

Silkstone Parish Council Newsletter

Summer 2008

No 46

Chairman's letter

In place of the Chairman's letter we have the annual report for 2007/2008

A review of the past year's council activities.

In reviewing the past year the chairman notes that we have maintained an average of over 80% attendance this year ... but only just. We had a total of 80 attendances out of a possible 99.

All the councillors, and the clerk serve on other groups on behalf of the Parish Council and that ultimately means on your behalf. The number of opportunities for councillors to attend meetings has increased during the year as community support organisations offer more seminars on subjects such as recycling, carbon reduction and group management. I hope you will continue to encourage and support all the councillors in their efforts to make Our Parish a better place to live.

There are people not on the Parish Council who do a lot for us, and thanks are due. I would especially like to thank Linda Marsh for the efforts she makes in preparing and printing the Newsletter, Mark Haigh for regularly delivering the newsletter to every house in the Parish and to Colin Waring for the quality of the work undertaken around the Parish. Emily Marsh deserves a special mention as she stepped in at short notice to deliver the newsletter when Mark suffered an accident.

I would also thank those members of the public who have attended Parish Council meetings in the last year, especially those who have stayed to the end.

Parish Council: Legislation

The main piece of legislation that will affect the Parish Council was the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act. There are number of parts to the Act but the main parts that will affect us involve the impact on Quality Parish Status by reducing the electoral mandate from 80% to 66%. This measure was effectively a test of the community's willingness to stand for the Parish Council and not a test of the Parish Council itself. There is now also a power to appoint Councillors but I don't believe this power will be used to any degree. The Parish Council can now change its name to Community Council, Neighbourhood Council, Village Council or Town Council.

There was also a Sustainable Communities Bill that is designed to encourage communities to become more environmentally friendly.

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**The Editor
of the
newsletter
is Colin
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Views expressed in this newsletter are those of the contributors not necessarily the views and policies of the Parish Council.

If you have news items for the next issue or want to update details for your organisation please contact him on 01226 790 416 or email him colin@i-online.co.uk



Huskar 170 Update

Rehearsals for the play Profit and Loss have now commenced, and Sylvia le Breton reports satisfaction with the start that has been made. The initial schedule for rehearsals involves Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings (all the cast are not involved every night) and this is an indication of the professionalism with which the event is being approached.

The play is based on the book Children of The Dark by Alan Gallop and looks at the Huskar Pit disaster through the eyes of Ann Newton, the mother of eight year old Sarah, who died in the tragedy. It begins in 1842 the year of the Royal Commission on Mining, and ends later that year with the implementation of Lord Ashley's Bill preventing women and boys under 10 from working underground. The middle section of the play is Ann's memory of the terrible event, but also the joyful celebrations a few days earlier of Queen Victoria's coronation.

Folk music and hymns of the time will be incorporated into the play, along with a clog dance. Silkstone Brass Band will play for the Queens coronation celebrations. A cast of around 60 actors/musicians, ages ranging from 6 to 66, will be involved over the 5 nights.

It will be particularly poignant that at least one of the children in the cast is a descendant of one of the children who drowned in the disaster. Several other descendants who have been traced will be attending various performances.

Fund raising efforts continue, and the David Dowkes evening held at Silkstone Lodge was a tremendous success and was an excellent village function – a worthy enough objective in it's own right. More funds are still required but progress is being made. What we now need to ensure is that every performance will be played to a full house, and this means the sale of some 1300 tickets.

As well as being an excellent event bringing the community together through the fund raising events and hopefully the actual event itself, the monies raised over and above the cost of the production will be put to very good use;

- to enhance the existing Huskar memorials at the church and in Nabs Wood
- to install a memorial stained glass window in All Saints Church Silkstone



- to produce an educational package about the disaster in DVD and book form
- to support an international children's charity supporting exploited children

When and where can you see it?

It will be performed in Silkstone Parish Church for five nights, concluding on the actual anniversary of the 4th of July. So 31st June to 4th July.

