

# Husthwaite Newsletter

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All the fun of the fair! Children enjoy the attractions at the September Apple Fair. More pictures and article inside.



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## Dates for your Diary

8 Oct. Comedy Night in the Village Hall. 7.30 £10

10 Oct. Neighbourhood Watch Committee meeting 7pm in VH

**13 Oct. Gardening Club “There’s always a new pest!” in VH**

14 Oct. Scottish Dancing 8pm in VH

29 Oct. Energy Day 2 . Village Hall

**10 Nov. Gardening Club. “Shady gardens” in VH**

11 Nov. Scottish Dancing 8pm in VH

18 Nov. Easingwold Town Band Evening in Methodist Chapel

19 Nov. All Glue and Glitter in VH.

**30 Nov. North Country Theatre: “Rocking Horse Winner” in VH**

**8 Dec Gardening Club “Gardens of London” in VH**

9 Dec Music Evening in VH Contact Mike Wells 868398 for info.

16 Dec. Scottish Dancing 8pm in VH

19 Dec. School Christmas Party in VH

21 Jan 2012 Burns Supper in VH

# Scottish Country Dancing



We have 3 Scottish Country Dancing practices planned over October, November and December. These should help get us all in shape for what will be the 7th Hushwaite Burns Supper in January.

Everyone welcome. The format for the practices are quite simple. All you need to do is turn up at the village hall from 8pm until 10pm; we will then try a selection of dances which Brian Watt will guide us through. Bring your own refreshments and £1 to cover the cost of the hall. The more the merrier as the dances work better with a crowd.

The dates for the dancing are:

October 14th

November 11th

December to be arranged

The Burns Supper will be on the 21st of January.

Contact Will Mowatt on 868196 for further information.

## FINISHED? (Perhaps not quite!)

By now, most people in the village will be aware that the 3 major features of the Recreation Area are now complete. The Grand Opening celebrations on August 3<sup>rd</sup> took place in glorious weather, amidst a carnival atmosphere. Helen Ford, TV Presenter from ITV Tyne/Tees Television added a special dimension and commented on the dramatic changes that had taken place since her first visit to a muddy, overgrown field which she visited 3 years ago. The photographs accompanying this article (see the back cover) capture the sense of fun and enjoyment shared by everyone.

So many people in the village have contributed to this successful celebration that the Recreation Area Committee would like to extend their appreciation to :

- \* the large group of volunteers, with strimmers, loppers, rakes , brushes, cleaning materials etc. who prepared the site for the opening, ensuring that everything was in pristine condition;
- \* the Orchard Project Team who generously donated apple juice and the loan of the marquee, which formed an impressive centre-piece;
- \* John Ovenston and Gerald Crane whose keen eyes and superb photography captured the enjoyment experienced by everyone;
- \* Taylormade, who provided excellent refreshments, served by ladies from the two churches.

To all of these, and others involved in ensuring this was a memorable occasion, **the Committee extends a big 'Thank you' for such a fine demonstration of community spirit.**

We acknowledge once again the significant funding which has been forthcoming from the Community Spaces Programme, managed by Groundwork UK, as an Award Partner to the Big Lottery Fund. An unexpected bonus is the award of a Sustainability Grant of around £3,500, on top of the original £35,000 for the Adventure Area & Fitness Trail. This additional sum is to be used for equipment which will help to maintain the site in very good order, plus funding for a one-day course for six people willing to be trained by RoSPA to undertake safety checks and risk assessments. This course will be held in the village, possibly in November, and anyone who wishes to be involved is invited to contact Carol Fenwick (868479) or Peter Davison (868449) for more information.

Finally, as we look ahead to next year, steps are already being taken to plan fund-raising for a small pavilion which incorporates a secure store for the maintenance equipment, along with cycle racks (requested by the children), improvements to the access track from the road and an outside gym of 2 or 3 items - requested by older folk!

Peter Davison

# CHRISTMAS SHOE-BOX APPEAL - LOVE IN A BOX

**Christmas is still some time away, but it's not too early to begin thinking about the Christmas Shoe-Box Appeal.** This will be the 8<sup>th</sup> year we have filled these boxes which are sent to deprived children in Eastern Europe, Central Asia, parts of Africa and Haiti. Last year, nationally, nearly 1.2 million boxes were sent. The generosity of people in our area always astounds us. We are sure 2011 will be no different.

