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Above, scarecrow awarded 2nd place – Stickman and Family



Above photo shows The Minster Stray Morris Dancers, regular Slingsby May Day performers. On the right are two colourful scarecrows which caught the photographer's eye.



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We have a slightly new feel to our committee with a new Chair Mrs Cynthia Fell who has kindly taken on the role, handed down from Mr Dave Calvert who has been leading this small team for as long as anyone can remember!

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Saturday 14th December

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Due to the fall in demand Slingsby Village Hall will not be offering 2020 Calendars of the village or preparing Christmas produce but will be hosting an Autumn / Harvest Fair

Success in funding for new Play Area

(see colour graphic in Triangle issue 51)

Slingsby Sports Club is delighted to announce that Ryedale Council have finally awarded us the remaining Section 106 funding relating to Cavendish Court, meaning that we are just £5,000 short of the sum needed to start work on the new play area on the site of the former Bowls Club. So...with one more grant application submitted, this time to the National Lottery Awards for All scheme, we have our fingers crossed that we will be successful and hope to start work in mid-late June with our fantastic partner, Matthew Day of Streetscape who kindly mended the swings for us recently on the existing play area.

The new play area will have swings and a new basket swing, a flying saucer, a couple of multi-play units, seesaws and springers. It will be safely tucked away from traffic entering the Sports Field and hopefully encourage families to come and support Sports Club activities and stay longer to use the Club and tennis courts. The current play equipment will be available until the new area is ready.

Thank you to everyone who has indicated a willingness to help with further fundraising and maintenance of the play area. We hope to organise a

couple of stalls at upcoming car boot sales, and to have a presence at the Slingsby Duck Race again. BUT we do need more support, including help with future maintenance and planning to create a zip-wire, adult fitness equipment etc. Please contact Geoff Bishop geoff4.bishop4@outlook.com, Kate Giles kate.giles@york.ac.uk or Geoff Brooks geoffbee@outlook.com if you'd like to be added to our working group.

Articles and submission of copy

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. Ideas for features also welcome.

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Editor's note: *The two summer issues are always very full and unfortunately I have had to omit a few photographs in order to fit everything in my maximum permitted 24 pages. With apologies to those people who sent photographs, please don't let that put you off submitting articles and photos in future!*

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Slingsby Chapel

Soupa lunch continues to thrive with over 30 people attending each month. The next one is on 19th June at 12 noon when we invite you to come along. Various soups, sandwiches, pudding and tea/ coffee. All are welcome. Note - There is no Soupa lunch in July.

Sun 28th July at 4pm a service to say farewell to Rev. Tanya Short who is moving to a new church. We will also take the opportunity to make a presentation to Liz Marshall who has been our organist at Slingsby Chapel for 50 years!

Please see the Pink pages for 'dates for your diary'.



June 9th (7 weeks after Easter) is another celebration of the Christian Church as it is Pentecost Sunday. After Jesus died on the cross, He rose from the tomb and remained on earth for 40 days, walking and teaching with His disciples. On the 40th day He met with his disciples and they were filled with the Holy Spirit and power to spread the Word of God throughout the world. This same Holy Spirit is active and relevant today as He brings new understanding, new life and new beginnings for all of us.

Stephen Prest and Geoff Bishop

Local History Group News

Thursday 13th June - daytime event – Beautiful Burial Grounds.

Caring for Gods Acre is an organisation which promotes the care and conservation of all types of

burial grounds. A group from the charity will lead a workshop on identification and protection of wildlife species, fauna and flora in the churchyard. A session for adults will take place in the morning at 11 a.m. and a session for school children and families to take place in the afternoon at 3:30 p.m. All welcome to the afternoon session. For the morning session for adults, pre-booking is essential as numbers are limited in order to get the best experience, so please book direct with george@cfga.org.uk on 01588 673041.

Tuesday 16th July – Malton town tour and special viewing of new Malton Museum exhibition.

Malton Museum now gives guided tours of the town at least once a month in the summer, led by trained guides. The tours cover the general history of the town and identify key places in the town centre linked to the town's 2,000-year history. They last about 60 – 90 minutes.

We are proposing a special tour for Slingsby Local History group on Tuesday 16th July 2019. Cost will be £5 per head in aid of the Museum funds. The tour will be led in this instance by Margaret Mackinder, who devised the tour series for the museum, and also Kate Giles who also has a wealth of knowledge about the town's history. The tour starts in the Museum and there will also be an opportunity to see the new exhibition, Malton Horse Power, which covers the history of the horse around Malton from the Iron Age, the Roman Cavalry Fort and the town's very important role in the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries in the development of modern horse racing. There is also a new general history exhibition illustrated with items from the Museum's own collections.

