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Sunday 11th November**

Husthwaite Newsletter

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Curtain Opens on Husthwaites Aladdin

Richard Wood
Jointly Funded by Husthwaite Parish Council
and the Village Hall Committee

For all of you who have come knocking at my door (26 at the last count), its good news. The Parish Council has agreed it will be *Aladdin*. Remember how we slipped the story of Albert and the Lion into *Jack and the Beanstalk* and all our youngest children did their fabulous dance to the *Blackpool Belle*? Well play a similar trick this time, and our *Aladdin* will give the chance for the young ones, anywhere from age 3 to 103, to have a great part.

Grown-ups: it isnt cool for the kids to read this *Newsletter*, so please be sure your brood know the dates. Id like them to be there for the reading at 6.30pm on Monday 15th October. Well do the tiny peoples parts first so that you can whisk them off home as early as you like. So the first date for your diary is:

Monday 15th October at 6.30pm.

After the reading, well make sure everybody has a part they like. Then it will be rehearsal time in November. Mondays at 6.30pm at the Hall.

12th, 19th and 26th November at 6.30pm

You can have December off to enjoy Christmas and the New Year. Then its down to business again, starting on Monday 7th January.

every Monday from 7th January to 10th March

The week beginning 10th March is the performance week, and you will be needed nearly every night from 6.00pm.

Monday 10th Technical Rehearsal

Tuesday 11th Dress Rehearsal

Wednesday 12th First Night

Thursday 13th Rest Night - catch up on your sleep!

Friday 14th 2nd Night

Saturday 15th at 2.00pm Matinee and at 6.00pm the Last Night.

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Readers Write

Husthwaites Windmill

Dear Editor

I read with pleasure the first issue of your paper to have reached this remote region. As a lover of windmills both for their use and their beauty, I particularly appreciated the article about the windmill in Husthwaite. It is a remarkably pretty one.

I hope it will prove to be both efficient and attractive to artists, as is the one on the skyline as I write. Good luck to the paper, and fair winds.

Catherine Rubinger, Grand Etang, Nova Scotia, Canada

(The writer emailed her own painting of a windmill)

What a Treasure

Dear Editor,

May I use your *Newsletter* to convey to the Village Hall Committee a story which I hope will raise their morale in the face of the enormous efforts they have made this year and in previous years to preserve and improve the Village Hall for all those who use and value it.

The speaker at the Gardening Club Meeting on Thursday 13th September began his speech with a tribute to our Village Hall. He told of how he had always thought of Husthwaite as one of the nicest villages of all those he visited on his travels, speaking to many groups around Yorkshire as a whole. He continued, I asked the way to the Village Hall tonight and when I saw the outside I thought. . . Oh. . . not what I expected. . . and then. . . I came inside and saw it . . . and I thought . . . what a treasure. . . I hope someone is looking after it !! It is a treat!

And a beaming smile came over his face as he spoke. Keep up the good work, Village Hall Trustees

Ursula Duncan, Low Street

The Balmoral

Low Street
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specialising in

Ladies that Lunch

Children that Lunch

Early Bird for families

Traditional Sunday lunch

All families welcome

868007

Village Hall Committee
Sponsored Walk

Sunday 30th September



Tai Chi Classes

Village Hall
October/November
Interested ?
Contact Audrey
868688

Husthwaite Village Hall Committee Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 10th October 2007
7.30pm
Village Hall
all residents warmly invited

Husthwaite Parish Council

Parked Cars Block Footpaths

Barrie Ward

The Parish Council has received a number of complaints about the regular obstruction of footpaths in the village. The principal causes are parked vehicles and overgrown hedges.

The incidence of cars parked on the footpath is increasing. Such inconsiderate parking causes pedestrians, particularly wheelchair/ mobility scooter users and those with a pram, to walk on the road to get by. This is a danger to themselves and to motorists. It would be much appreciated if those responsible would park considerately on the road. If the problem persists then individuals will be approached and if this fails the police will become involved.

If your hedge is not cut back far enough and to a height of 6ft or more it can cause a similar problem. Please consider others who are, perhaps, less mobile than yourself and make sure that you leave the footpath wide enough for access. None of us wish to see an injury or fatality as a result of a lack of consideration for others.

dog fouling

The Parish Council is again receiving complaints about dog fouling on the footpaths around the area. Indeed, far from diminishing, it seems to be on the increase.

May we remind you that the Dog Fouling Regulations apply not only to the pavements in the village but to ALL public footpaths. That includes the path that runs at the side of the beck from the recycling centre to Highthorne Lane. The problem has been brought to the attention of the Dog Warden and he will be visiting the area at intervals to ensure compliance. If caught you will face prosecution.

