

The Yealands News

for Conyers, Redmayne and Storrs

August 2026

Welcome to the Yealand News!



A wonderful display of velvet queen sunflowers and gladioli on the allotment at the moment – see below for more news.

Parish Council News

Notice of a Casual Vacancy on the Parish Council

We are still looking for a new Parish Councillor, if anyone is interested in standing do please get in touch with the Clerk clerk@theyealandspc.org.uk who can talk you through what is involved. We are a positive and constructive team who look after issues such as planning, road concerns, vegetation (too much? too little?) in fact anything you good folk of Yealand throw at us.

The next Parish Council meeting

Weds 2nd September 7.30pm in the Hall

Unitary Authorities

We have heard that from April 1st 2028 we will become part of a new unitary authority, a single tier form of Local Government. This will remove our District Council (Lancaster City Council), who at present manage some of our services from Lancaster. Lancaster will join with Ribble Valley and Preston to form a new authority. Much of the detail of this is yet to be decided, including the name, but a shadow council, with many fewer councillors will be elected in May 2027, to

run alongside existing structures, seeking to ensure a smooth transition.

Village tidying day: Sat 1st August 10am

Are there any volunteers able to help scrub the bus shelters? The PC own two (one at the Triangle, Silverdale Road and one by the Meadows). They could do with their annual proper clean. Meet by the Meadows bus shelter. Suggested kit: steps, buckets, full water containers, squeegees, sponges, rubber gloves. See you there!

Coffee Stop

Every Monday (except most Bank Holidays) in Yealand Village Hall 10.30-11.30am. All welcome to drop in for a friendly chat and a cuppa.

Mobile Library

Next visit on **Monday 17th August**, 12.30pm at the Triangle.

Allotment News

Great news from the allotments! We are full, with four new and very enthusiastic folk taking on the last two plots. We have started to spend the grant money, with a local contractor making the most of the dry weather to excavate a pond/reservoir for water storage. The next stage of the plans will be more rabbit fencing, guttering for the shed and installing a composting toilet.

Repair Café

A third, most successful, repair café was held at Yealand Village Hall on Sat 18th July. This included a lovely plant and produce stall. The next café will be at **Warton Methodist Hall: Saturday 19th September** 11am to 1.30pm. Followed by Sat 17th October 10am – 1pm at Yealand Village Hall.

Village Hall News and Events

The YOGA subgroup recently held an Afternoon Tea event to thank everyone who supported the refurbishment of the YOGA. The Pickleball courts were in full swing with visitors from Silverdale and Burton encouraging visitors to have a go.

The courts have markings for Tennis and 5 a side football so if anyone wants to start these or other activities that would be great for the village.

Pickleball taster sessions run each Saturday during the holidays and of course you can use the courts at other times with the children, families, friends...tennis equipment, pickleball equipment are in the storage facility.

For detailed information and the QR code for booking see the poster at the end of the newsletter.

The Village Hall Summer Social was a wonderful evening, the sun shone, pizzas were devoured and drinks toasted as the village came together to celebrate the start of the summer break. Have a great summer everyone



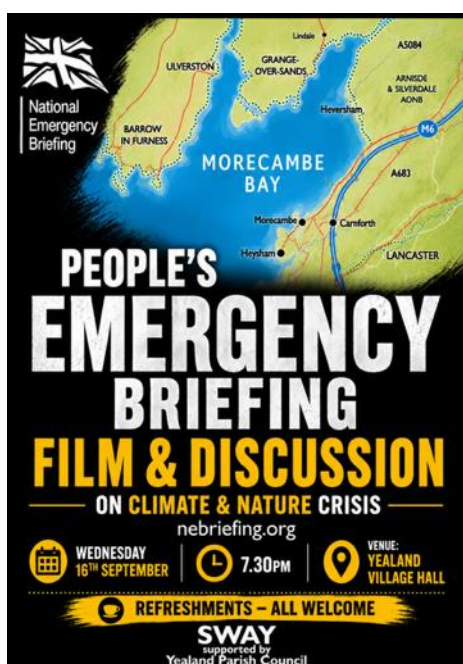
Events coming up at Yealand Village Hall

Sustainable Warton and Yealand (SWAY) have organised a **Film Screening** at the Hall

Weds 16th Sept 7.30pm

This is a thought-provoking, but ultimately hopeful film focused on the current climate crisis, for community viewing and discussion. Free entry – all welcome.

