

Lower Ure News

Local News for Boroughbridge and The Lower Ure Valley



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SHOP LOCAL THIS CHRISTMAS

WITH BOROUGHBRIDGE
LATE NIGHT SHOPPING

FROM 5.30PM ON WEDNESDAY
30TH NOVEMBER 2016
ONWARDS

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Santa and his sleigh

*Mulled wine, mince pies
and roast chestnuts*

Music by local choirs

Hog Roast

Treasure Hunt

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From the Editor:

The editor and volunteers at Lower Ure News wish everyone a happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

A huge thank you to everyone who has helped throughout the year.

There will be a January paper. Please let us have your stories, photos and diary dates as soon as possible. The copy deadline is December 15. We would like to send the paper to print on December 16.

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.ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

BCC Annual Christmas Tree Festival will be held in St James' Church on Saturday 10th December 2016 between 10am – 4pm and Sunday 11th December 2016 between 10am – 3.45pm. Refreshments and tombola. Normally over 40 trees from local organisations, businesses and schools.

CAROL SERVICE

A Carol Service will be held at 4pm on Sunday 11th December 2016 in St James' Church followed by the announcement of the results from the Christmas Tree Festival.

For more details and entry forms please contact BCC in their new offices at the Library.



Carols from Around the World



December 9 at 7.30pm

in the Methodist Church Hall, Boroughbridge

Everyone welcome – sing, play, listen or just enjoy the company. Light supper.

For more information, ring 01423 324276 or 325808



Boroughbridge 98 Lions



Boroughbridge Lions are preparing for the Christmas 2016 Season with their sleigh – it is our principle fundraiser and the source of much of the money we put back into the local community.

As we do so comes the realization, that this may be the last year for this and the many other things we do throughout the

Walking Football

year. Our band of dedicated members are all getting

older and it could well be that, without new members, we will be able to continue our activities. Although Boroughbridge based, our area of action ranges from Green Hammerton to Dishforth and Marton cum Grafton to Roecliffe.

Boroughbridge Lions meet monthly, but attendance requirements are flexible to accommodate the time pressures on today's young families; we also welcome couples, with discounted membership rates, so that, if necessary attendance can be shared.

We really appreciate all the help we get from volunteers for our events, but without new members to keep the club going the end is inevitable.

why not come to one of our

meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 8pm the Crown Hotel – they are informal and very friendly.



Family Cycle Day

Alternatively call Ann or Graham on 01423 323 867 for a chat about what it means to a Lion and to make a difference. See www.lowerurenews.co.uk for the full article.



Photo by Jackie Akers

Aldborough Roman Museum – Good News



At a recent meeting between English Heritage and Friends of Roman Aldborough, it was agreed that the museum will be open on Fridays as well as at the weekends in 2017.

To make sure that this continues beyond 2017 we need to increase visitor numbers to cover the costs!!

Make sure you visit when the museum re-opens in the Spring.

Friends of Roman Aldborough have a very exciting programme of speakers and visits for 2017 – and are planning improvements to the site.

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SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY – Saturday, December 3

Small Business Saturday is an annual, grassroots, not-for-profit campaign that puts small, independent businesses in communities across the country in the national spotlight, encouraging people up and down the country to go out and support small businesses in their communities on that day and all year round. This year, the campaign culminates on Saturday December 3rd. Small Business Saturday is already the UK's most successful small business campaign. Last year an estimated £623 million was spent with small businesses across the UK on the day – up £119 million on last year and an increase in spending of 24%. The day itself also generated huge buzz on social media with Small Business Saturday trending at number one on Twitter. Over 100,000 tweets were sent in support of Small Business Saturday on the day itself with a combined reach of more than 25 million people.

Support your local businesses – live local, buy local

Events Diary



DEC

2

Fri

BCC Minibus Trip @ Lincoln Christmas Market

Dec 2 @ 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

£10. 01423 324504

Roecliffe WI @ Roecliffe School

Dec 2 @ 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Christmas Entertainment with Masham Handbell Ringers. 01423 322335.

