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NEWS FROM BOLSTER MOOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

December 2017

Community Christmas Sing Carols in the Barn

Last December we did something different and held our Christmas Sing in Westwood Barn for the first time. It turned out to be a most enjoyable and nostalgic event, and we had lots of positive comments afterwards.

Fortunately, Tony and Angela Garside have very kindly agreed again to the use of their Barn for the Sing. The formula will be similar to before, with a group from



Huddersfield Wind Band supplying the music to accompany a selection of our favourite Carols. We are also hoping to sing two or three new items with our newly formed Bolster Moor choir, including the Children's choir from Clough Head School. Many thanks to our own Emily Reeves Bradley for working with us. The usual hot drinks, mulled wine and festive refreshments will be available afterwards, free of charge.

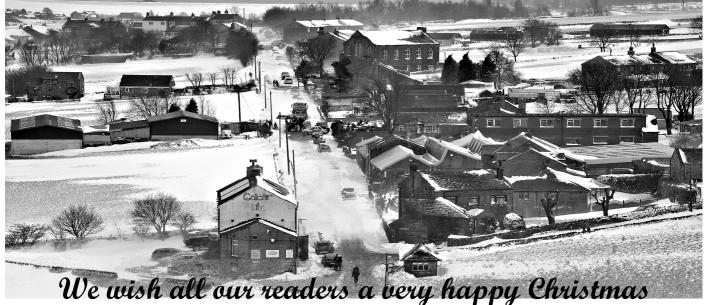
All edible donations welcome, - please bring them on the night, or you could drop them off at the barn in the afternoon. Do wrap up warmly - although the barn is well lit, flat and dry, there is no heating, but a hearty sing should warm us all up!

Parking is available in the farm yard or the roadside.

Monday December 11th at 6.45pm in Westwood barn

Everyone welcome





and a prosperous New Year

CUT OUT AND KEEP

Bolster Moor Buddies

Helping to make our community stronger.

Though Bolster Moor is a thriving community where people look out for neighbours and friends, it's possible that a person's usual support might not be available. Bolster Moor Buddies will provide a backup. Buddies will be available to help anyone in the village who is alone at home. Here are two examples of possible scenarios where Buddies could help:

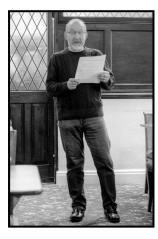
- bad weather prevents a person getting out to do their shopping
- a person's regular visitors are unable to make the visits due to bad weather or illness, and maybe the person would like a chat or some reassurance.

In such cases, the person can phone one of the BMCA members shown below. The member will have a larger group of helpers available, and will find someone to contact the caller.

If you know anyone who might benefit from the help Buddies is offering, please pass on this leaflet and make them aware of Buddies.

Jan Lloyd	07976584266
Andi Butler	648023 or 07980179457
Westwood Centre	845042 or 07421994709
	or 07791863288
Hilary Pape (evenings and weekends)	847199 or 07981412469
Di Mayo	656509 or 07815814141

Community Fundraising Quiz



Following on from the success of our last Quiz in June, we thought about fitting another one in before Christmas. Teams can include a maximum of 6 people, with £1 donation for each member. There will be a seasonal hamper for the winning team, and also raffle prizes.

The quiz will take place at the Golcar Lily on Thursday November 30th, at 7.30 pm.

Do come along with family, friends and neighbours and make this a real fun evening! Many thanks to Peter Norcliffe from Golcar, for being quizmaster for the evening.



Pickering and Scarborough

We've been organising an annual trip to the coast for quite some time now, and yet again we were blessed with good weather from the start. Our first stop was the picturesque market town of Pickering, where we spent a pleasant hour strolling round the interesting shops and cafes, before heading on to Scarborough. Once we arrived at our destination, many of us couldn't resist the temptation of a fish and chip lunch, so many café's and restaurants had us spoiled for choice - how is it they always taste better at the seaside? After that, we enjoyed all the attractions that Scarborough has to offer, sandy beaches, sea, sun, boat trips, Peasholm Park, not to mention rides, slides and other amusements! Many thanks to all who came along to make it an enjoyable Community event, and thanks also to people who helped with publicity and money collection, and last but by no means least our excellent driver from Stott's coaches, Malcolm Arthur.

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A Tale of Two Water Houses?

