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## Lands End to John O'Groats

In the autumn Lyn and Steve Rogers are going to cycle just over 1000 miles from Land's End to John O'Groats to raise money for the Alzheimer's Society. It will be quite a challenge for us both not to mention our bums! There are currently estimated to be 700,000 suffering from dementia related illness in this country and this figure is estimated to rise to over 1 million by 2015 as the population ages. As a result many people are affected by Alzheimer's as a sufferer, a carer or through family and friends. The Alzheimer's Society has recently published its National Strategy which

highlights the need to promote awareness of this truly awful disease, help provide more support for sufferers and carers in their own homes and to invest in research to find the cause and hopefully a future cure.

My Dad was diagnosed with Alzheimers disease in 2007 so I understand, as many others do, the devastating impact the disease has for everyone involved. I am committed to supporting the Alzheimer's Society. They are a registered charity and rely entirely on donations in order to carry out their valuable work. Please come and support us or just come and find out more about

what we are doing at a:

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## Village Theatre

Following our recent and very successful return to the stage we would like to inform our supporters of our next steps and invite them to join us for a couple of social events through the Summer before our next main production in the Autumn. On June 27th we

are planning to hold a Murder Mystery evening at The Village Hall. We would like to invite people as our Dinner Guests to come along and take part in finding out 'Who Dunnit'.

There will be a light supper provided and people are advised to bring a bottle.

Evening Dress is optional. Tickets are priced at £5 and will be on sale from June 1st at The Top Shop or please contact Barrie Robinson on 01609 883108.

We will also be holding a quiz on the 5th Sep - Venue and details to be confirmed.

## Osmotherley Photography Club

The photography club is still going strong with monthly meetings on the last Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm in the Queen Catherine. Everybody is welcome, to come along to one of the evening get-togethers, or joining a trip out, whatever your level of photography.

This coming month we have organised a trip around Osmotherley on Sunday 7th June, starting at 6pm and meeting at the village cross (weather permitting!). This will be a good opportunity to wander round the village and take time to notice all the details that you never do when

just heading off to get the paper. We'll also be able to share our common knowledge and experience, so if you're looking to get that little bit more out of your photographs then please come along.

For more information contact Dave Morris on 883162.

## Business Group Meeting

There is a Business meeting scheduled for Mon 22nd June at 7.30 pm in the Golden Lion.

This is an opportunity to have some input into the development of the Business sections of the Osmotherley Community website. For further information contact Michael Read 883525

## The wildlife group

Meeting on Monday 8th June in the Village Hall Supper Room at 7.30pm. We are continuing our survey work of birds, mammals and plants for the coming year and more help is always needed.

The meeting is open to all and anyone who would like to become involved is encouraged to come along. For more information contact Angela Thomsett on 883224 or Alan Turner on 882310.

# Parish Council

The May meeting of Osmotherley Area Parish Council held its annual meeting and the retiring chairman, Mr Noel Coward was unanimously re-elected to the position. Recently many letters have been published in the Press quoting the various rumours and misquotes circulating regarding the possibility that a site may have been identified for affordable housing or for a car park, these were then discussed. The Parish Council had accepted the evidence put forward when the Parish Plan was published in late 2006 which indicated that there was a need for a park for upwards of 60 vehicles. In tandem with that a report by the Hambleton District Housing Enabler had separately identified the need for affordable housing in the area following a housing needs survey and as a consequence this evidence has been acted upon by a body which is not a part of the Parish Council. The Osmotherley Community Trust is a private Trust and its constitution is a matter of its trustees and does not form a part of the Parish Council. If or when any formal planning application is submitted to develop either a car park or any housing scheme the Trust or the District Council will have to follow the normal procedures and at that stage the Parish Council will be one of the many consultees whose opinions will be sought. At that stage these proposals will be thoroughly examined and the other recommendations of the Parish Plan will form a part of that public consultation exercise.

Planning applications put forward for discussion included a proposal to combine the two small dwellings on the corner of West End and South End into a single home, this is deplored and a strongly worded recommendation will be made to this effect. The planners at Helmsley have considered that the application to convert Hemmelstones on Clack Bank to an Eco House has its merits and because it is not in a highly prominent location approval has been given to this project. The Shooting ground at Thimbleby has been permitted to vary their operating hours for a 2 year period to permit evening activity on 2 evenings per week in the summer with one evening per week in the winter, but in return some morning hours have been curtailed and shooting must cease on Sundays by 2.30pm. However, any application to erect lighting must first be given formal approval and that does not form a part of this change of hours of operation.

The Village Design Statement is reaching its final draft and should be ready for a full airing in June or July, at which stage the public will be asked for their opinions. Several minor Highways actions were discussed and it was noted that the exit/entrance of the Cleveland Way onto Back Lane could do with a little more attention. The Sheepwash Action Group met recently and considered that enforcement of the Clearway from the Caravan Park to Scarth Nick may be more appropriately enforced if yellow no waiting lines were put down.