Tickets will be on sale from May 17th at

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Certain Times at Silkstone Church and the
Mission in Silkstone Common.

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We hope we can look forward to your full support

Jean Louis Batiot, new mayor of St Florent des Bois.



Many of you who have taken part in exchanges with St Florent will remember Jean Louis as a firm supporter of twinning with a keen sense of humour, given to leg-pulls and pranks, but also with a very determined side to his personality.

Congratulations are due to him on being elected the new Mayor of St Florent.

Colin Bower, Chair,
Silkstone - St Florent Association.



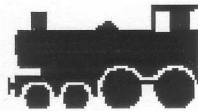
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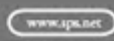
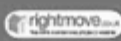
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**Parish Council Budget 08/09:****Report from Karen Canadine, Clerk to the Parish Council.**

Silkstone Parish Council receives an amount of money called the precept from Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council each financial year. This is the parish element of your council tax bill and for 08/09 is £47.72 per Band D household in the parish. So what does the Parish Council do with your payment to the Parish of Silkstone and Silkstone Common?

The Silkstone Parish Council precept for 2008/2009 financial year is £59,000 the only other income the Parish Council receives is from bank account interest, allotment rents, newsletter adverts and if we are fortunate a grant of £1,500 from South Yorkshire Passenger Executive (SYPT) which is a grant the Parish Council distributes to local groups upon application for transport costs within South Yorkshire (not yet approved by SYPT).

The Parish Council's expenditure is split as shown opposite:

"Some couples go over their budgets very carefully every month; others just go over them."



The Silkstone Pavilion provides changing facilities for the 6 cricket teams and 8 football teams who play on the recreation ground at weekends. The teams use the playing fields free of charge. The Pavilion is a community building and the community room on the first floor is available for local groups to hold meetings. Currently the community room is used regularly by the Crime and Safety Sub Group, Bumps and Babies National Childbirth Trust group and the Silkstone B Band for practice.

If you are a member of a local group and would like to use the Pavilion for your meetings or would be interested in applying for a grant from the Parish Council or for the transport grant please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Clerk who will be able to advise if your group is eligible.

Your Parish Councillors

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Administration costs	£6,200	This includes the Councils Insurance premium, audit fees, membership fees, office expenses and chairman's allowance.
Employees	£15,800	This is mainly the Parish Clerk's salary; she works part time and is the sole permanent employee of the Parish Council. We also pay a newsletter deliverer who delivers this newsletter to your door.
Silkstone Pavilion and Recreation Ground	£26,650	This includes all pavilion maintenance costs, grounds maintenance including a groundsman for the sports pitches, utility bills and equipment replacement, maintenance and repair.
Grants to local groups	£4,700	Last year the Parish Council provided 16 grants to local groups with amounts ranging from £100 to £750. The Parish council considers grant applications in May each year but local groups are also welcome to apply for a grant at any time of year.
SYPTTE Transport grant	£1,500	The Parish Council distributes this grant to local groups for travel within South Yorkshire on behalf of SYPTTE. Last year (07/08) Silkstone Brownies, Silkstone Luncheon Club, Silkstone Primary School and Silkstone Common J & I School benefited from this grant
Conferences and Training	£1,000	The Parish Clerk has nearly completed a course of training called "Working with your Council" and will shortly embark on the Certificate in Local Council Administration. This is a necessary qualification which will enable the Clerk to apply for the council to gain quality council status.
Community Facilities	£5,000	This is a new budget for 08/09 and is to allow an amount in this financial year for the council to contribute towards new community facilities in the Parish. It is possible that work on a new scout hut and dance hall will commence this year and improvements to the facilities at the Silkstone Common Methodist church are under discussion as well as a number of ideas to improve the Silkstone Common Recreation Ground and Silkstone's war memorial site.

