



WRNM News!

The village newsletter of Wykeham, Ruston and North Moor

LOCAL NEWS FOR LOCAL PEOPLE!!



Ruston Highland Cattle

September is here heralding the end of a long and beautiful Summer celebrated in the Villages with the Village Show and the first flower festival for many years. You will find reports on both in this edition together with lots of cricket news and more about those beautiful cows on the cover.

This is the 30th edition of WRNM News! Hard to believe that I am in to my 8th year as Ed and therefore high time to give someone else the chance of editing this illustrious publication! The next edition will be my last so if anyone is interested in taking up the challenge please contact me or any member of the Parish Council.

Enjoy!

Your Ed

Parish Council

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Monday 8th June 2013. The following notes may be of interest:

Cllr Sword sent his apologies. County and Borough Cllr. D Jeffels, Borough Cllr. M Jay-Hanmer, PCSO M Bradley and 3 members of the public were present for part of the meeting.

Police Report and other local matters

Members had received the hard copy Police Report with the agenda and PCSO Bradley limited her verbal contribution to the headline material. She was pleased to report that crime figures for Derwent Ward are significantly down on the same period for last year i.e. April to June. PCSO Bradley said that a high level of resources is currently being devoted to monitoring and policing the Seamer Horse Fair and the Travellers who are attracted to it. The Fair will be open for 5 days and 4 nights commencing Thursday 11 July. There were no other exceptional matters to draw attention to at this time.

Cllr. Jeffels also spoke about the efforts the Borough Council and the Police are making to limit the impact of the Fair and the intention is to reduce the length of the event over time. It was agreed to thank the Police for their efforts.

A member of the public referred to problems at the viewpoint parking area close to the junction of Moor Road and Cockmoor Road in Wykeham Forest. Here, he said, vehicles have been driven into the area adjoining the parking area, loud music has been heard and there is evidence of a fire being lit and partying taking place. PCSO Bradley noted this information. The above resident also mentioned that some paths in the Forest are being "taped off" for cycling events and that there is some abuse of "green roads" by motorists. The Clerk said he would refer the above matters to the Forestry Commission/National Park Authority.

PCSO Bradley was thanked for attending and left the Meeting.

Cllr. Day referred to problems caused by blocked gullies on the A170 with water running down the Hill into Town End at Ruston. A resident added that the carriageway at the junction of Moor Road and Cockmoor Road continues to deteriorate as a result of its use by HGVs servicing the Viking Gas site. Cllr. Jeffels said he would refer these matters to Mr West (County Council Highways).

Planning Developments and Applications

The North Moor residents were first to speak about the **York Potash Ltd.** planning application and confirmed that a meeting had been held with Mr Sword in his role as Manager of the Dawnay Estates. The residents left this meeting feeling positive about an agreement being reached which would lead to exclusion zones being designated around their properties but it has since been confirmed that the Estates and York Potash Ltd. consider that exclusion zones are unnecessary and that their designation in these circumstances could set precedents. The residents acknowledge that they are in a unique position as leaseholders without mineral rights but they feel

they should be treated in the same way as freeholders. They are concerned about the effects the proposals will have on property values, mortgage applications and insurances and say there is evidence from Cleveland potash mining that subsidence could be an issue. Mr Saunders said he would provide Cllr. Jeffels with details of this evidence.

The residents have received the letter from the North York Moors National Park Authority which sets out details of the arrangements for considering the planning application on 29 July 2013 and have noted that the 30 Parish Councils affected by the proposals will be jointly represented. Cllrs. Day and Terry had attended the joint meeting of Parish Councils held on 14 May 2013 when only 3 Parishes were represented. Residents asked if Wykeham Parish Council will ensure that the North Moor issues will be highlighted to the National Park Authority's Members and Cllr. Jeffels said he will take the issues on board as he is a member of the considering Committee. In the meantime, the Clerk will contact the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations for an update on the Parishes joint submission.

N.B. York Potash Ltd. has since asked for consideration of the application to be deferred

The North Moor residents were also first to speak about the **Viking Gas** development on Cockmoor Road in Sawdon Parish. They have established an effective working relationship with the Company but problems are being caused by the vehicles of contractors whose numbers exceed the levels approved in the planning permission and whose speeds are considered to be too fast at times. A horse rider's dog has been killed in collision with one such vehicle. Cllr. Jeffels reported that the Highways Authority cannot confirm a date when the "slow signs" will be re-painted on the carriageway either side of the settlement and that it will not be in the near future. It was also mentioned again that the HGVs, in particular, have damaged the road at the junction of Cockmoor Road and Moor Road and regular repairs are having to be carried out.

