# THE BEACON



Newsletter for Ottringham, Halsham & Sunk Island December 2018 Sponsored by:

#### **KEEPING** BRITAIN TRADING

#### **OTTRINGHAM CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON!**

#### CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON SUNDAY 25 NOVEMBER 6.00PM

Ottringham Main Street with 'Mini Christmas Market', Tombola, Raffle, Father Christmas and a real festive

welcome at The Watts Arms from 6.00pm onwards.



#### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER 2.00PM – 4.00PM

Ottringham Village Hall with music, fun and games. Entertainment by 'Mr Magic'. Buffet tea and a visit from Father Christmas.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH HALSHAM CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE, SUNDAY 9 DECEMBER @ 2.30PM FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS & CHRISTMAS DRAW





#### ST WILFRID'S CHURCH CAROL SERVICE 16 DECEMBER 4.00PM

A real favourite with everyone who loves

Carols! The traditional service of nine carols and nine readings will take place this year on 16 December at 4.00pm. Come and see the church looking beautiful with advent greenery and candles, sing, give thanks for our wonderful community, and have a drink and a mince pie!



### CREATE A CHRISTMAS WINDOW COMPETITION

This year to add to our 'Christmas in Ottringham' we are inviting you to decorate a window in your home, in a Christmas theme. We are hoping that this will add to the beautiful Christmas displays around the

village, and provide some fun for all members of the family. There are three themes to choose from and a £20.00 prize for the winner of each category. To enter you will need to fill in the entry form in the December Beacon and leave it at the Post Office. It is free to enter, you just need to choose a theme, provide your details and have the decoration in place by **lunchtime on Saturday 22 December.** 

Themes you can choose from this year are:

- The Spirit of Christmas
- Festive
- ≻ Fun

It is completely up to you how you wish to interpret your theme, so be as creative and imaginative as you wish!

Entry Forms for the 'Christmas Window

Competition' will be available at the Post Office

from Saturday 1 December.



Judging of the windows will coincide with **carol** singing around the village on Saturday evening between 6.30pm and 8.00pm, followed by a 'Carolling Supper' in the Watts Arms. Everyone is welcome to come and join the singing - all ages, and all voices, the more the better!

## Carollers please meet at the tree outside the Post Office at 6.30pm.

#### CHRISTINGLE SERVICE – ST WILFRID'S CHURCH

The lovely candlelit Children's service – which is magical for all ages will take place this year on Saturday 22 December 4.00pm – 5.30pm.



Ottringham Looking Forward.....The Seniors Celebration will take place on 13 January 2019 in the Village Hall, Ottringham from 2.00pm with a buffet and entertainment from the Mice Men (back by popular request)

Invitations to the children's and seniors parties will be distributed in November – so if you have just arrived in Ottringham and would like to join in either event please leave your details with Kathleen at the Post Office

#### **THANK YOU!**

Jenny would like to thank everyone who gave a donation for jams and pickles. A super total of £324 was raised for Ottringham Events and the Village Institute. Please keep saving your empty jars ready for next year! Thank you all for your support - **Jenny Hoe** 

### THE COFFEE SHOP CROSSROADS NURSERY NORTH LEYS ROAD HOLLYM, HU19 2QN

## CONTACT AYSHEA: 01964 614872

The Coffee Shop offers relaxing surroundings to enjoy excellent freshly ground coffee, tea & other refreshments, as well as delicious homemade cakes or a light lunch.

### AFTERNOON TEA IS NOW AVAILABLE (booking is required) £12.50 per person (minimum two per booking) We are able to cater for most dietary needs. Gluten, Dairy free, Vegetarian, Vegan and also children's afternoon tea.

Please contact Ayshea for more information.

We also make HOMEMADE ICE CREAM Call in for a coffee, cake & a chat.

We are open 7 days a week 10.00 am – 4.00pm Always happy to see a new face.

#### ALPACA POO FOR SALE! @ HIGHFIELD FARM STATION ROAD OTTRINGHAM

#### £5 for a black bin bag full – with £2.50 going to church funds

Alpacas have an extremely efficient, three stomach system of digestion, making the "end product" lower in organic matter than other manures, however, it still has plenty to amend soil by improving soil texture and water holding capacity. It is so efficient that there is no worry



of seeds and grains surviving the process of digestion. That means you don't get random hay or other grasses in your garden like you can with some other, less efficiently digested manures.

