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Dates for your Diary

October

- 3 11.30-12.30pm Sporting Memories Hustwaite VH
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- 11 12noon OVC Hustwaite VH
- 13 7.30pm Gardening Club in VH
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- 8 9.30am Packing Christmas Shoeboxes in Methodist Chapel
- 8 12pm OVC Hustwaite VH
- 10 7.30pm Gardening Club in Hustwaite VH
- 15 7pm Hustwaite Parish Council Meeting in VH
- 17 7.30pm Film Club in VH
- 18 7.30pm Wine Tasting Evening in VH
- 22 9.15am Toddler Group in Coxwold VH
- 29 6-9pm Fracking Meeting Galtres Centre Easingwold (Ticket only)

December

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- 13 9.15am Toddler Group Coxwold VH
- 19 6.30pm Carol Singing (Meet on Hustwaite Village Green)

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

It seems scarcely possible that another year has passed since our last exciting morning packing shoeboxes for deprived children in Eastern Europe.

We plan to be involved again this year. The day for packing will be **Tuesday, 8th November, from 9.30 am In the Methodist Chapel.** If you haven't been involved before and would like to join in with the regular team of helpers, please do come along. We can always use extra help. It is always a happy morning which culminates in lunch at the Thirsk Garden Centre.

Items we need are the same as in previous years:

TOYS - cuddly toy(with CE label), toy car, truck, skipping rope ,yo yo, ball, small puzzle etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES - pens, colouring pencils, sharpeners, erasers, felt pens writing pads, notebooks, colouring books, solar calculators.

OTHER ITEMS - hat, cap, gloves, scarf, sunglasses, hair accessories, jewellery, wind up torch,

sweets (must have best before date of at least March the following year)

NO THANK YOU - war related items, chocolate, hand-knitted stuffed toys, clothing other than that listed above, books that are mainly words, anything of a racial or political nature.

Donations towards transport costs will be welcome.

So please get shopping, knitting, saving medium-sized shoeboxes, covering them with Christmas paper or just keeping the date free to come and help.

If you need any other information, please ring either Bunny Wentworth (868377) or Linda Davison (868449).



COMFY SEATS FOR HUSTHWAITE VILLAGE HALL

THE FINAL CHAPTER



North Yorkshire Reward Fund & Locality Budget

We are pleased to announce the last delivery of 50 new chairs for the hall. The funding support has been outstanding and along with previously mentioned Two Ridings Community Foundation North Yorkshire Reward Fund and North Yorkshire County Council Locality Budget, we give a huge thank you to The Hedley Foundation, Sir George Martin Trust and The Norman Collinson Charitable Trust. Their support has given us a full complement of 100 comfortable chairs at our many community events. Thank you again from all of us.

Debbie Lewis-Green

Fundraiser

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Teenage Memories 1952 by Brenda Board

Life in a quiet village,
So idyllic when you're young,
Begins to pale when you reach your teens,
You long to have some fun.
We planned to meet some friends in York
To have our longed-for fun day,
But there was no direct bus service
From the village on a Sunday.

Undaunted by a two mile walk
We tramped to the 'Lane Ends',
To catch a number 80 bus
To meet up with our friends.
I wore my 'grown up' slimline skirt,
Designed to catch boys' eyes,
And a 'roll on' undergarment
To smooth out hips and thighs.

With barely half a mile to go
Sheer panic gripped my mind,
I hadn't put my panties on
To cover my behind!
Big sister was quite adamant,
"Oh don't make such a fuss.
Don't even think of going home
We'll miss the blooming bus!"

We reached the road end in good time
I still felt apprehension,
I hoped that nothing would go wrong
To cause undue attention.
Along the road at quite a speed
The bus came into view.
It stopped, and sister climbed
aboard...
My anxiety now grew.

She clambered to the upper deck,
Oh what a thing to do,
In spite of my predicament,
"We'll have a better view".
I followed up the curving steps
To get the 'better view'...
I'm sure by now you've realised
The conductor got one too!



Hutchinson's buses

Alan McDougall's son Richard drew this cartoon of the Hutchinson bus when he lived in Husthwaite! The article by David Hutchinson in the last edition of the Newsletter aroused much comment and fond memories from local people who remembered the buses and the family.



