

# April Newsletter Issue 10

Welcome to our tenth heritage newsletter! The newsletter is produced every month to keep you up to date with the project and to celebrate our progress.

# **Church Open!**



Lady Caroline has been cleaned and looks magnificent

We are delighted that we are now back in church. The final joinery and snagging work will be completed over the next few weeks. From Saturday 27 April, church will be open again every day between about 8am to 5pm, should you wish to pop in a have a look.

# **Volunteer Celebration Lunch**



This project really wouldn't be possible without all our wonderful volunteers and it was lovely to see so many of you at our lunch to celebrate the reopening of the church for services and events.

# **Heritage Meetings**

Thank you to Trevor Davies who gave a talk on the Escrick Co-operative Society and shared his memories of running the local shop and Post Office. It was a fascinating talk and prompted a lot of discussion.



The Village Shop 2003

Our next meeting will be Wednesday 1 May, 7pm in church. Please do come along to this relaxed social event to keep up to date with the project, share stories, memories and discoveries. Everyone welcome.

# Hands on History Easter Event



We had a wonderful afternoon celebrating Easter and enjoying the sunlight flooding into the church. Families enjoyed decorating eggs, building Lego egg transporters, creating Easter gardens and making palm crosses. There was also an opportunity to relax with tea and cake and look at some of the pictures from our community archive. With over 70 visitors we were all kept busy!

# Tour de Yorkshire

We will be serving refreshments and promoting our heritage project on the village green from 2.30pm. If you would like to volunteer to help please contact Caroline.

# Stone Carving Workshop – Save the Date

Try your hand at stone carving in this one day workshop on Saturday 8 June. Places are limited and cost £55 for the day including materials. More information to follow.

#### **Stonemasons Talk**



Matthias Garn whose team have been responsible for the cleaning and repairs carried out on our church and memorials will be giving an illustrated talk about their work. The talk will give a fascinating insight to the techniques they use and will offer the opportunity to learn more about our memorials. Thursday 9 May 7.30pm in church. This is a **free** event.

#### **Sword Dancing**

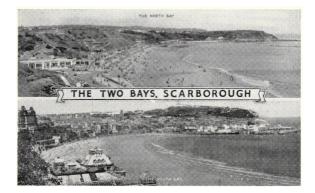


We now have a team of willing volunteers who are learning the Escrick sword dance which they will be sharing with us at our end of project celebration on Sunday 23 June.

# The Escrick Ring Talk

Tickets are now on sale for this special event on 14 May, 6.40pm. Don't miss the opportunity to view the ring back in Escrick and learn more about its fascinating history. Tickets £5 in advance from Caroline Wandless or via www.eventbrite.co.uk Please note tickets must be bought in advance and will not be available on the door.

#### **Memory Café**



Our first Memory Café will be taking place on Tuesday 21 May 10am-12pm in church, during Dementia Action Week. The café will provide a relaxed atmosphere for people to meet up for tea and cake. Each month we will have a different theme for those who are interested in looking at our reminiscence boxes and sharing their memories. This month it's Seaside Holidays. The café will take place on the third Tuesday of the month.

# **Dates for Your Diary**

# Unless otherwise stated all events will take place at St Helen's church

30 April Tour Guide Training, 10-12pm
1 May– 19 June Sword Dancing, 7.30pm
1 May Heritage Meeting 7pm
2 May Tour de Yorkshire in Escrick
9 May Stone Mason talk 7.30 pm
11 May Stained Glass, 10-5pm
13 May Heritage Hub , 1-4pm
14 May Escrick Ring Talk doors 6.40pm, talk
7pm, tickets £5 in advance
21 May Memory Café , 10-12pm
8 June Stone Carving Workshop
18 June memory Café 10-12pm
23 June Project Celebration
6 July Family History, 10-3.30pm

Visit <u>www.escrickheritage.org</u> for further information on all events and to view the graveyard plan and community archive.

If you would like more information about anything in the Newsletter or would like to volunteer please contact, Michala Pearson <u>escrickheritage@gmail.com</u> or Caroline Wandless <u>escrickchurch@gmail.com</u> If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter please contact <u>escrickheritage@gmail.com</u>