For full details see: www.nebriefing.org



Yealand School News

What a busy summer term we have had!

Thank you to all who joined us in the forest for our open session in May, the children love it when we have visitors and are always keen to show you “their forest” and the activities they enjoy whilst there. There is another open event in the Autumn term, if you missed your chance, so keep a look out for the dates in the next YN.

Our jumble sale was a roaring success, the generous donations from all the community helped us to raise just over £700. It always feels like it is a mammoth task to sort through the bags and ensure we are ready to open the doors, but many hands make light work; and our team of wonderful volunteers always seem to make it happen! The proceeds of the jumble sale will be put towards the running and upkeep of our school minibus, this amazing asset costs us around £1500 per year to run, but its use ensures that the children really do get the opportunity to see what they are learning.

We also had a wonderful day celebrating our 185th birthday, thank you for your support we raised £235 for Alder Hey and had lots of fun in the process.

The final few weeks of the school year have included lots of exciting plans, all the children have taken part in Beach School following the Morecambe Bay curriculum, we finished our term of swimming lessons, there was a sports day, Leavers’ service, graduation and we were able to meet our new families joining our Yealand family from September. Sometimes I wonder how we manage to fit everything in!

Wishing you all a wonderful summer and we will see you in September when we return to school.



FLICKS IN THE STICKS

Thank you to everyone who has supported our first season, we have had some wonderful feedback and suggestions for films to show.

We can confirm there will be four cinema nights for the 2026/2027 season, starting with **Sat 24th Oct** and **Weds 18th Nov** – two further dates **TBC**) and are happy to announce the price of tickets will remain the same at just **£5.00**. We will be trialling a Wednesday evening this season, if this does not work then we will try our best to book future showings on Saturdays where possible.

SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday 24th October.

By popular demand: **Song Sung Blue** (Cert 12A)



A struggling musician and a part time performer form a Neil Diamond tribute act as success, marriage and tragedy test their bond, proving it is never too late to find love and follow your dream.

Based on a true story. Critics praise the magnetic performances of Hugh Jackman and Kate Hudson.

Further Cine North details to follow.

St John's Church News

Congratulations to this month's St John's 50/50 Club winners: Katy Morgan, Lucy Morgan, Brenda Theobalds.

Dates for your Diary (all at St John's)

Coffee @ St. John's, Fridays 10:30am till 12pm..

Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 26th August 2pm

School Holiday Activities for Families at St Oswald's Church Warton

Family Crafting Café: Thurs 6th Aug 2pm – 4pm

Family Games Café: Weds 19th Aug 2pm – 4pm

Lego and Duplo Café: Fri 28th Aug 2pm – 4pm

Blackburn Centenary Celebration Weekend

Please join us the weekend of Friday 11th Sept -

Sunday 13th Sept as we celebrate the Centenary of the Diocese.

There is no Sunday service at St John's on **Sunday 2nd August**. Please join us at St Oswald's Church Warton, 10:30am, as we celebrate the Patronal Festival of St Oswald.

The parish is now in vacancy, for enquiries and information, please contact: Licensed Lay Minister Annette MacKenzie: 01524 736944
Authorised Lay Minister and Churchwarden Jenny Chapman: 07525749267

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Our next meeting is on **Weds 9th Sept 7.30pm**

The speaker will be Nick Morrice, who will talk about the "History of Cartoons" - a nostalgic look at childhood.

Everyone welcome .. small donation of £4.

Mourholme History Society event

Save the date! **Sat 5th – Sun 6th Sept**

An exhibition is planned at Leighton Hall with talks on a range of topics as below, plus history displays in churches in the parish and a talk by the Quakers in the Meeting House. We aim to provide a comprehensive history of our lovely villages, from their origins, their strange names, the local archaeological finds, farming, industry and schools; and Quaker connections and the influence of members of the society of friends on the character of the villages. Learn about the Wartime school and the old traditions and ways of life of our predecessors.

