



# The Hovingham and Scackleton Newsletter



February 2015

## Welcome to the Hovingham and Scackleton Newsletter

Welcome to this, the Candlemas Edition of the Hovingham with Scackleton Newsletter. Candlemas has been celebrated on 2<sup>nd</sup> February since medieval times. Now usually celebrated in this country as a church festival in days gone by it was the occasion when the all candles were blessed. Today it reminds us of how important candles were before we were able to take advantage of electric lighting. We in Hovingham and Scackleton, where there is no street lighting, can well appreciate the value of forms of lighting other than candles. The date is mid-way between the winter and the spring solstices, and although we can still expect more winter weather to come, at least we can see on the horizon, with longer daylight hours, the coming of spring. 2<sup>nd</sup> February is also celebrated in the USA and Canada, but there they refer to it as Groundhog Day when according to folklore, the badger comes out to test the weather in the United Kingdom.

*Eddie Lucas*

## Hovingham Bus Service will continue unchanged

Despite recent indications that our bus service would be dramatically cut next month, we are delighted to have just heard that the service will remain unchanged - for a further year. We understand the timetable is also unchanged.

Please make sure you use the buses to Malton and Helmsley whenever possible, not only are they very scenic, they are green as well and the drivers are friendly and very helpful.

*Ann Chapman*

## Save our libraries - please have your say by February 8th

To save money - another £1.6m on top of the £2m already achieved - North Yorkshire is in the process of getting views from us all on how the budget cuts should be implemented. Under the proposals the libraries in Kirbymoorside and Helmsley will be run entirely by volunteers, and in Pickering by a hybrid arrangement of staff and volunteers. If enough volunteers can not be found (50 at Pickering, for example) the libraries face closure. Everyone is urged to respond to the consultation process that ends on February 8th to express their concern. So if you want to make your views known, please go to <http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/article/29733/Library-consultation---your-views-matter>; or collect the paper questionnaire available from the libraries.

*Margaret Bell*

## Shoebboxes - Operation Christmas Child



A big Thank-you goes to all the residents and schoolchildren of Hovingham who were kind enough to contribute to the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. These were received at the school Celebration Assembly on Friday 7th November. This proved to be a very happy and rewarding occasion. We can be assured of 30 beaming smiles on the faces of less fortunate children as a result of your generous efforts.

*Carol Battersby*

*My apologies for missing this out of December's Newsletter - an oversight on my part - Ann Chapman*

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The Methodist Chapel will soon have the decorators in then we just have to choose a carpet and we will be in good order to welcome visitors for our Bicentenary celebrations on June 13th and 14th later this year - read more about it in your next edition.

*Sue Goodwill*

## Do you enjoy Needlework?

There is an opportunity to escape from interruptions at home and relax in the company of fellow enthusiasts where there is plenty of space to spread out and the light is good. We are a small group with a wide variety of sewing experience who offer each other help and advice (on request!) and whose different specialities add interest and inspiration. Informality is key: we take a packed lunch.

The five spring sessions for 2015 will be every second Thursday, starting on March 5th, 10.30am to 2.30pm, at Middleton's very comfortable village hall. I can offer a lift to anyone who is interested.

Please call me on 628640. **Joan Thompson.**



## Hovingham Flower and Music festival - mark this date in your calendar

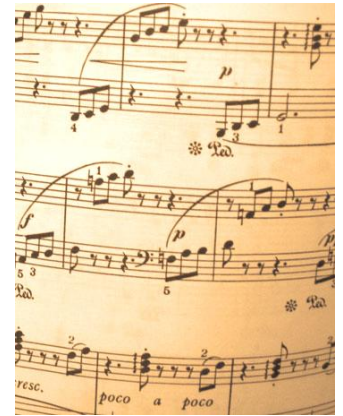


Hovingham Church is hoping to hold a Flower and Music Festival during the weekend of **July 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>**.

Tentative plans have already started and it should be an outstanding weekend as well as providing valuable finance towards the repair of the church roof. For it to be successful, a lot of support will be needed. However it should also prove to be very enjoyable.

So, please mark those days in your diary. Much more information to follow in later issues of the Newsletter.

**Eddie Lucas**



## Scackleton to host Women's International Day of Prayer

The annual Interdenominational Women's World Day of Prayer Service [www.wwdp.org.uk](http://www.wwdp.org.uk), for The Street Churches and Chapels and Terrington will be held on Friday 6th March at St George the Martyr Church, Scackleton at 2pm. The order of service is written by Christian Women from The Bahamas and translated into over 1,000 languages and dialects. Please contact Sue Goodwill if you require transport. Everyone welcome, women, men and children. Refreshments will be provided after the service.

