



Wilberfoss News

April 2025

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The days are getting longer, the flowers are starting to bloom, and there is a real sense of spring in the air!

This month's newsletter is packed with upcoming events and the latest village updates.

So, grab a cup of tea, settle in, and catch up on all the latest community news.



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





News in Brief

We're delighted to report that volunteers have come forward to act as Voluntary Flood Wardens. Thank you to those who have committed to this scheme.

We have been notified by East Riding of Yorkshire Council of planned surface dressing to roads in Wilberfoss – namely, the Hull Road, Moorfield Drive, Moorfield Way and Windmill Meadows. We have notified East Riding of Yorkshire Council that Moorfield Way has been re-surfaced and we have asked that Hawthorn Drive be added to the scheme.

Please use the template letter we have uploaded to the News page of the parish website to campaign for additional bus services through the village.

There is currently a 10-week consultation on changes to council ward boundaries. Residents are being encouraged to have their say. You'll find details on the News page of the parish website.

We will be progressing a scheme to add an additional access point to the amenity land on Storking Lane.

A resident has shared their concern about children cycling straight out of the snicket onto Middle Street. Delivery drivers in particular will be unaware of the concealed entrance so please remind your children about the need for caution. There are cyclist dismount signs displayed and we will approach East Riding of Yorkshire Council to see whether any additional safety measures can be considered.



W.I.B & Digital Help



Wilberfoss in Bloom

Duck Race Cake Stall

Sunday May 11th

Wonderful homemade cakes

Cake donations welcome!

Plant Sale

Saturday May 17th at the Grass Garden, next to Frost Butchers

Come and buy your locally grown plants.

Plant donations welcome!

Contact Viv Gyll on 07885 855402 or email her
at vmg1067@icloud.com



MONTHLY DIGITAL HELP HAS MOVED!

The monthly digital help will now be offered at the earlier time of **1.00 pm – 2.30 pm on the first Tuesday of the month**. You'll find us in **Room 3** at the Community Centre. There's an opportunity for you to test drive a smart tablet, or you can bring your own device, and we will try and help with any digital and online queries you have.

Don't forget, we also have a dedicated email address where you can contact us anytime, however large or small the query.

wilberfossdigitalsos@gmail.com



Services & Events

St John the Baptist Church, Wilberfoss

Sunday Services in April 2025

Sunday 6 th April	11.00 am	Come and Worship
Sunday 13 th April	11.00 am	Holy Communion (Palm Sunday)
Sunday 20 th April	11.00 am	Holy Communion (Easter Sunday)
Sunday 27 th April	11.00 am	Come and Worship (followed by the APCM)

Holy Week Services

Thursday 17 th April	7.30 pm	Holy Communion (Maundy Thursday)
Friday 18 th April	10.00 am – 11.00 am	Children's Hour
Friday 18 th April	2.00 pm – 3.00 pm	Come and Worship (Good Friday)

Children's Hour

This is an activity hour full of art and crafts for kids and based on the Easter story. This session is not aimed at any particular age group so grown-ups, you can get creative too!

Lent Course

The Lent Course continues to examine and investigate the Lord's Prayer. Rev Simon Pritchard will lead the sessions on Wednesdays 2nd, 9th and 16th April. Everyone is welcome.

A Date for your Diary

As part of the Holy Week Services, an opportunity to renew your vows of baptism will be held in York Minster on Saturday 19th April at 8.00 pm.

Another Date for your Diary

The York Male Voice Choir will be singing in Church on 5th July and it will certainly be an evening to remember, so please don't miss out. Further details concerning tickets, refreshments etc will follow in subsequent issues of the Village Newsletter.

Wilberfoss Church Stay and Play Group

The last session of this term will be Tuesday 1st April and will restart on Tuesday 22nd April at the usual time of 9.30 am until 11.00 am. Refreshments are available and while the sessions are free of charge, donations, (which help to purchase craft supplies and contribute to the heating and lighting costs), will be welcomed.



Services & Events

On the noticeboard in the soft play area in Church, you will be able to view the beautiful creations that the talented children have produced. The Church is open every day from approximately 10.00 am until 3.00 pm and provides a quiet space for anyone who needs it.

