



Wilberfoss News

August 2025

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Welcome to your August Village Newsletter.

There is lots to look forward to this month: we are talking *outdoor gym ideas*, a fresh look at the *Community Centre diary*, the latest *bus routes*, and of course... all roads lead to the *Party at the Pav!*

A big thank you as always to everyone who keeps the village ticking—we couldn't do it without you.

If you have any submissions for the September edition, please send them to michellewallis1711@gmail.com by August 19th.





News in Brief

We extend a very warm welcome – to Ross Cleary and Tricia Room who have been co-opted onto the Parish Council. One vacancy still remains, so if you are interested in shaping the village, do get in touch with us or drop in on a meeting to see what sort of things the Parish Council is responsible for. Meetings take place on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Storking Lane Amenity Land – At the request of a resident, the Parish Council has arranged for East Riding of Yorkshire Council to install a litter bin for use at the Amenity Land. For it to be accessible to ERYC Refuse Collectors, it will be installed on the verge on Storking Lane, next to the new gate. Please keep this recreation and wildlife site free from litter and dog foul.

The Community Payback team – have agreed to clean street furniture and bridges in the village on an ongoing basis. They will also clear vegetation from the snicket running from Beckside to Fieldhead and the footpath which runs alongside Middlecroft. Wilberfoss benefits greatly from the efforts of the Community Payback teams. In the past they have carried out work for the Playing Fields Association and the Community Centre, and they are doing ongoing work to keep the churchyard tidy. We are grateful for their support.

We are working with [Greener Pocklington](#) to develop the Amenity Land for wildlife. A bug hotel will be built behind the Brownie Garden. Two White Willow and two Goat Willow trees will be planted within the existing copse of trees to help with the issue of flooding on the site and a small copse of 3 slow-growing native Rowan trees will be planted towards the top of the field. Woodcrete bird nesting boxes will be installed on some of the established trees. These boxes have a 20-year lifespan. Greener Pocklington also recommend that a one meter buffer zone of longer grass is left along the hedge adjacent to Storking Lane to provide habitat for insects and wildlife. We will need to rely on East Riding Grounds Maintenance to remember this! The trees will be planted in November and if you want to get involved in this project in any way, please get in touch.

Unauthorised encampment – several residents have reported an unauthorised encampment on Wilberfoss Hill. This has been reported to East Riding of Yorkshire Council who are taking the necessary legal steps.

To reduce the noise of the gate closing, the latches will be removed from the gate connecting Middlecroft with the amenity land. The gate will close as normal, only it is hoped it will do it more quietly!



LAFs

WILBERFOSS LADIES AND FRIENDS (LAFs)

We are just a group of Ladies (not necessarily from Wilberfoss) who meet on the third Monday of each month at the Community Centre from 2.30pm until 4.00pm. **There is no membership fee**, but for a mere £3 at the door you will be warmly welcomed by everyone, receive a raffle ticket for some lovely prizes, enjoy an amusing and/or informative speaker and, last but by no means least, refreshments of tea, coffee and biscuits! Where else could you enjoy all this for £3?

18th August meeting will be in the form of our **Annual Afternoon Tea**. Come along and sample a delicious selection of sandwiches (no crusts!), savouries and home-made cakes. There will be a raffle and a table quiz (with prizes for the victors!)

Subsequent meetings are as follows:

15 th September	York Nurses Home
20 th October	UK Charities
17 th November	Teddy Bears (bring your own bear!)
(tba)	Christmas meal

You will be welcomed at any or all of these meetings, the choice is yours!





Information

Tuesday Chat - New Venue Update – Moving to The Oddfellows

Just a quick note in case you haven't heard — from **Tuesday 7th July**, we will be moving over to **The Oddfellows**.

A big thank you to the landlord for kindly offering us the space. Please note, the pub doesn't open for drinks until 4pm.



Tennis

Mixed fortunes for the village teams competing in the various York & District leagues, approaching the 'business end' of the season. The 1st Mixed in Division 3 (captain Bev Tebbutt) and the Women's team in Division 3 of their league (captain Andrea Webster) are having difficult seasons but are continuing to challenge valiantly. 2nd Mixed in Division 7 (captain Adrian Shakeshaft) is in a battle for promotion, having won 6 and lost 3 matches. 3rd Mixed in Division 10 (captain Nick Wright) is in a similar lofty position with identical match statistics. The Men's team in Division 5 (captain Iain Webster) is currently in 5th position, but with games in hand over its rivals and having only lost one match, is in with a shout for promotion. Exciting times ahead indeed.

