

Eldwick Newsletter

Village Society

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GALA DAY SATURDAY 24th JUNE

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PLANS FOR SATURDAY 24TH JUNE

Parade from Gilstead at 12.45pm for decorated floats.

Opening Ceremony 1.30pm on the Gala Field, Eldwick Recreation Ground.

Dog & Duck A Sheepdog display by the Mellin Family, Dancing Displays, Stalls, Games & Attractions, Flypast by a BBMF Lancaster, Fell Race, Jazz Band, Circus Skills, Children's Races, Burnt Bangers & Afternoon Tea and lots more.

FELL RACE

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Starts at 3.15pm. 3 Miles 550 ft of climb

Age Group : Seniors, U14 and U16

Junior Race (U14 s) start at 3.25 pm

1 mile approx. 100 feet of climb

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Age Groups : U10, U12, U14

START / FINISH: Eldwick Gala Field

ENTRY FEE: £2 .50 Senior Race,

£1 Junior Race.

Entry on the day, just turn up and run.

GALA CONTACT INFO

to enter a float in the parade,
to have a stall on the field,
please contact
gala@eldwickvillage.co.uk

EVENTS BEFORE THE DAY

DISCOS - Friday June 16th

with Andy and Partymania
6 - 6.45 pm for 3 to 7 years olds
7 - 8.30 pm for 7 to 11 year olds
in Eldwick Memorial Hall entry £2

PET SHOW - Monday 19th June

in Eldwick Memorial Hall
Dogs and small pets sections
Judging from 6.15pm
Cups and rosettes to be awarded
Entries open at 5.45 pm (50p per class)
in the Memorial Hall,
Dog Judging on the Recreation Ground,
Small Pets in the Memorial Hall.
An evening for the children to bring
along their pets.

DOG SECTION

- 1 Prettiest Eyes
- 2 Waggiest Tail
- 3 Prettiest Bitch
- 4 Handsome Dog
- 5 Best Six Legs
- 6 Best Pup under 12 months
- 7 Best veteran over 9 years
- 8 Dog the Judge would most like to take home
- 9 Basic Dog Handling all age Trophy (to be held for 1 year) -

10 Champion of Champions prize
entries 1st prize winner from
classes 1- 7 inc.

SMALL PET SECTION

- 1 Best Gerbil or Mouse
- 2 Best Hamster
- 3 Best baby Rabbit under 5 months
- 4 Best Guinea Pig, smooth coated
- 5 Best Guinea Pig, long coated
- 6 Best Buck Rabbit
- 7 Best Doe Rabbit
- 8 Any other Pet
- 9 Pet the Judge would like to take home. Trophy (to be held for 1 year)
- 10 Champion of Champions prize
entries 1st prize winner from
classes 1-8 inc

SCOUT & GUIDE FUN RUN

Friday 23rd June

Eldwick Memorial Hall

1.5 mile start 7pm

3 mile start approx 7.30pm

A medal for every runner

Entries £3 before the day, £4 on the night.

Entry form enclosed

YOU CAN HELP TO MAKE IT ALL HAPPEN

Can you help on Gala Day ??

With Stewarding for the Parade and on
the Entry Gate

If you are over 18 and would be able to
offer some of your time on Saturday 24th
June from 12.15pm please get in touch
with gala@eldwickvillage.co.uk
becauseto conform to legal and
road closure requirements we need
many volunteer marshals just around the
time of the parade - please get in touch if
you can help.

BUILDING PROJECT NEWS FROM THE ELDWICK CHURCH

We are very excited to share the news that our building project is now picking up pace. As we go to press, the building tender bids are being received and examined and we hope to appoint our preferred supplier in June. We have secured funds of almost £470,000 through pledges (paid and pending), confirmed grants and other fundraising. We still await the outcome of seven different grant funding applications made to various charitable bodies. A representative from one of them, the Joseph Rank Trust is coming to visit us in May ahead of their committee meeting. We would like to say an enormous THANK YOU to those folks who have sent us money via the Eldwick Newsletter inserts, or who have supported our many fundraising efforts.

