

# *Kippax Matters*

*September 2016*



Photographic Competition 2016 Winning Entry



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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>SEPTEMBER 2016</b>	
Week 1st-11th	<b>KVA 1st; Parish Council:</b> Neighbourhood Plan 6th; <b>Library:</b> Story time Friday 2pm; <b>Kippax Band 11th; KVA outing 9th;</b>
Week 12th-18th	<b>Library:</b> Story time Friday 2pm; <b>Readers Group Author event 12th;</b>
Week 19th-25th	<b>Library:</b> Friday 2pm Story time; <b>W.I. 21st;</b> <b>Parish Council:</b> Youth 22nd; <b>Kippax Band 25th;</b>
Weeks 26th-30th	<b>Library:</b> Friday 2pm Story time;
<b>OCTOBER 2016</b>	
Week 1st-9th	<b>Parish Council:</b> Planning 3rd/31st; <b>KVA 6th; Kippax Band 8th&amp; 9th</b> <b>Library:</b> Friday 2pm Story time; History talk 5th; <b>Methodist Harvest Festival 2nd;</b>
Week 10th-16th	<b>Library:</b> Friday 2pm Story time; <b>Readers Group 10th;</b>
Week 17th-23rd	<b>Parish Council:</b> Finance 17th; Council meeting 20th; Neighbourhood Plan 18th <b>Library:</b> Friday 2pm Story time; <b>W.I. 19th</b>
Weeks 24th-31st	<b>Parish Council:</b> Youth 27th; <b>Library:</b> Friday 2pm Story time
<b>NOVEMBER 2016</b>	
Weeks 1st-11th	<b>Parish Council:</b> Youth 2nd; Neighbourhood Plan 8th; Planning 28th; <b>Library:</b> Friday 2pm Story time; <b>KVA 3rd;</b>
Week 12th-18th	<b>Library:</b> Friday 2pm Story time; <b>Readers Group 14th;</b> <b>Parish Council:</b> Finance 14th; Council meeting 17th; <b>W.I. 16th</b>
Week 19th-25th	<b>Parish Council:</b> Christmas Lights Switch On 24th; <b>Library:</b> Friday 2pm Story time; <b>Dramatic Society 23rd-25th;</b>
Week 26th-31st	<b>Library:</b> Friday 2pm Story time; <b>Dramatic Society 26th;</b>

For more information about these events please see inside.

If you would like your dates for December 2016, January, February 2017 adding to this list, please let us know.

Email [magazine@kippaxparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:magazine@kippaxparishcouncil.gov.uk) or contact any councillor.

## EDITORIAL

Hello again. I hope everyone is well and enjoying what's left of the summer. As I am writing this (near the end of July) we are still experiencing a bit of a heatwave. It will be interesting to see if that is still the case when you receive your September magazine.

On the subject of receiving your magazine, it was brought to my attention recently that the June issue wasn't delivered to some residents until nearly the end of the month. We appreciate that this is not really acceptable as some events publicised had already passed by and we apologise. The editorial team do try to get the magazine to the printers as early as possible but sometimes life gets in the way! The production and delivery of Kippax Matters is undertaken entirely by volunteers who are sometimes ill, sometimes on holiday or sometimes simply unavailable. We have a list of reserve 'posties' who can take over if we know there is a problem. If you feel you could spare a little time and are willing to add your name to this list, please contact Joy Bate on [j2bate@homecall.co.uk](mailto:j2bate@homecall.co.uk) or tel: 0113 2866814. The more volunteers we have the less likely your magazine will be late. Please bear with us – we do try to do our best!

Having said all that, we hope you like the magazine and would love to hear your views, good or bad, so please get in touch. We do have spare copies so if you know someone who no longer lives in the village but would like a copy let us know. You can easily contact us by emailing [magazine@kippaxparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:magazine@kippaxparishcouncil.gov.uk) or speaking to any councillor. Contact telephone numbers are on page 28 and on the Parish Council website. There are some interesting articles in this issue, including a new Gardening page (p.31), which we hope will become a regular feature.

Looking for inspiration through previous issues, I came across the Editorial by Di McEwan in the March magazine. In this she pointed out what a lovely village we live in, populated by friendly and interesting people and groups. She firmly declared that there would be no moans and groans in her article and that she would only celebrate the good things. She's quite right of course, Kippax is a good place to live. So I had another look to see what it is that we all feel the need to moan about. I came up with a list of things that have been moaned about more than anything else:

Litter

Dog poo

Speeding

Parking

Buses

Too much sport on TV (no wait – that was just me!)

