



LOCKTON PARISH CRYER



Christmas Fair

Organized by Saltersgate Farmers Hunt
Lockton Village Hall

Sunday, 8th December 2013

11am – 3pm (Santa arrives at 1.30pm)

Admission £1 (under 16's free) includes tea/coffee and biscuits

A festive event with arts, crafts, produce etc.,
a visit from Santa, raffle, competitions and refreshments

Adult Competition - Christmas table decoration

Childrens Competitions - Colouring or collage— Ages 5 & under, 6-10yrs & over 10yrs

For colouring template see Sheila, Jane or Jenny Holmes

All exhibits to be staged by 11am (free entry) and will be judged by Santa after giving children gifts

Postbox for letters to Santa will be at the end of Youth Hostel from 2nd Dec

Santa is hoping to travel right round the village on pony and trap.

Further details: Tel 01751 460468 (Sheila) or 460207 (Freda)



Christmas & New Year Opening Times

The Fox and Rabbit, Lockton

Christmas Eve : Lunch 12- 3 CLOSED in the evening

Christmas Day : CLOSED

Boxing Day : Saltersgate Farmer's Hunt Meet

Lunch 12-4 Dinner 5-8.30

New Year's Eve : Lunch 12-3 Dinner from 6pm

New Year's Day : Lunch 12-4 Dinner 5-8.30

PIE NIGHT at the Fox & Rabbit is held **every Tuesday**
from during the winter months. To book call 01751 460213.

The Horseshoe, Levisham

Christmas Eve : Lunch 12-2 Drinks only in the evening

Christmas Day : Drinks 11-1 CLOSED FROM 1PM.

Boxing Day : Lunch 12-2 Dinner 6-8.30

New Year's Eve : Lunch 12-2 Dinner from 6pm

New Year's Day : Lunch 12-2 Dinner 6-8.30

QUIZ NIGHT continues **fortnightly** on **Wednesdays**
from **Nov.27th**.

Teams of 4, or can arrange on the night. £6 supper
served. Please phone to check future dates and book
supper. 01751 460240 All most welcome.

Carol singing round the village in aid of St Catherine's Hospice will be on **Monday December 23rd** starting at **6.15pm** in the Square. If anyone will be away over the Christmas holidays and would like to give a donation to St Catherine's, please contact Chester on 460222.



Lockton & Levisham Heritage Group

Earlier in November members of the group joined a walk organised by NYMNPA across Levisham Moor to view dykes, burial

mounds, iron age enclosures and the medieval sheep farm. These features are marked on OS maps and are all within a short distance of the well trodden path from the Hole of Horcum car park to Dundale Pond, yet they are hardly ever visited. We recommend these diversions as a most interesting addition to a scenic walk. A marked-up map is available if anyone would like a copy.

A meeting has been held with Appleton le Moors, Rosedale, Thornton Dale and Sinnington history groups to further the WW1 project. The intention is to pool all the information gathered over the coming months and put together an exhibition for display at various venues to be decided. So, if you have anything - artefacts, documents, information- relating to the war which you are willing to share, please get in contact.

Our weekly meetings are being discontinued for the Christmas period and will resume sometime in the New Year, access to Levisham permitting.

Newspaper extracts

Malton Messenger 23 Jan 1897

Pickering RDC. Dr Scott monthly report.

A nuisance at Lockton due to insufficient drainage of the town street. Effluent from some of the piggeries and fold yards on the south side of Town Street comes into the road and runs down the open channel. Suggest sanitary drain be constructed and connected with the existing one. 8" pipes with total length of 150' to be procured and cost divided between Sanitary and Highways Depts

Malton Messenger 7 Apr 1897

Lockton pipes ready to be put down.

Malton Messenger 29 Dec 1894

The children attending Lockton Board School gave an entertainment consisting of dialogues, recitations and songs on Friday evening. A notable feature of the programme was a debate on Women's Rights which was well received by the audience. Chairman, Mr Owston, chairman of the School Board. The schoolroom was nearly full. A charge for admission made 16/- which was added to the school fund.

