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Brough Babes are Lifestyle champions

Following a summer of hard graft to create the 'Brough Babes Humber Hike' from Brough Haven to the Humber Bridge, the Brough Babes were announced overall winners of Lifestyle 2007, scooping a holiday of a lifetime to Disney World, Florida at the glittering Lifestyle Awards held at the Hull City Hall!

The winners were announced by Chief Constable, Tim Hollis at the pinnacle of the evening, as testament to their sheer level of commitment and dedication to their project, striving to achieve the best result and making sure their project continues to benefit many people for years to come.

The four-strong team from Brough Primary School and South Hunsley set out with aim of encouraging families to take more exercise. The girls created a 6 mile wildlife walk along the Humber Foreshore, between Brough Haven and the Humber bridge. Working every day throughout the summer they put in a total of over 2,150 hours. Pathways were cleared and sixteen wooden posts were erected to show walkers the way. The team also put in place a number of



(Front L-R) Brough Babes Carrie Burrow, Katie Pearson, Jodie Burrow and Ellie Dunwell with (Rear) Jim Richards (L) and Phil Young (R) of the Environment Agency and PCSO Jessica Watts are pictured at the start of the Humber Hike at Brough Haven.

wildlife information points, as well as a forest trail, and bird and bat boxes. Funds were raised to provide benches and litter bins along the route.

The four Brough Babes team members, Carrie, Jodie, Ellie and Katie said "We are so pleased that we won Lifestyle 2007 and can't wait to go to Disney World, Florida! It has been a really fun summer, with lots of hard work, we have loved every minute."

Our local Lifestyle Heroes

Other local teams recognised for their achievements were as follows.

The Fighting Four

Brough Primary School

Oliver Henderson, Georgina Hillerby, Nathan Lyons and Samantha Steele

Brough Gadgets

Brough Primary School

Alex Almond, Benjamin Briggs, Matthew Britchford and James Roos

Wicked On Water

South Hunsley

Annabel Cleminshaw, Hannah Cole, Isobel Forman and Sophia Taylor

Double Trouble (Runners up)

South Hunsley

Rachel Adamson and Eleanor Harker

Lifestyle is a Humberside Police initiative which encourages young people to get involved in community projects during the long summer holidays. The aim is to provide a refreshing and challenging alternative to summer boredom, which will not only occupy their time but also benefit the youngsters themselves and their communities.

Art Exhibition a resounding success



Laura Gomersall, winner of the Most Popular Exhibit with her winning entry, and exhibition organiser Councillor Mike Clark.

The Elloughton-cum-Brough Parish Council Art & Photography Exhibition was held at Brough Community Centre on the weekend of 5th - 7th October 2007. Around 220 works from over 70 contributors were on display, which included paintings, prints and photographs, as well as a number of three dimensional pieces.

Exhibition organiser Councillor Mike Clark said: "Being the first event of its kind it was difficult to anticipate the number of submissions, or how well the exhibition would be attended. In the event it exceeded all our expectations." The exhibition welcomed more than 300 visitors across the weekend, who cast votes for their favourite picture. The trophy for Most Popular Exhibit

was awarded to "A Storm Approaches" by photographer Laura Gomersall – a moody and evocative depiction of the Humber Bridge looming out of the fog. The under-16's prize went to "Reflective" by Matthew Colquhoun.

Councillor Clark added that: "It was wonderful to see such a diverse range of media and subject matter represented. The exhibition has provided a real focal point for the community, and proved that there is some real talent on our doorstep." He also extended his thanks to the many volunteers who gave their time which helped to make the event into such a success.

The parish council is planning to hold the second Art & Photography exhibition in October 2008.

