



April Spring Is On It's Way!



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Allotment Society Update

Permission has been granted by Wark Parish Council to convert a stretch of waste land between the football pitch and New Club into an allotment with an attached eco-area. The whole site measures 70m X 70m with the eco-area occupying a 20m x 70m strip between the track way and allotment site itself. This latter will act as a screen and buffer zone.

We have met with the Nat. Park ecologist for advice and guidance - any ideas will be gratefully received. The allotment site will contain 10 plots, a large communal shed and communal poly-tunnel.

A rabbit proof picket fence surround is planned which will resemble the play park fence.

Each member has signed a set of rules based on those of the British Allotments Society with added clauses requiring each plot to be kept neat and tidy and disallowing any livestock - copies available for

anyone interested.

A grant form has been submitted to Tynedale Council for initial funding to clear and drain the land. Further grant forms are being compiled. It was initially proposed to move the bonfire site and construct a hogging path leading to it. This raised concerns amongst some and during the airing of these, the bonfire's existence came to the notice of the council's Environmental Health Dept. They are now reviewing its use. Their concerns are the toxins left in the soil after the burning of non-organic materials like plastic and rubber. The site's continued use is dependent on "clean" fires and this would help preserve its use for Bonfire Night and the wider community. If it is allowed to stay it will need moving and suggestions for a new site will be gratefully received. We hope still to construct a proper path to it.

Committee meetings are held in the club at 7.30 first Thursday in the month.

All are welcome at these meetings to present ideas and offer suggestions.

Pirelli International Rally 18th & 19th April 2008

Marshals will be needed for the above event to help control car parking.

If you can help with this please contact Brenda Tel: 230447. To find out more about the rally itself log on to:

www.pirelliinternationalrally.co.uk

Wanted

Tall larder cupboard kitchen unit

Contact: Anne Hutchinson

Tel: 230680

HELP REQUIRED

At The Haining

14 hours per week

£7.30 per hour

Need to be adaptable and flexible.

Own transport preferred

Hours negotiable

Contact: Anne Hutchinson

Tel: **01434 230680**

- **3rd April**—SAS meeting
8 pm.

- **17th April** — 8 pm
Everyone is welcome
please come along!

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

Events Reviewed

Easter Competitions

The classes were as follows:-

- **Easter Card**
 - under 12
 - over 12 inc. Adults!
- **Decorated Egg**
 - under 12
 - Over 12 (including adults!)
- **Dyed Egg - using onion skins** (All ages)
- **Decorated Digestive Biscuit** (Under 12)
- **Floral Arrangement with a Spring Theme**

A list of the clever winners will hopefully be appearing in the next newsletter!

It was felt that entries were affected by the 26 hour power cut we suffered during the Easter Weekend.



Easter Bingo

This was another enjoyable evening for the die-hard bingo attendees in Stonehaugh. It would be nice to see a few more people attending these sessions so watch out for future events.

Apparently, research in America has shown that Bingo keeps the mind alert especially for the over 50s so come along and keep your faculties sharp!

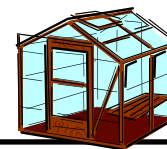
Leek Club Draw for February



Congratulations to Richard Murray who won the first prize of £30 in February's draw and Brenda Murray who won the second prize of £15.



April in the Garden RHS Gardening Advice



Top 10 Jobs

1. Keep weeds under control especially perennials like creeping buttercup!
2. Protect new spring shoots from slugs
3. Plant summer-flowering bulbs
4. Lift and divide overgrown clumps of perennials
5. Top dress containers with fresh compost
6. Mow the lawn on dry days (hopeful!)
7. Feed shrubs and especially roses
8. Sow new lawns or repair bare patches
9. Prune fig trees (!)
10. Divide bamboos and water lilies

The Greens

The Village Greens Association is for the benefit of all residents of the village. Every resident in the village is automatically a member and are welcome to attend all meetings. It is our mini-council and community committee if you like, a tier below, but in some ways independent of Wark Parish Council. Meetings are held each month at 8 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday, and all residents are more than welcome to attend with any issues or suggestions concerning general village matters, and amenity areas.

It's main function, is to provide insurance cover and maintenance of the children's playground. maintenance of the village by providing the skip twice a year (in conjunction with Wark Parish Council) and so on. Fundraising events to pay for the above and the Christmas Party, Easter events, Prize Bingo etc., include the Craft Fair and the Village Fete.

Stunning Photographic Images of Stonehaugh! Must See!

I (Paul Craney) have a photographic blog of images taken in and around the local area that you are free to look at or use for your emails and websites as long as you promise to give me credit.

<http://stonehaugh.blogspot.com>

Enjoy! Paul.

**Happy Wedding Anniversary
9th April
To Jan
With Love from Mick**



"Every Anniversary is a special one!", says Mick.



April Birthdays **Happy Birthday**



Jan Mallaburn 7th April

Steven Hill is 38 on 18th April

Nathan Hill is 7 on 20th April

Daniel Murray is 17 on 27th April

Have you got the provisional licence ready Daniel ?

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Greens Secretary
Brenda Murray: Tel 230447

Social Club Secretary
Albert Alderson Tel: 230125

**Gardening/Leek Club
Secretary**
Carolyn Murray Tel: 230473

Potholes and Street Light Failures

Members of the public are asked to report faulty street lights, potholes and other road problems directly on the following numbers.

Street Lights 0800 085 0029 together with individual light number.

Highways (Potholes) 0808 10008910

Stonehaugh Fun Day

The Stonehaugh Fun Day will take place again this year on 24th August. If you have any ideas or can contribute to this years event in any way the Greens would be delighted to hear from you. One suggestion was for an afternoon of background live music to accompany other events. If you know of anyone, whatever their level of ability, who wants a chance to perform, please let Brenda know. Greens Meetings take place on the third Thursday of each month at 8 pm and everyone is welcome to attend.

Wark Parish Plan Survey 2008

Everyone in the village will have received their questionnaire this weekend. Please fill it in and have it ready for collection by Anne Hutchinson around 6 pm on Monday. If you are not going to be at home leave it with a neighbour.

The Parish Council consider your views extremely important and to encourage more respondents, attached to each questionnaire are two raffle tickets. Keep one and leave the other one attached. All returned forms will then go into a draw for the chance to win £50 worth of shopping vouchers.

Going to London to Visit the Queen!



Anne Hutchinson, Chair of Wark Parish Council, is going to meet the Queen on 22nd July!

Congratulations

Congratulations to Brenda Murray on your promotion at Wentworth Leisure. Good Luck in your new post!



Pick up that Poop!

Please don't leave it outside someone's gate or at the end of a garden path!
Someone did!!
You could be caught on camera!

Advertise your goods for sale
in the Stonehaugh newsletter.

Thinking of throwing something away?
Perhaps a neighbour could use it!
Advertise it in the Stonehaugh Newsletter.

Advertise in the Stonehaugh Newsletter for anything and everything. Lets make the Stonehaugh Newsletter our very own Exchange and Mart, Free-cycle, Re-cycle etc.