

# North Yorkshire Open Studios 2013

# June 8/9 and 15/16



Sue Slack is delighted to be selected for North Yorkshire Open Studios 2013. She will be opening her Barn Studio to the public at SwiveyNun.

The North Yorkshire Open Studios event is now in its ninth year and continues to grow in popularity and reputation. 123 artists are taking part this year, across the Moors, the Dales and the Coast

Open Studios offers a unique opportunity for the public to meet individual artists in a diverse range of studios and

settings, to gain an insight into how their work is

produced and to buy direct from the artist. Sue is busy preparing new work for the show, which will include original paintings, giclee prints and greetings cards.

Participating studios are open from 10.30am-5.30pm on the weekends of June 8/9<sup>th</sup> and 15/16<sup>th</sup>. In addition, Sue's studio will be open by appointment between Monday 10<sup>th</sup> and Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June.

Please call 01751 460252 for more information or to ask Sue for a booklet. You can also pick up free Open Studio booklets from The Horseshoe Inn and The Fox and Rabbit.





# Lockton & Levisham Heritage Group

The weather still has not been to our liking so recent weeks have been spent in Levisham Village Hall updating the St John's and St Mary's Churches leaflets and de-

signing a Levisham bookmark. Proceed from the sale of these items will go to the church organ (electronic) fund. We have had a visit from a professional family tree tracer who is researching the Thompsons. He spent 4 hours searching the archive and will be returning for more! Manor Ash is that little plot of land enclosed by a stone wall to the west of The Horseshoe. Some Levisham residents wish to know if the rumour there was a building on the site is true, so we will be using our auger to take core samples of the ground in the search for foundations. This is in addition to all the other stuff we haven't done.

The auger is available to anyone who wishes to find out what is under their gardens.

Any ideas for projects in Lockton?

#### Newspaper extracts Malton Messenger 5 May 1883

Pickering Petty Sessions. William White, labourer of Lockton, charged by J Dixon, clerk of Lockton School Board, for neglecting to send his daughter to school. She had not been to school since March 5 and only 39 times since 4 Oct. Fine 5/- including costs.

### Malton Messenger 15 May 1886

Pickering Petty Sessions. Mary Wallis of Kirbymoorside sued Matthew Dixon, farmer of Levisham for  $\pounds 2/10/$ for wrongful dismissal. She had been in his service for 10weeks 4days, was hired for housework and to milk and serve calves, at  $\pounds 8$  until Micklemas. She left a fortnight ago because there were some ducks lost and the defendant wanted to make her pay for them. Mary's mother took her back again but he told her to 'take the b.... back' and threatened to kick her if she would not go. Case dismissed.

One for the children taken from the Lockton School Log Book 1880:

July 9. We close for Midsummer holidays. July 19. Re-opened after Midsummer Holidays.

### 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



Since we restarted in March we have played for the residents at Alba Rose and been invited to ring in the Ryedale Festival's Opening Concert. We will be part of the orchestra for 'Noye's Fludde' which is Benjamin Britten's fa-

mous opera for community orchestras and choirs. The opera is written to be performed mainly by amateurs, so we are ideally qualified!! It will take place at **St Peter's Church** in **Norton** on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 7.00pm**.

We are practising seriously for Noye's Fludde at the end of our Tuesday evening sessions, but would welcome any new members between **7.30-8.15pm** on **Tuesdays** and on **Friday** mornings from **10.30am**. Our music includes some new pieces for 12 bells (when there are only 6 of us!) and larger numbers when there are more, including a version of the Dambusters' March, which is appropriate in this 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of the raids.

All our sessions are currently held in **Levisham Village Hall**. Our Friday morning meetings include a break for a chat over coffee and cakes. We can arrange transport across from Lockton; just phone me (Anne) on 460274 to arrange this or for more details about what we do if you are interested in joining our happy little group.



## 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,

Church events at Lockton for the next month or two include Holy Communion at 10.30am on Sundays 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> July, and 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> August.

A significant event for the whole benefice is the arrival of a new Curate, Father Christopher Johnson. Fr Christopher is a Yorkshire 'lad' brought up in Bishopthorpe. He went to Oxford University and has a most impressive academic pedigree, but is great fun and will fit in well here.

He will be ordained deacon by the Archbishop inYork Minster at a special service on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June. Do hold Father Christopher in your prayers as he makes his preparations to move here and minister amongst us.

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



# Lockton Methodist Chapel

Normal services are every alternate Sunday at **6.15pm** Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday July 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup>

Everyone most welcome.



**Yorkshire Cancer Research** Lockton House to House Collection 2013 A BIG THANK YOU to all who contributed so generously – a total of £265.88 was raised.

Joan & Stephen Broadbent



### Recent meetings April

The meeting took place at the Beck Isle Museum in Pickering. Gordon Clitheroe, a co-founder & trustee of the museum guided us through the many rooms each of which is dedicated to a

different aspect of life in the past. We saw what the homes of the well-off and the not-so-well-off were like, a sweetie shop and a gentleman's outfitters, the development of photography, the harshness of the judicial system and many other fascinating glimpses of bygone times.

