

Stillington News

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NOW YOU SEE THEM



NOW YOU DON'T



Early in June the ducks on the village pond produced a brood of 16 ducklings, some of which can be seen in the picture on the left, seemingly happy and healthy, enjoying the early summer sunshine. Less than a week later there were none. We presume they were not killed or injured on the adjoining road, whereby it would be physically evident, and can only presume they were victims of other wildlife.

Now the female duck is showing signs that she may be producing another brood, and it would be good to know they had a good chance of survival. If anyone has any experience of how this could be achieved could they contact Gill – gdbutcher@btinternet.com. Or perhaps someone has an old hen run they could donate to provide protection whilst the ducklings mature

OUR LAST EDITION OF STILLINGTON NEWS

Last month we advised readers that this edition would be the last we would publish as editors, and replacement editors would be needed thereafter. As no one has contacted us to express an interest, this will not only be our last edition, but also the Village's last edition, unless someone comes forward to take up the reins before the end of July.

Christine Cookman has let us have the following outline as to how she perceives the roles and, if you can see yourself as editor, please get in touch with her - thecookmans@btinternet.com tel. 810047

The job can be done in your own time: not necessarily for the beginning of the month as now. The paper is totally dependent on the supply of news and reports from ourselves. The Editor does not have to go out searching for news unless he/she so wishes. The majority of the contributions and news items are sent by email with just one or two to be typed up.

Copy is sent to the printers by email (it was hand delivered pre-email) & the printed newsletters usually go to the shop for sorting & the delivery team to deal with.

No pay I'm afraid but you are allowed as many holidays as you wish. Ideally there would be a No. 2 or Joint Editor to discuss any "editorial issues" that may crop up & to act as relief / holiday cover, and it would be best practice for one to be the treasurer.

Please email contributions hopefully for the AUGUST issue to news@stillingtonvillage.org by Monday 24th July
Chris and Sue

Stillington Bowling Club.

Now we are into July and the summer weather can be perfect for bowling. The Wednesday open evenings continue and are still running for anyone interested in having a go at bowling to come along and try out for free, with a little coaching by club members if required, or just play your own game. Bowls and club equipment are available, all you need are flat shoes for the green. Just come along at 7pm any Wednesday evening and you can have a game.

One of the leagues we play in is the Ryedale Veterans league. Unlike the other league matches which are played in the evenings, the "Vet's" is played in the afternoon. A week ago we played Thornton Le Dale away. What a great afternoon we had. Their green is located in one of the stunning North Yorkshire locations I mentioned last month and their members were all friendly and good bowlers. The picture is of their green which is located in the centre of Thornton Le Dale.



**CHARITY QUIZ
WHITE BEAR INN
Sunday 30th July - 7.30pm**

The first week of June was the most successful of the season so far. It started on the Monday with the Galtres Triples team winning away to Thirsk Blue, taking 6 of the 10 points available. On Wednesday the Veterans had an outstanding win at home to Strensall taking all 10 points. On Thursday the Hovingham league match at home to Kirkbymoorside finished very close with Stillington again coming out on top taking 6 of the 8 points available (rarely done against Kirkbymoorside). The Galtres Triples team returned to play Thirsk Blue again at Thirsk in the Topham Trophy Semi-final. After the allotted 18 ends the scores were level at 61 shots each. This required all four rinks to play one more end, and this resulted in Stillington winning 65 to 63 shots. We are now looking forward to the final!

Last of all, just a note for any bowlers that this year's open competition, the two day Denis Law Andre Davis competition takes place over the weekend of July 15th and 16th, along with the three woods competition on Sunday 3rd September for the Tom and Bessie Yorke Cup. The club's bowling season ends with the Robin Thompson competition for club members on Saturday 9th September

Stillington Wanderers

Latest walks have been to Terrington and Aldwark: Aldwark Church with its splendid architecture and a first visit to the foot river bridge also used by the golfers.

Next walks: Monday 3 & 17 July. Meet outside the White Bear at 09.30am

Stillington Post Office & Stores (Stillington Community Association Ltd) Applications invited for grants.

