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Santa visits Fryton. *Photo Colin Douthwaite*



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Slingsby School

The pupils and staff had a very busy last week of term. The whole school enjoyed a trip to the Grand Opera House in York to see Cinderella the pantomime and a good time was had by all. Later in the week a very excited bunch of children celebrated a Christmas party in the Village Hall, entertainment was provided by DJ Ollie and there was even a visit by the man himself, Santa, with presents for all. Both of these events were funded by Friends of Slingsby School (FOSS) for which we are very grateful. Many thanks to all of you who help and support their fund raising events in the village.

The next fund raising event on Tuesday 27th January is a Pampered Chef recipe demonstration in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Everyone is welcome, tickets £1 from Fiona Farnell or the village shop.

School also performed two Christmas productions this year in the Village Hall. Class 1 performed 'It's a Baby', a delightful play about the nativity with wonderful performances and singing from all of the reception, year 1 and 2 children. It was a real treat for all those attending the packed afternoon performance. The older boys and girls of Class 2 performed a musical Christmas Carol in the evening, again to a full Village Hall. Both productions were hugely entertaining and performed to a very high standard, thanks to all of the children, staff and volunteers for their hard work.

End of term finished with a celebration assembly, carols and mince pies around the Christmas tree.



Class 1 – 'It's a Baby'



Samantha, Millie, Evan, Joshua and Matthew



Class 2 – A Christmas Carol



Class 1 'It's a Baby'.



Ida-Sue, Holly, Samuel, Alfie and Georgina



Celebration assembly- '12 days of Christmas'

*Sent to The Triangle by
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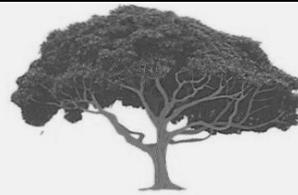


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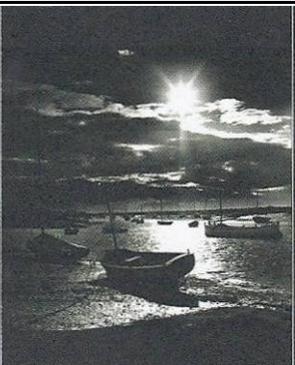
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The £10:00 Triangle? No, no, no. We are pleased to say that The Triangle will be staying at its current 10p a week, £5:00 a year for 2015/16. Putting it up by fifty pence this year was discussed at the AGM but this is a fiddly sum for delivery crew to collect. So we are delaying any price rise till 2016 when it may have to go up to eleven pence a week, £6:00 a year. For the coming five issues we plan to have a colour cover and full colour for Christmas 2015.

The heavy mob will be knocking on your door when the next issue April/May is delivered for your fiver.

The Yellow pages see back page.

The Slingsby Oil Group

As well as introducing myself as the new Organiser of the Slingsby Oil Group, I want to pay tribute to my predecessor Chrysa Apps for all the voluntary time she has given in order to save thousands of pounds for the Group as a whole and significant amounts for each of the 60 members.

There is no membership fee and the bargaining power of the members will enable me to secure the best deal on the day from a list of oil companies. Members pay bills direct to the Oil Company so no money is handled by the Organiser.

My motive for taking on this voluntary job is to serve the community so if I can help in any way please give me a ring on 01653 628055.

Thank you.

Geoff (Bishop)

Calendar for orders in 2015

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Why did the strawberry get a lawyer?

Because it was in a jam!

New Team Members

Stephen Mackinder joins the website team as co-editor. He is originally from York. Both he and Margaret moved to Slingsby in 1978. Although incomers, their children are Slingsby born and bred. Stephen is now retired and tries, not always successfully, to keep the church clock accurate.

Naomi Tummons. Our new Triangle co-editor, Naomi, who has lived in Slingsby since 2013, was born in Yorkshire but grew up 'in exile' in a Sussex village. She has lived, studied and worked in London, York and Rome and now works as an editor and compiler for an independent publishing company. She can often be observed being taken for a swift walk around the village and neighbouring fields by Rupert the lively and youthful field spaniel and is a dedicated (albeit still in training) animal aunt to Poppy Giles! (Kate's cat) Her interests include gardening and she has grand plans for her vegetable patch this year (although whether she has the energy for these remains to be seen). She very much enjoys living in the village and is looking forward to helping produce The Triangle (she has promised to be sparing with the red pen when editing...). Naomi can be reached on (please leave a message if she's not about and she'll get back to you).

TV licences are free for people aged 75 (and over) yet they still receive a demand for payment. If they pay the fee annually and their 75th birthday falls after a payment they can claim a refund. To claim a free licence or refund telephone 0300 790 6061. *Mitzi Blennerhassett*

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Some collective nouns

- A billow of smokers.
- A bond of secret agents.
- A clutch of auto mechanics.
- An exaggeration of fishermen.
- A nucleus of physicists.

