



*Appleton Wiske Parish Council*

# NEWSLETTER

January 2015

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## **Appleton Wiske Parish Council**

### **YOUR PARISH COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!!!**

**May 2015 sees not only the General Election but also the Parish Council elections and WE NEED YOU!!**

**If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor please contact Leonie Smith (Clerk) who will forward the necessary paperwork.**

**We meet on the 1st Monday of every month and are looking for people who genuinely want to make a difference in our community and are prepared to take responsibility and show commitment.**

#### **Newsletter Distribution**

If you would like to receive this newsletter electronically please send your e-mail address along with your name to [clerk@appletonwiske.com](mailto:clerk@appletonwiske.com).

It will help us save paper and printing costs.



## **Appleton Recreation Association**

### **200 Club**

Our second draw took place at the Lord Nelson on Christmas Eve and we are glad to announce the following winners;

- 1st Prize £500 - Helen Smith
- 2nd Prize £200 - Sue Gudger
- 3rd Prize £100 - Sue Trehwitt

We would like to thank everyone for their continued support by being involved in the draw, but as always we are always looking for additional helpers, so if you feel you can help in any way then please get in touch with Andrew I'Anson 07949 341 784

## **Appleton in Bloom Quiz**

**Appleton in Bloom are holding their Annual Quiz on Saturday 14th March.**

**Teams of 6 - questions will start 8:00 p.m. prompt**

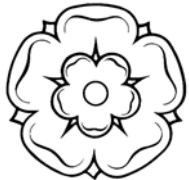
**Tickets £5 each are available from the Post Office from mid February or from any AiB member.**





## **Christmas Tree - Light Switch ON !!**

Thank you to everyone who attended the Christmas Tree lighting ceremony in December. Thanks to your generosity we were able to send a donation of £200 to Teesside Hospice, in memory of Bev Robinson.



## **Appleton Wiske Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association (YCA)**

Just to say thank you for all the help and support from everyone in Appleton Wiske YCA and all our friends who have supported us over the last year.

We look forward to another great year including a varied programme of speakers, outings and activities - please keep an eye on the noticeboards for further details or contact Margaret Lamb 01609 881468 or Michelle Street 01609 881422

New members are always welcome, please come along on the 2nd Wednesday of each month and enjoy a very friendly and entertaining evening where there is always time for a chat and refreshments.

“The aims of the YCA are to further the skills, knowledge and social activities of its members and to preserve the heritage of Yorkshire. It is run by members for members, is non sectarian and non political”.

Our next event the AGM is a social evening on Wednesday 11th February at 4 The Paddock at 7:30 p.m.

We would like to wish Jane Davy all the best in her new home and thank her for her services of Treasurer over the past 4 years.



## **MINIBUS CLUB**

The minibus continues to provide the weekly service into Northallerton on Wednesdays and has been well used by other organisations for their outings and activities. The problem with water leaks into the cabin has been repaired. Despite its relative youth and it being a Mercedes vehicle, parts of the roof had rusted through allowing water to drip onto some of the seats.

The Department for Transport has announced that it will be making grants to groups in rural and isolated communities for new minibuses. An application for a grant from the £25m fund has been made and we await the outcome.

We are sorry to lose Keith Davy from our small group of drivers who share the Wednesday ‘shoppers’ run to Northallerton when the medicines from the Mowbray Surgery are also collected and, thanks to Tony Lawson, are available in the Village Shop later in the day. New volunteer drivers would be very welcome to join the rota. The club will arrange for new drivers to join a MIDAS course which introduces drivers to some of the additional points that minibus drivers should be aware of. Drivers must be over 25 years old and hold a full driving license.



## New Children's Play Area

As some of you will have already seen, the work is well under way on the New Children's Play Area, and it is looking fantastic. This is the first overhaul that this area has had in 25 years and something that we are very proud of. Our aim is, with your help, to keep developing this area every 2 - 3 years.

The area is used by a whole host of people, and we hope that this enjoyment is now enhanced.

As always in these cases there are many people to thank;

Firstly, I would like to thank the initial Play Area fundraisers (Sandra Elsdon, Hermione Davies and Allison Willey) who with a lot of hard work managed to raise around £3,000.