Booking for this is essential because numbers on the Town Tour are limited by width of pavements and places where speakers can be heard clearly. If you wish to book a place please email Margaret at family@mackinders.demon.co.uk or phone 01653 697010.

Please note that the museum and the first part of the tour is not wheelchair accessible. Entrance into the Museum in Yorkersgate is via three steps with handrails. The nearest parking is in the Market place, although Water Lane car park is also nearby and avoids steps to get to the Museum building.

Margaret Mackinder

2019 Car Boot dates:



Dates for 2019 are 27th May, 16th June, 7th July, 4th Aug, 26th Aug, 15th Sept. All dates are 7am to 2pm and are subject to weather and ground conditions being suitable.

All Saints' bells tolled

In case you wondered about the reason, at 7pm on Maundy Thursday 18th April, All Saints church tolled its bells, together with churches and cathedrals across England, for seven minutes in solidarity with our friends and colleagues at Notre Dame in Paris, following the devastating fire there.

All Saints Church, Slingsby

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May Day thankyou

All Saints Church would like to thank everyone who provided cakes, biscuits, donations and tombola prizes and support on May Day, especially those who spent a few hours serving customers in the chapel. It is one of our most important fundraisers of the year and makes a significant contribution to regular repairs and, this year, to our roof fund in particular.

Maurag Carmichael

Evan's Ecuador Fundraising

See poster on page 24

Thank you to everyone who supported my stalls on May Day – I raised £100. The winner of the sweets in a jar was Mr Goldsmith who correctly guessed there were 166 inside. Well done! The winner of Megan's teddy was Molly Marshall who guessed its name was Teddy! Congratulations!

So far, I have raised £3,000 towards my £4,500 target. I have made this by working at my weekend job, saving birthday and Christmas money, and organising events. I have also been lucky to receive donations from family and friends.

Thank you to the members of Slingsby Methodist Chapel who have let me use the school room for coffee mornings. I hope to do another of these later in the year.

I hope you can come to an event on 23rd June. With the generous support of the Queens Head in Amotherby I am hosting a buffet lunch with a fellow Ecuador traveller from Malton School, Megan. Tickets will get you a delicious Cantonese buffet and homemade desserts. Adult tickets are £10, children £5. Please call me (01653 627176) or Megan (01653 695513) or speak to our parents to get tickets.

Thanks again for your support.

Evan Smurthwaite.

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Peggy Bagley

The Triangle is sorry to hear, just before publication, of the death of Peggy Bagley, previously of Lesmar, Railway Street. Peggy had been living in a care home at Pickering for several years, since the death of her husband and son several years ago. Depending on the family's wishes an obituary might appear in the next Triangle.

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Golden couple !

Congratulations to Pat and Dave Calvert of Railway Street, Slingsby who will be celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary on the 28th June. They have lived the majority of their lives in Slingsby and have helped to make a significant and positive contribution to the community of Slingsby over those many years.



Wishing you both very best wishes, with lots of love from Rachel, Paul, Tom & Carey

Sophie's fundraising progress for Kenya

It's now six months since I signed up to Ryedale School's trip to Kenya in 2020. Travelling with Camps International, the trip costs £4,070 in total and, as you may remember from my previous article, I am determined to raise every penny myself.

Fundraising started slowly back in December as I was busy with revision for my GCSE mock exams but my pop-up shops filled with sweets, hot chocolates and crafts were really successful with 8 different businesses within the Ryedale area, including Tony's Village Shop, hosting my baskets.

Since then I've held cake stalls, sweet stalls, a rowing challenge, book sales and quizzes and sold many of my craft products online. I'm also incredibly grateful to MKM, Ryedale Burner Services and Hall Bros (Fuels) Ltd for donating money in exchange for advertising on my Camps

International T-Shirt. Each month, half my wages from The Worsley Arms and from my babysitting job goes into my Kenya account. At present, I have raised approx. £2,500 with 12 months remaining.

For now, GCSEs are my main priority – with 22 exams in the next 4 weeks, I won't have time to think about any fundraising but I have lots of ideas for fundraising in the Autumn so please keep an eye on my facebook page to see how you can get involved at www.facebook.com/sophgoestokenya

If you're thinking about a Camps International trip in the future, I would say that fundraising hasn't been as easy as it may sound, but it is really rewarding. It's been lovely to hear stories from others that have travelled with Camps International. I've learned business skills with my craft online business which will hopefully come in useful with my A-level studies next year and my confidence in talking to others is growing.



