



WRNM News!

The village newsletter of Wykeham, Ruston and North Moor
LOCAL NEWS FOR LOCAL PEOPLE



A Winning Entry!!

Okay – so what happened to Summer? I think we would all have to agree that it was a bit of a wash-out, although we have enjoyed the odd decent day of sunshine. I feel that, for once, I have a believable excuse for the garden being a complete mess. Pity the tallest weed class at the show was for kids only – I'd have won hands down!! Talking of the Village Show – a triumph! – if you missed it you missed a treat. Lots of pictures inside along with other riveting stuff to while away an hour or two so put those feet up and enjoy!

Your Ed (As I put the finishing touches to this illustrious periodical, Summer has arrived!)

P.S. Funding is still an issue. If you enjoy your WRNM News! and want it to continue please speak up!

Parish Council

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Monday 16 July 2012 and the following notes may be of interest:

All the Councillors were present.

Prior to the start of the Meeting a family from Westgate in Ruston presented a Petition headed “We want our children to be SAFE!” The petitioners “feel a sign should be placed at each entrance to the village stating Caution Children Playing. Also, as the national speed limit applies to the village we would like to see this reduced to 15/20mph.” The Petition was received and it was explained that North Yorkshire County Council is the Highways Authority for the area. It was agreed that the Clerk would send copies of the Petition to the Highways Authority and County Councillor Jeffels and at the same time provide the residents with contact details for the aforementioned.

The Council also welcomed two residents from North Moor who expressed environmental and traffic concerns about the proposed Drilling Operations by Viking Gas. The site lies close to the Parish boundary in Sawdon and construction and operational traffic would use the road through North Moor from the junction with the A170 at the Downe Arms. The residents’ comments were noted after it was explained that the Parish Council has not yet been consulted on the planning application that it understands has just been submitted to the National Park Planning Authority. Reference to the current position will also be made during the Correspondence item on the agenda.

The Clerk advised the residents of a separate plan to carry out Seismic Surveys over a wide area in the Vale of Pickering, including Wykeham Parish. This work does not require planning permission

Cllr. Sword has reported the fly tipping adjacent to the North Moor railway bridge to the Highways Area Office but no action has yet been taken.

Cllr. Barnett has checked up on the Gun Club’s activities and has been assured that all necessary approvals have been sought and granted for the current operations.

The Clerk confirmed that he has contacted the Highways Area Office about the potholes in Wykeham Main Street and the blocked gullies on the A170. Potholes in Burton Terrace and Westgate, Ruston are now being added to the list. The Highways Inspector should, by now, have carried out an inspection of the sites.

Finance

Members received the latest Financial Statement and noted the receipt and payments made since the Annual Meeting. It was agreed not to provide financial support for the Good Neighbours Community Transport Scheme.

Financing the Parish Newsletter (very important! – Ed)

The Clerk confirmed that editions 24 and 25 have been published and that the printing now needs to be paid for. Receipt of £500.00 from the 2011 Whizz would cover the gross cost of the above printing and that of the Autumn 2012 edition, number 26. Options for future funding were discussed i.e. increasing the Precept, seeking sponsorship, arranging events and using money from renting the Marquee. Cllr. Day reported that funds raised at the recent Village Show will be available to pay for the printing of one future edition before the end of 2012. Looking ahead into 2013, it was agreed that the Parish Council will contribute half the cost of printing 4 editions up to a maximum of £250.00. Attention will now be given to raising the balance locally and residents may be asked for their views on the benefits of the Newsletter and how to fund it.

Other Community Projects, issues and initiatives

Cllr. Day reported that, following discussions with the Estate, a plan has been drawn up for new fencing and gates to provide better pedestrian access across Valley Farm Field in Ruston to connect with the Millennium Walk. The plan also allows for an extension of the Millennium Walk in a northerly direction to connect with the road that continues from Eastgate. Cllr. Day said that quotes are being obtained for the work which will be jointly funded from grants and by the Estate. The Millennium Group is hoping for financial support from the Scarborough Small Scale Enhancement Scheme and possibly the National Park Authority.

