



Picton Press

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A Happy Easter from the Communications Team



Good News



Church News

Picton Community Recreation Area

We have recently heard the good news that our Picton Community Recreation Area management team has been successful in its application for a Community Spaces Big Lottery Bid for £29,992. This means that work on the project will now start to

move quickly. If all goes according to plan the Recreation Area will be up and running by the end of July 2009.

This is a magnificent achievement and congratulations and thanks go to the committee members who have worked tirelessly to secure the funding to enable this project to be completed.

A public village meeting is scheduled for Saturday 25th April at 3.30pm at the Station Pub. This will provide a good opportunity for residents to inspect the plans for the Recreation Area and to be

Information from the Appleton Wiske Educational Foundation

Since its formation in 1991, this Foundation has supported young people from Appleton Wiske, Picton and East and West Rounton with grants towards their education and training. Also as part of its remit the trust has provided extra benefits to Appleton Wiske Primary School.

Over the years the trustees have been able to balance the investment income with the grants that have been made.

In some years there has been a small surplus and in others a small deficit. Recently long term investments paying high rates of interest have matured, and at the same time returns on both savings and investments have been significantly reduced. After careful thought the trustees have taken the decision that it is no longer possible to sustain some of the traditional grants that have been made. Consequently they cannot guarantee that 50% of the cost of post-16

involved in the choice of play equipment. We hope as many people as possible will come and see what is going to happen.

Fund Raising

Although the PCRA committee has done so well in raising the money for the project we still need to raise money to cover our annual running costs. The sum needed will be about £1,500 each year. Please help us by saving all your plants and cuttings, books, unwanted gifts and children's toys for our stall at the Picton Show. Your donations for the stall can be given to any PCRA committee

Just to remind you that although our village church is now closed, we still belong to the Parish of Kirklevington with Picton and High and Low Worsall. There are services every Sunday in either St Martin's church Kirklevington or All Saints church Worsall.

Picton is represented on the PCC by Linda Mottram.

We still don't have a new vicar to replace Fr Mark, but we keep going with the help of visiting priests.

The times of Easter services will be posted onto the village notice boards.

The Parish Magazine is published monthly at a cost of £5 per year, and just keeps getting better and better. As you may know, Fr Mark Allsopp left us to become a chaplain in the Royal Marines. Over the last two months we have been able to read in the Parish Mag his account of his very arduous training. We are all pleased to know that he finally made it.

If you would like to receive a copy of the Mag please contact Linda Mottram or George Knowles at Tithe Barn Farm House.

Just a reminder that some subscriptions are still overdue. Please pay your £5 to Linda or George ASAP. Thank you.

travel to school, residential visits to East Barnby and peripatetic music lessons will receive grants after this year. Additionally, applications for such grants can only be considered if they apply to activities no longer than six months prior to the application.

The trustees will continue to review the income available against the applications received whilst ensuring that the long term viability of the foundation is protected.



Easter Eggstravaganza

The Picton Community Recreation Area Committee are organising an Easter Eggstravaganza on Thursday 9th April 2009 to raise money for the play area.

There will be some old fashioned fun for the children, with Egg and spoon races, and Egg treasure hunt, Egg rolling and decorated Egg and Easter bonnet competitions. To finish the afternoon there will be a children's party tea.

If anyone would like to donate some party food or drinks, please contact Judy Matthews, Roseberry, on 01642 701186 with intended donations by Saturday 28th March.



Good Neighbourhood Scheme

Could you offer some free help or support to a neighbour? It could be help with moving a heavy item or even a small task like replacing a light bulb.

Perhaps you would like to expand your social life by teaching someone to play a musical instrument or to take part in a reading group.

If you are interested in being involved with such a scheme please contact any member of the communications team.

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What's On

March/April 1970's night at the Station Pub.

May A Family Fun Walk around Picton village is planned for May. There will be refreshments on route and family games in the afternoon. Please bring a picnic lunch with you. Watch the village notice Boards to register your interest & get involved.

Please see the Forthcoming Events section on our village website for further updates.

June After last year's success we plan to hold another Safari Supper on Saturday June 27th. Tickets cost £15 per head for a four course meal, each course being hosted at a different home. Tickets are available from Judy

Ladies Luncheon

In January many ladies from the village enjoyed a lovely lunch given in aid of funds for the PCRA.

Judy Matthews, Jayne Kitchen and Karen Davies provided all the food and refreshments.

