

# Stonehaugh News

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## Stonehaugh Allotments Society

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The new Stonehaugh Allotments Society held the inaugural meeting on the 5th October and appointed Gary Mayhew as Chairman, Ant Wright as Secretary and Pam Robertson as Treasurer.. The SAS ! will meet on the 1st Friday of each month. to discuss the way forward. All residents are more than welcome to put forward points for discussion at future meetings including village concerns about the appearance of the development. Members of the Society are very conscious of the need to make the site as attractive as possible and hope it will eventually enhance, what is at the moment a wasteland. No livestock or birds will be kept in the allotments. Any fencing will be disguised with the planting of a native hedgerow and any sheds or other structures will be painted in natural colours.



Organic and eco-friendly allotments for Stonehaugh!

## Stonehaugh Playground

Sadly the playground no longer has a picnic bench!

The picnic bench has been completely smashed and was lying around as a scattering planks! There was play-bark , grass and mud all over the launching platform of the aeroslide. Several fence palings had been kicked and loosened. On first impressions it looked as if a gang of juvenile delinquents had been marauding through the village!

This certainly is a sad state of affairs after all the hard work carried out by volunteers during the summer. This is the first incidence of vandalism or damage in more than 7 years!

### Financing and Upkeep of the Playground

The Greens reported at the October meeting that insurance for the playground, provided by the Norwich Union, had this year risen to £600 from last years premium of £571.43. Additional costs must be added for the ROSPA Inspection and Report., and cost of materials for maintenance, and now repairs. All money is raised by voluntary contribution and any work is carried out by volunteers.



# November 2007

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2 <i>SAS Meeting</i>	3 <i>Bonfire and fireworks</i>	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 <i>Live Entertainment from</i>	11
12	13	14	15 <i>Greens Meeting</i>	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

## Schedule of Events

- **2nd November**— Stonehaugh Allotment Society Meeting 8 pm
- **3rd November**—Bonfire and Fireworks Display 7.30 pm, followed by a celebration in the Social Club.
- **10th November**—Live entertainment with singing from Alex from 8 pm
- **15th November**—Greens Meeting 8 pm

**Best Wishes and Good Luck**  
to  
**Pauline Murfin**  
Hoping you will soon be restored to full health

## Forthcoming Events in November

### **Bonfire and Fireworks Display**

The bonfire and fireworks display will commence at 7.30 pm., followed by a quiz in the Social Club at approximately 9.00 p.m.

### **Live Singing from Alex**

An evening of live entertainment has been organised to raise desperately needed funds for the New Community Hall. A contribution of £3 is requested for admission and raffle tickets will also be on sale.

### **Greens Meeting**

**Everyone in the village is invited to attend the November Greens Meeting.** Under discussion will be the usual traditional Christmas Activi-



ties and any other issues you want to discuss. The Greens raises money for maintenance of the playground and the necessary insurance, as well as providing a link with Wark Parish and Tynedale Council. Other activities include the Christmas Party, Santa's Visit on Christmas Eve, Easter Egg competition, Summer Fun Day and so on.

At the present time The Greens Meetings are suffering from a severe lack of support and attendance and this is having a demoralising effect on the few who work very hard to maintain the unique sense of community in Stonehaugh. Should the Greens fold it is unlikely to ever be restored, with the loss of the playground, and all of the above activities and events which have been enjoyed for so long.

### **Craft Fair**

Unfortunately the Craft Fair had to be postponed from 28th October and will be rescheduled for the 2nd December.

# The Chalet

The chalet has been a resounding success this year, with almost full occupation from May until September and raising much needed funds for the Village Greens. This success is due to the hard work and generosity of Susan and Lewis Watson of Roses Bower, to Brenda Murray, and Moira and Albert Alderson who have all volunteered their time to the demanding and difficult job of cleaning, washing and changing the bedding and generally keeping the chalet spick and span for the holidaymakers. Thanks to Anne Bulman who has also stepped in when necessary to lend a hand.

## Webb Ivory Christmas Fund Raising for the New Community Hall

Once again, thanks to all of you who have ordered from the 2007 catalogue. Deliveries have already been made to the well organised people who plan ahead. Profits already stand at nearly £50! But we have a fair way to go to beat last year's total of nearly £200, so if you would like to order from the catalogue with the convenience of having your Christmas Cards and Gifts delivered to your door, and at the same time raise desperately needed funds for the hall then please just pop your catalogue and order through the door ( 8 Middle Burn End). There are several spare copies of the catalogue available if you have missed out for some reason, perhaps you were not at home. Just give a knock, or there are a couple of copies available in the Social Club. Repeat orders are more than welcome.

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**Up to 25% of your order  
goes directly to the  
New Community Hall**  
(Tesco's profits are big enough!)

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## Adverts and Announcements

### **For Sale**

**Boy's Bike**

**Mini Trampoline**

**Bike Carrier**

**Pogo Stick**

**Assorted Wellies (Ladies' and Men's)**

### **Offers**

**Annette Wright**

**9 Kern Green**

**Tel: 01434 230042**

Advertise Goods for Sale or items  
wanted in the

**STONEHAUGH NEWSLETTER**

Announce your events and news.

Share your good news with your  
neighbours and friends!

## *Food for thought!*

### Talking Turkeys

Be nice to yu turkey dis Christmas  
Cos Turkeys just wanna have fun  
Turkeys are cool, turkeys are wicked

An every turkey has a mum.

Be nice to yu turkey dis Christmas,

Don't eat it, keep it alive,

It could be yu mate, and not on yu plate

Say, Yo! Turkey I'm on your side.

I got lots of friends who are turkeys

An all of dem fear Christmas time,

Dey wanna enjoy it, dey say humans destroy it

An humans are out of dere mind.

Yeah I got lots of friends who are turkeys

Dey all have a right to a life,

Not to be caged up an genetically made up

By any farmer an his wife.

*Benjamin Zephaniah - To be continued next month!*

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**I've gone onto Broadband!**

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## November in the Garden

### RHS Gardening Advice



#### Top 10 jobs

1. Clear up fallen leaves - especially from lawns, ponds and beds
2. Raise containers onto pot feet to prevent waterlogging
3. Plant tulip bulbs for a spring display next year
4. Prune roses to prevent wind-rock
5. Plant out winter bedding
6. Cover brassicas with netting if pigeons are a problem
7. Insulate the greenhouse from frost - bubblewrap works well
8. Stop winter moth damage to fruit trees using grease bands around the trunks
9. Put out bird food to encourage winter birds into the garden
10. Use a seasonal bonfire - where this is allowed - to dispose of excess debris unfit for composting

To find out more in detail log on to <http://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/months/>

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