The organisation is international and interchurch and enables us to hear the voices of women, from a different part of the world each year, expressing their hopes and concerns and bringing them before the rest of the world in prayer.

An estimated 3 million people in over 170 countries will gather for a day of prayer beginning when the sun rises over the island of Samoa, and continuing until it sets off the coast of the American Samoa some 35 hours later.

**Sue Goodwill**



It's not just professional bike racers who can take part in the very first Tour de Yorkshire (1st to 3rd May), now non pro bike riders are being encouraged to sign up for an exciting new sportive on **Sunday 3 May**.

The Tour de Yorkshire Ride will give cyclists the chance to ride the route just hours before the pros race, but unlike the pros, you get to choose your distance! Three distance options are available for the sportive, from 50km, 108km or 140km routes. A women-only Cycletta sportive will also take place along the 50km route. Thousands of spectators are expected to line parts of the route offering familiar and legendary Yorkshire support, and timings will be available online giving sportive riders the chance to compare their climb times to the pros.

For more information try [letouryorkshire.com/sportive](http://letouryorkshire.com/sportive) -- On your bike!! **Ann Chapman**

## Christmas Tree

Again we had a tree supplied by Duncombe Park which stood outside the village hall. My grateful thanks to the Hovingham Market for buying the tree, John Davis for donating the light bulbs and Mark Wilson and David Richardson, now experienced Christmas Tree putter uppers! It would not be possible to have a tree if it was not for the assistance of all these villagers. And what a cheering sight it was on those cold winter evenings.

**Murray Stewart.**

## Missing Ingredient? Hovingham Biscuits

Did you try Mrs A. Hickes' 1965 recipe for Hovingham biscuits we published in December? Well I rolled up my sleeves, followed the recipe and made the biscuits. The result? What can only be described as one rather sticky thin slab of toffee. It was a disaster. Help! Am I missing a secret ingredient? Flour perhaps? What would a cup measurement be in 1965? Your advice and tips would be much appreciated so I can bake some edible Hovingham biscuits. Here are the ingredients:

1 cup sugar    1 cup coconut    1 cup quick quaker oats    ¼ lb margarine – melted to oil    2 tablespoons golden syrup  
1 teaspoon Bi-carb soda mixed with 2 tablespoons of hot water

Thank you, Caroline Davis 01653 628413

## Carols at the Worsley Arms

After the success of last year's Carol Service at the Worsley Arms, it was agreed that we should repeat the informal united service there. Revd Mike Smith, (accompanied by Revd Martin) led the occasion. A small group comprising Alison Hunter on the piano, Martyn Boothroyd on flute and saxophone, Colleen Allwood on the clarinet and Tom Hayes on the trumpet, together with the music group singers led the singing, with readers from both Anglican and Methodist Churches.

Mulled wine and mince pies were donated by the hotel, who very generously took nothing out of the collection for expenses, so all that was contributed, about £200, could be donated to Christian Aid to be divided equally between their work with Syrian refugees and towards those suffering from the ebola epidemic.



Although numbers were slightly down on last year, there were still between 60 and 70 singing carols, some modern, some traditional. One couple enjoyed last year's service so much they made the journey from Bradford especially, just to be with us again. Another family emailed as follows: "Thank you all so much for arranging last night. We all thought it was the best carol service we have been to. This must be the way forward! Relaxed, excellent wine & food, community. More please! It was super seeing and chatting to so many members of the village & area who we wouldn't have otherwise seen.

As for the children, they loved it - a real achievement in anything church linked".

**Eddie Lucas**

	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>	127	58	38	23	35	54	52	94	29	72	108	48	<b>738</b>
<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>

\* It's been a wet year but nothing like 2012 so hopefully the farmers can manage their crops well. And no snow - yet ....

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

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## Down on the Farm

The last couple of months have been fairly quiet on the farm. The weather has been fairly mild but with bouts of cold so the crops have become fairly dormant which is what they need to be. Part of the year I have pigs but due to the sheds being used to store grain at the moment I don't have any right now



Winter is a time to catch up on all the things that need sorting out or mending. The corn drier needs a good clean out and check over which seems a bit premature, but it is amazing how quickly it gets round to harvest. Getting motivated to do these sort of jobs, especially on cold dark days can be difficult but even just spending a few hours here and there it gets the job done. I have started to check over the combine and replace bits that are worn or broken. My combine is nearly 30 years old but with a bit of care and attention it usually works OK. Again, working on that in a cold shed is very testing on your dedication, especially if you can hear a kettle boiling!

