

THE Moorsider



SPRING 2020

Community Award

This year Chris and John Simmonds will receive the Kirkbymoorside Community Award for their involvement with the Kirkby Fruit Project.

The Kirkby Fruit Project was formed in 2012, under the auspices of Kirkbymoorside Environment Group, to pick and distribute surplus apples in the local area to help prevent them being wasted. Very quickly it moved on to the production and sale of apple juice, cider and, to a lesser extent, other local fruit products. In 2018-19 (the most recent year for which figures are available), it processed some 6 metric tonnes of apples, producing 1218 bottles of juice for sale, 1114 bottles for 'buy back' (a scheme for juicing apples for return to the donor) and 671 bottles of cider. Sales give rise to an annual profit, which in recent years has been in the region of £2000. This is distributed to 'good causes' in the town and nearby villages on the basis of consensus among the volunteers. In 2019 funds were distributed as follows:

£240 Kirkbymoorside Community Library

£500 Kirkbymoorside Tennis Club

£500 Friends of Kirkbymoorside School

£256 Kirkbymoorside 10k event

£180 Kirkbymoorside History Group

£284 Marton Village Hall

£250 Kirkbymoorside Town Brass Band

From the beginning, the group has operated as a co-operative without formal officers (except for a treasurer), decisions being made by consensus among the volunteers at any one time. Chris and John were instrumental in setting up the Kirkby Fruit Project, and remain at its core.

The Kirkby Fruit Project meets a very real need in saving produce that would otherwise go to waste, and enhances the town's reputation for environmental awareness. Finally, the distribution of profits gives much valued support to other groups in our community.

20mph speed limit approved by North Yorkshire County Council Highway Authority

On 18th February 2020 the proposal to change the speed limit to 20mph for the full length of Westfields from the A170 and branching onto Tinley Garth and West End was finally approved by North Yorkshire County Council Highways Authority. The Traffic Regulation Order is in progress and signs designating the revised speed restriction will soon be installed.

Moors Gateway Rotary



Crocuses planted with help of the children at Nawton Primary School are now in bloom on verges in the village. The planting was organised by Moors Gateway Rotary which meets at Kirkbymoorside Library and last year, funded by the Town Council, the initiative was extended to Kirkbymoorside, as pictured. These purple flowers were chosen to represent the purple dye put on the little finger of children to indicate they have been immunised against Polio. Rotary has been working to eradicate the disease for more than 30 years. The goal of ridding the world of this disease is closer than ever.

As a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, Rotarians have reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent since our first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979. We've helped immunise more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries and contributed more than \$1.8 billion toward eradicating the disease worldwide.

Today, polio remains endemic only in Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. But it's crucial to continue working to keep other countries polio-free. If all eradication efforts stopped today, within 10 years, polio could paralyse as many as 200,000 children each year.



We are looking for people who want to give back to their communities. If you're interested in joining Rotary there are a number of options. Involvement in Rotary is flexible, ranging from full membership to project volunteering. Contact the admin department on 07718532009 for more information.

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Email articles and pictures by 26th June 2020 to town.clerk@kirkbymoorsidetownocuncil.gov.uk

THE Moorside ROOM

Open Studios @ The Moorside Room
6th & 7th and 13th & 14th June 2020

For the second consecutive year the North Yorkshire Open Studios will be held in The Moorside Room over the first two weekends in June. This exhibition provides an opportunity for selected artists and makers to open their studios, meet, promote and sell their work directly to the public. Kirkbymoorside artists Clare Belbin and Lyn Bailey will be exhibiting their paintings and print making this year.

For more information and a list of all 101 artists taking part visit www.nyos.org.uk or email info@nyos.org.uk for a free North Yorkshire Open Studios catalogue.



Musical Memories @ The Moorside Room,
every first Tuesday of the month

Musical Memories' hold fun, social singing sessions from 10.30 - 12.00 in the Moorside Room, on the first Tuesday of each month, except July and August. Live music (piano and guitar) and songbooks are provided as well as a warm welcome and a cuppa half way through. (A £4 voluntary contribution is requested).

No need to book just turn up and join the fun!

We need to raise £2000 to secure funding to continue running our incredibly popular Coffee, Cake and Conversation sessions and we're almost there but we do need your help to reach our goal. We need to raise another £279 by 21st April! We'd really appreciate any and all support (even just a nod via your social media channels would really help).

Thank you so much. Ruth and Neil



Repair Café @ The Moorside Room
16th May & 18th July

Throw away? No way!

The Repair Café, organised by the Kirkbymoorside Environment Group, encourages the repair and upcycling of items rather than discarding and adding them to landfill. Everyone is welcome to bring along any items that need repairing and the team of volunteers will do their best to mend them, free of charge.