Of course there are some things we have little or no control over. We can't really control what's on TV or how well the buses run (although perhaps if more of us complained to Arriva/Metro, the service might improve? Who knows?)

But most of the things on my list ARE within our control

litter doesn't drop itself;

dogs don't care where they poo;

cars don't drive or park themselves.

People control those things. People who for the most part live in our lovely village. Maybe your friends and neighbours? Maybe us? We have it in our power to have much less to moan about. Sounds simple to me.

Whew! Think I need to lie down after that!

Enjoy the magazine.

**Val Laycock, Joint Editor**



#### GIRLGUIDING AND VOLUNTEERING

Girl guiding is as popular in Kippax and its surrounding areas as it ever was.

We currently have around 200 girls in the Kippax area (including Allerton Bywater, Swillington, Methley), and a nice healthy waiting list for all our guiding groups from Rainbows to Brownies to Guides.

What we are short of are volunteers. Without the women, young women and men who give their time freely each week to enable girls of all ages and abilities to enjoy challenges, games, crafts, sleepovers, outdoor events, singing and much, much more, the groups just could not go ahead.

Girlguiding is one of the largest volunteer-led charities for girls and young women in the UK. Everyone is welcome and if you think you could volunteer some of your time, I'm sure there would be a role for you. We can offer you support, training and opportunities to learn new skills, meet new people, make new friends and overall have fun.

You can register your interest on the Girlguiding website [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk). Or for more information you can contact me: - Sheila Bryant District Commissioner for Kippax Division on

Email [Sheila@brymar.co.uk](mailto:Sheila@brymar.co.uk) or mob 07969141808

## Street dance & Drama classes

Kippax Ex-Service & Social Club (British Legion)

**Street dance level 1** Mondays 4.15-5.00pm (3-6yrs)

**Street dance** (general level) Mondays 5.00-6.00pm (6-12yrs)

**Street dance** (general level) Tuesdays 5.00-6.00pm (6-12yrs)

**Drama theatre group** Tuesdays 6.00-7.00pm (5-16yrs)

**Adult Street dance** Tuesdays 7.00-8.00pm (suitable for all ages & abilities)

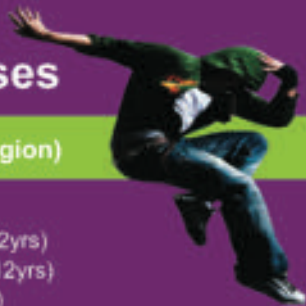
No experience necessary, come along & have fun learning the latest dance moves!



Mondays 6.15-7.15pm

Wednesdays 6.30-7.30pm

For more information please contact Caroline on **07770 871331**



## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

By the time you read this, most people will have had their summer holidays and the children will have gone back to school, (did I hear a sigh of relief?) I hope that you all had a great time.

Also the breeze event will be just a memory but, I hope a lasting one. This year we tried to make it bigger and better, taking on board the comments made last year.

I would like to update you on projects that the Parish Council has helped with. These include the under 6's football team, Kippax Guides and Kippax in Bloom.

The Skate park project is still progressing and we have to get a drainage survey done and secure the funding to enable the project to be completed.

Work on the war memorial is almost complete but we had a setback, the arm fell off the angel and we cannot decide whether the cause was fat pigeons or just fatigue. By the time you read this she should have been repaired, all ready for the Remembrance Day service in November.

Looking forward to Christmas, we are planning the switch on show; this is on November 24th from 6.00 pm. We have already had confirmation that Ronnie Rhino will be coming and that Bare Brass will be on stage. If you want to be part of the show, or have a fund raising stall on the High Street please contact either myself or Cllr. Gail Hardwick

We are once again holding the competition to design a Christmas Card for use on the December issue of this magazine. All details are on our website and have been sent into schools. Get designing Kids and win a prize.

**Cllr. Doug Morley 20/07/2016**

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Cannot believe its September already, where has the year gone?

So what have we been up to at W.I.?

**May** - Jacqueline from Family History came and gave us a talk, and tips, practical help on finding your ancestors. With a power point demonstration, this was very informative and enjoyed by all.

**June** - an evening with Jason, at Jason's Salon; and did he do us proud, with wine, and/or coffee from Black and Cream flowing all evening.

Demonstration on cutting, comb up, and bridle hair demonstration style.

Jason, as usual, was on top form with tales and anecdotes keeping us all entertained. We ended the evening with sandwiches, cakes etc. and all left with a goodie bag. Thank you so much Jason, here's hoping he'll do it again next year because it will definitely be a full house like it was in June.



