



# Wilberfoss News

**July 2026**

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## Welcome to your July Village Newsletter

We hope you are all enjoying the longer days and making the most of the summer sunshine. July is set to be a busy and exciting month for our community, with plenty to look forward to.

The highlight of the month is our annual Summer Fair, a wonderful opportunity for residents, families, and friends to come together and enjoy a day of fun, entertainment, and community spirit. We are also looking forward to the latest WATS performance, which promises to be another fantastic showcase of local talent.

If you have any submissions for the August edition, please send them to [michellewallis1711@gmail.com](mailto:michellewallis1711@gmail.com) by July 19th.



# News in Brief

**Biodiversity Project** - Greener Pocklington have confirmed they will return in autumn to plant the native hedge on the amenity land off Storking Lane. At that time we will reach out to the community for volunteers to help with the planting. If you want to register your interest now, please drop the Clerk a line.

**Residential Boundary Hedge Maintenance** - we have been advised that at least one property owner in the village has been served with a notice from East Riding of Yorkshire Council to maintain their boundary hedge to improve access to a footway. We have identified several other hedges in need of maintenance. Can we urge property owners to take the necessary steps before East Riding of Yorkshire Council issue notices. **If the County Council is forced to cut a boundary hedge, they will pass the costs on to the property owner.**

Unlike agricultural hedges where there is a complete ban on cutting hedges between March and August, residential property boundary hedges can be maintained, provided there are no actively nesting birds.

**Temporary Road Closure** - there will be a temporary road closure between Willow Park Road and Butcher's bridge for 3 days in August to accommodate the installation of telecoms cables. Hopefully any disruption will be minimal.

**Crest Nicholson Development** — Our concerns about the road layout for the development site have been escalated by Ward Councillor Andrew Cousins to Stephen Hunt, Executive Director of Planning & Economic Regeneration at East Riding of Yorkshire Council. We do not believe that moving the bus stop closer to the A1079 and adding a junction on Main Street to give priority to the new development is safe for the community.

**A1079 safety** - improved lighting has been installed at both A1079 junctions of Wilberfoss.

**Costcutter** – Wilberfoss in Bloom work extremely hard on behalf of the community. One of the areas they brighten up is the village shop. We will ask Bestway Wholesale, the owners of Costcutter, to repair the wall to enhance the efforts of Wilberfoss in Bloom and make the wall safer.

***Don't forget we still have a Councillor vacancy.***

Becoming a Parish Councillor is one of the most direct and rewarding ways to shape the future of your community.

**Join us**



# Summer Fair

# SUMMER FAIR

Your paragraph text

Local produce-Food and Crafts Fair

Over 20 stalls



Nics Ices

Bouncy Castle



Saturday July 25th,

10:00 am - 3 pm



Free  
Entrance

Childrens Crafts and games

Wilberfoss Community  
centre Hall and garden

wilberfosscommunitycentre  
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07926507877



# Wilberfoss Ladies & Friends

## WILBERFOSS LADIES AND FRIENDS (LAFs)

Don't be concerned if you don't live in Wilberfoss, residency is not required to attend this group!

The group meets on the third Monday of each month at the Wilberfoss Community Centre from 2.30pm until 4.00pm. **This is just a group, so there is no membership fee**, but for a mere £3 at the door you will be warmly welcomed, 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?

You will be warmly welcomed at any or all of the meetings.

**20<sup>th</sup> July**                      **Maggie Poppa - Retirement – Part 2**  
**(part 1 was very entertaining!)**

### Future dates for your diary:

17 <sup>th</sup> August	Afternoon Tea
21 <sup>st</sup> September	A Phoenix from the Ashes (1984 York Minster Fire)
19 <sup>th</sup> October	Murder Mystery Afternoon – Who Done It?
16 <sup>th</sup> November	What Lies Beneath?
December	Christmas Lunch – date TBA





# WOW WI & WIB



WOW WI 2026 Calendar of Meetings  
Meet Second Thursday of the Month at 7.30pm

Hello Lovely Ladies. This is our list of meetings for 2026. Unless stated below all meetings will be in the Wilberfoss Community Centre, 16 Main Street, Wilberfoss, York, YO41 5NN (car park to side)

April 9<sup>th</sup> – Medical Research Charity

May 14<sup>th</sup> – Fangfoss Pottery Tour, Fangfoss

June 11<sup>th</sup> – Kilnwick Percy Hall Tour, Pocklington July 9<sup>th</sup> –

Bakes & Boules

August 13<sup>th</sup> – No meeting, social event in Stamford Bridge TBC September 10<sup>th</sup> – St

John's Ambulance, First Aid

October 8<sup>th</sup> – Soul Tribe, Meditation & Soundbath

November 12<sup>th</sup> - AGM

December 10<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Buffet



Please email us if you have any questions [wowwi@eastyorkshirewi.org.uk](mailto:wowwi@eastyorkshirewi.org.uk)



Wilberfoss in Bloom

Hello all

First off, a huge thank you to everyone who helped make our plant sale so successful at the end of last month... as ever, we are so grateful for your support and hope your purchases are looking stunning in their new homes.



