

Eldwick Newsletter

Village Society

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MANORLANDS FUND RAISER

Sadly my Grandma passed away after a recent illness in November 2019. My Uncle Anton had organised a Beatles Tribute evening to raise funds for Sue Ryder Manorlands Hospice, where my Grandma had been before she passed away. They looked after her extremely well.

I decided that I wanted to do something myself. So being a huge fan of Bradford City FC, I persuaded them to provide a signed and framed shirt to raffle. I began selling raffle tickets for only £2 each both to my friends and family, my local pubs and to fellow Bradford City fans. This included being invited into the boardroom at Bradford City after a kind invitation from Glen Akroyd, so thanks to him for this opportunity.

I was then provided further prizes, starting with a signed ball and 4 free home tickets for 2nd and 3rd prizes. This was kindly donated by my manager Paul Jubb of Bradford City Disability FC, whom I play for occasionally. My Uncle Anton, with help from Michael Harrison of The Birches pub in Eldwick also provided a 4th and 5th prize, so a massive thanks to them. My Uncle Anton also helped with the framing of the signed shirt.

I continued selling raffle tickets until Saturday 25th January 2020. The draw for the raffle then took place at Valley Parade on Monday 27th January. This draw is available to watch on YouTube via the following <https://youtu.be/C029TxfHMxY>



I was helped to do the draw with Paul Watson & Ian Ormondroyd of Bradford City FC. Harriet Wood from Sue Ryder Manorlands, was also present to do a cheque presentation before the raffle draw. I am shocked and delighted to have raised £900 that has now been given to Manorlands. I never expected to make so much. It was both a pleasure and joy to do this.

I need to thank all the people that made this possible. That's my Uncle Anton, Paula Watson, Ian Ormondroyd, Glen Akroyd and the Bradford City boardroom. Mike Mitchell for being my camera man and photographer for the draw. Last but not most certainly not least to all the people who purchased raffle tickets or simply made a kind donation. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for making all this possible. **Nick Kitchen.**

ELDWICK & GILSTEAD

GALA QUEEN SELECTION DISCO

Friday 6th March 7.00-8.30pm

Eldwick Memorial Hall

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Entry £2

It is the time of year when the 2020 Gala Queen and attendants will be selected by selecting names from a hat.

ENTRY FORM ON FACEBOOK PAGE

Eldwick Village Society

Wine and Cheese Evening

Hosted by Martinez Wines

Your chance to enjoy some excellent wines and cheeses provided by Martinez Wines who are known experts in the trade. They have teamed up with an award winning cheese maker to make this a memorable tasting event.

Tickets are limited and will be sold on a "first come first served" basis and will be on sale in Birches Freehouse from 6pm on Monday 24th February. They are £20 each and we are only able to do cash sales. Should this be a sell out we are planning to duplicate the event at a slightly later date.

This event will be held in Eldwick Memorial Hall on Saturday 4th April starting at 7.30pm prompt.

Christian Aid Awareness Event

Quiz, Film, Presentation

The Eldwick Church

Friday 28 February 2020, 7:30 – 9:00pm

All Very Welcome – Refreshments

SYLVIA SLATER

It is with great sadness that we hear of the unexpected passing of Sylvia.

Sylvia had a career in teaching, and in her retirement years worked for, among other organisations, the Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association. She was Secretary/ Bookings Secretary of The Memorial Hall for many years along with her late husband Bob, they were some of the mainstays of the Hall.

Sylvia was a well respected member of the community and will be remembered, among other things, for her generosity and sense of humour. She will be sadly missed by many.

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ELDWICK & GILSTEAD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

After all the rain at the end of last year, this decade has started dry and it clearly encouraged members to join us for our first meeting. 70 people turned out (more chairs required) to listen to Ben Preston talk about York Gate through the Head Gardener's eyes. Ben's enthusiasm and knowledge shone through as he spoke about his love for the small, but beautifully



created garden at Adel. From the iconic yew sails, to the ever-changing dell with amazing succession planting and on to the new plans for the area next door as it begins to take shape over winter.

York Gate is open from May and well worth a visit. I can confirm the cafe is excellent, and the plant centre is currently being expanded. Ben explained that York Gate had been bequeathed to Perennial, the Gardeners benevolent charity who had been helping people in horticulture for 130 years. The Society will be having a coach trip to the garden in June for members.

Next month, Tuesday 18th February our speaker is Michael Myers, the snowdrop-mad lecturer at Craven College in horticulture. He will be talking about snowdrops and Water in the Garden and bringing spring flowering bulbs for sale.