Club nights continue on Mondays and Fridays from 6pm and new potential members of any ability are more than welcome to join in.

Neil Burke (TENNIS CORRESPONDENT).





Bus Information

Bus Routes

Eastrider X45, X46 and X47

We're making improvements to your Eastrider X45, X46 and X47 services to provide clearer links, better coverage, and more evening travel options – thanks to support from the East Riding of Yorkshire Council and the UK Government.



Route Changes In York

From 20 July, services X45, X46 and X47 will be changing their route within York city centre. Towards York rail station, they will serve stops on Walmgate, Piccadilly, Bridge Street and Nunnery Lane. Leaving York, buses will pick up from the rail station, Rougier Street, Bridge Street, Clifford Street, Piccadilly and Walmgate.



Evening Journeys – Now Mondays to Saturdays!

We're excited to announce that late evening journeys, which previously ran only on Fridays and Saturdays, will now operate every Monday to Saturday!

This means more flexibility and convenience for your evening travel, whether it's for work, events, or leisure.

Funded in partnership with the East Riding of Yorkshire Council and the UK Government.

**PARTY
AT THE PAV**

Party at the Pav!

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**SATURDAY 2ND AUG 2025
12PM - 6PM**

FREE ENTRY

**INFLATABLES
BY J BOUNCETASTIC**

BBQ & INDIAN FOOD

STALLS

**INDOOR AND
OUTDOOR BAR**

UNICORN

MUSIC

ALL DAY WRISTBANDS

£10 PER CHILD | AGED 5 & OVER

£5 PER CHILD | 4 & UNDER | TODDLER PARK

THE PAVILION BAR & BISTRO

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Playing Fields Association

Comments, Likes, Thoughts?

We've been asked by members of the community about the possibility of an outdoor gym on the Playing Fields.

Would this be of interest to you?
Would you and/or your family use it?

It would consist of several pieces of equipment, at least 7, designed to provide a full body workout for both young and adults creating a new community space for exercise and physical activity in a rural setting

For reference, there is an outdoor gym in Pocklington which can be found online.

Please email me @ JALSPENCER@AOL.COM.

JOHN SPENCER
Chairman



WILBERFOSS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Users that welcome new members

	Session Time	Activity
Monday	6.00 am – 7.00 am	Early morning fitness class
	10.15 am – 12.25 pm	Sing & Sign – Classes from babies to toddlers
	2.30 pm – 4.30 pm	Wilberfoss Ladies & Friends (third Monday monthly)
	4.00 pm – 8.00 pm	KCMA Martial Arts Academy (children & adult classes)
	6.00 pm – 8.00 pm	Yoga with Simply Bee Wellness
Tuesday	8.30 pm – 9.30 pm	Keep Fit
	10.00 am – 11.00 am	Move It or Lose It – Exercise for the over 60's
	1.15 pm – 3.15 pm	Wilberfoss Art Class
Wednesday	7.00 pm – 9.00 pm	Wilberfoss Table Tennis Club (Club & Match Night)
	9.30 am – 10.30 am	Beginners Yoga class
	2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	U3A Quiz (<i>alternate weeks</i>) (U3A Members only)
Thursday	7.30 pm – 9.30 pm	Wilberfoss Line Dancers
	10.00 am – 11.00 am	Pocklington Pilates
	1.30 pm – 3.30 pm	Wilberfoss Sequence Dancers
	7.00 pm – 8.30 pm	Wilberfoss Karate Club (15 years +) Ad hoc
	7.00 pm – 8.00 pm	Beginners Tai Chi
	7.30 pm – 9.30 pm	WOW WI (2 nd Thursday monthly)
Friday	7.30 pm – 9.00 pm	Wilberfoss Parish Council (3 rd Thursday monthly)
	6.00 am – 7.00 am	Early morning fitness class
	12.30 pm – 2.30 pm	Boltonians (Men's discussion group & light lunch)
	7.00 pm – 9.00 pm	Wilberfoss Short Mat Bowling Club
Saturday	7.00 pm – 8.00 pm	Kettlersize Fitness
	10.30 am – 12.00 pm	Wilberfoss Karate Club (15 years +) (<i>alternate weeks</i>)
Sunday	4.00 pm – 6.00 pm	Wilberfoss Amateur Theatre Society (WATS) - Community theatre for all ages

In addition to the events listed above, the Community Centre welcomes one-off and private hire.

