

# Husthwaite Newsletter

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This year the fields of yellow rape flower surrounded us in May, brighter than ever in the sun, and contrasting well against the hills, in this photo by Simon Penson.



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## **Dates for your Diary**

### **June**

**2 Book Exchange and Apple Tree Cafe from 12.30**

**3 Yoga 9.15 am in VH**

**3 Zumba 9.15am in VH**

**5 Ballroom Dancing 7.15pm in VH**

**8 Quiz 7pm in VH**

**9 Short Mat Bowls from 8pm in VH (NB see pg 22)**

**13 World Cup Fantasy Football 7.30 in VH**

**15 Circuits NB. at MUGA 10am.**

**15 Husthwaite Market in VH 11-3pm**

**18 Film Club 7pm in VH**

**19 World Cup screening in VH from 7pm.**

**21 Ceilidh 7.30 in VH**

**24 England V Costa Rica on screen in VH 4pm**

### **July**

**1 Coffee morning at Meadow Rise 10.30-12.30**

**6 Visit to Hepworth Gallery etc Please contact Lawrie Hill/ Andrew Coulthard**

**11 Comedy night in VH with James Acaster see pg 23 7pm**

**12 Grand Opening of the Village Hall 11am**

**13 Quiz 7pm in VH**

**15 Parish Council Meeting 7.30 pm**

As you know, the new hall played host to the first Village Market of 2014 in March. We had a good flow of customers and a happy group of stallholders, many of whom have booked again for some or all of the remaining three.

We are, however, having difficulty in sourcing a fruit and vegetable stall holder and we would like to offer the statutory '5 a day'.

So, knowing that a number of green fingered Husthwaiters 'grow their own', we thought it might be a nice idea to have a 'Village Stall'.

Interested growers who would like to contribute produce to a stall and/or help run it on the day please contact Debbie Lewis-Green [thegreenzoo@btinternet.com](mailto:thegreenzoo@btinternet.com) or 01347 868234

## From 'Mary Rose to Castle Howard' by Roy Leverton

Guy Wilson, Husthwaite History Society's much travelled historian and arms expert, entertained a fascinated and enthralled audience to a dramatic presentation in the village hall on the evening of March 27th.

He first described his experiences following his recent return from Nepal. There he was charged with updating the material and displays at the Ghurkha Military Museum at Pokhara and to extend the training of the staff there. He was treated to traditional Gurkha hospitality and thoroughly enjoyed being an honoured working guest. In addition he helped to install computers in local schools - something that had hitherto been absent. His use of photographic slides and movie material, where appropriate, added reality to the spoken word.

Following his Nepalese experience, some investigations closer to home were described. On behalf of the Yorkshire Country House Association Guy was commissioned to research the wartime involvement of the various families and staffs of the Partnership during time of war dating back to Napoleonic times. His findings, with particular reference to Castle Howard, formed the second topic of the evening.

Guy finally described his historical interest with the raising of the 'Mary Rose', Henry VIII's carrack-type warship salvaged in 1982. His particular interest was in the weaponry on board and the group was keen to ascertain the effectiveness of a particular type of gun. Together with a local friend and iron work specialist, Chris Topp, the team recreated the gun and demonstrated on film the results of their hard work. The evening really finished 'with a bang' as his audience enjoyed visual and ear splitting evidence that the gun worked perfectly!

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**JULY**

**LABRADORS THAT LUNCH**

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> 12 noon ~ 2.30pm.  
Guide Dogs for the Blind fundraiser.  
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Light lunch £15 including Doggie Party Bags.

**GODFREYS LAST STAND & GIVE A LITTLE LOVE**

Talking Stock Productions Thurs. 17<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm  
Tickets £10 Proceeds to Macmillan Cancer Trust.

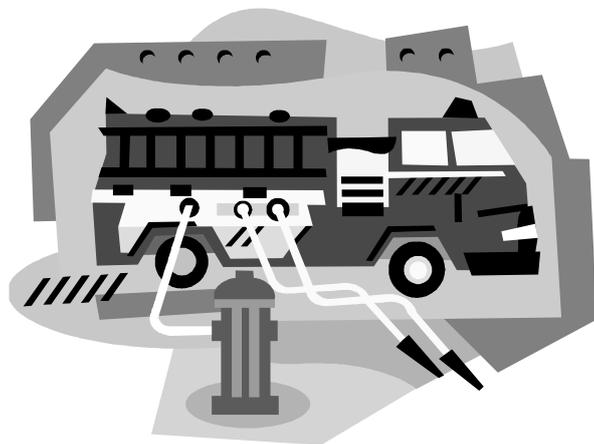
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# North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service Message

How many smoke alarms do you have?

Latest fire statistics reveal that one smoke alarm may not be enough to provide you with the best chance of escaping a fire in the home.



It's clear that most people know a working smoke alarm can save lives by providing those vital few seconds needed to escape a house fire. But, despite the majority of homes (88%) having at least one working smoke alarm in their home, smoke alarms alerted householders to a fire in England in only a third of cases. The most common reason a smoke alarm failed to activate was because the fire was outside its range. It is also important to remember that smoke alarms don't last forever. The power might work, but the mechanism deteriorates with time, so whether they are battery operated or wired to the mains, to work at their best they should be replaced every ten years.

For this reason, the Fire Kills campaign and North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service are encouraging people to think about the smoke alarms in their home and offer **these top five smoke alarm top tips:**

Install at least one smoke alarm on every level of your home.

