

The Yealands News

for Conyers, Redmayne and Storrs

March 2026

Welcome to the Yealand News!



A bright blue sky has been such a rarity this past month, in the midst of constant grey, rainy weather, it seemed a moment to

celebrate on a frosty day last week, with hazel catkins a hopeful sign of spring.

Parish Council News

Consultation on Local Government Reorganisation

<https://lancashirelgr.co.uk/say-1>

The Parish Council is preparing a response, and we would very much like to hear from you. At the next

Parish Council meeting on Weds 4th March 7.30pm, there will be a chance to come along and hear more about these proposals and to give us your opinions. Doors open 7.15pm refreshments provided. If unable to be there you can email your response to the PC clerk@theyealandspc.org.uk

Speeding

We have an agreement from Highways about a new Speed Indicator Device for Footeran Lane heading north by the School and Village Hall.

Please contact the Clerk if you have comments on this, we do welcome your

opinion. Also remember to keep logging any incidents that you think are speeding or inconsiderate driving in the Yealands. Go to the Lancashire Road Safety website:

<https://lancsroadsafety.co.uk/submit-concern/>

Litter pick

Save the date! The next litter pick is planned for **Saturday 18th April 10am**. Meet in the Village Hall car park. More details to follow.

Yealands Conservation Area Extension

The new boundary has now been designated by Lancaster City Council. See the new map of the Yealands Conservation Area at the end of the newsletter.

Coffee Stop

Every Monday (except 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 2nd March, 12.30pm** at the Triangle.

Plant and Seed Swap Saturday 25th April

The stall will be on the Meadows but there will be an opportunity to have a guided walk around the allotments for anyone who has an inkling that they would like a bit more growing space (or is just curious).

More details of times etc will be included in the April YN.

Yealand Village Hall News and Events 2026

Friday 13th March 1.00-4.00pm, in the Village Hall: Lancashire Adult Learning will be running an informal art afternoon called "**Lift your mood with Mark Making**" - it's fun and light-hearted .. and it's free to Lancashire residents. If you're interested contact Kath Kenyon by text on 07961866390 or email kathkenyon@hotmail.com

Tuesday 24th March, 7.45pm

Yealand Village Hall

Registered Charity 521361
Annual General Meeting

EVERYONE WELCOME

CHEESE & WINE
24th March 2026
7.45pm



Please join us and support this valuable asset. Bring your thoughts and ideas. Cheese and wine refreshments.

Saturday 25th April

An Italian Cheese and Wine Evening. An opportunity to taste Italian 🇮🇹 wines and cheese. More to follow, put the date in your diary it will be splendido!!

Saturday 30th May 2-4pm.

Afternoon tea & entertainment by the fabulous Ossie Sisters. Fundraiser for St John's Hospice 40th Anniversary. Pop the date in your diary. Further details nearer the time.

More summer events to follow; and we look forward to your thoughts and ideas for events at the AGM.

VH Committee

Contact to book events or if you have queries: Susan Mason-Cave
coopermason39@gmail.com
or message 07752 358357



FLICKS IN THE STICKS

Yealand Village Hall **Saturday 28th February 2026, 7.15pm start**
(doors open 6.30pm)
The Ballad of Wallis Island.



(Cert 12A)
An eccentric lottery winner on a remote island pays to reunite his favourite folk duo. It's a story of lost love, nostalgia, regrets

and finding connection, balancing quiet sadness with clever humour and heartwarming moments.

Cost £5.00 per person. **Tickets on sale**



You are welcome to bring your own nibbles or food to eat before the screening and as usual your own drinks, this is

social cinema. Tea and coffee will be available ahead of the film. For more info scan the QR code.

Date for your diary:

Saturday 18th April:

Downton Abbey: the Grand Finale

This will be showing at Yealand Village Hall. Tickets will go on sale mid-March. Keep watching for updates re ticket sales. We expect this screening to sell out fast as there has already been a lot of interest.

After this there will be a break from film nights till the Autumn, when screenings will restart. If you have any suggestions for films in the new season let us know.

yealandcineclub@gmail.com

Yealand School News

We had a wonderful start to the year so far. We've been learning about pirates and the Titanic with our younger children and about Mountains with our older children. We are competing in a cross

country competition and after half term, some of us are going skiing.

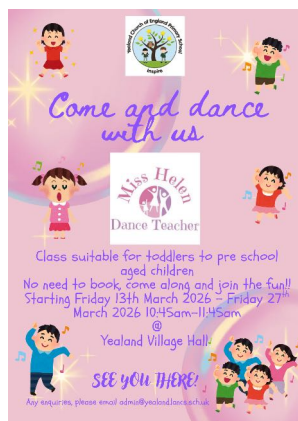
We have been learning all the new songs for the Lancaster and Morecambe Children's Festival at Lancaster Town Hall in March. There are some lovely songs from Billie Holliday, Cyndi Lauper, traditional songs from around the world and a bit of Oasis.

