

# WRNM News!

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



**WELCOME...** to this Autumn edition of your Village newsletter. There is some sad news, as we pay tribute to two much-loved local residents who have passed away - June Baxendale of Ruston and Margaret Warry of Wykeham. We also say "hello" to Wykeham Parish Councillor Ray Kirk, and give an update on all manner of local events and news, particularly the third **Village Memories Day**, which takes place on 29 September, and the new and exciting **Wykeham Festival** (11-13 October). It's hard to believe, but the next issue will be the Christmas one, so please do get in touch with your own suitably festive news, photos and items of interest – the WRNM News would be nothing without you!  
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## PARISH COUNCIL

Here is a selection of items from the draft minutes of the most recent Parish Council Meetings. The full minutes may be found on the Parish Council website [www.wykehamparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.wykehamparishcouncil.org.uk) The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019** at 6pm at 4 Langley House, Wykeham Business centre.

### From the meeting on 4 July:

**Speeding** remains an issue of concern to the Council. The Clerk will contact NYP to ask about hand-held speed checks by the police on the A170 in our area. The worn rumble strips are to be replaced. The possibility of a VA sign was again discussed, but the cost is likely to be a problem. The Clerk will also contact NYP for information about the two road accidents which have taken place on the A170 in Wykeham in recent months.

**North Moor and Ruston** The Council have received a letter from a member of the public regarding the grass cutting and state of the footpath in Ruston. Councillors will look into this.

Councillor Ashman pointed out that there is a pile of rubble on the side of the road at North Moor, south of Forest Lodge. The Council had previously allocated £150 to pay for its removal. The Clerk will contact Wykeham Estate regarding this.

Councillors agreed to allocate £10 per trough for the flower troughs, 3 in North Moor and 4 in Ruston.

The Clerk is to apply for assistance from the community service scheme in respect of clearing and tidying up the footpaths on the A170 and in Ruston village.

**Cllr Jeffels** Councillor Kirk asked Councillor Jeffels if consideration had been given by Scarborough Borough Council to the impact on vital services locally of the housing developments being built in Ayton. Councillor Kirk said that a number of constituents have expressed concern that medical services and education services in Ayton will not be able to cope with the extra number of residents. Councillor Jeffels said that contributions will be paid to fund essential services and that the local medical practice had not expressed concern.

**Clerk's Briefing** The Clerk advised that NYP were concerned about caravans and horses being in position on the grass verges at Wykeham prior to the Seamer Horse Fair. The police have said they will maintain a mobile presence in the area.

**Wykeham Fund** Councillor Ashman reported that outstanding funding was now being distributed and that Wykeham had been allocated £620 which is expected to be used for an information board and plants.

## New Parish Councillor

The Parish Council for Wykeham, Ruston & North Moor now has a new member - Ray Kirk of Lilac Cottage, 29 Wykeham. Ray has lived in Wykeham for the past fifteen years with his partner Jacqui. Having worked in Local Government in his home county of Nottinghamshire he moved to Scarborough in the late sixties to work for Scarborough Borough Council as a legal administrator, where he remained for 32 years, eventually becoming Principal Assistant to the Chief Executive. Whilst working for the Council he also ran a hotel and restaurant in partnership with a friend near Filey and later, with his former wife, had the tenancy of the Denison Arms in East Ayton for three years in the eighties. However, his lifelong love is music, having played piano, organ and keyboards widely in an amateur/semi-professional capacity.



In the mid nineties this love took over and he left the, what he called, mundane legal affairs of the Local Authority to become a professional musician. Over the following years he worked for the Rank Organisation, Mecca and Shearings, providing musical entertainment in hotels and other venues. In recent times he has become tired of "travelling all over the place" and is now semi-retired, just playing dance music at Whitby Spa Pavilion once a week all year round under contract to Sheffield International Venues.

Ray's other love is trains and he has an involvement with the North Bay Railway at Peasholm in Scarborough. As a qualified driver he frequently helps out driving the trains which he says provides the opportunity for great interaction with the many locals, visitors and holiday makers who ride on the railway.

