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## From your village hall committee

I never quite know how far into January it's okay to still be wishing people a "Happy New Year", but although we are now well into 2013, as this is the first issue of the Messenger, on behalf of the village hall committee I would like to wish all of you a smashingly happy and wonderful 2013.

The latter part of 2012 saw the hall being extensively modernised, and 2013 has burst over the horizon to continue where 2012 left off, with a brand new shiny kitchen being installed. Why not pop along and have a look? Apologies for the inconvenience that has inevitably come with the work, but hopefully the improvement is worth the upheaval. Further work is planned to upgrade the heating further and repaint the windows.

As always, the village hall committee is looking for enthusiastic villagers to join us. You are welcome to pop in and see how it all runs by joining our meeting – they are held in the supper room, and the next meetings are 19th March, 21st May and 26th July. If you are interested in joining us, please pop in or ring David Wilson (Secretary 883096).

## Keeping Fit in Osmotherley

2013 has started with a fitness boom in Osmotherley offering an abundance of exercise and fitness classes. If you've missed the first few weeks don't worry, it's never too late to start.

### HEALTH WITH HAWTHORN

#### Classes in the Village Hall

**Monday 5-6 pm: Double Decker** *Aerobics plus Core and Stretch*

**Thursday 7.30-9 pm: Triple Decker** *30 minutes of aerobics, 30 minutes Fitness Pilates (core conditioning), 30 minutes Stretching to improve flexibility.* I'd like to reassure you that Thursday evenings are less scary than you might think – why not come for the first hour, paying £5, and then stay on if you wish to?

#### Classes in Quaker Meeting House 36 West End

**Change to timetable - Tuesday 10-11 am: Moving Wisely** *Gentle movement for mobility, balance and strength combining standing and seated exercises. Stretching and relaxation exercises to finish. Suitable for those with chronic health conditions and/or those seeking a gentler, more mindful approach to exercise.*

**Tuesday 11.30-12.30: Hawthorn Fusion** *Pilates & Yoga-inspired Mind-Body class*  
*All 60 minute classes £5, 90 minute class £7. Attend a 2<sup>nd</sup> class in any one week and receive a £1 discount. See advert page 3 for contact details.*

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### IYENGAR YOGA - Introductory level with Helen Cameron (fully qualified and insured)

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Classes at:

**Village Hall Osmotherley Tuesdays 6-7pm; Thursdays 2-3pm; Thursdays 6-7pm**

**Friends Meeting House 24 Kirkgate, Thirsk Tuesdays 9.30am – 10.45am**

**Encore Dance Studio Standard Way, Northallerton Tuesdays 12.00pm -1.0pm**

£5.00 per week for a block booking £6.00 drop in charge

Osmotherley Tuesday and Thursday evenings are very busy so booking is essential. See advert page 4 for contact details.

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### TAI CHI

Village Hall Wednesday morning contact: David Allerton 01609 778648

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## Parish Council

When Osmotherley Area Parish Council met in January many members expressed serious concerns about the effects of winter weather and the fact that road surfaces are deteriorating at an alarming rate. These concerns will again be flagged up with Highways and despite their lack of funds work is now deemed to be essential. Particular sections include the ongoing flooding at West Harlsey, the poor state of the road through Thimbleby and the subsidence on Chester Lane as well as the increasing depth and number of potholes everywhere.

Highways have indicated that they can only give priority to flooding where it affects homes or businesses and that roadside ditches are the responsibility of the adjoining land occupier who should attend to these. It is hoped that major improvements to the watersplash at Boghole can be completed before the end of the financial year but that may now become weather dependant. The National Park Rangers are due to assess what is needed to stabilise the erosion of the footpath from The Applegarth to the Codbeck bridge leading to Osmotherley Mill before this path collapses into the water course.

A recent safety report on the Play Area equipment has indicated the need to replace some of the decking and also to prevent any build up of algal growth. A joiner will be needed to carryout the repairs and the hedges are to be cut back to allow more exposure to wind to help prevent surfaces becoming slippery. The recent weather with quantities of snow and ice has been tackled very successfully by Keith and this commitment by him has been very much appreciated by all concerned.

Planning matters included an application by Openreach to position a telecoms cabinet at the bottom of North End, this was supported because it will bring Broadband provision much closer to the user. A revised application to build a house on what was Rydes Garage has been withdrawn but applications to improve the dormers at The Croft on Clack Bank as well as an agricultural building at Swainstye were supported.

## Paul Atkinson

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## Osmotherley Clock

As many readers may know, each week this magnificent piece of Victorian engineering is wound by one of the group of village clock winders; as it has been since it was installed in 1893.

