

Elsham Leader - November 2012

Sunday 18th November – Special Church Service

This Sunday, the Rural Dean Father David Rowatt will conduct the service at 11.00 am.

Please try to attend. We need to demonstrate that Elsham needs a new vicar.

A history of Elsham

On Friday, 7th December, a Slide Show - '**Elsham in the Past**' will be presented by John and Valerie Holland commencing at 7.30.p.m. in Elsham Village Hall.

Admission £5 including mince pies, coffee or Tea.

Tickets available from Church Members.

Grass Verges and Buses

The Parish Council is very aware of the churned up state of roadside grass verges. Part of the conditions of consent for the building work going on at present is that the verges are restored. I have been assured that that will be so.

We are also aware that the double decker bus is getting lost in the village and causing damage to verges. After several unproductive phone calls to the bus company about the route, the need for a large vehicle and requests for the reinstatement of the verges, our case has been taken up by Nigel Sherwood, the North Lincolnshire Councillor responsible for transport.

Best Kept Village Competition

Deb Hotson, our village clerk, is shown here accepting the plaque from Mr David Rose of the Council for the Preservation of Rural England. Elsham came third which at first doesn't seem too good a result given our previous record. However, because we were amongst the winners last year in the small villages category, this year we were up against all comers, Brigg and Scawby included. Many thanks to all the helpers once again.

We will be in the same group again next year so our displays will have to be extra special. The Parish Council has long been dissatisfied with the display on the triangle at the bottom of Barnetby Hill, but we are constrained with what we are allowed to do. We are thinking of raising the area with extra soil so that the plants can be better seen and vehicles are less likely to drive over it. Other ideas are welcomed.



Children's Christmas Party.

Lucy and Jennifer have pooled their resources and are organising a Children's part on Sunday 16th December – see poster below.

Please give them your support to make this a fun and memorable event for the children of Elsham.

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)

The RAF Elsham Wolds Association

The RAF Association held its Service of Remembrance in Elsham Church on Sunday 4th November, which was led by Canon Peter Hall. This was very well attended with veterans and their families from all parts of the country. This was followed by a wreath laying ceremony at the RAF Elsham Wolds Memorial Gardens at the Anglian Water site. Lunch was taken at Arties Mill Hotel. It may be of interest to you that the President of the association, Gordon Mellor, who flew from Elsham Wold in Lancasters during the Second World War, gave a talk in Elsham Church during the service on November 4th. Then, less than a week later he represented Bomber Command and gave a talk at the Royal British Legion Festival of Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall in London. From Elsham to the Royal Albert Hall – two talks in less than a week – this must be a record.



We're having a

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

between

3pm – 5pm at

Elsham Village Hall

on

Sunday 16th December 2012

There'll be music, food, games and fun!

Tickets on sale now!

£1.50 per child

R.S.V.P. by 1st December
to Jennifer: 07968 736208
or Lucy: 07939 605582



Speed Limits in the Village

The statutory speed limit within the built up area of the village is 30 miles per hour. However, because of the lack of pavements, the large number of children in the village now and elderly residents of Holme Farm in wheel chairs, it is recommended that:-

20 IS PLENTY

Please make sure that all drivers in your household and all visitors are aware of this.

Elsham Indoor Bowls Club

The Club is having quite a good season in the Bishop Norton League. In the Knock Out Cup competition we beat the Trentside club and have been drawn to play Cherry Willingham, away, in the next round.

After a poor start to the season we seem to have got our act together and are now third in the league.

We are holding our Christmas Dinner on 19th November at the Marrowbone & Cleaver in Kirmington.

John Tomlinson, Secretary

All All Saints' Church

As many of you know, our vicar, The Reverend Mark Batty, retired last September. Until a new vicar is appointed for our Church we are endeavouring to hold certain services which will be conducted by vicars living in retirement.

The R.A.F. service in memory of over 1,000 young men who flew from Elsham Wolds R.A.F. and did not return from operations during the War was held on 4th November. It was good to see some of the veterans able to attend and many of their families. We now have a memorial to those brave young men. This is situated in Church and during the service the wreaths were placed around this. After the service everyone was invited to the museum which is situated at the Waterworks. There is much memorabilia and many of the medals on display. We owe such a tremendous debt to these brave young men.

'Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of Earth - Put out my hand and touched the Face of God' - from John Gillespie Magee's poem "High Flight" who was killed when flying a Spitfire from R.A.F. Digby aged 19.

The Remembrance Service was held on 11th November and conducted by the Reverend Andrew Bollard. Mr. John Tomlinson laid the wreath at the War Memorial. Mrs. Pat Taylor read a passage from 'No Moon tonight' by Don Charlwood, an Australian who flew from Elsham. Sadly Mr. Charlwood died recently.

Future Services

A Family Service with Holy Communion will be conducted by The Reverend John Cole on 23rd December at 10.a.m.

The Carol Service on 24th December will commence at 11.15 p.m.

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Services are already being planned for the New Year.

Sunday, 27th January - Family Service and Holy Communion will be conducted by The Reverend Andrew Bollard.

Easter Sunday - Family Service and Holy Communion conducted by The Reverend John Cole commencing at 10.a.m.

3rd March - Family Service and Holy Communion conducted by the Reverend John Cole commencing at 10.a.m.

We hope to arrange many more Services and notice will be given of these.

We are indebted to the VORA FOUNDATION for the generous contribution towards the relaying of the pathway to Church.

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.

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

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John Tomlinson 2 Church Street
Elsham
Tel:- 01652 688221

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

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

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.

In case of Bad Weather

There are three salt bins situated around the village for use on the roads and footpaths (not private drives). If you have problems this coming winter, please let me know, I’m the designated “Snow Warden”!

Emergency information will be posted on the village website (see above) or otherwise phone me on 01652 680679

Lorraine Guest, Chair Elsham parish Council

Elsham Village Golf Competition - results

Eleven people played in the Village Golf event that was held on Saturday 15th September. Ted Willis was the winner with 35 points: Roland Guest also scored 35 points but came second on because of a lower score on the back 9 holes.

The golf, in nice weather was enjoyed by all but the social event planned for the evening had to be cancelled there was insufficient support to make the event viable. We will be hoping for better support next year – date to be advised.

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

Tuesday **New Age Kurling**
10.00 - 12.00

Parish Council

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

Next meetings: - Tuesday 20th November 2012
Tuesday 15th January 2013

Wine Club

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

Next meetings: - Tuesday 27th November – last meeting of this term.
Meetings start again on Tuesday 15th January 2013

Wednesday **Bowls Club**
7.00 – 9.00pm

Thursday Line Dance Social Evening 7 – 10 pm Starts again 3rd Jan 2013

Friday **Country Night** Monthly on the 2nd Friday at 7.00pm

Next meetings: - Friday 14th December 2012

Sunday **Bowls Club**
7.00 – 9.00pm

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