



Village Newsletter

November 2019

Diary Dates

Church services

Sunday 10th November 6.30pm (Remembrance Service)

Sunday 17th November 3.30pm Lay Led Service

Sunday 1st December 11.00 am Holy Communion

Tuesday 26th November - Coffee Morning at Chapel House 10.30am

Thursday 28th November - SEWING at Hill House Barn - 7.00 for 7.30pm

Advance Notice

(more details in December newsletter)

Sunday 15th December - Christmas Dinner at Biggin Hall (Please complete attached menu form and return, with payment, to Margaret Grant by 30th November)

Friday 20th December - Carol-singing round the village.

Monday 23rd December - Church Carol Service

News about Neighbours

You may have noticed the absence of Rob's Ramble at the beginning. This is because after seventeen years of information-gathering, publication and distribution, Rob Faulkner has finally "retired" from his post as Newsletter Editor. We would like to thank Rob for his unstinting service in keeping us all in touch and particularly his determination in keeping communication going no matter how quiet the social calendar and adverse the winter weather. Well done Rob. We aim to get somewhere near your high standards - eventually!

The new editorial team is Jill on the typing, Judy on the photographs and layout, Katy on distribution and hopefully all of you in letting us know of any matters that might interest the residents and friends of Elkstones. Contact details at the end of this newsletter.

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WELCOME HOME MARY!

We are delighted that Mary Deaville has returned home to Overdale after her illness. As you can see she looks really well and is so very pleased to be home. Her fourth great grandchild was born to Terence and Janet's son Paul and his wife Naomi on 28th October. Congratulations to all!



WELL LANE

Good news at last for residents and visitors to houses along Well Lane. The pot holes have finally been filled in and a beautiful smooth surface laid. Well done to those who lobbied, proving that we can make things happen with enough persistence.



LENGTHSMAN

Many thanks to Brian Slack who has served as village lengthsmen for many years and done a brilliant job. Roger Miller has now taken on the role and has been seen out and about with his strimmer, tidying up the village and unblocking the drains in preparation for winter. Autumn is always a challenge so a baptism of fire for Roger!

Village Events

Steak Night: no date as yet but if you think you might be interested, please contact Katy. Sadly we had to cancel the proposed Italian night in October because there didn't appear to be much interest. Maybe steak is more to people's taste?



Coffee Mornings will begin again this month with the first one taking place at Chapel House on Tuesday 26th November at 10.30. After that, the next coffee morning will be hosted by Liz and Rob at Mount Pleasant on 1st January - a tradition that we've all come to love.

SEWING on 28th November will be our Christmas celebration where we will paint dough decorations made at the September meeting (don't worry if you weren't there - there will be spares for you to paint) Festive drinks will be provided but please bring along a small plate of seasonal food to share. If you're really lucky, you might get to practise the carols again ladies!

Elkstones AGM

The Annual General Meeting took place on 16th October and a detailed Treasurer's Report (thank you Margaret) was presented along with an update from Jill about the digitisation project (more later). Happily the Elkstonians' incomings are balancing out the outgoings though, with the demise of Sports Day, we don't have enough surplus to give to charities.

Officers were elected as follows:

Chair: Judy Holt (temporarily in Peter Svendsen's absence)

Vice Chair: Steve Collier

Secretary: Katy Parkinson

Treasurer: Margaret Grant

Digitisation Project

The website is beginning to take shape with lots of photos which have been uploaded and are in the process of being edited. Eventually there will be space for you to comment on the photos but in the meantime please email Jill with any comments or suggestions. There is still lots of work to be done with many documents to be scanned and uploaded. Thank you to everyone who has found photographs and documents relating to the village - please keep looking. Thanks also to Simon at Dedicated Programmes for all he has done so far. Funding is coming in gradually and everything is on track. The South West Peak Partnership are about to make their second contribution, the Table Top Sale held in August along with subsequent carboot sale and ebay sales brought in an astounding £1260 - thank you again to everyone involved in that either by organising, helping on the day or donating items. Margaret is diligently keeping track of accounts and can provide any further details if needed.

Editor's Closing Thoughts

I get enough exercise just pushing my luck.

I finally worked out what I want to be when I get older. Younger

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