DEC

3

Sat

Boroughbridge High School Christmas Fair @ Boroughbridge High School

Dec 3 @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Free entry, Raffle, Tombola, Stalls, Santa & Refreshments. Contact hlangford@boroughbridgehigh .com for a stall.

DEC

4

Sun

BCC Minibus Trip @ Skipton Christmas Market

Dec 4 @ 9:30 am – 4:30 pm

£8. 01423 324504

DEC

6

Tue

Kirby Hill WI @ The Coronation Hall

Dec 6 @ 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm

In-house seasonal entertainment, Faith Supper. 01423 320745

DEC

7

Wed

Community Coffee Morning @ Arkendale Community Hall

Dec 7 @ 10:30 am – 11:45 am

£1 for coffee and cake/biscuits. Come along and meet up with friends for a chat. All welcome.

Youth Club @ Boroughbridge Social Club

Dec 7 @ 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

For children & young people aged 9-14. £1.50 including drink & snack. 07881 797716

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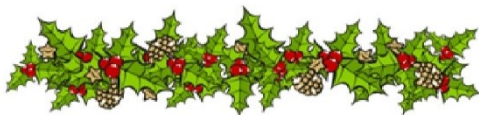
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Thu

Marton cum Grafton WI @ Marton cum Grafton Memorial Hall

Dec 8 @ 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm

More Pretty Things, 'Wrapping UP Christmas'. 01423 330561



DEC
9
Fri

Christmas Fayre Open Afternoon @ Jennyruth Workshops

Dec 9 @ 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Jennyruth Workshops is holding a CHRISTMAS FAYRE OPEN AFTERNOON at Unit 5, Red House Farm, Bridge Hewick, Ripon, HG4 5AY on Friday 9th December from 1.30pm to 4.00pm. We will have a large range of Christmas items and handmade gifts for sale. There will be music and mince pies and hot drinks to enjoy as well as displays of work. The Ripon Walled Garden will be selling some of their products, such as wreaths, seasonal plants as well as planted containers & baskets. So, don't miss it, it is always a fun event, with a great atmosphere and open to all. Enquiries: Tel. 01765 606620 or email info@jennyruth.co.uk

'Tis the Season @ The Coronation Hall

Dec 9 @ 7:00 pm

A Christmas choral concert. Boroughbridge Community Choir with Chapter House School Choir & Kirby Hill School's Teamstar. Tickets £5/£3 including refreshments.

World Carols @ Boroughbridge Methodist Church

Dec 9 @ 7:30 pm

Carols for all, from around the world. yorevision.org.uk 01423 325808

DEC
13
Tue

Boroughbridge Historical Society @ The Jubilee Room

Dec 13 @ 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Tim Chester – 'Grace & Glory – the 500th anniversary of the reformation'. All welcome – guests £3, members free. The talk will be followed by tea and biscuits. 01423 322862

DEC
14
Wed

Youth Club @ Boroughbridge Social Club

Dec 14 @ 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

For children & young people aged 9-14. £1.50 including drink & snack. 07881 797716

Aldborough, Boroughbridge & Dunsforth WI @ Aldborough Village Hall

Dec 14 @ 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Christmas Celebration. 01423 325013

DEC
20
Tue

Yore Film Society @ The Coronation Hall

Dec 20 @ 8:00 pm

Eddie the Eagle. The Story of Eddie Edwards, the notoriously tenacious British underdog ski jumper who charmed the world at the 1988 Winter Olympics. Cert PG 13 2016 USA Comedy/Drama/Biography. £5. Bar, Tea/Coffee.



JAN

1

Sun

Winter Walk @ Staveley Nature Reserve

Jan 1 @ 10:30 am

Welcome in the New Year! Join the Boroughbridge Walkers are Welcome (who organise The Boroughbridge Easter walking Festival) on their winter walk around Staveley Nature Reserve. Meet at the Nature Reserve Car Park at 10.30 am on New Years Day. 01423 322988 www.boroughbridgewalks.org.uk

JAN

4

Wed

Youth Club @ Boroughbridge Social Club

Jan 4 @ 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

For children & young people aged 9-14. £1.50 including drink & snack. 07881 797716

JAN

6

Fri

BCC Coffee Morning @ Boroughbridge Library

Jan 6 @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Drop in coffee morning in the room upstairs in the Library. Tea/Coffee/Hot chocolate and biscuits for £1 – refills free. All welcome.

