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Swinton Village Action Group



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Bonfire, Fireworks and BBQ



Swinton Village Bonfire

Despite really heavy rain and swirling wind the annual village bonfire & fireworks went ahead as planned and over 200 people enjoyed the evening.

We were worried that we were going to be out of pocket but in the end made a small profit which will go towards village events, the newsletter and bulb planting.

Very many thanks to all who helped in any way, special thanks to Peter Galtry and his team for their usual efficient way of setting up and lighting the bonfire and fireworks.

Many thanks to the catering staff and bar staff who also worked hard on the night.

It wasn't an easy task in the weather conditions!

Christmas Disco



Plans are now well underway for the Children's Christmas Disco which will be held at the Sports Centre on Saturday 28th December from 6.30 – 8pm.

This is being organized by Beth Fox and she is doing an amazing jobs of getting help with raffle prizes, children's prizes, balloon stall and various other stalls.

Tickets are selling very fast, if you would like some, please ring Beth on 01653 691013. They are £2 each for under 16s only. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Swinton Village Action Group

Annual General Meeting

This will be held in the Reading Rooms at 7.30 pm on Monday 27 January 2014.

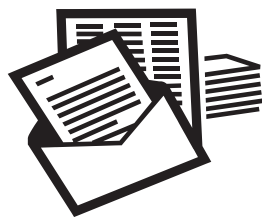
The Action Group is responsible for producing this newsletter, the Bonfire & Fireworks event, Children's beetle drives, discos, car boot sale and treasure hunts.

We would like to have more people involved in the group, so please come along to the meeting.

If you don't want to be part of the group, we are quite happy for you to offer your services to organize an event or help at any of them.

For more details contact Jan Anderson

01653 696544



Letters

Letters Policy:

We reserve the right not to publish any letter. Senders must supply their name and address and be prepared to have them published. The Newsletter does not necessarily agree with any of the views expressed on these pages.



Charles with sister Dorothy, taken in Cherry Avenue?

Letters And News

Moving House

Rob and Alison Harrison would like to sincerely thank friends and neighbours that supported us in our successful planning application, we are delighted. We are sure the residents of Pearsons Yard and beyond will be looking forward to quiet lie ins on a weekend when Splash and Ripple move

house with us.

Restricted Pavements

I am writing to raise my concerns about the number of pavements in Swinton that are obstructed with Vehicles and other items that make it difficult for pedestrians to stay off the roads.

North Yorkshire County Council have a web page where

obstructed pavements can be reported by members of the public.

<http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/25253/How-do-I-report-an-obstruction-of-the-pavement>

Name and Address Supplied

Memories Of Swinton Chapter 2 (Charles Osborne)

Childhood Memories Early Days

Being born just before the start of the Second World War meant that I slowly absorbed the realities of that conflict and the impact it made on the village and the people. Blackout curtains were the norm as were the food shortages and rationing. Country folk were already used to being self sufficient in garden produce but even so the restriction in the availability of all types of goods must have made life very difficult for our parents. As far as I was concerned it was all very exciting and for a young lad to see all types of warplanes whizzing about, presumably, as now using the area mainly for training purposes, was great fun. Automatically everybody quickly learnt to identify the various aircraft and of course Spitfires and Mosquitoes were my favourites. Looking back I realise that as children we identified with the heroes and villains and the determination of our country to win the conflict from our parents who got their information via the radio and newspa-

pers.

The street games of us boys reflected the influence of the war with two sides doing battle with twigs and sticks for guns and much vocal imitation of machine guns and rifles (Private Pike in Dads Army had nothing on us), needless to say the Tommies always beat the Nazis.

As the war progressed the village became home to evacuees and I can remember three of them by name, Tony Green who was billeted with Mr & Mrs Robinson and Frank & George Dearman . One of the Dearman boys was with us at No.10 (George I think).

I'm not sure where Tony came from but Frank and George were from Hull whose dockyards were a target for the enemy bombers.

Seeing uniformed village men became a regular sight as many were called up to serve in the armed forces, many of the men were not allowed to join the armed forces and had to remain at work on the farms and it became common to see prisoners of war and so called dis-

placed persons in distinctive clothing at work in the fields. I can remember one set of Nissan huts in Amotherby housing men (possibly Polish). I think that Swinton Grange was used as a convalescent home for some of the war wounded, quite possibly air-men, because I remember seeing men wearing what looked like bright blue pyjamas walking in small groups around the village.

