

Howden News



Howden Carnival 22nd September 2012!

This year's Howden Carnival will take place on Saturday the 22nd of September. Following the success of the first ever Carnival, last year, Howden Live and Howden Town Council are staging an even bigger and better party this year.

Come along and join in the **Free** percussion workshops! Hosted by Gary Hammond and Sam Pirt, these will start at **1.30pm** in the Lower Hall of the Shire Hall, ready to form a Samba Band, which at **4pm** will parade through the town.

All are welcome to come and join in as the parade heads from the new Co-op, down Hailgate, Bishopgate and Bridgegate, before heading back into the Market Place, where the fun really begins!

There will be live bands performing in the Market Place, some of whom will also be appearing in the pubs later on in the evening. There will be street entertainment for all ages, including Punch and Judy, a Fire Eater and coverage from KCFM and of course there will be many foodstalls to choose from, including a Hog Roast, the Sausage Pan, Coffee & Crepes and plenty more besides.

At **8pm**, there will be a Free Concert from The Steve Fulsham Band in the Shire Hall and then at **9pm**, the entertainment will move into the local pubs, including: Open Mic Night at the Wellington, evening disco in the Board Inn, The Alligators at the Bowmans, DB5 at Howden Working Mens Club, Richard Adams & Dave Greaves at The Wheatsheaf and Val Marshall at The Bridge.

In addition, there will be The Harri-Watts Band at The Minster View along with a hog roast raising funds for charity from **4pm**, followed by Karaoke in the evening.

Many thanks to Drax and Howden Rotary Club for their kind sponsorship of this year's carnival!





HOWDEN AFC BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

With the new football season fast approaching Howden AFC are looking beyond the next 12 months. The club, formed in 2010 following the merger of Howden Amateurs and Howden Town, have begun planning for a new playing field and changing facility on land leased from East Riding Council. On completion, the project with an estimated cost of £300,000, will provide a top class playing surface, several smaller pitches and a changing room/clubhouse which will be amongst the best in the area.



The club runs teams from Under 6 through to adult and veteran (over 36) and is always on the lookout for new members either on the playing side or to help out in the running of the club. This could include 'would-be' coaches, administrators and generally anyone who wants to get involved. On the playing side we are urgently looking for players to strengthen our adult teams.

If you would like to know more about the club or its plans, please contact Keith on **07710 776051**, email info@howdenafc.co.uk or check out our website at www.howdenafc.co.uk.

HOWDEN LIVE 'MONTH OF SUNDAYS'

Thank you to everyone involved with the June Band concerts this year. I won't go on about the weather because I am sure that in mid summer (next June) 2013, all will be well and we will revert to having outdoor concerts again.

I am hoping to have a series of top class bands to entertain us next June so keep your eyes peeled for the advance notices.

David Drinkwater

GET INVOLVED IN THE HOWDEN SKATE PARK CAMPAIGN!

In March 2011 youths and local parents came together to form the Howden Riders Charity with the aim of providing a much-needed skate park for the town and surrounding villages. This came about as a result of the youths themselves taking action; asking parents and Howden Town Council to get involved.

Many of the youths feel they have nowhere to go, particularly those aged between 10 and 16 years, to safely undertake the wheeled sports so many enjoy. Over the past few years a number of accidents have also occurred in the town as a result of youths using unsafe areas as a skate park. One recent accident led to a youth needing surgery on his leg. Howden Riders know you can never prevent all accidents happening, but believe the risks will be dramatically reduced in a purpose built skate park.

During the first year the charity focused their attention on locating a suitable site. A potential site for the skate park has been identified at the rear of Howden Senior School, an area of a recreational site currently leased by Howden Football Club. Howden Football Club and Howden Riders hope that this area can be developed in the future to create a multi-sports facility to develop local children's skills and improve their health and well-being.

Howden Riders are currently in pre-application discussions with East Riding Council's Planning department to decide the most appropriate form for a planning application and identify any potential problems at an early stage. So far, no major problems have been identified and it is likely that an outline application will be made in a few weeks.

