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V.I.P. Corner Peter Simpson

Despite his advanced years, I found Peter wearing his overalls ready for work, so it was no surprise that farming came top of his list of 'Likes'. Indeed, he worked up until 11 years ago, well past normal retirement age. Born opposite the existing school, his parents were from hard working stock. In the 1930's, when times were very hard, two or three men from Suffolk came up the country looking for work and found it in Snainton and Wass, finally ending up at Bakers Farm in Slingsby.

One of these resourceful men was Peter's father. Mining was a family industry. His grandmother's family were Ironstone Miners from Rosedale and on his wife's side, her father had been a Coal Miner in West Yorkshire. A change of career from Coal Miner to Gamekeeper brought his wife's father to work on one of Castle Howard's subsidiary farms. Peter's dad took up the tenancy of a 35 acre village farm in 1952. In those days, and perhaps even today, farming machinery can be highly dangerous and, tragically, his father lost a part of his right arm in an accident. Unbelievably, and an inspiration to people today, he then lost the fingers from the other hand in a second accident but continued to work!

Peter left school at 15 and went into farming, but following his dad's second accident he went to join his father. Some of the 35 acres were split up and allotted to larger farms by the Castle Howard Estate. Peter took over the farm buildings and ran the small holding consisting of cattle and a few sheep. Latterly, Peter worked for Ryedale District Council in the Helmsley and Kirkbymoorside areas, keeping the roads safe with the snow plough - vital work!

When it comes to family, the Castle Howard Estate played a large part in Peter's destiny as his late wife, who died some 14 years ago, was the Ladies Maid to Lady Cecilia Howard. They had three sons who each turned out to be high achievers. An interesting story came from a love of baking. Peter's wife spotted a job for a Friday night shift at Thomas the Baker and suggested to her son that he should apply. He did and his talent was recognised by them. Today he has a top Job! Peter is surrounded by grandchildren and great grandchildren and his sister lives close by.

When asked what he disliked he had to think for quite some time, then 'growing old' was selected. We both agreed that it was better than the alternative though.....!



Peter looking very smart on a Cruising Holiday

Favourite memories consist of going to dances every Friday night, held in various villages. Also, having been a member of Slingsby's Sports and Social Club, playing for both the football team and the Bowls Club.

In 1994, Peter was treated to a flight on Concorde along with his son, and the champagne flight from London Heathrow to Leeds Bradford Airport was unforgettable. Subsonic but fantastic!

Social life is somewhat limited now, however, the Village Hall has put on memorable nights including Bingo and the Ukulele Band.

The thing Peter likes most about having lived in Slingsby all his life is the fact that everybody looks after each other. If you did anything wrong when you were young the local bobby would give you a 'clip round the ear hole!' You daren't tell your parents - or you'd get another one.....

I'm certain Peter wasn't the recipient of such treatment, and Slingsby is the richer for his presence.

Kay Hill

VIP corner continued...



Peter with the Slingsby football team – he is bottom row second from left

Let's celebrate – it's the 50th Edition of The Triangle - haven't we come a long way!

Issue 1 of the Triangle came out in Dec 2010. The village website started then too. A small group of enterprising locals got them off the ground: Keith Buck, Jon Boots, Richard Flint and George Dudzinski. I remember Keith coming round and telling us all about the idea for a local magazine and asking if we would be willing to give him £2 to get it going. Needless to say, plenty of people handed over the money, and the rest as they say is history!



The first edition had this drawing by Natalie Bradley, aged 10, on its cover – I wonder what Natalie is doing now? Inside there were articles about the formation of the Triangle and website. Stories about the Sportsfield Association and the various clubs and activities happening there, and in the Village Hall. There was also a notice about the start of the allotment site at the north end of the village – now full of thriving plots.

One of the longer articles was by Margaret Mackinder about the local plan from Ryedale Council in consultation phase at the time. One of the changes being considered was redevelopment of Henry Richardson's former haulage business site – now Cavendish Court is all done. Margaret has continued to write articles for the Triangle on a regular basis ever since. The school has also been a regular contributor. Back in 2010 there were 37 children at the school now it's more than double that. With help from everyone we can look forward to the next 50 issues. *Co-editor*

Thanks to Fiona

A big thank you to Fiona Farnell from Tony and Libby Popek for bringing out the defibrillator when Tony was taken ill at 3am on Saturday 12th January. This service is much appreciated – you never know when

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Triangle Subs – price held

The AGM agreed that the price of The Triangle for 2019/20 should stay the same as this year:

- £6 for local deliveries
- £6 for email subscriptions
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A local resident has suggested that a **for sale/wanted** section in the Triangle newsletter would be a useful service for our villages and help to encourage unwanted things to be re-used rather than taken to the skips or left to clutter the house.

The Editors have decided to make space for this and look forward to receiving adverts. Please keep them nice and short.

Send your advert to the usual Triangle address: thetriangle@slingsbyvillage.co.uk or contact one of the co-editors, Gill on 01653 628479 or David on 01653 627210. Don't forget to include your phone number (and/or email address, if you prefer). Please also give us your address (which will NOT be published – unless you specifically request it).

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Summer Saturday Holiday Specials

Imagine, if you will, the date is Saturday the 24th June 1962. You became a resident of Slingsby, living near the station, earlier that same year. You have observed that on Mondays to Fridays there is a westbound freight train which usually passes Slingsby about 9:30am, returning at various times in the afternoon, heading back to Malton. This basic service of two trains a day is occasionally supplemented by passenger and parcel trains to/from Gilling at the beginning and end of term at Ampleforth College over a period of two days. Other than a rare Inspection Special that's about it; a slumbering railway branch line.