Many of the village men, my Dad included, enrolled in the Home Guard and I remember a rifle and a fearsome spiked metal ball attached by a short chain to a baton being parked behind the front door. The Home Guard used the quarry at the top of the village opposite the Co-op as a rifle range and collecting empty shell casings was one of exciting things to do. By the time I was 5 years old and about to start school it was common to see convoys of all kinds of military vehicles travelling along the road through the village, occasionally one vehicle would detour round the village streets maybe as a kind of morale booster and I can remem-

Memories Of Swinton Chapter 2 (Continued)

ber being lifted by a soldier onto the top of a small tracked personnel carrier.

By 1943 the war was going our way and although we didn't realise it at the time stockpiles of ammunition were being made ready for D day, open ended curved corrugated iron storage for bombs, shells and ammunition appeared on the verges up Swinton and

Amotherby lanes, all there for us to explore and be fascinated by.

1943 and going to school loomed.

The BATA Dusty Millers photo.

Attached photo of the BATA employees at Amotherby.

Not sure of date but will be

early in 1950's.

Names i think are as Follows.

Names from left:

(probably the foreman 'cos he's wearing a tie).

Aurthur Freer ?

Norman Collier (I think) ?

Billy Debenham ?

Allen Hogarth (kneeling with his dog) ?

Charlie Osborne



Bata Dusty Millers

Keep Warm Save Money

Keep Warm, Save Money

Rural Action Yorkshire is running an event at Slingsby



Village Hall on Wednesday 22 January 2014, from 11am to 2-30pm (approx finish time)

This will include lots of useful information and tips on how to

keep warm & comfortable this winter and save money on heating bills etc.

This event is free and includes a light lunch.

For more information and to book a place please contact Maggie Farey on 01723 882303, or 07825 380051
Email: maggie.farey@ruralyorkshire.org.uk

Editor:

Keep Warm Keep Well.

A UK Government Guide for over 60's

http://www.direct.gov.uk/prod_consum_dg/groups/dg_digitalassets/@dg/@en/documents/digitalasset/dg_180561.pdf



Proposed Reductions to Bus Service Subsidy

Article taken from NYCC.

We are already committed to saving £94million over the four years ending 31 March 2015, but following recent announcements by the Government over future funding, we now need to find a further estimated £77million between 2015 and 2019.

Members of the council have agreed to start a number of public consultations on our proposals for saving this money.

Earlier this year we ran

a consultation to gauge public support for reducing expenditure in particular areas.

Reduced spending on concessionary fares and public transport were ranked high at that time. Whilst we are still committed to investing in public transport we have to look at reducing the amount of money we spend to support bus services in the county by £1.1million. However, no decision to withdraw bus subsidies will be taken without careful consideration of the results of this consultation exercise.

This consultation has now closed.

Next steps.

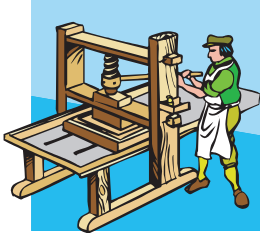
Initial results will be made public on 20 December 2013 with recommendations and proposals planned for publication on 7 January 2014.

For more details visit the web site below.

Web Site:

<http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/26600/Proposed-reductions-to-bus-service-subsidy>





Editorial

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Thoughts on Christmas.



So remember while December Brings the only Christmas day, In the year let there be Christmas in the things you do and say.

Spare a thought for Neighbours who may have no family or friends to say Happy Christmas.

To all our readers and contributors.

**A Happy Christmas
And Merry New Year.
From, Swinton Village
Action Group.**

Police Box. Community Police News



How to Contact Us

In an emergency always call 999.

To report crime or anti-social behaviour call our non emergency number on 101 or Email: ryedalesnt@northyorks.hire.pnn.police.uk

Community Policing

Crime Stoppers on

0800 555 111

The following articles have been sourced from NYP Community Messaging.

Leave a light on

When you go out, leave a light on to give the impression there is someone at home. 58% of burglaries take place in the evening or night and 34% occur at the weekend. Timer switches can be fitted to operate radios and lights when you are out. Be smart about how you position them, a bedroom light coming on at 9.30pm and going off at 11.00pm is sensible. Protect your property be on your guard against 2-in-1 burglaries where thieves break into a house, take the car keys then steal the homeowner's car. Police see an increase in this type of crime in the autumn and winter months and there is an operation,

Operation Haven

<http://www.northyorkshire.police.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=9096&p=0> to nip them in the bud.

Keep it safe, keep it locked.

North Yorkshire Neighbourhood Watch Association Destructive malware

"CryptoLocker" is on the loose Demanding money with men-

aces.

Please be vigilant to this scam, Malware that encrypts your data and tries to sell it back to you.