This year the charity has been focusing on raising funds locally and recently raised in excess of £600 from a 70's/80's disco held at

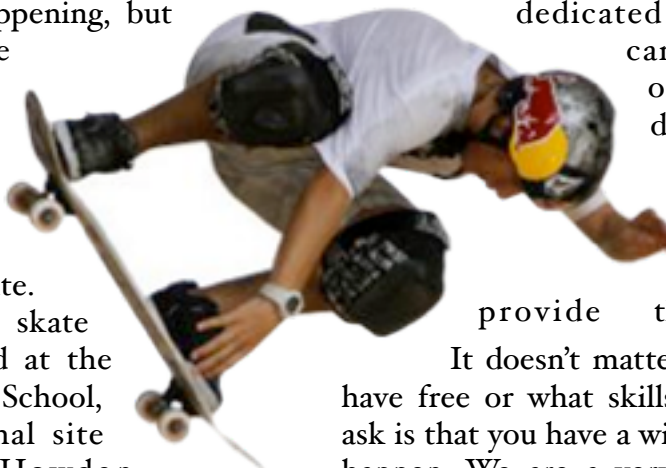
the Shire Hall in Howden. To enable the charity to bid for funding from the major funders of such facilities it is vital that the charity raises local funding to support applications and engages local people in the campaign.

Joanne Greenfield, Howden Riders Secretary, commented: "Our children need a safe environment in which they can be encouraged to participate in all forms of wheeled sports and with the site planned to be adjacent to Howden Football Club this could become a fantastic facility for our children. We have progressed well and evidence of need has been overwhelming, but we need more local people to come forward and actually help us! We have a small dedicated committee but we can't do it all on our own! Local people desperately want this to happen, but we now need more people to come forward and provide the hands-on help."

It doesn't matter how little time you have free or what skills you possess. All we ask is that you have a willingness to make this happen. We are a very friendly committee and we can all honestly say we are enjoying working on this project, but simply need more help. We have given ourselves a target of £150,000 and we have a long way to go, but with local support we believe this is achievable!"

Howden Riders would like to thank Donaghue Cycle Shop, Howden Joinery and Scotts for donating prizes for their summer raffle.

For information on how you could help at fundraising events or on joining the committee, please contact Joanne Greenfield on **07740 086279** or Helen Ainscough on **07736 389928**.



THE ASHES PLAYING FIELD TRUST

For those of you that frequent the Ashes playing fields, you will have noticed some changes during 2012, some of them good, some not so good.

The good news is that our project to refurbish the Rose Walk (the area behind the bowling green and Multi Use Games Area), is well underway and starting to take shape. The Ashes Committee have voted to change the name of this area to Jubilee Walk.

The old trees and shrubs have been removed and flowerbeds dug out and just recently, further work has been undertaken with the assistance of both volunteers and employee's of Scotts, Howdendyke.

In order to fund the project we have applied for some grants, the first of which we are informed we will receive £2,000. We are currently awaiting news on the second grant for up to £15,000. This is a lot of money, however when benches, shrubs and trees are being purchased for such a large area it soon gets 'swallowed up'.

As you may have seen in the Howden Matters magazine we are inviting people to sponsor trees or benches if they so wish. Please contact any member of the committee who will arrange this.

Finally on this matter as we are now listed as a Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field, through the Fields in Trust scheme.

Now for the not so good news! As many of you will know and have seen, the main field in the Ashes has developed a serious drainage problem. On three occasions so far this year, we have had flooding to some degree.

One of these almost led to the cancellation of Howden Show. As a committee, we have been talking about this for well over a year and plans are now being developed to tackle the problem. I can tell you all that being stood in a damp field on a Wednesday evening, having to make a decision on whether the Show can take place is an uncomfortable situation to be in!

On a positive note, this year we staged, in conjunction with Howden Town Council events committee, a Jubilee concert on the main playing field. We have had lots of positive feedback from those of you who attended and in answer to the most frequently asked question..... Yes, we will be doing at least one if not two similar events in 2013, with the theme once again being based around entertainment for the whole family.

Any events that we are planning for the future will feature in local publications and on the Howden Events Facebook page.