Single rooms at the Centre can be hired for as little as £11.00 per hour for non-profit making activities or can be joined to form larger spaces. The Centre also has two therapy rooms which can be hired on an hourly basis. For more information, please email wilberfosscommunitycentre@outlook.com or via Facebook Messenger through the Community Centre page or on the village website [Wilberfoss Parish Council | Community Centre](#) or on [HallsHire.com](https://www.hallsHire.com).

UNITY CENTRE DIARY

ers have provided contact details

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eatre group	Sally Langton	watswilberfoss@gmail.com

e bookings. These events are often not open to the public.

s, £13.00 an hour for semi-commercial users and £20.00 an hour for a commercial hirer. Rooms can
n hourly basis or on a half day (£30) or full day (£60) basis. Please contact the Centre Manager on
entre's Facebook page. Internal photographs of the Community Centre can be viewed through the



Services & Events

St John the Baptist Church, Wilberfoss

Sunday Services in August 2025

Sunday 3 rd August	11.00 am	Come and Worship
Sunday 10 th August	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 17 th August	11.00 am	Come and Worship
Sunday 24 th August	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 31 st August	11.00 am	Come and Worship

Your Church is Open for You

The Church is open every day from approximately 10.00am until 3.00pm to provide a safe quiet space for private prayer, reflection, or to simply shelter from the rain (when there is some!) or the heat (the church is lovely and cool in the summer). There is a range of books on the soft play area window ledges and these are available to borrow. Book donations are always welcome.

Dogs are Welcome but.....

Please be respectful of the church and the grounds by ensuring that your dog is on a lead at all times.

Cash not required!

There is now a contactless card machine on the left as you enter Church to make your contributions to the upkeep of this beautiful building easy peasy.

Don't forget Wilberfoss Church has its own web site at <https://stjohnthebaptistchurchwilberfoss.co.uk/>, where you can learn of its history, take a 3D tour of the interior, or an aerial drone view of the exterior. There is also detail of the Safeguarding Policy and the action the Church takes to promote a safer culture within the Church and detail about the restoration work done funded by the Lottery Heritage Fund.

Thank you to everyone who bought Duck Race Tickets from Church

The Church has been allocated £450 from the proceeds of the day based on various factors, including the number of tickets sold, so **thank you** so much for supporting not only the Duck Race event, but also your village church.



Services & Events

Community Coffee Mornings PLUS.....

On the first Saturday of each month there will be a coffee morning in the Church Priory Room starting at 10.00am. Tea, coffee, cakes, raffle and lots of conversations, not forgetting delicious **bacon butties**! See you on 2nd August and 6th September.

Starting with 2nd August the coffee mornings will be an opportunity for you to contribute to the Food Bank by bringing along a can, jar or packet of food and placing your contribution on the right hand side of the path leading to the church door. The aim is to line the path with food from the gate to the door, now that would be a sight! Please see the list below for urgently needed items.

Food Bank

If you or someone you know needs help from the foodbank there are a few simple steps to follow. **The most important step is to get a foodbank voucher.**

Please call for free to talk confidentially to a trained Citizens Advice adviser on:

0808 208 2138 (open Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm, closed on public holidays).

Alternatively for help in accessing a voucher, you can also call Citizens Advice York on 03 444 111 444. Agencies they work with include: housing support officers, schools, children's centres, health visitors, social services and some local charities.

The school summer holidays are upon us and the demand for help increases considerably. Please help with donations if you are able. Monetary donations are also welcomed as cash is used to bolster stock shortages.

Urgently needed are all non-perishable, unopened and in date food items ... stock is very low. The only food item not needed is Baked Beans and Tinned Spaghetti.

The York foodbank website is regularly updated with details of items that are urgently needed. For further details please go to: <https://york.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/> If you have any queries, please contact Steve Percival, stevepercival@hotmail.co.uk

Heartfelt thanks to all who give so generously to help families in crisis.

Help with Mobility

The Church has 3 wheelchairs which can be borrowed at no charge for short term or long term use. Please contact Rose Riley, 01759 380795, or Moira Percival, 07805 344842, if you need to borrow one.



Services & Events

York Philharmonic Male Voice Choir

The York Male Voice Choir performed at church on Saturday 5th July and what a memorable evening that was! An amazing variety of music, a packed church and liquid refreshment and nibbles at the interval. Hopefully the choir will return in the not too distant future. Thank you so much to all involved.

Wilberfoss Church Stay and Play Group

The group is now enjoying their summer holidays and everyone involved is looking forward to returning in September (date to be announced)

Jigsaw Group

This social group continues to meet every Thursday throughout the summer in the Priory Room 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm. Please contact Jo Stalker 01759 380361 if you need further information.