News in brief

- ▶ Brough Community Centre has a new-look web site with booking details and events information - www.broughcommunitycentre.co.uk.
- ▶ **New parking restrictions are now in force throughout Brough. A permit parking scheme has been introduced for residents on Station Road and King Edwards Terrace.**
- ▶ Local community radio station Vixen87 broadcast on 87.9FM for 28 days in November under a restricted service licence. Another licence is under review for Spring - www.vixen87.karoo.net.
- ▶ **Permission has been granted for the erection of an annex to Lavender House Retirement Home, Welton Road, and n°s 8 and 9 Tremayne Avenue are to be converted for use as staff accommodation.**
- ▶ The 2008 Annual Parish Meeting will be held at the Village Hall on 15th April. All residents are invited to attend the meeting which will start at 6.30pm. The Parish Council-hosted event is a meeting of residents, and is a requirement for Brough and Elloughton to remain a parish.
- ▶ **The future of the 158 bus service is assured after the EYMS contract was renewed for a further three years.**
- ▶ New events planned at Brough Community Centre include Drawing and Painting from 10th January, and Making Choices in Working (with children and families) from the 9th, both by South Hunsley Adult Education (633162). Also Sing and Sign (pre-school group) from 9th January (07971 565980) - www.broughcommunitycentre.org.uk for details.

What an achievement for Hunsley head

Chris Abbott of South Hunsley School has been awarded Overall Woman of Achievement at the Women of Achievement Awards 2007. The award was given in recognition of her fantastic accomplishments in the four years since taking up her post.

Chris also won the Local Government Award, despite stiff competition from some of the region's finest businesswomen. The results were announced at a ceremony held by Women In Business on 16 November at the Ramada Jarvis Hotel in Willerby.

Judges commented that "With her unique brand of innovative thinking,

Chris Abbott has adopted a forward-thinking, entrepreneurial approach to a seemingly traditional role."

As well as remaining passionately committed to academic targets, Chris has developed the school's grounds and spear-headed plans for a brand-new sports centre, which is a sustained business, funding the school as well as providing top of the range facilities for pupils. Under Chris' guidance, the school has become top in the East Riding league tables and enjoys an enviable turnover.

The guest speaker was musician, author and entertainer, Toyah Willcox who spoke about her career in showbiz spanning three decades.



Chris Abbott (R) with her award and Toyah Willcox (L)

Police concert a Christmas cracker!

The Humberside Police Band opened their series of Christmas Concerts at the Village Hall on Saturday 1st December. Promoted by the Parish Council, the event was attended by an audience of over 100, ranging in age from 12 weeks to 80+.

The band played a varied and entertaining set comprising chart hits as well as orchestral pieces. Highlights of the evening included a rendition of "Santa Baby" by Rebecca Booth complete with Santa outfit, and variations on Heyken's "Serenade" which included five musicians blowing across the tops of empty, tuned bottles. Refreshments served during the interval included sherry, mulled wine, mince pies and savouries.

Overall it was an evening of superb family entertainment and a marvellous introduction to the festive season.

Fifty years of worship

Preparations are underway for the 50th anniversary of the Methodist Church in Brough. To mark the occasion there will be a weekend of celebrations starting on Friday 6th June. The church will open all day on the Saturday for friends past and present to meet for coffee and a chat. An exhibition entitled Brough - Past, Present and Future will be on display, which will include a timeline of events from the past fifty years. If readers have a record of any major events, such as weddings, baptisms, or other important dates in the life of the church then please contact Linda Barber on 666322 with any information. A booklet of recollections is also planned, so please forward your anecdotes to Denis Routledge on 666986. Friends of the church are invited to sponsor a flower arrangement for the weekend. Donations of flowers and foliage are welcome, please contact Jean Butler on 668019.

Safety Training At Brough School

Work on the new Children's Centre at Brough School is well underway and due for completion in March 2008. A special assembly was held in October, aimed at telling the pupils about the building work and raising awareness of how dangerous building sites can be.

The safety presentation was given by contractor Houlton's Health, Safety and Training Officer, Peter Laslett, and Roy Settle, Site Manager. Houlton's mascot "Bill the Builder" was also in attendance.

The children had the chance to meet "Bill", try on hard hats and hi-viz jackets and have a look at some of the equipment, such as a JCB digger, a four ton dumper truck and flat bed lorries that are being used on site.

Andy Johnson, Houlton's Contracts Manager, said "We take site safety very seriously at Houlton's and are keen to get the safety message across to this young audience. We work in close proximity to their school buildings and we want to stress to the youngsters that building sites are not suitable places to play."



