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Christmas Events in the Village



Carol Singing round the pubs

The annual carol singing around the pubs is on the **15th Dec** in aid of Macmillan Cancer Relief. The community bus will leave at 6.30pm for The Crathorne Arms and then The Tontine (please ring 883408) before returning to the village pubs. If you can't get on the bus please join us when we return. Your support will be greatly appreciated. *Peter Edmunds*

Christmas in Blue

A concert by the Osmotherley community choir and brass band

Saturday 16 December 6pm
St Peter's church Osmotherley

Mulled wine and mince pies
Retiring collection

Annual Carols around the Christmas tree on Mon 18th Dec at 6pm. As



always we will be led by Osmotherley Silver Band, there will be festive fun of mulled wine and mince pies in the village hall afterwards. Please bring a torch- all welcome.



ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT PETER'S

Details of all the services for Advent and Christmas are to be found in the Christmas Card enclosed with this issue

Osmotherley Community Group

Different December.....

On Dec 5th we shall be holding an Afternoon Tea between 2pm and 3.30pm. The event will be organised on exactly the same lines as our Community Coffee Mornings i.e. come any time but between 2pm and 3.30pm. There will be a variety of festive refreshments and donations will be shared between

'Northallerton and The Dales Mencap' and 'Hambleton Inclusive Sports'. We will also be joined by 'Hands and Voices' - our local signing and singing choir who opened the Angel Festival last year.

There will be a Traidcraft stall selling fairly traded Christmas Goods. We do hope you will be able to join us.

January Events

Community Coffee Morning on Tue Jan 9th 9 00am - 11 30am and a Community Soup Lunch on Wed Jan 17th 12 - 2pm

May we take this opportunity to thank you all for your support and to wish everyone in our community a Peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Osmotherley Village Theatre

Final Reminder -On the 6th, 7th and 8th December 2017 Osmotherley Village Theatre will be presenting the Alan Ayckbourn comedy 'Bedroom Farce'. Tickets available from Angela Thomsett 883224 and from Top Shop.

Osmotherley Silver Band

The band will be playing in Oswaldene early evening of Wed 20th Dec. Please look out for them and join in with carols.

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Parish Council Meeting -23rd Nov

The November meeting of the Parish Council was held one week later than usual and was attended by the majority of councillors. Issues discussed included the Remembrance Service and the council recognised the excellent work done by Col. David Black in helping to ensure the day went well.

Maintenance issues were as ever high on the agenda and it was reported that the repairs to the cobbled areas had been completed successfully, but that the bollard, previously knocked out and repaired had once again been hit. The public conveniences corridor to the gents will be repaired shortly. Once again the issue of refuse bins being left out was raised by concerned residents and this will be investigated.

The gullies on South End were reported as overflowing and the clerk was asked to report this to the Highways team. The play area refurbishment would be carried out in the Spring of next year, hopefully with the help and advice of interested parents in the village. Three planning applications had been received since our last meeting and these were all supported.

The clerk reported on the accounts for the year and it was noted that funds spent was likely to be greater than funds received for the year due to the cobbles repairs.

Cemetery fees were tabled and it was agreed to keep these at the same levels. Finally it was urged that as many residents attend the NHS Friarage consultation meeting in Northallerton on Thursday 14th December.

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Hambleton Food Share welcomes contributions to its food sharing scheme which helps people in temporary financial difficulties, and who are struggling to feed themselves and their families. The Food Share scheme gives them an emergency parcel which will feed the family for 3 days (depending on the size of the family).

As Christmas approaches and we are all stocking up and preparing for the festivities, it would be good to think that our village is able to make a significant contribution to this excellent scheme.

There has been a box inside the door of St Peter's for quite a while now but it is rarely well filled. Please would you consider making regular donations, simply adding a little to your weekly shop. (Some people, of course, contribute to the Food Share at the supermarket.) With Christmas coming, a few extra treats would be welcome too to help make the day a little more special for people in need.

You can go onto the website - Hambleton Food Share.org.uk and see what they are most in need of at any one time.

Cleveland Way

If you've noticed there seems to be less litter on the Cleveland Way either side of Osmotherley, it could be due to the efforts of three six-year olds from Ingleby Barwick. Triplets Sam, Chris and Alex Hindle are members of The Cleveland Way Adoption Scheme. They have been patrolling the path



between Square Corner and the booster station to make sure it's in good order.... and there's no litter!

Taken during the October half term the photograph shows the boys with their litter pickers and collected rubbish.

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50's CLUB. November winners.

A&D Metcalfe (Ann Dixon) £25.00/B Wright £12.50/Sue Gough £12.50 Congratulations. Dec draw will include Jan 2018 (no Jan bingo) plus two extra draws of £25.00 each. The final draw will be at the Feb bingo. Hopefully everyone will rejoin for 2018. At present this is the only funding for our village community bus. Further details regarding this in Feb. Messenger.

Casino Night on Sat 3rd Feb 2018 at Osmotherley Village Hall. £10 per person including welcome drink, canapes, fun casino and disco. Contact Leanne on 883128 and book early to avoid disappointment. Please note this is not an event to raise money, it is a chance to get together and have some fun!

Grasshoppers



Grasshoppers is the village play group for all children up to school age. We run sessions every Thursday from 10am-12pm in the village hall and everybody is very welcome. We have lots of

toys for all ages and snacks for both the children and grown ups.

Sessions are £2 per family however there is no charge for the first session, so come

along and see what's what, we'd love to see you. Any questions, or if you would like us to meet you before you come along please telephone/text Becki on 07935417288 or Frances on 07540750782.

