

## Swinton Village Action Group

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## Senior Citizens Lunch

### SWINTON COMMUNITY GROUP SENIOR CITIZENS JANUARY LUNCH



Once again following a successful Harvest Festival last October we were able to entertain 22 people to a superb meal of roast turkey and Christmas pudding at the Blacksmith Arms.

Four people who were unable to attend due to

hospital commitments had a meal delivered to them.

After the meal Jan produced a challenging quiz which was won by Bob Tolley who will retain the Champion's Crown until next year!

After a raffle which saw most people win a prize guests left for home, agreeing it was once again an excellent event and hoping we could repeat it next year.

Many thanks to John and Marcia at the pub for all their help for this and other events we have put on.

The Community Group meets shortly to plan this year's events and we will be hoping to repeat the Harvest Festival in October, so please come along and support it to raise funds for the continuation of this lunch next year.

## Neighbourhood Watch Meeting



The Area Lead NHW Coordinator Gail Cook, is planning a meeting with guest speaker possibly in August or September .

Gail is hoping to increase the number of Co-ordinators in Swinton, and also have every

house in Swinton to become a member.

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW), sometimes known as Home Watch, is one of the largest and most successful voluntary crime prevention initiatives across the country and membership provides many benefits.

As well as reducing local opportunities for crime, it strengthens communities by bringing local people together.

The focus on getting together with neighbours to cut crime

and improve links with the police often boosts local communication and cooperation.

For More Information Visit the NHW website via the link below.

<http://www.ryedalenhwa.co.uk>

Gail Cook

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*Letters And News*

**Swinton Village Community Group Events**

**May.**  
Beetle Drive.  
Date to be agreed.  
**June - July.**  
Community Dance. Date TBA.

**Summer Evening.**  
Date to be agreed  
Village rounder's match.  
**2nd October.**  
Harvest Auction.  
**4th November.**  
Fireworks party.  
If anyone is prepared to assist or lead on any of the above

events, please contact Dianne. 01653 697548  
**Parish Plan.**  
Once the questionnaire responses have been collated, there will be an opportunity to view the details and suggestions.

**Poppy Appeal**  
A big thank you to the residents of Swinton, for contributing £278.13p, to the Poppy appeal.  
A most generous amount, to a very good cause.  
Thank you.  
Henry Leeson

problems as the drive up or down West Street.  
Thank You.  
Name Supplied.

**Internet facility**  
The Parish Plan questionnaire showed 40 households indicating that they would like an internet facility in the village? It would be useful to know what they feel would be useful and where they would want to see this. There would be a cost implication, so full consideration would need to be given. Any suggestions can be forwarded to Dianne 01653 697548

**Parking In West Street**  
Could Drivers who park in West Street have some common sense, parking two abreast is giving other drivers

**Home For Bees**  
We have recently moved to the village and are looking for a quiet, sunny place in or close to the village to house up to three hives of bees.  
If anyone could help, please contact me on 07990 557424 or [rhall.rhlt@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:rhall.rhlt@hotmail.co.uk).  
Robert Hall

**Tour de Yorkshire**

I hope you will all be excited by the announcement of the Tour de Yorkshire passing through your parish on Friday 28th April next year. You can see the route detail here.

<http://letour.yorkshire.com/stage-1>

You can zoom into the map for more detail. At this stage, we understand that this year the whole route will be televised and that there will be a 20 vehicle sponsorship 'caravan' ahead of the race. We don't yet know the timings, but I suspect it will be coming through Ryedale in the early afternoon.

Clearly a lot of planning goes into hosting a successful day and to ensure that spectators remain safe, have sufficient parking, and stay around locally to boost the economy of the area, both on the day and into the future. We also look to minimise disruption to all the businesses along the route with their day to day business.

We also encourage communities and schools to join the fun and excitement by 'dressing the route' and encouraging children to engage with various pre race activities and line the route on the day.

Mrs J Holmes, Economy & Community Manager,  
Ryedale District Council.