We are trying to assemble a list of all who have wound the clock over the years; if anybody knows the names of any of these earlier winders, ideally with their winding dates, can they please contact Hugh Thompson on 01609 883479, email [hughandveda@gmail.com](mailto:hughandveda@gmail.com). Many thanks

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The "Annual Conference and Guild dinner" of the Worshipful Company of Osmotherley Clock Winders took place on the 26th January. This is the group of volunteers who keep the manually wound church clock running by winding its 3 mechanisms on a weekly basis.

Hugh Thompson, the Guild founder stood down this year from being an active winder, but will maintain his position of Technical Director. He is seen receiving a framed photograph of the clock mechanism (now 120 years old) as appreciation for his many years of winding, from John Padbury, the current Master of the Company.

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## OLD METHODIST CHAPEL, NORTH END

Having lived in the old Methodist / Wesleyan Chapel at 31a North End for several years, we are interested in finding out something of it's history. Very little appears in existing publications that we have found and all we know is that it was converted to a house in the 1970's. We would love to hear from anyone in the village who has links, information or photo's of the chapel when it was in use. Please contact us on 883168 or call round. Thank you, Andrew & Vicki Morton.

## Osmotherley Village Theatre - Next production - 24th, 25th and 26th April 2013

Following the critical acclaim for '84 Charing Cross Road', our next production will be a thriller: **SUDDENLY AT HOME** by Francis Durbridge. Rehearsals will be starting in early February and we look forward to welcoming you to live theatre in the village again in April.

## Summer Games

The Summer Games this year will be held on Saturday 6th July. There are vacancies for one or two additional committee members to help with organising the games. If anyone would like to join the committee, please contact the secretary (details below). There is a fund of approximately £500 available for distribution to local organisations or groups. Applications should be made by 28th February and should state:

- ◆ Amount requested.
- ◆ Reason for application – what money will be used for
- ◆ Expected benefit to the community (criteria: enhancement of social, recreational, educational or environmental amenities)
- ◆ How many people are likely to benefit from the additional funding
- ◆ What efforts have been made to find or raise funding from elsewhere
- ◆ What other funding has been or will be received.

Applications should be made by e-mail to [summergames@btinternet.com](mailto:summergames@btinternet.com). In case of queries, contact the secretary, Jim Whitton on 883443.

## Westfields Housing

A well attended Community Consultation was held in the village hall on Thursday 18th January between 3-7pm, this allowed those interested in the new homes on Westfields, Clack Lane, Osmotherley, to meet Housing Officers from Broadacres and discuss the next steps of the allocation process.

In total 36 local people attended the event and it was announced that the homes will be advertised on the Home Choice website from

Thursday 31 January until midnight Tuesday 5th Feb. Anyone who could not attend and are still interested in being considered for renting the new homes at Westfields should ensure that they have completed the Home Choice application either online at [www.northyorkshirehomechoice.org.uk](http://www.northyorkshirehomechoice.org.uk) or by arranging a meeting with Paula or Julie at Broadacres Housing Association 01609 767900 before 31<sup>st</sup> January.

Alongside the allocations of the rental properties will be the allocation of the three shared ownership properties. Anyone interested in receiving a sales pack should contact Fiona Coleman or Kath Stansfield on 0800 587 5291. Those interested in being considered would need to have a five year local connection to the parish – living in the parish (now or in the last 5 out of 10 years, employment or providing or receiving care).



For further information see our website or contact Laura 883096, Shona 883237, Chris 883518

### FRIDAY 15<sup>th</sup> FEB:

#### ON A CLEAR DAY

[2004] [UK] Cert. 12 94mins  
*Starring: Peter Mullan, Brenda Blethyn, Billy Boyd*

Having spent all his working life in the shipbuilding industry in the West of Scotland, Frank (Peter Mullan) suddenly finds himself without a job at the age of 55. Struggling to find a new role for himself, when one of his

friends jokes that he could swim all the way to France, Frank decides to take up the challenge and do just that. Hiding his plan from his wife and family, Frank trains hard with the loyal support of his mates and in attempting this feat of endurance he also mends the broken relationship with his son.

Winning a BAFTA Scotland award for both Best Film and

Best Screenplay this is a film with shades of 'The Full Monty' and 'Calendar Girls' whilst standing on its own merits as an uplifting tale of triumph over adversity.

**The Village Hall.  
Doors Open 7.30pm; Film Starts 8pm**

Guests welcome (must be 16+ years of age). Guest fee (payable on the night) £5.

