

The Fox & Rabbit will continue with the popular Pie Night every Tuesday during the winter. Collect the vouchers and get a free pie!

The pub will be open as usual every day during the festive season except for Christmas Day. Bookings are now being taken for a New Year's Eve Dinner. To book and request a menu please telephone 460213.

The Horseshoe Inn, Levisham will be holding their Christmas Quiz on Friday 16th December at 8pm. A sausage and mash supper will be served from 6pm. Teams of 4 or just come along- you will be most welcome. To book supper please ring Charlie 460240.

The pub will be open every day during the Christmas holidays . On Christmas Day it will be open for drinks for a couple of hours from 11.15am and all are welcome. We had a wonderful crowd last year in the snow! There are still a few places left for the New Year's Eve Dinner.





Lockton & Levisham Heritage Group Metal Detectorists. Some fields

towards the Fox & Rabbit have proved to be rich in finds from prehistoric (knapped flint) through Roman and Anglo-Saxon

(coins and pottery shards) to modern (musket balls, buttons, coins etc) times. A couple of hours was spent at the mill and up the valley to St Robert's Well with surprisingly little of interest. Around the mill there are a lot of iron bits and pieces but these are ignored by tuning the detectors to non-ferrous metals. Dinky toys, a halfpenny and a Polish zloty were found near the mill. A musket ball, many can ring pulls and a 2p near the 'well'. The detectorists have promised to present us with the interesting but non valuable finds, mounted, for display in the Village Hall. If there is anything of value, after the British Museum has had a look, the normal treasure trove rules will be applied.

Talk. Steve Eddon visited the group recently to talk about his earliest memories of living and working in Levisham. We thank Steve for an informative and interesting talk.

Newspaper extracts

Malton Messenger 15 Nov 1873 Pickering hirings: Wages asked for were very high: Young girls 13-14 yrs asked £10-10s Women servants: £14 - £16 Plough lads: 14 - 16 guineas Men: £20 - £26

10 Dec 1904.

The year's farming. After the long dry seasons which came to an end in 1901, 1902 was wet, 1903 a downpour reminding us of the wet blanket year of 1879, 1904 was blessed with a bright and beautiful season. (Let's hope for the same in 2012)

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone s

Website: www.locktonlevisham.co.uk

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

LL's Bells



With Christmas approaching fast we are practicing hard for our gigs at the Victorian Weekend at Robin Hood's Bay on 3rd December. the North Yorkshire Moors Railway at Pickering Sta-

tion on 10th December, Lockton Carol Service on 16th December and Levisham Carol Service on 18th December. After this we will be taking our winter break, starting again in March.

Our less formal morning sessions continue on alternate Thursdays and Fridays in Levisham Village Hall at **10.30am**, where we do a bit of ringing and a lot of chatting and drinking coffee! The dates for the rest of this year are Friday 2nd December, Thursday 8 December and Friday 16th December. We were a bit disappointed that no-one new from Lockton came to our sessions at Lockton Village Hall in October, but please do let us know if you would like to join us in Levisham - a lift can easily be arranged. Call Anne (460274) or Sue (460329) for more details.



Lockton & Levisham 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 and the date of the December meeting please phone 01751 460373.



Sue's triathlon effort

Just to say an enormous **THANKYOU** to everybody who supported me in doing the West Wight Triathlon in September. The money we raised for the charity New Futures Nepal will be used to benefit the children of the Hope Centre in Kathmandu and their home in Kalimpong.

With Gift Aid included, we raised a grand total of £511.25



St. Giles' Church

Dear Friends. We slide swiftly into Advent and Christmas. Christmas carol services are always a joy and so very popular. At St Giles' Church, Lockton, the Carol Service is at 7pm on Friday 16th December. A

great opportunity to sing well-known and well-loved carols, and hear the familiar words of Jesus' birth and our salvation.

On Sunday 18th December at 3pm there will be a Christingle Service: more wonderful Christmas carols and a service aimed at children who will help build the stable, but always a great delight for everyone, young and old. What could be better than a country church and candlelight shining on the faces of children?

On Christmas Eve, Saturday 24th December, Communion at Christmas is, this year, at 6.30pm. So we celebrate Christ amongst us.

I will be at all three services and look forward to seeing many of you there.