The Clerk reported that Viking Gas has kept the Parish Council informed of progress via regular updates and the latest of these states that drilling will commence shortly following initial difficulties with the rig. He will contact the Company to inform it of the residents' continuing transportation concerns.

The Clerk reported that no decision has yet been made by the North York Moors Authority on the application to **alter and extend North Moor Cottage, East North Moor** although the development is well advanced. He also confirmed that the application for a **Wind Farm at Linghall Farm, West Heslerton** has been refused contrary to Officer recommendation.

N.B. It has since been announced that an Appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for the above Wind Farm.

Community Projects, issues and initiatives

Cllr Terry reported that the latest **WRNM News** has just been published and Cllr. Barnett said he will continue to seek support for printing costs from Hardwicke Engineering and the Downe Arms. Cllrs. were asked if including advertising in the newsletter had been considered and Cllr. Terry explained that the original concept had been based on not including adverts although the insertion of flyers is not ruled out. The level of business conducted at the "**Farmers' Market**" was mentioned and Lady Downe said that the Estates continue to work hard to try to ensure its continuing success. The competition provided by roadside stalls was referred to and it was concluded that if this is an issue it is a matter for the Planning and Highways Authorities.

Cllr. Day provided an update on the **Millennium Walk and Ruston Village Amenity Area project** where picnic tables, seats, signs and a basketball frame are now in place. Additional fencing is to be carried out, consideration will be given to printing new maps and £300.00 is available through grant aid for planting bulbs and country flowers. The Clerk confirmed that the picnic tables are covered by the Council's insurance.

Under **Other Community Issues**, Cllr. Day reported that the official opening of the new **Cricket Club Pavilion** has taken place with Lord Downe doing the honours. Unfortunately, the weather was inclement and, despite attempts to play, no game was possible. Photographs of the event are available to view on the Cricket Club's website.

The future of the **Village Hall project** was also discussed and it was agreed that a meeting of the Village Hall Committee should be convened and any decisions then reported to the Parish Council.

Finance

Members received the latest **Financial Statement** and noted the receipts and the payments made since the Annual Meeting. These included the transactions involved in the construction of the Ruston road signs. Requests for payment were approved and cheques authorised:

Consultations and liaison

Cllr. Barnett had attended the inaugural **Management Committee Meeting** set up as part of the approval process for the extensions to **Wykeham Quarry**. He explained that the discussions involved considerable technical detail and, whilst he would be willing to attend future meetings, no decision had been made about who would be the Parish Council representative for the areas close to the development. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Mr Ayres at Hansons to establish how the Parish Councils' representative will be chosen.

Members noted the North Yorkshire County Council's initiative to review its **Local Account for Health and Audit Services** and the intention to prepare a **Minerals and Waste Joint Plan** by the North Yorkshire County Council, the City of York and the North York Moors National Park AuRuston in 2014/15 but locations are not described in sufficient detail and the Clerk was asked to request copies of plans.

General correspondence

Members received and considered the list of general correspondence. The list of meetings organised by Scarborough Borough Council, North Yorkshire County Council, the North York Moors NPA and the YLCA was noted as was a letter of thanks from Cllr. Jeffels following his re-election as County Councillor.

Dates and times of next Meetings

Thursday 10 October and Monday 18 November 2013 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 used yours to wrap up the apples for storage or want to send it on to a friend, relative or ex-villager

Millennium Footpath

Following a successful bid for funds to the Royal Horticultural Society, we have ordered 500 English Bluebell bulbs and 250 "Farndale" wild daffodil bulbs. These will be planted at various points along the footpath during a working party to be organised in October. Further information will be circulated nearer the time and posted up on the notice boards.

It's very good to see the new basketball hoop now installed at Ruston Village Green. A storage locker for additional play equipment will follow in due course. storage locker for additional play equipment will follow in due course.



The Village Show 2013

In Words:

Congratulations and many thanks to the organisers, sponsors, visitors and contributors to the WRNM Village Show held on July 21st. Once again the weather was on our side and we had a really enjoyable afternoon showcasing our local talents! A total of nearly £500 was raised which will go towards funding the WRNM News! (yay! - Ed).