The Parish Clerk's Role

The Parish Clerk is the sole employee of the Parish Council and basically runs the day to day business of the Parish Council. A Parish Clerk provides administrative support to the Parish Council and ensures that the Council's decisions are lawful. Responsibilities include producing agendas and minutes for the monthly Parish Council meetings (agendas are displayed on the village notice boards and on the Council's website at www.silkstone.org) as well as the Silkstone Playing Fields Working Party. The Clerk is also the Council's Responsible Finance Officer and so deals with the accounts of the council, monitoring the budget and bank accounts, as well as year-end accounts and preparing for audit.

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The Parish Plan

The Village Design Statement

This project has now been completed and is included as supplementary planning guidance for the Parish. It will be included in the Parish Newsletter in a number of parts so remember to retain your copy. (But not in this one since space didn't allow, Ed.)

Tourism

The Interpretation Board has now been installed between Black Horse Drive and Woodland View in Silkstone Common, thanks to Jim Ritchie. Please take time to look at it if you're passing.

Relationships

BMBC – The Parish Council continues to develop good working relationships with BMBC, in particular with the Ward Councillors who all demonstrated their willingness to work for the Parish during the flooding last July.

Parish

Planning

There have been a number of planning applications that have caused quite a bit of interest amongst parishioners and subsequent work for the Parish Council. These included the application for a composting facility in Stainborough, tandem developments in back gardens and redevelopment of one of the sites next to the Red Lion, where there was a lot of flooding in July. The Parish Council can only make comments based on the information it has at the time a planning application comes before it but the final decision is taken by the Planning Authority, BMBC, not by the Parish Council. The Parish Council will continue to oppose inappropriate development, over-development and unsafe developments.

Crime and Safety

This year, a Crime and Safety Sub-Group was formed for Penistone East following the successful introduction of these groups in other parts of the borough. The group aims to meet monthly in Silkstone pavilion.

The most notable area for vandalism and anti-social behaviour remains Silkstone Recreation ground although this year the village was also victim to a mini-crime wave. This started with a vehicle belonging to a visitor to the Parish being

burned out in the car park on Silkstone Recreation Ground. The following weekend some drunken youths left a trail of damage through Silkstone that included another burnt-out car. This was followed by another car being burnt out next to Silkstone Lodge, which only through good luck didn't result in a fatality. It is to our shame that the criminals are still at large, being sheltered by their friends and family.

There has been a "No Cold Calling Campaign" in the Parish in an effort to prevent doorstep crime that targets the more vulnerable members of the community.

We have also suffered a national trend where lead has been stolen from Silkstone Church and the Sports Pavilion. Sadly, no one saw these crimes being committed.

Substance abuse is still prevalent in the area with over 160 lighter fuel cans having been found.

Projects

War Memorial

The memorial was cleaned this year and two further names added. This was made possible due to grants from the Parish Council and the Area Forum. The tarmac in front of the war memorial is in need of replacing. There is a potential project to include a maze and an anamatic sun-clock in the surface.

Flood Marker

Following the floods last year, a project to mark the depth and places of flooding has been identified.

Stocks

There has been a change of ownership of the Ring O'Bells and this hopefully, will result in refurbishment of the stocks area.

Pals Memorial Stone

The Parish Council will investigate how this sculpture can be brought to Parish and placed in an appropriate location.

Environment

Recycling

The paper bin at the Station Inn has now been removed. There is still one at the Red Lion.

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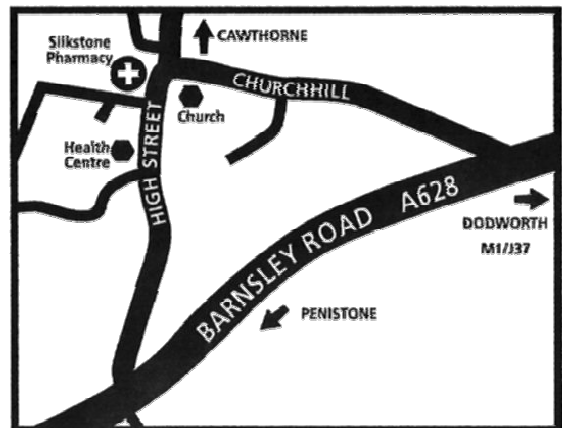
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Silkstone in Bloom

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Fly-tipping

There have been instances of fly-tipping in the Parish. The Parish Council, with the support of the relevant authorities will seek prosecutions of those people trying to spoil our Parish in this manner.

