

Eldwick Newsletter

Village Society

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ELDWICK AND GILSTEAD GALA 2017 SATURDAY 24TH JUNE

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO BE INVOLVED

The first planning meeting and AGM of the Gala Association is on
Monday 7th November at 8pm in the Birches. **ALL WELCOME**

We are looking for a theme for next years event !

Any ideas - please do let us know either by messaging our facebook page
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or emailing gala@eldwickvillage.co.uk

The theme will be followed by all those decorating floats for the parade

Roll on next summer !

BINGLEY TOWN COUNCIL

The Town Council are pleased to report that the first Litter Pick in Myrtle Park was a great success. 30 bags of rubbish plus two bags of recyclable items were collected, by the time you read this article a further Litter Pick will have taken place in Crossflatts.

Issues have been raised about the condition of the Riverside Pathway in Bingley which is badly eroded, Bradford Council have agreed to repair the paths during October.

Discussions have taken place with Bradford Council regarding the Market or lack of it. The electric points in the Market Square need upgrading to meet current standards. Cost to hire a pitch on the Market Square is £10.20p per day this being one of the cheapest in the area. Further talks are to be held so as to get a greater understanding of the issues surrounding lack of stalls holders on Market Day. Bradford Council might be open to the possibility of others to run the market, an option to be explored by BTC.

The Council are in the throes of producing a newsletter for distribution to the Bingley Community.

At the last Planning meeting 18 applications were considered and commented on by the Planning Committee. Milnerfield Farm was high on the agenda as was the proposed incinerator to be built in Keighley - both were refused, comments sent to Bradford Planning who will make the final decision in the next few weeks.

Bingley Town Council will fund the costs of two St John's Ambulance First Aiders to be in attendance at the forthcoming Canal Festival on 16th October.

Police Inspector Deacon attended the council meeting but unfortunately gave little reassurance of any real changes to the current policing of Bingley and surrounding areas. The Councillors were greatly disappointed by the Inspector's comments.

Bingley Town Council has formed a partnership with Bingley Chamber of Commerce to jointly fund some new Christmas Lights for Bingley as well as supporting the Christmas Fayre.

Eldwick Village Society ART Exhibition

A showcase of local talent
including work from Eldwick
Primary School at the
Memorial Hall.

Open for preview Friday
28th October from 7.30pm
£3 admission including a
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Opening times Saturday 29th
October 10am-6pm

Sunday 30th from 10am - 2pm Admission £1 All abilities
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Eldwick Bonfire & Fireworks Display

**Saturday 5th November
Eldwick Recreation Ground**

Supporting local charities
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firework music, burnt bangers
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Gate opens: 6.30pm
Bonfire lit: 7.00pm
Fireworks: 7.30pm (approx.)

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The organisers of the Bonfire apologise for the increased entry cost. This is due to the rising costs of Public Liability Insurance and general running costs. Fortunately we still have unpaid volunteers! We look forward to your support on 5th November.

NEWS FROM THE ELDWICK CHURCH

We are pleased to announce that the Revd Peter Mayo-Smith has been appointed as the new Minister of the Eldwick Church. Peter is currently the Rector at Haworth, with responsibility for 3 churches across Haworth, Cross Roads and Stanbury. During his time in his current position, Peter has helped to drive and oversee major restoration & re-ordering work at Haworth and Cross Roads, and has (almost!) completed raising the funds required to repair the Stanbury church roof.

His licensing service will take place on Tuesday 24 January but he will start to visit Eldwick prior to Christmas to introduce himself to church members and the local community.

Bradford Council has now approved our planning application for our church building work and extension. We aim to award a building contract by May 2017 and are now hard at work with the planning and progression of the project, including the start of our fund-raising campaign.

If you have any questions, or wish to help with fundraising, please contact either Alan Brown, Chair of the Building Project Board on 01274 511970 or Richard Arnold, Project Manager on 01535 272894.

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TIPTOEING THROUGH THE TULIPS

Our September speaker was Mrs Teresa Clements. She chose English Tulips as her subject and her talk began with the journey these flowers had taken over centuries from the "stans" (Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, etc) where they had originated.

Merchants brought them from the East via the Silk Road to western Europe. The flowers were introduced into the Netherlands in the 17th century by Viennese biologist Carolus Clusius, who was largely responsible for the spread of tulip bulbs.

Currently, there are around 75 wild species of tulips and 150 species in total with over 3000 varieties.

