

The Yealands

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FRIENDS OF YEALAND SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS QUIZ. This was the first time we had done a quiz which was circulated at school, through church and the coffee stop and at Mossdale Garage and the New Inn. We raised over £70 for the Friends of Yealand School and are pleased to announce that the winner was Mike Rothwell – the editor of this newsletter! The answers are available from Yealand School reception – contact Christine on 781360. We are hoping to do another quiz in the run up to Easter.

CAR BOOT SALE AND FETE SUNDAY 27TH MAY. This is an early date for the diary. This year we are planning a joint car boot sale and School Fete on Sunday 27th May. The car boot sale will start at 7am and the fete from 11am. We are hoping the car boot sale will attract families who will stay on for the fete and we are interested in hearing from anyone wanting a stall either at the car boot sale or the fete. Contact Veronica Waller on 782797 or Claire Darlington on 781994.

YEALAND REDMAYNE PARISH COUNCIL

There have again been complaints from local residents about the recurring incidents of dog fouling around the village, despite our mentioning this to dog owners on several occasions in the past. We will therefore be contacting the City Council again to ask them to help with this irresponsible and antisocial practice but could we again remind dog owners that poo bags are available free of charge at the Monday morning coffee stop in the village hall.

A meeting is due with the City Council to discuss the upkeep of the Meadows and any objections they might have to our improving the area. Volunteers to form a working group will then be sought to move things forward. We would like to thank Lancashire County Councillor Mike Otter for allocating £500 from funds available to him toward the improvements to the Meadows.

Concerns have been raised with our County Councillor regarding the condition of the road signs within the Parish that are either in a poor condition or have fallen down. Also we have passed on our concerns about sections of road that are covered in mud and have proved to be dangerous to drive on in the wet and cold.

The Parish web site is now up and running. The site has up to date links relating to village news, issues and events for all to view (www.yealandredmayne.co.uk).

The Parish Council has been approached by B4RN a company aiming to bring faster broadband connections to rural areas in the North of England. Please take a look at what they have to offer on their web site and let us know what your thoughts are as they would like to roll out this service in our area and will come along to a public meeting or the Coffee Stop to discuss this if you would like them to <https://sites.google.com/site/b4rnfttbroadbandruralnorth/>.

Our next meeting will be on 20th March.

YEALAND WI

Our Christmas Party, which now seems so long ago, was attended by 24 members and 5 guests. The theme was a "Tartan Evening", with all the members making a real effort with their outfits. The food and wine was excellent as usual, the company was warm and friendly and the live entertainment by Jacquie and Lynne was extremely amusing and enjoyable. A big "Thank You" to everyone for making the evening a really special one.

22 members and 4 guests attended our January meeting. Our guest speaker was the well known and respected Mrs. Suzy Reynolds of Leighton Hall. She gave us a fascinating insight into her year as High Sheriff of Lancashire, a role which dates back over 600 years. She described her role with much enthusiasm and illustrated her talk with her collection of photographs and her wonderful uniform. She explained that the duties of the sheriff have evolved over the years. Supporting the crown and the judiciary are the main elements of the job and the High Sheriffs are now especially active in working with local charities and crime reduction initiatives.

The speaker at our next meeting on February 8th is Alison Burch, who will be talking on the subject of "Women's Health". No doubt she will be able to give us some useful tips on how to stay fit and healthy.

Looking ahead, our March meeting will be on Saturday the 17th March and will be a "Taster Day" where members will be able to taste and try three different events. The programme of the day will be:

10.00-10.45 A talk and demonstration on "Aromatherapy and Essential Oils for Home use

11.00-11.30 Coffee Break

11.30-12.30 A cookery demonstration on "Chocolate Heaven" with a theme for Easter

12.30-1.30 Lunch of soup, bread and cakes

1.30-3.00 A silk scarf painting demonstration.

Hopefully this day should prove to be very popular and also non-members are encouraged to come on the day to try out some new crafts in a friendly atmosphere. If you would like any more information contact Angela our secretary on 782941.

YEALAND PLAYGROUP

This is just a reminder that we have moved Yealand Playgroup from Friday afternoons to Friday mornings between 9.15am and 11.00am in the village hall. We have recently been joined by some new Yealand mums and would love to see more. Contact Veronica Waller - 782797.