Sally Robinson

The Eldwick Church News

Messy Church runs on the 3rd Saturday in the month from 3.30 pm – 5.30 pm. To paraphrase Star Trek, it's Church, but not as you know it! It involves craft activities, songs, games, a story and a picnic-style tea which we eat together. There's no charge, and there's something for everyone. Drop in and try it!

Diary dates going forward: March 21st, April 18th, May 16th and June 20th.

COUNCIL NEWS

Budget and precept for 2020-2021

Following consideration of a number of drafts at both committee and full council level, the council set its budget for the 2020/21 financial year at the full council meeting on 21 January. The monthly meeting was held earlier than usual in order to meet Bradford Council's budget reporting deadline. Anticipated expenditure in the year is £259,150, and the precept for the year for a Band D property will be £20.13. This is an increase of 0.6% on last year's equivalent figure of £20.00.

Appointment of Environmental Warden

Lee Matthews starts his new role as part-time Environmental Warden on 3 February. Lee will be working 20 hours a week on a variety of environmental tasks, supporting and supplementing the work of Bradford Council's Parks and Street Cleansing staff and ensuring that Bingley is kept clean and tidy. His actual weekly hours are likely to vary over the year to accommodate seasonal changes, e.g. the need for snicket clearance in the summer.

An initial induction period will see Lee getting an introduction to the various wards of the parish and any particular areas of concern and also undergoing training, some of which will be provided by Bradford Council. Lee will be working closely with Bradford Council's wardens and with community groups looking after our parks and managing planting projects.

Tourism

Councillors have been working with both Bradford Council tourism staff and the Canal and River Trust to promote tourism in Bingley. Specific measures include pavement markers between Bingley railway station and the canal being designed and paid for by the C&RT.

It has been noted that the brown tourism signs pointing to the 5-Rise locks and a non-existent water bus are cluttering and often misleading. Councillors have requested that these be taken down, but Bradford Council does not have a record of where all the brown signs are. The Town Council has agreed to survey the brown signs and identify some to be removed.

Grit bins

The council have installed ten new grit bins at new locations around the Parish. Locations are assessed and agreed in consultation with Bradford Council and their usage is monitored. Please contact enquiries@bingleytowncouncil.gov.uk if you identify an area which you think needs a bin for next year. Let's hope that we don't need them too much this winter.

Green and Clean

The year's first Green and Clean Forum was held on 18 January, when topics under discussion included a new air quality (anti idling) campaign involving the district's schools. The success of the initial year of the Incredible Edible Bingley project was noted, and the organisers – Bingley WI's 'Bingley Bloomers', Action Stations and Gilstead Village Society – were keen to extend the scheme to various unloved patches of land about the town. The meeting also divided into groups to discuss suitable areas for tree planting.

The area of wildflower planting on the junction of Ferncliffe Road and the slip road to the relief road will be maintained and enhanced this year, and Carlton Nurseries will again be providing summer flowers for all the council's baskets and tubs.

Dates for litter picks in 2020 are 8 February, 14 March, 20 June, 8 August, 10 October, 10 November.

Public toilets and office project

The revised tenders for the conversion of the toilet block in Jubilee Gardens have now been fully reviewed and compared by the Town Council's project managers, Bowman Riley and the council's project steering group.

At the full council meeting on 21 January, the Council agreed in principle to appoint Building Projects Group to undertake the project. Some final adjustments to the specification are still needed, after which the contract with the successful tenderer will be put before the full council for approval and signing.

The Town Council is still waiting for a response from Bradford Council as to whether they are prepared to undertake the necessary electrical work at the pool to enable the installation of a Changing Places facility. The Council has allocated £12,000 for this piece of work.

Street furniture

For two years, the Town Council has been working to enhance the town centre with a project looking to paint the street furniture black, as a replacement to the current tired-looking blue colour. This was seen as one of the top twelve priorities by those of you who took part in the consultation exercise in September last year.

Residents will have noted that the new street furniture resulting from the Lidl development is already black. Negotiations with Bradford Council are being concluded and a decision is expected shortly.

Monthly markets

Markets have been a consistent priority for residents even before the council came into existence. The monthly markets that the Town Council has been providing for the past two years restart on Saturday 1 February. This year, the Council will be running markets every month except January and the opening hours have been changed to 10 am to 2 pm.

There will be the usual mixture of stalls providing hot and cold food, artisan crafts and entertainment by local musicians and artists – some old favourites and some new faces. We hope you'll come and support your local market!

