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## Ukulele concert (Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup>)

The village hall in Slingsby was full on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October to hear John Scoble and David Swann and then the 30 members of the Ukulele Band from Thornton-le-Dale. John and David soon got everyone listening intently, tapping feet, and clapping as they performed their 'duo' act – a new venture for them. They sang songs from the 1950's up to the present day, helping us all to relive our youth and to forget all the troubles in the world. After tea and cakes to give folks some more energy, the Thornton Dale Ukuleles led us all in singing, clapping, shaking maracas, waving tambourines, and blowing kazoos – John's skilful musicianship made all this both fun and pleasing to listen to. It was so good to hear everyone taking part and obviously enjoying the whole evening.



The concert was organised by the Maypolers (Slingsby, Fryton and South Holme CIC) to raise funds for the running of next year's Mayday celebrations. We raised £475.22 and would like to thank John, David, the Ukulele players and everyone who came along to support the occasion. We can now confidently start to plan and book events ready for May 6<sup>th</sup>.

If you would like to hear John, David and the Ukuleles again they are playing at the Kirk Theatre in Pickering on December 6<sup>th</sup> and Pat Thompson has tickets for sale. This concert is in aid of The Alzheimer's Society. See poster on the back page.

*Pat Thompson*

### Friendly Villagers!

It was nice to receive a compliment the other day from regular Slingsby visitor, Ruth Newman, of Loughton, Essex. Ruth sent this photo and clearly enjoys the magazine, as she has now subscribed by post.

If you wish to do the same please contact us via our usual address:

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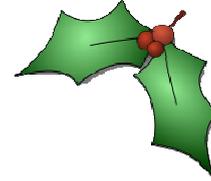
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We are always looking for new articles and information to share with our readers. Please feel free to post it/deliver it/e-mail it/telephone it to one of the co-editors at the address on the front cover, or any member of the Triangle team. We will do our best to include it in the next edition, space permitting.

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*The Triangle wishes  
all our readers a very  
happy and healthy  
Christmas 2018 !*



## Meet our new co-editor, Gill Baker

I am excited to support David in producing our excellent village magazine – but a little scared that I have to meet a high standard, set by David and outgoing co-editor, Joanna.

For those of you who don't already know me, I was born and brought up in Slingsby. I returned to the village in 1982 after several years elsewhere (Scarborough, Leeds, Norton) and now live down The Lawns. I am married to Terry, who has promised to provide much needed assistance with editing duties! Terry has close links to Slingsby too as his mum (Lily Wright) comes from Fryton. We have two children and one grandchild.

*Gill Baker*





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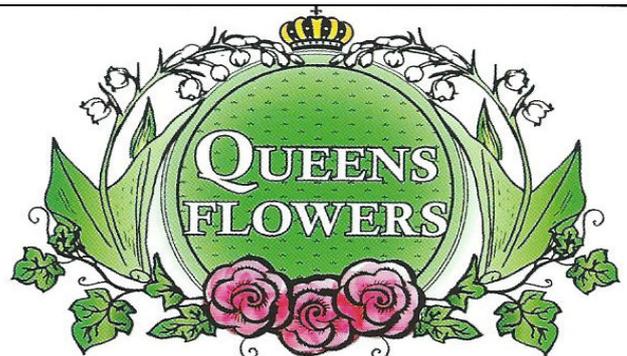


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## Stephen's Farming Column



Following the wonderful summer with good weather for harvest, the autumn weather has also been very kind for farming and gardening as well of course.

The potato harvest went well, with many crops yielding better than expected in spite of the very dry growing season. The crops of winter wheat and winter barley were sown into good seedbeds and they have grown away well.

Getting the oilseed rape crop established is much more difficult because a seed dressing called neo-nicotinoid has been withdrawn as it is thought it may affect bees and other beneficial insects. So far there is not a satisfactory replacement to control flea beetle which attacks the very small plants, eating holes in the leaves and often killing the plant off.



On the conservation side I have a solitary barn owl in one of my nest boxes, but sadly no breeding pairs. At the moment we have a lot of wild duck, mainly Mallard and Teal feeding on my ponds and today I saw the first flock of Field Fares which migrate in at this time of year from Scandinavia and eat all the berries on our hedgerows (see photo left).

*Stephen Prest*

### MALTON LIONS REMINDER

Malton & Norton Lions Club are again delivering fish, chips and peas for the subsidised rate of £3.50 per person for the elderly and disabled.

They are collected from Peasey Hill at 11:45am and delivered to Slingsby at approximately 12:15pm for delivery around the village.