Website: www.locktonlevisham.co.uk

The Heritage Group holds weekly meetings in

Levisham Village Hall or somewhere in the field every **Tues at 2pm**. Except when we don't – see above.

Ray Halmshaw 460008

Other contacts: Ruth Strong 460445 or Betty Halse 476114



LL's Bells

We are well into rehearsing for our Christmas gigs - the Victorian Weekend in Robin Hood's Bay on **Sunday 8th December**, Pickering Station for the Santa Specials on

Saturday 21st December, Lockton Carol Service on **Friday 13th December** and Levisham Carol Service on **Sunday 15th December**. We would love to see some of you supporting us at some (or all!) of these events and, who knows, you might be tempted to join us next year! I'm really pleased that two of our newer members, Jennie and Judy, will be performing with us. We have also welcomed Howard, who comes all the way from Malton with Sue and David Wright, to join us on Fridays.

After Christmas we will be taking a well-earned break during January and February, but will be meeting again at the beginning of March. We already have some requests – it seems to be our turn again for visiting WIs, etc!

Anyone interested in joining us at this time of year is more than welcome to join us at our **Friday** morning meetings starting at **10.30am** in **Levisham Village Hall**; these include a break for a chat over coffee and cakes. Phone me (Anne) on 460274 for more details or if you need a lift.



Recent meetings

October

This meeting was an open meeting and 8 guests joined members to hear Adam Collier whose topic was 'Wit and Wisdom – Yorkshire Dialect'.

Adam outlined the importance of the Vikings to the Yorkshire dialect, the differences which exist between the dialects of the three Ridings and the fact that the sounds, especially the vowels, change subtly every 9 miles or so. His wonderful collection of stories, poems and anecdotes, collected over a period of more than 20 years, provided a most entertaining evening.

November

The speaker for the November meeting saw a welcome return of Wendy Berriman who gave a demonstration of 'Seasonal Nibbles'. A wide variety of tempting tit-bits were prepared using several types of pâté, fish, cheese and bases, prettily decorated with paprika, cress and parsley which created most attractive plates to offer guests at Christmas. Wendy accompanied her work with hilarious comments and anecdotes, much enjoyed by her audience.

Future meeting

December - Wednesday December 4th

Annual General Meeting followed by a Christmas Supper with a Quiz and wrapped surprise presents.



St. Giles Church

Dear Friends,

First, immense and heartfelt thanks to all of you who contributed towards St Giles' Parish Church by giving so generously at the Gift Day collection, culminating in that wonderful Pets' Service. Over £600 was raised. It makes all the difference as St Giles' continues to minister to the community of Lockton and – judging by comments in the Visitors' Book – far beyond. So many people value this beautiful little church as a place of peace and tranquillity in this busy world.

And now we find ourselves in all the approaching busyness of Christmas.

At St Giles' the **Carol Service** – always such a popular event – will be at **7pm on Friday 13th December**. Another increasingly popular event, the **Christingle**, is at **3pm on Sunday 22nd December**. **Christmas Communion** will be at **6pm on Christmas Eve**.

At all these events young and old receive a good welcome as we hear again the wonderful and beautiful story of the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

I look forward to seeing you at St Giles', and take this opportunity of wishing you all a very Blessed Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

Fr Antony Pritchett, Vicar
Tel: 01751 472983 Email: vicar@pickeringchurch.com



THE NATIONAL TRUST

While many of the large National Trust houses are 'put to bed' for the winter season, the coast and countryside never closes. Days may be short, cold and often a bit miserable, but plenty of people still seem keen to get out and about whatever the weather. Perhaps a slight backlash against too much time spent staring at screens, sitting in traffic or battling around shops? I hope so!

Our Rangers are no strangers to the elements in all seasons. Part of their job is to ensure visitors to our outdoor places are greeted by paths, gates, stiles and signposts in the best possible state of repair. If you're out and about and notice anything amiss on local National Trust land, please call our office on 01723 870423.