**CPAD "How do we address the 'lone rescuer' situation"?**

In about 30% of cases, the rescuer is alone with the patient, and will be told to stay with the patient by the ambulance service. In this instance how do you get the defibrillator? CHT has developed the VETS™ scheme (Village Emergency Telephone System) to aid communities in this type of rescue. Using telephone technology, a village has a single emergency number they can ring if required to alert up to 10 volunteers to bring the defib, or otherwise assist. This has to be activated by the rescuer and not by the ambulance service (currently). The cost of this is a fixed price per year.

Slingsby and Marton are part of it, I think it's about 100 pounds a year.

We would be interested in feedback and any comments please.



## Letters And News

### St Helen's Church Amotherby

St Helens Church and Ryedale Carers Support are holding a jigsaw festival on the 8<sup>th</sup> April in Amotherby Village Hall.

Any donations of used or new jigsaws would be gratefully received, as well as volunteers to build them.

Refreshments will be available all day and there will be a tombola.

Please contact either Colleen 690913 or Rose 690091 for more details or to donate.

### Ryedale Dog Rescue

We are holding a pop up charity shop in Malton at 23

Wheelgate on 26 February to 11 March.

If anyone has any items to donate I am happy to collect.

Dianne 697548

## Swinton Reading Room And Community Hall

Swinton Reading Rooms

Following the article in the last newsletter, no objections were received regarding the change of use of the snooker room. The Playgroup Committee are now busy pulling together the logistics for making the room change work and the Reading room Committee will work with them.

We do need to find a means of disposing of the snooker table which retains some financial benefit for the Reading Room, so if anyone has any ideas please let me know.

During the summer we will aim to move the Playgroup across and take the opportunity to redecorate and carry out any maintenance to the whole

building.

Any offers of help would be appreciated; this is your community building and we can only continue to operate with the goodwill and time from our volunteers.

Any help is much appreciated.

01653 697548

[dianne4wellgarth@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:dianne4wellgarth@tiscali.co.uk)  
or 5 Wellgarth, Swinton.



Swinton Reading Room  
And Community Hall

## Coneysthorpe Table Tennis Club

Swinton Reading Rooms based York & District Table Tennis League Division 1 teams Coneysthorpe A and B have experienced mixed fortunes during the first half of the 2016/2017 season.

Coneysthorpe A,

League winners for the last seven consecutive seasons, are determined to equal the post war record of eight recorded by "Sessions A" between 1996/97 and 2003/4.

Unless something totally unforeseen occurs in the next three months, such as a total loss of form or long term illness, Coneysthorpe A, who presently have accrued 106 points from eleven matches, will undoubtedly achieve their target.

Their nearest challengers York RI A are twenty points behind (each set won in a match counts as a point).

Martin Lowe and James Rule have continued where they left off last season, still undefeated with 33 set wins to their name, whilst colleague Ashley Hodgson has only lost one set from 24 played.

By contrast, Coneysthorpe B have struggled somewhat, yet have generally remained competitive. Joel Wright (16 wins from 33 sets) and Paul Young (11 wins from 21 sets) are the mainstays, but fielding a reasonably reliable third player remains a problem, particularly now that Chris Londesbrough and Charlie Allott have announced their unavailability

for virtually the rest of the season.

Coneysthorpe B are currently in sixth place out of eight with 40 points, fifteen better than York RI B who are in the play off with the Division 2 runners up position.

Clarence B with 17 points already look doomed to automatic relegation.

In the first round of the Shepherd Handicap Trophy, Coneysthorpe A and B teams successfully negotiated their way through to the next round with well earned victories. Not so for Coneysthorpe C who now must partake in the Machell Handicap Trophy open to first round losers."

Charles Allenby



Swinton Reading Room  
And Community Hall



## Police Box. Community Police News

### REQUEST FOR POLICE ASSISTANCE

#### Scams.

#### HMRC and Apple gift card fraud

Fraudsters are continuing to request victims to purchase Apple iTunes gift cards as a means of payment for unpaid taxes to Her Majesty Revenues and Customs (HMRC).