Jigsaw Group

This social group continues to meet every Thursday in the Priory Room 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm and provides a warm space and good company for all. There is always a large jigsaw for all to help complete and jigsaws are available to borrow and take home. If you enjoy jigsaws, then this is the place for you! If you don't want to be involved with the jigsaw, there is always great conversation, tea, coffee and cake to tempt you! Grateful thanks to all who generously donate cakes, raffle prizes etc. Please contact Jo Stalker, Authorised Lay Minister, 01759 380361.

Safeguarding - the action the Church takes to promote a safer culture within the Church.

The Ministry Team and all front-line volunteers have been on training courses regarding the important issue of safeguarding, following the relevant national legislation and guidance. The front-line volunteers include those who welcome worshippers and distribute hymn books and liturgy, read the lessons, lead the intersessions, invite you to take communion or to come forward for a blessing. All Church led activities have at least one person who has their safeguarding certification and has been cleared by the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).

WILBERFOSS CHURCH 100 CLUB

There are no draws during Lent, therefore the next draw will take place on the first Sunday in May, which will mark the start of the 100 Club year. If you wish to retain your current numbers or choose new/additional numbers please contact Moira on 07805 344842 or see her most Sundays in Church. The annual cost is £12 for 12 draws (in June and December there are two draws to replace the two months missed because of Lent). The proceeds are split 60/40 between prize money and the upkeep of the Village Church. Thank you to everyone who has been and will be part of the fun

Do you shop online?

If you do, then here is an easy way to increase the income of your Village Church at no cost to you!! If you access this link <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>, choose St John the Baptist Church Wilberfoss, then purchase from a listed store, a percentage of the cost of your purchases will be given to Wilberfoss Church. This donation comes purely from the store and not from you!



Services & Events

Food Bank

Some statistics taken from the Food Bank website:

- 8846 3-day emergency food supplies were given to people in crisis in the last financial year.
- £1187 per calendar month is the average rent in York.
- 1 in 5 people in the UK live below the poverty line. That is 14.4 million which includes 4.2 million children.

Heartfelt thanks to all of you who give so generously to help change this dreadful situation.

The following list contains items they are desperately in need of:

Breakfast cereal (not porridge)	Jars of jam
Toilet rolls	Deodorants
Washing up liquid	Strong carrier bags, e.g. bags for life.

These are items they are running low on:

Fruit juice (not chilled)	Powdered Milk
UHT Milk	Sugar
Tinned rice pudding	Tinned custard
Tinned Fruit.	

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

Church Contacts

Simon Pritchard	Priest in Charge	www.achurchnearyou.com
Peter Green	Licensed Lay Minister	01759 301386
Steve Percival	Licensed Lay Minister	07883 521677
Rose Riley	Warden	01759 380795
	and Advocate for ACTS435	
Moira Percival	Warden	07805 344842



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?

The programme of speakers has been arranged as follows:

28th April AGM (this is not a formal meeting, just a report of the financial situation, introduction of the committee and plans for the future)

Bring and Buy stall, tea and cake

(Please note the change of date of the AGM from that previously advertised)

19 th May	The Royal Air Force
16 th June	Flower arranging
21 st July	Visits to the Ukraine
18 th August	Afternoon Tea (delicious, not to be missed)
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!



WILBERFOSS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Users that welcome new members

