

# The Hovingham and Scackleton Newsletter

August 2014

## Welcome to the Hovingham and Scackleton Newsletter

Welcome to the August issue of the Newsletter. In this issue we report on, remember and commemorate two important events, one local and one national. On the weekend of 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> July we in Hovingham celebrated the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of our local primary school, culminating at a garden party in the grounds of Hovingham Hall. Sir William and Lady Worsley welcomed governors, the headteacher, the staff, pupils past and present, parents and friends of the school into their garden, and thankfully the weather, which had appeared threatening remained fine.

Looking to the future, the 4<sup>th</sup> August is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the start of the first world war. 76 Villagers joined the armed forces, of which 15 never returned. This devastating war is being remembered at the War Memorial (or in people's homes) by 'a simple act of remembrance' referred to as 'LIGHTS OUT'. This will be at 9.45pm at the War Memorial or at 10.00pm in people's homes. It is hoped that we as a village can come together and join in on this very moving and poignant occasion. See the Lights Out feature in the special centre spread of this Newsletter. **Eddie Lucas**

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## Hovingham150 - the school celebrates

This is the name given to the celebrations organised by Hovingham CEVC Primary School to commemorate their 150<sup>th</sup> year. Celebrations began on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July when the villagers were invited into the school building to see the children at work. They were also invited to an Exhibition of school memorabilia in All Saints' Church. At this, a wide range of photographs of the pupils and the school buildings were on display, and former pupils of every age could look at copies of the school registers to find their names recorded. Sir William Worsley found his name and was very excited to find a photograph of his brother Giles who died a number of years ago.



The climax of the weekend was a Community Tea Party held on the Hall cricket field. Small children, their face painted to look like vicious cats, ran around the field and bounced up and down on the Bouncy Castle. Strawberries, cream and cake were there in abundance. Young and old were all enjoying themselves. Sir William gave a speech, reminiscing on his own days at Hovingham School and commenting on the fact the school buildings were right at the centre of the village, as they should be, and adjacent to the village church where the pupils hold a weekly act of worship. Then a cake in the form of an amazingly accurate and detailed model of the school, was cut by Gordon Hickes, the oldest former pupil present and Mollie and Ella, the two youngest pupils attending the school. The party ended with a Duck Race along the Beckside.

**Maureen Skinner and Eddie Lucas**

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## The Church Clock Appeal - donations are coming in

A very big thank you to those generous people who have added to the Appeal Fund. We still have about £700 to raise to complete the target. Look out for us at the August Market, where we will have information about the clock and an opportunity to make a donation.



Anything you can give would enable us to meet our target and to have the clock restored to full working order.

Please send any donations to the Treasurer of Hovingham Church c/o Wyvern House, Park St, Hovingham YO62 4JZ. If you are a UK taxpayer we are able to "Gift Aid" your donation if you include your name and address.

Thank you in advance of your support which will help maintain this village landmark.

*Ann Chapman*

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## The McAndrew's say goodbye

Michael, Priscilla and the Mc Andrew family would like to thank our friends and neighbours in Hovingham for more than 12 happy years and especially to everyone who supported us with our Bed and Breakfast when we first arrived.

Thank you so much to Sir William and Lady Worsley for their many kind invitations to join them, particularly the wonderful garden party for the Diamond Jubilee. We have moved to Oswaldkirk in a rented property until we find the right place to buy.

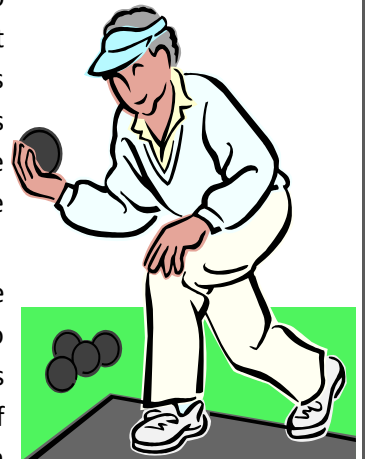
*Priscilla and Mike Mc Andrew*

## Hovingham Bowls Club

This has not been the most successful bowling season for Hovingham Bowls Club mainly due to a succession of injuries and illness to key players. Hovingham being a small club is very reliant on these regular playing members to provide the core of its teams that can play up to 4 times per week. Without that input selecting competitive teams on a regular basis can be difficult. Consequently in the 2 Triples Leagues in which the club competes means we are bottom of the Huby & District League and third bottom of the Ryedale Batagas League although a big win the other night could mean that we move to fourth bottom!