The fraudsters are using the following contact methods to defraud people:

- **Voicemails:**

Fraudsters are leaving victims automated voicemails stating they owe HMRC unpaid taxes. When victims call back on the number provided, they are told that there is a warrant out for their arrest, unless they make payment via iTunes Vouchers.

- **Spoofed calls:**

Fraudsters are cold calling victims using a spoofed 0300 200 3300 number and convincing them that they owe unpaid tax to HMRC.

- **Text messages:**

Fraudsters are sending text messages requesting victims to urgently call back on the number provided. When victims call back, they are told that there is a case being built against them for an outstanding debt and they must pay immediately.

Fraudsters are using iTunes gift cards to collect money from victims because they can be easily redeemed and sold on. The scammers don't need the physical card to redeem the value and instead get victims to read out the serial code on the back over the phone to them.

#### **Payment diversion alert**

Fraudsters are emailing

members of the public who are expecting to make a payment for property repairs.

The fraudsters will purport to be a tradesman who has recently completed work at the property and use a similar email address to that of the genuine tradesman. They will ask for funds to be transferred via bank transfer.

Once payment is made the victims of the scam soon realise they have been deceived when the genuine tradesman requests payment for their services.

#### **4 dangerous WhatsApp scams you need to know about.**

As WhatsApp adds its billionth user, take a look at some of the common scams and tricks virtual conmen try using the messaging service. You just need to con a tiny fraction of these users to make serious money. Fraudsters using WhatsApp often try to persuade you to hand over details that can be used in identity theft, such as your name and address. Other scams will try to install malware, malicious software on your phone. This effectively spies on you and collects information that can be used for sinister purposes. A third type of tricksters just starts charging you for services that should be free.

#### **Migrant Helpline' email scam**

Fraudsters are sending out a high number of phishing emails to personal and business email addresses purporting to be from 'Migrant Helpline'. The email address sending the majority of emails is [noreply@yeshivadonations.com](mailto:noreply@yeshivadonations.com).

[om.](mailto:noreply@yeshivadonations.com)

Although Migrant Helpline is a genuine charity, fraudsters are using it to trick members of the public into becoming victims of this fraud.

It should be noted that this fraud is in no way related to the real charity. The subject line currently is 'Thank you for choosing to donate to Migrant helpline'

The message body reads as the following:

Thanks again for donating; we're sending it straight to Migrant Helpline so you'll be making a difference very soon.

Your donation details:

First name: \*\*\*\*

Last name: \*\*\*\*

Tel. \*\*\*\*

Amount: £196

Donation Reference: 09493495

If you have any questions about your donation, please follow this link and download Your (Donation Reference 09493495), with the transaction details listed above.

With your help, Yeshiva Donations can continue to work in Syria and neighbouring countries to deliver clean water and life saving supplies to millions of people.

Your generosity is bringing much-needed assistance to families who have lost everything as a result of the crisis in Syria.

Warm regards,

Yeshiva Donation

Once the link is clicked, a well known Trojan (Ramnit) is downloaded onto the victim's device. This malware is equipped to target and steal personal and corporate banking details

#### **How to Contact Us**

In an emergency always call 999.

To report crime or anti-social behaviour call our non emergency number on 101 or Email: [general.enquiries@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:general.enquiries@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk)

Community Policing  
Crime Stoppers on

**0800 555 111**

For information on the New Operational Policing Model, North Yorkshire Police. Follow the link below

<https://northyorkshire.police.uk>

#### **Action Fraud Website**

[http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/report\\_fraud](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/report_fraud)

Click on the link below for **Swinton Incidents** or paste the link below into your web browser.

<https://www.police.uk/north-yorkshire/ryedale/crime/>

## *Swinton Parish Council Minutes*

Meeting at Swinton Reading Rooms  
8th February 2017 commencing at  
7.15pm.

**Present:** Cllr P Cuthbertson (Chair),  
Cllr R Harrison, Gail Cook (Clerk)  
Cllr Farrow, Cllr Liversidge, Cllr Fenwick  
No Members of the Public.