Class B1 loco 61176 passes through Slingsby heading a Newcastle-Scarborough holiday 'express' in 1962. Photographer unknown.

On the day in question you decide to take a walk on the railway track from Slingsby station towards Fryton Gates in the knowledge that although you are trespassing, it will be perfectly safe as no trains run on a Saturday.

At approximately 11:15 am you hear a whistle. Turning around, to your surprise, you see a passenger train approaching at what appears to be at considerable speed (actually it would have been no more than 30mph, the maximum allowed for this stretch of line). Luckily you just have time to step aside, and the train passes you without incident.

Intrigued by the appearance of this phenomenon you bid a hasty retreat, and returning to Slingsby station your intention is to seek out the Porter-Signalman, Fred Wright, to ask for an explanation to what a main line express train is doing on a country branch line. However, Fred is otherwise occupied. It's now 11:40am and you observe him coming out of the office, go to and close the level crossing gates, walk to the partly covered ground-frame on the platform and reverse the lever controlling the 'Up' direction semaphore signal which then comes

'off', giving a 'proceed' indication to the driver of another passenger train conveying main line coaches. The fireman exchanges with Fred the Amotherby - Slingsby single line token in a pouch with a Slingsby - Hovingham Spa token. After the train has passed, Fred returns the signal to danger, opens the crossing gates, before disappearing into the office in order to give the 'train entering section' bell signal to Hovingham Spa (2 beats), and then returns the Amotherby token to the Tyer's No. 6 token instrument, giving the 'train out of section' bell signal to Amotherby (2 pause 1 beats).

At least Fred has now some spare time to talk with you, and he divulges that the two trains you have just witnessed are Summer Saturday Holiday Specials, the first being the 10:25 Scarborough to Glasgow, running every Saturday until the 1st September, followed by the 10:50 Scarborough to Newcastle, running every Saturday until the 8th September. Fred explains that during the same afternoon two more such trains will pass through Slingsby in the opposite direction – the 10:50 Newcastle to Scarborough (Slingsby approx. 13:27) and the 09:20 Glasgow to Scarborough (Slingsby approx. 15:48), both running on Saturdays up to and including the 25th August. Fred also makes it known that further later Saturday holiday trains which can be witnessed will consist of the 08:05 Glasgow to Scarborough (Slingsby approx. 14:06) running 30th June to the 28th July, the 07:40 Filey Holiday Camp to Edinburgh (Slingsby approx. 09:00) 14th July to 18th August, and the 08:35 Scarborough to Glasgow (Slingsby approx. 09:24). Thus, seven such trains will pass through Slingsby at peak.

Fred points out the reason for these trains being routed via Slingsby and Gilling, involving a double reversal at Malton and Scarborough Road, using the Malton Shed pilot engine, and westbound trains having to be banked up the gradient from Scarborough Road towards Amotherby, is to avoid the possibility of serious congestion at York. He wonders, however, whether 1962 will be the last year they will run this way.

Fred draws attention to Table 32 of the North Eastern England Passenger Services public timetable (price one shilling) which lists these trains, and bizarrely includes the note 'via Gilling'. It's reasonable to suggest, Fred declares, that hardly anyone travelling on them will have the remotest idea where Gilling is, given it doesn't enjoy a passenger service, except for the Ampleforth College specials.

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Summer Saturday Holiday Specials cont...

Postscript. Fred's forebodings became reality in strange circumstances. On the 19th of March 1963 a Parcels train heading towards York on the East Coast Main Line became derailed at Pilmoor on the actual junction with the Ryedale branch, causing a considerable amount of damage. It wasn't considered justified to restore the connection, thus meaning the end of the Holiday trains via Gilling, and their re-routing via York that summer. Whether it was already management's intention to start routing via York in any case before the derailment is open to speculation, but probably likely.

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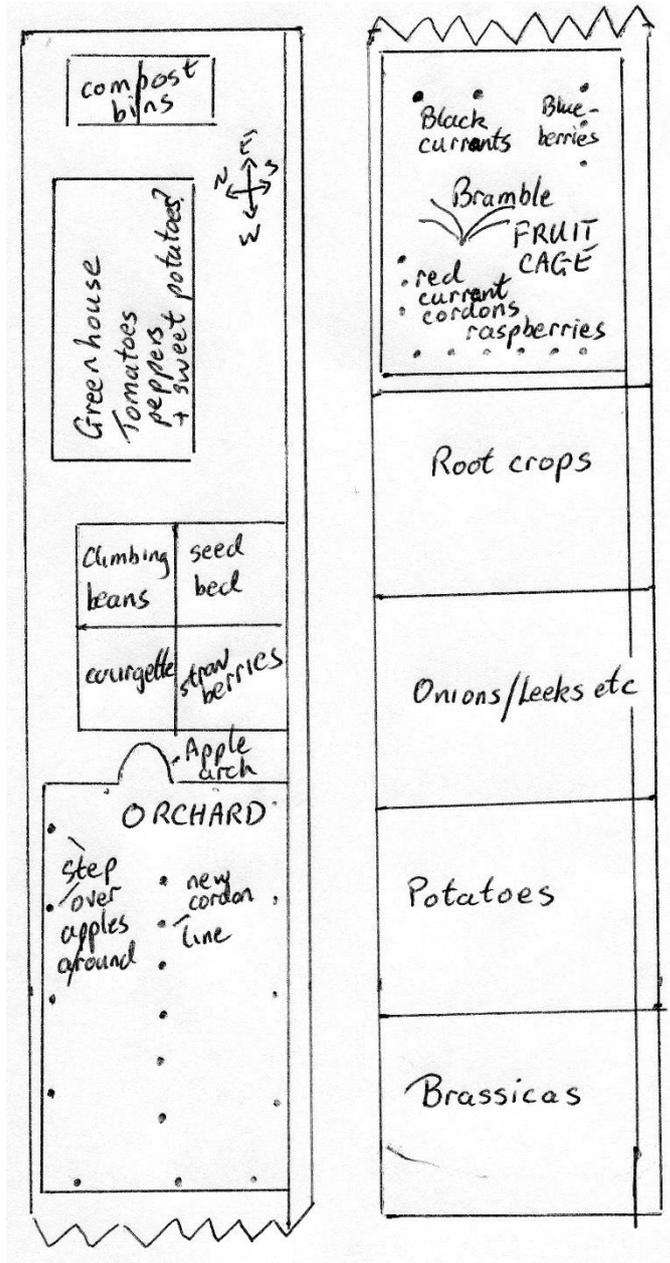
my allotment plan for 2019