Sport

Silkstone Recreation Ground

The recreation ground and the sports pavilion remain the Parish Council's main asset. This year it has again been the focus for most of the anti-social behaviour in the Parish. However it also provides most of the sports activities as well. The management group have now become a committee of the Parish Council and are investigating ways of achieving a quality mark to demonstrate their competence in looking after the facility. The Parish Council is investigating further crime reduction methods for the area.

The pavilion suffered from flooding due to the high water level on the cricket field during the heavy downpour which caused other widespread flooding. No action has been taken since the problem has not recurred, although the situation is being monitored.

The new Scout Hut project is continuing and the possibility of a half-pipe skateboard facility has also been considered.

Silkstone Common Recreation Ground

The situation remains as it was last year although the Parish Council is pursuing an initiative to provide alternative facilities in this area.

Arts and Crafts

Rock in the Rec

This event suffered due to the weather last year but will run again this year as part of the Two Villages Arts Festival

The Two Villages Festival

Is now established as the main arts event of the year in the Penistone area. The Parish Council will be pleased to again sponsor one of the events.

Faith

The Parish Council assisted a survey by the Anglican and Methodist Churches to determine the future of the buildings in Silkstone Common. The churches will decide how this progresses.

The Parish Council will continue to work to make the bad bits good and the good bits better.

Parish Newsletter

Linda Marsh who sets out the text of this newsletter has also arranged its printing through the staff of Huthwaite, who sadly can no longer help us out in this way. The Editor would like to offer his thanks to all Huthwaite's staff who over the years have given their time to print this Newsletter, that is more than 40 editions, over a period of about 12 years. (I'm not sure how many years, but it's a lot of printing over a long period of time).

Chair of the Council

Derek Liddell

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Apollo 8 astronaut Bill Anders, who took the famous "Earthrise" photo in 1968 noted later, "*here we came all this way to the moon, and yet the most significant thing we're seeing is our own home planet, the Earth.*"

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**2 VILLAGES FESTIVAL 2008
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THURSDAY 19th June

7pm Lamplighters Theatre presentation: 'Bard Lyte' and 'Eyes Like Bette's'
9pm Poems, Prose and Pints

FRIDAY 20th June

5 to 7pm Artists deliver work for display
7pm "Local Talent"

SATURDAY 21st June

10:30am Fairtrade
12 noon Art Exhibition
1pm Writer's Seminar
1pm 'Trial by Jury' Singing workshop/rehearsal

5pm "Rock in the Rec" Outdoor Festival at Silkstone recreation ground

SUNDAY 22nd June

12noon Art Exhibition
2 pm Young People's Festival
7 pm 'Last Night of the Proms'

Short Story Competition
Art and Crafts Exhibition
Festival Charity Fund: Aid to Africa

SHORT STORY COMPETITION

Writers are invited to submit a short story of not more than 2000 words. The stories must be unpublished, not entered in any other competition and not offered or accepted for future publication.

Stories should be typed in double space on A4 without the name of the author. Please put the author's identity on a large self addressed stamped envelope and send it with the manuscript. Include a fee of £3 with each submission. Cheques and postal orders should be made payable to 2 Villages Festival.

All entries should be sent by noon on Thursday 9th of June 2008 to:

C. Charlesworth
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carolyncharlesworth@talktalk.net

The judge, well-published local writer Liz Walker will hold a Writer's Seminar for the entrants and anyone who wishes to attend on Saturday at 1pm in the Parish Church when the prize winners will be announced. There will be three prizes.

[£40, £30, £20 & £10]

Please come and read your stories at the 'Poems, Prose and Pints' Thursday night 9pm at the Ring o' Bells.



New music group for children

Shake Rattle & Roll Children's Music Group.

A music group which helps to develop children's personal, social and emotional development includes singing, dancing, playing musical instruments, puppets and story time.