Husthwaite Village Carol Singing

We will once again be singing carols around the village on Monday 19 December. All are welcome to join us, from the young to the not so young, no singing experience required, only enthusiasm. We will be meeting at the Village Green at 6.30, although you are welcome to join us later - just follow the music. **For further information please contact Jacqui Ramsden on 868554.**



Hannah Crane would like to thank friends and everyone in the village for their support over the death of Gerald on August 9th 2016

Coxwold Toddler Group

Coxwold toddler group will be running once a month this term with seasonal activities at each session. The dates are Tuesday 25 October, Tuesday 22 November and Tuesday 13 December. All sessions run in Coxwold village hall 9.15 - 11.15 am. Parents, grandparents and carers of pre-school children are all welcome to come along. Sessions cost £2 per child (only £1 for subsequent children and babies under 1).



Teas and coffees (including refills!) are only 50p. For more details please contact **Jacqui on 868554**. We are hoping to return to running regular weekly sessions in the new year, but to do this we need a few more volunteers to help set up and run each session.

Jacqui Ramsden

Husthwaite Autumn Market

Another beautiful day and another great turn out for our Husthwaite Autumn market with over 450 people attending! (See front cover)

As usual the bacon butties went down a treat as we fought to keep up with the high demand! However, our band of merry volunteers made sure all of our visitors were fed and watered and did a great job of setting up and clearing away at the end of the day.

A huge thank you to all involved especially those volunteering their time on the day and those donating goodies for the cafe! Thanks to all of you who also supported the market by coming along to have a look around and hopefully buy a few items too!

If you would like to get involved at the next market please give Lynn a call on 01347 868092.

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Husthwaite Sporting Memories.

The Sporting Memories Network uses the power of reminiscing to help combat the debilitating effects of dementia, depression and loneliness. We use tried and tested tools in group settings to engage people using memory aids and indoor sports games, to help promote healthy ageing and create new friendships. By sharing memories of sporting moments and tapping into a passion for sport we help people to reconnect with others and with their past, reawakening positive thoughts and feelings that otherwise remain hidden away.

We will be running a Sporting Memories Session on Monday 3rd October, 7th November and 5th December, 11:30am to 12:30pm at the Appletree Café at Husthwaite Village Hall. In these sessions we will be recording people's favourite Sporting Memories to add to our archives to support older people living with dementia, depression or living in social isolation. The Husthwaite Sporting Memories group, as well as using sporting memorabilia to evoke memories and conversations amongst older people and sports fans, will offer the opportunity for people to take part in light physical activities such as Boccia and New Age Kurling.

Megan Hale



Love talking sport?

We welcome you to our friendly
Sporting Memories Group at

**Appletree Cafe, Husthwaite Village
Hall**

Husthwaite, YO61 4PY

Monday 3rd October, 7th November, 5th December

11:30am-12:30pm. Come along, listen and share
sporting memories with other older sports fans.

For more information please either call Megan on 07514698880
or email megan.hale@sportingmemoriesnetwork.com



www.sportingmemoriesnetwork.com

Husthwaite Local History Society

Roy Stockdill and his ancestors in Husthwaite

I am a professional genealogist in my mid-70s and have been researching family history for over 40 years. I write frequently for Family Tree magazine, have two genealogy blogs on the Internet and have appeared on television as an expert in one of the episodes of "Who Do You Think You Are?" I am a dyed-in-the-wool Yorkshireman with Dales ancestors back to the time of Elizabeth I and I was born in Bradford, but my ancestors were inhabitants of Husthwaite for over 70 years in the 18th century. I will give you a brief résumé here, [a more detailed history will appear as an article in www.husthwaitehistory.co.uk].

In 1997 a cousin and I organised a major family reunion which entailed us visiting Husthwaite and having a special service at St Nicholas, the then vicar being very helpful in arranging it for us. We had about 60 family members from Yorkshire, the USA, Canada and Australia and as part of the reunion we presented a flower vase made by a Coxwold potter to the church, [it stands on the corner shelf made by the "Mouseman"], and we also had a special plaque commemorating our ancestors laid in the churchyard because they have no known graves, being paupers. We were featured on Yorkshire Television, BBC Radio Leeds and in the York Evening Press. I have cousins in Bradford, the USA and Canada and we often talk on Facebook about Husthwaite, Easingwold and our family links to both places.