The application to erect wind turbines in the Winton and Kirby Sigston area has still not been resolved and the planning committee of Hambleton District Council have pencilled in their June meeting as the day when the Sword of Damocles may fall, the next Parish Council meeting will be held at Kirby Sigston on June 18th and any new evidence or reason must be submitted before that date.

# Village Hall

**Post Office.** We have been informed by Bob Chaytor (Sub-postmaster Romanby, who runs the Village Hall post office) that, with great regret, he is having to stop providing the village post office service at the end of May. This is because he feels unable to accept some of the contractual conditions being required of him by Post Office Limited. He and Paul say that they have very much enjoyed working with the village people; we in turn would like to thank them for the excellent service they have provided and are sorry to see them leave.

Post Office Limited tell us that they are trying to find a replacement for Bob/Paul, but may have to provide some alternative service arrangements in the meantime. We are unsure what this might be. We are pressing POL to provide a continuation of the present service, and seeking the support of our Parish/District/County councillors. We are therefore sorry to be unable to tell you exactly what service will be available in the village following the end of May, and what the longer term may hold.

**Village Hall Booking.** Angela Whitfield has kindly agreed to take over as Village Hall Booking Secretary. Telephone 01609 883262 (home) and 07787 808212 (Village Hall Booking mobile). When Angela is away the mobile will be passed to a deputy, so you should always be able to get a response from one of these numbers! .



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# Osmotherley Pre-School

## Ahoy there matey's!!!!

The Pre School relies on fund raising to help meet its day to day running costs and your continued support is called upon to keep part of the heart of the village ticking over.

Osmotherley Pirate's Treasure Trail, Saturday 25 July 2pm - 4.30. A date for your summer diary, help raise funds for the village pre-school while having some pirate family fun.

The trail starts from the

Village Hall, whatever the weather, (wellies if it rains!) where there will be cakes and scones available throughout.

So come along and follow the trail to find the skull and cross bones around the village. Long John Silver is sailing in and will hide some special treats..... if you can follow the extra clues to discover them you'll get a nice surprise! Put on your pirate party clothes if you can. It will be great to see all the children dressed up to take part in village

activities.

Entry is £1.00 each child and this includes your special pirate scroll map and entry form and a bag of golden chocolate coins for each child entrant successfully completing the trail.

Thank you also to everyone who attended the recent Ladies Night - we raised just under £500 and hope that everyone enjoyed the night as much as we did.



# Osmotherley School [www.osmotherley.n-yorks.sch.uk](http://www.osmotherley.n-yorks.sch.uk)

We have lots to celebrate this month at Osmotherley School. The school has been awarded the prestigious 'Highly Effective School' award for the second year running, by the Local Authority and we have also been awarded the Active Mark – a national award in recognition of the schools efforts both within school (in PE lessons and inter-school competitions) and out of

school at after-school clubs. It is great when our school is recognised for all the good work it does.

Year 5 have had a weekend visit to Kingswood (a centre in Hexham) along with Year 5 children from lots of other small schools. I went along too and we all had a great time, on the zip wire, quad bikes,

climbing and much more. Also, as part of the weekends activities the children created their own computer game, quite a feat! There are some photos and children's comments on our school website (see above), please pay it a visit there are lots of interesting things to see and read about.

Finally I would like to mention our Open Afternoon, timed to

coincide with the Osmotherley Games on 4<sup>th</sup> July. Please come round and pay us a visit, there will be activities in the grounds and you are also welcome to have a look round the school and see what the children have been doing. Lets hope the weather is going to be kinder than last year!



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

We bring our first full season of film to an end, this month, with the acclaimed and entertaining Australian film -

**"The Dish"** [2000] [Aus] 100mins Cert 12 Starring: Sam Neill

*For this, our season finale, we take you back to the summer of '69... historic, heady days! Man is about to set foot on the moon for the first time; the imagination of the world is captivated by those impending & momentous events and, in the middle of a sheep paddock in deepest New South Wales, lies a vital cog in this piece of history-in-the-making: the 'Dish'.*

*Welcome to Parkes, NSW. Take centre stage the Earth Receiving Station (aka the 'Dish') ready to beam to the world Neil Armstrong's first Moon steps...maybe. Join the dedicated team at the heart of the*

*action together with an array of local characters revelling in the moment. Local pride mixes with aussie irreverence and a cock-up or two along the way, as a heart warming and utterly enjoyable tale is brought to our screen. Real time footage interweaves with the plot to take us right back to those summer days of '69.*

*A true story?...yes: Man really did set foot on the Moon in July 1969! (Oh, and yes, somewhere in a sheep paddock in NSW there really is a 'Dish' with a claim to history and a tale to tell...)*

We hope you will join with us for what promises to be an enjoyable evening of film.. **Friday 19th June Doors Open 7.30pm**, the film to start at 8pm. Guests are welcome (subject to seat availability). The Guest Fee is £5. For

further information contact: Laura 883096 or Shona 883237

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As the 'projection room' takes a break for the Summer, all of us at Osmotherley Film would like to thank our members, and the community as a whole, for your support throughout the Season. We have been overwhelmed by the very positive comments we have received. We hope that all of you who have formed our audience have enjoyed the film experience as much as we have enjoyed bringing it to you and we hope this has added, in some small way, to the enjoyment of life here in Osmotherley.