TOP TEN

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BY APERTURE SIZE



1. Gran Telescopio Canarias (GTC)

Aperture size: 10.4m
Location: Canary Islands
Completed: 2008



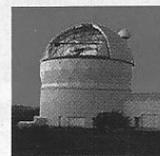
2. Keck I and Keck II

Aperture size: 10m x 2
Location: Mauna Kea,
Hawaii, USA
Completed: 1993 (I); 1996 (II)



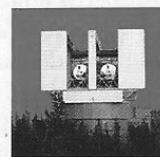
3= South African Large Telescope (SALT)

Aperture size: 9.2m
Location: South Africa
Completed: 2005



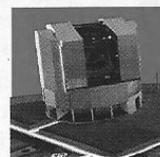
3= Hobby-Eberly Telescope (HET)

Aperture size: 9.2m
Location: Texas, USA
Completed: 1997



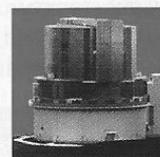
5. Large Binocular Telescope (LBT)

Aperture size: 8.4m x 2
Location: Arizona, USA
Completed: 2004



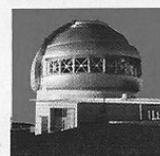
6= Very Large Telescope

Aperture size: 8.2m x 4
Location: Antofagasta, Chile
Completed: 2001



6= Subaru (JNL)

Aperture size: 8.2m
Location: Mauna Kea,
Hawaii, USA
Completed: 1998



8= Gemini North

Aperture size: 8.1m
Location: Mauna Kea,
Hawaii, USA
Completed: 1999



8= Gemini South

Aperture size: 8.1m
Location: Cerro Pachón
Coquimbo, Chile
Completed: 2000



10. Magellan 1 and 2

Aperture size: 6.5m x 2
Location: Las Campanas
Coquimbo, Chile
Completed: 2000 (1); 2002 (2)

Slingsby Allotments Association

We still have a vacant plot for anyone from the Parish who would like to grow their own fruit and vegetables. If you are interested or know of someone who is then please contact Brian Clarke tel 628625 for further details.

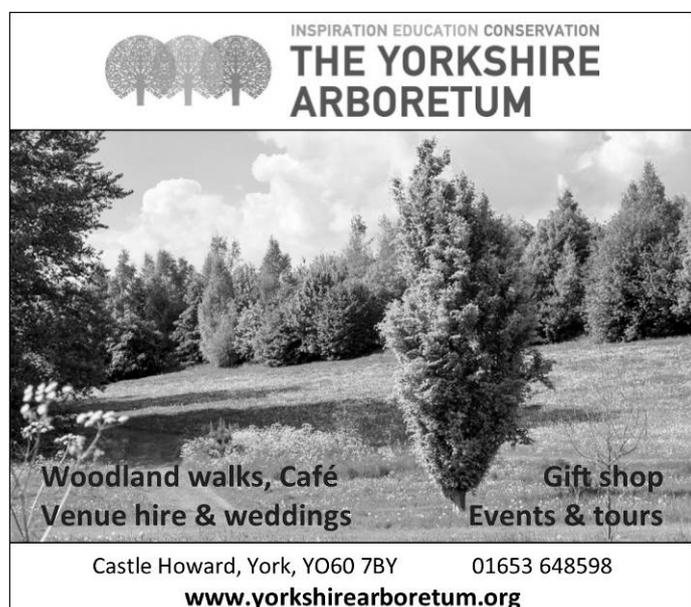
Stephen's Farming Column

So far we have had another mild winter albeit with plenty of wind and rain but there is still plenty of time yet for some frost and snow! Winter is a time for catching up on those maintenance jobs that have been hanging fire over the busy autumn period. Hedges are being trimmed back to keep them in good shape. We only cut our hedges once in two years (apart from roadside hedges) so that there are always some berries left for the birds. It is also important to keep ditches cleaned out so that the land can drain freely. The bigger ditches and streams are maintained by The Environment Agency or local Drainage Board and they have been doing quite a lot of work around Slingsby lately.

On the conservation front it is good to see large numbers of little birds feeding on my wild bird seed mixtures. Barn Owls had a good breeding season last year and many pairs reared two lots of young. I have just purchased two more barn owl nesting boxes which will be erected in trees round the farm.

Dairy farmers are having a particularly hard time at the moment partly due to a price war between the large supermarkets. One local dairy farmer says that last year at this time he was receiving 34p per litre for his milk and now he only receives 24p and some dairy farmers are getting as little as 20p per litre which is less than bottled water. About 8 or 10 dairy farmers are quitting milk production every week, mainly smaller family farms. In the long term it means more milk and dairy products will be imported and we have no control over hygiene and animal welfare standards in other countries.
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Slingsby Local History Group News.

Future meetings:

Saturday January 31st.

A continuation of our December discussions exploring memories of how people in Slingsby entertained themselves, clubs societies and other activities from the second world war onwards. Come along and share your memories, or just listen.

The Grapes Inn 10.30 a.m. for coffee and discussion for an hour.

28th February.