The ideal position is on the ceiling, in the middle of a room or on a hallway or landing.

Consider fitting additional alarms in other rooms where there are electrical appliances and near sleeping areas

Don't put alarms in or near kitchens and bathrooms where smoke or steam can set them off by accident.

Replace your smoke alarms every ten years.

We would also urge carers and people who keep a close eye on less able friends or relatives to check that these homes have enough smoke alarms in the right places too and that they are regularly tested.

**NYFRS offer a free Home Fire Safety visit scheme and where appropriate may be able to supply and fit smoke alarms for free. For further fire safety advice or to book a visit go to [www.northyorksfire.gov.uk](http://www.northyorksfire.gov.uk) or call 01609 788545**



## The Age of Elegance

A group of suitably attired people from Husthwaite arrived in York at Station Rise to take the 'Age of Elegance' tour. We were met by our guide, Warwick Burton' and led to the bottom of Toft Lane where Warwick indicated a previously unknown lavatory complex for our convenience. Although it proved more Viking than Georgian it seemed fit for purpose...just.

The tour proper started just a bit further up at the stunning new Council offices. This re -development of the original Railway Station came as a surprise.

Yorkshire sensibilities dictate that further free revelations concerning the tour be withheld as the group paid the princely sum of £5 p.p. to be illuminated on a fascinating period of York History.

Suffice to say that the coaching system was so streamlined that the journey time from London to York was a meagre 20 hours. Only marginally slower than the Megabus. Also, the quayside area near the King's Arms was a den of iniquity, featuring drunkenness, brawling, theft and fallen women. No change there then.

It is worth mentioning, however, that our break was taken at the [Spurriergate Centre](#) where the excellent refreshments are served by volunteers and the proceeds go to various charitable projects.

**Lawrie Hill**

# The Curtain Room

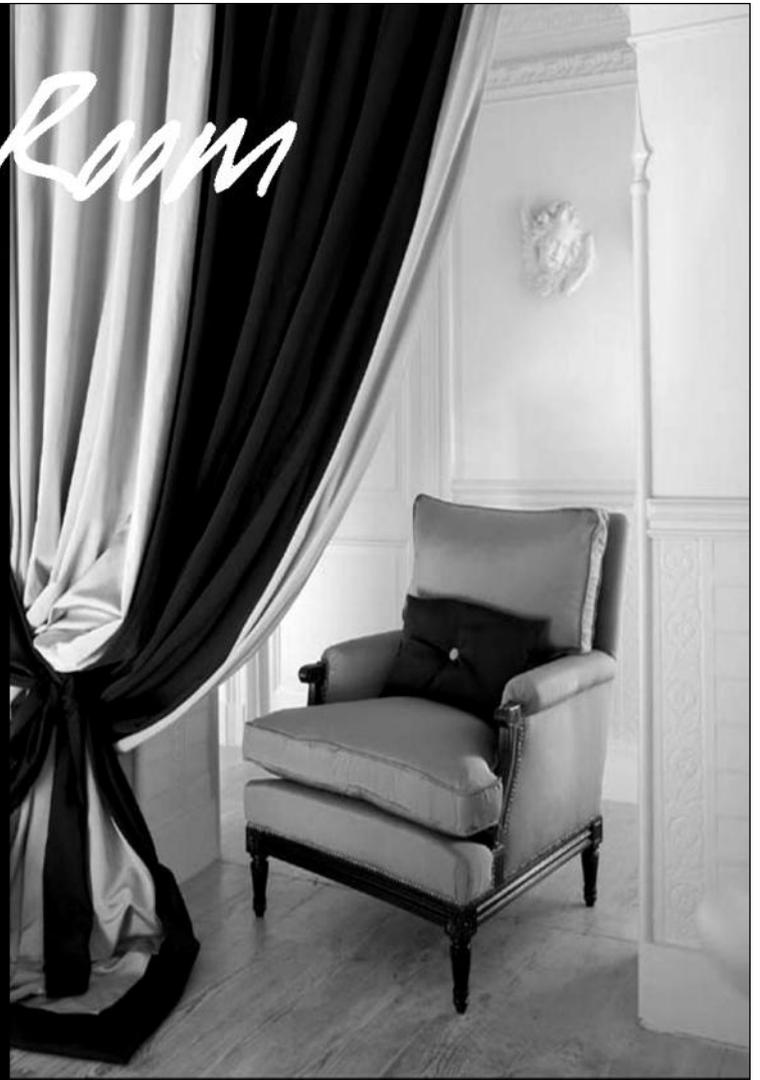
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## Walking History - Rambling Club

On April 27th on a beautiful early Spring Day members of the popular Husthwaite Ramblers Club gathered at the Hambleton Inn and former Drovers' resting place on the A170 where they left their cars for the duration of their four miles walk following an old Drover's Road. This would almost certainly have been one of the routes used by the Scots on their various raids on the North of England in medieval times.

Having ensured that they were suitably clothed and booted, the group, together with a selection of enthusiastic canines, set off at healthy pace for the day's challenge. The first port of call was to the rebuilt chapel at Scotch Corner renovated in memory of the fallen in two world wars by John Bunting artist, sculptor, wood craftsman and retired art master of Ampleforth College. His 'special feeling' for the site was such that he built a sturdy stone cottage as a hideaway. We were expected on the day of the ramble by Bunting's son, Bernard, who was on duty as guide. He detailed the history of the cottage and adjacent chapel, also of the sculptures added by Bunting which decorate the interior. His personal knowledge added meaning and interest to a fascinating visit.

