

LOCKTON PARISH CRYER

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

LOCKTON VILLAGE HALL

7.30pm - 1.00am

DISCO - BAR - RAFFLE

FAITH SUPPER

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

ADULTS £7.50 - FAMILY (2+2) £20.00

CONTACT CAROL BROWN 460246

JACKIE EDENBROW 460398

**PROCEEDS IN AID OF ST. GILES CHURCH FABRIC FUND
&
MACMILLAN NURSES**



Cricket Club

Domino Drive

Saturday 11th December 7.30pm

Lockton Village Hall

in aid of Cricket Club funds

Christmas openings at The Fox and Rabbit

Christmas Eve lunch 12-2, bar 11-3, evening closed

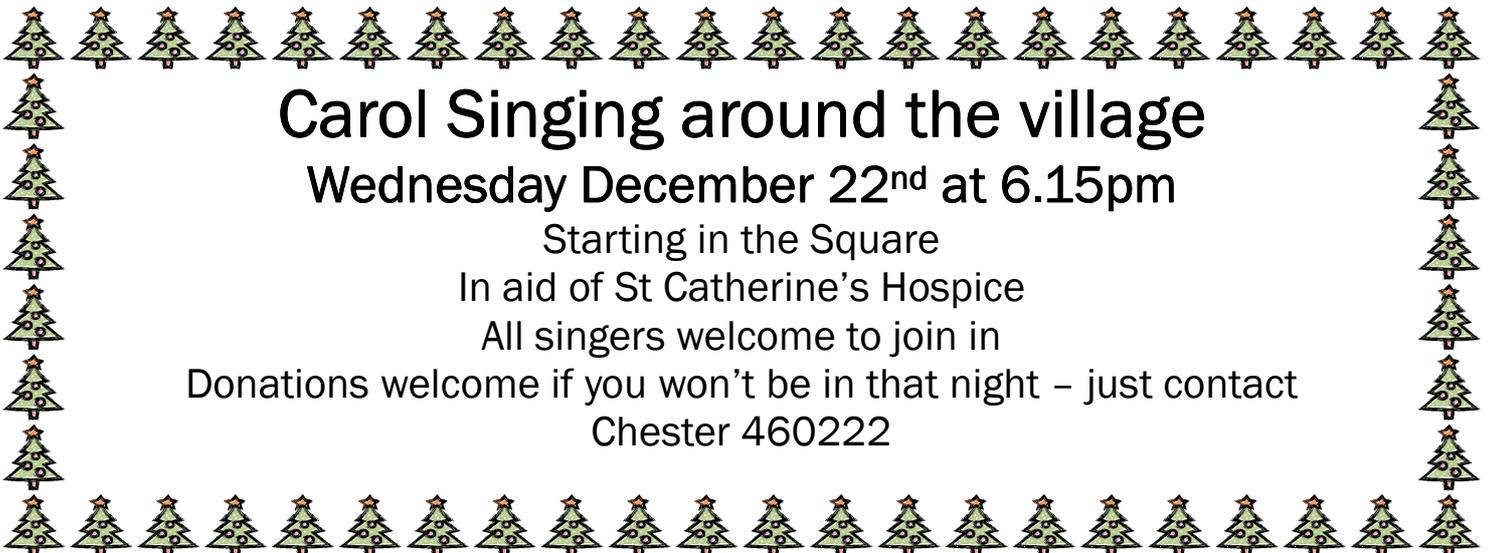
Christmas Day closed

Boxing Day lunch 12-3.00, bar 11-4.00, evening closed

Mon. Dec. 27th 10.45am Saltersgate Hunt Meet.
Bar open for drinks and coffee Lunch 12-4.00, Dinner 5-8.30

New Year's Eve Lunch 12-4.00, bar 11-5.00, evening closed

New Year's Day Lunch 12-4.00, dinner 5-8.30, bar open all day



Carol Singing around the village

Wednesday December 22nd at 6.15pm

Starting in the Square

In aid of St Catherine's Hospice

All singers welcome to join in

Donations welcome if you won't be in that night - just contact

Chester 460222



Lockton & Levisham Heritage Group

Website

Last time the web site address I gave you was incorrect, my apologies. The correct one is www.locktonlevisham.btck.co.uk.