Another winter task is to go to training and information events. To be able to have a spray operators licence you have to collect points to prove that you have done some training to learn about the safe use of pesticides. The regulations are constantly changing so it is good to go to these meetings to get updated and also get some points. This years' topic was about the safe use of pesticides near water courses and the ways you can avoid contaminating them. Next to all my ditches and becks I have 6 meter grass margins. This takes away most of the risks of pollution with chemicals.

I think it would be fair to say that in this country we have the most rigorous regulations when it comes to the safe use of pesticides. We have to have a licence to use a sprayer, the sprayer has to have an annual MOT and we have an audit every year to check we have kept the correct records. The audit goes into such detail as how safe is the chemical store, do we have an emergency plan, do we know who the local bee keeper liaison officer is, has every field got its own record of when it has had fertiliser or chemical applied. You also have to record the weather and wind speed when you spray. If we don't meet the regulations and fail we are not allowed to sell the crops. Each load of grain has to have its own "passport" which we fill in with details of variety, have we applied any chemical in the store and have we done a "mycotoxin test". This test requires us to fill out form saying how we have cultivated our land to grow the crop, what rainfall came at certain times of the year and what fungicide we have used to prevent disease. The most important thing the passport has is a sticker you put on to say you have passed the annual audit.

Despite all of that we are currently being threatened by the EU that some of our pesticides may be banned and they are having a consultation! Every chemical that we buy has had years of trials and research and been approved for use. Sometimes people forget we do need to feed the ever increasing population and part of that is to improve yields and quality. Farmers have to use these products and certainly don't want to cause any harm to themselves or the public. If only the rest of the food that is brought into this country had the same checks and safeguarding that ours do.

Anyway enough of my rant and I should go and do some machine maintenance.....Is that a kettle I hear.....!

**Mark Wilson**



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<b>Wednesday</b>	8.30 - 4.00	2.00 - 4.00	2.00 – 4.00	8.30 – 12.00	8.30 – 12.00
<b>Thursday</b>	8.30 – 12.30	9.00 – 11:30			
<b>Friday</b>	8.30 – 6.30	3.00 – 5.00			

## Fracking and Ryedale

It has been an eventful start to the year as far as fracking is concerned, both nationally and in Ryedale itself.

The Government has voted on and made minor amendments to the Infrastructure Bill in January 2015. It has yet to receive Royal Assent and should it become law as amended it means that there will be no fracking allowed in National Parks or Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. This means that there are no longer any ‘exceptional circumstances’ that would allow fracking to take place within these areas. It remains to be seen whether this means just the location of well sites or if the amendments will be more far reaching.

Ryedale District Council are to hold a public debate about fracking at the Milton Rooms in Malton by ticket only on 4th February 2015. This was announced after a 1000+ signature petition was handed to the Council by Frack Free Ryedale.

Third Energy has announced it will apply for permission to carry out a ‘Test Frack’ at the Kirby Misperton Wellsite. If the ‘Test frack’ is successful they also ask for permission to put the well site into production of gas using Hydraulic fracturing. Third Energy have put in what is known as a ‘scoping request’ to North Yorkshire County Council which in essence:

- gives details of the proposal and the information that Third energy will include in their Environmental Impact Assessment; and
- asks the North Yorkshire County Council exactly what further information (if any) they will require to make a decision on the proposal

Source: (planning reference NY/2015/0029/SCO)

<https://onlineplanningregister.northyorks.gov.uk/register/PlanAppDisp.aspx?recno=9558>

These proposals put Ryedale at the forefront of this controversial method of unconventional hydrocarbon exploitation.

So what does this mean for Hovingham and Scackleton residents? Third Energy hold the Petroleum Exploration and Development Licence (PEDL) for this area. This license permitted Third Energy to carry out the seismic survey in Hovingham in the summer of 2014. In the granting of such a license it is implicit that the license holder (Third Energy) will drill and test for gas and to assess the viability of producing it in commercial quantities (subject to planning permission) should the 2014 survey information suggest there are gas deposits in this area.

The proposals to frack at Kirby Misperton raises questions about how extensive the exploitation of gas reserves using fracking will be across Ryedale?

- Should Kirby Misperton receive permission to carry out a ‘Test frack’ and this is successful, Third Energy is likely to proceed with fracking across Ryedale.
- Based on the publicly available information, there aren’t any known ‘conventional’ gas fields under the Hovingham area. However there is a considerable amount of Bowland Shale at depth in the area that can’t be exploited by conventional gas extraction methods.
- The unknown is what the impact will be on Ryedale?