Having said all this Hovingham prides itself on being a friendly welcoming club and while results are important it is the fellowship and the spirit that we try to foster as we endeavour to give as many as possible a game regardless of ability. Some of this spirit should be evident as club members and their spouses work to make a success of the Market Cafe on the 2nd of August. Although it is a little late to recruit new members for this season, the club is always on the look out for anyone who would like to join us and to that end we hold an "Open Day" in April for anyone interested to come along and try their hand.

*Ian Battersby*



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### Coffee in the Garden a great success

Thank you to all who attended our very successful coffee in the garden event. Our main aim was to foster fellowship and friendship, it was an opportunity to meet old friends and new in a relaxed atmosphere. The gardens looked beautiful on the day and made us all go home and look at our own gardens in a fresh light.

A very big thanks you to the owners of the gardens and to all the helpers. We raised £516 for the Church roof repair fund. We have had offers of openings for next year so watch this space.

A fourth coffee morning is planned for Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August at the Old Post House (by courtesy of Robin and Pauline Fisher).

### Organ Crawl

On 27<sup>th</sup> June, Dr Philip Moore performed at his much appreciated annual Organ Crawl, starting at Hovingham Church and continuing at Slingsby Church before ending at Barton Church. The concert was followed by a supper at Barton Church Hall.

### Car Boot Sale -Monday 25th August Bank holiday

Hovingham Church is, as usual, is holding its Car Boot Sale. This is an important fund raising event for the church, and we will need as much support as we can get, so please mark the date in your diary.

### Harvest Festival -Sunday October 12th at 10.30am

Hovingham Church United Harvest service will be at 10.30am. We are always very pleased to invite our Methodist neighbours, and as usual, Hovingham School will be taking part. We are also invited to join the Methodists in their Chapel for their Harvest service on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October, where once again, everyone will be made most welcome.

### Harvest Celebration at the Chapel Friday 17th October at 6.30 pm

This year Hovingham Chapel will be holding their Harvest Celebrations on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30p.m. We are very privileged to have Mr Howard Petch to conduct the Service. Howard, who spent his career in further and higher education in the agricultural section, has spent time in parts of Africa. An ardent fund-raiser for "Compassion UK", he has recently raised £16K on a sponsored climb of Kilimanjaro, and at the age of 70 climbed the Inca Trail.

We look forward to an interesting evening. The service will be followed as usual by a fun sale and a delicious supper. Please put this date in your diaries, we shall be delighted to see you.

### Blame the Kaiser social event - Friday 24th October at 6.00 pm

The church is organising this social event in the village hall, more on this later, but keep a note of this date in your diary.

*Graham and Jackie Mason, Eddie Lucas and Carol Battersby*



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### Hovingham Estate [www.hovingham.co.uk](http://www.hovingham.co.uk)

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Please note due to harvest logs cannot be delivered during the months of August and September.

**Holiday Cottage** - Spa Cottage; is an attractive 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom cottage that sleeps 6 in comfort. For bookings please contact Rural Retreats at [www.ruralretreats.co.uk](http://www.ruralretreats.co.uk) or telephone 01386 701177

The sun shone, people came, and there was an air of expectation. Stalls were many and overflowing with great bargains- from pictures to plants, tools to toys, curtains to cushions, and even buttons to brass bank instruments!! Buyers wandered, browsed, chatted and bought. Sellers smiled, relaxed and made a profit. Refreshments were on sale – and those being sold in the Village Hall by Swinton Brass Band members could have come straight from “The Great British Bake Off”. Was all this at one of the large designer outlets??? No it was right here in our own beautiful village. No one knows for certain how many Booters came but we do know some were keen enough to be setting up at 5am!!

And what is it about a Tombola Stall? Tickets were in such demand that people queued politely to part with their money. How is it that one person can buy 25 tickets and win one prize, yet another person can buy ten tickets and win 6 prizes? Maybe that’s the attraction.....which person will you be?? A bemused gentleman won candles and bath luxuries....but his wife was delighted (and willingly swapped her prize of whiskey with him). One little boy desperately wanted the ticket attached to a small Easter egg in his hand. After spending a £1 from each member of his family he was rewarded with the right ticket! Just goes to show that try, try and try again is not a bad motto. His older brother won the children’s star prize, which was a box containing a pencil case, a fun pencil, coca-cola, sweets, AND an Easter egg! The little boy was not impressed; in his eyes he had got the real star prize.

It was a good sociable morning. A true village event. Grateful thanks to everyone for their help and generous donations of prizes. Over £700 profit was made for the Christmas Luncheon for eligible residents of Hovingham (see below). The traditional and freshly prepared luncheon is cooked and served to a wonderful standard by the talented team from The Malt Shovel Inn.

