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## EDITORIAL

**F**orestry, black grouse, cowslips, heather, peregrines... and oil. Any connection?

Over the past few years much talk in the dales and elsewhere in the countryside has been about the growing success of bio-diversity. Don't be put off by the word; it's simply the variety of plants, birds and animals. As the dark regimented conifer forests are being felled (where they were planted in places gettable-at; but that's another story) they are being replaced with a diversity of native trees, much better for wildlife and more pleasing to look at; the black grouse project is seeing a substantial increase in this now rare and lovely bird (once quite common even around here and remembered by the not-so-old); the general public has really learned over the years to restrict wild flower picking to the very common ones, so those such as cowslips are making a great recovery; as for heather, any walk over grassy moorland, especially to the more southern Pennines, is revealing a tremendous increase in newly-sprouting heather, helped along by less intense sheep cover and the cut-back in gripping (the parallel channel drains causing quick and destructive run-off). Even rarer species, like the peregrines at Malham, are making an appearance.

And of course that's what these specially designated areas are renowned for, in conjunction with sensitive farming which underpins it all. Very few people like to see the vast acres of blue-green monoculture fields in other places, likewise vast expanses of common conifers with their insensitive straight line boundaries; so we are making progress.

But oil? What's that to do with it? We are once again all getting up tight about its price and its scarcity and alternatives are already becoming available. What a good

idea!?. All it means is vast areas of monoculture covering huge areas of the country, maximum use of fertilizers and water; oil seed rape, elephant grass or coppiced willow in quantities to meet demand which could impinge on food-farm land or protected areas. Environment and agriculture ministers have recently stated "You can either feed humans or cars, but not both." So is it then a return to all the ills of intensive agriculture that we've been congratulating ourselves in putting to an end?

How much do we value this bio-diversity, this environmental sensitivity? Plenty, until it comes to a conflict with the car- or the lorry (now likely to be allowed to increase to 60 tonnes, madness we think for this country). The escalating use of petrol and diesel just won't be able to continue. If the stuff isn't there, not even the wealthiest will be able to go on behaving as if there is no tomorrow. What then? Average fuel consumption could be reduced by 40% per vehicle by reducing engine sizes, a far greater saving than all the bio-fuel grown. As for lorries, when are we going to take seriously 'food-miles' or check on huge journeys made carrying identical goods in opposite directions? Or maximise rail-use? We are living in alarming times. As for each of us, we just might have to travel a bit less on non-essentials and put on another jumper instead of turning up the heat. Mind you, if all this fossil fuel burning creates more global warming, that might not be necessary! Funny old world.

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## COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN APPOINTED

Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority members Ann Brooks from Carnforth and Wilf Fenten from Settle have been elected Chair and Deputy Chair respectively of the organisation's Finance and Resources Committee.

Grinton farmer Harold Brown has been re-elected chairman of the Planning Committee and Graham Dalton from Dent is the new Deputy Chair.

Each post lasts for a year.

## REFRESHMENTS AT HOPPER'S SALES

Bids for the charity fund-raising refreshments at Hopper's Sales in the Hawes Market Hall are now invited for the next year's allocation. Forms can be obtained from the Community Resource Centre, Hawes, together with guide-lines for organisers. Please return them by **Monday October 17th**

## CAN YOU HELP?

Search your loft or cupboards. The Wensleydale Badminton League reports that two trophies are missing: the Handicapped Cup and the Men's B-division shield. Anyone who can help locate them is asked to contact:

**Dot Thornborrow 01748 886329**

## FILM CLUB

Paul Newman, Jaques Tatti, Cary Grant, James Stewart, Judy Holliday, Greer Garson, Susan Hayworth, Humphrey Bogart, Marilyn Monroe. Do these names set your pulses racing ? A smile playing about your lips ?

We have the technology. We have the

venues.

A film club will bring these faces to you once a month. Interested ? If so, you will need to make a commitment by joining like-minded anoraks, selecting your favourites and paying a year's subscription before you've even seen them. Call **667475** and let me know. If there is enough interest shown I will call a meeting to hear your views and give you more information. - Play it again Sam.

**Alan Harpley**

## PROBLEMS FOR OUR MOBILITY SCOOTER USERS

Our mobility scooter users are having great difficulty in Hawes because of bad parking.

The problem is outside the chemist and on the pavement up the side of Lilac House. I am sure these people do not realise by parking in these places and several others, the people using the scooters cannot get off the pavement to cross the road.

**L.W.**

## WANTED



Hawes Gala Committee require an old bed that can be used in a sponsored bed push taking place on **Sunday October 30th**. Contact **Sue Wood** on **667192**

## A RAIL TREAT

Now I know I live in a station house (it was about the only thing for sale in the area in the 80s), but I'm not a railway 'nut' although I think it's a great way to travel.

I'd like to bet there aren't many can claim to have travelled from Redmire to Northallerton by **rail** in the last 50 years. Well, on September 12th, I did. (you might have seen it on the TV.)

It's surprising how different, compared to the road, the journey is from Redmire station, with its great view across the dale, along to Leyburn; limestone cutting, heritage — mining remains and woods. From Leyburn to Leeming it is a smoother ride than before. O.K. it takes its time, but just consider the 'value added' of a rail-ride: refreshment served, opportunity to stand up and walk around, good views you can appreciate without worrying about on-coming vehicles, sharp bends or the sun in your eyes, temporary traffic lights or cows on the road; and a knowledgeable conductor if you are the inquiring kind.

