

Eldwick Village Society Newsletter

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A Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all our Readers

EVS DONATION TO YAA

Due to the cremation of thousands of award winning sausage, the consumption of a large quantity of beer and cider and the explosion of thousands of pounds of fire works, the Eldwick Village Society has been able to make a profit over the year.

However, all the events that the Village Society hold over the year are funded by you. Your attendance at these events makes it all worthwhile and allow us to make charitable donations at the end of the year. We are very pleased to announce that this year we are able to give the YAA seven thousand pounds as opposed to the six thousand pounds reported in last month's newsletter.

We are also able to make a donation to the Bingley Airedale Rotary who work closely with us on most of our events. We are also able to make a donation of five hundred pounds to The Bingley Sea Scouts who also assist us. There are also a number of donations to local charities and organisations including fifty pounds to the Tennis Club.

CAROL SINGING IN THE HALL

The annual Christmas Eve Carol Singing will take place in The Memorial Hall at 6pm led by June and Allan. They will be supported by The Salvation Army Brass Band and we are very pleased to announce that the celebrated organist Robert Suddall will also be playing. Entry is free and all are welcome.



"Beatles For Sale"

appeared at a fund raising event in Eldwick at the weekend.

We also had an auction which included a 3 nights stay in a luxury house in York. Tickets were sold throughout the evening for 35 amazing raffle prizes of

such high quality and thanks to all who donated gifts we raised nearly £1800.00 for this well respected local hospice.

The organisers include Bob Harrison our MC for the evening, Tony and Silvia Somogyi, Rob Slater, Matthew Bailey and many more. Hoping to arrange a similar event this time next year.



THE ELDWICK CHURCH NEWS

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Remembrance service in November. This year, we had the great pleasure of Year 6 pupils reading the list of names of the local fallen servicemen at the Eldwick War Memorial. They were accompanied by members of the school choir who sang, "Remember." On our return to Church, the choir sang "Keep the home fires burning." Thank you, Eldwick Primary School: a wonderful credit to our village.

Have you found a knitted angel yet and taken it home to get warm? The angels have been hidden all around Eldwick Village and are a gift from Church to say Merry Christmas.

You are very welcome at any of our services, whether it is over Christmas or in the New Year.

At the beginning of January, we are opening our doors on Sunday evenings for "Peace & Quiet." It's an opportunity to drop in for 10 minutes or as long as you want and just sit in the candlelight to gentle music. You can pray or take time to reflect on 2019 or make plans for 2020. There will be prayer stewards present if you would like any support or a cuppa. Peace & Quiet will be running on Sundays 5th, 12th & 26th January from 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm.

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ELDWICK & GILSTEAD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Annual General Meeting was well attended by 37 of the society. We were delighted to hear that our membership had increased over the past year and that the Annual Show and Gala had been a success. Our President and Treasurer both announced it would be their last year so we are on the lookout for new committee members. Mrs Dorothy Isaac, having retired from the post of Allotment Secretary, amongst many other posts she has held on the committee, was given honorary life membership of the Society for her service.

COUNCIL NEWS

As previously reported BTC are to continue the monthly market on the first Saturday of each month commencing from February 2020.

We're looking for local entertainers to perform at the market, if anyone you know meet this criteria please contact our admin officer by email admin.officer@bingleytowncouncil.gov.uk

We would like to thank everybody who took part in the community consultation in September. Thank you for attending consultation events and for completing questionnaires and sharing your views.

It was heartening to see that the Council's priorities closely reflected those of residents. Here is a summary of the responses to the questions about the Council's priorities. Bingley Town Council will take these responses into account when setting the budget for the coming year and making decisions about how best to use our staffing and financial resources.

Q2 Please indicate which three of these activities, currently being undertaken by Bingley Town Council, you think are the most important?

