

Stillington News

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Stillington Post Office & Stores

Owned by the community. Run by volunteers.

An Invitation to our 15th birthday party

A HOG ROAST & CELEBRATION CAKE

@ STILLINGTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB



FRIDAY 6TH JULY
FOOD SERVED FROM 7PM

Come along and help us celebrate 15 years as a community shop —now one of the most successful and longest-established ventures of this kind in North Yorkshire.

FREE for all our volunteers and staff past and present, and all our shareholders and all shop customers.

Please bring your families as well.

There will be music in the hall. Masses of space to run round outside (weather permitting). And the Club bar.

Thank you all: we couldn't have done it without you.

The Galtres Fun Run

Saturday 2nd June 2018

at Millfields Park, Easingwold

The Run is to raise money for Easingwold Community Library, now run by volunteers.

The Run will have a **2k route for children aged 4-14 years**. It will be roped off and marshalled by Easingwold Running Club. The run will be off road so safe from traffic.

There will also be a **5k run for those aged 15 - 100 years**.

Water bottles are available for all runners

Medals are given to all runners who finish

Trophies for the first 5 to finish in the 5k distance

£5.00 for children and adults to enter

The Run **starts at 1pm** and will be opened by Kevin Hollinrake MP.

Enter online at: https://bookitzone.com/di_watkins/YA2FFX

Questions or enquiries please contact:

helensykes50@hotmail.com

FREE ART CLUB

for older people

At Stillington Village Hall
starting

Wednesday 25th June,

11am-1pm

then the last Wednesday of
each month.

Come along and take part in
an artist-led session
or just have a go at painting or
drawing!

All materials provided

**Rural Arts – ART ON
YOUR DOORSTEP**

Please email contributions
for the **July** issue to
news@stillingtonvillage.org
by **20th June**

Stillington Branch



Royal British Legion

The next meeting of the
Branch will take place on
**Monday 9th July 2018 at
7pm at Stillington Sports
and Social Club.**

All members and potential
members are invited to attend.

Village Lunch White Bear Inn

Tuesday 19th June

From: 12.30pm

£6.50 2 courses

£7.50 3 courses

Come along and enjoy
good food and good
Company

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH

Fish are used many times in parables.

Christ fed the 5000 with 2 fish & 5 loaves

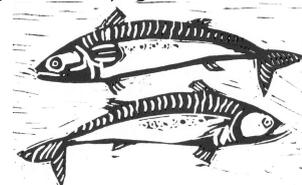
and called the Disciples 'Fishers of Men'

Today we are using this theme to help repair our Church Tower.

How Can You Help?

*From July onwards you can purchase a wooden fish for £10 from
the Village Shop, then paint it in bright colours and designs.*

*Return it to St Nicholas Church to be varnished
and they will be displayed on the Church railings.*



An original lino print by Emma Johnson



School News

Now we have been graced with sunny weather (at last!) the cricket and tennis sets are out at playtime. So we have Lords on one playground and Wimbledon on the other! The Summer term is always very busy. There is lots to look forward to. Trips have been planned. Sports Day is ahead of us. So just a few pieces of news from the last month.

Safe, fun, stimulating care from 2 years of age

The children (and staff!) were delighted to be visited recently by a Spring lamb kindly brought in by one of the parents. The Spring theme at playgroup has been an exciting one for the children, with a nature walk in the garden and starting off a wormery (all worms to be released back into the wild!). The children have learnt about the butterfly life cycle and have worked hard to produce a vibrant Spring display for the classroom wall.



To commemorate the latest royal wedding we asked the children to bring in family wedding photographs to show everyone. The children made crowns and red, white and blue bunting to decorate the classroom in preparation for their own afternoon tea/wedding breakfast where they enjoyed eating biscuits they had made and decorated with blueberries, strawberries and white icing.

Stillington Playgroup is an independent playgroup feeding into several local schools, run on the premises of Stillington Primary School and **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 Playgroup you are welcome to visit together on Thursday mornings from 9:30am to 10:30am, a snack is provided for all children.

Contact: 07779 414226; www.stillingtonunderfives.org.uk
Registered Charity Number: 1023684
Ofsted Unique Reference Number: EY308489

Maintenance of the Playground at the Sports and Social Club

Volunteers wanted please to help with ongoing maintenance of the children's play area. e.g. raking the wood chippings over to prevent growth of seedlings.

Please contact Christine Cookman Tel. 810047.

