

Minutes UHCA November 6th 2018 At 7.30 pm in Croft House

With sadness Roger is sending our condolences to Anita on the death of her husband Gerry. Gerry used his accountancy skills to support Upper Hopton Club and was their Treasurer for 26 years. As part of Hopton in Bloom he rescued the patch of land by the footpath off Jackroyd Lane going up towards North Gate. We plan to buy a suitable small shrub to be planted in 'Gerry's Patch' in remembrance of him.

2. Minutes of the last meeting October 2nd 2018 Janette proposed, Anne Seconded.

3. Matters arising from the minutes. Jazz Festival

This project is ongoing and the Travellers and Cricket Club have declared an interest in being a part of the proposed Festival.

Mike has kindly sponsored the Irish Yew which is planted in front of the trellis.

4. Correspondence. Email dated 2 November to Audrey (W.I.) secretary.

Dear Audrey,

Thank you very much for the wonderful donation today of £250 for Pancreatic Cancer Research. Please pass on our sincere thanks and appreciation to Upper Hopton Community Association for their generosity, following the wine fundraiser. This gift will help fund our world-class research into beating pancreatic cancer that can give hope to future patients. I hope you all take pride in the progress you're helping to make possible.

With best wishes, Maggie

Maggie Blanks, Founder and CEO, Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund, PO Box 47432, London, N21 1XP

Email 16 October. *Could you please arrange for the defibrillator to be added to the Yorkshire Ambulance Service map, so that if anyone should need one in the Hopton area they can be told of the one at ~~Croft House~~ (Upper Hopton Club). Many thanks.*

Kind regards Lisa Staggs (Clerk), Mirfield Town Council

Roger has reviewed the NHS website but needs to investigate the registration of the AED further with the Club. As well as the NHS registration there is also an App which needs to be considered for the Yorkshire Ambulance Service Map. Darren volunteered to help with any technology issues.

5. Financial Report.

Kath presented her report for the last two months

Income		Expenditure	
Garage Rent (X2)	£312	Storage Bags	£33
Wine my Bluff takings	£636	200 Club Prizes X2 months	£170
Autumn Fair Takings	£261	Expenses Wine my Bluff	£192
½ Website from HiB	£61	Donation Pancreatic Society	£250
		Website Subscription	£122
		Chocolates for Christmas Party	£46
Total	£1270	Total	£813

Roger thanked Kath for her report.

6. Website

We have renewed our annual subscription £122.40 for the Upper Hopton Village website (Invoiced 29 Oct. 2018)

7. Plans and reports for fund raising events.

- ❖ Wine my Bluff was a very enjoyable evening with some very quaffable wines. Thanks to the panellists Audrey and Simon. We raised £500 on the night. £250 was donated to Pancreatic Cancer Research.
- ❖ St John's and UHCA Autumn Coffee Morning - 3 November 2018 10am-2pm.

A huge thank you to everyone who provided raffle and tombola prizes, wonderful cakes and everyone who helped on the day. It was a great social event and the stall holders were pleased that sales went well. We raised £520.80. For the Craft Fair in April 2019 we need volunteers to help set up the tables on the Friday evening please.

- ❖ Murder Mystery – Saturday 24 November 2018 Tickets £15 Supper and licenced bar. Tickets are available from Chris and Roger. (Thanks to Judy who has sponsored the bar licence - £21).

❖ Library Theatre - My Brilliant Divorce - 8 February 2019.

8. Plans and Reports for Community Projects.

• Roger has organised a **WW1 Exhibition & book launch for Croft House - 17 November 2018 10.30am to 4.30pm. Entry is free and refreshments will be available.** The book is entitled "WW1 and Upper Hopton" and features the stories of some of the local soldiers. The book will be on sale at £10. Roger is also exhibiting the stories of some of the soldiers at the Duke of Wellington's Regiment Drill Hall in Huddersfield on the 4th November 2018. The church and Club will be open for anyone who wishes to visit the War Memorials.

