

# Eldwick Newsletter

Village Society

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## Gala Day Saturday 29th June

### Gala day Theme for the parade "A GOOD READ"

Gala parade from Barnaby Road ( by the primary school )  
Assembles at 12.15pm to depart at 12.45pm.

Decorated floats, Dancers, the infamous Phoenix New Orleans Jazz Band  
To take part with a float in the parade contact  
[eldwickgala@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:eldwickgala@blueyonder.co.uk)  
All entries welcome.

*Gala Day on Eldwick Recreation Ground  
An afternoon packed with activity.*

### BBMF SPITFIRE CONFIRMED

Fantastic display of Sheepdog Handling by The Mellins with their  
Dog & Duck demonstration  
Fell Race – Bingley Harriers – Children's Races  
*Lots of stalls and activities, Teas, craft stalls, games, and much more*  
To have a stall on the field, or take part in the parade  
Contact [eldwickgala@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:eldwickgala@blueyonder.co.uk) for details.  
All we need is some sunshine !

### 2013 Gala events all based in Eldwick Memorial Hall

#### JUNIOR DISCO

Fri 21st June 6pm - 6.45pm  
For 4 - 7 year olds, entry £2

#### DISCO

Fri June 21st 7 - 8.30pm  
For 7 - 11 year olds, entry £2

**PET SHOW**  
Monday 24th June 6 - 8pm

#### DOG SECTION

- 1 Prettiest Eyes
- 2 Waggiest Tail
- 3 Prettiest Bitch
- 4 Handsome Dog
- 5 Best Six Legs
- 6 Best Pup under 12 months

#### SMALL PET SECTION

- 1 Best Gerbil or Mouse
- 2 Best Hamster
- 3 Best baby Rabbit under 5 months
- 4 Best Guinea Pig, smooth coated
- 5 Best Guinea Pig, long coated
- 6 Best Buck Rabbit

- 7 Best veteran over 9 years
- 8 Dog the Judge would most like to take home
- 9 Basic Dog Handling all age Trophy (to be held for 1 year)  
Best prize 1st prize winner from classes 1-7 inc.

- 7 Best Doe Rabbit
  - 8 Any other Pet
  - 9 Pet the Judge would like to take home.
- Trophy (to be held for 1 year) -  
Best prize 1st prize winner from classes 1-8 inc.

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Congratulations to this year's Gala Queen  
**EBBONIE AMBLER.**

Ebonie's name was drawn out of a hat at the Gala Queen Disco in the Memorial Hall in May.  
Her Gala Party below :-



Left to right back row Jessica Milnes, Lucie Ambler,  
Ebonie Ambler (Gala Queen), Jessica Baxter  
Front Marnie Leach (Deputy Gala Queen), Georgia Brook

#### SCOUT & GUIDE FUN RUN

Fri 28th June start 7pm 1.5 mile run, approx 7.35pm  
3 mile run

Entry forms from Eldwick Primary, Eldwick Post Office,  
Gilstead Post Office, Scout Hut.  
A medal for every finisher.

#### Car Boot Sale and Indoor Table Top Sale

at The Eldwick Church, Otley Rd, Eldwick, BD16 3EQ on Saturday 27th July 09:00 – 13:00. Sellers to arrive 08:00 – 09:00, buyers get free entry from 09:00. Places are £7 each if booked and paid for in advance £9 on the day. Refreshments, including bacon butties, available. Contact Chris on 01274 560539 to book in cars, or to book a table (provided).

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# ELDWICK & GILSTEAD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

## YOUNG SHOWSTOPPERS SCORE AT SPRING FAIR

It was a day for the younger ones at the society's Spring Fair and Children's Show last month. Some of them wrote poems, some drew pictures and some baked spectacular cupcakes. The result was a colourful display that drew a happy throng of proud grandparents, parents and their offspring to the Memorial Hall. The judges had spent a busy period right up to the 10 o'clock opening time choosing the winners in the many categories. Our congratulations must go to 11-year-old Imogen White, who was awarded the Raby Cup, a trophy that dates back to the 1950s, for scoring the highest number of points overall in the Open Classes. But a big Well Done to everyone who entered this year and made it such a successful event.

Our thanks also to Stephen Wilkinson who managed to fill a coach with members and friends and get them safely via the North Sea to the bulb fields in Keukenhof (and safely back again) earlier in the month. Stephen was pleased with the response and is looking at taking a party to other destinations in England this time . . . maybe Highgrove. So start saving now for your tin of Duchy Original All Butter Shortbread biscuits!