Jan 2019 sees the start of our 9th year on the allotment site at the north end of the village. At this time of year, it's good to look back at what worked well last year and look forward to the coming growing season. Last year was excellent for crops in our greenhouse with bumper harvests of tomatoes and peppers, but with enthusiasm we planted too many sweet potatoes and these rampant growers almost took over the whole greenhouse. We will try to grow only one or two plants in the future. Winter is the time we try and finish off the pruning of our apples, but this year we need to deal with a couple of trees we bought from a local supermarket (a Bramley and Worcester Pearmain). These are excellent varieties but we made the mistake of planting them without knowing anything about the rootstocks they were growing on and as a result they are now much too big for the site and we need to remove them. Before finally digging them up I plan to graft a couple of trees from each onto dwarfing rootstocks as replacements.

Looking forward to the coming year there will be the usual (losing) battle with weeds and particularly horsetail which is very difficult to get under control. We also expect to have to deal with the way the site goes from being almost under water in winter to dry and cracked in summer. Our growing season usually starts off with chitting potatoes on the window sills at home and sowing tomatoes and peppers in late Feb or early March hoping to get a good start in the greenhouse, but also the same time hoping to harvest purple sprouting broccoli which is one of the highlights of growing your own food – it's never the same if you buy it from the supermarket.

It certainly feels good to be able to grow some of your own food and gardening can be healthy exercise too. If you fancy giving allotment growing a go, a plot has recently become vacant.

Our plot is one of the narrowest, but also one of the longest on the site – approx. 150 ft x 15 ft. The end with the crop rotation, i.e. brassicas, potatoes etc, is adjacent to the beck. The greenhouse end is nearest the hedge running around the site.



Terry Baker

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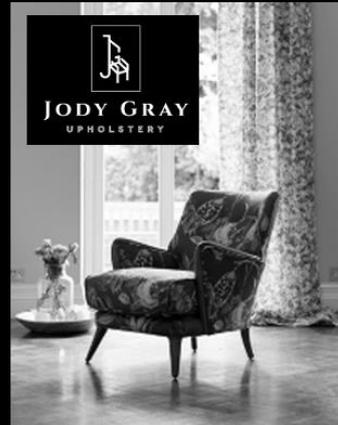
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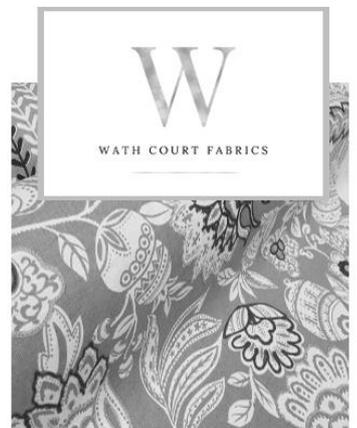
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Stephen's Farming Column



This is a quiet time of year on the farm but the winter crops look remarkably well due to really good growing conditions since they were sown in the autumn. The weather is very mild and so far up to the middle of January we have had very little wintry weather. At the moment we are grading potatoes out of store and the price has held up very well which is helping to make up for the poorer yields. On the conservation side I am pleased to say that two of my owl nest boxes have barn owls in them but so far they appear to be single. Let's hope both owls find mates and are able to breed come spring time.

Castle Howard Estate have left a 24 metre strip of wheat unharvested in a field down Slingsby Carr as part of a Stewardship Scheme, and driving round the other day I was amazed at the number of birds feeding there. There were plenty of wood pigeons plus blackbirds and field fares and also huge flocks of small birds which were too far off to identify. It is encouraging when you see conservation work making a real impact on the wild life.



Sheep grazing this January in The Dams Field near the Old Slingsby Railway Station

There has been quite a lot of talk over recent months, including by members of the Royal Family, about mental health issues. Farming and the agricultural industry do have problems in this area. In fact, a recent report states that:

“Rates of mental disorder, including depression, anxiety and similar conditions are significantly higher in rural communities than in other parts of the population.”

Many farms are small rural businesses with people spending a lot of time working on their own and they are not always very good at sharing their worries and concerns. The Yorkshire Rural Support Network (part of the Yorkshire Agricultural Society) is working with other support agencies to try to combat these serious problems. It is important to look for early signs of stress and anxiety and get help as soon as possible and something we can all help to look out for. Organisations that can help are shown in the box below.

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I began raising money for this trip by starting work at The Worsley Arms in Hovingham where I am a kitchen porter. I have also held a coffee morning and craft sale in the village chapel and a craft sale in Malton (on a freezing December day). Also, my Grandma and the fab Janet Clarke have been working hard to support me by knitting guinea pigs for me to sell (apparently, they are a favourite food in Ecuador!).