SATs

Our Year 6s have been working extremely hard to get ready for their SATs. They approached the actual tests with great maturity. We're very proud of them. The members of their class gave them great support throughout what was a long week.

Royal Wedding Lunch

Our cook, Mrs Young, produced a delicious traditional afternoon tea (scones, cucumber sandwiches and strawberries and cream). Not only did it all look fantastic but tasted wonderful. It was a perfect lunch to celebrate Harry and Meghan's big day, which the children had learnt about during the previous week.

Crown of Coppers and Treasure Hunt

Again as part of the celebrations for the Royal 'do' the children covered a very fancy crown with coppers and loose change to raise funds for our PTA, The Friends of Stillington School. It was a fun way to end a long week at school.

The FoSS treasure hunt was well supported. Thank you to everyone who attended, either to come and have a cuppa and some cake or to join in with the 'hunting'. The Goodwin/Coulson family team won the hunt with a brilliant 83 points out of 100. Well done to them.

We raised a wonderful £240. Every penny FoSS raises goes to support and enhance the education of the pupils of Stillington School.

Junior Tennis Coaching starts Sat 9th June.

Coaching is with *Down The Line Sports*. Please contact: **Graham Cookman 810047** for details and to book a place. Or visit either www.stillingtontennis.org or www.facebook.com/stillingtontennis for details

Thank you to all the collectors and to all who gave so generously to the village collection for the Children's Society. **A total of £846.54 was raised.**

Your editors are: Emma Johnson & Tracy Sinclair. If you would like to contact us please do so using the Stillington News email.

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

Himalayan Balsam

Any help with pulling the young shoots as you walk through the wooded strip alongside York Road will be gratefully received. The plants should be getting less each year....

BATA HEATING OIL

If you require a delivery of oil in JUNE, please let **Maureen Linton** know by **Saturday, 23rd June**
Email preferred:
minsteryork@me.com or (810082)

Minimum order 500 litres

Village Bench Cleaning

Thank you to the teams who have helped to clean up the village benches.

Community Project

To commemorate the hundred years since the end of World War One it is hoped to have a display of poppies outside the church and chapel. Knitted, crochet and material (not paper) flowers are needed.

Any flower shape will do as long as it is red with a black centre. **Patterns are available from the back of the church or from Muriel Law, Adryenne Hope or the internet.** You can buy yarn cheaply from pound shops, Wilko etc.

It is hoped that as many people as possible will help with this project.

Changes to our Bin collections from 4th June 2018

New Waste, Recycling and Garden Waste rounds come into effect week beginning 4th June. Individually addressed cards have been posted to each household in the district detailing changes to the rounds – hope you've kept YOUR CARD.

Stillington & Farlington WI April report

Our May meeting was our annual meeting. This is when all the official formalities are sorted, proposed and seconded. As we finished the official business we all enjoyed our 'Bring and Share' supper. We discussed tips.... as in money saving tips, energy saving tips, planet saving tips etc. Everyone contributed their own ideas.

Our outing to Foxglove Covert had to be cancelled as no-one could make it....

In June, North Yorkshire Rotters have been invited to speak regarding composting.

If you would like to join us, we meet on the second Wednesday of every month in the Village Hall, at 8pm for our speaker. Its £4 including refreshments.

If you wish to join the WI or just see what we do then we meet for business at 7.15pm.

Finally Good Luck to our team of 4 entering the WI Federation quiz.

Shirley M

Stillington Wanderers

23rd April walk started from the fishing pond(s) at Thorpe Underwood; walking alongside Queen Ethelburga's School at Thorpe Underwood Hall and over to Green Hammerton where the majority of residents are showing their objections to the current proposed new town "Great Hammerton" of some 3,000 homes.

May Bank Holiday: a small band of walkers were treated to a hillside of bluebells at their best between Brandsby and Yearsley and on 21st May some 15 walkers saw this year's profusion of hawthorn blossom and wild garlic at Easthorpe before coming in sight of Castle Howard Mausoleum and the Four Winds folly and being deafened by a four bar roller working a fallow field – farmers say "things're a month behind"

Walking members are invited to donate £1 each walk for a charity: so far this year £50 has been paid to Easingwold Community Care + £100 to Support Work for Dementia.

Next walks: Monday 4th and 18th June. Meet outside the White Bear at 9.30am



C. Cookman

Community Speed Watch

The Police have now given the Speed Watch Group permission to add a Monitoring site in front of the Village Pond.