We had hoped to be able to give an update on progress on our 'smallholding' but are still awaiting Kirklees approval. It now looks like we may lose another whole growing season whilst they deliberate. Well, some of you did warn me!

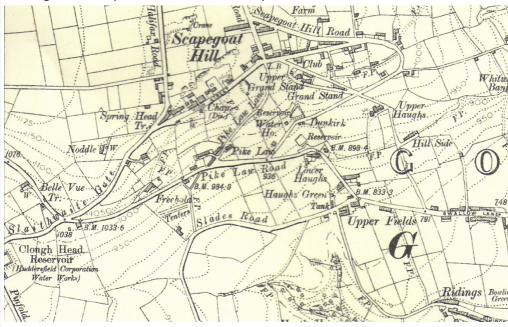
Whilst waiting for the approval, we have started on a few other minor jobs. One of these jobs resulted in us meeting someone else who lives in a 'Water House' in the area. As many of you have referred to our house as the 'Water House', this triggered me to start looking into a bit of local history, which proved fascinating. As we didn't have any facts about the original house and details of when it was built, my focus was also on filling this gap. I found a starting point on the internet that has a lot of interesting facts regarding the Huddersfield area ...

https://huddersfield.exposed/wiki/Welcome

As I was primarily interested in the 'Water House' references, I followed a link to a book on The History of the Huddersfield Water Supplies written by T W Woodhead and published in 1939 ... https://huddersfield.exposed/ wiki/History_of_the_Huddersfield_Water_Supplies_(1939)_by_T.W._Woodhead Chapter 9 of the book covers the Huddersfield Waterworks Service Reservoirs and lists Clough Head Reservoir as being at an altitude of 975 feet, completed on 2 November 1880 and having a capacity of 280,000 gallons.

This seemed to be a good start but the link from the Clough Head entry took me to a map showing the Clough Head Reservoir being sited between Pike Law Road and Taylor Lane. I clearly needed to do some more research and found some detailed historic maps on the National Library of Scotland website:

Looking across maps between 1841-1952, quite a number of facts unfold.



Taylor Lane Water House:

1854 – A well is marked between Taylor Lane and Pike Law Road but no reservoir or house.

1894 – (surveyed 1887) – Two reservoirs are shown near the site of the 1854 well, one either side of Taylor Lane. A small house is shown near one reservoir.

1908 – The small house near one of the Taylor Lane reservoirs is clearly marked as the Water Ho (see included map).

Clough Head Water House:

1854 – No reservoir or house is shown at Clough Head.

1894 – (surveyed 1887) – Reservoir and house shown at Clough Head and marked Huddersfield Corporation Water Works.

1908 – The Clough Head Reservoir are still shown but no mention of it being called the Water House.

In conclusion, it seems that the only truly named Water House is the one in Taylor Lane. Ours, in Pinfold Lane, appears to have become known locally as the Water House since ?? Any suggestions? However, a more interesting fact for us is that the house was clearly built somewhere between 1878 (when HCWW originally bought the land from Edmund Blackburn) and 1887 (when it first appears on a survey)

Having got 'the bug' for finding out more information about the area, I may be tapping people for local facts. An initial 'thank you' to Rita for providing her map on 'watercourses' ... we seem to have quite a few!! The Golcar Workhouse [Huddersfield Union] is also marked on Pike Law Road on the 1854 map ... was this

demolished or did it become a house?

Chris Friend



the children of Bolster Moor.

Come along and see him before his long journey back to the North Pole.

Disposal of Christmas trees

We have arranged again with Liam Robinson, the local tree surgeon from 'A Cut Above' to shred any Christmas trees which local residents may want to dispose of. Part of Michael Sykes' field next to Liam's premises half way down Drummer Lane, will be cordoned off for people to drop their trees on **SUNDAY JANUARY 7th**. Please can people just stick to this date only, thank you. A bucket will be available to make a small donation towards the costs incurred. Many thanks to Liam and Michael for doing this.

Food Serving Times

Christmas Eve **Christmas Day**

Monday

RESTAURANT CLOSED

Boxing Day Tuesday 12:00-4:00pm

New Years Eve Sunday 12:00-5:00pm

Sunday

12:00-9:30pm

Evening bookings only

New Years Day

Monday 12:00-4:00pm