My Husthwaite ancestry.....Our original family surname was STOCKDALE but has varied between that and STOCKDILL over many generations. My great great great grandfather ROBERT STOCKDALE married at Kildale, near Great Ayton, in 1713 and had several children there before moving across the moors to Husthwaite, since he appears in the records as having others born there. His wife Mary died at Husthwaite about 1738 and he remarried in 1739 to a widow, JANE HARGILL. Robert's son, my 3 times great grandfather, GEORGE STOCKDALE, married SUSANNAH PREST, who was probably from Coxwold, in 1756 and their son, my 2 times great grandfather ROBERT STOCKDALE was born at Husthwaite in 1765. George Stockdale died in 1784 aged 66 and was buried in the graveyard of St Nicholas Church but there is no grave since he was a poor farm labourer. His widow Susannah was left in poor circumstances because she appears several times in the Husthwaite Township book at the Borthwick Institute as being the recipient of several handouts under the Poor Law, the last being her burial in a pauper's funeral in 1796. Her son Robert had moved to Easingwold where he became a tailor and married MARY YELLOW, who was from Sutton-under-Whitestonecliffe, in 1790. They had

half a dozen children, including my great grandfather, also Robert STOCKDALE/STOCKDILL born at Easingwold in 1806. He moved to Bradford some time in the 1820s and all his descendants, including my grandfather, father and myself were born there. Robert Stockdale senior died at Easingwold in 1822 and is buried in the churchyard there. I have a photo of his grave. His wife Mary died somewhat tragically in 1847, being burnt in a fire in 1847.

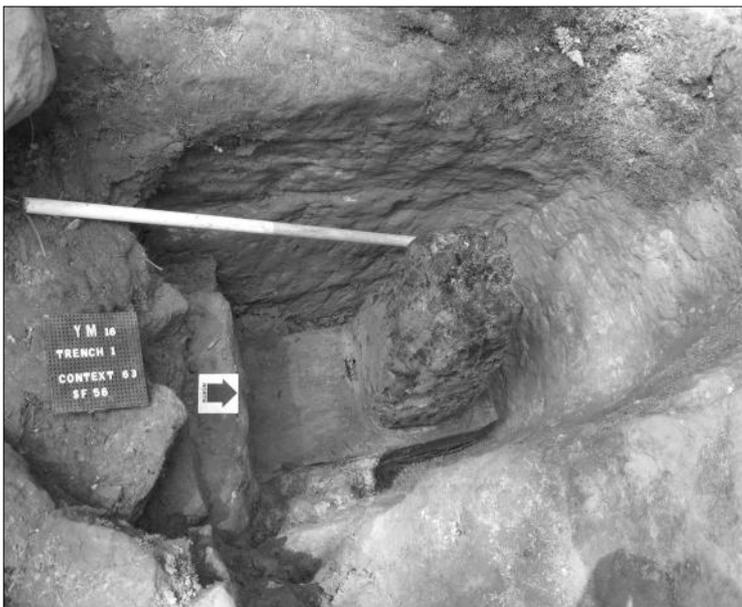
Who knows, maybe I will find I still have cousins at Husthwaite and this will ring a bell with someone! I can be contacted by email on roy.stockdill@btinternet.com.

Roy Stockdill, June 2016

Autumn Talk

A talk has been booked for **Wed 19 October at 7.30pm** as a sequel to the popular talk a few years ago given by **Geoff Snowdon and Elizabeth Sanderson about the excavations at Yearsley Moor** – since then digging has continued and a lot more has been unearthed – come and hear about the latest finds.

Angela Ovenston



Excavations at Yearsley Moor

What's ON!

