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Kirkheaton Jubilee Celebrations

While families had their own 'get togethers' to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee there were also larger events taking place in the village. On Friday 3rd June hundreds turned up to Kirk Fields family fun day with live DJs, bouncy castle, stalls etc, hosted by the Cricket Club.

On Saturday it was the turn of the Kirkfest at the Beaumont Arms where revellers were treated to live music and a great atmosphere.

Also on Saturday families and friends again came together to celebrate at 'The Picnic on the Green' outside the Community Centre. (Organised by Yetton Together, uniformed groups and KYFC). Here picnickers enjoyed a free family event with live music from The Sundown Swing Band. Also on offer were children's craft activities, face painting, games and stalls - 20% for Wildlife gave out free bird and bat boxes etc (more photos on yettontogogether.org) Thanks goes to Mark Flynn, photographer, for his donation of £500 - the profits from his 2021 calendar, which helped towards financing the occasion alongside Yetton Together, the Parish Church and a KBPC grant. Thanks also to all the volunteers who helped before and on, the day.

Front page collage Clockwise from top left: Kirkfest, Decorated gate Laneside, Marilyn meeting the Queen, Dancing at the Picnic on the Green, Hi from picnickers, Jubilee Memorabilia, Sundown Swing Band and Kirk Fields.

Sweet success...

Jayne at Kirkheaton Podiatry, is still raising money for Kirkwood Hospice. In the past she organized a Scarecrow Trail through the village and this Easter she held a raffle for a hamper full of Easter goodies and raised £309 for The Kirkwood as it is now called. It was fitting that the hamper was won by Vera Drake, one of the original founders of Kirkwood in the early 80's.



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Local Ward Councillor Retires after 30 years

After over 30 years of representing the Dalton Ward (with some gaps), Peter McBride is finally calling it a day and retiring. At over 80 years old he felt it was time to step down and let younger feet fill his shoes.

Peter was born in Middlesbrough and attended Sheffield University where he studied history and government. He came to Huddersfield in 1968 to work in further education, training teachers at Hollybank and later at Huddersfield Polytechnic - now the University.



In the 70s and 80s his interest in politics led to his election to Huddersfield Borough Council and later to West Yorkshire County Council. He was also parliamentary candidate for Pudsey in the 1979 General Election. One of his main interests has been in working with other local councils on developing transport links and housing to bring prosperity to West Yorkshire. He became Deputy Leader of Kirklees Council in 2019 and served until 2021. He has been one of the instigators of the proposed redevelopment of Huddersfield town centre

As a local councillor for the Dalton Ward he has seen the building of the DRAM Centre and Dalton Library and Information Centre.

He has also supported the revival of Kirkheaton Community Centre. He was a founding member of Kirkheaton Network which led to the formation of Yetton Together. His advice and support helped Yetton Together save Kirkheaton Library and create the vibrant and attractive Community Centre we have today.

We wish him well in his retirement and hope he will still come and see us at the Community Centre. He has been succeeded as Ward Councillor by newly elected Tyler Hawkins.

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The cost of living

Ray Brown writes:

The long-tailed tit with a mouth full of caterpillars is a timely reminder that nature's reproduction season is in full swing. If you're up during the night feeding a demanding baby, I sympathise with you. But you're not the only one finding child rearing hard work. In the animal kingdom, you don't have to just raise your kids, you have to make sure they don't become food for someone else's. If that isn't bad enough, they can't pop to the shops for supplies. They're constantly foraging, to find enough sustenance to ensure their young survive.



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Tawny owls are nocturnal so at daybreak they'll retreat to the woods and try to remain inconspicuous. But when their youngsters are growing, they will need to be fed during the day. The adult will keep one eye open to spot some unsuspecting prey which they'll catch and deliver to the nest. Doing this is going to attract the attention of locals who find their presence threatening. Blackbirds will use their strident alarm call to harass the owl in an attempt to drive it away from the proximity of their own nest. They're your typical 'neighbours from Hell'.

This barn owl, hunting at Birds Edge, needs plenty of voles to sustain its young and will often hunt during the day to keep them happy. Watch out in the early morning and late evening for the ghostly white bird quartering the fields, listening for its prey.

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St. MARY'S KIRKHEATON

John Taylor of Kirkheaton Family History Group writes:

The following photograph probably dating to 1910/1920 was recently donated to the chairman of the History group.