Next up on the agenda is the Summer Fair at the Community Centre on Saturday 25 July, where Wilberfoss in Bloom will be running a table. Do come over and say hi... we love catching up with our fellow villagers and it will be a great opportunity for you to acquire plants for your garden and learn more about how we keep Wilberfoss looking beautiful. There will also be a colouring competition for younger residents so kids get those felt tips at the ready!

With love

The Wilberfoss in Bloom Team



# WATS



WILBERFOSS AMATEUR THEATRE  
SOCIETY PRESENTS:

# MISCAST

A SUMMER SHOWCASE WITH A TWIST

SUNDAY THE 12TH JULY  
1PM & 6PM

ADULTS £5, UNDER 18'S £3

WILBERFOSS COMMUNITY CENTRE



SCAN FOR  
TICKETS!



WILBERFOSS AMATEUR  
THEATRE SOCIETY



@WATS\_WILBERFOSS



WATSWILBERFOSS  
@GMAIL.COM

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PARENTAL GUIDANCE  
RECOMMENDED FOR  
YOUNGER VIEWERS



# PFA



## THE WILBERFOSS, KEXBY & NEWTON PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION

*July 2026*

The PFA are delighted to announce that the outdoor gym is going to be installed and could be up and running as early as the end of July this year.



I'd also like to take this opportunity to advise all residents especially those on Windmill Meadows that the PFA and all relevant users groups do ask people to park in our car park.

Unfortunately, certain satellite navigation systems direct vehicles via Windmill Meadows based on shortest distance or time from the original starting point.

I therefore ask that visitors are given the following 'what three words'

**voucher scowls blogging**

which is an app for both android or iPhone and directs users to the PFA and Pavillion car park.

**John Spencer**  
Chairman

WILBERFOSS COMMUNITY CENTRE DIARY - July 2026 - *Users that welcome new members have provided contact details*

	Session Time	Activity
Monday	10.15 am – 1.15pm 10.30am -11.30am 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm 8.30 pm – 9.30 pm	<a href="#">Sing &amp; Sign</a> – Classes from babies to toddlers Table tennis coaching Wilberfoss Ladies & Friends (third Monday monthly) Yoga with Simply Bee Wellness Keep Fit Private keep fit
Tuesday	6.00am – 7am 10.00 am – 11.00 am 1.15 pm – 3.15 pm  7.00 pm – 9.00 pm	Tarn Driffield– Bootcamp circuits <a href="#">Move It or Lose It</a> – Exercise for the over 60's Wilberfoss Art Class  Wilberfoss Table Tennis Club (Club & Match Night)
Wednesday	6am – 7am 9.30 am – 10.30 am 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm 4.00pm -6.00pm 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm	Bootcamp circuits Beginners Yoga class <a href="#">U3A</a> Quiz ( <i>alternate weeks</i> ) (U3A Members only) KCMA Martial Arts Academy (children & adult classes) Wilberfoss Line Dancers
Thursday	10.00 am – 11.00 am 5.00pm -7.00pm 6.00pm – 8.00 pm 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm	<a href="#">Pocklington Pilates</a> Wilberfoss Karate Club (15 years +) Ad hoc Beginners Tai Chi <a href="#">WOW WI</a> (2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday monthly) Wilberfoss Parish Council (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday monthly)
Friday	12.30 pm – 2.30 pm 5.00 pm – 9.00 pm 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm	Boltonians (Men's discussion group & light lunch) Wilberfoss Short Mat Bowling Club <a href="#">Kettlersize</a> Fitness
Saturday	10.30 am – 12.00 pm	Wilberfoss Karate Club (15 years +) (alternate weeks)
Sunday	4.00 pm – 6.00 pm 7.30pm -8.30pm	<a href="#">Wilberfoss Amateur Theatre Society</a> (WATS) - Community theatre group Yoga breathwork and Sound bath (last Sunday of every month)

	Activity Contact	Permissions have been given to use contact details below
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# Services & Events

## St John the Baptist Church, Wilberfoss

**This building is not just for Sunday services, weddings, baptisms or funerals. It is a safe space, accessible to everyone who needs it.**

The building is open 7 days a week from approximately 10.00am until 4.00pm and is shelter from whatever the weather is up to. This is your space, enjoy!

Rev Simon Pritchard is still away from Church and will be for the immediate future. He has been working in the background and has arranged for other clergy to lead the services of Holy Communion in his absence. We continue to pray for Simon and his recovery.

