

# The Yealands

## News for Conyers, Redmayne and Storrs Dec-Jan 2022-3

### Our AONB turns 50

15th Dec marks 50 years since the formal designation of the Arnside and Silverdale AONB, which of course includes Yealand. The AONB has a team of 8 staff, but of course much of their work looking after our special landscape is with and through the range of conservation bodies who own land, together with the farmers who care for more than half the AONB area. A recent success has been the reintroduction of dormice, which are now thought to be into the second generation of babies born here. If like me you've never seen one, or even met anyone who has seen one, they look like this.



Linked to the AONB, but a separate charity in their own right is the Arnside/Silverdale Landscape trust, which goes back to 1989.

Open to all, on 7 Jan from 0915-1500 at the Landscape Trust's Coldwell Meadow site, is a Hedgelaying competition. 4 classes to enter, you don't have to be an expert, just like getting scratched and enjoy having a bonfire with the offcuts. Entry fee and prizes. More info from the AONB office on 01524 761034

### Yealand WI

Our December meeting will be our Christmas party on Weds Dec 14th at 7.30pm. In the new year Ruth Gibbons will give us a talk on 'Eating well, feeling great'. Weds January 11th at 7.30pm at the village hall. All are welcome- do come along. If you are new to Yealand it is a great place to meet people.

### Village Hall Events

Upcoming events were on the poster in last month's YNews, but briefly  
Light up Yealand - Saturday 3rd December from 6pm on Village Green at the Meadows.  
Mince pies, mulled wine, drinks and sweets for the children  
Carol singing and collection for a local charity

Christmas Coffee Stop - Monday 5th December 10.30 to 11.30

Join us at the Village Hall for mince pies and festive singing from the children of Yealand Primary School. Everyone welcome

Christmas Fish and Chips by Spit & Crackle - Saturday 10th December 5-8 pm  
Buy your supper and come into the Village Hall to eat it with your friends and neighbours. Cuppas and Carols - you're welcome to also bring your own drinks and don't forget glasses too. Collection for a local charity.

The Yealand Village Hall Christmas Quiz  
Friday 16th December

Doors open 7pm - for a prompt 7.30 start £5 per person to include a light supper  
Pay on the door but to guarantee a table please let Kath Kenyon know ([kathkenyon@hotmail.com](mailto:kathkenyon@hotmail.com)) how many people you are bringing with you.

New Year's Morning 11-12.30. Bacon Baps and Fizz. More details to follow soon  
And a forthcoming event - Burns Night Ceilidh Haggis, neeps and tatties.  
(Is there no end to all this health food?)

Featuring the return of "Still Reeling" £20 per person. Tickets available soon from Gerry Moore or Kath Kenyon - look out for notices on Facebook - Yealands Gossip Page and on WhatsApp - Yealands Support Group.

### Crafternoon

Friday December 2nd at Yealand Old School (in front of Quaker Meeting House) upstairs from 2-4pm. We will be making gift bags and boxes with Christmas gifting in mind. All welcome.

## Village Hall AGM

The AGM for the village hall was held on the 22nd Nov, and was well attended, with 18 people present. Gerry Moore as chair summarised the activities over the last year, during which time we had very largely got back to the pre-covid usage level. Mike Macklin as treasurer reported that thanks to continued sunshine in Yealand and our solar panels, together with a small grant from the city council, our finances were in good order, with reserves at a healthy level. We would need to put charges up however, as fuel bills would be rising sharply soon.

Upcoming expenses were needed to repair the leak in the roof, seemingly caused by fitting the solar panels some years ago, new signage and removal of an unstable tree in the car park.

The idea of an electric car charging point at the village hall was considered again, it would be of most use to visitors to Yealand, and particularly hall users. To make any sense, outside funding would be needed.

Particular thanks were given to Pam and Martin Davies, who were retiring from the committee after a substantial number of years service, Pam as minutes secretary, and Martin who by remote control of the heating saved us much money by ensuring the hall was only heated when necessary.



## Welcome Pack

The parish Council now have a welcome pack for new residents, copies from [yealredmayneclerk@outlook.com](mailto:yealredmayneclerk@outlook.com). And if you have new neighbours, tell them about this newsletter!

## St Johns Church

Thank you to all who helped at the Remembrance Service at the Village Hall.

Coffee @ St. John's.

Please join us for tea, coffee and cakes on Fridays 10:30am till 12pm for Coffee @ St. John's. *To note: There will be no Coffee @ St. John's on Friday December 23rd and Friday December 30th.*

Knit and Natter meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 2pm at St John's.

The Yealand Carol Service will take place on Thursday the 15th of December at St. John's Church. Offers of mince pies gratefully received.

St Oswald's Festival of Christmas Trees takes place from the 7th December till 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1pm till 4:30pm at St Oswald's Church Warton.

Congratulations to the 50/50 Club winners in October. Debbie Myerscough, Janet and Alan Thompson, Jim Hamilton.

## Leighton Moss

Robin Hood Adventure trail runs all December, self guided activity packs, aimed at 3-11 year olds  
10 Dec 9am Wonderful wildfowl guided walk  
13 Dec 10.30 Nature tots aimed at preschool children, outdoor games and interactive wildlife trail

2 Jan New Year guided walk, find some of the birds that spent the winter here.

Bookings essential for these activities except the adventure trail, and numbers are restricted.

## Leighton Hall

1 Dec 6pm onwards, Christmas tour of the house, by candle light.

Booking essential

Christmas Wreath making workshop, 3 dates, 1, 4 and 6 Dec

Cancer Care, Christmas Fair 10-3pm craft stalls and carol singing

More details of all these events at

<https://www.leightonhall.co.uk/whats-on/events-diary>

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