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*Stephen Prest*

### Advance notice from The Village Hall Committee

### Open Gardens 2019

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 – If you know anyone who would like to have a stall, or a band, or anyone who would like to provide entertainment in one of the open gardens in the village, would you please contact either Cynthia Fell 627283, Trudy Carr 628302 or Janet Clarke 628625

*Many thanks to all who have supported the Village Hall over the years.*

*The Village Hall Committee would like to take this opportunity to wish you a*

*Very Merry Christmas and a  
Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year*

## Raw sewage into Wath Beck

New Rules, which came into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015 mean that septic tanks which discharge into local watercourses will be outlawed from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 and that anyone who continues to discharge untreated sewage into a watercourse after this date could be prosecuted. "So what?" you might say. Hovingham & Slingsby both have their own sewage treatment plants. Well, not every household within the Triangle catchment area benefits from being connected to mains drainage. Indeed many of the older properties in the outlying areas such as Fryton and Wath still have their own septic tank, or share one.

To the uninitiated, septic tanks work by allowing the 'solid matter' to settle out and the excess liquid then discharges either into a soakaway, sometimes referred to as a drainage field, or into a nearby watercourse. Even if these tanks are emptied regularly (and not many are) they quickly refill with water from all the toilets, baths, showers, washing machines, dishwashers etc. that feed into them. Traditionally it has been considered acceptable for this untreated sewage water to simply be discharged into nearby watercourses, such as Wath Beck. However, this is no longer permitted under the new rules and householders will be required to either re-route their drainage into a soak away or install individual sewage treatment plants, which discharge only clean water into a watercourse.

Why are we only hearing about these new rules now? I put this question to the Environment Agency who will ultimately be responsible for enforcing them. Their representative told me that *'the EA had worked with Defra to produce communications to notify the General Public and stakeholders of the requirements of these rules when they were introduced in 2015. These were sent out to a wide range of stakeholders including Local Authorities, Parish Councils and conveyancing solicitors asking for their support to share the information, advise their customers and place it on their websites'*. Sadly, this information doesn't appear to have filtered through to those most likely to be affected until now and leaves only a relatively short period of time for people to make sure their sewage systems are compliant. Discussions are currently taking place with Yorkshire Water to see whether it is possible for the affected households to be connected to mains drainage, otherwise householders will be left facing considerable expense.

The EA have implied that they won't prosecute anyone in breach of the new rules immediately after the deadline for action expires, but, longer term, fines for breaches of Environmental legislation are high and the continued discharge of raw sewage into Wath Beck is not only unhygienic and unacceptable in this day and age but must also have a considerable impact not only on the wildlife but also on children who play in it.

*Keith Thomas*

## Think Jessica

During my time in Trading Standards I worked very closely with a charity called 'Think Jessica' which supports victims and their families from mail scams.

Have you ever received a letter through the post informing that you have won a large cash prize and in order to claim that prize you need to send off a small 'admin fee'. If so, chances are you are on a 'Suckers List'.

This is a list of people who at some point in the past have answered a scam mail or given their details for a free prize draw or other incentive. Scammers sell these details to other scammers in the same way insurance companies sell details to other companies. In North Yorkshire alone this list exceeded 2500 residents!

These types of scams are invariably aimed at the elderly, who are maybe lonely and isolated and the scammers will form a relationship with these people, grooming them to be potential victims. Some victims can lose several thousands of pounds, genuinely believing they are going to win a prize.

I have been notified today that the latest 'Think Jessica' film is available to watch on Youtube at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZwXMsG2xkcM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZwXMsG2xkcM)

If you believe you or a family member are a victim of scam mail visit [www.thinkjessica.com](http://www.thinkjessica.com) for further advice.

From Andy Fox, Financial Abuse Safeguarding Officer, North Yorkshire Police

*Andy Fox*

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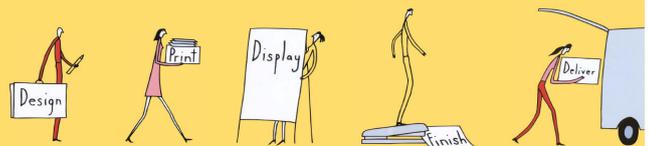
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## A year of extremes at Brickyard Farm!

Following one of the wettest springs I can remember, came the driest, hottest summer I can remember (more so than 1995 and 2013), and (mercifully) one of the kindest backends, allowing us to harvest potatoes and sow winter cereals in some of the best conditions we have seen for years.