Answer Choices	Responses	Percentage
Supporting efforts to keep Bingley Pool open	150	56.23%
Climate change emergency initiatives and environmental improvements including reduction of plastic use, improving air quality and litter picks.	98	38.08%
Working with police to reduce crime and traffic offences.	96	37.01%
Bingley Monthly Market: Continuing to run & develop the monthly fresh food and local products market	81	32.38%
Grit bins and gritting routes: maintaining existing bins, adding new bins and routes.	57	21%
Creating a youth Town Council to engage younger people in civic activities.	50	19.57%
Grant scheme to support local groups.	48	18.86%
Lobbying Bradford Council to improve car parking (provision and cost).	47	18.15%
Floral displays and bulb planting throughout the parish, providing horticultural groups with free seasonal plants.	41	15.30%
Christmas: lights – upgrading and adding to the seasonal display, school competition, providing a Christmas tree.	28	9.96%
Painting street furniture black (lamp post, sign posts and railings etc) to smarten up our town.	23	8.19%
Providing a Changing Places facility.	22	8.19%
Supporting civic events including the Remembrance Day parade and service.	19	6.76%
Free summer play in the park events	19	6.76%
Planning for emergencies	12	4.27%
Communications about the council's work: including monthly e-newsletters, social media updates and newsletters.	11	4.27%
Providing new signs to the Five Rise Locks and canal	7	2.85%

After the AGM closed, the members enjoyed a faith supper, the leftovers being donated to the women's support group at BIASAN.

Our first meeting of the New Year will be Ben Preston on Tuesday 21st January at 7:30pm talking about York Gate through the head gardener's eyes. Meantime, you still have time to plant your bulbs before Christmas for a marvelous spring display.

Sally Robinson

Q3 What other priority/priorities should Bingley Town Council address?

The following issues were identified in the free text box

- Crime, drugs, anti-social behaviour and policing (21)
- Improving the Town Centre (20)
- Highways issues (including signs, lighting, noise from bypass, crossings) (19)
- Pavements need clearing/ weeding (6)
- Speeding (8) and speed humps (3)
- Litter Picks and litter collection (18)
- Parking including parking fees and nuisance parking in residential areas (15)
- Bingley Pool (14)
- Playgrounds and parks (11)
- Dog poo (9)
- Better use of Market Square (5)
- Better signage to important sites (4)
- Disability issues (2)
- Allotments (2)
- Youth provision (12)
- Marketing Bingley (10)
- Public toilet provision (5)
- Preserving old buildings (3)
- Markets (3)
- Cemeteries (2)

The following were also mentioned in responses

- Libraries
- Dog free parks
- Bingley show
- Good governance of the council
- Grit bins
- Crossley Wood
- Flood defences
- The lodge in Prince of Wales Park
- Fireworks
- Street furniture
- Noisy neighbours
- Council grant scheme
- Green Hill
- A Bingley podcast channel
- Walking routes
- Leeds Bradford Airport

The festive season is all but upon us, on behalf of your local councillors David Heseltine and I wish you all a very happy Christmas and peaceful and prosperous New Year. Councillor Mark Truelove.

CALLING ALL EX STARLINERS!

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The Speaker for our meeting on 12 November was Mr Richard Freeman. He gave a talk about the Shipley Glen Tramway which opened on 18th May 1895. It is a Funicular Railway, and was built by Sam Wilson. It is run by Volunteers. He also talked about the History of the area and a Temperance Tea Room, and that there was also Fairground rides which attracted people to come. Kath Hardy also recounted how YCA was started.

Our next Meeting is on 14th January 2020. It will be our Annual Beetle Drive. We hope as many people as possible will come.

New Members are always welcome. Please Telephone Bev on 01274 565077. All the Committee wish all our Members a Very Happy and Healthy Christmas and New Year.

Newsletter deliverer needed

Due to the retirement of one of our deliverers, Denise Kelt, we now have a vacancy for a delivery round.

The round consists of the Sheriff Lane end of Southway, Mansfield Avenue, Prospect and part of Sheriff Lane. If you are interested please contact the editor Tony Clegg either through email

news@eldwickvillage.co.uk

or by telephone 01274 562643.