We do ask that you continue to support us through our upcoming events this Summer and beyond. We are running a Festival of Flowers on June 3rd & 4th; we will be at the Eldwick Gala on 24th June and we are running a village Toy Trail during the Summer holidays.

There is still some way to go towards our final fundraising target and we enclose another insert for those who haven't yet had the chance to support our efforts.

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NAMING THE PLANTS

On the two previous occasions that Jacqui Iddon Dagnall has been our speaker she has created spectacular flower arrangements while simultaneously giving her audience the benefit of a witty commentary on her life as a gardener and nursery proprietor. Last month she came and told us about the wide variety of plants she loves to grow and the design and development of her own garden near Preston, illustrated with a succession of colourful slides.

This was followed by question time and a brief description of the plants she had brought to sell. It seems her life is a continuing battle against rabbits and slugs. While wire netting keeps out the bunnies, she disposes of the slugs by hurling them as far as she can into the field next door. As Jacqui put it, "These pests have an exciting final journey through the air followed by a big headache at the end of it".



Picture shows: Jacqui Iddon Dagnall in full flow.

BUSY SPRING FAIR AND CHILDREN'S SHOW

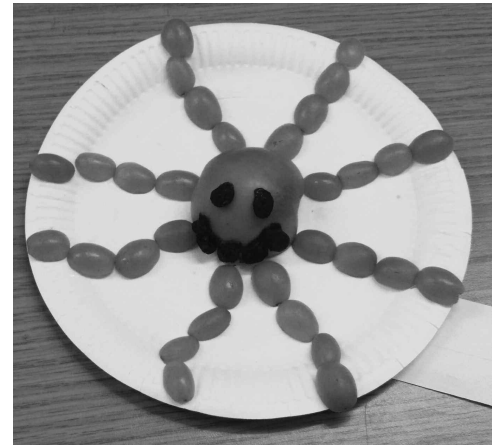
Poems, paintings, artwork, photos and miniature gardens were all on display last month along with some fearsome fruit and vegetable sculptures created by our local children. The overall winner was Trixie Franz who, as the entrant scoring most points, took home the Raby Cup.

Mike Hitchen



Picture shows: Jane Hitchen admiring the children's entries.

Opposite: Some of the children's creations.



COUNCIL NEWS

The May Bingley Town Council Meeting is to be held in Eldwick Church Hall on Tuesday 23rd commencing at 6.30. Prior to the commencement of the meeting your local councillors Mark Truelove and Chris O'Neill will hold a surgery for 45 minutes commencing at 5.15pm to 6.00pm for local residents to come along and discuss issues relating to council activities and local matters.

The Easter Extravaganza organised by Bingley Chamber of Trade and The Town Council held in the Town Square on Good Friday and Easter Saturday was a great success. The children enjoyed the free Donkey Rides and solving the clues to win an Easter egg. Thanks to all who supported this event.

The Chamber and Bingley Town Council are looking at holding a summer event in the

town square further information coming soon.

We understand that the Station Masters House has been put up for sale, let's hope it is sold quickly and put back into use. This will at long last remove an eyesore from the Bingley landscape.

Having mentioned in the past, Bradford Council are looking to cease a number of services that they currently provide in the Bingley area, as ever it is frustrating to establish what services and when they will cease. We do know that the toilets are high on their list; discussions are underway with Bradford to look at the feasibility of Bingley Town Council taking these over.

Bingley Town Council have been in discussions with The Royal British Legion who are seeking help in running and managing the Remembrance Day Parade. If anyone wishes to offer their help please get in touch with

either of your councillors who can give you further information relating to the event.

Good news on the old Bradford & Bingley site, Lidl will commence building their new store once they receive planning permission; it will have over 100 free parking spaces, which will be a benefit to all in Bingley.

