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The Eldwick Village Society Newsletter.

ELDWICK GALA

Saturday 27th June 1998

Gala Theme 'ANIMAL MAGIC'

Decorated Floats, Fancy Dress, Races, Stalls, Morris Dancers, Spitfire Flypast even Concorde may fly over, burnt bangers, and much more! Hopefully with a little bit of sunshine. All followed up by a Barn Dance on the Recreation Ground with a live Band.

And if that's not enough during the week before there will be:

Teddy Bears Picnic Friday 19th June 5pm - 6pm

Disco Friday 19th June 7pm - 8.30pm

Pet Show Tuesday 23rd June 6.15pm+

Talent Show Thursday 25th June 7pm - 8.30pm

TALENT SHOW

Have you a talent to contribute to our Talent Show? Last year we enjoyed an evening from classics to pop displayed by a variety of members of the Community. If you would like to take part we are having a preparation evening/rehearsal during May – date to be announced. Prepare/write your scripts, music, instruments and talents and bring them along. For more details please contact one of the Gala Contact Numbers listed.

Heather Murgatroyd – Gala Queen
Lois Wild – Deputy Gala Queen

FANCY DRESS

Animal Magic is the theme for the parade, why not let your imagination run wild and join in the parade en-route in your costume. If you're dressing up to go on a float why not enter the Fancy Dress competition after the opening ceremony.

Back row left to right
Sam Robinson, Rachel Pickles, Victoria Ashton
Front row left to right Rebecca Beetham, Sam Rogers, Stephanie Edmonson

DECORATED FLOATS

The variety of floats entered over the past few years has been wonderful, we are trying to encourage more organised groups or groups of residents to come up with some ideas and decorate a float for Gala Day. If you would like to enter a float please contact one of the numbers below for more details.

STALLS ON THE FIELD

If you would like to run a stall on Gala Day either for charity, a local organisation or a commercial venture (with committee approval) please contact one of the following for more details.

Contact points for information:
Ian Holdgate 566696 daytime only or Ann Foster 774758

If you would like to help with the planning of Gala Day, come along to our next planning meeting on Monday 6th April at 8.00pm at 23 Park Road.

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Bob's Snippet

Eldwick children do not trust their teacher. She didn't know the Taj Mahal is a restaurant in Halifax, and she thought the Alhambra was in Spain.

EXODUS–"the Musical"

Eldwick Methodist Church performed their first musical in 1994, two years later we performed "Singing Dancing Carpenter", by Christopher Tambling and Michael Forster.

The aim of producing musicals has been to involve as many members of the church as possible with over fifty people aged from 4 to 80 taking part in the 1996 production.

In 1998 we have selected another Christopher Tambling and Michael Forster musical "Exodus – the Musical" and this production will involve even more people.

"Exodus – the Musical" is about the Exodus tradition, that God leads us on a journey of liberation which does not always proceed as we would choose. The music is lively and varied, there is humour, dance, drama and mime, something for everyone!

The musical will be produced at Eldwick Methodist Church on Saturday April 4 at 7pm, and on Sunday April 5 at 10.30am and 6pm. Further performances will take place at Brighouse Central Methodist Church on Sunday April 19 at 6pm and Skipton Trinity Methodist Church on Sunday May 3 at 6pm.

There will be no admission charge but there will be a retiring collection for the Blenheim Project.

Some further advertising material is enclosed, please feel free to produce further copies if you need more.

We hope to see you at one of our performances.

Further details from Brian Coleman on 01724 568094.

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Eldwick and Gilstead Horticultural Society

At our meeting on 17 February, Mrs J. Makin gave a fascinating talk entitled "Inspiration, Conservation and Restoration" relating to PARCEVALL HALL GARDENS, Skyreholme, Skipton. The job which she had held since 1985, now involves garden design, management and administration.

Parcevall Hall was the home of Sir William Milner, a godson of Queen Mary, born in the late 1880s. He was greatly inspired by books he had been given in his childhood and by a Chinese author/painter who visited the Dales in the 1930s. An alpine hillside forest and planted cliff wall had been created. There was clever placements of plants, a 'mirror' pond and good use of the borrowed landscape (e.g. Simon's Seat) – again the Chinese influence.

Mrs Makin explained that in order to conserve the garden it was necessary to renovate it, making best use of today's pest free varieties, rather than restoring it with the original 'old' varieties. Much work was still going on – changing car parking to accommodate an increasing number of visitors, identifying old species apples and daffodils in the orchard – working 'to capture and keep the feel and prescence of the garden'.

Parceval Hall is Open Daily from Easter until the end of October and sounds well worth a visit.

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Rossford Bridge Club

The Rossford Bridge Club came into being 16 years ago, started by Audrey Ford and the late Audrey Ross. From the very beginning it has been a successful and friendly club.

Members continue to meet on Mondays at 9.30am in the Memorial Hall, Otley Road, Eldwick and duplicate is played from 9.45am to 12 noon, using the Acol system. Generally, there are about eight tables each week and many friendships and bridge partnerships have been made over the years.

The club now has a few vacancies and would welcome new members. Further details can be obtained from: Mrs Audrey Ford, Tel: 01274 569198 or Mrs Kathleen Moorhouse, Tel: 01274 560675.

