

The Hovingham and Scackleton Newsletter

February 2019

Welcome to the Hovingham and Scackleton Newsletter

We have all sorts for you again, thank you to all those residents who provide such a varied mix of content. This time we have a handy page of Mobile Services to put on your wall, do you know what a 'hedge' is, winter wildlife and a little something about winter itself and, the latest on the village survey. We welcome Clive Birch of Scackleton to our team and are delighted with his opening salvo of news and items of interest, he asks for more of your stories. And, if you can help volunteer for local groups then check out the option with the Action Group.

The Newsletter welcomes items of local interest, be a history story, upcoming event, local services and people stories.

Your Newsletter team, Helen, Clive, Eddie and Ann

Keep those stories coming to newsletter@hovingham.org.uk - Next edition copy deadline is 20th March 2019

Scackleton Newsletter content appeal



The Hovingham and Scackleton Newsletter is an excellent way of letting local people know what's going on and announcing news that will be of interest in the village.

If you would like to update friends, neighbours and the local community about a recent birth, death or marriage or perhaps a local social or community event such as a fundraiser, social event or get together please let us know. And stories, of history, places and people would be most welcome as well.

You can contact Clive Birch by text or phone on 07824477190 or email me at clive.birch@icloud.com.

Hovingham - Coffee in the Garden – can you help?



In the summer we are hoping to have 'Coffee in the Garden' again. This is a delightful occasion where everyone can come and meet friends old and new and raises funds for Church repairs

We are looking for new gardens, so if you would like to take part and open your garden for several hours please call us on 01653 628386. **Graham and Jackie Mason**

Hovingham Playground – can you help?

We have recently been appealing for help for new committee members needed in the running of the Playground and fortunately this has seen several people come forward.

We would like to constitute a new group in March, and this group can take things forward for 2019. Just to reassure you, funds are in place, there is a constitution and we have a considerable list of volunteers who help at the annual working bee. The need is for a management committee which would meet 3-4 times a year to organise working bees etc and inspection rotas.

One or two more people would be ideal. So please let me know as soon as possible

playground@hovingham.org.uk

Ann Chapman - (Phone 627171)



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Free Concert Scackleton Church Friday 8th February

A final reminder to Scackleton residents that you are invited to a FREE concert with a performance by Luke Jackson at Scackleton Church on Friday 8th February at 7.30pm.

Luke, a singer-songwriter from Canterbury, was nominated for two awards in the 2013 BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards.

Refreshments will be served courtesy of the Lamp Light Acoustic Club and help with transport is available if needed – Call Sue on 01653 628194.



Hovingham Chapel News

Each year a **World Day of Prayer Service** is organised locally.

On Friday 1st March 2019 it is to be held at 2pm at Slingsby Methodist Chapel.

This service has been prepared by Christian Women of Slovenia.

Please contact Sue on 628077 if you would like transport to it. All welcome.

The **Mothering Sunday** service for this village will be held at Hovingham Methodist Chapel on Sunday 31st March at 10.30am. All welcome. **Sue Goodwill**



Hovingham Village Survey – now in the analysis phase



The paper Questionnaires have now all been input by Community First into a spreadsheet and then, as we promised, they were recycled, thus completing the recycling circle.

We thank you again for taking the time to fill out the Questionnaires and can report 84% of Households responded and 77% of those who received a Personal Questionnaire responded (slightly up on the 2009 Survey). This fabulous result gives great credibility to Hovingham and the resulting actions taken.

Project Purple Team are now analysing the results and hope in March or April to have the results for you. We will invite you all to take part in any activities that result from the Survey

The Project Purple team, Kim, Frank, Caroline, Monica, Phil, Tony and Ann

Hovingham Christmas Trees

'Thank you' to all those households that brought their Christmas Trees to the Village Hall carpark. There were over 55 trees processed into mulch within 45 minutes – mind you snow did delay proceedings for an hour.



From this



To this

Hovingham Village Market and Hovingham Project Purple who sponsored this project, are more than delighted with the number of trees processed and very grateful to stalwarts Mark Wilson and James Gordon-Finlayson (of Circle Garden Services) who wielded chainsaws, mulcher and brooms.

If you would like mulch for your garden then please call Mark Wilson - 628235

Our first market of 2019 is on Saturday 2nd February. During February we hold our AGM, plan and prepare for the year ahead.

If you've been taking part in dry January, we have some tempting guest stalls. Savour the taste and flavour of Cob Cider by Grania Howard. Made from apples foraged from friends, family and neighbours mainly on the Castle Howard estate, this tart cider is pure 100% fermented fresh apple juice. If gin is your thing, look out for local distiller Cooper King of Stillington/Sutton-in-the-Forest. We say hello to Gardenwood Creations (wooden garden equipment, furniture and wildlife products). Passione Della Pasta, of Helmsley, will also be joining the Market selling fresh pasta of all types, tomato sauces, and Italian biscuits and cakes.

Our February Community Café is run by Hovingham Tennis Club. Come along and find out more about the services and support available locally from Dementia Forward.