A time capsule was buried under the foundation stone when All Saints Church was substantially rebuilt in 1867. It is recorded that photographs of the original church were put in the original time capsule. These, if they are there, will not last indefinitely, so Slingsby PCC now has permission from both the Diocese of York and English Heritage to examine the capsule if it can be found. If these and other items are found they have to be photographed and recorded. We have arranged a Saturday morning event on 28th February in the church to have the foundation stone carefully removed by a stonemason. Who knows if we shall find anything, or if it will still be in reasonable condition? Anyone interested is welcome to come along and see what is happening from 10.30 a.m. onwards, when there will also be coffee available.

We are looking for ideas for non-perishable contemporary items to put back in a new capsule to mark the present time in history. If you have any suggestions please contact Margaret on 01653 628303, or mm@mackinders.demon.co.uk or Kate on 648739.

24th February 2015: An evening working meeting with an update on our findings for the Local History event, and to plan the event. 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall Committee Room.

March Meeting: We also plan to do some more Saturday morning sessions to explore the topography and also look at the entrenchment in Slingsby Bank wood over the winter while topographical detail is more clearly visible. There will also be a further Saturday morning walk in March at the north end of the village to include further exploration of remaining physical signs of past features such as mills.

Annual Local History Day - Saturday 25th April from 10 a.m. in The Village Hall . Theme - Entertainment in the past in Slingsby.

For the coming year's events it is proposed to include further study of Slingsby Castle with a view to providing more accurate public information for the village and its visitors.

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4. (Holstein) Friesian cow
5. (Grey) partridge
6. Gloucester Old Spot pigs
7. Vietnamese pot-bellied pig
8. Jersey cow (will accept Guernsey)
9. Belted Galloway
10. Shetland pony
11. Fallow deer
12. Silkie hen

Thank you to those who took the trouble to enter our livestock competition and thereby support The Triangle.

The first correct winner drawn from the hat was **Angela Reeves** of Ivy Cottage, High Street, Slingsby who wins the prize of a £25 voucher to spend at **Beadlam Grange**. Congratulations to Angela and thank you for supporting The Triangle.

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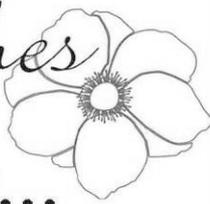


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Our Christmas events all went very well. The Christmas Praise at the Chapel was well attended and was a real family event with a very good tea afterwards. The United Carol service at The Parish Church was excellent and we were all so grateful for the singing by the children from Slingsby Primary School led by headmistress Georgie Metcalfe. It was good to see the Church so full.

The night of carol singing round part of the village and at The Grapes Inn went very well with a good crowd in The Grapes. A collection was made for the Ebola Crisis in West Africa.

The Slingsby Friday Club is going very well with over 20 children attending. The Women's Fellowship meets once a month on Tuesday afternoons and the Wednesday Fellowship Group meets fortnightly on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm. We are just beginning a new series called "9-a-day, becoming like Jesus." It is based on the fruits of the Spirit as told by Paul in Galatians Ch. 5 v's 22-25.

It will soon get round to Easter and on Palm Sunday the 29th March we are planning a short Palm Sunday procession round The Green in Slingsby. We would really like a **donkey** so if anyone knows of one not too far away please let us know. Contact Stephen Prest on 01653-628277.

On Easter Sunday 5th April we will have an Easter Breakfast at 9am followed by a service at 10:30am.

Diary Dates

29th March, Palm Sunday. Procession starting from The Methodist Church at 10-30am

5th April, Easter Sunday. Breakfast in The Chapel Schoolroom at 9am followed by a service at 10:30am.

Why did the doughnut maker sell his shop?

He got fed up with the hole business!

Marriage? It's the only war where you sleep with the enemy.

What did the bald man say when he got a comb for Christmas?

Thanks, I'll never part with this!

SOLAR IMPULSE 2

WITH A WINGSPAN of 72m it's wider than a jumbo jet, and yet it only weighs 2.3 tonnes. This is the Solar Impulse 2, a plane that's able to fly around the world non-stop without carrying an ounce of fuel. The wings are lined with over 17,000 solar cells that charge highly efficient lithium batteries. These are housed

along the wing and deliver power to four electric motors and propellers.

With a top speed of only 141km/h (88mph), this plane isn't going to break any speed records, but the team behind it plan to fly around the world in 2015 in order to showcase the solar technology.

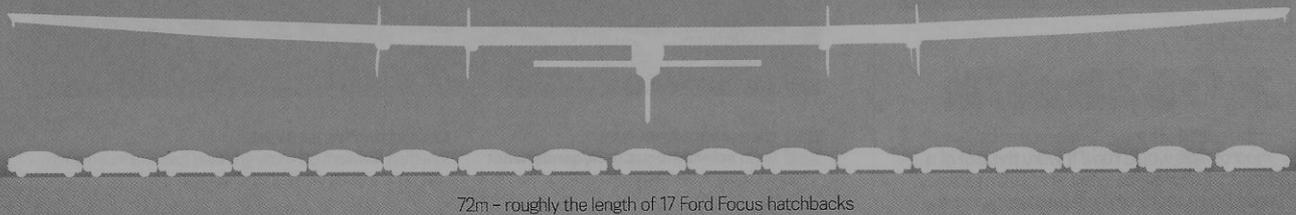
With a carbon fibre body, Solar Impulse 2 weighs just 2,300kg - similar to the weight of a car - helping it conserve energy.

