



LOCKTON PARISH CRYER

Barn Dance

with **The Well Dressed Band**

at **Lockton Village Hall**

on **Saturday March 9th 7.30pm.**

It will be our 7th year in Lockton!!

All proceeds will go to the Church and Chapel (we play for free).

Faith Supper

The Well Dressed Band come from the Peak District and Sheffield and we play a variety of instruments including fiddles, flutes, whistles, concertinas, melodeons, accordions, mandolins, guitars and percussion.

The dances are easy and are taught on the night and it's a great fun evening for everyone of whatever age. We also play tunes for people to listen to.

Rachel and Bridget Strong are in the band and our mum, Ruth, has had a cottage in Lockton for many years. As before, we'll be staying at the youth Hostel for the weekend, walking, playing music and enjoying Lockton. We're so looking forward to coming

**So do come along and support Lockton at the Barn Dance –
you'll have a fun time and won't be disappointed!**

Christmas Fair



A fun day was had at the Christmas Fair on 2nd December, it was a truly festive, happy atmosphere and seemed to be enjoyed by stallholders and visitors alike. Stalls included clothes, crafts, cards, produce, cakes, natural products and bric-a-brac .

The visit by Santa in a horse drawn carriage was spectacular and it was fantastic to see (and hear!) the enjoyment by children. Santa not only made it a memorable event for the children, he was very entertaining and caused much amusement to adults.

Saltergate Farmers Hunt would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way to the success of the event.

The photograph shows Imogen Stone receiving her gift from Santa



Lockton & Levisham Heritage Group

The Group held its usual quarterly meeting and Christmas lunch at the Horseshoe in December (more lunch than meeting) and a good time was had by all.

2013 is the 50th anniversary of Fylingdales Early Warning Station. They are planning to set up an exhibition in August with the assistance of Whitby College. The exhibition will include the archaeology, flora, fauna and history of Fylingdales, the moor and local area. It is intended to complete a new active fieldwork project on the moors surrounding the station. We hope to contribute to the exhibition and become involved in the fieldwork. More next time.

Newspaper extracts

Malton Messenger 4 Mar 1865

Malton and Pickering Railway. It will be recalled that one of the new iron bridges on the Goathland deviation line (which is to supercede the long incline on which many accidents have taken place) broke down some weeks ago under the weight of a passing engine. The bridges now being constructed to a much greater strength have delayed the opening of the line. Now to be opened by this summer.

Malton Messenger 10 Feb 1906

Shocking accident at Levisham Station. On Monday afternoon Mr Williamson Thompson, tenant of the Durham Ox, well known and respected in the district, left Pickering on the 2.42pm train. He alighted from the train at Levisham Station but was unaware of the pilot engine coming in the other direction. He was struck by the engine whilst going across the crossing, was terribly injured and died soon afterwards. The 1st witness was William Russel Thompson, brother of the deceased, aged 38yrs, also connected with the Durham Ox.

The newspaper article includes a long account of the inquest.

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



The team is currently taking a well-earned break after our Christmas activities, which included ringing at both Levisham and Lockton carol services, the Victorian Weekend at Robin Hood's Bay and for the

Santa Specials on Pickering station. The latter included free mince pies, mulled wine, coffee and Bailey's! Our new member, Ken Hutchinson, very bravely put his name down to ring at the latter two gigs after only 4 weeks with us – well done, Ken!

Our fund-raising coffee morning held on a snowy Saturday morning at the beginning of December raised just under £280 – enough for our replacement bell (which has arrived) and with a little bit left over to help fund some refurbishment needed on one of our other bells. They have, after all, been used regularly now for well over 10 years. Ken brought his wife, Wendy, along for a slice of coffee cake and, lured by the thought of another, she then came to the next Friday meeting and is now 'one of us', despite protesting that she has no musical knowledge, is tone-deaf and has never played a musical instrument!

I'm sure Wendy would say if she can do it, anyone can, so if you would like to try why not book the dates we restart in your diary now? **Tuesday evening** sessions start again on **5th March 7.30pm-9.00pm** and **Friday mornings** on **8th March at 10.30am**. Both are held in Levisham Village Hall and we can arrange transport across from Lockton; phone 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 please phone 01751 460373.





St. Giles Church

Dear Friends,

After such a good Christmas in Lockton Church – if numbers are anything to go by then a very successful time indeed, and everyone commenting on the wonderful atmosphere – so we move now into 2013.

In February there will be services of **Holy Communion** at **10.30am** on **Sundays 10th February**, and **24th February**.

On **Sunday 10th March** at **10.30am** there is a service to mark **Mothering Sunday**. Please note that there will be no service on Sunday 24th March – that is Palm Sunday and you are most warmly welcome to come down to Pickering Church, where Peanuts the donkey will lead the Palm Sunday Procession, starting at Hallgarth at 10am, and taking us to church for the service there.

In St Giles, the next service is a week later, at **10.30am** on **Easter Day, Sunday 31st March** (when the clocks move forward, too).

The usual service on **Sunday 14th April** is cancelled at St Giles', too – as are all services in the benefice – as our Archbishop of York, John Sentamu, will be visiting Pickering Church to preside and preach at the **10am** Eucharist. That promises to be another great day for our benefice.

All returns to normal at Lockton for **Sunday 28th April's 10.30am** service of **Holy Communion**. Though we have a baptism booked for that day, too, after the main Sunday service.

