

BARWICK in ELMET & SCHOLES PARISH COUNCIL

Newsletter
November 2009



GOLD for BARWICK in BLOOM

The award of a gold medal by **BRITAIN in BLOOM** is a fantastic achievement and the whole village is very proud of this success for our community. To quote the judges *"they were just a few marks short of achieving the overall large village category winner"* awarded to Broughshane in Northern Ireland. In addition, Frank Noble (extreme right on photo) a Barwick stalwart was awarded a **RHS Britain in Bloom Community Champion Award**, for his work in the local environment—we offer him our congratulations and thanks. **Scholes** were awarded a **Yorkshire in Bloom SILVER GILT Medal** and we are delighted that they have also been successful. The Village Bloom groups do so much valuable work in the community and we really appreciate their efforts. Please continue to support them in any way you can—new recruits are always welcome—phone 281 2254 (Bar) 260 6669 (Sch) Barwick's Gold Winning Team listed overleaf



BARWICK in ELMET & SCHOLES PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman

Ben Hogan, 1 Elmete Croft, Scholes : 260 6669

Barwick in Elmet Ward

Helen Elsworth, 3 The Boyle, Barwick : 07808 975891

Claire Hassell, "Chessingham", Elmwood Lane, Barwick : 281 1231

John Hayton, 22 The Boyle, Barwick : 393 5123

David Leeming (Vice Chairman), 57 Flats Lane, Barwick : 281 3554

John Tinker, 1 Aberford Road, Barwick : 281 2254

Geoff Yapp, "Southlands", 16 Leeds Road, Barwick : 281 2561

Scholes Ward

Paul Birdsall, "The Orchard", 37 Main Street, Scholes : 264 8103

Norma Fletcher, 35 Station Road, Scholes : 265 0530

George Hall, 29 Arthursdale Grange, Scholes : 218 8817

Gerry McDonough, 56 Nook Road, Scholes : 273 5246

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Clerk to the Council

Chris Hassell, "Chessingham", Elmwood Lane, Barwick in Elmet, LS15 4JX
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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

These are held on the first Monday in each month (except Aug) at 7.30 pm
and preceded by an **OPEN FORUM** for residents to speak at 7.15 pm

Meetings are held in the Barwick Methodist School Room (Dec, Feb, Apr,
June, Sep 2010) & Scholes Village Hall (Jan, Mar, 10 May, July, Oct 2010)
Agendas, minutes and other notices are posted on the Parish notice boards
outside Barwick Post Office and Scholes Library and also on the web site.

Parish Council Meetings & Open Forum 7.15 pm (Planning 6.45 pm)

Mon 2 Nov at Scholes Village Hall

Mon 7 Dec at Barwick Methodist Schoolroom

website : barwickandscholespc.com

BARWICK in BLOOM'S GOLD WINNING TEAM (front page l-r)

John Daddy, Geoff Tillotson, Harvey Metcalfe, Anne Tillotson, Ann Hadley,
Doug Haynes, Ted Chippindale, Lynne Haynes, John Collett, Greta Pierce,
Janice Metcalfe, Robert Allwood, Elaine Collett, Lesley Clark, John Botterill
(Treasurer), Derek Wigglesworth, Norma Atkinson, Peter Williams, John
Tinker (Chairman) and Frank Noble plus those who missed the photo Julie
Burnett, Geoff Yapp (Secretary), Tony Greaves, George & Kathleen Wright,
Michael Jones (President), Archie Jeffers, Dave Wilkinson, Maureen
Samwell, Peter Thompson, Pam Botterill, Margaret Ellison, Callum Steward,
Peter Dobbs, Walter Cockeram, David Slack, Ian Hawkhead, Elaine & Peter
Pickard, Colin Bond and the many ladies who give their time and help at
coffee mornings and other fund raising events—not forgetting the long list
of very generous sponsors of the flower beds and hanging baskets—
and of course the entire village for their support throughout the year.
Photo by Ron Miller (Wetherby News). Xmas Lights photo by Julie Burnett

ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Residents will be pleased to see that significant re-surfacing has taken place in Long Lane and Kiddal Lane. The Parish Council regularly reports defects to Leeds City Council highways department.

