

Elsham Leader Spring 2019



Competition winners

Pictured, with their winning anti dog-fouling posters, now made into signs, are Maddy Leaning, Rafe Middleton and Kelsie Lidgett. They each won a £10 voucher for their efforts.

The signs now appear on various lamp posts around the village where a certain few residents continue not to clear up after their dogs. This gives all of the responsible dog owners in the village a bad name.

PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOGS

Neighbourhood Watch

There is a questionnaire enclosed in this edition of the Leader.

If you are at all interested in re-introducing a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme in the village, please take a few moments to fill it in.

The person who delivers your Leader will call to collect any completed forms over the weekend of **9th/10th March**. If you are not in when they call we would be grateful if any missed questionnaires could be delivered either to **Christine Busby**, 2 Doll Lane or to **Lorraine Guest**, 5 Church Street.

If you would like to volunteer to be the NHW coordinator and be in charge of distributing information, please contact a parish councillor – phone numbers listed on page 5.

Elsham Indoor Bowls Club

The club is having a great season in the Kirton & District Short Mat Bowls League.

We have won 8 of our first 12 matches and are currently in second position. In our Inter-Club Singles competition the winner was Martyn Clark,

We hold a charity bowls event every year. The winner decides who benefits from the money raised. This year the winner was Martyn Clark and he dedicated the proceeds to Lindsey Lodge Hospice. Once again all the members helped in raising the money by providing an excellent buffet and donating generously.

The club meets at the village hall on Wednesday and Sunday evenings, from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm with tea / coffee & biscuits at half time.

We are urgently requiring new members as six players from last season have either left the area or retired from playing. New

members would be made most welcome and tuition will be given, if required.

John Tomlinson.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH ELSHAM FORTHCOMING EVENTS

We have two events coming up.

The first is on **Friday 15th March 2019**. This is a **Lent Lunch** at which soup and bread will be served in Elsham Village Hall at 12.30 pm. We would like to invite any of our villagers who would like to attend on this occasion. There is no charge for this lunch.

Secondly, on Thursday **18th April 2019** there will be a **Maundy Thursday Service** at 7.00 pm in the Church. This is a Communion Service together with Foot Wetting.



EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Dawn Enser
Lay Minister and Church Warden

Wine Club

Meeting on Tuesdays 8-10 pm in the Village Hall. Dates are 26th February, 12th and 26th March.

There are no meetings over the Summer – resume in September.

For more information contact

Roland Guest on 680679

Battle's Over – A Nation's Tribute 11th November 2018

Luckily the weather was kind for the commemoration and remembrance of the end of the First World War.

Fish and chips and refreshments were enjoyed by many in the Village Hall before proceeding to the lighting of Elsham's Beacon – to symbolise the 'light of hope' that emerged from the darkness of War.

There was a good turnout of young, old and quite a few dogs. Both the reading of a 'Tribute to the Millions' and the playing of the Last Post were very moving, ahead of lighting the Beacon at 7pm, to coincide with the lighting of over a thousand other beacons throughout the UK.

The Parish Council received a certificate of thanks from ABT, the Soldier's Charity, for the sum of £51.47, raised from donations towards refreshments in the Village Hall.

Would you like to advertise in The Elsham Leader?

The Leader is produced 3-4 times a year and is delivered to each household in the village, the houses at the Water Treatment Works and to 14 establishments at Elsham Industrial Estate – a total of 165 copies.

Advertising in The Leader helps to fund printing costs. A 1/3rd page advert costs £8 per edition.

If you would like to advertise your business or a social event, please contact Christine Busby on 01652 688770 or email candcbusby@gmail.com.

Did you know?

The Elsham Leader is available online on the Parish Council website – useful for friends and family who have an interest in the village. Simply Google 'Elsham Parish Council' or go to <https://e-voice.org.uk/elshamparishcouncil/>

BT telephone kiosk update.

As you know, the village has adopted the old BT telephone kiosk, opposite the Play Park.

Helen Machin has very kindly volunteered to start tidying it up – a great deal of cleaning is required before it can be restored. Even though it has been out of use for many years there aren't too many broken panes of glass, and once cleaned up it can be painted.