Particular thanks go to Layla Bradley for opening the show and to Ray Kirk for providing musical entertainment and making the announcements. Also much appreciation to Jaconellis for providing their delicious ice-cream and to Chrissie and Joan for their stirring work on the unenviable task of judging the entries.

We were delighted that the tractor run was able to make a return visit raising £40 for the Air Ambulance - very well done!

The most popular class was photography. We were treated to some very inventive and entertaining "Royal Baby" decorated eggs from the children of Wykeham School and some monster plants in the Tallest Weed class!

If you have any comments or suggestions for next year please contact Laurence Day, Katrina Shamel or Anne Britton. The Show will return by popular demand next year, same venue, similar date - See you there!

And pictures:







Janet's Jottings

Bobby has an ambition to drive and recently he started his journey (sorry, no pun intended!) by enjoying a Driving Experience with me at Pickering Showground.



Before this his driving had been undertaken in a big grass field but now he had roads to stay on therefore he had a better understanding of how it will be out on the open road.

We changed gear, went round tight corners, through gaps in hedges, a figure of eight exercise to speed up steering skills, hill starts and finally reversing, at least 100m, straight as a die.

When asked how he had done he said "I was perfect" and I can't argue with that.

It was an inspiring day for both of us. Congratulations on your achievement Bobby.

Safe Travelling

Janet

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Helping drive your Aspirations

Your WRNM News

To ensure we get the best value from our Newsletter fund, Katrina Shamel carried out a cost comparison with other printers, and the current arrangement (printing it via the Dawnay Estates Offices) was still found to be the most competitive

Home Workers Wanted

The Glitter Tree, based at Unit 3 Farfield manufacture and supply the most amazing range of temporary glitter tattoos and body art. They relocated to Wykeham four months ago and are rapidly expanding and are looking for local people for casual work from home. If you are looking for part time, home based work, flexible to suit you, contact Jo Harmer for more details on 01507 308608 or info@theglittertree.com to see more of what they do go to www.theglittertree.com



Wykeham Cricket Club

VISCOUNT DOWNE BRAVES THE ELEMENTS TO OPEN NEW CRICKET PAVILION

Sunday 23 June saw a goodly crowd of players, ex- players, family members and people interested in Wykeham Cricket Club gather to see Viscount Downe, who had travelled up from London, officially open the new cricket pavilion. The weather was not kind and Viscount Downe starting to speak seemed to trigger rain clouds. He gamely battled on however and his audience, even more bravely, stood in the rain and listened attentively and remarkably enthusiastically.

Viscount Downe paid tribute to all those who had assisted in the building of the pavilion, noting particularly that it had been very much a joint effort with many concerns helping out in a variety of ways. He singled out Yorventure who had contributed the majority of the funds necessary for the project but also mentioned that firms like Wards had been very helpful in providing materials. Mr Jon Robinson, the builder, who had been

particularly helpful throughout the construction process, came in for special praise. He was too modest to mention that Dawnay Estates had also been very positive.



Gareth Barnard, the Club Captain, thanked Viscount Downe for his kind words and presented him with a club shirt which he will no doubt take every opportunity to wear on theatre visits and the like.

The plan was that there was to be a match between a present club side and a side composed of ex Wykeham players. The players gallantly made a start in conditions that could euphemistically be described as damp, however, despite actually changing wickets at one stage, it was finally decided to call things off with some of the shorter players in danger of drowning.

Things were not all doom and gloom however, the stocks of wine seemed to hold up well despite receiving something of a hammering from some of the more enthusiastic celebrators and then the

highlight of the afternoon the magnificent cricket tea laid on by Elaine Day and her team of expert caterers. This seemed to leave nearly everybody in rather good spirits

particularly as they were able to enjoy their teas in the relative comfort of the village marquee.

WYKEHAM CRICKET CLUB JUNIOR AWARDS

Wykeham Cricket Club decided to break with tradition and have their annual awards for junior players as part of an afternoon and evening of activities. Matches involving parents and junior players were followed by the presentations, a barbeque and then some hardy souls camped at the ground.

The Chairman opened the presentations by thanking the team managers for their sterling work and skilful coaching, the parents for their wholehearted support and the players for the way that they had played and conducted themselves throughout the season. He commented on the excellent atmosphere at many of the games.

Each team manager: Pete Shepherdson for the Under 9s, Dan Bateson, the under 11s, Ian Thompson the under13s and finally Gareth Barnard for the under 15s then introduced the awards for their particular teams with a quick resume of their respective seasons.