Having recently accepted an invitation to stand for the Parish Council, he looks forward to becoming more involved in the affairs of the village. Residents who have any problems, issues or suggestions they would like bringing before the Council are welcome to contact him either personally at 29 Wykeham, by telephone on 01723 863539 or email at [raykirk29@gmail.com](mailto:raykirk29@gmail.com).

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### MILLENNIUM FOOTPATH GROUP

The link path project is now almost complete. We were delighted to hear that we have been allocated a further £620 from the fund provided by Hansons plc. There have been many positive comments about the new landscape, and it is fascinating to see what aquatic creatures have already taken up residence in the new pools. Thanks to Hansons plc and the Dawnay Estate for funding and permitting the work respectively, to Martin Pinder for the fencing, to Terry Vitty for the bird/bat boxes and to those dedicated volunteers who have used their time and muscles to make it all happen.



There have been the usual "pulling" sessions of Himalayan balsam along the Millennium Path – well done especially to Mary Ann for spotting hidden plants. Several people have asked what this pesky plant look like, so here is a reminder: Originally used as a garden plant in Victorian times they are good at hiding among other plants and their flowers are similar in colour to pink campion. They can grow very tall, have exploding seed pods which can propel seed over several metres, and spread prolifically along watercourses. Although very pretty, Himalayan balsam swamps other smaller and native species.

If you would like to know more about the group, have ideas for improving our local footpaths, or would like to come along to a working party, please contact Laurence on 07711738866.

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**A RARE VISITOR .....**

Spotted on 25 July by Sharon Colley whilst walking along the Millennium Path was this Marbled White butterfly. Rarely found in the north, its preferred habitat includes grass verges, waste ground and – what a funny coincidence - disused railway lines! The butterflies lay their eggs randomly on tall grasses; the caterpillars hibernate in grass tussocks and reappear in Spring, pupating in June. (Information taken from *Butterflies of Great Britain and Ireland* by R Lewington). Photo courtesy of Sharon Colley



## Janet's Jottings

You will of course know Rule 126 of the Highway Code!! It states "Drive at a speed that will allow you to stop well within the distance you can see to be clear." As we can't see round sharp bends, over brows of hills etc we should be approaching these at a lower speed, well to the left of our lane.

I was driving near Filey recently, approaching the brow of a hill so well over to the left, and eased off the gas a little bit, and it was a good job because coming towards me, in the middle of the road, was a car overtaking a bike!! If I had been in my normal driving position, ie 1m from the kerb, there would have been a head-on smash. Whilst it was great the other car driver was giving the bike such a wide berth, perhaps on the brow of a hill was not the best place to overtake. In 2018, 59.8% of fatal accidents occurred on our country roads. Inappropriate speed, bad visibility due to sharp bends, blind summits, overgrown verges etc, vulnerable road users such as cyclists and walkers all make our rural roads potentially dangerous places to be, and we drive these roads every day.

My advice, if you can't see very far ahead: slow down, you have no idea what's round the corner!

Safe travelling.

Janet 07713 646461

Driving Aspirations, helping drive **your** aspirations

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## MARGARET WARRY

It is with great sadness that we report that Margaret Warry has passed away. She was a stalwart member and supporter of Wykeham Church, a much-missed member of the community and good friend to many. A tree will be planted in her memory in Wykeham churchyard. Back in 2016 Margaret kindly agreed to be interviewed as part of the village Memories archive. Here are some of her words.



"I was born in Lincoln. My father came to work for Lord Downe in the early 1950s as a general farm worker, and we lived in one of the cottages at Ruston Carr, next door to where the gamekeeper lives now. My father worked at Carr Farm and Wykeham Farm. I started at Brompton School, and my mother used to cycle up to the school with me. We then moved to where I live now, 103 Wykeham (which used to be the police house). We had a side-oven next to the coal fire, which my mother used for baking. I then changed schools and started at Wykeham School. There were two teachers, Mrs Whalley and Miss Walton, and two classes (Infants and Juniors). I remember there was a coke stove in the classroom, which I liked, and our bottles of milk would be lined up in front of the fire in the winter to warm them up.