Pauline

Isabel

Sybil



**July** - Our summer outing to Burton Agnes Hall and Gardens then on to Bridlington.

What a fabulous day out we had and the sun shone all day.

Morning at Burton Agnes. Coffee and scones at the on-site café, then a look round the House and Gardens and back on the coach for an afternoon at Bridlington - and what a lovely afternoon we had! It was so hot we had to have a paddle.



Kath Gill Gill Margaret

**August** - W.I. Does Strictly

**September** - Helen Cox - All about chocolate

**October** - AGM - Quiz and Games.

Come and join us, we meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday in every month at 7.30 in Gibson Lane Community Centre.

**Kathleen Jackson, W.I. Member**

## KIPPAX METHODIST CHURCH

The Methodist Minister for Kippax is the Reverend Andrew Checkley, Tel: 0113 2877669.

### **Worship and other regular activities**

Sunday	10:30 am	Weekly Worship and Junior Church.
Monday	7:30 pm	Fellowship Meeting
Tuesday	9:30 - 11:15 am	Coffee Morning
	9:00 am	Holy Communion on the first Tuesday of each month.
Wednesday	12:30 pm	Men's Lunch Group meets monthly September to June
	7:30 pm	Weekly Dance Group
Friday	1:30 – 3:00 pm	Babies & Toddler Group for mums and Babies/toddlers up to two years old.
	7:00 pm - 8.30	Friday Feeling Junior Youth Club. (7 years and upwards) (Please tel.0113 2869808 for availability of places.)
Saturday	8:15am	Prayer Breakfast 2nd Saturday of the month
	7:15 pm	Dance, the 2nd Saturday of the month.

You are welcome to join us for any of these regular events, as well as the ones listed below

Pram Club & Toddler Group operates during term time only.

Baptisms and Weddings by arrangement with Rev Andrew Checkley.

2nd October 10:30 am Harvest Festival Service

For details of future events, look at the notice-board or at posters in the Church windows.

Church rooms are for hire, special rates for Children's (Under 10 years of age) Birthday parties.

Ring 0113 2869488 for details.

## LIFE AFTER WORK

What do you do when you retire? Sit back and relax and enjoy the new found freedom? Or do you take on a new lease of life and do something else? Well, former Kippax Parish Councillor and Editor of the magazine, Steve Ward is doing just that. Since retiring from teaching a few years ago he is now carving out a new career as a writer. Over the years he has written many articles for genealogy and history magazines but has now moved into writing books. His interests in genealogy and anything historical, as well as his long association with the circus form the basis of much of his work. A children's novel, an historical novel and two books on aspects of the social history of the circus are already under his belt; the latest, 'Sawdust Sisterhood; How Circus Empowered Women', having been recently released. At present he is now working on a social history of Temple Newsam for publication next year. Oh, and another historical novel is half completed, hopefully to be finished by the end of the year. If anyone wants to find out more about Steve and his writing you can visit [www.steve-ward.net](http://www.steve-ward.net) for further information.

## KIPPAX IN BLOOM

It is that time of year again. No, I don't mean it's summer. (Actually, has that arrived yet?) I mean that the village magazine requires another article, giving the problem of trying to be fresh and not repeat the content of previous articles. However, the nature of 'Blooming' is cyclical, following a similar pattern year on year - designing, digging, weeding, pruning, planting, and of course litter-picking.

Having said that, this year is a special year as we proudly represent Yorkshire in the Britain in Bloom competition. I hope you have all seen the banners attached to lampposts at entrances to the village. On Thursday 11th August the judges from the Royal Horticultural Society will descend on Kippax and decide just how successful Kippax in Bloom has been this year. Consequently, by the time you read this all will have been done and dusted, although the results will not be known until October.

Being in Britain in Bloom brings new challenges and also requires new developments, not just a repetition of past years. And so the preparations are in full swing. Below is a sample of a few of the things being done

It has been great to see and appreciate the facelift given to the Library and with our help they have put colourful planters outside.

Thanks to the Parish Council with the support of Leeds City Council, the war memorial and the gardens surrounding it has also had a very welcome facelift Nic Alderson, the dry-stone waller, is building a cairn in the shape of a beehive to celebrate our entry into British in Bloom, (remember that in the last edition of the magazine it was reported that volunteers a giant bee) while Dave of local firm 'Drive Reviver' has cleaned Butt Hill Gardens and the Wells Garden. Both are local residents helping Britain in Bloom.



