



'The Potting Shed'

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**Come and join us on the
19th March from
10.00am - 3.00pm
for our early spring open
day.**

**Please note will begin
our short Saturday Sales
on 5th March 10-1**

**We will have shrubs,
perennials and alpines
for sale**

**We will also have
refreshments on sale**

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**Our next open day is on
23rd April details to follow.**

**This will be our Spring
Open Day, where you can
pick up your shrubs and
perennials for the new
season.**

Annual Meeting Date 2016

The nursery company annual meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th October at 2.00pm at the nursery. Please put the date in your diary.

Needs list

We need baskets from old flower arrangements, we can recycle them for Christmas decorations. We are always grateful for any garden plants, shrubs, perennials that you no longer want. We can split them and grow them on for the nursery sales. Also if you are pruning an interesting shrub we'd love a small quantity to propagate from. We need as many carrier bags as you can spare. We are collecting plant pots particularly these sizes 3.5" 5" 2L pots and 6 packs. All pots can be put into the crates by the nursery gates. We are always looking for garden tools, woodworking and engineering tools and equipment. Small items can be put in the crate over the fence at the nursery if we are closed. Or contact us on email or phone. Now we are owners of a van we can collect large items.

Recipe Book

Students from York University help the nursery to develop a recipe book which compares wartime and present day recipes celebrating the fact that the nursery was a product of wartime Britain, they are on sale at a cost of £2.50 each or £3.25 posted (cheques to Poppleton Railway Nursery at the address on the front of the news letter

Nursery clothing

We have a small number of Green Polo Shirts with nursery logo priced at £10 each. We are ordering some Green Fleeces with the nursery logo at £16. Contact the Graham Collett at the nursery address if you want to order any.





New Kitchen for the Nursery



Through a contact with an employee from Howdens Joinery, the nursery has gained a brand new kitchen. From a chance email the nursery was added to Howdens list of charities which they support. One of the firms employees kindly sponsored us and after a few questions we were deemed to have qualified for their help. We were told that they were very busy for the first two months of the year and someone from the design team would be in contact as soon as there was a time. A space occurred on 20th January and the design team made an appointment to look at the site on 12th January. The management team had met prior

to this and had decided that there were so many volunteers trying to use the old mess room that it would be better to turn the office portacabin into a kitchen. The door needed to be altered and the steps adjusted to take our disable access ramp. The Thursday team undertook this work, and some of the Wednesday team arranged to paint the room so that it was clean to take the new units. That was all completed before Howdens team arrived.



The design team made use of the long wall adjacent to the railway lines to put in a larder unit, then fridge/freezer a cupboard unit with a built in combi microwave followed by a hob and oven and range of base units and work tops under both windows containing a hand-washing sink a pot washing sink and drainer and a dishwasher. The nursery also took the opportunity to upgrade the hot water supply and the electric consumer board while the workmen were on site. The work took four days to

complete. At time of writing we are waiting for the electrician to complete the job by installing the new supply to the appliances. We are so grateful to the Howdens team for their generosity in giving us such a wonderful gift. The volunteers who have seen the work are amazed at what they have done. Thank you seems such a small word to use to thank Howdens for the new kitchen, but its all we can say. We will celebrate the new kitchen at our open day on 21st May from 10.00am to 4.00pm where refreshments will be served from these new facilities.



75th Anniversary of the Nursery

On September 10th we celebrate the nurseries 75th birthday. From its opening in 1941 through to the present day we will try to put on a photographic presentation from our archive. We would also like our visitors to bring any photos relating to the nursery history so that we can copy them and add them to our record. We would also like help if people can name some of the people and events on our photos. More information later in the year about this event.

Poppleton Community Railway Nursery



Saturday Sale Dates

This year we will be open on Saturday mornings for sale of shrubs, perennials and bedding plants for the following dates

- 5th March 10.00 - 1.00
- 12th March 10.00 - 1.00
- 2nd April 10.00 - 1.00
- 9th April 10.00 - 1.00
- 16th April 10.00 - 1.00
- 30th April 10.00 - 1.00
- 7th May 10.00 - 1.00
- 14th May 10.00 - 1.00
- 28th May 10.00 - 1.00
- 4th June 10.00 - 1.00
- 11th June 10.00 - 1.00
- 18th June 10.00 - 1.00
- 25th June 10.00 - 1.00
- 8th October 10.00 - 1.00
- 15th October 10.00 - 1.00
- 22nd October 10.00 - 1.00
- 29th October 10.00 - 1.00
- 17th December 10.00 - 1.00

Nursery Open Days

These will be held on Saturday 19th March from 10.00 - 3.00, Saturday 23rd April from 10.00 - 3.00, Saturday 21st May from 10.00 - 4.00, Saturday 2nd July from 10.00 - 4.00, Saturday 10th September from 10.00 - 4.00, Saturday 1st October from 10.00 - 3.00, and Saturday 10th December from 10.00 - 3.00.

