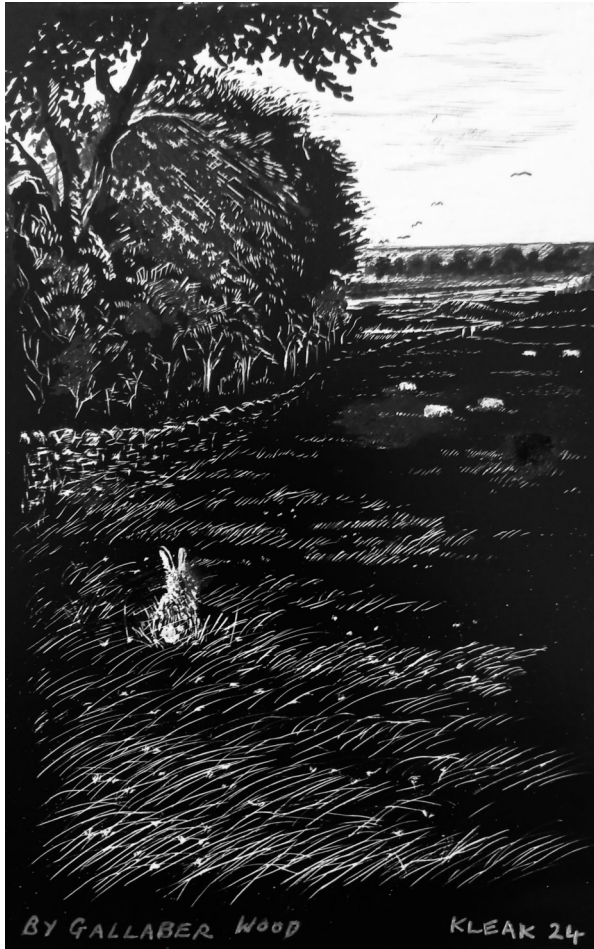

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is the 8th of April

Editorial

We are so fortunate to live in Hellifield, as I am sure you will agree if you are also resident here!

Many of you will know, or have seen, my son Peter. Pete has Down's syndrome, so is fairly easy to spot as he moves around the village with a support worker, his Dad or me.

Although he has only lived in Hellifield for five and a bit years (having lived in sheltered accommodation in Bradford for seventeen years before that) and we have lived here for 19 years next month, he probably knows more people than we do! He attends various activities in the village, including carpet bowls, table tennis and the weekly coffee mornings and he is also a volunteer at The Pantry, held on most Fridays at the Wesley Centre.

By the time you read this, Pete will have moved into his own accommodation in the village, supported by a team of Personal Assistants. We had hoped that this would happen about three or four years ago, as we intended to give him a year or so to settle into the village and surrounding areas (and to give us the chance to find some local Support Workers) but then Covid reared its ugly head and all plans went out of the window!

However, the move has finally gone ahead and I can only thank the wonderful people of Hellifield for their support. Having been given the go-ahead from Social Services to proceed with the move, we then had to furnish and equip a house from scratch but as

ever, our friends and neighbours were there to help, with furniture, bedding, towels, kitchen equipment, pictures, cushions and garden furniture, so he now has a very comfortable home where he can hopefully stay for the rest of his life.

So, once again, our thanks to all of you who have welcomed Pete so warmly into our lovely village and been generous with your time and your gifts.

Have a very Happy Easter,
Yvonne



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Hellifield Traffic Speed Monitoring

The Village Community Speedwatch Team are a small group of volunteers who, since the Teams' inception in 2019, have continued to deploy around the principal roads in our Village. We monitor traffic speeds of vehicles going through our village and help to make Hellifield a safer place for everyone. You may have seen us in various parts of the village with our brightly coloured jackets and speed gun - do stop and say hello, we always enjoy a chat.

Our locations have to be approved by NY Police and we have tried, unsuccessfully, to get them to deploy their mobile CCTV contractors here too. We are planning to have VAS cameras operating in the Village, in March.

Sadly, some of the volunteers have moved from the village or are no longer available to help, so we are still looking

for people to join the Team and help with our speed monitoring. Perhaps you could get the cattle and sheep to stop eating our black & yellow signs!

COULD THIS BE YOU?

If you want to find out more please contact Paul Emsley on 01729 851659.

The Hellifield Community Speedwatch Team.

Mothers' Union meeting

Sheila Swinbank opened our March the 6th meeting with a warm welcome to Jean Lister who was attending for the first time after her recent illness. We were reminded that the following Sunday is Mothering Sunday, and our speaker today would be Colin Blake, talking about 'families'.

'Who do we think we are descended from?' we were asked, and some members shared parts of their own family history, as did Colin. He then went on to talk about the beginning of Matthew's Gospel where the genealogy of Jesus was shared. It is full of surprises!

God can use anyone for His Purposes was the core message for us to take away. God doesn't use the great and the good, He can turn around lives and give people a role in His Divine Plan. What a great encouragement that is for us all.

Sheila Swinbank and Joy Orwell.

Memories of Hellifield from Brian Shorrock: the Hellifield swimmers

Brian Shorrock has lived in Settle since the early 1960's, but grew up in Hellifield. Brian was born in Hellifield in 1935 and lived at 16 Thornview Road. He has many memories of Hellifield during the 1940's – many of which relate to his childhood during the war years. Brian has been good enough to put pen to paper and his recollections all paint a picture of the village of Hellifield in days gone by. Brian has asked me to write up his memories for the magazine, and in this, the sixth article in the series, Brian recalls the localities on the River Ribble where he and many others learnt to swim. Much of what Brian remembers is familiar to me, as the same spots were often favourites of myself and my friends during summer evenings and school holidays.

“The Hellifield Swimmers

With no nearby public swimming pools, swimming in the River Ribble was the only option. Three localities were used. The first and most popular was between Arnford and Halton West

bridge below a hill called Broken Brow. To get there we walked from Hellifield down the Back Lane and crossed the main road into the fields where we would cross the stream known as Pan Beck. Then it was up and over the hill



Arnford - looking down from Broken Brow



The ancient stone above the River Ribble.
Believed to have contained a cross or marker in times past.

till we reached Broken Brow which overlooked the Ribble. Three pools were used. The first one was at least six feet deep. The second four foot deep. The third pool – mainly for the younger ones – was about a foot deep. It wasn't just young lads either. All ages made the trek from about eight years old to adults in their thirties and forties, male and female.