	Session Time	Activity
Monday	6.00 am – 7.00 am 10.15 am – 12.25 pm 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm 4.00 pm – 8.00 pm 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm 8.30 pm – 9.30 pm	Early morning fitness class Sing & Sign – Classes from babies to toddlers Wilberfoss Sewing Group Wilberfoss Ladies & Friends (third Monday monthly) KCMA Martial Arts Academy (children & adult classes) Yoga with Simply Bee Wellness Keep Fit with Linda
Tuesday	10.00 am – 11.00 am 1.00 pm – 3.00 pm 3.00 pm – 4.30 pm 1.15 pm – 3.15 pm 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm	Move It or Lose It – Exercise for the over 60's Tuesday Chat (cuppa and a chat – free to all and everyone) No booking necessary. Just turn up! Digital Clinic – FREE help with devices/online issues (1 st Tue monthly) Wilberfoss Art Class Wilberfoss Table Tennis Club (Club & Match Night)
Wednesday	9.30 am – 10.30 am 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm	Beginners Yoga class U3A Quiz (<i>alternate weeks</i>) (U3A Members only) Wilberfoss Line Dancers
Thursday	10.00 am – 11.00 am 1.30 pm – 3.30 pm 7.00 pm – 8.30 pm 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm	Pocklington Pilates Wilberfoss Sequence Dancers Wilberfoss Karate Club (15 years +) Ad hoc Beginners Tai Chi with Ian WOW WI (2 nd Thursday monthly) Wilberfoss Parish Council (3 rd Thursday monthly)
Friday	6.00 am – 7.00 am 9.30 am – 10.30 am 12.30 pm – 2.30 pm 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm	Early morning fitness class Circuits with Lovaine Boltonians (Men's discussion group & light lunch) Wilberfoss Short Mat Bowling Club Kettlersize Fitness with Kev
Saturday	10.30 am – 12.00 pm	Wilberfoss Karate Club (15 years +) (alternate weeks)
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 private bookings.

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 a therapy room and a meeting room which can be hired. For more information contact the Centre Manager on wilberfosscommunitycentre@outlook.com or 01759 380123, or via Facebook Messenger. The Centre can be viewed through the village website www.wilberfossparish.org.uk or on HallsHire.com

UNITY CENTRE DIARY

Users have provided contact details

	Activity Contact	Permissions have been given to use contact details below
	Emily Stockhill Anna Gibbeson Norma Randall Eileen Brammell Kris Crump Emily Stockhill Linda Hartas	emilylouisestockhill@gmail.com 07715 693656 annagibbeson@singandsign.co.uk 07811 651720 normacrاندall1937@yahoo.co.uk 01759 388921 01759 388135 kcma.online@gmail.com 07896 882909 emilylouisestockhill@gmail.com 07715 693656 Linharmac@aol.com 07801 888824
welcome.	Karen Hill Becks & Stu Savage	karen.wallacehill@moveitorloseit.co.uk 07305 030706 sav8289@aol.com
Monday	Sarah Wills Chris Bailey Alison Young	wilberfosdigitalaos@outlook.com wilberfossartgroup@outlook.com 92ayoung@gmail.com 01759 380325
	Lindsey Samson Barbara	samsonlindsey@gmail.com 07817 830178 secretarypockdu3a@gmail.com (general enquiries) 01759 388218
	Sophie Redfern Betty Mike Cundall Ian Parker Louisa Sarah Wills	sandsredfern@aol.com 07931 964114 01904 470455 taichi.derwent@gmail.com www.wi@eastyorkshirewi.org.uk clerk@wilberfoss-pc.gov.uk 07762 549292
	Emily Stockhill Lovaine Humphry Allan Ashworth Sue/Mick Kev Copeland	emilylouisestockhill@gmail.com 07715 693656 Lovaine@lovfit.co.uk 07932 800101 Allan.ashworth1@ntlworld.com 07803 393694 suedouthwaite1@gmail.com/ 07855 165417 (Mick) gymkevcope@googlemail.com 07834 617192
	Mike Lewis	07904 653337
theatre group	Sally Langton	watswilberfoss@gmail.com

These events are not accessible to the public.

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



Wilberfoss Elders



Wilberfoss Elders' Party - 2025



The Wilberfoss Elders Party will be running again this year. The party will be held at the Community Centre on **8 June from 2.00pm** and is open to anyone residing in the village and of **state pension age (66 years old) or over** and their partners/significant other.

There will be food and drink provided together with entertainment.

There is no charge for this event, but there will be a fundraising raffle for those who wish to help to ensure this event can continue in future years, so please bring some cash along if you wish to do so.

If you would like to attend, please detach and complete the below RSVP and place it in the reply box which is located in the village shop by the tills, no later than 16th May.

