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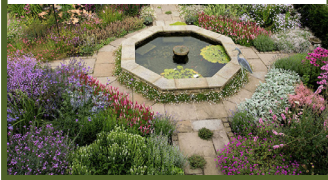
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Coronation weekend

Celebrating the Coronation of King Charles the Third started on Friday 5th May when Home from Home had a Royal themed celebratory meeting with a quiz about Kings, memorabilia and a special Coronation cake and buns. Table decorations, flags and music and a chance of a photograph beside King Charles III, all added to the enjoyment.

St John's contributed to the festivities on the Saturday by opening the parish church for a large screening of the Coronation followed by a free 'street party' style afternoon tea provided by volunteers for over 100 people. There were also activities for families and children throughout the day.

Nearly 100 residents and guests enjoyed a free cream tea at Kirkheaton Community Centre on Sunday 7th May. Some took the opportunity to have their picture taken with the King himself! Also on show was an exhibition of memorabilia of previous coronations courtesy of Rob Eabry, a member of Kirkheaton Family History Group.

A big thank you to Lesley Ingleby [YT's Coffee Shop coordinator] and her band of volunteers who made this event possible and 'Awards for All' [The National Lottery] who helped fund it.

Sunday also saw the Uniformed groups in the village staging a Family Fun Day at Scout Headquarters. The event included a bouncy castle, children's crafts, face painting etc.

Front page collage Clockwise from top left: Coronation cake, Street Party tea at the church, Coronation tea at the Community Centre, big screening of ceremony at church, previous Coronations' memorabilia, bouncy castle at Scouts HQ Fun Day and Home from Home celebrations.

Kirklees Libraries – your opinion counts

It is important that library opening times work for local people and Kirklees are looking at the possibility of more flexible opening times for the public and community groups to use the space. They would be grateful if you could complete their short survey. Go to : <https://online1.snapsurveys.com/kle> It takes 5 minutes

Local School's Eco Initiative – showing us the way

Gianna Shepherd, Year 1 teacher and founder of the Eco Club writes:

In October 2022 Eco Club was established as part of our free after school extra-curricular activities at Kirkheaton Primary School. Eloise, Year 5, said, "I joined Eco Club because I am passionate about saving the environment... I knew it would be an amazing, safe place where I could share my ideas and opinions."

Our goal is to educate our members on how the small changes we make can lead to big changes for our whole school and wider community. We are achieving this by inviting in knowledgeable, enthusiastic guests, who engage the children and make them feel empowered to drive initiatives.

The Great Pond Project has received a lot of attention because of the massive transformation we have made and the contributions from the community (Syngenta, Yetton Together, 20% for Wildlife, Parents, Grandparents and Staff), which has been incredible, but that is only a small part of what Eco Club has achieved since October. We have:

- Started a plate scraping initiative at dinner time to reduce food waste.
- Donated toys to Kirkwood Hospice as part of a Christmas Clearout Challenge.
- Run our first annual Christmas Jumper Giveaway Event.
- Delivered whole school assemblies.
- Visits from Hollybank Trust, Yetton Together, Eco Babies, Eco Hub, the Marine

Conservation Society, the Uniform Exchange, etc.

- Staged a whole school Eco Week, which included assemblies from Kirklees Council Recycling Team, Grow Refill Store, Yorkshire Sculpture Park; workshops by the Marine Conservation Society; a pop-up event with the Uniform Exchange; walks down to the library and a smoothie bike from Fair and Funky..

- Been invited to an Eco Conference which took place on 5th June 2023.

And, the list goes on...

STOP PRESS: We have just received our Eco-School Green Flag Award with Distinction and couldn't be more proud.

PS Editor's note: They are also saving plastic milk bottle tops in conjunction with the Community Centre in aid of Yorkshire Cancer Research and birthday cards for recycling and selling by the Welcome Centre in Huddersfield.

Eco Club members making "No-sew" bags from old t-shirts





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Laneside Trust (Quarry liaison committee) met on 18th May when issues around the quarry were discussed with the owner, Thomas Crompton. There were three main areas of interest:

1. The volume of heavy traffic on Moor Top Road is causing vehicles to mount the footpath on occasions and concerns were expressed about the unsuitability of the road to cope with traffic of this nature. The volume of traffic also creates excessive noise and the risk of danger to pedestrians. This is a general increase in traffic, not just Crompton's which has a daily average limit on journeys. The Kirklees councillor representative is raising the issue with highways to see what might be done.

2. The 2022/23 site management plan which contains aftercare priorities for the area around the quarry has not yet been approved by the council. There is to be a site meeting in June which will consider proposals and address some concerns about wildlife habitat which may have been developed prematurely.