CryptoLocker, detected by Sophos as Troj/Ransom-ACP, is a malicious program known as ransomware.

Some ransomware just freezes your computer and asks you to pay a fee. (These threats can usually be unlocked without paying up, using a decent anti-virus program as a recovery tool.)

CryptoLocker is different: your computer and software keep on working, but your personal files, such as documents, spreadsheets and images, are encrypted.

The criminals retain the only copy of the decryption key on their server - it is not saved on your computer, so you cannot unlock your files without their assistance, for a substantial fee. For more information go to:

<http://nakedsecurity.sophos.com/2013/10/18/cryptoLocker-ransomware-see-how-it-works-learn-about-prevention-cleanup-and-recovery/>

This article explains how the CryptoLocker ransomware works, including a short video

showing it in action.

The article tells you about prevention, cleanup, and recovery. It also explains how to improve your security against this sort of threat in future.

Street Lighting

You may be aware that some local authorities are considering or have taken the decision to turn street lights off at certain times.

Neighbourhood Watch is carrying out a survey to determine public perception of this action.

Please complete the survey, which you will find by clicking the link below.

It only takes a few minutes.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/perceptionsofsafety>

For More information about Neighbourhood Watch visit the web links below.

The National web site has links to area news and also to other supporting websites.

http://www.ourwatch.org.uk/your_local_area/#

For reporting Street based problems use the link below.

Fix My Street

<http://www.fixmystreet.com/>

Click on the link below for **Swinton Incidents** or paste the link below into your web browser. www.police.uk/crime/?q=Swinton%2C+North+Yorkshire+YO17+6SH%2C+UK#crimetypes/2013-04

Parish Council Minutes Held on Wednesday 6th November 2013

MINUTES of Swinton Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 6 November 2013, 7pm in The Reading Rooms, Swinton.

Present.

Cllr P Powell (Chair), Cllr P Cuthbertson (Vice Chair), Gail Cook (Clerk), Cllr R Harrison, Cllr M Fenwick, Cllr V Farrow.

Apologies for Absence.

Cllr R Davies

Minutes of the last Meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting held on Wednesday 2 October 2013 were taken as read and signed by the Chairman as being a true and accurate record.

Matters Arising.

NYCC Highways

The drains on the Main Road have now been cleared.

Some small repairs to pot holes have been completed on Swinton Grange Lane, the contractors have been told to come back and make good the repairs.

ACTION:

Paul Cuthbertson to contact highways again regarding pot holes on Swinton Grange Lane.

ACTION:

Clerk to arrange for a site inspection between the Parish Council and Melanie Farnham and forward a copy of the letter from Highways offering a SLOW road marking to the Chairman.

Swinton Parish Council Workshops

All rental payments for the workshops are up to date to October 2013.

All Members agreed to pay the Npower invoice to enable the Parish Council to ascertain the most cost effective way of supplying electric to the workshops.

ACTION:

Councillors to arrange a site inspection at the workshop to rectify the leaking room.

ACTION:

Clerk to send reminders for a previous outstanding electric invoice.

Street Lighting Faults

None

Swinton In Bloom

Thank you to the Chairman for the new planting on the bus shelter.

VAS Signs

The signs will be removed on 17 September, return on the 3rd December.

Correspondence.

NYCC Household Waste Recycling Centres, changing the way we deal with waste tell us what you think.

Planning Applications.

Application No: 13/01110/HOUSE

Applicant: Miss R Slaughter

Location: 8 Highfield Terrace, High Street, Swinton, Malton

Proposal: Erection of bay window and canopy to front elevation together with

extension to existing garage.

The Parish Council have no objections to this application.

Decision Notice: Approval

Application No: 13/00679/OUT

Applicant: Mr Robert Harrison

Proposal: Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling (site area 0.1ha)

Location: Land at OS Field 4700

Lowfield Lane, Swinton, Malton

Any Other Business.

N Power Charges for period 19 July – 9 Oct 2013 £50.79 Chq No: 100661

Cllr Mrs V Farrow commented on the excellent service she received from Yorkshire Water recently due to blocked drains.

ACTION:

Clerk to send a letter to resident regarding trimming an overgrown hedge.

Date of the Next Meeting.

This would be held on Wednesday 8 January 2014, 7.15pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.05pm

Events

Swinton Village Action Group Coming Events

Stop Press.

Santa and Sleigh will visit Swinton, Broughton & Amotherby on Saturday 14th December

Saturday 28 December
Children's Disco at BSA centre
6.30 pm

Monday 27 January 2014
Swinton Village Action Group

Annual General Meeting
Reading Rooms 7.30 pm

Notes from the Action Group

We have recently run a Village Treasure Hunt and Car Boot Sale, neither of which were very well supported.