Many fish dwelt in these waters and a few tried to catch them. Salmon, trout and eels were regularly encountered. One older lad managed to get hold of a large salmon and he threw it onto the bank. Unfortunately for the would be fisherman, the salmon flipped back and hit him in the chest, which knocked him over. The salmon slipped back into the water and escaped downstream. One hazard, even in those days, were the tins and broken bottles which littered the river bed.

One or two bad cuts were sustained on the bare feet. One older gentleman dived into the deepest pool, which was

rather brown and mirky after a bout of heavy rain. On impact with the water his false teeth were dislodged and dropped to the river bed. In spite of frequent dives by a few people to locate the missing dentures they were never found. Now, eighty years on, they may have found their way down the ribble, and may even be residing in the Irish Sea. The river water never seemed to warm up, and around fifteen minutes swimming about was often long enough. Above the river on Broken Brow stands an ancient stone which is believed to have contain a cross or marker at some point in history.

Another favourite place for swimming was just below Halton West Bridge, which we reached by following a footpath across the fields from the Peel. We went under the railway and then onwards across the Gisburn Road. Then it would be down the field, or down the lane to the bridge. It would have been a good mile and a half walk

from our house. There was one deep pool below the bridge, with plenty of shallow pools lower down. Initially, only a few people gathered here, but because the site was visible from the bridge it meant that more and more people began to gather at this spot. Eventually the owners of the fields adjoining the river got fed up and called the police. Swimming below the bridge, came to a sudden end after the long arm of the law stepped in.

The third and last venue was an even longer trek from the village. Down Gisburn road where the road takes a bend before heading towards Nappa was a café and filling station that was known as the 'Clint'.

A large house now stands on the site. After walking down to the Peel and then onwards to Swindon Hall and down to the main road, we reached the riverside which was opposite the 'Clint Café'. In the one deepish pool that we frequented, there could be many large salmon which often brushed against our legs. They were probably puzzled by this sudden influx of lily-white legs moving about their territory. The water was much colder than at the other sites and was quite shaded by overhanging trees. We therefore didn't stop in the cool water for more than ten minutes at a time, and spent numerous minutes shivering on the bank. I remember one rather plump individual who seemed impervious to the cold. He would think nothing of staying in the water for an hour or so.

Because of the amount of flesh he had on him he seemed immune to the effects of the cold water. Myself, I must have endured some very cold dips in those days gone by. But at least I learned to swim. After a fashion!"

Brian Shorrock

Brian's memories of swimming in the River Ribble are very familiar. Particularly the river below Broken Brow which we simply referred to as Arnford. Many days and evenings in summer were spent in the river. And I also have memories regarding the fish which occupied the deep waters. I once got a right telling off from my father, for assisting poachers who appeared whilst we were all in the river. These two men stretched a huge net across the river and got us to chuck stones in the water whilst the men dragged the net towards us. There were about seven big salmon in the net. The men disappeared quickly with their haul. I told the tale with relish but my parents didn't quite see it the same way as I did! I agree with Brian on the age ranges in the river. It wasn't just kids but adults who made the trek to Arnford. We always took pop and crisps etc and enjoyed it tremendously. I can't vouch for the overall cleanliness of the water – but I never seemed to suffer any after effects apart from shivering on the bank. Swimming pools seem to have taken over nowadays, and we did have Skipton Swimming Baths in my time. The river was always much more fun though!..

Ken Leak

Time to exercise

Did you eat too much Christmas pudding or are you now chomping your way through lots of chocolate Easter eggs and are worried about your waistline? If so, why not try some extra exercise.

The Village Hall runs Table Tennis on Mondays from 7.15 to 9pm and Badminton on Tuesdays - two sessions: 6-7pm and 7-9pm (you can stay for both).

You don't need to be an experienced player in either sport, as the sessions are held to give Hellifield residents some gentle exercise and social contact. We can provide bats or rackets if required. Sessions cost £3 per person per week and you can just turn up when you fancy a game. Players over 16 and above are very welcome (no older age limit but we don't have



the necessary registration for young children). You will get a brew and biscuit included.

You are assured of a warm welcome at both groups with lots of friendly support as you join the group. So why not pop along and give it a try.

For more details contact Andy on 851806 (Table Tennis) or Bob on 07976215646 (Badminton).

Hope to see you at one or both sessions soon.

Bob Moore



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Up and over – the February Village Walk

February's walk took 11 Helliwalkers from Long Preston over the top to Settle – a nice straight-forward walk with no map or navigational skills required!

We headed up Green Gate Lane / Edge Lane which climbs gently between fields and continues to moorland, turning into the Pennine Bridleway.

The highest part of the walk is around 1000ft. After this, the track drops down to Black's Plantation – an ever-green wood with an option here of taking Lambert Lane to Stockdale Lane.

However, we took the easier route - down Mitchell Lane into Settle and on to the Talbot for a beer, coffee, and cake.

Fortunately, the mist lifted nicely so we had the spectacular views over Settle

and Giggleswick and the rewarding birds-eye view of Settle itself.

We meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month, meeting at 10am in the village car park outside Aherne's where we share lifts to the start of the walk.

The next walks are 21st April and 19th May.

If you would like to join us, please just come along, email rebgooch@gmail.com or text / call Rebecca on 07443 493169. I will send out more information about each walk a week or so in advance.

Rebecca Gooch





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View from the Vicarage

At the risk of everyone thinking I've got the wrong date in the calendar- have a think about the carol, "The Twelve Days of Christmas". It's great fun to sing, of course, but it's easy to miss the point that, in the eighteenth century (when it first appeared in print), the "first day of Christmas" was December 25th: the 12 days of feasting and celebration started then and lasted until "twelfth night" or the eve of the Epiphany.