## Wanted

For our sale at Town Hall Northallerton on Saturday 16th **February 9am-1pm**  
Tombola, Prizes, Books, CD's, DVD's Toys, Games, Jumble and Bric-a-Brac.

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## Quakers in Osmotherley

Monthly Meeting for  
Worship on Sunday 17th  
February at 3 pm in the  
Quaker Meeting House at  
36 West End.

Everyone is welcome, there is tea, coffee and home baking afterwards.

For more information please contact Leti Hawthorn on 883668 or [healthwithhawthorn@gmail.com](mailto:healthwithhawthorn@gmail.com)

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# Dates for your Diary

## February

Sun 3rd 2.30pm Osmotherley Methodist Church service led by Rev. Andy Bryer

Tue 5th 8pm Osmotherley Show Dominoes. Haynes Arms

Wed 6th 7:30pm Royal British Legion Meeting and Bingo

Sun 10th 2.30pm Osmotherley Methodist Church Covenant service Rev. Kathie Heathcoat

Tue 12th 12.30pm Pancake Lunch, View Point Osmotherley. by ticket only

Wed 13th 7.30pm PCC Meeting, Washing Beck Cottage Thimbleby

Fri 15th 7.30pm for 8pm Osmotherley Film 'On a Clear Day.' Village Hall

Sun 17th 2.30pm Osmotherley Methodist Church service led by Rev. Robert Gee

Sun 17th After 10.30am service Annual Parochial Council Meeting, St Peter's Osmotherley

Tue 19th 8pm Osmotherley Show Dominoes. Gold Cup

Sun 24th 2.30pm Osmotherley Methodist Church service led by Mrs Iris Smith

Wed 27th 10.30am Talk by Mr. Guy Hinton. Friends Meeting House, Osmotherley

## March

Wed 6th 10.30am Talk about the Society of Friends, Friends Meeting House, Osmotherley

Wed 6th 7:30pm - Royal British Legion Meeting and Bingo

Sat 16th 10am -12 noon Osmotherley Methodist Church Coffee Morning

# Broadband in Osmotherley

Users of the internet in Osmotherley will have noticed a deterioration in their broadband speeds as demand on the service has grown in recent years. We are likely to get access to Superfast Broadband (the funding is there) as it is rolled out across the County but the question is when.

Superfast North Yorkshire, a partnership between North Yorkshire County Council and BT, builds on BT's commercial roll-out of fibre broadband in the county so that 90 per cent of North Yorkshire's homes and businesses will have access to fibre broadband by the end of 2014. Ultra-fast broadband speeds of up to 330Mbps will be available on demand wherever fibre broadband has been deployed.

BT was chosen as the private sector partner in the project following an extensive selection process by the County Council. The company is contributing £10m towards fibre deployment in "non-commercial" areas while the County Council is using its £17.8m share of Broadband Delivery UK funds and a further £8.6m from the European Regional Development Fund.

A new website has been launched and provides up to date information on the rollout of BT's Superfast Broadband and explains when and where improvements to broadband across North Yorkshire will take place. For further details please visit: [www.superfastnorthyorkshire.com](http://www.superfastnorthyorkshire.com)

Ainderby Steeple has become the first community to benefit from the multi-million pound Superfast North Yorkshire project as high-speed fibre broadband arrived in the village three months ahead of schedule. If Ainderby Steeple can do it, why not Osmotherley?

**Please go on to the above website and register your interest. The more of us who do so, could mean that Osmotherley will get the Superfast roll-out sooner rather than later.**

# Churches Together

## News from St Peters

The next meeting of the PCC will be held on Wednesday 13th February at 7.30pm at Washing Beck Cottage, Thimbleby.

The Annual Parochial Council meeting will be held in St Peter's on Sunday 17th March immediately after the 10.30am Service.

There will be a Pancake Lunch on Shrove Tuesday 12th February at View Point

at 12.30 Tickets (which will be strictly limited) will be £8. Please apply by phone on 883341. Proceeds will go to church funds.

## Churches Together in

**Osmotherley** will be organising talks during Lent, full details are not yet available but two are already fixed. On 27th February Mr Guy Hinton will talk about his trek along the 500 mile ancient pilgrim route, the Via Francigena, from France to

Rome. This will be held in the Friends Meeting House, Osmotherley at 10.30am.

On Wednesday 6th March there will be a talk about the Society of Friends and this will also be held in the Friends Meeting House at 10.30am. Both these talks will be open to anyone. The Meeting House lies behind the row of cottages in West End but if you have difficulty getting there please ring 883341 and we will try to arrange a lift. 4