

# BURTON FLEMING NEWSLETTER

## What is a leap year?

A leap year is a year containing one additional day added to keep the calendar year synchronized with the astronomical or seasonal year. Because seasons and astronomical events do not repeat in a whole number of days, calendars that have the same number of days in each year drift over time with respect to the event that the year is supposed to track. By inserting an additional day or month into the year, the drift can be corrected. A year that is not a leap year is called a common year

## Who invented Leap Years?

Roman general Julius Caesar introduced Leap Years in the Roman empire over 2000 years ago. But the Julian calendar had only one rule: any year evenly divisible by 4 would be a leap year. This led to way too many leap years, but didn't get corrected until the introduction of the Gregorian calendar more than 1500 years later.

## Exactly Which Years are Leap Years?

In the Gregorian calendar three criteria must be taken into account to identify leap years:

The year can be evenly divided by 4;

If the year can be evenly divided by 100, it is NOT a leap year, unless;

The year is also evenly divisible by 400. Then it is a leap year.

This means that in the Gregorian calendar, the years 2000 and 2400 are leap years, while 1800, 1900, 2100, 2200, 2300 and 2500 are NOT leap years.

## Leap Year traditions

According to an old Irish legend, or possibly history, St Brigid struck a deal with St Patrick to allow women to propose to men - and not just the other way around - every four years. This is believed to have been introduced to balance the traditional roles of men and women in a similar way to how Leap Day balances the calendar.

4 Feb. 1926	Malcolm Campbell sets a new world land speed record of 174 mph (278 kmph) in Wales.
5 Feb. 1958	Parking meters first appear on the streets of London's exclusive Mayfair district. The meters were first used in America in 1935.
9 Feb. 1964	73 million Americans tune in to the <i>Ed Sullivan Show</i> to watch four lads from Liverpool appear for the first time - The Beatles.
11 Feb. 1975	<i>Iron Lady</i> Margaret Thatcher, becomes the first woman leader of the British Conservative Party.
15 Feb 1971	Pennies, bobs and half-crowns all disappear as Britain goes decimal.
19 Feb. 1897	The Women's Institute is founded in Ontario, Canada, by Mrs Adelaide Hoodless.
22 Feb. 1797	Over 1,000 French troops attempted to invade Britain, landing on the Welsh coast. The brave ladies of Fishguard saved the day!
26 Feb. 1797	The Bank of England issues the first ever one pound note, in part a result of the panic in London caused by the French invasion of Fishguard.
27 Feb. 1782	The British Parliament votes to abandon the American War of Independence. Perhaps they were more concerned about the potential threat to Fishguard!
28 Feb. 1900	The four-month siege of the British garrison at Ladysmith in Natal, South Africa, ended as a relief force broke through the Boers at Spion Kop.

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# FEBRUARY CHURCH SERVICES

## THE METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Denise Free, 1 St. John's Ave, Filey YO14 9AZ.  
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7th	10.30am	Mrs C Herbert
14th	10.30am	Rev D Free
21st	11.00am	United Service at St Cuthbert's
28th	10.30am	Rev P Cross

**'Pop In' Mondays 9.30am to 11am**

**17th February. Fellowship at 2 pm. Mr J. Hall.  
All welcome.**

## ST. CUTHBERT'S CHURCH

Rev. Barbara Hodgson 01262 470873

7th	11.00am	Holy Communion
	3.00pm	Holy Communion at Fordon
14th	11.00am	Morning Worship
21st	11.00am	United Service at Church with our Methodist friends
28th	10.00am	Jt Benefice Service at Rudston

Feb 10th Ash Wednesday at 7pm Service of Holy Communion with  
Imposition of Ashes.

24th Our Lent Lunch at 12noon at the Village Hall, please come and  
join us. Donations to Jairus Jiri, the residential school for disabled  
children in Zimbabwe.

Every Monday morning (except Bank Holidays)  
Prayer & Praise 9.30am in church

'Craft & Chat' meet each week (excl. Feb 16th) at 2.00pm until  
3.30pm in the Vicarage.

Bring your knitting, sewing, tapestry, whatever else you do,  
or simply come for a chat & a cuppa.

It's a great time of fellowship: do join us!