Clusius was also the first person to identify "broken tulips" - a viral infection that causes beautiful streaks in the petals. He went on to create many new colour variations which became highly prized in Holland in the 1600s.

This led to a period from 1634 to 1637 known as "Tulip Mania" when enthusiasm for the new flower started an economic frenzy and one of the world's first 'speculative bubbles'. The value of tulips shot up nearly overnight, they became the most expensive flower in the world, so expensive that they were treated as a form of currency.

Gradually the tulip fancy built up in England, where groups of enthusiasts formed and the inevitable North/South divide

emerged. Southerners were interested in the form of the flower while us Northerners cared more about the markings.

During the 17th century tulips were grown in the sheltered gardens of grand houses, planted in formal rows and squares. Yet in a short time the flower achieved mass-market popularity and Wakefield became the national centre for tulips when the Wakefield Tulip Society was formed in 1836. In those days the growers were called "florists". They were all men and usually met regularly in the local pub to set the date of their show, according to the growing season. Members were working men - miners, shoemakers, railwaymen and gardeners and every man had to enter the show in the name of his employer. They recorded their names, fees, prizes, weather conditions and the names of their top cultivars.

In 1908 the prizewinners in the Novice Class were awarded a copper kettle (1st), a stereoscope of 12 views (2nd) and a silver medal awarded by the president (3rd). There was a special prize for the best exhibit of "six rectified flowers and six breeders collectively". In 1913 the Special Tradesmen's Prizes included a new hat (1st), another new hat (2nd) and a rose bowl (3rd). In 1917 the money raised by selling the blooms after the show was sent to the Red Cross. How times have changed!

Entries were judged on form: every flower must have six petals and six stamens, petals to be equal in length, rounded at the top (not



President Jane Hitchen (left) asks speaker Teresa Clements (right) to draw the winning raffle ticket.

pointed) and should grip together, leaving no gaps. The shape should be that of half a tennis ball or, if the petals are slightly longer, a claret glass. This assumes that by this time the working classes were familiar with fine wines...

After Mrs Clements' fascinating talk I came away enthused and bought a dozen of her specimen bulbs. Watch this space to learn how they perform next Spring.

Meanwhile don't miss our next meeting at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 18 October when our speaker will tell us how the charity Horticap provides training in horticulture, allied crafts and rural skills for adults with learning disabilities in North Yorkshire.

Mike Hitchen

Marie Curie seeks collection box co-ordinator for Bingley

Marie Curie is looking to recruit a collection box co-ordinator to cover Bingley and the immediate surrounding area to support the charity's work by organising and growing a new collection tin campaign in the local community.

The role involves recruiting sites to display collection tins; delivering tins to sites within an agreed area; collecting donations from sites and providing empty tins; and counting and banking money. The position is flexible and volunteers can select the geographical area they cover and the number of hours they volunteer each month.

The charity is also keen to hear from local businesses such as newsagents, supermarkets, post offices, petrol stations, schools, pubs, doctors surgeries and cafes if they are interested in supporting the charity by displaying a collection tin.

Sharon Link, Marie Curie Community Fundraiser, explained: "Currently, we don't have any collection box co-ordinators in the area so this is an exciting opportunity for anyone interested in supporting the Charity by building relationships with local businesses."

Sharon concluded: "Volunteers are an amazing asset to Marie Curie and we would like to thank everyone for giving up their time to support us. Marie Curie relies heavily on the support of our volunteers, without whom we would not be able to continue providing

care and support to people with terminal illnesses, and their loved ones, in the local community as well as the Bradford Hospice.

Supporting the charity gives people the opportunity to gain unforgettable experiences, immerse themselves in a new culture and obtain new skills while doing something fulfilling."

Marie Curie has approximately 13,000 registered volunteers including those supporting shops, hospices and fundraising and more than 9,455 people volunteer with the charity on a regular basis. Thanks to the incredible support of Marie Curie volunteers in the past year, the charity's:

- Hospices supported 8,739 people and their families
- Helper volunteers made 8,800 visits to 9788 people
- Shops raised £2.6 million for vital care and support
- Fundraising groups raised a further £4.5 million.



Nikki Ayrton, Bradford Hospice Fundraising Assistant.

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Our Speaker in September was Dr Aziz Hazif, talking about his Charity Work in the Disaster areas around the world. Not in War Zones. He does this in his holidays. This was a very interesting and informative talk.

