



Osmotherley Area Messenger

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Summer Games and Phoenix: July 7th

Phoenix Run starts 9am from the village hall and finishes back at the village hall after the 17, 26 or 30 gruelling miles.

Games Official Opening 1pm in village centre. Attractions include:

Childrens' Entertainment: Bouncy Castle; Races; Ball pool; Fancy Dress; Stocks; Childrens Tombola.

Stalls; Coconut Shy; Tombola; Splat the Rat; Bric-a-Brac; Books, Plants and Cakes; Craft Exhibition;

Climbing Wall; Target Golf; Penalty Shoot-out.

Activities: Tug of War; Yard of Ale; Welly Tossing.

Parking available at Clack Bank.

Osmotherley Show: August 4th

Osmotherley and District Horticultural and Agricultural Society hold their '100th Annual Show' on Saturday 4th August at Home Farm, Thimbleby. This is a milestone for the society who have only cancelled shows during war-time, foot and mouth and when weather conditions have made the fields unusable.

The show has two extra events this year to celebrate one hundred shows. These

are driving classes for horses and ponies and a fell race for anyone over 16 years of age. The race will start and finish in the show field and it is hoped these events will be held annually.

The committee try to keep up to date with the changing needs of village shows, whilst keeping the traditional parts of agricultural and horticultural events. We hope that there is something to interest everybody from

town or country and every age group.

The day finishes with a barbecue and dance which this year will be ticket only.

Schedules and tickets are available from the secretary 01609 882752 or at Top Shop, pubs and other shops in the village.

Further information can be obtained on the website, see below.

www.osmotherleyshow.cjb.net

Summer Games: Plant & Produce Sale

Osmotherley and District Garden Club will be organising a Plant and Produce stall on Summer Games Day (Saturday 7 July) to raise funds for the Village Hall.

Donations of surplus plants e.g. vegetables, perennials,

herbs, houseplants and annuals would be very welcome. Early produce such as rhubarb, gooseberries, artichokes tomatoes and lettuce usually sell well.

Please bring contributions to the stall at 12 noon or leave

them in Roger and Freda Steven's garden during Friday evening or Saturday morning - opposite St Anne's Cottage which is adjacent to the Methodist Chapel.

*Pre School
Fundraising
events coming up
Church Teas- July 1st
and July 22nd*

*Summer BBQ
Sunday 15th July.*

Barbecue and Cricket

Osmotherley Pre-school Barbecue

Sunday 15th July from 1pm
Cricket field, Thimbleby
Bouncy castle, face painting,
auction and games

Tickets:
£25 family, £9 adult, £4 child

Followed at 4pm by an
Inter-pub cricket match

Tickets are available from the
Queen Catherine Hotel,
pre-school or Tracey on
01609 883572

Osmotherley School



Osmotherley Primary School 2007

Hello again from the building site!!!
As you can see the building work is progressing and is just about to schedule (for completion by the end of the summer holidays). The children have spent time planning the interior layout, these ideas have been discussed by the Governors and we are at the point of ordering furniture. The actual joining up of the buildings and knocking through will take place during the holidays which will minimise the disruption for the children.

We will be having an official opening ceremony some time during the autumn term and hope that people will take the opportunity to come along and have a look round.

It is coming to the end of another academic year and our year 6 children will be moving on to the Allertonshire School. To celebrate all their achievements and all that they have given to school we are holding a 'Leavers Service' in St Peters Church on Wednesday July 18th starting at 1.30pm.

Everyone is welcome – the Year 6 children will be doing a short presentation, there will be musical items and also their memories of past times. We send eleven children off to the secondary school this year and wish them all the best for the future!

Penny Vernon, Headmistress

Village Caretaker

Following on from the recommendations identified in the Parish Plan, Keith Henderson was appointed to the role of Village Caretaker from the beginning of April to cover a wide range of jobs around the Villages.

During the summer months he will be trying to keep the area litter free and will be cutting the Village Greens and other areas of amenity grass

including the churchyard, the cemetery and the play area.

During the winter as well as maintaining Village furniture and signs he will also continue with the litter removal and in times of severe weather he will be able to spread salt on footpaths and other areas not treated by Highways. He also will keep tidy areas such as The Pinfold and the Village Hall garden and can be seen

keeping some of the roadside verges clear of obstructions.

When time permits he may be tasked with other jobs but only at the discretion of the working group comprising of Tim Swales, Mike Read and the Clerk, Len Cragg.

Please do not ask him to carry out other jobs without referring to one or more of these people.

For Sale

*Mahogany Drop
Leaf Table
& 6 chairs*

*Offers
around £100*

*Contact:
Dawn: 883587*

For Sale

*Air Hockey table
6 foot x 3 foot
Complete with
legs, pucks and
paddles*

*£40
Contact:
Eileen :883897*

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the details***

VDS – Character Photograph Evening

On Friday 8th June, small groups of villagers walked the streets of Osmotherley and Thimbleby recording the best of Osmotherley and Thimbleby. A set of photographs of the villages has been prepared which will be available for general viewing. Examples of what villagers really like about their built environment included:

- the shops/post office/pubs – everyone agreed that

businesses were at the heart of a thriving village

- the characteristics of traditional buildings
- the size/proportions of a number of new buildings (long and low)
- details of doors and windows, roof edges, boot scrapers etc
- extensions that have improved the suitability of a house to the area

- extensions that have allowed buildings to house a family
- barns from all around the village and the periphery views

The recent news that certain extensions and modifications might not require planning consent in future is likely to increase the importance of Village Design Statements. Much help is needed.