Chris Dalton

Chair – Ashes Playing Field Trust



BARNES WALLIS UPDATE

The Barnes Wallis exhibition, at Sewerby Hall ended on June 24th and now all the boards and exhibits have been taken back to Riccall. Needless to say we are still trying to find a permanent home, instead of having to rely on a friend, who stores everything in his house.

After another successful three month exhibition we are now looking for another venue to stage the exhibition. We certainly have had plenty of publicity; I was on Radio Humberside three times and interviewed for an article in the Hull Daily Mail, all wanting to know what was the link with Howden and Barnes Wallis. So perhaps someone will come forward with a solution to our problem?

In June we had the yearly open meeting at Howden School, who once again provided the venue for our AGM and the yearly talk on a Barnes Wallis related subject. This year the talk was on 'The man himself'. His daughter, Mary covering Barnes the 'family man' and her presentation, with personal photographs, and recollections of her father, captivated the audience. Richard Morris talked of 'Barnes Wallis the citizen' and Robert Owen talked of Barnes 'The Warrior.' Once again the evening was great a success.

I would like to thank the school caretakers for all their help in setting up seats etc. and Dr. and Mrs Neil for providing the catering.



In the next month some members of the Barnes Wallis Trust are to visit Brooklands, in London with a view to relocating there permanently, so I don't how this will affect the link with Howden.

On the 26th September the people of Ripley, where Barnes was born are celebrating the 125th anniversary with various events, and talks by Barnes Wallis trustees. Already, there is a public house in Maple Avenue, named 'Sir Barnes Wallis' and a special IPA style beer has also been brewed in his honour by Amber Ales Ltd Of Ripley. They are planning to bottle 1250 bottles which will be numbered, and possibly named after one of his bombs 'Grand Slam' has been mentioned.

Here in Howden, the Civic Society is trying to get a Lottery Grant to pay for an 'Airship Trail' similar to 'Hull's Fish Trail, and the trail in Goole. The airship trail would stretch from the Co-op in the Market Place, to just past Howden Manor, 709ft (216m) long which was the length of the R.100 airship, which of course was designed by Barnes Wallis, and built at Howden's Royal Naval Airship Station.

[Kenneth Deacon](#)

[Howden Civic Society representative of the Sir Barnes Wallis Memorial Trust.](#)

 HOWDEN CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AND LATE NIGHT OPENING

Howden's Christmas lights will be switched on at the annual late night shopping event on **Thursday 6th December** and the display will be better than ever this year, thanks to the kind donations of many of the shops and pubs in the Town!

Howden Town Council asked all the businesses in the town centre for a £50 donation and the majority have agreed, raising at least £1600. This will be added to the Council's budget to buy new lights and

refurbish 12 of the older ones, which have become worn or damaged.

There will be new lights on The Shire Hall, Highbridge, Vicar Lane, from the Post Office down to Blue Sky and from the Co-op down to Flourish & Prosper.

In addition, the Press Association have also kindly offered to sponsor not just a Christmas Tree for Howden Market Place, but also to meet the installation and lighting costs every year!

COUNCIL GETS A PERMANENT BASE IN HOWDEN

For over 40 years Howden Town Council has not had a base in Howden. Ever since the Rural District Council moved out of Hailgate House and became part of Boothferry Borough Council the Town Council's clerks have worked from home. In addition, ever since the drainage board meeting room on Bridgegate became unavailable for meeting the Council has been meeting in various different rooms around the town, none of which are really suited to the needs of the Council. As of December this year the Town Council will be based in offices at 17 Bridgegate. 17 Bridgegate is the old Language is Everything office and offers a large meeting room downstairs and a number of offices upstairs, one of which will be used by the Council's clerk. Access into the building is via the arch and the door on the right. There is no vehicle access to the office.

Some building works are required followed by a lick of paint before the Council can move in. Once open the meeting room will be available for hire by local community groups and businesses. The meeting room will have the facility to be set out for meetings or presentations, but also clear of furniture for one off activities.

