

Kippax Matters

September 2018



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THE BLACKBIRD

I am sitting here listening to a Blackbird sing
He's not able to do it on the wing
Instead he sits on a treetop high
So his melodious song carries across the sky

The song he sings is loud and sweet
Then I can enjoy it from my seat
He sings his song for quite a time
So that gives me time to write this rhyme

For a good while he sings his tune
Early morn or maybe afternoon
Sometimes it maybe late at night
When we have the summers light

But after a while he stops singing and will
leave
But that's no time to sit and grieve
He's likely to be back tomorrow you see
To sing again for you and me.

Mike Rose.

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BUSY SCHOOL

Well, what a great term that this has been
Right here at Kippax North.
We've watched the 'Tour De Yorkshire' race
And cheered for all our worth.

We raised a toast for the Royal 'do' –
'Harry and Megan, lots of luck!'
We incubated eggs in our Year 5
Resulting in three pet ducks.



We received the cycle baton,
From our friends from Greenfield school,
We cycled in the Tour De Garforth –
Ate ice creams to keep us cool.



We won the skipping competition
Out of everyone in Leeds.
We're being judged by 'Schools in Bloom' –
We've nurtured lots of seeds.

To finish off this busy term,
One last thing you all should know.
Our school production 'Darwin Rocks'
Is the show to end all shows.

KIPPAX & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The society was formed in March 1988 and emerged from a three-year series of local history evening classes organised by Leeds City Council.

They met in the now long gone chapel schoolroom next to the Library for some years.

Most of the early meetings consisted of having a speaker come to educate and entertain some 30 plus members in the early days.

In the succeeding years the society produced the Kippax Chronicles Volumes 1-15, which led to our applying for and getting a grant from the National Lottery to do our 'A History of Kippax' book.

We have also done fieldwalking, village walks, and proceeds from the sale of the book paid for a display board for the castle, WWII memorial in the church, cornet for the band, railings for the village War Memorial and finally the planters.

We feel we have left our mark on the village in the thirty years of our existence.



EDITORIAL

Hello again

There are three topics that I want to include in my editorial this time.

- The photo on the front of the last magazine was of Well Lane, this is located between the gardens at Cross Hills and the HUB (Library). It was just a fun thing. We may do another.
- When this magazine was introduced it was not for the sake of advertisers (although we do appreciate them) but for the sake of information. The sharing of views and queries about all things affecting life in Kippax. We three Editors put it together using items that are sent to us and items that we think you will be interested in. Often we ask questions which we think are applicable to local issues or indeed are raised in 'Your Comments'. However, we do not receive many answers to our questions, although they are crucial for us to maintain the production of a publication which is in touch with and relative to all residents. It is a "two-way" situation you know. Please try to help us.
- I realise that this is rather early, but I want you to think about the fact that all your Parish Councillors lose their positions next May. Another group of candidates will need to apply. They are voted for in the same regulated circumstances as the Leeds Ward Councillors, by Ballot Paper in a Polling Booth. Anybody, (including our present councillors, as long as they apply again and fit the criteria), can apply. Unfortunately, if we do not get more applications than the required number for Kippax, which is 16, they are all accepted "unopposed". Therefore, nobody gets the opportunity to have their say by using their vote. Personally, I think this is a shame, but it is up to YOU. The more people who complete an application to be a candidate for election the more democratic the procedure will become. Please think hard about this opportunity and then we do not have to rely on co-option. (No offence meant)
The Main CRITERIA for becoming a Parish Councillor: -
Must be age 18 or over, Must have worked or resided in or within 3 miles of Kippax boundary for 12 months on day of nomination, Must be a British citizen or eligible Commonwealth citizen etc. for 12 months.
THIS IS A VERY CONCISE VERSION.

Please request a Nomination pack when the time comes.

Many thanks for reading this. **Joy Bate. (An Editor). 2866814**



Izabella Fort (See p13)

Kippax Methodist Fellowship

Are you looking for an evening activity for friendship and company?

Our Monday evening Fellowship group is open to everyone.

7.30 at Kippax Methodist Church, Chapel Lane, commencing September 10th 2018

Our Autumn programme will include:

A Harvest Entertainment by our own Music group



An evening of Monologues and Humorous Recitations with Ina Macgregor



A talk on Local History by Edgar Pickles



A talk on Archery by Rev. Andrew Checkley



A talk on Local WW1 Research Ashley Land



An evening with the Handbell Ringers



An evening of Christmas Poetry and Carols



If you would like a printed Fellowship programme, please call **0113 2862660**

Or

Why not call in to our Coffee Mornings on Tuesdays, 9.30-11.00

KIPPAX IN BLOOM

In the last edition of "Kippax Matters," we were four weeks behind in the growing season as a result of the consistently awful weather. Little did we know then that since May we would have a heat-wave with a total absence of rain which would bring further difficulties for Pat and the volunteers. One just has to look at the state of the grass everywhere to appreciate the size of the problem. So, trying to maintain the health of flower beds in the absence of any rain and such high temperatures for such a long time is something of a nightmare. Consequently, watering has been a major issue and has added hours and hours to the workload. We have heard that some villages and towns have withdrawn from this year's Yorkshire in Bloom competition as a result of the problems created by the drought but we have a great team who have battled on despite the problems and will continue even after judging.