When I left Wykeham School I went to Falsgrave Girls School. I left this school when I was 16 and went to work at Duraweld, then at the Cooplands Cafe in Eastborough, Scarborough.

I remember the Rogation parade through Wykeham, when the vicar would bless all the animals. The vicar would also come round and visit people who were sick, and give private communion, and he would always say hello to people. I have always been involved with the Church. Years ago North House was used as the vicarage, and garden parties and other functions were held there. The Church also had social events in the grounds of the Abbey. My social life was going to see friends at their houses, which I always liked. The Post Office used to be in the front room of the third house down on the right-hand side as you come into Wykeham from the main road, and it was run by Miss Gillance. She always looked ancient to me, and she was very kind. I remember looking up at the counter which seemed very big to me as a small child. There was a black-leaded range in the front room, which is where she kept the stamps and other things. When she gave me change she would always say "make sure you take that back to your mother!"

## GARDEN NOTES



### AN EXPERIMENT WITH THE LAWN.....

Current gardening wisdom suggests that we should be letting our lawns grow long, so they are more able to fight the effects of drought and provide a better habitat for insects and wildlife. Here is the result from my own garden. I mowed a 60cm strip round the edge, and diagonally, then waited to see what came up. It was certainly pretty, with several varieties of clover, daisy and cat's ear, and there was a definite increase in bees and hover flies. There were also little pathways through the denser parts, created by hedgehogs (the poo was there to prove it!). I was given some wild orchids, grown from seed, and a couple of prairie iris which added to the colour palette, and I've planted some snowdrop, crocus, camassia and snake's head fritillaries for the spring. The next step will be to mow the whole patch in late autumn. Watch this space!

**ANNE BRITTON**

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## WYKEHAM & HUTTON BUSCEL WI

As we continue to celebrate our 100 years, in June, 11 members had afternoon tea on the NYM Railway, and despite the gloomy weather, our spirits were far from that as we travelled between Grosmont - Pickering - Grosmont indulging in a glass of fizz, delicious savouries, scones and cakes with endless cups of tea!

Then in August, on a rather windy, but thankfully dry Sunday, we hosted an afternoon picnic at Wykeham Cricket ground attended by Lady Downe, for friends and families and which was open to other WIs in the area. Music from 'Simply Brass' kept us entertained while we enjoyed our picnics and a flower quiz kept our brains active. Three birthday cakes in the shape of '100' were ceremonially cut by Lady Downe, to rousing applause and raising a glass to the next 100 years! This WI was formed in October 1919 by the Rt Hon Dorothy Dawnay of Wykeham Abbey with the idea, in Mrs Dawnay's words: "To gather women, rich and poor, of all religious views and all political opinions into one body, with the object of making life fuller and happier in the villages." This was following the First World War when barriers had been broken down and a real bond of union had united all classes in defence of home and country.



The pictures show the spanning of nearly 100 years (not as many hats this time!) - we may be a lot smaller now, but the present President, Brenda Little, re-iterated the same hopes and ethics of 1919 which we continue to aspire to.



The group currently has 14 members and meets on the second Tuesday of the month, 7pm, in Hutton Buscel Village Hall.

We are always delighted to welcome visitors and new members so come along and give us a try!

For further information, please contact **DENISE HOLTBY, Secretary - tel 01723 863149**

## BROMPTON AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Our Plant Swop evening, held on 26 June at the home of Ann and John Deehan in Brompton, was a great success, and the cakes and plants were all of the usual high standard! Members also enjoyed a fascinating visit to Grange Farm near Sherburn on 16 July, which houses a very interesting agricultural museum, as well as a beautiful garden. We were served a traditional Yorkshire afternoon tea and a good time was had by all.