So, if you want to help, these are some of the ways:

- \* save medium-sized shoe-boxes with detachable lids and, if you can, cover them with Christmas wrapping paper;
- \* donate £2.50 - each box needs that amount of money to help with transportation costs;
- \* supply any of the gifts on this list:

TOYS - bear, soft toy, puppet, jigsaw, yo-yo, small musical instrument, truck, car, doll, clip-on earrings etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS - toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, comb, hair clips, bar of soap, flannel

SPORTS ITEMS - tennis ball, skipping rope, baseball hat, small football, inflatable beach ball, stop watch, sweat bands, toy medals;

OTHER ITEMS - sweets (sell-by date to be at least Mar2012), sunglasses, bangles, necklaces etc.

CLOTHING - hat, scarf, gloves or mittens -NO OTHER CLOTHING ALLOWED.

*We cannot include - food, war related items, fragile items, liquids, sharp or anything of a political nature, or hand-knitted toys without a CE*

**Please don't feel you have to supply an item from each category. Whatever you give, it will be used.**

Anne and David Dowson in Husthwaite Village Shop will have many of these items in stock, so it would also support them if you shop there.

## PACKING DAY

**This year's date is TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**, the place - the Methodist Chapel,

The time - from 9.30 a.m. onwards.

Do come and join in the fun of packing and, if you have time, come with us to our drop-off point in Thirsk and afterwards enjoy a light lunch at the Garden Centre.

If you have any queries, please contact either Bunny Wentworth (868377) or

Linda Davison (868449).

Happy Shopping!

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**Mobile: 07777 663766**

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## THE RETURN OF THE BAND!

By popular request, following the successful concert just over a year ago, the Easingwold Town Band are to make a welcome return visit to the Methodist Chapel on FRIDAY, 18<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER. They will play a variety of music - film & musical, traditional brass band pieces, pop songs and hymns.

Seats will be limited because of the size of the Chapel, so if you want to come, book early. Tickets, priced £5, will be available from 1<sup>st</sup> October from Margaret Duffield, (868192), Jackie Earley (868504), Linda Davison (868449) or the Village Shop.

**Any profit made, after the band's expenses have been met, will be sent to the Choma Orphans Fund in Zambia, a charity we have supported for some years now.**

So, buy your tickets in October and be part of what promises to be a very enjoyable evening.

Linda Davison

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## Parish Council News

The Parish Council are pleased to welcome Cath and Geoff Jones as new members. Both Cath and Geoff offered their services and were co-opted on to the Council at the July meeting. Although relative newcomers to the village they are both keen to immerse themselves in village life and it is nice to have them on board.

Despite their co-option increasing the strength of the Parish council by 33% WE ARE STILL ONE MEMBER SHORT so anyone interested please contact myself or any member of the Council.

Barrie Ward

## Neighbourhood Watch

The next meeting of the N.W. will take place on 10th October in the Village Hall at 7pm. Anyone wishing to join or act as a co-ordinator can contact Jill on 868514 or Cameron at Stonewold.

Check out the NW information on the village website.

Jill Galloway

The Hideaway@Baxby Manor now has a 1-page website up and running so please take a look and any comment/feedback is much appreciated! Thank you, BarneySmith

[Www.TheHideawayatBaxbyManor.co.uk](http://Www.TheHideawayatBaxbyManor.co.uk)

## NEWS FROM HUSTHWAITE SCHOOL



The school were once again delighted to be asked to host the Apple Fair on behalf of the Orchards of Husthwaite on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September. Although the weather spoilt itself a little in the afternoon, it was a fantastic occasion and lovely to have the opportunity to open up our grounds to the public. The event also allowed us to hold a second hand stall and serve refreshments which have boosted our school funds by some £700.

Pupil Voice groups have continued to meet this term and the focus for each group is enhancing our school grounds. From the Apple Fair the school purchased some sculptures carved by a chainsaw which will look wonderful in-situ. A mass bulb planting has also taken place in the hope that in the spring we shall hold a celebration to acknowledge and enjoy the hard work the children have put into improving the grounds.

The whole school's focus for project work this term is World War II. Each class are working on topics covering this era. Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 are planning a visit to Eden Camp to complement their work and children in the lower school will be visiting the Railway Museum and looking at children as evacuees. This project will also fit in with the school's annual Remembrance Service which will be held on Friday 11<sup>th</sup>

November.

