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## Summer Games

Thanks to everyone who helped with and/or attended the Summer Games. The Committee this year tried to gently shift the balance a bit more towards entertainment and children's activities rather than just making money and comments received suggest that people felt it was a good day - some even said it was the best yet! The Osmotherley Phoenix is a major feature in the success of the day and once again it broke records for a number of entries.

Bearing in mind the economic climate, the initial financial results seem quite satisfactory. Although income on the day was lower than last year, our expenses were also lower and we seem to be on course for a similar outcome to 2010. Each year, the Phoenix makes a substantial donation and we do not usually receive this

until September, and so we will not be able to publish the final result until the next issue of the *Messenger*. As outlined in the new constitution, the committee is also arranging other events to raise money and we hope to have some additional income from the race night on 9th September. Please come along and support this if you can - great fun and only £3! The amount of money that will be available for 'good causes' this year will be relatively small as the new Summer Games Committee has to pay back a sum of just over £1,000 to the Village Hall, which is the 'float' that was in the bank account when the new committee was formed. As outlined in the Constitution, 80% of the remaining fund available for disbursement also should go to the Village Hall. Next month's *Messenger* will give

more information about the arrangements for the Annual General Meeting in October, when full financial details will be available and arrangements for making application for funds will be discussed. If you would like to see a copy of the Constitution, one is available at the Top Shop or by e mail to the address above. In anticipation of the AGM, if you would like to join the Summer Games Committee or have any ideas for next year's Games, please contact one of the committee members or e-mail [summergames@btinternet.com](mailto:summergames@btinternet.com) Committee members: Tony Hutchinson (Chairman), Andrew Morton, David Black, David Morris, Hugh Thompson, John Padbury, Jim Whitton, Gerry Orchard (Phoenix).



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Kay Arthur and family wish to thank all those in Osmotherley who sent cards and those who showed so much kindness and concern during our recent bereavement.

## Parish Council

The Village Design Statement has finally been completed and has now been type set to a very high standard and is due to be printed ready for local distribution in the near future. It has already been adopted by the National Park as a supplementary planning document and as such is deemed to define many aspects of local planning issues and has in fact already been taken into consideration with the affordable housing scheme.

Every meeting includes a discussion about the condition of the local roads and Highways are constantly being requested to tackle some of the more persistent problems including the many water leaks in the roads and to repair potholes and similar damage from last winter. Current issues include the over due repair to the bridge at the bottom of Burnt House Bank. One success story will see the long overdue resurfacing of Chester Lane in Kirby Sigston before winter sets in. Most of the safety bollards on North End have been damaged or destroyed and Highways are reluctant to replace them so the Council are considering ways of installing a more robust product.

The public conveniences now belong to the Parish Council and after a period of bedding in arrangements these will be managed by the Village Hall Committee in conjunction with Members of the Parish Council. To offset costs it is intended to install an honesty box which will be set securely into the walls of the building. Quotations for this work are requested, please contact any member of the Parish Council for more information.

Refurbishment work has been commissioned by the National Park to try to repair the walls of the historic Pound on North End, unfortunately this was not carried out in the most sympathetic manner and the contractor responsible has been called back to complete some of this work. There were also issues about his failure to liaise with the adjacent home owners and it is to be hoped that any outside contractor will in future be made aware of these responsibilities. A wall in Back Lane has recently been demolished and this is now an enforcement matter with the Planning Officers at Helmsley.

The Royal Horticultural Society has written to ask if the village wishes to enter into the Britain in Bloom contest, this may be an opportunity for another group to take forward.

### AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

**Good News ..... Broadsdaces have now purchased a site west of Oswaldene for Local Homes for Local People in the Osmotherley Area Parish and we need to know what you want building on the site.**

**We have an identified need, which is currently being updated.**

**You live in the parish and know what style/design you like, and what you don't like  
Please come along to Osmotherley Village Hall between 6.00 – 9.00pm on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September and let us have your views. All welcome**

## Osmotherley & District Garden club

'Bulb planting to provide all year round interest' is the subject of James Akers' illustrated talk to the Garden Club on Tuesday 6th September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Mr Akers is a

renowned expert on bulbs and was awarded the RHS Harlow Carr Medal for his outstanding contribution to northern gardening. Visitors are very welcome. Also for forthcoming events

Tuesday 4th October Sweet Peas: David Mathewman - Village Hall 7.30pm  
Tuesday 1st November: A Head Gardener's Tale of Littlethorpe Manor - Village Hall 7.30pm

