Domino Drive

Lockton Village Hall

Saturday October 14th
7.30pm

Raffle
Refreshments

In aid of the play area refurbishment

Sue’s Quiz Night

Saturday October 28th
7.30pm

Lockton Village Hall

In aid of the Play Area

Raffle & Refreshments

Play area inspection

The play area has recently had its annual inspection and several items need some urgent work. The aerial runway should no longer be used. Notices to this effect have been put in place. The cost of the repairs is over £6000. So as well as raising money to cover the insurance we now need to raise as much as possible to bring the equipment back into use.

We are hoping to have several domino drives over the winter season and Sue’s annual quiz is at the end of the month. If anyone has any fundraising ideas please could you get in touch with Jenny Bentley (460417) or Jackie Edenbrow (460398) or email locktonpc@btinternet.com.

When we know the full costs involved, we will hold a meeting in the village hall to discuss what we can do. Please look out for the notice which will go up in the noticeboard about this.

If your family use the play area please support any events. If you can’t make it to any, please think about buying some raffle tickets or making a donation to help with the fundraising.

Thank you.
We are planning a possible visit to support the work of the Real Junk Food project. This was created by the inspirational Adam Smith from Leeds, who was guest speaker at a recent regional WI meeting. It is a global, organic network of “Pay As You Feel” projects whereby surplus edible food, destined for waste, is diverted and made available for human consumption. Real Junk Food Cafes are located around the UK, our nearest being in south and west Yorkshire. If anyone has visited one of the cafes/bistros we would be interested to hear about it.

**Summer Social**

Ten members met at The Grapes in Ebberston on 16th August to enjoy an excellent meal. As traditionally we have had no monthly meeting in August, it was agreed that a summer social will feature as a permanent event on our annual programme.

**Ryedale Stroke Group Tea**

This was the fourteenth year of hosting afternoon tea for the group who arrived with us on 31st August and numbered 28. WI member Sue (Treeby) rang the changes this year by kindly offering to entertain the visitors during tea with several songs and requests. The offer was taken up with enthusiasm and enjoyed by all. Our thanks go to Sue and everyone who helped us on the day.

**September Meeting (6th)**

Our open meeting was also well attended with twelve members and fifteen guests present. Mal Wright, Community Liaison Officer from the MOD police based at Fylingdales, gave an informative and entertaining presentation. He outlined the history of the force and explained its many specialist capabilities and the arms and equipment needed to carry out its work. Of particular interest was his explanation of how the Rural Watch scheme operates, facilitating the exchange of information about local crime and suspicious activity in our area and providing a high profile police presence. All guests stayed on to enjoy supper.

**October Meeting (4th)**

We look forward to welcoming members of Lockton & Levisham’s Poetry & Prose group. A programme of light-hearted poems and readings has been planned to amuse and entertain us.

**November Meeting (Wednesday 1st)**

Jo Hunter has been booked as our speaker/demonstrator. She will introduce us to the craft of felting and provide materials for us to gain ‘hands on’ experience.

**December Meeting (6th)**

This is our AGM and annual Christmas Supper.

Guests are welcome at our monthly meetings. For more information contact Paula on 460202 or any other member. We look forward to seeing you.

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**LL’s Bells**

We started our new term at the beginning of September and are now in full swing rehearsal for our gigs at Norton Parkinson’s Support Group and the Ryedale Carers Farmers’ Breakfast at Middleton. After those we will have to turn our attention to our Christmas repertoire.

Next year is our 20th anniversary and a small sub-committee is already arranging a series of events to celebrate. Watch this space!

We meet every Tuesday at 7.00pm and Friday at 10.30am, both for an hour and a half. Anyone interested is always welcome to come along to any of our sessions for a taster. Just call me on 460274 for more details or if you need a lift from Lockton.

Anne Deebank

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**Lockton Mini Meadow**

The unusual weather this year highlighted the mini meadow’s slow progress towards our goal, a flower-rich meadow. In late June when we attempted to compare the diversity of plants with previous years, heavy rain was setting in. The tall wet grass was flattened, completely swamping the flowers we were hoping to see. We’ve been taking advice and thinking about how to remedy this in future years. There are various options, eg shortening the growing period by cutting later in spring, bringing forward the date of the main cut, varying the timing over the years to encourage some plants and deter others. Cutting some parts of the meadow earlier and leaving other parts until later could be worth a try. Cutting in July this year meant that the attractive, later flowering knapweed was a casualty, and possibly also yellow rattle, which should seed annually.

Many thanks as ever to Geoff Brown for all his help. It makes a huge difference.