Again, in the last edition, we looked forward to the Tour De Yorkshire arriving in Kippax. The 'In-Bloom' contribution was the planting of blue and yellow flowers in beds and pots throughout the village and continuing to maintain our borders and beds week in week out as always. And my word, didn't the day surpass all expectations! The response of the whole community and the spirit shown was marvellous. Kippax looked fantastic and deservedly won The Best Dressed Village.

Since then, all the beds have been replanted for summer colour. We have continued to further develop Butt Hill and The Wells gardens, work with local community groups, such as scouts and schools, although a new project with Greenfield School has been put on hold until the new school term when the weather should be more suitable for planting.

The Yorkshire in Bloom judges Melvin and Rob received a very warm sunny Kippax welcome on Thursday 19th July. Thanks to everyone involved, our brilliant volunteers, the businesses and residents who displayed our posters and made their frontages and gardens look nice, our village looked it's best. The staff and pupils of Kippax North impressed them with their presentation and tour. Thanks to June and her team for showing the judges The Growing Zone. They seemed impressed with their tour but we won't know for sure until the results on September the 11th.

Once again, we would like to thank the Parish Council for their continued support which is of vital importance to the team. We also thank our city ward councillors Mary, Keith and James, the Parks and Countryside Department of Leeds City Council, their Locality Team, Woodend Nurseries and all our sponsors.



We have recently welcomed three new volunteers to the team. However, the team remains reasonably small so if you think you could offer some time, however small, then please call into Pat's Sweet Shop on the High Street or contact her on 0113 2862283 or e-mail at psamykib@aol.com. You will be more than welcome. Our website is www.kippaxinbloom.com

WHAT WE DO

The Kippax branch of the NSPCC has been in existence for a number of years, their purpose being to raise funds for the NSPCC to keep children safe in West Yorkshire. Events are organised within the community for instance last year we held a Fashion Show in conjunction with Style Attic, a Spring Fayre at St Mary's Church Hall and bag packing at M&S in Leeds to name but a few.

The Committee are based in and around Kippax and have a direct link to the NSPCC main office via the Leeds based fundraising co-ordinator. It is important that funds are raised for the NSPCC as they do not receive any Government funding to carry out their work and are reliant on the generosity of the public. That's you!

WHY WE DO IT

You may not be aware of what is happening in the West Yorkshire area but the facts for 2016 might give you some idea as to why the work is so important: -

2,596 sexual offences were recorded by the police against children under the age of 16;

1,867 children were made a subject of protection plans;

3,505 children taken into care;

You can see from these figures that the work undertaken by the NSPCC is vital to ensure the safety of children in the West Yorkshire area. There are systems in place for both prevention of child abuse and to give children a voice when they need it the most. In 2016/17 volunteers and staff from the NSPCC spoke to 64,190 children at 256 schools as part of the "Speak Out and Stay Safe" campaign. With the help of you through your support of our fundraising events the NSPCC can visit all 807 schools within West Yorkshire.

Another very important facility available is the Childline telephone contacts – on average a child somewhere in the UK contacts Childline every **25 seconds** yes, every **25 seconds**. Childline gives children a voice, its estimated that around 10,900 children in West Yorkshire contacted Childline in 2016/17. The NSPCC have other facilities available to children and families such as emails and face to face support. Supporting not just the child but the whole family.

HOW CAN YOU HELP

Look out for our posters around the village advertising the events that we are organising, join our Facebook page (nspcc fundraising kippax, donate prizes for raffles, tombolas and charitable donations of cash. If you wish to donate or would like to volunteer to be part of the team, please contact the Kippax NSPCC, Christine Thompson via email christine.thompson2003@gmail.com or telephone 0113 286 6931.

**EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR
NSPCC**

NSPCC

Keeping children safe in West Yorkshire

WHAT'S HAPPENING?



sexual offences against children under the age of 16 recorded by police in West Yorkshire last year.

1,867

children subject to a child protection plan in West Yorkshire.



3,505

children in care in West Yorkshire.



One in three

children in the UK have been a victim of online bullying.

WHAT WE'RE DOING TO HELP



In 2016/17, our **Speak out**. Stay safe. volunteers and staff in West Yorkshire visited

256 schools
and spoke to
64,190 children.

Helping children speak out and stay safe

With your help, over the next 3 years we can visit all
807 schools
in West Yorkshire.



On average, a child somewhere in the UK contacts Childline every **25 seconds**.

Giving children a voice

In 2016/17 our Childline volunteers delivered over
295,000
counselling sessions to children and young people.

We estimate around
10,900
of those children lived in West Yorkshire.