I would like to attend the Wilberfoss Elders' Party 2025

Name(s)

Contact number

Email address

Dietary Requirements

I would be grateful for assistance with transport to/from the party

Pick-up/drop-off address

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Information



Tennis

Club nights, open to players of all abilities, are continuing from 6pm on Wednesdays and Fridays until the end of April, when competitive fixtures commence and the Wednesday session reverts to Monday evenings. Juniors coaching is up and running on Tuesdays immediately after school. Our coach Jill Le Pla can be contacted on 07531 598512 or jlptenniscoaching@gmail.com for further details. In addition, Jill will be offering adult coaching from 5.30 to 6.30 on Tuesdays from 25 March.

Neil Burke (TENNIS CORRESPONDENT).



Elders' Party Raffle Prizes required - In order to ensure that the Elders' Party can continue each year, one of the main ways we can raise funds is via a raffle on the day, and that means prizes! If anyone could be so kind as to donate any unwanted gifts or anything else that you feel would be suitable, that would be very much appreciated by everyone involved and those attending. Many local businesses have supported this in the past, and it would be wonderful if that could continue this year. If you have anything to donate, please feel free to drop them off at the Community Centre on a Tuesday afternoon (1-3pm) when Stu and Becks Savage will be there to collect them from you. Alternatively, you can email Stu & Becks who will happy to arrange another time to collect them - sav8289@aol.com."



Wilberfoss Duck Race

Volunteers Meeting!

Wednesday 9th April

6.30pm - 7.30pm at the Community Centre

Maybe you've helped out with the **duck race** in the past? Or maybe you're interested in getting involved? We're looking for help with event set up, duck throwing, duck catching, marshalling, ticket selling.

Fun guaranteed! Come along to our informal meeting to find out more. **Just turn up!**



Wilberfoss Duck Race 2025

Sunday 11th May

Start 1pm • 1st race 2pm

RACE: 01 • Your Duck No: 001

Organised by Wilberfoss Duck Race Association on behalf of village activities and charities

Registered with the East Riding of Yorkshire Council as a Small Lottery under the Gambling Act (2005)

Promoter: Sarah Coggins, 7 Main Street, Wilberfoss, YO41 5NP





WOW WI



Women of
Wilberfoss
Women's Institute

WOW WI 2025 Calendar of Meetings

Meet Second Thursday of the Month 7.30pm

Hello lovely ladies, this is our list of meetings for 2025.

Unless stated below all meetings will be in the Wilberfoss Community Centre,
Main Street, Wilberfoss, York, YO41 5NN (car park to side)

January 9th – Walking the Wolds with Mrs M & Bill ✓

February 13th – SASH ✓

March 13th – Simply Bee Wellness – make a terrarium ✓

April 10th – Cyber Safety Talk – North Yorkshire Police (link WIs are invited)

May 8th – Learn to crochet a poppy with Louise-Marie Crochet

June 12th – Craft - tbc

July 10th – External visit - tbc

August 8th – No meeting

September 11th – Dark Tales of York ghost walk – York city centre

October 9th – Wolds Hedgehog Rescue

November 13th – AGM & Wine Tasting

December 11th – Christmas Fun, Craft & Buffet

Christmas Meal – 5th December - tbc

Visitors very welcome – please contact us below for details.

Membership is renewed in April 2025 (1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026)

Please request a membership form if you are a new member

£50 by Cash or BACS

(Lloyds Bank Account: 31326760 – Sort Code: 30-99-50

Account name: Women of Wilberfoss Women's Institute)

Please email if you have any questions or queries wowwi@eastyorkshirewi.org.uk

Louisa Jaynes (President), Rebecca Perkins (Secretary), Catherine Taylor (Treasurer)

Committee Members: Amanda Woodliffe, Victoria Morley, Kate Birkinshaw



F.O.W.S

SECOND HAND SALE **FOWS (FRIENDS OF WILBERFOSS SCHOOL)**

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW SUMMER WARDROBE, OR PERHAPS NEW TOYS FOR THE KIDS? WHY NOT TAKE A BREAK FROM VINTED AND SHOP AT OUR SECOND HAND TABLE TOP SALE! CASH ONLY

JOINT FUNDRAISER!