**Please stay tuned for further news from us regarding**

**future events and the new season of film (to start in September). We hope to be making announcements in the very near future!** Please continue to share with us your comments about what we do, either in person or via our website/email. This all helps us as we plan ahead for the new season. If you are not already a member of Osmotherley Film but are interested in being notified about our new season of film please drop us an email via our website so that we can contact you ahead of the new season.

We have also enjoyed being able to bring the FILMCLUB experience to those at Osmotherley Primary School. We hope you have enjoyed it!! Stay tuned for future news.

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## Dates for your Diary

### June

Wed 3rd 7.30pm Queen Catherine Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting followed by a raffle and bingo  
Sun 7th 6pm The Cross Photography Trip  
Sun 7th 6.30pm Methodist Evening Service. Rev Robert Gee  
Mon 8th 7.30pm Wildlife Group Meeting. Village Hall Supper Room  
Sun 14th 3p.m.Ecumenical Service Mount Grace Priory  
Sun 14th 6.30pm Methodist Evening Service. Rev Nelson  
Sat 20th 10-12.30 Coffee morning in aid of Alzheimers Society. Village Hall  
Sun 21st 6.30pm Methodist Evening Service. Mr Chris Kirk  
Mon 22nd 7.30 pm Business Group Meeting. Golden Lion.  
Sat 27th Murder Mystery Evening - Village Hall  
Sun 28th 6.30pm Methodist Church Holy Communion. Rev Robert Gee  
Tue 30th 7.30pm Osmotherley Photography Club. Queen Catherine

### July

Sat 4th Osmotherley Games and Phoenix run  
Sat 4th Osmotherley School - Open Afternoon  
Sat 25th 2-4.30 pm -Village Hall Pirate's Treasure Trail, in aid of Osmotherley Pre-School

### NEW YOGA TERM BEGINS JUNE 15TH FOR 5 WEEKS

Mondays 1.15pm to 2.45pm Village Hall

There are a few places remaining for this short term before the summer break. Come along and join this small, friendly group and feel the benefit of stretching the body fully and relaxing. Please book a place by telephoning Angela on 01325 332314 or e mailing [angelagriffiths5@aol.com](mailto:angelagriffiths5@aol.com)

## Osmotherley Area Website

The Communications Group are continuing with the development of the website. This is being facilitated by Gael Jaffro, a French work experience student and overseen by Eileen Webb. A big thank you to those who have met up with us and

contributed to the various sections so far, and we would welcome anyone else with ideas or suggestions.

Our aim is to have a community website that is easy to maintain and administer in the future, and to that end we are applying for

funding to include laptops and software for both the website and the newsletter. If successful there will also be training and development opportunities for those interested.

For further information contact Eileen or Shona.

## Youth Club

We can happily report that things are going well for the youth club. Numbers for both juniors and seniors are good and we are gradually getting more equipment that the young people ask for. As time goes by we are able to arrange more varied activities and looking towards some more outdoor activities as the weather improves.

We are on the lookout for more volunteers to help supervise the senior sessions. We are running a bit tight at the moment, with only two of us as 'regulars', and this is causing some headaches when the inevitable crops up and one of us can't make it. We've got plenty of willing parents to come along and step into the breach, however it

would be nice to have some more people to call on. No qualifications necessary, however a good sense of fun, a bit of patience and a willingness to get involved with whatever they're doing will all go a long way. If you're interested, call in one Monday night, else call Dave on 883162 for a chat.

## Churches Together in Osmotherley

On Sunday 14th June an Ecumenical Service will be held outdoors in the ruins of Mount Grace Priory. This will take place at 3p.m. and in case the prospect of wet weather should worry you there will be shelter available if necessary. This promises to be a most

unforgettable occasion amidst the ancient, serene and beautiful ruins of the Priory. We look forward to welcoming many people from Osmotherley and the surrounding area .

In order to facilitate travel to the Priory the village minibus will be

available on the day and will collect passengers from the War Memorial bus stop from 2pm. We hope to make two trips so there should be plenty of space for everyone.

More information about this event will be displayed around the village nearer the time.