

SINNINGTON NEWSLETTER

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Photo courtesy of Stuart Frank

FESTIVE LIGHTS

A reminder that, all being well, the village Christmas tree lights will be lit at **6pm** on **Saturday 5th December**. There won't be a formal ceremony, but if you want to see them being turned on and listen to some carol music, feel free to 'socially distance' on the green.

SANTA'S SLEIGH

Ryedale Lions Santa Sleigh is coming to Sinnington on **Thursday 10th December** but it will be different this year. You can come and greet Santa at Friars Hill at about 7 30pm and he will stay there for about 15 minutes and then move on to the village green.

As there will be no house to house collections this year you will be able to make your donations when you visit the sleigh. There will be collection buckets or contactless card reader and Santa will have one or two helpers so that everyone will be safe.

We hope that you will support the Lions as they raise money for local charities. You may also donate on the Just Giving page on the Ryedale Lions' website; just scroll down on the Home page.

100 CLUB

The following were winners of the **November** draw:

1st	Peter Barratt-Atkin	No 4	£40
2nd	Sally Dowkes	No 35	£20
3rd	Jane Baldwin	No 122	£10

WARM AND WELL

24,500 households in North Yorkshire live in fuel poverty. That's 10% of the region's population; families, older people, single mums and young couples living in a home that they cannot afford to heat adequately.

But it doesn't have to be like that.

Warm and Well in North Yorkshire last year helped hundreds of people across the region to heat their home in a way they can afford. They have local experts who come and talk to you directly in your own home and help you switch to a cheaper energy supplier, apply for grants you are entitled to and make easy-to-do changes to keep your home warmer and save you money.

One of the organisations they refer you to is the Yorkshire Energy Doctor. The Energy Doctor can show you different energy companies, different tariffs and talk you through them, helping you find the right deal and payment system giving you a cheaper option.

The switch is quick, and the savings could be up to £500 a year giving you more control of your usage.

If you are struggling with keeping your home warm this winter due to money worries, call Warm and Well in North Yorkshire on **01609 767555** or check out on YouTube how Warm and Well have supported others and how they can support you:

<https://youtu.be/cTikLkTlCfl>

More advice can be found on their website:

www.warmandwell.org.uk

Twitter: [warmandwellnorthyorks](https://twitter.com/warmandwellnorthyorks)

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ALL SAINT'S CHURCH AND METHODIST CHAPEL

Sun. 6 December, 6.15pm	Service of Lights at the CHAPEL .
Sun. 20 December, 4.00pm	Music and Readings for Christmas at the CHURCH .
Thur. 24 December, 11.30pm	Midnight Holy Communion at the CHURCH
Sun. 3 January, 6.15pm	Annual Methodist Covenant Service at the CHAPEL

Prevailing rules for social distancing and wearing of masks will be followed.

WANTED, PLEASE!

Washed and dried **foil** crisp packets to be converted into survival blankets and bivi bags. 150 small bags would take unimaginable years to degrade but will make 1 blanket to bring warmth to someone less fortunate this winter. We don't expect you to eat all those crisps but you can help by collecting from family and friends! Please drop off to Sue at Stripe Cottage, and do leave a contact note if interested in volunteering with Scarborough or Pickering Survival Blankets, or join them on Facebook. Thank you.

Sue Usher

GRANT FUNDING APPROVED

Plans for an information board on the village green have been on hold over the summer as we didn't have the funds in place to commission the project. However, in the last month both the North York Moors National Park and Ryedale District Council have approved our applications for grant funding. The Village Hall Committee has also made a donation and some funds in the Community Action Group account are allocated for the project. This means we can go ahead with the proposal.

Jane Staley on behalf of the Community Action Group

WI

Contrary to rumour, Sinnington WI is still in existence and we hope will flourish again once meeting restrictions are removed; we all hope for an easier spring. The new Committee would like to wish its members and everyone in Sinnington, a very peaceful and safe Christmas and a Happier New Year. News of future events will be posted!

Ruth Wass, President.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Mike and Linda Swinnerton want to wish all their friends and neighbours a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. In view of the health situation surrounding us we are not sending cards this year, preferring to make a donation to a local food bank.

MORE GREETINGS!

I want to wish everyone a Very Happy Christmas and Healthy New Year. Keep safe and hope to see you soon. Thank you.

Stuart Frank

STRAWBERRY FIELDS

Christmas Trees and wreaths are now on sale. Free local delivery. Jams, chutney, and gift packages. Save The Children Christmas cards continue to be sold.

NEWSLETTER

Last date for **February** copy will be **Thursday, 28 January**. Email copy to sinningtonnewsletter@yahoo.co.uk or drop paper copy through the letter box of Barnyard, Riverside.

FACEBOOK

Copy for the Sinnington Facebook page should be sent to sinningtonblog@gmail.com.