Also when you read this, you will have seen Kippax Art Clubs makeover of 'the cottage.'

At Calvert Close, a Dutch style of planting perennials, with a path of sleepers through the bed and pale coloured gravel has been developed.

Large Trachycarpus palms were planted outside the Co-op to give a tropical feel.

With the help of cubs and scouts following the instructions of Barry, a volunteer at the RSPB at Fairburn Ings, a bug hotel was created in the Wild Life garden. Volunteers worked with pupils at Kippax North Primary School to plant a vegetable garden. The pupils also rehearsed a speech to be made to the Britain in Bloom judges.



At the time of writing, Christine Porter is writing a poem to welcome those same judges. Many thanks go to her. We are also grateful to the pupils of Greenfields School who have produced colourful posters to adorn the route the judges will take.

It is also pleasing to note that we have some new volunteers which is very welcome.

We would still welcome more as the tasks don't get any less as we strive to make the village a good place to live. Just pop in to Pat's sweet shop on the High Street, e-mail her at [psamykib@aol.com](mailto:psamykib@aol.com) or give her a ring on 0113 2862283.

Our web page is [kippaxinbloom.com](http://kippaxinbloom.com)

As always we are grateful to Marie at Woodend Nurseries for all of her help with our entry in Britain in Bloom. Also our thanks go to all of our sponsors, our Parish Council whose support is tremendous, our ward councillors and the Parks and Countryside Department of Leeds City Council. And of course, as usual, our wonderful volunteers. Give them a cheery wave when you see those high-viz jackets!

## PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 2016



**Overall winner: Iain Sterland**

Runners up: (in alphabetical order)

Amanda Shepherdson

Andrew Parkinson

Iain Sterland

Mark Otley

Neil E

Richard Thorley

Ruth Barrett (2 photos)

Sharon Harrison

William Milnthorp  
(2 photos)

Competition judged by **Leanne Walker**, part time professional photographer from  
'**Photography by Graham**'

**Alec Shelbrooke MP**

Conservative Member of Parliament for Emsay & Rothwell



HOUSE OF COMMONS  
LONDON SW1A 0AA

Dear resident,

In June the United Kingdom voted by a majority of 1,009,501 votes to leave the European Union. As a democrat I respect that result and as your Member of Parliament I will now work to deliver it in Parliament.

Government is a serious business. Britain needs a strong and serious leader and I believe that is what we have with Theresa May as Prime Minister.

As Home Secretary she has shown real fortitude: exposing police corruption; tackling modern slavery; standing up to the United States in blocking the extradition of Gary McKinnon; and flying to Jordan to negotiate the successful deportation of Abu Qatada from Britain.

We need robust, proven leadership to steer us through this period of economic and political uncertainty, and to take on Germany's Chancellor Merkel in negotiating the best possible terms as we leave the European Union.

Whichever way we voted in the European referendum it is important that we now pull together to make the result work in our national interest.

Brexit means Brexit and we're going to make a success of it.

Yours sincerely,

**Alec Shelbrooke MP**

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# Attics & Acres Talk

The archive of the Graham Family  
of Norton Conyers

Discover your local history by exploring the archive of the Graham Family of Norton Conyers, original home of the mad woman in the attic from Jane Eyre. Who was poisoned and who was the Black Sheep of the family?

**Wednesday 5th October at 2pm**

**Kippax Library**

Westfield Lane, Kippax, Leeds, LS25 7JP

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[enquiry.express@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:enquiry.express@leeds.gov.uk)

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## **DOG LOVERS OF KIPPAX – You must read this! ENDING THE DOG MEAT TRADE IN ASIA**

A Soi Dog co-founder and president John Dalley said that if there is one thing he would like to see achieved in his lifetime, it would be an end to South East Asia's horrific dog meat trade.

Millions of dogs every year are trafficked and brutally killed for the legal dog meat trade in Thailand, Vietnam, and neighbouring countries. Many of them are stolen family pets. Dogs are often skinned and boiled alive, tortured because of a belief that pain tenderizes the meat. This multi-million-dollar trade is run by criminals who deal in pain and misery.

Soi Dog raises awareness of this cruel industry, and works with Thailand's law enforcement agencies to arrest smugglers and rescue dogs.

Soi Dog is committed to eliminating this horrific industry. The costs involved in ending the dog meat trade, including feeding and caring for the dogs rescued from smugglers, are tremendous, and we can only do it with your help and donations.