The Club's Annual Show took place on Sunday 11 August at Brompton Village Hall. Gales on the Saturday meant we couldn't put up the exhibition tent so we very much appreciated the help of volunteers and their muscles at 7am on the Sunday to set everything up. The rain avoided us, we had a very good turnout of locals and visitors, and it was a very pleasant afternoon.

To find out more about joining the club, or to come along to one of our meetings, contact **Mrs C Towse on 859375.**

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## REFLECTIONS ON TIME....

The more we live, more brief appear  
Our life's succeeding stages;  
A day to childhood seems a year,  
And years like passing ages.

But as the careworn cheek grows wan,  
And sorrow's shafts fly thicker,  
Ye stars, that measure life to man,  
Why seem your courses quicker?

It may be strange – yet who would change  
Time's course to slower speeding,  
When one by one our friends have gone  
And left our bosoms bleeding?

Heaven gives our years of fading strength  
Indemnifying fleetness;  
And those of youth, a seeming length,  
Proportion'd to their sweetness.

**Selected verses from *The River of Life*  
By Thomas Campbell**

**Have you reached** a big "0" birthday and wondered where the years have gone? It's always Friday, isn't it? Where did the week go?

Poets and writers have reflected on this since – forgive the pun – time immemorial and have used time as a theme, from Shakespeare to Ayckbourn. Shakespeare says "Tomorrow, and tomorrow, and tomorrow creeps in this petty pace from day to day". Poets write about time waiting in the shadows, and J B Priestley uses time as the theme of his play *Time and the Conways*. The concept is undisputable: you can stop a clock but you cannot stop time. Time does not stand still. This little poem I have chosen (shown on the left) is by Thomas Campbell, a Victorian poet.

I think it says it all, and says it very well.

**Laila Bradley**



Scarborough

## Academy of Music

**Manhattan Voices** Our all-female group, Manhattan Voices, will be joining with the Daytones – a male A Cappella group from Wetherby, on Saturday 28th September @ 7.30pm. The concert will be held at St. Andrew’s United Reformed Church, South Cliff, Scarborough.

**Wykeham Festival** The Academy is delighted to offer two musical evenings as part of the Wykeham Festival. Friday 11th October - Students from the Academy will be performing in the church – 7pm. Saturday 12th October 7pm – Tuesday Singers will give a varied programme – 7pm.

**Tuesday Singers** The Orchard House extension – Hallelujah, it’s finished! Our community group, the Tuesday Singers, is looking forward to performing at the launch of Orchard House’s new extension. And our opening song is.... “Hallelujah” (Handel). Orchard House is a care home on Scalby Road and we enjoy entertaining the residents there, giving them a programme of music that enables them to join in and sing some of their old favourites.



### Academy Students

The Wizard of Oz at the Y.M.C.A. stars our own Ella-Rose Wood as Dorothy (left).

Another of our students, Tom Astbury (far left) lands the part of Joey Evans, played by Frank Sinatra in the film Pal Joey (1957). And finally Ruby Hilton is delighted to have been invited to sing in the S.J.T.’s production “80 Years Young,” - a special fund-raising event celebrating Alan Ayckbourn’s 80th birthday.

### A.B.R.S.M. Exams

The Academy continues to buzz with singers, pianists and guitarists all enjoying their music, as well as actors seeking to improve their performances. Many are rewarded when they accept the challenge of exams and this year our students have excelled beyond compare. We had a record number of entrants for exams this time with 30 students taking part, ranging from Grade 1 to Diploma level.

The results were our best ever, with 11 Distinctions, 6 Merits and 13 Passes. The winner of our trophy is Helen Inasu, who gained an A.B.R.S.M. (Diploma level) distinction - an amazing achievement. Congratulations to all our students who worked so hard to achieve such high standards and also to Sue who gives them the skills and confidence to succeed.