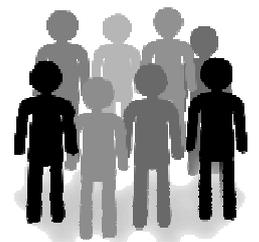
I'm very grateful for all the support that my friends and family have given my fundraising events – whether it's with their time, their baking skills or their money. Thank you

Sophie Palmer-Bunting

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To find out more, go to <https://www.slingsbyvillage.co.uk/get-involved/>



All Saints Church Activities Summer 2019

As part of our National Lottery (Heritage Fund) for roof repairs, we will be running a series of activities over the course of the Summer. A list of these is provided here, and sign-up sheets will also be available in the Village Shop and at the back of church, and will be circulated through school. A flier is also included with this magazine. Please let us know if you'd like to come along and join us and we'll be in touch with specific dates as soon as these are confirmed. We'll also use the village website to publicise these, too.

Thursday 13th June - Caring for God's Acre 11am and 3:30pm. A day spent identifying and recording flora and fauna in the churchyard. Adult session in the morning from 11am and family-focused event at 3.30pm in the afternoon. Pre-booking essential with george@cfga.org.uk or phone 01588 673 041.

Moth Trapping evenings

Continuing our focus on the churchyard we have been given funding to purchase a moth trap and will organise some drop-in moth trapping sessions over the course of the Summer. Come and find out how the trap works, and we'll share the results and some photographs and drawings with you in the next Triangle. The moth trap will then become a resource for the school to use over the coming years as part of its wider curriculum activity.

Discovering England's Burial Grounds (DEBS)

As well as identifying the feathery and furry occupants of the churchyard we'll be looking more closely at the churchyard's human occupants, or rather their gravestones. Working in conjunction with the DEBS project and Professor Harold Mytum, whose entertaining talk on gravestones to the Local History Group in September sparked a lot of interest, we'll explore new ways of photographing and documenting our gravestones to discover what they tell us about family history and patterns of commemoration from the 18th and 19th centuries.

Hard Hat Tours and Craft Talks

At some point during the course of works on the roof, we hope to provide an opportunity to climb the Tower, see the clock chamber, see the roof repairs and chat to the craftsmen working to ensure the future safety of the church. The Tower stair is very narrow and winding and good mobility

is essential as you'll need to step across the bell ropes in the clock chamber.

Visits further afield: Newcastle, Bolsover and Hardwick

As part of the HLF project we are proposing to visit Newcastle, to see the work of Robert Johnson the architect who rebuilt Slingsby church and the Smythsons, who rebuilt the castle in the early 17th century. The Derbyshire visit is likely to be on a weekday in July and the Newcastle visit is likely to be on a weekday in late August/early September. Please email kate.giles@york.ac.uk if you would like further details. There will be modest travel and entry fees for both visits. Please let us know if you are members of the National Trust, English Heritage and/or both.

Kate Giles

Sat. 10th August big clean of All Saints' church

Please can you spare an hour to help?

Keeping this historic building looking good is a big task for the small regular congregation, so please could you spare an hour to come and help?

Mid-morning refreshments will be provided

Please assemble from 10 a.m. bringing gloves sweeping brushes, dusters etc. and any other equipment for inside cleaning jobs, or outside garden jobs if you prefer, such as removal of ivy, clearing weeds on paths and around drains, and sweeping porches and pathways.

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Geoff (Bishop)

Yorkshire Air Ambulance

Michael and Malcolm Dixon have asked The Triangle to express their thanks to everyone who contributed to the annual tractor run, in which they always participate. The proceeds all go to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance Charity. The amount they collected from friends, neighbours and relatives was £185. *Michael and Malcolm Dixon*


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Joyce Mary Wright

24th December 1931 – 21st April 2019



Joyce died aged 87, having lived and worked in Slingsby all her life. Born Joyce Mary Wilson, she was the daughter of local blacksmith Richard Wilson and his wife Mary. Richard worked from what is now Perry's yard. As a young girl Joyce lived with her family in High Street. She was the elder sister to brother John and sister Susan. Susan is still living in Darlington.

Joyce went to the local school in Slingsby and then to the Grammar School in Malton. After school she began work for Croudson & Co, accountants in Malton. She met Arthur Wright, a young man from Fryton, and married him on 14th April 1952 at the church in Slingsby. For the first year of married life Joyce and Arthur lived in Joyce's family home in High Street while waiting for one of the new houses being built in Balksyde. They moved there in 1954 and have lived in the same house ever since.