*David R Davis*

The Hovingham Village Market held its Annual General Meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> January at the Worsley Arms Hotel. The chairman's report was delivered by Martin Bell. He started by thanking all the members of the committee and all the volunteers who have worked hard to produce another successful year for the market. Martin went on to report that over the year the markets impact in social media had been enhanced by a Facebook presence and especially by gathering email addresses from visitors to allow direct mail shots prior to each market. Publicity in print media had also been good with excellent coverage gained by the winning of the Duke of York Community Initiative Award.

The treasurer's report was given by Phil Chapman. Phil stated that the market continued to be financially sound, and had been able to support many aspects of village activities and a number of good causes over the year. Over £3,150 had been donated to good causes locally, including the playground, the church clock restoration and the village Christmas tree among others.

The evening had a slight tinge of sadness to it as Martin Bell had made it known previously that he would be standing down as Chairman and from the committee at the meeting. Also Mark Woolley stood down as Vice Chairman as he has moved some distance from Hovingham although he wished to remain involved in the market.

Peter Stark was voted in as the new Chairman and his brother Chris was voted in as Vice Chairman. Peter's first task in his new role was to thank both Martin & Mark for all the time and effort they had both put into the market over the years, both being founding committee members of the market way back in 2009. Both Martin & Mark were each presented with a commemorative plate listing their time as chairmen of the market and a nice bottle of red by way of thanks for all their hard work.



"Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> February sees the Village Market back after our January break refreshed and ready to go with what we all hope will be an exciting and vibrant market. As well as all our long standing regular stallholders with their quality local produce and goods we have all come to expect, we have three new guest stalls that will be bringing something a little different to the marketplace. We look forward to seeing you all there!"

**Peter Stark**

#### **Reminder - Community Stalls available for 2015**

The Market offers a monthly **Community Stall** to local groups wanting to raise their profile or raise funds. We have several slots still available for this year, so please contact the market at 'action@hovingham.org.uk' to find out available dates and what's involved. Opportunities like these have now seen Community Groups raise over £42,000 since the market began.



## Home too small to entertain?

There's a LOT more space at our place!

- ◆ 8x12m main hall (ideal for large parties / kids' games)
- ◆ Cosy party room (smaller parties / sanctuary for adults)
- ◆ BIG kitchen - LOTS of work surface, 5ring/2 oven cooker, large warming cabinet, large fridge, lots of crocks, etc.)
- ◆ DIY or hire a caterer (we have a list)



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Hovingham is recognised as a special place by residents and visitors. Many villages locally share the natural beauty of the surrounding countryside, the wildlife, and the visual harmony of the buildings. What differentiates Hovingham is an active community that makes things happen at a local level with benefits to the wider community.

Our Market and Community Café brings together 40 local traders with up to 800 visitors, establishing a unique monthly Community Event raising over £42,000 for Community Groups.

The Wildlife Group have built over 40 nest boxes, planted wildflowers, encouraged households in bee friendly plantings and building bee homes.

The Environmental Action Group volunteers clear snow in the winter to keep the Community going and active. They also repaint railings, clean signs, tidy pavements, build litter bins, and much more; enabling residents to improve and take a pride in their environment.

There are many ways you can get involved. This could be helping set up the market stalls once a month, conducting safety inspections of playground equipment, baking a cake for the Community Café, winding the church clock, gardening and planting, writing or delivering the newsletter, joining the snow clearing team or a committee. There are many opportunities depending on what you want to do.

Lending a hand can take as little time as you want or it can be a more regular commitment. The Hovingham Action Group ensures there is a friendly and safe environment for the volunteers; using the experience, knowledge and skills of residents to help others, and other organisations, who may need a helping hand.

Anyone can volunteer. You do not have to live in the villages or have particular talents. It's a great way to meet neighbours and residents and try something new. If you would like to learn more about volunteering then we look forward to hearing from you. We can be contacted via email at [action@hovingham.org.uk](mailto:action@hovingham.org.uk) or telephone David Richardson on 628 227

## Hovingham Playground - a child's paradise?

Hidden away at the extremities of Hovingham village, in an extremely wonderful location is a well kept adventure playground with equipment for toddlers to teens. It also includes picnic tables and a covered shelter, so all the family can enjoy themselves. You are very welcome to come down and enjoy equipment and lovely setting.

The Playground Group oversees the facilities and hope all visitors will have an enjoyable time in the playground, but please use the equipment wisely, as the group cannot be responsible for any accidents.