Crop yields this year have varied hugely – the heaviest side of the farm was too wet in winter, meaning some fields were unsowable, and those that were struggled with waterlogged roots for long enough for some plants to drown. The lighter end of the farm coped with winter ok, but died off in the heat and drought of summer. The land in the middle though, yielded fantastically well, resulting in a decent yield, and acceptable quality overall.



These wet conditions meant that we had more spring crops than normal this year. They were sown much later than normal due to the wet spring, and because it dried up so quickly in June, produced less grain than normal. This has affected not only British crops, but European too – resulting in grain prices rising as summer progressed, then dropping more recently, as the Bioethanol plants in Hull and Teesside shut down, much reducing local demand for wheat. The wheat price has risen 25% and fallen about the same since June, volatility is prevalent, and when to sell can be a daunting decision!

Mother nature is always in charge, and weather extremes are something that happens more regularly than they used to, creating ever more challenges to overcome. Here at Brickyard we grow up to ten different crops, some winter sown, and some spring sown – this spreads our workload, and our risk. Invariably there is always a strongest, and a weakest performer. This year (with most of the beet still to harvest) the poorest crop was spring beans, and the strongest was the winter wheat on the medium land (unless the beet steals the crown!)

Our potatoes are grown on a range of soil types, within about ten miles of home. This year has seen yields vary from only 9t per acre on sand land to the east of Malton, to 25t/acre on land with a healthy dose of muck and more water nearer home. We are able to irrigate about a third of our potatoes, and

half the sugar beet usually, and this year, it has been a 24/7 relentless task – in 30yrs I cannot remember irrigating from early June until mid September, we were glad to pack them away finally!

To be able to irrigate our crops, we have to adhere to the conditions of our abstraction licence from the Environment Agency – in some areas licences were revoked due to low river levels quite early in the season, and in others we had to stop irrigating once we reached the quantity limit on the license.

At the present time, we have started unloading potatoes from store for McCain at Scarborough – to eventually end up as fries in McDonalds. The variety is Pentland Dell, one we have grown since I was very young. Next month we will be washing crisping potatoes for delivery to the Seabrook and Tayto crisp factories, and Royal for McCain oven chips. Other jobs will include harvesting sugar beet and servicing machinery ready for spring – we might even manage to fit in a few days holiday!

As this is the last triangle before the festive period, I wish you a Merry Christmas – I wonder how many locally grown crops will be on your Christmas dinner plate?

*Andrew Wilson*

## FOSS (Friends of Slingsby School)

We've had a wonderful start to our fundraising year, holding a Halloween Party for the children on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October in the Slingsby Village Hall, raising £369.00 for the School. DJ Frankensmith (Mr Smith) did a fantastic job of keeping the children entertained complete with party games and funky tunes.

A big thank you to our volunteers for giving their time. It is greatly appreciated.

Our AGM has also been held with Sarah Rayner stepping down as Chairman and Liz Wilson moving from the Secretary role to Chairman. Mel Staley will take over from Liz as Secretary and Sonja Sedran takes on the role of Treasurer. We will miss Sarah and thanked her for doing such a wonderful job but are sure she won't be too far away given she has now taken on a Governor role at School.

FOSS are currently organising a number of fundraising events including Bags2School in November, the children's Christmas Party, the Christmas Raffle Draw with a special focus on 'local' prizes, and refreshments at the School Christmas Performances at 2pm and 6pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December in the Village Hall.

Raffle tickets are £1.00 each and are available to buy from the School and at the performances with the draw taking place at the evening performance.

We hope to see you there!

*Sonja Sedran*



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### Joyce Ward

Joyce and her family would like to thank all the people who have helped her over the past year. She enjoyed all the activities she attended in the village and is now living at Beechwood Care Home in Norton, where she can be visited at all times.

Best wishes to all

*Joyce Ward and family*

## New password scam

Cyber criminals send victims their own passwords in extortion scam!

They are attempting to blackmail unsuspecting victims by claiming to have used the victim's password to install spying malware on the computer.

The criminals claim they've recorded videos of the victim watching adult material by activating their webcam when they visit these websites. What makes this scam so convincing is that the email usually includes a genuine password the victim has used for one of their online accounts. Criminals obtain the passwords from data breaches.