Babies to 4 year old children welcome. We meet every Friday 11 am until 12 noon at Silkstone Common Methodist Church including some school holidays.

Price per child is £2.50, if you bring more than one child £2.00 per child. Tea, Coffee, Juice and biscuits included.

Contact Tracy for further details on 01226 790240.

AID TO AFRICA

This is the fourth year of the festival and the charities that have benefited so far are:

- '07 Concern £250,
- Mercy Ships £250
- '06 Fissa £300,
- Avert £200,
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The Take 2 Big Band 8pm

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Saturday 14th July

Annual Marching Band Contest

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Hot and cold food available. Admission free

Weekly Events:

Monday - Live Jazz

Tuesday - White Rose Organ Society (every 2 weeks)

Wednesday and **Sunday Evenings** - Quiz Nights - free supper.



2 Villages Festival

Thursday

7pm Theatre presentation at Silkstone Lodge with the Lamplighters in 'BARD LYTE'

The production takes scenes from some of Shakespeare's more popular plays, Midsummer Night's Dream, Henry V, Romeo and Juliet and The Taming of the Shrew to present a light-hearted look at the bard. Then a new short play: Eyes like Bette's by Ceri Ford, "So do you have what we are looking for, those Bette Davis eyes".

Admission £4, £3conc.

9pm POEMS, PROSE and PINTS at the Ring O'Bells.

Come and read your short stories, poems and whatever. If you are shy, someone will read it for you.

Free

Art and Crafts Exhibition and Sale

This will take place Saturday and Sunday. Please bring your works for display on Friday 5-7pm in the Parish Church. The cost per entry is £2.

Works will show the 'for sale' price or a 'not for sale' sign. Entry forms and further info. from Doris Stubbs at 07960 306 539

Closing date for entries, 9th June.

Please collect your work between 5 and 7pm on Monday 23rd June.

Friday

5 to 7pm Artists take in pictures/crafts for display to Parish Church, Silkstone

At Silkstone Lodge

7 pm 'Local Talent' *Admission £3*

Come along and play or sing or just listen and enjoy an evening of music, song, entertainment and fun. Make a timely noise.

If you would like to participate, call Carolyn on 01226 790 715

Saturday

- Fairtrade Sale: in the Methodist Church, Silkstone Common, 10:30am-12noon

In the parish Church, Silkstone

- Art Exhibition: , 12 noon to 5pm
- Writer's Seminar for the Short Story Competition 1 pm, *Free*. Anyone is welcome to attend, with Judge Liz Walker
- Singing workshop/rehearsal 'Trial by Jury' (Gilbert & Sullivan) 1pm to 3:45pm followed by the Performance at 4pm. Free to singers and audience.

(There is an invitation to sing this again Sunday 29th June, 7:30pm at St. John's Church, Hoylandswaine in aid of the Huskar 170 project.)

Refreshments available throughout the afternoon 5pm to late

'Rock In The Rec'

Outdoor Festival on the Silkstone Recreation Ground, *£5 adults, £2.50 under 16s, free under 10s*

- Barbecue and beer tent.
- Rock band – 'Loaded'
- Red Room Rhythm Blues Band
- Alan Ritchie, Dave Drumgoon.

Sunday

In the Parish Church

Art Exhibition: 12 to 2pm and 4 to 6:30pm. *Free*

Young People's Concert: 2pm. *Free*


- Silkstone Common School
- Silkstone School
- Cawthorne Junior Band

'Last Night Of The Proms': 7 pm, *Admission: £5, £4 conc.*

- Old Silkstone Band, Conductor: Alan Exley
- Millhouse Male Voice Choir: Conductor: Sue Christie

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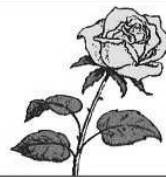
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Crime Report

The number of recorded crimes for February 2008, out of a total of 56 in the Penistone East Area was Silkstone 5, Silkstone Common 3.