We are now taking names for our York Carol Service on Friday the 9th December 2016. Cost of £10 for the coach. Please contact Maureen Beckwith.

Our Speaker for 8th November is Mr John Holroyd (English & Welsh Waterways).

Our Macmillan Coffee Morning made £370.

Thanks to everyone who supported us.

New Members are always welcome.

A GRAND MUSICAL EVENING

The Eldwick Church are holding a fund raising event in the Church on Otley Rd, Eldwick at 7.30pm on Saturday 22nd October.

There will be a "Grand Musical Evening" featuring "The Saltire Strummers", a local ukulele band of talented musicians, and "Three Gentlemen & a Piano", who will perform songs, sketches and tell tales.

Admission will be £5 to include tea and biscuits, with a raffle and wine available on the night for an extra charge.

Tickets will be available from early October from The Eldwick Church, Eldwick Post Office and The Card Emporium, Chapel Lane, Bingley.

COFFEE CAKE CHAT

Every Tuesday from 09:30 to 12:00 The Eldwick Church serves tea / coffee / cake and other light refreshments in a Café style setting. All are welcome to come for a drink, a cake, a chat, or all three! On the first Tuesday of every month there is also a Craft and Paper Back book stall included in the event. All craft items are made by the village craft group. Please come along for a cuppa and pick up a crafty item too.

GALA ASSOCIATION AGM
Monday 7th November
8pm in the Birches

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MESSY CHURCH

Saturday 15th October 4.00 – 5.45pm

Saturday 19th November 4.00 – 5.45pm

Messy Church is a worshipping community of all ages, it is for all the family. It will be held in the church hall and the church. There will be craft activities as you arrive in the church hall, stories from the Bible, songs and prayers in the church – rounding off with sharing a simple meal together in the church hall. This is an event for all the family – whatever your age, why not come and join in the fun!

TODDLER PLAY

For under 3's and their carers: play, craft activity, a chat and a drink.

Wednesday 12th October 9.30 – 10.30 am

Wednesday 9th November 9.30 – 10.30am

PAUSE TO PRAY:-

Tuesday 18th October 7.00 – 8.00pm

Wednesday 9th November 2.00 – 3.00pm

Tuesday 15th November 7.00 – 8.00pm

LADIES FELLOWSHIP:-

Thursday 20th October 7.30 pm AGM

Thursday 17th November 7.30pm

Christmas Flower Demonstration by Michelle

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:

2nd, 3rd and 4th June 2017 Flower Festival

SERVICES:

2nd October

09.15 am Holy Communion led by Rev. Ruth Crompton.

10.30 am Harvest All Age Worship.

9th October

10.30 am Holy Communion led by Rev. Ruth Dowson.

16th October

09.15 am Holy Communion.

10.30 am Morning Worship led by Rev. Alan Raine.

23rd October

09.15 am Big Breakfast.

10.30 am Holy Communion led by Rev. Barbara Walls.

30th October

10.30 am Morning Worship led by Mission and Outreach Team "Shared Lives".

6th November

09.15 am Holy Communion led by Rev. Ruth Crompton.

10.30 am All Age Worship.

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13th November

9.15am Holy Communion led by Rev. Alan Brown

10.30 am Remembrance Service led by Rev. Alan Brown

20th November

09.15 am Holy Communion.

10.30 am Morning Worship led by Mr Maurice Baren.

27th November

09.15 am Big Breakfast.

10.30 am Holy Communion led by Rev. Malcolm Sharrock

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

Tuesday - 09.30-12.00 Church Café

Wed. - 09.30-12.00 Embroiderers/ Probus
13.30 – 15.30 Craft Group

Thursday - 15.30 – 19.15 Dance Classes

Friday - 19.15 – 21.15 Elstead Ladies Choir

Pre School Group - 08.45 – 15.15
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

REGULAR MONTHLY EVENTS

1st Friday in the month Friday Footsteps.

2nd Wednesday in the month Toddler Play

3rd Thursday in the month Ladies Fellowship.

Mid Saturday Messy Church.

Pause to Pray 1st Wednesday and 3rd Tuesday.

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ELDWICK'S HERITAGE MONUMENT

One hundred years ago, Eldwick was a very different place and, as mentioned in the publication, 'Eldwick A Village Oft Removed', its centre of settlement had once more changed. From Eldwick Beck Bottom which had been the focus following the arrival of Eldwick Beck Mill in 1800, there was movement uphill with the establishment of the Eldwick Wesleyan chapels of 1832 and 1889, and, ironically, the opening of the Travellers Rest beer house, exactly opposite.