Soi Dog's mission is to improve the welfare of dogs and cats in Asia, resulting in better lives for both the animal and human communities, to create a society without homeless animals, and to ultimately end animal cruelty.

Soi Dog's vaccination programme is helping to eliminate rabies. Phuket was named the first rabies-free province by the World Health Organisation as a direct result of this programme. Soi Dog co-founder Gill Dalley said that this is a huge achievement in benefiting both animal and human communities alike.

Soi Dog Foundation is a legally registered charitable organisation in six countries. Established in 2003 on the island of Phuket, Thailand, Soi Dog is South East Asia's largest organisation helping stray animals. It has permanent facilities in Phuket and Bangkok, and responds to crisis situations throughout the region.

The organisation is dedicated to implementing effective, sustainable solutions that reduce suffering of dogs and cats in Asia. Both the Soi founders John and Gill are originally from Leeds.

Soi Dog works efficiently, so all donations are used to help animals as effectively as possible. Please contact [www.soidog.org](http://www.soidog.org) to make a donation, sponsor or adopt a dog or cat.

### **WHAT WILL YOUR CONTRIBUTION ACCOMPLISH? JUST ASK SHIVER!**

*Shiver Before*

*Shiver After*



**“WITHOUT YOUR HELP, THERE IS NO HOPE FOR DOGS LIKE ME!”**

Facebook page: [facebook.com/SoiDogPageInEnglish](https://facebook.com/SoiDogPageInEnglish)

***Paula-Dawn***

# The Boy With The Patang

Zarina Bonass



## The Boy With The Patang Author Event

**Monday 12th September**

**5.45 – 6.45 p.m.**

**Kippax Library**

"On a rooftop in Sikimpur, a boy and girl fly kites. Years later, they meet again on their wedding day ....."

Join us and local author Zarina Bonass as she reads from and talks about her new novel *The Boy with the Patang*.

**Free event. No booking required.**

**Suitable for adults.**

For more information call **0113 247 6016**  
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## HELLO FROM EVERYONE AT KIPPAX COMMUNITY HUB

So our fantastic new Kippax Community Hub opened on the 9<sup>th</sup> May in the library building which is newly re-furnished. This is proving to be an ever more popular facility as word spreads as to what we can offer. It is a fantastic asset to the community plus there is now increased access to library services, as opening hours have increased from 21 hours a week to 44 hours! Library facilities including photocopying, black and white and colour A4 & A3, scanning, access to daily newspapers etc. continue as normal.

Customer Services are now available in the hub to provide help with all aspects of housing, refuse, disabled parking badges, housing and council tax benefit and many other council services. Please note there is a limited access to customer service enquiries on Saturdays and after 4.45pm on weekdays. There is also a Jobshop which provides people with help and support for getting back into work, updating your C.V, looking for Apprenticeships etc. A job vacancies file is available with current jobs and apprenticeships you can apply for, please call in and take a look.

The Community Hub continues to offer free computer access, and printing facilities are available for which a charge of 20p per A4 copy is payable.

### Self Serve Computers

Public computers in the hub now have a link to the Leeds City Council Once Stop Self Service Page where you can make online council enquiries yourself such as Register for Council Tax billing, make a payment online, help with budgeting/Debt Advice , bid for a home, report a housing repair, apply for a Job with Leeds City Council.

We also have a Freephone situated upstairs in Kippax Community Hub where you can make phone calls to other council services such as Local Welfare Support, Adult and Children's Services, Planning, DWP/Job Centre plus and other organisations such as Step Change (free debt advice) and Victim Support.

### Dates For Your Diary

Under 5's Storytime and Rhymetime, join us every Friday 2pm to 2.30pm

Kippax Readers Group meets every second Monday of the month 5.45pm to 6.45pm

### Future Events

Join us for our free adult event on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September** between 5.45pm to 6.45pm when local author Zarina Bonass reads from and talks about her new novel The Boy with The Patang.

Come along to the Attics and Acres Talk on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016** at 2pm and explore the archive of the Graham family of Norton Conyers, home of the mad woman in the attic from Jane Eyre.

### Please make a note of our new opening hours

Monday	10am - 7pm
Tuesday	9am - 5pm
Wednesday	9am - 5pm
Thursday	9am - 5pm
Friday	9am - 5pm
Saturday	10am -1pm

With all our best wishes from all the staff at Kippax Community Hub.