My future funding ideas include quiz nights, sponsored events and a South American style food night (no guinea pigs). More immediately I will be holding a Harry Potter film experience at the Worsley Arms at 3pm on the 24th of February. Tickets will include film, cake and a drink. There will be 'Honeyduke's tuck shop' and a raffle for magical prizes.

For more information and tickets at £6 each call 01653 627176 or email tamsinsmurthwaite@hotmail.com.

If you live in the Slingsby area and have any odd jobs I could do for you so I can get closer to my total, please give me or my parents a call on 01653 627176.

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All Saints Church - Church roof update

Dear All,

It is IN! We have submitted our Stage 2 application for funding to replace the church roof with theft proof material, to create the Local History exhibition area in the north aisle and to deliver a range of exciting activities over the course of 2019 for the village and local community. We are now on tenterhooks for 3 months while a decision is made. The great news is that although we will still need to do some fundraising in 2019, we have had great success with our match funding applications, but most of these are predicated on us being awarded Stage 2 Heritage Lottery Fund application (HLF) funding. So please keep us in your thoughts and prayers over the next two months. If we are successful in our HLF we will produce a leaflet about upcoming events to be circulated with the next Triangle.

Other All Saints Church news

In 2019 we will be revising the Electoral Roll. The electoral roll is an important part of church life. It is a list of everyone in the parish (over 16 years of age) entitled to vote in elections within the Church of England. In order to be eligible for the list you need to be resident in the parish and be a regular worshipper (NB the definition of 'regular' is quite a flexible one!). The roll is completely renewed every 6 years, at which point all members are invited to re-apply for membership or their names will be deleted. This is an important way of keeping the list updated. Membership does not cost anything, but gives you an important say in church life and events, something that is more important than ever given the challenges that the church roof project has thrown at us, and the difficult decisions we are increasingly needing to take in the 21st century. A healthy electoral roll is also a really good sign to the Church of England. Sadly, ours has been in decline over the past 10 years, but it would be great to see it expand again.

As PCC Secretary I'll be contacting everyone on the list but I would be delighted to receive an application from anyone wishing to join. Do contact me if you'd like to know more.

Annual PCC meeting - advance notice

In **March** we will hold our annual Parochial Church Council meeting. This is an opportunity to elect new churchwardens and officers but also to hear from the wider community and welcome new members to the church. Do look out for posters and please do come along and join us. We would love to know your thoughts and hear what matters to you about the future of All Saints church.

Kate Giles, PCC Secretary

Local History Grouphelp wanted!

As part of Slingsby Local History Group's investigation into the castle area, can anyone remember any buildings on the area of the present playing field, extending northwards towards Wath Beck? Either temporary buildings (perhaps during the war) or permanent buildings before the war – we would like to know. If you have any memory of such buildings and their location please contact either Margaret Mackinder on 697010 or Kate Giles on kate.giles@york.ac.uk Thank you

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News from Brickyard Farm

Well, was 2018 a wet year or not?

Believe it or not, 2018 saw 2mm more rain than 2017! How it fell was very different to 2017 though. 2018 saw 40% of the year's total fall in the first third of the year, and only 22% in the next 3 months. The situation was exactly opposite in 2017. Nature always balances out. Will we see January's weather arrive in March this year? Who knows. One of many challenges in farming!

- My thanks to Robert Wainwright's helpful rainfall chart in the Worsley Arms for the detail – noted when conducting research over a pint with Mark Wilson.....(no relation if you were wondering!)

Thanks to a Countryside Productivity Grant from Defra, we now have a proper weather station at Brickyard farm – some of our customers require us to record certain meteorological information. It should also help us to identify trends and aid decision making in these volatile times (weather, market and political!)

We are required by DEFRA to have 5% of our farm as Ecological Focus Areas (EFA's). This includes things like cover crops, grass margins, hedges and fallow ground. Most of our requirement is covered by grass margins next to water courses and cover crops on land destined for sugar beet and potatoes later this spring. The cut-off date for the cover crops is 15th January, so from this date we can apply some muck and plough them, when weather and ground conditions allow us to do so – this winter is certainly kinder than last!



Photo showing the different roots of cover crop plants: Oat, Mustard and Forage radish

For many years we have been involved in farm environment schemes, the latest of which comes to a close this spring, and is called the Entry Level Scheme (ELS). This includes measures like wet field corners being sown with grass, which is left to seed for birds, and cut only very occasionally; and over-wintered stubbles – where no cultivation is allowed, to allow cover for birds and seeds to eat. Our hedge management is part of our ELS obligations. We cut half of the farm one year, the other half the next – if we left it any longer, we'd lose the tight knit small branches which protect smaller birds from predators.

The replacement scheme for the ELS (called 'Mid Tier') looks very unattractive, with difficult options and delayed payment, so I've held off entering it for now – we will take a cut of hay from the grass already established and wait to see what unfolds after March 29thanything is possible.

On the farm we have finished delivering November and December contracted potatoes to McCain at Scarborough and Seabrook crisps at Bradford, and await bookings for our February contracts.

The beet factory, having had a late start this season, and many breakdowns over the last few weeks, will be receiving beet right up until the last day of March, the latest ever! This isn't good for us, as we need to get it harvested before then to get the following spring malting barley sown in early March if possible, and beet doesn't store well in mild weather.