Cllr. Day referred to the residual problem of silting up in Ruston Beck and said that, whilst the pipe has been cleared, the stream bed needs clearing again. It was acknowledged that the Estate is responsible for this maintenance and Cllr. Sword noted the position. Cllr. Day also mentioned similar problems with the Beck in Wykeham opposite the side entrance to the Downe Arms.

Members considered a letter from the Estate setting out the proposed terms of an annual license which enables the Parish Council to provide a Village Amenity Green off Eastgate in Ruston. It was agreed to accept the terms and Cllr. Terry signed the agreement. Lady Downe and Cllr. Sword declared an interest in this matter and did not vote.

Members discussed a letter from County Councillor Jeffels in which he detailed the consultation by North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service regarding the future of Snainton Fire Station. The aim is to close the Fire Station and transfer the team to Sherburn. It was agreed to make the following comments:

1. "It is understood that Snainton received 146 calls in 2010 and only 46 in 2011. An explanation is needed for this dramatic drop together with details of how the calls were prioritised.
2. Is it a fact that there are problems in recruiting a full crew at Sherburn? It would not be practical to expect fire-fighters based in Snainton to travel to Sherburn for a call-out.
3. The country road between Sherburn and Snainton is narrow and a fire-engine travelling at speed would present a hazard to its own crew and other road users.
4. In 2008, a couple trapped by a house fire in Snainton were saved by the local crew with only minutes to spare before they would have perished.

5. Providing an effective fire service north of the A170 requires detailed local knowledge. Here the landscape is dominated by farms, with isolated farmhouses, and extensive areas of forestry.

The Parish Council is most concerned about the suggestion that Snainton Fire Station might close and objects to any proposals that would leave the area and its residents more vulnerable and at risk."

Consultations and liaison

Members noted Scarborough Borough Council's consultation letters on the "Designation of Local Green Spaces" and the "Community Asset Transfer Plan."

The Clerk confirmed the information given to the members of the public earlier about a notification by TESLA that the company intends to carry out a "3D" Seismic Survey across the Vale of Pickering, including Wykeham Parish, to establish the potential of gas reserves.

The Clerk again drew attention to the proposal by Viking Gas to carry out exploratory drilling in Sawdon Parish with the site being accessed from the Downe Arms junction on the A170 and then up the road through North Moor. It is assumed that the Parish Council will be consulted by the National Park Planning Authority but in the meantime it was agreed to ask the developers to consider holding meeting at which residents and Councillors could ask questions.

Attention was drawn to the letter from Anita Cassedy on behalf of Derwent Valley Bridge in which she thanked the Parish Council for its grant towards operating costs.

Date and time of next Meeting

Monday 10 September 2012 at 6.30pm in the St John Office at Wykeham Business Centre.

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P.S. from your Ed


Don't forget the Parish Council has a website www.wykehamparishcouncilk.org.uk and that this wonderful publication is available there in case you inadvertently use yours to wrap up the fish and chips or want to send it on to a friend, relative or ex-villager

Events at the Downe Arms

 Sunday 28 October Mercedes Club Classic Car Charity Event- private lunch for the club members but the car park will be full of classic cars on display for any enthusiasts out there! Cars usually arrive about 11am

 Friday 26 October Take That Tribute- back by popular demand £10 per ticket

 Friday 8 December - Special Party Night with Freddie Mercury tribute £29 pp

 Don't Forget The Old Favourites! Tuesday Steak Night from £16 for 2 steaks (all Glave's meat) Thursday Evening is Curry Night

Millennium Footpath

Work continues by a small group of volunteers to improve the Millennium footpath. More gravel has been laid along the former railway track towards Ruston, and on the path through Fishpond Wood, and foxgloves and snowdrops have been planted at various points along the route.

There are plans to extend the path to incorporate more of Ruston and to put in an additional path linking the walk to a point further along Eastgate in Ruston.

Two working nights have been arranged Wednesday 19th September and Wednesday 26th September meeting at 6pm. Anyone is welcome and on Wednesday 19th we will meet at the Ice House, behind the Church and on Wednesday 26th we will meet at the end of the Millennium Path, opposite the stables in Ruston at 6pm.



