

# SCORTON & DISTRICT TIMES

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## Mobile library returns to Scorton

We are delighted to share some brilliant news — Scorton now has its very own stop on North Yorkshire's mobile library route! A brand-new vehicle made its first appearance earlier in January, bringing a warm, friendly, and accessible library service right to the heart of the village.

### **What's on board?**

Whether you're an avid reader, someone who could use a little digital support, or just someone who enjoys a friendly chat, there's something for everyone:

- A regularly updated stock of bestselling fiction and children's stories, great non-fiction titles and a selection of large print books.
- Free Wi-Fi — perfect for checking emails
- Access to a Wi-Fi printer
- Friendly staff who are always happy to help you choose books or use digital services such as e-Magazines, e-Newspapers, e-Books and e-Audio.

The next visit to Scorton is Tuesday 17th February and it will visit every four weeks.

You can find the library outside Mulberry House, Grammar School Court, 11:45am to 12:45pm. Follow the mobile library for updates, photos and route changes on Facebook  
<https://www.facebook.com/NYMobileLibrary/>

We hope Scorton residents will come along, say hello, and make the most of this brilliant community resource — see you on board!

### **Dates for 2026:**

- 17<sup>th</sup> February
- 17<sup>th</sup> March
- 14<sup>th</sup> April
- 12<sup>th</sup> May
- 9<sup>th</sup> June
- 7<sup>th</sup> July
- 4<sup>th</sup> Aug
- 1<sup>st</sup> September
- 29<sup>th</sup> September
- 27<sup>th</sup> October
- 24<sup>th</sup> November
- 22<sup>nd</sup> December



## ***Scorton Short Mat Bowls Club***

***Do you fancy taking up a new hobby that is a great way to make new friends and is suitable for all ages?***

***Why don't you give Short Mat Bowls a try?***

***Venue - Scorton Memorial Institute***

***Time - Thursday evenings 7.00 - 9.30***

***Equipment - Just bring yourself***

***Cost - Just £2 a session***

***Coaching available if required***

***We would love to see you there***

## **Scorton Domino Drive**



Every 3rd Tuesday of the month (not August) in Scorton War Memorial Institute at 7.30pm

£2.00 entry fee with supper, laughs and lashings of tea included

## **Dates for your diaries**

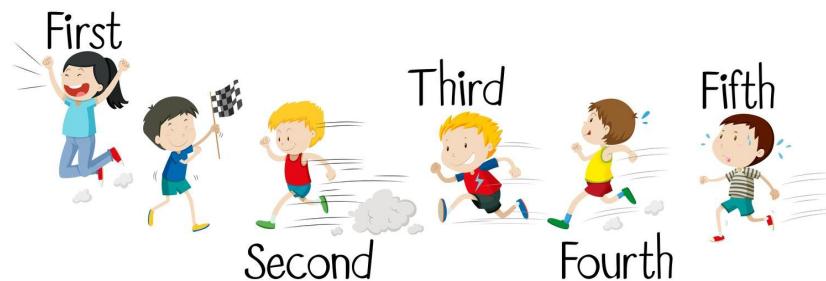
### **Scorton's 20th Gig on the Green**

Saturday 11th July



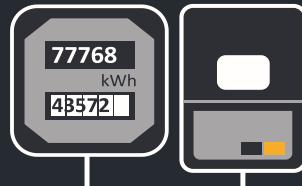
## **Scorton Feast**

Saturday 15th - 17th August



# IMPORTANT

DO YOU HAVE AN RTS ELECTRICITY METER?



The radio signal that controls  
RTS electricity has begun  
the switch off phase-out.

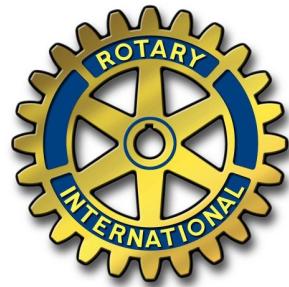
**Act now, book an appointment  
for a replacement meter**

You can visit the Ofgem website for more information:  
[www.ofgem.gov.uk/rts](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/rts)

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**Thank you to the residents of  
Scorton**  
**for entering your village in the  
Best Kept Village competition.**  
**The following villages were awarded  
prizes this year:**



1st Prize £400 in the Richmond Rotary Best Kept Village  
**Bellerby**

For the encouragement of Community Life £100  
**Aldbrough St John**

Highly Recommended in this category

**Moulton**

**Skeeby**

**Scorton**

Encouragement of the Natural Environment and Wildlife 2x £60  
**West Scrafton**

**Melsonby**

Highly Recommended in this category

**Marske and New Forest**

Most improved £100

**Colburn Village**

**There was a very high standard throughout, and the Judges paid tribute to this.**

**Thank you in particular, for the special efforts made to feature the Community and Natural environment aspects.**

**Sadly, you cannot all be awarded the prizes but you are all congratulated for all you have achieved in looking after your village. Again, we are pleased that the prizewinners represent a diverse group of the lovely villages right across the region.**

**This is very much a shared journey do please join again in 2026.**

## Carers Plus — Yorkshire

At Carers Plus Yorkshire, we deliver support across two key service areas. Our Adult Service (18+) provides tailored support for unpaid carers, home from hospital support, employability and training opportunities, as well as a range of community support for individuals who are ready to independently connect and access provision within their community.