We spent some time at the site before resuming our circular walk along the Drover's Road stopping for a short drinks stop and returning to the Hambleton Inn where a welcome serving of tea/coffee and cake awaited us.

Membership of the Ramblers Club is increasing steadily, helping to broaden villagers' and their friends' knowledge of the areas in relatively close proximity to our village. Please check the village Newsletter for information about forthcoming rambles .

**Roy Leverton**

## Orchard Village Club go to Beningbrough

On Tuesday, 6th May, The Orchard Village Club had a day out. 24 members and helpers all met at Beningbrough Hall on a lovely warm and sunny spring day.

After lunch in the walled garden restaurant, we continued our day with our very own tour-guide, Pat Wilkes. Pat showed us round the House, including the Royal Portrait Exhibition (Royals Then and Now) which gave us a chance to see varied styles of art showing The Queen, The Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Charles, Diana, Princess of Wales, The Young Princes, Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge and her very cute son, Prince George. We were all then very ready for a sit in the sunshine (plus ice cream) before a walk around the beautiful gardens and grounds. Some members even squeezed in another cup of tea. A truly enjoyable day. On behalf of all the members, a big thank you to Robin and her many helpers. *(See photo facing)*

**Joan Duffield**



*During the Orchard Village Club trip to Beninborough Hall, Betty Fox, Joyce Wise, Margaret and Percy Featherstone take the sun in the walled garden.*

## **VILLAGE HALL BLINDS AND CURTAINS**

We are pleased to announce that Mel Casling from The Curtain Room has been selected from a tender of three local suppliers to furnish the hall with blinds and curtains.

Mel has sourced a solar powered system that will operate black out blinds to the 12 high level windows and a motorised system for the 3 roof lights. Softer furnishing will be used for the window/door of the main hall in the form of a double sided curtain on a discreet track and to the Meeting Room, with Roman blinds to the window and inset roller blinds to block light from the French doors, when blackout treatment is needed.

Fitting will be eagerly awaited by those having to scale the heights to cover the windows for film events, plus we can look forward to an aesthetically warmer environment in the meeting room with better acoustic sound.

Mel was not the least expensive, but there was very little between the lowest quote and hers. Those of you who know the quality of Mel's work will understand why she was selected, but when you add to that the Solar Powered option, a small local business and community involvement, The Curtain Room ticked all the boxes for a sustainable, eco-friendly hall.

## Barney Smith writes from the Hideaway

Things started with a bang at The Hideaway this year, we had a full campsite over the Easter weekend and campers were lucky enough to have some decent weather!



We have a busy June and July coming up too with four weddings booked in, one in fact being a local family from Husthwaite, congratulations to Phil Taylor and his Fiancée Claire who are getting married on the 7th of June.

Happy couples from all over England are also coming to The Hideaway to celebrate their marriage: we have couples from Bolton, Towcester, London and Brighton to name but a few! Husthwaite has certainly been put on The Map!

**It is a little way off yet but please put a note in your diaries; Saturday, September the 13th is The Hideaway's annual acoustic music evening - BaxbyFest!**

It is a very informal affair; we are talking Husthwaite cider (or bring your own), straw bales, campfires and marshmallows! We have a Greek influence this year thanks to Cameron's daughter Jess and her boyfriend George who will be providing the catering! If you want to sample George and Jess's culinary delights before September then you will find them down at The Hideaway most Friday evenings from 4pm onwards.



**Orchards of Husthwaite** sell their fruit juice and cider on the first Saturday of every month on Hovingham farmers' market, from 10-2pm. We could do with a few more volunteer sellers if anyone wishes to help. Sales raise money for our own village projects. Working on the market stall is interesting and you meet lots of people, as well as having a chance to shop there yourself for good food, plants, gifts etc. **If you want to help please contact Jane Maloney on 868235.**

## Film Club

### Saving Mr Banks - June 18th 7pm.

Starring Tom Hanks and Emma Thompson. A unique film that plays tribute to the Disney legacy; sweet, charming and high spirited!

When Walt Disney's daughters begged him to make a movie of their favourite book, Mary Poppins, he made them a promise - one that he didn't realize would take 20 years to keep! Walt (Hanks) comes up against a curmudgeonly, stubborn writer who has no intention of letting her beloved nanny get mauled by the Hollywood machine. Reluctantly, P L Travers (Thompson) agrees to go to Los Angeles to hear Disney's plans for the adaptation. Armed with imaginative storyboards and chirpy songs from the talented Sherman brothers, Walt launches an all-out onslaught on Travers to achieve what must be one of the best loved Disney films of all time.

Hope to see you there.

**Calum Mowatt**



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## Yoga Class in Husthwaite New Village Hall

I'm delighted to have a yoga class in the village, as a yoga teacher I'm always on the lookout for warm, welcoming, light, airy spaces with GOOD heating and a nice wooden floor! And now I've got one right here in the village where I live!

Yoga is an ancient science of harmonising body and mind, rooted in traditions over 3,000 years old that have been maintained in India until today. The word Yoga comes for the Sanskrit root word 'Yuj', meaning union and it encompasses balance within ourselves, with fellow human beings and with our surroundings. To find out how the class is going I thought it was best to ask my students, so here are some of their comments.