Increasing in size and popularity each year since its inaugural event in 1994, our team at the Old Coastguard Station are proud to be involved once again in Robin Hood's Bay's Victorian Weekend. From the evening of Friday 6 until Sunday 8 December, the village steps back to Dickensian times to celebrate Christmas with a host of festive entertainment. Visit http://www.robin-hoods-bay.co.uk/html/whats_on/victorian_we.htm for more details.

Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year to all from the National Trust North York Moors & Coast team!



Lockton Methodist Chapel

Sunday December 8th
Ronnie King

Sunday December 22nd
Carol Service
Anthony White

Sunday January 5th Rev. Ruth Duck
Sunday January 19th Kay Pattinson
Sunday February 2nd Helen Leng

All the services start at **6.15pm**.
Everyone most welcome.

Thank you

Both Lockton PCC & Lockton Methodist Chapel would like to thank the Saltersgate Farmers Hunt for their recent donation from funds raised at their Harvest Festival.

Lockton and Levisham Poetry and Prose House Group

During the winter months (**November to March**) the group will meet at **2pm** instead of in the evening.

However, our **December** meeting will begin at **12.30pm** and each member is asked to contribute something towards a buffet lunch.



We meet on the **last Wednesday** of the month **except in December** when we will have our party on the **11th**. As the venue changes each time please ring 01751 460373 or 01751 460262 to find out where the next meeting is to be held.

New members are always welcome. We shall be pleased to see you even if you cannot come on a regular basis.

Saltersgate Farmers Hunt

Domino Drives – Lockton Village Hall

Tuesday December 10th

Friday January 10th New Years Draw

Tuesday January 28th

Sue's Quiz Night – Thank you

Many thanks to everyone who supported the Quiz by coming, giving refreshments or raffle prizes or giving a donation. Just over £300 was raised which will go towards paying for the insurance at the play area. Also many thanks to Sue Warriner for putting on another very enjoyable quiz.

Annie Mary Dunnington (Nan)

One of Lockton's oldest residents sadly passed away on Thursday 14th November at the age of 98 years. Nan was born in 1915 and came to live in Lockton in 1971 after selling the village shop at Newton Upon Rawcliffe. Nan lived at Ashfield Cottages near to her late twin sister Sarah Margaret Fisk of Ashfield House who came to Lockton in 1955.

As a widow Nan had a number of different jobs to help support herself, some of these jobs included delivering the royal mail around the village as Lockton had a shop with a post office at that time, helping her twin sister to run the small caravan site, also she was housekeeper for John and Jim Stothard of Mount Pleasant Farm and worked part time for Ron and Joan Ford at the Fox and Rabbit Inn, Nan was also the first warden of Lockton Youth Hostel for a number of years.



Nan used to help with the cleaning and the flowers at Lockton church as she did at Newton church. The last village event Nan attended was the queen's diamond jubilee street party, where she was proud to be awarded the prize for the best hat. Nan had a great love of the countryside and animals, particularly horses, this stemmed from her childhood days when she would go out delivering milk by pony and trap with her father. During Nan's retirement she could often be found busy in her garden for many an hour enjoying the outdoors and fresh air, or spending time with long time friends Nellie and her late husband George Rutter or the occasional visit from the late Johnnie Robinson who popped in to watch a bit of TV and have a natter.

All her family and friends will sadly miss Nan.

Linking Landscapes - Hedge Planting and Restoration



The North York Moors National Park is keen to strengthen the hedgerow networks around Lockton and Levisham. If there are any farmers or land managers interested

in coppicing/ laying old hedgerows, gapping up or planting new hedges Ami Walker would love to hear from you. For more details about possible grants to assist with the work please contact Ami at the National Park Office on 01439 772700 or email a.walker@northyorkmoors.org.uk

Newtondale Forest Drive

Levisham Parish Meeting is trying to get the Forestry Commission to reopen Newtondale Forest Drive and would welcome your help and support. Since its closure the only access to and from Levisham is the road through Lockton and the increasing number of blockages on the road caused by large lorries and wagons are becoming a major problem for residents. The main concern is lack of access to Levisham in an emergency but any blockage invariably results in delays and inconvenience.