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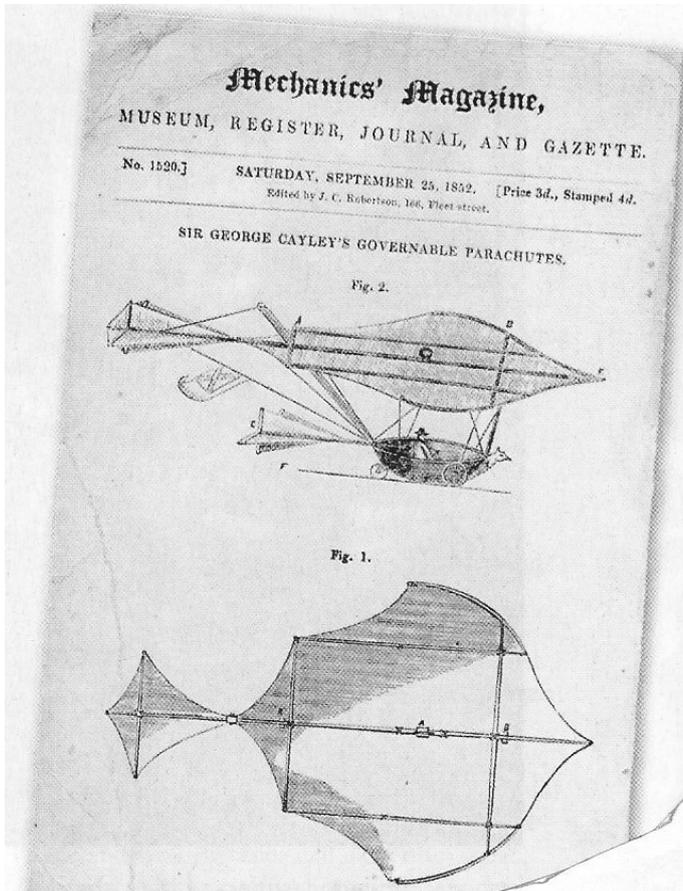
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Sir George Cayley, 6th Baronet of Brompton (27 December 1773 – 15 December 1857) Not quite a local hero, he was a prolific English engineer and one of the most important people in the history of aeronautics. Many consider him the first true scientific aerial investigator and the first person to understand the underlying principles and forces of flight.

In 1799 he set forth the concept of the modern aeroplane as a fixed-wing flying machine with separate systems for lift, propulsion, and control. He was a pioneer of aeronautical engineering and is sometimes referred to as "the father of aerodynamics." Designer of the first successful glider to carry a human being aloft, he discovered and identified the four aerodynamic forces of flight: weight, lift, drag, and thrust that act on any flying vehicle. Modern aeroplane design is based on those discoveries including cambered wings.

He is credited with the first major breakthrough in heavier-than-air flight and he worked over half a century before the development of powered flight, being acknowledged by the Wright brothers. He designed the first actual model of an aeroplane and also diagrammed the elements of vertical flight:



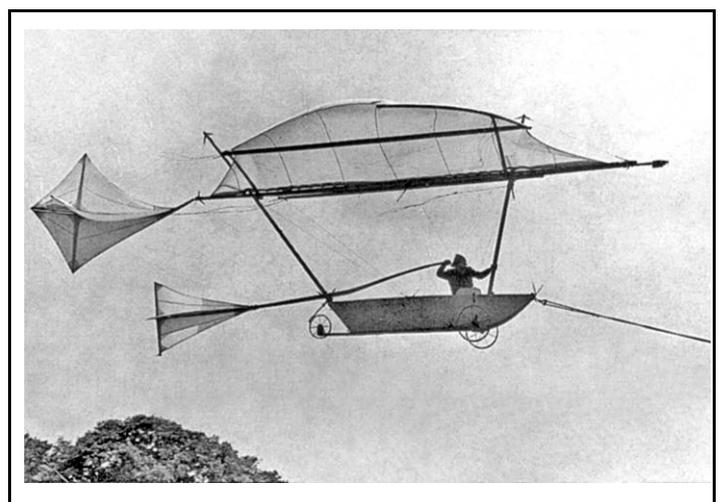
28 Glider

INVENTED 1804 INVENTOR **GEORGE CAYLEY**

One of the greatest inventors in the field of aviation was Yorkshireman George Cayley. The first-ever sustained manned glider flight was made in a craft of his design at Brompton Dale in 1853. (Cayley also invented the tension-spoked wheel – see page 17.)

Cayley first designed an unmanned glider in 1804, and he was the first to move away from the idea that a man-made flying machine must have wings that flapped like a bird's. Instead, he laid down the concept of a fixed-wing aircraft, subject to the forces of weight, lift, drag and thrust, for which he became known as the father of aeronautics. His first pilot is unknown, but it may have been his 12-year-old grandson, also George.

