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The Eldwick Village Society Newsletter.

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# Gala Raised a Record £2,000

The Gala Committee is pleased to announce that the proceeds from this years gala come to just over £2,000! This is a record, thank you to all those who helped achieve it!

Any local groups and organisations wishing to apply for a donation from this years gala are invited to write with details of their request before 30th September, to the Treasurer – Mrs Julie Bailey, 119 Gilstead Lane, Gilstead.

Unfortunately this wonderful total has already been reduced by the cost of the insurance excess of £500 for the damage inflicted on the lorry after gala day. The police are making progress with their investigations. Thank you to all those who were able to supply information about the incident.



## A.G.M.

15th October in the Birches, 8pm

If you would like to help with the organisation or have ideas to contribute for next years Gala please come along.

(Gala Day 2002 – 29th June)

We are particularly looking for someone to take on the co-ordination of the Gala Pet Show!

The Gala Committee hold about 8 or 9 informal planning meetings between October and June on Mondays at 8pm.

*See you there!*





## Bob's Snippet

The Gala should have a People Show as well as a Pet Show. I know some Handsome entrants, some Smooth Males and a Long Haired one. I'd enter for the Best Veteran.

## Under New Management!!

The committee of Birches is pleased to announce that we have now filled the position of Steward, left vacant since the resignation of Trevor Weston. Mike Harrison, who lives in Eldwick and is a long-standing member of Birches has been appointed as the new steward and will most likely have taken up the appointment by the time that you read this. We all wish Mike well with his new job and at the same time would like to express our thanks to Mike Burdin, who with help from his wife Barbara has done an absolutely excellent job as temporary steward. I am sure we have all noticed the difference that Mike has made to Birches over the last couple of months and we are sure Mike Harrison will continue to build on this.

### NEW CONFECTIONS FOR ELWDICK

As readers are aware that Michael and Sylvia Fishburn have now departed to pastures new. However the Eldwick confectionery remains in safe hands of Barry and Margaret Doveston.

Barry and Margaret have been very impressed by their reception in the village and appreciate the community spirit. They have been in catering since 1983 and have steadily built up the business since then. Although catering is the mainstay of the business they are very keen to meet the confectionery needs of the village. Margaret is very keen to develop the home baking and lunchtime sandwiches. They are now open all day apart from Sunday and half days Tuesday and Saturday. They may also develop the wholefoods side of the business.

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Hello, I'm Chris Sutcliffe and I live on Barden Drive on the Wimpy Homes estate in Eldwick. I am 12 years old and read the newsletter when it comes out. I really like riding my bike in Eldwick because it is a good place to ride bikes and I have had an idea. We have a fun run in Eldwick every year so I thought that we could hold some sort of sponsored bike ride in Eldwick! This is just a suggestion that me and my friends thought we would tell you, I hope you consider it for the future!

Dear Editor,

I am prompted by the picture in the June issue of the Newsletter of Mr Ian Scott and his charming bride. Although they will never have heard of me, I would still like to congratulate them and send my best wishes.

I too was married in June, but the year was 1942. It would have been several years earlier had it not been for factors beyond our control. We became engaged in 1938 and ours was a marriage which was to run within a few days of the end of the century when, sadly, my wife passed away.

I was born in Eldwick in 1912 and have lived



either in the village or surrounding area all my life. My wife was born only a few miles away in Bradford. She played a prominent part in the musical life of the village, particularly in connection with the Chapel. She was for many years a member of the Elstead Ladies Choir.

I have enclosed a photograph of Olive and myself at our wedding in 1942 and at home on the day of our golden wedding in 1992.

She was ever "the light of my life", and still is.

Yours sincerely,

Ralph S. Nutter



## PLANNING

The following planning applications have been made to the Council. Any representation should be made to the Planning Office at Shipley Town Hall

1. Carport and extension to garage  
3 Sherwood Close
2. 01/02503/FUL Conservatory to rear of dwelling 53 Barden Drive
3. 01/02510/FUL Erection of two horse boxes/hay store The Heights, Heights Lane
4. 01/02472/FUL Removal of conservatory and erection of single storey side and rear extension Finchcroft, Sheriff Lane

Sylvia and Michael would like to thank all customers and friends for their retirement cards and gifts of appreciation for 16 years of happy times in Eldwick.

Also many thanks to helpful staff past and present.

Yours sincerely

Sylvia and Michael Fishburn  
(Bakers)

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Mrs M Green  
Foulridge  
Lancashire

Dear Editor,

Thank you for publishing my letter to you in the Eldwick Newsletter.

I have been asked if I would write again. Some of the people I remember are Mr Bob Cawood of Green Lane, Eldwick, who I still remember as a young man in his RAF uniform, along with Wally Marsden in his naval uniform, were quite dashing young men, as were many others.

I am delighted to be able to write. Being able to attend Eldwick Gala on the 30th June 2001 we were all blessed with lovely weather. What a success it must have been.

On arriving in Eldwick it seemed I was among strangers, going back home after being away so many years. I did spot a young man whose features were familiar to me. I conversed with him after 40 years. Mr Leonard Butterfield, who at the time I remember, last seeing Leonard would be when he would have been aged about nine years of age. We were all members of St Lawrences Church Choir, his brother Ted, Joan, John and all the family. Mr Butterfield, their father, was a very dedicated member of the choir for many years and held us together. Mr Phil Bartlett was the organist and choir master at that time.