Yoga is all new to me! But I'm loving it! Today's yoga was both a work out for the body but relaxing for the mind, afterwards I always feel energised, re-fuelled for the day, that is after I have woken up from the relaxation bit at the end!!

It is a bit of time where I can remember me. Just to take time to relate to how my body is feeling on a particular day. The degree of 'yoga' info is just right for me, enough to relate it to why we are doing certain moves, but not too much that it floods your brain with yet more information. This is also true of Jane's instruction, always pointing me in the right direction, when sometimes, as a beginner, my mind starts to wander.

The fact that it is a few minutes away from my front door is just the icing on the cake! *Lynn*

Yoga in the new village hall is a real pleasure as it so light and airy with the roof lights, a real bonus when you are laid on the floor. It's lovely to meet up with friends and practice is so beneficial in the morning, Jane gives us insight into how yoga helps the mind and spirit as well as lots of flexing and anti-arthritis movements. It's great to be able to stroll home from class giving me time to soak up the feeling and reflect before my busy day takes off. After doing yoga in cold church halls and dreading the moment where Jane says 'now you need to take your socks off so you don't slip', I am now really looking forward to that moment in the winter and having warm feet! *Jacki*

I would say Jane runs a friendly informal class that gives me the chance to focus both my body and mind. It's an oasis of calm in my busy life. *Catherine*

Well, from my point of view as someone who has just returned from overseas to the village, I am just thrilled that we have this wonderful new, light, airy, clean and inviting space in which to have our yoga classes. The space really lends itself to the practice as well as all the other activities which are now attracted to use it. I'm there so often at one thing and another; I'm considering taking my bed roll down there to save on travelling time/costs!

I'd also like to say how lucky we are that it attracts the service of some excellent and professional teachers (Jane and the Zumba teacher Elaine) so that we country-living villagers have it all - we get to live in the beautiful place AND have the advantages of usually town-based activities come to us! *Jo*

I am pleased to let you know how much I am enjoying the class on Tuesday in the new village hall. The moves are basic and I feel so good putting all my energy and concentration into a simple movement like touching my toes. The class is very mixed ability and I feel comfortable doing as much or as little as I want.

Thank you for a lovely class. *Lindsay*

New members are always welcome to come and try it, Tuesday 9.15-10.30am - men and women, 18-80+, come with a mat if possible or get in touch to find out more.  
**07906 652669 [janecluley@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:janecluley@tiscali.co.uk)**

# HUSTHWAITE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY



It is hard to believe that already we are drawing to the end of another school year - and what a busy year it has been!

Reflecting on our achievements our biggest success so far this year is our **GOOD** grading awarded to us by Ofsted early in the autumn term. This official recognition of our hard work has enabled us to build on this success which was also recognised by the NYCC Education Development Adviser during their recent visit to school who confirmed that we are solidly good with outstanding features. Our vision remains to aim high and maintain this grading. Another success story in school is our new-look foundation stage class together with a new logo. Working alongside our nursery (which is now open 5 days a week offering full day care to children from their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday - funded places also available) this teacher-led class ensures children have a positive start in their school life. We are currently taking registrations for nursery children for our September intake. Please contact the school for details.

To help you and your child familiarise yourself with our nursery, we offer free monthly taster sessions for all children of pre-school age (babies are more than welcome). This is an ideal opportunity to meet the staff and other parents and get a 'hands-on' feel for what we offer. The next taster sessions are Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June and Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July.

Events the school has participated in so far during this short half-term include:

An Easter Community Service led by Heather Tisbury who also kindly judged our decorated Easter egg competition

Y1 and Y2 children joined in the cluster fun run at Easingwold Secondary School – despite the rain!

Rural Arts have worked with Class 3 on a pottery project based on materials

Y5 and Y6 pupils played in the Cluster Kwik Cricket tournament – finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> place – well done to the cricketers

Robin Walton and Drover visited school to tell the fascinating story of how old English sheepdogs herded animals along the drove road

Class 2 have welcomed back the hens who have already laid eggs giving the class a treat of scrambled eggs on toast!

Rural Arts project – Class 3



Each September we start the academic year with a themed rewards system. This year we chose to base our rewards on the 'Tour de Yorkshire'. Children had to work their way through six stages with the completion of each stage achieving a reward based on cycling –

Stage 1: racing bike

Stage 2: racing licence

Stage 3: best young rider

- Stage 4: sprinter's green jersey
- Stage 5: King of the Mountains – polka-dot jersey
- Stage 6: Tour de Hushwaite – yellow jersey

#### Tour de Hushwaite Champions

Some children have recently completed all 6 stages and their reward is a limited edition yellow sports drink bottle reflecting the ultimate prize of the yellow jersey.



Probably the best part of the summer term is being able to enjoy our magnificent grounds to their full potential. We are extremely fortunate in having such wide open spaces for children to explore, ignite their imaginations and just generally have the freedom to run around. All PE lessons supported by our PE coach now take place outdoors. Children will be experiencing not only the traditional summer games of cricket, rounders and tennis but also athletics and golf. Miss Goodchild has worked hard in planning another Sports Week for the end of June where each day different sporting activities will be offered to all children and will include traditional competitive sports as well as team games. A fabulous fun-packed week where all children from nursery to Y6 participate in a whole school activity – with a guarantee for parents that children will be tired and bedtime will be welcomed!

Class 3 will also shortly be busy rehearsing for their Summer Production – School Daze – which promises to be highly entertaining!



