

Eldwick Newsletter

Village Society

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BEER FESTIVAL REUNITES HEART PATIENT AND AIR AMBULANCE TEAM

Eldwick, Bingley, August 20, 2019.

Real ale lovers were in their element at the 10th Eldwick Beer and Banger Festival at the weekend. (August 16&17)

They had a choice of 30 locally-brewed beers to sample as well as a large selection of ciders and they could tuck in to hundreds of bangers produced in nearby Bingley.

The two-day event, held in the Eldwick Memorial Hall and in Birches Freehouse in Otley Road, is organised by the Eldwick Village Society, which raises thousands of pounds every year for the Yorkshire Air Ambulance (YAA).

And this year was a special occasion for former Bingley resident Bob Greenwood because it allowed him to meet members of the YAA team that had helped to save his life. He had a chance to meet the crew of the YAA helicopter that dropped in for a visit at the festival and he was able to pass on his own thanks and a donation.

The 76-year-old was returning to his home near Threshfield in the Yorkshire Dales last year when he felt pains in his chest.

"I got home and tried my spray which I had because I have angina," he said.

"Then I rang my doctor and after talking to him I dialled 999."

Within minutes an ambulance and paramedics had arrived and he was then airlifted to Leeds General Infirmary where he had an operation to insert life-saving three stents.

"From me dialling 999 to coming out of the operating theatre was about three and a half hours," he said.

"It was absolutely incredible. If they had had to take me to Leeds by road it might have been too late."

Kerry Dwyer, the YAA's Director of Fundraising for West and South Yorkshire, said: "We are very pleased that Bob has recovered well and



Bob Greenwood (third from left) hands a donation to Kerry Dwyer, the YAA's Director of Fundraising for West and South Yorkshire, watched by the YAA helicopter crew and Eldwick Village Society president John Edwards (right).

Photo courtesy of Bill Faulding

that we could give him assistance and it was good to see him today as he met the crew in better circumstances."

Village Society chairman Tony Clegg said: "As always, we would like to thank everyone from all our sponsors and, of course, those who came to enjoy themselves, to the volunteers who work so hard to put it all together."

"The festival is a great way to bring the community together and to raise money for the village and for the YAA – it just gets better and better each year."

TRAFFIC CALMING

The "Traffic Calming" article in Issue No. 489 August 2019, seems to confuse the difference between 'speeding' and 'congestion'.

The Boston Spa model will help reduce speeding during busy times, but in Eldwick the average speed during busy times is less than 20mph. It would certainly extend the 'busy' time, but do we want the congestion periods to be extended? Outside these busy times, this model has no effect on the speed of traffic, especially from late evening and throughout the night.

A much better model, which reduces 'speeding' is the 'Portuguese' model. A Pelican style pedestrian crossing (with traffic lights and a button for pedestrians) is linked to radar speed detectors. A speeding car travelling towards the crossing, trips the lights to Stop. Drivers soon figure out that travelling below the speed limit, reduces their journey time through the area. To further reduce the

speed of the traffic, this could be linked to a 20mph speed limit through the Village.

Positioning the crossing between Sheriff Lane and Beech Grove, using the existing 'central island' would serve the nearby bus stops and the village shops, while allowing the 'radar' to cover the majority of the length of Otley Road through the Village.

Reducing congestion in the Village requires either slowing the traffic to the extent that it is quicker to use alternative routes (the beggar thy neighbour approach) or significantly improve the road system in the area. Good luck with that one. **Les Bennett**

The Eldwick Church Challenge - History in the Making!

A Concert is to be held on Saturday 19th October at 7pm in a light-hearted narrative style with songs by Shipley Male Voice Choir. It's the story of how The Eldwick Church came into being - merger of Methodists and CofE - the reasons for undertaking works to

re-build and refurbish - all the tribulations of deciding on style and budgets - fundraising - and the various challenges the church faced. The story will be interspersed with songs appropriate to each stage of the story eg in Sept 2012 the church started to consider what to do - architect was engaged - guidance was sought - the choir sings "Guide me oh Thou great Jehovah"!!

It is a church event supported by Shipley MVC. There are no tickets but concert-goers are asked to make a donation at the door, suggested minimum £5 per person including interval tea/coffee and biscuits, funds for the church and the Shipley choir.