Nowadays, of course, as we all know (and put up with, even if we don't like it!), shops are full of "Christmas stuff" in early November, pubs advertise Christmas lunches in mid-August and December 25th for most people marks the end, not the start, of the season. And many, sadly, will be only too pleased when they can "get back to normal."

I mention this, seemingly rather out of context in what will be mid-spring by the time you read this, because Christians are sometimes rather guilty of doing the same with Easter. The season begins on Easter Day and then lasts 40 days till Ascension Day - and many older readers who went to Church primary schools might remember getting to go home early on Ascension Day, having first been to church, of course! In my last parish in Essex, children were still given a gift of gingerbread on Ascension Day from a Victorian bequest well into the 1960s: sadly there wasn't enough money left to do this in my time, but I did once provide some chocolate for those who came to the service. But in the past, there was, I think, a more profound appreciation that Easter Day was the beginning, not the end, of a special time.

The point is that, for so many centuries, most peoples' lives were a struggle to keep themselves fit and fed. The feasts of Christmas and Easter, encouraged by the generosity of the better-off, were times to celebrate for as long as you

could. You would want to enjoy every one of the 12 days of Christmas, or even more the 40 days of Easter, because those times were in such contrast to the rest of the year. (And, despite what some revisionist historians like to say, this isn't because the Church kept people in submission and poverty the rest of the time- it was just a reflection of pre-industrial economic reality). Yet in the last 70 years (and, as always, I'm mindful of those who do struggle now to keep going) our standard of living has risen so remarkably, in comparison with previous generations, that there's no desire to keep a 40-day Easter feast- because so many of us enjoy a 365-day feast instead! And, as I said, Christian worship and practice tends, in my opinion, to move away too soon these days from the extraordinary events of Easter, when we should continue to celebrate it, and reflect upon it, for as long as we can: it's not for nothing, after all, that the first Christians were called "Easter people." In our parish churches, we will (I hope) keep the note of celebration going right through the 6 weeks of Eastertide, and I hope this might in some small way be reflected in our lives, and out into the lives of our communities.

A very happy, peaceful and lengthy Eastertide to all our readers.

Please contact Revd James Rodley on 01729-851709 or jwerodley@yahoo.co.uk

Body found in Thorndale Street

This fictional story is a collaborative venture between four members of the Hellifield Writers' Group. It is set in Hellifield in the year 2044, 20 years from now. Although one person can be clearly identified, all the other characters have been invented and bear no relation to anyone currently living in the village. The story will be published in four, monthly episodes, each written by a different member of the Group. This first episode has been written by John Cuthbert.

The morning headline of the Online Hellifield Herald stated: *"Body found in Thorndale Street. A dog-walker from the village found the body of Mr John Cuthbert, face down, at 6am on the morning of Tuesday, the 23rd of February. 88 year-old Mr Cuthbert, retired, was found impaled on one of the limestone slabs which were placed on top of his front garden wall. Mr Cuthbert lived at number 34. There were no signs of a struggle."*

That was a week ago and nothing's been done. No-one has investigated the death. No-one has come up with an explanation. The police can't be bothered. They just issued an online statement: 'It was a sad accident. Mr Cuthbert's age makes it clear that there was no foul play. It was simply a mishap where an elderly man slipped and fell. We do not plan to follow this one up'.

Well, that's charming isn't it? Just because he was old, there can't be any funny business. Hasn't anyone heard of old people getting into trouble? Being harassed by youngsters? Being mugged? They can't just write him off because he was old. They should look into it.

The police did come to his house on Tuesday, but they only spent about half

an hour looking round - if that. They can't be bothered about him. He wasn't important. He was just old.

We don't know whether John died in the early morning or during the night. We don't know why he fell, or why he couldn't call for help. He might have been a heavy smoker but he still went for walks on the moor. He used to play badminton once a week. Someone said he even did a triathlon or two in his 60s. So, he was pretty fit for an old chap.

Needless to say, everybody else has an opinion, even if it's based on nothing in particular. The internet is full of explanations, each without a shred of evidence. The Hellifield Community Meow¹ Page has several posts of its own:

Mr A.F. of Midland Terrace said: "John was a lovely bloke. Yes, he was a bit short-tempered sometimes, but that was only when people tried to take advantage of him being so old."

Ms G.S. of Gisburn Road: "I overheard someone saying that Mr Cuthbert had challenged someone hanging about near the swings. Someone who had no reason to be in a children's playpark."

Mr T.D. of Park Avenue: "There's loads of gangs operating in the area. They

¹ 'Meow' is the social media platform formally known as 'Facebook'.

come over from Lancashire to see what they can steal. John was probably in the wrong place at the wrong time."

Mrs D.J. of Hammerton Drive: "I bet it was someone from one of the new houses on the Recreation Field. I said that should never have been allowed. Now look what's happened."

Ms D.W from Gargrave: "I always said Hellifield was a rough village. What do you expect?"

And finally, Mrs K.L, a neighbour from Thorndale St., posted: "John had a big argument with one of his neighbours last week. I've heard it came to blows, although I can't imagine him in a fight. He was so nice."

None of this speculation is getting us anywhere. The police don't take any notice and it just gets everybody wound up. It's easy when it's on the telly. The old TV programs from the 20th century had the right idea: a detective arrives, takes notes, bags evidence, interviews suspects and comes to a conclusion, usually at the end with all the suspects gathered together. If only we had one of those detectives in Hellifield.

I can't do it. I have trouble remembering what I had for breakfast, so there's not much chance of me working out what happened.

George isn't much better. All he wants to do is sit in front of the window and watch the garage door to make sure no-one breaks in to steal his precious Vauxhall Viva. The only time he moves with a purpose is to go outside and wash the blooming thing. Why he has to wash a car we don't use is beyond me. He perked up when he heard about John: "What's going to happen to his Morris Minor?" he asked me. When I told him that John had sold it over 20 years ago, he quietened down and went to look out of the window again.

Like he usually does.

My son and daughter aren't much use either. "Oh, I'm sorry mum, I'm much too busy at the moment." or "Sorry mum, it's just too far away. I can't afford the time travelling to and from Yorkshire." So I'm stuck with the problem.