**Apologies for Absence:**  
County Cllr L Burr and Cllr F Farnell.

**Minutes of the last Meeting:**  
The minutes were taken as read and  
signed by the Chairman as being a true  
and accurate record.

**Matters Arising:**  
East Street Footpath.  
The footpath repairs outside  
Mrs Rowlands property has now been put  
forward for major funding from NYCC  
Area 4 Highways.

**Declaration of Interest:**  
None.

**Public Session:**  
None

**Emergency Plan, Grace Lawes:**  
Members discussed the first draft of the  
plan which will now be sent to Grace  
Lawes, NYCC for consideration.

**Village Items:**  
**Swinton Grange Lane**  
The Chairman has visited area NYCC  
Area 4 Highways on three separate  
occasions to discuss progress on any work  
planned in 2017 on Swinton Grange Lane.

**ACTION:**  
Clerk to send a letter to Kevin Holling-  
drake MP regarding the lack of response  
to the Chairman's and residents  
complaints regarding works on Swinton  
Lane.

**East Street Give Way Sign**  
The Clerk has asked for Highways to look  
at moving the Give Way sign at the  
bottom of West Street.

**Swinton Parish Council Workshops**  
All payments for the rental of the work-  
shops are up to date.

**Street Lighting Faults.**  
Column No 17 West Street requires  
extensive repairs amounting to £390.

**ACTION:**  
Clerk to contact NYCC Street Lighting  
department to give an update on the  
Situation.

The light near the bus stop has been  
reported to NYCC for repair.

**Dog Fouling.**  
Amotherby Parish Council and  
Broughton Parish Meeting are joining  
Swinton in the campaign to raise  
awareness of dog fouling.  
Additional Officers from Ryedale District  
Council and North Yorkshire Police are  
now able to issue Fixed Penalty Notices  
for dog fouling and litter.

Brian info on new legislation ie, walking  
without dog poo bags.  
And where you can let them off the lead.

**Tour de Yorkshire 28th April 2017**  
The village will be decorated for the  
event.  
Cllr Liversidge will be attending this  
meeting which is due to be held on  
Tuesday 14th February 2017, 10am for a  
10.30am start at The Milton Rooms, Mal-  
ton.  
The Parish Council have purchased  
bunting and flags.  
These were purchased with the funding  
from a grant.  
Event times and further information will  
be available at the next meeting.

**Grass Cutting**  
Brian Clifford has confirmed that he will  
carry out the grass cutting in the spring  
and that the price will remain the same.  
The Clerk will contact Brian in early May  
regarding first cut.

**Neighbourhood Watch**  
Thank you to Peter Powell who has offi-  
cially stepped down as NHW  
Co-ordinator for Swinton after over 17  
years.  
A NHW meeting will be organised in the  
near future.

**Correspondence:**  
None.

**NYCC Planning Applications:**  
None.

**Finance:**  
Payments February  
Clerks Salary & Expenses £77.50  
Tour de Yorkshire Bunting & Flags  
Cheque No: 100774 £127.65  
The Clerk gave a financial update.

**Summer Barn Dance:**  
The Summer Barn Dance event will take  
place in Swinton on the provisional date  
of 17th June 2017 in aid of Teenage  
Cancer Research and village funds.  
This will be a ticket event, sold on a first  
come first served basis.  
Further information will be available at  
the next meeting.

**Any Other Business:**  
All agreed to look into erecting a seat  
down Low Lane, Swinton.  
Members of the Parish Council to check  
the notice board near Meadowfield Close.  
Thank you to Robert Liversidge for  
cutting down the dead trees in the play  
area.

**Date of the Next Meeting:**  
This would be held on Wednesday 8  
March 2017, 7.15pm. There being no  
further business the meeting was closed at  
8.40pm.

If residents have any concerns or issues  
within the village, please contact a Mem-  
ber of the Parish Council, all contact de-  
tails are available on the Swinton Village  
website <http://www.swinton.btck.co.uk/>  
ParishCouncil



## Swinton and District Excelsior Band

2017 sees the Swinton Band officially promoted to section 3 of the National Brass Band Championships.



Rehearsals are already underway on this year's test piece for the North of England contest, to be held in Durham on Sunday March 12th.