CAROL SERVICE - St. Mary's

The carol service with the Kirkby Lonsdale brass band held in St Mary's church was a most enjoyable and well supported event. Over £600 was raised for the church roof repair fund. Thank you to everyone who attended the event or helped in any way.

DIARY DATES

Events are in the village hall unless otherwise stated

February

- Wed 8 WI (see page 1)
Tue 21 Pancake lunch at The Bower (see below)
Mon 27 Quiz Night at the New Inn (see below)

NEW INN QUIZ NIGHT

Chris and Denise invite you to their first Quiz night on Monday 27th February.

Spot prizes and a gallon of ale for the winning team.

8pm start. £1 per head entry.

Sandwiches at the end.

CAROL SINGING

We had a record breaking collection of £730 from the three evenings of carol singing this year. The Uganda Childbirth Injury Fund and the Lancaster Homeless each received £365. Many thanks to all the generous people in the villages.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH NEWS

Congratulations to the 50/50 club winners in November - Derek Ireland, Jeff and Pat Hindley (for the second month running!) and Raymond Emery and, in December - Janice Pike, Suzie Harrison and Jack Hartley. David Pennington won the Christmas bonus.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Christmas hamper raffle which raised a wonderful £437. The prizes were won by Florence Wild and Jane Wilson.

On February 21, Shrove Tuesday, there will be a soup and pancake lunch at The Bower, Yealand Conyers, starting at 12 noon. Everyone welcome. No charge but you will be invited to make a donation towards this year's Lent charities.

The Violin and Organ Concert at St. John's on Saturday 21st Jan was an excellent evening, enjoyed by everyone and raised in excess of £1500 for church funds. Thank you to the organisers and to everyone who supported the evening.

The following day was the village Ecumenical Service organised and held this year at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church which was a thought provoking and enjoyable gathering. Again, thank you to the organisers.

The annual **Silverdale and Arnside Art and Craft Trail** is taking place from Friday 29th June until Sunday 1st July 2012. Local exhibitors who wish to register for this event and/or to find out more go to www.silverdalearttrail.co.uk and click on 'exhibitor login' or contact Debbie Copley on 702563. The deadline for online registration is Wednesday 29th February 2012.

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WEEKLY EVENTS

Mondays

Coffee Stop, 10.30-11.30am

Wednesdays

Eucharist at St. John's, 9.15am

Fridays

Playgroup, 9.15-11am (Veronica Waller 782797)
Pilates, 11.20am-12.20pm (Sam Horton 781020)

Sundays

Parish Eucharist at St. John's, 9.15am

YEALAND CONYERS PARISH COUNCIL

The Council will enter the Best Kept Village again this year and are hopeful of an extra special effort in the Diamond Jubilee Year.

As regards winter conditions, Roseacre Lane will be the primary gritted road as appropriate for access to Yealand Conyers. The Council has added Dykes Lane to the secondary route programme. These will be attended to after the primary routes and where persistent ice or snow is present or forecast over the next 24 hours.

Lancaster City Council has been seeking to identify land for future development needs and establish a document setting out policies for future planning applications.

The Council has a target for 400 houses to be built every year for the next fifteen years. A size threshold of greater than 0.4 hectares was applied to rural areas and greater than 1 hectare in urban areas. This threshold resulted in 184 sites potentially available. Consultation has been taking place and a more detailed document should be available early this year.

Unity Sunday Ecumenical Event

Thank you to everybody who supported the Christian Unity service at St Mary's. The collection for the Bernardine Cistercian school at Goma in the Congo raised £150.

Early Postcards of Arnside/Silverdale AONB

Mike Moon - illustrated talk, Yealand village hall. Mike has a large collection of old postcards of the area, (possibly of your house) including Warton and Carnforth.

The evening is being run by Soroptimist International Club of Carnforth & District in aid of Life Education Centres Lancashire. 7.30pm £2.00 including light refreshments.

WARTON DRAMA GROUP

Escape the winter cold and enjoy the warmth of Harold Brighthouse's comedy, *Hobson's Choice*, presented by Warton Drama group. Performances, in Warton Village Hall, are from Tuesday 21st until Saturday 25th February at 7.30 each evening. Tickets are: £6 on Tues only and £7 all other nights, from Warton Post Office or 735058.

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Mondays 10.30-11.30am
Everyone welcome