And, please leave everything neat and tidy, a litter bin is provided outside the gate.

One unusual feature in the playground is the willow dragon, which was created by volunteers from the village, with advisors from The Howardian Hills AONB. Willow is very tough and for centuries have been used in basket making, fish traps, screens and fencing. It is also used in medicines and bio fuel. However our dragon - called Draco - can be damaged by climbing so please take care to not cause any damage.

Dogs are not allowed inside the Playground as they represent a serious health and injury hazard. This is mainly because of the Toxocara egg which dogs' deposit and can cause blindness in children. However there is a dog hook and bowl of water outside the gate for those who bring a dog along with them.

Visitors using cars should park considerately as this is a private road and vehicles can, and do, block farm and house access, as well as causing difficulties for those attending funerals in the nearby cemetery.. Notices remind visitors of this requirement. There is ample parking at the Village Hall.

The playground is privately run by village volunteers on land donated by Hovingham Estate. It gets no public funding, so funds are raised during the year to cover all costs. Weekly checks are made to ensure the equipment is in good condition and any damage is rectified. Along with day to day maintenance, such as grass and hedge cutting there is a continual need for funds to sustain the well being of the grounds and equipment. The Playground Group appreciate all donations, large or small, to help with the preservation of this wonderful activity centre. Also welcomed are new volunteers to help with the organisation of activities and fundraising. If YOU can help please get in touch.

**David Richardson**



*We are also proud of artwork created by children at Hovingham school. This now lines the tunnels under the fort and reflect the seasons and the elements, Earth, Fire, Air and Water.*

It has been a very busy few months for Hovingham School so I thought I should take the opportunity to update you.

Hovingham School confederated with St Hildas 7 years ago which means that Mrs Skinner shares her Headship time equally between the 2 schools. It has been a very successful partnership enabling both schools to share staff skills, joint curriculum planning and combined school trips.

Mrs Skinner has decided that she is going to retire this summer after almost 10 years of successfully leading both schools forward. Both Governing Bodies have been aware of this for some time so decided to explore the various options that could be available to us. We set up a working party of 3 Governors from each school and sought help and guidance from other similar schools and NYCC. It soon became clear that as the partnership between both schools works well, why try and re-invent the wheel! One area where we thought we could improve and streamline things was to join the 2 Governing bodies together in a Federation. The Government has said that all Governing Bodies have to look at how they work and the size of them by September this year anyway so we were ahead of the game.

The working party reported to both Governing Bodies, consulted with parents and also the wider community. A notice of the consultation was put on the notice board in the village and ended with a public meeting in both schools for anyone to attend. We have not had any concerns raised so it has been agreed by both bodies that the Federation should go ahead. I should point out that both schools will still keep their own individuality and character and the only difference will be one Governing Body of 12 members made up equally from both schools. The Federation process is now proceeding with the new body will be in place on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015.

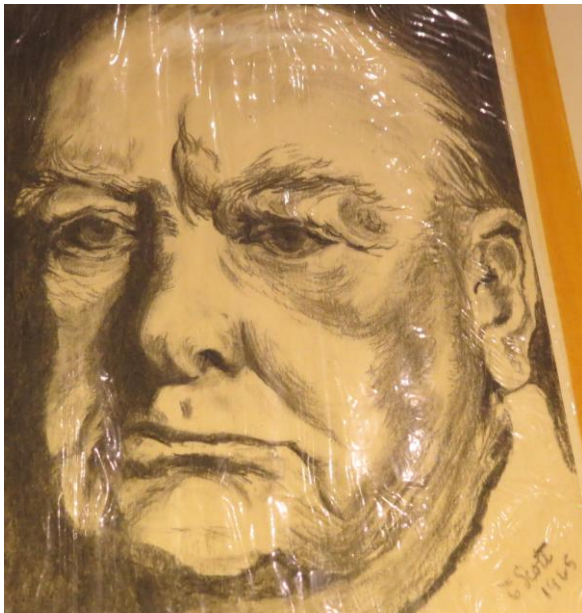
As well as that we have begun the recruitment process for a new Headteacher. We are holding interviews in March when we hope to make the new appointment. Whilst we are sorry that Mrs Skinner is leaving us, we wish her every happiness in her well earned retirement, and look forward to thanking her properly, for her ten years of dedicated leadership of our schools, at the end of the summer term.

**Mark Wilson (Chairman of Governors)**

## Voices from 1965

Fifty years ago, life in Hovingham was documented by residents to celebrate the Womens' Institute Golden Jubilee Year (1915-1965). Typed, hand written and beautifully illustrated, this fascinating and unique document records life in Hovingham month by month during 1965.