If you would like to be involved with improving the Millennium Walk please contact Laurence Day on 01723 862990 or laurenceday2810@yahoo.co.uk

Janet's Jottings

When you are in business you are always on the look out for an opportunity to offer different products to the public.

Earlier this year I was asked by a friend if it was possible for her sixteen year old daughter, together with some friends, to have a go at driving. They were desperate to get behind the wheel so she wanted to arrange this surprise as a well done for working hard for exams. I found some private land and a fun time was had by all.



This request set me thinking this could be more than a one-off, so I have negotiated with Wykeham Estate to use Charm Park race course to offer an Under 17's Driving Experience. This will be an opportunity for teenagers over fifteen years old to get their first taste of driving. I will not be training rally drivers, this will be an introduction into the skills of driving. I am also in negotiation with Pickering Showground to offer similar events although these will be on tarmac.

So if you have any teenagers with something to celebrate, want a present for some special occasion go to my website www.drivingaspirations.co.uk, and get more details.

Safe Travelling
Janet

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Helping drive your Aspirations

North Moor, Ruston and Wykeham Village Show

From Your Ed

Somehow we managed a day of sunshine for the first-in-a-very-long-time Village Show. Considering the weather before and immediately after I take this as an omen! I'm sure all those who attended will agree that the show was a triumph! A very enjoyable afternoon indeed. Plenty of entries in the classes, lots of fun for the children with races and fancy dress, and for our canine friends with their own show! Even the old tractors had their moment of glory! I think we all owe thanks to the organising committee who worked very hard. Pictures speak louder than words so here goes:







From the Committee

Well done to all involved in the all-new North Moor, Ruston and Wykeham Village Show. The wonderful weather helped, of course, but the excellent turnout by residents and stall-holders, the enthusiasm of those taking part, the high standard of entries and the hard work of the organisers meant that the show was a great success – see the photo special elsewhere in the WRNM News. It was a delight to see so many local children taking part, particularly in the sports and classes, and vital if such a traditional, local event is to survive. The net amount raised after deductions for rosettes and table/chair hire was £145, which will be used to fund a future issue of the WRNM News ([Hoorah – Ed](#)). Suggestions to improve the event next year include earlier notification of the classes, better control of parking on the show site, improved access to loos, and a wider range of classes to include home-made wine and walking sticks. Possible dates for next year's show are 14 or 21 July, depending on other local events, and the show will be held again at the Wykeham Business Centre. If you have suggestions for improving the show, or would like to be involved, then please contact Laurence Day or Anne Britton. And we are already planning ahead – the next meeting of the show organisers will be 16 January 2013 at 8pm in the Downe Arms. All very welcome!

Books Like Nothing You've Ever Read Before or Will Again

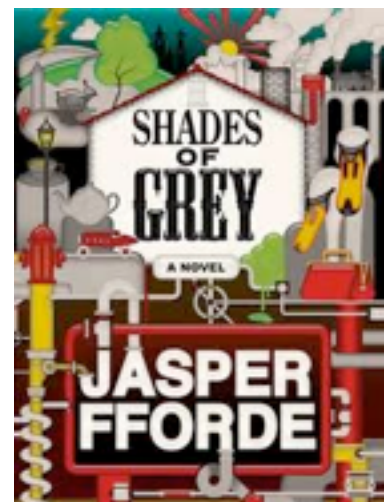
Ella Minnow Pea by Mark Dunn

An epistolary novel set on a fictional island off the South Carolina coastline, *Ella Minnow Pea* brings readers to the hometown of Nevin Nollop, inventor of the pangram "The Quick Brown Fox Jumps Over the Lazy Dog." Deified for his achievement in life, Nevin has been honored in death with a monument featuring his famous phrase. One day, however, the letter Z falls from the monument, and some of the islanders interpret the missing tile as a message from beyond the grave. The letter Z is banned from use. On an island where the residents pride them-selves on their love of language, this is seen as a tragedy. They are still reeling from the shock when another tile falls. And then another...In his charming debut, first published in 2001, Mark Dunn took readers on a journey through the eyes of Ella Minnow Pea, a young woman forced to create another clever turn of phrase in order to save the islanders' beloved language.