We're working with O2 to keep children safe online, via our Net Aware tool and online safety advice helpline.



Supporting the community to change childhoods

Our **resources and guidance** help coaches, sports clubs and community groups in West Yorkshire to keep children safe.

In West Yorkshire we worked with the community to help more parents talk
PANTS
and keep children safe.

375

calls and emails to our helpline from West Yorkshire for advice about keeping children safe last year.

Taking action to protect children



1,870

referrals were made from the helpline for further help from local services such as the police and social services.

Helping children **recover** from abuse and working with families to prevent abuse.



In 2016/17 we directly worked with

246
children and families at our service centre in Leeds.

Face-to-face support

Every time we work with a child or family, we're learning how to give them the best support and gathering evidence to help us tackle child abuse in communities like yours.

We can only keep doing all this with your support.
Find out how you can help at nspcc.org.uk

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

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ST MARY'S CHURCH KIPPAX

Clergy: **Revd Rosemarie Hayes - 0113 286 2710**
 Revd Diane Flynn - 0113 286 4607

REGULAR SERVICES

Sunday: 10.30am Sung Eucharist.

Tuesday: 10.00am Said Eucharist (lasts approx. 20 minutes).

FIRST STEPS: Every Thursday: 10.00am for children of pre-school age and their parents or carers.

MORE STEPS: Christian based activities for 4 - 10-year olds with stories, songs, crafts, games and more at St Mary's Church Hall, Kippax, every Sunday 10.15am-11.30am approx. No need to book, just turn up. For more information contact Elizabeth Thomas (0113 287 0326).

Everyone, including children, welcome to all our services. *

DAILY PRAYER is said at 9.30am.

NOTICES

TABLE TOP SALE on Saturday 15th September 9.00am-1.00pm to be held in St Mary's Church Hall, Kippax. If you would like to order a table or space please contact John Speller 01132867846.

Prices are as follows to be paid in advance: Large Table £15 and Small Table £10. Extra Space can only be booked with a table if available at £5.

CONCERT BY THE DELTICS on Saturday 20th October at 7.30pm

For more information on any of the above, please contact Christine Bottom on 07789 902666.

OTHER NOTICES

The Church is also open every Friday 10.00am-12.00 noon for anyone to come in and pray or just sit silently.

The Parish Office at Kippax is open every Tuesday 7.00pm-8.00pm for the booking of weddings. (Except Holy Week and Easter).

For Baptisms, please see the clergy at the Sunday morning service. Baptisms are held once a month during the Sunday morning service or at 12.00 noon if preferred.

The clergy are also available to arrange visits to the sick and for Holy Communion to be taken out to the sick and housebound.

The Church Hall is available for hire at very competitive rates - Large Hall and Kitchen or Lower Meeting room with Kitchenette. More Details from Hall Manager, Stewart Fawcett, 0113 286 2730.

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KIPPAX DRAMATIC SOCIETY

As our regular patrons will be aware, our November production is always a full-length play, with our Murder Mysteries taking place in April. This year, however, it is going to be rather different.

The committee organising the events to mark the centenary of the Armistice had asked if we could participate in any way; and although we were keen to be involved, we realised that there was no way that we could mount a full-length play and do a separate show for the Armistice weekend as the timings clashed.

Then one of our members had a light bulb moment!

In 2014 we presented a murder mystery called 'Invitation to a Murder' which was set during WWII. Why not adapt this, and set it during WWI? And that's what we decided to do. (You may recognise many of the characters, but the murderer - and possibly the motive - will be completely different).

This will be a specific production just for this event and will not be taken to any other venue.

At our AGM earlier this year we had decided that owing to rising production costs we would have to increase ticket prices for our murder mysteries from ten pounds to twelve pounds. In the case of this production however, it will be our privilege to donate this increase to the 'Help for Heroes' charity. This means that for every ticket sold, two pounds will go to this worthy cause.

As always, we hope that both audiences and cast have an enjoyable fun evening, whilst never forgetting the debt we owe those men and women, past and present, whose sacrifices secured our present freedoms.

Please accept our Invitation to Remember



The Whodunwot Players

aka KIPPAX DRAMATIC SOCIETY

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A Murder Mystery Evening



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HELP FOR HEROES**



LEARN TOGETHER

ACHIEVE TOGETHER



The final term of the year has seen all the children at Kippax Greenfield Primary School learning outdoors. Each of our four houses spent a day exploring the location of their name sake. We have walked and cliffs and explored the rock pools at Flamborough Head, climbed trees and build dens at Dalby Forest, walked the water falls and paddled in the river at Aysgarth Falls and sadly got rained off climbing the rocks at Brimham but still enjoyed exploring the terrain and den building. The houses then competed against each other in our sports day with Flamborough Head winning for the second year.




Year 4 have enjoyed camping on the field overnight. The children learnt basic first aid skills, how to cook on a camp stove and put up their own tents. We enjoyed activities such as building fairy and gnome dens, a trust walk and hide and seek in the dark. The evening ended with hot chocolate, marshmallows and singing around the campfire.



