compressions are very tiring so don't be embarrassed to ask someone else to takeover. This emergency call is the highest priority, but resource availability and location will affect the speed in which they can reach you.

Kelvin Williams



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YOUR GARDEN IN JUNE AND JULY

There is plenty to enjoy in the garden now the weather is warming up. As summer begins, there are rewarding tasks to do that will make your plot a place to be proud of.

Early flowering perennials



Cut back early flowering herbaceous perennials such as Pulmonaria (pictured) and oriental poppies if they are looking tired or have mildew. This will encourage new foliage and, sometimes, later flowers. Treat the first flush of hardy geraniums in the same way.

Prune spring-flowering shrubs



Deciduous shrubs that flowered in spring on the previous year's growth, such as Weigela (pictured), Exochorda and Philadelphus (Mock Orange) should be pruned now, soon after flowering. This allows time for the development and ripening of new growth that will carry next year's flowers. Cut back

flowered growth to strong young shoots lower down, and each year cut out up to 20 percent of ageing stems to near the base.

Roses



June is the month when once-and-only flowering roses drip with bloom and, when they provide such glory, it's not surprising they don't perform again. The repeat-flowerers are a little later, and they ration their flowers out over four months. But it's the exuberant once-and-only ones that capture the abundance of June and make it such a special time. Look out for Paul's Himalayan Musk – exceptionally beautiful but be warned

this tall vigorous climbing rose can reach 40ft!

Climbing plants



New growth on climbers such as clematis and jasmine should be tied in regularly, aiming for even coverage of supports such as trellis, obelisks and arbours. For wisteria, cut back the whippy green shoots of the current year's growth to five or six leaves in July. This controls the size of the wisteria, preventing it getting into guttering and windows, and encourages it to form flower buds rather than green growth.

In the vegetable garden



If you are growing cordon tomatoes (single stem), train the main stems to vertical supports and pinch out sideshoots regularly (pictured). When plants have set 5 or 6 trusses of flowers indoors, or 3 or 4 outdoors, remove the growing point of the main stem, leaving two leaves above the topmost truss.



For fresh and continuous courgettes, check your plants regularly and harvest fruits when they are about 5" long. Picking courgettes when they are small will ensure a long cropping period. Moisture is the key to success when growing courgettes. A constantly just-moist soil is ideal if plants are to crop to their full potential.

Houseplants



Many houseplants love a shady spot outdoors for summer when the weather is mild and favourable. Rainfall can clean plants of dust, allowing more air and light to reach the leaves, but take care to protect plants from exposure to strong wind and heavy rain.

Penny Simmons

EBOR VALE GROUP RDA - GREEN SHOOTS

After a wet winter came April – one of the driest on record, and cold. The muddy paddocks turned to concrete, and the grass refused to grow. Where there should have been a reassuring surplus of hay in the barn, there were just a few bales, and we quickly turned to our usual supplier for a top-up. But then, a soaking Bank Holiday Monday and the end of night-frosts rescued things. Now the fields are greening nicely.

The horses are losing their thick winter coats, and some have paired up to speed the process. Mutual grooming means they can deal with those out-of-reach, itchy areas. Proof of the old saying: "I'll scratch your back, if you'll scratch mine"!



When I wrote in February, all was locked down. Easing of restrictions has meant some of our helpers have been able to return to riding out in Allerthorpe Woods. And a small group has started meeting on Saturday mornings to bring the horses gradually back into work in the arena. It will still be a while, though, till anything resembling normal sessions can resume. As explained in the past, no strategy exists at present for vaccinating children, and many of our riders remain vulnerable through sometimes serious, underlying conditions. Equally, evidence about transmission of the virus by those already vaccinated is not yet conclusive. So, to solve this dilemma, we are offering to train up parents / carers as helpers. They could then assist with mounting and side-walking duties with their own children, and in that way lessen the risks. Also, rides may have to be restricted to one or two riders at a time.

It's a slow road to recovery but watch this space!