For up to date information on what resources are available online visit [www.leeds.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/libraries) or follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Flickr at

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## WE SHALL REMEMBER

On a bright summer's day in 1916, thousands of men waited. The roar of artillery broke the stillness of the morning, lasting for approximately an hour and a half, then stopped and silence ensued for a few moments. This was broken by sound of whistles and the waiting men did their duty. This was the start of the battle of the Somme.

**The date 1<sup>st</sup> July 1916, the time 07:30.**

By the end of the day over 57,000 men were either dead or wounded.

So today 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016, we stand at our memorial for those brave men who died in that battle, to remember them and all who fell in that war and have fallen since and to rededicate our memorial.

The rededication started with people gathering in the memorial garden for 7:00pm. At 7:15 a single church bell tolled and the rededication of the memorial took place, starting with poems read by the children from the Friday Feelings Youth Club (Methodist church).



The rededication was led by Revd. Canon Rosemary Hayes from St. Mary's assisted by Revd. Andrew Checkley from the Methodist church.

The rededication was followed by the laying of wreaths in remembrance of those who fell on that first day and subsequent days – as the wreaths were laid the names of those from Kippax who fell on that day and subsequent days were read out.



At 7:30 three blasts from a whistle were sounded to signify the moment when those brave men went "over the top"

A beacon was lit as Nigel and Nicola Darbyshire from Kippax Brass Band played the last post, followed by two minutes silence broken by the playing of Reveille.



The ceremony concluded with the singing of the National Anthem and a blessing by the Revd. Canon Rosemary Hayes.

Wreaths were laid by:

On behalf of the Her Majesty the Queen:  
The Deputy Lieutenant of West Yorkshire,  
Mr. Michael Fox

On Behalf of the Royal British Legion:  
Mrs. Michelle Gee

On behalf of Leeds City Council:  
Councillor Mary Harland.

On Behalf of Kippax Parish Council:  
Councillor Doug Morley

On behalf of The Western Front Society:  
Chairman of the West Riding Branch, Mrs. Mavis Sellers

We would like to thank all those who attended this very moving commemoration service; also we thank our flag bearer Keith Arundel. Finally we thank those people from The Royal British Legion and Kippax Parish Council, for organising the service.

Francis Kelly  
Vice –Chair Kippax Parish Council



## KIPPAX ART GROUP

Despite the very unusual weather the Kippax Art Group has had a good attendance through the year. The subject matter of our art works is still varied and we presented a display of our work at the Parish Flower show, showing what we have achieved and hopefully interesting prospective members into coming and joining us. We had over 40 Pictures done by our members;



prominent was a work 'in progress' including most of the current membership which was commented on by most of our visitors. Look on our Twitter to find details of our meeting nights, #kippaxartgroup. There are plans afoot for guest artists to come and talk and demonstrate. Last meeting in August (31st) we will be having a demonstration by local artist, Dave Newbould. Should be an entertaining evening!

We are always happy to welcome new faces and supply equipment for a trial session. Do pop in. 1st, 2nd, 4th (and 5th if there is one) Wednesday from 7pm until 9pm at Gibson Lane, Community Centre, Kippax.

# ST MARY'S CHURCH KIPPAX

Clergy:     Revd Rosemarie Hayes - 0113 286 2710  
              Revd Diane Flynn - 0113 286 4607  
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## REGULAR SERVICES

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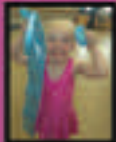
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## Lorraine School of Theatre Dance

Kippax Community Centre, Gibson Lane, Kippax, LS25 7BA. Tel: 0790 4643 502

Here are some photos of just a few of our school achievements over the past year. Freestyle Scholarship Winner 2015 Elle [daughter of Deputy Principal Miss Michaela] in Birmingham with one of our young teachers Miss Sophie [also a past pupil]. Holly and Poppy Freestyle finalists 2016 Birmingham. Annie Knight Modern Scholarship nominee Manchester and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the North & West Yorkshire Junior Modern Championship 2016. Plus a group of our successful students with their trophies won at recent dance festivals and one of our up and coming starlets Betsy [second generation, daughter of past pupil Vanessa].



Pupils participate in regular IDTA examinations. We have an annual school show where pupils can show off their talent and gain stage craft and even entertain the crowds with Castleford Tigers Cheerleaders & Claws. Many of our pupils have gone on to have careers in TV and theatre, dancing on cruise liners, students/scholars at Renaissance and Performers College. We are a local dance school who take pride in what we teach come along and give us

## **KIPPAX DRAMATIC SOCIETY**

Accident? Or something more sinister?

That is the question posed by our November production 'Instinct for Murder.'