But I was here for the **"launch"**. We sometimes don't appreciate the innovations taking place in our midst. The Wensleydale Railway together with **Parry People Movers** are collaborating to showcase the potential of a new way forward for public transport in the U.K. and abroad. They are working together on the development of a new generation of railcars suitable for use on community railways. The railcar took us, invited 'media' plus a few rather surprised chattering tourists, from Leeming to a small halt at Springwell Lane just short of Northallerton (with bus-link). It's a smart vehicle (*above*) which can carry about 50 people, not all seated, and has had trials in various parts of country and is about to be put into full service in the Stourbridge area (West Midlands).



Now, frankly, it was a bumpy ride in parts because of the freight-only track and because the four wheels, close together are not on a sprung bogie, but the next development, specially planned to be trialled on the Wensleydale line will be a bit like a 'bendy-bus' with sprung bogies.

And consider this! It runs on a L.P.G. gas cylinder, with a horizontal flywheel energy store which means extremely efficient running, recapturing braking energy for re-use when accelerating, literally pence per mile! There is no step to climb; your pram or wheelchair runs straight in.

And what a wonderful chance timing, as people are freaking out over petrol shortages. We really do need new thinking, and here it is taking place under our noses in the dales.

A.S.W.

See [www.parrypeoplemovers.com](http://www.parrypeoplemovers.com)

## **RETIRING FROM LAURA'S COTTAGE TEAROOM**

We would like to thank everyone for the warm welcome we received on our arrival in Hawes some nine years ago - which by the way has flown. Ill health has made up our minds to retire to our home town of Barnsley to be nearer our family and many old friends.

We will really miss Hawes and the many new friends we have made, but we will be back - probably in December - to housesit for a friend.

The tearoom will close on September 30th and the new owners, Chris and Chris (no that is not a misprint) Monksfield will be reopening at the end of October. The Monksfields currently run Crosby House, Burtersett Road.

Finally we would like to thank all the staff who have worked for us over the past nine years and have all become friends without whom we could not have managed.

**Janet and Jack Heatherglan**

## **YOREBRIDGE SPORT AND FITNESS**

The newly built facilities should be handed over from the contractors to Yorebridge Sports Development Association and open for use by the end of September.

Paul Price has been appointed to the post of Sports Development Co-ordinator to manage the unit. Paul, 27, has always lived in the Dales, apart from the times he spent at University, where he achieved his degree BSc Hons in Sports Studies, and a short spell in America. He is already known to many locally through his existing business as a private sports coach at Dales' schools, a role which he will continue and combine with his new part time post.

The new unit provides facilities for 5-a-side and 8-a-side football, tennis, netball, and recreational basketball for all age groups, whether local or visitor. Equipment can be hired for these sports. Timetables have been drawn up to cover a range of opportunities for schools, lunch periods, evenings and clubs; these will vary winter/summer and cater for school holidays. Fees for hourly court hire are £6 for half court and £12 full court; block bookings can be made at a discounted rate. As yet there are no changing or shower facilities but these are being considered as part of future planning. Paul can be contacted by telephone: **650060**, mobile **07968606571**, or email ([ysda@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ysda@hotmail.co.uk)).

Now we have these available, let's make full use of them! **P.H.J..**

*There will be the Grand Opening Ceremony on Saturday October 8th from 5.00 to 7.00 pm. Everyone is welcome. Inter-schools 5-a-side tournament from 4.00 pm. Refreshments available. Guest of Honour: Cllr James Scarr, Low Abbotside Parish Meeting.*

## HENRY AND DELIA DUBOIS

“It’s pronounced *Dubois*”, and the Rev. Henry is the new Methodist minister for the area and you will soon get to recognise their smiling faces around and about. As is often the case with people who move here, their friends are envious of them landing up in Hawes.

As the name does not imply, Henry was born in Co. Tyrone, Northern Ireland into a nominally Presbyterian background but, he says “The nearest church was Church of Ireland, and the nearest theologically was Methodist, so if we went anywhere, it was there!”

The wider family returned to Belfast after 1945 but Henry stayed in the rural area being brought up by his young mother’s aunt. He was fortunate, he says, attending a ‘mixed’ secondary school, that is, in Northern Ireland terms, one with both Catholics and Protestants, and at the same time doing a bit of farm work. His ambition was to leave! He did at fifteen and worked on the farm for three years. Becoming influenced by campaigns and by friendly Methodist ministers his ambition was then to change the world, he says! So round about the time ‘The Troubles’ were starting he went to the Methodist Cliff College near to Sheffield for one year (also to get a few O-levels). He met his first wife at Cliff and they moved to Scunthorpe. The thought of the ordained ministry was a long way off and he worked in H. Samuel, the jewellers, then joined the Post Office as a postman and later did counter work.

The church in Scunthorpe ‘was a bit of an eye-opener’; he became a local (lay) preacher and blew hot and cold about the full time ministry but then in 1983 instead of hoping he would be called upon to change the world!, he humbly offered himself and was accepted and studied for two years at Wesley College, Bristol.

His first appointment was in the east end

of Middlesbrough for four years and then six in Winterton, near to Scunthorpe (as they say). A difficult time followed and after just a short time in Berwick on his own Henry left the ministry in 1995, but from 1996-99 he studied for his degree in theology at Hull University, having returned to North Lincolnshire, marrying Delia in 1997.

This was followed by working for the Inland Revenue and gradually he returned to local preaching and was re-instated into the ministry. He comes to us from serving in Gainsborough.