WALKS AROUND BARWICK in ELMET & SCHOLDS - £3

(20 circular walks) Copies of this very popular booklet by Alan Senior are available from both post offices.

POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICERS (PCSOs)

There is a new officer working in the Parish following the transfer of PCSO Steve Wales to other parts of the Ward. PCSO Geoff Nottingham now joins PC Andy Katkowski and PCSO Dan Sillers who continue with their very good work on our behalf. Please be aware of sneak thieves and secure your doors and windows at all times. Keep valuables out of sight. The Police Authority and Safer Leeds are staging a **FACE the PEOPLE** Partnership Event at John Smeaton Community College on **Mon 2 Nov between 12-4 pm** - those who would like a free lunch beforehand should phone 01924 294021
Police Crime no. **0113 285 5374**
Non emergency **0845 60 60 606**

NEWSLETTER distribution helpers required in Barwick/Scholds please phone Parish Clerk on 393 5861

BUS SERVICE

The local bus service "saga" continues to rage and at present we are not able to give any positive answers. However, considerable efforts have been made in recent months in relation to the problems encountered with the diversion of routes through Scholds with problems caused by cars blocking the free passage of buses. Any news will be announced as soon as the situation is resolved by the various parties involved.

'NO COLD CALLING' ZONE CONSULTATION

A suggestion has been made that the Parish might consider asking Leeds City Council to designate the Parish as a **no cold calling zone** in order to prevent unscrupulous salesmen and casual callers trying to intimidate older residents by selling them unwanted goods and services. If you would support such a move please make contact with the Clerk or any of the Parish Councillors listed on page 2

PARISH PATHS VOLUNTEERS

Anyone interested in working with our volunteer group should contact Peter Taylor on 273 4283
p.taylor487@btinternet.com

SCHOLDS LIBRARY opening time
Monday 2-6, Wed 9-1, Fri 2-6
Sat 10-1, closed Tues, Thurs & Sun

DOG OWNERS : please **clear up after your dog** and use the black waste bins around the village or take it home and use your own black bin. Leeds City **Dog Wardens will be patrolling the area** from time to time and have recently issued 2 fixed penalty fines of £75 (a court appearance could result in a £1,000 fine plus considerable costs). A resident recently filmed a "*persistent offender*" and proceedings are pending. Notices will shortly be in place at Jack Heaps Field and the football & cricket ground warning offenders of the consequences of allowing their dogs to "foul" these areas where children can play.

**Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year
to all our Residents**

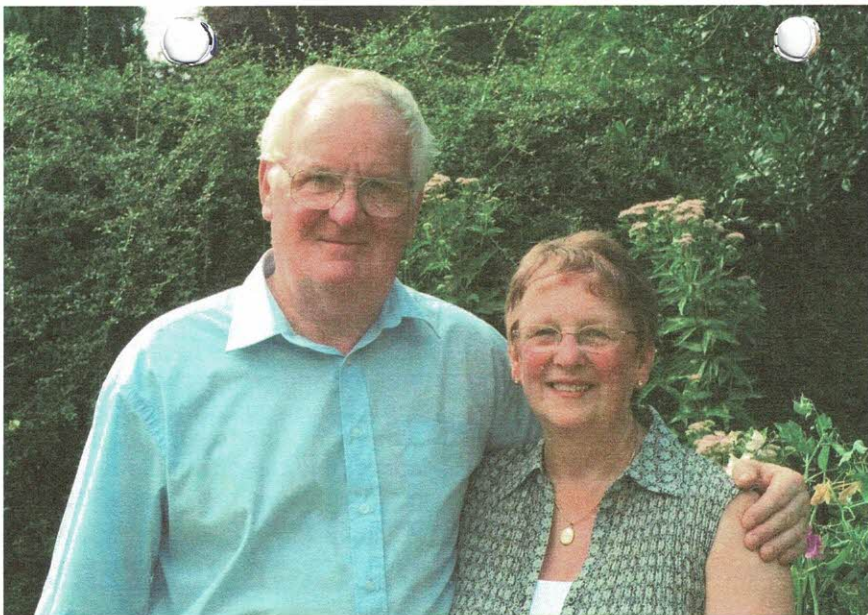


Christmas Lights for Scholes

Following the very successful and much enjoyed lights which were erected last Christmas in Main Street, Barwick (Jack Heaps Field as above) the Parish Council through grant funding support from the North East (Outer) Area Committee **WELL BEING FUND** courtesy of Ward Councillors Ann Castle, Rachael Procter and Alec Shelbrooke, have made arrangements for similar lights to be erected at three locations in **Scholes** at the Coronation Tree junction with Leeds Road, the War Memorial junction and in the Willow Tree at Green Court near to the old Station. The Parish will be responsible for the ongoing cost of recovery, storage and erection each year.

**KEEP to the SPEED LIMIT
and DON'T DRINK and DRIVE
Cameras are frequently in this Area**





JOHN TINKER, M.B.E.

John and his wife Pauline will be off to London in November to meet the Queen at Buckingham Palace when he receives his MBE for services to the community. He is the leader and Chairman of Barwick in Bloom which was started 14 years ago to improve the environment of the village and to make it a more pleasant place in which to live. The group encompasses the whole village and really pulls it together with widespread support not only from the dedicated team who do the work but from everyone else who enjoy the fruits of their labour. John has been a Parish Councillor now for more than 10 years and Chairman on two occasions. After 8 years farming John spent 35 years with Leeds City Council eventually retiring as director of Parks & Gardens. He was heavily involved in the creation of Canal Gardens and Tropical World at Roundhay Park and had a significant influence on projects at Golden Acre Park, Lotherton Hall Gardens and Temple Newsam. He has been married to Pauline for 47 years and has three children and 4 grandchildren all living in the parish where he has resided for over 40 years. His involvement in the village is considerable as a member of the Methodist Church and Horticultural Society, trustee of the Ancient Parish of Barwick in Elmet Trust and previously Lineham Farm Children's Centre but his interests stretch far and wide as trustee of Wade's Trust, Hunslet Cricket Football & Athletic Club Trust, adviser to West Riding Football Association and formerly Sports Aid Yorkshire and Riding for the Disabled. He is also a member of Leeds Rotary Club and makes good use of his senior citizens bus pass. We offer John our congratulations and best wishes for a great day out at the Palace.

**KEEP YOUR DOORS &
WINDOWS LOCKED**

PARISH WEBSITE
barwickandscholespc.com

CALLING ALL SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS

Barwick Cricket Club are running junior teams for boys and girls at under 9,11 & 13 next season so if you would like to join in the fun give a call to Sally Hardy on mobile 07989 333360 sally.hardy@btinternet.com

indoor winter nets start in February
Barwick Tennis Club would also like to hear from anyone interested in taking up the game so why not try a taster session—meet every Sunday morning 11 am with reduced rates for juniors and families

phone Chairman John Hayton 393 5123

Barwick Bowling Club is an excellent venue and there are vacancies for crown green bowlers of all ages : 393 5840 mike@cooper760.freeserve.co.uk

Scholes Bowling Club have some excellent facilities at their Belle Vue Avenue HQ and new members should call Sheila Proberts on 273 3889

DENTISTRY

Patients living in the Leeds area boundary who want information about dental services that are available, or to add their contact details to a database of people looking for a new dentist can call the Leeds Dental Advice line free on **0800 298 5787**

REGISTER of ELECTORS

are you registered to vote ??? The general election is not too far away and if you have not recently received a form for completion you should contact **electors@leeds.gov.uk** or telephone 247 6726. The number of electors in Barwick is 2,133 and Scholes 1,982

HAVE YOUR SAY

Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust

The body that manages St.James's and the LGI as well as other local hospitals is asking for your views and support with a **CONSULTATION** running through until 24 December.

A new booklet "YOUR HOSPITAL YOUR SAY" is available at GP surgeries and hospitals and on line at <http://www.leedsth.nhs.uk/consultation>
To get your views heard just read the booklet and return the form. At the same time you can join the Hospital as a member (it's free). If you have views about how things should be done—membership is the most effective way to make your voice heard.