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With the benefit of extra space in the new church hall and the superb kitchen facilities supporting the new tearoom, visitors to our 102nd Annual Show had the opportunity to view a colourful display of fruit, flowers, vegetables and home baking and then treat themselves in comfort to tea or coffee and cakes.

Out of a strongly-contested field, several regular past winners mounted the stage to collect their silver or crystalware from our guest of honour Mr Maurice Baren.

Roger Golton made a clean sweep of the veg classes, winning the most points, best exhibit, best onions and the tray of vegetables. Alan Wilson won the fruit classes. Brian Murgatroyd won the best tomatoes. Alan Wilson had the best Sweet Peas and Best Rose and also won most points in the open classes. Edwin Paipala won the best Dahlia and also the Outstanding Flower exhibit. Geoff Hargrave took the most points in the Flowers Classes. Roger Golton won the most points in the show. Heather Murgatroyd won the most points in Home Produce and also had the Best Exhibit in all the classes. Alan Wilson won the photographic classes while Sophie Wilson won the Children's Trophy.

Our next meeting is at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 15 October in the Memorial Hall when Peter Walker Wacks Wicked Carnivorous Plants.

SOME TIPS FOR YOUR AUTUMN GARDEN

Consider buying bulbs for next spring and order now.

Carry out appropriate lawn maintenance to avoid waterlogging and compaction e.g. aeration with a garden fork, removal of thatch from the lawn's surface. Follow up with an application of top dressing, paying attention to the instructions on the packet. Now is also the time to apply an autumn fertiliser as well as using a biological control such as nematodes to deal with lawn chafers or leather jackets.

If you have clay soil then this is the time to apply organic matter and/or horticultural grit before conditions become too wet or even frozen.

Sowing uncultivated areas with green manures such as mustard, clover and rye grass will improve the soil and reduce weeds during winter.

Have compost storage ready for collecting fallen leaves and dead plant material during

This cheekie chappie came first in his class.

Photo by Dawn Sutcliffe



the autumn. Dead leaves are a good addition to compost heaps and make useful leaf mould. However, do not include diseased items in your compost as this may spread infection. Suspicious matter should be burned or put in your normal household refuse bin.

During winter keep pots raised from the ground to prevent waterlogging. Use bricks or 'pot feet.'

Autumn is a good time to apply weedkillers to perennial weeds. A glyphosate-based killer will kill roots as well as leaves.

Ericaceous plants such as camellias, rhododendrons and blueberries thrive on rain-water so make sure that you have water butts on hand for storage.

Prevent pumpkins and squashes from rotting by raising them on slate or wood, clear of wet surfaces.

Continue to feed and water French beans and runner beans. Harvesting little and often will prevent their setting seed.

COFFEE CAKE CHAT

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COUNCIL NEWS

Trust everyone has had a lovely summer break; the roads have been nice and quiet. As the schools reopen the roads will get busier dropping off and picking up children from the respective nurseries and schools. If you cannot walk to school and have to drive, please give consideration to other road users and park in an appropriate location. For those of you who go to Bingley Grammar, BDMC have now installed Speed Bumps as you approach the school, this is another measure to ensure that motorists reduce the speed around the school area.

We have recently carried out a survey of the Grit Bins located in and around Eldwick in preparation for the coming winter half of the Grit Bins are full with the other approximately half full. This information is being collated by one of the councillors for the whole of the Bingley district who will liaise with BDMC to ensure the bins are topped up where necessary prior to the onset of winter.

Hope those of you who went to "The Play in the Park" in Eldwick, organised in conjunction with BDMC had an enjoyable time. The event was well patronised as were the others in the district all be it some were rescheduled due to inclement weather. This will be an annual event on the Bingley Town Council Calendar

We continue with the monthly markets on the first Saturday of each month, please come along and support the traders. The Market opens at 9am until 1pm.

The conversion of the Toilet block in Jubilee Gardens is now out to tender. During September we will be evaluating the tender returns with our project manager Bowman Riley and looking to make an appointment shortly after.

We will shortly be advertising for an Environmental Warden, this role is to work in conjunction with BDMC on the areas where they are looking to reduce their involvement in and around Bingley. It's a part time role of 20 hours a week, if anyone wishes to express an interest in the role please contact our Clerk at Cottingley Community Centre telephone 07703 188660.