3. The public footpath (PF Kirkburton 10) running through the wooded valley is in a state of disrepair and not suitable for other than the most agile walkers. Agreement has been reached between Crompton's and Kirklees PROW to carry out repairs, hopefully, in August.

Thomas Crompton expressed concern that walkers were leaving the footpaths and trespassing on quarry land. Damage has been done to vehicles and children were placing themselves in danger by accessing the water.

Any comments or questions should be addressed to the Trust chair.

Ray Brown (Chair)

raybrownuk@yahoo.co.uk

Community Orchard Improvements

A new sign has been erected at the Community Orchard sited off Heaton Moor Road. It is a community space and the sign encourages people to harvest the apples, plums etc when ripe and to 'Leave only footprints' when visiting the site. A replacement bin has now been sited outside the main entrance so hopefully no one will have the excuse of leaving their dog dirt for others to remove. The vandalised bug hotel has also been repaired.

And now you can spend longer there as a new bench has been installed on the lower part of the site. A chance to sit a while and enjoy the peace and quiet!

The bench has been organised, sited (with permission from Kirklees who own the land) and jointly financed by Yetton Together and Costcutter's customers via donations in YT's collection box there.

So now enjoy!



STOP PRESS : Just 2 weeks after installation the seat was damaged by fire!

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In 1952 the Huddersfield Examiner published a series of pen and wash drawings of local villages around Huddersfield [1] created by Albert T Pile. He was born in London, educated at Kings College and became a civil servant at 15. During WW1 he was awarded the military service medal. In 1932 he married Ethel Stott from Brighouse.

Pile painted and sketched purely for pleasure and never wished to become a professional artist. In spite of that he was employed in the early years of WW2 as an official artist for the war ministry. Retiring in 1942 they moved to Brighouse after their London home was bombed. In the 1960's they moved to Whitby where he died in 1981 aged 99 years.

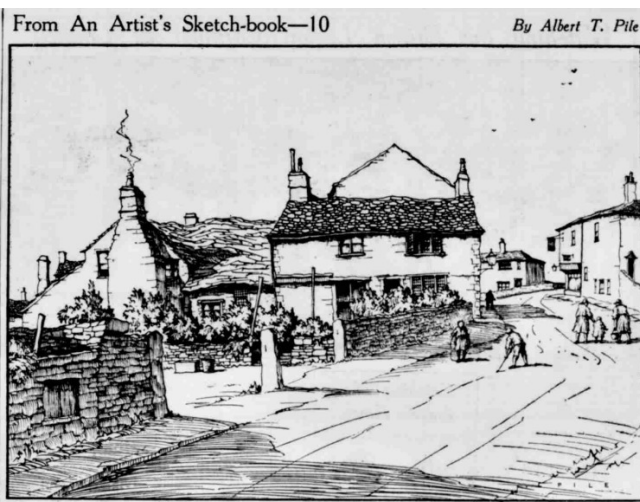
Albert was meticulous in his work and his later works around Whitby were recorded with dates, time and detail. These were bequeathed to Whitby museum. His other drawings usually near where

he lived or whilst on holiday still turn up at auctions, the latest being one for St Mark's church Brighouse this year.

The sketch below looking up Shop Lane to Town Road junction, is somewhat of a mystery. Is the picture artistic licence or was it based on some earlier painting or photograph? Your views would be appreciated

John Taylor
Kirkheaton History group
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1. see *Huddersfield Exposed* for pictures of other places.



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Roundabout Makeover

YT volunteers led by Julie Mander, have now started transforming the roundabout in front of the Doctors' Surgery on Town Road. All the bedding plants, alpines, internal box hedging, cordylines etc have been removed and are now being gradually replaced by more drought resistant perennials which it is hoped will prove to be more sustainable. On completion of the planting gravel was laid over the soil to retain the moisture and to discourage weeds.

Thanks also goes to Sean, a relatively new volunteer, who has pitched in with gusto and is now repairing the roundabout's retaining brick wall.

Watch this space! Also look out for all the summer planted tubs around the village and beyond – all planted and cared for by volunteers and financed by YT.



Summer Reading Challenge for young readers

Ready, Set, Read! is the theme of this year's Reading Challenge and it invites children aged 4-11 to read six books or more of their choice between 8 July and 3 September.

There are stickers, a special collector's folder and other rewards for every book read, with a medal and certificate for every child who completes the challenge. Head down to Kirkheaton library to join or visit summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

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Art Workshops

Yetton Together has obtained funding from Third Sector Leaders for 6 monthly Art Workshops at Kirkheaton Community Centre. The workshops are run by local artist Diane Barker (www.dianebarker.com) and provide the opportunity for people wishing to experience different art techniques and media without the expense of buying new equipment.

