



Monday 17th December 2018

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News and information

Zillah Bell Gallery

Zillah Bell Gallery on Kirkgate, Thirsk, houses the largest collection of works by Royal Academician Norman Ackroyd CBE RA outside his studio. The gallery has both framed and unframed work. Each year Ackroyd launches a new box set of etchings which will be on display in Zillah Bell's upper galleries.

Throughout the lower and upper galleries there is also the Winter Exhibition which features a range of paintings, prints and ceramics; serving as a platform to introduce new gallery artists and as a retrospective of past exhibitors.

Norman Ackroyd's 'Fragments' and the 'Winter Exhibition' are open from Sat 8 Dec – Sat 12 Jan, 10am-1pm & 2pm-5pm (closed Sundays and Bank Holidays). The Private View is Thursday 13 Dec 6.30-8.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

<https://zillahbellgallery.co.uk>

Free parking

Parking is free of charge in all car parks run by Hambleton District Council on Thursdays in December and every day 25 Dec to 1 Jan. In Thirsk this means the Market Place, Millgate, Marage and Nursery Gardens car parks, but the same applies in Bedale, Stokesley, Easingwold and Northallerton. Any parking time limits still apply.

Garden waste collections

It is year three of the subscription service and new and existing customers can now sign up online for £35 a year fortnightly garden waste collections during 2019.

The last garden waste collections for 2018 were in November but Christmas trees will once again be collected from subscribers in January either week commencing 7 Jan or 14 Jan. Trees must be chopped up and placed inside the bin with the lid closed – trees left at the roadside or hanging out of bins will not be collected.

The regular 2019 collections will start will re-start Mid-February

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Cards for many charities

The volunteers who run the information centre in Thirsk are proud to support Cards for Good Causes again this year. In the middle of Thirsk Market Place you can choose Christmas cards from about 30 charities as well as two local Thirsk Christmas cards produced by the volunteers.

In total, CFGC supports more than 250 UK national and local charities by selling the widest choice of Christmas cards online and through 300 seasonal pop-up shops (like Thirsk's) all over the country Truro to Pitlochry. In the last 10 years alone, you have helped CFGC raise over £40 million for UK charities. www.cardsforcharity.co.uk

What's on in the coming weeks

Up to Tue 18 Dec

Wensleydale Creamery Visitor Centre, Gayle Lane, Hawes. DL8 3RN

ONLY THU. Christmas Shopping Evenings. Unique gifts, create your own hamper. Specialities served in restaurant 5pm - 7.30pm. Complimentary mince pies & mulled wine. Festive entertainment. 5pm - 8pm. Tel: 01969 667664 Web: <http://www.wensleydale.co.uk>

Tue 18 Dec

Ripon Spa Hotel, Ripon, HG4 2BU
Skelldale Singers - Christmas Concert
Tel: 01765 608057

Tue 18 Dec

Sowerby Christmas Tree, St Oswald's Church

Annual Christmas Carol service for all ages- come and join in the singing of traditional carols around the Christmas tree with Thirsk British Legion Band 7-8pm.

Tue 18 Dec

Sowerby Methodist Church

After the Sowerby Christmas Tree carol service come and hear Mowbray Singers singing Carols with Christmas themed readings 8pm.

Tue 18 Dec

Topcliffe & Asenby Village Hall

Christmas Lunch for Topcliffe and Asenby village residents over 65- limited to first 30 to register with Judith Lowe. 12.30pm.

Wed 19 Dec

Thirsk Community Library, Chapel Street

Annual General Meeting of Thirsk Community Library. To present the Annual Report and Accounts from April 2017 to April 2018. 7pm.

Up to Thu 20 Dec

The Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk, YO7 1QS

'The Grinch'(U) A grumpy Grinch plots to ruin Christmas. 7.30pm. Tel: 01845 524751 Tickets: Box Office Web: <http://www.ritzcinema.co.uk>

Thu 20 Dec

Northallerton Town Cricket Club, Farndale Avenue, DL7 8SN

NYMR Northallerton Area Group. An afternoon of 'NYMR ON DVD'. 2:00p.m.. Tel: 01642 767233 Tickets: On door.

Fri 21 Dec

Kilburn Institute, Kilburn, YO61 4AH

Pocket Panto present Dick Whittington (and his cat). Join us for songs, laughter and happy ever after. 6.00pm. Tel: 01347 868359/01347 868696 Tickets: john.harron@tiscali.co.uk/Graham.matthews@outlook.com

Fri 21 Dec

Nether Silton, Thirsk YO7 2JZ

Carols around the tree with Thirsk RBL Band 7-8pm.

