

Village View

The newsletter for the residents of Green Hammerton

June/July 2019



Sale goes the whole 33 yards

by the editor

Thirty-three properties in Green Hammerton and Whixley participated in a yard sale on 28 April. The event drew many buyers and raised a total of £600 for parish funds and £100 for Green Hammerton School from the sale of cakes and drinks. "Thank you to all people who supported us," said Barry Atkinson.

Pictured above: Geoff Kitson (left) checks out the tools on offer from Alan and Stella Craven at The Stables on Back Lane.

Pictured right: Toys and books galore at Beech House on York Road courtesy of Ella (left), Sue (back) and Annie Lambert. Barbara Fawcett is the bargain hunter.



Council opposes GH9 development plan

by Gill Singleton of Green Hammerton parish council

Over 300 objections were received to the planning application put forward by Merrington Estates on the field opposite the Redrow site known as GH9. The parish council along with the Keep the Hammertons Green group met with Harrogate Borough Council planning officer John Worthington and our MP Nigel Adams last month to express the grave concerns of the majority of residents about the proposed development. The decision as to whether this it will be approved or not will now be made by the Harrogate Borough Council planning committee. The parish council will circulate that decision date as soon as it is confirmed. In the meantime we continue to work on behalf of the village to argue against approval.

North Yorkshire County Council has now completed re-tarmac the main road junctions within the village. The parish council is now working towards cleaning up the verges and pavements. We're keen to pull together a team of enthusiastic volunteers to meet on a regular basis with an aim of keeping public areas of Green Hammerton litter free and tidy. If you are interested in becoming part of this team or for more information please contact councillor Chris Jackson via cajacko5562@gmail.com. Vandalism to village bus stops has been repaired. Please contact us if you notice any further damage.

We politely ask all dog owners to pick up after their animals and to use bins provided and not residents' rubbish bins! There is a noticeable increase in the number of dogs exercising in the village and we are looking to provide more waste bins as soon as possible.

Juliet McCarthy was co-opted on to the parish council at the April meeting. There is still a vacancy to be filled and anyone interested should contact our chairman Ian Bailes via i.bailes@btinternet.com. Susan Reid has been appointed as our parish clerk. You can contact her via chapelvillas@hotmail.co.uk.

Calling young thespians

by Claire Jeffrey of Badapple Theatre

We are leading another 'play in a week' summer school for children from Mon 29 July to Fri 2 Aug. A handful of places are still available. We've just opened bookings for an additional three days of fun theatre skills developments sessions from Mon 22 to Wed 24 July with Richard Kay and some of our other professional actors and directors. Contact me via office@badappletheatre.com or 339168 for more information.

The Mile Roses folk group featuring Kate Bramley, Simon Haworth and Kari Macleod are holding a launch party for their new CD, Blue Skies, at the Village Club on Wed 12 June from 7.30pm. Tickets £10. Born out of a musical interest in both British folk and the transatlantic connections to new country and

Americana, this trio is now fast gaining a reputation across the UK folk scene. Their original songs and close three part harmonies are accompanied by guitars, fretless bass, cittern, mandolin and fiddles.

Review: The Frozen Roman

Green Hammerton village hall, 7 May

by the editor

"So have you got any ideas, then?" a member of the audience asked Chris Chelton of Keep the Hammertons Green as the performance came to a close. A village threatened by major housing development, nearby Roman ruins, action in the pub ... it wasn't hard to guess where the inspiration for Kate Bramley's latest play came from. When a ghost appeared some memories were stirred of Jonty Lightowler's unforgettable portrayal of a Roman centurion at the bottom of the green for the village Hallowe'en trail in 2004.



As always with Badapple the performances were bursting with energy. It's hard to believe how the cast of just three can put so much into every show night after night. They had so many changes of character, costume and accent to master too. The play included new songs by Jez Lowe, some in a similar vein to those he performed with the Bad Pennies at the village hall at Christmas.

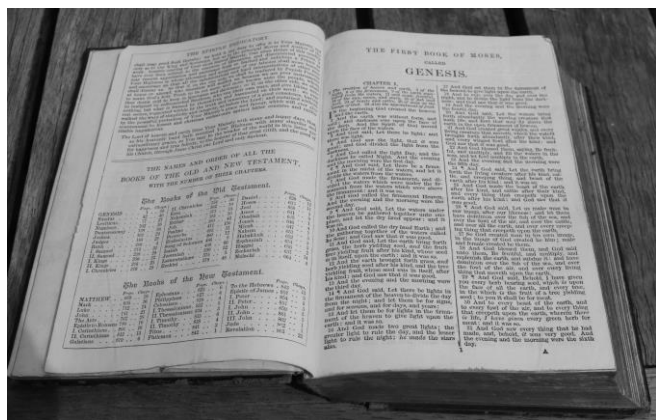
All in all a hugely entertaining evening enjoyed by a packed house. The tour concludes in June with local performances at Hushwaite, Sheriff Hutton and Poppleton. See badappletheatre.com for details.