Shakespeare knew about unmowed meadows:

> ‘The even mead, that erst brought sweetly forth
> The freckled cowslip, burnet, and green clover,
> Wanting the scythe, withal uncorrected, rank,
> Conceives by idleness, and nothing teems
> But hateful docks, rough thistles, kecksies, burrs,
> Losing both beauty and utility.’

Henry V Act 5 scene 2

Wishing the scythe = ie unmowed

Kecksies = hogweed or cow parsnip (Geoffrey Grigson)

We’d be delighted if you would like to help or find out more about the mini meadow. Please contact David Stephenson on 01751 460252.

Sue Perutz
Dear Friends,

It is September and I have been asked to include details of services at Lockton Church taking us right up to Christmas. Though having just seen Christmas cards in shops in York, perhaps it’s only me who thinks it seems too early!

To recap, we had a terrific Pets’ Service, enjoyed by pet and non-pet owners alike. Higher numbers again, and dogs in all shapes and sizes, and various volumes of noise, and all such happy, great fun. The Gift Day element was a great success, too. Thank you to all who supported that event, and also all who continue to regularly support your Parish Church. All the money given is spent on the building and ensures we care for it as well as we can. And what a treasure of a building it is: it really is worth just going in to take it all in, for it is so peaceful a place, and there is so much to delight the eye.

To forthcoming services ...

Harvest Praise! is at 7pm on Monday 9th October, and there will be a service of Holy Communion at 10.30am on Sunday 22nd October.

On Remembrance Sunday 12th November at 10.30am there will be a service of Holy Communion with an Act of Remembrance, and on Sunday 10th December at 10.30am a service of Holy Communion.

The Carol Service is at 7pm on Friday 15th December, and Christmas Communion will be at 6pm on Christmas Eve, Sunday 24th December.

I look forward to seeing you.

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

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**Lockton and Levisham Poetry and Prose House Group**

The Poetry and Prose Group meets on the last Wednesday of the month except in December. From October to March the starting time is 2.15pm. Members take turns to host the meeting. To find out where the next meeting is to be held please phone 01751 460373 or 01751 460262. Please bring a couple of short readings – serious or amusing. We will be very pleased to welcome you.

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**A Mad Hatter's Tea-party**

On Wednesday, 13th September, The Lockton & Levisham Poetry and Prose Group, along with several guests, celebrated their 20th birthday. This took the form of an Alice in Wonderland themed tea-party. The group sat down to an excellent spread at The Lockton Tearooms.

Fancy dress was not compulsory but most of the group managed to come up with something amusing. There were four Mad Hatters, the Queen of Hearts, Tweedledum and Tweedledee, a dormouse, a card gardener, the White Rabbit and a Dormouse.

The event started with a reading from Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll. The book was passed around and everyone took a turn at reading.

After tea The Lockton and Levisham Hand-bells Group entertained the assembled company with a rendition of Happy Birthday - after which a wonderful birthday cake was cut and everyone went home feeling very full.
Parish Council
The Parish Councillors are:
Chairman           David Stewart   460302
Vice Chairman      Jennifer Halmshaw 460008
Councillors
   Liz Stead       460239
   Jenny Bentley   460417
   Mark Bentley    460143
Clerk               Jackie Edenbrow 460398
email               locktonpc@btinternet.com

The minutes of recent meetings can be viewed on the Lockton & Levisham Heritage Group website at www.locktonlevisham.co.uk. The next Parish Council meeting take place on Monday October 23rd at 7.30pm in the village hall.

Parish Council News
Annual Audit
The accounts have been approved by the external auditor. These are available to view on the village noticeboard, on the heritage website www.locktonlevisham.co.uk or by email request to Jackie on locktonpc@btinternet.com.

A date for your Diary
The Well Dressed Band from Derbyshire will be coming to Lockton Village Hall for another Barn Dance on Saturday March 3rd 2018.

Lockton knit and natter
Monday October 16th 7.00pm
Lockton Village Hall
Come along to the next meeting of Lockton knit and natter and bring a craft to do. If you are not wanting to do a craft just come for the chat.

The next Parish Cryer
Please could you let Jackie Edenbrow (460398) have any news or articles by Thursday November 23rd for the next Cryer due for publication by the end of November.

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February 19th at Lockton Village Hall
March 5th at Lockton Village Hall

Lockton Parish Cryer online
The Cryer is no longer automatically sent to every house- hold. A paper copy can be sent to anyone in the Parish who requests one – just give Jackie a ring (460398). If you would like to be sent a copy by email as soon as it is produced, please email Jackie (locktonpc@btinternet.com) to be added to the circulation list. The Cryer will also be set up on the heritage website www.locktonlevisham.co.uk.

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