Joyce enjoyed living in the village. She took an active part in village life including being a member of Slingsby Ladies' cricket team. She worked for Perry's coaches for many years driving minibuses, delivering and picking up children from the village schools, until her retirement. She enjoyed travelling and visited many destinations in the UK and in Europe, including Austria, Switzerland, Spain and France, either with Arthur or her sister-in-law Queenie, or often with both. Joyce and Arthur have

two children, Pauline and David, still living in the area, they also have 4 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Son David joined his mum working at Perry's when he left school.

Joyce will be much missed by the community as one of the stalwarts of village life for a large part of the 20th and the first part of the 21st century.

Terry Baker (nephew)

Slingsby Ladies' Group

In April Helen Morgan gave a talk about her work as a volunteer for the Jacobs Well Appeal, which is a charity formed in 1982. It works to improve the lives of people living in underprivileged countries, raising money to provide medical aid, education, emergency relief and agriculture. Helen's contribution was to visit hospitals in Ghana and teach the people how to make furniture from cardboard, which handicapped children could use. Seats and walking aids can be made to fit individuals' needs, which had the added benefit of enabling children to attend school, not otherwise possible. The charity is based in Beverley and has shops in Beverley, Withernsea and Bridlington.

The speaker in May was a local author Jane Lovering. She was a very charismatic speaker, who told us how her life has evolved from having five children, farming, working in retail and also writing novels. It was very interesting to hear how she became an award winning author after initially having her books rejected.

The next meeting in the Methodist Schoolroom will be on Tuesday 9th July at 7:15pm when Glennis Whyte from the National Trust will talk about 'Stiches in Time'. New members most welcome.

Shelagh Richards

Slingsby CP School –vacancy

Slingsby School are seeking to appoint an additional Midday Supervisor from September 2019. This will involve helping the children with their lunches and playtime in the lunch hour during term time. Please contact the School Office for more information on 01653 628370.



Above shows the winning scarecrow, Groot and Rocket.
Below, in 3rd place was Dobby – The House Elf



Two other random scarecrows which caught the
photographer's eye. A selection of Maypole photos follows
on the next page





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Mayday 2019

Record high temperature last year, record low this year! Whatever the weather the children of Slingsby school dance around the maypole on Mayday, weaving those long ribbons, stamping and clapping with smiles on their faces.

This year a large crowd watched them from all over Yorkshire, who then went on to enjoy the other attractions around the green and in the village hall. The Minster Stray dancers with their bells and sticks gave a stirring performance, and the day started and finished with the brass bands, the Swinton training band and the Charity Brass band. Luckily, despite the cold the rain held off but the visitors were glad of the warm soup in the Methodist school room served by the church members, the hot pulled pork sandwiches, the warmth of the Methodist Church, where the exhibition of old Slingsby photographs was on display, and the teas and room to chat in the village hall.

These traditional Mayday events have been going on for decades and still bring a sense of fun and celebrations to the village, bringing folk together from neighbouring areas but also from the various organisations within Slingsby itself. Hard work goes into preparation for the day but now so many people get involved, particularly on the day putting up the gazebos, setting up the stalls, preparing food and drinks, and clearing up afterwards. A big thank you to all those involved in this way.

The maypole dancing remains at the centre of the Mayday celebrations. Hopefully the tradition will continue and as numbers of children in the school increase, children will continue to volunteer to learn the dances, the musicians will continue to turn up with their instruments, and the teachers will continue to support the 'maypolers' who teach the dances.

This year with a borrowed PA system the music and announcements could be heard loud and clear. We as a CIC are hoping to raise enough money to purchase a PA system for the village. This could also be used by the school on sportsday, by the churches at open-air services, and on other occasions when amplification is needed. Any expert advice and contributions towards such a system would be appreciated.

Pat Thompson

Sowers and Growers

At our April meeting we welcomed Steve Kirby, a volunteer at Scampston Garden, who gave an illustrated talk on the history of the garden. In May we visited Fairweather Nursery, Butterwick for a demonstration of planting a hanging basket.

Our meetings are usually the 1st Tuesday of the month and in June we hold our plant swap at the village hall. In July we have a special visit to Rewela Cottage garden at Skewsby.

If you would like more information about meetings please contact our Chairman, Janet Clarke on 01653 628625.

Gill Baker

Parish Council vacancies

There are currently two vacancies on the Parish Council - the Fryton seat and one for Slingsby.