Demolition works have started on the old Auction Market Buildings, this will at least remove a number of old sheds that have become dilapidated over the years, we are not sure what the developer has in mind for putting on the site as no plans have yet been submitted.

Watch out for the floral display, erection of the flower tubs on the lampposts will commence in late May. Bingley will have one of the best displays in the district something for us all to be proud of.



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Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association

At our Meeting on Tuesday 11 April 2017 our Speaker was Rose Mitchell. She gave a Wet Felting Demonstration which was very interesting.

Our next Meeting is on Tuesday 13 June 2017. Our Speaker will be Patricia Atkinson, talking about Germs, Microbes, Poverty and Health.

Our Annual Trip this year is to Chester. 16th August 2017. Price £30. This will include a River Trip at 4pm, and also a meal at a Toby Inn.

New Members are always welcome. Please ring Bev on 01274 565077

BINGLEY JANUS

A club for retired men in Bingley and surrounding areas.

Meeting at Eldwick Memorial Hall on Thursdays from 10am to 12pm.

New Members always welcome

Secretary:

Graham Anderson 01274 563843

FORTHCOMING TALKS:

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| 4 May | Tony O'Connell
"Why Don't We?" |
| 11 May | Diane Wyatt, "The Life and Times of a Guide Dog" |
| 18 May | Norman Hodgkin,
"Bletchley Park, Part 1" |
| 25 May | Margaret Usher, "Career Opportunities Through The Ages" |
| 10 August | Philip Davies M.P.,
"Westminster Up-date"
(election result permitting!) |
| 14 Sept | Jackie Depelle,
"Upstairs/Downstairs" |
| 21 Sept | Paul Watkins,
"Vintage Film Show" |

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MESSY CHURCH

Saturday 20th May 4.00 - 5.45 pm

Saturday 17th June 4.00 - 5.45 pm

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!

PAUSE TO PRAY

Wednesday 17th May 2.00 – 3.00 pm

Wednesday 7th June 2.00 – 3.00 pm

Wednesday 21st June 2.00 – 3.00 pm

THE ELDWICK CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Thursday 18th May Alan Bonson (JAK)

"It shouldn't happen to a Coach Operator"

Thursday 15th June Coffee Evening in

aid of The Children's Society.

SERVICES

21st May

09.15 am Holy Communion led by
Rev. Peter Mayo-Smith.

10.30 am Morning Worship led by
Rev Terence W Porter.

28th May

09.15 am Big Breakfast.

10.30 am Family Communion led by
Rev. Alan Raine.

4th June

09.15 am Holy Communion led by
Rev Rosemary Nash.

10.30 am Family Worship led by
Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

11th June

10.30 am Holy Communion led by
Rev. Peter Mayo-Smith.

18th June

09.15 am Holy Communion.

10.30 am Morning Worship led by
Mr. Michael Webster.

25th June

09.15 am Big Breakfast.

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REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

Tuesday - 09.30-12.00 Church Café

Wed. - 09.30 – 12.00 Embroiderers /Probus

13.30 – 15.30 Craft Group

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.

3rd Thursday The Eldwick Fellowship.

Mid Saturday Messy Church.

Pause to Pray 1st and 3rd Wednesday.

CHURCH HALL BOOKINGS:-

Contact Ann Shoebridge 564690

CHURCH SPONSORED WALK

The Church would like to apologise for the incorrect naming of one of the participants in the recent sponsored walk. They are

Anne Barraclough and Margaret Wadsworth who have now raised over £1200.

The Eldwick Church invite you to a

Bread & Cheese Lunch

in support of CHRISTIAN AID

Saturday 21st May

12noon -2pm

In the Church Hall

Stalls to include Homemade Cakes
& Produce

Books... Plants... Tombola

The Eldwick Church invites you to a

Festival of Flowers

on Saturday 3rd June 10am - 4pm

Sunday 4th June, 12 noon -4pm

There will be Stalls and refreshments in the church hall. All monies raised will go towards the Church building fund.