We are proud to become part of the Kippax in Bloom campaign this summer. Help from the gardening team has enabled us to start planting around the entrance to our school on Ebor Mount. The School Council look forward to working with the Kippax in Bloom team to continue to learn about plants and contribute to our local community over future years. Thank you for your support.






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A HEART WARMING STORY.

This is the gist of a letter sent by a Kippax resident to Ash Tree School Head Teacher on Sunday 29th April 2018.

"This morning at 9.20 I was walking my dog, Violet, towards the footpath between the graveyards when I met a little girl, with her Grandad, picking up litter. She had a 'litter picker' and gloves and was picking up every bit of litter from the churchyard, past the Methodist and down to the post office. I asked if this was to do with a Brownie Badge or school or Tour de Yorkshire perhaps. But she said no, she just liked to make things look better. I thanked her very much and carried on, feeling uplifted and faith restored.

I was really touched by this little girl from your school, Izabella Fort. I wondered whether you could give her some recognition for being an inspiration with this selfless gesture & pass on my appreciation as a litter picking resident myself.

Many thanks in advance, Sue Coates and Violet"

The result was that Sue was invited to present a certificate to Isabella at school and explain to the children why she was so impressed.

Later 'IZZY' sent a lovely Thank You card to Sue & signed it herself.



Make new friends and meet old ones

Join us at Kippax Community Club

**Starting 3rd
September
2 - 4pm**

Every Monday

**The Community
Centre, Mount
Pleasant Gardens,
Kippax LS25 7AR**

Be part of a community club that brings older people together

Have fun trying something new - members decide on activities

Get involved with your local community as a Club volunteer

Join us for:

- games (like Scrabble, dominoes or cards) and quizzes
- local history and general talks (such as advice on scams and protection)
- beauty therapy sessions, gentle exercise and much more.

No need to book, just turn up. Transport is available.

For further information and to arrange transport contact Di McEwan t: 07766 552 186 e: dianamarsaymcewan@hotmail.com and Jean Pritchard t: 0113 287 5143



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1918 – 2018

**Remembering those who
Served. “Hoping for Peace”**

*Exhibitions and
Presentations
by local groups
in:-*

*St Mary's Church
and Church Hall*

*Also at Kippax
Methodist Church*

*Saturday 10th
November 2018
10am to 5pm*

*Sunday 11th
November 2018
1.30pm to 4.30pm*





Kippax Armistice Commemoration Event

Work is progressing on our exhibitions and presentations for the event on November 10th and 11th, (with school visits day on 12th) to celebrate the centenary of the signing of the Armistice at the end of WW1. We would like to thank all individuals and groups who have come forward to help and be involved.

In preparation for Armistice Day, research is now well under way into the lives of nearly 300 men and women from Kippax who served in the First World War. The many stories being revealed include:



- A prisoner of war in Germany, who managed to escape captivity and spent 5 days and nights on the run, until he crossed the border into Holland.



- A teacher at Kippax Infants who was wounded twice, but later drowned in the sea at Bridlington.



- A soldier who won two medals of honour and was an ARP warden in the Second World War.



- A former army man who murdered his girlfriend, then killed himself.



- A soldier wounded twice during the War, who was the first man from Kippax to be awarded a military medal, but was later killed by 'friendly' fire.

Please get in touch if you have any information you feel would celebrate the bravery and sacrifice made by the villagers of Kippax a century ago. We are also very happy to commemorate the lives of your relatives who served if they did not come from Kippax at that time.

Contact: ashleyland1972@gmail.com or Pat Brook on 0113 2869808.

Would you like to become involved in the event? Please see further opportunities on the next page:

Kippax Armistice Choir

Jane Freeman Adams of Kippax, has agreed to lead a choir for the event, and all are welcome to join in with this. There will be three practices, on the following dates and times, at **Kippax Methodist Church**. No previous experience or special ability required. If you would **like** to sing at the Armistice event, just come along. We expect to perform at the event on **Saturday 10th November, around 3.00-3.15**. We will be singing an appropriate selection of music to the themes of WW1 and the Armistice.

Practice times:

Sunday, September 23rd 2.30 p.m.

Sunday, October 7th 2.30 p.m.


Sunday, October 21st 2.30 p.m.

Stewarding at the event

Stewards, male or female, will be needed to welcome people to the event in the three venues, and to help people find their way around the exhibition areas. A rota will be prepared for duty slots of about two hours, and there will be a meeting shortly before the event to brief stewards.

If you are able and willing to help, please contact Pat Brook on 0113 2869808 or bropatri4@aol.com and give details of your availability on November 10th and 11th, and a contact number or email address.

Armistice Centenary Creativity Day (for further details, contact Pat Draper on 0113 2870860)



Preparation for.....
**Kippax Armistice
Centenary Event**

Creativity Day

15th September 2018

10.00-4.00 p.m.