Ken D'Arcy

PSALM 23 FOR BUSY PEOPLE

There is a famous rewriting of Psalm 23 by a Japanese woman, Toki Miyashina and this is her poem.

The Lord is my Pace Setter, I shall not rush,
He makes me stop and rest for quiet intervals,
He provides me with images of stillness,
Which restore my serenity.
He leads me in ways of efficiency,
through calmness of mind; and his guidance is peace.
Even though I have a great many things to accomplish each day,
I will not fret, for his presence is here.
His timelessness, his all-importance will keep me in balance.
He prepares refreshment and renewal in the midst of my activity,
by anointing my head with his oils of tranquillity,
My cup of joyous energy overflows.
Surely harmony and effectiveness shall be the fruit of my hours,
For I shall walk in the pace of my Lord,
and dwell in his house for ever.

Amen

From time to time, we all need to stand back, take stock, and shut out the noise of life.

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Date	Parish	Time	Service or Event
6 th June Trinity 1	Yapham	9.15 am	Morning Prayer - Holy Communion
	Thornton	10.45 am	Morning Prayer - Holy Communion
	Allerthorpe	5.00 pm	Evensong
13 th June Trinity 2	Fangfoss	9.15 am	Morning Prayer - Holy Communion
	Barmby Moor	10.45 am	Morning Prayer
20 th June Trinity 3	Allerthorpe	9.15 am	Morning Prayer - Holy Communion
	Thornton	10.45 am	Morning Prayer
27 th June Trinity 4	Fangfoss	9.15 am	Morning Prayer
	Barmby Moor	10.45 am	Holy Communion
	Yapham	10.45 am	Family Service

PARISH REGISTERS

There have been no baptisms, weddings or funerals in our benefice during the last two months.

A number of marriages are scheduled later in the year as the lockdown eases.

Hopefully by the next issue we will be able to announce the lifting of the current constraints, and our services will return to normal.

JULY CHURCH SERVICES in the BENEFICE

Date	Parish	Time	Service or Event
4 th July Trinity 5	Yapham Thornton Allerthorpe	9.15 am 10.45 am 5.00 pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion Evensong
11 th July Trinity 6	Fangfoss Barmby Moor	9.15am 10.45 am	Morning Prayer - Holy Communion Morning Prayer
18 th July Trinity 7	Allerthorpe Thornton	9.15 am 10.45 am	Morning Prayer - Holy Communion Morning Prayer
25 th July Trinity 8	Fangfoss Barmby Moor Yapham	9.15 am 10.45 am 10.45 am	Morning Prayer Holy Communion Family Service



Thornton Church

CHESTNUT AND MUSHROOM PIE



For the pastry

- 200g/7oz self-raising flour
- 100g/3½oz vegetarian Atoxa
- pinch salt
- ¼ cup milk

For the filling

- 50g/2oz butter
- 2 leeks, sliced
- 350g/12oz mushrooms, sliced

- 2 sticks of celery, sliced
- 2 garlic cloves, sliced
- large sprig thyme, leaves only
- 30g/1oz plain flour
- 1 tsp Dijon or whole-grain mustard
- 100ml/3½fl oz marsala, port, or red wine
- 200ml/7–10fl oz vegetable stock
- 200g/7oz vacuum-packed chestnuts, left whole

1. To make the filling, put the butter in a large saucepan and melt over a low heat. Add the leeks and cover. Fry for 5 minutes.
2. Turn up the heat slightly and add the mushrooms. Cook for a further 4–5 minutes, then add the garlic and thyme.
3. Add the flour and stir until you can see a roux has formed around the vegetables.
4. Stir in the mustard, then add the marsala and stir well. Gradually add the stock and the mushroom liquor, if using. Bring the mixture to the boil, then turn down and simmer, continuing to stir, until it has thickened. (The sauce should not be runny.) Add the chestnuts and remove from the heat. Leave to cool in your pie dish and cover.
5. Preheat the oven to 180C Fan/Gas 5.
6. To make the pastry, put the self-raising flour and Atoxa into a bowl with a generous pinch of salt and make a well in the middle. Add milk

little by little until the dough binds together. Shape the dough on a floured surface to fit your pie dish and roll out gently.