It is not yet recognised by Google searches perhaps because the visitor rate is very low! The Cryer is now available on-line for the unfortunate people who are interested in Lockton but don't live here.

If you have any ideas for more content on the website please let me know.

Slideshow by Ruth Strong. Ruth's talk last Friday was well attended despite the weather. It was good to meet some new villagers. £20 was collected for Children in Need. Thank you to Ruth for giving us such an interesting evening.

Newspaper extracts

Malton Messenger 29 March 1856

A trotting match was held on the Pickering to Whitby road for a £1 bet between Mr Stephenson's bay mare 'Pretty Mol' and Mrs Lynes's bay mare 'Moorland Maid', from the Fox and Rabbit to Hellfield Gate, a distance of 1 mile. Moorland Maid was the winner by several lengths. After the race the sporting gents passed the evening at the Fox and Rabbit in the greatest harmony.

And from what must have been a period of slow news:
Malton Messenger 25 Nov 1893

A goose belonging to Miss Mackley of Whitethorn, Lockton hatched a number of goslings.

Malton Messenger 3 Nov 1894:

Mr Roberts, headmaster of the Board School in this village and student of the Arts Class for Teachers held in Whitby was awarded the first prize for drawing in light and shade (elementary stage).

The Heritage Group holds weekly meetings in **Levisham village hall** or somewhere in the field every **Tues at 2pm**. All are welcome.

Ray Halmshaw 460008

Other contacts: Ruth Strong 460445, John Gibbs 460358 or Betty Halse 476114

Charity Art Exhibition For Children In Nepal

Colin and Sandra Culley would like to thank everyone in the village who called in to view the charity art exhibition held in the village hall from 1st to 3rd October. Despite the inclement weather the overall attendance was good and £600 was made for New Futures Nepal from generous donations & the sale of art work and cards. The money will be used for the benefit of the disabled, orphaned and disadvantaged children supported by our charity. More information about the work of our charity is to be found at www.newfuturesnepal.org and we have some short DVDs available if anyone is interested in borrowing them.

LL's Bells



We welcomed a new recruit from Lockton when we re-started in October – Sue Perutz – who is already making splendid progress!

Christmas is fast approaching and we are practising new arrangements of some familiar old favourites and a new piece called 'Dance of the Icicles'. We are having a quiet year as far as gigs are concerned as everything we've been asked to ring at is on the same weekend – when many of the team have other commitments! Nevertheless, we will be ringing before the carol services at Lockton on **Friday 17th December** and Levisham on **Sunday 19th**, starting at about 6.30pm. We'll then be taking our usual winter break until March.

We are experimenting with the idea of having an informal get-together on some weekday mornings during December. The planned dates are **Friday 3rd, Friday 10th and Thursday 16th December**, all starting at **10.30am** in **Levisham Village Hall**. We'll stop for some light refreshment and finish about midday. Everyone is welcome, so if you can't get to us on a **Tuesday evening** and would like to have a go, please come along on **3rd December** or call Anne (460274) or Sue (460329) for more information or need a lift from Lockton.



The speaker for the November meeting was Mrs Nicola Hulme who, it transpired, was a former pupil of Lockton Village School but her interest in stitchcraft did not begin until later in life. Nicola set up & runs the Silver

Thimble Craft Workshops. Nicola showed us a wide range of her work including stump work, silk ribbon embroidery, tassel work, gold work, silk shading, crewel work, quilting and patchwork. She frequently told us that these wonderful pieces were not as difficult to produce as we might think and encouraged us to "have a go". The programme of meetings for 2011 is still being finalised. Meetings are on the **first Wednesday** in the month in the village hall starting at **7.00pm** with the speaker starting around **7.30pm**. Visitors and guests are always most welcome.

The January meeting will be the AGM which has had to be cancelled in December because of the snow. The February meeting will be a lunch at the Cedar Barn on **February 7th**.

Coffee Mornings

Just to let you know that the coffee mornings have raised £35 for Marie Curie Cancer Nurses. Thanks to everyone who came & supported them.

