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Summer Games – 5th July

The Summer Games are held within the Village Centre and the Inter-Pub Cricket Match (TBA) at the Sports field at Thimbleby. All money raised will go to the Village Hall funds.

Phoenix Run starts 9am from the village hall- 17, 26 or 33 miles. Details on line at www.runfurther.com

Games Official opening 1pm village centre with Tony Hutchison.

Children's Entertainment.- Bouncy castle, Races, Ball Pool, Tombola, Fancy Dress.

Stalls -Coconut Shy, Tombola, Splat the Rat, Bric-a

-brac, Books, Plants and Cakes, Target Golf, Penalty Shoot Out.

Activities—Tug of War, Yard of Ale, Welly Tossing.

Parking— Old Wood Yard Clack Lane all day.

Village Teas-12.30 - 5pm Please note on Sat 5th July between 11am and 7pm the Village centre will be closed off to all traffic. A diversion will operate by School Lane and Back Lane. Saturday bus service will run as normal, but will turn at Oswaldene.

How can you help? Any one willing to bake cakes scones

etc. please bring them to the Village hall on Saturday morning.

Donations for the raffle, tombola, Bric-a-brac, old crockery, can be brought to the Supper Room on 2nd, 3rd, or 4th July between 6-8.30pm. The Committee would be grateful for items brought during these times but not on the day, as there is limited time to sort things out.

Any further information contact Alan Woolf on Tel: 883209

Garden Club Plant & Produce Sale

We will be organising a Plant and Produce stall on Summer Games day to support Village Hall funds. Donations of surplus plants e.g. vegetables, perennials, herbs, houseplants

and annuals would be very welcome. The stall will also be selling home baking. Please bring contributions to the stall at 12 noon or with plants

leave them in Roger and Freda Steven's garden during Fri eve or Sat am—opposite St Anne's Cottage next to Methodist Chapel.

Osmotherley Show – 2nd Aug

101st Osmotherley Show Osmotherley & District Horticultural & Agricultural Society
Once again by kind permission of Mr & Mrs A Shelley the annual show will be held at Home Farm, Thimbleby.

All types of classes and attractions are held at the show and people are encouraged to enter. Classes include flowers and flower arrangements, fruits and vegetables. There are lots of children's classes from

artwork to cooking. If you attend the local Osmotherley school you will already be participating in some way. We also have adult classes for cookery, produce and photography. These are all classes you pre-make and pre- enter your item. Farmers why not enter your spring barley or heads of wheat.

Other classes at the show are Heavy Horses, Cattle & Sheep and lots of Horse and Pony classes including Show Jumping and the Carriage Driving classes will

be held once again for only its second year.

Also have a go at the Fell Race or bring your dog to the Dog Show or Gun Dog Scurry. Watch out for the sheep shearing demo and sheep dog trails.

Entries can be handed in at Church House, Osmotherley on Tuesday 22nd July 7pm-9pm or by post. A schedule of classes is available from The Secretary, Nambour, East Harlsey, Northallerton, DL6 2BL. (01609) 882752.

www.osmotherleyshow.cjb.net

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Venue: Osmotherley
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Osmotherley Walking Shop

Welcome to new owners Ian Dale and Fiona Thomson. Ian has been a keen walker for over 30 years, completing the Pennine Way when he was 17. His love of the countryside started young as he grew up in a farming family and it expanded when his agricultural career took him to Scotland and the south-west of England. He returned to the

north in 1997 to farm in Teesdale. As an active member of a local outdoor club his love of the hills and dales was nurtured locally. Fiona comes from a urban background and grew up in London, where she was always an "outdoor type", enjoying watersports and camping as a teenager. She moved to Yorkshire in 1993 whilst working for Guide

Dogs for the Blind, a career she enjoyed for over 15 years. Together Ian and Fiona aim to build on the reputation established by Chris Gaunt at the Osmotherley Walking Shop by maintaining his core values of personal service and sound product knowledge. We wish them all the success in their new venture.

Osmotherley Area Parish Council

At the May meeting of **Osmotherley Area Parish Council** it was decided that future meetings would be held in all of the Village Halls and meeting rooms available and that no one location should be favoured at the expense of others. The July and following meetings will be at **Church House** until we visit Kirby Sigston in October and then the winter meetings will be held in Osmotherley Village Hall Supper Room, all starting at 7.30pm.

The June meeting of the Area Parish Council was held in Kirby Sigston Village Hall. The first item on the agenda concerned the need for local fund raising organisations having to incur costs when road closures need to be put in place. In this case it affects the Osmotherley Summer Games committee who need a road closure to permit a safe environment for their stalls and events. The Parish Council decided to underwrite these costs incurred in obtaining authority from Highways as well as the cost of the signs themselves and the PC wish the organisers every success with their activities including the fell race.