The full list of awards was as follows:

Under 9s

Best Batsman– Sam Owen

Best Bowler– Jack Norman

Best catch– Jamie Dennis

Most Improved player – William French

Under 11s

Best batsman – Adam Eustace

Best bowler– Toby Dennis

Best catch– Finlay Marsh

Most Improved player– Henry Tubbs

Under 13s

Best batsman – Lewis Eustace

Best bowler– Adam Eustace

Best catch– James Fox

Most Improved player – Henry Kapsaskis

Under 15s

Best batsman– Matthew Gibson

Best bowler– Ben Norman

Best catch– Matthew Gibson

Most improved player– Megan Holt

Most Improved Team (Winners of the Fox Trophy) The Under 9s

WYKEHAM 1ST XI GAIN PROMOTION

Wykeham 1st XI took a step towards their ultimate goal of reaching the Premier Division of the Beckett League when their promotion to the A Division of the league was confirmed. It seems likely that they will miss out on their immediate target of being winners of the division but nevertheless bouncing straight back up after their relegation last season is a satisfactory outcome.

Wykeham have lost only one game this season and their recent demolition of Grindale, who are likely to be promoted as champions, suggests that they might be the strongest team in the division at this moment.

All credit must go to skipper Gareth Barnard who has really boosted the morale in the team not only through his own bowling performances but also his tireless enthusiasm. He has been helped by some strong batting performances; Craig Bateman has been particularly consistent throughout the season and looks to be a batsman who will continue to thrive at a higher level. Jamie Bryant's 156 not out against Grindale must be one of the best performances for many a season.

In the bowling department there is the ever reliable Barnard and his support looks promising with some of the main hopes being very young and almost certain to improve. Matthew Vincent is establishing himself as a spin bowler who really gives it a rip. Matthew Graves looks as though he will be genuinely quick. Much however will depend on the fitness of Dave Pearson. He has been unable to take on any really serious bowling this year because of injury problems and has had to reinvent himself as a batsman which he has done successfully, witness his maiden century against Scarborough 3rds. However, at about six foot seven tall he is a fearsome prospect in full flow and if he can get back to full fitness it will be a major boost to the clubs chances.

Being a successful side helps to attract good players and a major acquisition this season has been all rounder Glyn Botterill. Glyn has scored a century and taken useful wickets and has proved a very useful addition to the squad.

We look forward to the 2014 season with some enthusiasm.

Dave Grimwood

Tribute Acts at the Downe Arms

8th November **Jessie J Tribute** Vocalist, DJ & Disco in the function suite £6pp



13th December **Lady GA GA Tribute**
Christmas Party Night, Vocalist, dinner, DJ & Disco in the function suite £31pp



20th December **Kylie Tribute** Christmas Party Night, Vocalist, dinner, DJ & Disco in the function suite £31pp

Garden Notes

What has been your favourite plant this Summer? And what has coped best with the dry weather? Scented lilies grown in pots are always a good bet. They can be moved around and placed where their spectacular flowers and wonderful perfume can be appreciated and then moved out of the way when the flowers have faded. They require minimal watering, although more generous watering will result in bigger bulbs the following year. Once potted up, lilies can remain in their pots for 2 or 3 years before needing to be separated out and replanted. Covering the soil in the pot with 2cms of small gravel will help conserve the moisture.



Particularly good this year has been 'Miss Feyra', a deep magenta lily almost 150cms tall, with a strong perfume which is very attractive to night pollinating moths. Unfortunately Lilly Beetle has now been found on plants in the Scarborough area. This is a bright orange-red beetle, approximately 1cm long, oblong-shaped with black antennae. It lays black eggs on the underside of lily leaves. The eggs turn into black, slimy larvae which eat, and ultimately ruin, the plant. If you spot this pest on lilies destroy both beetle and larvae immediately!

Happy - and vigilant - gardening! Anne Britton

The Ruston Fold of Highland Cattle

Over the last few years, you may have noticed the fields around Ruston have some more unusual beasts in them than you'd normally expect to see in Yorkshire!

Highland cattle arrive at Ruston Farm in 2008 with the purchase of six pedigree heifers. We chose the breed for their ability to thrive outdoors all year round, no matter what the weather has in store. Our goal is to have 24 breeding cows, we're getting closer to this with 14 due to calve in the spring of 2014. Due to their ability to exist in the harshest of environments, they keep in condition on a very lowly diet of grass, which we supplement with straw over the winter. They have to have special shaped feeders so that their horns don't get stuck!