# BURTON FLEMING HISTORY GROUP.

This was our first talk of the year and the secretary opened by wishing everyone a happy and healthy new year. He then introduced the speaker, David Mooney, who presented a History of Bridlington Priory. David began by showing us the De Gant coat of arms as it was they who founded the Priory in the early eleven hundreds. In the early years the Priory was, of course, a totally different looking building than it is today. It was in the shape of a crucifix with a tower at the centre and had many other buildings attached with courtyards, a chapel, an infirmary, kitchens, a brew house, cloisters and a Priors hall and lodgings to name a few. The Priory owned a great amount of land in the area and at one time owned most of the lands in Burton Fleming and for the first four hundred years grew to become one of the most important in the country often being visited by monarchs of the day.

However, during the Dissolution much of the building was destroyed with elaborate and valuable stonework being damaged and lost. The Priory as we know it today was left standing to remain as a church for the people but required

extensive repair, including a new roof, before it could be used again. David continued by showing us many old sketches and etchings of the Priory as it was and others showing how the area around the Priory has changed over the years. There were also pictures of some of the more prominent headstones found during 'digs' and part of the cloisters, found in 1920, are now on show inside the Church.

Throughout the talk David gave us information about past Priors, the market, the Bolt, the North Door, the Bayle, and archived records etc, making this a really informative talk about a building that, after 900 years, still stands at the heart of the town.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 18th February when Scarborough Museums Trust present a talk on probably the most important Mesolithic site in the country, Star Carr. Why not come along and enjoy local history along with a good social evening in Burton Fleming Village Hall at 7-30pm. All are welcome.

Admission £2 includes refreshments. For any info contact Bruce Beswick 01262 401147.



## VILLAGE HALL NEWS & DIARY OF EVENTS IN FEB 2016

### January LOTTERY WINNERS

1st Prize - Geoff Oates - £25 2nd Prize - Aaron Cropper - £15

3rd Prize - Jack Lindley -£10 4th Prize - Bob Stansfield - £5

A very big thank you to all participants and helpers throughout the year. This is a valuable income stream for the upkeep of the Village Hall. The draw takes place every 3rd Friday at the Post Office. BE PART OF IT. It only costs £1.00 per month and payment can be made monthly, half yearly or annually. Contact: Kate Mercer 470556 or Kate Holroyd 470766 for a personal number.

January Coffee Morning was a great success and raised £103.00 for the Village Hall Improvement Funds. Thank you to all volunteers who help to set up, work on the day, and who stay behind to put the hall back for the next event taking place. Please remember us when you are disposing of any books/bric a brac etc.

## EVENTS IN FEBRUARY

Monday & Tuesday afternoon - Indoor Bowls

Tuesday evenings - Young Farmers Club

Wednesday mornings 10-11; ZUMBA - all welcome; Contact: Zoe 07968076679 for details.

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Coffee Morning; 10.00-11.30am Any unwanted items/ books are always appreciated. If anyone feels they would like to help please do not hesitate to come along. It is now the place to be for meeting old and new friends for a gossip. All are welcome.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February - History Club

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February - St Cuthbert's Church

## WATCH THIS SPACE

Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup> - Whist Drive

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL - THE FULL NELSON (Willy Nelson Tribute Band)

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April - THE THANKFUL VILLAGE - Bad Apple Theatre Productions.

Don't forget the hall is there for your use, parties and social events are booking in for 2016, ring Kate on 01262 470556 to book yours.

ADVANCE NOTICE : Mothering Day service at St Cuthbert's on Sunday 6th March at 11am

A service to thank our mums and for our church, A fun service and flowers for mum too !!

ANOTHER ADVANCE NOTICE : Palm Sunday 20th March : please join us as we follow William, the donkey, from the Burton Arms at 9.45am up to church for our service.

Easter Day at 11am - a different service of Holy Communion. Please come and share this special day in the Christian calendar.

## VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

Dear Friends,

I can't believe we are now talking and planning for our Easter services. It doesn't seem a moment since I was doing the same thing for Christmas.

On Ash Wednesday, Christian folks begin Lent, the time when Jesus went into the wilderness to pray and, as we read in the Bible, to be tempted by Satan (the devil). Temptation really is a difficult idea, I guess there have been times when we all been tempted, whether as a child to take a sweet or an apple, or as a teenager to say something cruel or unkind, or as an adult to cheat at something. I'm sure there are lots of other examples we could think of if we put our minds to it. In our time today, temptation seems all around us, doesn't it, to have what we can't afford, to forget or ignore those who need us, to think just about ourselves and what will make us happy. Happiness can be a short-lived commodity, true, long-lasting happiness is priceless but it comes at a price, at least I think it does.