I had hoped to be able to visit Mrs Nancy Longbottom but was sorry to learn Mrs Longbottom was in hospital. I met her two daughters Heather and Dorothy on the Gala field. Hoping Mrs Longbottom will make a speedy recovery.

Well done organisers, I really enjoyed my short stay in Eldwick due to another engagement on the same day.

Yours

Maureen Green  
nee Royston



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## Getting the Birds !!



On the last Saturday in July, (which everyone will remember because the sun shone all day on that day), two dozen Birches members and guests set out for a Clay Pigeon shoot on Otley Chevin. This had been arranged with Yorkgate Gun Club which is run by Bob and Angela Agar and the shooting ground is next to the Royalty pub. Bob was donating the profits from the shoot to the Yeadon Air Ambulance but I don't think this was anything to do with us hitting any of the constant string of planes flying over us. Virtually all of us had never even held a shotgun before and following some tuition we had five practice and five competition shots on each of three stands. Everyone had a great evening and this culminated back at Birches for an excellent supper and the prize giving! Congratulations to Chris Ibbotson who won a bottle of whisky for the highest men's score with 11 from 15 and to Connie Oldham who shot an excellent 9 from 15 to take the ladies prize which was a bottle of Baileys. A big thank you to all who came, all who helped and also to Bob and Angela at Yorkgate Gun Club.

I am disturbed to read in the Eldwick Newsletter of the vandalism that took place on the Sunday night after this years Gala.

In the early days of the Memorial Hall dances were organised for the purpose of raising funds for the tennis courts at the rear of the Hall, and barbecues were held in gardens on Glen Road.

The dances started off as a huge success but their popularity attracted unwelcome elements, some from quite distant parts. A serious incident took place which effectively put paid to the dances when a homemade explosive device was set off in one of the dressing room toilets. At the time I lived in the house immediately above the Hall, and remember the anger displayed by local residents.

So the problem is not a new one, and it is difficult to find a solution other than strict surveillance in an attempt to identify and prosecute the offenders. This is probably too costly, but I do recall in my youth that frequently notices appeared at various

locations offering rewards for information leading to the conviction of wrongdoers, and the time might be ripe to consider the re-introduction of something like this. I would be happy to subscribe a modest sum to such a scheme.

Being of a generation subjected to a fair amount of discipline I am at a loss to understand the inane workings of these mindless hooligans. Anyone caught doing this sort of thing would almost certainly have received a few strokes of the instrument which bears the same name as the club adjacent to the Memorial Hall.

*Robert Hogg*

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## Variations at Enigma

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The new Owner – Mrs. Jo Harrison – a local resident herself for many years, has returned to own the salon she worked in as a girl, 30 years ago, when the salon was then known as TARAS.

Jo's ambition now, is to return the Salon back to the Community and for Enigma, to once again, be the Salon people from local districts would like to attend.

The Salon now has a calm, relaxed, totally professional feel and projects warmth, friendliness and a welcoming charm.

Mike – The Salons Style Director has worked within the trade around the country for many years and has returned to Yorkshire to settle down in Eldwick, where, he says "The People are the nicest I have come across whilst working throughout the country".

Michael – Formerly Artistic Director to Celebrity Hairdresser Andrew Collinge, has styled celebrities' hair and used to appear regularly on TV's "Clothes Show" and "Style Challenge" but now wants to bring his expertise to a more realistic concept.

Jo now has many plans for the Salon including a fast tan sun cabin, a separate Technical Department for Colouring and Perming – A new name for the Salon and generally a forward, up to the minute professional and friendly ambience.

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## AUGUST 1901 – Eldwick News – 100 Years Ago

On Wednesday the 7th at Bingley Police Court John Moffat, a woolcomber of Eldwick, was summoned for using threats to his wife Harriet Moffat. P.C. Balmforth proved the service of a summons on Moffat but the defendant failed to appear. Mrs. Moffat stated that her husband had threatened to do her serious bodily harm, and that she was as a consequence afraid to live with him. The justices found a prima facie case to be proved and issued a warrant for Moffat's arrest. Wednesday the 24th found Moffat in Court having been brought there from Armley Prison where he had been in custody as the result of the arrest warrant. Harriet now asked for the case to be dropped. It appeared that before the arrest there had been something of a reconciliation and Harriet now said that she and her husband "would try to lead a better life". The Chairman told them that he was glad that they had resolved their differences and that they were both extremely young people with their lives in front of them. He hoped that the husband would learn from his bitter experience. The bench were prepared to withdraw the

case but Moffat would have to pay the costs, this was done.

Bingley District Council at their meeting on Monday the 12th approved plans for a house to be built at Eldwick for Mr John Bruce.

Tenders were again invited from local farmers to supply and deliver milk to Morton Banks Isolation Hospital for the year from 1st October. The successful contractor would be required as usual to submit his cows to the tuberculosis test by, and at the expense, of the hospital board. If any were found to be suffering from tuberculosis he would be required to dispose of (or isolate!) them. Tenders were to be returned to George E. Spencer, Clerk to the Board, by the 31st August.

On Wednesday the 28th Samson Halliday died at his home, 10 Leylands, Eldwick, aged 75 years.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the 26th, 27th and 28th due to Post Office distribution problems, the mid day second delivery and collection of mail from the two post boxes in Eldwick did not take place. Thereafter the normal service was resumed.

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