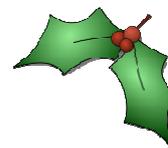
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If you receive one of these emails, report it to Action Fraud's phishing reporting tool. If you have received one of these emails and paid the ransom, report it to your local police

## Did you know?... crazy Christmas facts

- 🌲 During the Christmas period, nearly 28 Lego sets are sold **every second**.
- 🌲 Robins on cards started as a joke 150 years ago when postmen wore red tunics and were named after them.
- 🌲 **6 million** - The number of rolls of sticky tape that will be sold in the UK in the run up to Christmas (5.99 million - the number of rolls where you can't find where the tape ends!)
- 🌲 Nearly **60 million** Christmas Trees are grown each year in Europe. Christmas trees usually grow for about 15 years before they're sold.
- 🌲 The UK Brussels sprout industry (and yes, it's Brussels sprout, not brussel sprout) is worth £650 million, and the area of the country covered by Brussels Sprout fields is the equivalent to 3,240 football pitches.
- 🌲 **10 million** - The number of Turkeys cooked in the UK every Christmas.



### Triangle co-editor's annual report

I am pleased to report that The Triangle continues to be very well received. This coming year we will print 400 copies every month, so that number has grown steadily from about 370 two years ago.

Unfortunately our co-editor, Jo Bradley decided that working full time and bringing up two children meant that she could not devote the time needed to continue editing The Triangle, so she produced her last Triangle in September. I know Jo enjoyed the voluntary job but it was simply down to time pressure that she decided to resign and we owe a great deal to her for producing five excellent issues. Jo will continue as part of the team by distributing Triangles round Cavendish Court and also providing a liaison role with Slingsby School.

To take Jo's place we are delighted to have Gill Baker, who was born and bred in Slingsby so is well known to many. Gill will be producing her first Triangle in January 2019 and I'm sure will be a great asset to the team.

As mentioned elsewhere, we have of course a large team behind The Triangle, including our many distributors; our advertising and distribution manager, Jo Breckon; our treasurer Sarah Bowley, and our regular team of contributors, too numerous to name individually. Our thanks go to them all, without whom The Triangle could not function. Remember that everyone on page 3 is a volunteer!

As a reminder, the Triangle newsletter began in 2010 as seven B&W pages. It has grown steadily over eight years to 24 pages, usually with four or six pages in colour, depending on the content. We hope you will agree that £6 **per year** represents excellent value for six Triangles, six Pinks and one Yellow Pages.

I would also like to take this opportunity once again to remind readers that we can only continue to publish the magazine in its present form if we have sufficient copy to fill it. So if anyone is considering writing an article please do! Several people have over the last year. You can type it on computer and e-mail it, write it on paper and deliver it, or we can even write it for you if you phone us. All the contact details are shown on the front of every issue.

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*David Thornley.*

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### The Nunnington Coffee House



A warm welcome awaits from **Jenny & Kristina.**

## Changing fashion at Slingsby School



Above: year unknown but probably around 1905.

Below: 1922





Above: Early 1950's. Village elders will no doubt be able to fill in all the names!

Below: 1973/4



Back row: Mr Reed (student) Stephen Johnson, Ian Ward, Susan Prest, Mark Simpson, David Sleightholme, Mr Stewart Hill  
 Middle row: Mary Turner, Gail Douthwaite, Trudy Jerrams, Christine Clifford, Audrey Knowlson, Caroline Marshall, Vanessa Paylor  
 Front row: Fiona Holmes, Andrea Baxter, Karen Chapman, Ellen Clifford, Paul Ventress, Gary Simpson



## SLINGSBY CHAPEL NEWS

Our Harvest Festival Celebrations went very well with an excellent service on the Sunday morning led by Rev Ken Gowland, based on the Parable of The Sower. This was followed by a Harvest Lunch in The Schoolroom. The Chapel was beautifully decorated and there was also a large collection of tinned and non perishable food which was given to the local foodbank.

Slingsby Primary School also held their Harvest Festival in The Chapel and with over 90 children plus parents and teachers the Chapel was bursting at the seams, with a lovely service. Gifts were received for the Salvation Army Harvest Festival Appeal.

We have just had our annual shoebox appeal and this year over 30 shoeboxes have been given and will be sent to very poor children in very deprived areas of the world. A service of dedication was held in the Chapel and led by Rev Tanya Short.

### **Soupa lunch**

The Christmas Soupa lunch will be on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 12 noon in the Chapel Schoolroom. We do invite you all especially seniors and those who live on their own to come and join us for some good food, good fun and a short time of carol singing.

T-Spot meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at 10am – 11:15am. All are welcome. Please note that in January only this is on the *second* Tuesday (as the first Tuesday will be New Year's Day)

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Club for children in school years 1 – 6 meets in The Schoolroom at 5pm.

### **Carol singing.**

Come and join us for an evening of carols on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec. Meet at The Chapel at 6pm when we will sing carols round part of the village and then from approx 7pm we will be singing at The Grapes Inn.