By 1911, clearly recorded in the census returns, the total population of Eldwick was around a mere 700 inhabitants, along the Green by The Acorn, along Otley Road past the 1877 school and the 1897 St Lawrence's Church, to West View and roads off Sheriff Lane. A few years later came the outbreak of the First World War and the menfolk of Eldwick dutifully signed up to the 6th West Riding (Duke of Wellington's Regiment).

The 1914-18 war had many battles which today are being commemorated and it was in some of these that some of those soldiers from Eldwick sadly lost their lives. In 1921 some captured German guns were put on display in the Prince of Wales Park, which were not particularly welcomed since they had been used against the British troops.

Later, thoughts turned, once more, to commemorate those Eldwick men who had made the ultimate sacrifice and never returned to their homes. A first simple and spontaneous gesture was to choose a stone from the course of Eldwick Beck large enough to display a bronze plate in due time. This original war memorial was put in place by about half a dozen locals, moving the boulder up with some difficulty to a level spot on the corner of Saltaire Road. This was to become the site recognised today. The choice of location could initially have been proximity to the beck and in what many believed still to be the popular centre of the village, with the chapel, the village shop and postbox, two pubs and refreshment rooms.

However, the somewhat simple intended memorial became the subject of heated debate and controversy since it was thought that something far more grand and substantial should be placed on the site. So it was that persons unknown took such objection that, one night, the stone was unearthed and rolled back

down the hill, across Saltaire Road, and back into the beck!

This led to the formation of a committee with the object of erecting a suitable memorial and it followed that local stonemason David Wildman was chosen to obtain the stone needed, good solid sandstone blocks which could be fashioned into an attractive monument. David must have been very patient regarding the payment due, some £150, because in 1923 there were still fund raising events in the village to clear the debt. An appeal had been made for subscriptions to the cause but the response was not sufficient so sweepstakes were organised for the Christmas seasons. One raised £52 but by the end of 1922 there was still a deficit of £20 so another was planned for 1923 but, even though proceeds would go to paying for the memorial, the Eldwick War Memorial Committee was criticised for introducing a sweepstake in the Christmas festival.

However, this was all after the event because all had been resolved by September 1922 when the Bradford Weekly Telegraph reported the progress and a sketch of the memorial appeared in the Keighley news.

The official unveiling ceremony took place on 2nd December 1922, a Saturday afternoon when everyone could attend. Major S. Moore from Harden was chosen to officiate and a large crowd assembled who had all in one way or another become public subscribers to launch the project. A considerable number of ex-service men were present, commanded by Lieutenant W. Starkey of a well-known Eldwick family and of the Duke of Wellington's. The service was taken jointly by the Rev S.L. Evans of the Bingley Wesleyan circuit and the Rev. F.G. Badrick of Bingley Parish Church with the Eldwick Church choir also in attendance. Mr W. Rushton, one time Eldwick school teacher, chairman of Bingley District Council, read the roll of the fallen in memory of the men of the district who gave their lives in the Great European War 1914 -1918.



Robert Brown, Walter Holgate, William Lancaster, Robert Mc Gee, Frank Popplewell, Charles Rowley, Arthur B Stead, John William Steel, John Steel, Ernest Spencer, Samuel M. Skaife, Thomas Varey and L.W. Vickers. It was Frank Varey the world famous dirt track/speedway rider of Belle Vue Aces, born on the Green Eldwick who lost his father.

Mr Rushton made a speech in which he said that no greater monument could be erected to the memory of those men 'in these unsettled days in the history of our country and our Empire.'

The memorial was then unveiled by Major Moore, after which the Last Post and the Reveille were sounded - with an interval of a minute's silence - by the buglers of the 6th West Riding Territorial Regiment. Major Moore then addressed the crowd saying there had been vindication of national reputation by entering the war but no proper vindication in dealing with those who served so gratitude should be shown by memorials such as this at Eldwick.

It was with great sadness that a second plaque was added at the end of the Second World War bearing the names of Norman Atkinson, Jack Cartwright, Kenneth Chapman, Andrew J. Harley, Andrew Hughan, Eric Spencer and Stanley Whiting. One other name particularly stands out, that of William Starkey, who had been present at the unveiling in 1922, little knowing his name would appear many years later.

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