*Hovingham Social Committee*

**Our list of eligible residents needs up-dating. To ensure your invitation to the Christmas Luncheon, please fill out the attached slip and return to Allan Harrison or Jean Ellis. You are eligible if you are aged 65 by the end of December 2014 and have been resident in the village for 2 years.**

Name .....

Address .....

Please return this slip by the end of September 2014

## Rainfall at Hall Farm, Hovingham (in mm)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
<b>2010</b>	83	58	47	21	11	37	42	42	82	64	74	31	<b>592</b>
<b>2011</b>	43	68	6	2	41	52	48	112	25	67	28	66	<b>558</b>
<b>2012</b>	49	16	20	148	48	102	110	76	113	97	137	122	<b>1038</b>
<b>2013</b>	57	24	52	14	83	48	26	55	57	90	55	57	<b>620</b>
<b>2014</b>	<b>127</b>	58	38	23	35	54							
<b>Avg</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>619</b>

Very up and down for warmth, but not very much rain, hopefully a good harvest will result

**AVG** - figures calculated from 1994 to 2013

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Two questions I am often asked by younger folk about farming during the war are a) why was farming in such a mess in 1939, and b) why did farmers have to be so highly subsidized to get them just to grow more food.

The answer is both simple and complicated, which is that the cause, like so many of the country's problems at the beginning of the 1939 conflict can, like today, be firmly placed on the shoulders of the politicians in power. Between 1920 and 1930 the whole of the UK farming industry was abandoned because it was possible to buy so much food and so many other things from other countries. Consequently, right across the country thousands of good farms were either abandoned or simply left without any growing crops.

In 1939 tractors had only just begun to appear on a minority of larger farms. Also, only farmers with sons who would work for pocket money and their food were in business and like in Canada and the USA, horses and very cheap labour kept both farmers and farm workers poor. Simple grass based farming systems and free range sheep was the norm across the country. Land was worth about seven pounds an acre to buy and unless a farmer or land owner married a rich wife, he would struggle to raise sufficient capital to run almost any farm. Many farms were run by the land owners because suitable tenants hadn't sufficient capital to run a business.

In 1939 it finally became obvious to our ruling politicians that the submarines from both Germany and Italy could and indeed would soon control the seas around the country. Since food quickly became scarce rationing was introduced for almost everything except bread. Bread was only rationed just after the end of the war because of the shortage of British cash. We still had to pay for most of the guns and aeroplanes bought from places like Canada and America, and our farmers had used up all the UK soils' food reserves during the war. So we had to start a proper national farming policy using well balanced fertilizer mixtures suitable to the needs of the crop's requirements. This policy needed the strict controls of farming which had been in place during the war and which was continued for many years to make certain that this would never happen again. This was the very first job I was asked to do for the Government after the end of the war. Today we can produce most of the basic food this country needs; but subsidies are still a blight on modern day farming and are driving lots of very talented young farmers out of the country to the detriment of the industry.

*Ken Harrison*



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# August 1914 - the lamps went out "all over Europe". August 2014 - Hovingham reflects by candle light.

When WW1 was officially declared, at 10pm on August 4th 1914, the foreign secretary Edward Grey famously said "The lamps are going out all over Europe".



On the centenary of this historic moment, Hovingham is

asked to join the Royal British Legion's national gesture of respect and reflection in our homes and at our war memorial. The project, aptly called "LIGHTS OUT", seeks to acknowledge the sacrifice made in WW1 by so many families in small communities like ours.

In 1914, Hovingham was a small, closely-knit community that saw *no fewer than 76 of its menfolk* go off to war, including six members of one family who served but returned and another who sent three - none of whom returned. The Hovingham roll call shows how the desperate worry - and often the grief - fell upon the families at home. Fifteen families had the added stress of sending more than one son to war (grouped in bold type on the Roll of Honour). Those marked + did not return. It is sobering to reflect how such figures would affect our community if this was to happen today, 100 years later.

Hovingham Branch of the RBL is asking residents to support this call and is suggesting two options that give everyone the opportunity to pay their respects, remembering both past residents of Hovingham - and others, linked to today's residents - who served or died in the 1914-1918 conflict.

**REFLECTING AT HOME.** If you would prefer not to come out after dark, we ask you to join an estimated million homes in the UK in a simple "Lights Out gesture" at 10pm. Just turn off all your lights and place a lit candle in your window during a few moments of quiet reflection.

