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## Summer Games-2nd July

In addition to the usual events and attractions, this year there will be a birds of prey display. The official opening will be at 1pm, followed by judging of the children's fancy dress and the children's races. Throughout the afternoon, competitors in the Osmotherley Phoenix fell race will be arriving at the finishing line near the Village Hall. Amusements and attractions will include a bouncy castle, smash the crock, darts, coconut shy, target golf, tombola, adult games, bric-a-brac stall, British Legion stall, plant stall and book stall. Refreshments will be available throughout the afternoon in the Village Hall. We would welcome volunteers to assist in a number of ways:

- 1) erecting stalls and bunting on Friday evening
- 2) manning stalls on Saturday afternoon and dismantling on Sunday morning

3) assisting in serving refreshments in the Village Hall (contact Audrey Mawby on 883620)

4) making cakes, biscuits, sandwiches, scones (contact Audrey Mawby or bring along to the VH on Saturday between 11am and 12.30 pm).

A volunteers' rota sheet will be put up in the Queen Catherine where you can put your name down for a particular stall and/or time slot – that way, you can limit your duty to an activity and time slot that suits you. Please help if you can - add your name to the rota or e-mail (see address below) stating your preference, or contact a member of the committee.

We would be grateful for donations of prizes for the tombola, household items, children's' toys and similar items of reasonable quality

(no junk please!) for the bric a brac stall and any unwanted crockery for the smash the crock stall. Please bring donations to the Village Hall Supper Room on Thursday 30th June or Friday 1st July between 7pm and 9pm, or contact a committee member for collection.

Parking: we would like to keep School Lane clear in order to divert traffic away from the village centre. To this end, we would be grateful if people who normally park their car in School Lane would move it elsewhere on Saturday morning so that cones can be put out.

If you have any queries, please contact a committee member: Tony Hutchinson, Jim Whitton, Hugh Thompson, Andrew Morton, John Padbury, Dave Morris, David Black or e mail [summergames@btinternet.com](mailto:summergames@btinternet.com)

## Organ Recital

Dr Christopher Witton gives the recital at St Peters Osmotherley on Friday 10 June at 7.30pm.

Christopher Whitton is Fellow and Director of Music at Emmanuel College and a Lecturer in Classics at Cambridge University. He has held a variety of prestigious music positions, including Assistant Organist at Winchester College, Organ Stu-

dent at St John's College, Cambridge, and Kennedy Scholar and Organ Fellow at Harvard. He was also Chorus Master of the Cambridge Philharmonic Society. In 1999, Christopher became a Fellow of the Royal College of Organists and was awarded the Silver Medal of the Worshipful Company of Musicians. He has performed

across four continents, given frequent BBC broadcasts and released eight CDs.

On 10th June Chris will be presenting a varied and entertaining programme, including works by Bach, Mendelssohn and Liszt.

Tickets are £8 and children are free. There will also be interval refreshments.

For more information contact Mike Hunter on 882216.



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# Parish Council

Osmotherley Area Parish Council held its annual meeting last week with nine of the existing Members being returned unopposed for a further term of Office and Noel Coward was unanimously re-elected as Chair of the Council. The first business to discuss was the proposal that the Youth Hostel may close due to a lack of occupancy and Members heard that several viable initiatives have been proposed by the National Park to keep it in business. However the organisation has already placed the premises in Cote Ghyll up for sale and Members considered that they could not support this closure and considered that the National Parks proposals should have been sought at an earlier stage with the intention of increasing its usage. A letter will be sent to the YHA and to the National Park expressing this view point.

Following a recent site visit into the area by Highways it has been decided that some of the missing safety bollards on North End should be replaced as soon as possible. In the meantime Members will consider similar schemes in other villages and will report back with their opinions of what may be acceptable here. However capital expenditure has been severely reduced and other alternative solutions may need to be sought. It was also noted that many of the roadside gulleys are completely blocked and these should be emptied without further delay and additionally Highways have been tasked with finding a solution to the ever present water leak on South End. One of the leaks on Thimbleby Bank would appear to be a natural flow from the land but the other one still requires attention.

Legal matters regarding the transfer of the Public Conveniences to Parish Council control are proceeding and it was reported that the snagging issues of tiling and other works have now been attended to. The suggestion that an honesty box could be installed met with a favourable response and prices for a secure facility will be obtained.