Two years have passed since the tragic death of a young woman in a small northern village but not everyone is happy to put the whole terrible business behind them.

Tickets for this intriguing full length play - full details of which are given on the flyer opposite - can be obtained by telephoning one of the numbers below.

We look forward to seeing you.

For tickets, or for any information about our society, the numbers to ring are: 0113 2862834 or 0113 2871693

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Band Night Band Club - Barnsley Brass                      Free Concert 8pm

### **25th Sept**

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### **8th & 9th Oct**

Cabaret

### **4th Dec**

Band Night Christmas Concert Band Club                      8pm

### **11th Dec**

Garforth Church Christmas Concert                              7pm

### **17th Dec**

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### **18th Dec**

Kippax Church Christmas Concert                                7.30pm



**KIPPAX DRAMATIC SOCIETY**

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*by Mary Webb*

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## STEPPING UP TO THE CHALLENGE

The Lower Aire Valley Volunteers have been hard at work these past couple of months; with two large projects to complete before June it was a race against time to finish the work. Ledston Luck Nature Reserve saw a range of changes with improvements to access around the whole reserve. The volunteers installed waymakers for a circular route, interpretation boards and the finale was a flight of 48 woodland steps making the site accessible from another entrance. With this new infrastructure and a new fence, the site is now looking forward to having cattle grazing the grasslands for a couple of months this autumn. The Yorkshire Wildlife Trust use cattle as a conservation grazing tool as they are brilliant at removing the old rank grasses, they improve the species diversity by controlling the dominant grasses and through disturbing the soil they create clear areas that flowers can seed.



*Stepping up to the challenge - Volunteers installing the steps at Ledston Luck and the final product!*

Other tasks that the volunteers have been involved in this summer are the clearance of paths, Himalayan balsam pulling and litter picking. You would not believe the number of bags of litter that have been filled these past months. On just one of our nature reserves, Kippax Meadows, we pulled off 17 bags of litter in just 2 hours!

Looking ahead to our autumn and winter programme of work there are a range of tasks to keep the volunteer group going, from hay cutting and raking at Hollinghurst wood and Townclose Hills to scrub clearance on Kippax Meadows and some coppicing and thinning in Billy Wood and Owl wood.

If you would like to know more about the Lower Aire Valley volunteers, Yorkshire Wildlife trust or would like to join us for one of our days please contact

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I hope to see you out there soon!

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Jean was one of a high-flying group of just 74 Slimming World Consultants who have all become Gold Consultants in the last 12 months.

"It's not just a triumph for me though, this award belongs to my 120 members too. They're the ones who make our group the success that it is, with their fabulous commitment, the lovely warm welcome they give new members and the wonderful compassionate support they give each other every week.

"I truly believe I have the best job in the world helping people to lose weight and achieve their dreams.

## CONTACT KIPPAX PARISH COUNCILLORS

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Parish Council meetings are held at 7-00pm on the third Thursday of each month at Mount Pleasant Community Centre and are open to the public.

Planning meetings are also held monthly – please check notice boards or the website for dates.

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## YOUR COMMENTS

### To All residents of Kippax

You may be aware there was a Public Inquiry in Leeds Civic Hall on the 5th July to decide on an appeal made by Persimmon Homes against Leeds City Council rejection of an application to build 156 houses behind Sandgate Drive. This has been going on since August 2013 when the application was first submitted. There isn't enough space to give you the whole history but this was the opportunity to confirm that the decision to reject building was correct as there are more sustainable sites in the area and it was not allocated for housing by Leeds City Council in their draft local site plan.

Sandgate Residents Association applied for a special status so we could appear alongside the Council at the Inquiry to support this position, a lot of work for me personally and for other residents. However 5 days before the Inquiry on the 30th June the Council informed me they would not defend their decision at the Appeal and would be withdrawing all the evidence of their case as they had been informed they had lost another similar appeal and the timing was "unfortunate" . They made a decision to sacrifice this site in Kippax and residents views to the situation. We decided it was still important that our views were heard so we defended the appeal for two days on our own against the Persimmon team of lawyers and experts - a team of 9 people. The Council Barrister and Solicitor sat through the two day process and said nothing.

Some local residents did attend the Inquiry and I was very grateful for their support, many didn't as they thought as we had obviously lost what was the point, I can understand, but I was disappointed. It was very important that we attended as we were able to influence some key areas. If the development goes ahead and it will probably be a number of weeks before we find out, we have influenced the phasing of the development, the conditions that will be attached including affordable housing to be for local people first. If and when the construction management plan is discussed covering hours of work, parking etc we will have input and have already made suggestions. Please note it was Sandgate residents and not our local Councillors who were in this meeting for nearly 2 hours discussing this to inform the Inspector of what to possibly include in the conditions.