## REFLECTING AT THE WAR MEMORIAL.

Alternatively, you are invited to join a simple, brief act of reflection which will take place at the War Memorial. Please assemble by 9.45pm when 16 candles will be lit, one for each of the fifteen 1914 residents killed in WW1 (and one killed in WW2) - plus further candles for any relatives killed in conflict that you would like to remember.

## REMEMBERING YOUR WW1 RELATIVE.

Please come and light a candle for your relatives at the memorial. If you cannot turn out personally, please let us have a name and we will ensure a candle is lit for them too.

At 10pm, the very short bugle call "Lights Out" will be sounded and the spotlights on the memorial will fade, followed by two minutes silence by the light of the remembrance candles. This simple mark of respect will close with the traditional exhortation "They shall not grow old . . .".

We will then leave the candles to burn out by themselves.

## The 76 Hovingham Residents who served.

(Those marked + did not return. Families are grouped in bold type)

Sidney Bean	Ernest Harrison	Henry Plowman
Matthew Bilton	Arnold Harwood	Edwin Potter
<b>Robert Blackwell</b>	William Heath	John Fryer
<b>William Blackwell</b>	<b>Frank Hickes</b>	Wilfrid Robson
<b>Sidney Bowes +</b>	<b>Gordon Hickes +</b>	George Sawyer
<b>Lawrence Bowes</b>	Walter Hodgson	<b>Arthur Skelton</b>
Thomas Brayshaw	Charles Hoggard	<b>Fred Skelton</b>
Fred Brown	Robert Holdsworth	<b>Herbert Skelton</b>
George Carass	Clifford Hopkins	<b>James Skelton</b>
<b>Albert Coatesworth</b>	Sidney Hopwood	<b>Robert Skelton</b>
<b>Arthur Coatesworth</b>	Robert Hornsey	<b>Thomas Skelton</b>
<b>Ernest Coatesworth</b>	Edward Hutchinson +	Arthur Skilbeck
<b>Arnold Coultas +</b>	<b>Fred Johnson</b>	William Stainsby
<b>Raymond Coultas +</b>	Herbert Johnson	<b>Charles Ward +</b>
Henry Craike	<b>Raymond Johnson</b>	<b>Fred Ward</b>
<b>Edward Dawson +</b>	<b>Wilfrid Johnson</b>	Robert Watt +
<b>John Dawson +</b>	<b>Charles Judson</b>	Arthur Wilkinson
<b>Reginald Dawson +</b>	<b>Cyril Judson</b>	<b>Edward Worsley</b>
Percy Dunning +	<b>Harold Judson +</b>	<b>William Worsley</b>
<b>Cyril Foster</b>	<b>John Judson</b>	Arthur Way +
<b>Horace Foster</b>	Walter Land	Thomas Wright
<b>Cecil Galtry +</b>	William Magson	
<b>William Galtry</b>	William Moore	
<b>Ernest Gibbins</b>	<b>John Oldfield</b>	<b>William Goodwill +</b>
<b>Sydney Gibbins</b>	<b>Lawrence Oldfield</b>	(WW2)
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The forthcoming Lights Out Project will, for me, trigger poignant thoughts of the contribution and sacrifices made by my father and so many others.

On 14 November, 1914, Thomas Sumner, a 17 year old country boy left his home in Alderley Edge, Cheshire, making his way to the Royal Marine Recruiting Office in Deansgate, Manchester, along with other young men. After undergoing a medical examination, taking writing and reading tests he subsequently signed an Attestation Form declaring an *Oath of Allegiance to his Majesty, King George the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors*. He and the other successful applicants were then posted to the training establishment in Deal, Kent.

Having been allocated his service number, CH/19402, two of his colleagues following him in line were each allocated the next service number: Marine John Clegg, CH/19403, Marine Percy Sarson, CH/19404.

On 13 November, 1916, Marine Clegg was reported, *wounded and posted missing*. His body was never found. On 28 April, 1917, Marine Sarson was reported *missing, later reported killed in action*.

Marine Thomas Sumner survived World War One, including the horrors of Gallipoli and the Somme. **David Sumner**

## Hovingham War Memorial

### Ryedale Family History Group

#### War Memorial Project

As part of the Heritage Lottery Funded Project, Martin Knight has researched all the names which appear on the Hovingham War memorial, giving details of the men's family history and their war record leading to their death in combat.

