

The Yealands

News for Conyers, Redmayne and Storrs Oct 2016

Quiz night at the Village Hall

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1st October 7pm

£5pp. Pay on door

Light supper but BYO.

Bring friends and family or just come
along and join a team!

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McMillan Coffee morning

1st Oct 1000-1200 also at the village hall

Gifts for the tombola, raffle and cake stalls
welcome; contact Lew Hankinson on 781631. Logs
also for sale. Can we beat last year's amazing
figure of £2009 raised?

Defibrillator installations

There are now 2 Automatic External Defibrillators
(AEDs) installed in the Yealands, in unlocked
boxes so they are accessible by anyone at any
time. One is on the outside wall at the village hall,
and the second is in the (always open) porch at the
Quaker Meeting House in Conyers.

The path down to the Meeting House does look
dark at night, but there are two movement
activated lights, which will operate if you come
down the gravel path from Yealand Rd, or from the
car park.

There is also an illuminated light switch in the
porch, press and there is enough light to get the
AED box open and pick up the machine. Conyers
residents are encouraged to see for yourself
exactly where it is. The box has an alarm if you
open it, but don't worry about this. Get back to the
casualty!

Core funding came from the British Heart
Foundation, but installation and other costs have
been funded by various individuals and groups.
Thanks to all who have been involved.

A well attended training session was held on the
22nd Sept. but these AED units talk to you and
training is not essential. It was very interesting to
hear from an employee at NW ambulance service.

Three messages impressed on your editor.

If you cannot explain clearly where you are, they
cannot send anyone out (think postcode);
stay on the line, they will talk you through what to
do, and

phone from where you can see the casualty, so
you can tell the 999 service what is happening.

That evening we learnt from Viv Calver that the
Burton and Holme First Responders have had over
20 call-outs to the Yealands this year, and the
problem of response times remains. They have
continued to press for funding and NWAS has now
agreed to provide a full kit, which would enable a
satellite group to be set up in Yealand.

Viv sincerely hopes that the interest still remains in
the villages. At the recent defibrillator training
session, the NWAS representative described how
alarmingly stretched the Ambulance Service is. A
group in the Yealands would be a valuable source
of help and reassurance to residents.

Viv is now proposing to hold a preliminary meeting
in October at which a member of the Burton and
Holme team would talk about becoming a First
Responder. If you are interested, please email Viv
at jandvcalver@gmail.com and she will contact
you in due course.

Yealand Conyers PC

The next Parish Council meeting is on 2nd
November when Mike Welch from United Utilities
will attend. Residents have voiced concern about
the frequency of disruption to the water supplies.

The Community Payback team have done an
excellent job of clearing the footpath along
Yealand Road and the area around the pump.

In an emergency situation designated Places of
Safety are the Village Hall, Quaker Meeting House
and St. Mary's Church. Please ensure that you
keep torches, candles and warm clothes handy in
case of power cuts. Look out for your neighbours,
especially those living alone.

We are still without a clerk and would welcome
applications for this post by the 2nd Nov.

Yealand Redmayne PC

Next meeting 9th Nov, 7.30 village hall

Community Adoption of the Lancaster Canal.

The Canal & River Trust recently announced that Yealand Redmayne Parish Council has been granted a 'Community Adoption Award' for the mile of the Lancaster Canal Towpath, which flows through part of the parish. The stretch runs from Bridge 141A at Cinderbarrow to Bridge 143 at Hilderstone.

The purpose of the adoption will be to work with CRT to:

- encourage walkers and fishermen to keep the canal towpath clean and tidy.
- make improvements to the towpath access points.
- record, improve and develop wildlife habitats.
- encourage growth of wild flowers.
- plant bulbs and flowers.

and anything else which residents would like to add to the list. CRT will provide training, equipment and life jackets, as necessary. They will shortly erect display boards at each end of the stretch to announce the adoption.

We plan to form a Community Action Group in the spring which will spend one day a month on agreed tasks. We expect that children at the village school will be involved in these activities. They already have some bird boxes, and could help plant spring bulbs.

Quaker Meeting Ecumenical Event

This is being organised this year by the Quaker Meeting on the 9th Oct from 3-5pm in the Old School in Conyers. Taking the theme from Churches Together in Lancashire, we will be exploring how big an issue poverty is within Lancaster city. We hope this will interest not only our congregations, but also locals who don't attend any of the churches. We will hear about the local work of the Citizens' Advice Bureau, the activity of the Morecambe Bay Foodbank, and some national Quaker work looking at why our economy seems to leave too many individuals in real poverty.

Crafty Coffee

Next meeting -Thurs 6th Oct 10am-12 at Yealand Old School in the upstairs comfy room. Denise will help us with a simple embroidery (suitable for beginners) or you can continue with knitted or crocheted fiddle muffs.

Please bring scissors, needles and threads (if you have them) for the embroidery and any spare wool (double knitting or thicker) for fiddle muffs.

Tea/ coffee and scones. £2 minimum donation which goes to charity.