SCA Ltd is again intending to make grants to village organisations and businesses. Benefit to the community will be the first criterion in assessing applications, although other factors will be considered. Grants will normally be awarded for a specific project, rather to support on-going running costs.

To make an application, download a form from our website:

www.harrison-associates.co.uk/stillington,

Alternatively email or write to tim5drew@gmail.com / Secretary, SCA Ltd, Main Street, Stillington, York. YO61 1JS

Or collect forms from Post Office & Stores.

Completed forms must be received by 5.30pm Friday 21st July 2017

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

Extract of minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday
24th May 2017 in Stillington Village Hall

Election of Officers 2017/ 2018

Chairman-It was moved by M Turvey and seconded by B Smith that M Rowe should be elected as Chairman. This was carried unanimously

Vice Chairman- It was moved by M Turvey and seconded by P Swiers that B Smith should be elected as Vice Chairman. This was carried unanimously

Internal Examiner- It was moved by P Swiers and seconded by M Turvey that H Vester should be appointed as Parish Council Internal Examiner (H Vester had indicated her willingness to continue in the post This was carried unanimously

Landscaping Village Hall A further discussion has been held with the Village Hall Committee and the Plans for Landscaping have been finalised for the Village Hall. Details along with costings will now be sent to HDC to ascertain if the project would be eligible for S106 monies and whether formal planning permission would be necessary A copy of the proposals can be viewed by contacting The Parish Clerk

Telephone Box. Main Street

The formal contact with BT has now been signed and the Parish Council are now owners of the Telephone Box. The future use of the Box will be on the Agenda for discussion at the July meeting

Development South Back Lane One- way system South Back Lane NYCC have confirmed that the legal element of the Order to implement the one-way system is now complete and a works order to order to install the necessary signage.

Bob Brown

Community Speed Watch Scheme

The Road Safety Partnership have now concluded that there is no suitable location in High street to deploy the data loggers.

Therefore a community speed watch will be introduced in the Village the aims of Community Speed Watch Scheme is designed to support local communities to improve road safety by allowing residents to address speed concerns in their community with the support of North Yorkshire Police.

We need volunteers to join the Speed watch Team for further information please contact either **Malcolm Rowe 810475 or Bob Brown 81054**

Brief notes from Hambleton District Council Annual Report for 2016 – 2017

Work continues on the new Local Plan: as expected an excess of proposed development sites were put forward. Draft Plan aimed for Autumn 2017 & to Planning Inspector in 2018

Waste & recycling: new blue-lidded bins were in place for the start of the year allowing extra dry recycling; charge for Green Waste bins has been introduced for 2017

-The sum of £25,000 was made available for Easingwold & Villages through the Hambleton DC Community Grants scheme

£5,000 has recently been donated to each Community Library to help offset initial costs

Northallerton Prison site: the Council has formed a joint development company to progress mixed use for the site including retail & food stores, cinema, restaurants, some residential & car parking. Demolition work is still in progress

The Rural Payments Agency /DEFRA building in Northallerton is to become the North Yorkshire Police Headquarters. The Newby Wiske Police HQ has been sold

Funding to improve the access & alleviate flooding to Dalton Bridge industrial site was finalised. This will safeguard some 900 jobs & possibly create same number again.

Paperwork, involving 18 different developers and land owners, is finally in place for the North Northallerton development, which includes the building of 1,000 new homes: £6m Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) funding was at stake and control of wide spread development

Dog Warden's work can be flexitime to assist with problem areas

Devolution / Combined Authorities talks continue in the background

Your Village Defibrillator is kept in the Church Porch Available 24/7

***Remember: Call an Ambulance, start CPR, get the Defibrillator it will tell you what to do ***

THE COUNTRYSIDE

Sunday 18 June 2.00pm and a sweltering hot afternoon when a Father's Day BBQ is being organised and the grand children are having a great time in the paddling pool on the lawn. My day is a bit fraught as some sheep not used to an electric fence, have been playing about, without a "shocking" result, as the energiser has not been doing its job delivering 5,000 volts for a 33,000th of a second but all is well now I hope. The sheep don't like it being so hot and the attendant flies add to their discomfort. Hopefully before next month they will have been clipped. Another unproductive month as the price of wool has fallen, making the clip worth less than the cost of clipping and handling of the sheep and resulting wool. Once the wool paid the rent on a hill farm, with that wool worth less as hill sheep produce coarser wool, some of which is being used for insulation in the construction industry. Am I moaning again?