The Hovingham book is part of a series from Ryedale which is available from the Research Room at Hovingham Village Hall which is open every Thursday, or by approaching the Secretary at:

[secretary@ryedalefamilyhistory.org](mailto:secretary@ryedalefamilyhistory.org)

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Or should it be Tour de Yorkshire? Yorkshire just enjoyed a bout of Tour de France(itis). It seems whilst the tour was 'up North' the weather was perfect but after leaving 'Gods Country' for the first week it didn't stop raining, must be a moral somewhere! I think the plan in future should be to start the tour for one day in France then switch to Yorkshire for the rest of the tour. Well it is as big as France, Yorkshire I mean.

My day started at 7 am leaving Hovingham with a photography friend for the nearest point of the tour at Green Hammerton. This sounds early as the cyclists were not due until 11 38. However we both like to get there in good time and didn't really know what to expect. The roads were relatively quiet and we passed a few cyclists on the roads, no doubt where they were headed.



On reaching Green Hammerton we were early but not on our own and whilst we were there any empty places alongside the road filled up and a party atmosphere ensued. This was very enjoyable and it wasn't to long before the first vehicles on the closed roads came by, blaring out music and selling wares as they stopped nearby. There must have been dozens of similar vehicles which were obviously leapfrogging wherever there was a crowd, selling T shirts etc

Then came the police bikes! The police were obviously on a PR exercise as they were very friendly stopping to give high 5's to all the young children on the roadside. The kids loved it.

The party atmosphere continued until 2 hours before the cyclists, when the cavalcade started to come through. There were hundreds of promotional vehicles of every shape and size. Some with dancers on the roofs, some throwing goodies to the kids, most waving like mad things! What a wonderful spectacle and very much appreciated by everyone there.

The cavalcade preceded the race, going on for well over an hour, and then all went fairly quiet with just the odd race car or police motorbike. But the atmosphere was ratcheting up with the main event due. Finally we could tell the bikes were approaching when a Lancaster bomber filled the sky, followed by 6 helicopters

Sure enough the breakaway group of 6 riders came past at precisely 1138, not going 'full pelt' but obviously faster than the peloton (main group), followed almost immediately by a lone rider from the Lotto Belisol team in his red jersey.



The peloton (2<sup>nd</sup> image) swept past 2 minutes later in their multicoloured shirts, followed by dozens of support vehicles (3<sup>rd</sup> image) with bikes stored on the roofs. Once these disappeared the last police bikes went past. Although it was all over by 1143, **a total of 5 minutes**, it had been well worth the almost 4 hours we were there to see everything and drink in the atmosphere. Now came the difficult job in getting away home.

Getting out of the car park was easy, but in Green Hammerton village there was gridlock caused by people 'abandoning' their vehicles on the roadside leading into the village. The road home crossed Aldwark Toll Bridge where we had to queue to get over the bridge, but once this was done it was plain sailing and we arrived back in Hovingham at 1pm, 6 hours after we left for 5 minutes of sporting action. But being a photographer its being there that is important, not the getting there! I'm sure most people who made the effort didn't regret it either . A wonderful atmosphere enjoyed by everyone who attended. It's was a pity the main UK riders (Chris Froome and Mark Cavendish) abandoned the tour early through injury.



Lumley House is a handsome building on Hovingham High Street. It is an English Heritage Grade II Listed Building formed of two cottages. The English Heritage star rating is a result of the house possessing a rare type of cruck roof. There is only one other remaining in existence, believed to be in a property in West Yorkshire. There is evidence in the deeds that the property, at least in part, dates back to the early part of the 17<sup>th</sup> Century. It is one of the oldest properties in the village, and maybe the oldest. Tim Rowe knows the house well and we asked him to share some thoughts about this special building.

***What is your relationship with the property?***

I took over the Worsley Arms Hotel in October 1972 and at that time Lumley House was a derelict property. The tenant who had used it as his family dwelling and Butcher's Shop no longer lived there. However, the tenant continued leasing the property as he used the barns at the back as a slaughterhouse for his butchery trade which he moved to Easingwold. We were living in a cramped flat in the hotel with my family of five and needed somewhere nearby to live.

I have a certain affection for the property as it was derelict. It had a demolition order on it when I bought it. It had only been spared by the demolition contractor because the electricity was still connected and they couldn't demolish it until this was disconnected!. I was in need of a family home and had experience of preserving ancient buildings, so it seemed an ideal opportunity. After some negotiations I bought Lumley House. The butcher kept the slaughterhouse for some time which he continued to use. The house was restored and my family moved in about 1976.

***What is known about the history of Lumley House?***

I have to say that I know very little of the history before my time there. The present lounge was the Butchers Shop which people entered through the front door of the house.

***When was it built?***

I don't know the answer to that but from the renovation work undertaken I would say that the house was probably built pre 1850s. I have never known the name of the builder.

