

Newsletter Snapshot

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This months entry is one of a series taken of the Hushwaite pantomime by John Lawrance.



*Mice (and one rat) help Cinderella (Katy Whenman) with one of her solos.
L to R: Lucy Collins, Lara Maloney, Jenny Price, India Wentworth, Charles
Wentworth*

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Youngsters Support Social Evenings

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Angela Whenman

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Hushwaite's young people of secondary school age have responded well to the idea of a weekly gathering in the Village Hall. Over the last four Friday evenings we have had an average attendance of 20. This is close to the total village population at that age.

The idea of weekly gathering for the young people, gently supervised by volunteer adults on a rota basis, came from a well-attended Village Hall meeting, where possible uses of this time were discussed with the large gathering of young people.

There is a need for opportunities of this kind in the village, as we know from the complaints that have been made for a number of years about the behaviour of teenagers around the school grounds and the cemetery. We have created a chance for adults to cooperate with the younger generation, and we can hope that difficulties will be reduced in the future.

We are not running a formal Youth Club, merely opening the Village Hall for the young ones to organise themselves and to socialise safely in the knowledge that there are at least a couple of adults around to keep an informal eye on things. It is this kind of facility that the modern generation want.

We have a tuckshop, selling sweets and soft drinks. We have a table tennis table, and on 1st April work will be done to re-cover our excellent billiard table. The young people are looking forward to this. A possible new idea would be for volleyball to be played in the Hall; this would need to be with a soft ball of the kind that used to be available but seemingly isn't any more. If anyone in the village has a soft ball we could use I'd be glad to hear from them.

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*When Cinderella came to Husthwaite
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A Husthwaite Traitor

Fred Pickstone

In the political and religious turmoil of the 1640s, an Act of Parliament of 1649 permitted the sale of Catholic lands, by the Parliamentary Trustees. As result of this, Husthwaite Manor was sold to Adam Baynes, who had served in Cromwells army. His quartermaster was George Denham of Baxby

In 1658 Cromwell died. His son Richard, ineffective and unpopular, retired to private life. Two years later the Long Parliament (1640-1660) dissolved itself and set up a Convention, in which there were many Royalists and Presbyterians. Historically, a Convention is a parliament not summoned by the sovereign. This newly formed body invited Charles II to return from exile, but he was a spendthrift. Taxes were increased, new ones were introduced and, in 1662, he married Catherine of Braganza, a Portuguese princess, who was a Catholic.

Moreover Cromwells Commonwealth Army was not entirely disbanded and there were ominous comings and goings among the discontented non-conformists and former Cromwellian Officers. An Act of 1662 penalised Quakers for meeting for worship; they could even be transported for a third offence.

Therefore it is not surprising that determined and experienced men planned a forceful protest. An uprising was being organised in the counties of the North. Arms were smuggled into Sunderland and in a boat carrying coal into York. This city was to be captured along with Skipton Castle, Newcastle, Carlisle and Appleby. Before midnight on 12th October 1663, over 200 men under arms assembled in Farnley Park Wood, near Leeds. The group included many men from the West Riding and some from north of York. One of the ringleaders was a Captain Oates of Morley, near Leeds. But the authorities heard rumours of their activities, a bribe brought information from a Major Greathead, also of Morley, and treasonable correspondence was intercepted. As Royalist forces were being assembled under the Duke of Buckingham, Captain Oates was captured and the rebellion collapsed. Trials ensued.

In what is now known as the Farnley Wood Plot, Oates and twenty more men were hanged, drawn and quartered at York in January 1664. Amongst them was George Denham, whom we know forfeited his lands, including the Manor and Lands at Husthwaite. He was probably a Quaker.

One other conspirator was executed later and many were kept in prison for a long time, but we dont even know if Adam Baynes was involved at all. Had he sold the Manor of Husthwaite to his former quartermaster, in the intervening years?