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2nd May	GAMES EVENING
16th May	QUIZ – One off Team Quiz for Local Organisations
6th June	RACE NIGHT
20th June	QUIZ
27th June	GALA

Warren Lane
Eldwick

Dear Editor,

I am pleased to see you are again raising the subject of the selfish motorists who park on our pavements.

These people care nothing for the safety of pedestrians, particularly the elderly, visually impaired, the pram pushers and most of all our children. They do not seem concerned that Otley Road has already claimed the life of one of the children in recent years.

Much as I praise your continual raising of the subject I regret that these people will not be bothered as long as we have the "DON'T CARE" policing that we have to suffer.

Speed checks are minimal, parking on yellow lines is ignored, police travelling through the village ignore pavement parking as if oblivious to the fact that obstructing the pavement is an offence, and also that driving on the pavement to cause the obstruction is also an offence.

If some form of control is not exercised we will end up with both main roads being double yellow lines, inconvenient to all and a disaster to our traders.

Keep up the good work, but I fear you are whistling in the wind.

Yours Sincerely,
Denis Ridge

BINGLEY GILBERT & SULLIVAN SOCIETY

Where is Savoy House?

Many villagers might not be aware that behind St Lawrence's Church is Savoy House, formerly the old Sunday School. For the last 17 years it has been the home of Bingley Gilbert & Sullivan Society. If anyone has passed the building recently, they may have heard members rehearsing for their forthcoming production, **"The Yeoman of the Guard"** which will be performed in Bingley Arts Centre from **Monday April 27th to Saturday May 2nd at 7.30.**

Tickets are available from members, or Tel. 01274 824901 (evenings).

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10.30am Morning Worship
Thursday 9th
8pm Maundy Thursday Service
Friday 10th
8pm Good Friday Service of Reflection
Sunday 12th – Easter Sunday
8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am All-age Communion
6.30pm Easter Evening Praise
Sunday 19th
8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am All-age Worship
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
Sunday 26th
8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Holy Communion
Every Wednesday
9.30am Holy Communion
2pm Play and Praise Toddlers' Service

"LIVEWIRES" PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP
are hosting

New to You

Children's Clothes, Toys and Baby Equipment Sale
at St Lawrence's Church Hall
Eldwick

Monday 27th April
1pm – 3pm

Admission: 50p, includes refreshments and creche facility
Any items you wish to sell should be delivered between 9am and 12noon. (During Livewires there will be a room in which to store items). Each item must be clearly labelled with your name and a price. Please supply your own hangers. Unsold items must be collected between 3.30pm and 4.30pm at the latest.
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Eldwick & Gilstead Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association

Nearly into Spring, and our February meeting started with the usual business – minutes of last meeting, relevant items from the county letter, finances, apologies and thank you letters, etc. A fashion show is to be held on Wednesday evening, April 22 – please make a note in your diaries ladies: 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall and our own home-grown models!!

A very good attendance, as we settled down to a sparkling time, with Michael and Christine Lynes of "Calders of Ilkley" – owners of one of Yorkshire's premier jewellers. What a time we all had, as precious pieces of jewellery were passed from hand to hand – a diamond 3½ carats worth £25,000! So many beautiful and expensive rings, a Lalique figure and so many superb items. All the while Mr Lynes gave us a potted history of his life, and an insight into the vast and varied stock of Calders plus the many things they do, valuation, repairs, ear-piercing and so on. A lovely evening much enjoyed.

Our party will have passed when you read this, but do come along to the AGM on April 7 and May 12, it's "Tapestry of Life" – by Five Rise Florist – Come and enjoy.

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Aaron Bennett Memorial Fund

Andrew and Angela Bennett would like to extend their most sincere gratitude to the people of Eldwick and Gilstead for their kind and generous donations towards Aaron's fund. These donations, no matter how small, have added up to a fantastic amount, and some of you may have seen in the T&A that we were able to purchase the P.I.C.U. ward a new bed and mattress that they so desperately needed. These totalled £4,600 because they were very specialised for the purposes of the unit and we were delighted to be able to purchase them in time for what would have been Aaron's 9th birthday in January.

We realised through Aaron being on the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit, just how vitally important their work is and we were in no doubt whatsoever that everything that could possibly have been done was carried out. We were full of admiration for the nurses and doctors who have such a difficult job nursing very sick children, and this is what inspired us to set up a fund in Aaron's memory. Aaron's sudden and tragic death has left a very deep void in our lives, one that we wouldn't want other parents to feel and suffer, so we are hoping that through the fund we can spare someone else the dreadful pain and heartache that we are going through.

On Friday 13th February, The Haley Sisters gave a concert on our behalf and we raised the sum of £504, which puts the fund back up to almost £1,000 already. Thanks to everyone who supported this event. We are also holding a "Sports Raffle" which is to be drawn on Friday 17th July at a "Bull Racing Evening" at Bradford & Bingley Rugby Club. Some of the prizes include personalised balls by Jonah Lomu, Bradford Bulls, Keighley Cougars, Halifax Town and a bat from Yorkshire Cricket Team, plus many other prizes. Should anyone be able to sell tickets on our behalf through sports clubs or other societies we would be grateful for any offers of help. Tickets for the "Bull Racing" will be available in due course should anyone be interested. Also planned for a later date is a sponsored Mountain Biking Event to be held locally. There will be a difficult course for any experienced riders and a shorter course for children and adults who wish to remain in one piece! This event will probably take place in early September so all you keen bikers can get in plenty of practice.