***What were the buildings used for?***

At the rear of Lumley House is a pair of cottages called Swallows Cottage and Martins Cottage. They were previously the slaughterhouse for the Butchers Shop. I converted the building into the two cottages in the 1970s but I would guess that before the slaughterhouse period it would have been built for use as farm buildings for the house. There is some land at the back which was used a layerage land for the slaughterhouse and there could well have been more land than that - possibly now part of the Worsley Arms Farm land.

***What is the background to the name of the house?***

The name Lumley House was given by me and named after the builder who restored it for me. He is retired now and is the father of the present Hovingham Estate Stone Mason, Tosh Lumley, who also worked on the restoration.

***What were the challenges in renovating Lumley House?***

All the usual things really. It needed a new roof - damp proof course treatment - internal timber treatment - new joinery for doors, windows, floors and ceilings, complete rewiring and plumbing - a central heating system and probably much more! It was really a case of starting with just the shell and then creating a home of it.

Mary Wilson lived at Worsley Arms Farm, next door but one to Lumley House and recalls hearing shots as bullocks were brought for slaughter. Mary remembers the previous occupants of Lumley House as being the Goodwill family c. 1940s and the Mercer family c. 1950s/1960s.

I sold the property in 1983 and, happily, it has continued as a family home for John and Di Davies.

With thanks to Tim Rowe, Di & John Davies and Mary Wilson.

If you have any knowledge about Lumley House, or would like to share stories about other buildings in Hovingham or Scackleton, contact [newsletter@hovingham.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@hovingham.org.uk)



## Scackleton

**Treasurers Report:** Lyn reported that the balance of the Action Group Account to date is £3,911.12p Sue presented Lyn with a receipt for £45.98 in respect of the Christmas lights purchased for the tree in the churchyard.

**Pinfold:** Sue pursuing Grange Farm Timber at Rosedale for the production of 2 seats otherwise nothing further to report.

**Neighbourhood Watch:** Lyn reported that whilst she received regular emails and telephone calls from North Yorkshire Police concerning incidents that had occurred in the region, Scackleton remains in the clear. That said, people were asked to remain vigilant.

**Sponsored Walk:** Roland & Sue reported a sponsored walk took place on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May starting with a service in the Church at 2.00pm followed by a 4.5 mile circular walk along by Dalby Bush and back along Grange Lane into the village. Afternoon tea was served at Sue & Richard's house later. All in aid of the village church.

**Summer Fair:** It was decided that this year's event would be condensed with fewer stalls but emphasis and focus on a splendid Yorkshire cream tea at around 4pm then, with the assistance from Paul, music into the evening. Sue to check with Paul that he's free on 21<sup>st</sup>.

### Any Other Business

- Paul Myers had been contacted by Roland to provide a quote for painting the church gates.
- Lyn said she'd like to retire from delivering the HandS magazine. After brief discussion it was decided delivery could be shared between 2 or 3 residents in the village to make the job a bit easier.
- Everyone appeared in favour of having a village Christmas Tree at the water pump this year. Further discussions nearer the time.
- It was agreed that, at the next meeting, we would discuss the purchase of more spring bulbs for the village, with a planting project to begin in Autumn

*John Wilkins*

## Hovingham

The Action Group held their AGM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2014, 11 residents attended. It was reported Finance was healthy and provides a sound foundation for ongoing projects. Officers were elected for the coming year, various matters and future plans were discussed at the AGM and at the meeting which followed. These are covered below.

**Hovingham Website:** This is currently paid for by the Action Group and it was agreed if it was to be an asset to the village it required updating. Volunteers will come up with a way forward on this.

**Environment and Wildlife** For environment and wildlife issues contact [Ann Chapman](#) or [David Richardson](#).

- The status of the bee hives as they are empty is being investigated. It is thought they could be sold off or given to another beekeeper.
- Future wildflower planting will be more selective so that impact is enhanced.

**Market** For information on market issues contact [Martin Bell](#)

- The Hovingham Market held in June (for once) unfortunately hit on poor weather. As a result visitor numbers were down. However the market continues to provide an excellent social and selling setting.
- Any Community Group wanting to run a Community Stall should contact the Market Group.

**Playground** Contact [Carol Battersby](#), [Rosemary Stewart](#) or [David Richardson](#) if you can provide any support

- Substantial work is taking place creating tunnels in the timber fort. The playground group are liaising with Hovingham School on this and other projects. The aim is to get the school to use the playground as a resource for learning and exercise. A willow dragon has been erected, an eye will be kept for 'exuberant children' damaging the structure.
- Using the Pasture Lane development fund the Playground Committee has ordered new equipment from Image Playgrounds in Sherriff Hutton and this is being installed along with work on the timber fort.
- Instances of dogs being seen in the playground despite 'No dog' signs.