### **Other Christmas events at the chapel :**

Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christmas Praise at 5pm

Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Dec - United Carol Service at The Parish Church at 3:30pm

Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec – 10:30am, Christmas Service led by Louise Hayes.

*Stephen Prest*

## SLINGSBY LADIES GROUP

Roger Burnett was the speaker in September and as usual gave us a very interesting talk with slides. This time his subject was the Royal Horticultural Society show at Chatsworth, where, this year he was judging. He explained how points were awarded and collated, how many judges worked together on each display and that any judge with a connection with a competitor had to declare it and stand down.

The October speaker was Craig Farnon, who told us about his life as a butler. For the last eight years he has been at Scampston Hall where he lives with his wife in a cottage in the grounds. We were given tips on how to clean cutlery and how a table should be set, which is a precise art. He explained in what order guests are served at the table with both food and wine and which uniform he would wear if it was lunch or dinner.

Next month the meeting will be in the Methodist schoolroom on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 7:15pm when it will be a Xmas Beetle Drive. On January 8<sup>th</sup> it will be the annual New Year lunch to be held at the Worsley Arms.

*Shelagh Richards*

### **Castle Howard Parkrun**

The latest parkrun to open in Yorkshire will be Castle Howard parkrun, which is scheduled to start in mid-January. For those of you unfamiliar with parkrun it is a free 5km run/walk which takes place every Saturday at 9:00 am throughout the year. It is always intended to be a community-based event and as such is open to absolutely everybody, whatever their age or ability. Participants can run/walk it at any pace they feel comfortable with; they can run it with a dog (on a short lead), with a buggy and with children under the age of 11 (children over the age of 11 can run on their own). It is a very friendly, welcoming event and has featured prominently in the media recently as a contributing factor to healthy living and fitness.

Other local parkruns include Dalby Forest, Sewerby, and York (Knavesmire, Heslington, New Earswick).

For further information please contact Philip Jackson (Run Director, Dalby Forest parkrun) on 01653 628031.

*Philip Jackson*

## Webmaster's Report, Nov 2018

The Slingsby website went live online on March 1<sup>st</sup> 2011 and has received almost 309,000 page views since the launch. Total visitor numbers since launch comes to 107,334.

This year has been one of the busiest for the village website with page view numbers remaining high throughout 2018. If visitor numbers are high for November/December it could even break the 2015 total.

Social media growth has also remained consistent in 2018 with follower engagement increasing noticeably - especially on topics such as local village events, crime and new housing. A dedicated social media editor, to monitor the social media pages, could really help encourage further growth.

2018 saw the monthly page view record go to 6479 during May 2018 helped by the large website traffic the site receives over the May Day bank holiday weekend.

Visitors to the website continue to be mainly UK based but the site receives views from 95 countries. United States, Australia, Hong Kong, Spain, Canada, France, New Zealand and South Korea are the top eight countries for slingsbyvillage.co.uk non-UK based visitors.