Noticeboard

• A **Tina Turner tribute evening** with hog roast will be held at Main Pine in Green Hammerton on Sat 14 Sept at 7.30pm in aid of Myeloma UK and Brain Tumour Research and Support. Tickets on sale from mid-June at £25 from Main Pine and the Green Hammerton shop. The event is organised by Hammerton Entertainment formed by Gill Singleton, Annie Jackson and Fliss Chaffer from Green Hammerton and Sally Newman from Kirk Hammerton.



▪ **The Village Club** programme for this month and next is as follows: Fri 7 May, quiz; Wed 12 June, Mile Roses CD launch (see Badapple story, p2); Fri 14 June, open mic; Fri 21 June, quiz, Fri 28 June, C&W evening with David Wilson; Fri 5 July, quiz; Fri 12 July, open mic; Fri 19 July, quiz; Sat 20 July, cabaret evening with Tanya G (tickets £8 including food from the Coffee Shack); Fri 26 July, C&W evening with Phil Lloyd.



▪ A small number of **bibles** from St Thomas's Church dating back to 1896 have been discovered. If you would like one like please contact Martin Leather on 330694 or David MacDonald on 330836.

▪ Delivering ambulances to Romania and other countries was the subject of a talk by John Shackleton to the **Kirk & Green Hammerton WI** in April while the Main Street Sound, a choir of 20 ladies plus conductor, entertained in May. Amanda Joy Harrison will speak about three years in Saudi Arabia at the next meeting on Tues 11 June at Kirk Hammerton village hall and the Tues 16 July meeting will be held at the president's garden in Green Hammerton.

▪ **The Bay Horse** is taking bookings for a pensioners' afternoon tea on Wed 19 June at 3pm. Cost £12.50. The pub also seeks bar, restaurant, weekend housekeeping and potwashing staff. More information from Jon and Tina on 330338. Meanwhile, Callum Clarke is walking the Three Peaks for the Alzheimer's Society on Sat 29 June. Donations welcome via justgiving.com/CallumClarkeTrek26.

▪ **Coleen Nolan** visited Elm Tree Farm on the green in March. The former pop star was filming for a slot in ITV's Loose Women in which panellists try out their dream jobs. Coleen has always wanted to be a farmer. The programme was put in touch with the Powleys via The Yorkshire Vet series which has filmed at the farm. Coincidentally, a cow calved while Coleen was there. Rosie Powley named the new arrival Cowleen! Just a cameo appearance for dad Mike this time.

▪ The history of **Kirk Hammerton mill** is the sub-jet of a talk by Karan Main on Tues 18 June for the new Kirk Hammerton History Group. More information from kirkhammertonhistorygroup@gmail.com.

▪ The **Great Ouseburn garden festival** takes place on Sat 9 June from 11am-5pm. Entrance £5.

Roger's nature notebook

with Roger Mattock

Having a hedgehog in the garden is beneficial as they eat slugs and snails. Here are a few things you can do to make your garden hedgehog friendly:

- Provide access. Give the hedgehogs free run of several gardens. Make a small gap about the size of a CD case in or under fences or gates.
- Remove hazards. Try not to use garden netting as hedgehogs can become entangled in it. Do not use slug pellets.
- Make a hedgehog house. Use log piles provide a place to sleep or hibernate or buy a hedgehog house and fill it with straw and dried leaves.
- Put food out. Use pet shop bought hedgehog food, cat or dog food, minced meat or chicken. Dried meal worms and chopped unsalted nuts are also suitable. Do not use bread and milk as this make hedgehogs ill.
- Let a small patch of garden grow wild. This will attract bugs which the hedgehog will feed on.

A word from our sponsor

Owning one of Redrow's new homes in the village is easier than you think. For those looking to move to Churchfields they have some ready-to-move-into homes which come with extras included such as flooring, an integrated dishwasher, down-lighters and turfed garden. They may even take your existing property in part-payment for a brand new home like the four-bedroom detached Bramham from £464,950. Ask about part-exchange at the sales office in Harrogate Road or call 586905.



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Scarecrow trail raises £780

*by Annabelle Polito of
Friends of Green Hammerton School*

The second Green Hammerton and Whixley scarecrow trail was enjoyed by a steady stream of locals and visitors alike. The heroes and villains theme seemed to strike a chord with entrants as we had around 40 scarecrows on display including Spidermen, Iron Man, a couple of Hulks, an eco mermaid, Princess Leia, Dennis the Menace, Darth Vader, Mary Poppins, Donald Trump, Robin Hood, James Bond and three Cruella de Villes!

The weather was kind to us and the visitors enjoyed the various cakes, ice creams and crêpes on offer as well as games for the children on the school field and the obligatory raffle. Thanks to all those who helped at the event including Paul Hines who kindly designed the trail map and to those who came to support us. We raised about £780 which will go towards new outdoor play equipment. Most importantly, congratulations to a worthy and popular winner: Paddington Bear, designed by the Henry family of Green Hammerton.

Finally, thank you to everyone who contributed their unwanted clothes to our Bag2School collection last week.



Above, left: James, Jack and Kirsten Henry with their winning Paddington scarecrow.

Top right: Fliss and Phoebe Blackburn were third with Mary Poppins.

Immediately above: Rose Malton and Scarlett Dean at the check-in desk.

Left: Frankie Kitching enjoys some target practice with Robin Hood made by the Tilsons of Ebor View.

