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The Flyer

It's wonderful... to see curlews and lapwings arriving on Barningham Moor during March for their nesting season! *Meanwhile*, let's look at the law pertaining to dogs... "Dogs on open access land: You must keep your dog on a lead no more than 2 metres long on open access land between 1 March and 31 July - to protect ground-nesting birds" (ref. <https://www.gov.uk/right-of-way-open-access-land/use-your-right-to-roam>) There still appear to be many cars transporting dogs to the Moor to let them run free - it's an offence... (Ed.)

LETTERS

Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association March Meeting

At our March meeting, in Dalton Village Hall with 17 members and one guest, we had a local lady, Georgia Naylor, whom gave a very interesting and comprehensive talk about Bee Keeping. She brought some of her own honey for us to sample and it was delicious. We all enjoyed her talk very much.

Our next meeting to be held on **Tuesday 7 April at 7pm** will be Heidi Varley from Pinks Flower Farm in Cotherstone talking about her business and the new interest in British grown flowers. All are welcome - visitors £6 including tea and biscuits

Janet Patterson

RAVENSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

We are seeking to appoint a Clerk to our Parish Council. Unfortunately, our annual stipend is small and we are unable to pay a salary. We are therefore hoping that someone within our community may be willing to undertake at least some of the duties of a parish clerk, either voluntarily or by way of a small honorarium.

The role would predominantly involve working under the direction of our Chair to set agendas, minute meetings and undertake routine administrative tasks. Good administrative skills would of course be essential.

The successful candidate would need to be vetted under the usual safeguarding procedures (DBS clearance).

To discuss this further, please telephone **Audrey Pledge** on **07754 656056** or email **aapledge@icloud.com**

BARNINGHAM VILLAGE HALL

Annual General Meeting

April 29th, 7:30pm

All welcome.

THE INSIDE PAGE

SLOW WAYS WALKING ROUTES: <https://beta.slowways.org>. Also try Walking in Durham: www.walkinginengland.co.uk/durham

BARNINGHAM BINS: Apr: Wed^s; Recycling, 1, 15 & 29; Rubbish, 8 & 22: Garden Waste, Tue 14 & 28.

BARNINGHAM ALLOTMENTS: contact Phil Heys on 01833 621487

BARNINGHAM MOBILE LIBRARY: Thu 16 Apr, 11:20 - 11:35am.

BARNINGHAM PARISH MEETING: contacts: Robin Brooks, Clerk (01833 621203), Mike Peach, Chair (07810 056105), Phil Hunt, Treasurer (01833 621253).

BARNINGHAM VILLAGE HALL: Ann Orton, Secretary & bookings, etc. (01833 621024 or 07980 877760)

BARNINGHAM WEBSITE: The website www.barninghamvillage.co.uk has information about everything from parish meetings to local history. Unfortunately the website is out of date and a volunteer to help would be much appreciated.

Can anyone help by taking the updating of this on?

NEWSHAM, DALTON, etc. BINS: Apr: Fri^s; Rubbish, 3 & 17; Recycling, 10 & 24.

POST OFFICE in **Newsham Village Hall** is open Wednesdays, 9.30am-1pm.

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NEWSHAM VILLAGE HALL: Hall hire enquiries contact Rose on 01833 621300.

NEWSHAM VILLAGE HALL FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS: every week - leave donations in the box inside the Village Hall on Wednesdays between 9 and 4 for the Store House in Richmond

NEWSHAM PARISH COUNCIL: Planning Applications and Notices can be found on the Parish Council website: www.newshamparishcouncil.com, village Facebook page and notice-boards.

WHORLTON WEBSITE: www.whorltonvillage.org covering the Whorlton Village Community Association & the Village Hall - also FaceBook page: Whorlton Village.

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From Joy Allen (Durham PCC): "Every day across England and Wales, an average of 5 people lose their lives and 68 are seriously injured on our roads. Yet many of these lives could have been saved by wearing a seatbelt. Seatbelts are estimated to have saved tens of thousands of lives in Britain. They reduce the risk of death in a collision by around 50 per cent. Government data shows that around 1 in 3 vehicle occupants killed in collisions were not wearing a seatbelt. A recent seatbelt enforcement operation carried out by Durham Constabulary's Roads and Armed Policing Team during the February half-term produced shocking results. One driver received three separate tickets in just one week for failing to wear their seatbelt, totaling £300 in fines. But what concerned officers even more was that when some drivers were stopped, children travelling in the vehicle were also unrestrained. Failure to wear a seatbelt is one of the behaviours linked to the most serious collisions, alongside speeding, drink or drug and mobile phone use." *Thanks to John Hay for our Neighbourhood Alert updates*



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Barningham Village Hall
7:30pm, Wednesday 22nd April

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- The Parish Meeting accounts
- Update on Hope Moor Windfarm proposal
- BRINEC
- The Village Green
- The Bull Acre
- Election of Officers

If anyone has items for the agenda, please write or e-mail by 6:00pm on Monday 20th April.
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Upcoming Events

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Talk about Pinks Flower Farm.