Malcolm Rowe

A Right Royal Tea Party

Hazel, Muriel, Jenny and Liz would like to give a massive thank you to everyone who helped in any way with 'A Right Royal Tea Party'. Everyone worked so hard to put the event together and to make it a right royal success! The village hall looked magnificent.



There was enough food to cater Harry and Meghan's big day! We had stalls crammed with plants, bric-a-brac and cakes. And a thank you to all those who came along on the day and supported the tea party. It was great to see everyone enjoying themselves. The total made on the day was a magnificent £640, and together with an extremely generous donation of £200 the standing total is more than enough to purchase a high quality motorised drop down screen for our village hall.

Liz Cole

Village Hall

The Village Hall is very underused in the summer months.

If you can think of any activity which you might like to organise to take place in the Village Hall, then please contact the Hall Secretary on **811544**.

Reminder please can all dog walkers remember to put your dog waste in the bins provided and **not** the litter bins.

Countryside Notes

22nd May has been another sunny day with a bit of breeze. This fine weather is very welcome after the long wet cold that seems to have been here forever.

The day after writing the last edition, the first Swallows arrived but only an odd pair or so. One Swallow doesn't make a summer. However, last Sunday, a couple of pairs arrived, followed by more which were most welcome. They immediately started out on nest building, as if trying to make up for lost time. Also, that same day, the first lambs were born. That job has gone well, helped by the warmer and drier weather, producing nutritious green grass and now they are growing well, skipping and jumping around.

One morning, a piece of wool came floating across near the bird feeders, however, it lodged in our early flowering honeysuckle (which incidentally is bursting into flower) from under which a Blue Tit emerged. How it managed to carry its load amazed me. It then shook itself and took about a tenth of it to its nesting site, and the rest remains untidy in the shrub.

I have been watching the Oak and the Ash Trees to see which would leaf up the first. The Oak had it by the slenderest of margins yet again, however, I can't recall a year that has been so close a call. The old countryman used to say: if the Oak is out before the Ash we will only get a Splash and if the Ash is out before the Oak we're bound to get a Soak. Where these observations come from, I don't know, or of they hold merit, but, we would welcome a summer with a 'Splash' rather than a 'Soak'.

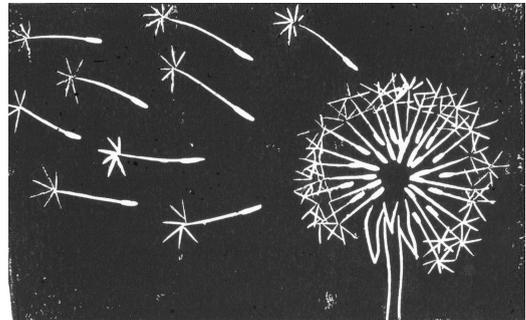
When the weather brightened up I passed a length of hedge

where there was a lot of dead loose grass laid in a row. Then the penny dropped, the Badgers had been gathering new bedding the previous night and next night the clean, aired bedding would be way down in the dormitories of the Badger Set and, no doubt, a good days sleep would follow in their new clean bed. Badgers are very clean and frequently haul out the old bedding and replace it, whereas a fox will never spring clean, preferring to move on or to excavate another passage. A used foxhole will always smell foul at best, with leftovers from a night's hunting scattered about.

It's good to see the Swifts back in Stillington, they are amazing birds which don't touch ground until they are four years old when they start to nest. I have read that they sleep by shutting off one side of the brain and then reversing the process.

The golden yellow Dandelions have passed their best, with such a burst of colour for a week or two. Talking to somebody last week, they asked what the silver-grey field a bit of way off was. It was all that was left of the golden yellow of last week and just ready to release their airborne seed. How easy it is to miss a moment of wonder in our ever changing countryside.

R&M



An original lino print by Emma Johnson

EXTRACTS OF PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES WEDNESDAY 4th April

Cold Calling

Cold Calling details to be passed on to Trading Standards.
Chairman to follow up.

CPR & Defibrillator Training

Training to be arranged.

Full Minutes can be viewed on the Village website. There are also copies on the Parish Noticeboard and in the Village Shop.

Please note there will be no Parish Council meeting during the Month of June 2018.

Save the Date!

14th July 10am – 12pm

Fundraising Coffee Morning

This is for a young boy, aged 8 called Joe, who has Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.

We are helping to send him and his parents on a holiday.