The Treasure Hunt only had 25 adults and 10 children, all of whom enjoyed themselves very much, but it was a great shame that more people didn't join in as a lot of work had gone in to

planning it, especially from the compilers of the Treasure Hunt (many thanks to Sue Swales and John Coffey) and Lyn at the Blacksmith Arms, who put on a marvelous buffet for us. This was the first event to lose money!

The Car Boot had 15 sellers, but very few customers, which again was very disappointing. Is Saturday a good day for people, we don't want to clash with other Sunday Car Boots in the area?

The Action Group are considering whether or not to run these events again or is there something else people would like us to do, we would welcome any suggestions from residents. Please let us know what you think.

For more details contact Jan Anderson

01653 696544

Broughton, Swinton And Amotherby Sports Centre



BSA Sports Centre

Access Gateway

The primary entrance gateway has been graded with planeings and is now open.

Variable cost reduction.

A project to replace lighting with low energy or LED's has been undertaken. Currently a survey of the existing lights and controls has began, this will highlight the areas where potential savings good be made. Alongside this, enquires are ongoing to identify sources of capital funding which would reduce the overall cost of the project.

Building Repairs

Guttering, one section has cor-

roded and separated from the downpipe and requires replac- ing. Awaiting feedback from fabricator.

Trustees

Recruitment of new trustees ongoing.

Low Lane

The access road at the corner of low lane to the new concrete section has had the potholes refilled with planeings and rolled. Low Lane still requires the Highways Department to instigate repairs.

Future Events

Saturday 14/12/2013
County Bowls Championships.

9am - 4pm

BSA Christmas Bingo 7pm

Sunday 15/12/2013

County Bowls Championships
9am - 4pm

Saturday 28/12/2013 Christ-
mas Disco (Under 16's)
6pm - 8pm

For information or to Book the
Facilities inside or outdoor
Pitches

Tel: after 7pm. 01653 690807

Or Contact:

Derek Cuthbertson

Tel: 01653690807

Email swinton.bsa@gmail.com

Contributed by R Good

Swinton Reading Room and Community Hall

Beetle Drive

The fourth Beetle drive was held on Friday 22nd November. Attendance was lower than



usual, but we understand there were other things happening that evening.

The original decision to send



proceeds to Ryedale Special Families was changed to the Philippines Typhoon appeal with the intention to donate to

RSF next time (what am I say- ing, will we do this again)?

It was another noisy, fun packed evening with all con-



cerned having the opportunity to improve on their mathemat- ics skills.

The winners were:

Overall winner; George Bennet

Funniest and scariest beetle going to Caleb and Isabel.

Booby prize to Rob Firby

The ticket money and raffle raised £83.00 which has been donated to the Phillipines ap- peal. Many thanks to all the helpers and also Rachael for her wonderful baking.

Thank you.
Dianne

Is anyone interested in a knock out competition for snooker at the Reading Room? If so, please let Dianne know and we can see whether it is worth pursuing.

There was some interest when mentioned before, so maybe a few more of you would like to take up the challenge?

This could be run as a league table or initial groups and then knockout.

Let me know what you think
Dianne

01653 697548

Swinton and District Excelsior Band

The band is currently in the middle of a very busy month with lots of carolling.

We hope to be playing round Swinton on Monday 23rd December so please listen out for us (weather permitting).

We will also be playing carols outside the Blacksmith's Arms on Christmas Eve from 7pm so it would be good to see you there.

Rehearsal's resume for the training band on Saturday 4th January and Monday 6th for the Main band, so if you fancy learning an instrument please

come along on the Saturday (between 6 and 8pm) or if you can already play a brass instrument then come along on the Monday (7.30pm) and we will be very pleased to see you.

We already have a number of bookings for next Summer and we will let you know where you can see us out and about in due course.

If you would like any further details of the band please have a look at our website <http://www.swinton-band.org/> or contact our Secretary Steve on 01653 696417. Thanks to all of

you who have supported us over the year and we wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Swinton Brass Band

BSA Short Mat Bowls Club

Indoors Short Mat Bowls

We Currently have two Teams competing in the Scarborough Short Mat Bowls League.

Current League Positions.

BSA "A"

Played 9- Won 8 - Lost 1
Placed 1st.

On their current form, they are on target to gain a promotion back to the 1st division.

BSA "B"

Current League Position

Played 8 - Won 4 - Lost 4
Placed 6th

The "B" Team continues to develop new players and is slowly showing a constant run

of form, which has enabled it to beat last seasons total numbers of wins and only 4 points behind last seasons total points.