Wilberfoss Church 100 Club

The lucky winners in the July draw were 1st Pat Jones; 2nd Norma Randall; 3rd Aileen O'Flynn. Please contact Moira Percival on 07805 344842 for further details as to how you can join in the fun.

Do you shop online?

If you do, then here is an easy way to increase the income of your Village Church, or the charity of your choice at no cost to you!! If you access this link <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>, choose St John the Baptist Church Wilberfoss or your preferred charity, then purchase from the **extensive** list of stores, a percentage of the cost of your purchases will be given to Wilberfoss Church or your charity. This donation comes purely from the store and not from you! To quote a famous saying "every little helps".

Church Contacts

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Steve Percival	Licensed Lay Minister	07883521677
Rose Riley	Church Warden	01759 380795
Moira Percival	Church Warden	07805344842



Wilberfoss In Bloom

WILBERFOSS IN BLOOM

Help! Your village needs you!

We are struggling to water all the community beds and planters in hot spells and would really appreciate your help. Please feel free to fill empty milk cartons with bath/washing up water and give the plants a drink as you pass.

We particularly need help with the triangular bed at the junction of Storking Lane and Park Lane.



Forthcoming fundraiser:

BINGO NIGHT

7pm Community Centre

Saturday 18th October



Thank you for your support!

Children's Word Search

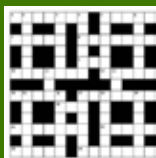
DIRECTIONS:
Find and circle the
vocabulary words
in the grid. Look
for them in all
directions including
backwards and
diagonally.

SUMMER FUN

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BASEBALL
BEACH
CAMPING
FRISBEE
GAMES
GARDEN
GRASS
ICE CREAM
JULY



JUNE	SHORTS
OCEAN	SNORKEL
OUTDOORS	SUNSHINE
PARK	SWIM
PICNIC	THUNDER
PLAY	VACATION
SANDALS	WATERMELON



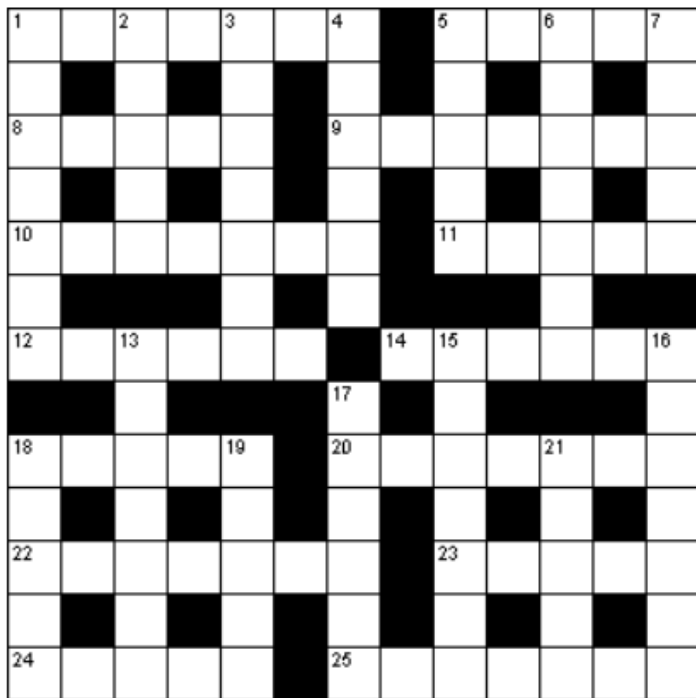
July Crossword Answers

Crossword Answers

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August Crossword



Across

- 1 Clergyman's gown (7)
- 5 Spacious (5)
- 8 Male duck (5)
- 9 Type of biscuit (4,3)
- 10 Live together in harmony (7)
- 11 Unadorned (5)
- 12 Foliage (6)
- 14 Din (6)
- 18 'The final frontier' (5)
- 20 Japanese art of paper folding (7)
- 22 Traditional saying (7)
- 23 Close-fitting (5)
- 24 Hazardous (5)
- 25 Odd (7)

Down

- 1 Supplement to a will (7)
- 2 Digging tool (5)
- 3 Former (3-4)
- 4 Martial art (6)
- 5 Sum up (5)
- 6 Remote parts of Australia (7)
- 7 Long, pine (5)
- 13 Nonplussed (2,1,4)
- 15 Airman (7)
- 16 Scottish emblem (7)
- 17 Misgivings (6)
- 18 Wonderful (5)
- 19 Adversary (5)
- 21 Inert gas (5)