As part of our curriculum provision, children in Years 3 and 4 have again been given the opportunity this term to take part in swimming lessons. Following last year's success at Thirsk we have decided to continue with this provider again this year. Children in Year 6 have also been given the opportunity to take part in the County's Bikeability Scheme (this has superseded the Cycling Proficiency) which will start in November.

Each year the school has a 'book fair'. Children are able to choose and buy books for themselves like they would in any book shop. If any members of the community would like to come along to visit our book fair and enjoy a coffee they are more than welcome to do so between 9.30 and 10.15 am on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October. It's a great opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping!

Toddlers at Husthwaite continue to meet at school every Thursday 9.15-11.15 am. All children of pre-school age are welcome and the cost is just £1.00 per child to include refreshments for both toddler and accompanying adult.

Our annual Harvest Festival Community Service will be held in the school on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 2.00 pm and everyone is welcome to attend.

Once again we are collecting the Morrisons School Vouchers. Last year we were able to get lots of seeds for the Pupil Voice garden as well as gardening equipment. so the vouchers really do help to equip our plans. We very much welcome the vouchers if anyone is collecting them.

### **Diary Dates:**

**10 Oct: Book Fair and coffee 9.30-10.15 am**

**18 Oct: Harvest Festival 2.00 pm**

**20 Oct: School closes for half term**

**31 Oct: Staff training day**

**1 Nov: School re-opens**

**4 Nov: Bonfire Cake stall at school**

**2 Dec: School Christmas Fair**

## Husthwaite Apple Fair

by Jan Coulthard

The Apple Fair held on Sunday September 18<sup>th</sup> was a huge success! Organised by the Orchards of Husthwaite group led by Cameron Smith, jointly with Husthwaite Primary School, the day set off sunny, and many stalls, attractions and performers were ready to greet the 600 adults and children who attended.

The atmosphere was like an old country fair, with background music from 4 bands drifting over the school fields. There was plenty for the children, from animals to a bouncy castle, fairground rides, ice cream, face painting, making music and magic. Adults could tour the wide variety of stalls, (some from our own village, some from Hovingham **farmers' market and elsewhere**), **taste and rank various ciders, examine** the vintage vehicles, watch the chainsaw woodcarver, have a drink at the bar and eat the delicious food prepared and served by staff and parents from the school. Apple pressing was demonstrated too, by the Orchards group.

The results of the cider tasting competition (with 10 N.Yorks ciders competing) were that our own Galtres Blush Cider was the clear winner, with Bagby Cider second and our own Galtres Ruby cider third.

Despite the occasional brief shower, overall the weather was fine and to judge by the smiles on faces, and the takings on the stalls and refreshments, everyone had an excellent day and plenty of funds were raised for the Orchard Project and the Primary School.

Thanks to all from the village, the project and the school who helped in the hard work of preparation and took part on the day, particularly Cameron who pulled out all the stops to make this event a real country grand day out.

This fair is now established as an annual event!

Apple picking volunteers needed! Children welcome with an accompanying adult. Please meet at the Village Hall at 10.30 a.m. on Sat. 8th October. If you have apples which you wish to donate to the Orchard Project but need picking, please contact Cameron on 868489. If you pick your own apples and want a bottle of juice for each 8kg, please contact him about where and when to deliver them.



Apple Pressing with  
Gavin Kennedy  
and Erik Seaman

Learning magic tricks  
from Phil Grainger



Kerry Barker and  
Biscuit provide the  
pony rides

More photos overleaf





Pictures of the Apple Fair in September taken by John Ovenston, Nick and Jan Janiurek, Gerald Crane and Jan Coulthard



# Husthwaite & District Gardening Club (1)

*(Apologies from the Editor for not including this in the last newsletter!)*

We have been blessed with dry weather for all our outings this summer. After the successful trip to Sinnington in May, we visited Rewela Cottage, Skewsby in June and a Dales garden in July. These are excellent examples of how homeowners have converted a plot of land into magnificent show gardens through their own dedication and hard work.