Kippax Methodist Church

Free admission. All welcome.

Children accompanied by parents
please.

Make, Sew, Knit a poppy .

Help and materials available.

Tea, coffee and biscuits available all day.

Come for part or all of the day.



Important information about this year's Remembrance Parade to the Kippax War Memorial (See poster on next page)

Church and chapel service times have been altered accordingly to allow for this.

Remembrance Service St. Mary's Church, 9.15

Remembrance Service Kippax Methodist Church, 9.30



KIPPAX ARMISTICE DAY REMEMBRANCE PARADE



ELEVENTH MONTH,
ELEVENTH DAY,
ELEVENTH HOUR
ARMISTICE DAY, 1918

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS THE CENTENARY OF THE END OF WW1

The Parade starts in Chapel Lane, Kippax at 10.30am in order that
2 minutes silence may be observed at 11.00am at the "War
Memorial" for this year only



KIPPAX VILLAGE ACTION

THE DEEP

Our annual trip this year took us to The Deep, and what a fantastic day we had. The new attraction Penguins were a great success, we watched them being fed, and swimming, and lots more to see. On leaving The Deep we continued on to Sullivan's, in Hornsea, for Fish and Chips. Then a walk on the sea front for Ice Cream, and a paddle in the sea. The weather was very kind to us, sunny all-day long.



Our next trip is: - Christmas Event at Millstone restaurant, Harrogate, on the 23rd November, (Friday). As always this is a very popular event, so if you would like to join us please phone: - Jean 0113 2875143 Pauline 0113 2860669 Look forward to seeing you all. **Kathleen KVA**

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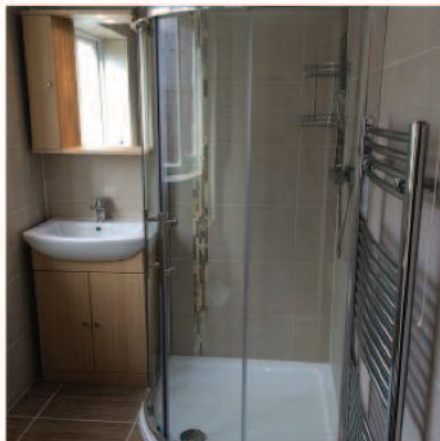
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Kippax Ward Councillors Update

Tour de Yorkshire We were thrilled that Kippax won the best dressed village on the 2018 Tour de Yorkshire route. This is a real credit to all the businesses, Kippax in Bloom volunteers, school and everyone who worked so hard to make it a really special day for the village.

High Street Building on this success we are working with traders & the Parish Council on a long term investment plan for the High Street area.

School visit It was great to welcome Kippax North pupils who came and visited the Civic Hall council chamber.

Charlie Sweeps lights We're pleased that after what seems like a very long time work on the lights got underway, funded by the Sandgate Drive development.

Planning update We attended the LDF Site Allocation inquiry over the summer. We are pleased that no large green belt sites are being proposed for the village. Work is underway to build affordable housing on the Old School site on Leeds Road.

Small grants to local groups We have recently given small grants to the Growing Zone and towards marking the Armistice. We can make small grants available to local sports teams and voluntary groups so please contact us using the details below if you think we can help.

Advice session: If you want help and advice from us please contact us using the details below or we are available the 1st Saturday of the Month at 11:00am in Kippax Library, you don't need to make an appointment.



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A VIEW FROM A KIPPAX GARDEN by EBG Jardinero

What a dry one

Well how quickly do things change? In the last issue in June, my opening remarks '**What a wet one**', referred to how wet the garden was. We haven't had any significant rain since then and what we've had, wasn't enough to soak into the ground or top up the levels in my water butts.

I've therefore had to prioritise what I water. Using the hose pipe is quick but inefficient, with a fair bit of water missing pots when I water them. Much better for me is to use a watering can, which is slower but it also means I really query whether to water or not, because it's more effort. The lawn is getting no watering and large parts of it are light brown rather than green but it will recover.

Priorities for me to water are anything recently planted until they become established and vegetables. I've been putting mulch around plants on the ground after they have been watered, so the soil keeps wetter for longer and also placed pots together in the shade. Some plants have succumbed already, including a London Pride (*Saxifraga x urbium*) and a couple of ferns and there may be more to come. Thyme will tell.

Broad beans and peas have been harvested and onions, sweet corn, leeks and courgettes have all been growing despite the dryness, but with watering. The fruit of gooseberries, cherries and raspberries have all been slow to swell.

I'm keeping the tomatoes in the greenhouse relatively well watered but there aren't as many tomatoes per truss compared to previous years, as it's been hard to manage the high temperatures in there.

I've come to the conclusion that 4 water butts aren't enough and so I'm on the lookout to pick up a couple of recycled water butts, to increase my reserve capacity

A couple of months ago, I continued my endeavours to rejuvenate the borders, which were looking a bit tired. A berberis, most of a woody rosemary, a couple of small conifers that were now too tall for their position and a completely woody lavender were removed, with



Tomato "Golden Crown" looks good and tastes better.