The highlight of the summer term has to be focussed on the School's 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Coincidentally this year we have also had two members of staff celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> birthdays - 1974 was obviously a good year! On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July we shall be holding a Celebration to mark the school's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We hope to be able to put together a gallery of photos/memorabilia from past and present pupils. If you have anything that you can give/lend to us for this purpose, or know of anyone else who can, we would love to hear from you. Ideally we will need items for display purposes bringing into school by the end of the first week of July (Friday 4<sup>th</sup>) in order to give us time to collate and set up a gallery.

Celebratory events will kick off at 3.30pm and finish at 6.30pm. To reflect our rural community we shall be basing events vaguely on a mini 'Yorkshire Show' theme with horses (pony rides available), llamas, sheep, food and refreshments, ice-creams, cake stall, raffle and tombola and other stalls run by children. There will also be a cupcake competition – if you would like to enter this, details and entry forms can be obtained from the school's website.

### **Contact us**

For further information please see our website: [www.hushwaite.n-yorks.sch.uk](http://www.hushwaite.n-yorks.sch.uk). Alternatively please call the school office on 01347 868371.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> June School opens
- 20<sup>th</sup> June Taster morning at Hushwaite Nursery
- 23-27 June Sports Week
- 7<sup>th</sup> July Taster morning at Hushwaite Nursery
- 9<sup>th</sup> July Staff training day – school closed
- 17<sup>th</sup> July Class 3 summer production
- 18<sup>th</sup> July School's 40<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations 3.30-6.30pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> July Leaver's Service at St Nicholas church
- School closes for summer 2.45 pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept School opens for autumn term

# Husthwaite Parish Council AGM 20th May 2014 7pm

## Husthwaite Parish Council

Despite pleas from the Parish Council, turnout for the AGM on May 20th was disappointing however the Parish Council is looking at this in a positive way; if few/no villagers attend the bi-monthly meetings in the Village Hall then the PC must assume that residents of Husthwaite are happy with how things are done in and around the village and have no questions, queries or concerns. If this is not the case and you do have a question query or concern relating to matters that are dealt with by the PC, or by Hambleton District or North Yorkshire County Council then you will be welcome at the **next meeting on July 15th at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.**

In attendance were; Carol Fenwick, Elaine Smith, Peter Fox, Alison Gambles, Paul Escreet, Barney Smith and Barrie Ward. Also in attendance were Caroline Patmore (our District / County Councilor), Lawrie Hill, Yasmina Macalister, Alison Menage and Stephen Barker.

First of all a huge 'Thank you' went to Barrie Ward for his services to Husthwaite as Parish Council Clerk over the last ten years, he will be sorely missed. As way of showing our appreciation Carol Fenwick presented Barrie with a Squirrel-man breadboard made by Trevor Hutchinson.

WE ARE **STILL** DESPERATELY SEEKING A PARISH CLERK, if you or anyone you know would like to find out what is involved please contact one of your Parish Councilors, there is a salary of quite a few hundred pounds involved...!

### Parish Councilors Positions & Roles:

Carol Fenwick was appointed Chair for another year and also being responsible for Beckwith Trust, Street Lighting, Parish Liaison, Police Liaisons/Neighbourhood Watch, Village Hall, Risk Assessment and the Recreation Area

Elaine Smith : Vice Chair for another year and Easingwold & Villages Forum & YLCA

Paul Escreet is in charge of Highways (I hear many pothole emails making their way to you already Paul!)

Barney Smith will deal with Footpaths/Public Rights of Way and Communications/Publicity

Alison Gambles will assist with the Recreation Area responsibilities.

### Community First Responders

Husthwaite now has NINE fully trained Community First Responders (CFR's) with a further four to be trained later this year.

When the scheme goes live later in June the nine trained CFR's will take turns to be 'on call' by means of a rota system. **IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF EMERGENCY CARE PLEASE CALL 999 AND ASK FOR AN AMBULANCE IN THE NORMAL WAY**, it is not up you to organise a CFR the Ambulance service will firstly make sure an Ambulance is on its way to you before calling the CFR to see if they are available to respond, CFR's do not attend all calls especially not trauma cases. CFR's cannot respond to calls that are not made through 999.

### Cemetery and MUGA Moss!

The path in the cemetery and the surface of the MUGA is now free of moss! The total cost of the clearance was a mere £70.63, thanks to volunteers for applying the product!

### Bus Service Cuts

We have only lost one afternoon service, reducing total services each way to five. The last service at 18:18 now

goes all the way to York rather than terminating in Easingwold.

### **The Pub**

After a distinct lack of activity Husthwaite PC have asked HDC, via Caroline Patmore, if they have any idea what is happening at the property. Various rumours have been spreading throughout the village including Skelwith have sold the pub however the PC listed the pub as a community asset last year which prevent it from being sold without the village being told and given six months to raise the necessary funds to buy it.

Although there is nothing to stop Skelwith selling the pub it would mean that if it has already been sold the sale would be illegal/void!

### **Road Gullies**

Elphin View, East View and Prospect Cottages still have drains blocked despite the gulley cleaner coming.

### **Street Signs**

Husthwaite PC will write to HDC to see if the road signs around the village will be refurbished, as they are all looking particularly tatty.

### **Dog Fouling**

A new Dog Warden role has been created by HDC to clamp down on people who do not clear up after their dogs. They will be armed with cameras and will issue on the spot fines,. This is something that HDC are really keen on promoting so if you do not clear up after your dog - BEWARE they are after you! There are also incentives for people to report you!