Press Clipping on railway

EAST AND WEST YORKSHIRE JUNCTION RAILWAY.
DAY TICKETS—REDUCED FARES.

| | CLASSES. | | | DAY TICKETS | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----|-----|-------------|-----|-----|
| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| From Harrogate to York, including the Omnibus Charge | 4 | 03 | 02 | 1 | .. | .. |
| Ditto Day Tickets there and back | .. | .. | .. | 6 | 04 | 64 |
| Knarsbrough to York | 3 | 62 | 61 | 4 | 5 | 04 |
| Allerton to Ditto | 3 | 02 | 01 | 3 | 4 | 63 |
| Cattal to Ditto | 2 | 41 | 80 | 11 | 3 | 62 |
| Kirk Hammerton to Ditto | 2 | 01 | 60 | 9 | 3 | 62 |
| Marston to Ditto | 1 | 61 | 00 | 7 | 2 | 21 |
| Poppleton to Ditto | 0 | 90 | 60 | 3 | 1 | 20 |
| From York to Harrogate, including the Omnibus Charge | 4 | 03 | 02 | 1 | .. | .. |
| Ditto Day Tickets there and back | .. | .. | .. | 6 | 04 | 64 |
| York to Knarsbrough | 3 | 62 | 61 | 4 | 5 | 04 |
| Poppleton to Ditto | 3 | 02 | 21 | 11 | 4 | 3 |
| Marston to Ditto | 2 | 31 | 60 | 10 | 3 | 62 |
| Kirk Hammerton to Ditto | 1 | 61 | 00 | 7 | 2 | 21 |
| Cattal to Ditto | 1 | 39 | 100 | 62 | 11 | 3 |
| Allerton to Ditto | 0 | 90 | 60 | 3 | 1 | 20 |

Passengers taking Day Tickets on Saturdays, to and from Harrogate, Knarsbrough, and York, will be allowed the privilege of returning by any Train on the following Monday; but not on the Sunday, neither will any Return Tickets be issued on that Day.

The Trains depart from Knarsbrough to York at 8 5 a.m., 1 15 and 6 20 p.m.; and from York to Knarsbrough at 7 a.m., 12 at noon, and 5 10 p.m.

The 8 5 a.m. Train from Knarsbrough arrives in York in time for the Scarbro', Newcastle, and North Trains, and the Cheap Train to London and the South at 9 50 a.m.

The Railway Omnibus leaves the Crescent at Harrogate at 7 a.m., 12 at noon, and 5 10 p.m., and returns from the Station for Knarsbrough and Harrogate, at 7 50 a.m., 12 50 and 6 p.m.

Passengers by the Leeds and Thirsk Railway arriving at the Starbeck Station, may proceed by the East and West Yorkshire Railway to York and the intermediate Stations on the Line; and Passengers arriving at the Knarsbrough Station may go forward from Starbeck to Leeds, Otley, Ilkley, Ripon, Thirsk, and the intermediate Stations on the Leeds and Thirsk Railway. Knarsbrough, 8th August, 1849. BY ORDER

the paintwork of the grey bodied PNR wagon, it has taken a lot of use in the last 6 years and needs a good paint to keep it looking reasonable. The problem is it is very cold outside but at least we have cover under the new carport.

Building work has been catching up with a lot of small jobs, but we are planning to see if we can manage to build a new disabled toilet, as requested by the management group. Before that we have two roofing jobs that must be done this summer, and a lot of buildings are in urgent need of a paint.

If anyone can help in these jobs please let me know. We are all thinking about what we can do to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Nursery at Poppleton on the

10th September. Please keep this date free to join with us for this event.

Bob Brook

A message from Gill Duxbury (Retail Manager)

If anyone has any of the following plants, and is able to let us have a piece, or some cuttings, we would be very grateful:- ABELIA, BERBERIS, CONVULVULUS CNEORUM, DAPHNE MEZEREUM, LITHODORA, DICENTRA SPECTABILE. Please label the plants when you bring them in. We are also hoping to grow a bigger selection of herbaceous perennials from see this year, but these will probably not be ready until 2017

This clipping was found recently and passed to the nursery by one of the members and relates the railway fares charged in 1848. Space limits me on the size that I can reproduce this, but if you enlarge the picture you will find some interesting reading.

Railway and building work .

We are at present bringing the model railway up to scratch, so we can take it to exhibit at Narrow Gauge North at Pudsey of Sat 5th March, where it provides good publicity for the Nursery. We have started stripping down