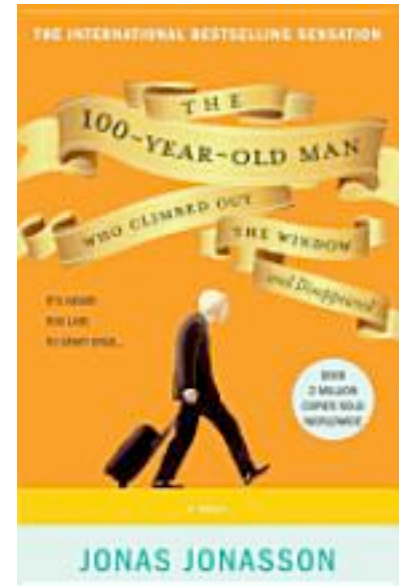
Shades of Grey – Jasper Fforde

Hundreds of years in the future, after the Something that Happened, the world is an alarmingly different place. Life is lived according to The Rulebook and social hierarchy is determined by your perception of colour. Eddie Russett is an above average Red who dreams of moving up the ladder by marriage to Constance Oxblood. Until he is sent to the Outer Fringes where he meets Jane – a lowly Grey with an uncontrollable temper and a desire to see him killed. For Eddie, it's love at first sight. But his infatuation will lead him to discover that all is not as it seems in a world where everything that looks black and white is really shades of grey ...If George Orwell had tripped over a paint pot or Douglas Adams favoured colour swatches instead of towels ...neither of them would have come up with anything as eccentrically brilliant as *Shades of Grey*.



The Hundred Year Old Man Who Climbed Out of the window and Disappeared – Jonas Jonasson

It all starts on the one-hundredth birthday of Allan Karlsson. Sitting quietly in his room in an old people's home, he is waiting for the party he-never-wanted-anyway to begin. The mayor is going to be there. The press is going to be there. But, as it turns out, Allan is not...Slowly but surely Allan climbs out of his bedroom window, into the flowerbed (in his slippers) and makes his getaway. And so begins his picaresque and unlikely journey involving criminals, several murders, a suitcase full of cash, and incompetent police. As his escapades unfold, we learn something of Allan's earlier life in which – remarkably – he helped to make the atom bomb, became friends with American presidents, Russian tyrants, and Chinese leaders, and was a participant behind the scenes in many key events of the twentieth century.



All 3 of these books are quirky and original and guaranteed to bring a smile to your face.

Di Ruston

Garden Notes

Bulbs! A garden can't have enough of them, and with types available for winter and summer planting, it's easy to have a show of colour for most times of the year.

Particularly good for flowering now are gladioli. If planted in spring, between clumps of perennials such as sedums or geraniums, they will provide welcome spikes of fabulous colour (lime green, magenta, apricot) pushing up through the surrounding foliage. Scented lilies are also a delight planted in pots so they can be moved around to where you can enjoy the fragrance.

It will soon be time for planting the spring-flowering bulbs such as daffodils and tulips. In a flower border daffodils can look straggly and untidy as their foliage dies back, as well as attracting slugs and snails. Better to plant them in pots and stand them where



you can enjoy their flowers but then move them out of the way when they are finished. The bulbs can then be dried, stored and replanted the following year. Tulips can also be treated in this way, but they also look good planted permanently in a sheltered border among other shrubs and flowers, and left undisturbed to increase year on year. There are early-, mid- and late-flowering varieties of tulip and daffodil, so it's possible to get a flowering season which lasts from February to late May.

And finally it's always worth planting a few crocus in containers to bring indoors as they are about to flower, to enjoy their fragrance at nose-level. "Snow Bunting" is a lovely white, honey-scented variety which also provides food for early bees. Happy planting!

Anne Britton

Church News

Open Gardens was held on July 1st which was, sadly, a disappointing day weather-wise. The number of visitors was consequently low but the event still raised £450.55 Of which £170.55 came from the sale of teas.