Over the weekend of 28th-29th January, the Musical Director and four players from the Championship section band Derwent Brass, based in

Helped Derbyshire ,worked with us on our test piece and some concert items, passing on their experience to help prepare us for life at a higher level.

The weekend culminated in a concert held in Amotherby Village hall, featuring the members of Derwent Brass as soloists along with some of our own soloists and also included the Training Band.

A large audience heard items ranging from film themes to Jazz, original brass band music and pop.

Our members thoroughly enjoyed having these top class musicians with us and thanks must go out to Derwent Brass.

We have been lucky enough to have had new players come to join us recently but we still need front or back row cornet players and also a tuned percussionist, this would suit someone who is already a competent pianist.

Other experienced players on other instruments will be very welcome as will total beginners and anyone who has played in the past and who would like to start playing again.

Please contact Steve Popham on 01653 696417 or email [tpopham1@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:tpopham1@yahoo.co.uk) You can find us on Facebook or see our website [www.swinton-band.org](http://www.swinton-band.org)

## Swinton Play Group

All the children came back to us with big smiles on their faces after what seemed like a lengthy break from Playgroup over the Christmas Holiday period.

They still talked fondly of our Christmas party and the special person in the red suit who came to visit us. A big thank you to Bob The Butcher ( as the Children call him) for his kindness in doing this for us. You were such a good Father Christmas no one guessed It is almost a tradition in itself!!! We were very impressed with the extra padding this year. The children have all been busy enjoying all the activates at Playgroup which have been

very varied. Slingsby School children very kindly made us a Sensory board to explore textures and a sound science activity where we guess what is in the bottles. A big thank you to Steven Mortimer for allowing his Primary School pupils in giving our Children such a dab activity.

We have managed to look at Seasons and braved the inclement weather outside to explore natural resource play. The children built a bonfire and role-played drinking hot chocolate and eating hot dogs around the camp fire. Playgroup have recently had a Chinese banquet where we

tried Chinese food. Danced to Chinese music, made Chinese lamps and the Year of the Rooster paintings and read traditional Chinese tales.

We are also looking forward to celebrating Valentine's Day and Pancake Day.

We have some new starters joining us soon, but we would love some more so if you are 2 to 5 and love a small friendly environment we would urge you to come and see us and look at all the fun educational things we do.

Jennie (Playgroup Leader |)



BSA Sports Centre

## Broughton, Swinton And Amotherby Sports Centre

For more information or to Book the Facilities inside, or outdoor Pitches.

Tel: after 7pm. 01653 690807

## *BSA Short Mat Bowls Club*

### Short Mat Bowls.

#### The High Fives Competition

Sponsored by Martin Prest took place at the BSA Sports Centre in Swinton on Saturday 21st January 2017.

14 Teams competed over the day playing 4 games each of Triples and Pairs. Their combined scores totalled to give the teams result. Going into the Final session (Pairs) 6 teams were separated by only 3 points, Any of the final positions from Winners to 4th place would be decided in this session.

The Team of Price and



Ramsden narrowly beat Arthur Jackson and D Jarvis by 1 point to clinch the title.

#### The Richard Lund Memorial Trophy.

Sponsored by Julie Lund was played at the BSA Centre on Saturday 11th February 2017.

20 teams of triples competed over the day playing four games each.



Arthur Jackson's team were unbeaten and run out Winners.

In The Dales League we have two teams The Swifts and Swallows.

Currently The Swifts have Played 16 games and are in 5th position, The Swallows have played 15 games and are in 9th position.

Full scores and League Table can be found on our club website below.

<http://bsasmbc.co.uk/dales-league/dales-league-table/>

We also have a social roll up on Monday afternoons from 2 - 3pm.

If you would like to give it a go just turn up and introduce yourself, Existing Bowlers or non Bowlers all are made welcome.

Contact: Freda Fenwick.  
01653 694640



Short Mat Bowls  
Contact:  
Freda Fenwick  
01653 694640

## *Swinton And District Horticultural Society*

### February

Spring is in sight.