Looking back on last year, we nearly managed to get through to the end of 2018 without a heavy downpour until our first December market. The rain became progressively worse during the morning and by 1pm a lake had appeared. All that we needed was a few ducks to complete the scene. Over 600 resilient residents and visitors arrived and our stallholders were supportive and grateful for everything the volunteers did, to keep the market going with most having a very positive day.

Our final Christmas market was cold and dry with much festive cheer. Some of our stoic stallholders wore seasonal attire as did many of our 875 market visitors who sported Christmas jumpers, hats and outfits. Even the dogs joined in wearing Christmas body suits.



Ellie the donkey, the Swinton & District Excelsior Brass Band, the Christmas tree and an appearance from a fun-loving Father Christmas handing out chocolates, all added to the atmosphere.

After the stalls were dismantled, Ann appeared with mulled wine, mince pies and other festive goodies as a much-appreciated treat and thank you to our chilled volunteers.



Christmas greetings were exchanged, the shed door was closed and we said farewell to the 2018 markets.

Caroline Davis



Home too small to entertain?

There's a LOT more space at our place!

Hovingham Village Hall

Call Janice on 01653 628952 or visit www.hovingham.org.uk

Laurie died in his home in Edinburgh on 21st January 2019. Laurie, had been organist at Hovingham Church for seven years prior to his move to Edinburgh to be nearer his daughter in May 2017. In recent months he had suffered a number of falls which prior to his death had resulted in him being in hospital for many weeks. He died just two weeks after watching on live television his beloved Newport County beat the mighty Leicester City in the FA Cup. When the match had ended, I rang him up and asked if he was jumping up and down in excitement. He replied "No, but I would be if I could!"

Laurie will be greatly missed by his many friends in Hovingham and Slingsby. His funeral will be in Hovingham Church, but at the time of writing the date has not been fixed.

Eddie Lucas



Community Speedwatch News

The chill of winter has somewhat curtailed our sessions but we restarted mid-January and will continue on, weather permitting. We did wonder if our efforts were worthwhile and then received an update from our Speedwatch Co-ordinator with figures for September 16th to December 17th 2018 for North Yorkshire of which our team is a part – 1 of 53 now operating.

- Vehicles monitored – 249,688
- Offences captured – 12,348 (4.94%)
- Offences processed – 9,502 (3.80%)
 - 1st Letters – 8,993 (94.64%)
 - 2nd Letters – 450 (4.74%)
 - 3rd offences – 59 (0.62%)



We were part of the Speed Campaign that ran from the 14th Jan – 27th Jan. Thursday January 24th was designated 'Community Day' and the Hovingham team joined the other Community Speedwatch teams show a big presence across the county. It was chilly but we still caught drivers speeding through Hovingham, and Jamie the Police co-ordinator joined us for the session and confirmed we were doing everything the right way and that the police appreciated all the effort the community was making.

If you would like to join the team, and can spare an hour or so a week, please contact us: speedwatch@hovingham.org.uk
Or phone **Ann Chapman on 627171**

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NEXT Market
Sat 2nd February
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2 nd March	6 th April
4 th May	1 st June
6 th July	3 rd August
7 th September	5 th October
2 nd November	7 th December



www.hovingham-market.org.uk



MOBILE POST OFFICE

This now visiting Hovingham twice a week and parks near the Village Shop.

Tuesday 2:30^{pm} to 2:45^{pm}

Thursday 9:45^{am} to 10:00^{am}

The Mobile Post office offers postage and allows banking of cash and cheques for most banks. They also sell postage materials and a selection of greeting cards. Euros and Dollars are normally available, plus other currencies with a day's notice. Please use this service.

HOVINGHAM BUS SERVICE

Please use this service so this essential lifeline for many residents is maintained.



194 Bus Service
(Monday – Saturdays Only)

HOVINGHAM

Slingsby Green

Malton Newgate

MALTON Bus Station

	Monday - Friday	School Days	Not School Day	All Days	All Days	All Days	School Day Thursday	Not School Day Thursday
HOVINGHAM	0720	0810	0810	1005	1205	1405	1700	1550
Slingsby Green	0725	0815	0815	1010	1210	1410	1705	1555
Malton Newgate	0742	0837	0832	1027	1227	1427	1722	1612
MALTON Bus Station	0745	0840	0835	1030	1230	1430	1725	1615

MALTON Bus Station

Malton Newgate

Slingsby Green

HOVINGHAM

	All Days	All Days	All Days	School Day not Thursday	School Holidays	Saturday	School Day Thursday	All Days
MALTON Bus Station	0935	1135	1335	1512	1525	1535	1627	1735
Malton Newgate	0938	1138	1338	1515	1538	1538	1630	1738
Slingsby Green	0954	1154	1354	1534	1544	1554	1649	1754
HOVINGHAM	1000	1200	1400	1540	1550	1600	1655	1800

Service operated by Coastliner (York and Country) with financial support from North Yorkshire County Council

Service also stops in Fryton, Barton Le Street, Appleton Le Street, Amotherby, Swinton and Broughton (effective March 2018)

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HOVINGHAM MOBILE LIBRARY

The Supermobile library visits Hovingham on alternate Monday evenings from 5pm to 7pm on Hall Green opposite the Riding School.

Their visits coincide with the Landfill Refuse collection unless it is a Public Holiday).