A Leucanthemum and three Euonymus next to an established Spirea



New plantings have come into flower

A VIEW FROM A KIPPAX GARDEN by EBG Jardinero

non-woody parts of them put in the compost bin. Looking at the choices for replanting, I went for some creams and yellow in the mix. Around the back of the space, I put in three plants of a tall grass which I had split off an existing clump and planted two camellias from patio pots, to go with one that was already there. All three of the latter are now close to a conifer hedge to their east. Hopefully that will keep early morning sun off them which can spoil camellia flowers if they are touched by overnight frost.

3 Euonymous 'Emerald and Gold' from cuttings will bulk up and provide some structure during winter. In addition, I bought threes of Thymus 'Highland Cream' and heather Calluna vulgaris 'Wickwar Flame' for summer and winter colour, plus threes of yellow Helenium 'Autumnale', Scabiosa ochroleuca and a single creamy coloured Leucanthemum 'Banana Cream'. 3 Salvia nemorosa 'New Dimension Rose' completed the line-up. I'm enjoying seeing the results so far and look forward to it bulking up more over the next year.

Potpourri

We see more and more reports about pieces of plastic finding their way into seas and water courses and the adverse effects it has on the environment and wildlife. When local rivers were last swollen due to rain at the beginning of April, I was walking by the side of the River Aire near St Aidan's Nature Park. I was shocked by the amount of plastic rubbish that floated past; most to end up in the sea and the rest to clutter the side of the river, waiting for the next high mark so it could continue the journey downstream. If this is being replicated on every water way, the scale of the problem is huge and can only get worse. Steps are being taken to reduce the amount of one-use plastic which is then thrown away. The sooner though that people are more careful with how we dispose of all plastic, then we and future generations, will be the better for it.

There needs to be more awareness of how some people just chuck stuff in the wrong place and the connection between that and the consequences it has. Who wants to eat fish and chips and have parts of a plastic spoon inside the fish? Gardeners have always been thrifty recyclers and the river situation made me re-consider what I buy with regard to plastic, including pots and trays. Where can I use more alternatives, e.g. yogurt pots and toilet rolls for seed sowing, for instance? I'm also going to avoid buying flimsy 'use once and throw away' seed trays in future and seek out non-plastic alternatives.

Litter pickers everywhere would be delighted to no longer be needed to litter pick.

Jobs for the months ahead

September – If birds have finished nesting in them, trim deciduous hedges such as hornbeam, hawthorn and beech. Apply grease bands to fruit trees to deny access to them by winter moths. When pumpkins ripen, lift them from underneath with wood, flags or straw. Buy bulbs such as daffodils now and get them in, but leave tulips until November for planting. Net ponds to prepare for falling leaves.

October – If you want early flowers next season, sow sweet peas but protect them in a cold frame or cold greenhouse. On the veggie patch, to get a similar early start next year, sow broad beans during the month. Move shrubs you are planning to move while the soil is still warm enough. I like to take a third off the height of tall shrubs such as buddleja so that winter winds don't rock them as much; give them a further prune in spring.

November – Plant bare rooted hedges. Empty compost bins and spread well-rotted dark material on beds; any pieces that haven't broken down, get put back in the bin for another go. Plant tulips. Look after alpines by putting grit under the edge of the foliage to prevent rotting and remove any dead leaves. Check fruit being stored over winter and if any show signs of rot, get rid of them.

Get Out and Enjoy a Garden.

Street Dance & Drama Classes

Kippax Ex-Service & Social Club

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

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

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

Acting / Drama Tuesdays 6.00-7.00pm (5-16yrs)

Adult Street dance Tuesdays 7.00-8.00pm (suitable for pupils from 12yrs to adult s of all ages and abilities)

* **New class* Street dance level 1** Wednesdays 4.30-5.15pm (4-7yrs)

* **New class* Street dance** Wednesdays 5.15-6.15pm (from 7yrs upwards)



Mondays 6.15-7.15pm

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KIPPAX METHODIST CHURCH

The Methodist Minister for Kippax is the Reverend Andrew Checkley,
Telephone number 0113 2877669.

Worship and other regular activities

Sunday	10:30 am	Sunday Worship and Acorns Junior Church.
Monday	5:00 pm	4 th Kippax Brownies
	7:30 pm	Fellowship Meeting
Tuesday	9:00 am	Holy Communion on the first Tuesday of each month
	9:30 am - 11:00 am	Coffee Morning
	4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Slimming World
Wednesday	9:30 am - 11:00 am	Pram Club & Toddler Group for mums and Babies/toddlers up to two years old.
	12:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Men's Lunch Group meets <u>monthly</u> September to June on 2 nd Wednesday
Thursday	5:30 pm	2 nd Kippax Rainbows
Friday	7:00 pm - 8.30 pm	Friday Feeling Junior Youth Club. (7 years and upwards) (Please tel.0113 2869808 for availability of places.)
Saturday	8:15am	Prayer Breakfast <u>2nd Saturday of the month</u>
	7:15 pm	Dance, the <u>2nd Saturday of the month.</u>

You are welcome to join us for any of these regular events, as well as the ones listed below
Friday Feeling & Babies & Toddler Group operates during term time only.