Secondly, the Appleton Wiske Educational Foundation, who kindly donated £2,000.

Thirdly, The Methodist Chapel for their donation of £180 raised at 3 of their coffee mornings.

And finally, Nicky Smith who was instrumental in getting us £10,000 from the Big Lottery Fund via their Awards for All Scheme.

Other people we would like to thank are Richard Johnson, Ken Blackwood, Tina Goodmancook, Collin and Jackie Bell, Richard Smith and all the ARA Committee (Scott and Helen Healey, Richard Gardner, Phil Heward, Peter Drummond and Leonie Smith).

There is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes to achieve what we have and this is why we are always after helpers.

## OIL BUYING GROUP

The oil buying group continues to expand and now has over 170 members who can take advantage of the bulk buying price that can be negotiated when suppliers are invite to quote for the large volume of oil that the group requires.

The group operates on a totally voluntary basis with no benefit going to the organisers. This provides the best price available to every member whatever the size of the order with just a 500 litre minimum restriction.

To join the group, just email [oil@appletonwiske.org](mailto:oil@appletonwiske.org) and you can be added to the list receiving the regular email invitations to place an order. If you don't have an email address, contact Ken Blackwood on 881660.



## Appleton Players

Thank you so very much to everyone involved in this years production "Mother Goose",

we are also very grateful to our audiences who cheered, clapped, sang and booed tremendously. We hope you all had as much fun as we did. If you enjoyed watching this year why not come along and get involved next year, please keep an eye on the noticeboard or contact Michelle Street on 01609 881422 for further information.



## APPLETON WISKE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Last term ended with our school Christmas production of "Silent Night" which had two performances both to a full house! Everyone thoroughly enjoyed performing and watching the play which told the story of how the carol "Silent Night" was written. Thank you to Friends of the School who organised the raffle and who had already arranged a fundraiser of carol singing at Sainsburys earlier in the term. The children also enjoyed a Christmas party with entertainment provided by the ever popular David Watersford or "the puppet man" as the children call him. We also had a visit from Father Christmas after a delicious Christmas lunch and finally a reflective carol service, led by Father Simon, when parents and children had the opportunity to come together and think about the meaning of Christmas. Thank-you to all those who joined us afterwards back at school for coffee and a chat!

The new school term started with a very busy week and we took part in our first sports fixture on Wednesday. Our school swimming team made up from children in Years 5 and 6 went to the Cluster Swimming Gala. Congratulations to the whole team who came second overall, only two points behind the team placed first. Thank you to Mrs Gudger, Mrs Grainge and Mrs Marshall who transported the children and supported the team. Everyone displayed excellent team spirit and swimming skills. On Thursday, the Pre-School visited for the morning and the Class1 children really enjoyed working with the younger children. Class 2 have started using the 'Talk for Writing' approach in their literacy sessions and this week have been working on retelling the story of 'Hansel and Gretel'. Miss Seger- Bernard our 2nd year student from Durham University started her teaching practice this week and Class 3 enjoyed a gymnastics session and a soap making activity. On Thursday evening Mr Willis ran an evening for parents about SATS and Year 6 Booster Classes. This was very informative and was aimed at supporting parents and the Year 6's as they approach the run up to SATS this year. Mr Willis will be running a Year 6 booster session once a week this half term and twice a week next half term. This will be an informal hour when the Year 6's can chat about any areas they would like support with.

We have an exciting term ahead with two residential visits one to Robin Wood and one to East Barnby. We are also looking forward to a visit to Richmond Georgian Theatre and to Conyers School for a "Big Bang Science" day. If you would like to see photographs of these visits and other school activities or find out more about the school curriculum and themes for this term visit our school website at- [www.appletonwiske.n-yorks.sch.uk](http://www.appletonwiske.n-yorks.sch.uk)

### **BANISH THOSE WINTER BLUES AND SHED POUND'S**



Looking to shed those Christmas Pounds why not join the Pilates and Zumba groups in Appleton Wiske Village Hall.

**PILATES** - £4

Tuesday , 19:30 to 20:30

**ZUMBA** - £3

Wednesday - 18:30 to 19:30

Sunday - 09:30 to 10:30

### Dog Poo Problems – again.

An Appleton resident from The Paddock was challenged by the bin men last week who had found dog poo in their green bin. They don't have a dog.