Please, help to keep our village a pleasant place, and clean it up!

Barrie Ward is Clerk of Husthwaite Parish Council

Parish Planners Focus on Recreation Field

Luis Ponte

It has been a busy last few months for the Parish Council with our focus on delivering the actions from the Parish Plan. It is vital that not only the community but also District and County Council as well as other relevant bodies and agencies are aware and see that the Parish Plan is being implemented and not just left on the shelf.

The implementation process will inevitably assist with future funding for projects which in turn will result in greater and more varied amenities being made available to the village and its community. Regular updates are now being forwarded on progress by the Parish Council to the *Newsletter* with this edition seeing the Implementation Up-Date 2 being published (centre pages). One of the major projects for the Parish Council is that of the Recreational Field Facility. Alun Nixon and I have taken on this challenge and an update can be found in the Implementation Up-Date 2. We are only too aware of the water that has passed under this particular bridge and are preparing the basis for options papers to be produced.

moving quickly

This has meant direct meetings with various District Councillors and departments to establish what they feel would be achievable, deliverable, maintainable and fit for purpose now and in to the future. The meetings with councillors have so far been positive and progressive and we are moving as quickly as possible on this project as we all agree that the lack of these types of facilities within our village is an area which must be addressed sooner rather than later. It is hoped that we will be able to update the community with some good news in the near future, as although the project will undoubtedly be a long one, a phased implementation of it should ensure that some facilities become available within a reasonable time scale and start to form the basis of what should be a great facility for all the people of Husthwaite for many years to come.

A joint meeting was held in September with the Village Hall Committee. The meeting was to discuss how the Village Hall could best service the Parish Plan, not only now but also in the years to come. As Im sure you will all be aware, the Village Hall Committee have been working hard on your behalf to secure funding in order to carry out some of the items raised in the Parish Plan and indeed have been successful in raising a considerable sum to date.

To That Other Husthwaite

another in our series of walks and bike rides starting and finishing in the village

by Explorer

Theres great variety and historic interest in this two hours or so gentle ramble that inspires you to find out more about what you never really see from the car.

From the Parish Church, cross the road and take the signed public footpath through gardens to a well-used streamside path, where you turn right and go down the fields. Bordering is the mostly intact centuries-old hedge complete with wild plum, damson and hops. Soon you reach the recycling bins and the road, which you cross to follow the unmade, poplar-lined way to ancient Baxby Manor, going round to the left and then to the right down to the bridge over Elphin Beck, continuing along Ings Lane (signed) past the old railway and Baxby Aero Club. The lane then veers to the right and continues through fields and New Manor Farm.

fine buildings

As you reach Carlton Husthwaite, take a left by a curved, corrugated iron building and the workshops of Chris Topp, ironmaker, and go along a back lane for a new angle on some of the villages fine old buildings. On the left are still the ridge and furrow fields of bygone farming days. You will reach the road, where you turn right. Keep straight on past (or via) the Carlton Inn, the village green and the tiny, golden stone church and out of the village. At the first bend, a delightful bridleway (signed) goes straight on and up to a gate. Continue with the hedge to your left, through another gate and to the left of the buildings behind Angram Grange, once a farm of Byland Abbey. You will reach the farm track, but this short stretch of bridleway was a bit overgrown with some minor obstructions when checked for this walk, although all may be well by the time this is published. When you turn right at the farm track and go through a farm gate with yellow footpath and blue bridleway arrows on it you will realise youre in a different part of the same field you previously crossed. Follow the bridleway diagonally and down to re-join the road near the driveway to Angram Hall. After you pass the former Husthwaite Gate station house and its windmill and a path to the right, cross Elphin Bridge and take the next path on the right, which goes up the side of the field and back to the church.

FOR YOUR DIARY

30th September	Sponsored Walk	Village Hall
1.00pm		
5th October	Tai Chi	Village Hall
10th October	Village Hall AGM	Village Hall
7.30pm		
11th October	Gardening Club	Village Hall
7.30pm		
12th October	Tai Chi	Village Hall
15th October	Pantomime Reading	Village Hall
6.30pm		
18th October	Scottish Dancing	Village Hall
8.00pm		
19th October	Tai Chi	Village Hall
1st November	Parish Plan meeting	Village Hall
7.30pm		
1st November	Gardening Club Dinner	
2nd November	Tai Chi	Village Hall
9th November	Tai Chi	Village Hall
12th November	Pantomime Rehearsal	Village Hall
6.30pm		
16th November	Tai Chi	Village Hall



Beanstalk Cast 2006 - Aladdin dates are above you - oh yes they are!