Fri 21 Dec

Northallerton Methodist Church

Sing Carols Concert, featuring Choir, Music Group & 1st Northallerton Girls Brigade 7pm. Tel: 01609 776590 for tickets also

Fri 21 Dec to Sat 22 Dec

Shandy Hall, Coxwold, YO61 4AD



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Shandy Hall by Candlelight. A tour of Shandy Hall, author of Tristram Shandy, culminating with mulled wine & a mince pie by the fire. All tours start at 4pm.. Web: <http://www.laurencesternetrust.org.uk>

Sat 22 Dec

St. James Green Methodist Church, Thirsk, YO7 1AQ

Coffee & Chat 10am - 12noon.

Up to Sun 23 Dec

Prophecy House, High Bridge, Harrogate Road, Knaresborough, Hg5 8DD

Mother Shipton's is opening for the first time this Christmas. Children meet Santa, then choose from an array of wonderful gifts in his Toy Shop. Be greeted by the Head Elf for story time and don't forget to bring your camera for a photo opportunity in Santa's Sleigh! Tel: 01423 864600 Tickets: Online Web: <http://www.mothershipton.co.uk/event/christmas/>

Sun 23 Dec

Helmsley Arts Centre, YO62 5DW

'The Nutcracker'. Bolshoi Ballet. 3pm. Tel: 01439 771700 Web: <http://www.helmsleyarts.co.uk>

Sun 23 Dec

Sandhutton, Thirsk YO7 4RS

Carols around the tree with Thirsk RBL Band 5.30-7pm.

Sun 23 Dec

St James' Green Methodist Church, Thirsk, YO7 1AQ

Carols on Sunday 10.30am - 11.30am.

Sun 23 Dec

St Mary's Church, Kirkgate, Thirsk

Carol Service. Come and celebrate Christmas and enjoy singing carols! All welcome, 3pm. Tel: 01845574742 Tickets: No tickets needed Web: <https://www.thirskparishes.org/alpha>

Up to Mon 24 Dec

Stockeld Park

Santas Grotto From 10.30am. Tel: 01937 586333 Tickets: Online or at the ticket office Web: <http://stockeldpark.co.uk>

Mon 24 Dec

St Mary's Church, Kirkgate, Thirsk

Crib Service. Come and join us for the special service where the Crib is set up. 4pm. Tel: 01845574742 Web:

<https://www.thirskparishes.org/alpha>

Mon 24 Dec

St Mary's Church, Kirkgate, Thirsk

First Communion of Christmas. 11:30pm. Tel: 01845574742 Web: <https://www.thirskparishes.org/alpha>

Mon 24 Dec to Tue 25 Dec

All Saints Catholic Church, Thirsk YO7 1HL

Christmas Eve: Carols at 6.30; Mass 7pm. Christmas Day: Mass at 10.30am Tel: 01845 527011 Web: <http://www.allsaintsthirsk.org.uk>

Mon 24 Dec to Tue 25 Dec

St Oswald's Church, Sowerby, Thirsk YO7 1JG

Christmas Eve: 4.00pm Crib Service; 11.00pm 'Midnight' Communion. Christmas Day: 9.30am Joint All Age Christmas Celebration at Sowerby Methodist Church Tel: 01845 522814 Web: <http://www.stoswaldsowerby.org.uk>

Tue 25 Dec

St Mary's Church, Kirkgate, Thirsk

Christmas Day Family Communion Service. Come and celebrate Christ's birth 10:15am. Tel: 01845574742 Web: <https://www.thirskparishes.org/alpha>

Up to Thu 27 Dec

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Fri 21 Dec to Thu 27 Dec

The Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk, YO7 1QS

NOT MON TUE WED. 'Fantastic Beasts, The Grimes of Grindeward', 12A, further adventures of magizoologist Newt Scamander 7.30pm. Tel: 01845 524751 Tickets: Box Office Web: <http://www.ritzcinema.co.uk>

Fri 28 Dec

Parochial Hall, Sowerby, YO7 1LY

Social Sequence Dancing - please bring food to share. Raffle for cancer charities. Everyone welcome.. 1.00pm till 4.00pm.. Tickets: On the door.

Sat 29 Dec

Potto Village Hall, Potto DL6 3HQ

Pantomime: Dick Whittington & his Cat.

