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The Royal British Legion Osmotherley Branch



Osmotherley Remembers

Events to mark the end of the First World War are to be held throughout the Country, and Osmotherley is no exception. Community groups in this North Yorkshire village are actively preparing their own commemorations involving residents and children of all ages.

One special tribute has been produced by a resident. He has collected a number of stones to match the number of names recorded on the village war memorial. He has painted each stone white and inscribed the name and details of one of the fallen on each of the stones. Following the remembrance service each stone will be laid at the war memorial by a child.



Photographed is Arthur Taylor, who served in and survived the war. Records of his early life are sparse, but it is known he served in The King's Liverpool Regiment as Number 1 in a Lewis Gun Section.

In April 1918, as part of the West Lancashire Division, Arthur saw action, repulsing a German attack at Givenchy, in France. Following demobilisation he settled in Osmotherley as owner of the village shop, a special constable, a JP and a British Legion member.

Osmotherley Village Theatre

The OVT is delighted to be performing The Accrington Pals, by Peter Whelan on the 7th, 8th and 9th of November, as part of the village wide Poppy Festival

This is one of the most lyrical and absorbing plays we have ever produced and, although set in the Lancashire town of Accrington, it would be equally relevant just over

the Pennines here in Osmotherley.

The 'Pals' are the men from the local volunteer battalion who march high-spiritedly off to the Great War with their experiences in the trenches contrasted with those of the women left behind. At times funny, at times sad, it paints a moving and powerful picture of the changes in civilian life during war time.

It is a brilliant production that will have you laughing and crying at the same time and is a timely reminder of the sacrifices made by those who have gone before us, it is a perfect complement to the Poppy Festival and a production that promises to live long in the memory. Tickets available from the box office at The Top Shop or by calling 01609 883224/779/128

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Parish Council Meeting

A representative of the Police Commissioners office attended to determine the most appropriate means of improving communications within the NY Police Force Area. Local advice and knowledge is key, not only in preventing crime but also to improve understanding of issues and provide better solutions. The Facebook page was suggested as the best way to communicate with residents as the numbers using it continues to grow. Community groups were also suggested. The officer departed with a better understanding of the matters affecting Osmotherley and its rural surroundings.

The meeting continued with normal business discussing matters arising from previous meetings including the War Memorial planting. Members were pleased to hear that in future this activity would be picked up by a family in the village and the Remembrance Sunday planting would be the first opportunity. A Tree Surgeon had been consulted regarding the trees on North End and it was agreed that a 'sympathetic' trim would be undertaken as soon as possible.

Highways matters were raised, in particular the 'sink' hole on North End and the 30/40 mph signage on West End. This would be reported to the appropriate authority. The water leak outside of the chip shop, inspected but unresolved by Yorkshire Water was asked to be reported once again.

Police matters included 2 reports of anti-social behaviour and 2 reports of suspicious circumstances.

The Clerk reported on the progress of refurbishing and adding to the items in the village Play Area. It is hoped that visible progress will be noticed in time for the next meeting as a contractor had been appointed to undertake the work.

The Chairman introduced the subject of the potential for attracting new/younger blood into the future make-up of the parish council, asking that the work load should be shared more evenly between council members. Members were asked to consider and reflect on their own positions in view of the up-coming end of term in May 2019.

The council discussed the three planning applications received in the period and support was given to all three. The clerk reported that the proposed application at the Haynes Arms had been refused by Hambleton DC.

The clerk presented the accounts for the period, noting the healthy honesty box contributions and the increase in income due to grants received for work to the Play Area.

Osmotherley Poppy Festival Nov 2018

Our Poppy Festival will mark 100 years since the end of The First World War.

Other information:

Before the Festival

Wear a Poppy - Pearl Poppies are also available to mark the contribution of women to The War Effort

From Nov 1st - Please place a symbol of Remembrance on your door or in your window or garden.

Sat Nov 3rd - Please bring your Remembrance poem, prose or art work to The Village Hall between 10am and 1pm. The exhibition

will be mounted during the afternoon and opened on Nov 10th.

Nov 7th - 9th - Come to one of the productions of 'The Accrington Pals' by Osmotherley Village Theatre. There will be an opportunity to purchase a copy of 'Osmotherley Remembers 1918 - 2018' - a tribute to the soldiers who gave their lives and are named on our War Memorial.

Thurs Nov 8th - If your organisation has made a 'commemorative wheel' please bring it to St Peter's Church between 4pm and 6pm. If you would like to donate flowers for the floral

exhibition, these should also be brought to church at this time.

Sat Nov 10th - Sun Nov 11th

Come for Coffee and Cake in St Peter's and see the floral display. Visit the exhibitions in Osmotherley Primary School, Village Hall and around the village from 10 am - 3pm. In the evening, wear, something red and join us for a Concert of World War 1 Music in St Peters at 7.30pm.

Sun- Armistice Day Parade at 10.45am followed by The Remembrance Service at 11am.

