

# Heads - Up!

*The newsletter for Headon and Upton*

*January 2015*



The first picture of the year shows a Case vintage tractor; part of the tractor run which came through Upton on a beautiful sunny morning on Sunday 4th January.

## December Events

The Village Hall Tea Party combined with the Christmas Raffle was attended by around 25 people in the middle of the month. The main prize of a Christmas hamper was won by Joan Mudford.

Just over 40 people attended the News Years Eve Party at the Village Hall. Originally aimed as a fund raiser for Cancer Research, the event unfortunately failed to break even . Thanks to all who helped out on the evening.

## Burns Night Supper

**Headon Village Hall**

**Saturday 24th January 7.30pm for 8.00pm**

**Come catch a haggis to celebrate Scotland's national poet**

**Tickets £6.00**

**For tickets please contact Dave Burton**

**(as soon as possible in order to assess numbers to cater for)**

## **A look back to Parish News 1914-18**

As the January Parish Council Meeting is being held a bit later in the month I have had a look at the Parish records to see what was being discussed in the Annual Parish Meetings during World War I. You can see from the discussions below just how much things have altered (or not) over the last hundred years.

### **1914**

The Chairman had received a letter from East Drayton post office regarding the state of the footbridge over the beck between Upton and East Drayton. The Chairman was asked to speak to the Chairman of the Askham Meeting to try and solve the matter.

### **1915**

The Chairman reported he had met with the Askham Chairman regarding the footbridge and the matter had been resolved. A new County rate was discussed and accepted

### **1916**

A letter had been received from Mr Wood at Prospect Farm regarding the bad state of the footbridge between the parishes of Upton and Askham.

On the 28th March a very violent storm had passed over the county doing a tremendous amount of damage. In this parish a famous old oak tree (several hundred years old) was blown down. It was known as the Southing Oak as it stood in the NW corner of the Southing.

Residents were reminded of the new law as a result of zeppelin raids. This requires that all windows must have dark blinds and that no lights must be visible from the outside.

### **1917**

A special meeting was called to ascertain for the County War Agricultural Committee what quantity of seed potatoes would be required for the parish next spring. Mr Len Parsons applied for 16cwts.

### **1918**

An application was made to the County War Agricultural Committee for one ton of seed potatoes. It was announced that Glebe Farm and its land in the parish of Headon cum Upton was to be sold. This was achieved in February 1919 in a sale organised by H Spencer & Sons.

### **Addendum 1918**

The following young men from the parish had gone to serve King & Country during the four years.

Fallen:

Pte Samuel Jackson: 7th East Yorks, enrolled 9th Aug 1914, twice wounded, died from wounds 12th May 1915

Pte Harry Hunt: 1st Notts & Derby, enrolled 7th Sept 1914, killed in action 3rd August 1916

Corp George White: Sherwood Foresters, died of wounds 4th December 1918

Stoker Earnest Ward: died 23rd November 1917

Returned:

Sgt Thomas Jackson: Yorks & Lincs, DCM, Croix de Guerre, Mons Star, twice mentioned in despatches

Pte John Booth: Sherwood Foresters, Military Medal, Mons Star, once mentioned in despatches

Pte John Brailsford: Tank Corps

Pte Thomas Denman: Notts & Staffs

Driver William Denman: Royal Artillery

Pte Herbert Dunstan: Labour Corps

Stoker Edward Hilton: HMS Falcon & HMS Ajax

Pte Thomas Hilton: 3rd RM Battery

Pte Henry Hilton: Labour Corps

Pte James Hunt: Notts & Derby, severely wounded in 1915

Pte Raymond Hunt: Leicestershires

Pte Frank Jackson: Yorks & Lincs, gassed and wounded in 1917

Gunner George Scrivener: Royal Artillery, wounded in July 1917

### **Marjorie Emily Brailsford 1923-2014**

Long standing resident Marjorie Brailsford passed away on the 6th December, aged 91. The following is a précis of a tribute which was read at her funeral.

Born Majorie Emily Starr on the 9th April 1923 at Clarborough, she was the 2nd of four daughters to Jack and Millicent. The family moved to Little Gringley from where she used to walk to school in Grove.

The family moved to Upton and Marjorie started work at Simpsons shop in Carolgate, Retford. On marrying Hubert, the couple moved to the Homestead in Nether Headon, where her three children Gillian, Roma and Robert arrived. At one time there were four generations living under the same roof. To make ends meet she would earn extra pennies by scything nettles and thistles at Ogles and making pork pies for Frank Horne at Rampton.

Marjorie has always been very active in the village, especially with the Church, acting as Church Warden for 40 years, the Parish Council and Chairman of the Village Hall Committee and a bit further back with the Headon Repertory of Thespians.

Over the past few years her health deteriorated until her demise in Westvilla Nursing Home on the 6th December.

### **Cinema**

Headon Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm. Entrance £3.50

Saturday January 10th — Jersey Boys

Contact Pat - on 248368 or  
paddythorpe@btinternet.com

### **Headon Village Hall presents Hicks & Goulbourn**

A refreshing fusion of soulful vocals and breathtaking fingerstyle guitar  
**Saturday 21st February at 7.30pm. Tickets £10**

Fingerstyle guitar virtuoso Steve Hicks and singer songwriter met at a gig in 2007. With a mutual love of folk, roots and acoustic genres, their musical partnership has flourished and has taken them to all corners of the UK, to Germany and the USA.

They thrive on the creative process of stretching established boundaries and perform mesmeric arrangements of traditional, contemporary and self-penned songs and music. Expect the unexpected!

For tickets contact: Dave Burton on 248085  
or e-mail: [jimsdad7@btinternet.com](mailto:jimsdad7@btinternet.com)

Regular & Forthcoming Events in the Village Hall			Headon cum Upton, Grove & Stokeham Parish Council	
Wednesdays	7.30pm	Bridge Club	<b>Next meeting</b>	
Fridays	9.00pm	Social Club	<b>Monday 19th January</b>	
Saturday 10th Jan	7.30pm	Cinema	<b>at 7.30pm</b>	
Saturday 24th Jan	7.30pm	Burns Night	<b>in the Village Hall</b>	
Saturday 7th Feb	7.30pm	Cinema	<b>ALL WELCOME</b>	
Saturday 21st Feb	7.30pm	Hicks & Goulbourn		

Church Service Times			
	Headon	East Markham	Askham
Sunday 4th Jan	Group Holy Communion at East Markham at 10.30am		
Sunday 11th Jan		Holy Communion 8.00am	Holy Communion 9.00am
Sunday 18th Jan	Morning Prayer 10.30am	Family Worship 9.00am	Morning Prayer 10.30am
Sunday 25th Jan	Holy Communion 9.00am	Holy Communion 10.30am	
Sunday 1st Feb	Group Christingle at Grove at 10.30am		
If			
there is no service in your own church do consider attending one in another of the Rivers Group Churches, you will always be made very welcome.			
Contact details for Rev. Julia Jesson		Telephone: 01777 870965	

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