So what did residents observe about their lives in January and February half a century ago? The year started with bright weather for the wedding on 2nd January of Miss Priscilla Jane Keyworth and Captain Ian Roger Kibble (Green Howards). HRH The Duchess of Kent attended the wedding spending the New Year at Hovingham Hall with her family.



*Sir Winston Churchill, charcoal, by E? Scott, 1965*

Children from the school met the children of HRH The Duke and Duchess of Kent a party at Hovingham Hall given by Sir William and Lady Worsley.

An increase in Agricultural Wages came into effect and was offset in part by an increase in the price of commodities.

The Cricket Club held their Annual Dinner at The Worsley Arms Hotel with 60 members and friends. A well known writer of sports books and articles about cricket, Mr AA Thomson, was a guest speaker along with Herbert Sutcliffe.

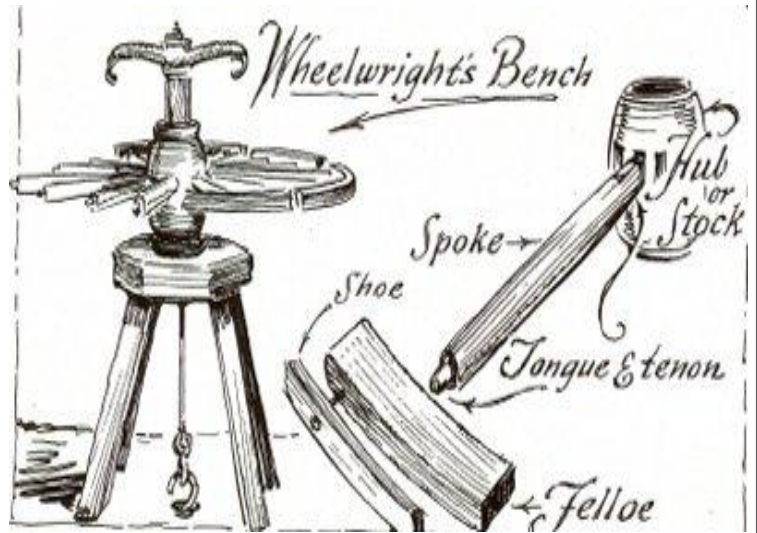
The death of Sir Winston Churchill towards the end of January affected the village: "we were filled with sadness, for on the 24th, we lost that great statesman, Sir Winston Churchill, in his 91st year...The funeral service on television was wonderful and inspiring, and it is one of the marvels of this day and age that so many people were able to pay their last tribute through the medium of their television screen."

On 20th February, Mr Alexander Brown of Hovingham married Miss Joan Heather Bailey of Penrith and on 26th February, Timothy Charles Featherstone came into the world.

**Caroline Davis**



Fascinating information is available from online archives. This one is an extract from Baines Trades Directory of 1823 Hovingham (population then 649 - now 350):  
 3 Butchers 2 Blacksmiths 14 Farmers 2 Growers  
 2 Joiners 3 Shoemakers 3 Shopkeepers 2 Surgeons;  
 as well as a miscellany of trades; Stone mason, bacon factor, perfumer, plumber glazier, straw hat maker, tallow chandler, watch maker, school mistress, 3 victuallers (Talbot Inn, Lion Inn and New Inn), draper and tailor, milliner, saddler, basket maker, maltster, cooper, corn miller.  
 Scackleton meanwhile boasted: 8 farmers, 1 wheelwright, 1 mason, 1 grocer, 1 schoolmaster, 1 blacksmith, 1 gamekeeper



Obviously in addition to the named trades there were many others engaged in farmwork, domestic service, forestry etc. Today in 2015 we promote shopping and buying locally. It had a very different emphasis in 1823!! **Ann Chapman**



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# The Hovingham Village Market

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**Hovingham Website-** For information please contact [Phil Chapman](#) or [Caroline Davis](#)

- Sponsored by the Action Group, in the process of major updating & revision. Watch this space!

**Environment and Wildlife** - For further information please contact [Ann Chapman](#) or [David Richardson](#)

- Anyone who would like to help clear snow after substantial falls will be welcomed and greatly appreciated by residents and businesses in the village.