All proceeds to the Royal British Legion Appeal

Osmotherley Community Group

Our first soup lunch of the 2018/19 season will take place on **Wed Nov 21st between 12 noon and 2pm**

This year all our soup lunches will be supporting The Great North Air Ambulance



**COMMUNITY-POWERED
EMERGENCY CARE**

Our Nov Community Coffee Morning has become a Coffee Day this month as it has moved to **Sat Nov 10th between 10am and 3pm** as part of the Poppy Festival Open Day.

Everyone is welcome to join us at all our community events.

As a result of donations received, at our October Coffee Morning, we have been able to twin our new church toilet — we

have chosen to twin this with a sanitation project in Uganda - the home of the Archbishop - the least we could do after he kindly blessed it!! Look out for the certificate which will be placed outside the toilet in church. In addition, we were able to send a donation of £200 to Macmillan as part of the 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning Appeal'

Thank you to everyone for your continuing support.



For further information (incl. previews) see our website; email us at osmotherleyfilm@yahoo.co.uk; contact Laura 883096 or Chris 07971 863332

Enjoy a ray of sunshine on us!

This month's film evening is Friday
16th November:

**LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE [2006]
[US] Cert.15 101mins**

Starring: Steve Carell, Toni Collette,
Greg Kinnear, Abigail Breslin

The Hoover family of Albuquerque,
New Mexico are classically dysfunctional. In the midst of a raft of issues, 7 yr

old Olive enters the 'Little Miss Sunshine' beauty pageant.

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Where? the Village Hall.

Doors open 7.30pm; Film starts 8pm

Guests welcome (must be 16+ yrs of age):
Guest Fee £6

If you haven't yet got around to joining us

for the season, full programme details and a membership form can be downloaded from our website. Copies can also be found in Top Shop. As it's our combined membership that funds the season through the membership fee, if you're interested in film and want to keep 'live' film thriving in our midst, join us as a member and enjoy the film journey with us across the months ahead. 10 films at a membership fee of £35 really is too good not to be part of!

50's Club and Meat draw.

Last chance to obtain your numbers and join these two events. Generous cash prizes every month plus vouchers for local butchers...all in aid of local RBL causes.

Contact Maureen (883089) if you are interested.

Royal British Legion

Thank you...all who attended October RBL bingo, the raffle made £97.00. Thank you also to Steve and his staff for all their assistance.

RBL drop in was a huge success making £775.00 for local causes. Thank you to everyone who came along, plus members who did not attend but donated to the evening.

Messenger Opportunity

The editors are looking to recruit one or a few extra volunteers to help with the publication of the Osmotherley Messenger. No experience necessary just enthusiasm and a smile.

If you are interested please contact either Eileen or Shona
os.messenger@gmail.com

Osmotherley Website www.osmotherley.org.uk

As you might be aware Osmotherley has a community website. It was created a number of years ago by the Osmotherley communications group as a resource for the villagers. It contains information about the village, the various groups that operate, has copies of the messenger right back to issue 1, and includes some information on events. In the past couple of years it has also included parish council information and copies of the parish council minutes.

As the facebook group is now used more for social aspects the website has not been maintained as thoroughly as it could be. However, we think it is still an important resource for the village and are looking for a member of the village community to take it on. If you are interested in further developing and maintaining this please contact Eileen or Shona os.messenger@gmail.com

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Dates for your Diary

November

Wed 7th - 7:30pm. RBL Monthly Meeting and Bingo. Queen Catherine.

Wed 7th - Fri 9th – Village Hall OVT ‘Accrington Pals’

Sat 10th – 10am-3pm - St Peter’s Church - Coffee and Cake and exhibitions in Osmotherley School and Village Hall

Sat 10th - 7:30pm - St Peter’s Church Concert of World War 1 Music

Sun 11th - 10:45am onwards. Remembrance Sunday Parade and church service. Village centre and St Peter's church.

Fri 16th – 8pm Village Hall – Osmotherley Film ‘Little Miss Sunshine’

Wed 21st - 12-2pm. Soup Lunch. St Peters Osmotherley

December

Wed 5th - 7:30pm. RBL Monthly Meeting and Bingo. Queen Catherine.

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Remembrance Sunday 11th Nov

This year, very appropriately, Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day coincide and fall on the very day that 100 years ago World War 1 came to an end at 11am.

The village is holding a number of events to commemorate this momentous occasion. As usual there will be a parade of veterans followed by an Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial commencing at 10:45am which will be supported by The Silver

Jubilee Band and will include participation by the Hillside Scouts and Guides, children from Osmotherley Primary School and the Chairman of the Parish Council.

Again this year, a Deputy Lieutenant will be present to represent the Lieutenancy of North Yorkshire. He is Captain (Retired) Stephen Upright RN.

During the period of the parade and Act of Remembrance, North Yorkshire Police will

establish a traffic diversion system to cut off the village centre with traffic diverted via School Lane and Back Lane. We would also ask those villagers who normally park their cars near the War Memorial to move them just for the period of the parade/Act of Remembrance.

After the Act of Remembrance there will be an ecumenical church service in St Peter's.