It was a good opportunity for the villages to work together. Everyone had gone to a lot of trouble and there were some superb gardens. We think this year Ruston may have had the slight edge.

Robert and Rosemary Sword

Wykeham Cricket Club



Good Progress made with Wykeham Cricket Pavilion

The Cricket Pavilion, which the Cricket club hope to be using for the start of next season, is now a water tight building. The cedar cladding has still to be added to the outside but most observers seem to think that the building looks pretty good. The club has not sufficient funds to completely furnish the inside at the present although it should have enough to put in toilets and have working kitchen facilities.

The inside layout is basically three large rooms; this has been deliberately done so that, as money becomes available, the club can add rooms for umpires and scorers. Eventually

they hope to have electricity connected so that they can have showers and sophisticated items like electronic scoreboards.

The Cricket Club has had considerable assistance in the building so far and would particularly like to thank our main sponsor Yorventure and also the help of Kingspan, Wards, Scarborough Flooring and Wykeham Estates.

The club would also like to put on record their thanks for the efforts of our builder Mr J.C. Robinson.



The old pavilion is up for sale, sensible offers considered, would make great fire wood!



Evening League Cricket

After the heady success of last season it was down with a bump this year. The A team did manage to cling on to their division A status if only by the narrowest of margins. This was quite a considerable achievement as this is high quality league containing the first teams of clubs like Flixton and Staxton.

The B Team found life in the B Division very difficult after their success of last season when they were promoted without losing a game. This season they managed only one win and finished bottom of the league. The problem was not being able to score runs, they had several batsmen more than able to give a good account of themselves, it was stopping the opposition from scoring even more runs. However with young bowlers like Matty Graves developing all the time they should be in a good position to bounce back at the first time of asking.

Wykeham fielded a C Team for the first time in their history. They, along with Scalby, were the only clubs to field three sides in the Evening League last season which is some sort of success in itself. The C Team did, in fact, have quite a reasonable season and finished in a very respectable mid table position.

Saturday League Cricket

It was a similar, rather disappointing, story for the Saturday sides of Wykeham CC. The first team was relegated from The A Division of the Beckett League. There were however some extenuating circumstances, for example, Dave Pearson, their best bowler and arguably the best bowler in the league, was not able to bowl a ball because of an injury. Losing stalwart opening batsman Pete Shepherdson with a broken jaw after five overs of the first game did not help and neither did hard hitting batsman Steve Clegg missing the whole season with a serious leg injury.

The B Team managed to retain their Beckett League Status despite having a total of 34 points deducted for somewhat arcane reasons. All credit to Captain Ian Thompson for keeping the spirits of the lads in the team up and pulling off some notable victories when it mattered. It should be pointed out that although they only just avoided relegation if they had retained the 34 points they would have been in a comfortable position in the league.

The third Team have almost inevitably had a difficult season, call offs in higher sides always lead to problems for the thirds as far as selection is concerned. However despite this the captaincy team of Ben Metcalfe and Robin Shepherdson managed to keep a remarkably good team spirit amongst the squad and although the side took some heavy defeats they also handed out some punishment, for example the nine wicket defeat of Thornton Dale.

The Junior Section

Although there was mixed success for our sides the junior section continues to go from strength to strength.

The under 11s were the big success story winning their Zone of the league without losing a game and in fact they were not beaten until they faced the awesomely impressive Pickering side in the grand final. In a side which showed much promise Adam Eustace and

Aaron Fox stood out but there are several lads here who we hope are going to play a big part in Wykeham's future.

The under 9s had a marvellous season, playing more matches than any other under 9s team in the area. Some of their players were good enough to play for older teams. The urbane Henry Tubbs and Josh Bagshaw particularly caught the eye.

The Under 13's featured a girl star in Megan Holt. We are hoping that our improved facilities will encourage more girls to take part. Some of the boys were pretty good too, James Fox being one.

The Under15's did not have a particularly successful season as far as results went but nevertheless some of their players are already filtering through to the senior sides. George Shannon had some good knocks for the Third Team and great things are expected of Harry Gunning, younger brother of Ollie who has already played for the First Team.