Join Dick Whittington as he seeks fame & fortune in old London Town. With 'Pocket Panto' there's bound to be fun, laughter & 'Happy Ever After!' 2pm. Tel: 01642 700609, 700840 or 706135 Tickets: 01642 700609, 700840 or 706135 Web: <http://pottovillagehall.org.uk>

Sat 29 Dec

Sutton-under-Whitestonecliffe Village Hall, Thirsk YO7 2PS

Pantomime - Northumberland Theatre Company presents The Little Maid - who danced to every mood. Adapted from a Scandinavian children's adventure. Doors open 7pm. Tickets: 01845 597329 Web: <http://www.suttonunderwhitestonecliffevillagehall.co.uk/>

Tue 18 Dec to Sun 30 Dec

NOT 22nd or 25th. Tennants Garden Rooms, Leyburn, DL8 5SG

'Cinderella', the Fairy Godmother of all pantomimes. Various times - see website.. Tickets: 01969 621146 or www.ajproductions.tv

Sun 30 Dec

St James' Green Methodist Church, Thirsk, YO7 1AQ

Christmas Celebration Service 10.30am - 11.30am.

Sun 30 Dec

Walk - North Yorkshire Walkers

Black Hambleton moorland. 1245 ft. ascent. 8 miles. Moderate. 09.15 Northallerton Market Cross. Tel: 01748 818946 Tickets: Leaders - Colin & Jayne Elcock

Mon 31 Dec

Flamborough- At the New Festival Arena on the Village Green

ONLY MON. Flamborough Fire Festival - Burning of the Viking Longship, Flamborough Fireballs, Viking Parade- come in your Viking dress, Viking Longship and Torchlight Procession. Fireworks Spectacular at Midnight. Everyone Welcome, bring all the family- Come and join in the fun. Starting at 10.30pm. Web: <http://www.flamboroughfirefestival.org>

Tue 25 Dec to Tue 1 Jan

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Thu 3 Jan

Thirkleby Village Hall, Great Thirkleby, Nr Thirsk

Thirkleby Local History Society, 'Quiz Night' 7.30pm.

Thu 3 Jan to Fri 4 Jan

Butterflies Dance and Performing Arts, 2a Westgate, Thirsk, YO7 1QS

2 Day Workshop based on the fantastic film 'The Descendants' - for children aged 7+, 9am to 4pm, with a final performance at 4pm on Friday 4th January. Morning sessions 9am - 12 noon for ages 3+. 9am - 4pm for ages 7+, 9am - 12 noon for ages 3+. Tel: 01845 522570 Tickets: To book, please contact us at Butterflies Dance and Performing Arts Web: <http://www.butterfliesdance.com>

Up to Sat 5 Jan

Grand Opera House, Clifford & Cumberland St. York. YO19SW

'Cinderella & the Lost Slipper'. Tickets: atgtickets.com/york

Sat 5 Jan

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd., Northallerton DL6 1LP

Live screening of Andre Rieu's New Year's Concert 2019 7pm. Tel: 01609 776230 Tickets: The Forum Web: <http://www.forumnorthallerton.org.uk>

Sun 6 Jan

Thirsk, Northallerton etc

Special green bin collection for Christmas trees for subscribing residents only. Trees must be chopped up and placed in the green bin ready for collection on week commencing 7 or 14 January 2019. Trees left at the side of bins or protruding from bins will not be collected.

Fri 4 Jan to Thu 10 Jan

The Ritz Cinema, Westgate, Thirsk, YO7 1QS

'Girl in the Spiders Web' (15) Web of spies, cyber-criminals, and corrupt government officials. 7.30pm. Tel: 01845 524751 Tickets: Box Office Web:

<http://www.ritzcinema.co.uk>

Thu 10 Jan

Brompton Methodist Church

Brompton Heritage Group - David Severs, local historian will use his family archive to recreate the life and times of the residents of Back Swan Yard 1775 to 1914 7.00 pm. Tickets: On the door

Up to Sat 12 Jan

Zillah Bell Gallery, Kirkgate, Thirsk. YO7 1PQ

NOT SUN. Norman Ackroyd CBE RA - 2018 suite of etchings & Zillah Bell Christmas Exhibition - Paintings, Prints & Ceramics. Private viewing Thursday 13th Dec. Tel: 01845 522479 Web: <http://www.zillahbellgallery.co.uk>

Mon 14 Jan

Kilburn Institute, Kilburn, YO61 4AH

Art Cafe. Whatever your ability or experience, come along and take part. Unleash your creative side in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere over a cup of tea and a chat. Sponsored by Rural Arts as part of 'Art on Your Doorstep' 1.45 pm - 3.45pm. Tel: 01347 868359

