

Winter Edition

We again had a bumper Christmas Extravaganza this year. The Xmas Farmer's Market Coffee Morning was yet again a great success. Despite not having a tombola (see reason below) we raised £285 for the kitty.

MANY THANKS

to the Stokesley Strummers and the U3A Guitarists, who entertained in the John Brunton room whilst refreshments were being served, and Northern Dales Farmers Market who again provided the mince pies for sale. Also, Lynn & John Horwood, who warmed up the customers with their singing in the Entrance Foyer. All the people involved gave their services free of charge, now that really is the **True Christmas Spirit**.

Thanks also to all the serving helpers who coped manfully under great pressure whilst yours truly was enjoying himself playing with the groups.

Our latest fund-raising objective was **TWO NEW FRIDGES** for the Bar Refurbishment. These have now been delivered. At the time of going to press; of the total cost of £907.27, the Friends have paid £800.27 so far. Only £107 needed.

We are now looking for a **NEW** Fund Raising Target.

Bill Griffiths

AN APPEAL

Tombola Prizes Needed

We didn't have a Tombola at our Christmas event because there weren't enough prizes to make it worthwhile. So the FRIENDS are making an appeal to everyone and anyone out there for prizes for a future Tombola. Please bear us in mind when you are getting rid of those unwanted Xmas presents or disposing of objet d'art in your spring clean or if you just care to donate something. Nothing will be rejected Hand them in at the Town Hall where the Steward will be pleased to receive them on our behalf.



A WILLING HELPER



Councillor Andy Wake joined the rest of the Friends at our Friday 18th January Coffee Morning (we made £120 that day). He volunteered to help and put in a good shift.

Thank you, Andy.

APRONS PICTURE OVERLEAF – PTO to see the posers

What a sight to behold!



Picture courtesy of a willing passer by

Here they are – some of the helpers in their new livery. Royal blue aprons with yellow FRIENDS logo, to bring a little bit of professionalism to our work.

A Poem

*So you want an apron as well,
Then you too can look swell.
To get one, depends
On you joining the FRIENDS.
Come help us, that's it in a nutshell.*

CHANGING OF THE GUARD



Steward Alan Vandome, pictured, left for pastures new at the end of last November after 10 years active service on the front line at the Town Hall.

His replacement is local Stokesley lad Philip Bratt, known to all as 'Pip', he has taken over Alan's old shifts. More about Philip in a future newsletter.

FEEDBACK

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK? If you have any comments on anything either on the Newsletter or any of our events please let us know.

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FRIENDS of the Town Hall – come and join us
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