Prices are being obtained with a view to replacing the Bin on the Village Green.

### **Grass Cutting**

Area outside of the MUGA is scheduled to be cut once a month, as is the Woodland area behind the MUGA.

### **The Parish Plan**

This is due to be reviewed and the PC will start by updating the questionnaire that was sent out some 8 years ago. The PC will not be re-distributing the whole questionnaire but sending out a simplified version.

It will also address what people wanted back then and what the PC have since delivered.

### **Insurance**

This has been renewed at a cost of £904 and covers things such as public liability, fences, buildings, gates, gym equipment at the Recreation Area etc .

### **Planning**

Greystones High St APPROVED

West Terrace APPROVED but PC will be writing to HDC regarding the lack of response from Highways on this particular application, as the PC feel that Highways should have objected to the application for various reasons. Highways are asked to comment on most if not all applications however they rarely even visit a site!

13 East View CONSULTATION ONGOING

### **Allerton Park Incinerator**

No decision has been made by NYCC but will be by October, we are unanimously opposed to this multi-million pound out of date technology project.

### **HDC and NYCC report to follow.**

**Balance in Parish accounts £12227.26**

# HUSTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR MAY 2013 - APRIL 2014

At the annual parish meeting last May we were three Parish Councillors short, so the areas of responsibility within the council were assigned as follows: -

Peter Davison - Easingwold & Villages Forum, Hambleton Play Partnership and Communications

Elaine Smith - Easingwold & Villages Forum deputy, YLCA and Vice-chair

Carol Fenwick - Beckwith Trust, Neighbourhood Watch, Police Liaison, Risk Assessor, Street Lighting, Village Hall Representative and Chair

It was also decided that any problems regarding Highways and Public Footpaths should initially be reported to the Clerk who would then forward details to the relevant authority.

During the bi-monthly meeting that followed, it was noted that Geoff Jones had resigned from the Parish Council and it was agreed that, in addition to placing an advert in the Village Newsletter, Councillors would approach parishioners who they thought might be willing to be co-opted onto the Parish Council. Highway repairs, a Public Footpath landslip and section 106 grants were discussed and the annual accounts were unanimously approved. Peter informed the Council that his presentation on establishing a Recreation Area had been well received by the Hambleton Play Partnership, 9 volunteers had attended the Annual Spring Clean Up of the Recreation Area on 15<sup>th</sup> May, the access track improvements were due to start in the near future, a cycle rack had been ordered and funding for some outdoor fitness equipment and a volleyball net had been applied for.

In July we were shocked and saddened to learn of the sudden, unexpected death of Councillor Peter Davison who had worked tirelessly to improve facilities within the village. A summary of his achievements on the Council between 2005 and 2013, from producing a Parish Plan to the development of Husthwaite Recreation Area, was presented to the meeting and his success in applying for over £165,000 of funding which was all spent on Key Priorities within Husthwaite Parish Plan was applauded. It was noted that the Recreation Area Access Track Improvements (funded by a Big Lottery Awards for All grant and Section 106 funding) had been completed, the new Cycle rack had been received and a grant of £4000 towards the provision of Outdoor Fitness Equipment had been secured from Leader Rural Development Programme for England funded by DEFRA and the European Union. Alison Gambles and Peter Fox confirmed their willingness to become Parish Councillors and were duly co-opted onto Husthwaite Parish Council before New Parish Liaison Meetings, Community Services grants and the disbandment of the York and North Yorkshire Playing Fields Association were discussed. Thanks were offered

to the volunteers who had scrubbed the Village Green railings clean on 12<sup>th</sup> June and a donation towards a Recreation Area Activity Day in August was approved.

At the September meeting we were informed that Cath Jones had unfortunately tendered her resignation and, in light of the changes on the Parish Council, a new bank mandate detailing the revised cheque signatories was completed. Councillors discussed the Orchard Inn planning application, North Yorkshire County Council's proposed Bus Service cuts and the provision of superfast broadband in the village. It was reported that a splendid New Village Noticeboard, commissioned by the Orchard Project, had been erected near to the Village Green, a new cycle rack had been installed in the Recreation Area, items of Outdoor Fitness equipment (Double Skier, Double Air Skier, Double Rower, Arm & Pedal Cycle and Chest Press / Pull down) had been ordered from Fresh Air Fitness and a £1200 Celebrate Your Space Grant had been applied for.

On 21<sup>st</sup> September I was delighted to be asked to represent the villagers of Husthwaite and say a few words at the Presentation to John Williamson on the occasion of his retirement after 45 years excellent service to our village. Then, on a slightly damp Saturday morning at the beginning of November, we hosted a Grand Community Fun Day & Picnic to celebrate the completion of Husthwaite Recreation Area. Luckily the rain held off until after Anne McIntosh MP had officially opened the new facilities, children had competed in various sporting activities and attendees had enjoyed a sizeable picnic lunch.