Rewela is the home of John Plant (yes, his real name) who has turned a paddock behind his house into an exotic hide-away, complete with a stone sunken garden, an African breeze house and an ambitious koi carp pond. The whole garden is densely planted with trees, shrubs and architectural plants. As you walk along the narrow winding paths amongst rhododendrons and magnolias, it is easy to forget that it is all contained in a  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre rectangle.

By contrast, visitors to Lowfold are well aware of their surroundings, thanks to a magnificent vista across Nidderdale. If Mr and Mrs Brockway, the owners, had concreted-over their bungalow's garden, it would have still been a place to admire the view. On the contrary, they have spent the past ten years filling it with a vast collection of plants, collected from all over the country. We visited just as the roses and clematises were at their best. All this beauty doesn't happen naturally, though, as Julian Brockway disclosed. At 75, he still works five days a week in the garden, for up to thirteen hours a shift!

Thankfully our members were spared the hard labour and we finished an excellent evening sitting in the conservatory, enjoying the evening sun, tea and wonderful home-made scones.

Photo shows Bessie Fox, Joyce Wise, Breda Wells and Wendy Hall



## Husthwaite & District Gardening Club (2)

“Growing roses in Yorkshire” was the topic for our first indoor meeting this autumn. David Lister had spent sixty two years in horticulture, running a successful rose nursery at Shadwell, north of Leeds. He wove his stories of people he had met along the way with recommendations for good rose varieties to suit most situations.

David remembered the introduction of Peace in 1935. He then took us through the 1960s with Fragrant Cloud and Super Star and brought us full circle with the modern David Austin roses which are reminiscent of the early English roses.

One of the best red varieties is Ingrid Bergman. It is repeat flowering, fragrant and has glossy dark green foliage. For a good climber, David recommended Zephirine Drouhin. It has pink fragrant flowers and is thornless. To avoid disease, it is better grown on a trellis than a wall. Bringing us up to date, David mentioned a cluster-flowered (floribunda) variety called Tickled Pink. It was Rose of the Year in 2007 and as the name suggests, has beautiful pink flowers.

We heard stories about rose breeders, rose cultivation, the IRA, a Polish gardener who pruned the roots, the rich lady gardeners of North Leeds, propagation by budding, of Geoffrey Smith, how royalties work... the stories kept coming, all accompanied by slides of perfect rose flowers.

We next meet on 13<sup>th</sup> October in the village hall, for a talk by an expert on pests.... the horticultural variety, you understand!

**Mike Wells**

**01347 868398**

### **Gardening Club Calendar**

#### **2011**

**13 October There's Always a New Pest Joe Starzewski**

**10 November Shady Gardens Ann Stark**

**24 November Club Dinner White Swan, Ampleforth**

**8 December Gardens of London Tony Cleaver**

#### **2012**

**January NO MEETING**

**9 February Annual General Meeting**

**Gardens & Grounds - Welcome to my World**

**Arnold Parkinson**

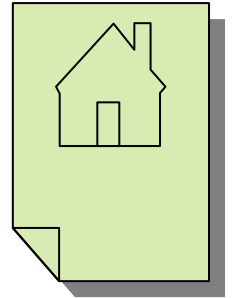
**8 March Medicinal Plants Pam Towler**

**12 April Gardening for Wildlife Mrs C Vickory**

**28 April Plant Sale**

# Village Hall News

## A New Village Hall?



**We've made good progress.** If a community wants Lottery money for buildings, there are three stages to go through. Most bids fail at the first one, but (at the third go) we successfully got through Stage One!

**Now it's Stage Two: we have until early November to make a detailed bid for the money to build a new meeting place for the village.** The lottery have told us that the hall itself is not the most important thing. **It's what we plan to do with it. We have to convince them that the village has some very good ideas for its use (which it has); ideas that will make a real difference to living in Husthwaite.**

In the last few weeks, we have been asking people for their ideas.

That all began at a public meeting in the village on 20 September. **40 people came and many more (who couldn't be there) said they wanted to be involved.** Richard Wood told us about progress so far and the work to be done for the next stage. It was about exploring needs in the village and how a new hall might meet some of them. Rural deprivation, he said, was not just about income but just as much about being isolated and losing services. There are, for instance, more older people in rural communities than similar-sized urban ones.

