

Elsham Leader - May 2012

The Village Jubilee Celebrations are fast approaching – have you got your tickets for the **Elsham Diamond Jubilee Disco and Hog Roast** on Saturday 2nd June.



Also don't forget the fun day for all on Sunday 3rd June – details on the enclosed flyer.

The Queen's 60th Jubilee Celebrations

The Jubilee Committee members have been very busy over the last few months organising events and **fundraising**. So far we have received about £800.00 in donations from residents for which we are very, very grateful. Without them the events could not go ahead. We raised £500.00 from the Christmas Party and about £100.00 has been donated by companies on Elsham Wold Industrial Estate and other local firms. We are also promised money from the Julian Stevenson Trust. Young local residents, Alice Bocock and Abigail Brumby, have added £20.00 from their various fund raising events.

No matter how much work goes into the planning, the events will not be successful unless people participate. We do hope you have “saved the day” and will **come and enjoy yourselves, celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and keep community spirit alive and well in Elsham.**

We have some **fabulous auction prizes** – such as dinner, bed and breakfast for two at Stallingborough Grange, golf for four at Elsham Golf Club, a family pass for Elsham Hall, a magnum of champagne and vouchers from Way In, Muddy Boots, and the Beauty Clinique to name but a few! The auction will be held at the disco, but even if you are not attending that event you can still put in a bid.

As you will see from what is planned, there is **something for everyone**, so bake a cake, take a photo of the village, make a crown, decorate the house etc, etc. Better start now – there are only two or three weeks to go!

Hope to see you there.

Lorraine Guest

P.S. Proceeds will go towards a playground for young Elsham children. However, we need a place to put it. Suggestions welcome.

Elsham Village Photo Competition

We will be holding a competition of photographs of the village, to be judged by Elsham residents over the Jubilee weekend. There will be two categories, ages 14 and under, and ages 14+. There will be medals for the first 3 in each category, and the two winning photographs will be enlarged, framed and hung in the Village Hall. Rules are simple, the photographs must be your own, and be of Elsham, but can be of the village in the present day or in the past. Please don't be shy, the more photographs we have the more fun and interesting it will be. Please make sure that any photographs you want to enter are delivered to Sandra Rawlin at 3 Doll Lane by Friday 1st June. Photographs will be displayed for judging in the village hall at the Saturday night party, and at the family fun day on Sunday.

Elsham Parish Council

Your Parish Councillors are:-

Lorraine Guest (Chairman) (680679)
Graham Evison (Deputy Chairman)
(680980)

Sophie Dunn (680676)
Siobhan Hollows (07766 770056)
David Dent (688766)
John Taylor (680438)
Paul Richardson (688467)

Parish Clerk –
Deb Hotson (0784 2201877)
(available weekdays 10am – 2pm)

HELP for Heroes

Help for Heroes are organising a motorcycle ride around the UK. The riders and pillion passengers are, or have been members of the armed forces. They hope to visit Elsham Village Hall between 9.30 and 10.00 am approx. For about 30 minutes on Sunday 26th August 2012. This is the weekend of the RAF Elsham Wolds Reunion and the riders in particular, would like to meet our Veteran Members.

Elsham Indoor Bowls Club

The Club finished the 2011/12 season in the bottom half of the Bishop Norton League but did much better in the cup competition by reaching the semi finals. Preparations are now under way for the 2012/13 season. Our six new members have settled in well. We have now reached a limit of 25 members and have a waiting list. We meet every Wednesday and Sunday evening at 7.00 pm. Our AGM is to be held on Wednesday 13th June at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.

John Tomlinson

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All Saints' Church

Thank you to everyone who made the church look so lovely for its Easter Festival. Our village church was host to Somerby, Bigby, Barnetby, Worlaby and Bonby, the other churches in our vicar's care. It was good to see so many in the congregation.

The Annual general Meeting was held recently and the following were elected :- Mrs. Hazel Gray, Secretary; Mrs. Pat Taylor and Mrs Anne Sutherland, Churchwardens; Mr. Innes Sutherland, Treasurer.

Thanks are expressed to all those who help in the life of the church – church cleaners, organist, side persons and flower arrangers. As Mr. Bob Andrews no longer lives in the village, he is unable to continue maintaining the churchyard. Mr. Martin Clark will now take over this work.

It is with much regret that the Rev. Batty will be taking early retirement in September. We will be very sorry to see you go, Mark. Thank you for all your help and assistance over the years. We will miss you.