Hustwaite Village Hall
For full details see:
www.hustwaitevillage.com

October &
November

Weekly Regulars

Short Mat Bowls: Monday 7.00-9.00pm

Primetime: Friday 10.00am-12.00pm

Youth Club: Alternate Wednesdays at 7.00pm from 12th October

Zumba: Tuesday at 9.30-10.30am

Yoga: Tuesday at 5.00-6.15pm

Monthly Usuals

Orchard Village Club: Tuesday 11th October & 8th November at 12.00pm

Apple Tree Café & Book Exchange: Monday 3rd October & 7th November at 12.00pm

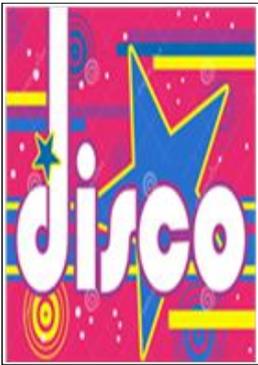
Film Club: Thursday 20th October & 17th November at 7.30pm

Pop Up Pub: Friday 7th October & 4th November at 7.30pm

Gardening Club: Thursday 13th October & 10th November at 7.30pm

Upcoming Events

Saturday 22nd Oct - *Retro Disco* A FREE event!



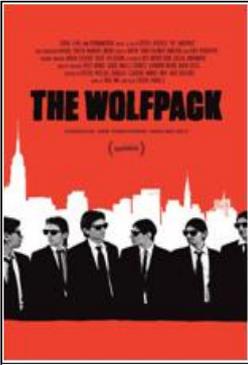
Bringing back a Hustwaite village hall favourite, with live DJ and songs of the 70's & 80's. Get on those flairs and platforms and boogie on down to the hall for a bop down memory lane. A Free event with the opportunity to win some 70's memorabilia in our prize raffle draw on the night. Maybe you have a specific favourite 70's or 80's track, perhaps you are a "Bay City Rollers" fan (you know who you are!) or "Rick Astley".....let us know for our "special requests", anonymous if necessary!!

.For more details contact Sheila on 01347 868196 or email
Sheila_mowatt@btinternet.com



Pop Up Pub Nights are Friday 7th October and Friday 4th November,

with Guest Beer, a selection of red and white wine, gin and tonic and soft drinks. A very popular & relaxed evening.



FILM CLUB

OCT 20th - "The Wolfpack" cert 15

A TRUE STORY: Confined in an apartment from a New York housing project, the six Angulo brothers learned everything they know about the world through watching films and spend their time re-enacting their favourite movies with intricate homemade costumes.



NOV 17th - "Spectre" cert 15

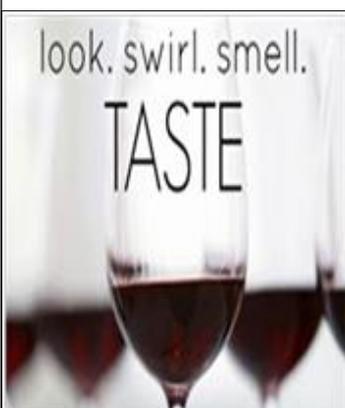
A cryptic message from Bond's past sends him on a trail to uncover a sinister organisation...but who really cares...it's a Husthwaite Film Club tradition! Our annual Bond offering served together with our famous Martini's.....shaken or stirred to your liking!

Saturday 5th November 7.30pm - Holmes & Watson: The Farewell Tour

Before slipping into retirement, Sherlock Holmes has prevailed upon his long-time companion Dr Watson, landlady Mrs Hudson and Inspector Lestrade of Scotland Yard to join him in a farewell tour of the British Isles. Re-enacting the most baffling unrecorded cases - The Case of the Prime Minister, the Floozy and the Lummock Rock Lighthouse. Tickets £10, U18 £6, Family Ticket £25 (Presale prices £8, £5 & £20 respectively) ***"This show is so funny it should carry a government health warning"***.



Following an extensive tour, the show will be finishing its tour in Husthwaite Village Hall on Saturday 5th November. **Tickets £10, U18 £6, Family Ticket £25. (Presales £8, £5 and £20 respectively)** Bar open from 7.00pm. For Tickets, contact Sheila on 01347 868196 or email Sheila_mowatt@btinternet.com.



Friday 18th Nov 7.30pm Wine Tasting

Look, swirl, smell, taste a selection of fine wines....Or just come along and enjoy a glass or two of wine and nibbles with friends. What's not to like!



or just like trying different varieties!



