

Eggleston Parish Community Newsletter

SPRING 2018

Letter from Chair of the Parish Council:

On behalf of the Parish Council and parishioners I would like to thank the Carnival Committee for the wonderful Christmas Lights, which this year include a crib.

I would also like to thank Stuart & Frances Thornborrow and their helpers for running the Community Coffee Mornings in the village hall, on the first Monday each month. It is a great time for people to get together and have a chat. Do go along—there are always plenty of biscuits!

It is a great sadness that the Chapel is to close in June. Many of you may never have been inside this lovely chapel but to lose an institution from the village is never good. Our thanks to all who have worked so hard over the years to keep it safe for worship. Remembering all those who have been baptised, and married there and the mourners who have celebrated the lives of so many from our village.

As a Council we will re-start walks/drives around different parts of the parish when it is light enough for us to see. Our trip from Blackton up to the Weardale border resulted in a number of observations to DCC about the state of the road. Some have been actioned. Your observations are important to us and we do act on them where we are able or pass them to the relevant DCC department.

Sadly nobody was interested in making a garden in the Pinfold. The council will add the maintenance work for this area to the contract we are setting up for the Recreation Park.

Wendy Greenfield

Would you be willing to open your garden on Saturday 12th May 2018 from 1pm—5pm for a fund raising event? Please contact Judy Le Mare on 650367

CHURCH SERVICES FOR EASTER

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ALL OR ANY OF OUR SERVICES

HOLY TRINITY :

Monday 26th; Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 30th March at 7pm — Stations of the Cross. Good Friday 30th March: Reflective Service 10.30am

EASTER SUNDAY 1st April Celebration Eucharist 9.30am

EGGLESTON CHAPEL

EASTER SUNDAY 1st April Service 2.30pm

Eggleston Carnival Committee

Eggleston Carnival Committee would like to thank everyone who supported the Christmas events hosted by the Committee. Thanks to the Three Tuns Inn for providing the soup on Thursday 30th November, when the Christmas lights were switched on, and on Christmas Eve for the Christmas carols. Thanks also to the members of Reeth Brass Band, Father Christmas and all the residents and visitors who joined us for the carol singing on the village green adding to the Christmas spirit. A group of visitors to the village, who joined us on Christmas Eve, commented on how overwhelmed they were by the whole occasion and the friendly welcome they received by everyone.

Eggleston Carnival Committee look forward to continuing support for their Spring and Summer events.

Suzanne Herbert - Secretary - Eggleston Carnival Committee

Help available from Managing Money Better. Free and impartial advice for Co Durham Residents

An experienced energy advisor from the Managing Money Better service can visit your home to carry out a **free** home energy assessment, which includes:

- Assessing fuel bills and help you to switch suppliers if savings can be made
- Making sure you understand your heating system and controls
- Providing energy efficiency advice and arrange practical support, if needed, such as wall and loft insulation. AND
- Provide advice on benefit entitlements
- Help with money management, including budgeting and how to set up a bank / savings account with the Prince Bishop Community Bank
- Refer you to other relevant services eg home improvements if necessary

How to apply. Residents can apply to the Managing Money Better scheme through the Housing Solutions Team - please e-mail warmhomes@durham.gov.uk or phone 03000 268 000 for further details or the MMB web page via <http://www.durham.gov.uk/article/12732/Save-money-on-your-energy-bills>

If you have a **serious flooding** problem the fire brigade has flood sacks AND the Moorcock is storing

Celebrate Mothering
Sunday 11th March
Holy Trinity 9.30am

The newsletter is available on the Eggleston Parish Council website.

www.egglestonparishcouncil.org

If you prefer **NOT** to receive a paper copy please contact the Parish Clerk, by email or
TELEPHONE: 650798

Next issue is due in early MAY 2018

We value your contributions.

“ Don’t miss the next Meet and Eat! -

A chance to meet people in the village and enjoy a meal together.

Date: Tuesday 13th March 2018

Time: 6.30 for 7.00p.m.

Place: The Three Tuns

If you would like to come - and all ages are welcome - please contact either David Caig on 650856 or Ruth Stables on 650006

by Friday 2nd March.

You will then be contacted to make your menu choice - 2 courses and tea/coffee - cost to be advised but was £17 last October.”

FLYING THE FLAG

The parish flag pole is on the village green. The flag is flown **10** times a year when it is put up in the morning and taken down at approximately **6pm**.

The Parish Council is looking for someone to take on this task from the end of this year.

If you would be interested in finding

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION. The Durham police are asking you to help by being their eyes and ears on the ground. If you see **unusual vehicles in your area; dog fouling; unsolicited callers or see door-to-door visiting by strangers they would like you to tell them. Please ring 111 and report any incident that you feel is unusual.** (*A farmer in Lunedale did this with the result 5 Darlington men were arrested and 2 have been charged*)

THANK YOU to

“THANK YOU STELLA”

Stella Redfearn has very kindly organised the renovation of ‘her’ bench in Balmer Lane. Very jolly it looks too!

THANK YOU to

The volunteers who will be helping Cllr Lynne Oxby with the **speeding checks** through the village. Tom Easton, Jayne Holmes; Lesley & Russell Collins; Ruth Stables and Dee Hollingsworth . It is not too late to join the team. Let Lynne know. 650172

The Carnival Committee .. For the pensioners’ Christmas Party; for the wonderful Christmas lights— and ... how do they get Santa to join our carol singing on the green each year? Amazing!

The Youth Café for hosting and arranging the children’s party with Harry & Marcus.

EGGLESTON METHODIST CHAPEL

Some of you will be aware that the Chapel is due to close this summer. Their services are as follows:

Sun 4th March 2.30pm Songs of Praise led by Mrs Beryl Coatsworth

Sun 25th March The Upper Teesdale Churches Together **Palm Sunday Service** – 2pm outside, 2.30 approximately inside the chapel

Dates for your Diary ...

Sunday 20 May and Sunday 3 June .

POLICE FUNDING 2018/2019.

Ron Hogg, Durham Police, Crime and Victims' Commissioner, is proposing a 7.1% increase to the precept for our police force for the next financial year. This equates to an annual payment of £12.00 for a Band D property. You can have your say or find out more via: 0191 377 2001

www.durham.gov.uk/consultation

email: General.Enquiries@durham.pcc.pnn.gov.uk

Eggleston Youth

Café on

27th February

27th March

24th April

7pm : 12–18yrs

50p entrance

PROPOSED DURHAM HISTORY CENTRE This is an interesting proposal to move all the Durham County Record Office and various other historical records (including DLI memorabilia; Registrars' offices) to a new location at Mount Oswald including a purpose built archive area. Consultation ends on 18th February. Have your say!

Mine Water Pollution in the River Wear Catchment Water and Abandoned Metal Mine (WAMM) Programme.

The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) set up the "Water and Abandoned Metal Mines" (WAMM) Programme in 2011 to begin to tackle water pollution from the hundreds of historic metal mines in England which affect water quality and river wildlife in about 1,500km of rivers including around 340kms in Northumbria. This programme is delivered as a partnership between Defra, the Coal Authority and the Environment Agency. Abandoned metal mines affect up to 9% of waterbodies in this district, equalling up to 340km of water-course. This includes the River Tyne, River Tees and River Wear. Our aim is to make our rivers cleaner and healthier with more wildlife for people to enjoy and greater economic benefits for local communities. The pollution enters rivers through mine water drainage tunnels (levels), run off from waste heaps and from contaminated sediments. They are beginning to tackle this in our current programme of works for the River Wear. More information & maps at

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