Private detectives do exist. There's even one in Long Preston. Trouble is, she specialises in scammers who take your money over the internet. She also costs an arm and a leg: 20% of any money recovered is her going rate. As there's no chance of getting money finding out how John died, she's not interested. You'd think that someone from Long Preston might have looked into it as it was so close, but no, she won't.

You can see some people have changed the way they behave after John's 'accident'. Lots of my elderly friends just aren't going out. People waiting for the Electric Bus, that comes once a week, always seem to be in pairs. If anyone goes for a walk, they're never alone. If someone knocks at the door, people talk to them through the CCTV. They never open their doors to strangers. Heaven knows what would happen if somebody actually needed some help. They'd probably be ignored or reported to the police. Then the police would probably ignore the report.

Apparently, John told his friends he didn't want a funeral. "Just send me off to the Crematorium and have a few drinks to celebrate." That doesn't seem right. I want to find out what happened before we send him off in a cloud of beer fumes.

To be continued in the May edition

'Thank you' from the Village Community Pantry

We could never have anticipated that preparing food parcels for the local community from our home during the Covid lockdown would be the beginning of a busy weekly event, every Friday 2pm - 3pm at the Methodist Chapel.

After 3 and a half years we now average 40-50 visitors within the hour, plus regular deliveries.

We have an amazing team of volunteers and there's always a happy atmosphere and warm welcome. People pop in prior to opening time for a brew and a chat and regularly stay on afterwards for a pleasant social time. It has become quite a meeting point.

We are, basically, recycling food that supermarkets cannot keep or sell, and,

through grants and generous donations, we buy in fresh fruit, vegetables and bread, and toilet rolls, (Our best seller!) We often spend as much as £200 per week ensuring sufficient quantities of fresh, wholesome produce.

We do not charge and we're here for absolutely everyone. Bring what you can and take whatever you wish. We have a box for any cash donations and are always pleased to receive any donations of food. Feel free to pop in to





see us, you'll find a cheery smile and welcome.

We thank you generous people of Hellifield, for your kind donations of food, money and support which make it possible for the Pantry to continue. You know who you are.

We're so grateful to Tesco and the Co-op for regular weekly collections and the Fareshare organisation who deliver every week. Thank you to all the local groups and organisations who have collected food to help keep the tables well stocked.

A big thank you too for our friends at the Methodist Chapel who allow us storage space and the use of the building every week. And lastly to our faithful volunteers, pictured here, what

a great team we have - thank you is never enough. We all feel privileged to be able to offer this service to our local community.

Every week, before we open, we stand back and are overwhelmed by the plentiful amount displayed on the tables. We take a breath, and thank God for His goodness.

Contact Martin or Pauline Wright 07931 511562 if you have any questions or comments.

St Aidan's Church

April 2024

The Easter season doesn't end on Easter Day! Over the following six weeks, Christians continue to celebrate the event in Jerusalem that changed the world for ever.

Our relaxed, traditional worship continues **every Sunday at 9.30am**- please join us as we pray for the needs of our village, our country and the world in these challenging times.

Has the arrival of spring prompted thoughts of a wedding? Did you know that if you live in Hellifield, you can get married at St Aidan's, even if you don't come on a Sunday? Do contact Revd James if you're interested.

Any queries? Please contact Revd. James Rodley on 01729-851709, or jwerodley@yahoo.co.uk

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My Slimming World journey

“Wow - I never thought I would be writing this, but being a member of Hellifield Slimming World has been inspirational and life changing for me for many reasons. Prior to joining I had suffered with my mental health on and off for years but then had a nervous breakdown with a lengthy stay in hospital followed by months of therapy as I was unable to leave my house or go anywhere alone.

I learnt through my therapy that one of the key factors for my recovery was repetition, to constantly face your fears to hopefully make them less overwhelming. I had finished my counselling and at the same time my group therapy came to an end. Although I was emotionally and mentally stronger, I still had a long way to go. The medication had left me constantly tired and unmotivated and as a result I had put on a lot of weight and felt miserable about myself.

I made the decision to join Slimming World and persuaded a friend to take me. I was petrified but determined. What was very important to me was the leader. I needed someone I could trust so I would be open about my issues, but also someone kind who would not judge me. That person was Daiva, Slimming World Consultant. She was kind, caring, non-judgemental and enthusiastic that she could and would help and encourage me. And so, I started my journey. I had a plan to follow Food Optimising - the structure that I needed and I began losing weight.

Daiva encouraged me to do Body Magic and so it began, starting with 5 minutes a day which was achievable. I built this up to 15 minutes, then to 30 minutes. What I began to notice was that not only was I losing weight, I was also feeling more motivated, which was a big thing for me.

The group genuinely were so friendly that after a few weeks I no longer needed my friend to go with me, I could go alone which was life changing for me and the beginning of a new chapter in my life where I no longer needed to be isolated. There was never any judgment, just encouragement, kindness and warmth and a really good support system.

I have made genuine friendships. I am motivated and have a self-worth and independence back that I never imagined I could have. By today I lost 3st and 4lb, my medication has been reduced and I was abroad for 2 weeks after many years. I reached my target weight, am happy, confident and still looking forward for Monday to see Daiva and my friends.

If you are reading this story and have doubts from where to start your journey, come to meet Daiva and I am sure she will support you all the way of your journey to make unbelievable changes in your life as Slimming World changed my life.”

This Slimming World participant wishes to remain anonymous but is happy to share their story with our magazine readers.

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Meet at 10:45 for 11:00 start.

Activities centered around exploring
nature, fun & games, a story, a prayer
and a simple shared meal/snack.

Further info contact: james.atkinson72@outlook.com 07849673214

New Coronation Bench

Hellifield Parish Council and North Yorkshire Council have funded the installation of a new Bench for the village which has recently been installed at the Picnic Area on Back Lane. Many thanks to James Mitton for the installation, and to the Walton family for storage of the bench.