The junior section seems to be having its own social scene and the season finished with a Dads and Lads match followed by a barbecue and a camping session at The Park.

Coaches Ian Thompson and Dan Bateson were a bit disappointed that no juniors joined them on the last leg of their Coast to Coast sponsored Walk but to be honest it would have taken a pretty impressive junior walker to keep pace with those lads.

Dave Grimwood

School News

It gives me great pleasure to introduce myself as the new Headteacher of Wykeham CE Primary School.

Having visited the school on several occasions prior to starting I have found all those involved in the life of the school very welcoming and the school is clearly valued by everyone in the local community. I would like to offer particular thanks to Sue Clothier for all her help in ensuring a smooth transition.

I have previously been Headteacher of a small village school near Harrogate. I have been teaching for 17 years, the majority of this time in village schools and my wife and I have a 17 month old daughter.



I know how vital working in partnership with parents and the community really is, for children to find school a positive and rewarding experience. I strongly believe achievement and enjoyment go hand in hand. I have high expectations in all areas, especially behaviour and attainment which I hope you will all will support.

James Pynn ([A big welcome to James - Ed](#))

Wykeham Tea Rooms

I would like to introduce myself as the new management at Wykeham Tea Rooms.

The tea rooms have been re-furbished and all the food on offer is made fresh to order. I offer a great selection of home baking including gluten free options. A take-away service is also available and I will take orders for cakes.

I am having an Open Evening on Wednesday September 19th from 5.00 to 8.00p.m.. Please come along and enjoy a free glass of fizz while meeting the suppliers and having a taste of the delicious produce on offer.

I look forward to seeing you there - all welcome!

Jayne Tweddle



Derwent Valley Bridge

Derwent Valley Bridge has now been in operation for 3 months and we are starting to get a routine going. There are enough volunteers now to man the desk and we can keep up the opening hours that North Yorkshire provided before. The volunteers have all been trained by the staff at Scarborough library and although they were surprised at all the work that has to be done to run a library, they are now all settled and enjoying the new venture.

We have just purchased a coffee machine so you will now be able to purchase tea, coffee, cappuccino and hot chocolate for a reasonable cost. This was something both the volunteers and customers thought would be really useful, especially mums waiting for children to choose their books.

We have received a grant to improve the windows and fascias of the building so over the weekend of the 15/16th September you will see a great deal of activity outside the library building as new double glazed windows are put in and the purple boards are replaced with white. There will also be new signage going up using the winning logo from our competition. This is all in preparation for our official opening by the Mayor of Scarborough on Saturday 22nd September at 1pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and watch.

We are now in the process of getting CRB checks sorted so that the programme of children's events that we are planning can get under way.

There is still a lot of work to be done but we are getting there. Why not come along and see how we are doing? You can change your books here even if you are a member of another library in the area and don't forget our DVD hire deals. For £15 you can borrow two DVD's for up to three weeks at a time over a period of 6 months, it must be cheaper than the video shops in town.

Anita Cassedy

Dates For Your Diary

Weds Sept 19 Open Evening at Wykeham Tea Rooms 5-8pm

Sat Sept 22 Official Opening Derwent Valley Bridge 1pm

Friday Oct 26 Take That Tribute Downe Arms

Sunday Oct 28 Old Mercs in car park Downe Arms

Weds Oct 31 Trick or Treat?

Monday Nov 5 Remember Remember

Saturday Dec 8 Freddie Mercury Tribute Downe Arms

Next Edition (bumper Christmas one) December 2012

All contributions to the Ed by November 26th please

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And finally.....These are sentences exactly as typed by medical secretaries in NHS Greater Glasgow

The patient has no previous history of suicide.

She has no rigors or shaking chills, but her husband states she was very hot in bed last night.

On the second day the knee was better and on the third day it disappeared.

Discharge status:- Alive, but without my permission.

Patient had waffles for breakfast and anorexia for lunch.

She is numb from her toes down.

While in A&E, she was examined, x-rated and sent home.