Social Bowls Sessions are run on Mondays from 2 - 3pm and League Games on Thursdays at 7pm.

For more Details Contact.
Richard good 01653 697921
Freda Fenwick 01653 694640



Indoor Short Mat Bowls

Swinton And District Horticultural Society

Frost, rainfall and winds are increasingly common, sunshine hours are much reduced and it can be bitter with a risk of snow. You may not want to be working outside at this time of year, but luckily there's not a lot to do.

Keep an eye on winter protection, and if you have a greenhouse, make sure the heater works.

It's time to think about pruning apples and pears too.

Top 10 things to do this month

1) Check that greenhouse heat-

ers are working OK

2) Prevent ponds and stand pipes from freezing

3) Prune open-grown apples and pears (but not those trained against walls)

4) Prune acers, birches and vines before Christmas to avoid bleeding

5) Harvest leeks, parsnips, winter cabbage, sprouts and remaining root crops

6) Deciduous trees and shrubs can still be planted and transplanted

7) Take hardwood cuttings

8) Keep mice away from stored produce

9) Reduce watering of house-plants

10) Check your winter protection structures are still securely in place

Rainfall.

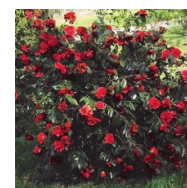
October 74ml

November 42.5ml

Flowers Of The Month



Golden Mimosa



Camellia

The Blacksmiths Arms



I have been working hard with Marie over the past few months to finalise our **Christmas Fayre menu** and we are very proud to say we have managed to hold last year's price of £19.95 for three courses (£15.95 for two courses). Friday 29 November is the start date and we finish on Monday 23 December with pre-bookable meals available lunch and evening during that period. Friday nights are party nights with FREE karaoke so book early to avoid disappointment. Menus are at the printers at the moment but anyone desperate to get a sneak preview can contact me and I will happily let you have a simple A4 version!!!

Speaking of Christmas we have 'booked' **Swinton Brass Band** to appear again so please join us for the tradition of carols

around the Christmas Tree **on Christmas Eve** and Santa popped in for a refreshment break last week and said how much he is looking forward to seeing the kiddies again and hearing what they would like for Christmas this year!

We have also arranged **New Year's Eve** Theme night Following the success of last year's Hollywood theme we are staying over the water and holding **The Great Blacksby Speakeasy** so come on all you Gangsters and Molls Call us to reserve your table It's just £24.95 per person . Again menus will be available soon!

Following the success of live music at The Lettered Board we have booked a very popular duo from Pickering area called **Double Trouble** to appear at The Blacksmiths on **Saturday 14 December** – please come along and support them. We used to hold regular live music nights but had to curtail them due to the cost of artistes and lack of support so let's see if we can get the momentum going again! This place really rocks when we get a decent sized audience in!!!! In fact come and join us on **Boxing Night** – it should be fantastic with **Buddy Holly** appearing live.

Lynn and Taff

Date	Bar	Event
THURS 19 th	12 till 2 & 5 till midnight	Christmas Quiz
FRI 20 th	12 noon to midnight	Karaoke
SAT 21 st	12 noon to midnight	
SUN 22 nd	12 noon to 11pm	Christmas Draw
MON 23 rd	12 noon to 11pm	
Christmas Eve TUES 24th	12 noon to midnight	Carols with the Band/Karaoke
Christmas Day WEDS 25th	11.30am to 2pm	
Boxing Day THURS 26th	12 noon to midnight	Live Music!!! Bootleg Buddy
FRI 27 th	12 noon to midnight	
SAT 28 th	12 noon to midnight	
SUN 29 th	12 noon to 11pm	
MON 30 th	12 till 2 & 5 till midnight	
New Year's Eve TUES 31st	12 noon to 1am	Great 'Blacksby' Meal and Live Music
New Year's Day WEDS 1st	12 noon to 11pm	
THURS 2 nd	12 till 2 & 5 till midnight	
FRI 3 rd	12 noon to midnight	
SAT 4 th	12 noon to midnight	
SUN 5 th	12 noon to 11pm	
MON 6 th	CLOSED	
TUES 7 th	CLOSED	
WEDS 8 th	CLOSED	
THURS 9 th	12 till 2 & 5 till midnight	

Adverts

Small batch, hand reared lamb for sale. Freezer packs cut as leg, thick chops, shoulder, neck chops and breast.

Half lamb £70,

Whole lamb £130

Delivery included

Contact : Domini Charman, Tel: 07525 031761