We thank Denise for all her hardwork

COFFEE CAKE CHAT

takes place in the Church Link Café every Tuesday & Thursday 10.00 am -12.00 noon Tuesday Fairtrade coffee & tea; scones & cakes 10.00 am - 1.00 pm Thursday light lunches also served.



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THE ELDWICK CHURCH

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES AT THE ELDWICK CHURCH

CHURCH SERVICES

Thursday 19 December 7.00 pm

Christmas by Candlelight with music & humorous, thoughtful and traditional readings. Mulled wine & mince pies.

Saturday 21 December 3.30 pm

Messy Christingle. Make your own Christmas Christingle orange alongside other crafts, games, songs and a story. Finish with food. Christmas for all ages.

Sunday 22 December

9.15 am Holy Communion led by Rev Stephen Normanton

10.30 am Carnival Nativity led by Rev Peter Mayo-Smith. Christmas then and now in an informal service for all ages. Carols old and new, and Eldwick School Choir. It's optional to come dressed as your favourite nativity character!

Christmas Eve

4.15 pm Crib Service led by Rev Peter Mayo-Smith. Mulled wine, juice, mince pies and biscuits as you arrive. Christmas story time and carols as the stable fills up

11.30 pm Midnight Communion led by Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

Christmas Day

10.00 am Bring one of your presents to open as we share a short family worship. Short optional Holy Communion at 10.45 am

Sunday 29 December

10.30 am Morning Worship reflecting on the year led by Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

Sunday 5 January

9.15 am Holy Communion led by Rev Barbara Walls

10.30 am Family Worship led by Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

Sunday 12 January

10.30 am Family Communion led by Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

Sunday 19 January

9.15 am Holy Communion led by Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

10.30 am Family Worship led by Mr Michael Webster

6.00 pm Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2020

PEACE & QUIET

Sundays 5th, 12th & 26th January,

7.00 pm to 8.00 pm

An opportunity to drop in to The Eldwick Church for 10 minutes or as long as you want and just sit in the candlelight to gentle music. You can pray or just take time to reflect on 2019 or make plans

for 2020. There will be prayer stewards present if you would like any support or a cuppa.

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 3.30 pm until 5.30 pm. Next dates are 21st December, when we will be celebrating Messy Christingle & 19th January 2020.

PAUSE TO PRAY

A quiet 'drop in' time for reflection and prayer. Wednesdays 2.00 – 3.00 pm on 18th December & 8th & 22nd January in Church

The Eldwick Church Fellowship meets on on 16th January at 7.00 pm when our speaker is Andrew Quarrie with a talk: "Purser on the Cruise Liners." All very welcome.

OTHER REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

The Link Café is open on **Tuesdays** 10.00 am - 12.00 noon & **Thursdays** 10.00 am - 1.30 pm, with light lunches served on Thursdays from 11.30 am

Wednesdays 10.00 am -12.00 noon Embroiderers Guild, Airedale Branch.

4th Wednesday 10.30 am Probus (a group of friendly retired Professional Businesswomen, who meet for coffee, chat and then a speaker. New members and visitors welcome. Details of speakers at <http://eldwickchurch.org.uk/activities/probus>

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 & Stay & Play Mondays 9.30 am -11.00am. 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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A STORY FROM THE CHAIR Part 2

To continue the story, the chair would be passed down from John, to Thomas, to Benjamin, eventually to his granddaughter Mary who was the daughter of Francis and so on to Rob Gill, the present owner. The family story has a profusion of names like Benjamin, Sarah, Thomas, fathers, mothers, wives, sons, daughters and grandchildren but the focus here is for two people and two locations, (excluding the High Gate/ Dick Hudson branch which left the inn in 1809). Eldwick Cragg Farm at High Eldwick of Denby Anderson (1877-1958) and Low House Farm of 'Middle Eldwick' of Francis Anderson (1879-1950) are part of this story. Their father Benjamin, pictured, (1840-1924), employed them



both at Eldwick Cragg, a farm of 40 acres with moorland grazing. By 1911 there were 100 acres of grazing and, since that census carried more information, the farm-house had eight rooms. Denby left the farm in