JAN

10

Tue

Boroughbridge Historical Society @ The Jubilee Room

Jan 10 @ 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm

History of Printing – with Charles Lubelski. All welcome – guests £3, members free. The talk will be followed by tea and biscuits. 01423 322862

JAN

11

Wed

Youth Club @ Boroughbridge Social Club

Jan 11 @ 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

For children & young people aged 9-14. £1.50 including drink & snack. 07881 797716

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JAN

17

Tue

Boroughbridge & District Antiques Society @ The Coronation Hall, Milby

Jan 17 @ 7:45 pm – 9:45 pm

Members' Evening, Chris Scaife: History of Mouseman Furniture. Faith Supper, Wine and soft drinks provided. Visitors £3, members free. 01423 360711

JAN

18

Wed

Youth Club @ Boroughbridge Social Club

Jan 18 @ 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

For children & young people aged 9-14. £1.50 including drink & snack. 07881 797716



JAN
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Fri

BCC Coffee Morning @ Boroughbridge Library

Jan 20 @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

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JAN
25
Wed

Youth Club @ Boroughbridge Social Club

Jan 25 @ 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

For children & young people aged 9-14. £1.50 including drink & snack. 07881 797716

JAN
27
Fri

BCC Coffee Morning @ Boroughbridge Library

Jan 27 @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Drop in coffee morning in the room upstairs in the Library. Tea/Coffee/Hot chocolate and biscuits for £1 – refills free. All welcome.

FEB
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Wed

Youth Club @ Boroughbridge Social Club

Feb 1 @ 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

For children & young people aged 9-14. £1.50 including drink & snack. 07881 797716

FEB
4
Sat

Coffee Morning @ St James' Church

Feb 4 @ 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Church Lane, Boroughbridge. 01423 504913

FEB
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Wed

Youth Club @ Boroughbridge Social Club

Feb 8 @ 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

For children & young people aged 9-14. £1.50 including drink & snack. 07881 797716

FEB
14
Tue

Boroughbridge Historical Society @ The Jubilee Room

Feb 14 @ 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Coaching Memories – with Eric Houlder. All welcome – guests £3, members free. The talk will be followed by tea and biscuits. 01423 322862

FEB
21
Tue

Boroughbridge & District Antiques Society @ The Coronation Hall, Milby

Feb 21 @ 7:45 pm – 9:45 pm

Colin Alderson: '5 Years with The Royal Household'. Visitors £3, members free. 01423 360711



To have your events listed, please send them to diary@lowerurenews.co.uk

Blackbirds in Your Garden

Blackbirds were originally woodlands birds, but have adapted very well to an urban environment. It is thought urban Blackbird populations may even act as boosters for less productive woodland populations! Prolonged periods of dry weather, which make getting at earthworms very difficult puts their chicks at risk of starvation. Woodland populations suffer from nest predation.



Male Blackbird in breeding plumage with prominent yellow beak and eye ring.
Photo by author

Breeding territories and feeding sites may be used year after year by socially dominant birds, particularly those with food available throughout the year.

Blackbirds have a varied diet, not just feeding on fruit and earthworms - they have even been seen taking tadpoles and newts from the shallows of garden ponds!

The Blackbird is one of a small number of species that sometimes sing during the night, particularly near to street-lighting. They have large eyes relative to their body size, and research has shown they are the first species to arrive at garden feeding stations on dark winter mornings. Good vision in low light levels influences when a species is first able to move around and find food.

Surveys have revealed that at least 12% of our winter Blackbirds are immigrants from mainland Europe. BTO bird ringers have shown that these winter immigrants originate mainly from Scandinavia, The Netherlands and Germany, some of which are just passing through, and will continue south to winter in Spain, France and Portugal.