From his early days Henry has been much influenced by real Christians, he says, by how they *lived*. He felt somewhat cocooned at Cliff College, but feels that life has given him a broadening and widening theology. “Yes, I’m ‘middle of the road’”, he says; “open-minded, but so open-minded that the brain falls out!”

He is rural at heart; a stroller rather than a walker, likes music (listening), reading—Agatha Christie (Henry and Delia sound Poirot-ish names!) and biographies. Though not a signed up member of a political party he has more than a passing interest in politics. Delia strongly indicated that D.I.Y. and gardening were not on the list of interests! “But he is a ‘people person’”.

Delia did teacher-training at Sheffield City College in the 1970s so has many years of primary teaching ‘under her belt’. They have three grown up children: Catherine, Philip and Becky.

We welcome them.

A.S.W

## **NORTH YORKSHIRE POLICE**

I am afraid to say that the burglar has been very busy in our area again – however we have had success in identifying possible offenders and making arrests.

We have had a spate of burglaries on Hawes Business park, where in total four premises have been broken into. A mixture of all sorts of property has been stolen, i.e. food, tools and fuel. It is quite obvious that the criminal is about and taking any opportunity to steal, so remember to report anything suspicious.

Also in the town a store room was broken into at the back of the Spar shop and someone broke the window on the rear of a van parked on Gayle Lane. The unlucky news for the potential thief is that in the back of the van was a cardboard box which had contained a TV – I emphasise the word HAD; it was empty, so they left with nothing.

The disturbing news for me is that the enquiries we have made into these crimes show that on one night there were two separate teams committing crime in Hawes – totally unknown to each other!! Unlucky or what – but it just goes to show that they think our rural area is a soft target and hence we are getting more crime. Statistics show that criminals will go where they are successful and have little chance of being caught – it is up to us all to be vigilant and to report anything suspicious AT THE TIME! – not the day after.

In the middle of the month we had a trailer stolen from the Hawes Auction Mart during one of the gimmer lamb sales and a trailer and a muck spreader stolen from a farm in Bishopdale. You have to remember that farm equipment is very popular to the thief and you should secure it as well as you can. In relation to this we are now rolling out the *Smartwater* packages to

farms in Richmondshire, if you have not got your pack, let us know and we will get one to you.

I was very sad to see that motorcycle fatalities have started to appear again. I find this very frustrating when we have tried to enforce the speeding laws as much as we can. I know many of you have concerns about the B6255 – myself included. I will agree that it is a race track at times, however it has been a very difficult place to enforce speed because of the layout of the road but things are going to change! The Richmondshire Community Safety Partnership has just forked out a lot of dosh and bought - wait for it – A SPEED CAMERA; this is a mobile unit and can be placed anywhere very quickly. One of the service's aims is to reduce road deaths and serious injuries caused by road traffic collisions and it is known that excess speed is an obvious cause of this. It was intended to have this camera up and running during the summer, but due to the fact that the first two did not work it has been delayed, however it is now ready, so be careful. Oh, and by the way there will be no signs about telling you speed cameras are being used – the first you may know about it is when you receive the speeding fine through the door! Anyway that's all for now. Please contact me or any member of staff at the community office and we will help you all we can. **Dave Cousins PC141 Community Beat Officer for Wensleydale**

## VACANCY FOR NEW MEMBER OF NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

People eager to help look after the beautiful Dales have until October 5th to apply for membership of the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority.

A vacancy has arisen after member Nicky Grace announced she would not be standing for re-election as a Secretary of State appointee when her three-year term expires next year.

The successful Secretary of State appointee will be expected to provide a national voice on the Authority and take a particular interest in strategic issues such as responsibility for conservation, recreation, planning, access and resources. Ministers will be looking for candidates who understand the concept and practice of sustainable development and who come from a broad range of backgrounds representative of the social and cultural mix in the country at large.

Applications from women, members of ethnic minorities, young people and disabled people are particularly welcome because these groups are still under-represented.

The appointment will initially be for three years and will start on 1 April, 2006, with the option of re-appointment for up to 10 years. It is unsalaried although expenses and travel are paid.

Candidates will be expected to show they can: represent the national interest – including the views of people not living in or near the National Park; understand issues affecting National Park and work to achieve the Park's purposes; bring experience of wider issues to bear, including work with young people, environmental projects, social inclusion work or an active interest in outdoor recreation; contribute positively to debate within the Authority; be ready to make decisions on any aspects of Park management; commit a minimum two to three days a month to Authority work.

An application form and further details can be obtained by writing to Carol Foster, The Countryside Agency, John Dower House, Crescent Place, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL50 3RA.

Alternatively telephone **01242 533 284**, fax **01242 584 270** or email [carol.foster@countryside.gov.uk](mailto:carol.foster@countryside.gov.uk)

Completed application forms must be returned to the Countryside Agency by no later than **Wednesday, 5 October, 2005.**

## WHAT'S IT WORTH?

### Antiques Day at Thoraby Village Hall

This is to take place on **Sunday October 16th** with valuers **Allan Darwell**, picture valuer from Tennants of Leyburn and **Nigel Smith**, general valuer for Tennants of Harrogate and an expert on 'Flog it' and 'Bargain Hunt', the popular TV programmes.