Play in the Park summer 2020

Following the success of the free Play in the Park sessions for primary school-aged children in the past two years – four in 2018 and six in 2019 – the Council has now confirmed it will fund a further six events in the 2020 school summer holidays:

Friday 24 July – Eldwick Rec
Friday 31 July – Cottingley Rec
Saturday 1 August – Myrtle Park
Friday 7 August – Gilstead Rec
Friday 14 August – Crossflatts Rec
Friday 21 August – Myrtle Park

Bradford Council organises and runs these events with their own staff and using their own insurance. The Town Council is also providing toilets, including a mobile Changing Places facility at one of the sessions.



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Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association

January's meeting was our Annual Beetle Drive. Sadly only 22 people came, but those who did, thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Our next meeting is 10th March which will be our Spring Fling. This is for Members only, but if any Member has not put their name down please ring Maureen Beckwith.

Our AGM is on the 12 May 2020.

All New Members will be welcomed. Please ring Bev on 01274 - 565077



Eldwick & Gilstead Horticultural Society
Reg charity No 513988

Water in the Garden



and snowdrops
There will be plants
for sale



Michael Myers

Tuesday 18th February 2020

7:30 pm

Eldwick Memorial Hall

Entry for members £1.50
Non-members are very welcome at £3
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or join us for the year at only £10

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SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES AT THE ELDWICK CHURCH

CHURCH SERVICES

23 February

10.30 am Holy Communion

led by Rev Jennifer Lunn

7.00 pm Peace & Quiet: a drop-in time
with background music & candles. Prayer
books, Bibles & resources to browse or just
sit and reflect. Prayer assistants if you need
some support or a cuppa!

Monday 24 February

7.00 pm Start! Week 1 of a 6-session
introduction to the Christian faith running on
Mondays. It assumes no prior knowledge &
uses short video clips to promote discussion.
Just turn up!

Ash Wednesday 26 February

7.00 pm Holy Communion

led by Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

1 March

9.15 am Holy Communion

led by a Methodist Minister

10.30 am Family Worship led by
the Friday "A" Housegroup

8 March

10.30 am Holy Communion

led by Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

15 March

9.15 am Holy Communion

led by Rev Peter Mayo-Smith

10.30 am Family Worship led by a
Methodist lay preacher

Mothering Sunday 22 March

10.30 am Family Worship led by a
Methodist lay preacher

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 date 22nd March

PAUSE TO PRAY

A quiet daytime 'drop-in' for reflection and
prayer. Wednesdays 2.00 - 3.00 pm on 4th
& 18th March in Church

The Eldwick Church Fellowship meets on

on 20th February at 7.00 pm when Jeanette
Wallace will talk about 'Land of the Condor'
and on 19th March for a talk by Wendy
Uttley from the Downs Syndrome Support &
Training Service. All very welcome; small
entry fee for non-members.

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 - 11.00 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
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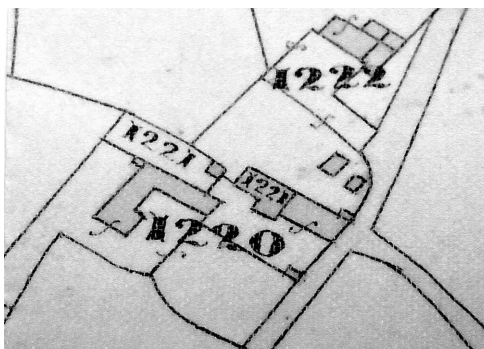
TITHE OR TOLL

There are several significant dates in the history of Eldwick, twinned with the representation of the name, being it Helguic in Domesday 1086, Helewike in 1273, Helwick in 1773 and so on. After that there are details in inquisitions and deeds which bear the name of the village. Obviously the name is clarified by the time of the 1841 Census which gives bare details of people and locations.

The first Ordnance Survey map was surveyed in 1847 and published in 1851. Sadly for the then centre of Eldwick ('Beck Bottom') a large letter Y of Bingley hides detail. Thus it is fortunate that the 1845 Tithe Map for Bingley and Micklethwaite gives far more detail than ever before. The map itself stretches across the Bingley Parish, as shown on last month's map. Accompanying the map is the 'apportionment ledger' which lists every owner of land, current occupiers, acreage, numerical references to the map and rent charges due. Until 1836 tithes were paid in kind but by the time of this award, simple rent charges became adopted. The handwritten ledger includes houses, cottages, shops, foundries. And in case of central Bingley, all the inns which still exist today, albeit renamed, as well as beer houses interspersed along Main Street, just like today.