I have been watching a couple of buzzards at the back of Stillington, gliding on thermals, how effortless they move searching the ground below for a small mammal to show its face. They were being mobbed by a couple of crows. How close they come to disaster as the buzzard would turn upside down and reach out with open talons to reach the big black birds, who by comparison were working so hard to keep up pressure on their gliding adversaries. A kestrel descended in a controlled stoop the other day by the roadside to catch probably a field vole. They have very keen eyesight so as to find their prey amongst the long grass. This brings me to the point of why we have become so obsessed with cutting the roadside verges and wider areas to such a short length. Many ground nesting birds rely on these wild habitats for nesting and rearing their young, the small mammals are often dependent on such areas for security. Many of our wild flowers colonise this land away from modern agricultural practices and cutting is not allowing them the chance to produce and ripen the seed that will colour our roadsides another year. Modern pasture toppers and flails make a quick and easy job of this dubious operation. I know that road safety is a priority but discretion should be applied.



The yellow flag irises on the pond have about finished their flowering for this year along with the bogbean, whilst the giant reedmace is reaching for the sky before making its bulrush seed heads. All three of these need some thinning out or our pond will disappear, another pensioners job I suppose!

Evening lately has been a real joy of scents from early honeysuckle and now the more traditional flowering ones, along with a red burst of fragrant roses, Portuguese laurel and our acacia trees: all of which have grown from suckers. They have flowers like laburnum only white and also belong to the pea family. Some types have serious spikes or thorns.

We have a good number of fledgling birds feeding at the feeders daily. I have been watching our pair of spotted flycatchers busy catching flies and carrying them to the nest high in the eaves of the sheep shed, I presume to a hungry brood of youngsters. Twice lately a fox cub has been round the outside of the house at tea time and later I have heard the vixen calling the cubs together to go hunting and learning to become self-reliant.

Tomorrow we go on holiday for a much needed rest, down to the Cotswolds, so behave yourselves sheep and everything for a week, or our junior shepherd will be after you.

R&MJ

Weather Report June 2017

Rainfall - in May was not quite as light as in April and the monthly total, of 38.5mm, was about two thirds of the average figure. By contrast June has experienced one or two heavy showers in the first half, giving two thirds of the average figure by half way through the month.

Temperature - Both May and the first half of June have given us some warm sunny spells. In my sheltered garden, the temperature has topped 30°C on more than one occasion.

But just as mid-June was threatening to become uncomfortably hot, the day-time temperatures rapidly dropped by ten degrees Celsius.

May turned out to be the sunniest month of the previous twelve and so far June is shaping up to match it.

MT

Stillington Village Hall

At a recent committee meeting the chairman of the Stillington Community Archive Group, Michael Turvey, handed over a cheque for £500 to the chairman of the Stillington Village Hall Committee, Harold Tomlinson (see photo). This was a contribution towards the cost of digital projection equipment recently purchased by the Hall Committee. Previously a projector has had to be borrowed for the talks given by speakers addressing the Archive Group, so they will be one of the beneficiaries of the new equipment. The Treasurer of the Village Hall, Bob Brown, was quite pleased (see photo).

In the background of the photograph, the blocked-up hole in the wall represents part of the building work involved in renewing the heating system for the Hall. The work being currently undertaken, which will replace a noisy fan-operated system with radiators, has been 'in the pipeline' for many years and represents a major step towards the total refurbishment of the hall planned by the committee.