Julie Sleath
Clerk to Hellifield Parish Council

HelliCrafts meet for the 2nd time

On the first Thursday afternoon in March, HelliCrafts met for the second time. We were pleased to welcome two new members as well as some of those who attended the first meeting. Crafts varied from knitting, artwork, and needlework, and those more experienced were happy to help those in need of a little assistance.

There was also lots of chatter and refreshments. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 4th of April between 1 and 4pm in the Yorke Room of the Village Hall. You can drop in at anytime during that period, so don't feel you have to

stay for three hours. The sessions cost £3 per person per session, so why not come along and give it a try.

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In March we held our Annual Meeting, and we are pleased to announce that we have managed to get sufficient membership renewals to continue for another year. Although our numbers are considerably down on last year, we can just manage financially to pay for room hire and speakers for another 12 months and hope to recruit new members as Hellifield's residents change and new people move into the village. We are also planning a publicity campaign to encourage new membership.

We hope to provide interesting speakers on various topics throughout the year, all of which are open to non-members, along with a couple of fun parties and some outings. In the Autumn, we have invited John Dawson from Bleak Bank Farm (of television fame) to come along to an open meeting to

which Hellifield residents and other local WIs will be invited. (This will be like the one we held this year with Sarah Lister which was really well attended). John's talks are always entertaining

and funny as well as having a serious side regarding sustainable farming. Please look out for more information in the October and November Hellifield Herald magazines.

Our speaker following the Annual Meeting was Janet Senior, who entertained us with Family History through Recipes, and our thanks go to Janet for putting up with a late start and

providing such good entertainment after a formal meeting. Our April speaker should be Andrew Lay from Lay of the Land, who will be giving us some gardening tips for spring and summer.

As always everyone (male as well as female) is welcome. Our meetings take

place on the third Thursday of the month in the Village Hall at 7.15pm, and light refreshments are served during the evening, the cost of which is included in the entry charge of £4 for visitors, and of

course free to members, and don't forget the exciting raffle!

Please come along and support us if you can, as we set off on another year of adventures.

Carol Weston-Moore – Joint Secretary Hellifield WI.



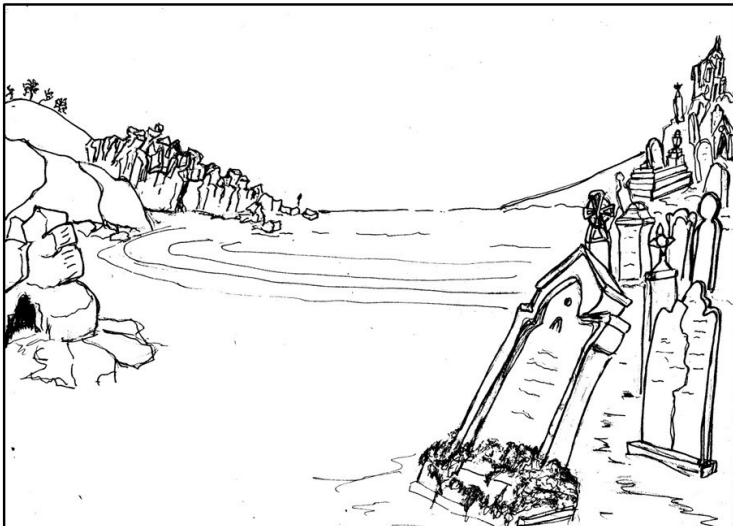
News from the Village Hall (Institute)

Pirates of Penzance

At the time of writing this article, Pirates of Penzance is due to be performed in two weeks' time so I am unable to provide any feedback until the May edition. However, I would like to let everyone know just how hard the HelliSingers have worked to put on this production. I am sure they won't mind me saying that the majority of them have been well out of their comfort zone as they have never done anything like this before. This has been so much more than mere singing. Sue Alderson, the Musical Director and leader of HelliSingers has put her heart and soul into ensuring the entertainment factor will be at an all-time high during the three days of the performance. I am sure the hard work and dedication that has gone in to so many rehearsals will pay off.

It is, of course, not just the performers that make a production. There are a lot of back-room staff who make the whole thing happen. Grateful thanks go to

and imagination of Barry Hills. Although not able to be present, due to a few months away in Spain, Chris Kershaw ensured before he went away that



Audrey Edwards for using her talents to paint an amazing backdrop to depict the storyline (see accompanying photo). The backdrop and other elements of the stage would not be possible without the manual dexterity

staging and lighting were all in place and Michael Robinson has been his trusty lieutenant, left to press the right buttons at the right time on the night. Dot & Ken Clee have loaned us their coat rail and the props and costumes

have been bought, made, borrowed and possibly stolen by the cast themselves and what a brilliant job they have done (I have seen previews and even helped tie corset laces!).

The Institute Trustees always put in a great deal of time for any production or event that takes place throughout the year, but as this has been over three days, I guess they have done even a bit more. The raffle prize hampers don't prepare themselves and somebody has to put up the stage and set out the hall and clear up afterwards. I guess I might have done a bit of the organisation to make sure everyone is in the right place at the right time.

It goes without saying that no one forces any of us to put on such a show and we all thoroughly enjoy ourselves – well most of the time. However, it is done with the village in mind. We want those that buy the tickets to have a brilliant afternoon or evening's entertainment and to feel pleased to be part of the Hellifield community. We trustees value the money we are able to make from selling raffle tickets and the income from the tickets to continue to maintain the village hall building and keep the accounts in balance with enough in reserve to cater for any 'emergency' expenditure that may be required. So, thank you one and all for putting together and performing such an amazing production.

'New Look' Yorke Room Opening

Certain people who we feel have made a specific contribution will have received an official invitation to the opening of our 'new look' Yorke Room on 6th April between 3.00 and 5.00 pm, but attendance is open to anyone who wishes to come along and see what a difference has been made to the Yorke

Room since a bespoke storage area was introduced. We hope it appeals to many different people who may wish to book it for a future event they wish to hold. Currently for a three hour period, for a village resident it costs £15; for a non village hirer it costs £20 and for commercial use it costs £30. Any enquiries should be made to Ken or Heather Leak on tel: 0783 772 7268 or 0779 004 2206 or email:

stanier@aol.com

Trustees' Annual Meeting

At the Institute Trustees annual meeting held on 7th March, I am pleased to announce that Ann Taylor agreed to continue as Chair for another year and all the current trustees, i.e. Michael Robinson (Treasurer); Dave Clements (Maintenance); Karen Dunwoodie (Marketing and Events); Liz Kilburn (Minute Secretary and Voluntary Co-ordinator); Ken & Heather Leak (Booking and Catering); Andrew Leng (Technical Co-ordinator); and Paul Surbuts (Health & Safety and 200 Club) all agreed to carry on with their roles for the next twelve months.