*Richard Flint*

## Slingsby Village Website attacked !

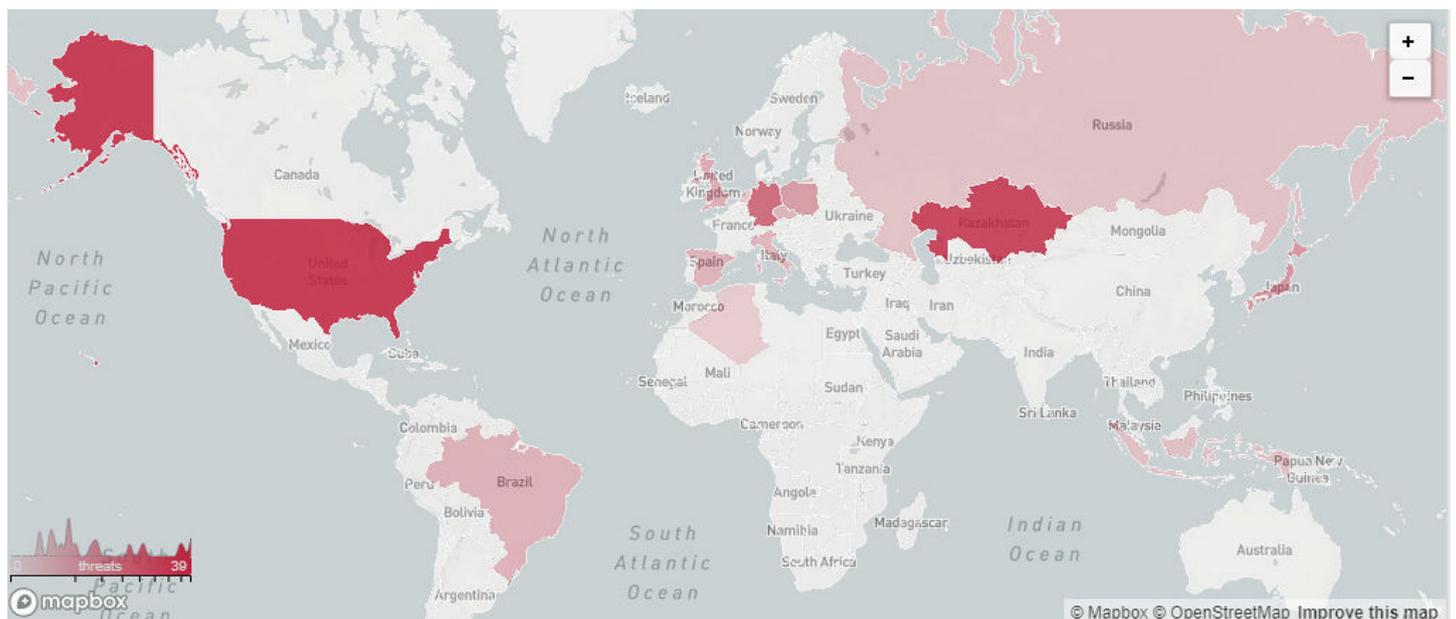
For anyone who uses the village website it is pretty sobering to hear that the site is attacked pretty much every day! Yes, even a small village site like ours! Fortunately our webmaster, Richard Flint, has got used to it and there are several security systems in place. One such device, Cloudflare, has alone stopped 155 attacks in 31 days.

Cork seems to be the hub from where the attacks were coordinated. Probably an infected work/office computer. The attack started at 4am probably because work machines are usually left on 24/7.

If the village website had fallen then that too would become part of the attack group. This is how websites are taken offline in attacks.

The more compromised computers and sites you control the more power you have to do some damage or commit some crime. Think of the attack on the NHS recently, or The Pentagon. They can also be used in all kinds of criminal ways to steal money and/or data and/or control or influence our infrastructure. Just imagine if criminals took control of our railways or electricity system, for example.

The image below shows the countries in red where attacks have come from since October. The deeper the red colour, the more the attacks. Information supplied by Richard Flint.



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Book online to receive 10% off admission.

The House and Grounds are open until New Year's Eve, from 10am. Last admission to the House is at 3pm on weekdays and 4pm weekends, with twilight evenings on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> December (last admission 7pm). The House will be closed on 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> December, however please check the website as some outlets will open on 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> December. We will be closed Christmas Day.

*Sophie Allanby*

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### Slingsby Oil Buying Group Calendar for 2019

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April	1 <sup>st</sup> April
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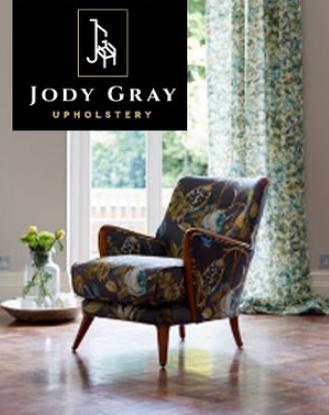


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## Zumba update

Unfortunately Zumba classes have had to cease because of a change of circumstances of the teacher.

## Village Hall bookings

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## 2019 Slingsby calendars

2019 Slingsby Calendars now available. Get your calendars from the Farm Shop or Trudy (Tel 628302) or Janet (Tel 628625). Great value at £6 each. All proceeds to Slingsby Village Hall

*Brian Clarke*

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## THE WEBSITE TEAM

CHAIR & SECRETARY	Jon Boots
WEBMASTER	Richard Flint
TREASURER	Sarah Bowley
WEBSITE POSTS	Jon Boots Dave Wilmore Rachael Thacker

Please note that The Triangle and Slingsby Village Website operate as one unit under the name of Slingsby Website and Newsletter Group, so some names are common to both teams.

### Articles and submission of copy

If you wish to submit an article to the village website please contact a member of the website team or e-mail:  
[admin@slingsbyvillage.co.uk](mailto:admin@slingsbyvillage.co.uk)

## LOCAL HISTORY GROUP NEWS



### Annual Christmas coffee and mince pie meeting

Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 10:30am prompt, at the Grapes Inn Slingsby, £3 incl coffee and mince pie

### Medieval Ghosts

At the end of the 14<sup>th</sup> century a medieval monk at Byland Abbey who was supposed to be looking for examples of heresy, recorded a series of ghost stories which he was told by local people, set in the surrounding villages, which will be familiar to many of us. The stories are well known, and have inspired other writers such as M. R. James, as well as recent historians of the medieval supernatural.