VILLAGE PLAYERS SUCCESSFUL GRANT

Scholes Village Players Drama Group have just received news of a £7,000 grant from Leeds Outer NE Area Ward Councillors to go alongside a **Parish Council grant of £1,000** towards the cost of re-roofing its scenery store (a war time nissen hut) attached to the Village Hall. The group's production this year is "**Dick Turpin**" which will be staged from **Tues 17 Nov to Sat 21 Nov at 7.30 pm (matinee Sat 2 pm)** Tickets are **£5 (children £4)** from post office.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Sunday 8 November

Rakehill Road Parade 09.30

Scholes War Memorial 10.00

St.Philip's Church Service 10.15

Barwick Methodist Church 10.30

Barwick Cross War Memorial 11.30

ESSENTIAL NUMBERS

Non emergency crime—**0845 6060606**

Barwick Doctors Surgery—**08444 773 294**

Scholes Doctors Surgery—**264 5414**

Dentist (Alan Stanley-Scholes) - **232 3878**

Police contact **285 5374**

Fire Service contacts

Garforth **286 4231**

Stanks **273 1371**

SCHOLES CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND : at last the upgrade is not far away with a planned completion early in the New Year. The total cost is in the order of £45,000 and has been possible with a grant from the Inner North East Area Committee through their **Well Being Fund** (Large Projects) which is awarded by our local Ward Members, Councillors Ann Castle, Rachael Procter and Alec Shelbrook. The upgrade has already been commenced with the demolition of the hedging and installation of new fencing and gate. The existing swing bay will have new seats as on the plan overleaf along with barriers to prevent accidents. The existing climbing frame and slide will be refurbished and a new roundabout introduced which will enable pushchair and wheelchair users to access it. There will be a new and exciting climbing unit in the form of a pick up truck (as illustrated). The existing small springy unit will be repositioned. The entire area will be covered with wet pour (rubber concrete) in order to minimise the effect of any child falling over. The existing seat will be re-furbished and a new seat installed at the far side of the playground. And to finish it off we will have a new waste bin which will hopefully help to keep the new facility nice and tidy. A small sub committee looked at all of the options available to us having regard to cost and space available and we are grateful to Kate Sibson and Sam Moscrop as representatives of mothers/users of the equipment for their input. The contractors for the upgrade are **HUSSON**. There will of course be a period when the playground will be out of action during the work taking place but this will be kept to a minimum. For the future we will then be looking to give the Barwick playground at Jack Heaps Field a similar uplift.

LIGHTING UPGRADE : we have drawn the attention of Contractors (Southern Electric) to lamp posts in Oaklea Road, Belle Vue Road and Grange Court which seem to have been missed out on the upgrade programme and have been assured they will be replaced in the very near future. SEC have been very helpful to us in recent months having provided a new (heritage style) lamp at Wood Lane behind the war memorial which was a dark area. In addition they have also provided a new lamp in the passageway at the side of Jack Heaps Field which was also in need of lighting. The heritage style lamps in both villages have now been painted black to enhance their appearance. SEC also very kindly provided a lamp outside the scout hut in Rakehill Road and this has been most appreciated particularly with the poor state of the road which is another issue which the Council is endeavouring to resolve.

ROAD ACCIDENTS : a number of accidents (no injuries) have occurred in Long Lane and elsewhere without them being reported. Residents are requested to report any such incidents to the police **0845 6060606** in order that these statistics are recorded and taken into account when discussions and decisions on road safety issues are considered.

LEEDS FESTIVAL TICKETS : the resulting income from the sale of tickets to our villagers has been allocated as £1,000 towards the cost of refurbishing the Scholes children's playground and £1,000 in planting eight new trees in Jack Heaps Field to replace those bordering Welfare Avenue.

OUR NEW VICAR - Rev Andy Nicholson is at Thorner Vicarage, Church View, Thorner, LS14 3ED : **289 2437**

Barwick in Elmet & Scholes Parish Council

Ref: QUK2458 - Barwick in Elmet & Scholes Parish Council - Station Road Play Area

Existing Multi-Play
Unit Refurbished

Existing Fence to surround play area

Existing Bench Refurbished

Station Road Play Area

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