7. Place the pastry over the vegetables. Cut a couple of slits in the pastry to let steam escape.
8. Bake in the oven for around 20-25 minutes, or until the crust is golden brown. Serve with vegetables of your choice or tossed green salad.

Elaine Stubbings

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David Cockman

10,000 STEPS A DAY FOR CANCER RESEARCH

In February, my husband said to me "I've just seen an ad on the TV asking people to raise money for cancer research. Shall we do it?" So started the 10,000 steps challenge!

We signed up and were tasked with achieving 10,000 steps every day in March, that is around 5 miles walking a day. We are both fit, and the distance did not seem too big a task – the real challenge was to do it every single day whatever the weather!

At the beginning of the month the weather definitely challenged us (those March winds blew hard) and on a couple of days we did the required steps, and nothing more, but mostly we challenged ourselves to "go the extra mile". We decided that if we were doing it, we would make it worthwhile.



During the month, with a mix of walking and running, I achieved 225 miles and 598,817 steps – an average of 19,317 per day. My husband walked less and cycled instead and averaged 18,048 steps. With Covid regulations still in place we were limited to exercising from home, so we came to know all the lanes and footpaths in the area, discovering some interesting new ones as well as tramping old favourites. The month came in cold and wet and ended warm and sunny and we enjoyed the seasons changing from winter to spring.

Most importantly we raised £3,300 (plus gift aid) for Cancer Research. We have seen too many of our family and friends suffer from this disease and wanted to do our bit to help. Thanks to the generosity of those we know, our steps will assist in the search for cures and prevention. The full story and lots of photographs can be found on <https://www.facebook.com/donate/936254023816562>. You do not need to be "on" Facebook to access this.

Pamela Broughton

NEWS FROM ALLERTHORPE

Plant Sale

The Plant Sale continues to do well in spite of the intemperate weather. There are more plants to come in the next few weeks - perennials, annuals and vegetables. Growers will be adding plants weekly which will include asters, gladioli, foxgloves and heuchera. Vegetable plants will include tomatoes (several varieties), Welsh onions, leeks, chillies, beans and cucumbers. Preserves will also be on sale.



Village Coffee Morning – Saturday 3rd July



Let us all get ready to celebrate the end of Lockdown by coming to our coffee morning on Saturday 3rd July from 10 am - 12 noon in the Village Hall. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible. What fun to get together again!

We need lots of volunteers to help by baking homemade cakes, scones, and treats - in fact, your baking specialities! There will be a homemade cake stall too - so we really do need your baking contributions.

Pat Lang

Pat was born in 1937 in Newcastle. Her family moved to London in 1945, where, at the age of 17, she trained to be a nurse at Westminster Hospital. Pat met organist, David Lang, as a singer in his church choir and they married in 1959. In 1961 with new-born daughter Sarah, they went to St Louis, Missouri, where David studied for an MA in music for the next 3 years.



In 1971 they moved to Pocklington, David becoming head of Music at St John's College in York. Pat retrained as a Health Visitor - she loved meeting new mums, holding babies, and running ante-natal classes.

Pat and David moved to Allerthorpe in 1981 and quickly settled into village life, spending many happy years there. During the 1990s she did Aids and Bereavement counselling and after taking early retirement, spent time as Nurse Representative on the Sue Ryder House Committee. Pat joined Betty Lambert's Art Group which she continued, even after moving into York in 2009. She loved painting and socialising with friends in the group.

Pat was a proud and loving grandmother to 11 grandchildren. David died in 2014 and Pat was diagnosed with dementia. Her family looked after her until she sadly went into Somerset House Nursing home where she died on February 26th.