There will also be a service available to

local community groups to establish 17 Bridgegate as their permanent 'mailing address' for their organisation, along with photocopying and fax facilities. It is intended that this building will be a community building that will complement the Shire Hall facilities, and we would very much like to hear from you about how you would like to use this facility.

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(to be changed once the office is open)



JUBILEE WOODS

To celebrate Her Majesty The Queen's historic 2012 Diamond Jubilee, the Woodland Trust is helping millions of people across the UK to come together to plant 6 million trees. The Town Council has applied for and been awarded one of these free packs of trees and is hoping to plant them in the town, possibly in the unused play area on Shelford Avenue. If you have any suggestions where these could be placed, please get in touch! Learn more at www.woodlandtrust.org.uk

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EMERGENCY FLOOD PUMPS GET DUSTED OFF!

The sun was out, the sky was blue and a mid afternoon brew was almost ready when a call came in from home that the Howden Town Floodline phone was bouncing across the floor in excitement. Howden was underwater again. By late afternoon on Thursday 5th July 2012 all of the Town Council's emergency flood pumps were in action and stayed committed until the Sunday. There was water everywhere and in some cases not a drop to drink as the sewerage system got overwhelmed as well.

The Town Councillors co-ordinated the pumping with the assistance of a number of local residents and we can only apologise to those people that we did not get to, but we ran out of equipment. Equipment that was bought with funding from the East Riding of Yorkshire Council following the 2007 floods. A list of some 35 issues has been logged and a meeting has been held with the East Riding of Yorkshire Council's Drainage Engineers. All of the known flooding issues of that weekend have been reported, areas of the town have been prioritised and the officers have agreed to investigate why the roads flooded and their drains failed. We will be keeping the pressure on the Council until we have got an answer. The Town Council is now trying to arrange a meeting with Yorkshire Water as there were also problems with their network of drains.

There is no guarantee that any works will be undertaken once the problems have been identified during this financial year, however a works programme will be created that will be put forward for funding in future years.

One of the major problems with Howden's drains is that they are in multi ownership: East Riding of Yorkshire Council, Yorkshire Water, Internal Drainage Board and even riparian ownership (properties that sit on or alongside a drain that are responsible for the drain) and in some

cases their route and ownership is not known. Mapping them will task the best of the engineers!!!!!!

Here is hoping that you never have to use the Howden Town Floodline number but just in case here it is: **07528 870148**. The Town Council's equipment is available for use in and around Howden only. The equipment consist of three, 3 inch petrol pumps (the size of a small portable generator) with hundreds of metres of discharge hose, and two 2 inch electric sump pumps with a couple of hundred metres of discharge hose. However, it is very important you report any flooding or blocked drains to both the East Riding of Yorkshire Council and to Yorkshire Water.

East Riding of Yorkshire Council:

Visit the Customer Service Centre on Hailgate and log your issue as a complaint and ask for feed back; or via the Council's website: www.eastriding.gov.uk/say/ and record your issue as a complaint; or call them on 01482 393939 (24/7 service).

Yorkshire Water:

Call them on 0845 124 2424 (24/7 service) or log a complaint via their website: www.yorkshirewater.com/your-water-services/customer-services/contact-us/complaints-and-compliments.aspx



About Howden Town Council

Visit the Town Council's Website at: www.howdentowncouncil.org.uk to keep up to date about what is going on in the town and find out what the Council does. Here you will also find links to all the latest planning applications, details of on-going projects such as Howden Marsh Local Nature Reserve, the Derwent Crescent Play Park and grounds maintenance within the town.

You can also find out about individual members of the Council and the staff employed as well as agendas and minutes of Council meetings and committees.

If you would like to be listed under the business section or have your organisation's news and events promoted on the website, simply contact us.

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Cllr. Robin Drury, Chair of Amenities Committee	Cllr. Rich Hart	Cllr. Liz Neal	Cllr. Adam Wilson
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TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Town Council is on Tuesday 18th September at Howden Junior School.

Meetings are open to all Howden Residents, they start at 7pm with a public session at 8pm. A full list of all meetings and agendas can be found at www.howdentowncouncil.org.uk or on the notice board outside the Shire Hall.