As well as inventing the glider George Cayley reinvented the wheel. Wooden or solid wheels were just too heavy. His innovation was to shift the forces from compression to tension. No more would the wooden spokes hold the rim up: now the rim would bear all the weight and its shape would stay true thanks to spokes made of tight cord. This was first described by Cayley in 1808 but really took off when wire spokes were first used in bicycle wheels. This elegant design has been used ever since.



A replica of the George Cayley glider being flown in 1973 by Derek Piggot.

These images from 'Genius of Invention'.



A replica of the 1853 Cayley glider at The Yorkshire Air Museum

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To combat this, the Association of Manufacturers of Domestic Appliances (AMDEA) has launched a new web portal (www.registermyappliance.org.uk) designed to make it quicker and easier for the public to register all of their appliances by providing access to the registration pages of 47 leading brands.

As part of the **Fire Kills campaign**, NYFRS is encouraging people to use 'Register my appliance', to provide up-to-date, accurate, contact information so manufacturers can issue safety updates or repair notifications to the right homes. Over time consumers will also be encouraged and provided with the means to amend their details if they move house, sell or give an appliance away.

Peter Hudson, Group Manager with NYFRS stated "Everybody should take this opportunity to register their domestic appliances to reduce the risk of home fires and for their own peace of mind. Good ownership data is key to getting safety information to the people that need it and I encourage everyone to invest a little time to register their appliances." AMDEA members have pledged this is purely a safety initiative and the information captured will only be used if required for safety notices. They are also committed to helping consumers understand why registering is a sensible safety measure.

Douglas Herbison Chief Executive, AMDEA says, "Domestic appliances have never been safer and over 100 million large appliances are in use in our homes, many running for ten or many more years. The incidence of safety actions is very low (between 6 -10 recalls a year) but, unlike cars, if manufacturers need to make a free safety adjustment they have no way of tracing the majority of affected models. 'Register my appliance' aims to help our industry to act swiftly, to contact owners, if a fault is discovered in a particular batch of products."

Friends of Slingsby School (FOSS)

Coming Events

27th February - Yorkshire Dialect Evening with Adam Collier in Slingsby Village Hall

20th March - Curry & Quiz Night in Slingsby Village Hall. £5 a ticket for curry and quiz. Bring your own bottle.

Further information & ticket details for both events will appear on notices around the village and on www.slingsbyschool.org when available. If you have any further questions please contact Beki on 01653 628391

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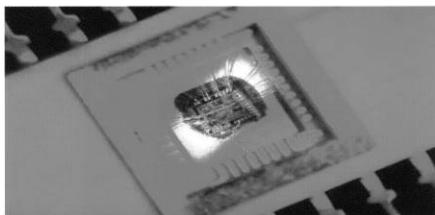
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SWaNG renewed and refreshed! Slingsby Website and Newsletter Group.

The Slingsby Website and Newsletter Group has started the New Year with fresh blood coursing through its veins. We had been waiting over a year for a volunteer when, in December, two came along together! We are indeed fortunate to have Naomi Tummons joining us as our new Triangle co-editor and Stephen Mackinder as assistant news editor for the website. You can read more about them elsewhere in this issue.

For the website, 2014 was another good year, although we did not quite manage to beat the record viewing figures recorded for 2013.

But what of the traditional print media side of the house? By the time you read this Keith Buck will have hung up his editor's pencil and green visor. Back in late 2010 when other volunteers were having second thoughts about such a commitment, Keith stepped up, knew what was needed and produced Slingsby's first newsletter in his own inimitable style. The Triangle may have developed since then, but it would simply not exist had it not been for Keith. I'm sure I will not be alone in wishing to thank him for all he has done. The team are grateful that he'll be continuing to manage Yellow Pages, advertising and distribution.

Jon Boots

Thanks Jon for your kind words but Triangle Number One would not have appeared at all but for the help I received from Gwyn Green, the then editor of the Hovingham Newsletter and George Dudzinski who showed me how to switch my new computery thing on. We also had a £100 start-up grant from the Parish Council towards paying for Issue one, before we had been able to collect some dosh from our new readers. It has also helped no end having Martin PC on hand to resolve my technical faux pas. Annoyingly, since David Thornley joined me as co-editor, everyone has says how much The Triangle has improved.

Keith

Retirement

Old gardeners never die, they just go to pot
Old yachtsman never die, they just keel over.
Old bowls players never die, they simply jack it in.
Old environmentalists never die, they are just recycled.
Old bosses never die, much as you want them to.



Police are appealing to the public after a large quantity of suspected stolen farm equipment was found in Beadlam Nawton. If you have lost any equipment contact NYP on 101 and quote the number **NYP-17012015-0208**



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Slingsby Digital Photograph DVD



Photo of Railway Street courtesy of Liz and John Daniels

The Slingsby/Fryton/South Holme DVD has been available now for over a month and has 'sold' extremely well. We had 100 'slideshow' DVD's produced and there are only about 7 left. On this DVD you will find approximately 1,130 digital photos of the Slingsby, Fryton and South Holme area, people and events, from 1830 to 2014. Fascinating viewing for anyone from the area.