The mild winter, although pleasant, has brought its headaches – the most noticeable of which is Mildew in barley, not something we see often in January. Crops are generally a bit more forward than normal, which doesn't help the situation. We don't grow Oilseed Rape, but those that do have struggled with the control of Flea beetle, a bug that chomps its way through leaves almost like a flock of sheep, and was previously controlled by a simple seed dressing from a family called Neonicotinoids, which have been banned by the EU commission. The alternative is multiple passes of a non-selective aphicide – in my view a far less environmentally nice solution. These bureaucrats don't seem to consider the full consequence of their actions, unfortunately.

This next week will see us changing pig batches, with the subsequent muck out, mend what the pigs have destroyed, bed up and refill with 35kg weaner pigs, and then the spreading of the muck while ground conditions are favourable.

We are also busy servicing and preparing machines for spring in the yard, and I'm catching up on a seemingly never-ending pile of paperwork in my office! We have all attended some training courses, and I have become involved with something called the AHDB's Monitor Farms – more of that in a later issue.

Andrew Wilson

New arrivals in Slingsby

We have a new addition to the Atkinson family in Balksyde, baby Winter was born on the 9th of November, she is daughter to Kathryn and Simeon, and little sister to Tilly, Seb and Eve – many congratulations.

The Walker-Rings family (Kayley and Dan and their twins Xavier and Gabriel) moved to Railway Street in December. The children already attend Slingsby school. Welcome to you all.

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SCAMS – Don't be a victim

Here's a round-up of scams around at the moment.

Ransom demands - your computer has been 'hacked'



An email claims your computer has been 'hacked' and that the hacker has been monitoring your online activity. They allege you have been visiting adult sites and that all this has been monitored. They ask for payment (usually in Bitcoin) or your activities will be circulated on social media, your computer will 'formatted' which means all your data will be erased.

The North Yorkshire Community Messaging Cybercrime unit says:

"The victim's computer is not at risk of being formatted, but their password has been compromised in multiple data breaches. A person can see this for themselves by entering their email address into www.haveibeenpwned.com.

"That is why it is very important for users to change their passwords. We would recommend using password manager software such as LastPass, Dashlane or one of the many other legitimate versions and also enabling two factor authentication.

"Advice on these and other security tips can be found on: www.getsafeonline.org

"Unfortunately, there is very little a person can do to block these emails as the suspects are constantly changing the origin accounts that the emails are coming from and in the latest versions are making it appear as though it is originating from the victim's own account".

The main thing is not to panic and DO NOT make any payment to these scammers

Mobile phone scam

The scammer sends a text message saying you are due a refund or have won a prize. They then ask you to click on a link which will then ask for your



personal details. This particular message results in you unknowingly subscribing to a number of premium rate text services which can then be difficult to opt out of.

If a text or email asks you to click a link, **always proceed with caution**. Make sure you know who the message is from and if in doubt, just delete it.

Online Dating – how to stay safe



Good advice from the North Yorkshire Community Messaging Service offered by NY Police:

"It is a sad fact that I am visiting an increasing number of people who have fallen for a 'Romance Scam'. This is where they have met someone online and the scam always follows a familiar pattern. They will communicate via social media without ever seeing the person they are communicating with.

"After a short while there will be a request for money, usually a relatively small amount claiming there is an unexpected bill they need to pay.

"This will be followed by promises to come to England to live 'happily ever after'. There will be further complications with further requests for money (air fares, medical bills, customs duties), usually increasing in amount. I have met victims who refuse to believe they are a victim of a scam and have lost tens of thousands of pounds to this despicable crime."

If you are looking for love online follow these simple rules:

- Online dating? Get to know the person, not the profile
- Analyse dating profiles and do all you can to check they're genuine
- Be wary of anyone who tells you not to tell others about them
- Don't send money or your bank details to someone you've met online
- Stay on the dating site's own messenger service

Don't let the scammers enjoy your retirement



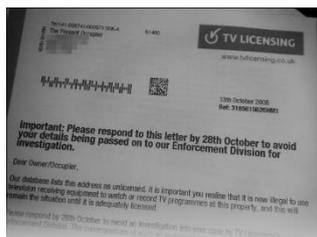
The Pensions Regulator has circulated the following advice to people on pension scams. The main tactics scammers use are:

1. Making contact out of the blue
2. Making promises of high /guaranteed returns
3. Offering free pension reviews
4. Allowing access to your pension before age 55
5. Pressurising you to act quickly

For full information go to:
thepensionsregulator.gov.uk

TV licence scam

This one has been in the news recently. You get a phone call or a text telling you your TV licence has expired and you will be fined, or that your direct debit has not gone through. You will be asked to set up a new payment plan. This is a ploy to get your bank details.



If you have received a call or text message and are unsure if it's from the official TV Licensing, the following advice may help you:

- Did you sign up to TV Licensing's text reminder service?
- Is the text out of the blue?
- Check the sender
- Check the links go to the TV Licensing website
- Check the number we ask you to call
- Does it ask for personal information?
- Are there any changes in style, spelling and grammar?

Always report fraud at
actionfraud.police.uk

Get Alerts about fraud – you can sign up to the Police messaging service at

www.northyorkshirecommunitymessaging.org

Check for guidance on the web about avoiding scams. A good source is the consumer magazine Which?

www.which.co.uk/consumer-rights/scams

If you don't go online yourself why not ask a relative or friend to help you get more information.



Missing Strictly?