## READING THE LANDSCAPE

As a landscape historian, Steve Moorhouse, interprets the past by observing the ground upon which he walks. During a talk entitled 'Reading the Landscape: the results of recent surveys', he described his work at several sites in the Dales to the Friends of the Dales Countryside Museum. Although many archaeologists use aerial photography to interpret the history of a site, Steve believes that proper field surveys are far more important and that they should form an essential part of any study. His beautiful and detailed maps of selected sites in Wensleydale and in neighbouring dales were on display at the museum for the evening of the talk, and they were used also as slides in his illustrated talk

By studying and surveying the lumps and bumps on the hillsides, and interpreting their relationships, it is possible to detect where former settlements existed and why they were there. Wensleydale has one of the best preserved medieval landscapes in the country and it contains many examples of manorial settlements, relicts of former long houses, horse studs, sheep and cattle farms, and much much more. Present-day Nappa Hall, for example, contains evidence of a fourteenth century development superimposed on an earlier field system; the medieval hall included a mill and mill pond within its park.

On a grander scale, the sites of the quarries used to provide building stones for Bolton Castle can also be detected by careful survey of the ground. And by studying the drainage pattern of the becks above the castle, it is possible to see that humans

captured the streams to direct the flow of water into a single channel, thus providing a good water supply to the castle. Steve provided many other such examples, including evidence of Roman roads and settlements on the River Ure, during his fascinating talk.

J.W.T.

## HAWES MARKET HALL

The Trustees would like to remind all hirers and users that a **non-smoking policy** is now in operation. Some trustees recently met Steven Hall from the Yorkshire Rural Communities Council who said he was "very impressed" and it was "one of the best-run 'village' halls he had seen."

## BLOOD DONOR SESSION

The session held on Wednesday, August 17th, in Hawes Market Hall had 104 people attending of whom 91 were able to donate.

The Leeds office tell us that that was about the usual number. There were some delays caused by a shortage of staff.

## HEAD GIRL!

We have a new Kids' page editor: **Katherine Head** from Bainbridge has volunteered. She is the fifth in line of boys and girls who have helped over the years: Josh Cluderay, Hawes and Hawes School, Richard Ellison, Askrigg and Askrigg School, Harry Dinsdale, Carperby and Askrigg School, Issy Pratt, Aysgarth and Askrigg School, and now Katherine at Bainbridge; that's a nice spread! Welcome.

## MARY BURROW

**W**e are soon to celebrate the 100th birthday of Mary Burrow, a lady who was born in Hawes in November 1905, and who has lived for most of those years in Hawes. Mary was an only child, and her father was a saddler working from where the Bull's Head is now. She attended Hawes school, and - along with several of her contemporaries— was invited to be a pupil-teacher there. Later, she was given the opportunity to go to the teacher training college at Darlington, and once qualified she spent a few months teaching in Eston before she had the chance to come back to teach in Hawes, returning to live in the same house as today (at Brandymires). She is proud of the fact that she has taught several generations of Hawes children, and maintains that Butcher George (Calvert), now into his mid-eighties, is her oldest pupil still living in the area.

Mary has always been interested in sport. She still enjoys cricket on her TV— no one was more delighted than Mary by England's recent triumph over Australia in the Ashes Tests! When younger she played tennis and was so good at golf that she often played for the men's team. She also enjoyed music and played her violin in the Wensleydale orchestra for years. A life-long Anglican, Mary was a regular worshiper at St. Margaret's until a year or so ago. In her younger days she travelled widely and chronicled her world-wide journeys in detail. The town wishes to congratulate you, Mary, on your rich and fulfilled life, and to thank you for the many lives you have touched by opening opportunities to the children in your care. You have contributed so much to life in our area, Mary, and we all join in wishing you a **VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**Margaret Johnson**

## DESIGN A CHRISTMAS CARD

### Children's competition

This is a competition to find a design for the card that is sent out to advertisers, helpers and others each year by the Newsletter committee. There will be a reward for the winner!

Children should include their name, age and school and send the design to;

Alan S. Watkinson, Old Station House, Hawes, DL8 3NL by **November 17th**

### *Hints to help you*

1. The theme is 'Winter in the Dales'
2. Black and white designs only; no toning or shading. Line drawing in black ink, not pencil; or black biro, pentel or fine felt tip pen.
3. Paper should be ordinary white copy paper, not tinted.
4. Bear in mind that the reduction in size will be down to about 12 cm by 8cm

# KIDS PAGE

**HI MY NAME'S KATHERINE I'M 11 AND I  
LIVE IN BAINBRIDGE I'M THE NEW  
EDITOR FOR THE KIDS PAGE AND I  
HOPE YOU LIKE WHAT I'M GOING TO  
DO.**

**PATIENT: DOCTOR DOCTOR I FEEL LIKE A SPOON**

**DOCTOR: WELL SIT THERE AND DON'T STIR**

HOW MANY  
DOTS CAN YOU  
COUNT ON THE  
BUTTERFLY?



A:48

## FINANCIAL COLUMNS

*For some time we have been considering an occasional useful piece of financial advice. We are delighted that Bob Tunstall has agreed to provide this. Here is the first article.*

Pensions are the process by which we provide for our financial security and comfort during the latter part of our lives when, through either choice or inability, we no longer work for a living.

The formal provision of pensions has existed for about 100 years, during which it has developed an increasingly complex structure, based partly on provision directly by the state and partly on products created and supplied by the private investment sector, albeit variously encouraged and controlled by successive government legislation.