St Johns church

Congratulation to the 50/50 Club winners in August - Jim Hamilton, David Brown and Alan Frost.

The next Knit and Knatter is in church on Wednesday October 12, 2-4pm. Everyone welcome. We are supporting Knit-a-square (www.knit-a-square.com) which helps abandoned and vulnerable children and AIDS orphans in southern Africa (more details and patterns on the website) and are happy to receive knitted contributions from anyone to send off - you don't need to come to Knit and Knatter to join in.

Tea at St John's is on Wednesday October 26 at 3.00. Everyone welcome - please ring if you would like a lift or if you or anyone you know can't get out but would like a nice tea to be delivered.

For more information about any of the above, contact Sally-Ann Rothwell 734585.

Harvest Festival and Lunch at Yealand

The Harvest Service at St. John's is at 9.15 am on 2nd October and will be followed by lunch in Yealand Village Hall at 12.00 noon for 12.30. Tickets for the lunch are £3.00 for adults and £1.50 for children. All are welcome. The lunch will include cold meats and quiche with salads and potato wedges, and desserts to follow. Tickets can be obtained from, and offers of salads and desserts for the lunch are still welcomed and gratefully received by Granville Tunnicliffe Wilson, Tel. 01524 781274, email g.tunnicliffe-wilson@zen.co.uk; (servings for about 6 to 8 people please of your favourite dish).

RSPB Leighton Moss

Nature Up-close

Wednesday 26 October (Drop-in between 1-3 pm)

Come and get a bigger eye full of nature on this special event. Our microscopes will help you to discover some wonderful wildlife up close, seeing it from a whole new angle, revealing all sorts of unknown colours and patterns. Normal admission charges to the reserve apply to non-members, no additional charges for the event. Donations welcome. No need to book, just roll up!

Birding for Beginners

Sunday 30 October (8-10.30 am)

Join Andy Chapman on this informative wildlife walk to learn more about identifying birds and why they choose Leighton Moss as their home. Get tips

on identification and advice about wildlife watching.

Afterwards enjoy a bacon or veggie sausage bap and tea or coffee. Booking and payment in advance essential. No experience necessary. Cost £15 (RSPB members £12). Meet in The Holt next to the garden.

New Inn News

Those who go past may have noticed that work inside the building has started, and the garden at the front has been tidied up. No reopening date has yet been set, but let's hope that this will be soon.

Village Hall

Despite being closed for August, activity has continued at the village hall. New mens' loos and a disabled loo have been installed with funding from the Big Lottery's "Awards for All" along together with funds from the village hall. Other work is in process to improve the external lighting and generally keep on top of the building.

As you may have seen the defibrillator has been installed outside the hall. Thanks to the Yealand Redmayne Parish Council and other organisations e.g. Carnforth Rotary and Inner Wheel for financial donations. Ongoing training started on Sept 22nd and hopefully more will be available at later dates.

If you want to hear more about activities at the hall or would like to be more involved please join us at our Annual General Meeting which will be held on November 2nd at 7.30pm. Wine and nibbles available.

Some of our white mugs have gone missing. If you have borrowed them, the hall committee would like them back, before they have to buy some replacements.

A table tennis table no longer used seeks a new home. Donation to the hall appreciated.

We have vacancies on the committee and some regular groups also need volunteers such as Coffee Stop which meets every Monday morning (apart from Bank Holidays) at 10.30am. Committee members always welcome ideas for events so let us know if you have any thoughts. Hope you can join us on November 2nd.

For more information or queries please contact Gerry on 07769335107 or gerrymoore1950@gmail.com

Yealand WI

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th October and will be the AGM followed by cheese, wine and a quiz. The competition will be a photo of 'Something I did on my holidays'.

New members are always welcome. More details from Diana McClure on 781803.

In Memoriam

Yealand News does not usually record deaths, but two have occurred recently of villagers who were well known.

Beryl Mercer up to 2012 shared with with Jim Jarvis, the role of wardens of the Quaker Meeting and Old School. With Jim, she moved here from Merseyside over 20 years ago, but for the last year had been in poor health. She was also on the village hall committee and chair of this for some time. Following a service at the Lancaster crematorium, a memorial meeting is being held at the Quaker Meeting House on Friday 7th Oct. pm

Eleanor Woods was born and brought up in the cottage next to the Old Post Office in Conyers. She went to the village school and spent all of her married life on the Meadows in Redmayne.

Our sympathies to each of the families.

Use it or lose it

Mobile library.

This is next due on the 17th October, Note that the timings are changed because of the roadworks at Millhead. It will be in Redmayne before Conyers

Further ahead

Christmas bash at the Village Hall
December 17th. News of tickets next time.

New Year's Day

Then for those who would like a walk or just bacon butties and fizz we are opening the hall on New Years Day morning. More details in the next news.

In a month that has seen our road to Carnforth closed, the water go off without warning, and the electricity go off during the day, (with prior notification), which also takes out B4RN, October has got to be better. Hope to see you in the New Inn soon.

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