There has been a **No Cold Calling** campaign with a focus on Manor Park; information sessions have been well attended with positive feedback. Lighter fuel cans continue to be found in Silkstone Common, with six recently dumped at the Railway Station.

Theft of lead from the Pavilion roof on two occasions, saw thieves taking considerable risk for very little return from the small amount of lead taken. The cost to the Parish Council is sadly far in excess of the value of the lead stolen. Police are pursuing their investigations. In Silkstone two males are under investigation after purchasing a vehicle using a fraudulent cheque.

Heard on BBC Radio 2

Radio host Steve Wright: What is the capital of Australia? And its not Sydney

Contestant: Sydney

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Music

Silkstone Common Ladies Choir

Singing for pleasure. Meets Mondays, Silkstone Common Methodist Church 7:45pm

Contact: Mrs B Herbert 790167

Old Silkstone Band

Meets twice a week, Monday and Wednesday

Contact: Mick Fieldsend 762522

"Old Silkstone 'B' Band"

Contact: Karin Brentnail tel 01226 791982 or
Wayne Bostwick tel 01226 248539

Training Band (complete beginners) rehearsal every Monday 6:00-6:30pm,

'B' Band rehearsal every Monday 6:30-8:00pm

Venue: Silkstone Pavilion

Dodworth Male Voice Choir

Meets Gilroyd Social Club, Thursday nights 7:30pm

Contact: Alf Jubb, 31 Hall Royd Walk, 790817

Silkstone Bell Ringers

Meet every Monday Silkstone Church 7:30pm-9:00pm

Contact: Caroline Charlesworth

Music Makers

Pre-schoolers' Music Group meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday in the month in the Tower Room at Silkstone Church. Informal sessions including instruments, rhymes, songs & stories. All welcome with parents/carers. Please call Caroline 790910 or Tracey 790055 for more information.

Shake Rattle and Roll

Babies to 4 year old children welcome. Meets every Friday 11 am until 12 noon at Silkstone Common Methodist Church including some school holidays. Price per child is £2.50, if you bring more than one child £2.00 per child. Tea, Coffee, Juice and biscuits included.

Contact Tracy for further details on 01226 790240

Churches

All Saints Parish Church

Morning service and Eucharist 9:15am 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday, 10:45am 2nd and 4th Sunday. Evening Service 6:45pm 1st and 3rd Sunday

Contact Rev Simon A. Moor 790232

Silkstone Common Methodist Church

Morning Service and LIGHT group (young people) – Sundays at 10-30am

Thursday LIGHT group (5-11 year olds) Alternate Thursdays from 3-45pm to 5-00pm

Sale of "Fairtrade" produce and coffee morning – second Saturday in the month from 10-30am to 12-00 noon

Sports/Activities

Silkstone United Football Club

Contact: Andy Horsfield 791929

Silkstone United Junior Football Club

U 15s (Year 10) tel. Mark Pearson 766777

U 14s (Year 9) tel. Alan French 790019

U 12s (Year 7) tel. Jonathan Cooke 07817142477

U11s (Year 6) tel. Stephen Tate 07712182185

U10s (Year 5) tel. John Ward 295458

U9s (Year 4) tel. Simon Tucker 762300

Silkstone United Cricket Club

Headquarters: Ring O Bells, Silkstone

Coaching for 7 - 13 year old, Monday's 6-8pm

Coaching for 13 upwards, Wednesday's 6-8pm.

Contacts: U13's Darron Walker 791203,

U15's & Secretary Owen Dyson 790956.

Crown Green Bowling

Secretary David Harris on Barnsley 790051

Taekwon-do

Silkstone Primary School Tues and Thurs 6-8pm, age 6 and over, come and join us. For further information

Contact Marc Stupples 380031

Arabic Dancing

Most Sundays, at Tankersley Parish Hall

10:30-12:30, women only, Beginners welcome

www.rakscandi.co.uk for dates and details

Schools

Silkstone Common Junior & Infant School

Moorend Lane, Silkstone Common. Educates children 4-11 yrs

Contact: Mr Evans 790471

Silkstone Primary School

Educates children 4-11 yrs. The school is interested in developing the use of the school outside normal school hours.