Installation of Solar Panels was discussed and in the main no pre approval is required unless the property is a Listed Building or is in the Conservation area but it is always worth checking with the planning office before installing on a roof or similar part of a house or building. A planning application had been received to install timber double glazed windows at Stank Hall, off Bullamoor Road, this was supported being aesthetically far better than the current mishmash of styles and products.

Len Cragg

# Royal British Legion

## A STRAWBERRY FAIR

Once again Osmotherley villagers can enjoy a social gathering and support their British Legion branch in supporting serving and former Service personnel.

Osmotherly residents, Maureen and James Downey and Barbara and Dudley Nimmo have been friends for over 30 years, and since Barbara and Dudley moved into the village five years ago,

all have worked tirelessly to raise funds for the village branch of the Royal British Legion. But, they don't just shake a collecting tin. Their aim is to provide value and enjoyment for everyone.

On **Saturday 4th June** between the hours of 11am to 1 pm a Strawberry Fair will be staged in the Village Hall. In addition to strawberries there is to be a well stocked cake and produce stall, light

refreshments, tombola and raffle.

Residents of Osmotherley enthusiastically support the Legion branch and it is hoped that you will once again turn out in force to support this latest fundraising initiative. All money raised will go to support Legion charities.

Further details: David Black  
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# Osmotherley Village Theatre

## **Murder Mystery Evening: Friday, June 24th 7.30pm**

Take a beautiful, English village. Take a village hall committee meeting on a cold, winter evening. Take some

dark secrets, longstanding grievances, betrayals and power struggles and what have you got? **MURDER!** Osmotherley Village Theatre proudly presents its latest

murder mystery: "Death in Dalethorpe". Fancy yourself as D.I Barnaby or Frost? Want to test your powers of observation and deduction? Just want to have some fun, good food and drink? Come and join us in

the Village Hall. Tickets (available from the Top Shop) are £8, including a pie and pea supper and prizes for the winning team. Wine and soft drinks will on sale by the glass. 50 tickets only.

# Osmotherley School

I really enjoyed my weekend away at a Kingswood Activity Centre in Hexham with Yr 5. The children went along with Yr5 children from several of the other small schools that send children to the Allertonshire! The children were a credit to the school ( and their parents!) and at the end of the visit the leader of the centre congratulated the group on their behaviour and their wonderful manners! It really makes you feel proud to belong!

The swimmers also made us proud at the Stokesley gala. A joint team of swimmers from Osmotherley and Swainby & Potto Schools came first overall. Quite an achievement! Our next sporting event is a kwik cricket tournament in Northallerton at the cricket club.

The Acorns class continue to have Forest School every Monday morning. Their sessions in the school grounds and in the Applegarth are very popular with the children and the skills they develop in these

sessions are influencing learning in other contexts too. After the session this week the children used natural materials to create some sea monsters! And very frightening they were too!

The Oaks class will be taking part in Young Enterprise week straight after half term. In the sessions which are run by our chairs of Governors – Mr Ken Blackwood and Mr Mark De Cosemo – the children from both Osmotherley and Swainby & Potto Schools learn about the world of work.

The children do activities which help them to understand how products are produced, marketed and sold around the world and about imports from other countries. I would like to say a big thank you to both gentlemen for providing this very valuable opportunity for the children.

We have our Leavers Service planned for Thursday 21st July at 2pm in St Peter's Church – please put the date in your dairy and come and join us!



[www.osmotherleyfilm.co.uk](http://www.osmotherleyfilm.co.uk)

This month sees the conclusion of our 2010-11 Season of film. Since September, we have once again been happy to bring a monthly film to the heart of the village and provide a good excuse for a social evening out for all. From the reaction both to the films we have shown, and to the evenings themselves, it is clear that everyone who has joined us through the Season has enjoyed it. By doing what we do, it has meant that we have also, as with our previous seasons, been able to help provide Film Club for the children of the Primary School through the school year – a wonderful way to bring the enjoyment of film to them (their own 'big screen' experience!) and add something a little different to their school days. If you weren't aware, every time we

bring Osmotherley Film to life each month, the school benefits as well.

None of what we do would be possible without the support of our members. Simply put, there would be no film season without you choosing to join. So, we thank you for your commitment to the season and support throughout.