If any local businesses would like to sponsor

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MILNERFIELD – NOW AND THEN

There is much of concern relating to the former estate of the Salt and Roberts families at the present time. Farmer David Downs, with huge support from the public, as well as from present members of the former owners, is fighting to retain the Model Farm, as the third generation occupant. At the same time, with an eye on possible future developments in the estate, there is currently a submission for official designation of the popular walk. In living memory, it has always been possible to walk from Primrose Lane along the Higher Coach Road, North Lodge to South Lodge, without access being denied.

The great great grandson of Sir James Roberts was recently present at the Saltaire Heritage Weekend, with the alpacas from his Kilnsey Park Estate Farm. He advertises visits to his estate for Fun, Fish and Feast and was interested to learn the facts of trout at Milnerfield. Those at Kilnsey are in the lake which is fed by a natural spring. At Milnerfield, the boating lake was also termed a fish pond, fed by 'Milnerfield Beck' – better known today as Loadpit Beck or, simply, Eldwick Beck. The Salt family had a passion for fishing so had developed a trout hatchery at Milnerfield. Titus Salt had a connection with Malham, where he had 'a summer residence', not his property, but a local inn. In 1849 Salt took advantage of newly-acquired railway facilities by taking 2000 of his workforce from the mill on a special train to Malham, from Saltaire Station to that at Bell Busk. This was on the line built to take Victorian tourists to Morecambe, later extended to the Settle-Carlisle route. The Bradford Observer of 23rd August 1849 gave a good account of this special occasion. It said that there was little at Bell Busk, just countryside so the majority relaxed near the station. However, two or three hundred decided to walk to Malham, five miles away. When they got to Gordale Scar "Here the band took up position and there was a well-received musical interlude before the return to Bell Busk." However, Titus and his son William Henry, and friends, "tarried at the Roebuck Inn, Malham where they had a sumptuous tea served by the landlord". So, it was not surprising, in later years, how Titus Salt decided to stock his Fish Pond – with trout from Malham Tarn! The Bradford Daily Telegraph of 4th May 1870 reported, "Mr Titus Salt has turned out 15,000 young trout from Malham Tarn in the last ten days, 9000 for Milnerfield Beck, 4000 for the River Aire and 2000 for the lake at Crow Nest". Who was counting?

It was not the only time that Milnerfield was the venue for many community events, either fundraising for charity or treating the workers in the beautiful grounds. The huge conservatory was also the ballroom, as used on October 9th in 1895. Pictured is the invitation card which had a ribbon attached, first to a pencil (made in Austria!), then to the Programme/Engagement Card. This listed each dance, with a dotted line



OCT 9TH. 1895.

opposite on which names of partners could be entered. One can assume the guests would not be of the workforce!

One successful garden party was also a sale of work, by the Young Helpers League, of which Mrs Roberts was president. It was in aid of the Shipley Cot in the Dr Barnardo Home, Parkfield Road in Manningham. Once a year the children from the home were invited to have a 'field day' in the grounds of Milnerfield. On sale was glass and china ware, embroidery, and 'sweetmeats', all arranged on tables on the Terrace. Mrs Roberts herself was on the Work Stall and there were also flowers, strawberries and cream and even, 'cigars etc.' The Mayor and Mayoress of Bradford were among the guests and it was the Mayoress who opened the proceedings. The children from the home gave recitations and melodies, followed by The Saltaire Prize Choir. Proceeds were £103 which was judged a very handsome result.