The Parish Council will fill these vacancies by co-option, unless by 3rd June 2019 ten electors for the parish request in writing (to the Returning Officer at Ryedale District Council) that an election be held. See the brief formal Notices below for fuller details.

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Any interested residents are requested to contact Parish Clerk Gail Cook at slingsbypc@gmail.com

Your Parish Councillors are feeling lonely! The Parish Council meets bi-monthly and councillors would love to see more residents attending the meetings and participating in the public session at the beginning of each meeting. The agenda for each meeting is available on the parish website or the village notice board. If you are unable to attend but have a question, feel free to either email the clerk or speak to a councillor who will be happy to table the question for you.

The Parish Council would also like to hear your views on what you think it should be focussing on or helping with. Again please drop the clerk an email or speak to a councillor who will be happy to table the question for you.

Fiona Farnell

Defibrillator volunteers wanted

There is currently a group of 8 volunteers who have received training on how to use the defibrillator. I am in the process of organising some refresher training. However I would ideally like an additional 2 or 3 volunteers to add to the list.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer and being trained on how to use the defibrillator. Please contact me - Fiona Farnell 01653 628285

Fiona Farnell

Beware - one of the latest phone scams

There is a scam phone call doing the rounds that state, "You are wanted and to press 1 for more information." If you do press 1 you will be connected to premium rate telephone line and you will quickly build up a large bill. If in any doubt, please call 101

From North Yorkshire Community Messaging

Brief summary of Parish Council and Annual Parish Assembly

- * Fiona Farnell is the new Chairman. Peter Snowball is new Vice Chairman.
- * A bench in memory of Chris Wilson is to be erected by the old railway line.
- * Fryton residents requested assistance with septic tank and sewerage regulations.
- * Renewal of village white lines is ongoing.
- * High St footpath requires maintenance.
- * A drainage survey for the village is ongoing.
- * Police camera van is to be deployed in Slingsby. (Please report persistent speeding vehicle registration numbers to the police on 101)
- * Water leak opposite Porch Farm still a problem.
- * Dog fouling in several areas is still a problem.
- * Mole traps are to be set in the cemetery.
- * Castle Howard wishes to make The Balk development of 32 homes a flagship development.
- * Two Castle Howard properties require either major refurbishment or will be sold.
- * Castle Howard Estate Manager James Holliday may be contacted on jholliday@castlehoward.co.uk
- * Increased attendance at Parish Council meetings would be appreciated (see page 15)

Co-editor

FOSS (Friends of Slingsby School)

Well as you will have undoubtedly read by now, a wonderful day was had by all on the May Bank Holiday Monday celebrating the Annual Maypole event which runs in conjunction with the Friends of Slingsby School Annual Scarecrow Trail event. Despite the weather not being as good as some years, we received wonderful support from families, local residents and people travelling from afar across the three days and raised an amazing gross total of £1,156.22. We also had a record 40 Scarecrow entries this year, with the following entries being voted Best Scarecrow for 2019:

- 1st Place - The Conyers Family - Groot and Rocket
- 2nd Place - Archie Raines - Stick Man and Family
- 3rd Place - Penny Highmoor and Xander England for Dobby the House Elf

(See pages 2 and 12 for scarecrow photos)

Thank you to everyone in the Village who supported the School over the weekend. Without your support, we wouldn't have a Trail so don't leave it too late to start thinking of what your Scarecrow entry could be for next year...

Other fundraising news. 395kg of donations were received from School families and Slingsby Village residents raising a total of £158.00 from our May Bags2School collection. For something which takes so little time, it is such a worthwhile exercise so thank you if you were able to help.

And finally, mark Saturday 13th July off in your calendars, from 11am to 3pm as this is when the Village beck will be awash with those little yellow friends of ours, also known as the Annual Slingsby Duck Race. Sponsorship forms will be distributed to all School families in the week before half term break with Duck sales also available through the School office. We will be selling Ducks also this year at the Hovingham and Nunnington Markets in early July. Ducks are £2 each or 3 for £5 with Ducks being released into the beck at 2pm. All the wonderful ingredients of a Village fair will be on show; Brass Band, Tombola, Beat the Goalie, Face Painting, Inflatables, BBQ & Refreshments and many more so please come and join in and help us raise as much as possible for what is the biggest fundraiser in the FOSS calendar. We look forward to seeing you in July!