Regular services at Lockton include Holy Communion at 10.30am on Sunday 11th December and, in the New Year, Epiphany - the Visit of the Wise Men - will be celebrated at 10.30am on Sunday 8th January. Holy Communion will also be celebrated at 10.30am on Sunday 22nd January, which happens to be the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul. In February Communion will be at 10.30am on Sunday 12th February and Sunday 26th February. We will be in the season of Lent by then.

But before then all the joy and wonderment and thrill of Christmas.

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

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



Lockton Methodist Chapel

Carol Service Sundav December 18th at 6.15pm

Normal services every Sunday at 6.15pm Everyone most welcome.



Recent meetings

The speaker for the October meeting was Mrs Rona Ashworth of Mount Pleasant Plants near Malton. Mrs Ashworth specialises in her-

baceous perennials and had brought many wonderful specimens to the meeting. In addition to the plants we were familiar with, she introduced us to several less well-known varieties and gave us good advice on their management and propagation. The speaker for the November meeting was Mrs Wendy Berriman whose topic was "Broths and Soups". In an amazingly short space of time, Mrs Berriman had produced six delicious examples which members were invited to try. Innovative ingredients and preparation methods lent a new twist to mushroom, tomato, butternut squash and minestrone soups and to pea & ham and chicken broths.

Future meetings

There will be an exciting programme of WI events, speakers and demonstrations in 2012. Copies of the new programme are available on request & we are always keen to welcome new members to the group. We meet on the first Wednesday of the month in the village hall at 7pm. The National Federation's membership is currently experiencing a very strong upward trend. This is due partly to an exciting programme of national campaigns such as prison reform, clearer food labelling, ethical fashion, help for honey bees & support for our public libraries, to name but a few. Add to that a revival of interest in home baking, community spirit, creative & traditional crafts & all things vintage & it's not difficult to see why many younger women are joining our ranks. Nationally, we are 210,000 members and rising! Our first meeting of the year is on January 4th when our very own Robert Birmingham from The Pantry will join us to give a fascinating insight into how the skills of an Occupational Therapist can enable individuals to regain their independence following illness or injury. Let's hope the weather is kind to us?

Sue's Quiz Night

Many thanks to Sue (Warriner) for organising another enjoyable Quiz Night for the play area funds. Also thanks to everyone who supported the event in any way which raised just over £300. This will help to pay for the play area insurance which is over £400 every year.

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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If any resident wishes the Parish Council to discuss a topic or problem, please write or email the Clerk with the details. The Parish Council and one or two residents have received anonymous letters. The Parish Council will not discuss any anonymous correspondence.

The next Parish Council meeting is in the Village Hall on **Monday December 12th** at **7.30pm**.

The next Parish Cryer

Please could you let Jackie Edenbrow (460398) have any news or articles by Wednesday January 25th for the next Cryer due for publication by the end of January.

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.

Free to good home

A Lowry set-top digi-box to convert your television to digital. Please contact Brenda on 460262.

Parish Council News

Publication of Parish Council meeting minutes The minutes of meetings since April are now available on the heritage website

(<u>www.locktonlevisham.co.uk</u>). This website also contains copies of the Lockton Parish Cryer. Please let Jackie know if you have any comments.

Village Well

The Parish Council is applying for listed building consent for work to be carried out on the village well. This work will be funded by a grant from the National Park under the LEADER funding scheme. The top row of stone needs to be placed as it is broken in several places and the railings will be refurbished.

Home Library Service

North Yorkshire County Council organise a home delivery library service for anyone who because of illness or disability is unable to travel to their local library. This service is delivered by volunteers. If you would like more information about this service, please contact Sheila Coxon – tel. 01609 533851 or email <u>libraries@northyorks.gov.uk</u>.

Winter gritting/ snow ploughing

The grit bins have now been filled for this winter. This grit is only for use on public roads and footpaths, not for private driveways. NYCC will not refill them during bad weather if they believe that they have been used incorrectly. The grit should only be spread thinly; putting on excess grit does not speed up any thawing.

Also during snowy weather, please keep cars off the road if at all possible to help the snow ploughs clear as much of the road as possible.

Rob and Helen and everyone at The Pantry @ Lockton

would like to thank all our customers for your support and wish you all a very

Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year

We are currently holding our Christmas Exhibition including a range of locally produced art and craft items as well as a range of cards and gift ideas Why not come and have a look!

Please note that we will be closed on certain days between Christmas and New Year. Opening Times will be posted in the window in advance