The catalogue of books available may be searched on the NYCC website and books, DVD's etc can be reserved for collection at any of their libraries, including the Supermobile.

They have adult and children's books including large print books.

The staff are very helpful and can help with reservations and book selection

2019 NYCC Supermobile Library
Hall Green, Hovingham 5^{pm} to 7^{pm}

✓ 7th January	8 th July
21 st January	22 nd July
4 th February	5 th August
18 th February	19 th August
4 th March	2 nd September
18 th March	16 th September
1 st April	30 th September
15 th April	14 th October
29 th April	28 th October
13 th May	11 th November
27th May HOLIDAY	25 th November
10 th June	9 th December
24 th June	23 rd December

(Please visit NYCC website for latest details)

Carol Concert on December 8th

We were very pleased to welcome Ampleforth and Ryedale concert choir to our parish Church on the 8th December.

Over 140 people attended the concert that included Advent music, traditional carols and readings. I think all who came enjoyed the varied offering and the mulled wine and the mince pies.

We made £845 for the Church repair fund after expenses of £255. This included refreshments for the choir after rehearsal at the Worsley Arms.

Our thanks go to all those who provided the mince pies and all the helpers without whom we would be really lost.

Graham and Jackie Mason

**Christingle Service on December 24th**

We had another very successful Christingle in Hovingham Church on Christmas Eve. Around 100 people young and not quite as young filled the church to sing and celebrate Christmas.

It is always wonderful to see so many people there and the atmosphere is really special, especially when the children stand near the alter, Christingles lit and the lights turned off during the final hymn.

Many thanks to the team who put it all together. 50 Christingles were made at our house by Helen and her friends Lydia and Imogen Cooper. I supervised to make sure not too many sweets were eaten! Clare Rowe did a fantastic job leading the service and putting it together. The collection came to £169 which as always went to the Children's Society.

Mark Wilson

Scackleton Pinfold - a pen with a view

Enjoyed by Scackleton residents and those in the know for decades, the Pinfold in Scackleton is the perfect place for a moment's solitude and reflection.

With spectacular views over the roiling Howardian Hills in the background and enviable vistas of Ampleforth and the Hovingham estate, the pinfold has a strategically placed log gifted by the Castle Howard Estate, so that visitors are able to sit down and enjoy the views and tranquillity at leisure.

Originally a pen designed to contain stray livestock until it was claimed, the Pinfold is situated at the top (north) of the village at the junction with Scackleton Bank and Scackleton Lane.

The pinfold will shortly feature an illustrated sign offering a more detailed history of the site and indicating places of interest within the stunning views.

Clive Birch



NYCC Mineral and Waste Joint Plan

The Minerals and Waste Joint Plan Examination in Public resumes on 24th-25th January. The plan, which will guide policy on planning applications for fracking operations in the county for the next 15 years, has already been examined publicly once by the Planning Inspector Elizabeth Ord last April. At that time, the plan contained precautionary measures such as a 500m buffer zone round frack sites. Final decisions will be made about the 500m residential buffer and the legal definition of hydraulic fracturing which is to be applied to the plan.

Government Consultations on Fracking

Many local councils and residents have responded to the Government's two consultations proposing that fracking is made permitted development and the other that fracking is made a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project. There was a significant response to these consultations from the Council for the Protection of Rural England, other national organisations and individuals.

A third consultation seeking views on whether fracking companies should be required to conduct pre-application consultation with the local community prior to submitting a planning application for shale gas development, closed on 9th January 2018.

As at 21st January 2019, the Government has not announced any decisions about any of the three consultations.

On 1st December, a letter was handed in to No 10 Downing Street addressed to the Rt Hon Theresa May MP, Prime Minister, and signed by over 100 national and international organisations, including the Campaign for Rural England and the Campaign for National Parks, community Groups, academics, politicians and 8,000 individual signatures collected in person including Vivienne Westwood, Chris Packham and Julia Bradbury.

Caroline Davis, January 2019



Handing in the letter to No.10 Downing Street signed by international, national, local organisations, MPs, eminent academics and individuals

'The Malt Shovel' to become 'The Hovingham'

Martyn and Mary Greenwood moved to Hovingham in May 2018 and visited The Malt Shovel in the village a few times for a drink or two, but soon realised that the pub had so much potential to be a great local serving great food in comfortable surroundings.

They set about trying to buy the freehold which took some time but are now happy to say they have started a full renovation of a tired pub, which when finished will be a great asset to Hovingham which will re-open in spring along with a new name being "The Hovingham".

The pub will be the business of two very successful operators Richard and Lindsey Johns who have run award winning restaurants/pubs in the past the most recent being "Rascills" in Raskelf near Helperby.

Richard is a chef and Lindsey will be front of house and together will bring their experience to put the venue back on the map once again after years of neglect by the pub chain owners.

Martyn and Mary are certain they have been lucky to get such a talented couple on board and are convinced the new look pub will be a roaring success.

"The Hovingham" will be a local pub with great food and they would like to welcome all residents of Hovingham and surrounding villages and of course tourists to the area, to support Richard and Lindsey in their new business in the village.