Sonja Sedran

FOSS Treasurer and Committee Member



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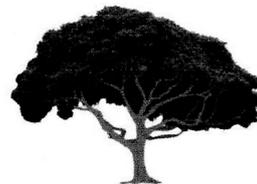
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VIP Business Corner

Jody Gray Upholstery and Interiors



My very first encounter with this enterprising business was when I walked in on the Thursday morning Upholstery Class. Much loved, but well worn chairs and footstools were being rejuvenated in style, with beautiful fabrics, giving them a new lease of life. Jody was being quizzed about what to do next from all quarters, however she patiently and adeptly answered them all. It was her husband, Graham, who had the time to talk to me, Jody's right hand man!

There really is no end to Jody's talents, having been a Lawyer, ran a Beauty Salon and finally a Handbag shop in Goodramgate, York. Despite her successes in all these areas there was a creative streak that just had to be addressed, hence the start of her love affair with fabrics. To ensure she got off to the best possible start, she trained as an upholsterer with Anthony Devine, of TV fame, he is regarded as one of the top people in the field. Making a start at home, it soon became apparent that premises were needed and at the same time, Wath Court became available. That was two years ago, with an October opening. Not long after that, the owner of the Wath Court Fabrics opted for retirement, leaving another unit available which Jody took over. Finally, the wool shop at Wath Court became available, so it seemed fate was on Jody's side.

What sort of activities are available? You can explore Interior Design, join the upholstery workshops (classes are run on Thursdays and

Saturdays 10am – 4pm - you don't need experience as there is plenty of help available), social sewing on Tuesday mornings, try your hand at bespoke lampshade making and a host of other things. Jody understandably has to work all hours to balance the businesses, however being a versatile person helps, and she is delighted she has finally found her niche. There is a great sense of achievement now that she has developed a skill. There is a thriving business now, or three to be precise, the websites are:

wathcourtcraftrooms.co.uk
wathcourtfabrics.co.uk
jodygrayupholstery.co.uk



A date for our diaries is Saturday August 3rd, as there will be an open day at Wath Court with craft stalls, a furniture 'pop-up' shop, demonstrations in the Craft Room, Fabric Sale, Refreshments and a Raffle (the proceeds of which will go to a local charity).

Drop in for a leaflet or book online for courses and classes, all are reasonably priced and the 1 day Interior Design Course, costing only £95.00, enables you to focus on a particular room in your house and assemble a 'Mood Board' with swatches and samples to take away with you.

For a comparatively young business I am sure you will agree she has made great strides, long may it continue. I'll be popping along to the open day, see you there!

Kay Hill

Slingsby Sports Club A Message from the Chairman

June is the time that membership subscriptions for the Sports Club are due and the Committee is seeking new members, young or old, to join in order to keep the club active and vibrant, and to help take it forward into the future.

The Club leases the sportsfield from Castle Howard and its members are responsible for maintaining and improving the facilities and buildings. In addition the club operates a bar which opens three evenings a week and whenever there is a sport or social function taking place. For its entire history of 31 years all work has been carried out by volunteers and the club can only survive if it can keep a sufficient nucleus of members and volunteers. Although the bar makes a small profit the club has to raise extra funds each year to cover the cost of rent, maintenance and renewal of equipment such as the tractor, mowers, water and electric bills etc.

This year is an important one for the club and the village as the new play area on the site of the former bowling green is to be constructed, hopefully before the school holidays.

In recent months we have updated the range of drinks available in the bar, held our prices at March 2018 levels as well as introducing a range of new social activities including darts and domino events and a monthly quiz night. We also have arranged for the usual 7 car boot sales during the summer and this year we are making 4 of those available to other societies or charities in the village, including the new group overseeing the new play area, for them to manage the events and take all profits.

The club is a village facility and has the potential to be an even more useful resource. An example is that the winning team on quiz night chooses the charity to benefit from the raffle the following month. So far over £400 has been raised for a range of charities including York against Cancer, Hull Baby Unit and Prostate Cancer Research. All that is needed is a small time commitment from a few volunteers to make this happen.

How the club will develop in the future is entirely in the hands of its members and we sincerely want more villagers to become members, get involved and take the club forward. Membership is only £5 for the year for individuals, £10 for a couple and children are welcome and free.

Paul Hogarth

Wuthering Heights comes to Castle Howard

(see poster on page 21)

The Oxford Shakespeare Company are famous for their open air and site-specific productions in exceptional historic venues, including Hampton Court and Kensington Palaces and the Tower of London. It is with great pleasure then that their new co-production of this timeless Yorkshire classic will premiere at Castle Howard from 26th-30th June.

