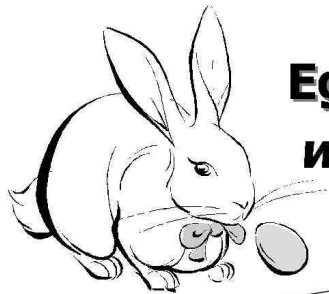




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Easter Eggstravaganza with Pie & Peas and Bingo

Friday 3rd April

Come to either or both

Pay-as-you-go Bingo
6.30 in the Memorial Hall Supper Room
Pie & Peas Supper (incl Desserts, Tea/Coffee)
served 7.30 — 8.30 in the Main Hall

Meal Tickets: £5.00 (adults)
£3.50 (children 5-11)
Available from: Manor Court (660747)
South Lane Farm (660515)

Raffle and Tombola

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Newsletter

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Spring is Sprung!

Like the temperature, the Renewal Fund continues to climb, even though the thermometer on the left looks to have shrunk again. Don't worry — this is purely artistic licence to leave room for more excellent money-raising events as we move towards summer. You'll see that the total raised is now over £17½-thousand — an excellent effort for such a small community. Some of that money has already been spent, of course, on architect's fees and the whole business of getting Planning Permission, but there is still a healthy balance in the bank for the future. Such a shame the interest rates are so pitiful, though!

But this is where the danger lies — the next part of the process is inevitably the most drawn out and frustrating. We now have to work through the minefield that is the grant funding process... and the hoops to be jumped through are very complicated, and keep changing all the time. We have a sub committee working hard on this, trying to keep us one jump ahead, but sometimes it's like swimming in treacle. We've already had at least one disappointment, as money we thought might be available has proved elusive due to a minor loophole.

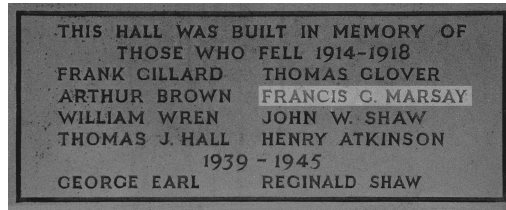
But we are working hard behind the scenes, and if nothing much seems to be progressing, please have faith. The Hall will be renewed.



— 200 Club 09
£670
— Total at
January 09
£16,867

We Shall Remember Them

In each Newsletter, we are featuring the men in whose memory the Memorial Hall was built



3254 Private **Francis George Marsay** (known as 'Frank') served with the 4th Battalion, Yorkshire Regiment, and died on 15 September 1916 at the age of 26.

In Memory of
Private FRANCIS GEORGE MARSAY
3254, 4th Bn., Yorkshire Regiment
who died age 26
on 15 September 1916
Son of the late William and Jane Marsay, of Haredale Farm, Moorsholm, Boosbeck, Yorks.
Remembered with honour
THIEPVAL MEMORIAL

Commemorated in perpetuity by
the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

He was son of William and Jane Marsay, of Haredale Farm, and his War Graves Certificate is shown here.

[We are getting a little more information about the other men who are remembered in the Memorial Hall stone, but it is a little sketchy. In particular, Arthur Brown and Thomas J Hall are proving difficult to identify. Any information — rank, regiment, date of death, age — can help to narrow down the search on the excellent Commonwealth War Graves Commission website (www.cwgc.org). And of course, any information about their Moorsholm life and family will be very welcome, and can be left at Hazeltree Farm. Items, photos etc, will be treated with care, and returned as soon as possible.]

Dates for your diary

The next event raising money for the Renewal Fund will be an Easter Eggstravaganza on April 3rd — more details on P4. Then, on Bank Holiday Monday, May 4th, there'll be a Coffee Morning in the Supper Room 10.00am—12.00 noon, with the usual excellent home baking and raffle — contributions will be very welcome via Anthea at South Lane Farm (660515), or Jean at 11 Moor Close (660394).

On Thursday April 16th, the Village Forum are hosting a Bingo evening in the Hall to raise money for flower tubs etc to boost our chances in the Northumbria In Bloom Competition. More details from Jayne Payne (660171).

And Moorsholm Show date has been fixed for Saturday August 29th this year, rather than the more usual fourth Saturday. Those who remember Moorsholm's own Paralympian Gold Medal winner, Esther Cruice, will be delighted to know that she is getting married to her fiancé Paul on the 21st, and key Show staff will be away in Cheshire that weekend helping them to celebrate.



The 2009 200 Club got off to an excellent start, with over 130 members. This immediately boosted the Renewal Fund by £670, and left a similar amount to be distributed to the winners of our 10 monthly draws — this means that the individual prizes can be higher than last year. Thanks to everyone who made this happen.

In the February draw, the first prize (now £35) went to 133 Chris Saunders, with 98 Al Watson and 38 June Powell taking home £20 and £12 respectively.

In March, despite the tickets being well shaken between picking, two consecutive numbers came out — this also happened last October... what are the odds against that?! This time the Dowe household reaped the benefit — Liz (129) taking the first prize, and Peter (130) the second. 109 Fay Edis was third. The next winners will be drawn on April 20th.

The Memorial Hall AGM was held on March 16th, and details of the Committee and Hire Charges are on display in the entrance hall. But why did so few villagers turn up? We know that some say the Hall is run by 'the same old gang' but if nobody new turns up to show an interest, that's never going to change! Where were you?

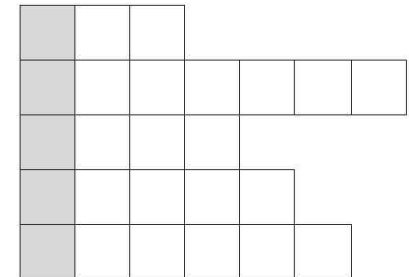


CHILDREN'S QUIZ

Sponsored by the Badminton Club
The first letters spell an Easter favourite



- 1 Hot and cross?
- 2 Mythical horned beast
- 3 Where will you find an egg?
- 4 Compass point
- 5 Colour of Easter chicks



Name: Age (max 16):

Address:

Seal this form and 50p in an envelope and put it through the door of 54 Freebrough Road (Janice Lofthouse). Entries close April 14th. The first correct entry drawn will win a small prize.