Quite an undertaking, so if you can spare some time to help Helen with cleaning and restoring, it would be very much appreciated - please call her on 688340.

Elsham Elves

The Elsham Elves will soon be coming out of hibernation and beginning their work. Who are they and what do they do?



(From Left to Right, Catherine Bowmer, Karrigan Enser, Di Horner, Dawn Enser, Sandra van Oosterhout, Christine Busby, Lorraine Guest and Terry Faulkner)

Most of the present motley crew are pictured above – a busy, sociable group dedicated to keeping the village looking attractive and hopefully, winning Best Kept Village again as we did in 2017. We are always looking for others to join. You will be made most welcome. No previous experience is required, just a requirement to give a little of your time, usually no more than an hour and a half once a week/fortnight during the spring and summer. We usually finish with coffee and biscuits and a chat.

What do we do? Some of the jobs we tackle are litter picking, an annual clean of the street signs, keeping Doll Lane and Church Lane pathways clear and planting and maintaining the planted areas around the village, notably at the end of Barnetby Lane and around the village hall. With more helpers we could do more to enhance our village.

If you are interested in helping, please contact **Lorraine Guest** on 680679.

Elsham Parish Council

**THERE IS A VACANCY FOR A NEW
PARISH COUNCILLOR - CONTACT DEB
HOTSON IF YOU ARE INTERESTED**

**Public participation time, when you can
air your views, is from 6.30 to 6.45pm**

The dates of meetings are given elsewhere
in this newsletter.

Your Parish Councillors are:-

Graham Evison (Chairman)
(680980)

Lorraine Guest	(680679)
John Taylor	(680438)
Sandra van Oosterhout	(681899)
Christine Busby	(688770)
Andrew Horner	(680471)

Parish Clerk –
Deb Hotson (07842 201877)
(Available weekdays 10am – 2pm)

Hire of the Village Hall

*The village hall can seat up to 120 and
with its full kitchen makes an attractive
venue for wedding receptions, children's
parties and other such events.*

*The rates are very reasonable - for full
details and bookings contact Sandra van
Oosterhout on 01652 681899 or Roland
Guest on 01652 680679*

ELSHAM PARK NEWS



The Park is open for everyone's enjoyment from
9am until dusk, but will remain closed in inclement
weather.

We are very grateful to our rota of volunteer
keyholders. If you would like to join our team of
volunteer Elsham householders then please let
anyone of us know.

The keyholders' rota for the coming weeks/months
is as follows:

Spring Park Rota - weeks commencing Saturdays:

16 Feb Rick Middleton & Julz
23 Feb. Julz & Rick
2 Mar. Lucy Gillchrest
9 Mar. Lucy G
16 Mar. Jo Leaning
23 Mar. Jo Leaning
30 Mar. Ian and Charlie Yeo
6 Apr. Charlie Yeo
13 Apr. Helen Machin
20 Apr. Helen Machin
27 Apr. Jane Ousby
4 May. Jane O
11 May. Helen Mann & Michelle Fazakerley
18 May. Helen & Michelle
25 May. Helen RICHARDSON
1 June. Helen Richardson

Should any adults wish to use the fitness equipment
before 9am, just let us know as this can be
facilitated after 7am.

If you would like to join our little group of village
volunteers then please let me know and I can add
you any weeks 1 June.

As always, many thanks to everyone for opening
and locking up the park, helping to keep it trouble-
free. If to suit your availability after June onwards.

Pleased to say that following the heavy rain last
week the new drainage system has definitely made
a big difference, the land is no longer waterlogged.

Jane & Graham Evison (680980)

Anyone who has enjoyed MORSE or ENDEAVOUR is likely to enjoy Inspector Brunetti.

**DEATH IN A STRANGE COUNTRY
BY DONNA LEON**

The cover of the book says

“A mysterious death is just the beginning”

Early one morning Guido Brunetti, Commissario (Inspector) of the Venice Police, confronts a grisly sight when the body of a young man is fished out of a fetid Venetian canal.