Martyn and Mary Greenwood

Warm fires and hot toddies

The settled weather we had during Autumn has extended into winter. There was 74mm of rain during November and 99mm in December which was enough to start the land drains running but they have now dried up again. We have had some frosts which will do some good to kill off some bugs and harden off the winter cereals. This will help suppress any disease that may have started to creep in during the mild spell.

Winter Maintenance. As I don't keep any livestock, the winter months can be a relatively quiet time. However, there are always jobs to do including machine maintenance and going on training courses. I have already done some work on the combine replacing a major drive belt that involved taking another four belts off just to get to it. Two hours of taking to bits then three hours putting back together and checking that all the belts were correctly tensioned and guards back in the right place it was job done. Very satisfying once done but it does make you think that whoever designs these machines never has to work on them! I did have a couple of small washers left over but I am sure they weren't important! Still more work to do on it like taking the whole unloading auger off (the spout that sticks out when tipping into a trailer) to weld up a crack that has appeared. This will be quite a big job but better than the auger dropping off one day by itself!

There are usually plenty of training and information gathering courses to go on. These are both useful to hear about the latest news in agricultural innovation, to earn points that allow us to keep our spraying licence, or in some cases both. In this country I would think farmers are the most regulated, well trained and the best at record keeping in the world.

This week I attended a National Register of Spray Operator (NRoSO) course. This is an annual event which is an ideal opportunity to hear about current and future developments regarding the safe use of chemicals.



Subjects covered were watercourse buffer zones, products that were being withdrawn, liaising with bee keepers and neighbours, reducing spray drift, chemical store rules and many more. There is increasing pressure on the active ingredients available for us to use with many being withdrawn. It takes over 10 years of development and testing for a chemical to reach the market and some don't if they do not meet the regulations.

An interesting fact shared were the results of a Maximum Residue Level (MRL) test that had been undertaken with both UK and imported fruit and veg. The imported samples showed 5.92% over the MRL and the UK sample just 0.8%.

I hope this helps to show just what care is taken to protect our countryside and to put food on your table.

Do you know what a hedge is? I expect your answer is the same as mine would have been - 'of course I do'. However, DEFRA have given us an explanation so that we can interpret the maps that they have produced. A hedge is "of continuous length of at least 20m (measured canopy edge to canopy edge for trees in a line) or is part of any such length, or, a continuous length less than 20m where they meet (at an intersection or junction) hedge or trees in a line at each end. They can have gaps and there is no limit on how many as long as each individual gap is not more than 20m"! Having looked at all my hedges (7464m) I decided some gaps had to be planted up so in DEFRA's eyes I had full lengths of hedges along field boundaries. 800 hedge plants of various varieties have now been planted (with the help of James) and now I need to fill out a form to send to DEFRA so they can alter their computer records!

All of this is now common place and an integral part of farming and it will be a relief when spring comes to be able to get on a tractor, go into a field and actually do some "proper farming". Let's hope the weather is kind when that time comes.

Mark Wilson

Hovingham Estate www.hovingham.co.uk – Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4.00pm

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 Teasdale on 01653 628037



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 or telephone 01386 701177

Hedgerows in the landscape

- ✚ Hedgerows are a defining feature of the English landscape, creating the characteristic structure and pattern. Hedgerows tell the story of the countryside and farming traditions over many centuries. Nearly all mature trees in rural areas outside woods and gardens have their origins in hedgerows, including in-field trees.
- ✚ It has been estimated that there are between 20 and 50 million hedgerow and field trees in England, covering very roughly 2.5% of the land area.
- ✚ Some hedgerow systems date back to prehistoric times, and most were well established by the Anglo-Saxon period and thus older than many of the historic buildings, like parish churches, that society values highly.
- ✚ Most predate the Enclosure Acts between 1750 and 1850 when a further 200,000 miles were planted.
- ✚ A significant decline of hedges began after the Second World War from 500,000 miles to 236,000 miles by 1993, with the loss of much cultural and historical patina from the landscape.
- ✚ The Hedgerow Regulations 1997 were designed to protect exceptionally species rich hedgerows and those of landscape, archaeological and historical importance and continue to do so today.

And that is not all ...

- ✚ Hedgerows are vital wildlife habitats for birds, insects, and mammals
- ✚ Hedgerows are the source of some iconic British foods and drinks, such as blackberry jam and sloe gin.
- ✚ Hedgerows are being increasingly valued as a source of wood fuel, primarily for domestic heating.
- ✚ Hedgerows can shield unsightly development and protect privacy.
- ✚ A 1hectare field with a 50m hedgerow at the bottom can store between 150 and 375 cubic metres of water during rainy periods for slow release down slope, during dry periods.
- ✚ The most common hedgerow plant has been the hawthorn (*hagathorn* = hedge thorn In anglo-saxon)

On the Wild side

We have enjoyed a few days of a bright sun, with cold nights recently. I love to see rainbows locally but missed out taking a photograph of a double rainbow. Once when I was in a plane, I saw a rainbow upside down. I read it is known as a circumzenithal arc, but I like the nickname 'grin in the sky.'

I know there are a few more qualified bird watchers in Hovingham and I do appreciate it when asked if I have seen a jay, nuthatch, goldfinch, green woodpecker and great spotted woodpecker in the last month.