Sincere thanks were offered to all the volunteers who constantly go the extra mile to help the trustees to perform their tasks. Life would be so much harder without their help. You all know who you are.

We are always looking for new trustees, so if you feel you could play a role in ensuring the village hall continues to be the hub of the village then do contact Ann Taylor on 01729 851102 or email: onktaylor@gmail.com We are specifically looking out for someone who could help with general maintenance.

Karen Dunwoodie, Trustee

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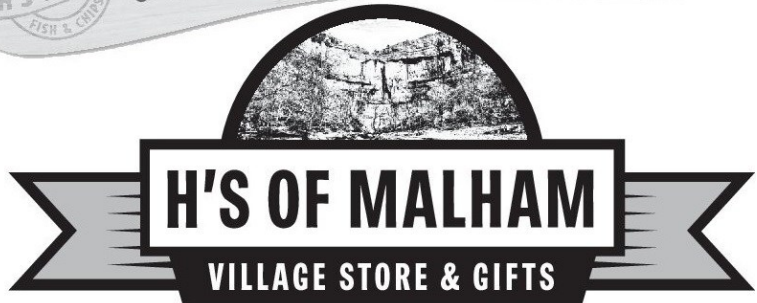
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Monday to Friday - to Settle:

0915; 1010; 1110; 1210; 1310; 1410; 1510; 1610; 1710; 1910

Saturday - to Settle:

0915; 1110; 1210; 1310; 1510; 1710; 1810; 1910

Train times in Hellifield

Train times may change during April. Best to double check before travelling - see www.northernrail.co.uk, or phone 0344 811 5111 (and also to make sure nobody's gone on strike).

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To Skipton, Sunday: **1113; 1202; 1412; 1440; 1648; 1709; 1742; 1848; 1912; 2100; 2115**

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To Settle, Sunday: **1011; 1204; 1323; 1517; 1713; 1945**

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If you would like to take part, either as an actor or as a member of the production team, come to the meeting on

Monday 15th April at 7pm in the Yorke Room at Hellifield Village Hall.

No experience is necessary, but you will need to have a sense of humour!

Everyone is welcome. We will look forward to seeing you.

If you are interested in taking part but you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact me by phone or email.

Audrey Edwards

audreyedwards53@msn.com

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My Little Piece of Heaven

I love this little house of ours, the place that we call home.

Three up, three down, a porch front and back,
the bits we've added on.

It's still got the 70's fireplace we saved so hard to build
and the sideboard in the dining room with cupboards we have
filled.....

with cups and plates and memories, we've made in all the years,
of all the happy times we've shared, with not too many tears.

We've painted walls so many times the layers are getting thick!
And sometimes tempers have been frayed when paper wouldn't
stick.

But the décor's changed from time to time to keep up with the
trend.

Not too often, may I add, cos we're not keen on DIY
It drives us round the bend!

But still, I love this house, this number 4.

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My little piece of Heaven.

Kate Clegg



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Contact Aileen or Carol for more information:

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We meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the Village Hall (Institute) at 7.15pm

Guests are welcome to come and try before you join. Unfortunately, we can only allow 2 guest visits per person before asking for membership (a WI rule not Hellifield's).

We would love to see you there.

Hellifield Methodist Chapel and Wesley Centre

April diary

- Regular Sunday Services at 2pm
- Lego Church at 10.30am on 14th
- Cafe Church at 2pm on 28th
- Hour of Prayer 6pm on Sunday 7th
- Community Pantry Fridays 2-3pm
- Welcome Mat 15th and 29th 2.30pm
- Strong and Steady 8th and 22nd 3.30pm

Please join us at our **COFFEE MORNING** at the **INSTITUTE** on **Saturday 20th April**

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Hellifield's railway snowploughs

With the snowy conditions that often occurred during the winter months on the Settle to Carlisle line, the Midland Railway Company based snowploughs at Hellifield shed to help keep the lines clear and its trains running.



Hellifield ploughs at Ribblehead - 1906

Prior to 1909 these ploughs consisted of a pair of 1878 built Johnson class 2F 0-6-0 locomotives No's 1373 and 1374

fitted with large buffer beam ploughs and back cab protection. This locomotive pairing and the riding van



Hellifield shed—mid 1920s (London Midland & Scottish Railway)



Johnson Class 2 loco at Hellifield, c. 1891

for the snow clearing crews are shown in the attached photos taken at Hellifield C.1891 and at Ribbleshead station C.1906. In 1907 the Midland installed water troughs at Garsdale on

the Settle-Carlisle line so its trains could pick up water on the move. This now freed up some of the large capacity double bogie water tenders that had been in use with the Midland



Plough no. 1, Hellifield Shed, c. 1909 (Midland Railway)



Class 4F, Hellifield Shed, 1930s

locomotives, and it was the chassis of two of these obsolete tenders that were used in the construction of two large snowploughs for Hellifield shed in 1909. These ploughs are shown at Hellifield in the attached photos dating from the Midland and later LMS eras.

These new ploughs weighed in at over 26 tons each but despite this they proved to be too light and often derailed when charging snow drifts, even so they remained in use to around 1930. The LMS later began to use class 4F 0-6-0 locomotives fitted

with buffer beam ploughs and run in pairs, coupled tender to tender, with sheeting over the gap between the cab roofs and the tenders to prevent snow falling on to the footplates.

Locomotive 3893 of this class is shown above being fitted with a buffer beam plough at Hellifield shed during the 1930s. During the severe winter of 1947 more than 20 locomotives would be fitted with these ploughs.