Because alpaca manure is relatively low in nutrient content (N-P-K), as compared with other manures, it can be used, even in large quantities, without the fear of OVER fertilizing or "burning" your plants.

Unlike almost every other form of manure that needs to be "aged" before use, because of its non-burning quality, alpaca manure **does NOT need to be composted** prior to spreading on the garden. That being said, many people believe that if you are using ANY manure for your vegetable garden, it should be composted first. This will help remove possibly harmful bacteria.

Alpaca poo can be spread on top of the garden where it acts like mulch to protect from weeds. Then, as the "mulch" breaks down you get a good slow release of low level, non-burning N-P-K. Alpaca manure comes in pellet form, much like rabbit or deer, making it easy to spread thin for broadcast fertilizing, or pile high as a nutritious mulch.

Alpaca manure is particularly odour free, compared to other livestock manures, and can even be used for indoor plants without the house smelling like a barnyard. Just put a few pellets of manure into the top of your plant and every time you water it will get a light dose of organic N-P-K. So, in short, alpaca manure is an excellent fertilizer for both outdoor and indoor plants. Along with providing your plants with a good organic source of low level N-P-K, alpaca manure is an excellent soil conditioner and mulch, allowing your soil to retain more moisture. It is relatively odour free and easy to spread and work with. It can be used "as-is" or made into a "tea" before giving to plants.

#### Call at the farm if you'd like a bag - or two!

#### SAFE & SOUND FUND

A pot of money is available to residents across the East Riding to help them minimise the fear of crime by increasing their home security. The safe and sound scheme, run by East Riding of Yorkshire Council, allows people who may be vulnerable, to apply for additional home security measures such as additional locks for doors and windows, door chains and window alarms. To qualify, applicants must be aged 60 or over or disabled and be a home owner, private sector tenant or housing association tenant and the combined savings of everyone living in the household must not exceed £5,000. The scheme is not available to anyone who is a council house tenant. Successful applicants will be entitled to a free home security assessment and the fitting of any security measures. To apply residents should request an application form by sending an email to:

safe.communities@eastriding.gcsx.gov.uk or by calling 01482 396380.

#### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to everyone who helped, donated to or attended the coffee morning .

I have paid £520.00 to Macmillan thank you very much to everyone - Judy

#### THE OTTRINGHAM EVENTS GROUP

The 'Ottringham Events' Group would like to thank everyone who has supported fundraisers throughout the year for their great generosity and 'Community Spirit' which is so much in evidence in our lovely little village.

The funds raised this year will help to fund Christmas lights, the Children's Party in December and a New Year celebration for our Seniors in January.

Helping to organise activities like the Switching on the Lights, 'The Great Ottringham Bake Off', Jumble Sales, Car Boot Sales and Race Night have given us a lot of pleasure and we are immensely grateful for your support.

Very best wishes for Christmas and the New Year from all members of the Events Group.

#### **OBITUARIES**

#### MRS DOREEN MASON

It is with sadness we report the passing of Doreen whose funeral was held in St Wilfrid's Church on Thursday 15 November. The service was led by Sister Denise Creed and the Rev Carol Fisher Bailey. We send our deepest sympathy to her daughter Pam, son in-law Paul and to all family and friends. May she rest peacefully with loved ones gone before.

#### MR WILLIAM MIDDLETON

We send our sympathy to the family and friends of William reunited with loved ones. Although William had not lived in the village for some time, it was with sadness we learned of his passing. He was the son of the late Nancy Middleton who was both the founder member of the Beacon and Church Warden. May they rest peacefully together.

#### **OTTRINGHAM REMEMBERS**





flappy Birthday!

Happy Birthday to **Kathleen Acklam** who celebrated her **70<sup>th</sup> Birthday** in November. What an amazing Lady! Many Happy returns to Kathleen and her twin sister Susan.

Happy Birthday to **Iain Smith** who celebrated his **80<sup>th</sup> Birthday** in November. Many Happy Returns Iain – 80 years young and looking great!

Happy Birthday to **Pearl Cushing** 'honorary resident of Ottringham' and member of the 'Events Group' who recently celebrated her **86<sup>th</sup> Birthday**!



#### **CHRISTMAS WISHES**

John & Kathleen wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

A huge thank you to all their customers throughout the year for supporting their Village Post Office.