A local farmer kept geese, as good as guard dogs. Recently I heard geese then turned a corner and saw nine black feathered ones with a white tail waddling away from me. I wonder if they are there post December 25th? I trust the very young small deer I saw, possibly with its mother, will survive if we have a cold snowy spell like last March.



It is sad to see farmers have had to put concrete sleepers on lanes to deter unwelcome intruders, but on a brighter side one day I counted eight partridges and sixteen sparrows in groups, plus three hares laid low in the hope they weren't spotted.

Sue Goodwill



The Autumn term at Hovingham Primary School is always a busy time, with lots of events and celebrations. In mid-November we held, our now, annual open morning inviting prospective parents the chance to visit the school during a normal working day, get a feel for what we can offer their children and ask as many questions as they like. It's always a pleasure to show people around the school and demonstrate the value of our village education.

The Friends of Hovingham School held their first Christmas Fayre in the village hall in early December which was brilliantly supported by the community and raised valuable funds which go towards supporting the school and subsidising trips and events in school.

Throughout the term staff have been involved in various training updates and professional development including Academic Resilience, Safeguarding, Maths Mastery and IT in the classroom.

The last two weeks of term are always jam packed with festive activities, Christmas lunch was a triumph as always thanks to our fabulous cook Miss Martin, and the Christmas Nativity concert held in All Saint's church was very well attended by friends and family with all pupils taking part.

For a panto performance this year we tried something new, and arranged for "West End in Schools" to come to us and put on their performance of Jack and The Beanstalk in the village hall. The children really enjoyed it, and were able to be much closer to the action, join in with the songs and boo the baddies!

The Autumn term always ends with a joint Christingle Service, on the last day of term, with our partner school, St Hilda's Ampleforth. This year it was at All Saint's Church and led by Rev. Allwood. The children all make their own Christingle and take part in the service supported by family and friends. It's a lovely way to end the term and get the Christmas holidays off to a flying start.



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City of Troy

Don't expect to be stepping over ruins from the Trojan War, but the City of Troy is an equally impressive goal. Thought to be the only surviving example of its type in North Yorkshire, The City of Troy is a small but unusual turf maze thought to date from around the 1860s. The panoramic views during the walk and York skyline are equally impressive.

Route.

- λ In Scackleton village, find a Safe place to park, and please avoid parking on grass verges.
- λ With your back to St Georges Church, take the tarmac lane opposite following the hedge on your right downhill.
- λ At the bottom of the hill before the entrance to Low Moor, leave the lane and follow the track straight ahead.
- λ Continue to follow the cart track until you reach a farmhouse. Keep the farmhouse on your right, turn left in front of the house downhill and cross the stream. Please be careful at this point as this area can become boggy, so pick a safe route through.
- λ Follow the track uphill and aim for a field gate at the top of the hill (remember to turn back from time to time and enjoy the view).
- λ At the top of the hill at the gate take the road left for approx. 50 yards then turn right and follow the country lane.
- λ The Views as you follow this ridge are simply stunning, especially on a clear day when views of York Minster and the Vale of York beyond can be enjoyed; you won't be disappointed.
- λ Keep walking until you reach a row of cottages and a T Junction, turn right uphill past a wood on your left (There is an alternative route through the wood but please be careful not to get lost) to the road junction at the top of the hill, turn left.
- λ Continue walking until you reach the City of Troy on your right, sit down on the bench and enjoy the fabulous views before you attempt the City of Troy turf maze.
- λ From the maze, follow the road uphill for about 150 yards and (opposite the corner of a wood on your left) turn right through an open gateway and follow the well-worn track through the middle of the field.
- λ Continue ahead and join the cart track, bearing right, that takes you through a wood with woodland at either side. At the end of the wood, follow the cart track and fences ahead
- λ Continue ahead passing Scackleton Grange on your right.
- λ Eventually the track reaches farm buildings, at the road junction turn right into the village walking downhill until you reach St Georges Church and your starting point.



Clive Birch

The Hovingham Bakery

New Ownership
Simon Kelly & Victoria Lundborg

OPENING TIMES

Monday	--- closed ---
Tuesday	--- closed ---
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Thursday	8.30am - 4pm
Friday	8.30am - 4pm
Saturday	8.30am - 4pm
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 An oddling crow in idle motion swing
 On the half-rotten ash-tree's topmost twig,
 Beside whose trunk the gypsy makes his bed.
 Up flies the bouncing woodcock from the brig
 Where a black quagmire quakes beneath the tread;
 The fieldfares chatter in the whistling thorn
 And for the hawk round fields and closen rove,
 And coy bumarrels, twenty in a drove,
 Flit down the hedgerows in the frozen plain
 And hang on little twigs and start again.

John Clare 1793 -1864

**Winter**

Clouded with snow the cold winds blow,
 And shrill on leafless bough
 The robin with its burning breast
 Alone sings now.

The rayless sun, day's journey done,
 Sheds its last ebbing light
 On fields in leagues of beauty spread
 Unearthly white.

Thick draws the dark, and spark by spark,
 The frost-fires kindle, and soon
 Over that sea of frozen foam
 Floats the white moon.