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KIRKBYMOORSIDE SPRING CLEAN

Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th April

Residents and Businesses are asked to tidy up the areas around their properties & help their neighbours do the same.

If you walk a regular route please pick up along the way.

Bagged litter will be collected on Monday 6th April from:

Old Road & Ryedale View play areas;

Outside the Band Hall & Memorial Hall;

Kirkbymoorside Community Primary School;

the Fire Station & the sports field.

**LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO
KEEP KIRKBYMOORSIDE TIDY.**



Kirkbymoorside Library

Library Fundraising

It costs about £61.00 per day to keep the library open. To help raise funds a small group of volunteers sew, knit and crochet items to sell in the library. At the moment there are lots of Easter treats, together with the volunteers own home made jams and chutneys, home grown plants and second-hand books which are all available for sale to help raise funds. Please come and take a look and help support the library.

If you have any spare remnants of new fabric, wool, card making or craft items that we can use to make more items to sell, they would be gratefully received. We would also be happy to take books and sell any plants that you could donate, every little helps.

Join our Team

We welcome new volunteers and can offer a variety of roles and opportunities. We're a very friendly bunch with one thing in common – we all love the library! There are also roles or tasks that can be done from home if you don't want to volunteer in the library itself, such as helping with publicity.

Meeting Rooms and Hot-desking

There are two meeting rooms for hire, which can be made into one large room for bigger events.

Both rooms come with WiFi, smart board and projector.

We are offering hot desking on Wednesdays, and other days by agreement if the rooms are free, for £10 per day or £5 for a half day.

Become a Friend of the Library

This is the easiest way that you can help to keep a public library in Kirkbymoorside. For a minimum annual donation of £10 you will be playing a vital part in keeping the library open and at the heart of the community for everyone to enjoy. You'll also receive a newsletter and be invited to occasional special events.

If you are a UK taxpayer please Gift Aid your subscription and/or donation and help us even more. Call into the library to pick up a Friends membership application form

For more information and details of forthcoming events visit our website <https://kirkbymoorsidelibrary.org>, e: kirkbylibrary@outlook.com, t:01609 534557 or call in at the library.



'Open Gardens' In Bloom

This year's Kirkbymoorside 'Open Gardens' event will be held on Sunday, 7th June, from 11am to 5pm. Tickets, and maps will be available for £5 from the group's base at the corner of West End. The entry ticket includes a cream tea served in the delightful garden at the Quaker Meeting House. Children under 16 are free.

Once again Kirkbymoorside In Bloom look forward to working with Bils & Rye gallery and other local art studios to provide an additional creative dimension. Musical interludes promise to complement a quintessentially English summer's day. The very popular plant stall will be open for both contributions and purchases. There is already a lovely variety of gardens, but it is not too late to offer yours! The group would be particularly interested to include additional gardens in the West Pasture and Keldholme areas.

Kirkbymoorside In Bloom plant and maintain 99 tubs, troughs and baskets within the town. Almost half of these are very appreciatively sponsored by businesses in the town. The financial resourcing of the remainder is a considerable undertaking and the Open Gardens event provides an essential source of funding that enables the group to continue their programme of floral enhancement throughout the town. Judging by the numerous positive comments received, from local residents and visitors alike, these efforts are greatly appreciated.

For further details contact Gaynor on 01751 430250.



VE Day Anniversary Celebrations

Kirkbymoorside History Group will be celebrating the VE Day Anniversary on Saturday 9th May in the Memorial Hall. The event will feature displays and exhibits including a re-creation of an air-raid shelter, accounts and memories of locals on life in Kirkbymoorside in the war years. There will be a stall specialising in wartime artefacts as well as the pop-up Archives from Northallerton. The ticket price will also include street-party style refreshments and a choice of two guided walks through the churchyard and around town to see key sites from WWII.

"KEEP SMILING THROUGH"

KIRKBYMOORSIDE MEMORIAL HALL - 7.30PM

SATURDAY 9TH MAY 2020

The evening performance will feature singer Jessa Liversidge accompanied by Malcolm Maddock in a tribute to the efforts of the women of WWII with popular songs and stories of wartime women from Gracie Fields and Vera Lynn to poets, munitions workers, wives and mothers,

Entrance to the day event is £2 and the evening £8.

Tickets available from the Kirkbymoorside History Group

Kirkbymoorside Town Blog

I can't quite remember when the Town Blog was set up. If you look at it today, you will find that the earliest post is from 2010; there were still earlier ones which were lost in a change of software to the present Wordpress site. Even without them, however, the blog has been blowing a trumpet for Kirkby for a decade, with some 350 pages, over 5000 items, and daily viewing figures up to 300.

The blog aims to cover anything and everything happening in the town and environs, plus opinions and comment. It has a full copy of the town Shopping Guide, information on clubs and societies, and guides for visitors, but at the heart of it is the steady stream of news and views about matters big and small happening now in our town.

