Newsletter Snapshot Competition
Enter your favourite Husthwaite photograph for this competition.
PRIZE: the honour of seeing your photo published in the Newsletter!
Entries for the next edition to the Editor by Sunday 23rd November

This month’s winner is Pat Brighten with this shot of Old Sleningford Hall, venue of the Gardening Club’s July outing.

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A Warm Welcome for Mrs Wilson

The school year has begun with a new headteacher and two new faces among the staff: Mrs Wilson, who has taught at Husthwaite for a number of years, and Mr Edwards and Mrs Fowler from Acorn Primary School. It’s lovely here, she says. I’m really enjoying it.
Mr Edwards hails from more distant parts. His former school was Wormley in Hertfordshire. It’s a big change for me, he says. Wormley Primary School was much bigger, and I am enjoying the friendly atmosphere of the village school. It’s a beautiful place. People have made me feel welcome. My wife is from Whitby, so I have had some practice with understanding the accent.

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New blood on Husthwaite Schools
staff: Mr Edwards and Mrs Fowler
Husthwaite Newsletter

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After 6 editions, the time has come for a review of progress. The Newsletter receives many compliments. Conspicuous by their absence are remarks from young people. By young we mean 18 and under. Talking to these people, we find they are hardly aware the Newsletter exists. What happens to the paper in your house? Do you draw your children’s attention to it? Until this edition there has always been a Young Peoples Page. This time we have a story about the young ones (centre page). It doesn’t make pleasant reading. The young ones in your house should know we are concerned about them and about their behaviour in and around our village. They have the right of reply, too. They will only use that right if they do the reading in the first place. Please make sure they have the chance to read this copy. Encourage them to send in their opinions. Next edition: late November!

Husthwaite Village Hall
Harvest Brunch
Sunday 12th October 2003
at the Village Hall
11.30am
Tickets 8
from the Village Shop
Be sure to bring your Lucky Draw Ticket

AUTUMN AT THE ROASTED PEPPER
An oasis of Mediterranean warmth and flavours
SPECIAL DATES FOR THE DIARY
taste a trip round the world with the Roasted Pepper

Wednesday evening 1st October: Italian evening includes a glass of chianti shared with anti pasta, pastas, salads and garlic bread
14.95 per person

Wednesday evening 22nd October: Caribbean carnival of food the party begins with a glass of rum punch
14.95 per person

Wednesday evening 12th November: a Greek taverna evening authentic Greek flavours accompanied by the traditional shot of ouzo
14.95 per person

Wednesday evening 3rd December: Mexican food fiesta celebrated with a glass of tequila sunrise
14.95 per person

NEWS FROM THE PEPPER
special promotion menus: two courses for 7.95 available from 3rd October to 19th December lunchtime & evenings except Saturday evenings and the special diary dates

Wednesday 5th November at 6.30 pm: GUY FAWKES PARTY
Bring your own fireworks (children must be accompanied by an adult)
Hot Dogs, tomato soup and parkin

Traditional Christmas menus available now!! Or, ready for a change? Something different perhaps?

How about an alternative Christmas party?

Have fun with a menu from a different country Spain, Italy, Mexico, Greece or the Caribbean
3-course menu 14.95 per person

New Years Eve: Hog Roast & Disco
Details to follow
Visit www.roastedpepper.co.uk to receive details by email

The Roasted Pepper Restaurant and Tapas Bar Low Street 868007
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Hambleton DC in Land Deal

Martin Gallon

During recent months the plans for a new hall have been moving forward at a steady pace. However, one very fundamental issue has developed in parallel. Hambleton District Council, in conjunction with the Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee, has become involved in the purchase of Robin Houlston’s land next to the school.

The proposal is that the District Council purchase the land (which has always been identified as the prime site for the new hall) and make this available to the village as an amenity site. The site would carry the provision for the new hall as and when a final decision to go ahead is made.

While this transaction has been in process, much of the new hall development has been in abeyance. Once the final details of the land purchase have been agreed, we can re-assess the options available and reach a considered judgement as to the best way forward.

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The new village hall project still requires a leader. As explained in the March Newsletter, we require a person with the necessary financial and administrative skills, as well as the time and the energy to chair a project committee. If that person is you, please make contact with the Parish Council or the Village Hall Committee.

Cinderella is off to a flying start. A meeting in the Village Hall for people interested in taking part in a village pantomime was well attended. We had an range of talent, young and old(er), with a blend of volunteers to go on stage and a most encouraging response to the call for supporting workers.

The script is a modern version of the traditional Cinderella story. There will, all doing their best to upset any godmother will wave her magic wand out in search of the silver slipper and turn out his pockets in search of the readies to pay off the Kings tax collectors, a pair of feminists rejoicing in the names of Germaine and Greer.