Her family remember many wonderful things about her from her kindness to her naughty sense of humour and Christmases, spent at Stone Beck, Allerthorpe, tasting her delicious food, feeling her love and warmth always.

Sarah Hall Lang

Allerthorpe garden opening for NGS on 18th July

On Sunday 18th July from midday until 4.30pm the garden at The Vines, Waplinton Hall, Allerthorpe will be open for the National Garden Scheme. In the NGS yellow book it is described as: "A spacious 1¾ acre English country garden traditionally planted with varied herbaceous borders of perennials, shrubs and climbers. See fruiting grapevines and a thriving walled kitchen garden with fruit trees, vegetables, soft fruit, and a productive greenhouse. It is an informal garden also featuring extensive grassed areas with mature and ornamental trees".



We are now trying hard to make the garden fulfil this description; let us hope the weather helps! There will be opportunities to buy plants – some grown by us and some from Primrose Bank Nursery.

The National Garden Scheme raises money to support nursing and health charities which include Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie, Hospice UK, and The Queen’s Nursing Institute.

Delicious teas will be available at Allertorpe Village Hall to raise funds for the Village Hall Fund.

Bill and Penny Simmons

100 Club Winners

April and May’s winners will be drawn once lockdown restrictions have eased, and will be published in the next issue of the magazine.



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NEWS FROM BARMBY MOOR

St. Catherine's Church Coffee Morning

Hurrah, at last we hope we can resume our monthly coffee mornings. The first one, after fifteen months, will hopefully be on 10th July 10:30am to 12 noon.

We are awaiting further details from the Government as to how we organise this, but we certainly hope it will go ahead. We will put posters up around the village with the details. Nearer the time we will try to contact as many people as possible, so if you could let us have contact details, we would be very grateful.

If you know anyone who is new to the village, or may not know about these coffee mornings, please pass on this message.

Jan Gardham 01759 302927, Gordon and Sue Fallowfield 01759 380990

Our wonderful Churchyard

Right in the heart of the village, St Catherine's Church and churchyard is a wonderful asset, open and welcoming for everyone. Did you know that our village churchyard is the largest in the East Riding? We are incredibly lucky to have such a tranquil, green oasis in our midst, and many people over the last eighteen months have enjoyed their "lockdown exercise" wandering along the several paths that lead between the three gates, or through the wildlife area. One certainty during the pandemic, is that grass and hedges keep growing.

However, such a beautiful asset comes with a large maintenance bill. The Parish Council has helped in recent years by awarding us a grant towards grass and hedge cutting, which has been very welcome and appreciated. The cost of regularly mowing all the Churchyard is far too



onerous a financial burden for the worshiping congregation to bear, and last year a significantly reduced programme of mowing and hedge cutting was negotiated with our excellent ground's maintenance contractor. We have agreed the same reduced contract again this year.

We would, like many in the Parish, prefer to revert to our previous grass cutting schedule, but the simple truth is that, as a small congregation, we just cannot afford to spend more. Although St Catherine's Church and churchyard is an open asset for the whole village, (with a population of around 1000), the financial burden for upkeep and maintenance weighs very heavily on 30 or so regular worshipers. If you feel you would like to contribute to maintaining this parish asset, please contact the Treasurer or Church Warden. Together, we can do more.

Lewis Anderson, Treasurer Barmby Moor PCC

Cremated Remains Area

Please see the benefice website www.barmbymoorgroup.co.uk for an update on the Cremated Remains Area Project and consultation process.

Jan and Dave Truswell

On February 5th, we said goodbye to Jan and Dave Truswell, who were leaving the village after 47 years. They were presented with a photograph of St Catherine's Church and National Garden scheme vouchers. Dave and Jan are settling into their new community in Dunblane, and are enjoying sharing a house with Rob and his family which now includes a 12-week-old puppy!