Start dancing with York Vintage Dance Group

York Vintage Dance Group is a group of vintage dance instructors who run classes on alternate Wednesday evenings in the Milton Rooms, Malton. The dances are mainly from the 1930s/1940s and are various individual strolls (e.g. Charleston Stroll, American Stroll, New York Stroll and many others), partner dances (e.g. Rock and Roll Waltz, Cha Cha) and social dances (e.g. social waltz, social foxtrot). We do everything from the Valeta to the Lambeth Walk! You do not need to have any dancing experience at all, the beginners' class starting at 7.00pm with the intermediates joining in at 7.45. Beginners are encouraged to stay on for the intermediate class too. The dancing is superb physical exercise and keeps you very alert mentally. It is also just the most enormous fun and has a strong sense of community. You do not need a partner and you make new friends very quickly.

The first date in 2019 is Wednesday January 30th, followed by the 13th and 27th February. If you want to, there are also weekly classes in Huntington and Wigginton.

If you would like to know more, call me on 628031.

Philip Jackson

Slingsby School News

Slingsby Community Primary School continues to thrive and even the external stonework has been given a new lease of life. The County Council recently contracted local stone masons to delicately repoint and replace old stonework at the west side and front entrance of the building which included stabilising the finials for which the school is very grateful. In addition, the new Groundsman has been working incredibly hard to tidy the borders and playground area including creating a super new grass covered tunnel for the children to play in.

Since our last article, the pupils have enjoyed a World War I Centenary of Remembrance activity day with Historical Interpretations in November including reliving 24 hours in the trenches which we hear was most enlightening!

Before Christmas the Year 5 & 6 pupils enjoyed a fantastic residential week at Peat Rigg Outdoor Pursuits Centre near Pickering, enduring all weather conditions as they tackled activities such as abseiling, canoeing and a night walk.

The Christmas festivities were much enjoyed and many of the villagers were able to sing carols along with the school Choir at the Soupa Lunch. The Christmas Plays of 'A Sleepy Shepherd' for the infants and 'A Christmas Carol' for the juniors were a huge success with all the children performing brilliantly.

Funding remains a concern as it does for all schools, but with the wonderful support of FOSS and other donations, Slingsby CP School continues to provide the pupils with an excellent standard of teaching and support, of which we as Governors are incredibly proud.

Kate Giles, Deputy Chair of Governors

FOSS (Friends of Slingsby School)

Hello everyone and welcome to 2019! We hope you've had a lovely start to the New Year. In the last edition we made mention of some fundraising events in November and December. We're happy to report some fantastic fundraising results.

A total of £128.00 was raised from our November Bags2School collection which was a School only collection.

We will be holding another Bags2School event in May and will extend the request to Slingsby Village so if you are planning a Spring clean and can hold onto any unwanted, clean clothing, curtains, sheets, paired shoes etc. we will gladly take them. Bags will be dropped through your letter box towards the end of April/early May with additional bags to be available from the School.

The Christmas Raffle Draw which had a special focus on 'local' prizes, raised an amazing £899.66. A very big thank you goes out to all the families and local businesses who supported us by either purchasing tickets or donating prizes which enabled us to reach this fabulous amount. In addition, we also raised a further £146.32 from the sale of refreshments and Tombola tickets at the School Christmas Performances.

Father Christmas did not disappoint at our annual School Christmas Party, held the afternoon after the School Productions. This year, to accommodate the 25 additional students now attending the School, we introduced an extra space in the Village Hall as Santa's Grotto, very kindly created by one of our Mums and Village resident, Mrs Lu Turner. Mrs Turner also took on the role of Santa's helper, which along with Father Christmas, Magic Mike, and our wonderful team of volunteers and School staff, made the overall experience for our children truly magical.

Our first FOSS Meeting for 2019 was held on Wednesday 16th January at the School with our team of enthusiastic Committee Members. We are on our way to finalising our first event for this year; the Quiz & Curry Night. Although yet to finalise a date, we can confirm it will be held at the Slingsby Village Hall one Friday night in the month of March. Once we have confirmed the date, details will be added to the Friends of Slingsby C.P. School Facebook page, the School Newsletter and in the School entrance.

We hope to see you soon!

Sonja Sedran FOSS Treasurer

Slingsby Chapel News

Our Christmas events went very well this year with a very good United Carol Service in the Parish Church on the 16th December. Slingsby School Choir sang several items including Away in a Manger and Little Donkey and they sang beautifully. The night of Carol Singing on 20th December was also a great success when we went round part of the village, namely Porch Farm Close, The Sycamores, and Railway Street before retiring to The Grapes Inn. A good crowd was there to meet us and we had some great singing and also enjoyed mulled wine and mince pies courtesy of Catharine and her team at The Grapes.

Looking ahead to events in the New Year, Soupa lunch continues to thrive with a good number coming each time to enjoy a choice of 3 or 4 delicious soups, a variety of sandwiches and lovely puddings. All are welcome. The next dates are: 20th February and 20th March. T-Spot is on the first Tuesday of each month at 10am and for the younger people 2nd Sunday Club is on the second Sunday each month from 5pm to 6-30pm and is for children in school years 1-6. They have a great time of crafts, games, Bible stories and FOOD! Contact Louise Hayes for more details: mob. 07840220900.

Geoff and Warwick "The 2 Wise Men" putting up the Chapel Christmas Tree



See Pink Pages for Feb and March dates for T-Spot, Wednesday Fellowship Group, Soupa Lunch, Fish and Chips

~ Women's World Day of Prayer~

Fri 1 March at 2pm – Slingsby Chapel

Sports Club news

The Slingsby Sports Club January quiz night which included a raffle and Play your Cards Right, raised a grand total of £102 for Yorkshire Air Ambulance.



The quiz night is held on the first Friday of every month and is open to teams of members and non-members alike. The next is on 1st February at 8.15 p.m.