Meanwhile, here are the children's show results in full:

### DRAWING FOR SPRING

**Year 3 – 1** Madison Jacques; **2** Ruby Franz; **3** Callum Purcell.

**Year 4 – 1** Mattie Sheldon; **2** Cody Hewitson; **3** Rocco Greenaway.

**Year 5 – 1** Emma Davison; **2** Jack Ball; **3** Fred Reed Purvis

### POEM FOR SPRING

**Year 3 – 1** Marsha Stones; **Elizabeth L O'Dwyer; 3** Millie Everett

**Year 4 – 1** Sam Eaglesham; **2** Helena Januszewski; **3** Alexandra Barrett

**Year 5 – 1** Matthew Prance; **2** Bethany Fenn; **3** Imogen White

### CUPCAKES

**5 - 8 years – 1** Trixie Franz; **2** Ruby Franz; **3** Thomas Barrett

**9 - 13 years – 1** Callum Pinder; **2** Imogen White; **3** Alexandra Barrett

### MINIATURE GARDEN

**5 - 8 years – 1** Leighton Pinder; **2** Sam Holder **3** Ruby Franz

**9 - 13 years – 1** Alexandra Barrett; **2** Imogen White; **3** Jack Holder

### FRUIT/VEG ANIMAL

**5 - 8 years – 1** Trixie Franz; **2** Thomas Barrett; **3** Ruby Franz

**9 - 13 years – 1** Imogen White; **2** Callum Pinder; **3** Alexandra Barrett

On 16 April Meg Morton came to talk to us about York Gate, a one-acre garden tucked away behind the ancient church in Adel, on the northern outskirts of Leeds. Created by the Spencer family during the second half of the twentieth century, in 1994 it was bequeathed to Perennial, the national charity for those who work or have worked in

horticulture and their spouses or partners when they face adversity or hardship. Perennial's vision is to be the automatic first port of call in times of need for all those people.

York Gate garden is divided by yew and beech hedges into a series of smaller gardens, each with its own theme and style. From the formality of the Herb Garden, with its topiary to the Dell with its half-hidden pathways and stream, every area has an intimacy and charm of its own. Traditional materials are used with extraordinary creativity and invention. From pretty paths to pergolas, detailing throughout is exquisite. Evergreens, clipped into strong architectural shapes are used to spectacular effect throughout the garden.

Meg Morton's slide show illustrated every aspect of this beautiful garden and she proved very knowledgeable about plant and species names. I'm sure that many of us came away uplifted by the scope of the charity's work and with a determination to visit York Gate soon.

Make a date for some inside information: next month's speaker is Nigel Harrison and at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 21 May he promises to take us Behind the Scenes at Chelsea.

Mike Hitchen



Clockwise from the top: Boys can bake too - Callum Pinder's cupcakes earned him a 1st prize. This scary monster could easily have frightened the sheep next door! Best in Show winner Imogen White receives the Raby Cup from society president Mrs Jane Hitchen; more scrumptious cupcake entries.

## ELDWICK PRIMARY SCHOOL

### School Improvement Plan 2013

#### Community

Each year Eldwick Primary School produces a School Improvement Plan which governs our activities in school and how we look to move the school forward. In order to put together the plan we ask everyone in the school community for their views of what is going well, what we could look to improve and to help us formulate the vision for future years.

In order to strengthen our partnership we would like the views of the local community and would therefore appreciate any suggestions on:

- How the local community views Eldwick Primary School.
- How to strengthen the partnership between Eldwick Primary and the local community.

➤ If there are any local community groups the school could become involved and work in partnership with.

➤ If anyone in the local community has any particular skill or interest they would be willing to share with the staff and pupils at Eldwick Primary School.

We would welcome any comments/suggestions either:

1. In writing to the School Office or Eldwick Post office.
2. By email to [office@eldwick.bradford.sch.uk](mailto:office@eldwick.bradford.sch.uk)
3. By calling 01274 56836.

In addition please visit our new-look school website at [www.eldwick.bradford.sch.uk](http://www.eldwick.bradford.sch.uk) to learn more about us and how you could become more involved.

Many thanks.

Mrs J Kershaw (Head Teacher)

## Congratulations Sam

Sam Hall would like to thank all those who sponsored him. He did his run on 16th March, it was 17 miles and took 5 hours. Sam aimed to raise £300 but has done fantastically well and raised over £600.

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ASSOCIATION**

The monthly meeting of Eldwick Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association was held on Tuesday 9th April 2013 at 7.30 p.m.

Members were asked to bring old unwanted spectacles to the next meeting to be sent to Malawi.