THANK YOU TO THE VOLUNTEERS

-who helped with the raking up of grass from the village banks and to Philip Swiers for his time & machinery help to take it away:

- who are overhauling and re-painting the village railings
 - who helped pull Himalayan balsam through the York Road wood footpath and dyke banks
 - who plant and maintain the village flower troughs
 - who look after the ducks..
- .Christine C**

HAMBLETON SPORTS AWARDS

Applications are invited by 6 Sept for: Junior and Senior Sportsperson of the Year; Sportsperson with a Disability; Coach, Volunteer, Team and Club of the year; Lifetime Achievement award; Person who has shown Inspiration for Sport.

See www.hambleton.gov.uk/sportsawards

Neighbourhood Watch & local Traffic monitoring

Recent notices include car tyres damaged on vehicle parked in Crayke and domestic heating oil stolen in Alne.
Report any suspicious vehicle(s) and / or person(s) on Tel. No. 101: for an emergency contact 999.

Stillington & Farlington WI June Report

Junes talk was by Emily Garner. Emily had been chosen out of thousands of Scouts to go to Japan for the Scout Jamboree.

Although the trip was in 2015, Emily recalled it all with photographs and videos. Before going Emily had to raise a few thousand pounds to cover her travel, meals etc. Many letters had to be written and many training camps worked to ensure good leadership and team work skills.

Training also took place at our Railway Museum as they have an old Bullet Train and in Japan the train only stops for 2.5 minutes so with a rucksack on their back and one on the front they practised getting on and off very quickly. Emily also learnt Japanese as she thought it may help with some conversations..... as it happened she was the only one who learnt so she became the interpreter. Her journey to Japan included 7hrs to Abu Dhabi and then 11hrs to Japan. In Japan she visited a temple, an earthquake centre and a building called the Sky Tree which was full of Technology shops. Margaret J gave a vote of thanks and refreshments were served.

At the beginning of June one of our members went to the WI Annual Meeting held at the Echo Arena in Liverpool. 2 resolutions were voted on and they had two exceptional lady speakers. Afterwards some WI members met up and went on the carousel based at the Albert dock.

July will be a wonderful talk by Suey Gaythorpe. She will tell us all about her dolls and how she has restored them. Please come along and support us.

Our talks start at 8pm while the business side will be at 7.15pm, come along and see what we do.

We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at the Village Hall. **Shirley M**

The next meeting of the Stillington Branch Royal British Legion will take place Monday 10th July at 7.00 pm at Stillington Sports and Social Club.

All members and potential members are invited to attend.



Team Skelton compete for Diabetes UK - Philip & Matthew Skelton are taking part in this year's Castle Howard Triathlon on Sunday 23rd July in aid of Diabetes UK. It will be their fourth Castle Howard Triathlon, and this year they will both be competing in the 13-15 age category... swimming 300m in the lake, cycling 8k and running 4k. If you would like to support them please visit their Virgin Money Giving page: <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/team/Team-Skelton>.

Safe, fun, stimulating care from 2 years of age - Our role play area is changed regularly based on the children's interests at the time. Last half term it was a hairdresser's salon. To build on this experience the children visited our local hairdressers, Scissor-Line Salon. Janet very kindly opened up her salon especially for our visit and she showed the children some of the many different tools of the trade. A great time was had by all and we would like to thank Janet for her time and patience with all our little ones!



Stillington Playgroup is an independent playgroup feeding into several local schools. We are run on the premises of Stillington Primary School and we are open 9:10am until 3:20pm every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during term time. If you would like to bring your child to see what we do at Stillington Playgroup you are welcome to visit together on Thursday mornings from 9:30am – 10:30am

Contact: 07779 414226; Website: www.stillingtonunderfives.org.uk

Keep Children Safe

NYCC Neighbourhood Policing Team wishes to make parents aware of a recent snapchat update. The new feature is capable of locating exactly where you are at any time. If you open the app, place two fingers on the screen and drag them together as zooming on an interactive map. This opens the new feature and shows your location within a few metres of where you are. To turn this off there is a settings button in the top right which switches the feature to ghost mode. This hides your location from others and the police suggest you turn off the phone's GPS as an extra level of security.