**Please telephone 01723 330000 if you require any further information.**

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### NEWS FROM RUSTON FARM

The villages have been buzzing with the sound of combines and tractors as tons of grain are led away from the fields and straw is baled up. Says David Shepherdson Jnr: “The harvest has been rather manic so far with the weather having being catchy. Good progress was made over the Bank Holiday weekend though, with better weather, and all three generations of the family hard at it getting the crops in!

Photo courtesy of David Shepherdson Jnr



# WYKEHAM FESTIVAL

**11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> October**  
**St Helen & All Saints Church, Wykeham**

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 7.00pm:** – Students from the Scarborough Music Academy will be performing. Tickets £5.00 (family £16) to include beer, cider and soft drinks.

## **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

**11.00am to 12.30pm** – Flower Arranging Demonstration by Jo Purdy and helpers. Tickets £12.00 to include wine, tea or coffee and light eats.

**7.00pm to 8.00pm** – The Tuesday Singers, Scarborough Music Academy. Tickets £7.00 to include a glass of wine or soft drinks.

## **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

10.30am – Ecumenical Service/Dedication of the organ followed by tea, coffee and cakes.

**Saturday & Sunday: 1.30 – 4.00pm** Free of charge - WI – 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary displays; Photographs; Schools Display; Art Exhibition; plus teas, coffees and cakes.

**Tickets can be purchased from** The Estate Office, Wykeham, Scarborough, YO13 9QD, 01723 866600 and the Scarborough Academy of Music, 2 Langley House, Wykeham Business Centre, Wykeham, Scarborough, YO13 9QP, 01723 330000, or at the door.

## **Church Services**

A rota of services is being maintained during the interregnum, Pat Wood (Deacon) being a great supporter and organiser of the four parishes within the Upper Derwent Benefice.

Festival or Special Services at Wykeham include:

**Harvest Festival:** 11.00am, 22<sup>nd</sup> September – Joint Service with Hutton Buscel at St Matthew Church, Hutton Buscel followed by lunch in the Village Hall.

**Harvest Festival:** 2.30pm, 6<sup>th</sup> October at our sister church, St Peter's, Langdale End, followed by a Harvest tea.

**All Souls** (commemoration of the departed): 6.30pm, 3<sup>rd</sup> November at St Helen and All Saints Church, Wykeham.

**Remembrance:** 10.50am, 10<sup>th</sup> November at all the churches in the Benefice.

**Benefice Advent Carol Service and Readings** (with the choir): 6.00pm, 1<sup>st</sup> December at St Helen and All Saints Church, Wykeham.

**Nine Lessons and Carols** (with the choir): 6.00pm, 22<sup>nd</sup> December, joint service with Hutton Buscel at St Matthew Church, Hutton Buscel

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# NEWS FROM WYKEHAM CRICKET CLUB

## Mixed Season for Wykeham Cricket Club

Although actual trophies have been in limited supply there have been definite signs of progress for Wykeham Cricket Club.

The one actual triumph so far has been the **A Team** in the Evening League. Last season they were relegated from the First division, winning only one game all season. This year they were promoted back to the First division after winning the Second Division with some ease and in fact only losing one game all season.

It looks as though the ultimate prize, a place in the Premier Division of the Beckett Cricket League is just going to elude the **First Team** on a Saturday. Sam Colling's side have hovered between second and third place all season but it looks as though they are going to finish third. They undoubtedly have the talent to go further but some erratic performances have cost them dear. One thing that has not changed is that Wykeham's opening bowler, the rangy Dave Pearson, will again top the league bowling averages. Dave has, for several seasons, been courted by many other clubs but has steadfastly supported Wykeham.

The Saturday **Second Eleven** is another side that has made tangible improvement. Last season they only avoided relegation on the last day by a single point but this term they have been comfortably towards the top of the table and indeed were at one time promotion candidates (that would have made for an interesting fixture against the Firsts). The Seconds also benefit from an opening bowler of ability and long standing in the appropriately named 'Basher' Wilson.