Osmotherley Area Parish Council

At the June meeting of the Parish Council Members heard that the proposal for a 40mph scheme through Ellerbeck has been delayed for a few months. Highways are due to visit the area in the near future and among items for their consideration is the positioning of safety bollards on North End as well as improvements to roadside signs to Sheepwash.

There were several planning applications for consideration including one to install additional roof windows at 45 North End known as The Pinfold, but Members were extremely concerned that enlargement of this bungalow did not include extra provision for car parking because the developer has converted the existing integral garage into accommodation. The Planners

are to be asked to look into this matter because their policies indicate that parking is a major part of the process when development is considered. A property at Kirby Sigston had recently applied for replacement windows but because it is a listed building installation of double glazing was refused on the grounds that it would detract from the aesthetic value of the property despite the applicant's view that it would greatly improve the insulation values.

The Government has recently introduced new legislation which could permit additional use of space in existing graveyards and cemeteries by allowing burial plots to be dug to a greater depth provided that the original burial took

place more than 100 years previously and that the family were in agreement with the extension.

Members unanimously agreed to adopt the Code of Conduct for Parish Councils as drawn up by the Standards Board. The newly created Newsletter is providing residents with up to date information about events in and around the area and all Members present were photographed in order that a short item about each could be included.

The management group who are overseeing the implementation of the Parish Plan have arranged an open Business Forum in Osmotherley Village Hall on the 17th July at 7.30pm; all who are interest are welcome to attend.

Business Forum

A meeting will be held on Tuesday 17 July 2007 at 7.30pm in Osmotherley Village Hall with the intention to set up a local Business

Forum. All business principals / owners running any form of business in the area are invited to attend as are any other interested persons.

For further information please contact Alan Turner on 01609-882310.



View these photos in colour on the website www.hambleton.gov.uk/osmotherley

Dates for your Diary

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July

Sunday 1st 2.30pm, Ecumenical Pilgrimage to Lady Chapel, Meet village centre

Wednesday 4th 7.30pm, British Legion Meeting and Bingo, Queen Catherine

Saturday 7th, Osmotherley Games, Osmotherley village

Sunday 15th, Osmotherley Pre-school Summer BBQ, followed by inter-pub cricket match, 1pm, Cricket Field, Thimbleby

August

Saturday 4th, Osmotherley Show, 100th anniversary

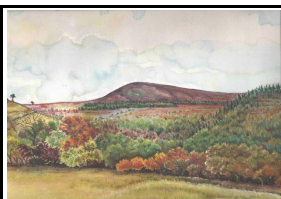
Sunday 12th, Assumption Pilgrimage, Mass at 3pm at the Lady Chapel (village will be busier than usual)

Saturday 18th, Garden Party in aid of Street Child Africa, 19 Back Lane, Osmotherley

September

Tuesday 4th 7.30 pm, Life & Plants in the Victorian Walled Garden - a talk by Trevor Rogers, Osmotherley village hall

Important: All dates, articles and adverts required by **Friday 24th August** for September issue



Street Child Africa Garden Party

Street Child Africa is the only UK charity entirely devoted to helping street children across Africa.

Help raise money for the homeless children of Africa while having fun! There will be...

Local cider tasting	Football and Rounders	Roller Skating	Golf
Teas and Licenced Bar	Croquet	Stalls-cakes/plants	BBQ

Saturday 18th August 2007—Entrance: £5 or £15 family

19 Back Lane, Osmotherley, Courtesy of Robert & Jane Thorniley-Walker

Church Clock

Apart from saying "...gosh is that the time, I'm late..." when you hear it strike, do you ever wonder about the village, or Church, clock? The clock sits halfway up the church tower, and the movement is inscribed on its brass plate "*Wm Potts and Sons, Leeds 1893. To the Glory of God and in Memory of William Yeoman who died 13 Nov 1890. This clock was erected by his children*". (Little is known of Wm Yeoman, though it seems possible that he was of the Yeoman family who built the mill that is now the Youth Hostel). Quite why the clock only has one face, and that facing away from the village, is unknown.

It's known as a "turret clock", and

apparently replaced an earlier wooden clock. It is a substantial piece of work and the cast iron and brass movement measures about 4ft x 3ft x 2ft and is wound by an 18inch handle. Many such clocks have been converted to electrical drive, but this one remains original and 3 cast iron weights, each about ¼ ton, take about 15 minutes to wind. The strike is via a lever-and-wire system up to the original bellmetal bells dating back to the 18th century, and housed at the top of the tower. It receives an annual service (excuse the pun) from a company descended from the original makers, and paid for jointly by St Peter's Church and the Parish Council.

The weekly wind is now done by a group of volunteers who each week take turns to climb the ladder up the tower. We aim to keep it deliberately a minute or so fast, in order to help those "...gosh is that the time..." moments! When winding the clock, you can't help but think "this has been done by a villager every week for the last 114 years, through two world wars, through times of peace and times of trouble" and it's a sobering thought.

If anyone would like to know more, to see the clock (you need a head for heights), or knows more of its background, please contact Hugh Thompson on 883479.