Walter de la Mare 1873 -1956



Events for you to share

February

Friday 8th - Supper Club

Thursday 14th - Valentines Dinner

Tuesday 26th and Thursday 27th - Film Club

March

Thursday 7th - Supper Club

Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th - Film Club

Sunday 31st - Mothering Sunday Lunch

April

Friday 12th - Supper Club

Wednesday 17th - World Malbec Day Wine
tasting and supper

Thursday 25th and Friday 26th - Film Club

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The day in our calendar that marks the first day of winter usually refers to the astronomical seasons which are a result of the Earth's axis and orbit around the sun. However, the Met Office use a meteorological definition of the seasons. Here are the differences.

Meteorological winter season 1 December 2018 – 28th February 2019.

Meteorological seasons are based on annual temperature cycles measuring the meteorological state and coinciding with the Gregorian calendar to determine a clear transition and four equal length seasons. These seasons make it easier for meteorological observing and forecasting and to compare seasonal and monthly statistics.

The seasons are defined as spring (March, April, May), summer (June, July, August), autumn (September, October, November) and winter (December, January, February).

Astronomical winter season - 21 December 2018 and ends on 20 March 2019.

Astronomical seasons are relative to the position of the Earth's orbit around the sun. Equinoxes and solstices are determined by the 23.5-degree tilt of the Earth's rotational axis in relation to its orbit around the sun.

Solstices and equinoxes are the astronomical transition points of the hours of daylight and darkness and solstices aren't fixed because the Earth's orbit of the sun is elliptical not circular. The Earth's orbit around the sun means that in early January, the sun is closest (known as perihelion) and in early July it is most distant (aphelion).



Distance from the Sun

In the northern hemisphere the earth is closest to the sun during winter. Around the 3rd January, the Earth reaches perihelion (peri meaning 'near' and Helion meaning 'sun') and the earth is **3.1 million miles closer** to the sun (91.4 million miles) than at aphelion around July 5th when the earth is furthest from the sun (94.5 million miles).

Earth's distance from the sun is not what causes the seasons but it does affect the length of them. Around perihelion the earth is moving around 1 kilometre per second faster than at aphelion which results in winter being 5 days shorter than summer. Well I never!!!

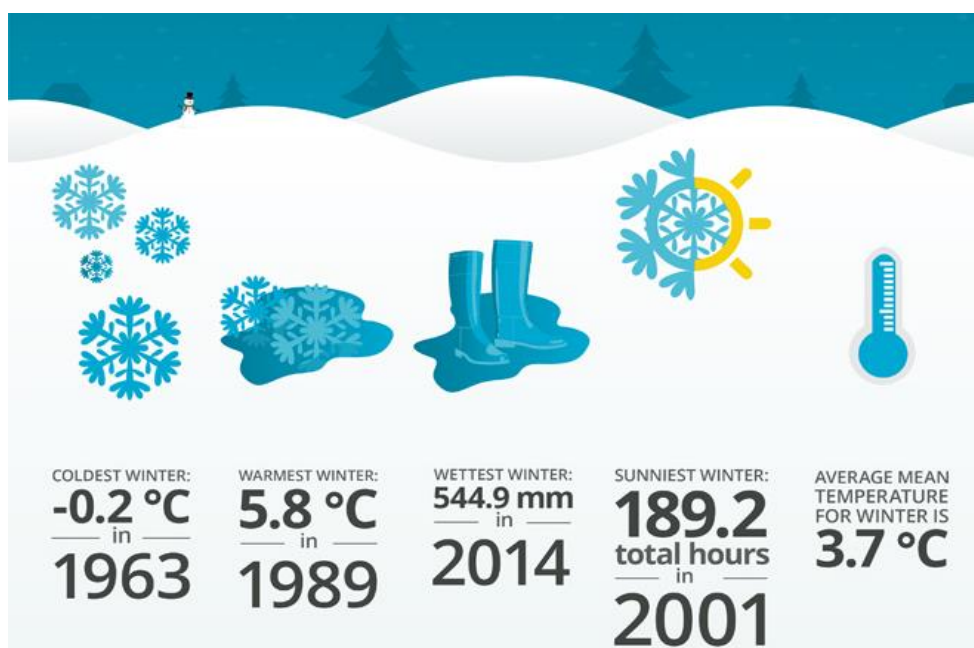
A few winter facts:

Coldest temperature in the UK of -27.2 °C was recorded in Braemar in the Scottish Highlands on 10th January 1982.

The winter of 1963 is one of the coldest on record and the coldest since 1740.

Temperatures were consistently lower than - 20 °C with blizzards, snow drifts and even the sea freezing around the coast.

Before Christmas in 1962 a high-pressure system sat to the north east of the UK for much of the winter dragging cold polar winds over the UK.



On 29 and 30 December 1962, a blizzard struck the UK with snowdrifts up to 6 metres deep. Snow continued to fall frequently and until early-March 1963, much of the UK remained covered in snow.