Come and join us for tuition in wine tasting from Yorkshire Vintners, a few nibbles and lots of fun, “Call My Bluff” style!!

(No previous experience required!)

Where? Husthwaite Village Hall
When? 7.30pm Friday 18th November

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Fracking Question Time, Galtres Centre, Easingwold,

6pm - 9pm Saturday 29 October

"Fracking will boost the local economy, create thousands of jobs, fund much needed road improvements and new civic facilities, and provide cheap energy."

"Fracking will industrialise the countryside, undermine tourism, hit property values, create noise, pollution and large volumes of HGV traffic, and be hazardous to health."

What do you believe? What are the facts? This is your opportunity to have your say and find out.

If you would like to ask the Speaker Panel a question on the night, then send it to **Ian Harper** (ian@moneyvista.co.uk) NOTE: Your question will only be asked if you attend and similar questions may be grouped together.

Admittance by ticket only, available via Eventbrite (www.eventbrite.co.uk) or from the Galtres Centre

Chair: Helen Robinson.

Speaker Panel includes:

- **Rob Arnott, Research Associate at the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies and oil industry strategist**
- **Chris France**, Director of Planning, North York Moors National Park Authority
- **Dr Joanne Hawkins**, Lecturer in Business Law, Leeds University, specialising in land law and environmental law
- **Kevin Hollinrake**, MP Thirsk & Malton
- **Tom Pickering**, Director Ineos Upstream

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Apple Tree Café

The Apple Tree Cafe will be open for business as usual on Monday 3rd October, 12-2pm, following our summer break. Serving up a selection of delicious homemade soups, sandwiches, cakes, hot and cold drinks.



We will also be running alongside the Book Exchange, so if you need some new reading material, please come and browse our wide selection. No need to bring any books to exchange, just borrow the books that take your fancy and return them once you have read them! If you have any books that you would like to donate, we will gladly accept them.

The café is run totally by volunteers with all profits being put back into the village funds. We always need additional help to run the café on the day and also to bake, so if you are interested please let me know. However, we also need support from the community, so please come along and give the café a try. Meet your friends for lunch or meet some new friends!

Please feel free to come and join us, all ages welcome.

We look forward to welcoming you!

Lynn Colton (01347 868092)

Summary of Husthwaite Parish Council meeting which took place at 7.30pm on Tuesday 20th September 2016 in Husthwaite Village Hall

Present: Cllrs C.Fenwick, E.Smith, B.Smith, C.Colton, P.Escreet, A.Gambles. P.Fox
J.Coulthard (Clerk) K.Gittens HDC Cllr C.Patmore

Minutes of the July meeting were approved.

Enforcement of Planning Laws: as yet there has been no enforcement by Hambleton District Planning Department of their decisions regarding developments at Bye Green and Sunley Wood Farm. Cllr Patmore will contact the department about enforcement.

Parish Plan Action Review: The first visit by PC members to the new Youth Club is on 28th September at 7.30pm.

Commons Act 2006-Registering Kendrew Green: NYCC owns Kendrew Green, as part of the highway, designated as such in 1943. The suggestion from NYCC is that we withdraw our request for registration of Kendrew as a Green. However, Husthwaite PC has maintained the Green for at least 40 years. There is a question of public liability if we are the occupiers of NYCC land, so Cllr Patmore is speaking to NYCC to raise this issue, and also the costs the village bears for maintaining what is not our land. Our preferred solution would be for the NYCC to pass the land on to Husthwaite PC on behalf of the village, then that would clarify ownership and maintenance liabilities.

Fracking in N, Yorks: There is a public meeting at the Galtres Centre in Easingwold from 6-9pm on the 29th October. (Admission by ticket only. **See pg 18** of this Newsletter for details).

Kendrew Green Grass Cutting and Trees: As the Parish Council are not the legal owners of the green and the responsibility for its maintenance is under review, a decision on the grass cutting regime and works to the Wych Elm tree will be put on hold until next year.

Emergency Planning: We await input from Mark Gambles who is kindly offering his expertise to us.

Display Cabinet for Community Awards: This is now sited in the foyer of the Village Hall with awards and photos.

Solar Farm Community Benefit Fund: It appears unlikely that the expansion of the solar farm will go ahead as the fund is now closed.