A BIG THANK YOU

to the organisers and helpers from everyone who attended. The sum of £500 was raised.



Matthews, Tel No. 01642 701186. If you would like to host one course of this meal at your home please let Judy know. Bring your own drinks for the evening.

July A Clay Pigeon shoot is planned for July. If you would like to take part please contact Jim Matthews, Tel No. 01642 701186.

Proposed Wind Farm at Appleton Wiske

There can be very few Picton residents who are still unaware of the wind farm which is proposed to be sited at Ingram Grange, Appleton Wiske. Application has been made for the building of nine turbines, the maximum height of which is 125m to tip of blades. These turbines are to be sited about 300m from the west of the village and about 700m from the primary school which many of our young children attend.

It is estimated by the Appleton Wiske protest group that it will need 25,000 vehicle trips to deliver the parts needed to construct these turbines, and some of these vehicles will be 50ft long. Roads will need to be straightened and any trees in the way will be felled. Compulsory purchase orders will mean the new roads will cut across farming land. We cannot be sure that this traffic will not attempt to travel from the

A19 through Picton to Appleton Wiske. (Estimated traffic based on four turbines at Bullamoor. 17,000 vehicles is 40,000 vehicle movements)



In order to add our voice to the protest we can take the following steps:

**1. Write a strong letter of protest addressed to
Mr J. Saddington
Planning Case Officer
Hambleton District Council
Civic Centre
Stone Cross
Northallerton
DL6 2UU.**

2. Join the Appleton Wiske group and add our voice to theirs.

Picton Oil Syndicate

Throughout the winter our village oil syndicate has successfully purchased domestic heating oil at very competitive prices. If you would like to be included in the syndicate please contact Brian Pearson, Tenworth House with your details (name, address, telephone number and email address).

brian.pearson@mypostoffice.co.uk



Picton Gardeners Group

Anyone who is interested in joining a gardeners group to allow bulk purchase of compost etc. as well as sharing plants please contact Eileen Grainger.

eileen.grainger1@btopenworld.com

Picton Show — July 18th

This year's Picton Show will be held on Saturday 18th July in a field kindly loaned by Ronnie Tate.

As well as the horse and pony classes there are plenty of classes for the non-horsy person. The tent hosts classes in Homecraft, Handicraft, Horticulture and Photography. There is a section for children, who can also enjoy our sports and fancy dress competitions.

Refreshments are catered for by the Farmer's Grill and a bar is available.

Schedules are available from May onwards from the Show Secretary, Judith Bainbridge, Four Wynds, Kay House Lane Picton.

You could also download your schedule from our website. www.picton-north-yorkshire.co.uk/-picton-show



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The Cleveland Branch provide advice, practical help, friendship and, as an independent charity, act as agents of Military Associations and work closely with Local Authorities and other agencies to help claimants obtain entitlements by presenting their cases to appropriate departments. If you have a problem, or are unsure if you are eligible, or know of someone in that situation, please ring: 01642 217440 cleveland@ssafa.org.uk

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Do you know who owns this cat?

It's a Tom and has been seen frequently at Poplars Farm.

Contact Marian Hugill, Tel No 01642 700440 or e-mail m.hugill@fwi.co.uk

POST BOX

(in Chez Nous wall)

Some of you will have encountered the problem of the post box being blocked at the top.

If a large letter (usually A4) is put into the box it will go across the top causing a bridge which the rest of the post sits on. When the post man collects the post he can't see that and assumes there is nothing in it. It usually falls to Joan Beach to lie in wait and tell him to look in the top of the box.

So if you post an A4 letter please make sure that it drops down to the bottom of the box before you leave it or all the post could just sit there for several days.

News of our Residents

Congratulations to Daniel and Yvonne Robinson on the birth of their daughter Georgia Ann, born January 15th 2009, weighing 9lb 13oz.



Congratulations to Christopher Hugill and Louise Trehwitt on their engagement.



Goodbye to
George and Linda Middleton



and welcome to
Les and Jenny Cookson-Teal,
the new residents at Redroof.

Santa Run

You may remember that Elizabeth Hugill was to take part in the Newcastle Santa Run which was scheduled for 4th December. This was cancelled due to icy conditions and rescheduled for 15th February, only to be cancelled due to snow. We understand that her entry will now be carried over to next year's event.

A Big Thank You to those people who sponsored Elizabeth and asked her to donate the sponsorship money to the charity anyway.