Richard asked for volunteers to join working groups to look at these needs and to come up with ideas about how we might work together to tackle them. 4 groups formed and, the next day, more than 30 volunteers started interviewing people in the village, looking especially at the needs of young people, parents of young children and older people in the village. One group looked at what the village clubs and societies need and another came up with some very new ideas about

making new uses for the hall. This working together has been very enjoyable. Gathering ideas and making contacts will benefit the village, whether or not we are successful bidders. Thank you to all those people who gave so much time and effort to the work, all in such a short time.

All this research and new ideas will be gathered together into a report which will support the next stage of the bid. They will also influence the design specification of the new building to forward to the architect if we are successful.

So, the completed application form will be sent off to the Lottery in early November. The result comes back in February 2012.

Andrew Coulthard

# Energy Day 2

29 October

10.00 to 4.00

Oil prices rocket up with electricity not far behind; is there anything useful you can do?

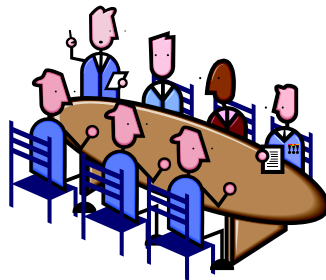
With the help of York Energy Saving Trust, we will be focussing on cutting down the energy your house uses and finding alternatives to oil.

You can also find out more about the free energy audits and thermal images we have done in Hushwaite.

Come and meet the experts. **It's free** and it might be the beginning of saving some money.

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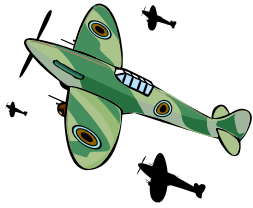
## Annual General Meeting



It's time for the Village Hall AGM again. This year it's Tuesday 11 October at 7.00pm in the village hall.

The AGM is where we report on the year and elect Committee members. We need **new members. Next year's work will be** crucial, if we are to get a new hall. And we have to keep a good programme going too, while we do our funding bid.

Come if you can. We need your ideas, encouragement and support.



## Book Review

### The Last Dance - by Denys Blakeway

(Published by Telegraph Books £9.99 in paperback)

Denys Blakeway is an award-winning T.V. producer and author, specialising in contemporary history. This dispels any thought you might have had that this interesting and informative book was to help readers become participants in one of **the many television programmes showing “celebrities” cavorting around a dance floor. An explanatory extension to the title follows: “1936, The Year of Change”.**

1936 was a year when, in Britain, social and constitutional crisis threatened, while in Europe the dictators were on the march. It was the year in which Britain had three kings - George V, Edward VIII and George VI; when the Jarrow marchers highlighted the plight of the unemployed; and when Mrs Simpson featured in **British newspapers for the first time, although not yet in Edward’s life.**

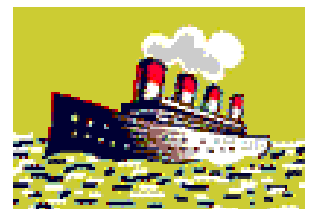
Abroad, Hitler sent his troops to recover the Rhineland, which had been demilitarised at Versailles in 1919. Mussolini was trying to colonise Abyssinia and early in 1936 he used mustard gas against the natives as they tended their cattle at the water holes. The civil war started in Spain, where Hitler used the opportunity to try out new military tactics and develop his weapons.

**Late in December 1936 the “Queen Mary”, the pride of Britain’s mercantile fleet** and launched only six months earlier on Clydebank, was battered by a winter storm in the Atlantic, causing her to list by 45 degrees one way and then the other. The ships furnishings were loosened and the ballroom was devastated. For the time **being the last dance on the Queen Mary, this symbol of the glamour of the 1930’s,** had taken place.

Queen Mary continued to sail the world for many years, but 1936 was the year the world changed at home and abroad. It was the year in which a gleaming silver mono-plane was wheeled out of its hangar at Eastleigh Aerodrome, near Southampton, for its maiden flight. As it soared in the sky spectators below gazed at a sight that five years later would become familiar to millions. As you may have guessed, it was the first Spitfire.

For older readers, this book will perhaps bring back memories. For younger ones it will be an introduction to the history of the Thirties. I hope you will find it as enjoyable and readable as I did.

Fred Pickstone.



## Richmond and Hambleton Furniture Store

The Richmond and Hambleton Furniture Store is a registered charity (No. 1120580) aimed at helping people on low income and benefits buy household items that have been donated from the public, thus also reducing landfill and helping to increase recycling in the area.