Sports & Social Club contact details:

Paul Hogarth – Tel: 01653 628219

One from the album - Balksyde neighbours

Photo from about 1966



showing, from left, Colin Baxter (No. 13 Balksyde), Arthur Allanson (No. 11), Ruth Miller (No.12)

If you have any photos of village scenes or people that you'd like to share in the Triangle – especially older ones – get in touch with one of the co-editors.

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Geoff (Bishop)

Parish Council – from the Nov 18 meeting

- Cemetery fees won't increase in 2019/20.
- The Parish Council part of Council Tax to increase by 2% in April 2019
- The location of pot holes is being reported regularly by Councillors and the Parish Clerk
- Slingsby has been approved for a speed camera van.

On the Agenda – for meeting on 28th Jan

- Section 106 Funding Application
- Street Lights
- Highways Issues
- Dog Fouling
- Speeding
- Footpaths near the chapel
- 30mph signs

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Joke - End of Dry January?

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Mary says 'is that you or the wine talking?'

John replies 'it's me, talking to the wine!'





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Puzzles for the young and not so young



Winter Word Play!

Put your puzzle solving skills to the test with these winter word anagrams. Look carefully at the jumbled words and try unscrambling as many of the anagrams as you can into real words related to the winter season.

1. LOCD
2. ETAHER
3. ATCO
4. AOENSS
5. WOSN
6. ICCRAT
7. CIE
8. SARFC
9. IDLAZRZB
10. EZREFE
11. LKNEFWSAO
12. TRSFO
13. KSI
14. IABRETHEN
15. OSDNWARBO
16. FREI
17. IECILC
18. SGEOLV
19. SNNWMAO
20. SREATWE

Answers can be found on page 22

Jo Breckon

Leftover Christmas crackers.....



Why did the pony have to gargle?

- Because it was a little horse

Why couldn't the skeleton go to the Christmas party?

- He had no body to go with

Why did no-one bid for Rudolph and Blitzen on eBay?

- Because they were two deer

What did Cinderella say when her photos didn't arrive on time?

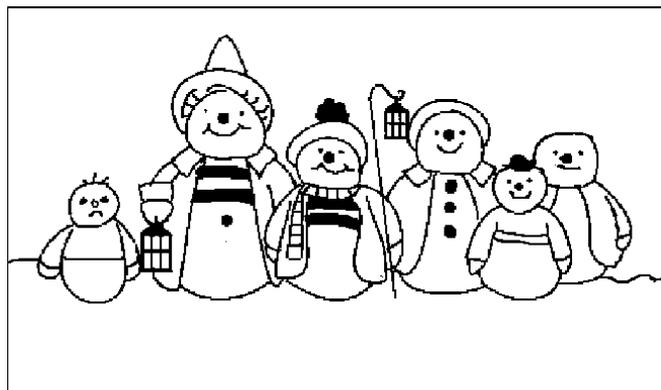
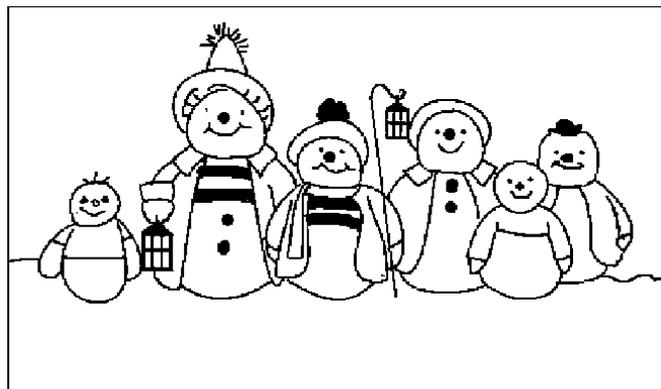
- One day my prints will come

What do you call a woman who stands between two goal posts?

- Annette

Carol Singing Snowmen.....

There are ten differences in the snowman pictures above, can you spot them?



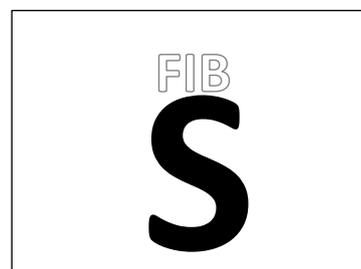
A few almost unbelievable facts

- In 1386 a pig in France was executed by public hanging for the murder of a child.
- Earth has travelled more than 5,000 miles in the past 5 minutes.
- The average person walks the equivalent of three times around the world in a lifetime.
- A single cloud can weigh more than 1 million pounds.
- Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears never stop growing.

And a couple of Dingbats

Don't know what they are? Just say what you see!

Answers on page 22



SHAKESPEARE	WAY
TELL	WEIGH
CONQUEROR	WHEY

Slingsby Ladies Group

The last two months have been a time of eating and being merry, and that's what the group has done. Members requested a December Beetle Drive and as always this was great fun, especially, as during the games wine and nibbles were served. These were followed by warm mince pies and an exchange of gifts.

In January it was more eating and drinking as members enjoyed a delicious New Year lunch at the Worsley Arms, Hovingham.

The next meeting is the AGM on Tuesday 12th February followed by supper provided by members (more food and drink) and on the 12th March there will be a talk by a Ryedale Auctioneer called Angus. Both meetings are at 7.15 pm and are in the Methodist Schoolroom. This is a very happy and friendly group who would welcome any ladies wishing to join us.