### Services in July

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	11.00 am	Come and Worship
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	11.00 am	Holy Communion

### Rosie and Friends Gig

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May saw Church packed with people ready for an evening of great entertainment and they were not disappointed! Rosie and the band were amazing, and very few people sat still in their seats, in fact there were a few dancing at the back of Church! The evening was a great success, and we hope to repeat this fantastic fund-raising event in the not-too-distant future. All the proceeds have been donated to Church as the event was funded by an amazing friend of Wilberfoss Church. Thank you to the band, everyone who came and supported the event and thank you to those who worked so hard behind the scenes to ensure that the evening was such a success.

### Village Duck Race

What an amazing event superbly organised by an even more amazing committee. Even the weather just about cooperated! We had a great time meeting lots of families who visited our stalls, the children's crafts and Hook a Duck stall, the Bottle on a String stall and the Hamper raffle. The raffle prizes have been claimed, and the winning tickets were, 210, 324 and 368. A massive THANK YOU goes to everyone who bought Duck Race tickets from Church and came along to the stalls. Hope everyone enjoyed themselves as much as we did. See you next year!



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## **Community Coffee Morning**

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July 10.00 am until 12.00 noon. Come along and enjoy a good chat with friends or make new ones! Tea, coffee, cakes and bacon butties will be available, all served with welcoming smiles!! Contributions of homemade cakes will be gratefully received on the day. The August Community Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August

## **Wilberfoss Church Stay and Play Group**

The group is going from strength to strength and meets each Thursday morning 9.30 until 11.00 during school term time. Pre-schoolers enjoy crafts, musical instruments, toys, games, storytelling and of course refreshments (grown-ups get refreshments too!). This is an amazingly friendly group, and you and your pre-schoolers are assured of a warm welcome. Last session before the school summer holidays will be 9<sup>th</sup> July. Have a wonderful summer and we will see you in September!

## **Jigsaw Group**

This social group continues to meet every Thursday in the Priory Room 1.00pm - 3.00pm and is a great opportunity to catch up with friends and meet new people. The group has been so successful that they have completed most of the enormous pile of jigsaws available at church and so new jigsaws are gradually being introduced on a weekly basis. The old, completed jigsaws are being donated to charity shops in the surrounding area.

## **Wilberfoss Church 100 Club**

The lucky winners of the June double draw were: 1<sup>st</sup> Brenda Morgan and Jo Stalker, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jean Crossley and Sarah Wills, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dorothy Liversidge and Cecily Shakespeare. If you would like to be one of the 81 participants, please contact Moira Percival on 07805 344842. The cost of each number is £12.00 for the year, but you can purchase a number at any time during the year, and the subscription will be reduced accordingly.

## **Facebook**

The Church has its own Facebook page, and posts are also made on the Wilberfoss Community page and the Wilberfoss, Fangfoss and Surrounding page. Photos, articles and upcoming events are posted on all three sites, so check regularly so you don't miss out! Don't forget to pass on the information on to your friends who are not online.

## **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

**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.

## Food Bank

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](mailto:stevepercival@hotmail.co.uk). Heartfelt thanks go to all who give so generously to help families in crisis.

## Woolly Hats

Thank you to so many of you wonderful knitters out there in the community. Every hat is a prized possession of the seafarers in the Humber ports. The following is a link to the pattern. <https://www.missiontoseafarers.org/knitting/hat-patterns>  
Please do not put pom poms on the hats as the seafarers have to wear their hard hats on top!

The Arc Light Centre is a charity based in York which provides shelter for the homeless and they too would be so appreciative of woolly hats. Please let us know if you would like your hats to be for the seafarers or the homeless. The Arc Light Centre is also in need of single fitted bed sheets and bath towels. If you have any to spare, please contact Rose Riley on 07789 628358 or Moira Percival on 07805 344842.

## Do you shop online?

When you shop online with one of the over 8000 participating retailers, they will donate part of what you spend to your chosen cause. It is such 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!

## Church Contacts

Simon Pritchard	Priest in Charge	<a href="http://www.achurchnearyou.com">www.achurchnearyou.com</a>
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Moira Percival	Church Warden	07805344842
Church web site		<a href="https://stjohnthebaptistchurchwilberfoss.co.uk/">https://stjohnthebaptistchurchwilberfoss.co.uk/</a>

**Thank you for reading these pages. If you have an activity or event that you would like Church to be involved in, please contact one of the two Church Wardens.....after all, it is your Church!**



# Tennis

## Wilberfoss Tennis Club update June '26

Still early in the season but our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> mixed teams are in danger of promotion if they are not careful. The 3<sup>rd</sup> team are making it more exciting by focussing on a relegation battle instead, a ploy which both the mens and the ladies teams are keen to embrace as well it seems.