Home from Hospital is a free service helping patients make a seamless transition from hospital to home by providing support, reassurance and confidence-building.

Our Young People's Service supports unpaid young carers and young adult carers (including sibling carers), working with those aged 8–18, or up to 24 for young people with SEND.

To make a referral into service please call 01609 780872 or visit [www.carersplus.net](http://www.carersplus.net)



The collection from the  
Scorton Remembrance service  
(Sunday 9th November) raised  
£411.70  
Many thanks

## Curlew Cycling Club Ride Schedule 2026



**Friendly group cycle rides from villages in Hambleton and Richmondshire, suitable for all ages and abilities.**

*All rides meet for a 10.00am start, please park considerately (if driving to start).*

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| 31st January   | Scorton (SWMI) to Ellerton                         |
| 28th February  | East Cowton to Swainby                             |
| 28th March     | Gilling West (North End) to Thorpe Farm            |
| 25th April     | Bedale Hall to Thorpe Perrow Cafe                  |
| 30th May       | Skeeby to Kiplin Hall Cafe                         |
| 27th June      | Eppleby to Barnard Castle                          |
| 25th July      | Catterick Village (Low Green) to Leyburn           |
| 22nd August    | Scorton (SWMI) to South Otterington                |
| 26th September | Richmond (Victoria car park) to Grinton            |
| 31st October   | Gilling West to Thorpe Farm                        |
| 28th November  | East Cowton (Village Hall) to West or East Rounton |
| 19th December  | To be advised                                      |

*For details contact us on: [curlewcylinggroup@gmail.com](mailto:curlewcylinggroup@gmail.com) or text to 07795 097985*

## Details of local Clubs, Societies and Church Services

- ◆ **Archery** Practice on the Archery field next to Bridge Green on Wednesday 7.00pm – 8.30pm & Sunday 2.00pm – 4.00pm  
[www.scortonarchers.co.uk](http://www.scortonarchers.co.uk)
- ◆ **Beavers, Cubs & Scouts** Catterick Village Scout Hut  
Contact: Tara (Group Scout Leader) email: [Tara.roulston@nys.org.uk](mailto:Tara.roulston@nys.org.uk)
- ◆ **Brownies** 1st Brompton on Swale, Friday during term time  
Contact: [BromptonOnSwaleBrownies@outlook.com](mailto:BromptonOnSwaleBrownies@outlook.com)
- ◆ **Catterick Village Youth Project (Years 5 - 11)** Catterick Village Sport Pavilion Thursday 6.30 - 8.00pm Contact: Naomi Fletcher 07847 384835
- ◆ **Curlew Rides** Monthly bike rides from local villages  
Contact: John Yorke 07795 097985 or [curlewcyclinggroup@gmail.com](mailto:curlewcyclinggroup@gmail.com)
- ◆ **Domino Drive** Every 3rd Tuesday in the month (not August)  
Scorton War Memorial Institute at 7.30pm Contact: Ian Threlfall 01748 811323
- ◆ **St Mary's Parish Church** Services are held at a church in the parish 1st & 2nd Sundays @10.30 am. Please visit our website [www.esbb.co.uk](http://www.esbb.co.uk) for more information or email [admin@esbb.co.uk](mailto:admin@esbb.co.uk) or Rev Simon 07786 282214
- ◆ **Scorton Community Buddies** A village befriending scheme for our elderly, vulnerable and lonely residents. Contact: Ian Robinson 07748 660721
- ◆ **Scorton Methodist Chapel** Worship Service every Sunday 10.30am  
Bible Study Group Monday 1.45pm - 3pm  
Prayer Group 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month 2.30pm  
Light Lunches served from 12 - 1.30pm, 2nd Monday of each month. There is not charge (donations may be given if desired) everyone is welcome  
Contact: Barbara Robinson 01748 811294
- ◆ **Short Mat Bowling Club** Every Thursday between late September and April.  
Scorton Institute Contact: Martin Carter 07751 067998
- ◆ **Women walking for fitness & friendship** Fortnightly Saturday morning walks  
Contact: Catherine Marshall 07984 808838
- ◆ **Women's Institute** 1st Wednesday in month 7.30pm  
Scorton Institute Contact: Sandra McDougal 01748 811318
- ◆ **Yoga**  
Contact: Clare on 07595 873221 or email [claremw@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:claremw@hotmail.co.uk)
- ◆ **Young Farmers** Hackforth Village Hall every Tuesday 7.30pm 12 –26yrs  
Contact: Alex Chapman 07762 78411

If you would like your local club or society to be added to this list or on the village website, please contact Vicki on 07513 173762 or [clerk@scorton-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@scorton-pc.gov.uk)

**Scorton War Memorial Institute**  
For available dates and rates phone 01748 818799