Progress has been made towards obtaining permission to erect bollards to protect the roadside verges, particularly in Thimbleby where heavy vehicles regularly cause damage to the grass. If the bid is successful it should mean that this protection could be in place before autumn. Recently a vehicle has been abandoned in Osmotherley and this has now been reported to the Police. Some visitors have parked caravans in the village and have even stayed overnight, this is a practice which is considered unwelcome and investigations will be made to determine if there are any bye-laws to prevent this occurring again.

Planning applications discussed included alterations to the Coach House at Thimbleby Hall to provide guest accommodation, the formation of an off road parking place on South End and the installation of a window and solar panels to a property off North End, it was considered that none of these would have an adverse effect on the properties concerned and all were supported.

Arrangements are in hand to purchase a community Mini Bus for use by any organisation which needs transport and a driving courses will be arranged. The bus will be kept at Swales Garage and a mileage fee will be charged to those who use it, this will be designed to cover all running costs and any driver must prove their competence to drive before a hire can be arranged. If interested please contact Tim Swales 883046 or Ken Blackwood 881660.

Vacancies will soon arise for posts as School Governors, anyone who wishes to apply can obtain information about the responsibilities involved by contacting Tim Swales.

The Parish Plan identified areas of activity that could cause disturbance to residents. Now that summer and the longer days are with us it is an opportune time to remind residents to be aware that smoke from BBQs and music and noise from outdoor parties can be a nuisance to your neighbours particularly late at night or if they have babies or young children who may go to bed early or people doing shift work. Similarly the use of lawnmowers and other powered tools if used early in the morning or late at night can cause disturbance. If you are planning any such activity please be a good neighbour and keep the noise down early in the morning or late at night. Work to fell timber around the Hanging Stone and allow this unique natural feature to be seen again, after many years of being shrouded by trees, should by now have been completed. The Parish Council through it's Natural Environment group will now liaise with the Forestry Commission to ensure that replanting in the area is carried out in such a way as to allow this feature to be visible for years to come.

Built Environment

Village Greens and Common Land

Rights of common over land probably originated in Anglo-Saxon times, when the majority of the population in England and Wales was organised into self-supporting village communities. Only part of the land was ploughed and the uncultivated waste and woodland were the natural sources of grazing, fodder and fuel. As the population increased, these rights were limited and defined. Under the feudal or manorial system, when all the land was vested in some individual or church organisation as lord of the manor, the rights of the commoners over waste were then protected by law. When the **Commons Registration Act 1965** was introduced all land in England and Wales which is common land, or a town or village green and all rights of common over land had to be registered under the Act. Failure to register meant that the land was no longer common land, or town or village green and rights of common ceased to be

exercisable. Distinction must be made between common land, rights of common and town and village greens, but the definitions overlap:-
A right of common is a right which one or more persons may have to take some portion of that which another person's soil naturally produces. For example:
common of pasture - the right to feed cattle, sheep or horses on another's land
common of turbary - the right to dig turves or peat from another's land
common of estovers - the right to take wood from another's land
common of piscary - the right to fish another's water
Common land is land over which rights of common are exercised, or waste land of a manor not subject to rights of common - but **excluding** town or village greens.
Town or village greens may or may not be subject to rights of common but **essentially** is land over which the inhabitants of a town or village have since time immemorial exercised the

right of playing lawful games and pastimes. For registration purposes under the 1965 Act it was necessary to show at least 20 years' use for lawful games and pastimes immediately before the application. Any land not registered ceased to be a town or village green. However, under the Commons Act 2006 it is now only necessary to show that the 20 year period ended within five years before the application date. Thimbleby has no registered common land or village green, possibly because of its history as an estate village where virtually all properties were until recently owned by the lord of the manor and there was no manorial waste. Osmotherley has several areas in the centre of the village registered as village green by the Parish Council. Also, very recently, English Heritage at the request of the Parish Council has registered the old pinfold on North End as common land. The Parish Council also bought in 1957 several areas of manorial waste from the Church as

lord of the manor of Northallerton. Some of the manorial waste is registered as village green and some is not; and some of it is registered at the Land Registry and some is not. When the Village Design Group produces the Village Design Statement we hope to show on the plan which areas are registered as Village Green and the area which is registered as Common Land. Meanwhile, the registration authority for Common Land and Town and Village Greens is North Yorkshire County Council to whom searches should be submitted. For details of which land is registered, please apply to the Land Registry. For details of the unregistered areas belonging to the Parish Council please refer to the Clerk. For detailed legal advice on this complicated subject, please refer to your own Solicitor!

*Noel Coward
Chairman, Osmotherley Area
Parish Council*

Osmotherley School

The children are busy creating our school newspaper with articles about the different events that have taken place this year. There will be jokes and puzzles plus photos to illustrate what we have been up to. We will be selling them at school on Osmotherley Games Saturday. I do hope everyone will buy one! The children of Osmotherley School are hoping to hold onto the cup for the school relay races. Last year we won both races! The school will be open and there will be lots to see, so please don't forget to pop round and visit us!