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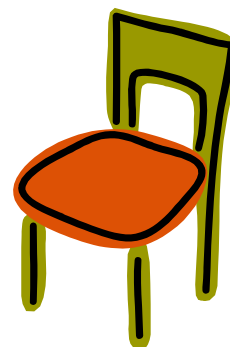
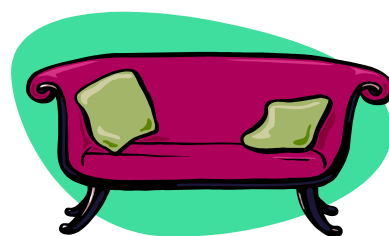
Wed. 9-1

Thurs. 9-1

Fri. 9-1 first and third Saturday of every month 9-1

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If you would like to donate good quality, clean and un-marked household items, please contact us for a free collection. All upholstered furniture must have the current fire labels attached. We currently accept electrical items but not washing machines, cookers or dishwashers.



**Stop Press.** . . Catherine Skinner and friends successfully completed the Great North Run again, in an even quicker time than last year. The funds she raised will go the village hall and St **Monica's.**

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An example of damage to local trees in the recent gales,  
the tail end of a hurricane! Photo: Richard Wood

## Welcome to the village!

Two new families have moved into the village recently.

Malcolm and Doreen French have moved back up north from Wiltshire, and are already involved in helping with the Lottery bid for the new village hall by being on one of the working parties.

Neil Hunt, a consultant surgeon, and his family have also recently moved here, into Highthorne.

All are very welcome and we hope you enjoy living in Husthwaite.



# COMEDY COMES TO HUSTHWAITE!

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2011 sees Husthwaite Village Hall presenting its first ever comedy evening .

Professional comedian Dom Woodward will be headlining, but he is ably supported by some much loved local celebrities. Richard Wood, well known among the fans of Easingwold Players, will be opening the event with a well chosen poem. Next up is Karl Bushby , who is better known now for his work in Stony Plain , the rising stars of the Delta Blues scene, but for this evening Karl is performing from his repertoire of humorous songs. Brian Watt is performing a stand up slot and proving once again that truth is stranger and definitely funnier, than fiction.

We have a couple of guests from the Airfix Choir providing some new lyrics to old songs. Brian and the Airfix Choir are well known in the Village and have supported many Village Hall activities in the past, and both promise to get the evening up and running with a belly laugh. The last of our Supporters is David Swann who has been very popular at our Elphin Drift evenings. David writes his own songs which have always provided great **amusement and will encompass the “audience participation” part of the evening. Don’t worry if you can’t sing, as long as you can “ooh” in the right places and lean to the left or right when required, you will still be a valuable member of the David Swan ensemble.**

The capers will be held together in the capable hands of David Pike, who will add to the hilarity with his own varied brand of comedy, a sneak **preview of which was had at this year’s Burns Supper.**

There is something here for everyone, and what better way to start the cold dark nights than with a warm hearted chuckle?

Tickets are £10 and include supper. A bar will be provided, and the first act will be onstage at 7.30. To buy tickets or for further information contact **Vikki Nixon** on 01347 868740 or [vnixon@btconnect.com](mailto:vnixon@btconnect.com)

HUSTHWAITE VILLAGE HALL  
A NIGHT OF COMEDY



SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2011 7.30PM

YOUR HOST **DAVID PIKE**

COMEDIAN

**Dom Woodward**

SUPPORTED BY

**DAVID SWANN**

**AIRFIX CHOIRBOYS**

**BRIAN WATT**

**KARL BUSHBY**

**RICHARD WOOD**

TICKETS £10 TO INCLUDE SUPPER

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## Elphin Drift

by Alun Nixon



Saturday September 10<sup>th</sup> saw our last Elphin Drift of the year, and we blasted away the looming Autumn blues in great style. With four Special Guest acts in addition to The House Band, we kept Husthwaite Village Hall buzzing for night on four hours. The House Band warmed up the PA first off with a mixed set of rock covers, then made way for Sam Taplin, from

**Oxford. This is Sam's second time at Elphin Drift, but his first time as a solo performer.** His set of self-penned songs was absolutely astounding. His lyrical insight and passionate delivery, when coupled with his piano wizardry held us all spellbound. You can investigate further on