The competition this month for a 'funny holiday photo' was won by Dawn Honey.

The speaker was Peter Watson, who gave a most interesting talk on 'Dimensions of Time'.

With his long, flowing white hair, Peter looked almost like a Time Lord himself, as he asked us the question 'where does time go'? It was something most of us hadn't really given much thought to, although I'm sure all of us have on many occasions commented that time has flown. We agreed to keep open minds while Peter gave many examples of his own observations of time. He told us of the measurement of time using candles, as devised by King Alfred, and also pointed out that the Amazon Indians don't need time. When we change our clocks, where has the time gone? Why, when we travel a few miles across the Channel does time change? How can we explain the everyday differences in time that we all simply take for granted? A single second can be divided by nine million; our galaxy is but one of a hundred million! It was all very thought provoking. Peter went on to tell many stories of monks passing through walls, a starchy deceased hospital Matron appearing to patients, hedges disappearing to reveal a charging Cavalier brandishing a sword, and many others – all these stories told to him by people who had experienced these strange sightings. It was all very puzzling.

The great Einstein said there were four dimensions, the fourth being time, whilst Physicists claim that there are twenty dimensions. If we are aware only of three dimensions, where are the other seventeen? When someone 'passes over', do they simply go into one of these unseen dimensions? Could it be that occasionally we are able to go from one dimension to another and see things we would not expect to see? Is death simply a time slip? Who knows? But certainly Peter left us with much to think of, and we all enjoyed his very humorous and at times 'spooky' talk.

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# **THE ELDWICK CHURCH**

## **MESSY CHURCH**

**Saturday 15th June 4.00 pm – 5.30 pm.**

Messy Church is a worshiping community of all ages, it is for all the family. It will be held in the church hall and the church. There will be craft activities as you arrive in the church hall, stories from the Bible, songs and prayers in the church— rounding off with sharing a simple meal together in the church hall. This is an event for all the family – whatever your age, why not come and join in the fun!

## **HAPPY HOUR FUN SIZE CHURCH – for young families – All welcome**

Wed. 22nd May from 9.15 to 10.15 am.

Wed. 26th June from 9.15 am to 10.15 am

## **PAUSE TO PRAY IN CHURCH**

Wed. 22nd May from Noon till 7.15 pm

Wed. 26th June from Noon till 7.15 pm

Everybody is welcome to pop in anytime for as long as you like for pray or quiet contemplation Rev Helen Hodgson will be there if you require her.

## **LADIES FELLOWSHIP:-**

**16th May 7.30 pm** Children's Society  
Coffee Evening

**20th June 7.30 pm** Dianne Excell 'A Village in Stitches'

## **SERVICES:**

### **5th May**

09.15 am Holy Communion led by  
Rev Alan Brown  
10.30 am All Sorts Praise led by  
The Lees Team

### **12th May**

10.30 am Holy Communion led by  
Rev Helen Hodgson

### **19th May**

09.15 am Holy Communion  
Rev Dr Neville Richardson  
10.30 am Morning Worship led by  
Mr David Miller

### **26th May**

09.15 am Big Breakfast  
10.30 am Holy Communion led by  
Rev Helen Hodgson

### **2nd June**

09.15 am Holy Communion led by  
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Rev Helen Hodgson and Team

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### **9th June**

10.30 am Holy Communion led by  
Rev Nigel Ogley

### **16th June**

09.15 am Holy Communion  
Rev Rosemary Nash  
10.30 am Morning Worship led by  
Rev Helen Hodgson  
6.30 pm Evensong led by  
Rev Andrew Clark

### **23rd June**

09.15 am Big Breakfast  
10.30 am Holy Communion led by  
Rev Dr Neville Richardson  
5.45 pm The annual service held by St David's Society led by Rev Alistair Jones from The Grove Methodist Church Horsforth. The service is bilingual (Welsh and English). Light refreshments follow at 6.30pm.

### **30th June**

10.30 am Morning Worship led by  
Mission and Outreach Group

## **REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS**

Monday - 09.30 – 11.15 Livewires,  
Tuesday - 09.30-12.00 Church Café  
Wednesday - 09.30 – 12.00 Embroiderers /

Probus,

14.00 – 16.00 Craft Group

18.00 – 20.00 Weight Watchers

Thursday - 15.30 – 19.15 Dance Classes

Friday - 19.00– 21.00 Elstead Ladies Choir  
Pre School Group - 08.45 – 15.15 Tuesday,  
Thursday and Friday.

