



Elsham presents
A CHRISTMAS “WARM UP” PARTY
Saturday, 30th November 2013

ELSHAM VILLAGE HALL

7.30pm – 12.00pm

(over 18s only)

Everything’s Christmas!!

Quiz, party entertainment and

Dancing to the “Groove”

Optional “Best Original Christmas costume” to be judged!!

Prizes galore!!!

Includes:

“Christmas wrapped up in a bun”

with mince pies and Christmas goodies to follow

Real Ale and Wine will be on sale!!

Raffle and proceeds in aid of the Elsham Children’s Playground

Tickets £10

Please contact Parish Councillors for Tickets.

Elsham Indoor Bowls Club

The club are in the midst of their fixtures in the Bishop Norton League. We have played 7 matches at present and are in a creditable third position from the top.

We held our singles competition on 27th October. This was a most enjoyable event with members providing an excellent buffet. The event was won by a lady for the first time since we started in 1995. Lynne Clark was the winner. She was on top form and it will be nice to see her name on the trophy. We are holding our Christmas dinner on 4th December at the Sutton Arms in Scawby which should be another enjoyable occasion.

John Tomlinson

Whose Dog Is It?

Once again there have been complaints about dogs fouling in the village. This time specifically around the village hall. We know that there are many responsible dog owners in the village, it is just the odd one or two who give the rest a bad name. They have no excuse, we now have 5 dog litter bins around the village all paid for from the parish precept which you contribute to through the council tax. The newest one is at the top of Doll Lane snicket. It is a dual purpose dog and general litter bin.

If you know who is (ir)responsible for the fouling, please let any member of the Parish Council know. We will take action.

Elsham Village Hall is looking for new people to assist with Hall bookings.

Can you help?

If you are you interested please contact a Committee member – details on page 7.

It only involves a small amount of time per month.

Best Kept Village Competition

We came third in the past winners group, which means we were up against everyone who entered, including the large villages such as Scawby who have a much bigger budget. The marking was incredibly close so next year just a little extra effort should make us winners!.

Many thanks to those who litter picked around the village and those who planted and watered pots including Sandra Rawlin who looks after those around the village hall. Especial thanks to Agnes and Colin Marriss who have helped for many years. They are “retiring” and so if anyone would like to take their place, please let me know.

Parish Council Web Site

Elsham Parish Council uses the following web site to display council minutes, agenda and other useful information.
www.e-voice.org.uk/elshamparishcouncil

(The “e-voice” web site is available for use by charities & Parish Councils, and saves the council money and a lot of effort because it is free and uses a standard template.)

Take a look at the web site and let us have your comments

If you have any additional items than can be usefully added please contact a Parish Councillor in the first instance

Pool Table for Sale

Sadly Anne and Innes Sutherland’s boys have moved away and that means their pool table is redundant!

It is full sized, slate based and in immaculate condition. It comes with a dust cover; pool and snooker balls; cue and stand; brush for the baize.

Offers are welcome to a good home!

Tel 680705

Elsham Village Golf

This year's competition was held on Saturday 28th September 2013. Twelve people competed for the trophy which was first played for 40 years ago.

We again had a new name to put on the trophy – George Burke who scored a very creditable 36 points. In second place was George's father Steve Burke with Richard Guest coming third.

The prizewinners are shown below



Elsham Parish Council

Your Parish Councillors are:-

Graham Evison (Chairman)
(680980)
Siobhan Hollows (Deputy Chairman)
(07766 770056)

Sophie Dunn (680676)
Lorraine Guest (680679)
David Dent (688766)
John Taylor (680438)
Paul Richardson (688467)

Parish Clerk –
Deb Hotson (0784 2201877)
(available weekdays 10am – 2pm)

Christmas" Warm-Up" Party (See front page)

We need your support to make this a fantastic village start to the Christmas season.

Dancing, a light hearted quiz and games to get you in a festive mood.

So invite your neighbours and friends and join the fun!

All Saints' Church, Elsham

In the absence of a vicar we are endeavouring to hold regular services whenever possible. These services are dependent on the services of vicars from other parishes and everyone will be most welcome. Our aim is to hold two services each month during this interregnum.

On Sunday 3rd November, the Elsham Wold Association held their service in church to remember the 1,000 young men who did not return from operations. We are honoured to have a memorial in memory of these brave young men in our church.

The Quiz night held on 18th October was an enjoyable and successful evening and thanks are expressed to everyone for their hard work in organizing the event.

As usual, the Christmas Eve Mass will be held at 11.15pm.
Do join us for this occasion.

We do need your support during this difficult period. Service times are listed on the notice board outside the church together with any additional information.

Barbara Phipps

Open Gardens

On behalf of the PCC I would like to thank everyone involved who helped with this event. We were blessed with the weather, the one thing we couldn't control, and as a result 380 people turned up.

We can't thank everyone enough; those who worked hard and opened their gardens; all those who baked, we had loads of beautiful cakes, scones, biscuits and there were many compliments given by those who enjoyed their refreshments.

An enormous thank you to all those people who rolled up their sleeves and helped at the village hall, in whatever capacity.

It was truly a whole village event and the atmosphere was terrific, everyone working together and appearing to enjoy themselves at the same time.

An enormous **£1,641.50** was raised for church funds!

Well done everyone and thank you all so much.

Anne Sutherland

Christmas is Coming!

Local **"Save the Children"** fund volunteers invite you to their card sale on Wednesday 13th November at the home of Mrs Viv Burgess, Garden Cottage, New Street, Elsham.

11.00am to 2.00pm and 5pm to 7pm

Everyone is welcome to come along and browse and under no obligation to buy. Hoping to see you soon.

Planning Applications

Recently, we have had one or two instances where residents have begun projects without planning permission. Fortunately, after being informed of the need to apply, planning consent was granted.

Some planning rules have been relaxed recently, but it is always worth checking before you begin a project. A quick consultation costs nothing – ripping down something you have constructed could be expensive and heartbreaking

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Information about the village and events

Elsham Village Hall :- Apart from this newsletter, information can be found on the new notice board situated at the end of the Village Hall car park and also on the website.

Events which take place in the Village Hall are :-

Monday **Zumba** 10 – 11 am

Tuesday **New Age Kurling**
10.00 - 12.00

Parish Council
Monthly on the 3rd Tuesday 6.45 – 8.00pm (except April, August and Dec).

Next meetings: - Tuesday 3rd December 2013 (for Nov)
 Tuesday 21st January 2014

Wine Club
Fortnightly on a Tuesday 8.00 – 10.00 pm.

New members are welcome – tel. Roland Guest (680679) for further details

Wednesday **Bowls Club**
7.00 – 9.00pm

Thursday **Line Dancing** – social evening 7- 10 pm

Friday **Country Night** Monthly on the 2nd Friday at 7.00pm

Next meetings: - Friday 14th June 2013 – Chris Raddings
 Friday 12th July 2013 – T B A
 There is no Meeting in August

Sunday **Bowls Club**
7.00 – 9.00pm

Contact details re Keys / Booking etc. for Elsham Village Hall

Jim Reid
Kantara,
4 Chapel Lane, Elsham
Tel:- 01652 688753

John Tomlinson
2 Church Street, Elsham
Tel:- 01652 688221

Roland Guest
5 Church Street, Elsham
Tel:- 01652 680679

John Taylor
Little Bolingbroke
5 Hall Lane, Elsham
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