The DVD should play on a domestic DVD player as a film show and can be paused, rewind etc. so you can study any photo of particular interest. It will play for about 114 minutes with 6 seconds between pictures. There is no sound of course. Available at Tony's shop or from David Thornley as below. They are free to locals but a donation of £5 would be appreciated.

Alternatively, for computer experts who wish to edit/copy the photographs, we also had a dozen JPEG DVD's produced. These all 'sold' within a week so we had another dozen produced. There are still about 8 left. Anyone who would like a JPEG copy of all the photos should ask any History Group member or contact **David Thornley on 01653 627210**. These are part of the village archive and available to any local who wants a copy.

Note that the images must not be re-sold for commercial gain.

The sale of all the above has so far raised over £500 towards production of a village archive by Slingsby Local History Group. Many thanks to everyone who helped by buying a DVD.

David Thornley
On behalf of Slingsby Local History Group

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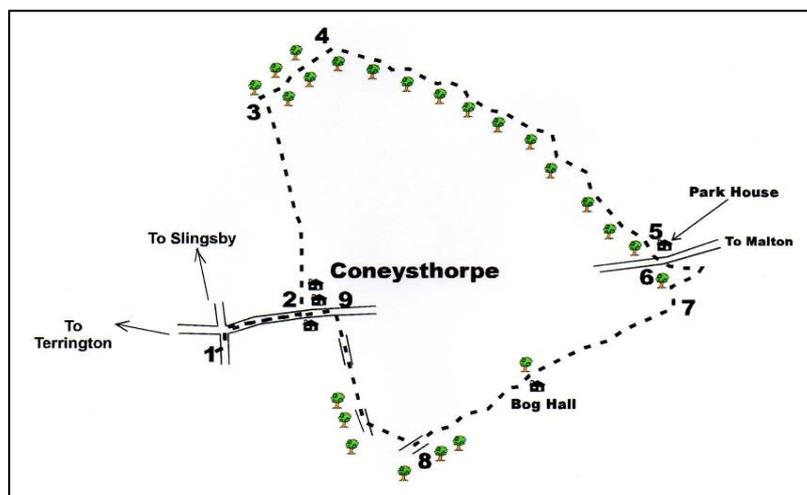
A Walk for February

Coneysthorpe, Centenary Way, Park Farm, Bog Hall.

A walk where, apart from two of the briefest of encounters, you leave traffic far behind. The route passes through some of the finest parts of the Castle Howard Estate and the views, especially over the Vale of Pickering, are tremendous. The climb between points 3 and 4 can be quite slippery and strenuous in wet weather so remember to wear sturdy waterproof boots.

Start – The Car Park by the Great Lake.
From Slingsby head towards Castle Howard on the York road and the car park is on your right just after the Terrington /Malton crossroads about 1½ miles from Slingsby village.

Distance – 5 miles **Duration** – 2½ -3 hours



1. From the Car Park walk left to the crossroads and turn right on the road signposted Malton, walking gently downhill into Coneysthorpe village.
2. Opposite the telephone box turn left into the road that runs around the village Green. At the top of the Green (behind the stone building in the centre) take the waymarked bridleway which is part of the Centenary Way. Stay on this track as it winds through farmland towards the wooded hillside.
3. On reaching the wood go through the gap in the hedge, turn sharp left and a few yards further on turn right uphill following the waymarked path. This section of the walk is quite muddy and heavy going except in the driest spells. The end of the climb is rewarded with a panoramic view of the Vale of Pickering as the path emerges to join a bridle path running along the top of the ridge. A clearly seen landmark straight ahead is the 'Barber's Pole' of a white knuckle ride at Flamingoland, about 10 miles away with Pickering beyond.
4. Turn right along the bridleway and stay on it for about a mile, maintaining height and resisting paths off to left and right. For much of that distance you can see, looking towards the horizon at about 11 o'clock, a castle-like structure some 15 miles away. This is, in fact, nothing more exciting than the silo of Associated British Maltsters at Knapton, but is a landmark visible from most high points in Ryedale.
5. The path eventually reaches a group of buildings at Park House. Bear right before them and skirt round the fence with the buildings on your left, go through the gate and the path then joins a drive. Turn right.
6. Where the drive meets the road (beware of traffic), cross straight over, through the gate, turn left and cross the field on the grass track between the young trees. Before reaching the wood ahead the track turns sharp right to descend the slope following the line of electricity poles. The view from here across the Castle

Howard Estate is impressive, and includes the Mausoleum, Pyramid and Temple of the Four Winds. Just before reaching the fence, the track bears left to emerge through a gate on to a stoned track.