First Service of the Season Pippa Bailey

Coxwold Tennis Clubs new season starts with a club night on Friday 23rd April at 6.30pm. This will be an opportunity to have a game or two, pay your subs (35, or 30 if paid before 31st May) and receive your new key and booklet containing the seasons events. Alternatively, you can pay at Coxwold Pottery; phone Jill Dick on 868344 during working hours.

Ralph Winchwood will continue the coaching for children on Saturday mornings 10.00am- 12 noon, starting on 1st May. Phone me on 868629 to book your places. We are offering a chance for adults to receive some coaching and will be having a taster session between 12 noon and 1.00pm on 1st May. Phone Roy Leverton on 868439 to reserve a place.

We will be having our usual mix of American Tournaments, Club Nights, mixed and Ladies League matches and social games with other clubs. We welcome new members, whatever your abilities.

Friends of Husthwaite School

Wine Tasting

Sarah Aspinall

We held our inaugural wine-tasting quiz on Friday 5 March in the Village Hall. About 70 people took part in the quiz which involved tasting six wines in turn (three white and three red), listening to the entertaining descriptions from the esteemed panel (Brian Watt, Colin Burn and David Aspinall) and trying to work out who was telling the truth. Nicola Cuthbert acted as MC and kept the panel and audience in order. Some of the wines proved quite tricky or the panel too convincing as scoring was mixed! However, three teams did manage five correct answers and were given a tie-break question. Two teams (Hill/Smith and Hewitson/Sunderland) got the right answer and each won four bottles of wine. Tasting continued after the quiz was completed and the party finished about midnight!

The evening was a huge success and raised just under 300 for the School. Many thanks to everyone who attended, to the panel and to Nicola, the team of waiters (including 5 children from the school), to Ann Smith who supplied plates of delicious cheese from her Easingwold market stall and to the FOHS Committee members who prepared the Hall and who cleared up afterwards. A great team effort and we all had a lot of fun.

Calling all lady netball players

Interested in playing netball one evening a week at the school during the

New Developments in the Village Hall Calling All Villagers (continued from Page 1) Angela Whenman

The Village Hall Committee believes that the most appropriate way in which the community can help our young people avoid complaints and keep out of trouble is by providing facilities to encourage them off the streets. Opening the Village Hall for evening a week is a start. If **Newsletter** readers have other helpful suggestions, we will be glad to hear them and do our best to take part in putting them into practice. There is a good community spirit in Husthwaite, and the recent pantomime gave it a boost. Now we are going forward with our programme for renovating the Hall. We will begin on 25th April, when Tony Fox is going to help us repair the rotted sections of the underfloor woodwork. As soon as Tony has finished we will welcome as much help as we can get from village residents. The pantomime showed that there is a great deal of experience and talent in Husthwaite and it will be great if we can get people to volunteer their help again, especially with these jobs:

sanding and sealing the floor
painting
plastering
landscaping

If you are up for any of this work, please contact me on 868373. Many hands make light work, and if we join together we can even have a lot of fun! I look forward to hearing from you. I would like to end by drawing your attention to our list of activities for the remainder of this year. We will finalise some of the dates as soon as possible and publish details. I hope we can make each of them a successfully community event.

Quizzes at the Roasted Pepper - approximately 2-monthly on Sunday evenings

Summer Treasure Hunt Sunday 20th June 2pm

Sponsored Walk Sunday 5th September

70s Disco October

Husthwaite Through the Ages - an exhibition Saturday 13th November

Christmas Market Friday 3rd December 7pm

Husthwaite Parish Council

PAPER COLLECTION

There has been some confusion as to the day on which the blue bags are collected. They should be put out on the same Monday as the green bins.

