COXWOLD NEWSLETTER January / February 2024



If you go down to the duckpond today, be sure of a big surprise!

Thanks to the efforts of Coxwold Parish Council and probationers on Community Payback (previously known as Community Service), the path from Coxwold down to Newburgh has been cleared and widened to make the walk altogether much more pleasant. Thank you!

Your newsletter editor is Halima Chen
Please send contributions by email to coxwoldnews@gmail.com
Last date for March / April copy: **Thursday 15th February**Lots more information, as well as current and past issues of the coxwold Newsletter, is available at: www.coxwoldvillage.org

COXWOLD VILLAGE HALL

REGULAR EVENTS

<u>Coffee Morning</u> (first Wednesday of the month): **Wednesday 3rd January and 7th February**, 10.30 to 11.30am.

Soup and Sandwich Lunch (third Wednesday of the month): **Wednesday 17th January and 21st February**, 12.00 to 1.00pm.

Bridge Club Every **Tuesday**, 7.30 to 9.30pm. Contact Anne on 868719 to join a table.

<u>Art Group</u> Every **Monday**, 1.30 to 3.30pm. From **8th January** to **25th March** inclusive. The fee for the term is £25 or £2.50 per session. For details, contact John on 868122 or jdr40130@gmail.com.

<u>Tapestry & Crafting Group</u> Every **Monday**, 7.00 to 9.00pm (not school holidays). Bring your own sewing, knitting, or craft project, or start a church kneeler. £2 per session (includes tea/coffee and biscuits). Contact Jill on 07717 825430. <u>The Loft Film Club</u> Every other **Friday**, 7.30pm. For details, please contact theloftcoxwoldvillagehall@gmail.com.

<u>Anandini Hatha Yoga</u> Every **Thursday**, 6.00 to 7.00pm. All abilities. Booking essential! For details, contact Verity on 07821 588117;

anandiniyoga@hotmail.com; or visit www.anandiniyoga.co.uk.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Burns Night: **Thursday 25th January**. Don your kilt, polish your sporran and brush up on your Robbie Burns for a simple evening of haggis, neeps 'n' tatties, raucous banter, Scottish reels, a wee dram or two of the water of life and rather a lot of Yorkshire humour. Early booking essential! Tickets: £20 each from Anne (alegassicke@gmail.com) or 868719, cheques payable to CPFA.

<u>Jumble Sale</u>: **Saturday 10th February**, 1.30 to 3.00pm. Items for the sale, including bric-a-brac, cakes and raffle prizes, can be left in the Village Hall between 9.30 and 11am on Saturday or at Dale Croft before that. Please get in touch with Jean Richardson on 868356, if you can help.

CAROL SINGING

A huge "Thank You!" to all who went carolling, and an even bigger "Thank You!" to all who donated and helped raise a fantastic £109 for the Easingwold Food Bank. Brilliant!

POLICE AND FIRE PRECEPT CONSULTATION

Have your say on how much of your council tax bill should go on local policing and fire and rescue services by completing an online survey at www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/preceptsurvey2024-2025/. The deadline for commenting on proposals is **21st January**.

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council is pleased to have provided the Christmas trees on the main street in partnership with Newburgh Estate, and also to have worked with the Community Payback team to widen the path to Newburgh duckpond (see front cover).

The village is engaging with the North York Moors National Park and the Howardian Hills National Landscape on their Dark Skies projects which aim to raise awareness of light pollution and nocturnal animal habitat conservation. Visit www.northyorkmoors.org.uk/things-to-do/stargazing-and-dark-skies/help-protect-our-dark-skies for more information and www.howardianhills.org.uk/projects/ to download the Dark Skies leaflet. We are in need of new councillors and a clerk, so please consider this opportunity to get involved in your village. The next meeting of Coxwold Parish Council will be on **Wednesday 17th January** at 7.00pm in the Village Hall. All welcome! Please contact Simon on 868719, simon.le.gassicke@gmail.com.

COXWOLD EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE WHATSAPP GROUP

To get neighbourly assistance in times of emergency, please join the WhatsApp group by sending your name, address and mobile number to 07542 169100 or chris_t_lee@yahoo.co.uk. Please remember to only use the group for urgent requests, alerts or important information. Thank you!

BE FLOOD AWARE!

In a world that is getting warmer, climate change will mean the UK will experience increasingly extreme weather. This means milder, wetter winters and the likelihood of intense rainfall associated with severe flash flooding. It is important to be prepared for flooding in our area. An action plan for preparing for flooding is available at: https://check-for-flooding.service.gov.uk/plan-ahead-for-flooding. Gov.uk recommends signing up for flood warnings: www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings.

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USEFUL CONTACTS AND LOCAL BUSINESSES

North Yorkshire Council: For information about local services (bin collections, road repairs, adult care, planning, local elections, etc.) contact www.northyorks.gov.uk. 0300 131 2131.

Buses: Moorsbus - <u>www.moorsbus.org</u>; 01751 477216 / Reliance Motors - <u>https://reliancebuses.co.uk</u>; 01904 768262.

Coxwold Parish Council: Chair - Simon Le Gassicke, 868719, simon.le.gassicke@gmail.com. Clerk - VACANT.

Coxwold Oil Cooperative: For more information and to join, contact Simon LG on 868719 or simon.le.gassicke@gmail.com.

Hambleton Independent Living For experienced, nurse-led care, contact Louise on 07854 944131.

Coxwold Cabinet Makers: For bespoke cabinet making, furniture and kitchen design, contact Geoff on 868530.

GRB Auto Engineers: For petrol and vehicle repairs, specialising in Land Rovers, contact Geoff or Ben on 868338.

Piano Teacher: All styles of music from beginners to advanced, contact Sally on 07766 321521 or s.gatenby@btinternet.com.

Zephyr Jewellery: For beautiful sustainable sea glass jewellery. 07805 117174; Social media @zephyrjewellery.

Farm Gate Farm Shop: For free-range meats, fruit, veg, etc. contact Steve or Christine on 07759 609106. farmgatefarmshop.com.

Thornton's Bakehouse and Butchers: For handcrafted pork pies, pastries and quality local meats, contact John or Katie on 821666.www.thorntonsbakehouse.com.

Moonshine Ice Cream: Happy New Year! Some seasonal specials -

Burns Night: Whisky & Honey, and Valentine's Day: Passion Fruit & Vodka. For more flavours and information see the website at

<u>www.moonshineicecream.co.uk</u>. Order from Helen and Simon on 868864, <u>info@moonshineicecream.co.uk</u>.

Fauconberg Arms: For drinks, wholesome food and Sunday lunches, contact Annelies on 868214. www.fauconbergarms.com.

Potters Yard Coffee: Pop-up café, open when roadside signs are out. Contact Halima on pottersyardcoffee@gmail.com.

Rumah Home Gifts, Teas and B&B: Open weekends only in January and February, 11.00am to 4.00pm. Contact Liz on 868138.

Ironing Services: If your laundry's all crumpled and you're no fan of creases, Martina can help iron things out. £15 per hour. 07379 521362.