The **Third Team**, extremely well run and organised under captain Graham Shannon and Manager Tim Metcalfe, have had some notable victories although as a third team they liable to extreme changes in personnel which makes it almost impossible to establish any routines. Their habit of playing with only ten players is also probably not ideal.

## Junior Presentations

The annual parents' and players' matches were held with the usual gusto. Parents play teams of Under 9s, Under 11s and Under 15s before the presentations of trophies to young players who have shown particular promise (see awards below).

### UNDER 9

Best Bat:	Charlie Trousdale	Best Bowler:	Bethany Stockill
Best Catch:	Taylor Simms	Most Improved:	Edie Grimwood

### UNDER 11 A

Best Bat:	Harry Wood	Best Bowler:	James Hutchinson
Best Catch:	Alex Thompson	Most Improved:	Joe Furnass

### UNDER 11 B

Best Bat:	William North	Best Bowler:	Oliver Trousdale
Best Catch:	Harry Hutchinson	Most Improved:	Thomas Danby

### UNDER 13

Best Bat:	Charlie Revis	Best Bowler:	Liam Marley
Best Catch:	Tom Palmer	Most Improved:	Wilf Fountain

### UNDER 15

Best Bat:	Sam Owen	Best Bowler:	Ben North
Best Catch:	Liam Eyre	Most Improved:	Oliver Barnett

## D GRIMWOOD

# NEW BUILDING IN WYKEHAM



Nearly 15 years ago on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2004 HRH the Duke of Kent officially opened the Wykeham Business Centre. The development took many years of careful planning, followed by 18 months of painstaking construction to transform the derelict cattle sheds and grain stores of Wykeham Farms into modern offices. The first occupiers, C>Ways Ltd, needed to expand and so this impressive new building has been designed to accommodate them. It has a timber frame construction with brick finish, and blends with the original refurbished traditional farm buildings. In addition the carpark has been extended and charging points for electric cars installed.

**Katrina Shamel**

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## WYKEHAM'S BUNKER

Wykeham has one of the few remaining Bunker and Aircraft Observation Posts, which were last used to monitor the nuclear threat to Great Britain. Situated on North Moor Road and opened in 1959, the bunker was finally closed in 1991. It was staffed by 16 volunteers from Ruston, Wykeham and Hutton Buscel, and they were all self-taught in the skills needed to carry out their duties.

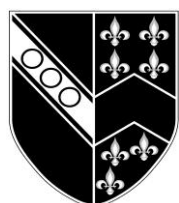
This important site has recently been rescued from the hands of developers who were interested in the site for quirky holiday accommodation! The plan now is to hopefully restore the bunker and open it up to visitors on specific days (outside the shooting season). Unfortunately the bunker was damaged by fire and as yet we have not been able to get the entrance lid open to assess the damage.

There is no funding available to pay for the restoration, so all the work needed will have to be done by volunteers. The Royal Observer Corps has been so helpful in offering support on the restoration of the bunker and Aircraft Observation area. The York Bunker was the headquarters for all the bunkers in North Yorkshire and they are also giving tremendous support.

More information on our progress will be in the December WRNM Newsletter. If anyone is able to offer their time and skills to help restore this really important historic site then please contact me on 01723 862531.

**Christine Shepherdson**

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**WYKEHAM SCHOOL**

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As ever we have been busy with a range of activities and projects, working closely with Hackness School. Our **Autumn term dates** are: 3 September to 20<sup>th</sup> December, with half term 28 October – 1 November.

Please check out our website which includes a copy of our weekly newsletter for all to read!

[www.wykeham.n-yorks.sch.uk](http://www.wykeham.n-yorks.sch.uk)

***As always, if you know of any families with young children moving into our area, please do encourage them to make an appointment to visit our school. Thank you!***

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## JUNE BAXENDALE



Ruston is a much quieter and duller place since the passing of June Baxendale in July. She took a great interest in the village and its residents and was a regular, welcome and entertaining caller on many of us. Trained as a Home Economics teacher, she had a magician's touch with food and could summon up a feast at short notice from the minimum of ingredients. She supported many friends in the village and took immense pleasure in their gardens, as well as her own. Creative, funny, generous, possessed of a quick wit and infectious smile, June is much missed. Our thoughts and sympathy are with Bill, Helen, Katie and all the family.