Initially, the entitlement to a satisfactory level of both basic and incremental elements of pensions was conceived as depending purely upon the contributions individuals would pay throughout their working lives and, during the years of rapid economic growth in the latter half of the twentieth century, this concept seemed possible. More recently, it has become very apparent that the real level of pensions at any time are much more dependant on the current state of the economic prosperity of the country, and that, in overall terms, the relationship in the context of these circumstances, the advice I would give would be to in effect "think laterally" in terms of the relationship between your working life and subsequent retirement, and to be prepared to constantly research and

between the funding (i.e. the contributions paid by or on behalf of the pensioner) and the amounts which any individual would receive throughout their retirement, is tenuous to say the least. In addition, a hugely significant philosophical debate is starting to task the minds of our politicians in terms of the relatively generous provisions currently available to workers in the public service sector.

monitor the current accruing of your eventual entitlements. The first element is really a way of suggesting caution against accepting a pre-conceived idea of retirement at a specific age, whether this be derived from the norm applying to a particular job or the arbitrary ages of 60 or 65 as set by the government. Financial security and comfort (and possibly other benefits), is I suspect going to be more and more dependant on an even greater understanding of the work/life balance and all the financial implications deriving from this concept. From the point of view of monitoring your entitlements, make a mental note to carry out this exercise regularly, say, every five years. A current assessment of your entitlement to state pension can be easily obtained by contacting the Benefits Agency, RPF Unit, Pensions and Overseas Benefits Directorate, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE98 1BA, and asking for a form BR19, Application for a Retirement Pension Forecast. The forecast you will receive is relatively straight forward and generally comprehensive and accurate. For current estimates of your future entitlements to private and occupational (including superannuation) schemes, don't be frightened of approaching the provider for updated assessments. Again, generally speaking, these will give you some idea of how you are doing and, in any case, possibly will act as a trigger to contemplate

increasing future contributions. A caveat here is that future values of With Profit policies can be difficult to assess, although the companies will nowadays tend to give conservative rather than over-optimistic projections.

To summarise, the idea of, in the future, retiring in our fifties, and possibly even our early sixties, without careful and consistent checking of the provisions available to us, may, for the vast majority, lead to some considerable disappointment and financial discomfort.

## FRIENDS OF GAYLE MILL

After grumbling at the lack of information emanating from the Civic Trust about the restoration work we now find ourselves knee deep in technicalities. A great improvement! The gist of our latest knowledge is as follows:

Phase 2: The new upper floor is in process of installation. The basement floor will be lifted and re-laid during the next week or two, probably by the time this gets into print. New oak beams are already stacked on the floor of the workshop. Water and telephone services are being brought in along the entrance drive and the electricity supply will be taken from the existing local overhead power line via two additional poles.

Phase 3: Work on the leat has begun with the dismantling of the wooden section. The new elm timber for its reconstruction is on order. The stone supports are being re-pointed and new ones built. The concrete section is due for repair and the header tank is being dismantled and rebuilt. The old turbine has been refurbished and is back in place and the design of the new one is almost finalised. The makers, Gilkes, should be able to start the manufacturing process next month.

All this is very encouraging and if there are no hitches the practical side of the mill project should remain on track for completion by next spring. Whether the administrative side can keep pace with it is another matter entirely. The subject of visitor numbers and how they are to be handled has raised some misgivings among local residents and this is just one of the things which must be resolved. However, it is good to see the progress on site and optimism reigns.

There was a minor misfortune recently when a wall of a small auxiliary building to the east of the mill collapsed during preparations for re-pointing. Thankfully

there were no casualties and it does not affect the main work. But the ensuing cloud of dust caused some heart-stopping moments for those who saw it.

**Hugh Bridgman**

## FREE PUBLICITY FOR EVENTS

Organisers of events in and around the Yorkshire Dales are being given the chance to advertise them for free.

The Yorkshire Dales Tourism Partnership is in the process of setting up its 2006 listing which will be available on the Internet and in Tourist Information Centres across the region.

And information on events to be held in 2006 that is received before **October 31st** will be considered for inclusion in the YDNPA's newspaper *The Visitor* 2006, which is distributed free nationally and internationally and is available from T.I.Cs and Park Information Points and on the Websites. But – owing to print deadlines and space availability – the publishers cannot guarantee that an event will be featured.

Authority Sustainable Tourism Officer **Kathryn Storey** wants to hear from anyone who has an event that should be included in it. "We aim to be the first port of call for anyone wanting to know what's going on in the area whatever the event – traditional or contemporary," she said.

The full listing will be regularly updated.

Submit your details: **08701 666333**

## STAFFING

Cathy Bennett, who has been on our committee for a few years is finding it hard to get to meetings so has had to resign. She has very much enjoyed her time with us, and we have valued her contributions—especially her light-hearted reporting which will continue from time to time. Also, we are about to appoint new bursary students from Wensleydale School. Names in the next issue.

## BITS AND BOBS

### THIS SPORTING LIFE

Here's a prediction for you; with London hosting the 2012 Olympics what's the betting Great Britain will surpass all expectations in the medals table. Better still, what's the chances of Wensleydale producing a champion?


With a new school term fast approaching the Olympic bug will prove addictive as young athletes apply themselves more vehemently to the vast variety of sporting categories on offer.

Those of us with long memories will recall the summer of '66 when the World Cup tournament came to England. Aged 13, I was attending a West London secondary modern at the time where almost overnight a whole new sphere opened up. Suddenly every kid in the street became a soccer fanatic; a budding Bobby Charlton. From tots to teenagers, everyone had a ball of some description attached to their feet. Football, beach ball, tennis ball - even an empty tin can, we weren't fussy. There were dreams to be had and goals to be scored. And no opportunity went unheeded. If on an errand for your mother you now dribbled to the shops and back instead of walking. Even the upper deck of the London buses en route to school presented a chance for an occasional 'header' practice should all the fare-paying public be seated downstairs. And what did we find on arrival?; only that the least athletic classmates had undergone identity makeovers; friends whose footballing kit resembled a Stanley Matthews Final now attiring themselves in the national strip. In fact the World Cup bug became so infectious even the girls were debating the 'offside' rule!