In November I was again honoured to lay a wreath on behalf of the Parish Council at the Remembrance service at St Nicholas Church and at the Parish Council meeting later that month we welcomed Paul Escreet and Barney Smith who verified their agreement to become Parish Councillors and were duly co-opted onto Husthwaite Parish Council. We were informed that the Public Footpath landslip had been repaired, the fallen tree in the Recreation Area had been removed and the surplus bricks had been collected by Alun Nixon. In addition the Outdoor Fitness Equipment (funded by the Leader Rural Development Programme and section 106 funding) had been installed and the Recreation Area Committee's application to the Skipton Building Society for £500 to purchase Volleyball Equipment had been successful (PD). Other items discussed were the planning application process at Hambleton District Council, superfast broadband installation, speeding buses / tractors in the village and the revision of the Parish Councils Standing Orders and Finance Regulations. This is also the meeting at which we set the precept for the following year and it was unanimously agreed to maintain our precept at £7500, so provision was made towards fittings for the new Village Hall, painting of the Village Seats and extension of the Cemetery as well as ongoing costs for grass cutting, Recreation Area maintenance, insurance, the Village Newsletter and the annual audit.

The January meeting took place in the newly completed Village Hall and, after a

tour of the new facilities, we discussed the closure of the Orchard Inn, flooding on Elphin Bridge road, Community First Responder training, moss on the MUGA surface, the need to update the Parish Council webpage and Village Street Signs, as well as blocked drains and water leaks in the village. The revised Standing Orders and Finance Regulation were officially adopted and a donation to the local Citizens Advice Bureau was approved.

Before the March meeting, four enthusiastic volunteers from Husthwaite joined forces with others from Coxwold to clear the new Public Footpath along the Old Railway Line between Husthwaite Gate Station and Coxwold in an effort to make it more accessible to walkers. At the meeting later that month, it was reported that works to improve the drainage on Elphin Bridge road had been completed, the gully sucker had visited Husthwaite to clean out the blocked drains, the Parish Council webpage now included pictures and statements from all new Councillors, the 'Welcome to Husthwaite' pack had been updated and a total of twelve good citizens had confirmed their intention to undertake Community First Responder training in the near future. A Recreation Area Spring Tidy Up was organized for 5<sup>th</sup> May and it was agreed to purchase and apply a product to kill the moss on the surface of the MUGA and the Cemetery paths. It was also decided that, after the Volleyball Equipment had been installed on the Flat Grass Area, the Recreation Area Project would be complete and therefore the Recreation Area Committee (who were originally formed to plan and oversee the development of recreational facilities within the village) should be disbanded. Councillors thanked members for their excellent work in delivering such a well equipped facility and confirmed that all future responsibilities would be transferred to Husthwaite Parish Council. Other items discussed were the Allerton Park Incinerator, village Waste Bins and the intention to request quotations for the painting of the village seats.

During the last year we have been asked to comment on 12 planning applications, ranging from the formation of a ménage to the construction of a garage. The Parish Council objected to four of these applications and Hambleton District Council approved seven, refused two, one was withdrawn and two are still ongoing.

Hopefully we have kept parishioners apprised of the activities in which we have been involved with regular articles in the Husthwaite Newsletter and, more recently, on the Husthwaite website. Over the past year Councillors have attended meetings of the Beckwith Trust, Community Hub, Easingwold & Villages Forum, Hambleton Play Partnership, Husthwaite Village Hall, Husthwaite Neighbourhood Watch, Rural Action Yorkshire, Yorkshire Ambulance Service and Yorkshire Local Councils Associations. This, in addition to our regular bi-monthly meetings, has kept us all quite busy and I think that we have all represented our parishioners to the best of our ability.

I would like to end my report by thanking my fellow councillors for their hard work and support over the last year and also Caroline Patmore, our District / County

Councillor, who attends as many of our meetings as she can. Finally I would like to express our gratitude to Barrie, our Clerk of the last ten years, who is soon to move away from the area. Barrie has always performed his duties so proficiently, often going over and above what was expected of him and I am sure all the Councillors will agree when I say he will be sorely missed. We wish you and Joan every happiness in your new home and hope that you will accept this small token of our appreciation for all your hard work on behalf of the village of Husthwaite. Thank you Barrie!

**Carol Fenwick**

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# Husthwaite Village Hall Update

## Short Mat Bowls

The short mat bowls club is now running weekly on a Monday night. The normal hours are 7-9pm but while Drover's Road rehearsals are taking place from 9<sup>th</sup> of June until 21<sup>st</sup> of July inclusive the start time will be 8pm. If you haven't had a go yet then come along and try your hand. If you want any further information please contact Malcolm French (868779).

## Ballroom and Latin American Dancing

This is a new class which is run by Lauren Day. It runs from 7-9pm. Come along as a couple or on your own - the class is run so that it doesn't matter. For more details contact Lauren (07808 540791).



## Film Club

The Film Club is held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. We now have a new sound system installed and the sound quality is excellent. The next film will be **Saving Mr Banks** on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June. The bar will be open at 7.00pm and the film will start at 7.30pm.

## Quiz

The next quizzes will be on **Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of June and Sunday the 13<sup>th</sup> of July**. The quiz starts at 7.00pm with the bar open at 6.45pm.

We are always on the look out for new participants and question setters. Entry is £2 for the quiz. The winning team get a cash prize and there is also a prize for the best question setter.

## Circuits

The first circuits session run by Chris Short was held on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May. Some of us found it quite tough but fortunately we didn't need to call on any of the First Responders who looked keen to try out their new found skills!

The session was fun and varied and importantly you can go at your own pace. The next session will be the 15<sup>th</sup> of June and will then be weekly throughout the summer. As a one-off the 15<sup>th</sup> June session will be held at the MUGA as the Village Market is in the hall.