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Winter Word Play answers

1. COLD
2. HEATER
3. COAT
4. SEASON
5. SNOW
6. ARCTIC
7. ICE
8. SCARF
9. BLIZZARD
10. FREEZE
11. SNOWFLAKE
12. FROST
13. SKI
14. HIBERNATE
15. SNOWBOARD
16. FIRE
17. ICICLE
18. GLOVES
19. SNOWMAN
20. SWEATER



Dingbat answers:

- Little white lies
- Where there's a will there's a way

Fireworks in our community

It's great to celebrate occasions with fireworks and most of us love to see the amazing colourful displays they provide. Years ago, fireworks were a few pops, sizzles, a roman candle or two and a Catherine wheel on the nearest wall, 10 minutes and it was all over.

Nowadays they are so big (beautiful maybe) and so very loud. Anyone can buy them and set them off. Unfortunately, our cats, dogs, horses, farm animals and wildlife don't think very much to them and are usually terrified with long lasting effects or even death.

There is legislation about animal welfare with penalties for animal cruelty and there are many guidelines for the safe use of fireworks, so everyone can enjoy them and suffering to our animal friends is kept to a minimum. Please let's work together and let each other know when we are celebrating with fireworks, so actions can be taken to minimize suffering of our pets.

A group of concerned local residents

More than 430 years of living in Slingsby, Fryton and Malton

Recently my husband and I spent two weeks in Slingsby. This was my sixth visit to the village of Slingsby and the third time we have stayed in the Prests' Stables accommodation. We were thrilled to be present on the day of the Produce Show and we congratulate Stephen Prest and his group who organised this event. It is good to retain some of authentic Slingsby events and activities. We witnessed the Maypole dancing in 2012 and Pat Thompson and her helpers keep this wonderful tradition alive.



Jenny and Robert Fuller at the Produce Show.

Rob and I met up with my Wright cousins and we had an enjoyable lunch at the Grapes Inn. I could not believe at that table more than 430 years of living in Slingsby, Fryton or Malton were assembled. Arthur and Joyce Wright who live in Balksyde, Shirley and George Wright who recently moved to Norton from East View Street Slingsby, and Lily Baker (nee Wright) who lives in Malton. Joyce and Arthur's son, Adam, and family live in Fryton and I am sure many use Linda Wright's hairdressing skills, and Lily's son, Terry, and wife still live in Slingsby. The Wright family have lived in the Slingsby village or nearby villages for more than 240 years and my father, the late William Henry Wright was born in Slingsby. The four Wright brother's names are on the Honour Board for service in World War 1, with Albert senior making the supreme sacrifice.

I enjoyed visiting Slingsby Community School, as many Wrights would have attended this school over the years. Pleased to see the large increase in

enrolments and the various changes and extensions to the school. We really enjoy receiving our Triangle Newsletter and reading about the happenings of the three villages.



Robert Fuller, George & Shirley Wright, Arthur Wright, Jenny Fuller, Joyce Wright, Lily Baker.

With best wishes from Perth, Western Australia.

Jenny (nee Wright) and Robert Fuller.

Sowers and Growers

The group continues to meet monthly, usually on the first Tuesday of the month. Just before Christmas a festive and very creative session was held in the Village Hall. Kymm Queen came along to teach us how to make winter garlands for display over Christmas. Much greenery was used and the results were rather lovely. Wreaths and bouquets were made by some as well.



Here is Kymm showing off the garland being made by Cynthia Fell.

The next session is our meal together in The Grapes on 5th February at 7pm. The AGM is on 5th March (Village Hall Cttee room at 7pm) and we will plan events for the coming year, also hopefully to include Pickering Hedgehog Rescue.

Further info about the group – Janet Clarke 628625

Slingsby Castle (Part I)

Over the next two issues of The Triangle, the Local History Group would like to share the results of recent research on Slingsby Castle, which we hope will form the basis of our future exhibition in the north aisle of the church. It includes some fantastic 3D reconstruction drawings produced by University of York student, Beth Watrous. In this article, we'll look at the designs created by one of England's earliest named architects, Robert Smythson (1535-1614) for Charles Cavendish (I), the youngest son of one of Derbyshire's most powerful families, Bess of Hardwick and her second husband, William Cavendish.

Slingsby's medieval castle had been built by the Wyville family c. 1216 and sold to Ralph de Hastings in 1344, when it was crenelated. Further alterations were made in 1475 by William Lord Hastings who was given permission to "build, enclose, crenellate, embattle and machicolate" the castle. We know that this castle, with its moat, survived as late as 1619, because it was described by one of England's early Antiquarians, Roger Dodsworth (who also gave us the story of the Slingsby dragon!) And indeed, the moat and walls now visible around the castle suggest that elements of the medieval castle were retained by the later building.

In 1599, Cavendish and Smythson began plans to rebuild Slingsby. The first designs for Slingsby show a square house with a central courtyard, moat and terraces. Floor plans survive for the basement and ground floors only. These would probably have reused the foundations of the medieval castle. Internally there would have been services including bread ovens in the basement, and at ground floor level an entrance hall, and apartments for the family. The building would have been influenced by Robert Smythson's other work at Bolsover Little Castle and Hardwick Hall (Derbys) and Caverswall Castle (Staffs). Caverswall was also built on the site of a medieval castle and we were very grateful that its current owner allowed access for the purpose of the project.

Beth Watrous' wonderful reconstruction drawing of the never-built designs of Slingsby uses Smythson's drawings and



these comparative examples to show how the castle might have been intended to look and superimposes this on the aerial photographs of Slingsby today. There is no doubt that this would have been a really impressive statement of power, dominating the village and giving wonderful views across the area.

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In the next edition of The Triangle we will look at the actual castle built by John Smythson for Charles Cavendish II. Was the castle 'never finished', as local legend would have it? If so, what date was it? When was it ruined, and what is its significance today?

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