St. Giles' Church

Dear Friends,

Thank you to all of you who came to the wonderful Service of Thanksgiving held at the end of October to mark the completion of restoration of St Giles' Church. It was good to have the Archdeacon there as preacher, and good to have so many people, not only from Lockton, but from the whole benefice: every church was represented.

Onward we go. There is always work to do on a building as old as St Giles', and we will continue the work of maintenance and restoration.

Some people from Lockton have expressed concern that a light or candle appears to have been kept burning at night. Do not be alarmed! The aumbry – where the Reserved Sacrament is once again kept – traditionally has a light that burns over it, and the lamp used is the one that would have burnt certainly during all the years that Fr Cause was Rector here. It is good to restore it to its proper use once again. It highlights the importance of the Sacrament, and it constantly shines because it reminds us all that whilst the church might well be the oldest building in Lockton; whilst it is literally at the centre of the community it has served for so many centuries, its primary purpose is to tell people of God in their very midst.

What could be a finer thought than that as we approach Christmas which, whilst for some is a season of family togetherness and parties, is really about God choosing to become one of us, and walk on this earth a human being, enjoying with his friends food and drink and good stories; sharing with others their sorrows; suffering pain and torture, and then rising from the dead to offer us all a unique hope.

Look again at that light shining out in the darkness of a winter night and remember that God is present for you. That little church is a space in the village devoted wholly to God. Keep it special.

Services this Christmas:

Sunday 5th December at 10am - HOLY COMMUNION

Friday 17th December at 7pm - CAROL SERVICE: Enjoy a traditional service of Lessons and Carols for Christmas

Sunday 19th December at 3pm - CHRISTINGLE SERVICE: Come along to the biggest children's celebration in the village ... Big kids invited too!

CHRISTMAS EVE, FRIDAY 24th DECEMBER at 10pm - Holy Communion for the Nativity of our Lord: the heart of the Christmas Celebrations

Sunday 2nd January 2011 at 10am - HOLY COMMUNION FOR EPIPHANY

Sunday 16th January at 10am - FAMILY COMMUNION

I wish you all a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Fr Antony Pritchett

Parish Priest. Tel 01751 472983; email: vicar@pickeringchurch.com



Inside St Giles' at the Harvest Festival

Sue's Quiz Night

Many thanks to Sue for another very successful Quiz Night and thanks to everyone who supported the event. £335 was raised in donations and on the night for Lockton & Levisham playing field funds.

Village Hall Christmas Fayre

Many thanks to everyone who came & supported the Christmas Fayre. Just over £216 was raised for the hall funds.

New Church Warden

Lockton PCC is very pleased to welcome Sarah Wilmore as our new Church Warden and also to thank everyone who volunteered to join the cleaning & flowers monthly rotas.



Lockton Methodist Chapel

Sunday services start at 6.15pm

Sunday December 19th 6.15pm
Carol Service with Pauline Cross

Everyone is most welcome at any service.

**HAPPY 18th BIRTHDAY
DAN**



**LOVE
MUM, DAD & ADAM**

The Fox & Rabbit and The Horseshoe

Christmas Quiz

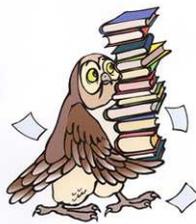
The Horseshoe Inn Levisham are holding a Christmas Quiz on **Wednesday 15th December** at **8.00pm** Supper served from **6.00pm** £6 Teams of 4 or arranged on the night £1 entry per person Telephone bookings

Steak Nights

The Fox and Rabbit Lockton have a steak night **every Tuesday** with two steaks and a bottle of house wine £25 per couple or a special deal for single diners Telephone bookings 460213

Pie Nights

The Horseshoe Inn Levisham have a Pie Night **every Thursday (except 9th December)** with a choice of delicious homemade pies £7.50 **6.00 pm - 8.30pm** for bookings please telephone 460240



Poetry & Prose House Group

The group meets on the **last Wednesday** of each month at **7.15pm**.

Members take turns to host the meeting. We always welcome new members – bring along a couple of favourite readings or, if you prefer, just come and listen.

To find out where the next meeting is to be held, phone 01751 460373. The next meeting will be on **December 29th**. January and February 2011 are still to be arranged.