#### **MISCARRIAGE ASSOCIATION QUIZ NIGHT - 9 NOVEMBER**

I would like to say a MASSIVE thank you to everyone who came to my quiz!! It really did give me a heart warming feeling seeing you all there, enjoying yourselves. From the night alone I raised

a whopping £350!!!!! I would like to thank everyone who gave me raffle prizes, I had a huge selection. I would like to thank the Watts Arms for letting me host my quiz and I want to thank each and everyone one of you who has supported me so far.

Thank you again,

Lucy Burman

#### ST WILFRID'S CHURCH NEWS

You will notice in the list of Services we have other services in addition to our normal Sunday services.

This year we are having an Advent Carol Service; there are some lovely Advent Carols so please come along and enjoy. The Carol Service is to be on a Sunday this year lots of traditional Christmas Carols and of course there is the Christingle Service. This is a service for children and adults so please come along it is a lovely service.

All services held at St Wilfrid's Church are followed by refreshments so please stay and have a chat and cup of tea or coffee, soft drinks for the children and some cake and biscuits.

Last but certainly not least please come carol singing around the village, we are meeting at 6pm following the Christingle Service at the big Christmas tree in the Main Street. This will be followed by supper in the Watts Arms. Come along and be part of the wonderful community that is the village of Ottringham.

#### **CHURCH SERVICE DATES FOR DECEMBER 2018**

2	Advent Carol Service Halsham – No Service	4.00pm	St Wilfrid's Church	
9	Family Service Keyingham	10.30am	St Nicholas Church	
	Carol Service Halsham	2.30pm	All Saints Church	
	Followed by refreshments & Christmas Draw			
16	Carol Service	4.00pm	St Wilfrid's Church	
	Halsham – No Service			
22	Christingle Service (Saturday	) 4.00pm	St Wilfrid's Church	
	Followed by Carol Singing around the village			
23	Holy Communion	10.30am	St Wilfrid's Church	
	Holy Communion Halsham	8.45am	All Saints Church	
25	Christmas Day Service	10.30am	St Wilfrid's Church	
30	Benefice Service Keyingham	10.30am	St Nicholas Church	
	Halsham – No Service			

- **Bingo** 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday every month 7.45pm in the Village Institute.
- Parish Council Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday every month 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Ottringham.
- Tea & Chat 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday every month 2.00pm 3.00pm in the Village Institute. Entrance £1 includes Tea and Cake.
- Weight Watchers Tuesday 5.30pm in the Village Hall.
- Watts Arms Bingo every Tuesday 7.00pm.
- Let's Play Wednesdays 10.00am 11.30am in Ottringham Village Hall. Birth to 5 years. (East Riding Children's Centre W/sea)
- Jolly Babies 0-1 year Wednesday 1.15 1.45pm Ottringham V Hall
- Music with Mummy Wednesday 2.00pm 2.30 pm Ottringham V Hall
- Gardening Club 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday every month 7.30pm in the Village Hall
- **Computer Club** every Friday 9.30 11.30am Ottringham Village Hall £2. Silver Surfers particularly welcome.
- **Indoor Bowls** in the Village Institute Friday 2.00pm 4.00pm. £2.50 per session including refreshments. All welcome

#### **CHURCH SERVICE DATES FOR JANUARY 2019**

**6 January** Epiphany Service at 4.00pm to be held at St Wilfrid's with St Nicholas, Keyingham. All other Churches in the Deanery will also be invited to this special service.

**13 January** Morning Prayer 10.30am at St Nicholas, Keyingham **20 January** Service of Holy Communion 10.30am at St Wilfrid's **27 January** Service of Holy Communion 10.30 am at St Nicholas
Keyingham

#### Copy date for January 2019: Saturday 15 December 2018 News items may be left at Ottringham Post Office/North End Farm, Ottringham, or emailed to the Editor at:

heather.croft1@gmail.com

Editors Note: In the event of there being insufficient articles for the January Beacon to make it viable to produce, the next issue will be the February one which will be distributed end of January. The deadline for this issue will be Saturday 19 January 2019.



A huge thank you to our printers at ABP for giving their time

every month to print our newsletter.

Thank you to everyone involved in the production of The Beacon Newsletter which will be 34 years old next year!! We are indebted to you all and to those of you who send articles in to be published.

Please keep them coming in 2019!!