John Percy

Theatre-going

The stage is set, the curtains part
The cast appear - it moves my heart
The lighting's dim, the theatre's warm
I stretch my legs and start to yawn.

The music soothes, the plot is fine
The acting is beyond sublime
Who's "done it", I will never know
I'm asleep and have missed another show

Yvonne Crabtree

Village Walk information:

Our next walk is Sunday 21 April, 10am, starting at the village car park, and following Village Walk dates are shown below:

- Sunday 19 May, 10am village car park
- Sunday 16 June, 10am village car park
- Sunday 21 July, 10am village car park
- Sunday 18 August, 10am village car park
- Sunday 15 September, 10am village car park
- Sunday 20 October, 10am village car park
- Sunday 17 November, 10am village car park

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Update from the Young Farmers

Young farmers have had some great meetings recently but there are 2 in particular that stand out. The first one being a visit to Dugdale Nutrition at Clitheroe. We were joined by members from Upper Wharfedale YFC for this visit. We began with an informative talk on the history of the firm and then we were split into groups for a tour of the factory. It was very interesting to see how all the raw ingredients are stored and then how they are weighed and mixed together to create all the different animal feeds. We thoroughly enjoyed the evening.



We have also been to Dalehead Vets at Settle for an evening of practical lambing skills. Members were shown how to tube feed new born lambs and how to assist with difficult births. Everyone particularly enjoyed using the lambing simulator. We all learnt a lot and will be able to put our new skills to good use as we approach this year's lambing season. Other meetings have included sheep, beef and apple pie judging and our annual Christmas Whist Drive. We also held our show meeting and have decided that this year's Young Farmer's Show will be held on Saturday 10th August. Once again, we collected Christmas trees around the local area in support of the

Sue Ryder, Manorlands Hospice, Christmas Treecycling scheme. Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraising efforts. Some of our members competed in the Settle District Hedging and Walling competition and I am delighted to say that Will came 1st in the intermediate walling and James came 1st in the junior walling. We have also been to Ingleton Climbing Wall and bowling.

Young Farmers meet most Tuesday nights throughout the year and new members are always welcome. For more information, please text 07731654343

Alfie Wright

Craven Flower Club

We should be now well into Spring. The clocks will have gone forward, the days are longer, and our gardens will be beginning to show lots of colour, from the bulbs we have planted. But how can we make a couple of bunches of tulips look impressive.



The picture above shows an arrangement that appeared in the Spring edition of the Flower Arranger. It uses 24 tulips in two different colours, a clean glass fishbowl container, some aluminium wire in matching and contrasting colours (available from Country Baskets online) and a kebab stick or pencil to wrap and shape the wire into spirals.

Trim all the tulips and remove the lower leaves. Scrunch up the wire and place in the base of bowl. This will act as support for the tulips so that you can position them by threading the stems through the gaps in the wire. Add water and add the tulips spreading them out mixing up the colours. You can create the spirals by wrapping the wire round your stick or pencil creating a spring with an end long enough to then go down into the wire in the bowl so that they stay where you put them. You could use this idea for any cut flowers and it's another idea to make an

arrangement, without using floral foam.

A fishbowl is a good container to acquire. Again available from County Baskets but are also often seen in home design shops and garden centres.

The design below was done by one of our members a couple of years ago. It again uses tulips but this time they are held in place by glass beads in the bottom of the bowl. So I hope this gives you some ideas to use a goldfish bowl to great effect!

Our April meeting will be held on Thursday, 11th April when our guest will be Judy Watker with a demonstration entitled 'Just Because'. We will be starting at 2pm and always welcome visitors. So come along and see what Judy has in store for us.

Liz Palmer



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cattle and the wonderful Hellifield Highland Beef. Robert will be much missed by all.

Bob Moore



Deer at Fountains Abbey—photo: Bob Moore

Grass cutting

We are hoping not to have a collection this year for the grass cutting on Hammerton Drive as we have just enough in the bank to pay Keith this season even with a price increase of £40 per cut. We estimate the cost will be £520 and we have £536 in the bank. If we think we are getting short at the end of the season we will put another notice in the magazine.

Ann and I are wanting to 'retire' from this voluntary position after nine years and would be very grateful if two new people would be willing to take over the

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Kind regards Janie and Ann



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Date	Day	Time	Event	Venue	Contact Details
1st	Mon	10-11am or 7-9pm	Slimming World	Hellifield House Social Club	check with Daiva 07591067861
2nd	Tue	2-4pm	Helliarts	Village Hall	Audrey Edwards - 850351
2nd	Tue	6-7 &7-	Badminton	Village Hall	Bob Moore
3rd	Wed	2-4pm	HelliGames	Village Hall	Ken Leak 07837727268
3rd	Wed	2-4pm	Mothers' Union	Village Hall	Sheila Swinbank 850458
3rd	Wed	6-7 & 7.30- 8.30pm	Kettlebells exer- cise class	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Josephine Els- more 07813 792191
3rd	Wed	7pm	Chess	contact Ian re venue	Ian Ludlam- Brown 07760190222
3rd	Wed	8.15pm	Quizgo	Hellifield House Social Club	Cheryl Mitton 850866
4th	Thu	10-12 noon	Indoor Bowls	Village Hall	Maralyne 01729 851272
4th	Thu	12 noon	Drop-in lunch	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Joy - 01729 850340
4th	Thu	1-4pm	HelliCrafts	Village Hall Yorke Room	Aileen Alexander 851318
5th	Fri	1-3pm	Line Dancing	Village Hall	Jane Gray
5th	Fri	2-3pm	Community Pantry	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
6th	Sat	10- 11.30am	Village Hall Coffee Morning	Village Hall	Ken Leak 07837727268
6th	Sat	3-5pm	Yorke Room Ren- ovations opening celebration	Village Hall	Ken Leak 07837727268
7th	Sun	9.30am	Church Service	St Aidan's Church	Rev. James Rodley 851709
7th	Sun	2pm	Sunday Service	Methodists - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652