Passionate debate took place with many ideas being put forward by all parties in relation to the Village Halls potential and what its future role within the Parish Plan could be.

Finally, as a Parish Council, we are acutely aware that our work is and should be led by our parishioners, as was the Parish Plan. With that in mind and as part of our constant efforts to ensure we do what's best for the people of our village, it is our intention to put ourselves on show for all the world to see. Quite literally. It is hoped that we will be able to put photographs of all councillors with a brief resume, on to our web site to ensure everyone, whether new to the village or not, knows who we are and a little bit about us. It is also hoped that we will be able to place an Ask the Council section on to the website. The purpose of this would be to further open up access to the Parish Council with any questions asked, dealt with at the following Parish Council meeting and replied to. Coupled with the minutes of each meeting being made available via the website, we hope these additions will encourage you all to take an active interest in issues that affect you and your community. Thank you for taking the time to read this and we look forward to any feedback.

Luis Ponte is a Husthwaite Parish Councillor

Have You an Eye for Detail? Elaine Smith

Please give Husthwaite, some of your time not a lot.

We still need more people to help with the various tasks involved in creating the Village Design Statement document many hands make light work - we don't envisage endless meetings so don't be put off if you can't stand committees!

Can you help on an occasional basis or perhaps work independently on a small section, for instance: -

- * make sketches of architectural details. We intend to include maps photographs and sketches to illustrate the points made in the Parish Plan document, so need help from someone with an eye for detail.
 - * help to collate and summarise the material we already have from the Village Plan survey, both photographic and from the questionnaire.
- If you want to find out more about what's involved before committing yourself to anything, give me a ring on 868572.

Elaine Smith is a Husthwaite Parish Councillor

Husthwaite Village Hall Committee

We Have Landed That Lottery Grant at Last

Richard Wood

The Village Hall Committees term of office ended on a high note when Awards for All England allocated us 10,000.

With the AGM coming up, it was perfect timing. When the new Committee examines the books, it will find enough s to open discussion with builders for the front of the Hall.

We have received grant support from NYCC, Hambleton District Council, the Police Dispersal of Property Fund and our own Parish Council. People have told me I should reveal figures in the *Newsletter*. Its your money and I cant negotiate with builders through the *Newsletter*, can I?

Its been an uphill struggle, and we owe our thanks to the funders, to Caroline Patmore for her support, to the YRCC, the AONB and the Northallerton Voluntary Services Association.

Vital AGM

The Committee has raised a lot of money, and before this is spent we would like you to come and air your views.

As usual, places on the Committee are up for election, and you will be more than welcome to put yourself forward. Its important that you know you have a right to be part of the running of the Hall. So - 7.30pm on 10th October. Lets see you.

Prizes and Surprises on the Sponsored Walk

Alun Nixon

Sunday 30th September sees the timed arrival of the eagerly-awaited Village Sponsored Walk, an event welcome to all Villagers (whatever the village, we may even accept Townies) of any age. The route will take the intrepid rambler down some of the lesser-travelled footpaths and byeways in the neighbourhood; and motor traffic-related activity should be more of a Spot-the-car rather than Dodge-the-car nature. Prizes will be awarded for most sponsor money collected, and also in a few other surprise categories. The first prize, kindly donated by the Proprietor of The Balmoral, (the setting for a few right royal gatherings already) is a meal for two, without whining, at the aforementioned hostelry. Since it is envisaged that Young Persons will dominate the turnout the favourite parent gets a free meal! The walk will start

Sue Wins with a Whopper

Mike Wells

So that was summer 2007.

Now the nights are drawing in and the gardening club has moved indoors again. Autumn has arrived. You may be starting to think of November fogs, grey, wet days or even Christmas shopping but we gardeners are looking further ahead to the first snowdrops, drifts of daffodils and tubs of tulips. Yes, our speaker for the September meeting, Stephen Wright, gave a presentation on spring bulbs. At the end of the evening he was doing a brisk trade, so expect Husthwaite to look even more floriferous next Spring.

Talking of bulbs, there was much excitement as members brought in their prize onions. Back in February, everyone was given five onion sets to grow and the winner would be the onion with the largest circumference. After careful measuring by Jackie and Simon Earley, the winners were announced: The runner-up was Hugh Richardson and the first prize went to Sue Leverton.

Her onion measured 32.2cm in circumference. And how did she produce such a whopper? Sue was being very modest and put it down to chance. Or was she keeping the secret to herself for future success? Time will tell. We will meet again in the Village Hall on 11th October to hear a talk on fruit growing. It will also be time to book your place at the clubs dinner on 1st November.