Local Plan Call for Sites: There are 2 suggested sites in the HDC area plan, for extra dwellings in Husthwaite. One is for c.100 houses with children's recreation area opposite the school and another 5-10 in a field behind the village hall. The Community Response to these plans takes place in November, date and time to be announced. Look out for details online or through a flyer which the PC will distribute. **Your opinion matters!** The PC supports neither proposal.

A19 Junction: NYCC Highways, while recognising the junction would benefit from some improvement to prevent more accidents, will take no more action as this is not yet a "cluster" site where many accidents occur.. Please report all incidents to the police and Highways, as some have gone unreported to the authorities up to now.

Bier House guttering: After having received only 2 quotes, the PC awarded the tender for replacement with PVC to John Heighton.

Parish Council Noticeboard: This has been removed and is at present undergoing restoration by Andrew Coulthard.

Ducting Work at Kay's Bank: The PC sympathises with the house-owner whose banking was damaged by trenching organised by BT. However, the PC cannot take action against BT nor influence NYCC Highways or other statutory body to act to repair the damage.

Community led Housing surveys: The PC completed questionnaires sent by NALC and Rural Action Yorkshire about community and affordable house-building in the area.

HDC survey: This survey concerning satisfaction with HDC services, was completed by the council. Anyone can contact HDC to complete the questionnaire individually or go online to hambleton.gov.uk

Planning and Financial Matters: These can be seen in detail on the PC website, in draft form before the next PC meeting.

Letter from CAB: The CAB (Citizens Advice Bureau) have helped numbers of villagers from the Husthwaite area in the last 12 months, so the PC is sending £50 as a contribution to this valuable voluntary organisation.

The Village Hall: The AGM is on Mon 24th October. The VH has been selected to apply for further Lottery Funding of £50,000 for any further work they require to improve the hall.

The Villages Forum: This took place on 25th August. Among topics discussed were the possible development of a skateboard park in Millfield, Easingwold, the possibility of the Husthwaite pub opening in time for Christmas, and the need for a new chairman after the AGM on 27th October.

Potholes and Highways: It was suggested the clerk write to Highways thanking them for the roadworks completed, but asking why only certain parts of Amplecarr have been repaired and the worst area (nearer to the A19) left; also why the Coxwold-Husthwaite road repairs cease near the Husthwaite boundary.

Warning: Once again tool thefts are reported, from a car in Raskelf at night. Husthwaite Neighbourhood Watch next meeting is on 17th October.

Cllr Caroline Patmore's Report: Hambleton District Council will charge £35 pa. for Green Bins to be collected fortnightly, starting next April. This will be paid separately from Council Tax. If you do not want this service, the council will remove your bin.. Details will be sent later by HDC of how to access this scheme.

The next Meeting of The Parish Council is on Tuesday November 15th at 7pm in the village hall. Anyone is welcome to attend.

(Fuller minutes will be available on the PC website)

Money for Husthwaite projects from the new Trust

Readers of the Newsletter will remember that a new Trust was being set up to give grants to community projects in Husthwaite.

In September the first cheques went out. Orchard Village Club was given some support to keep its fees low, as was the Youth Club. The Newsletter too was grateful to receive help, so that it can carry on being provided free to every household in the village. It's a good start.

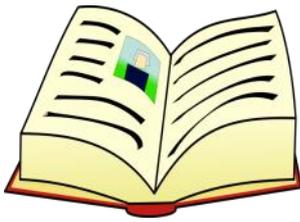
The new Trust is using money very kindly donated by the Orchards of Husthwaite project, when it stopped being a community enterprise and became a conventional business. There's enough money in the pot for us to keep giving grants for the next ten years or so. We've set ourselves a target of giving small grants of between £300 and £1000, and limiting our total to £3000 per year. There are five local trustees to manage the Trust, Dr Jane Maloney, Jim Murray, Erik Seaman, Cameron Smith and Andrew Coulthard. We will meet four times each year.

So, if you're involved with a voluntary community project which serves Husthwaite Parish area, or even have an idea for setting one up, and its purpose is somehow to make life better for people in our village, think about Husthwaite Village Trust. We may be able to support your project and help it get off the ground.