Osmotherley Oil Cooperative

As usual, an email will be sent to our members approximately 3 weeks before we are due to place an order. For those members not on email, our order dates for 2018 are as follows:

19th Jan: 16th March:

18th May: 20th July:

28th Sept: 23rd Nov

Please note: if you require oil sooner, please order independently, we cannot guarantee urgent deliveries.

If you are interested in

joining, or would like more information contact the volunteer coordinators Syd Howlett and Tristan Sillars .

Tel: 01609 883499 (Syd) or osmotherleyoil@gmail.com

SUMMER GAMES UPDATE

We are sad to announce that due to the lack of new members willing to join the Summer Games Committee, the Games are at great risk of not going ahead next year. If we do not receive enough interest by 31st January it will not go ahead.

The Games do not take up much of time with monthly

meetings starting in the Spring and the workload split across the team.

However, several of the current committee members have been on board for a few years now and we need new members to bring in fresh ideas and energy.

There have been such positive responses to this

year's Games, that it would be a shame to not continue the village tradition.

If you want to join the committee please call or email Alex Bilby on 07912525231 or alexbilby@hotmail.co.uk

A further update & final decision will follow in the February Messenger.



We wish everyone an enjoyable Christmas and New Year period!

To help you along the way...or to provide enjoyable distraction from festivities (take your pick of justification as you wish!) don't forget our December and January films:

Friday 15th December
A UNITED KINGDOM
[2016][UK] Cert.12A

111mins
Starring: David Oyelowo,
Rosamund Pike, Tom Felton
The true-life story of Sir

Seretse Khama and Ruth Williams. They and their love for each other must surmount a post-war society still bound by its conservative norms and the politics of colonial empire as well as the traditions of his Southern African tribal homeland. One of film-land's recent hits to be enjoyed on the big screen!

Friday 19th January 2018
JIMMY'S HALL
[2014] [Ire/UK] Cert. 12A
109mins

Further details of our season
www.osmotherleyfilm.co.uk
email: osmotherleyfilm@yahoo.co.uk or
contact Laura 883096/Chris 883518.

Starring: Barry Ward, Francis Magee, Aileen Henry.

In rural Ireland of the 1930's, Jimmy Gralton returns home after 10 years exile in America. He agrees to help re-open the old dance hall to give the locals somewhere to meet, talk, dance and make music. But to the authorities, Church and landlords, this is viewed differently.

A comment and observation on Ireland of the time from director Ken Loach



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Thursdays 2-3pm,

Thursdays 6- 7.30pm

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Dates for your Diary

December

Tues 5th - 8 pm. Gold Cup, Nether Silton Osmotherley Show Christmas Domino Drive
Tues 5th - Osmotherley Community Group. Afternoon Christmas Tea.
Wed 6th - 7:30pm - Queen Catherine Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and bingo.
Wed 6th- 8th - Osmotherley Village Theatre presents 'Bedroom Farce'. Village Hall
Sun 10th St Peter's Church Messy Church 4pm - 5 30pm
Tues 12th - 12.30 for 1.00pm Queen Catherine OWLS Christmas Lunch
Thurs 14th - 4-6pm. NHS Friarage consultation meeting. Northallerton Town Hall
Fri 15th - 6.30 pm meet outside Queen Catherine-Carol Singing round the pubs
Fri 15th - 8pm Village Hall Osmotherley Film - 'A United Kingdom'
Sat 16th - 6pm St Peter's Community Choir with Osmotherley Band Christmas performance
Mon 18th- 6pm Village Hall - Christmas Carols round the tree, Mulled Wine, Mince Pies
Wed 20th - early evening Oswaldene - Osmotherley Silver Band

January

Tue 9th - 9 00am - 11 30am St Peter's -Community Coffee Morning
Wed 17th - 12 noon - 2pm St Peter's Community Soup Lunch
Fri 19th - 8pm Village Hall Osmotherley Film 'Jimmy's Hall'
Sun 21st - 2.30pm St Peter's - Memorial Service for Freda Garrett

February

Sat 3rd - Village Hall - Casino Night
Wed 7th - 7:30pm Queen Catherine Hotel. Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and bingo.

News from St Peter's

Repairs to the roof are now complete. The New Year will see the start of work to make the church building as accessible as possible to the whole community. As the work progresses some pews will be taken out. If you would like to own one of these pews, please register your interest with either Eileen Bellett on 883550 or Tim Swales on 883046. Information on the appropriate level of donation for the pews, will be available in the new year.

FLOWERS

HELP- Could you occasionally provide flowers for the church — you do not need to be an expert flower arranger! The request is simply for two bunches of flowers to go in the altar vases. There will be a blank rota for 2018 on the notice

board at the back of St Peter's. If you can help please could you sign your name and preferred dates. We do not normally have flowers during Lent and Advent

MEET PUDDLES THE CAT AT MESSY CHURCH

Sun Dec 10th St Peter's Church Osmotherley
4 - 5.30pm

What is Messy Church?

'Messy Church is a form of church for children and adults that involves creativity, celebration and hospitality' Messy Church is designed to be an all age fun event with time to reflect and come together as families in the community. At our first Messy Church at St Peter's we will be providing crafts, story and tea to celebrate Christmas. You will meet our own special Messy Church

characters - Puddles the Cat and her friend Freddie Fischer. Children may already have come across Puddles as she sometimes sleeps in our Family Corner in Church! There will be no charge for Messy Church but donations will go towards future Messy events.

Remembering Freda

A Memorial Service for Freda Garrett will be held on Sunday Jan 21st at 2.30pm. The service will be followed by light refreshments. Freda and her husband Ernie made a significant contribution to the life of our community generally and to St Peter's church in particular. The service will provide an opportunity to pay tribute and to contribute to a permanent memorial in the church.