**Church Clock** For further information contact [Ann Chapman](#) or [David Richardson](#)

- An in depth inspection was carried out by Hills Tower Clocks from Leeds and maintenance needs were identified. This will cost approximately £2,500 and is being financed with donations from private individuals, the Market and Action Groups. It is planned for the work to start in September 2014.

*David Richardson*

**GENERAL - Hovingham & Scackleton**

- **Grass Cutting** – Following NYCC's decision not to provide any funding for grass cutting from next year, the Parish Council are reviewing whether it is necessary to cut the same next year, how frequently and whether any should be added.  
Councillors from Scackleton & Hovingham will review grass cutting in both villages and report back to next meeting.
- **Highways** – NYCC are currently undertaking planned resurfacing.
- **Minerals and Waste Joint Plan** – A group opposed to Fracking held a public meeting in Hovingham on 17<sup>th</sup> July. A seismological survey has been started in the area.
- **Police** – The New Mobile Police Office attended the July Market and is scheduled to be at the August Market.
- **Refuse Collections** – The deadline for residents to pay for collection of compost bins has now passed.

**VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK**

Responsibility for the car park is shared between the Parish Council and the Village Hall Management Committee. A meeting of representatives of the PC, VHMC, Market, Action Group, Bowls Club and Tennis Club has been held to determine work that is required.

- **Storage Shed** – This will be moved from besides hall side door to between recycling area and gas storage tank.
- **Gravel on site of old Bowls Pavilion** – Excess gravel will be removed together with obstructions. A finer gravel will be laid and consolidated.
- **Outside Electrical Socket** – A new socket will be installed on hall by the site of the old Pavilion.
- **Satellite Dish** – This is not used and will be removed.
- **Trees along new fence** – Four trees will be planted in car park.
- **Seats and Tables** – New seats and tables will be purchased, in addition to existing furniture, for the area by the old Pavilion. A sail cloth will provide shelter from sun and rain.
- **Fence by Community Room to Bowls Green** – The Tennis Club will arrange.
- **Stone House Fence** – This will be pruned once end of growing season reached.

**FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

- 10<sup>th</sup> September – 7pm Hovingham Community Room
- 12<sup>th</sup> November – 7pm Hovingham Community Room

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- **Cemetery** – Painting of the gates is included within the village rail painting which has been approved. Repairs to the wall have been started.
- **Church Clock** – As agreed at the last meeting a donation of £400 has been made by the Parish Council and fund raising for the remainder is in progress.
- **5 Hall Farm Cottages** – The Joseph Rowntree Foundation have asked the Parish Council if they would agree to relaxing residency condition on this property. It was agreed, on this one occasion, to relax the condition to allow an application to proceed.
- **Noticeboard** – A temporary repair has been made to the board however, a new noticeboard will be required.
- **Lane leading to Cemetery and Playground** – A complaint has been received and the issue was discussed. It was suggested that from polite notices, from the Parish Council, should be placed on the fence to encourage people to park sensibly to enable access, particularly in an emergency.
- **Pasture Lane Fund** – Details of what has been purchased and how much remains of this fund will be requested from applicants. Status will be reported back at the next Parish Council meeting.
- **Pasture Lane Sign**
- **Rail Painting** – Painting should start shortly.

**FINANCE**

- It was agreed to spend up to £100 cutting grass in the flood channel.
- It was also agreed to spend £450 on old Bowls Pavilion site; to remove excess gravel, add finer gravel and consolidate. Also £50 approved to prune Stone House hedge. Both financed from Car Park donations received.
- A donation of £25 to the RDC Chairman's Charity, Ryedale Special Families, was approved.
- A VAT return was submitted on 16<sup>th</sup> June, we are awaiting reply.

**RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL****Planning Application**

- An application to erect two semi-detached and one detached property has been received by RDC from Hovingham Estate. Visit RDC website or offices for further details.