**Anne Britton**

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## VILLAGE MEMORIES DAY - 29 SEPTEMBER

Back by popular demand, the next Village Memories day will be held on **Sunday, 29 September, 11am-4pm**, at Wykeham Cricket Club.

Also in attendance will be a member of staff from the County Archive in Northallerton, bringing along a range of maps and documents, and Robin Lidster, a local expert on the history of the railway. There will be displays of photos and documents from our own archive and it will be a great opportunity to meet residents past and present. Please do bring along and share your own photos and memories, and find out more about our homes and who may have lived in them before us! Volunteers will be on hand to copy/scan documents and photos. Light refreshments will be available.

Make it a weekend of local history by also visiting the Brompton Heritage events over the same weekend, based in the village hall.

For further information please contact Anne Britton on 07866106093 or Laurence Day 07711738866 or Sharon Colley on 07796663109

## FROM THE ARCHIVES.....



### WYKEHAM & HUTTON BUSCEL WI

The Wykeham and Hutton Buscel branch of the WI celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> birthday recently (see earlier article on pages 5 and 6). The WI has played a vital role in our villages over these years – showcasing and sharing skills, educating, and providing welcome social activities. We are delighted to show this archive photo from c1965, showing celebrations in full swing!



ANNE BRITTON

### THE DASH OF BLOOD – A HISTORY OF THE YORKSHIRE COACH HORSE

Few people today have heard of the Yorkshire Coach Horse. Yet during the period 1880-1910, it was one of the world's most fashionable and sought-after animals. A cross between a Cleveland Bay and a Thoroughbred racehorse, the Yorkshire Coach Horse was bred mainly by farmers and landowners in North Yorkshire (including George Poad of Ruston and Thomas Darell of Spiker's Hill). Many were sent to the USA. This entertaining and surprising book rediscovers a forgotten Yorkshire horse, and follows the progress of equines and humans as they battle the effects of war, progress and mechanisation.

Priced £9.99 it is available from [www.ypdbooks.com](http://www.ypdbooks.com), tel: 01904 431213; Dawnay Estate Office, Wykeham; Hoppers of Malton; Malton Museum; Beadlam Grange Tea Rooms and direct from the author (tel 07866106093).

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### USEFUL COMMUNITY CONTACT DETAILS

**Twitter** @NYorksPolice-Force Twitter  
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**Community Support Officer** Ria Lockey [ria.lockey@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:ria.lockey@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk)  
**Highways** 01609 780780 **Dog Warden** 01723 232323 **NHS** 111  
**Action Fraud** 0300 1232040 **RSPB** 0300 9990101 **Crimestoppers** 0800 555111

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### September

- 9 Wykeham Parish Council meeting, 6pm, Wykeham Business Centre
- 22 11am Harvest Festival, Hutton Buscel Church
- 29 Village Memories event, 11am-4pm, Wykeham Cricket Club

### October

12-14 Wykeham Festival (various events and venues – see article on p8)

### December

- 1st Benefice Advent Carol Service and Readings (with the choir): 6.00pm, Wykeham Church.

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**AND FINALLY.....** : some daftness in dairy form for you .....

What kind of cheese do you use to camouflage a horse? Mascarpone.

What did the doctor say to the man with a strawberry stuck in his ear? I'll give you some cream for that.

Did you hear about that party held in Switzerland, where people dipped bits of bread into melted cheese? It was reported to be a fun do.

The next edition of WRNM News will be due out in **DECEMBER 2019**, so please submit any contributions (articles, photos, poems, recipes, memories, for sale notices, etc) by **23 NOVEMBER**.  
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