Come along and be gently spooked over coffee and mince pies as Kate reads some of these stories and thinks about what they tell us about late medieval North Yorkshire.

Is your name Snowball? Have you had an eerie experience between Gilling and Ampleforth? Lost any silver spoons near Newburgh Priory? Had any problems with unquiet spirits at Heselton?

As space will be limited for this event please let us know in advance if can or cannot attend, by emailing or telephoning Margaret on [family@mackinders.demon.co.uk](mailto:family@mackinders.demon.co.uk) or 01653 697010. Priority goes to Local History Group members who will all be accommodated, but knowledge of how many will be coming will enable us to know if there is space for others.

Events are being planned for the 2019 in our usual slots of 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month, as follows:

- 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019 (a working meeting to establish our forthcoming agenda)
- 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019 (to be arranged)
- 19<sup>th</sup> March 2019 (to be arranged)
- 30<sup>th</sup> April - visit to Sheriff Hutton LHGroup.

More information on all of these will follow in the next Triangle.

*Margaret Mackinder*



## Sophie's trip to Kenya

As a resident of Slingsby and former pupil of Slingsby Primary, I would like to share my plans and products with you.

I'm now a pupil of Ryedale School and in 2020 will be taking part in an expedition to Kenya with Camps International.

I am writing to ask for Triangle readers' help in promoting some of my fundraising activity. I am making key-rings, bracelets and wine glass charms to sell with all profits going to my fundraiser.



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Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December

10:00am - 4:00pm

Christmas Eve - 9:30am - 2:30pm

Christmas Day - CLOSED

Boxing Day - CLOSED

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> - Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> December

9:30am - 4:30pm

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December

10:00am - 4:00pm

New Years Eve - CLOSED

We are closed the first week in January and will re-open on

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 9:30am

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I intend to write an article for future Triangles updating people with how its going but with a "behind the scenes" angle - the bits that people don't usually see when people are planning a trip like this - emotions, planning etc. whilst hopefully inspiring the next students in Slingsby to take part in these expeditions whichever Secondary school they attend.

For more information please visit my facebook page [www.facebook.com/sophgoestokenya](http://www.facebook.com/sophgoestokenya)

If you have any details of craft fairs in our area please get in touch with me at Cavendish House, Robin Hood Caravan Park.

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*Sophie Palmer-Bunting*

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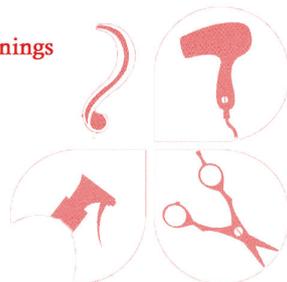
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# CASTLE HOWARD

## The Chairman's Annual Review

By the time you read this, the Slingsby Website and Newsletter Group will have held its 8<sup>th</sup> AGM (on 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov), and will have reported on another successful year, with a new look team. You'll find our end of year accounts, the Webmaster's report and Triangle report elsewhere in this issue.

As the Chairman and one of only two remaining founder members of the Group, I am very pleased that we have been benefitting greatly from the efforts of new members this year. Sarah Bowley (Treasurer), Jo Breckon (Advertising and Distribution) and Dave Wilmore (website news editor) have all just completed their first year with us, while Rachael Thacker (website and design support) joined us in the summer, and Gill Baker (Triangle co-editor replacing Jo Bradley) is all set to produce her first issue in January. While we are sorry to lose Jo Bradley and are extremely grateful for all she's done, we are confident that Gill will carry on the good work. However we are still looking for another person to focus on improving our rather limited social media offering. Could it be you?

Our finances are now in a healthy state, thanks to increased income this year, derived mainly from the

Triangle subscriptions (which we reluctantly raised from £5 to £6 p.a. in April) and to a new deal with Castle Howard, who are supporting us for the first time. We will now be in a good position to bear any unexpected cost increases affecting either the website or the Triangle.

A major change has been going on behind the scenes at the website, and while this does affect how the website editors work, we fully expect that you the user will notice little change. Richard, our webmaster, continues his efforts to reduce spam and maintain security against the ever-changing threats which all websites encounter.

With the Triangle, you might notice a slightly different look for this issue – your feedback on this and indeed any other topic, will be welcomed.

Our thanks go to all who have helped us to help Slingsby, Fryton and South Holme in the past year.