## August 2014

1 <sup>st</sup> Fri	<b>Coffee in the Garden – 10:30am The Old Post House, Church Street</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat	<b>Hovingham Village Market - 10:30am to 1:30pm</b> - Hovingham Village Hall – Please come along and support the Market; Hovingham Bowls Club will run the Community Café. <b>SPECIAL – Church Clock Appeal, come and find out more at our stall</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun	BCP Matins – 10:30am Hovingham Church, Methodist Service – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel, H. Leng
4 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Recycling Collection – <b>Recycling Bins</b> and <b>Compost Bin (Optional)</b> <b>Lights Out – A simple act of reflection</b> 9:50pm - Lighting of memorial candles at the memorial 10:00pm - Sounding of Lights Out, turning off your lights, two minutes silence 10:02pm - "They grow not old ...." – candles will then be left to burn themselves out For details please contact Rob Thompson (01653)-628640
5 <sup>th</sup> Tue	<b>Truly Scrumptious Fish &amp; Chip Shop- 5:20pm to 6pm</b> Location Hovingham Hall Green
10 <sup>th</sup> Sun	United Open Air Service – 10:30am Slingsby Methodist Service – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel, M. Smith
11 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Landfill Waste Collection – <b>Green Bin</b> <b>Supermobile Library in Hovingham – 5pm until 7pm</b> – Location Hall Green
12 <sup>th</sup> Tue	<b>Truly Scrumptious Fish &amp; Chip Shop- 5:20pm to 6pm</b> Location Hovingham Hall Green
17 <sup>th</sup> Sun	Eucharist – 10:30am Hovingham Church Methodist Service – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel, B. Shackleton
18 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Recycling Collection – <b>Recycling Bins</b> and <b>Compost Bin (Optional)</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> Tue	<b>Truly Scrumptious Fish &amp; Chip Shop- 5:20pm to 6pm</b> Location Hovingham Hall Green
24 <sup>th</sup> Sun	Eucharist – 10:30am Slingsby Church Methodist Service – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel, N. Smith
25 <sup>th</sup> Mon	<b>Bank Holiday</b> <b>Car Boot Sale</b>
26 <sup>th</sup> Tue	Landfill Waste Collection – <b>Green Bin</b> <b>Truly Scrumptious Fish &amp; Chip Shop- 5:20pm to 6pm</b> Location Hovingham Hall Green
31 <sup>st</sup> Sun	Benefice Eucharist – 10:30am Barton Church Methodist Service – 10:30am Slingsby Chapel

## September 2014

1 <sup>st</sup> Mon	Recycling Collection – <b>Recycling Bins</b> and <b>Compost Bin (Optional)</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tue	<b>Start of School Autumn Term – until Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b> <b>Truly Scrumptious Fish &amp; Chip Shop- 5:20pm to 6pm</b> Location Hovingham Hall Green
6 <sup>th</sup> Sat	<b>Hovingham Village Market - 10:30am to 1:30pm</b> - Hovingham Village Hall – Please come along and support the Market; Hovingham Chapel will run the Community Café.
7 <sup>th</sup> Sun	Morning Prayer – 10:30am Hovingham Church Methodist Service – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel
8 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Landfill Waste Collection – <b>Green Bin</b> <b>Supermobile Library in Hovingham – 5pm until 7pm</b> – Location Hall Green
9 <sup>th</sup> Tue	<b>Truly Scrumptious Fish &amp; Chip Shop- 5:20pm to 6pm</b> Location Hovingham Hall Green
10 <sup>th</sup> Wed	<b>Parish Council Meeting – 7pm</b> Hovingham Community Room – All Welcome
14 <sup>th</sup> Sun	Eucharist – 10:30am Hovingham Church Methodist Service – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel
16 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Recycling Collection – <b>Recycling Bins</b> and <b>Compost Bin (Optional)</b>
16 <sup>th</sup> Tue	<b>Truly Scrumptious Fish &amp; Chip Shop- 5:20pm to 6pm</b> Location Hovingham Hall Green
21 <sup>st</sup> Sun	Morning Praise – 10:30am Hovingham Church Methodist Service – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel, B. Shackleton
22 <sup>nd</sup> Mon	Landfill Waste Collection – <b>Green Bin</b> <b>Supermobile Library in Hovingham – 5pm until 7pm</b> – Location Hall Green
23 <sup>rd</sup> Tue	<b>Truly Scrumptious Fish &amp; Chip Shop- 5:20pm to 6pm</b> Location Hovingham Hall Green
28 <sup>th</sup> Sun	Benefice Eucharist <del>Taize Service</del> – 10:30am <del>Amotherby</del> Church Methodist Service – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel, N. Smith
29 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Recycling Collection – <b>Recycling Bins</b> and <b>Compost Bin (Optional)</b>
30 <sup>th</sup> Tue	<b>Truly Scrumptious Fish &amp; Chip Shop- 5:20pm to 6pm</b> Location Hovingham Hall Green