The organisers would love to get more local input. If you have any historical information, family stories, memories or photos relating to Yealand please do share them with us. If you would like to get involved and help out on the days please let us know. Last year we hosted a very successful weekend in Warton and the year before in Silverdale. Several residents opened their historic houses to small pre booked groups and gave a limited tour of their interesting features. It may be there are some residents who might consider doing this in Yealand?

For more information and if you would like to contribute to this project please contact Nina the Mourholme History Chairman at Mourholme@hotmail.com

Warton Pollinator Group – Open Gardens

Sunday 2nd August 2.00 – 4.00pm



RSPB News Leighton Moss

For details of RSPB events see their website:

<https://events.rspb.org.uk/leightonmoss?language=en>

Leighton Hall events

See <https://www.leightonhall.co.uk/whatson/events-diary>

Nature News



This very fine Poplar Hawkmoth was one of several moth species that found their way into the moth trap a couple of weeks ago in Yealand Storrs. After

identification and release it flew off to settle and recover on a Verbascum flower.

Some other moths we trapped that night included: 4 x Footman (look like rather grand pumpkin seeds); Riband wave; 2 x Large yellow underwing; Black rustic; Variegated golden tortrix; Red barred tortrix; Chequered grass-veneer (a common micro moth, you will have seen many of this type on walks in the area); and a very sleek, white Buff ermine.

Moth names, as you identify each one, are often as much delight as the creatures themselves! A couple of smart black and white caddis flies (*Athripsodes albifrons*) joined the collection.

There's still time for more bat watching. (See June YN for more details).

To take part in this survey and to find out more about borrowing a bat detector with instructions, including a field guide to local species and how to enter sightings on the survey website etc, send an email to Gail at gail@batlady.co.uk

Yealand Newsletter

Do contact me if you find the newsletter hasn't arrived. If you know of anyone who doesn't have email and would like a paper copy, let us know, we will try to arrange one to be dropped off.
Amanda

Copy for the September edition by Weds 26th August

to Amanda Bingley on the YN email:
yealandnewsletter@gmail.com

***Scroll down to the last page for information
about the YOGA events and bookings***

YOGA

YEALAND OUTDOOR GAMES AREA

Play More. Grow Together.

The Yealand Outdoor Games Area, YOGA for short, is located to the rear of Yealand Primary School on Footeran Lane, Yealand Redmayne. Postcode LA5 9SU.

The Games Area provides 3 Pickle Ball Courts, a Tennis Court and a 5 A Side Football Pitch. All facilities have been refurbished following successful fund raising activity by the village and school.

OPENING HOURS

TERM TIME

- Monday - Wednesday 17.00 till dusk
- Thursday - Friday 15.30 till dusk
- Saturday - Sunday open both days dawn till dusk

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

dawn till dusk

PAYMENT

The charge, to assist with the general upkeep, is £5.00 per court/pitch per hour.

Please pay to:-

Yealand Village Hall.

Sortcode 30 54 66

Account Number 29649960.

Quote YOGA and the game being played e.g YOGA Pickleball.

Children under the age of 16 are free.

BOOKING

At this time we do NOT have a booking system. We ask that you liaise with any other users, if play is in progress, on your arrival. Please remember this facility is for all to use. Please look after yourselves and other users.

ACCESS

The Games Area is accessed by a path behind the school. This is also wheelchair accessible.

EQUIPMENT

All equipment can be found in a locked cabinet to the rear of Yealand Village Hall which is adjacent to the Games Area. The code can be obtained by contacting either:-

- Jackie - 07971 452210
- Denise - 07732 487035
- Gerry - 07769 335107

Please do allow 1 hour for a reply.

Please return any equipment used and relock after use. In the case of any damage please message the appropriate number above.

FIRST AID KIT

This can be located in the locked equipment cabinet. Note you require the code to access.

TOILETS

There are no public toilet facilities in The Yealands.

CAR PARKING

There is a large free carpark next to the Games Area.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

The Yealands has a regular Stagecoach bus service Monday to Saturday.

Stagecoach

T&Cs - WE HAVE MINIMAL RULES

- ✓ Please respect the area and leave as you would wish to find it.
- ✓ A sweeping brush is provided should you wish to remove any loose grit before play.
- ✓ Please do advise if you use any 1st Aid Kit items to allow for these to be replenished.
- ✓ No glasses, breakable cups/ bottles etc to be taken into the YOGA.

QR Code for payment