Ann Chapman

Hovingham Action Group News

Market - contact [Peter Stark or Caroline Davis](#)

- Over 600 visitors came to the first December market on a very wet December day. Rain fell throughout and various stalls had to have second covers to stop drips, but most stall holders reported good takings. The café run by the Playground Group did very well and the funds raised will be put to good use.
- The second Christmas market was even better attended, with well over 850 visitors. The weather was very cold and windy, but dry. The brass band, Father Christmas, Ellie the Donkey, mulled wine and the many stallholders, visitors and dogs wearing seasonal attire, added to the festive feeling. Thanks to everyone who helped before, during and after these markets. New volunteers are always welcome.
- Community Groups wanting to run a Community Stall should contact the Market Group.
- Market Email News is published prior to every Market; subscribe via the website.



Environment and Wildlife - contact [Ann Chapman, or David Richardson](#)

- In April look out for our annual **Litter Pick**, always a popular event, there is nothing like a good Spring-clean. Last year over 30 litter hunters turned out and collected some 63 sacks of rubbish – fantastic.

Neighbourhood Watch & Speedwatch - contact [Rob Tulloch, Ann Chapman](#)

- Speedwatch is fully operational in Hovingham, clocking speeding vehicles in the village. It has taken a break over the Christmas period and restarted in mid-January. The main aim, to reduce speeds of vehicles through the village, is being achieved. If you would like to take part please contact action@hovingham.org.uk
- You can receive regular email Neighbourhood Watch alerts by subscribing on the Village Website.

Newsletter - contact [Ann Chapman or newsletter@hovingham.org.uk](#)

- The newsletter is an excellent source of local information, news and comment and is delivered every 2 months to homes in Hovingham and Scackleton. You can subscribe to receive copies by email on the village website.
- The editorial team welcome new helpers and contributors

Playground - contact [Ann Chapman or email playground@hovingham.org.uk](#)

- The playground is solely run by volunteers and is assembling a new group to take over management at a Spring meeting. Thankyou to those that have now offered their help to keep our lovely Playground open. Several more volunteers would be very welcome.



Project Purple - contact: purple@hovingham.org.uk

- This is a long-term initiative around renewable energy, recycling and energy efficiency. It is hoped to encourage residents and businesses to reduce the impact on the environment. The 2018 village survey has been collected from each household and will help shape the project. The results of the survey are being analysed and in Spring 2019 a report will be produced and shared with the community, showing results and recommendations.
- If you would like to be involved or want to contact the group please email purple@hovingham.org.uk

Website – www.hovingham.org.uk contact action@hovingham.org.uk

- All sorts of information about the village, facilities, groups and events are available here.
- Details of events of interest to residents are welcome for inclusion in the Vill: events@hovingham.org.uk.
- To receive the Weekly Village Diary by email, subscribe via the village website.

Volunteering - contact [Ann Chapman, Caroline Davis or David Richardson](#)

- **The Action Group welcomes new volunteers. If you would like to help, just for an hour or so please get in touch. You can contact any of the groups directly or via an email to action@hovingham.org.uk**



David Richardson

SPECIAL ITEMS

Vice-Chairman – Cllr Mark Wilson was unanimously agreed as the new Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council.

Casual Vacancy – Frank Colenso was appointed as a Parish Councillor following a ballot of Councillors. Frank has accepted the role.

GENERAL

Village Hall Constitution – The VHMC and Parish Council met on 13th December to discuss best way to proceed. The proposal is that they should not proceed with the CIO and new constitution. This was formally agreed by the VHMC at their meeting on 10th January 2019.

Village Hall Car Park Wall – A quote has now been received for £11,500. A decision of if and when to proceed will be deferred to the Parish Council to be elected in May 2019.

Village Survey – There has been a return of 84.2% has been achieved, compared to 82.9% ten years ago. The results are being collated and will be published around Easter.

Winter Salt and Grit – This has been delivered and distributed to bins in Hovingham and Scackleton.

SCACKLETON

Action Group; nothing to report.

Mobile Home Update; The Parish Council and some Scackleton residents have responded to the Enforcement Appeal. It was understood that a site visit had been made by the Department of the Environment Planning Inspector on 8th January 2019.

FINANCE

Report copies are available on the website.

Car Park donations should exceed £1,000 this year and donations at the Playground Honesty Box exceed £1 a day.

An invoice for the cutting of the cemetery grass has been received and paid. It was agreed to pay Mr D. Skelton for his work on the flood relief channel and hire of a digger.

Precept for 2019/20 It was unanimously agreed that this should remain at the same level as the last two years at

HOVINGHAM

Action Group A report is available on website. A chipper will be used (on 17th January) to convert **Christmas Trees** to an environmentally friendly mulch. A meeting will be held for all those interested in helping with the **Playground** in the spring. Thanks, were sent to all the volunteers who make **Speedwatch** possible. In Hovingham 155 drivers, out of 9,678 checked, have been reported to NY Police for exceeding the speed limit.

Electric Vehicle Charging Point a survey has taken place and it was agreed to proceed with a grant application if and when the VHMC agree to formally support the project. (this was agreed at their meeting on 10th Jan)

Condition of Beck and Flood Relief Channel The beck below Lavender Cottage has been dug out. Ryedale District Council have agreed to grant 100% of the cost incurred by the Parish Council.

Location of Hovingham Armistice Tree – No decision has yet been made.

Malt Shovel Development and Footpath Status Work is underway to refurbish the Malt Shovel; the new pub will be renamed as “The Hovingham”.

