Hunton Parish Council NEWSLETTER June 2026

Welcome to the June '26 edition of Hunton Parish Council News

Following the recent AGM Janet Wylie was elected as Chair for the next year.

Message from Jan. I am happy to accept the position of Chair, working with the other Parish Councillors, Treasurer, Secretary, and residents to ensure our village is represented and maintain for the benefit of all of us.

On behalf of the other Councillors I would like to thank Ronnie Smith and acknowledge his commitment and leadership over the past 2 years.

Litter Pick

We would like to thank everyone who joined our recent village litter pick, your efforts help to keep Hunton looking care for. Special thanks to Janet and David Boaks for their continue work maintaining the bus shelter.

Village News

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Parish Councillors

Hunton has 5 parish councillors. The next scheduled Parish Council elections are in 2027.

Should you be interested in working with the other residents who represent the village on the Parish Council. Or if you require any information, please speak with any parish councillor or the Clerk.

Your Parish Councillors are:

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- Wendy Knight
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- Ronnie Smith
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- Raymond Worsdale
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- Jan Wylie
  janet.wylie@hunton.org [Chair]

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20's Plenty for Us

...making your place a better place to be

Hunton Parish councillors were delighted when after….. 4 years of lobbying and campaigning on behalf of the residents a 20 mph limit was agreed for Hunton village.

We successfully challenged the original area covered by the new limit and achieved extensions along the Bedale Road, Church Bank, and including Wild Hill.

We continue to seek extension along the Leyburn Road from the Pinfold to the village boundary and understand this is a concern for those who live in the 13 properties affected.

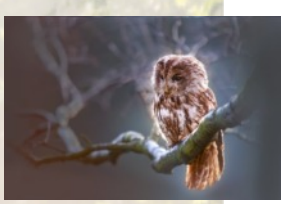
The 20 mph limit will contribute to the safety of villagers including children at the school, those riding horses, pushbikes, and vulnerable adults **IF** it is observed and adhered to.

WOODLAND OPEN DAY SUNDAY 21st JUNE 1pm - 5pm

All are welcome to our annual Woodland Open Day at "Crossways" (the last house in the village on Leyburn Road)

Hunton Ladies Choir will be performing at 3pm and we are delighted to welcome Moth Man Mike and The Bee People who will tell you all about moths and bees.

Tea, coffee, cakes and other goodies will be available and there will be many bargain plants for sale. Entrance is free but cash donations will be very welcome. All proceeds will be split between Hunton in Bloom, The Woodland Trust and The Barn Owl Trust.



PLANTS AND CAKES….If you can supply any plants for the plant sale please drop them off in the week before the event. Please make sure they are labelled e.g. sticky label on the pot.

We would be grateful for any donations of cakes and goodies from our village bakers, they can be brought along on the day.

More about duck race on page 3

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HEADS - CINDERELLA 2025 GALLERY NOW AVAILABLE...

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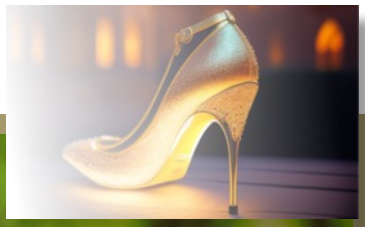

HEADs would like to thank everyone for their support of their January 2026 pantomime 'Rapunzel - A Twisted Tale' .

£2,000 was shared between the following charities, organisations and village community projects:-

- Hunton Quoits Pitch
- Alzheimers Society
- Pendragon Community Trust
- Hunton School
- Guide Dogs
- La Cateau School
- The Dales School
- Sepsis UK
- Yorkshire Air Ambulance
- Hike for Hero's

If anyone would be interested in joining HEADs for the next pantomime, whether that's on stage or as back stage crew please contact Jules by email:

address:

jdownes67@btinternet.com

You can also follow us on Facebook!

Script Read throughs start early September!

Author: Jules Downes - HEADS

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Countryman's Inn

THE STORY OF THE COUNTRYMAN'S INN – Hunton's Community Owned Pub

The Countryman's Inn was originally known as The Oddfellows Arms and has been serving class ales in Hunton since 1849. Through civil war, two world wars and the good times it has provided a warm welcome to all who enter.
In 1984 the name was changed to the present Countryman's Inn.

With this history, it came as a shock when in 2021 it was threatened with closure. Not wanting to lose the hub of the village, a group of locals got together to form a steering group and set about buying the premises. The Countryman's Community Pub Society (CCPS) was formed. With a combination of government grants and community shares made available to villagers, locals and those further afield, the cash was secured and the pub bought as a community asset.

As a testament to the fine selection of ales now being served in the pub, the Countryman's has won northwest Yorkshire CAMRA pub of the year in 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026. Whilst this has been a fantastic achievement since opening as a community pub, an even higher accolade was achieved in September 2025 when we were voted runner up in CAMRA Yorkshire region pub of the year based not only upon the quality of the ales but also the warm welcome and friendly community.

Dan and Katie have continued to improve the facilities with weekly coffee mornings, monthly steak and curry nights, quiz nights, cards and games night, live music, local ales plus new and themed menus of home cooked and locally sourced food.
We continue to encourage investment into the pub to ensure continuity and want to take this opportunity to welcome and encourage new residents to pop in and say hello.

There is always an opportunity to buy shares. If you would like to buy extra shares, or know of others who would like to invest whilst also supporting our community pub, contact admin@countrymanscommunity.org for more details or speak to Dan or Katie in the pub.

We are always looking for volunteers to join us and if you have any questions of points that you wish to raise, please contact us or speak to any committee member.

Author: Pol Heath

Wild Flowers

Jan, Wendy and Steve have worked on the 3 areas of the Wildflowers, increasing the amount of wild wildlife. Insects, birds, small mammals and amphibians.
Steve did a huge amount of work on these areas.

Jan and Wendy are asking if anybody has a spare hour or two to help in these areas,
To carry on Steve's work.

Please contact - Jan Wylie
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Wendy Knight - wendy.knight@hunton.org

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If anyone would like to include an item for the next newsletter, please send it to the clerk or a parish councillor before the next meeting of the parish council on 22nd July 2026