200 CLUB

June winners are

1st Mrs P Conway
2nd Mr G Bainton
R.U. Mrs E Silcock
R.U. Mrs P Richie
R.U. Mrs E Richards
R.U. Dr. P Coomer
R.U. Mrs L Chamberlain
Drawn by "Our Ernie"
Many thanks Janet

HEATING OIL

If you require a delivery of oil in August, please let **Maureen Linton** know by **Friday, 28th July** for delivery week beginning 7th August : or e-mail preferred: minsteryork@me.com or ☎ 810082. Minimum order is 500 litres.

The next deliveries are scheduled for:

1st November [**Friday 20th October**]

Mid January [**Friday 5th January**]

Mid April [**23rd March**]

Please put the above dates in your diary and, in case of interruption to the production of Stillington News, notify Maureen by the due dates.

VILLAGE LUNCH

White Bear Inn
TUESDAY 18th JULY
FROM 12.30PM
£6.50 2 COURSES
£7.50 3 COURSES
ENJOY A GOOD MEAL AND
GOOD COMPANY

JULY VILLAGE DIARY

(VH = events at the Village Hall)

Sat 1	Cricket I v TABS (away) II v Hovingham Bowls v Tockwith (away) Dominoes 8.30pm	Sat 15	Cricket I v New Earswick (away) II v TABS Bowls D Law / A Davis Cup Bowls Triples Cup
Sun 2	Cricket U13 v Thirsk (away)	Sun 16	Bowls D Law / A David Cup Cricket U15 Cup Final U13 Play Off final
Mon 3	Uphol'y/Furnishings 10.00-1.00pm Primetime 1.30-3.30pm Cricket U15 v Marton Bowls v Sowerby	Mon 17	Uphol'y/Furnishings 10.00-1.00pm Primetime 1.30-3.30pm Bowls v Tockwith
Tues 4	Cricket U11 v East Hartley Bowls v Helmsley (away)	Tues 18	Weltham Cup semi final S&SC monthly meeting 8.00pm
Wed 5	Pool A v Commercial (away) B v Mended Drum Cricket Pilmoor v Sheriff Hutton Bowls v Wigginton (away) Parish Council 7.30pm VH	Wed 19	Pool Singles first round Bowls v Helmsley
Thurs 6	Cricket Shepherds v J Creers Martial Arts 5.15-8.15pm VH	Thurs 20	Cricket Shepherds v Retreat Martial Arts 5.15-8.15pm VH
Sat 8	Cricket I v Thirsk II v Copmanthorpe (away) Bowls v Rowntree (home) Dominoes 8.30pm Tea party to meet the Vicar 3.00-4.30pm VH	Fri 21	Bowls v Wetherby
Sun 9	U13 Cup Final	Sat 22	Cricket I v Sessay (away) II v Sheriff Hutton Martial Arts all day VH
Mon 10	Uphol'y/Furnishings 10.00-1.00pm Primetime 1.30-3.30pm British Legion 7.00pm Bowls v Sessay (away) Cricket U15 v Sessay (away)	Sun 23	U11 Play off final
Tues 11	Cricket U11 v Alne Bowls v Pickering (away)	Mon 24	Uphol'y/Furnishings 10.00-1.00pm Primetime 1.30-3.30pm
Wed 12	Pool A v Blacksmiths B v Highwayman (away) Bowls Ossie Ashcroft Q Final Cricket Pilmoor v Alne (away) WI 7.30pm VH	Wed 26	Cricket Pimoor v Raskelf Pool A v Horseshoe (away) B v Old Black Bull Bowls Sundeler Cup
Thurs 13	Cricket Shepherds v Browns Bowls v Thirsk (away) Martial Arts 5.15-8.15pm VH	Thurs 27	Cricket Shepherds v First Thursday Bowls Welham Cup Final Martial Arts 5.15-8.15pm VH
Fri 14	School BBQ 6.00pm	Sat 29	Cricket I v Osbaldwick Bowls v Dunnington (away) Dominoes 8.30pm
		Sun 30	Bowls Rings Cup Final Ecumenical Village Praise 10.30am VH
		Mon 31	Primetime 1.30-3.30pm Garden Club meeting 7.30pm Bowls v Dishforth (away)