Intrigued by the information board on top of the long pole, one of our members digitally enhanced the picture which allowed us to understand the information. It reads-

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When further research has been completed it will be displayed on our recently completed website <https://www.kirkheatonhistorygroup.co.uk>

Designed by Inspiration Computers with guidance from one of our members it aims to display research by the group into the history of the Ancient Parish of Kirkheaton

Editor: The houses and sheds in the foreground are on the land which is now part of The Paddock. The terraced houses in the mid ground are still there as are the ones at the back on Stafford Hill Lane



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Exhibition of Community Centre building's 140 years service to Kirkheaton

The exhibition celebrating 140 years of this old Victorian building on Fields Rise will take place over the weekend of 8th/9th October. It will be opened on Saturday 8th at 10.30am by John Brooke – the first headteacher of the modern primary school and author of 'The Story of Three Schools'. Kirkheaton Family History group and Yetton Together hope to



have on display old photographs and first-hand accounts from people who have been part of its history. Can you help? Did you, or anyone you know, attend the school, go to the Monday night youth club, have a party or other event at the building when it became a community centre (long before Yetton Together was formed), etc? If so, we would love to hear from you. Contact the group's secretary at kfhg@outlook.com or phone 07837 412070

New scoreboard for Cricket Club

Charles Wilkinson, President, Kirkheaton Cricket & Bowling Club, writes:

We are delighted that Kirkheaton Cricket Club has been brought into the 21st Century with the installation of our new electronic score board. Thanks go to Thomas and Margaret Crompton for financing the ground work, Justin Cosgrove, for erecting the wall the board is sited on, and to the cricketers for creating the garden in front.



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Wednesday 17th August 2.30pm- 4.30pm

Rawthorpe/Dalton Library

Monday 22nd August 2.30pm- 4.30pm

Kirkheaton Library

Tickets are free but need to be prebooked at ticketsource.co.uk/kirkleeslibraries.

Available from the end of June



Huddersfield Tractor Fest 22

Saturday 23rd July 10am til late

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Huddersfield Tractor Fest is a charity fun day for all the family in support of the Yorkshire Air Ambulance and The Kirkwood. Over £20,000 has now been raised for the two charities.

Grand Tractor Parade - Flying Visit by Air Ambulance - Agricultural Exhibits

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Anna Roberts joined Lepton & Kirkheaton surgeries as Practice Manager in February. She has significant managerial experience and hopes to bring a fresh outlook and new ideas to the practice to support the practice mission 'To Provide Quality Care in a Safe and Courteous Manner'. Anna is keen to regularly engage with patients, therefore please expect to receive invitations to participate in short surveys to help us improve throughout the year. However feedback is always welcome, and patients can reach out to us on our website by completing our 'Family & Friends Test' - feedback can be anonymous, or you can leave details allowing us to contact you. In addition The Patient Participation groups continue to run on a regular basis via zoom. Please email lep Kirk1@gmail.com for more information.

The Surgeries remain incredibly busy with limited resources but we continue to work hard to provide patients with excellent service and high quality care. We would like to remind our patients that we have a duty to protect all our patients and our infection control protocols remain unchanged in relation to Covid-19. We are therefore continuing to triage patients over the telephone and arrange face to face examinations when required. All patients are required to wear a mask when entering the surgery. Please also note that Covid-19 booster vaccines are no longer given at our practices. Patients should use the NHS app or website to find a local site or for any further information relating to Covid-19 vaccines, please contact 119.

The next planned surgery closure is 19th July 2022 from 1pm onwards.

*Anna Roberts,
new Practice Manager*



Thumbs up to Community Centre volunteer groups

Debbie writes:

I am an Engagement & Information Officer at Healthwatch Kirklees. My role is to understand the needs, experiences and concerns of people who use health and social care services in Kirklees and present feedback to service providers and commissioners.

Recently I met with volunteers from Kirkheaton Community Centre who facilitate a chair-based exercise group there. They were so friendly and had lots of suggestions on how to make sessions engaging. Everyone walking through the door was greeted and each volunteer led part of an activity which was fun, interactive and suitable for people of all ages and abilities.

Having had so much fun I wanted to see what else was on offer at the Community Centre and went along to the 'Home from Home' friendship group for people living with dementia and their carers, which meets there every fortnight on Friday. I was pleasantly surprised to see how popular the group was and spent a

very relaxing couple of hours drinking tea, eating delicious cake and chatting with group members. The volunteers share news of upcoming events so no matter what your interests are there is something for everyone. I was particularly impressed with how volunteers at both groups ensured a warm, welcoming atmosphere and smooth running of the sessions with everyone attending included in the activities and discussions. Having the opportunity to see first hand what happens at both of these groups will help when signposting to local community groups. Thank you all for your generosity in sharing your expertise.

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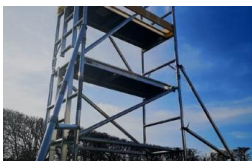
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Cheque presentation to KYFC

One of two containers bought by KYFC [Kirkheaton Youth Football Club] to replace their previous inadequate facilities, has been kitted out with a fully furnished kitchen, thanks to a grant of £4,000 from The Provincial Grand Master's fund of Yorkshire, West Riding as part of West Riding Masonic Charities' donations to worthy causes.