"The Town Blog" might sound official, but it is in fact run entirely by volunteers with no official standing. Think of it as a sort of newspaper: what we publish is what we choose to publish, and you, the reader, choose whether or not to read it.

We have two sources of information: what is sent to us, and what we find ourselves. We will publish anything submitted as long as it's relevant, legal and not abusive, including a modest amount of promotion for local businesses. There is no charge; we ourselves meet the only cost of running the site, which is web hosting (with thanks to the Kirkby Fruit Project who funded us last year).

We only feel able to write about things we know and understand, which is why, for example, there are never items on sport of any kind, a gaping hole considering what a variety of activities and teams the town supports.

We write the blog because we (mostly) enjoy doing it and because it gives us the opportunity to promote and support events, societies, charities, activities and businesses that appeal to us. We do get compliments from time to time, comments from readers overseas as well as from locals, and items sent spontaneously from unexpected sources. Thank you for all of those, sometimes it's a lonely task, like talking to yourself, so feedback is always welcome.

"We", the editorial team, have been a fluctuating group over the years. At present there is little more than just me, and I am getting old, so the future of the blog is becoming uncertain unless I get help. Yes, it can be time consuming, yes it can be tiresome, but it can also be rewarding, and is, I believe, a serious contribution to the town.

If you would like to join the editorial team (which means posting direct on to the site), please contact me via kirkbyblog@gmail.com. If you would like an occasional post to be featured these contributions are also very welcome and can be emailed to kirkbyblog@gmail.com or submitted via the 'Contact us' button on the website.

Whether or not you want to post, please read the blog from time to time, and feel free to comment.

www.kirkbymoorside.info

Jean Richards, Editor

Dates for your diary

(all services at All Saints' unless otherwise specified)

April

4th& 5th	Kirkbymoorside Spring Clean
Sat 4th	9.30am Coffee morning
Sun 5th	10.30am Eucharist & Procession (10.15am Palm meet at Church House)
Sunday	2.30pm Daffodil Service at St Mary's Church, Farndale
Mon 6th	7.30pm Holy Communion Service
Tues 7th	7.30pm Holy Communion Service
Weds 8th	7.30pm Holy Communion Service
Thurs 9th	7.30pm Holy Communion Stripping of the Altar followed by Vigil of Prayer til midnight
Maundy Thurs	Spring Fair, Memorial Hall
Fri 10th	9.30am Stations of the Cross (Family Worship)
Good Friday	2pm Liturgy of the Cross
Sat 11th	9.30am Easter Garden Preparation
Easter Eve	8pm Easter Eve Vigil
Sun 12th	8am Holy Communion
Easter Day	10.30am Family Communion
Sun 19th	KMEG Give or Take Day, Memorial Hall
Mon 20th	4pm Messy Church, Methodist Church
	7pm Planning Committee meeting, library
	7.30pm Town Council meeting, library

May

Sat 2nd	9.30am Coffee Morning, All Saints Church
Mon 3rd	Tractor Run and Kirkbymoorside 10k
Sat 9th	Spring Fair & VE Day Anniversary Celebration
	Kirkbymoorside History Group
Tues 12th	10.30am Musical Memories, Moorside Room
Sat 16th	9.30am KMEG Repair Café, Moorside Room
Mon 18th	4pm Messy Church, Methodist Church
	7pm Planning Committee meeting, library
	7.30pm Town Council meeting, the library
Thurs 21st	7.30pm Holy Communion
ASCENSION DAY	

June

Tues 2nd	10.30am Musical Memories, Moorside Room
Sat 6th	9.30am Coffee Morning
6th& 7th	Open Studios @ Moorside Room
Sun, 7th	11am 'Open Gardens' In Bloom
13th & 14th	Open Studios @ Moorside Room
Mon 15th	4pm Messy Church, Methodist Church
Weds 17th	9.30am Coffee Morning, Moorside Room
Sat 20th	2pm Teddy Bears' Picnic, Millenium Garden
Mon 22nd	7pm Planning Committee meeting, library
	7.30pm Town Council meeting, library

July

Sat 4th	9.30am Coffee Morning
Mon 13th	4pm Messy Church, Methodist Church
Tues 14th	11am Ryedale Festival Concert, All Saints'
Sat 18th	9.30am KMEG Repair Café, Moorside Room
Mon 20th	7pm Planning Committee meeting, library
	7.30pm Town Council meeting, library
Sat 25th	MEDIEVAL DAY, All Saints' Millenium Garden

Medieval Day will take place on 25th July. The All Saints churchyard and millennium garden will be filled with all things medieval - bunting, dressing up, spinning, weaving, pottery, games, stocks, archery, food, puppetry, medieval market, talks, demonstrations etc.