Jan Gardham

St. Catherine's Church 100 Club Winners

March 2021: £20 - Sam Whincup (211), £15 - Gail Turner (175), £10 - Margaret Abel (63)

April 2021: £20 - Julie Gardham (104), £15 - Des East (118), £10 Charlotte Shephard (155)

Barmby Moor Playing Field 100 Club Winners

March Draw: First prize - £74.25 M R Anderson (68), Second prize - £49.50 Lucinda Stubley (44), Third prize - £24.75 Ewan Bimpson (12).

April Draw: First prize - £72.75 David Nixon (87), Second prize - £48.50 Jenni Young (55), Third prize - £24.25 Fiona Aitkin (13).

The draws were held at the end of the respective months, videoed, and posted on Facebook.

Barmby Moor Calley Trust

Occasionally families or individuals may need a little extra help when perhaps, sickness, disability or unemployment make it difficult to manage. Perhaps your child has an educational need such as buying extra equipment or school uniform that is difficult to budget for.

The Calley Trust may be able to help with a grant. The Trust also welcomes applications from organisations for educational or welfare purposes. Applications from residents or organisations within Barmby Moor are considered by the trustees in strict confidence and should be made to the clerk: Barry Malin, Phone: (01759) 303189, Email: lodgebarmbymoore@gmail.com

Infrared Wildlife Camera Update



So far, there has been no interest in our swanky new pad for upwardly mobile blue tits, but that doesn't mean there's no news. I duplicated the infrared camera setup in an old sandwich box and its first test was just under the bird feeder. A wood mouse

popped out several times between 11:30 pm and 2:00 am to nibble up the scattering of fallen sunflower seeds. Here it is, eyeing up its next snack.

Clive Jeffery

NEWS FROM FANGFOSS, BOLTON AND SPITTAL

Fangfoss Service and Churchyard Spring Clean

The pandemic resulted in no services being held at St. Martin's Church during the first three months of this year. This made our Easter Sunday feel even more special than normal, with thanks to Revd. James Glaister who conducted a lovely outdoor service. It was a glorious morning, cold but sunny, and we were able to sit and reflect on the beauty of our church and churchyard, whilst enjoying the sounds of the organ from inside the church and the birdsong outside.



The churchyard was looking good, after fourteen people kindly gave their time and effort over two afternoons for some socially distanced sweeping, pruning, grass cutting and lots of weeding. Many thanks to everyone for a fantastic team effort.



We shall be organising another sprucing-up session in the summer. Please let me know if you would like to join us.

Julia Cockman

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Hey ho, Hey hooff to the PUB we go

Yes, we are still on track for fully opening on the 21st June. Whilst there may be still some guidance to follow, we can't wait to welcome you all back to the pub.

We will return to our usual hours.
 Tuesday – Friday open from 5pm
 Saturday and Sunday open from 12 noon

Litter Picking

On two (fortunately sunny) weekends in April the Parish Council organised a litter pick along the roads through the villages of Fangfoss, Bolton and Spittal and around the Parish. We had a good band of volunteers to help with



this, but even so it took several hours each weekend to clear the rubbish from the verges. We were all amazed at the amount we recovered – on one occasion we amassed 17 big black bags plus a tractor seat, oil cans and various car parts!



It was good to be out in the fresh air and seeing how the season was moving on. As well as the blossom and new leaves we discovered a pheasant's nest, quite close to the main road, with 15 eggs. Regrettably, it was very near to a large plastic bag caught in the brambles!

We discovered that April was a little late for litter picking, as the grass and undergrowth had already begun to cover some of the rubbish – a learning point for the future. Sadly, this can never be a one-off exercise and already thoughtless and careless people are leaving more litter. We plan to have another session in the autumn once the verges have died down, and hope we can get more volunteers to join us.

To help our countryside and wildlife please encourage everyone to take

their litter home. All rubbish should be taken home or to one of the bins provided in our villages – cigarette packets, drinks cans, bottles and cartons, food wrappers from McDonald's, Greggs, Cooplands or similar,



silver foil, paint cans, oil cans, gas canisters, nappies, sanitary products, chairs, sweet wrappers, crisp packets, plastic bags, polystyrene containers, coffee cups. Yes, we found all of these and more!