Mrs Roberts was also in charge of the entertainment of nearly two hundred old folks from Saltaire in 1906. All were over 60, living within the Saltaire village, except for a few 'aged employees' at the mills who live elsewhere. It was not surprising that even though many had lived in Saltaire for forty years or all their lives, they had never been given the chance to visit Milnerfield. The statistics of the event were quite remarkable. 193 invitations were sent, 62 men and 131 women, aggregate ages over 13,000, men 4000, women 9000. Most were between 60 and 70, 50 between 70 and 80, and six over 80. They all went on to the Tennis Lawn to listen to the Windhill Wesleyan Orchestra then at 4pm it was time for tea. Mr Roberts told a wonderful story. When he was 9 years old, he and a friend had walked from Haworth to Saltaire. In Victoria Road they saw teacakes in a shop but only Mr Roberts had a penny. That was the price of a teacake so they had to share it. When the lady asked where they had walked from she gave them another teacake and a glass of milk. Where was that lady now he asked so he could thank her? She is in Philadelphia he was told. He then said he would meet her when visiting a relation there!

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Bingley's Five Rise Beer Festival

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Friday & Saturday (2 & 3 June 2017)

The countdown has begun to the second annual Bingley Five Rise Beer Festival (5RBF).

Following the success of last year's event, the 5RBF organisers are aiming for an even better festival this June and have been extremely busy over the past twelve months securing sponsorship and support.

Initially dreamed up between members of both Bingley and Bingley Airedale Rotary Clubs in 2014, the idea behind the 5RBF was to create an event that would bring people into Bingley, promote local business, and raising funds to give back to the community. Last year's inaugural 5RBF was proud to make a profit (most of which was donated to the Bingley Chamber of Trade and Commerce's Children's Christmas Fayre), and with the benefit of experience, the team are determined to do even better this year. With 100 per cent of the festival's proceeds being distributed to charity, the objective going forward is to lower costs, increase revenue and presents beer festival that everyone enjoys.

Headed by John Hagerty (Bingley Airedale) and Kevin Watt (Bingley), a special festival team was formed and extended to non-Rotarian volunteers, including a representative from Bingley Chamber of Trade & Commerce. Together, this team sought help and support from a number of local organisations including Ilkley Round Table, Eldwick Village Society and Saltaire Brewery, to enable the festival to become the success it was last year.

The 5RBF team are pleased to have joined forces with members of Eldwick Village Society, to purchase and build a beer festival bar that can be utilised at both 5RBF and Eldwick's Beer and Bangers festival. The shared bar will not only reduce running costs for both parties, but also cement the relationship which has grown over the last two years, enabling the groups to share knowledge and offer support to each other's event.

If you missed out on Bingley's Five Rise Beer Festival last year, it really is worth getting your hands on some tickets for this one! Not only is the event a brilliant excuse to enjoy yourself whilst raising money for great causes, it is also a fantastic community project, bringing together people from all walks of life, through the love of beer. This year, Bingley's Five Rise Beer Festival will be held at Bingley Arts Centre on the first Friday and Saturday in June (2 & 3 June 2017). There will be a separate private Friday afternoon session for all of the Beer Festival's main sponsors and their guests, followed by three public sessions. The public sessions will be; Friday evening (6 pm to 11pm), Saturday afternoon (noon to 5pm) and Saturday evening (6pm to 11pm). As last year, the evening sessions will be supported by music; this year from Perter Frank's Jazz Band (Friday evening) and Sawdust (Saturday evening). There will again be a variety of beers, ciders, perrys and prosecco, to cater for everyone's taste. Tickets for the three public beer festival sessions are available on-line (www.fiverisebeerfest.co.uk) or can be obtained directly from the box office at Bingley Arts Centre. Costs for tickets is £5 for the afternoon session and £6 for each of the evening sessions. Payment can be made at the door, but as there is a limit to the number of people in the hall, it is advised to purchase tickets in advance.

Should you be interested in getting involved in the preparations and running of either Bingley's Five Rise Beer Festival, or Eldwick's Beer and Bangers Festival, please contact John Hagerty (5RBF) on 07968 000228, or Tony Clegg (Eldwick) on 07895 394192.