7. Turn right and stay on the track until it passes the farm buildings at Bog Hall on your left followed by the large storage tank on your right, before descending and crossing a bridge over a beck. Continue on the track as it rises up to woodland on the left.
8. At a waymark post pointing right to 'Coneysthorpe' take this path across the field to meet the track beside more trees on the left, and stay on it to reach the gate at the roadside.
9. Turn left at the road, pass through Coneysthorpe to reach the crossroads, and turn left to return to your vehicle.

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Slingsby Yorkshire Countrywoman's Association

We had a large gathering for our Christmas Celebrations held on December 9th. After the very short administrative bit we settled down to a very competitive Beetle Drive, nibbling, drinking!! and chatting along the way. The evening came to its conclusion with a visit from Secret Santa, so everyone left clutching a neatly wrapped present to place under the Christmas tree. January 13th saw most of our members meeting for our annual New Year lunch at The Grapes. Everyone enjoyed the meeting, held in lovely surroundings with good food, good company and, of course, an excellent quiz.



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Contact Sue Birkbeck 01653 627293

Carol Buck

A honeymoon is a holiday a man takes before starting work under a new boss.

The highest pub in England (and the UK for that matter) is the Tan Hill Inn, located in the Yorkshire Dales. The Tan Hill hit headlines early in 2010 when 30 or so revellers were snowed in whilst celebrating New Year's Eve, they were 'stuck' there for several days until they managed to 'escape'. Poor people!

Photo K.R.B.



Tan Hill

Here is a breakdown of other places to you can have a drink at altitude across the country:

England

- Tan Hill Inn, North Yorkshire : 1,700ft (518m)
- Cat & Fiddle, Buxton : 1,690ft (515m)
- Travellers Rest, Buxton : 1,500ft (457m)
- Kirkstone Pass Inn, Cumbria : 1,480ft (451m)
- The New Inn, Flash, Staffordshire. 1470ft (448m)
- Royal Cottage, on the A53 Leek/Buxton. 1469ft. (447.5m)
- The Mermaid, Leek, Staffordshire. 1440ft. (439m)
- Winking man, near Royal Cottage. 1440ft. (439m)
- Miners Arms, Nenthead, Cumbria. 1410ft. (429m)
- Warren House Inn, Postbridge, Dartmoor. 1350ft. (411.5)
- The Lion Inn, Blakey, North Yorks. 1320ft. (402m)
- **The Grapes, Slingsby, North Yorks.** 99ft. (30m)
- The lowest pub in England is the Admiral Wells in Peterborough which is 9ft below sea level.

It's been hard to prove which pub is actually the oldest - but the oldest three pubs in the UK are The Old Ferryboat in Holywell, records show that alcohol was served there are early as 560; Ye Olde Fighting Cocks in St Albans which was recognised as the oldest by the Guinness Book of Records and has documentation that prove the pub has been there since 795. And Ye Olde Trip to Jerusalem which is built into the rock face under Nottingham Castle and documents exist that prove a castle brew-house occupied the site since 1189 and parts of the foundations date back to 1070.

Scotland

- Wanlockhead Inn, Wanlockhead : 1440ft (439m)
- Lead Hills Pub, Lead Hills : 1310ft (399m)
- Richmond Arms Hotel, Tomintoul : 1110ft (338m)

Wales

- Sportsman's Arms, Denbigh : 1430ft (436m)
- Lamb & Fox, Blaenavon : 1370ft (418m)
- Tafarn Ty Uchaf, Trefil : 1310ft (399m)
- Pen-y-Gwyrd Hotel, Snowdonia : 900ft (274m)



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1950 Speak

Last week I was asked to give a speech at the Social Media Awards. It is not unusual for me to be asked to speak at a variety of engagements from Ladies' lunches, school and college prize-giving's and also at conferences. Usually I speak on the subject of diet and fitness and occasionally about motivation – but social media? This was different for me. Yes, I use social media, but that's all. I don't personally do Facebook as I just don't have time. On Twitter I do a daily fitness challenge at around 8pm except on Mondays when I am at my classes and apart from that I will occasionally tweet about something I am doing but my golden rule is always to be positive. In my opinion, if you haven't got something nice to say, don't say it. I cannot be doing with people using social media to 'have a go' at people.

As I was preparing for my talk I had a think about how times had changed in my lifetime. I was born before television, frozen food, DVDs, mp3 players, mobile phones, and the pill. I was born before credit cards, ball point pens, dishwashers, tumble dryers, electric blankets, before man walked on the moon and before computers.

Back then a mac was a raincoat, a PC was a policeman, a mouse was what cats chased and the web was what spiders lived in and birds twittered and tweeted.

Windows were for looking out of, kindle was a name for sticks to light a fire, tablets were what you took when you had a headache, a virus meant you were ill but your doctor didn't know what was wrong with you and an eye pad was what you wore over your eye when it was poorly.

Text was another word for words in a book, an icon was a hero and a Facebook was a book about makeup. Cookies were what Americans called biscuits and a troll was an ugly doll.

Also back then cigarette smoking was fashionable, grass was mown, coke was in the coalhouse, and a joint was a piece of meat on a Sunday!