the early 1900's to work as a joiner in Bingley, where he lived with his family in Belgrave Road, returning to the farm about 1920, probably to help his ageing father. Francis was still with Benjamin in 1901 but appears listed at Low House farm in 1921, it originally being part of the Eldwick Hall Farm of the Naylor, who were relations of Eldwick's major housebuilder, Fred Wildman. Born at Eldwick Hall, every house he lived in he built himself. For the Naylor, the Andersons and many Eldwick farmers, rents were paid to the Crompton Stansfields, just as their ancestors had done from at least 1776, recorded in the big Helwick rent book.

A remarkable portfolio of documents and letters between the then owner of the 'Eldwick Estate' – Mary Evelyn Maud C.S., and her solicitors/agents relate to both Anderson farms. Tenants made frequent requests for improvements, such as installing piped water, painting farmhouses and more important items. In 1928 Denby had a serious problem. He wrote to Miss

Evelyn, then ensconced in Matcham Park, Ringwood in Hampshire, who still had the country estate in Fazeley near Ripon, concerning 'the advent of the motor car'. Denby was asking for help, for posts and fencing to be erected to stop his sheep 'being driven across Ilkley Moor'. Amongst the papers relating to Eldwick Cragg is a piece of tracing paper showing a pipeline to be installed to the farm. It clearly shows the location of the farm being adjacent to the 1815 High Eldwick Methodist Chapel/ Schoolroom. In the book 'Eldwick A Village Often Removed' it is stated the land was given by the Crompton Stansfields, the chapel being built for £10 and who else but Mary Anderson looked after it, keeping the fire lit in winter. The Sunday School register showed 59 scholars in 1839 and members of the Anderson family were Superintendents in 1845, obviously from Eldwick Cragg Farm. Francis had more to worry about when an advert for the sale at auction of the Eldwick Estate appeared in the local newspaper in 1921. A second advert was published, following nil interest and then calculations were made to offer farmers the chance to buy their farms. Prices were set at the level of 35 years rental value.

All the correspondence from the solicitors in Leeds was typed on their headed paper when writing to Miss Evelyn. Pictured here at Esholt Hall next to her father, Major General W.H. Crompton Stansfield and her sisters, Elizabeth and Consuela Albina. Evelyn's responses, on something akin to tissue paper or tracing paper, were simply headed Matcham and written in pencil in a very untidy hand. Often in the margins were calculations of rents and sometimes a whole sheet of figures relating not just to income from her Eldwick and Bingley estates, but from her other 'home' the country seat she shared with sister Elizabeth Alexandria, 2425 acres at Buckden Hall, Skipton. There was also the family seat at Robert.C.S's Azerley Chase, Ripon. Neither Mary nor Elizabeth ever married and the third sister, Consuela Albina, did marry but had no children and so the estates passed to distant relatives, descendants of their father's brother. In 1921 the will of their father had a value of £77,000 yet Evelyn, who seemed to be financier, continued to sell land. The family had resisted efforts by Bradford Corporation to buy the Esholt Estate in



1890 and in 1921 it was the Shipley Urban District Council who entered into correspondence with Miss Stanfield to purchase The Riggs in the valley of Eldwick Beck below the farm of Francis and she suggested £2800. By 1929 Shipley UDC was asking to buy either a part or the whole of the farm of Francis, and to have permission to sink boreholes to seek water existence. The solicitor advised to keep them in the dark because if a good supply was found they could apply to the Ministry of Health for Compulsory Purchase. However Miss Stansfield could get a valuable price for the water rights. Eventually an agreement was made to buy only 140 acres, (not 180 acres, which would have taken land from Francis), for £2800. Similarly Miss Stansfield received £3000 from SUDC for catchment from Denby's farm.

The end of the story of the two brothers showed Denby at The Oval in Gilstead and Francis at The Crescent in Crossflatts. The chairs had passed from Annie Anderson eventually to the present family member, Rob Gill to whom we are most grateful for him having put us in touch with this story.

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