And there will be opportunities for audience participation, a moment of panto magic.

Saturday 6th February 2004

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70s Disco

Saturday 8th November Village Hall

Dance to Your 1970s Favourites

Fancy Dress

Tickets 7.50

(includes Fish and Chip Supper)

from Angela Whorlman or the Village Shop
Still No Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, Husthwaite!

Do everything you can to rev up your Neighbourhood Watch scheme. This is County Councillor Caroline Patmores advice to the Husthwaite community. Speaking at the September meeting of Husthwaite Parish Council, Councillor Patmore drew attention to the reduction of local policing levels. We are considered a safe area, she said, and this makes us vulnerable. Policing in Easingwold is at a lower level now than in 1997. It is true that in Husthwaite we are off the A19, so that most people dont think about us, but there have been incidents in Coxwold. The whole-village Neighbourhood Watch Scheme in Oulston has not only enabled residents to claim lower house insurance rates but also lowered the number of incidents.

Husthwaite used to be covered by a network of groups of 10 houses. John Sutton continues to run his share of this work. It is time the others were re-activated. The Parish Council makes yet another appeal for a Village Coordinator to step forward. Assistance in setting up a network is available from Easingwold. Surely, the duties cannot be too onerous, especially for a person not otherwise committed to one of the numerous activities which make up this vibrant community.

Pavement Damaged

A wide agricultural vehicle was recently driven along Malton Street, where it ploughed up the verges. The same vehicle may have been the one which proceeded along the High Steet demolishing the kerb and peppering the pavement and the road with divots.

Its dangerous, Colin Burn told the Parish Council meeting. Anyone could comfortably turn an ankle. The driver should be identified and sued. The Highways Department has been informed.

Wanted: 100 Smiles

Fostering North Yorkshire aims to recruit a hundred caring families to provide foster homes in the next 2-3 years.

The foster carers role, says County Councillor Caroline Patmore, is to provide a safe and supportive family experience for children who cant stay at home. They may have been neglected and be in need of love and care.

Interested families should phone the Fostering North Yorkshire Enquiry Centre on 0800 389 2362.

the Roasted Pepper

Special Promotional Menu

two courses for #7.95
available from 3rd October to 19th December

starters
- roast plum tomato & basil soup
- or
- selection of tapas
choose two per person from the following
- calamares rings, salmon & coriander fish cakes, pork and pepper skewer, chunky potato wedges, barbecue chicken wings, sun-dried tomato & mozzarella bruschetta
accompanied by a trio of dips: garlic mayonnaise, tartare sauce, yoghurt & coriander

mains
- seared fillet of salmon, olive oil mash, lemon chutney, watercress pesto
- Moroccan lamb stew, minted cous cous
- chick pea & spinach casoulet, warm pitta bread fingers

sweets
- stickly toffee pudding, vanilla pod ice cream, butterscotch sauce
- duo of raspberry & orange sorbet, shortbread biscuits
- toffee apple meringue cake, calvados creme fraiche

Christmas Menu

#15.95 per person (Main course only: #8.95)

on arrival
glass of mulled wine

starters
- roast plum tomato & basil soup
- chargrilled vegetable terrine, dressed salad leaves, garlic mayonnaise
- smoked haddock and gruyere tartlet, chive creme fraiche
- crisp ceasar salad, fresh anchovies, foccacia croutons, sun-blushed tomatoes & black olives

main courses
- roast breat of turkey, smoked bacon & apple stuffing, cranberry & ginger relish, red wine reduction
- seared fillet of salmon, lemon chutney, warm pickled potatoes, watercress pesto
- grilled ribeye steak, thyme and garlic roast potatoes, confit plum tomato, burgundy jus
- caramalized red onion & fennel tarte tatin, rockette and parmesan salad, green olive tapenade

sweets
- homemade Christmas pudding, vanilla pod ice cream, brandy creme anglais
- dark chocolate and pear tart, chocolate sauce
- baked lemon cheesecake, blackberry & apple compote
- clementine creme brulee, shortbread thins

Go on!! give us a call on 868007
Do you know which 118 number to call for Directory Enquiries these days? How about 118 499? With the mass of companies jumping on the derelict bandwagon of the old 192 service, why not make sure your calls help the British Red Cross.

118 499 is the new Share Charity number with 5p from every call split equally between Red Cross and Barnardos. The service is very competitive: calls cost an basic 25p and 30p per minute thereafter (billed by the second) from BT landlines. A typical enquiry might cost 35-40p.

Remember the number and tell your friends. Stickers with the number are available from the Red Cross (via John Ovenston, 868347). So the next time you make a call make a difference too!

