

Borrowby Village Hall Newsletter

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Aimed at keeping you informed about activities relating to the village hall.

Thanks to the continuing fundraising efforts, we have been able to purchase new cutlery, crockery and tablecloths for the village hall, so we can now cater for parties of up to 100. You may also have noticed that the railings around the steps and ramp have now been fitted.

We are also delighted to have secured a substantial grant to install the soundproof dividing wall between the small meeting room and the main hall, so hopefully that will be fitted shortly.

We would like to extend our thanks to those who donated time, cash and 'hoovers' (we now have one for the PO and one for the village hall), a white board and a cafetière, which is much appreciated by the book exchange!

The Book Exchange

The book exchange is thriving in the new hall. We have several new children's books, we sell printer paper at £2 per ream (£1 to the hall funds), and one lady even told me that she had only taken up reading since the book exchange started! This month we took over £60, boosted by sales of Judy Dinwiddie's wonderful chutneys.

AGM

The village hall AGM will take place on Monday 18 December at 8.00 pm. All welcome. This covers the period Sept 05-Sept 06.

Fundraising

Our most recent fundraising event was the Pampered Chef evening on Thursday 16 November, where we took £70 for tickets, £31 raffle, and £75 commission on sales. The net profit on a very enjoyable evening was £170. We have booked the Chef again for May and "Belles Cantos", the Sowerby Ladies' Choir, for another concert in March. Open Gardens is on June 11th, and we are hoping to arrange a flower-arranging workshop, and in the spring a soup and pud lunch.

The Shop

Following a recent meeting, a working party is looking into the feasibility of getting individual retailers to rent a shelf or freezer space. We are also hoping to get a group of volunteers together to coordinate the setting up of the shop—we need a project coordinator, treasurer & secretary. Please get in touch with Alan Delamore if you can help in any way (tel. 537483), and Norma 537503, if you would like to rent space. It will take a while, so expressions of interest now are important.

The Garden

Replanting the garden is our next job. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to donate plants. We will be in touch again when we need a planting party!

Newspapers

Newspaper collection for the top end of the village only has moved now from the Kingdon's house to the village hall entrance. Many thanks to Roger and Gaynor for putting up with us all for so long!

Post Office

Xmas is coming and remember there is a late opening time till 7pm on Tuesdays. PTO

Taster session of a new class : PILATES to music

We have a teacher who would be willing to do a taster session on a Wednesday morning, if there is enough interest. We would need 15 people for it to continue—but if you are interested in knowing more, please let Tricia Frith know 537008.