Think for a moment of the price that God paid when He sent His only beloved Son to earth, to experience life with us human beings. What a price Jesus paid too, what a temptation there must have been to return to his Father, to be free of the dreadful task that would be set before him. But he didn't give in, he persevered, he resisted temptation, he triumphed on that first Easter Day and we now have the promise of eternal life.

We too, need to take time out, during Lent, to think about how we are living our lives, is there anything we need to change about ourselves and our life-style, be honest !! Pray, talk to God, you maybe surprised about what you learn!!

love & blessings,  
Revd Barbara x

**Tenders**

Tenders are invited for the Thwing Hill Field from 01.04.2016 to 31.12.2016 and the grass cutting contract for the summer season 2016. Please write to Mrs S Marr, Clerk to the Council at Cherry Trees, Hunmanby Road, Burton Fleming, YO25 3PT. Tenders will be considered at the next parish meeting to be held on 15 March 2016.

**Next Parish Meeting**

Tuesday 15 March 2016 at 7pm in the Methodist Church Schoolrooms.  
Any item to be included on the agenda to reach me by Friday 26th February 2016

**Contacting the Clerk**

You can contact me by telephone during normal office hours, Monday to Friday between 9.00am & 5.00pm. I can be contacted anytime via email or leave a message at the Old Post Office.

Visits to my office are strictly by appointment only.

*Should you wish to report any concerns, make comments, or submit items for discussion at future meetings, please do not hesitate to contact me during office hours on the following details: Mrs Sarah Marr, Clerk to the Council, Cherry Trees, Hunmanby Road, Burton Fleming, YO25 3PT, Tel: 01262 470534, Email: sarahmarr@gilvey.com*

**Cafe in Hunmanby under new management**

We shall be opening on November 7th at 7.30am serving home-made food and cakes.

We will also be taking telephone orders and doing outside catering for any events.

Mon - Fri we will be open from 7.15 am until at least 5pm  
From 7.30 until 8am in the morning we will be doing bacon sandwiches for school/ college students for £1 or £1.50 with a can of pop/bottle of water

Saturday and Sunday morning we will be open at 8.30am until 5pm

Throughout the cafe and upstairs there will be a variety of stalls and shelves selling home made crafts and giftware with some of the stalls doing personalised things you can order.

For more information on the hire of shelves and stalls please contact Amanda on 07850274341 or email [cojobecrafts@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cojobecrafts@yahoo.co.uk)



Follow us on facebook page:  
**Number 37 Cafe & CoJoBe Handmade Crafts**  
for information on future events

**Burton Fleming Village Enhancement Committee (VEC).**

We are sad to announce that the VEC has now been disbanded and the HSBC bank has been informed to close the Burton Fleming Village Enhancement Fund bank account once the balance becomes zero following the last 4 withdrawals as detailed below.

- £400 cheque to Burton Fleming Sports & Recreation Club (alias playground)
- £350 cheque to Burton Fleming Village Hall
- £50 cash to Burton Fleming Newsletter
- £65.47 cheque to Burton Fleming Indoor Bowls Club

This remaining total fund of £865.47 was distributed to the above 4 clubs/groups following their written requests as per the article the VEC put in the September 2015 newsletter. It has been necessary to disband the committee due to a lack of interest from the villagers and the committee members alike.

The committee has been very successful in encouraging the villagers to support this cause over the years and consequently there have been many achievements attained through this committee and the support of the Burton Fleming villagers and others locally.

Some of these achievements include:-

- Illumination of the church
- An island in the school pond
- Numerous flower bulbs and tubs at the village entrances
- A sign for the Village Hall
- Donations over £2500 to the playground
- Litter bin near the pond
- Picnic bench near the school pond
- Subsidising of the finale barn dance

And the 4 final donations to village clubs/groups as detailed above.

As well as managing and funding many very successful annual Scarecrow Festivals & Village Markets, Duck Races when the Gypsy Race flowed, Tea Dances, Halloween events, Carol Singing (shared) & Fun Runs.

The Burton Fleming Village Enhancement Committee would like to MASSIVELY THANK all villagers and locals for their support and help over the past years that the committee has been functioning in its many different guises.

**TOGETHER WE HAVE RAISED A GRAND TOTAL OF  
£10525.42**