## Village Hall-weekly users

### MONDAY-

Post Office, 9am-12noon  
Youth Club, 6:30pm-8:30pm

### TUESDAY

Osmotherley School, 1-3:30pm  
Zumba, 8pm-9pm

### WEDNESDAY

Post Office, 1pm-4pm  
Table Tennis, 6pm-10pm

### THURSDAY

Grasshoppers Toddler Group, 10am-12noon  
Pilates, 8pm-9pm

### FRIDAY

Post Office, 9am-12noon  
Osmotherley School, 1-3:30pm  
Osmotherley Film, 6pm-8pm  
*(as a rule every 3rd Friday in the month Sept - June)*

**Other regular users:** Parish Council, OWLS, Osmotherley and District Garden Club, Osmotherley Royal British Legion, Osmotherley Village Theatre

**For more information about the hall, and to make a booking, contact Ellen Cross, Booking Secretary on 883010.**

# Osmotherley School

Here we are at the start of a new academic year! Before we move on to the new year though we must look back at the old and thank everyone who was involved with the school in any capacity for their help in creating such a successful year.

We would like to say goodbye to our year 6 leavers who have all moved on to the Allertonshire or to Conyers. We wish them well and thank them for their contribution over the last 7 years, to the life of the school. They have been an active group in moving the school forward to being the

place it is today – especially members of the school council and eco-committee who have really made an impact. We had a very successful week at East Barnby in June – where all the children were congratulated for their consistently good behaviour and for the huge effort they put into all the activities they did. They did themselves proud at the Leavers Service in St Peter's Church. We wish you all a very happy and successful future! I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you on behalf of myself and the staff to everyone who has supported school in any way

this year. It is great to part of such a fabulous community! To start the new year we would also like to welcome our newcomers to school this term. We have 6 new reception children joining us and also we have 3 children joining school from other year groups. Welcome to you all. We look forward to working with you and making school a happy place to be where you will learn and develop to your full potential! If anyone would like to volunteer to help in school in any capacity then please come along and see us.

## Sustainable Communities update

### 50% off loft insulation

Check your loft – does it have 10.5” of insulation? If it doesn't, it may be worth topping-up, ready for winter. Since Osmotherley is part of my Sustainable project, we can offer insulation for half price (up to £500). Call me on 01904 554408 and I can help arrange a free survey.

### Solar Photovoltaic (electricity) panels

If you're thinking about getting Solar PV panels, now's the time to look into it. At the moment, you can get 43.3p for every unit of electricity your panels produce, not to mention the money you save by using the free electricity and the 3.1p you get for selling it back to the grid. This high rate of generation tariff is due to go down for new installations after March next year (if not sooner), so it's worth at least getting quotes from Microgeneration Certification Scheme (MCS) accredited installers to see if it would work for you now. Give the Energy Saving Trust advisors a call for free, impartial, expert advice (0800 512 012) and for a list of

accredited installers.

### Renewable Heat Premium Payments

This new financial incentive is aimed at those who wish to generate heat from a renewable source, such as solar hot water, woodfuel boiler, air source and ground source heat pumps. There is a one off payment towards the installation of these technologies, available to the first 25,000 across the country who have a voucher. For your voucher, please call the Energy Saving Trust advice centre (0800 512 012).

### Calculate Osmotherley's Carbon Footprint

With all this energy saving, it will be interesting to see how much carbon the village is producing, and find out other ways of how to reduce it. We are hoping to make positive changes soon, such as insulating stone built cavities, which will help lower the carbon footprint. If you have a few minutes, please log on to:

[www.greencommunitiescc.org.uk](http://www.greencommunitiescc.org.uk) and search for Osmotherley on the right hand side of the

page, or call me for a paper copy or if you'd like a face-to-face meeting (01904 554408). Many thanks, *Rosie*

In July Oil Group members ordered approximately 21,000 litres of kerosene through the new **Osmotherley and Area Oil Group**, (as seen on BBC Look North) This enabled us to negotiate with 14 different oil companies to get a price of 55.30p/litre + VAT from Noble Fuels. Prices ranged up to 61p/litre and averaged 57.2p, (boilerjuice.com national average is 57.95p/litre).

As membership grows and as the amount of litres increase we will be able to negotiate better in the future, so please join up if you use Oil.