I am personally feeling very let down and bruised by the situation and the Council choosing to turn their back on us, there are a lot of considerations I know and Leeds has some very difficult challenges ahead with its housing policy but not standing by the people who elected you is never justifiable. I hope they take a long look at what happened and why and learn some lessons otherwise they will no doubt be punished at the ballot box.

**Allison Payne**

**Sandgate Residents**

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Seen on Sandgate Drive - a dog owner picking up excretion in a black bag and depositing same over a small wall into a garden. Perhaps a comment in the next Kippax Matters will be read by the culprit and be shamed into using the bin provided.

**(Name withheld)**

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I think it is about time that some sort of crossing whether it be a zebra crossing or a pelican crossing was introduced on the main road outside the library.

Are we waiting for someone to get seriously injured or worse before anything is done?

My Granddaughter and I tried for nearly five minutes the other day to get across the road.

I am sure other people are having the same problem (especially the elderly). If money can be found to build a skateboard park, surely people's safety should be a priority.

**From a Kippax resident.**

I am writing with regard to the path that has recently been instated that leads from the back of Calvert Close, across the fields and ends near the Crusader pub. This path is now very well used since it was paved and is no longer a dirt track. It's a really useful short cut from Kippax to Garforth, particularly for school children who live in Kippax and attend Garforth academy as it allows them to cross the A63 safely and it is also utilised by many dog walkers. Since I have started walking my dog along this route I have noticed an awful lot of litter and dog poo that has not been picked up by the owners. On trying to work out why people think this is acceptable I noticed that there are no bins at either end of this path. While most users just take their rubbish home with them, maybe if bins were installed then the minority who think it is acceptable to either drop litter or not pick up after their dogs might be reminded that the rubbish should be binned if they had to walk past one at either end of the path.

Many thanks for your time

Kind regards

***Dawn Savage***

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## A VIEW FROM A KIPPAX GARDEN by EBG Jardinero

Most days I get some joy associated with plants or gardens, whether it's mine, someone else's or from being in the countryside.

How do I define what I get from it? My dictionary says that the definition of 'a garden' is 'a piece of land for growing flowers, fruit or vegetables'.

From my own experience and listening to the opinion of others, I see it as a much wider picture.

For me, it's not just about growing flowers, fruit and vegetables, but I see my garden as a part of nature as a whole, with everyone else's gardens and the countryside, combined. Plus, I do get a lot of pleasure from doing the actual gardening but there are also times when I go into a garden, just to relax. Very important for my mental welfare as well as my physical.

I prefer to garden organically, which means not using artificial pesticides or fertilisers. I have to accept that sometimes pests will win a battle but hopefully not the war.

I need to try and outwit them whether this is netting cabbages to keep pigeons off or removing the tops of broad bean stems, when blackfly have gathered there, as they find the soft tips easier to pierce to suck sap from which weakens the plants.

I've also put piles of logs in quiet corners to encourage hedgehogs as they are allies of the gardener, eating pests such as snails, which are so attracted to the leaves of my hostas.

I do like to relax in the garden and I have a number of seats and low walls where I can sit down and admire the views, take it all in and proverbially sniff the roses.

Whilst I still forget to water some beds now and then, losing plants in the process, I have been much more disciplined over the summer months this year, in trimming back plants that have got too wide for their space. I buy them small and when they grow, they outgrow their neighbours and I end up losing plants because they can't cope with the shade and competition. The picture shows a gold leaved mock orange after the sides have been pruned, keeping enough of its own flowering shoots to bloom later. The agapanthus below it then have the chance to show off their own flower spikes.



### Jobs for the Months Ahead

**September** – keep feeding and deadheading bedding plants until they are defeated by frosts. Harvest apples and pears and store in a frost free and dark place. It's the time to start planting daffodils in the ground and containers.

**October** – apply an autumn lawn feed; don't use a summer one as it will encourage lush growth that will be spoilt in winter conditions. Lift, divide and replant herbaceous perennials (they die down every year) such as primulas and asters.

**November** – prune long stems of roses by a third to prevent them rocking in winter wind. Use a lawn rake to remove thatch and moss, spike it to get some air into compacted turf and brush in lawn sand into the resulting holes. Leave the flower heads on grasses for show over winter and they give forage, and somewhere to hide, for wildlife.

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