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Community Newsletter



A New Website for YorkLETS

Good news everyone... the YorkLETS group has a brand new web site!

"But I thought we already had a website" I hear you say. Well, we did. But for one reason or the other, during August our website disappeared off the face of the Internet. It just vanished! The main reason was because we hadn't paid the rent for the our domain name , but we also had a terrible stroke of luck in that the group no longer had the correct information needed to renew our rental of the name.

When problems like these happen, there's little that you can do but to start again from scratch. It was clear that we should rent the same "yorklets.org.uk" name again - it's the name that everyone has got used to, and it's used on all manner of publicity material already. But there's a problem: When rental expires on a domain name, the name goes into "hibernation" for about three months. During this period, no-one can rent it. So we needed to sit and wait until the name became available again.

A major worry for me was that it is impossible to predict *exactly* when a hibernating domain name will become available again. If we didn't pounce as soon as it became available, then someone else might rent it. (Why would anyone else want the yorklets.org.uk name? Well, a lot of people who try to make money out of the Internet often

buy expired domain names to set up advert sites, or even to sell them on at inflated prices.) So, from about the start of October, when I predicted that the name would become available, I checked the domain name availability daily - each time hoping to see the option to rent the yorklets.org.uk domain name. And on the 16th of October - success. I snapped it up as quickly as possible!

So from there, things became much easier. Our yorklets.org.uk domain name was safe. But in addition to that, we needed to make some web pages. Ideally, it would be good to use the text from our old webpage, and I was lucky in that there was a "snapshot" of our old website on the Internet archive at www.archive.org. We now had our old domain name back, AND the text from the old web site.

I chose to combine our old web pages with the yorkrecycling.net website - a website that I run for ethical and environmentally-aware organisations in York. I see this as a very good situation because the yorkrecycling.net website already has lots of visitors, and now when they visit they will see information about YorkLETS too.

Ben Weaver



One Off Articles for Sale/Wanted

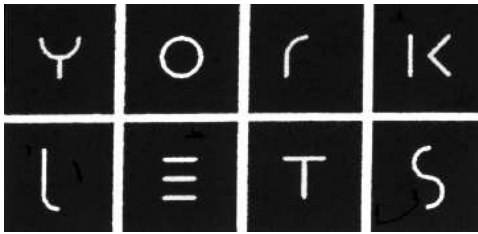
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Yorklets Christmas Party

This will be held at
12 Anson Drive, Fulford

Tel: 632522

on Friday, 14th December.
from 7pm

Bring nibbles, drink, musical
instruments, voices and good cheer



Afternoon Coffee and Trade

Ben and Jill Weaver are holding a
coffee afternoon this January.

A great chance to trade, chat, catch
up with other Lets members.

Hope to see you there.

Sunday January 6 from 2pm

139 Thief Lane

438750

One Off Article for Sale

Alastair McLellan Tel.: 01904 788879 daytime; or e-mail:
w.mclellan@tesco.net

Offers:

1 New solid pine self-assembly unit; 4 adjustable shelves; green finish; H 1322mm, W 830mm, D 295mm; all fittings and assembly instructions included.

Price: Y 15,-

2 Two fairly new bicycle tyres (run about ten miles); size: 25 inches wheel radius.

Price: free, have to be taken off the wheels though.

New Members correction

The details for new member Randall Ghent in the last newsletter were incorrect, so here they are corrected:

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