We place an order every two months (you don't have to order each time) so **the next order will take place on 22nd September**. Membership forms from Top Shop, or by emailing [osmotherleyoil@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:osmotherleyoil@yahoo.co.uk), or calling Ellen on 883010. Ellen Cross (Volunteer Coordinator) and Tristan Sillars (Volunteer Negotiator)

**Race Night  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup>  
September  
(proceeds go to the  
Summer Games  
Fund)**

**Queen Catherine,  
commencing 8pm.**

**Race cards £3 on the  
night, including 6 races  
and Pie and Peas.**

*Have fun, perhaps win a  
bit of money, and help  
support Village Hall and  
other local good causes*

### **Computer problems?**

Need help with installations, hardware problems, networking, virus removal, wireless networking, software installation, repairs, including laptops, etc., for estimate contact Anthony Place on 07881896791 or 883708

### **MISSING SID**

Small black cat, went missing early in July, but possibly wandering locally or taken in as a stray. No white patches or markings, but distinguishing feature is a ragged left ear with a small V shaped notch. If you have seen him, or have heard of anyone finding a 'stray' black cat, please call Jim Whitton on 883443.

To the generous people of South End, a thank you from Di Fowler who collected on behalf of Dr Barnardo's the sum of £109.28. Also a special thank you to my granddaughters for their help – I couldn't do it without them.

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Articles for October by Sun  
25th Sept please

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## Dates for your Diary

### Sept

Sun 4th 6.30 pm No Service at Osmotherley Methodist Church - Osmotherley Circuit Service at Thirsk

Mon 5th—6-9pm Village Hall –Affordable Housing Community Consultation

Tues 6th 7.30 pm Village Hall – Garden Club talk by James Akers ‘ Bulb Planting for all year interest

Fri 9th -Queen Catherine -8pm Race Night in aid of Summer Games Fund

Wed 7th -7.30pm Queen Catherine Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and bingo

Sun 11th - 6.30 pm Osmotherley Methodist Church led by Mr C Kirk.

Fri 16th- 7pm Winter Barn Churches Together Harvest Supper

Sun 18 6.30pm Osmotherley Methodist Church Holy Communion led by Rev. Robert Gee.

Fri 23rd – 8pm (7.30pm Doors Open) Village Hall – Osmotherley Film ‘The King’s Speech’

Sun 25th -6.30 pm Osmotherley Methodist Church HARVEST FESTIVAL led by Rev.

David Hasson with refreshments to follow

### Oct

Sun 2nd – 2.30pm (Doors open 2pm) Osmotherley Film in conjunction with Cine

Yorkshire, Yorkshire Film Archive, and Screen Yorkshire, - ‘Village Paradiso’

Tues 4th - 7.30 pm Village Hall Garden Club Sweet Peas: David Mathewman

Sat 29th 7.30pm – Village Hall ‘Mansamitra’ and curry night

### Nov

Tues 1st: -7.30 pm Village Hall Garden Club A Head Gardener’s Tale of Littlethorpe Manor

## Churches Together

The Harvest in the Barn is now an established part of "Churches Together" programme for the year and this year it will be held on Friday 16th September in the Winter Barn (by very kind permission of Louisa Hunter) The evening will start at 7.p.m. and the entrance to the Winter Barn is from South End. This should be a memorable evening - there will be thanksgiving for the harvest of 2011 led by the Rev Ian Houghton, the Rev. Robert Gee and Father Damian Humphries. The theme of the evening will be "Water" and its vital importance to us all.

The children of Osmotherley Primary School will give a presentation on the theme of "WATER" and there will be an explanation of the interesting "Toilet Twinning" scheme which provides

innovative ways to improve the health and hygiene in needy villages.

The collection during the evening will be shared between the Toilet Twinning Scheme, the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution and Lara House, the school in India which has long been supported by our School. The Osmotherley Silver Band will lead us in singing well known hymns and songs written for the occasion

The evening will conclude with a tasty barbecue featuring many local products.

There will be a Harvest Festival Service in the Methodist Church on the last Sunday in September and the Rev David Hasson is coming from Carlisle for

it, He was instrumental in setting up the Ecumenical Partnership here in Osmotherley. The Rev, Kathryn Heathcoat will soon be welcomed to the circuit to join the team

St Peter's is delighted to be the setting for a number of weddings in the near future and at least four baptisms.

There will be a Harvest Thanksgiving in St Peter's in October

We are all looking forward to a busy and challenging autumn.

Many thanks to all local people and visitors to the village who supported the Methodist Church Coffee and Chat mornings during the summer months we enjoyed your company and conversations.