The bin men stated that if it happened again, they will never to empty the green bin again.

Please note dog faeces can go in the dog poo bins that are around the village, or the black domestic rubbish bins, but *not the green bins*.

The HDC website states:

## Dog Fouling

Dog waste bins are provided throughout the district to encourage dog owners to clean up after their pets. Dog Waste can also be placed in your domestic bin (NOT GREEN WASTE!)

The Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996 is enforced across the entire district. The law applies to any designated land which is open to the air (on at least one side) and to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access, with or without payment. This includes highways with a speed limit of 40 mph or less; pavements; verges; open spaces such as village greens, parks and play areas; and public rights of way such as footpaths and bridleways.

It says that owners must clear up after their dogs! That can be done by using a 'poop scoop' or plastic bag - anything that will safely remove the faeces from the land. They can be disposed of either in a dog waste bin, litter bin or with domestic refuse - in a sealed bag.

If a dog defecates at any time on designated land and a person in charge of the dog at that time fails to remove the faeces from the land, that person is guilty of an offence. If the offence is witnessed then they may be issued with a fixed penalty notice of £50. If that fine is left unpaid or contested the Council will take action through the courts which carries fines of up to £1000, a criminal record, and possible court costs.

Appleton Wiske Parish Council is working with the dog warden to address this perennial problem.

### **Neighbourhood Plan**

Once again we have to report that the finalisation of the Neighbourhood Plan is taking much longer than we anticipated. Planning Aid England engaged a firm of planning consultants in London to help us choose a selected site from the six sites which had been offered as suitable for building 10 dwellings. The consultants merely told us the pros and cons of each site and did not even visit the village.

Just before Christmas we met with Hambleton DC Planning Department and even though they are very busy at present, they have offered to assist us in the selection of a site. They hope to be able to start this at the end of January. We then intend to consult with residents on the preferred site and hopefully also have a proposed site layout.

Our proposals for 10 dwellings is in agreement with HDC's draft Settlement and Hierarchy and Housing Development in rural areas which has recently been issued for comment.





# APPLETON WISKE TENNIS CLUB



Appleton Wiske Tennis Club are looking for new members.

Membership Fees Adult £32

Child under 18 £7

Household membership £70

(2 Adults and any person 18 years and under or anyone in full-time education at that address)

Mens night - Mondays 18:30 – Finish

Womens night - Wednesdays 17:00 – Finish

Womens morning - Thursday 10:30 – 12:00

Mixed Night - Fridays 18:00 – Finish

Courts are available at all other times for individual bookings.

Open to all members.

For more information please contact Beryl Thompson [Berylwh@me.com](mailto:Berylwh@me.com). or  
Richard Smith [smudge\\_smith648@hotmail.com](mailto:smudge_smith648@hotmail.com)

[www.appletonwiske.com/sports](http://www.appletonwiske.com/sports)

Appleton Wiske Tennis Club AGM will take place on Monday 16th  
March 2015 at 19:30 in the Lord Nelson.  
Please keep an eye on the Noticeboards for the Agenda.

## Scarecrow Festival 2015



We are delighted to announce that the Scarecrow Festival will be back again this year on Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th July. We hope this will keep you busy during the winter months planning our scarecrows and we look forward to seeing you in a sunny July.

## APPLETON WISKE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The foundation is a registered charity which can provide grants to young people to help with the cost of their education (including social and physical training). Applications are restricted to young people under the age of 25 years who are resident (or who have a parent resident) in Appleton Wiske, East Rounton, Picton and West Rounton. The trustees can make awards towards the costs associated with all levels of education and can include supporting music and other arts, as well as for tools, clothing and books used in training and apprenticeships as well as further education. Grants may also be available for travel costs which are incurred as part of a young person's education. The number of grants and their value depends on the income that the trust receives from its investments.

Further information is available from [awef@appletonwiske.org](mailto:awef@appletonwiske.org) or from the Trustees of the Appleton Wiske Educational Foundation at 33 Hunters Ride, Appleton Wiske, Northallerton, North Yorkshire, DL6 2BD