



# Spring into Spring!

As this Newsletter goes to print, we are hoping that we have seen the last of the "Beast from the East"!, the clocks will have gone forward, and we can look forward to lighter evenings and better weather. Many people have, however, enjoyed sledging, building snowmen, and all the traditional winter past-times in the park, but we now look forward to putting the cold behind us and getting the gardens ready for spring and summer.

## WHAT IS NEW?



We have renewed our Insurance premium for this year starting 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 which covers all our events and activities in the park in addition to the running of the toilets at the entrance to the park. We are grateful to all who took out membership in November last year which has enabled us to pay the renewal fee of £485.74p with a bit to spare. If you have not become a member yet, please look out for the application form when membership comes up for renewal in November 2018.

- **SNAIL RACE EVENING AT THE 3 ACRES, LEES MOOR.** Fantastic turn out and support for this event in February 2018. Profits amounted to just over £650 which was shared between Friends of Cross Roads Park and Lees & Cross Roads Village Association. Grateful thanks to all who came along to, sponsored races and snails, donated crafts to sell on the stall, donated raffle prizes, or who helped or supported the event in any way. Special thanks to the team at the 3 Acres for the use of their premises for this event.



- **Community Chest.** With the advent of better weather you will begin to see improvements to the stonework at the entry to the park, grassed areas, planting etc. all funded via the Community Chest run by Haworth, Cross Roads & Stanbury Parish Council. Thanks to all those who voted last year enabling this to happen. Watch this space for further news as the work progresses.



- **Cross Roads Bowling Club.** Presentation of the "Gordon Daley" trophy to Maurice Baren of Lees Methodist Church. This is a trophy which came into being after the death of one of the Bowling Club members ...Gordan Daley... a real character in the village. It is an honour bestowed on someone who has achieved much or contributed much not only in the realm of bowling, but general sport or village life in the Cross Roads area. This year Maurice Baren was chosen for all the hard work done over many years both at Lees Methodist Church and in the village, his work in horticulture, the books he has written, and "beard shaves" and other fund raising for Action for Children etc. This year he shared the proceeds between Action for Children and End Polio now. His efforts and the donations of all who contributed have enabled over 100,000 children to be vaccinated. A well deserved award.



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- Cross Roads Bowling Club Open Days. For anyone wanting a "taster" of the game of bowls. The very first practice/open session for this season got off to a great start with 6 new members joining. Why not give it a try - a sport suitable for all ages. NEXT SESSION - Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 6.45 p.m. This is a great way to exercise whilst out in the fresh air. If you are looking for a new activity or challenge, this might be one to try.

Calendar of sessions:-

Cross Roads Bowling Club - Practice/Open Sessions
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2018 - 6.45 p.m.
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2018 - 7.00 p.m.
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2018 - 10.30 a.m.
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2018 - 7.00 p.m.
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2018 - 7.00 p.m.
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> August 2018 10.30 a.m.



- Handicrafts. We are grateful to all who make items to be sold at the Post Office in the village, at Unique Hair Salon, Oxenhope and other outlets to raise funds for the park. Last year over £800 was raised by this means. As the warmer weather comes and gardens begin to be prepared, do have a look in the Post Office next time you are in. Little garden gnomes (hand painted locally) will be appearing (Ideal for planters and small border areas or indoor pots) and the hedgehogs will be back by popular request. Snap them up before they are gone!



FUTURE EVENTS:-

- Bronte Vintage Gathering. We would very much like to have a stall at this event but will need help both on the day and by providing items to sell. If you are a Crafter and would like to donate an item to sell for Park Funds, please drop off at the Post Office. If you can help at the event, please do let us know. Most importantly, please do come along and support this event which each year raises an incredible amount of money for Manorlands.

- Lees & Cross Roads Village Gala run by our sister organisation Lees & Cross Roads Village Association. The theme chosen this year is "A Day at the Beach". Friends of Cross Roads Park will be once more having a stall and donations of items to sell would be gratefully received.



**BREAKING NEWS!**  
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Grateful thanks to  
providing the funding  
We do of course  
have it available in



Pleased to announce the arrival of a defibrillator for  
to G. Moore & Company for allowing it to be sited on the  
premises in the centre of the village.

Haworth, Cross Roads & Stanbury Parish Council for  
for this piece of equipment via the Community Chest.  
hope it never needs to be used, but very reassuring to  
case of emergency.

How can you help? Please do continue to support us via the various collection boxes round the village. If you have not already done so, please do join our Facebook pages and encourage friends, neighbours, contacts to do the same. This is important not only for when applying for grant funding as funders like to see organisations have support of their neighbourhood, but also for "spreading the word". Please be sure to tell people you know are not on Facebook all the news and information and pass them a newsletter, flyers for events etc. Printed copies of the newsletter will be available in the Post Office and other locations shortly.

Our Facebook pages are: LEES, CROSS ROADS & BOCKING VILLAGE

And FRIENDS OF CROSS ROADS PARK