To anyone who has come along as a guest: it's been great to welcome you! Do remember however, that that has only been possible because of the commitment of our members to support the entire season. Maybe a thought to leave you with through the summer: why not join us next season as a member and help guarantee a season of film?

Work on a new season is underway. Details will be publicised and the season unveiled at the end of the summer. We hope as many of

you as possible will like what you see and choose to join us then. If you want, even now, to express your interest in joining for a new season, please email us at [osmotherleyfilm@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:osmotherleyfilm@yahoo.co.uk).

Osmotherley Film Season Finale:

**Fri 17th JUNE – Village Hall  
'MADE IN DAGENHAM'**  
[2010] [UK] Cert.15 113mins  
Starring: Bob Hoskins, Sally Hawkins, Jamie Winstone, Geraldine James

1968, Ford, Dagenham. One of the UK's largest employers and very much a man's world...in and out of the workplace. For the 187 women machinists whose daily work puts the seats in Ford's models, the working day is tough; the salary and conditions a shadow of those of their (male) counterparts. But not for much longer...

The frustration at their treatment is about to lead Rita O'Grady and her co-workers to shake the foundations of Ford and a nation's employment laws. Equal pay for equal work would become a tenet of the working landscape; the post-war social norms are about to change forever... Nominated in this year's BAFTAs (Best Film; Best Supporting Actress), with a strong British cast and soundtrack from Sandy Shaw.

**Doors open 7.30pm  
Guests -£5 (must be over 16)**

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# Dates for your Diary

## June

Wed 1st 7.30pm Queen Catherine, Royal British Legion Meeting and bingo

Sat 4th 11 am -1 pm Village Hall, Royal British Legion Strawberry Fayre

Sat 4th 10 am - noon Methodist Church coffee and chat

Sun 5th 6.30 pm Methodist Church, Local Arrangement

Fri 10th 7.30pm St Peter's, Organ recital, Dr Christopher Whitton

Sat 11th 10 am - noon Methodist Church, coffee and chat

Sun 12th 6.30 pm Methodist Church, Holy Communion led by Rev. Robert Gee

Fri 17th 7.30 pm doors open Osmotherley Film, 'Made in Dagenham'

Sat 18th 10 am - noon Methodist Church, coffee and chat

June 19th 6.30 pm Methodist Church led by Rev. Andy Bryer

Fri 24th 7.30 pm Village Hall, Osmotherley Village Theatre Murder Mystery evening

Sat 25th 10 am - noon Methodist Church, coffee and chat

Sat 25th 7 pm - Leake Church, Buffet Supper with strawberries

Sun 26th 6.30 pm Methodist Church led by Rev. David Hasson

Thurs 30th/Fri 1st 7 - 9 pm Supper Room, donations for Summer Games

## July

Sat 2nd 1 pm Village Green, Summer Games

Sun 3rd 12.30 - 5 pm Church House, Church teas begin

Wed 6th - 7.30 pm Queen Catherine, Royal British legion Monthly Meeting and bingo.

Thurs 21st - 2 pm St Peter's, Osmotherley School Leavers' Service

Sat 23rd - 1pm Royal British Legion BBQ

# Dementia-fundraising

Swaledale Outdoor Club  
Land's End to John  
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Challenge

Between 17-20 June 2011  
twelve cyclists from the  
Swaledale Outdoor Club,  
based in Richmond, are  
going to cycle from Land's  
End to John O'Groats in a  
four day and night cycling  
relay challenge completely  
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for your support.

# Churches Together

It has been a busy time for  
the Churches Together, with  
the Soup Lunch for  
Christian Aid, raising over  
£300. Thanks to all those  
who provided cakes.

Also the puppet show, 'A  
Voyage of Discovery'  
attracted an audience of fifty  
and was very well received.

Both events were great  
successes thanks to the hard  
work of volunteers and the  
support of the community.

## A SUMMER EVENING'S ENTERTAINMENT

### Songs and Strawberries

The St Paulinus Singers will  
give a song concert in Leake  
Church on Sunday 25th June  
at 7 pm. A buffet supper  
with strawberries will also be  
served, making this a great  
way to spend a summer  
evening. The tickets will be  
£10 each which includes the  
buffet supper and

strawberries and the  
proceeds from the evening  
will go towards the cost of  
replacing the stolen lead  
from the roof. Tickets are  
available from David Frith -  
tel 01845-537008