Probably the highlight of the month has been Andrea's World Cup sweep-stake draw - you can see all the excitement on our Instagram page (thanks to Chess) - search for wilberfosstennisclub and see it in all its glory.

Here is what's happening at the courts:

- **Monday nights** – relaxed, informal social tennis
- **Wednesday nights** – official club night
- **Once a month on a Friday** – a special social tennis night, followed by a few drinks at the pavilion - the next one will be **26th June**
- **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**: Match nights - feel free to come along and cheer us on as we battle in mixed divisions 4, 6 and 9 this year
- **Saturday** mornings : Ladies matches
- **Sunday** mornings: Mens matches

We're proud to be known as one of the **friendliest clubs in the area**, and we're always happy to welcome new faces.

On the website there is a calendar so you can see if the courts are free or not (or pick which team you are supporting)

[www.wilberfosstennisclub.com](http://www.wilberfosstennisclub.com)

**See you all on the courts soon!**

**Adrian Shakeshaft (Secretary) - 07415199414**

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THE PAVILION

BAR & BISTRO

# The Pavilion



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## HOMEMADE FRESH TO ORDER DISHES

Taste the New Season!

If you haven't tried our food yet, you're missing out on top-quality flavours right on your doorstep. Get ready for a taste explosion!

### Did you know?

we cater for afternoon Tea's and Bottomless brunches - Pre bookings only!

Come treat your tastebuds and settle those summer cravings.

## DATE TO REMEMBER



1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2026



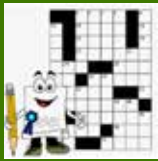
## UPCOMING EVENTS

Palm leaves &  
Summer Breeze  
Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July

Party at the Pav  
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August  
From 12pm - 6pm

**NEW!**

The ultimate family Olympics  
Saturday 29th August  
From 12pm



# Puzzle Page

## June Crossword Answers



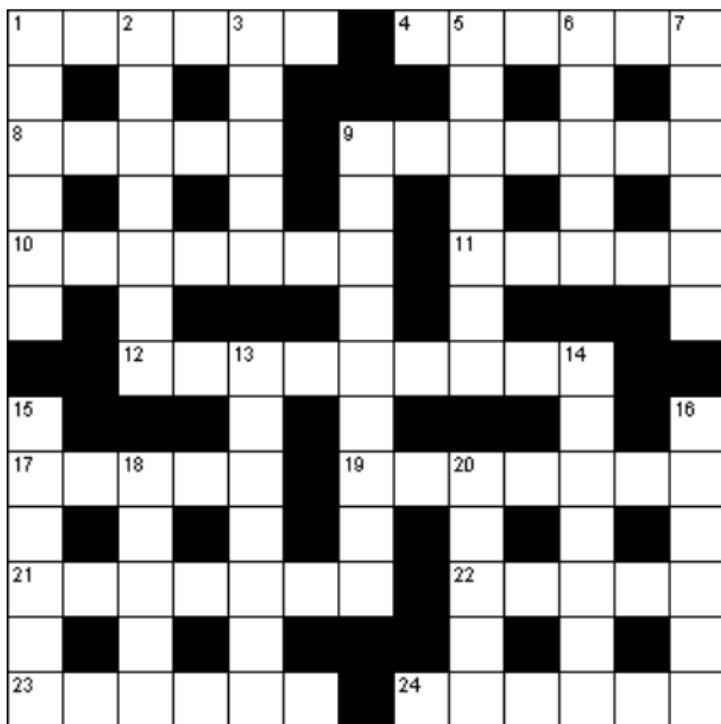
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- BO PEEP
- TOY
- COWBOY
- STINKY PETE
- STORY
- BARBIE
- PIXAR
- HAMM

## Toy Story Word Search

E	I	N	S	B	O	B	J	X	R	W	K	T	D
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# July Crossword



## Across

- 1 Underground passage (6)
- 4 Magician (6)
- 8 Vigilant (5)
- 9 Huge (7)
- 10 Army rank (7)
- 11 Gangway (5)
- 12 Devoted (9)
- 17 Theme (5)
- 19 The largest living bird (7)
- 21 Maybe (7)
- 22 Fossil resin used for jewellery (5)
- 23 Response (6)
- 24 Accentuate (6)

## Down

- 1 Hypnotic state (6)
- 2 Irritated (7)
- 3 Consumed (5)
- 5 Moment (7)
- 6 Assumed name (5)
- 7 Motor fuel (6)
- 9 Malevolent (9)
- 13 Aver (7)
- 14 Slaver (7)
- 15 Imaginary ideal place (6)
- 16 Large containers for milk (6)
- 18 Funeral fires (5)
- 20 Extensive area of land (5)