Mr Steel, the Museum's blacksmith, had fired up his forge for us and demonstrated how harrowing tines used to be sharpened. He also showed us many more of the skills that blacksmiths had to be able to employ in addition to the tools & equipment they needed.

As we enjoyed a cup of coffee & biscuits Mrs Hilda Sissons, an expert on costume, gave us an excellent talk on the various items in the Museum's extensive collection of clothing. Of particular interest was the intricate handmade lace & the horrors of Victorian corsetry.

## May

Three new members were welcomed at our May meeting when Sandra Thurlow came to speak to us about the work of the Friars Hill Riding for the Disabled Group in Sinnington. We learned that all ages and abilities are catered for and as well as providing an opportunity to socialise and have fun, the riding experience builds confidence, fosters a real sense of achievement and provides valuable physiotherapy for those with physical and learning disabilities. We enjoyed the talk very much and recognised the extraordinary commitment of the instructors & volunteers at Friars Hill who are obviously making a huge difference to the quality of the lives of those individuals who attend the RDA sessions there.

## Future meetings

## Wednesday June 5th

The speaker at our June meeting will be Betty Halse, member of the local Heritage Group. Her talk is entitled 'On the Breadline' and will feature the human story of village poverty in the early nineteenth century. Levisham was certainly a very different place in the 1820s and we look forward to hearing more about what life was like there.

## Wednesday July 3rd

John Clayton, Tree & Landscape Officer at Ryedale District Council will give a talk entitled 'Our Ancient Trees'.

Do not hesitate to contact any WI member if you would like to come along to a meeting as their guest. We meet on the first Wednesday of the month in the village hall.

## **Parish Council News**

## Coastliner bus service to Whitby

Coastliner buses had decided that for the summer timetable the two morning buses to Whitby would be an express service from Thornton le Dale to Whitby. This would have meant that the buses would not have made any intermediate stops and there would have been no concessionary fares for this part of the journey. There were similar alterations for the service from Malton to Scarborough. North Yorkshire County Council disputed the figures used by Coastliner buses to justify the changes and has managed to reverse this alteration. This means that the service to Whitby will continue this summer as before.

## Undergrounding of electricity

It is proposed to underground much of the village's electricity in the coming months. This is part of a government funded scheme for areas of natural beauty. Nearer the time, there will be an open meeting in the village with an engineer from Northern Powergrid to explain their proposals. There will be no cost to households.

### Audit

The Parish Council accounts were approved at the annual meeting of the Parish Council. These will now be checked by our internal auditor before being sent to the external auditor. These accounts can be viewed by contacting Jackie (460398) or a copy can be purchased at cost.

## New National Park Authority Community Grant

This is a recently launched grant. Grants of up to  $\pm$ 5000 are available and although up to 100% of costs can be funded, projects where there is a community contribution will be prioritised.

Projects must meet one of the following priorities:

- habitat & wildlife enhancements e.g. improvements to churchyard or village pond
- cultural heritage & local history e.g. restoring a village monument or archiving data
- community building improvements e.g. installing an efficient hot water system or disabled access.

The grant aided work must be completed by 31 March 2014.

For more information & to download the simple application form please visit <u>www.northyorkmoors.org.uk/</u> <u>grants</u> or contact Rachel Smith at r.smith@northyorkmoors.org.uk or on 01439 772700.

### Clean up after your dog!

There have been more complaints about dog mess in the village. Please clean up after your dog. Also don't then throw it in the bus shelter or on the grass verge as someone has started to do recently.

## **Parish Council**

The Parish Councillors are: 460222 Chairman Chester Brown Vice Chairman Jennifer Halmshaw 460008 Councillors Liz Stead 460239 460302 David Stewart Chris King 460364 Clerk Jackie Edenbrow 460398 e-mail locktonpc@pcxinternet.com

The minutes of recent meetings can be viewed on the Lockton & Levisham Heritage Group website at <u>www.locktonlevisham.btck.co.uk</u>.

The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday June  $17^{\mbox{th}}$  in the village hall.

## Saltersgate Farmers Hunt Summer Diary

## Saturday 6th July

**BARBECUE** - kindly hosted by Ken & Christine Brown (Malton Road)

For tickets Tel. 474332 (Glynnis)

## Saturday 3rd August

**COUNTRY SHOW & SPORTS** at Saltersgate Bank Top Schedules are now available – you will see that there is something for everyone, why not enter in the cookery, produce and photography classes or make a scarecrow. There are various activities for children including classes in which they can enter photography, art, crafts and baking and during the afternoon a variety of games and sports.

There will be all the usual classes for horses, dogs, terriers, lurchers and hounds, together with gundog scurry, hound trails and sheepdog trials.

Please contact us if you are interested in bringing an art/craft stall, trade stand or car boot stall or if you have difficulty obtaining a schedule.

For further details of all events Tel. 460207 (Freda) or 460468 (Sheila)

## The next Parish Cryer

Please could you let Jackie Edenbrow (460398) have any news or articles by Wednesday July 24<sup>th</sup> for the next Cryer due for publication by the end of July, covering August & September. Also if you want to insert an advert or birthday greeting, rates are very reasonable from  $\pounds 1$  – or free for items to be given away.