Husthwaite Newsletter

Majority Signals Go-Ahead for New Hall

The all-day Drop-In session organised by the Village Hall Committee produced a majority vote for continuing with work on the new hall project.

Organised by Elaine Smith, Chairman of the Steering Committee, which has worked for 5 years on this idea, the occasion attracted 47% of the voting-age population of the village. Many brought their children, and many stayed for at least an hour. They pored over Elaines information display boards, and they took the opportunity to quiz Elaine, William Skinner and Roy Leverton, who represented the Steering Committee. There was good feed-back and appreciation of the format adopted, says Elaine. Interesting suggestions were made, with comments homing-in on cost, security, drainage, design, changing rooms/toilets and the matter of viability once a new hall is up and running. Many of these comments were made in writing and will be studied as part of the decisions now to be made. Armed with up-to-date information on the project, people voted. There were 48 in favour of continuing with work on the new hall; 28 said attention should be transferred back to the present site on the Nookin Bank. Thirteen were keen for work to continue regardless of which site was used.

Steering Committee Wound Up

In spite of the majority support offered by village voters for their work, the New Village Hall Steering Committee has been wound up. Key members, Elaine Smith and William Skinner, are drained after their five years committee work, and understandably think it is someone elses turn to get to grips with the job. Elaine and William are looking forward to having time to devote to other interests. Dr David Wilkinson has left Husthwaite, and Andrew James plans to do so soon. John Goddard has resigned as Chairman of the Village Hall Committee.

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Two Rest Assured chairs, covered in mushroom coloured corduroy, which unfold into single beds. Excellent condition. 15 each. 868347.

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Snapshot Competition

Enter your favourite Husthwaite photograph for this competition.
PRIZE: the honour of seeing your photo published in the Newsletter!

Heres one I prepared earlier. It shows the man we couldnt do without, Charles Pearson, at work on a Husthwaite home.
Entries to the Editor by 24th February.
Millennium Volunteers in Hambleton
Keeley Metcalfe
Project Fieldworker for Millennium Volunteers in Hambleton

Are you aged 16-24? Do you enjoy meeting people and trying new things? Would you like to gain new skills, experience and confidence while having fun?

Millennium Volunteers is a national initiative to provide opportunities for 16-24 year olds to volunteer their time for the benefit of others. There is a vast range of activities to take part in to suit your own interests and it will offer the opportunity to develop new skills. This is an ideal way to enhance your experiences and prove yourself, especially if you are applying for college/ university or thinking about a career change.

MV has been running in Northallerton for the past three years and has recently expanded to cover the whole of the Hambleton District. In the past MVs based in Northallerton have been involved in: sports coaching, conservation, fundraising activities for charity e.g. village events or sponsored activities, amateur dramatic groups, musical bands, Guide, Brownie and Scout leaders and much more!

The aim is for you to complete either 100 hours, which will gain an Award of Merit, or 200 hours, which will achieve an Award of Excellence signed by the Secretary of State for Education and Skills.

We'd like to hear from you if you are already volunteering or if you are interested in joining MV. If you have any questions please contact either Mary or Keeley on 01609 773340 Ext. 229 or email us at millvol@northallertoncoll.org.uk.
The first John Williamson knew of it was when the newspapers finally caught up with him in Husthwaite. When he was asked if he would like his name to be put forward for this prestigious honour, he was not surprised, but what a surprise that the award was to be shared with his colleague, John Harrop. Indeed, John Harrop had been the subject of the most recent article in the Parish Council Newsletter.

Parish Council
Help Keep the Burgars Away

John the man from Husthwaite

From Dark Satanic Mills to Sunsets and Stars

For a long time he didn't know whose idea it was to propose him. He had some very good friends who knew of his work and how important it was to the community. However, when the newspapers caught up with him, he was not surprised. Indeed, he felt humbled to be considered for such an honour.

The New Year Honours List 2003 was a special one for the whole of Husthwaite. John Williamson, the Milkman, has been awarded an MBE for his work in the community. He has been a beloved figure for many years, and his dedication to his work has been well recognized.

He will need at least one day off soon. He has not received an invitation to the Royal Coronation yet, as he says. They will be telling him what to wear and how to behave. He is looking forward to it, though, he says.

He has been walking 14 miles every day for years! He calls four times a week in Husthwaite, walking a milk round of a rest on Sundays. He has been walking 14 miles a day for years, he says.

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His milk round takes in Husthwaite, Carlton, Coxwold, Kilburn, High Kilburn, Neighbourhood Watch, and to assist in reducing the fear of crime in the area. With this in mind, they have encouraged the formation of the Neighbourhood Watch Association, a revised estimate of 170 from Leeds Architectural of Buxton. Examples of acceptable colour and comply with bye-laws.

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