Robins and Little Owls took part in the Ruby Robin Challenge at Forest School, which is an award for identifying birds and taking care of them over winter.

Dance Classes for toddlers/ pre-school
Yealand Village Hall

Friday 13th and 27th March
10.45-11.45am

If you are interested please email
Yealand School



admin@yealand.lancs.sch.uk

Weds 4th March, 1.30-3.30pm
Art Workshop with Rachel Jay
Yealand Village Hall



Contact Rachel if you are interested in
taking part: 07917 641701

rjyesartist@gmail.com

St John's Church News

Congratulations to St John's 50/50 Club winners: Victoria Rothwell, Gary Carr, Alan Chapman.

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

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

Crafternoon, Weds 11th March, 2pm.

Lent Lunch, Friday 13th March, 12pm.

Prayer Meeting, Weds 25th March, 2pm

Crafting with Rhian

Wednesday 25th March, 7pm

Supplies provided. Donations in support of St John's Church.

For more information, please contact Rhian: 07802575469

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

Quaker Day of Healing

Saturday 7th March

Our small Quaker group will meet **from 11am to 1pm** and all are welcome. It is a time for reflection on those who are sick and suffering. No formality, our door is open from 10am for whatever time you have to spare, your presence will be welcome. Refreshments available. Yealand Friends Meeting House, Yealand Conyers.

Any Enquiry to Jane Dean 07740 945 712

WI

The next meeting of the Yealands WI is on **Wednesday 11th March at 7.30pm**

We will be doing some gentle chair-based exercises based on Tai Chi Quingong with Debra Haddaway.

If you are interested in joining the meeting or want to find out more about your local WI you're very welcome to come along - just £4 including refreshments.

Our WI is also hosting an afternoon Charity Quiz on **Wednesday 18th March, 2 pm** - to raise funds for St John's Hospice celebrating their



**Charity Quiz
in aid of
St John's Hospice**



**Wednesday 18th March
2-4 pm
at Yealand Village Hall**
Teams of 4
£5 per person
Everyone welcome
pre-book your table by contacting
kathkenyon@hotmail.com
Event organised by Dallam Group of Wis

40th anniversary this year. Everyone is welcome, gents as well. Make up a team of four and contact Kath kathkenyon@hotmail.com to reserve your table - £5 per person to include tea, coffee and delicious cakes.

Brackenthwaite Farm Open Day

They are hosting their very first Wedding Open day at Brackenthwaite Farm on **Sunday 8th March between 12-4pm.** It's a free event to attend and everyone is welcome!

Leighton Hall events

Tuesday 3rd Mar 2026 11.00am-3.00pm
Tennants Valuation Day

Free valuation event. Specialists will look any items including jewellery, ceramics, antiques, paintings, clocks and collectables. No appointment required. Free entry

Other events in March include **Sat 14th March:** Lakeland Trails at Leighton
Weds 18th March: An Evening of Smooth Jazz with Velvet Jazz Duo. For details of all events and booking:

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

RSPB News Leighton Moss

Early Morning Bird Song ID

Sunday 8th March, 7:30am- 9:30am

Join RSPB guide Andy Chapman, an expert in birdsong, on this guided event. Includes a leisurely walk along the reserve, stopping off at hides and other great places to see and listen to birds.

Nature Tots at Leighton Moss

**Weds 4th March and Weds 18th March
9.30-10.30am**

Whatever the weather, come along with your pre-school tots for this fun, interactive wildlife themed activity, being surrounded by nature! Suitable for children aged 2 years plus, bring along younger ones if you wish. If wet, indoor activities are available. For details of these and other RSPB events:

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

Nature News

No less than three song thrushes got going in full song in the past few weeks in our local wood. Below a reminder of their distinctive look with those clear markings (admittedly this photo was



taken in May, when in Scotland, so not a local Yealand bird, but it illustrates the arrowlike spots – in the

Mistle thrush these are a little more coalesced). Smaller birds in the titmouse family are very active now around the Yealands, great, blue, coal, long-tailed and marsh tit, along with robins, chaffinch, greenfinch, nuthatch and there are a few fieldfare and redwing still about. The tawny owls are hooting regularly, sometimes in the day as well as the night, and listen out for the 'yaffle' of the green woodpecker. Other signs of spring awakening have arrived as winter aconite and early

crocus are seen in flower; even a lone,
very early, rather forlorn daffodil
bloomed across the road this week.

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 March edition by

Weds 25th March 2026

to Amanda Bingley on the YN email:

yealandnewsletter@gmail.com

New designated boundary for Yealand Conservation Area

