

CRIGGLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL COUNCILLOR Mrs Jackie Craven

Its been a very busy year for the Parish Council with lots of things happening.

The Parish Council's internet site was launched in March and is being visited from as far away as Japan and Australia.



The Parish Plan has also been published and thanks must go to the Parish Plan Steering Group for all their hard work. If anyone would like a copy of the full Parish Plan then please contact the Parish Clerk who will ensure that you receive one.

Once again the commemorations for Remembrance Day were very successful both at Newmillerdam and Chapelthorpe. Over 30 people paid tribute at Newmillerdam and over 100 paid tribute at St James Church where the new Memorial Board was installed earlier this year.

The Parish Council were disappointed that the usual display of hanging baskets did not happen this year but hopefully 2005 will see their return.

It only remains for me on behalf of the members of the Parish Council, and we must not forget the Parish Clerk, to wish you all a very...

*"...Merry Christmas and
a Prosperous, healthy
and Happy New Year".*



PLACE NAME ORIGINS "The thorpes"

Of the cluster of twelve ancient settlements situated around Wakefield and which bear the suffix 'thorpe', three, - Painthorpe, Chapelthorpe and Hollingthorpe lie within our parish of Crigglestone. (A fourth, Kettlethorpe, was transferred into Wakefield County Borough under the boundary changes of July 1950).

Thorpe, a word of Norse origin, means 'small dependent hamlet or farmstead'. The first known reference to Painthorpe, - meaning Pagan's thorpe, is registered in records dating from 1203. Chapelthorpe, - the hamlet with the chapel is recorded, probably for the first time, in the Manor Court Rolls of 1285 and Hollingthorpe, - the farmstead with the holly bushes, has a reference in the Rolls of 1297.

As a matter of interest, the first known reference to Kettlethorpe, - Ketil's outlying hamlet, dates from 1242.

SOMETHING NEW IN THE VILLAGE INSTITUTE

A Junior Drama Club commenced in the Village Institute in October this year and is proving very successful for children between the ages of 6 to 11.

The organisers are hoping that a small production can be staged in January to show how talented the children in our community are.

The club is held on Saturday mornings between 10am and Noon.

CCTV Installation

Some of you may have noticed that three CCTV cameras have now been installed at the rear of the institute. These were installed following repeated vandalism incidents to the rear of the premises.

HALL GREEN COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Centre's improvements have now been completed and include new disabled toilets, a newly installed kitchen and non slip floor covering.

A successful community chest grant from the district council provided the non slip floor. Thanks go to the District councillors for their support with obtaining the grant.

BETTY EASTWOOD PARK

Highlighted in the Parish Plan questionnaire were residents concerns that no facilities for young people were provided in Crigglestone, we are pleased to say that the BMX Track in the park will be revamped during the early part of 2005.

PARISH COUNCILLORS

Councillor Jackie Craven — Durkar

Councillor John Peebles — Newmillerdam

Councillor Alan Roe — Durkar

Councillor John Garthwaite — Calder Grove

Councillor Hazel Chowcat — Newmillerdam

Councillor Paul Crompton — Durkar

Councillor Keith Wainwright — Hall Green

Councillor Carol Norris — Durkar

Councillor Christine Platten — Crigglestone

Councillor Peter Daniels — Durkar

Councillor John Shillitoe — Crigglestone

If you have any problems, questions or queries, please feel free to contact your nearest Parish Councillor — full details can be found on our web site, so why not log in to www.crigglestonepc.org or email the Parish Clerk at clerk-crigglestonepc@beeb.net

WHY NOT START THE NEW YEAR ON THE RIGHT FOOT

Following the excesses of Christmas and the New Year why not join one of the many classes held in the Village Institute, Yoga, Keep Fit, Painting or Karate just contact the Parish Clerk for details.

MESSAGE FROM THE POLICE

- Make sure that you do not leave any valuables in your car overnight, thieves are on the look out.
- Always ensure that you lock your doors straight away after entering the house, sneak-in thieves are always looking for an easy opportunity.
- If you have a chain fitted make sure that it's in place before you answer the door particularly at night.
- Keep warm and if you have elderly neighbours don't forget that this is the time of year that they become vulnerable to the weather and may need a bit of help.

SCOUTS IN CRIGGLESTONE

If you are interested in joining the Scouts, you will be pleased to learn that there are Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorer Scouts in Crigglestone.

Age groups are:

Beavers 6 to 8 years:

Cubs 8 to 10.1/2 years:

Scouts 10.1/2 to 14 years:

Explorer Scouts 15 to 18 years.



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