Up to Wed 16 Jan

The Rectory, Cemetery Rd, Thirsk, YO7 1PR

ONLY WED. Alpha is a 10-week course inviting you to explore Christianity in a relaxed setting. Each week there is a meal followed by a short talk and a chance to discuss what you've heard with the group. 7pm - 9pm Wednesdays. Tel: 01845 574742 Tickets: email or ring if you'd like to join us Web: <http://www.thirskparishes.org/alpha>

Sun 20 Jan

St Oswald's Church, Sowerby, Thirsk YO7 1JG

Sowerby Music - Romance on the Keys, piano recital. Haydn, Mozart, Enescu and Ravel. 3pm. Tel: 01845 518001 Tickets: online, White Rose Bookcafe or on the door Web: <http://www.SowerbyMusic.org.uk>

Sat 26 Jan

Rural Arts, The Courthouse, Westgate, Thirsk, YO7 1QS

Edwina Hayes (music). Beautifully written songs and charming stage presence have won her a reputation as a true natural talent of gentle folk-american. She has opened numerous shows for Jools Holland and

Van Morrison. Doors 7.30pm, Start 8pm. Tel: 01845526536 Tickets: in house/ online / phone Web: <http://www.ruralarts.org>

Up to Sat 2 Feb

Theatre Royal, St. Leonard's Place, York, YO1 7HD

Pantomime - Berwick Kaler's 40th year (and last) as York's legendary Dame in The Grand Old Dame of York. Tel: 01904 623568 Web: <https://bit.ly/2OZB8pz>

Sat 16 Feb

Thirsk Town Hall, Westgate YO7 1QR

Charity Brick Show - A small, one day LEGO show with displays, activities and marketplace. 10am - 4pm. Web: <http://brickalley.co.uk/thirsk>

Sun 24 Feb

St Oswald's Church, Sowerby, Thirsk YO7 1JG

Around the Horn by Chris Larkin, chairman of the British Horn society. He brings a boot-full with him of various shapes and sizes. 3pm. Tel: 01845 518001 Tickets: online, White Rose Bookcafe or on the door Web: <http://www.SowerbyMusic.org.uk>

Sat 2 Mar

The Forum, Bullamoor Rd., Northallerton DL6 1LP

'Mark Watson - The Infinite Show'. Inspired by the mostly alarming state of the world his children are growing up in, he is as scrawny & impassioned as ever with his notoriously high joke-&-rant-per-minute rate. 8pm. Tel: 01609 776230 Web: <http://www.forumnorthallerton.org.uk>

Sun 3 Mar

Thief Hall, Thornton le Moor, DL7 9EH

Spring Time Market organised by 'made by Mummy markets', bespoke products made at home inc. art, soft furnishings, clothes, confectionery, cakes, jewellery, gifts etc. 1pm-4pm. Web: <http://www.MadebyMummyMarkets.com>

Sat 13 Apr

St Oswald's Church, Sowerby, Thirsk YO7 1JG

Sowerby Music - The Katona Twins. A premier guitar duo. With contributions from Albeniz, Granados and Falla, we also look forward to excerpts from West Side Story, a Handel Chaconne and



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some Piazzolla. 7.30pm. Tel: 01845 518001 Tickets: online, White Rose Bookcafe or on the door Web: <http://www.SowerbyMusic.org.uk>

Sat 11 May

St Oswald's Church, Sowerby, Thirsk YO7 1JG

Sowerby Music - Yorkshire and Humber's Finest. An update on the prodigious talent within the Yorkshire Young Musicians portfolio of highly talented students. 7.30pm. Tel: 01845 518001 Tickets: online, White Rose Bookcafe or on the door Web: <http://www.SowerbyMusic.org.uk>

Sun 9 Jun

St Oswald's Church, Sowerby, Thirsk YO7 1JG

Sowerby Music - Voces8 in Concert. Internationally acclaimed a cappella ensemble. The very best around. 4pm. Tel: 01845 518001 Tickets: online, White Rose Bookcafe or on the door Web: <http://www.SowerbyMusic.org.uk>

Thu 15 Aug to Sun 18 Aug

Castle Howard YO60 7DA

Countryfile Live, the BBC's flagship rural affairs programme. The first time in the North, in the county where presenter John Craven got his first break as a reporter on the Harrogate Advertiser. 10am-5pm. Tel: 01653 648333 Tickets: online (discounted) or at gate Web: <https://bit.ly/2zVF8oP>



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