Entrepreneur Erika is a true Grafta

Brough-based business woman Erika Harman has been crowned Britain's hardest "Grafta" in a competition to honour the nation's army of unsung small business heroes. Her business flair and unwavering commitment wowed the judges at the 2007 Grafta Awards, which are run jointly by The Sun newspaper and Mercedes-Benz. As well as winning a trophy, Erika drove away in a brand new Mercedes van.

The mother of two founded catering firm Hungry Henry's in 1999 after being made redundant from her job in financial services. Erika had no previous catering experience, but with the new housing developments happening in the village, she realised there would be a lot of hungry men to feed. She bought her first catering trailer with a £5000 bank loan, and spent long hours making sandwiches and cups of tea. Seven years later the company employs 14 full-time staff, manning catering trailers, running on-site



Hard work rewarded... Erika Harman accepts her prize from David Higson, Marketing Manager for Mercedes-Benz Vans in the UK canteens and providing vending services.

Husband Grant who works alongside Erika says: "She puts in long hours, breaking off to be with the children and often going back to work when they're in bed." When their second son was born in 2002 Erika was back at work after just three days. She works Saturdays and spends Sundays tidying up after the family. Grant adds: "She really is our Grafta!"



Photo by Mark Kenesett

Hull Freedom Trailblazer returns

Editor Justine McMillan spent four weeks driving through Africa on the Hull Freedom Trail. The 25 strong team left Hull in October and drove the 5,000 miles to Freetown, Sierra Leone, to deliver five 4x4 vehicles to aid agencies. The car which Justine drove was donated to the St. George Foundation, a charity working with street children, mostly victims of the civil war. The trip was filmed by Emmy nominated cameraman Claudio von Planta, who filmed Ewan McGregor's *Long Way Round* and *Long Way Down*. Tales from the journey and a selection of Justine's photographs can be seen at www.hullfreedomtrail.com.

Money for old phones

The Friends of Brough School are still collecting old mobile phones as part of the Fones4Schools recycling campaign. The scheme will pay £300 for every 200 phones collected. All money raised will be used to provide extras for the school which will benefit all the children. Donations of any mobile phones are welcome, regardless of age or condition. More information on the scheme can be found at www.fones4schools.co.uk. The Friends of Brough School meet once a month during term time, and all parents and teachers are welcome. Their web site can be found at www.brough.ncpta.net.



Denise Kurring has retired from her position as senior administration officer after 25 years at Brough School. As well as successfully managing an ever increasing administrative burden, she has served as finance officer, a school governor and has been an active member of the Friends of Brough School. The school held a special assembly in December to say farewell. She will be missed by children and teachers alike.

In our Autumn edition we announced the retirement of Dove House fund raiser Pat Downs who for 26 years tirelessly supported the hospice. Sadly Pat died shortly after our Autumn print deadline. We extend our deepest sympathy to her family and friends.

Congestion relief as new car park opens

The new car park adjacent to Brough railway station is now open. The 70 space car park, which cost a total of £250,000, was built by First TransPennine Express. The development will improve station access and alleviate congestion and ad hoc parking, which has caused significant problems, particularly along Station Rd and King Edwards Terrace.

The Parish Council and local residents have been campaigning for a solution to the congestion problems for several years. The car park will be welcomed by residents and commuters alike. The new parking restrictions introduced by the East Riding Council following consultation with local residents and councillors should make a big difference to parking in the village.

The new car park facility is well lit by two lighting columns, has two additional CCTV cameras to provide extra security surveillance, a motorbike stand and four disabled parking bays.

A change of landscape

National Tree Week in November saw the launch of a project to transform parts of the South Hunsley School site into open, green spaces for students to use for study and socialising. The school has had an extensive building programme over the last few years which, while vastly improving teaching facilities, has significantly reduced the amount of open spaces for students across the school grounds.

The first stage of the project will transform the area behind the sports centre. The work will involve dense planting in front of the school fence along the boundary edge of the A63 and within the area to the south of the sports centre. This will offer a protective barrier between the school and the main road, helping to reduce noise levels and absorbing carbon emissions from the passing traffic.