[www.myspace.com/samtaplin](http://www.myspace.com/samtaplin)

Next on was Issy Zarb from Helmsley. Issy has been song-writing since a very young age, and definitely has the knack for it. The audience fell virtually silent as she sang, such enchantment, but the eruption of applause at the end of each song said it all. Issy has a

**musician's page on Facebook**

[www.facebook.com/pages/IssyZarb/206458519408324](http://www.facebook.com/pages/IssyZarb/206458519408324)

Stan Graham, from Earswick, was the next performer. Stan has visited us a couple of times over the last four years, and he is always welcome. His own songs are finely crafted pieces; thoughtful, sensitive lyrics and smooth melodies. Find out more from the best starting point <http://stan.fitchcraft.net/>

Our last act, and one who is well known and **loved at Elphin Drift, was Joe Solo. Joe's powerful**

delivery of his songs, and his genuine courage of conviction are all factors in the way that he draws the audience into his world. As well as a consistent CD output, Joe is also an author – for more info look him up

[www.gemineyeweb.co.uk/joesolo/welcome.html](http://www.gemineyeweb.co.uk/joesolo/welcome.html)

An excellent night was had by all, and a big thank you to all who helped make it happen; Organisers, Performers<sup>24</sup> and the wonderful audience.





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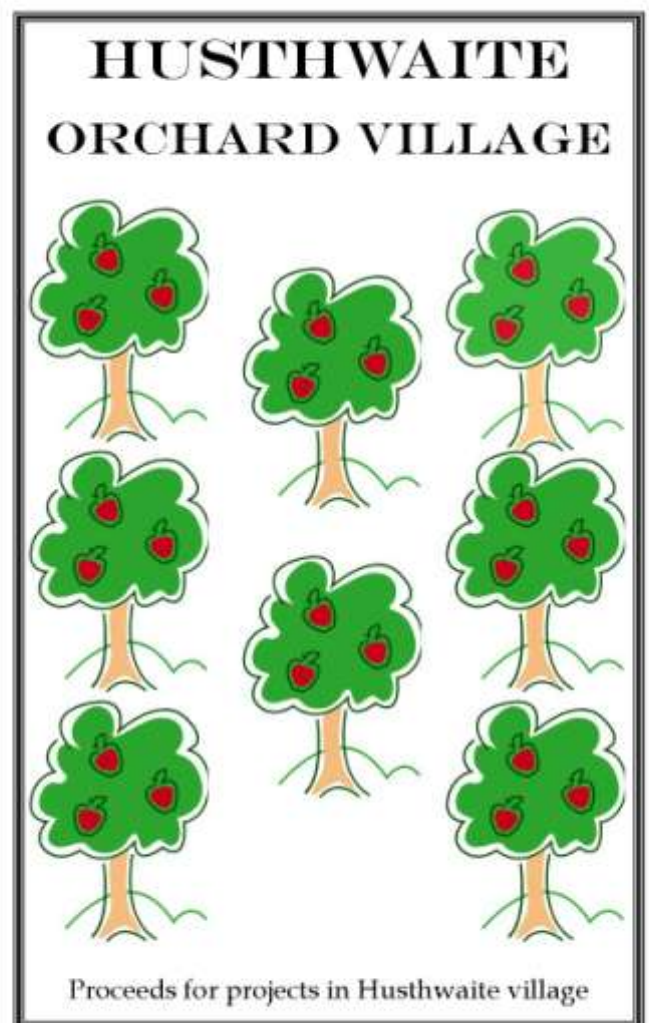
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## Husthwaite Local History Society - Family History

People searching for evidence of ancestors in the village who were buried either in the Churchyard or at the cemetery may now download information from the history website [www.husthwaitehistory.co.uk](http://www.husthwaitehistory.co.uk) (see Publications/Family History). Inscriptions on gravestones and tombs in the churchyard from a listing done in 1912 has been updated and information from the register of burials at the cemetery (from 1897) is also available. The latter gives the age of death and some information about occupations, addresses etc. and a plan to help locate the grave. A copy of the Monumental Inscriptions in St. Nicholas Churchyard is also available for perusal inside the church.

If anyone is interested in attending a meeting of the group or would like to be involved in local history research projects, please contact Annie Richardson (868 005) or Angela Ovenston (868 347). New members are always welcome.

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