COMMUNITY SAFETY ROAD SHOW

Hambleton Community Safety Partnership are holding a drop-in session with representatives from the police, fire service, neighbourhood watch, Hambleton District Council and NYCC on Tuesday 30 March from 5.00pm - 8.00pm at The Golden Fleece in Northallerton. You will be able to see displays, listen to short presentations and ask questions.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH RE-LAUNCH

There will be a meeting at Husthwaite Village Hall on Tuesday 30th March at 7.30pm aimed at re-launching the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme in Husthwaite. We are very lucky to have Bill Wood coming, who has been instrumental in helping many villages set up similar schemes. He will be joined by Mike Rigby, Derek Allum and District Councillor Christine Cookman. As well as acting as a deterrent, membership to such a scheme gives you reduced insurance premiums, 5% off alarms installed by Minster Alarms, and 10% off selected security products from Hutchinsons. We hope you will spare the time and support them on the night and hear what they have to say.

NEW CEMETERY BIN

Please use the new green bin at the cemetery for all green waste/flowers etc. and not the old dustbins. We are getting a black bin for other waste in the near future.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting will be on Tuesday 18 May at 7pm in the village hall. All are welcome. There will be a vacancy on the Parish Council in June, so why not come along and meet the team to have a chat or ring Sarah Harper on 868326.

GRASS CUTTING.

This will start again in a matter of weeks. Kendrew Green will be left uncut in order to let the violets seed and the village green will also be left until the snowdrops have died back.



Plus Energy in Village School Days New Head

Richard Wood

was entertaining the school with a lusty rendition of a long *into the Kitchen*. Every tiny child was belting out the words.

er, Mr Ian Yapp, arrived in January from Knaresborough, Deputy Head. Most of his career has been spent in Leeds, but Mr Yapp is no stranger to village life and showed a real understanding of the difficulties young people can experience in finding positive ways of occupying their time in the rural environment.

Husthwaite School is an interesting and exciting prospect, he said. There is a real buzz among both the staff and the children. We have more lunchtime and after-school activities here than I have ever seen in a school. There are reading circles, sporting activities, a French Club, an orchestra, and a Choir and Drama Club which is working on *Godspell*. There is a contagious energy and enthusiasm; all these clubs are full.

Modern schools work to a National Curriculum, and Mr Yapp explained how some of its requirements are being met by imaginative linking of the separate subjects.

We are running Creative Literacy Days. Pupils of all ages from Reception to Year 6 work together in groups. March 4th was World Book Day and our theme was Fairy Stories.

The day is beautifully described on an attractive noticeboard inside the front door.

Everybody dressed up. There were princes, princesses, monsters, Cinderella, Jack, giants - just about every famous character you could name. Some of the group activities were: a puppet show Cinderella; Jack and the Beanstalk as an interactive computer story; Sleeping Beauty in drama and music.

Mr Yapp has two teenage sons, and he lives in a village. He appreciates the work begun by the Husthwaite Village Hall Committee to cooperate with our young people. He drew on his experience as a Youth Worker to make some useful professional suggestions on how we might focus this work. In return, Mr Yapp drew attention to the expensive vandalism that the school has continued to suffer in his three months.

If they come to me and say can we play football for an hour on the field I will say yes. They have to realise we can't allow the continuing damage, and I can't accept impertinence and backchat from them.

Until the situation is controlled the grounds are closed outside school hours, and parents are asked to note that the Governors and the Education Authority will take action against anyone convicted of causing damage on on NYCC property.

Husthwaite and District Gardening Club

Angela Ovenston

The Gardening Club was formed in 1959 and now has 57 members from Husthwaite, Easingwold and surrounding villages. Between September and March meetings take place at 7.30 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month in Husthwaite village hall. Meetings are very friendly and recent illustrated talks have covered a wide range of topics e.g. from the quest to find Alpine flowers in the Alps, a hilarious history of greenhouses, the Ecology of Raywood at Castle Howard and the Labour of Love of developing Mike and Breda Wells Husthwaite garden on a difficult sloping and somewhat soggy site! Both slides and music skilfully accompanied the latter entertainment.