You can find us on Facebook, as a Public Group 'Kippax Methodist Church'

Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals by arrangement with Rev Andrew Checkley.

Future Events

Sun 7 th Oct	10:45 am	Harvest Festival Service
Sat 10 th Nov	10:00 am to 5:00 pm	Armistice Commemoration Exhibition
Sun 11 th Nov	9:30 am	Remembrance Day Morning Service
	10:30 am	Remembrance Day Parade to Kippax War Memorial
	1:30 pm to 4:30 pm	Armistice Commemoration Exhibition

Please note the Armistice Exhibition is being held in both Kippax Methodist Church and St Mary's Kippax.

For more details of these and other 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 07387 749357 for details.

KIPPAX ART CLUB

Kippax Art Club has enjoyed a wonderful Summer; in July, we participated in St Mary's church flower festival, the theme for the church flowers was 'the wonderful journey' and our contribution was a staging of the film 'Up' showing the marvellous balloon with the tiny house suspended below.



We also had a gazebo in the church grounds with a display of our pictures from throughout the year.

The members of Kippax Art Club enjoyed another presentation, a demonstration by Mrs Lynne Cole, of the skill and techniques of portraits in pencil. She showed the various ways of tackling a portrait, including her own preferred way of beginning with the nose! Shown here with a self-portrait she had brought with her. The Demo was well attended and we all left with a renewed respect for portrait painters.



We also heard the sad news of the death of Artist, Dave Newbould in the Summer. He gave us several demonstrations always skilled and with great humour, he will be much missed.

We have a demonstration on September 26th by Stephen Coates who will be showing us how to paint skies and reflections. Non-members are welcome for a small fee, we meet on the 1st, 2nd and 4th (and 5th if there is one) at 7pm in the Community Centre in Gibson Lane, come along and see if it is for you



Would You Like to Attend A Lunch Club?

Neighbourhood Elders Team lunch clubs bring older people together to enjoy a hot nutritious meal and socialise with friends at the same time.

Our lunch clubs prove to be as much social as well as nutritional occasions, we serve a 2-course meal followed by activities. Our lunch clubs are also accessible for anyone with mobility issues. Transport is available at a small cost if needed.

We run lunch clubs in the following areas: Garforth, Kippax, Swillington, Allerton Bywater and Micklefield. In addition we also run a Dementia Café with lunch in Garforth.

If you would like to join us we would be delighted to hear from you or if you know anyone that would please contact **Lyndsey on the following number 0113 2874784**

Do you have time to spare?

Volunteer Drivers Also Needed To pick up clients from home and bring to various locations .We would then like the clients returned at the end of each session.

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Afternoon session pick up from 1.30pm and return approximately 4.0pm

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If you would like any further information please contact: **Jean on 0113 2874784**

YOUR COMMENTS

Re Closure of Radshan Practice.

I was born in 1930 in the same house on Butt Hill, Kippax where I still live.

At that time Dr Mathison held his surgeries in the front room of a house in Station Road.

I can remember his permanent house being built at the bottom of the then named Tatefield Mount, Butt Hill in the 1930's. Surgeries have been held there by successive GP's and later in the converted two houses 33-35 Butt Hill until today 30th April 2018

when Radshan will close.

Sitting in my front room bay window noting removal activity, I feel very sad that after 88 years the doctor has gone!!! Change is inevitable but is it for the best- I wonder??

(Name supplied)

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

Lights switch on is Thursday 22nd November; the fun starts at 6 pm with Parade up the High Street and a local talent show until 7.45 when the lights will be turned on by a local celebrity. Santa will be in his grotto. Fun Fair and local charity stalls plus some local traders opening later than usual. A great family evening with something for all the family.

We are looking for local talent for the show, please get in touch by the end of September if you would like to perform. If you can help in any way or would like a stall please contact **Gailhardwick@Aol.com**. Let's all pull together like the Tour De Yorkshire and make it a night to remember.

We are already making plans for 2019 which will be our 30th Year of Christmas festivities (LOL)

Gail Hardwick, For Christmas Lights Committee



Your Kippax Community Calendar is coming!! It will be on sale from mid-September, available in several outlets, including the Hub and from your 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.

PARISH CLERK Colin Child BSc

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KIPPAX WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Half way through the year already, and what a fabulous summer it has been, albeit now we are all praying for rain. (Or we were at the time I was writing this article)

June - Meg Morton, one of the volunteers from York Gate Gardens, came to our meeting, gave us a talk, and slide show. Explaining how the gardens have been formed and how they are now improving, and changing the gardens, it was very interesting and the gardens are well worth a visit.