The second stages of landscaping behind the sports centre will involve the hard landscaping for the study and performance areas and it is hoped that work will start on this in autumn 2008.

Donations from parents have exceeded £1000 and the project has also been supported by Trees Appeal and The Tree Council.

Petuarria Players are ready to romp

The doors to Petuarria Players' latest production "Ladies' Day" by Amanda Whittington open on 31st January. The sporting romp will be performed at the Village Hall until 2nd February, and follows the fortunes of four female fish filleters who visit Royal Ascot at York Races

The play is produced by Richard Bateman and the cast includes Janet Drewery, Barbara Failey, Nic Johnson, Jayne Hewson, Rob Newton & Steve Howland. Tickets can be purchased from Stella Reuban on 01482 668610.

Petuarria Players meet on Monday evenings at their rehearsal room behind the old library building on Elloughton Road. New members are always



Petuarria Players' production Plaza Suite from October 2007. Pictured from left to right are Rob Newton and Gill Collins, and seated are Rachel Miller and Phil Johnson.

welcome with opportunities for acting and helping out behind the scenes.

Urban Angels celebrated the opening of their new hair salon with an evening event held in September. Urban Angels on Skillings Lane is the second salon, following up the success of the original Urban Angels on George Street in Hull. Salon owners Kirsty and Richard Lee are pictured centre.



Elloughton Blackburn A FC Under 14s are pictured sporting their new strip before a local derby match against stablemates Elloughton Blackburn in early December. The kit has been generously sponsored by BAe Systems.

The match was fought hard by both teams but despite constant pressure from their rivals, Elloughton Blackburn A took a 3-1 victory.

What's On?

Saturday 12th January

Jon Gomm at the Half Moon

Hunsley Acoustic Music (665656) presents this solo performer with an incredible virtuoso guitar style.

Saturday 19th January

Badness at Blackies Club

The legendary ska revival band returns. Tickets £5 – call 667353 for details.

Saturday 26th January

Hilary James and Simon Mayor at the Half Moon

Musically diverse duo playing celtic ballads through to blues, bluegrass and classical – 665656 for more info.

31st January - 2nd February

Petuarria Players Ladies Day at the Village Hall.

Friday 22nd February

Mambo Jambo at the Half Moon

World acoustic sounds from this ever popular duo – call 665656 for detail.

Details understood to be correct at time of going to press

Saturday 23rd February

Harlem Nights at Blackies Club

A night of soul – 667353 for info.

Saturday 15th March

Rattlefish at The Ferry Inn

East Yorkshire's premier indie rock cover band return. More at www.rattlefish.net or call Matthew Palin 667340.

Saturday 29th March

Pure Magic and Anastacia at Blackies Club

Queen tribute and more. For further details call 667353.

Monday Afternoons

Over 55s at the Red Hawk

Cream teas and bingo – call 666168 for further details.

Alternate Thursdays

Karaoke Night at the Red Hawk

Get up and strut your stuff.

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COMPETITION TIME

This edition we have two more competitions, with two local businesses generously donating reader prizes. To enter either competition send your answer by email to competition@petuariapress.co.uk or by post to PO Box 124, Brough, HU15 1YH.

Urban Angels are offering a free manicure at their new Brough salon. For a chance to win tell us where their first salon is located.

Approved driving instructor and fleet driver trainer **Graham Scott** is giving away three one hour driving lessons, worth £60. Graham (07971 570579) not only teaches learners but offers training to businesses, keeping them up-to-date with the new Corporate Manslaughter Act which comes into force later this year. For a chance to win the three lessons just answer the following question.

Q: What is the current national speed limit on a motorway?

Autumn winners

Winners of the competitions from the Autumn 2007 issue as follows.

Maria Leeman won a month's free training on the Modern Day Martial Arts Kids Educational Programme in their "Spot The Difference" competition.

Tim Williams won a meal for two at the Triton Inn's refurbished restaurant. He correctly identified Triton as a mythological god and messenger of the deep.

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