In April we have the locally famous plant sale, at which great varieties of plants and seedlings are for sale at excellent prices and almost guaranteed to flourish since they have all been locally grown by members. **(Note for your diaries the next plant sale will be held on the morning of 24 April 2004. To avoid disappointment arrive early before everything has sold out!).**

Between May and July outdoor outings and visits are arranged and in recent years very enjoyable trips to local gardens and nurseries both large and small have been held. The annual daylong coach excursions have included the beautiful grounds of Chatsworth, the fantastic and historic topiary gardens at Levens Hall in Cumbria and David Austins Roses, Albrighton (and a visit to Wighton Manor). This years trip takes place on 5 June to Belsay Hall and Wallington in Northumbria some extra tickets may be available for non-members of the club. In July members and guests enjoy a meal at a local hostelry.

Anyone interested in joining the club for the small annual subscription of 5 can contact the secretary Sue Richardson on 01439 788205. This includes a bag of bulbs for the bulb competition in February! Everyone from complete beginners to experienced gardeners is welcome.

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CINDERELLA - Oh, yes they did it!

a playgoer - Jill Galloway

From gracious queen Norma (Ursula Duncan in a fantastic wig) via the dynamic gamine Buttons (a future star, Jess Bailey) to the delectable Princesses Snotty (Roy Leverton) and Smelly (David Pike), the villagers of Husthwaite entertained us royally and magically at times. The audience and despite fears that there was no-one left to be the audience the hall was packed for not one, not two, but three performances cheered, booed, hissed and sang lustily on cue, or without it. A good time was had by all: oh yes it was! Tuneful singing, impressive costumes and a slick stage management meant that we could all concentrate on the dialogue, the jokes (some old, some new, some topical and some local the biggest cheer of the night reserved for the appearance of local hero John Williamson and his pint of milk for the Ugly Sisters pancake making) and the lighting effects which enhanced so much of the action. A tiny but first-class orchestra oh, yes you were, Linda and Breda! never drowned the words of the actors thanks to their skills and those of fabulous sound engineer, Mike.

The Demon King (Charlie Whenmanboo, hiss!), ably abetted by Vinnie (a thought provoking Harry Wisehiss!) and Jones (get it?) who looked remarkably like James Lawrance (boo!), and like Prince Charming (Rose Lawrance), come to think of it were received with suitable distaste whenever they appeared. One noted the charm of Cinderella (Katy Whenman) and the multiple talents and multi-tasking of Tattyanna (Sophie Lawrance) and the LONG VERBOSE speech for which the Major Domo (Rosy Bailey) received a deserved ovation (oh, yes she did!) and the team efforts of all those whom I cannot mention by name. Hurray! to all of you. Above all praise and thanks go to Angela Whenman the producer and to director Richard Wood for his vision and hard work in bringing this all about.

However, this review ends on a note of elegant adulation (oh, yes it does!) and regret that a whole year must pass before the Fairy Godmother (Sue Wisemay all her sons be goodies!) and the delightful fairies (Pippa Bailey, Linda Smith and the notable Anne Dowson), grace our stage again.
OH, YES THEY MUST!

(Photos by John Lawrance over page)



Left
The Fairies (Pippa Bailey, Anne Dowson, Linda Smith)



Right
The Major Domo (Rosy Bailey) calls Hushwaite to order.



Above
Some of the backstage crew take time-out for the photo-call.



Right
Baron Hardup (Adrienne Newton) is threatened by the tax collectors (Jess Smith and Robin Walton) Ugly Sister Smelly (David Pike) is glad to be near the door..

Cinderella Comes to Hushwaite



Top left
A relaxing moment backstage for Buttons (Jess Bailey) and Puddle the dog (Sophie Lawrance)



Above
Prince Charming (Rose Lawrance) is interested (so were the audience) when Ugly Sister Snotty (Roy Leverton) shows her undercarriage.

Above
The Footman (Lisa Munford) fits the slipper on Cinderella (Katy Whenman). The noble Dandini (Rebecca Scarce) looks on. Ugly Sister Smelly (David Pike) is disgusted.

Right
The Demon King (Charlie Whenman) succumbs to the magic charms of the Fairy Godmother (Sue Wise). Jones (James Lawrance) is impressed.