The full reports submitted to the AGM appear on the village website.

*Jon Boots*

## Slingsby Website and Newsletter Group accounts

### Slingsby Website and Newsletter Group

#### Accounts Year to 31st October 2018

<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Last Yr</u>	<u>Income</u>		<u>Last yr</u>
			<u>Current</u>		
Printing	£2,515.00	£2,279.00	Advertising	£1,318.50	£1,151.50
Web	£72.00	£82.55	Web	£165.00	£125.00
Prizes	£0.00	0	Reader's Contributions	£1,799.50	£1,576.10
Misc	£251.79	£209.84	Extra Sales	£64.50	£107.00
	<b>£2,838.79</b>	<b>£2,571.39</b>	Misc	£0.00	£0.00
In Yr Surplus/deficit	£508.71	£388.21			
	<b>£3,347.50</b>	<b>£2,959.60</b>		<b>£3,347.50</b>	<b>£2,959.60</b>

#### Current assets to 31st October 2018

Petty Cash	£16.36	£41.49
HSBC	£3,779.87	£3,246.03
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>£3,796.23</b>	<b>£3,287.52</b>
Surplus b/fwd from 2017	£3,287.52	£2,899.31
In Year surplus/deficit	£508.71	£388.21
Surplus f.wd 31/10/18	<b>£3,796.23</b>	<b>£3,287.52</b>

## V.I.P. Corner - Freda Ware

By the time you read this, Freda will have celebrated her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday and all 87 of them have been spent right here in Slingsby. She is proud of her brave father, who was one of few men to return safely from the First World War. Incredibly, he found time to court her mother throughout those desperate days by sending silken postcards, which were found by Freda after the death of her parents. Mum was born in Helmsley, the granddaughter of the butcher who later decided to move to Brookside, before moving on to Pickering. Happily, her parents married in 1927 and took the decision to move to Slingsby.



One of Freda's greatest loves is being on a farm. From an early age she established a love of animals, in fact, at the age of three her parents thought they'd lost her following a trip to Pickering - she was found safe and well in a sty with a sow and ten piglets! These days the cows and pigs have been replaced by a beautiful cat, who is named 'Sunshine' no doubt because that's what the cat brings to her life.

Schooldays were a happy time, being a creative and artistic child she enjoyed subjects, like bookbinding. However, WWII impacted on school life, as Slingsby became the temporary home of evacuated children. Sadly, ill health was to visit Freda as an eleven year

old, when she went down with measles and then contracted rheumatic fever, and was very ill for many months. Luckily, one of the evacuee teachers and the headmistress kept her up to speed as best they could, by bringing schoolbooks to her house.

Academic life didn't appeal to Freda so she left school at 14 and went away to work at Hope House (*opposite the school - ed*), where the owner had a bakery. Unfortunately, mother took ill and Freda returned to the farm, where, in addition to the farm animals she was custodian of over 200 hens!

Sport has also been important; as well as playing ladies cricket she held office at the Ladies Cricket Club and has always been keen on tennis. It was tennis that was responsible for bringing Freda together with the man she was destined to marry, Raymond, who also lived in Slingsby. Sadly, the courtship was protracted due to a housing shortage in the 1950's. In those days, people didn't marry unless they had somewhere to go, so it wasn't until 1961 that they tied the knot, after taking on her present home. Raymond was always a keen sportsman, football, tennis and bowls being his main interests. Although 'the stork' did a 'fly past', other people's children have been central to her life, having babysat most of the children in the village and grown very fond of them. When asked what she disliked, 'Rabbit Pie' was the quick response - I'm with her on that one! Social life revolves around the Methodist Church, where she once attended Sunday School then became a Sunday School Teacher herself.

Being indefatigable comes naturally to Freda, she was the post Lady for Slingsby and another village, and managed to do the job for an impressive 16 years. At that time there were no vans or trolleys to help take the load, all the post went in the sack and was carried - in all weathers.

"What do you most like about living in Slingsby?" A smile danced on her lips as she spoke of all the people who are so good to her, and who help with all the things she can no longer do for herself. "I've never lived anywhere else, because I never wanted to".

I'm sure all the people of Slingsby whose lives have been touched by Freda will be glad she remained among us!

*Kay Hill*

If you enjoyed the Thornton Le Dale Ukuleles in Slingsby Village Hall (and everyone who came did!) you might be interested in their show in aid of Alzheimer's Society – Ed



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Mon 31st Jan - New Year's Eve party !

Sun 6th Jan - Music Night from 8pm

Sun 20th Jan - Quiz Night from 8 pm