Bingley Town Council are running Community Consultations in and around Bingley to get residents views on the Town Council priorities for 20/23. The Draft Neighbourhood Plan. How to spend the CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy). The Consultations Start on Saturday 7th September through to Wednesday 25th September. By the time, you receive a newsletter the remaining events that you can attend will be at the following:-

St Wilfreds Church, Gilstead Lane from 7pm until 9pm

Cottingley Community Centre, Littlelands Cottingley Bingley from 10am until 12 noon

Bingley Business Expo. Bingley Arts Centre Main Street Bingley from 10am until 3.30pm

Come along and have your say

BDMC Highways are to install a puffin crossing outside the library, the works are out to tender, so at last this long overdue crossing will make it safer for pedestrians crossing between the library and the adjacent car park and ALDI.

The next full council meeting is on Tuesday 24th September at St Wilfrid's Church Hall Gilstead commencing at 6.30pm.

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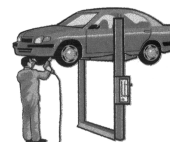
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Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association

The YCA trip to Beverley was enjoyed by all who went. Also the fish and chips which we had at the end. Our meeting on 8th October will be our annual Bingo and Quiz evening. Mr Richard Freeman is our speaker for 12th November. Talking about the Shipley Glen Tramway.

A reminder that the Macmillan Coffee Morning is on Friday 27th September.

A date for your diary. Our annual Carol Service in York. 6th December. More details to follow.

New Members are always welcome. Please telephone Bev on 565077.

The Eldwick Church News

It's harvest time! This year The Eldwick Church Harvest Festival will be on Sunday October 6th, at 10.30am. You are warmly invited to join us in giving thanks for our food and our farmers.

Our Harvest Festival is a family service and we are delighted that Eldwick Primary School Choir and their families will be joining us and singing for us.

You are invited to bring a small Harvest gift of non-perishable food to the service. These gifts will then be donated to Bingley food bank and Holmewood food bank in Bradford. Since Rev. Helen Hodgson left us in 2015, we have supported her in a variety of ways in her work at St Christopher's Holmewood. The food bank there is a joint venture between the church and the Salvation Army.

After the Harvest service we will be having a bring and share lunch in the link café. Everyone is welcome to join us - if you can bring a little food that would be great but it's not essential!

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SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES AT THE ELDWICK CHURCH

CHURCH SERVICES

22 September

10.30 am Holy Communion led by
Rev Stephen Normanton

29 September

10.30 am Mission & Outreach Service led by Rev Dale Barton who will talk about the link between our Diocese and the Diocese of Sudan.

6 October

09.15 am Holy Communion led by
Rev Barbara Fairburn

10.30 am Harvest Festival led by
the Wednesday House Group

13 October

10.30 am Holy Communion led by
Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

20 October

09.15 am Holy Communion led by
Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

10.30 am Morning Worship led by
Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church is a different & informal way of being church for all ages. It is held on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 4.00pm until 5.45 pm. Next dates 21st September & 19th October.

PAUSE TO PRAY

A quiet 'drop in' time for reflection and prayer. Wednesdays 2.00 – 3.00 pm on 18th September; 2nd & 16th October in Church

The Eldwick Church Fellowship meets on 19th September with a talk by Joyce Drake entitled, "A taste of honey" & 17th October for the AGM. 7.30 pm, Church Hall. All very welcome.

OTHER REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

The Link Café is open on **Tuesdays** 10.00 am - 12.00 noon & **Thursdays** 10.00 am – 1.00 pm, with light lunches served on **Thursdays** from 11.30 am

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Wednesdays weekly 1.30 pm - 3.30 pm, Craft Group meet. Folks either bring their own knitting / sewing /craft to enjoy or we sometimes work together on crafts for Church displays or for charity. Refreshments. Just drop in.

The Villages Pre-School: 9.00 am - 3.00 pm
Monday – Friday. Playgroup Monday 9.30 am - 11.00 am.