The Oxford Shakespeare Company & Lamplighter Drama present a new adaption of Emily Bronte's 'Wuthering Heights'. Please note that this is live theatre in the gardens.

Matinee & Evening Tickets

Adults £24.00

Friends of Castle Howard £19.00

Concessions* £19.00

Child (Aged 5 - 12) £12.00

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Anyone for tennis?

Now that it is summer and the evenings are lighter for longer I'd like to offer a tennis invitation to anyone who is a beginner, or who has a rusty racquet, or would just like to play doubles with other like-minded people and have fun on the newly refurbished tennis courts on the Slingsby sports field.

I need to know who is interested as that will determine whether or not coaching would be helpful. So can I encourage you to get in touch with me, either by meeting at the tennis courts at 10am on Saturday the 1st or 8th of June or by telephoning me on 01653 628055 or by emailing geoff4.bishop4@outlook.com?

Children and adults of all ages are welcome and there are facilities to play mini tennis, which is a good way to start tennis whatever your age.

Thank you.

Geoff Bishop

Church Cottage, Church Lane, Slingsby

Nunnington Hall Wildlife Photography

The exhibition at Nunnington Hall continues until 7th July. For anyone into wildlife photography this is a must-see-exhibition!

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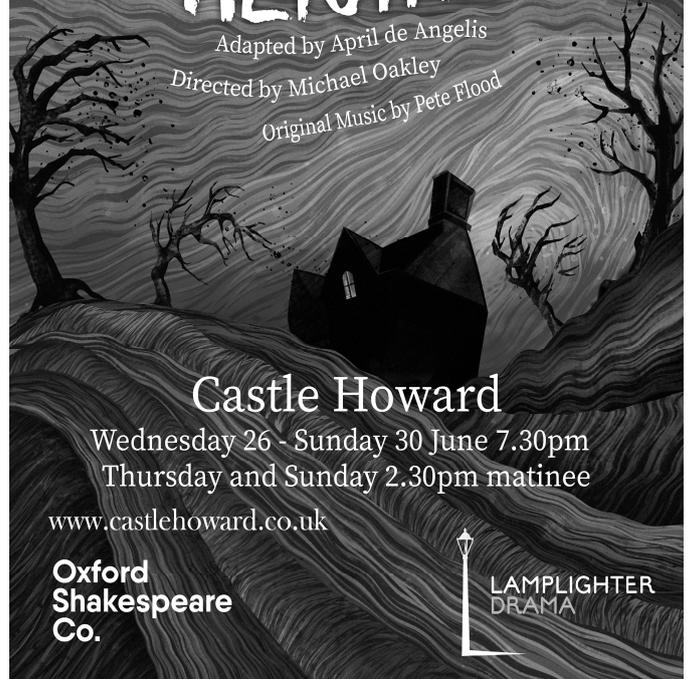
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All Saints Lottery Award

All Saints' Church, Slingsby is delighted to announce that it has been awarded a confirmed grant of £232,700 by the National Lottery Heritage Fund to carry out urgent repairs to the roof, over the course of Summer 2019, following lead theft two years ago.



A new CCTV system has already been installed and the new roofing will be in terne-coated steel. A major benefit of the project for Lottery players is the creation of a new Local History exhibition space and resource centre in the aisles of the church. The exhibition will feature a permanent display about Slingsby Castle and provide temporary exhibition space for Slingsby Local History Group, Slingsby Community Primary School and other local groups. A series of activities in the churchyard is also planned in collaboration with the AONB, mapping flora and fauna, helping to enhance natural as well as local history knowledge in the community.

The first church at Slingsby is recorded in the Domesday Book, but the present building was rebuilt between 1867-1869 by the architect Robert James Johnson of Newcastle for Admiral Howard, of Castle Howard. It is hoped that the project will be completed in time to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the rebuilding in September 2019.

Commenting on the award, project officer, Dr Kate Giles said "Slingsby Church was rebuilt thanks to the efforts of the community 150 years ago and it's great to think that thanks to the National Lottery, it will continue to serve the needs of the local community and our many visitors for generations to come."

Kate Giles

Stephen's Farming Column

Spring is such a busy time of year. After the long dark days of winter it is so good to get out working the land and sowing and planting crops. It has been a good time for getting the crops in as it has been a very dry time. As I write this we are having the first wet day for several weeks and it is much needed if crops are to grow away and yield well.

