



New Earswick Quaker Meeting **NEWSLETTER**

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Meeting for Worship
Sunday at 10.30 am

Children and Young People's Meeting

For Sunday arrangements please contact Gillian Darton or Edith Jayne.

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Do you uphold those acting under concern, even if their way is not yours? Can you lay aside your own wishes and prejudices while seeking with others to find God's will for them.

Your Faith, Your Action, Your Organisation - Malcolm Bowker & Ruth Davies

A talk at 12.00 after Meeting for Worship on Sunday 14 July

We have received the 2019 appeal for contributions leaflet from Britain yearly meeting "Your Faith, Your Action, Your Organisation". Following requests from Friends for more detail on how our contributions are used, we will provide examples of how contributions received are used in Quaker life and work locally, within Area meeting and nationally.

Closure of the Folk Hall Car Park - Brian Jardine

The Joseph Rowntree Housing Trust has told us that the work to reconstruct and reconfigure the Folk Hall car park, as part of the New Lodge development, will start in July. The exact date will be confirmed in due course.

The car park will be closed to traffic and parking for twelve weeks. Pedestrian access will be provided to the Meeting House but, apart from a very small number of parking spaces for the doctor's surgery, there will be no parking available for the duration of the work.

Friends are reminded that there are no parking restrictions on streets in the area of the Meeting House but of course residents will park on the roads as they currently do. The Trust has said that the parking area in front of the Garth offices will be available out of working hours but the number of spaces is limited.

This work will seriously affect Friends attending Meeting for Worship and other events in the Meeting House, and hirers of the building. Friends should consider their travel arrangements to the building and whether they can car share, cycle or walk.

More information, including dates and the pedestrian route to the Meeting House, will be posted in the building when they are known.

Sunday 7

Business meeting after
Mf W

Monday 8

Days for Girls 10-12.30
at the Meeting House

Wednesday 10

Upholding Group at the
Meeting House 7.30 pm

Area Meeting at Acomb
7pm

Sunday 14

Food Bank collection
Carecent collection
Appeal
Fair Trade stall

Saturday 20

Quakers in Yorkshire at
Skipton

Sunday 21

Food Bank collection
Carecent collection

Saturday 27

Craft Group and Days
for Girls

Stand still in that which
is pure.

George Fox 1624-1691

**Please send any items for the August 2019 Newsletter
by Wednesday 17 July to David Roberts**

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Travelling Quakers - Meg Forrest

For most of our month-long journey there were five of us - four women, one man; four Americans, one Brit. We met at Dublin Airport and attended Ireland Yearly Meeting in Dublin where we were welcomed as old F(f)riends and we shared discussion and worship with Irish Friends and visitors from different parts of Europe. Irish Friends are very appreciative of the link with Yorkshire Friends Holiday School which was established in the 1970s when the troubles were at their height and which has continued ever since. When the Irish Young Friends join us for meals it is quite usual for me to spot a sweatshirt with YFHS printed on the back. Our subsequent tour of northern and western Ireland saw us at South Belfast Meeting where we shared mid-week worship (and lunch) with Belfast Friends.

We left the Emerald Isle and headed north to catch the overnight ferry from Aberdeen to Shetland where we were able to attend Shetland Meeting. This tiny Meeting meets once a month, on the second Sunday, in a community centre on the outskirts of Lerwick. We had not been able to warn them that we were coming but they made us all very welcome and were happy to share the lunch they had brought with them. In true Quaker fashion there was enough food for everyone although we had almost doubled their numbers! After lunch we left Shetland Friends to their planned discussion of what they could do to support Quakers Against Militarisation but accepted the clerk's invitation to coffee later that evening at her home in Scalloway.

We fell in love with Shetland and were very reluctant to leave but we drove back through Scotland and made our way to "1652 Country". Here we added to our extensive collection of photographs of old Meeting Houses, encountering wardens and local Friends en route. We arrived at Swarthmore Hall to find that their mid-week Meeting for Worship was going to begin in half an hour so we were delighted to join the local Friends who attended. We concluded our tour by climbing Pendle Hill and having a short period of worship at the top. We were not "travelling in the ministry" in any official sense but small Meetings in more remote places really appreciate having visitors. We gained a lot from the experience and we were very warmly welcomed.

Monthly Appeal - Roswitha Jarman

The July collection is for 'Sunshine' also known as 'Changing Lanes'. It is a small charity set up by Carl Greenwood after attending several AVP (Alternatives to Violence Project) workshops. Carl organises workshops for people who are struggling with anger, abuse, addiction and mental health issues here in York. This project has been in existence for several years and is recognised and welcomed for its fine work. 'Sunshine' is always looking for financial help for its running costs.

Result of the May collection for Christian Aid - Joan Patton

This raised £100 and I want to thank you for this as I know many of you give to Christian Aid in other ways.

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