Thank you to everyone who contributes financially to our church. With ever increasing costs to the upkeep, this is particularly appreciated.

Our family services continue to be held on the second Sunday of the month at 10.00am and the third Sunday at 9.00am. If in doubt, the times of these services are available on the notice board outside the church. Everyone is very welcome and it is always pleasing to see new members.

Barbara Phipps

As you are probably aware, our Vicar, Rev Mark Batty is retiring later this year. He has opted to take the month of September as the remainder of his annual leave. His last service within the group is Sunday 2nd September at Barnetby. The service will be the Common Worship service with Communion. Perhaps our villagers would like to join together in attending this service as it will be a joint service for the group. Services in Elsham will remain as normal until then. Discussions will take place in May, when we hope to be able to clarify arrangements for services at All Saints following Mark's retirement.

We are sure everyone joins with us in wishing Mark and Teresa every good wish for their future life and much happiness for Mark in his retirement.

Anne Sutherland and Pat Taylor (Church Wardens)

Parish Council Web Site

Elsham Parish Council uses the following web site to display council minutes, agenda and other useful information.
www.e-voice.org.uk/elshamparishcouncil

(The "e-voice" web site is available for use by charities & Parish Councils, and saves the council money and a lot of effort because it is free and uses a standard template.)

Take a look at the web site and let us have your comments

If you have any additional items than can be usefully added please contact a Parish Councillor, in the first instance.

Hire of the Village Hall

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

The rates are very reasonable - for full details and bookings contact Jim Reid on 01652 688753 or John Tomlinson on 01652 688221.

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

Jim Reid Kantara,
2 Church Street, Elsham
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John Tomlinson 4 Chapel Lane,
Elsham
Tel:- 01652 688221

Roland Guest 5 Church Street,
Elsham
Tel:- 01652 680679

John Taylor Little Bolingbroke
5 Hall Lane, Elsham
Tel:- 01652 680438

Best Kept Village Competition 2012

We are again entered for this and all the plants will be paid for once more by a very generous donation from **Hunters Lodge Fisheries** in the village.

Every resident can do their bit to help us win and raise the profile and prestige of the village by making sure there is no litter or dog fouling and keeping hedges trimmed etc.

If you would like to look after a planter close to your home, let me know.

Lorraine Guest (680679)

Village Invaded by Twitchers

Recently, you may have noticed an unusual number of cars parked haphazardly around the village especially along Barnetby Lane and several people, oblivious to traffic with binoculars searching the sky.

Why all the excitement?
Apparently word was out that a Thayer's gull had been spotted.

According to information on the web "herring and Thayer's gulls are superficially quite similar". Then there are four pages of text and photos explaining how to tell them apart!

If you are keen bird spotter, I hope you didn't miss it.

Elsham Village Golf Competition

This year's competition, for which residents past and present are eligible, will be held on

Saturday 15th September 2012 –

please make a note in your diaries.

Further details will be published / distributed nearer the event.

We intend to also make this a village social dining event.

Tel (01652) 680679 or Email r8alg@tiscali.co.uk to register your interest without commitment.

Roland Guest

Information about the village and events

Apart from this newsletter, information can be found on the new notice board situated at the end of the Village Hall car park and also on the website.

Events which take place in the Village Hall are :-

Monday **Zumba** 10 – 11 am

 and **Zumba** 7.30pm

Tuesday **New Age Kurling**
10.00 - 12.00

Parish Council

Monthly on the 3rd Tuesday 6.45 – 8.00pm (except April, August and December).

Next meetings – **Tuesday 15th May 2012.**

This is also the Annual Parish Meeting and the Parish Council AGM

Tuesday 19th June 2012,

Tuesday 17th July 2012

Low Villages' Flower Club

Monthly on the 2nd Tuesday 6.30 – 8.00pm (except August and December)

Next meetings - Tuesday 12th June, Tuesday 10th July

Wine Club

Fortnightly on a Tuesday 8.00 – 10.00 pm. (Tel 680679 for details)

Next meetings – Tuesday 18th September – no meetings over the summer.

Wednesday **Bowls Club**
7.00 – 9.00pm

Thursday **Zumba**
7.30pm

Friday **Country Night**
Monthly on the 2nd Friday at 7.00pm
Next meetings :- Friday 8th June Richard Palmer
 Friday 6th July Darren Busby
 Friday 10th August Carol Ann B

Sunday **Bowls Club**
7.00 – 9.00pm

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