We keep the bullocks (male calves) for three years as they grow much more slowly than normal commercial beef cattle. This year the first batch are heading off to Waitrose for the Christmas beef scheme. We will continue to send them each year. The heifers (female calves) are all registered as pedigree with the Highland Cattle Society. Most are sold to other breeders with some remaining to enter the breeding herd. The cattle don't just eat grass, they will clear scrubland and use their horns to break down tree branches.

We put the calves on halters from about a year old. This is usually a fairly easy job as they are so docile and it gets them used to being handled. The cows have a fixed pecking order within the fold. The more senior cows get the first dibs on the grass, straw and even water!

If you want more information you can check out our website www.rustonhighlandcattle.co.uk or visit our Facebook page, just search for Ruston Highland Cattle where I keep you up to date with all the latest goings on, especially at calving time! ([more pics on the back page - Ed](#))

Bridal Boot-ique Sale

Sun 13th October 11am – 4pm

Snainton Village Hall

Large table £15.00

Small table £10.00

Just got Married? Rooms full of decorations & dresses? Book a table, set out your stall and “upcycle”!

Getting Married ? Wanting a bargain, something a bit different? Come and find that perfect tiara without breaking the bank.

Just thinking about it?!! Looking for ideas?
Workshops and demos to put the personal touch into your celebration.

For more details or book a table

ring: 07821 299233

email: bottomdrawerevents@gmail.com

Morning Coffees & Afternoon teas by
Bottom Drawer Pop-up Tearooms

Entry £1.00

Flower Festival

The flower festival at Saint Helens church, held over the August bank holiday weekend for the first time in many years, was a great success. The Festival was the brain child of Janet Crossley and she drummed up the support of local enthusiasts who helped make the event possible.



Volunteers from Wykeham, Ruston, North Moor , Hutton Buscle Ebberston and Scarborough worked together to plan, design and make the floral decorations which were themed around the subject of Living and Working in Wykeham. The volunteers bought flowers from a wholesale supplier and supplemented the arrangements with garden foliage and home grown flowers.

The estate office kindly helped to market the event.....and Lawrence Day event brought three very large trees and some shrubs up from the Mature Trees to represent the forests and woodlands of the area.

The displays were simply magnificent. Working as a group to ensure the church looked its absolute best brought communities together in a spirit of camaraderie and teamwork forging new relationships which was an unexpected bonus!



Sponsorship was kindly donated by local businesses and residents of the locality.

The fruits of everyone's hard work....and the wonderful smell of the flowers and foliage.... were greatly appreciated by the many visitors and friends who came to the Flower Festival which was opened on the Friday evening with a visit from Andrew and Sue Backhouse, the Mayor and Mayoress of Scarborough, who were given a tour of the church and chatted to the team who made the event possible.

Over the weekend visitors were served teas, coffees and refreshments by a willing bunch of volunteers and a

significant amount was raised for the Church fund.

Jo Purdy

I have never seen the Church looking so fabulous. Anyone who didn't go missed a real treat! Well done everyone! - Ed

Dates for your Diary

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| Sun Sept 22 | Harvest Festival | Hutton Buscel | 11a.m. |
| Thurs Oct 10 | Parish Council | St John's Office | 6.30p.m. |
| Sunday Oct 13 | Bridal Sale | Snainton Village Hall | 11a.m. -4p.m. |
| Mon Nov 18 | Parish Council | St John's Office | 6.30p.m. |
| Friday Nov 8 | Jessie J Tribute | Downe Arms | |
| Friday Dec 13 | Lady Gaga Tribute | Downe Arms | |
| Friday Dec 20 | Kylie Tribute | Downe Arms | |

Next Edition

December 2013

All contributions to the Ed by November 23rd please

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And Finally.....had to be a cow joke!

A city man was tooling down a country road when his car sputtered to a complete stop near a field filled with cows. The driver, getting out to see what was the matter, noticed one of the cows looking at him. "I believe it's your radiator," said the cow. The man nearly jumped right out of his city slicker britches! He ran to the nearest farmhouse and knocked on the door. "A cow just gave me advice about my car!" he shouted, waving his arms frantically back toward the field. The farmer nonchalantly leaned out beyond the door frame to glance down the field. "The cow with two big black spots on it?" the farmer asked slowly. "Yes! Yes! That's the one!" the excited man replied. "Oh. Well, that's Ethel," the farmer said, turning back to the man. "Don't pay any attention to her. She doesn't know a thing about cars."