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7th	Sun	6-7pm	Prayer Meeting	Methodists - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
8th	Mon	3.30pm	Strong & Steady	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
8th	Mon	7-9pm	Slimming World	Hellifield House Social Club	Daiva 07591067861
8th	Mon	7.15-9pm	Table Tennis	Village Hall	Andy Crabtree 851806
9th	Tue	6-7 & 7-	Badminton	Village Hall	Bob Moore 07976 215646
10th	Wed	2-4pm	HelliGames	Village Hall	Ken Leak 07837727268
10th	Wed	6-7 & 7.30-	Kettlebells exercise class	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Josephine Elsmore 07813
10th	Wed	7pm	Chess	contact Ian for venue	Ian Ludlam-Brown 07760190222
10th	Wed	8.15pm	Quizgo	Hellifield House	Cheryl Mitton
11th	Thu	10-	Indoor Bowls	Village Hall	Maralyne 01729
11th	Thu	10-12	Police Drop-in	Village Hall	Ken Leak
11th	Thu	12 noon	Drop-in lunch	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Joy - 01729 850340
11th	Thu	2-4pm	Flower Club	Village Hall	Liz Palmer 840331
11th	Thu	7.30pm	HelliReaders - live session	Village Hall Yorke Rm (for on line session - contact Audrey)	Audrey Edwards- 850351
12th	Fri	1-3pm	Line Dancing	Village Hall	Jane Gray
12th	Fri	2-3pm	Community Pantry	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Let-

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13th	Sat	10-11.30am	Bentham Pet Rescue Coffee Morning	Village Hall	Victoria Richardson v.r.richardson@outlook.com
14th	Sun	9.30am	Church Service	St Aidan's Church	Rev. James Rodley 851709
14th	Sun	10.30am	Lego Church	Methodists - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
14th	Sun	2pm	Sunday Service	Methodists - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
14th	Sun	6.30pm	Bingo	Hellifield House Social Club	Cheryl Mitton 850866
15th	Mon	2.30pm	Welcome Mat	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
15th	Mon	7-9pm	Slimming World	Hellifield House Social Club	Daiva 07591067861
15th	Mon	7.15-9pm	Table Tennis	Village Hall	Andy Crabtree 851806
15th	Mon	7pm	Meeting re Christmas Production	Village Hall Yorke Room	Contact Audrey if you are interested in taking part 850351
16th	Tue	6-7 & 7-9pm	Badminton	Village Hall	Bob Moore 07976 215646
17th	Wed	9-12.30pm	Messy Monkeys	Village Hall	Amanda Belt 07398284126
17th	Wed	2-4pm	HelliGames	Village Hall	Ken Leak 07837727268
17th	Wed	2-4pm	HelliScribes	Village Hall Yorke Room	Yvonne Crabtree 851806
17th	Wed	6-7 & 7.30-8.30pm	Kettlebells exercise class	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Josephine Elsmore 07813 792191
17th	Wed	7pm	Chess	contact Ian for venue	Ian Ludlam-Brown 07760190222

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17th	Wed	8.15pm	Quizgo	Hellifield House Social Club	Cheryl Mitton 850866
18th	Thu	10-12 noon	Indoor Bowls	Village Hall	Maralyne 01729 851272
18th	Thu	12 noon	Drop-in lunch	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Joy - 01729 850340
18th	Thu	7.15pm	WI	Village Hall	Carol Weston-Moore 851660
19th	Fri	1-3pm	Line dancing	Village Hall	Jane Gray
19th	Fri	2-3pm	Community Pantry	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
20th	Sat	10-11.30am	Methodists Coffee Morning	Village Hall	Pauline 07931 511652
21st	Sun	9.30am	Church Service	St Aidan's Church	Rev. James Rodley 851709
21st	Sun	10am	Village Walk	Village Car park	Rebecca Gooch 07443 493169
21st	Sun	2pm	Sunday Service	Methodists - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
22nd	Mon	3.30pm	Strong & Steady	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
22nd	Mon	7-9pm	Slimming World	Hellifield House Social Club	Daiva 07591067861
22nd	Mon	7.15-9pm	Table Tennis	Village Hall	Andy Crabtree 851806
23rd	Tue	6-7 & 7-	Badminton	Village Hall	Bob Moore
24th	Wed	9-12.30pm	Messy Monkeys	Village Hall	Amanda Belt 07398284126
24th	Wed	2-4pm	HelliGames	Village Hall	Ken Leak 07837727268
24th	Wed	6-7 & 7.30-8.30pm	Kettlebells exercise class	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Josephine Elsmore 07813 792191

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24th	Wed	7pm	Chess	contact Ian for venue	Ian Ludlam-Brown 07760190222
24th	Wed	8.15pm	Quizgo	Hellifield House Social Club	Cheryl Mitton 850866
25th	Thu	10-12 noon	Indoor Bowls	Village Hall	Maralyne 01729 851272
25th	Thu	12 noon	Drop-in lunch	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Joy - 01729 850340
26th	Fri	1-3pm	Line dancing	Village Hall	Jane Gray
26th	Fri	2-3pm	Community Pantry	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
27th	Sat	10-11.30am	Coffee Morning	Village Hall	Ken Leak 07837727268
28th	Sun	9.30am	Sunday Service	St Aidan's Church	Rev. James Rodley 851709
28th	Sun	10.45 for 11am	Messy Church	Outside St Aidan's Church	James Atkinson 07849673214 james.atkinson72@outlook.com
28th	Sun	2pm	Family Café Church	Methodists - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
28th	Sun	6.30pm	Bingo	Hellifield House Social Club	Cheryl Mitton 850866
29th	Mon	3.30pm	Welcome Mat	Wesley Centre - Haw Grove	Letting Manager 07931 511652
29th	Mon	7-9pm	Slimming World	Hellifield House Social Club	Daiva 07591067861
29th	Mon	7.15-9pm	Table Tennis	Village Hall	Andy Crabtree 851806
30th	Tue	2-4pm	Tea, Coffee Chat	Hellifield House Social Club	Margaret Foster - new venue
30th	Tue	6-7 & 7-9pm	Badminton	Village Hall	Bob Moore 07976 215646

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