Year 6 have just come back from their cluster residential trip to East Barnby. We had a wonderful week full of outdoor activities such as canoeing, mountaineering, orienteering and lots, lots more. This is a great way to get to know the children that will be transferring to secondary school with them. We have several end of term activities planned. We would like to invite everyone in the village to a fund-raising event in aid of breast cancer – A Strawberry Tea – on Thursday 17th July in the afternoon. There will be games to play and we will be serving strawberry teas

so please come along and swell the numbers. Also please come and support our leavers in St Peter's Church on Friday 18th July at 10.00am. The Awards for All application for funding for the arts project mentioned last month, has been applied for and we are waiting with baited breath for the result. Hopefully, it will be 'all systems go' in September!! Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support this year. It is lovely to work with such a wonderful supportive community and I look forward to us doing lots together next year.



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Saturday Morning Coffee

The historic Methodist Church is open to visitors every weekend during the summer. Coffee is available from 10am - 12 noon every Saturday until August 31st. Please drop in.

Knitting Group: a knitting group has recently started up, meeting in the Methodist Church on alternate Mondays from 10am-12 noon. (July 7th, 21st, August 4th, 18th etc.) Knitters of all ages and abilities are welcome :help can be given to beginners, and needles and wool can be provided, so just come along. The group are knitting clothes for the Premature Baby Unit at the Friarage Hospital. Gifts of baby wool would be much appreciated, and can be left at the church during the summer weekend openings, brought along during the Monday knitting groups meetings or given to any church member.

Dates for your Diary

July

Sat 5th 1pm-Village Centre-Summer Games
Sun. 6th. 6.30 pm. Methodist Church Holy Communion : Rev. Ian Johnson.
Sun. 13th. 6.30 pm. Methodist Church Service: Rev. Elizabeth Clark
Thurs 17th - afternoon Strawberry tea - Osmotherley School
Fri 18th 10 am St Peters Church-School Leavers ceremony
Fri 18th 7.30 pm Village Hall—Film Club ‘The Italian Job’
Sun 20th 6.30 pm. Methodist Church Service: Rev. Andy Bryer
Sun 27th 6.30 pm. Methodist Circuit Service in Thirsk: not Osmotherley.

August

Sat 2nd 9 am Home Farm Thimbleby Osmotherley and District Show
Sun. 3rd 6.30 pm. Methodist Church Service: Mrs. Mary Holmes
Sun. 10th 6.30 pm. Methodist Church Holy Communion: Rev. Andy Bryer
Sat 16th 2 - 3.30 pm Village Hall Tai Chi
Sun 17th 6.30 pm. Methodist Church Service: Mrs. Chris Lawson
Sun. 24th 6.30 pm. Methodist Church Service: Mrs. Doris Bottoms
Sun. 31st 6.30 pm. Methodist Circuit Service in Northallerton: not Osmotherley

Sept

Fri Sept 19th -Churches Together Harvest in the Barn

Osmotherley Senior Citizens Fund

Keith Head walked the Lyke Wake Walk starting at Ravenscar in the early morning on 29th may and completed it on the same day arriving at Osmotherley

at 11pm. Andrew Bell of Back Lane met up with Keith at the Lion Inn and joined him on the second half of the walk. raising £440 for the Osmotherley Senior Citizens

fund. A great achievement for a man who will be 70years young on his next birthday. Well done Keith !!

Osmotherley Royal British Legion

JULY. Wednesday 2nd July. The Branch will hold its Monthly Meeting followed by a raffle and bingo in the Queen catherine Hotel at 7:30pm. All are welcome to attend. Saturday 5th July. The Branch will have its usual darts stall at the Summer Games (conveniently located by the front door of the Queen Catherine!) Any Branch member who can spare a few minutes to help run the stall

would be very welcome Saturday 19th July. The Annual Barbeque will be held at Hershams Cottage at 1pm. This will be a "by invitation" event for Branch members. Notices will be issued in due course.

AUGUST. Bottles wanted! The Branch will run a tombola stall at the Osmotherley Agricultural Show on Saturday, 2nd August. The prizes will be

"bottles only" -but not necessarily alcohol, anything in a bottle will do. Anyone, member or not who can help with contributions would be most welcome. Please contact Sheila Black on 883193.

Wednesday, 6th August. Our Monthly meeting, bingo and raffle in the Queen Catherine at 7:30pm. All welcome.

Youth Club

A meeting of all interested parties to form a Youth Club on Aug 8th in the Village Hall at 7pm. The age groups Youngsters 7-11 and 12 - 18 years. A N.Y.C.C. youth worker will help with the details of

running a club and this meeting is for all age groups children and adults to see if there is a need for such a club. It will only run if there is help from older teenagers and adults who will be interested in being involved in a Youth

Club for boys and girls from Osmotherley and the surrounding area. Please turn up on the night, further details from Tim Swales on 883046 Dave Morris on 883162