**Market - For information on market issues please contact Peter Stark**

- The Hovingham Market was a winner in the Duke of York's Community Initiative Awards, presented by the Duke in a ceremony in Rotherham.
- After a couple of months of poor weather and reduced visitor numbers subsequent markets have attracted increased footfall and good trading. The next market is at the beginning of February.
- The market group continues to look at ways to improve the monthly market, however Martin Bell, after sterling work running the market has decided to step down and Peter Stark is taking over as chairman of the market group. Many thanks go to Martin for his time, patience and leadership throughout his chairmanship.
- New volunteers who wish to contribute to the running of the market will be made very welcome and any Community Group wanting to run a Community Stall should contact the Market Group.

**Playground** - Please contact [Ann Chapman](#), [Carol Battersby](#), [Rosemary Stewart](#) or [David Richardson](#)

- A notice board has been placed at the playground entrance and after issues with condensation a number of signs are now displayed
- Tunnels were created in the timber fort/slide and artwork by the school children has now been fitted inside the tunnels. This is the final piece of work planned and the playground does look exceptionally well.
- The memorial plaque for Sir Marcus Worsley is now planned to be unveiled at a ceremonial event in the spring on the covered shelter.
- Contact us if you would like to be involved in the various initiatives.

**Church Clock** - For information please contact [Ann Chapman](#), [Neil Booth](#) or [David Richardson](#)

- The maintenance of the clock by Terry Hill of Hills Tower Clocks in Leeds has not been without difficulties and has taken longer than expected. However the clock is now in full working order and running well.
- The cost was fully financed with donations from many private individuals, the Parish Council, Market and Action Groups. Many thanks to all those involved.

**Christmas Tree** - For information please contact [Murray Stewart](#)

- Once again the Action Group, with finance from the Market Group, provided the village with a well lit Christmas tree, situated outside the village hall and a welcome sight it has been.
- Thanks go to Murray Stewart, Mark Wilson and David Richardson for the planning and work involved.

**Neighbourhood Watch** - For information please contact [Phil Chapman](#)

- Regular emails and information on criminal activity from the police are sent out. Villagers should continue to be vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the police.

*David Richardson*



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**GENERAL - Hovingham & Scackleton**

- **Grass Cutting** – NY Garden Services have quoted £35 per cut for the Top Green and £10 for the Bottom Green, including removal of grass. This was approved for next year and Cliffords will be asked to quote for grass cutting excluding these areas. Final budget decision will be made at next meeting.
- **Open and Accountable Local Government** – Examples have been circulated and most restrictions are more appropriate for a Town or larger Council. A notice on the agenda now included regarding recording of meetings.
- **Police** – An invitation from the Parish Council to the new Police Sergeant will be made by the new Parish Council elected in May 2015.

**HOVINGHAM**

- **Christmas Tree** - Congratulations to Murray Stewart, Mark Wilson for planning and erecting the tree (financed by the Market Group). Next year thought will be given to use of energy saving bulbs and provision of time clock.
- **Church Clock** - Following a number of return visits by the engineer the clock seems to be running smoothly.
- **Buses** - Negotiations have taken place between Stephenson's and NYCC regarding the service after 31<sup>st</sup> January 2015. These have subsequently been concluded with **NO CHANGE** in the 194 bus timetable. (See elsewhere in Newsletter).
- **Maintenance** - Cemetery Wall repairs
- **Noticeboard** - Repairs agreed and to be arranged.
- **Pasture Lane Footpath** - The Developer is aware that the footpath (behind the Malt Shovel) must be in place before they leave site.
- **Flower Tub** - Awaiting supplier to have new stock.

**FINANCE**

- There are a number of invoices outstanding from suppliers for agreed and completed expenditure. The Clerk will chase so we can pay prior to end of Financial Year.
- In 1966 the Parish Council purchased £190 19s. of 3½% War Bond Stock. HM Treasury have announced this will be redeemed in entirety on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2015.

**RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCIL  
from Councillor Robert Wainwright**

- RDC have to make savings of £300,000 following reduction in the Government Grant. Possibility is that the Council Tax to be increased by 1.99%.
- Timetable for Elections to be published shortly.
- Meeting for agents and candidates will take place at Ryedale House on 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 6:30pm.
- There is a consultation for a mobile phone mast in Terrington, with an alternative location in our Parish. A letter from the Parish Council opposing the application has been sent to RDC.
- Presentation for and against 'fracking' has been organised for 4<sup>th</sup> February at Milton Rooms. Admission will be by ticket only due to limited space.
- An RDC policy regarding 'fracking' would be made following the public meeting, once Councillors were happy that they had had sufficient information on which to base a decision.

**SCACKLETON**

- **Church Organ** - Scackleton Action Group were congratulated by the Chairman for supporting the purchase of an organ for their Church.
- **Marquee** - following some damage; in future this will only be loaned to Scackleton residents.
- **Scackleton Lane** - following an inspection this was determined as been in a dangerous condition and it has been reported to NYCC.