All the clues point to a violent mugging but for Inspector Brunetti, robbery seems all too convenient a motive. After examining the young man’s flat he becomes convinced that somebody, somewhere, is taking great pains to provide a ready-made solution to the crime.

This is the second in the Inspector Brunetti series (there are a good number of them to go at). However, each book is complete in itself so you don’t need to start with Book One. I much preferred this second book, the story is more intriguing.

The book has a modern setting dealing with current situations & dilemmas in western countries with a local & international flavour. Brunetti is a down to earth detective who looks for justice.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Donna Leon is listed by THE TIMES newspaper as one of the 50 Greatest Crime Writers.

She has lived in Venice for 30 years & previously in Switzerland, Saudi Arabia, Iran, & China where she worked as a teacher. The Inspector Brunetti books are set in Venice & surrounding parts of Italy.

I have now read 4 in the series & have found each one a refreshing change with some unexpected twists in the stories.

AVAILABLE: Kindle £3.99
Print list price £8.99
Some Guido Brunetti available as audio books

Pat Taylor

ALL SAINTS CHURCH ELSHAM

Coffee mornings are now being held twice a month on Wednesdays:

**13th & 27th March,
10th and 24th April,
15th & 29th May,
12th & 26th June.**

Village Hall

10.30-12.00

£2 for a drink and biscuit

You are invited to an afternoon of entertainment.

On Wednesday 20th March
2pm to 4pm

FREE OF CHARGE

With live music and refreshments

At Elsham Village Hall

Hosted by Brigg and District Fresh Start

Contact: 01652 618023

Information about the village and events

Apart from this newsletter, information can be found on the notice board situated at the end of the village hall car park, and also on the website. Events taking place in the Village Hall:

Monday	Pilates	4.30 – 5.30pm
Tuesday	New Age Kurling	10.00am – 12.00pm
	Parish Council	
	Monthly on the 3 rd Tuesday	6.30 – 8.00pm (except April, August and Dec).
	<i>Next meetings: -</i>	Tuesday 19 th February 2019 Tuesday 19 th March 2019
	Wine Club	Fortnightly on a Tuesday 8.00 – 10.00pm. Details given earlier (not over the summer)
Wednesday	Village Coffee Morning	10.30am – 12.00pm (2 nd & 4 th Wednesday in the month)
	Bowls Club	7.00 – 9.00pm (except May - August)
Thursday	Upholstery	10am – 4pm
	Pilates	4.30 – 5.30pm
	Line Dancing	7.00 – 9.00pm
Friday	Pilates	10.30 – 11.30am (Phone Helen, 01652 680568)
Saturday		
Sunday	Bowls Club	7.00 – 9.00pm

Contact details re Keys / Booking etc. for Elsham Village Hall

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3 Doll Lane, Elsham
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Dawn Enser
21 Church Street, Elsham
Tel:- [01652 688486](tel:01652688486)

Roland Guest
5 Church Street, Elsham
Tel:- [01652 680679](tel:01652680679)

Chairman
Tony Steeper
c/o Holme Farm Residential Home
Tel:- [01652 688755](tel:01652688755)

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Saturday 8am – 1pm

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We also stock a comprehensive range of baits, terminal tackle and larger items. Items not in stock can be ordered with a prompt delivery. The fishery offers both day and night tickets for either of the two specimen lakes or the two silverfish lakes. Concessions are available. Disabled access.

Visit us at www.hunterslodgefishery.com or call 01652 680691

☆ Spring Events

Dolly Parton
&
Tina Turner Tribute
Fri 5th April
£20 with 1 course meal
7-7.30pm
☆
Motown Event
with
Shola Kaye
Friday 3rd May
£20 with 1 course meal
7-7.30pm



☆ Murder Mystery Event

Sat 23rd March
Tickets £30
Set 3 course meal
7-7.30pm

☆ Non members ☆
Welcome to all
events
01652 680291

Quiz Nights

Dates
20th March 24th April
£1.50 Book your team
includes snacks + prizes
Starts 7.30pm
☆
Fish and Chips
£10.45
5-8pm booking essential
Friday 29th March
Friday 19th April