

Ryedale Forum *for* Older People

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Since the last report from Ryedale we have been extremely busy:

Some of our Events Group went to the Northern Travel Show at the National Railway Museum to get more ideas for events and outings.

On the only snowy morning of the winter we held a Coffee Morning when the speaker was Terry Smithson from the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust.

We held an Indoor Bowling Taster session with Cream Tea.

Another Coffee Morning was on the topic of the Scarborough Bombardment 1914 with the speaker Malcolm Bruce who approached the subject from an unusual angle.

The Serious Meeting – Meet your champions – which had been postponed from November - saw our MP Anne McIntosh, CC Shelagh Marshall and CC Val Arnold each saying how they represent the views of older people.

34 of our members attended the Hustings at the Galtres Centre which had been arranged with Hambleton Forum.

‘Old Postboxes’ was the subject of our early March Coffee Morning with speaker Colin Wilkes.

Daniel Wood from the Parliamentary Outreach Service gave us a most informative introduction to how Parliament works.

The Thackray Museum in Leeds was an excellent outing.

A Coffee Morning in the company of the lady cheesemaker from Shepherd’s Purse was very tasty. She was most generous with her samples which went very well with fruit cake.

We learned all about the work of Martin House Children’s Hospice from Alison Wragg at a Coffee Afternoon.

Our AGM this year was remarkable – over 110 members took part and listened to Jack Berry MBE telling us about the new Jack Berry House which is a Rehabilitation Centre for injured jockeys – being built next to the Malton & Norton Rugby Club where we hold most of our meetings. We were delighted when he invited all of us to walk across to be shown round.

A second visit to Jodrell Bank showed us the changes and improvements which have been made since we last visited in 2012.

If any other Forum wishes to have contact details for any of the above then please contact me.

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