Saltersgate Farmers Hunt

Thursday 2nd December

Boon Hill Show AGM Newton Village Hall

Friday 3rd December

Domino Drive Stape Village Hall

Tuesday 14th December

Domino Drive Lockton Village Hall

Tuesday 11th January

Domino Drive – New Years Draw Lockton Village Hall

Tuesday 25th January

Domino Drive Lockton Village Hall

Tuesday 1st February

Hunt AGM Lockton Village Hall

All domino drives start at **7.30pm**

Parish Council

The Parish Councillors are:

Chairman	Chester Brown	460222
Vice Chairman	Liz Stead	460239
Councillors	Chris Collins	460456
	Jennifer Halmshaw	460008
	David Stewart	460302
Clerk	Jackie Edenbrow	460398
e-mail	locktonpc@pcxinternet.com	

Neighbourhood Watch



Internet scams

Internet users are being warned about cold callers who offer to fix viruses but then install software to steal personal information.

Internet users are also urged to be wary of pop-ups offering virus checks. Earlier this year, search engine giant Google warned it had discovered massive amounts of malicious fake anti-virus software. Some of the scams involve pop-up windows claiming that the computer has been infected. These "scareware" approaches encourage users to click through to a site hosting malicious or useless software that acts as a front for gathering personal information. Most of the time, the software appears almost identical to professional anti-virus products. In other cases, call centres have been set up in eastern Europe or Asia and cold-call UK phone numbers attempting to find people to con.

Burglaries

There have been burglaries in several local villages recently, including Middleton, Wombleton and Kirby Misperton. These have mostly been in the early evening just after it's got dark.

Parish Council news—Grit bins & snow-ploughing

Ryedale District Council had filled all the grit bins during Autumn. This grit is for use on public roads and pavements only. Due to cost cutting and to ensure that there is enough grit available for the highways gritters, the grit bins will only be refilled in exceptional circumstances. Please do not use this grit for private driveways.

To enable the snow plough to keep the village roads clear, please park off the road wherever possible.

Good News from 'The Pantry'

Have you heard rumours that The Pantry is re-opening?

Well it's true!!

The Parish Cryer seemed an ideal way for us to say hello, and to let you know some of the plans we have for The Pantry. First things first - my name is Robert Birmingham, and together with my wife, Helen, we have moved here from Faversham in Kent. My "day job" is as an Occupational Therapist in independent practice and Helen is a mixed media artist with a studio in Scarborough. We do have previous experience in running a small retail outlet, but village life and all that it entails is new to us!

As you can imagine there's an awful lot to do to get the shop and tearoom up and running, but we are working hard to open again in the Spring. In the short time we have been here we've already started to meet some of you, and we are really excited to begin exploring this beautiful area, and hopefully become an integral part of your community.

Whilst there is inevitably an element of 'living the dream' for us in being here, in reality we know it is vital that we meet YOUR needs by running the sort of village shop that you actually want, and stocking the type of product you want us to stock. After all, you know what you've been missing and what has made you think "Oh I wish The Pantry was still open!".

Overleaf we've put together a short questionnaire to give us an overall idea of what you might be expecting from the shop. We want The Pantry to work for us and for you, and we also want to acknowledge the fantastic work which Sandie did before us. In this respect, we would hope that the majority of our stock would be locally sourced, quality produce. We are also hoping to expand the tearoom, providing an opportunity to showcase the work of local artists and craftsmen, as an addition to the thriving tourist trade in this area. Again any comments on this would be welcome.

The questionnaire is an opportunity for us to try to get it right for all of us. It would be really helpful if you could spare the time to complete and return it to us, together with any comments (positive or negative!) They would be very gratefully received and, needless to say, the information will only be used by us and will not be shared with anyone else.

We will continue to keep you updated with our planned dates for re-opening and any other information through the Lockton Parish Cryer, but please return your comments directly to us at Greenways, Lockton (next door to The Pantry).

Once again we would like to thank you very much for taking the time to answer these questions and we look forward to seeing you in The Pantry and taking our place as fully fledged members of your community.

Robert & Helen Birmingham
Greenways, Lockton, YO18 7PZ
Tel: 01751 460598

We would also welcome comments by e-mail to thepantrylockton@aol.com