July - Summer Excursion, took us to Harlow Carr Gardens, (as you can see, we like our gardens)

The coach left Gibson Lane at 9.15 and from the moment we got on the coach our driver Dave was entertaining us; we got a mention on Radio Leeds, so that made our day.

On arriving at Harlow Carr, we were made very welcome by the Garden Staff; we had a guided tour around the gardens. Tea and Scones at Betty's, a look round the gift shop, and garden centre.

The weather was just right, warm but cloudy, very comfortable.

Back on the Coach, and home for 5.30.

A fabulous day out enjoyed by all.



August - Pie and Pea supper, with entertainment.

September - Registrar - Births, Marriages and Deaths,

October - A.G.M - quiz/games (always very popular, think it's because we can talk)

November - 100 Years of the W.I.

December - Christmas Dinner with Andy at the Community Centre.

Look forward to seeing you

Kathleen

W.I. Member.

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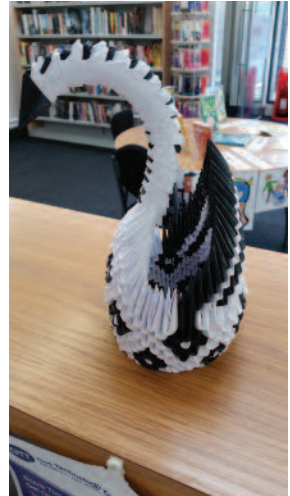
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We run free events and activities in the library for varied interests. **A new group is Kippax Chill Coffee Afternoon meeting on the first Tuesday of the month 2-4pm at the Community Hub.** Another group hoping to meet at the Hub in the near future is a Craft Group to make 3D Origami! Please call in and ask us for updates on this new group or



watch out for further details through posters in the Hub and around the village. Check out social media for updates, we regularly post events locally on the Kippax Parish Council Web Site and the Kippax Past and Present Facebook page as well as social media sites listed below. Would you like to volunteer to host an event, use the space for your own group to meet, or deliver your own event? Then please call in to check out our facilities and discuss your ideas.



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We continue to provide many other council services at the Hub and have a One Stop Shop drop in service providing face to face customer service access to council services which are available Monday 10am to 5pm and Tuesday to Friday 9am to 5pm. Many council services can now be managed online take a look at www.leeds.gov.uk and there is a free phone available for council services in the hub.

Hope to see you soon.

Caroline, Jane, Sue, Stephanie and all at the Hub

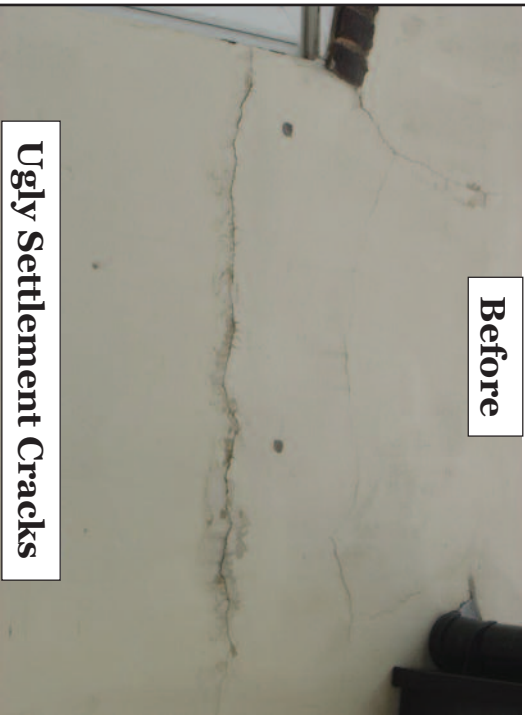
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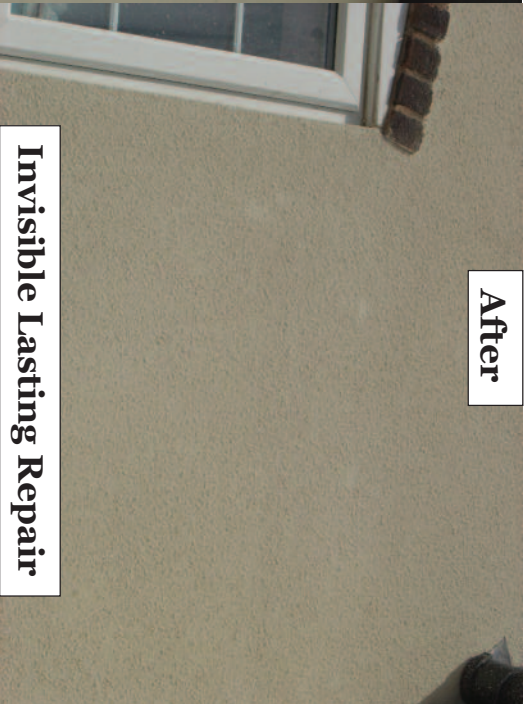
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