**MINUTES of LAST MEETING**

It was agreed to amend so that:

- "Registering an opposition to 'fracking' would make no difference to a planning application submitted to NYCC."
- "Councillor M. Wilson pointed out that the Pasture Lane development had not generated any additional pupils at the school."

**FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2015– 7pm**

- 11<sup>th</sup> March, 13<sup>th</sup> May, 8<sup>th</sup> July (Scackleton), 9<sup>th</sup> September and 11<sup>th</sup> November.

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

**Residential property** - The Estate has residential property to rent, ranging from 2 bedrooms to 5 bedrooms, all situated within the village. **Contact:** The Estate Office on 01653 628771

**Logs for sale** - The Estate sell logs in varying load sizes which can be delivered within 1 mile of Hovingham Village. **Contact:** David Blades on 01653 628357

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



## January 2015

25 <sup>th</sup> Sun	<b>Benefice Eucharist</b> – 10:30am Coneysthorpe <b>Methodist Service</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel – R. King
26 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Landfill Waste Collection – <b>Green Bin</b> <b>Supermobile Library in Hovingham</b> – 5pm until 7pm – Location Hall Green
30 <sup>th</sup> Fri	<b>Worsley Arms Supper Club</b> - Tables available <b>6:30pm to 8:30pm</b> - Worsley Arms Hotel Book your table for the Supper Club; <b>Main Course:</b> A 'Proper Pie' made with Estate Venison, Wild Mushrooms and Stout with Creamed Yukon Gold Mash, Bacon and Neeps <b>Dessert Course:</b> New Season Yorkshire Rhubarb, The Wine..... The Liberator Syrah Main Course £12.50 or 2-Courses £16.50

## February 2015

1 <sup>st</sup> Sun	<b>Matins (BCP)</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Church <b>Methodist Service</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel – J. Lakin
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon	Recycling Collection – <b>Recycling Bins</b> – <b>NO Compost Bin Collection in Dec, Jan, Feb</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tue	<b>Hovingham Women's Fellowship</b> - 7pm Hovingham Village Hall Talk - Meet the Mizens, talk organised by Ampleforth and District Catenians. Bookings must be made directly with Rob Thompson, telephone (01653)-628640.
4 <sup>th</sup> Wed	<b>Fracking in Ryedale</b> - Public meeting most likely <b>6:30pm</b> at the Milton Rooms in Malton. An <b>independent</b> meeting organised by Ryedale District Council, with speakers representing both sides of the subject.
7 <sup>th</sup> Sat	<b>Hovingham Village Market</b> - 10:30am to 1:30pm - Hovingham Village Hall – Please come along and support the Market; Hovingham Church Group will run the Community Café.
8 <sup>th</sup> Sun	<b>Eucharist Service</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Church <b>Methodist Service</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel – F. Allison
9 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Landfill Waste Collection – <b>Green Bin</b> <b>Supermobile Library in Hovingham</b> – 5pm until 7pm – Location Hall Green
13 <sup>th</sup> Fri	<b>School Term Ends – Return from Half Term on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> Sun	<b>Morning Praise</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Church <b>Methodist Service</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel – N. Smith
16 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Recycling Collection – <b>Recycling Bins</b> – <b>NO Compost Bin Collection in Dec, Jan, Feb</b>
18 <sup>th</sup> Wed	<b>Eucharist with Ashes</b> – 7:30pm Slingsby Church
22 <sup>nd</sup> Sun	<b>Benefice Eucharist Service</b> – 10:30am Barton Church <b>Methodist Service</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel – M. Smith
23 <sup>rd</sup> Mon	Landfill Waste Collection – <b>Green Bin</b> <b>Supermobile Library in Hovingham</b> – 5pm until 7pm – Location Hall Green

## March 2015

1 <sup>st</sup> Sun	<b>BCP Eucharist Service</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Church, John Walden <b>Methodist Service</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon	Recycling Collection – <b>Recycling and COMPOST Bins</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tue	<b>Hovingham Women's Fellowship</b> 7pm - Home of Pat Hewitt Talk by Caroline Quick of Scackleton on here work of beauty treatment
6 <sup>th</sup> Fri	<b>Women's World Day of Prayer</b> - 2pm St John the Martyr Church, Scackleton
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29 <sup>th</sup> Mon	<b>Palm Sunday Joint Service Procession</b> – 10:30am To be confirmed <b>Methodist Service</b> – 10:30am Hovingham Chapel