The Levisham Parish Meeting is arguing that the right to drive vehicles on the forest road has been acquired by the general public through continuous usage dating back to the late 1960s and beyond. However, I only need to collect evidence of usage over the last 20 years and you can help by signing a document confirming that you have driven on the Forest Drive during this period.

Please contact me if you are willing to sign the document, if you want more details or if you are able to support our case in any way.

Thank you

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Lockton's mini meadow in the spotlight

There's not a great deal to show as yet, but if you were tuned into Radio Tees on Sunday 27 October you may have heard David Stephenson giving a very full and lucid account of the purpose and progress of Lockton's mini meadow in the cemetery. He explained how the Linking Landscapes project run by the North York Moors Park Authority aims to help wildlife by providing corridors of suitable habitat allowing animals to move around instead of being isolated. The small patches of earth you may have wondered at should develop into islands of wild flowers, gradually spreading out to make a meadow in the corner of the cemetery. These should attract birds, insects and mammals. David talked about how local farmers are aware of the difficulty in balancing productivity with the needs of wildlife. There's not much growing at the moment, so we just have to wait for spring.

David's enthusiastic account led to an invitation to return next year when there should be more to see. We'll look forward to your next radio broadcast.

If you would like to help or find out more, contact David Stephenson on 01751 460252.

Parish Council

The Parish Councillors are:

Chairman	Chester Brown	460222
Vice Chairman	Jennifer Halmshaw	460008
Councillors	Liz Stead	460239
	David Stewart	460302
	Chris King	460364
Clerk	Jackie Edenbrow	460398
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The minutes of recent meetings can be viewed on the Lockton & Levisham Heritage Group website at www.locktonlevisham.btck.co.uk.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on

Thursday January 9th 2014.

Parish Council News

Gritting/ Snow ploughing

Just a reminder that the grit provided in the bins is only for use on the public highway & footpath and not for use on private drives. The bins will only be refilled if the weather is exceptionally bad.

During snowy conditions, please park off the road if possible to enable the snow plough to clear as much of the road as possible.

Garden rubbish collection

The brown bins will not be emptied until March. The fortnightly collection will then restart. But there will then be a charge for this service, probably £27 per year, from June onwards.

I just wanted to say a massive 'THANKYOU' to all of you wonderful people who donated to The Migraine Trust. The fantastic news is that we've raised more than £1300, (more than double my target) I'm just so chuffed!

It was the combination of all of you, the training and the people who turned out to cheer us on that got me through those 26.2 miles in October... oh and the odd jelly baby from the crowd too :-)



The whole thing was just fantastic. I especially loved the beginning when we ran past the Minster and the bells were chiming and everyone was cheering. I think I was smiling all the way until about mile 20 when my left knee started to seize up (IT band I think). Retreated into myself then a bit for the next 4 miles, but was still pulled along by the crowd (and a few more jellybabies...) and the fact that I knew by then that I was definitely going to finish. Then, just after mile 25, I spotted David in the crowd. Pain forgotten, I somehow took off and did a massive sprint to the finish line, grinning all over my face! What an amazing experience!

Oh and my time was ok too-4 hours 16 minutes and 3 seconds!
London next...

The next Parish Cryer

Please could you let Jackie Edenbrow (460398) have any news or articles by **Thursday January 23rd** for the next Cryer due for publication by the end of January, covering February & March. Also if you want to insert an advert or birthday greeting, rates are very reasonable from £1 – or free for items to be given away.

December 8th

To Dan

Congratulations

on your 21st
birthday

Loads of love

Mum, Dad &
Adam