"Tea with the Vicar"

Would anyone who would like to meet our new Vicar, the Revd Steve Whiting, informally, over a cup of tea and a piece of cake, please come to the **Village Hall** on **Saturday July 8th** between **3.00 and 4.30pm**. **All Welcome!**

FILM MATINEES – at the Chapel

2.00pm

Wednesday 19 July

Everyone welcome

Christian Aid Week 2017

The total raised in Stillington this year was **£284.95**. A huge thank you to everyone who donated and brought back their envelopes to the shop.

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Stillington Parish Council

Your Community needs you

Ever thought of becoming a Parish
Councillor?

We have one current vacancy, which need
to be filled as soon as possible.

Further information on what is involved can
be obtained from

Bob Brown 810543

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH ROTAS

CLEANING BRASSES

10 - 22nd	Mrs M Tomlinson	Mr H Tomlinson
24 - 5thAug	Mrs R Bresnen	Mr C Torlesse

FLOWERS

2nd July	Mrs S Archer
9th July	Mrs J Whittaker
16th July	Mrs J Martin
23rd July	Mrs M North
30th July	Mrs C Cookman

PARISH NEWS

R.I.P.

Denis Grainger 25th May, 2017

Susan Lesley Moate 31st May, 2017

St Leonard Farlington

Church Wardens	Louise Clark	811626
	Sally Downing	878745
July 9 th	11.15am	Shortened Matins
July 23 rd	11.15am	Holy Communion

St Nicholas

Priest in charge	Revd Stephen Whiting	810251
Church Wardens	Muriel Law	810484
	muriellaw1@gmail.com	
	Janet Martin	822981
	Jessie.jm158@gmail.com	

July 2nd	Morning Worship at 9.30
July 6 th	Thursday, morning prayer at 9 am
July 9 th	Holy Communion at 9.30 am
July 13 th	Thursday, morning prayer at 9 am
July 16 th	Benefice Holy Communion at Stillington
July 20 th	Thursday, morning prayer at 9 am
July 23rd	Holy Communion 9.30
July 27 th	Thursday, morning prayer at 9 am
July 30th	Ecumenical Praise with Methodist Churches Together at Stillington Village Hall

Methodist Chapel

Ministers	Rev E Cushion	821460
Stewards	Robin Jackson	810250
	Robin Jackson	810250
	Gareth Papps	810094

July 2	Bible study 10.30am	No evening service
July 9	Evening service with Communion 6.30pm	Conducted by Rev Elizabeth Cushion
July 16	Faith works together 2.00pm	At Central Methodist Church
July 23	Evening service 6.30pm	Conducted by Mrs Lydia Harrison
July 30	Joint service with St Nicholas and the village chapels 10.30am	At Stillington Village Hall

St Mary Marton

Services in Celtic Tradition

Church Warden	Sally Coomer	
	Email: sally@scoomer.freeserve.co.uk	
2 July	Celtic Eucharist	6.00pm
16 July	Celtic Evening Worship	6.00pm

St John the Evangelist RC Easingwold

Priests	Fr Leo Chamberlain	821295
	Fr George Corrie	
Sunday Mass	8.30 & 10.30am	
Vigil Mass Saturday	5.45pm	
Reconciliation Saturday	12 noon	
Website	www.stjohnneasingwold.ampleforth.org.uk	

And Finally

Local publications, such as the Stillington News, do not exist solely through what we have done. It needs the efforts of those who provide the copy which is you, the readers/residents. It needs the money to pay for printing, provided by individuals and local groups, and it needs people willing to give their time in regularly distributing the finished product. You all know what you have done towards keeping the Stillington News appearing each month, and so we sign off with a big **thank you** to you all.

Sue and Chris