The workshops are from 2 to 4pm on the third Monday of the month and the cost is £3 which includes materials. They are hosted by the existing Art group which meets weekly.

Interested? Then contact Trevor 07792 656 729

The first workshop was on the 17 May and Diane demonstrated the art of Zentangle. Future sessions feature the colour wheel, pen and ink, still life/perspective, gouache and drawing from a photo.

A word from the Editor

After editing over 30 issues of Yetton News during the past 11 years I am now handing over the reins to Helen and Martin Aust. The magazine started as an A3 leaflet in 2011 and evolved into its present format in 2012. The original Yetton Together logo and magazine layout was designed by a Yettoner, Chris Bowyer.

I want to thank all our advertisers for their support over the years – some have been with us right from the start. Their support means that we have the finance to produce the magazine which is delivered by our volunteers three times a year to over 2,300 homes and businesses in Kirkheaton and the surrounding villages free of charge. We know that, even in these days of digital news, Instagram and Facebook, many residents enjoy their copy as it informs them about what is happening in their local community.

Sue Bowyer YT Trustee

Image shows the first issue in the A5 format'

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Local choir raises the roof!

In April Kirkheaton Popular Music Choir held a fundraising concert at St John's church, in aid of Kirkheaton Cricket and Bowling Club. The choir, led by Peter and Julia O'Hare, raised over £700, which has been used to support the repairs needed at the club after extensive damage was inflicted by vandals earlier this year including removing part of the roof.

The concert was attended by over 100 guests and the choir sang a range of songs by popular artists, such as ABBA, Cilla Black and The Monkees.

Kirkheaton Popular Music Choir rehearses every Monday evening at Kirkheaton Cricket and Bowling club at 7 pm and always welcomes new members. There is no need to read music and a very warm welcome is guaranteed.



A win win situation!

YT has just delivered its latest sackful of clean, plastic bottle tops to Yorkshire Cancer Research. The tops have been collected jointly over the last few months by children from Kirkheaton Primary School Eco Club and users of the Community Centre. Altogether £4,000 has been raised by local groups for the charity which sells them on to be recycled into other plastic objects - So a Win! Win! situation for the planet and for the Charity.



They only accept plastic milk bottle tops (all colours). Drop yours off at the school or CC.

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The group also gathers and records information about the local area, its people and its buildings.

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All roads lead to ... the Community Centre

A big thank you to Kirklees Council for updating the signage leading to the Community Centre and Library. No excuse now for not knowing where the library is! There are now new road signs situated on New Road with its junction with Fields Rise, Heaton Moor Road [at the roundabout] and Moorside Road with its junction with Fields Rise.



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Kirkheaton Play Areas

Consultation regarding the revamping of the three play areas in Kirkheaton - Bankfield Lane, Fields Way and Sunnyhill, has now ended. Kirklees Council has used your comments and suggestions to develop the play areas and have incorporated them into their designs for each space. Due to their proximity they have decided to create design proposals for all 3 sites at the same time, in a masterplan for the area. The proposed plans include a zip wire, half tube slide, group spinner and swing as well as creative toddler play units.

Hopefully it won't be too long before they are realised.



Local Historical burials update

Richard Horton, founder of Kirkheaton.info writes:

Recently I have made some significant updates to the website www.Kirkheaton.info which contains details / maps / memorial inscriptions etc for the burial grounds around Kirkheaton. Perhaps you have relatives in one of the burial grounds but have not yet seen the information the site contains? One new addition is 'In Memoriam' where relatives with plots but no memorial inscription may submit text which will then be added to the spreadsheets and Word documents on the website. Any feedback gratefully received –

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June

Monday 26th CC 10am -12 noon Valuation Day –bring along your heirlooms to be valued

July

Saturday 22nd Kirkheaton HD5 0PZ Annual Tractor Fest
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Saturday 22nd Bankfield Lane HD5 0JG 12 noon - 4pm
Family Fun Day - tombola, bouncy castle etc. In aid of Kirkheaton Lionesses

Thursday 27th Evening historical walk around Kirkheaton by Kirkheaton History Group Details to be announced nearer the time

August

Monday 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th KPC 10.30 -1pm Kirkheaton Holiday Club for ages 5-11 Contact Kathy 01484 531449

Thursday 10th UC 11am – 2pm 'Kirkheaton on Sea' All the fun of the seaside, including sand, ball pool and crafts FREE family fun-just turn up Bring a picnic (children must be accompanied by an adult)

Sunday 27th – Yetton Fest 4 Bankfield Lane HD5 0JW Live music from 1pm Bar & Food FREE entry

September

Sunday 17th CC 12:30 – 3:30 Makers' Market – sale of local produce and crafts etc

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