And then I thought about diet and fitness back in the 60's and 70's. There was a brand of chewy caramels that promised to fill you up so you didn't eat so much – they

were called Ayds! You could try to trim down your hips and thighs with a vibrating belt or sleep in enormous plastic bloomers to sweat off your fat! Maltesers could advertise that they were the chocolates 'with less fattening centres', we went to work on an egg and Nimble was a low calorie bread. We went to 'Keep Fit' classes and waved scarves around as the pianist played in the corner. My, my, how things have changed!

From a Rosemary Conley article.

A circular advertisement for Helmsley Wines, featuring a grape cluster logo and text: 'HELMSLEY WINES', 'Independent Specialist Wine & Spirits Shop', 'Large range of quality wines and spirits from around the world with prices starting at £5.95 there's something for everyone!!', 'Present this advert and receive 10% Discount', and '4 Bridge Street, Helmsley, YO62 5BG'. The background shows shelves of wine bottles.

10% discount with this advertisement for Trianglers.

Yorkshire Speak

Police have released details of a new drug craze in Yorkshire nightclubs. Apparently, Yorkshire club-goers have started injecting Ecstasy just above their front teeth.

Police say this dangerous practice is called: "E by gum"

Bloke from Barnsley with piles asks chemist:

"Nah then lad, does tha sell arse cream?"

Chemist replies, "Aye lad, Magnum or Cornetto?"

A Yorkshireman's dog dies and as it was his favourite pet he decides to have a gold statue made by a jeweller to remember the dog by.

Yorkshireman: "Can tha mek uz a gold statue of yon dog?"

Jeweller: "Duz tha want it 18 carat?"

Yorkshireman: "Naw, I want it chewin' a bone, yer daft boogger!"

A Yorkshire man takes his cat to the vet.

Man: "Ey up, lad, I need to talk t' thee about me cat."

Vet: "Is it a tom?"

Man: "Nay, I've browt it wi' me."

Panto Mother Goose

The village hall was jam packed with Slingsby folk and a good sprinkle of visitors. We were well raffled and enjoyed hot drinks and mince pies provided by the village hall committee. Thanks to Debbie Firby, Trudy Carr, Janet Clarke and all the other members of the team who made this such an enjoyable afternoon.

Photo K.B



The audience doing as they are told by Mother Goose except, Tim Brion.

Photo K. B.



Tim being chastised by a very risqué Mother Goose.

Photo K. B.



That's Tim, on the right, centre aisle, third row from the back. Next to him is Miriam, trying really hard to disown him!



Future troubadours treading the boards.



Fryton to Hovingham old railway line. *Photo John Hayhurst*
Photo David Thornley



Drone over Castle Howard filming for a programme by Julia Bradbury.



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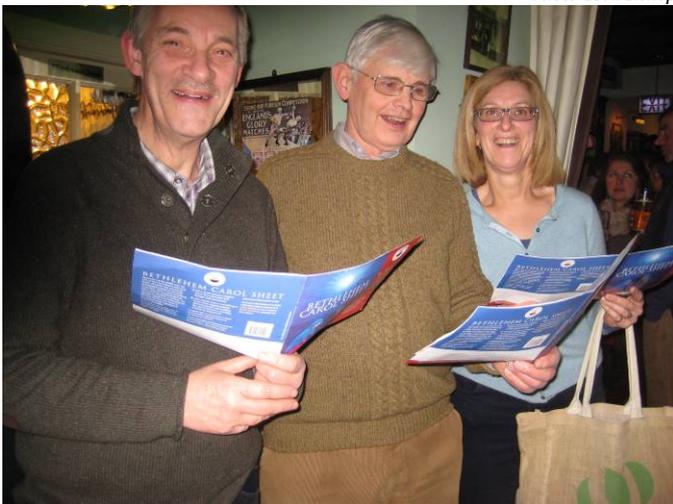
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Photo Geoff Bishop



**Brian and Janet Clarke with Stephen Prest
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On 16 December, a group of Carol Singers from the Methodist and Anglican churches had a very enjoyable evening singing round Slingsby village and then at The Grapes pub where the owners Leigh and Catherine kindly offered mulled wine and mince pies to everyone. The carollers and customers made a joyful sound and there was much applause and appreciation. A collection raised £50.07 for the West Africa Ebola appeal.

Why didn't the skeleton go to the Christmas Party?

He had no body to go with!

Yellow Pages Update 2015

We hope to have your 2015 Yellow Pages ready for you to go out with the April Triangle.

Club Secs please confirm your details. If you are not involved any more keep me posted too.

Councillors, Parish, Ryedale and North Yorks again please confirm your details.

What's not in and should be, bearing in mind that is probably new arrivals that utilise this document the most?

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Famous Last Words

“Go on, get out.
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fools who haven't
said enough!”

KARL MARX

German social philosopher Karl Marx sought to change the world with *Das Kapital* and the Communist Manifesto. The father of communism passed away in 1883 after delivering these two sentences, which, alas, have lived on as exactly what he feared: last words.

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