A planning application has been made by Punch Taverns to convert approximately half the car park into two semi-detached homes. Councillors have expressed their concern about reduced parking and access to the site both during construction and subsequent occupation. In addition, there are concerns about the two public rights of way; one extending to New Pasture Lane and the other going to Slingsby. It is essential that access to both must be maintained at all times.

OTHER BUSINESS

A suggestion that the roadway to the Playground and Cemetery should be made “Access Only” was discussed. It was concluded that as there is no exit, that this was already the case for the properties, Playground and

2019 PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

All start at 7pm in the Hovingham Community Room, except July meeting which is in Scackleton Church

- March 13th (Annual Parish Meeting & PC Meeting)
- May 8th (following Elections on May 2nd) Annual Mtg
- Remainder to be decided by new Parish Council

All residents are welcome to attend



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February 2019

2 nd Sat	Hovingham Village Market 10:30^{am} to 1:30^{pm} Village Hall Please come along and support your Market; The Tennis Club will be running the Café	
3 rd Sun	Morning Prayer 10:30^{am} All Saints'	Methodist 10:30^{am} L.Hayes
4 th Mon	Landfill Waste Collection Green Bin	Supermobile Library 5^{pm} to 7^{pm}
5 th Tue	Hovingham Womens Fellowship 2^{pm} 11 Mossburn Drive (Sue G.) Helen Hyams will talk on her voluntary work in Ghana, visitors welcome	
8 th Fri	Worsley Arms Supper Club - Tables 6:30^{pm} to 8^{pm} ; Social Table 7:30^{pm} Main course and glass of wine £16.50; plus dessert £19.50 Call (01653) 628234	
10 th Sun	Hovingham Eucharist 10:30^{am} All Saints'	Methodist 10:30^{am} K.Gibbs
11 th Mon	Recycling Collection Recycling Bins	
14 th Thu	Hovingham Tea Spot 10:30^{am} to 11:30^{am} Rolling Pin Tearoom If you need transport please call Louise (628064) or Sue (628077). All ages welcome. Worsley Arms Valentine Dinner - 3 course dinner £25 Call (01653) 628234	
17 th Sun	Morning Praise 10:30^{am} All Saints'	Methodist 10:30^{am} M.Taylor
19 th Mon	Landfill Waste Collection Green Bin	Supermobile Library 5^{pm} to 7^{pm}
24 th Sun	Benefice Eucharist 10:30^{am} Coneythorpe	Methodist 10:30^{am} A.Corner
26 th Mon	Recycling Collection Recycling Bins	

March 2019

1 st Fri	World Day of Prayer Service 2^{pm} Slingsby Methodist Chapel Prepared by Christian Women of Slovenia. All welcome	
2 nd Sat	Hovingham Village Market 10:30^{am} to 1:30^{pm} Village Hall Please come along and support your Market; All Saints' Church will be running the Café	
3 rd Sun	BCP Eucharist 10:30^{am} All Saints'	Methodist Chapel 10:30^{am}
4 th Mon	Landfill Waste Collection Green Bin	Supermobile Library 5^{pm} to 7^{pm}
5 th Tue	Hovingham Womens Fellowship - 2^{pm} Home of Pat Hewitt Our speaker, Mrs Chrissie Gowland about life as a minister's life. All welcome.	
10 th Sun	Hovingham Eucharist 10:30^{am} All Saints'	Methodist Chapel 10:30^{am}
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12 th Tue	Garden Waste Brown Bin Collection - 1st Collection of 2019	
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24 th Sun	Benefice Eucharist 10:30^{am} Barton Church	Methodist Chapel 10:30^{am}
25 th Mon	Recycling Collection Recycling Bins	
26 th Tue	Garden Waste Brown Bin Collection	
31 st Sun	Benefice Eucharist 10:30^{am} Slingsby	Chapel 10:30^{am} Mothering Sunday
	Mothering Sunday Lunch Worsley Arms Hotel	

These Events normally take place weekly (except bank holidays)

	Hovingham Primary Tennis After School Club (except School Hols) 3:45^{pm}-4:45^{pm}	
Tue	Scrumptious Fish & Chip Van - 5:35^{pm} Hall Green, opposite Village Hall (not calling until February) Hatha Yoga 6^{pm}-7^{pm} Village Hall-all ages, abilities-flexibilities! booking essential Verity (07821)588117 www.anandiniyoga.co.uk 1 st session £5, then £8 or £35 for 5 Mats provided amandinyoga@hotmail.com	
Wed	Barre Concept Class -11:15^{am} - Village Hall, run by Katie Mae Ellis (details above)	
Thur	Ryedale Family History Group - 10^{am} to 3^{pm} - Community Room Drop in any time; Further details available from www.ryedalefamilyhistory.org	
Fri	Pilates Class - 10:45^{am} for one hour - Village Hall run by Tracey Prest - All Welcome; Further details available at www.pilateswithtracey.co.uk or (07789)-990261	

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Malton	0745	0840	1030	1230	1430	1615	Hovingham	1000	1200	1400	1540 or 1550	1800

Hovingham Mobile Post Office visits Hovingham outside Village Shop/ Malt Shovel

Tuesday 2:30^{pm} to 3:00^{pm} Thursday 9:45^{am} to 10:15^{am}