All contributions of cakes for our cake stall would be very much appreciated. Further details, including where to donate cakes etc, will be outlined in the July issue.

Bev and Robert Law

Stillington Post Office & Stores

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 taken into account.

Grants will normally be awarded for a specific project rather to support ongoing running costs.

For an application form, please email: j_a_dalton@hotmail.co.uk or write to **Secretary, SCA Ltd, Main St, Stillington, York YO61 1JS.**

Completed forms must be received by 5.30pm, Friday 27th July, 2018

Stillington Sports and Social Club June

Sat 2nd	Cricket 1st v York	Home		Mon 18th	U/15 v Alne	Home	
	Cricket 2nd v Heslington	Away			Bowls v Sowerby Flats	Home	6.30pm
Sun 3rd	U/13 v Alne	Away		Tues 19th	Bowls v Sessay	Away	6.45pm
Mon 4th	U/15 v Easingwold	Home			Monthly Committee Meeting		8pm
	Embroidery Class		10am-1pm	Wed 20th	Bowls v Easingwold Cup	Away	2pm
	Bowls v Easingwold	Home	6.30pm	Thu 21st	Bowls v Kirkbymoorside	Home	6.45pm
Weds 6th	Bowls v Harome	Home	2pm	Fri 22nd	Junior Cricket Practice		
Thurs 7th	Cricket Meeting		8pm	Sat 23rd	Cricket 1st v Osbaldwick	Home	
Fri 8th	Junior Cricket Practice		6pm		Cricket 2nd v Huby	Away	
Sat 9th	Cricket 1st v Heworth	Away		Sun 24th	U/13 v East Harlsey	Home	
	Cricket 2nd v New Earswick	Home		Mon 25th	St Cuthbert's Indoor Bowls	Home	7.15pm
Sun 10th	U/13 v Sessay	Home	10am		v Knaresborough	Home	6pm
Mon 11th	St Cuthbert's Indoor Bowls	Home	6pm		U/15 v Stokesley	Away	
	Embroidery Class		7.15pm	Tues 26th	Bowls v Thirsk B Cup Match	Away	6.45pm
	Bowls v Thirsk Golds	Away	10am-1pm	Wed 27th	Bowls v Swinton	Away	2pm
	U/11 v Thirsk	Home	6pm	Thu 28th	Bowls v Settrington	Away	6.45pm
Tues 12th	Bowls v Pickering	Away	2pm	Fri 29th	Junior Cricket Practice	Home	6pm
Weds 13th	Bowls v Swinton	Home	6.45pm	Sat 30th	Cricket 1st v Sheriff Hutton	Home	
Thu 14th	Cricket Shepherds				Cricket 2nd v Sheriff Hutton	Away	
	v Old Boys	Home	6pm		Bowls Topham Trophy	Away	
Fri 15th	Junior Cricket Practice				Semi-Final		
Sat 16th	Cricket 1st v Wetherby	Away		July			
	Cricket 2nd			Sun 1st	Cricket U/13 v Stokesley	Away	
	v Duncombe Park	Home	6.30pm				
Sun 17th	U/13 v Hutton Rudby	Away					

Stillington Bowling Club

With great weather our teams have enjoyed the start of the bowling season. We lost the annual challenge cup first leg game against Easingwold by 15 points, so need to win the second leg game to be held on the 29th of July. Fixtures for Stillington teams in June are as follows:

Mon 4	Easingwold	TL	Home	6:30
Wed 6	Harome	RVL	Home	2:00
Mon 11	Thirsk Gold	TL	Away	6:30
Wed 13	Pickering	RVL	Away	2:00
Thu 14	Swinton	HL	Home	6:45
Mon 18	Sowerby Flatts	TL	Home	6:30
Tue 19	Sessay	HL	Away	6:45
Wed 20	Easingwold A	RVL	Away	2:00
Thu 21	Kirkbymoorside	HL	Home	6:45
Mon 25	Sessay	TL	Away	6:30
Tue 26	Thirsk B	HL	Away	6:45
Wed 27	Swinton	RVL	Away	2:00
Thu 28	Settrington	HL	Away	6:45

We are always looking for new players, so if you would like to join in, Stillington Social Bowling evenings are held on **Wednesday evenings at 7pm** and continue all season at the same time each week. Everyone is welcome to come along for a practise and training.

Weather Report May 2018

Rainfall

The second half of April was less wet than the first half, but the monthly total, of 68.5 mm, was nearly twice the average figure for the month.