This month there are signs of the approaching spring, with bulbs appearing and wildlife waking up as light levels and temperatures increase.

There's plenty to do indoors this month to prepare for the season ahead.

Outdoors, as the garden comes to life again, it's time to prune shrubs and climbers, such as *Wisteria* as well as evergreen hedges.

### Top 10 jobs this month

1. Prepare vegetable seed beds, and sow some vegetables under cover.
2. Chit potato tubers.
3. Protect blossom on apricots, nectarines and peaches.
4. Net fruit and vegetable crops to keep the birds off.
5. Prune winter-flowering shrubs that have finished flowering.
6. Divide bulbs such as snow-drops, and plant those that need planting 'in the green'.

7. Prune *Wisteria*.

8. Prune hardy evergreen hedges and renovate overgrown deciduous hedges.

9. Prune conservatory climbers such as bougainvillea.

10. Cut back deciduous grasses left uncut over the winter, remove dead grass from evergreen grasses.

Rainfall:  
November 82 ml,  
December 39 ml,  
January 26 ml

### February Flowers



Helleborus Nger



Crocus

## *BSA Netball*

### BSA Netball

Both Teams play in Division 4 York League.

### Results.

BSA "B" 23 - Royal Females 70  
BSA "B"27 - Haxby 60

BSA"A" 35 - Royal Females 52



BSA Netball

## *Carols At The Blacksmiths Arms*

Christmas Carols at the Blacksmith's Arms

Many thanks to John and Marcia for allowing us such a warm venue on a cold and foggy night for the Carol singing.

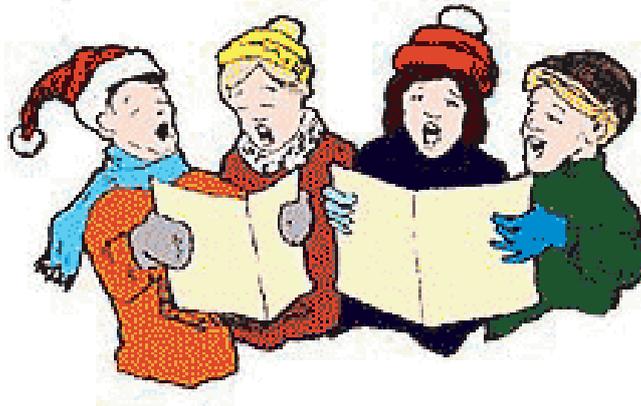
Also the appearance of their new arrival with perfect timing to Away in a manger.

Thanks to Rev. Martin Allwood for leading us with the singing and Colleen with the keyboard.

Numbers attending were down from last year which was disappointing and a few sore throats and ear infections didn't help the standard of our singing.

We were, however, enthusiastic working our way through the song sheet.

If anyone has any other suggestions for this year or requests for church involvement in the village, please let us know.



Rev. Martin Allwood, John and Marcia Robinson and the members of Swinton Community Group.

## *Amotherby Parish Hall*

The AGM will be held on Wed 8th March at 7-30pm in the committee room at the Hall.

The Hall is for the use of Swinton, Broughton, Amotherby & Appleton and currently there is no one from Swinton or Broughton on the committee to represent these villages.

Anyone willing to join would be very welcome, please come to the meeting or contact Nige at [amotherbyhall.trsr@btinternet.com](mailto:amotherbyhall.trsr@btinternet.com) or 695117 for further details.

There will be a Table Top & Car Boot Sale at the Hall 9am to 1pm on Easter Monday 17th April.

If you would like a table or space (£5.00) please email [amotherbyhall.trsr@btinternet.com](mailto:amotherbyhall.trsr@btinternet.com) or ring 695117 or 694009

On Fri 28th April 8pm there will be an Old-time & Sequence Dance, music by Nightowl and Faith Supper. Get out your dancing shoes and join us!

The Ladies Badminton group which plays (for fun, not seriously) at the Hall 2 to 4pm on a Monday would welcome new members.

Just turn up any Monday except 6th March or contact Joyce on 694063.

Many thanks, Nige