Contact: Mr Simon Barber 790333

Little giants out of school & holiday club

Silkstone Primary School for children aged between 4 and 11 years. Monday to Friday

Phone 0785 4710299

Community Learning Programme

A wide range of courses and events —more being offered all the time. Contact Esther Parnham, via the PGS main switchboard 01226 762114 or by mobile: 07985 725634 or by email e.parnham2@barnsley.org



Environment/Local Interest

Silkstone – St Florent Association

The Parish of Silkstone is twinned with St Florent des Bois in the Vendee in France. Exchange visits are organised along with a variety of social and fund-raising events throughout the year.

Contact: Yvonne Dinsdale 790583

Silkstone Parish CARE Group

Aims to improve the natural environment. Activities include planting hedges, trees, bulbs. Carries out litter-picks. Tools available on loan to volunteer groups. Promotes caring for the environment.

Contact: Graham Wells 790732

Roggins Local History Group

The group exhibits at local history fairs. We can set up small displays and talk to small groups.

Contact: Jim Ritchie 790695

Drystone Walling

<http://hadriansdsw.blogspot.com/>
www.southyorkshiredswa.org.uk

General

Silkstone Common Good Companions

Provides companionship, entertainment and recreation for the senior citizens of the village. Meets fortnightly on Wednesdays 2-4pm. New members are very welcome

Annual subscription £1, refreshments 30p
Varied programme including theatre trips, visits, entertainments, Helpers welcome

Contact: Mrs Brayshaw 790196, Terry Daniel 386755

Royal British Legion Silkstone Branch

Meets on the second Friday in each month at 7:30pm
Branch HQ Silkstone Lodge

Contact: J.D. Mathews, 16 Stanhope Avenue
Cawthorne

Silkstone Common W.I.

Meets second Friday each month at 7:15pm Silkstone
Common Methodist Church

Silkstone Luncheon Club for the over 60s

Meets every Monday at 12 o'clock in Silkstone Lodge.
New members always welcome. Please call **791670**

Visit Silkstone Parish Website

www.silkstone.org

If you wish to add a link or information please
contact the Parish Clerk.
See page 4 for details

You can see and download the agendas and draft
minutes for Parish Council meetings and the
Parish Plan on the web-site as well as other local
information

Children

Chatterbox Club

For parents, carers, babies and toddlers. We meet every Thursday 10:15am-11:45am at Silkstone Common Methodist Church Hall. Coffee, Juice and Toast. £1.50 per toddler and 75p for babies under 6 months

Contact Laura: 01226 790975

Silkstone Pre-School Playgroup

Offers term-time sessional care for 2½ to 4½ year olds

Contact Helen Dolmen (Manager) 792294

Edward Bear Group

The playgroup meets at the Mission Room, Silkstone Common, Monday mornings 10am-12 noon. Open all year except Bank Holidays. Under 4s and their parents/carers welcome.

£1 includes refreshments.

Contacts

Dawn tel. 790402

Alison tel 790973

Silkstone Scouts, Guides and Brownies

Headquarters Silkstone Rec.

Cubs: youngsters 8-11 yrs, 6:30om-8pm Tuesdays

Scouts: boys and girls 10 ½ - 15 ½ yrs 7pm-9pm

Mark Slater: Group Scout Leader 29th Barnsley
(Silkstone) 01226 767546 Markj121@hotmail.com

Guides: girls 10-15 yrs 7:30pm-9pm Wednesdays

Brownies: girls 7-10 yrs

Scout Hut Thursday's 6:15-7:45

Tel: Maxine Barrett 01226 790158

Childminders

For details of registered childminders please ring
Childcare Information Service on:
0800 345340

National Childbirth Trust

NCT Coffee Morning Monday 9.30-11.30 The Bluebell

Contact: Joanne McDonald 01226-792728

NCT Bumps and Babies Group 10.00-12.00 Silkstone
Pavilion

Contact Joanne McDonald 01226-792728