## World Cup

After a long hard season we now have the World Cup in June. The first match is on the 12<sup>th</sup> of June when Brazil open the tournament against Croatia.

To whet our appetite for the tournament we are going to have a warm up night on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of June with the opportunity to join the Husthwaite World Cup Fantasy Football League; take part in a table football tournament; watch some previous World Cup highlights and have a drink from the bar. The bar will be open from 7.30pm.

England's second match against Uruguay which kicks off at 8.00pm on June 19th will be shown in the hall. We are also offering a burger and a beer for £5 with tickets on sale in advance. The bar will be open from 7.00pm. Tickets available from Lynn Colton (868092), Will Mowatt (868196) or the village shop.



We are also going to show the third England game against Costa Rica on 24<sup>th</sup> June. This time the kick-off is 5.00pm and the hall will be open from 4.00pm.

Screenings after that will depend on England's progress...over to you Roy.

## Building

The final outstanding items will either have been completed or will be completed very soon. This includes the rendering to finish the walls and the Pathway to Success.

In the hall, the audio visual system has been installed by Mike Wells and wi-fi is now available. Of course the hall is there for us all to use so if you just want to hire the hall or to suggest an activity or event please contact Zoe Lodge (Hall Hire 868117 or

hallbookings@husthwaitevillage.com) or Gila Robinson (Events - 868216).

## Husthwaite Village Hall Summer Ceilidh

By popular demand, we are holding a Ceilidh on the longest day,  
**Saturday 21st June.**

Bar open from 7pm and the Ceilidh will start at 7.30pm.  
Dances will be called by Brian Watt to ensure we all move roughly in the same direction and have a fun evening. Smart/Casual dress code is fine and all ages welcome!!



Tickets are £5 and are available from the Village Shop or Will Mowatt .

## Live Comedy at Husthwaite Village Hall!



For One Night Only, on July 11<sup>th</sup> we are proud to present James Acaster. On route to the Edinburgh Comedy Festival in August, James will be previewing his show live in Husthwaite....! His shows have been nominated twice in the Edinburgh Fringe “Best Show” category in 2012 and again in 2013. He has also featured on various celebrity panel shows; “8 Out of 10 Cats”, “Would I Lie to You” and “Never Mind the Buzzcocks”

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## Village Hall Grand Opening Event

**On Saturday the 12th of July we are having the official opening of the village hall. We wanted the hall to be opened by someone from our community and have asked John Williamson, our retired milkman, to cut the ribbon. The ceremony will begin at 11.00 am with drinks and canapes served afterwards in the village hall. Everyone is welcome to attend .**

**Will Mowatt**

## **The Husthwaite Ramblers Walk - Hambleton Drove Road - Sunday 18 May 2014.**

Today a group of 25 walkers with 7 dogs, drove from Husthwaite Village Green to Kepwick, a village 2.2 miles east of the A19. Heading from the chapel car park on Rag Robin Turn we headed up onto the public footpath which took us through several fields.

At the gate we were greeted by a herd of inquisitive cows who with some persuasion gave way. From here we climbed a rhododendron-lined single path which climbed up considerably for over a mile. One of the many points of interest on the trek was Hangman's Hill; cattle bandits if caught were hanged on this green hillock for all to see.

Walking along Butchers Wood the path took us up onto the old Drovers' Road, part of The Cleveland Way. You got a feel of what it was like to drive livestock on the open road in days gone by. A group of us walked on to Limekiln House, site of an old Drovers' Inn; stones and bumps in the ground are all that remains. Heading back up the road we exited a gate onto Rag Robin Turn, stopping off at a disused quarry then back along the long and winding road which descends through Hastings Wood. Emerging at the gatehouse entrance to Kepwick Hall, we arrived back at our start point some 6 miles later.

**John Highton**



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# Hustwaite Local History Society

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"Caisley's shop" c1900, now known as The Old Stores. Mr and Mrs Jonathon Caisley ran the shop up to the 1920s and their son John Charles took over until the 1950s. A photo of their daughter Mary Caisley, born 1896 once postmistress in the village was sent by one of her grandchildren.



St Nicholas' Church showing part of the old Manor House c1890. Stuart Marriott has nearly completed his book on A History of the Manor of Hustwaite (tracing a complicated story from the Norman Conquest to recent times).



## COFFEE MORNING



In memory of Peter and in support of the British Heart

Foundation, there will be a Coffee Morning at Meadow Rise, Highthorne Lane, Hushwaite

on Tuesday, 1st July from 10.30 to 12.30.

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Linda Davison

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(For those that have no idea what that means...you can now view Husthwaite's very own newly revamped, Twitter'ised, Facebook'ed, village website on your mobile phone or Tablet, (as well as on your home computer of course).

You will find LOADS of information on the website; from recent developments at the **Curious Plum** to when to **Yoga** and **Zumba** in our shiny **New Village Hall!**

You can "**Have your Say**" and vote on **Local Issues and Current Affairs**, find out when **Half-Term** is, what is going on at **the School**, **the Church**, **the Gardening Club**, **the History Society**, **the Reading Group**, **The Orchard Village Club**, find a list of all the **Local Businesses**, find out **who is on the Parish Council**, when the next **Meeting** is and what went on at the last one, catch up with all past editions of the **Village Newsletter**, find out what **colour bin it is this week**, what is happening **outside the Village**, when you can **Catch a Bus** to it and what the **Weather** is going to be like when you get there.....and SO SO much more!

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Barney Smith

Husthwaite Parish Council