On the conservation side I am pleased to report that there are barn owls in all three of the owl boxes I have around the farm. I am not sure at this stage how many are nesting pairs but hopefully some of them will be and I will keep you informed. There is a

lot of very good and effective conservation work round Slingsby. We have just drilled 8.5 acres of a wild bird seeds mixture around Slingsby containing millet, linseed, barley, wheat and triticale. It makes good pheasant cover but will also provide approx 12 tonnes of seeds for the wild birds over next winter.

For anyone concerned about the felling of a few trees I can tell you that lots of trees are being planted. On the land I farm we have planted over 5,800 trees in 8 plantations over the years as well as having grass margins round many arable fields and used beetle banks to break up large fields and created two ponds specifically for wild life.

Stephen Prest

Slingsby School

Slingsby School continues to thrive with another large intake joining us in September and everyone is looking forward to a jam packed Summer Term.

In March you may have noticed more scaffolding surrounding the school as North Yorkshire County Council repaired and replaced the old weather worn guttering which was much needed as the leaks were causing internal damp. Inside the school, however, there has been no sign of damp spirits! The pupils enjoyed a visit from the Slingsby Produce Show Committee who very generously gave each child either a marrow or pumpkin seed with a planting kit to take home so we look forward to seeing all their entries at the show in September!

The school also continues to work closely with Gillamoor School having enjoyed further swap days and we are thrilled to announce that Mrs Metcalfe has been asked by the Governing Body of Gillamoor School to act as Head Teacher next year on a temporary basis alongside Slingsby School as their Head Teacher retires. This is a very exciting opportunity which we as a Governing Body together with the staff and Mrs Metcalfe wish to embrace as we all recognise the benefits of working collaboratively with other schools. We are very proud that as other rural schools are sadly struggling in these difficult times, Slingsby School continues to grow under the strong leadership of Mrs Metcalfe and we have no doubt that by both schools sharing their experience and expertise, our children and staff will benefit hugely.

Kate Giles

Deputy Chair of Governors

A year as the Master Cordwainer.

Some of you may have noticed John Apps has not been around the village as much as usual. The reason is he has been The Master of the Company of Cordwainers of the City of York. The Company of Cordwainers is one of the 7 ancient guilds in York, which are the Merchant Adventurers, The Merchant Taylors, The Scriveners, The Butchers, The Builders, The Freeman and The Cordwainers. Recently there has been two new Guilds: The Company of Media and Arts and the guild of Entrepreneurs. The guilds were set up in medieval times to regulate the trade, train apprentices and ensure quality of their products.

Cordwainers were essentially shoe makers and leather workers their name came from the city of Cordoba in Spain where the highest quality goat leather was produced. John joined the company in the early 2000's when he was Head of Furniture at York College and the company supported his students who worked with leather as part of their course, latterly the Company supports fashion design students working with leather in clothing. In addition to their educational work, the Cordwainers, alongside the other Guilds, are responsible for the York mystery plays performed on wagons around the city. This takes place every 4 years and each guild sponsors a specific play, this year it was the Temptation of Christ.

The Master leads a court of senior people/members for a year at the Cordwainer Guild Hall in York that is shared with the builders and the Freeman. He has to plan the activities for the year and deal with the every day running of the guild. He has been assisted by Chrysa who, as the Mistress Cordwainer has supported him in raising money for the Cordwainer collective charities and John's personal charity, Young Carers of York

The Cordwainers have associations with other Guilds and companies around the UK and Europe especially those associated with the leather trades. These include Fellmongers, Curriers, haberdashers, Saddlers, Harness makers, Glovers, Girdlers, Leathersellers, Coachmakers, Patternmakers and Shoemakers.

Each Guild has an annual dinner some of which are held in the beautiful Livery Halls in London and The London Mansion House. John has attended over 80 dinners and functions in York, London, Richmond,

Aberdeen, Glasgow, Dundee, Irvine and Kirkcudbright. (Because of short notice didn't get to Basel in Switzerland)



Top: presentation of cheque to Young Carers of York. Lower: installation as Master in the Merchant Adventurers Hall

The York Guilds work with the Lord Mayor and Sheriff of York and one of the highlights of the year was the civic dinners at both The York and London Mansion Houses. Other highlights were the lord mayors Ball at the railway museum and generating significant money for his charity, meeting many fascinating and informative people, Chrysa was able to accompany him on many visits and her highlight was meeting Mary Berry at The Patternmakers banquet in London.

Alongside all this John was still running the business and carrying on his teaching commitment!

A memorable year where the only downside was the increase in both John and Chrysa's waistlines.

Chrysa Apps



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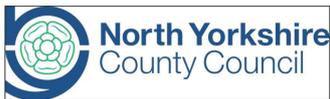
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