Now nearly 40 years on the bug is set to bite again, albeit in Olympic form. Our schools athletic talent have the world at their feet and its stage as incentive; a

chance to perform on it. If not, to build on it. It certainly happened at my old school back in the '60's where a young Glen Hoddle went on to become one of England's greatest strikers. **Rob Bennett**

## ASKRIGG SCHOOL NEWS

 We recently entered the Bronte Society of Haworth's poetry writing competition. Susie Guy and Emma Pounder were awarded second and third prizes respectively with poems about 'Dreams'. They won free admission to the Bronte Museum and a notebook and pen. Well Done Girls!

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September Mr William Hague MP came to visit us. He came into Top Class and talked about what he did and how to debate well. He told us that the best way to get people to listen to you is make it interesting, look as if you are enjoying it, talk loudly and clearly so that people can hear you. He said it is best to plan your speech first and to prepare yourself well for the debate you need to do some research beforehand. We really enjoyed his visit and we plan to use his advice to have a debate in class. Before he left he gave us all his signature!

**Lynn Alderson and Alice Bell Y6**



## OCTOBER GARDENING



Despite the fact that the garden is shutting down for another year there's still plenty to do particularly if the weather holds fine during a mild autumn day. Jobs that are done now will pay dividends next year and save trouble when spring arrives.

Firstly tidying up can be started. Dahlias, gladioli and other summer flowering bulbs can be dug up, all traces of soil cleaned off, and thoroughly dried before putting into frost-free store. Cut away all top growth and rinse all the roots well. Dahlia tubers are hollow so they need to be hung upside down for a few weeks to dry out completely before being packed away in some dry compost. Some summer bedding such as pelargonium, which may survive the winter under glass can be potted up and kept almost dry throughout. Seeds and berries can be collected cleaned and stored. This is one of the easiest ways of increasing stock and certainly worth trying. Once dried and labelled they will survive the winter in a rodent -free shed.

Hardwood cuttings from deciduous shrubs can be taken now, and again these are easy enough to do. Choose a shoot of this season's growth - about 30cm long, then simply nip off the top growing tip and trim the bottom of the cutting just below a bud. Sometimes hormone rooting powder will help but either way the prepared sticks are simply dropped into a slit trench up to about 2/3 of their length, and then gently firm back the soil. It's surprising how successful this technique can be particularly with buddleias, forsythias, mock oranges, flowering currant, roses and weigela. In all these jobs it's vital to remember to label everything, as memory doesn't always last until next spring.

The beauty of autumn is its wonderful leaf display. Once over leaves can be collected and composted into valuable leaf

mould - another free thing to recycle in the garden. Leaf mould is not only excellent for mulching but leaving leaves around to rot can damage both the lawn and plants. However all black spot leaves fallen from roses must be cleared away completely; otherwise the disease will simply over winter in the soil. Alpine plants in particular must have their crowns and surrounds cleared of all debris so that the air can keep circulating around the plants during winter. Leaf mould doesn't need a chemical activator to get it going but grass cuttings will speed up the process if necessary. It also helps if it's kept fairly moist at all times.

Other tidying up jobs to do this month include cutting back the taller shrubs such as buddleias, roses, laveterias etc.. Milder winters mean that the dormant season gets shorter and these shrubs don't really have a long dormant period so pruning back to about half now gives them some respite and helps prevent damage from wind rock.

Similarly some perennials can be tidied, but this is selective since some foliage and seeds can look attractive throughout winter, providing much needed interest at this time. Lastly the borders can have a final dig over and weeding and evergreen hedges given a last trim. As the days shorten, time spent outside is such a bonus and it's lovely enjoying autumnal scents.

Happy gardening,

**Peduncle**

## NEW OWNERS AT THE HERRIOT

A warm Dales welcome to Andrea and Richard, at the Herriot Hotel, Hawes. Whilst both are new to the hotel and restaurant trade, they already feel 'at home' in their new surroundings.

Both worked for many years in large multinational companies, with the associated pressures of deadlines, excessive travelling and the like, which, combined with the moves away from home of Andrea's three daughters Claire, Cathy and Maddie, made them look at opportunities for a 'change of lifestyle'. Their ideal of a pleasant, friendly rural location which can provide a business opportunity has been more than satisfied, not least by the support they immediately received from local businesses and subsequently from hotel guests and visitors.

Richard is from Stockport, a graduate in Engineering and has worked in Electronics and IT. Andrea hails from Sheffield/Doncaster area and after graduating in Science has worked in medical/hospital/pharmaceuticals. She has always loved food and cooking and has taken naturally to the 'chef' role, while Richard concentrates on the front of house, both enjoying working as a team. They met through a joint interest in sailing; enjoy walking ('though no time yet to savour the beautiful Dales'), and Andrea is keen to continue her interest in creative skills including painting, drawing, sewing.

They are not planning major changes at the Herriot, just continuing the development of the previous owners and wishing to create a reputation for quality food at reasonable prices in a friendly atmosphere. The hotel and restaurant are non-smoking throughout with the menu being a mix of modern and traditional dishes. All food is purchased locally and the restaurant will be open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday evenings plus other special occasions.

*See their advert on page 21* P.H.J.