Lockey's Fish & Chips – Wed 8 & 22 Apr, 6:50-7:20pm

Lunch Club – Thu 9 Apr at noon. For local area residents over 65, £8 per person. Phone Maria on 07739 661917 or Helen on 07895 864845.

Wine Circle – Tue 28 Apr, 7:30pm – Tasting Top End Burgundy Wine – see ad.

Sharing Supper & Dominoes Night – Sat 9 May, 7:00pm. Bring a dish and enjoy good food with old friends and new ones.

Strawberry Fayre – Sun 28 Jun – looking forward to Summer sun – save the date.

MacMillan Coffee Morning – Sat 18 Jul, 10:00am, Save the date!



Annual Produce Show – Sat 15 Aug. Schedules available on noticeboards in Dalton & Gayles, as well as on the Village Hall website & Facebook page – get planning and producing in advance!

Dalton Wine Circle – Best Burgundys

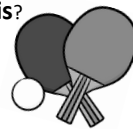
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FOR BOOKINGS OR INFORMATION CONTACT:

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- **Pop-up Tearoom** – Sun 19 Apr, 11:00am – 3:30pm
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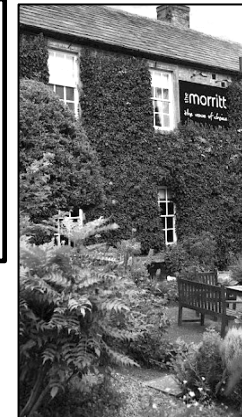
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- Mon 2-4pm: Art & Craft group
- Tue 6:30-7:30pm: Yoga
- Wed 6:30-7:30pm: Yoga For Men
- Thu 6:30-7:30pm: Yoga
- Lockey's Fish & Chips now **MONDAYs 6:30pm fortnightly.**

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WHORLTON & WESTWICK NEWS

Village Telegraph: Join the village WhatsApp group and keep up to date with local events. Neighbours from Wycliffe and Thorpe are also welcome to join by sending a text to Mary on 07584 908761.

Dates for your diary:

- **WVCA**, next committee meeting Wed 13 May, 7:00pm. Everyone welcome to come along.
- **Whorlton Open Gardens**, Sunday 14 Jun, 1:30-5:00pm. www.whorltonvillage.org
<https://www.facebook.com/whorltonvillage/>

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WHASHTON NEWS

A couple of important dates for your diaries:

- Annual General Meeting - Wednesday 17th June, Dalton & Gayles Village Hall starting at 19:00h.
- Annual BBQ - Saturday 4th July.

Hopefully you'll be able to attend both these key events in our Parish calendar..... more details to follow in due course.

Ian Mains, Chair Whashton Parish Meeting
ianmains@btinternet.com or 07484 725377
<https://www.whashtonparish.co.uk/>

St Mary's Church, Whorlton

Fri 3 Apr, 12 noon – Reflection for Good Friday

Sun 5 Apr, 8:00am – Easter fire outside the church, followed by Easter Communion inside.

Sun 12 Apr, 9:00am – Morning Prayer.

Sun 26 Apr, 4:00pm – Holy Communion.

Wishing everyone a Happy Easter.
May we all count our blessings!



WHORLTON & WESTWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Clerk: Alan Dixon t: 01388 609045
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NEWSHAM NEWS

Fashion Show – Fri 17 Apr. Complete Clothing Company. Tickets £4.40 in advance or £5 on the door. Raffle and bar. To book a ticket phone Rose 01833 621300 or Monica 01833 621125. See ad.

Carpet Bowls – everyone welcome Thu 2 Apr, 7:00pm, £3. Bar will be open. All ages welcome.

Charity Quiz & Games Night – Sat 11 Apr, 7:00pm. Raising money for Cancer Research. Raffle, licensed bar. Tickets £10 includes pie & pea supper. Teams up to 6 people. Contact Richard on 07973 230222 for tickets.

Richmondshire Library Van – calling at the Village Hall every 4 weeks, Tue^s 10:00-11:00am. Next: Tue 14 Apr.

Book Club – Thu Apr 16 – contact Rose for details 01833 621300

Craft Group – Thu 23 Apr, 6:30pm. Beginners book folding. £6 per person. Bar will be open! Ring 01833 316678 for details, check the Village Hall notice board or Facebook page.

Coffee morning – Fri 1 May, 10:30am. Come for cake and a neighbourly chat.

Lottery – the lottery winning number for February was 45. There were no winners so there will be a roll over with more cash to win in April's draw on 4 Apr. Proceeds to Village Hall funds. To join contact Steve on 01833 621125.

Date for your diary:
This year's Newsham Carnival weekend will be Fri 29 – Sat 30 May. Full details in next month's Flyer and the Newsham Village Hall Facebook page.

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12 TH	APRIL 9am	Easter Fun Run
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