The first half of May has been kinder, with only 21.5 mm up to the 16th of the month.

Temperature

There were record high temperatures over most of the country around April 19th. My thermometer showed a max. of 29.3°C that day, well over the April record for the York area.

A low of 0.9°C on the first of May was a one-off, because overnight temperatures have generally been mild since then. Again, there have been record high temperatures on several days in the first half of the month. I became suspicious of the accuracy of my max and min thermometer and went out on a particularly hot day with a precision mercury thermometer. This got up to 26.8°C, to the nearest one tenth of a degree. So it has been unseasonably hot on some days.

M.T.

CHURCH SERVICES - JUNE

St Nicholas, Stillington

Priest: Revd Stephen Whiting **810251**
Church
Wardens: Muriel Law **810484**
Muriellaw1@gmail.com
 Janet Martin **822981**
Jessie.jm158@gmail.com

Sun 3rd Morning Worship
9.15am
 Thurs 7th Prayers for the village **9am**
 Sun 10th Holy Communion **9.15am**
 Thurs 14th Prayers for the Village **9am**
 Sun 17th Benefice Communion at
 Sheriff Hutton
10.30am Thurs 21st Prayers for the Village
9am
 Sun 24th Holy Communion **9.15am**
 Thurs 28th Prayers for the Village **9am**

St Mary's Marton Church

Warden: Sally Coomer
810891
sallycoomer8@gmail.com
 Sun 3rd Eucharist **6pm**
 Sun 17th Meditative Evening
 Worship **6pm**

St Leonard's, Farlington

Sun 10th Shortened Matins **11.15am**
 Sun 24th Holy Communion (BCP) **11.15am**

Methodist Chapel

Minister: Rev E Cushion **821460**
Stewards: Robin Jackson **810250**
 Gareth Papps **810094**
 Sun 3rd Bible Month Jonah;
 Morning Service
 Conducted by
 Mr Robin Jackson **10.30am**
No Evening Service
 Sun 10th Evening Service
 conducted by
 Rev Ann Vaughan
6.30pm
 Sun 17th Evening Service
 conducted by
 Rev Andy Lindley **6.30pm**
 Sun 24th Evening Service with
 Communion
 Rev Elizabeth Cushion **6.30pm**

A Cause for Celebration

A couple of weeks ago there were two important national events. The big question is: did you watch the football or the Royal Wedding? I wonder how many people watched the wedding on the television because they wanted to watch an historic event in the life of the nation, to show support for the royal couple, or maybe because they wanted to see the dress! In some places people hung banners out of windows and joined street parties, all wanting to join Harry and Megan's big day and be part of royalty in some way. Some people travelled to London, even camping out overnight, just get a glimpse of the couple.

As Christians, we worship God as King and creator of the world. He is a wonderful God, but he is also accessible to each one of us. We don't have to watch behind a screen or queue for days to come to him and only catch a glimpse. He is always there for us and wants to be part of our lives. That is definitely something to celebrate.

Elizabeth Cushion

Film Matinee
Wednesday 20th June, 2pm
"This Eagle can Ski"
Stillington Methodist Church
Everyone welcome
Refreshments

200 Club Results

1st. Mr J Mackinlay- **£50**
 R.U. Mrs M Linton
 R.U. Mrs Y Murphy
 R.U. Mrs S Gall
 R.U. Mr and Mrs Hugill
 Drawn by "Our Ernie"

SAINT NICHOLAS CHURCH

ROTA

28th May to 9th June
CLEANING Mrs S Thompson
BRASSES Mrs C Cookman
 11th to 23rd June
CLEANING Mrs P Bisset
BRASSES Mrs M North
 25th June to 7th July
CLEANING Mrs M Hetherington
BRASSES Mr A Hetherington

FLOWERS

3rd June Mrs W Walton
 10th June Mrs E Morse
 17th June Miss K Gibson
 24th June Mrs B Law

Village Hall Usage - June

Mon	4th	Prime Time	1.30-3.30pm
Mon	11th	Prime Time	1.30-3.30pm
Weds	13th	WI	7.15pm
Thurs	14th	Village Hall Committee	7pm
Sat	16th	Cycle Ride Pit stop	am
Mon	18th	Prime Time	1.30-3.30pm
Mon	25th	Prime Time	1.30-3.30pm
July			
Sun	1st	Country Dancing Association	9.30am-5pm
Mon	2nd	Prime Time	1.30-3.30pm