The photograph shows Richard Butler and David Blunt of The Lodge of Harmony No. 275 presenting the cheque for £4,000 to Joanne Bedingfield, Chair of the club, accompanied by some members of the youth football teams.



Kirkheaton PO to reopen at new venue

The Post Office is planning to re-open Kirkheaton Post Office at a new location – at Costcutters, 1 Moorside Road.

This full-time branch will open on Tuesday 12 July at 9am and will restore permanent Post Office services to the area.

Opening hours will be Monday – Friday: 9am – 5.30pm; Saturday: 9am – 12.30pm.

This will offer 46 hours of Post Office service a week. The layout of the store is being adapted to accommodate the Post Office alongside the retail counter.

The Mobile Post Office service will cease on Thursday 7 July at 10.15am.

Tajinder Khehra, Post Office Network Provision Lead said: "We are delighted to soon be restoring a full-time, permanent, post office to this area as we know how important a post office is."



LANESIDE COMMUNITY TRUST

The Laneside Community Trust has been set up as a liaison mechanism between Kirkheaton residents and Thomas Crompton, demolition/waste management contractor and owner and operator of Laneside Quarry [accessed from Grange Moor Road]. A number of Kirkheaton residents represent the village on the Trust.

Planning permission was originally granted to fill the quarry with household waste. This permit has now been amended to provide for the disposal of inert waste and soils. Therefore, no household waste will be deposited in the quarry. However, the quarry basin will be lined with clay as a precautionary measure.

Work has commenced and, in due course, the stream running through the woodland valley will be diverted around the top side of the quarry. This is necessary to complete the work and is included in the planning consent. The company is conscious of the need to protect the wildlife and to keep the quarry safe. They have erected security cameras and other safety measures in and around the approaches to the quarry and are looking at measures to improve footpaths.

In consultation with Kirklees planning and ecologists, work is ongoing to fulfil the planning permission requirements to maintain the environment around the quarry, in particular, to benefit the great-crested newts, birds, mammals, frogs, butterflies and dragonflies.

There is a plan to hold an open day at the quarry in coming months. If any resident has any concerns about the landfill operation, you are invited to express those concerns in writing to the Trust chairman, Ray Brown, at raybrownuk@yahoo.co.uk.

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July

Sunday 17th CC 12.30 – 3.30pm Makers' Market – sale of local produce, crafts etc

Saturday 23rd Huddersfield Tractor Fest – North Moor Lane, Upper Heaton. A charity fun day for all the family 10am til late See page 7

Sunday 24th Yettonfest 3 – Band Festival From 12 noon at Cricket Field, Bankfield Lane. A variety of attractions + food and drink

Thurs 28th CC History Talk 7.30pm £3

Fri 29th to Sun 31st KPC Holiday Club Details nearer the time

Sunday 28th Kirkheaton Cricket & Bowling Club Village Knock Out

August

Monday 22nd CC Library 2.30pm- 4.30pm Children's Junk Sculpture Workshop with sculptor Mick Kirkby –Geddes FREE but must be prebooked. See page 7

Wednesday 17th Rawthorpe/Dalton Library 2.30pm- 4.30pm Children's Junk Sculpture Workshop with sculptor Mick Kirkby –Geddes FREE but must be prebooked. See page 7

Sunday 28th Kirkheaton Cricket & Bowling Club, Bankfield Lane Village Knockout

September

Sunday 4th 1pm Grass cutting day at the Community Orchard, Heaton Moor Road Bring clippers, trimmers & rakes Also 2-4pm Bug hotel workshop

Sunday 18th CC 12.30 – 3.30pm Makers' Market – sale of local produce, crafts etc

Saturday 24th CC 2-4pm Volunteers Open Afternoon

Sat & Sun 24th & 25th KPC. Arts Festival Calling all artists! Display your work for others to enjoy in the community exhibition. Contact Claire 01484 531449

Thurs 29th CC History Talk 7.30pm £3

October

Sat 8th/Sun 9th CC Exhibition celebrating 140 years of this Victorian building. From 10am – 3pm Sat and 1pm – 3pm Sun Refreshments available. See article on p6. Just drop in

Tuesday 18th CC Tuesday Talk – 'Titus Salt & Saltaire' 7.30 £3 at the door

Saturday 22nd KPC Community Ceilidh. Come along for a great evening of music, dance and good company! Tickets and details available soon.

November

Friday 4th UC pm Dementia play 'Wishes Fulfilled' Details nearer the time. Info: liddle@virginmedia.com

Sunday 20th CC 12.30 – 3.30pm Makers' Market – sale of local produce, crafts etc

Chance to buy some Christmas presents

Thurs 24th CC History Talk 7.30pm £3

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