## HIGH HALL NEWS

**R**esidents Birthdays:  
No residents' birthdays this month; this is most unusual. One of our short stay residents, Mrs Mary Iveson, will have celebrated her 98th birthday with us on 22nd September. Mrs Frances Kearton (day centre) celebrates her birthday on the 24th September.

Residents and Day Care have had one or two trips out this month; they did not get on the Kendal one

but hope to do this later. Kirkby Stephen market was one they went back to, to have a good rummage round the various stalls. A day out at Buckden was enjoyed by all. Graham Dear, minister, came and held a service for residents. In house we have had whist, dominoes, bingo, painting of pebbles with flowers for paper weights, nail care and other activities.

Saturday 10th September was Friends of High Hall Summer Fete which realised over £400. Many thanks to all the friends for all their hard work. They will also be busy again on the Sunday 25th September when it is the Friends of High Hall Harvest tea. Ann Chapman came to give a Harvest service on Monday 19th September. Sue will also be looking to see who she can get to come in and entertain when the nights draw in. As we are printing this, Sycamore Day Centre will be having "Clothes Line" a clothing firm, coming to sell clothes.

**Sycamore Hall.** I trudged across to see Stuart the site manager (not foreman as I stated last month; got my head in my hands for that one) to ask for another guided tour. With sensible shoes and hat adjusted to fit we set off. Stuart said I would not see much difference from the last time, but I saw a big difference. Last time being so excited about looking round for the first time, and having to walk between heating pipes with a hat swivelling round on my head every time I moved meant I missed most.

This time all the floors were laid, this took around 2 days to do. This really gave a sense of space and made it easier to walk round and have a good nose. Plasterboard was being put up in various places, and one flat had been completely plastered out. So you can now really see how it is going to look. The windows in the lounges of the flats I saw are set down to the floor so you do not have to stand up to see out. The roof

will probably be nearly finished by the time this goes to press so things are really moving. More on this next month if I keep my nose clean. I did not realise that some of the men on site are lodging in Hawes and are reading the Upper Wensleydale Newsletter, so I will have to make sure I get it right in future.



### Whistling at the ladies!



Talking of building sites, did you know that the men working on some sites are not allowed to give a lady a whistle of approval as she passes or they could be put off site. Bit by bit regulations are taking much of the fun out of life. I for one wouldn't be offended, in fact it would probably put a smile on my face for the rest of the day.

Anyway I thought I would ask some of the people older than me how they felt about it. I had some varied replies: "I would not like it; there are some funny men around; must be daft whistling at me; I would ignore it; I would be very pleased; I would give them a wave; must need glasses if they whistle at me." The majority of those I spoke to said they would be delighted and take it in the fun way it was meant.

Even Jim said he would not be offended. Speaking to younger people than myself, they all said they would be flattered and smile for the rest of the day. The age group in this little survey was 19-103. Just a whistle would be fine but, nothing verbal.

Seeing this survey was a little one sided I asked a few men all ages from different walks of life how they would feel if a lady whistled approval at them. They all said they would love it.

Next month I thought I would ask the residents to try and remember what childhood games they played and see what they can come up with.

**Margaret Metcalfe**

### Concerns addressed

Housing 21 which specialises in housing and care for the elderly in partnership with North Yorkshire County Council and Richmondshire District Council has had a meeting to explain the scheme to Sycamore

Close residents and answer questions. Tenants are selected on disability, age, need, and not on a first come first served basis. The current residents have already chosen which apartment they are having and the move will take place in January, so it takes pressure off them for Christmas. Phase two which involves demolishing Sycamore Close, will be completed by summer 2006, when residents from High Hall will move in. Residents were apprehensive about the move, but were told that if their families could not help they could get help through the district council for welfare benefits, and attendance allowance could be available. Current residents would have their rents protected

The two storey building will have a lift; each apartment will have its own internal front door and there will be units for single and married couples and a mixture of abilities. It will be staffed with 24 hours cover. There will be a broader range of day service activities, including space for a shop and hair salon. There will be a restaurant with phase two, and the catering will be put out to a local franchise.

It was explained by a member of the public that 142 local people had signed a petition that they did not want a shop there, as they wished to support the village shop and make sure it survived. Housing 21 was not aware of this, and said that they did not wish to interfere with the local shop, that they wanted the best solution for the village, and that the space could be used for other purposes. Residents asked if their conservatory could be in the new building and if they could have spy holes in their front doors as well as the CCTV security system. Trees on the south will obscure views so some pruning could be done.

Jobs are being currently advertised and any further questions can be sent to **Housing 21** Tel: **0191 4788076**.

**Kate Empsall**

## DOCTORS' ROTAS FOR OCTOBER

*Please note: these names are exactly as supplied by the Practice; the Newsletter cannot be held responsible for any mistakes, or changes which might have to be made during the month*

AYSGARTH SURGERY ROTA										
Wb - week beginning										
Wb	03-Oct		10-Oct		17-Oct		24-Oct		31-Oct	
Day	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Mon	J	F	A+J	J	A+F	A	F+W	F	W	W
Tues	A+F	A	F	A	J+W	J+W	A+J	A+J	A+F	A
Wed	J	J	J	J	A+F	A	F+W	F	W	W
Thur	A	A	F	F	J+W	W	A+J	J	A	A
Fri	F	F	J	J	A	A	F	F	W	W
Sat	Emergency service only									
Doctors: A - Arblaster, F - France, J - Jones, W - West, C - Closed										
Morning Surgery: 9.00 - 10.30 a.m. (no appointments)										
Afternoon Surgery: 4.00 - 5.30 p.m. (appointment only)										
For appointments and all enquiries ring <b>663222</b>										