Being able to watch several Blackbirds at once helps differentiate between the various plumages, separating the brown females from the black males, and young birds (with some juvenile wing feathers still retained) from older individuals. Birds with one or more white feathers are often seen in our gardens, and are probably 'leucistic' this being due to a local absence of pigment cells.

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See the full article on www.lowerurenews.co.uk



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Do you remember?

A Royal Canadian Air Force Lancaster bomber from 432 Squadron crashed in Aldborough on February 2, 1944. Yore Vision videoed the rededication of the Memorial Plaque in 2014 to let relative in Canada see the ceremony. Some relative were at the re-dedication; others have come to the village to see the memorial and crash site.



While we have been editing the video, several people have been telling us their stories about the crash and giving us information about the plane. There is too much information to put on the sleeve of the DVD.

We would like to put a booklet together with photos and memories.

Do you remember the crash? Can you add to what we know about the crash and the plane? Please get in touch. E-mail: editor@lowerurenews.co.uk or ring 01423 325808

A new coach on board at Boroughbridge Feathers Badminton Club



Sam Bennett a former student at Boroughbridge High School and now studying at York College became a Level 1 coach during September. Sam has been playing badminton for a good number of years and was delighted to receive this award.

Sam assists Margaret Taylor who started the club in 2014.

Juniors and Adults play at the club on

Thursdays from 6-8pm juniors from 6pm. All are welcome to come along and try the sport of badminton. Use of club rackets for those who wish to give it a try. Coaching available from 8yrs to adult.

Contact: ma.shuttles@btinternet.com or Mob 07711496005

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If you have a computer you can forget lost pieces, cumbersome boxes, costly puzzles.

Try one of the free on-line jigsaw sites:

www.jigsawplanet.com

www.jigzone.com

The sites offer a wide variety of puzzles with different pictures, numbers of pieces and different shapes.

Warning: This can seriously occupy your time!!

SNIPPETS

Recycling Wagon



The Recycling wagon will be on Back Lane carpark on December 10 from 9am to 12.30 noon.

Complete list of dates on www.lowerurenews.co.uk



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Do you have any unwanted golf or fishing umbrellas? Friends of Roman Aldborough would like to be able to offer visitors an umbrella when we enjoy!? typical summer weather! secretary@romanaldborough.co.uk T: 01423 325 808

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Photo by Lynn Pugh



Friday 2 nd December	Green Hammerton Whitley	The Bay Horse Green Hammerton @ 5.45pm
Monday 5 th December	Langthorpe Waterside Market Hill Minerva Court	The Fox & Hounds Langthorpe @ 5.45pm
Tuesday 6 th December	Little Ouseburn Great Ouseburn	The Green Tree Little Ouseburn @ 5.45pm
Wednesday 7 th December	Roecliffe Village Roecliffe Lane Arrows Terrace Chatsworth Grove	The Crown Inn Roecliffe @ 5.45pm
Thursday 8 th December	Dishforth Airfield	Entrance to First Estate on Right @ 5.45pm
Friday 9 th December	Mallard Walk Kingfisher Reach Meadowfields Estate	Start of Mallard Walk @ 5.45pm
Monday 10 th December	Hazel Road Estate Ridings Estate The Chase Asbourne Grove Wetherby Road	Entrance to Hazel Estate @ 5.45pm
Tuesday 12 th December	Kirby Hill	The Bluebell @ 5.45pm
Wednesday 16 th December	Marton cum Grafton	The Punch Bowl @ 5.45pm
Thursday 13 th December	Minskip & Aldborough	Opposite MUGA @ 5.45pm
Friday 14 th December	Ladywell Road St James Meadow Springfield Road Church Lane New Row	End Ladywell Road @ 5.45pm

Should we have to vary our route and dates then up to date information will be on our web site www.boroughbridgelions.co.uk and also Facebook and Twitter

We would like to thank: Ripon Landrover, Boroughbridge Hardware and Morrison's Supermarket for their invaluable help with this year's Christmas Activities.

BOROUGHBRIDGE LIONS 98 SANTA'S SLEIGH COLLECTIONS 2016