Don't forget that St Giles' Church is your parish church. It is where you can be married, regardless of whether you come to church or not, or even whether you've been baptised or not. It is, after all, where people have been married and baptised and buried for so many centuries. It is a beautiful church, and thanks go to those who help care and maintain it for us all.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting, at which churchwardens are appointed and those who care for the church are elected to the PCC (Parochial Church Council) takes place at **7.30pm** on **Tuesday 9th April**.

Fr Antony Pritchett

Vicar Tel: 01751 472983

Email: vicar@pickeringchurch.com

Church Flower & Cleaning rotas

Everyone on either of these rotas should have received a copy for 2013. If you're no longer able to help, please cross your name off on the copy in the church porch. There are a few vacancies so if anyone would be willing to help, please add your name to the copy in the church porch.
Many thanks.



Lockton Methodist Chapel

Normal services are every **alternate Sunday** at **6.15pm**

Sunday February 3rd & 17th
Sunday March 3rd, 17th & 31st

Everyone most welcome.



THE NATIONAL TRUST

2013 will see an increase in the number of wildlife surveys carried out by our Rangers, alongside specialist partners and volunteers. Pond, hedgerow, stream, small mammal and wildflower meadow surveys are all planned for the spring through summer. One or two schools are lined up to help, plus volunteers, members of the Butterfly Conservation team and water vole experts. These surveys will be fun to carry out, but will also have the important element of letting us know what species we have on the property and what we can do to help protect and enhance the natural environment. If you would like to get involved (no experience necessary), please call Mark Frain on 01723 870423.

Before 2012 was even over, the team turned its attention to our events programme for 2013. Packed with exciting activities for all ages, there's something for everyone. With the National Trust campaign '50 things to do before you're 11 ¾' set to encourage kids to explore the countryside again this year, we have several events to whet their appetite for adventure. We're offering rock pooling, geocaching taster days, 'Wild Wednesdays', discovery walks, beachcomber art and even a '50 Things camp' where families can totally immerse themselves in the outdoors experience. Not to mention an array of guided walks, afternoon tea at the summit of Roseberry Topping and the top of Penshaw Monument, 'Sea Watch' wildlife spotting, art exhibitions and studio workshops at the Old Coastguard Station and more. Look out for our new events leaflets, coming very soon, or check out our web pages for details: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/whats-on

Village Hall Kitchen Refurbishment

The Village Hall Committee have had verbal confirmation that they have been successful in their bid for a grant of £1304 from the Ryedale District Council Community Investment Fund. This part of the Investment Fund was awarded to Thornton Ward as part of the government new homes bonus scheme. When we have received written confirmation and reviewed the village hall bookings, we will be able to go ahead with the kitchen refurbishment.

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.co.uk.

Parish Council News

Precept

In December 2011, the Parish Council decided that the precept would have to increase by £200 each year for the next three years as the general expenditure per annum was about £600 more than income. The Council had been making up the deficit from savings. So the second of these increases will come into effect this April.

Grass Cutting

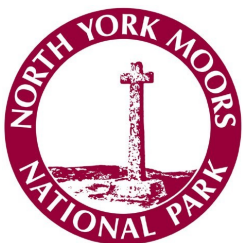
No one has come forward yet to fill the vacancy for a grass cutter in the village. Please get in touch with Jackie if you would be willing to take on the job or even if you could do some of it. This involves around 120 hours over the year and the pay is up to £8 per hour.

Neighbourhood Police visit

Following a discussion on parking within the village at the last Parish Council meeting, P.C. Andy Marsden has agreed to come to the next Parish Council meeting to discuss any parking issues.

Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Monday February 11th at 7.30pm** in Lockton Village Hall.



National Park Community Forum

At a meeting of the Authority last year, Members agreed to trial a Community Forum event, to be held in October this year.

The forum is being championed to reach out to people within communities who do not actively engage with their Parish Council or the Authority at present. The topic of 'Social Media' has been chosen and part of the programme will include the benefits of civic involvement.

If any person or community group would like to be involved in the preparation stages of the event, please can you get in touch with Mrs F Farnell on 01439 770657 or email f.farnell@northyorkmoors.org.uk.

Saltersgate Farmers Hunt

Domino Drives at Lockton Village Hall
Tuesday January 29th 7.30pm
Tuesday February 26th 7.30pm
Tuesday March 12th 7.30pm

Diary Dates

Tuesday February 5th AGM Lockton Village Hall
Tuesday February 19th Don Tolliday Quiz, Fox & Rabbit Inn
Friday March 22nd End of Season Dinner
Saturday April 6th Four Forfeits Fun Frolic

Show Dates for the Summer

Sunday June 16th Terrier & Lucher Show
Saturday August 3rd SFH Show & Sports

Play Area

The Lockton & Levisham Playing Field Committee have received a generous donation of £300 from the Saltersgate Farmers Hunt from their Harvest Festival auction. This means that we now have enough funds to pay the insurance for the play area when next due. Many thanks to all members of the hunt.

Carol Singing

Thanks to everyone who came carol singing round the village this year. Many thanks to everyone who donated money that evening or who sent donations if they were away. £355 was raised for St Catherine's Hospice.

The next Parish Cryer

Please could you let Jackie Edenbrow (460398) have any news or articles by **Friday March 22nd** for the next Cryer due for publication by the end of March, covering April and May. 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.



Future meetings

Wednesday February 6th
Birthday Party

Wednesday March 13th
Daytime Backstage Tour at Stephen Joseph Theatre

Wednesday April 3rd

Behind the Scenes at Beck Isle

Visit to Beck Isle Museum with our guide Hilda Sissons.