Contact: villagespreschool@gmail.com

OTHER REGULAR MONTHLY EVENTS

Last Tuesday in the month, 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm Goldies (Golden Oldies). For older people, Goldies features sing-along songs from the 50's & 60's, followed by afternoon tea. Dementia friendly, free to all residents of Bingley, transport available. For more info or to book a place 01274 560539

1st Friday in the month Friday Footsteps, our walking group. Details from <http://eldwickchurch.org.uk/activities/friday-footsteps/>

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ELDWICK BEER AND BANGER FESTIVAL 2019

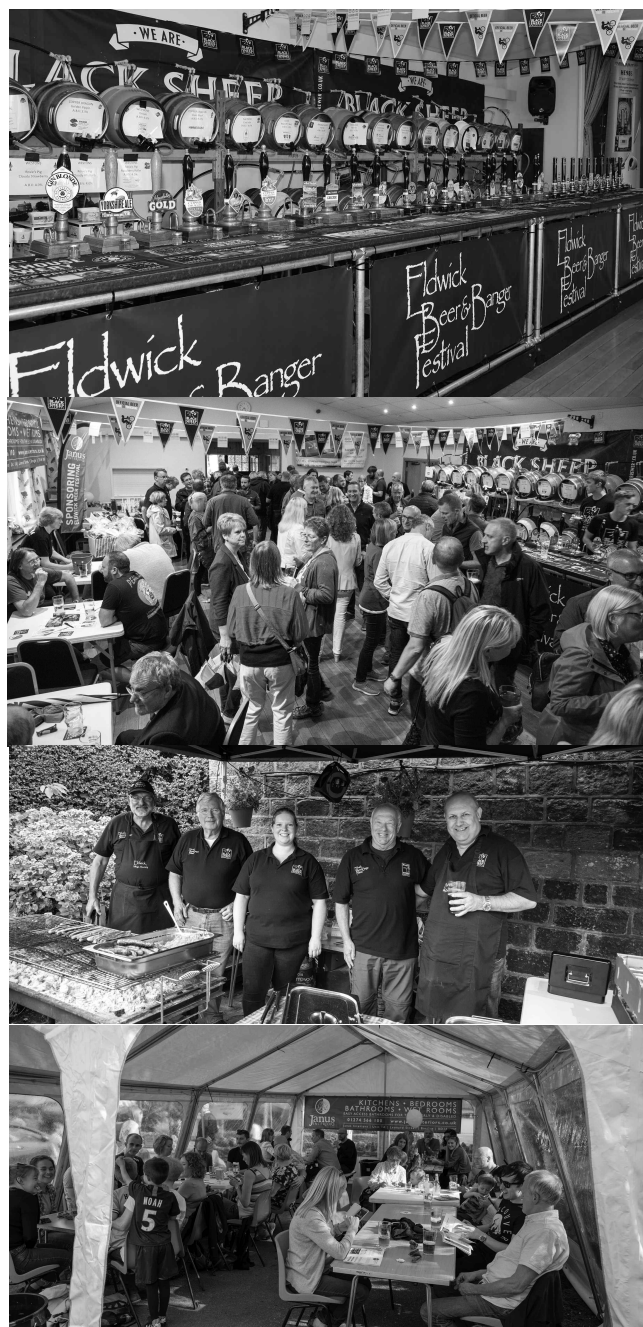
A large number of people turned out to enjoy this popular Eldwick Village Society event. Over eight hundred bangers were cremated and virtually all thirty barrels of beer consumed.

The Air Ambulance arrived at 4.30 on Saturday, which gave an opportunity to present cheques and inspect this magnificent machine. It is, of course, on call but did manage to stay for a reasonable time. Last year The Eldwick Village Society were able to donate six thousand pounds to the YAA and it is hoped that when all the monies are sorted that we are able to make as generous a donation this year.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who worked extremely hard to make this event happen. Many thanks to Nigel Horsfall at the PO for his support and to Mike Harrison of Birches Freehouse.

The event would not happen without such generous sponsorship especially Ric and Michele Tonks of Janus Interiors our main sponsor.

The next Eldwick Village Society event is Bonfire Night on Saturday 2nd November.



THANK YOU FROM HALE

As the CEO of Hale I would like to thank Eldwick Village Society for the opportunity to organise the raffle on the first night of the beer festival. As a result of the generosity of those attending we raised over £700 which exceeded our expectations and delighted the team who attended on the night.

Hale is an independent charity which works with local people across Bradford and district to enable them to make lifestyle changes to improve overall health and well being. We rely on a wide number of revenue streams including the generosity of local businesses, contracted work, Big lottery, the Local authority, local NHS Clinical Commissioning Groups and of course opportunities such as the Beer Festival.

On a more personal note I would like to pass on the thanks of the team who attended. They had a great time, were ecstatic at the amount raised and were keen to emphasise the warmth and hospitality on display.

Once again a massive thank you from the HALE team.

Regards
Alastair McGregor – CEO HALE

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