- Community Christmas Dinner - 14 December 2018 starts 3pm.
- Carols Around the Tree - 22 December 2018 at 6pm. A tree has been ordered from Richard for the Rose Gardens and Ash has kindly put the electrical boxes in place in readiness for the Christmas lights. We also need to purchase some replacement lights for the trellis.
- Fete - We are booking events for next year's Fete and are pleased that Razan Alsous, the Founder of Yorkshire Dama Cheese has agreed to come along. She has developed an award winning cheese and dairy company since coming to live in the UK from Syria. Squeaky Haloumi cheese is her speciality. Someone was trying to book the Zulu Warriors on our behalf. Unfortunately the Zulu Warriors are contracted elsewhere for the whole summer.

9. Hopton in Bloom.

- Mike has sponsored the Irish Yew which is planted in front of the trellis.
 - 'A Box A bed and other Bits' with Olive Peel was a great evening although we could have done with a few more there. There were some technical hitches at the start but the glass of wine helped to keep the conversations going.
 - Patrick Crawley is visiting on Wednesday and bringing Tim Duke from Rectory Park and Martin Webster from West End Park to get feedback from last year's entry and next year's Green Flag Award
- Volunteers from TVC are coming daily on Tuesday November 13th until Thursday November 15th to remove rhododendrons and low growing branches from the lower end of the Rec under direction from Andy Goff at Kirklees.
- AGM will be on Wednesday November 2st at 11am In Church

10. News and reports from the Club.

Pig Race on November 16th. Tickets for sale for pie and pea supper
Posh Swap shop November 22nd
Christmas Coffee Morning Dec 1st

11. Croft House Cookies

Tuesday November 27th AGM and Quiz.

12. News from the Cricket Club

Annual dinner is on Friday November 9th, at Heald's Hall

13. News from Preschool.

The children have made some poppies for the Remembrance display in church.

14. News and reports from St John's Church and Team Parish.

- As it is the 100th anniversary of the end of WW1 St John's will host a Village Remembrance Service to commemorate the loss of the 25 soldiers who gave their lives during that war. 10 WW2 soldiers will also be remembered.

The Remembrance Service will start at 10.45a.m on Sunday November 11th so that we can observe the two minutes silence at 11 a.m.

Janette is asking everyone to knit, sew or crochet poppies to create a curtain of poppies for Remembrance Day. On Saturday November 10th 10am till 12 am everyone is invited to come to help place to poppies around church. Coffee and cake will be provided.

More poppies will be needed for next year when she hopes to have a large curtain of poppies for outside St John's.

- Hammonds Brass Band Concert "For Crown and Country" Friday November 9th at 7.30 at St Mary's £12
- Friends of St Mary's Community Heritage Site AGM 7pm Tuesday November 27th followed at 7.30 by a talk by Frances Stott and Deb Walker "History of the 18th Century Stone Donation Tablet, the People and places.

- The Christmas Services across all three churches are planned and begin with the Sun 2nd December
Christingle Service St Mary's WF14 9HX at 4pm
- Thurs 6th Dec Live Nativity St Mary's 6.30pm
- Sun 9th Dec Carols by Candlelight St John's Upper Hopton WF14 8EL 3pm
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Many residents have noticed that the St John's Church Clock has stopped. Michael has kindly maintained and set the clock for the last twenty years and has now retired. The clock chamber has been cleaned of all the bird twigs and debris but need a fine clean and repairs to the netting behind the clock face to prevent the crows getting in to roost.

Eric and Tom who maintain the clocks at St Mary's and St Paul's have suggested service and repairs and Janette has this in hand.

James W has a contact for clock repairs.

15. AOB

Roger will be laying a wreath on behalf of the UHCA at the Mirfield War Memorial on Sunday 11th November.

Lorraine has given update on Red Box and expressed thanks to Girl Guides who have given lots of donations.

Fire Extinguishers need servicing. Roger is to contact Testing Services.

He reminded us that we still need to fundraise as we need to replace all the chairs in the near future.

16. The 200 Club Draw for October

1st prize £50; 115

2nd Prize £25. 95

3rd Prize £10. 132

Just a reminder the draw next month is for the big prizes, of £250, £100 and £50.

17. Date of next meeting will be on Tuesday December 4th at 7.30 pm in Croft House.