## **REGULAR MONTHLY EVENTS**

1st Sunday in the month Youth Club 7.00 – 9.00 pm  
1st Friday in the month Friday Footsteps  
3rd Saturday in the month Saturday Strollers  
3rd Thurs. in the month Ladies Fellowship  
4th Wednesday in the month Happy Hour  
4th Wednesday in the month Pause to Pray  
Mid Saturday Messy Church

## **CHURCH HALL BOOKINGS:- Contact Ann Shoebridge 564690**

## **PLEASE NOTE:-**

### **LIVEWIRES TODDLER GROUP**

The Eldwick Church runs a Mother (or Daddy or Granny or Carer!) and Toddler Group from 9.30 to 11.15 on Monday mornings during term time. In recent years we have had a long waiting list but from September there will be a number of spaces available. Anyone with a baby or toddler up to the age of 2 who would like to join us for a morning of play, singing and refreshments should contact Sharron Arnold on 01535 272894. Cost per session is £1.50 for one child or £2.50 for two.

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## WORK STARTING ON PRINCE OF WALES PARK!

The Friends of Prince of Wales Park is now a formally established group supported by a start-up grant from the Shipley Area Committee Community Chest fund. We have recently met with the Bradford District Parks staff and agreed a plan for improving the heritage, wildlife and amenity aspects in keeping with its character as a Grade II listed heritage park. We want to make it look welcoming and cared for again, and to recreate the loveliness of the original design for today's world and the future. Our plans to date are:

**Task 1: Tidying and restoring.** We are focusing on all the areas which have not been well maintained for a number of years: main paths, waterfall and pond area, heathland and the old quarry. To do this, small teams of our volunteers will work alongside Council staff on Saturday mornings starting on May 4th. This is the most straightforward part of the plan and will be completed over the course of the year, at the most appropriate time of year to avoid disruption to wildlife life cycles. Many of the seats need attention and several people have asked about memorial seats; please contact us if you would like more information.

**Task 2: Recreation of heritage features** (stonework and flowerbeds/shrubberies). We are working with heritage experts to

produce proposals for recreating the stonework and areas of colour and interest in the lower part of the park in keeping with the original designs. This may involve radically cutting back or removing shrub areas which are well past their best and replanting with new species. We will consult with the local community and work with your ideas, and will then need to carefully cost out our proposals and raise funding for them. There are a number of potential sources of funding which we are currently investigating.

### Task 3: Old quarry as a community space

In the past the old quarry area was a focal point of the park, well used by various groups such as scouts (abseiling down the cliff face) Bingley Training College for summer drama productions and families for ball games and picnics. We are looking at how we can re-establish this area of the park for today's community needs. Many parks around the country now have an open air gym – would this be a good idea for this space? Or an adventure playground? New picnic area and shelter? What would you like to see there?

Thanks to all who are supporting and working with us  
Ruth Leman (Chair, Friends of Prince of Wales Park)  
Email: membersoffopwp@gmail.com  
Facebook : Friends of Prince of Wales Park

## BINGLEY JANUS CLUB

Bingley Janus Club was set up in 1970 to provide a meeting place for Retired and Semi-retired men in Bingley and the surrounding area to join together in a social gathering and listen to interesting speakers.

The Club meets weekly on Thursdays from January to May and October to December with a meeting on the second Thursday each month from June to September.

Meetings start around 10.00 am with refreshments and these are followed by a Speaker at 10.30 am – we have a range of Speakers and Topics many of them illustrated – recent examples of talks are – Argentina – Aspects of Wibsey – Life on the Inland Waterways – The Technical War and The Speyside Way.

The Meetings are held in the Memorial Hall Otley Road Eldwick and new members are welcome either by coming to a meeting as a Guest or by contacting the Secretary – Maurice Hallam on 01274 565207.

Details of the programme are on the Memorial Hall Notice Board, Bingley Library Notice Board and on the website [www.communicate.co.uk/brad/bingleyjanusclub](http://www.communicate.co.uk/brad/bingleyjanusclub).  
or from the Secretary.

## Eldwick Primary School – Community Governor Vacancy

Eldwick Primary School has a Community Governor Vacancy.

Ideally we are looking for somebody who has knowledge and skills to supplement our experiences in education, can bring in skills from the wider world whilst also having the time and energy to be involved in the life of the school. We are particularly interested in people who have a background in business.

If you are interested or would like to find out more about the Community Governor vacancy please contact our Business Manager, Jean Presland by phoning 01274 568361 or emailing [office@eldwick.bradford.sch.uk](mailto:office@eldwick.bradford.sch.uk)

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