Pamela Broughton

100 Club

March 2021: £25 Martin Eede (171), £25 Brenda Holmes (39)

April 2021: £40 Margaret Ward (50), £60 Pete Britton (76), £100 Mary Cook (53)

Churches Count on Nature

Churches Count on Nature, which runs from 5th to 13th June 2021, is a citizen-science event covering churchyards across England and Wales. The project will see communities and visitors making a note of the animals, birds, insects, plants, and fungi in their local churchyard. The data will then be collated on the National Biodiversity Network.

St. Martin's will be taking part in the scheme and we would like to encourage as many people as possible to come and spend some time in our tranquil space, enjoy the beauty of our lovely churchyard, and let us know what you see. We are delighted that the children from the village school will be joining us on some of the days, to record what they find and to make new homes for nature e.g., bug hotels. We are setting aside a small area in the churchyard which will not be mown and in which the biodiversity can be increased, and monitored over time.



Our churchyard is a wildlife haven, and we hope people of all ages will come and find out what an incredibly special place it is.

Julia Cockman

NEWS FROM THORNTON AND MELBOURNE

Village Taskforce

By the time Parish News is published, ERYC will have met with a representative of the Parish Council to carry out a walkabout to assess and identify works to be done within the Parish. I think top of everyone's agenda will be the roads, as these are in desperate need of repairing following the increased volume of traffic that used Thornton as a short cut whilst Hagg Bridge was closed. Also, the footpaths need siding out as they have disappeared in some places!

The Parish Councillors continue to work hard on behalf of all parishioners but if there are any issues you would like addressing then please contact one of them or the clerk.

St. Michael's

The church continues to be open every Sunday 10am - 3pm for quiet prayer and there are services the first and third Sundays of the month.

COVID

As restrictions are lifted / eased then please adhere to the Government Guidelines, and, who knows, we may be able to have the Village BBQ even if we have it later in the year!

Countryside Code

Please keep dogs on a lead, particularly around livestock and nesting birds. Please take your rubbish home and let the countryside remain beautiful and be enjoyed by everyone.

Nikki and James Wilson

Congratulations on the birth of their daughter, Freya Grace Harper Wilson. Born 8lb 1.5oz at 1.41am 9th April 2021, a little sister for Lucas.

100 Club

March 2021: £25 Richard O'Gram (49), £10 Angus Watson (36)

April 2021: £25 Lily Irving (17), £10 Pam Uttley (77)

May 2021: £25 Barbara Chamberlain (52), £10 Sheila Anderson (16)

NEWS FROM YAPHAM-CUM-MELTONBY

Services

We celebrated Easter in subdued style this year with a much-reduced attendance. However, we have resumed services, both on the first Sunday of the month and a Morning Prayer service on the fourth Sunday. On the first Sunday we will have Morning Prayer followed by a brief communion. Anyone who prefers not to receive communion can leave directly after Morning Prayer.

Len Sykes

It is with great sadness that we learnt that Len died on 6th May after a prolonged period of ill health. Our deepest sympathy goes to Steve and Jane Lane and family. They would like to thank the church for the prayers said for Len.

Oasis Project

Because of the extremely poor condition of our church, St. Martin's is one of only six churches in the whole of York Diocese to be chosen to work with Dr Kate Giles and Louise Hampson from the Centre for Study of Christianity and Culture at the University of York.

They will guide us in our planning for the needs of the church and application for grants. The PCC feel this work should carry on even though Rev Jan will be off work until the end of July. The process of beginning community consultation and the writing of a Statement of Needs and a Statement of



Significance can now take place with support from Louise, Kate, their PhD student, and Revd. Caroline Pinchbeck, Area Dean. The repairs to the church have been yet another casualty of the pandemic.

100 Club

We hope that this fund raiser will get going again in December as it is an important source of income to pay for the running costs of the church. Hopefully when restrictions are lifted Lesley Barker will be once more collecting donations.

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