One link with Eldwick is the wealthy Tolson family since it was the sisters Ann and Agnes who, after public subscription, sold 8 acres of land which neighboured the 10 acres awarded to the poor, to create Prince of Wales Park. In fact Richard Tolson negotiated on behalf of the Ferrands, Busfields et al, as their solicitor, to agree a tithe award payment to the Vicar of £300. Bear in mind the 'vicarage' was the mansion like structure in Park Road, today's Monk Barn where the Vicar lived rent free. The total area on the map was 5,500 acres, much of it common or waste since Rumbolds Moor was 1460 acres, Gilstead Moor 410 acres and 'ancient enclosures' 3368 acres. The Bingley Parish rent charges yielded £710/3/5p including Harden, Morton and Micklethwaite.

In detail the rent charges from Eldwick's farms were in huge contrast to those of the major landowners. So, Joseph Baldwin at his 8 acre Eldwick Corn Mill farm paid, 8 shillings, David Jowett at Faweather's 28 acres paid £1/4/4d, David Binns at Cropper Fold of 42 acres paid £1/16/8d. Compare those figures with those of George Lane Fox of Bramham with farms at Gawthorpe, Priestthorpe, Warren Huse, Crow Nest, Mill Gate, Toad Lane (lower Park Road), Gilstead Moor and Canalside - 1673 acres paying £52/7/6d, Sarah Ferrand with 1076 acres paid £46/7/6d and William Busfield of Upwood. East and West Morton, 953 acres paid £41/2/-. Prior to the rent charges the payment in kind was for example 1p for every foal, 1p for every swarm of bees, 1p for every householder instead of tithes on eggs and poultry, other than geese, ten shillings for



every mill. In a year the arable farmers, who at that time were in a majority, had wheat valued at seven shillings and a farthing per bushel (674 bushels registered), barley three and eleven pence hapenny per bushel (1196) and oats two and ninepence (1721).

In terms of reference to property there was again a variety of entries. John Skirrow, tenant of the Crompton Stansfields at Eldwick Hall had house, barn, yard, stable, garden and nursery. Map extract pictured. Admiral Duncombe who was the owner of the Elizabethan mansion the Salt family chose to demolish to build Milnerfield, had house, coach house, stables, yard, garden, nursery, orchard, plantation and wood. David Wildman at Eldwick Crag had a house and three cottages in his 11 acres. John Rhodes of Heights and Tetew owned a house five cottages and a plantation. Many others just had a cottage and garden or croft. Field names give clues to other places. The Sheriff Lane farm has a field named Rawson Royds after the subterranean watercourse which still runs the length of the lane called Rawson Dyke. The farm within what was Gilstead Moor has several fields named Little Warrens, hence Warren Lane. There is also a Sheariff Field and near Eldwick Hall is Little Eldwick Close. But what gave a name to Shroggs or the Dock Pits?

It remains to be seen whether the field system of 1845 remains although I remember



the late Geoff Fawcett of Faweather being able to still name all of his fields. So, if you ever manage to buy a field in Eldwick for your country house, you could consult the Tithe's field names to choose from 'Paradise', 'Back off't Door', 'Seven Days Work' or even 'The Great Boiled Hole'!

ALLAN MIRFIELD

ELDWICK LADIES PROBUS CLUB

A group of friendly retired Professional Businesswomen who meet for coffee, a chat and then a speaker. Meetings are held in The Eldwick Church building, the last Wednesday of the month at 10.30am. New members and visitors are always welcome.

Chair: 01274 581342 Treasurer: 01274 565555

PROGRAMME 2020

- Feb 26 Judith Kay - New Origins of Sayings
- Mar 25 David Keighley - Fulneck Museum
- Apr 29 Keith Barber - Another trip down Memory Lane
- May 27 Pam Vinnicombe - The Books of Jack Sheffield
- June 24 Members Day
- July 29 Michael R Duncombe - Memories of the 50s and 60s
- August No Meeting
- Sept 30 Owen Bronson - It shouldn't happen to a coach driver
- Oct 28 Geoff Twentyman - The Golden Age of Radio Comedy
- Nov 25 James Saville - Funny Poems
- Dec 9 or 16 Christmas Luncheon



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Wonder what they get up to at the church on Sundays?

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Each session lasts around 90 minutes and is based on short video clips aimed at provoking discussion. The free course runs at the Eldwick Church during Lent (which is the 6 weeks leading up to Easter).

It's taking place on Monday evenings, beginning 24 February at 7.00pm. If you would like to join us, you can phone Rev. Peter on 01274 457042. Or you can just turn up...



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