Recycle your used Inkjet Cartridges

Hewlett Packard-Canon-Lexmark
(no Epsons please)

Do you normally throw your used inkjet cartridges in the bin? STOP! The British Red Cross have an exclusive deal with a recycling agency which means it get 1 for every cartridge returned.

Please support the British Red Cross by sending your used inkjet cartridges in a FREEPOST envelope available from any Red Cross Office or via John Ovenston (868347).

Local History Society
Peckitt Plaque Ready
Hugh Richardson

Finally, after many months of effort, principally by Fred Pickstone, the Society has received the appropriate permissions from the various authorities involved to erect a plaque on the Church graveyard wall to commemorate William Peckitt. He was born in this village in 1731. His stained glass can be seen in, among other places, York Minster. A very handsome plaque has now been cast and will be fixed in place in the very near future.

An interesting account of the life and achievements of William Peckitt can be found in Coxwoldshire, Husthwaite Local History Societys book on sale in local shops. The chapter was written by a former Husthwaite resident, Hazel Wilkinson.

Winter Talks Programme

Wednesday 15th October will be the first of our Illustrated Winter Evening Talks. This one is The Archaeology of the North York Moors from the Air, and it will be given by Graham Lee, who is the Archaeological Conservation Officer for the North York Moors National Park. It begins at 7.30pm and is being held in the library of the Husthwaite village school.

Tickets are on sale at the Husthwaite Village Shop and from Hugh Richardson on 868005, at 3 to include a glass of wine.

New Vicar Arrives

The Licensing of Rev Ian Kitchen will take place on Monday 3rd November at 7.30pm at St Michaels Church, Coxwold. There will be refreshments after the service in Coxwold Village Hall.

Reverend Kitchen will be the priest at the churches of Husthwaite, Carlton, Coxwold, Wass and Crayke. His wife, Helen, will live at Crayke.
Cemetery Poses Problem for Parish Council
Richard Wood

Relatives of people buried in the village graveyard are to be asked to contribute to the repair of damaged headstones.
Husthwaite Parish Council reached this decision after careful consideration at their September meeting. Headstones had been flattened recently when a large number were found to be unsafe.
The Parish Council was advised to take this action following the death of a 6-year old North Yorkshire boy. Reuben Powell died of head injuries when an unstable tombstone fell on him in a Harrogate cemetery. He was playing with his friends in what had been a favourite haunt for generations of young people.
Husthwaite faces a difficult decision. For the Governors to lock the gates at night in an attempt to reduce vandalism the young people are congregating in the graveyard are taking the same risk that Reuben Powell took. Does this mean that Parish Council should take responsibility for repairing the forty seven headstones?
Councillors believe the lifting and repair work is the responsibility of relatives, only 15 of whom have been traced so far. It may take responsibility for the upkeep of the graveyard or nobody comes to grief there. Some people have already restored gravestones at their own expense.
A decision will be reached when replies have been received from the 15 families.

From Skateboarding to Shotgun Pellets

School Vandalism to the schools property is as bad now as it has ever been. This was Colin Burns report to Husthwaite Parish Council from the School Governors.
We have found cans, bottles, not to mention sleeping bags, Mr Burn said. During the holidays there was damage to windows, seemingly by gunshot pellets. Fires were lit, causing damage to the tarmac. The Headteacher is worried that one of these days the beautiful school building itself will burn down.
Young people gather at the school for skateboarding, drawn by the tarmac area and the playing fields. The Governors reluctantly decided to lock the gates when it was clear that two cars driven by teenagers were coming from Easingwold.
The damage might, Parish Councillors considered, be caused by children from the school or former pupils. Most likely they are connected with the village or why would they choose this place?
Colin Burn favoured replacing the Trespassers Prosecuted sign with a warning that people causing damage would be prosecuted.
County Councillor Caroline Patmore said that North Yorkshire was bringing the matter to the communities attention. There was no desire, she said, to prosecute people, nor to deprive the village of a wonderful facility.
On the other hand, we cannot accept vandalism, which includes a considerably increased power bill caused by the security lights remaining on after the skateboarders have gone home. We are looking for an understanding that these premises should be treated properly.
Elaine Smith suggested pointing out to all village parents how destructive such vandalism is. Its not appropriate either, she said, for the children to lounge about the graveyard, the final resting place of local peoples loved ones.
Ursula Duncan was in favour of reinforcing this approach by contacting the young people themselves. I talk to them, she said. I know the ones who are OK. I know the strangers. They are not monsters. The safest thing is to keep talking to them.

TURN UP THE HEAT
Come Salsa Dancing
4 session
Phone Pat 823590