Sue Leverton and her prize onion
photo: Mike Wells

History Society Invites New Members
to Join Village Research Projects
Angela Ovenston

Current projects for the Husthwaite Local History Society include researching the history of the schools in Husthwaite, individual houses, the pubs, field names and the medieval field system.

A series of four booklets covering the 20th century in the village is in progress. New members with enthusiasm and new ideas who would like to join the group or a subgroup would be most welcome please contact Annie Richardson on 868005 for further information.

We also help with family tree queries which arise from the use of the village website. Some recent questions have involved the Greenwood family, one of whose ancestors was a joiner who lived at Prospect House (demolished and replaced by Prospect bungalows), and Catherine Faure who once lived at Wilton Croft. If anyone is able to contribute anything about these people please get in touch with me on 868347.

The last speaker at a general meeting was Patrick Wildgust, curator of Shandy Hall who provided a very lively and informative evening about the life and times of its one time famous incumbent Lawrence Sterne vicar of Coxwold 1760 - 1768. Further open meetings are being organized. If anyone knows of

good local speakers or can entertain
005 would be delighted
Reminiscences of Husthwaite 1900s

can contribute further photographic
or cuttings from old newspapers
Copies of the two previous booklets
1950s and *Reminiscences of Husthwaite*
village shop

A few copies of *Coxwoldshire* (1999) are available
at 6.95 plus p and p and may be ordered from
of York, Ebor Press,



Husthwaite lads at Coxwold shop 1950s-1970s
Reminiscences 1950s-1970s



Awards for All

This is to certify that

Husthwaite Village Hall

has been awarded a grant of

£10000

by the Awards for All programme

 www.awardsforall.org.uk

Planners at Work
Peter Davison

A reply to our letter has been received from Stephen Pimperton, Highways Maintenance Manager. In response to this letter it was arranged that Robin Houlston and I would attend a site meeting with him. This was a productive meeting at which Mr Pimperton explained how priorities are determined for road maintenance, snow clearing and gritting - enormous challenges in such a huge area as North Yorkshire. He was able to confirm that damaged kerb-stones between the village green and the shop will be replaced in October. He also offered to supply grit bins, if requested by the Parish Council, to be located where difficulties are most likely to be encountered in winter. He was able to confirm that the present practice of reporting concerns via Robin Houlston match their working arrangements, especially since Highways Section relies on parish councils to be their eyes and ears. It was clear from discussion that Mr Pimperton is keen to work in partnership and ensure maintenance work of a high quality.

P
assing Places

In reply to our recent letter, David Chase, Highways Project Manager, has indicated that although this provision is beyond the basic maintenance budget, he is prepared to submit suggestions to NYCC Minor Capital Budget with a view to securing funding for such a project. There will now be liaison with Angram and Carlton Hushwaite regarding passing places on the Carlton road, and Robin Houlston and Carol Fenwick will identify the most suitable places on Malton Street.

Recreation Field

As a pre-requisite to any detailed planning, it is necessary to clarify the leasing terms with HDC. Recent enquiries suggest that in order to access some areas of funding, it will be necessary to establish separate committees, other than the Parish Council. There is to be further correspondence with Highways Section to clarify some matters concerning vehicular access to this area.

A reply to our letter has been received from Graham Hinds, Highways Traffic Management and Development Engineer. Whilst he sympathises with the parking problems around the school, it is not possible to support proposals for a car park for the school in the recreation area, as this would not accord with NYCC transport priorities.

Village Design Statement and Conservation of Rural Setting

In reply to our recent letter, Glen Robinson, Planning Officer at HDC, offered encouragement but explained that help and funding are not available at this time for development of a Village Design Statement (VDS). As there is a natural overlap between VDS and Conservation of Rural Setting (CRS), it was agreed to merge these two priorities. An appeal for two or three volunteers to work with Elaine Smith and Philip Lawson appears elsewhere in this edition of the *Newsletter*. I will explore a possible source of funding from Community Champions.

Village Hall

A meeting to explore future developments was held on 5th September.

Information Pack

Juliet McDougall and Linda Davison outlined suggested contents for the Welcome to Hushwaite pack. The information will be produced on loose-leaf A5 sheets which will be presented in a folder. Such details will be included on the village website (www.hushwaitevillage.co.uk). Total costs are likely to be in excess of 500 and I will explore a possible source of funding through Community Champions.

Next Meeting

The next special meeting of the Parish Council to progress implementation of