If anyone is interested in the above events or can offer help, we can be contacted on 01535 273545.

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Park Drive, Eldwick

Dear Pleading,

You mustn't get yourself into such a state, dear. That is exactly what causes the problem in the first place (and in the second). According to our very good friend at "Bona Relaxations" the answer to your prayers is yoga. Apparently you have to let it spread all over you, rather like a rash. You can do it anywhere these days but it is probably still more beneficial in the privacy of your own latty. (That's you actual Polari) Our aforementioned good friend, Madam Muriel, sets herself, rather like a jelly, in the correct position on the floor (see diagram attached) and concentrates on something at eye level, usually a door knob. She is convinced that she has a third eye somewhere and she looks at the knob through this third eye. It doesn't take much to get her going and she rises up so that she can look down and see herself sitting there gazing at the knob. She can drift off at will, on a different plane, without being seen and she regularly flits in and out of houses on Stone Hill and Moorcroft. Some of the things she has witnessed would make your hair curl. She also has a "spirit guide" who is a great butch Roman Centurion called Derek. He enters her when she's least expecting it and leads her on these excursions of enlightenment. Must be riveting. Anyroad up, if you have any difficulty in getting yourself into the correct position just let us know and Morris, who is extremely flexible, will pop round and show you how to do it. (Not Thursday)

Yours Indubitably
Morris & Hugh

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MARGH 1898
Eldwick News — 100 Years Ago

On Monday the 14th at Leeds Assize before Mr Justice Lawrence and a jury, the case of Preston v. Wainwright, an action for slander, was tried. The plaintiff was Annie Preston, a spinster of Gilstead, who carried on business described as a 'Refreshment House Keeper'. The defendant was Harrison Wainwright, a mason and Market Gardener, of Eldwick. Mr Harold Newall appeared for the plaintiff and the defendant, who described himself as a poor man with 14 children, conducted his own defence. The alleged slander consisted of statements which it was alleged the defendant had made imputing immorality to the plaintiff and defining her establishment as a brothel. Three witnesses gave evidence to the effect that such statements had been made by Wainwright at different times and in different places. The defendant showed considerable excitement during the whole of the proceedings. He frequently interrupted the witnesses. He interrupted witness John Coulman of Eldwick, alleging bias against him because he said Mr Coulman was the plaintiff's sweetheart. When interrupting witness Helliwell Ingham, a Commission Agent of Gilstead, resident in Bingley, to the effect that the witness was an habitual brothel attender, he incurred the wrath of the Judge. He was told that he would be held in contempt of Court if he did not control himself.

Wainwright gave evidence which amounted to a complete denial. He said he had not made any of the statements attributed to him. He said that he had lived in Eldwick for 30 years. That he had 3 children in the Church Choir, that another child was a Sunday School teacher, and that none of his children "had ever gone into a beer shop". He said that many residents of Eldwick were jealous of him. That the plaintiff was of the Swedenborgian faith like a number of his neighbours, and because he did not have any truck with such people, they had conspired against him, hence this case. Much of his evidence was completely irrelevant and desultory, and the Judge was called upon to direct him on a number of occasions during his discourse.

The Jury without leaving the box, found for the plaintiff. The Judge awarded the plaintiff damages amounting to £35, and he made an order awarding costs against the defendant.

Little enthusiasm for the forthcoming new Bingley District Council was being exhibited in the Bingley town wards. However considerable interest was being generated in the outlying areas, particularly in Eldwick. On the 14th, East Ward Candidate Nomination Meeting was held at the Mornington Road Board School. Mr Denby Anderton of Eldwick told the meeting that there had been a 'secret' meeting at Mr Ferrand's house which "went on the idea of just putting Mr Dawson forward as a sole representative for Eldwick. Amid much amusement Mr Anderson was asked since he knew what had happened how secret could this meeting have been. There was even more amusement when Mr Anderson said it had been secret because he did not know who had attended it or when it had taken place. He refused to say how he knew what had been decided. The nominations were:–

John T. Wildon, a cashier of Bingley.
William Hartley, a registrar of Bingley.
John Robinson, a farmer of Gilstead.
Matthew Shackleton, a milk dealer of Eldwick.
William Dawson, gentleman of Eldwick.
David Harrison, worsted spinner and manufacturer of Bingley.
Henry K. White, a wool spinner of Bingley.
Walter Platts, gentleman of Bingley.
William Longbottom, blacksmith and cycle dealer of Bingley.
William Walsh, a farmer of Gilstead.

Whilst a number of these people were associated with the local Conservative party, they all stood as independents without any party allegiances.

Benjamin Waterhouse aged 74 years died at Eldwick on Saturday the 12th.

New Eldwick Dramatic Society
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