There's an application pack which gives all the details. If you would like to know more...or just talk about your idea....contact me (or any one of the trustees) and we will get the information to you.

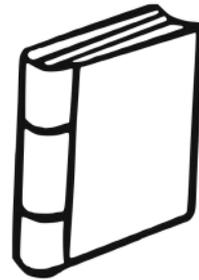
**Andrew Coulthard 01347 868130 or
aletheia@hotmail.co.uk**

2 New Books!



ASPECTS OF BAXBY

Compiled by Husthwaite
Local History Society.



Extensively illustrated in colour and black & white, this is a broad account of Baxby history from 1086 and its first mention in the Domesday Book.

It is available from Angela Ovenston (868347) and costs £5

The other book, published by Carlton Letterworks is:

THE MANOR OF HUSTHWAITE FROM THE NORMAN CONQUEST TO THE 20TH CENTURY

by Stuart Marriot

Much of the material in this book was previously unpublished and is the result of Prof. Marriott's painstaking research in archives. With black and white maps, illustrations and copies of archive material, it makes a fascinating read for anyone interested in the history of the village and the area.

It is obtainable at a cost of £7 from Stuart Marriott , at
Rose Cottage, Carlton Husthwaite, YO7 2BJ

Sports Activity Day held on Saturday 6th August 2016

Husthwaite was blessed with fantastic weather, 25-30 wonderful children between the ages of 4 months and 14 years, supportive parents and grandparents who enjoyed joining in or just watching and chatting.

The day started with a Team Husthwaite photo and information about the day. Older children then chose to take part in Beat the Goalie with Mark Kingston acting as goalie, or Netball Shoot with Sheila Mowatt and Steven Barker supervising this event. I had the pleasure of supervising the younger children under about 6 years who went around the Activity Trail in their own style. Following a much needed rest and drink we got the children together again to explain the next activity which was the popular relay race up and down the tarmac road. At that point it worked out well as we had a nice even number of 20 children wanting to take part giving us two teams of 10, 5 at the bottom of the road and 5 at the top in each team. All the children thoroughly enjoyed this activity giving their team mates a high five as they took their turn to run. At the end the signs were there that all the children hadn't had enough of this activity (they would not move!) so we did this one again.

At 12.30 it was picnic and a little rest time. In the afternoon Will Mowatt explained that there had not been a clear winner for Beat the Goalie and Netball Shoot and a play off between a few children was needed to determine who took the prize for these activities. A Play Off was then held with Will, Steven, Mark and Sheila. Again I took the younger children for more gentle activities playing Hop Scotch, ball catching and free play on the apparatus.

After all this we re-grouped again so I could explain the final activity which was a walk to the Village Hall where we would refresh ourselves then start the run around the village. Having arrived (with a few nettle stings, sorry kids!) we all prepared for the run. It was stressed to all children they could run as fast as they wanted, run/walk or just walk around the route. As anticipated they all did exactly this. The route went from the hall, down the village, down Baxby Lane to Five Lane Ends, up Highborne and back to the hall. Again the parent support on this run was brilliant and made it great fun as well as safe. Thanks to Sue McClanachan for taking the lead on her bike so she could keep in front, but also thanks to all the parents who supervised and encouraged children all the way around.

Having all returned to the hall it was evident by the number of children lying flat out on the hall floor they were finally tired and ready for home. Before leaving for home we held an Awards Ceremony with all children being presented a hand made Certificate, medal and a few sweets. The winner of Netball Shoot was Fergus McClanachan and winner of Beat the Goalie was Oscar Kingston. Deciding how to award prizes for the run was a challenge due to the wide age range but the organisers decided in the end

to award a trophy for a Secondary School age child which was won by Isla McClanachan and Primary Child (11 and under) which was won by Bella Tweddle.

Finally the day could not have been possible and a success without the main helpers which were Sheila and Will Mowatt, Steven Barker and Mark Kingston. Thanks to William Skinner for helping set up, clear up, toilet monitor and medical back up which we fortunately did not need. Thanks also to the Village Hall Committee for generally supporting this event.

Catherine Skinner



Children of all ages enjoyed the Activity Day in August



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