17TH MAY 2025, 10-1
WILBERFOSS
COMMUNITY CENTRE



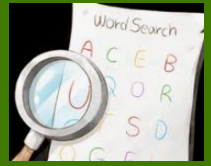
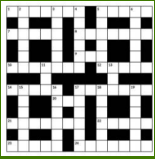
SMALL BUSINESS FAIR **WILBERFOSS COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE**

ARE YOU READY TO SUPPORT LOCAL INDEPENDENT BUSINESSES? WHETHER TAKING HOME SOME BEAUTIFULLY DESIGNED STATIONERY OR YUMMY BAKES, THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

WOULD YOU LIKE A TABLE?

EMAIL FOWS@WILBERFOSSPRIMARY.CO.UK FOR THE SECOND HAND SALE
AND WILBERFOSSCCCOMMITTEE@OUTLOOK.COM FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS FAIR

March Crossword Answers & Children's Word Search



Crossword Answers

1	M	U	S	S	3	E	L		4	P	I	S	6	T	O	7	L
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Children's Easter Word Search

April

Bunny

Candy

Chick

Eggs

U P H G B K E G G S
R X U M U S C E G N
I U N Y N L F P A O
T H T C N A P A M W
C A N D Y M B Z E Q
H V O F T B X P S C
I O S R H A P P Y O
C K A P R I L C O N
K W G C N T M B T K
H O P I N S U V M W

Games

Happy

Hop

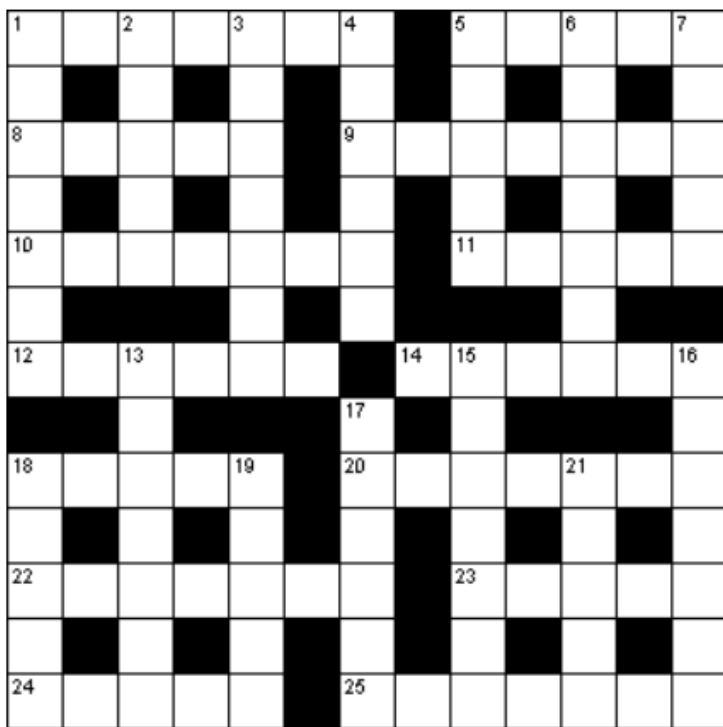
Hunt

Lamb





April Crossword



Across

- 1 Misfortune (3,4)
- 5 Dollars, slangily (5)
- 8 Furious (5)
- 9 Bewilder (7)
- 10 Weave together (7)
- 11 Convenient (5)
- 12 Vigour (6)
- 14 Stableman at an inn (6)
- 18 Young person (5)
- 20 Superficial (7)
- 22 Vast (7)
- 23 Prize money (5)
- 24 Military fur hat (5)
- 25 Correspondence (7)

Down

- 1 Have faith (7)
- 2 Quilt (5)
- 3 Immortal (7)
- 4 Cured herring (6)
- 5 Nativity (5)
- 6 Military rank (7)
- 7 Three score (5)
- 13 Puzzles (7)
- 15 Remain in the same place (4,3)
- 16 Answers (anag.) (7)
- 17 Also (2,4)
- 18 Ascend (5)
- 19 Fop (5)
- 21 Big (5)