HAWES SURGERY ROTA										
Wb - week beginning										
Wb	03-Oct		10-Oct		17-Oct		24-Oct		31-Oct	
Day	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Mon	A+F	A+F	F	F	J+W	J+W	A+J	A+J	A+F	A+F
Tues	J	J	A+J	A+J	A+J	A	F+W	W	W	W
Wed	F	F	A	A	J	J	A	A	F	F
Thur	J	J	A	A	F	F	W	W	F	F
Fri	A	A	F	F	J+W	J+W	A+J	A+J	A	A
Sat	Emergency service only									
Doctors: A - Arblaster, F - France, J - Jones, W - West, C - Closed										
Morning S'y: 8.45-10.15 Tues till 10.45 (no appointments)										
Afternoon S'y: 5.00-6.00 Tues 1.00-4.00 (appointments only)										
For appointments and all enquiries ring <b>667200</b>										

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We are again organising a collection of shoe boxes filled with suitable gifts for children overseas who will have very little this Christmas. Samaritan's Purse will work with national churches and charities to deliver them to children in hospitals, orphanages, refugee camps, homeless shelters and impoverished neighbourhoods.

The boxes are given regardless of nationality, political background or religious belief. It will probably be the only present that the child receives this year.

Suitable gifts for inclusion are: pencils, notepads, picture books without words, puzzles, stickers, soft toys, toothbrush and paste, wrapped sweets (at least March 2006 sell-by date), hat, gloves, scarf, wrapped soap and flannel.

Do not include any other edible items, war-related toys, other clothing, marbles, sharp objects or any liquids. Choose one of six categories for the recipient of your box: boy or girl, ages 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14 years.

Boxes should be covered in Christmas paper, lids covered separately and not fastened and include £2 in cash towards transport. We will then write a cheque for all the boxes. (Please enclose your own cheque and completed Gift Aid form if you are able to increase your giving in this way.) The boxes must be handed in to Hawes Post Office or the Community Resource Centre (Library) by Monday, November 14th. Information leaflets with further details from either of these offices or from Heather or Nelson Caplin **667625**.

## LET'S READ IT - OR WE'LL LOSE IT!

Have you been into the new library tucked away in the Neukin, in Hawes? I have visited it quite a number of times since the building opened in Spring to collect items as a business association member, as well as borrowing books. It is also our newly located community office for paying rates and dealing with other district council matters. It is now run by North Yorkshire County Council- your rates and my rates- so USE IT!

It is usually buzzing with youngsters and visitors on the computers, but not many people borrowing books which is a shame as the stock is very varied. I have requested several books and the new information assistants tap into the data base, quickly locate the item which soon arrives from another branch. This week I read of a new book on travelling around Britain and went to order it, only to find it was already in stock. What a great service!

The library used to be in cramped conditions and up steps and only open for three sessions a week. Now it is light and airy, has a brand new stock of books, new videos, new flat screen computers for surfing the net and lots of space to sit and browse, and even enjoy a hot drink. It is open five days a week, so you have no excuse not to drop in. Why aren't people using it in large numbers?- well there aren't large numbers of people up here. People are slow to change habits of a life time.

Probably another evening session and Saturday mornings could help, but they won't know if you don't go in and tell them. It's our library (resource centre is the IN word) so let's use it, or we'll lose it. We have fought hard for better facilities in deeply rural areas- don't waste them.

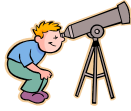
**Kate Empsall**

## WOMEN'S LOT 1850-1950

Do women have it easy nowadays? Compared with the past, you may be forgiven for thinking so. Labour-saving devices, advances in medicine, changes in attitude and role perception have had their effects and it is sometimes difficult to imagine and to draw lessons from life in former times.

In a seven session course, Janet Bishop will discuss why we need to study women's history, concentrating on the period 1850 to 1950. She will look at the changing images of women; the education of girls and women; women's waged and unwaged work and their political activity. Inevitably entering the discussion will be the social issues of health, marriage, birth control, illegitimacy, child bearing and rearing, food, cooking and household management. Janet will also look at the ways in which we can discover more about women's lives in the area in which we live. Although this course is entitled "Women and Family 1850 to 1950" it is not just for women.

All are welcome to these WEA meetings to be held in **Askrigg Primary School, East End commencing at 7pm on Wednesday 12th October** and continuing on Wednesday evenings (except 26th October) 7.00 to 9.00 pm, until 7th December. The cost will be £29.50 (full fee), £23 (concessionary for over 60s) or £2 (under 19s and claimants). Enrolment will be at the first session. For further information, contact **Janet Bishop (01748 884854) or Dennis Brown (663280)**



## HEAVENS ABOVE

That bright red spark in the evening sky this month is the planet Mars making its closest approach since its historic opposition of 2003. It'll be a lot more conspicuous this year, however, as it's much further up in UK skies. It's unmistakable high in the south amongst the stars of Aries, not too far away from the Pleiades, where it will put on a grand show right through the Autumn. Closest approach or **opposition** - when Mars is directly opposite the Sun as seen from the Earth - is on November 7th when it will be a brilliant object shining at well over magnitude -2.

The Red Planet is a barren, rocky world only about half as big as the Earth but Mars' spectacular landscape more than makes up for its lack of size. There are extinct volcanoes towering nearly 3 times the height of Mt Everest, giant meteorite craters, fantastically sculptured polar ice caps, and a huge canyon system - the *Valles Marineris* - over 4 miles deep and nearly 3000 miles long. There's also strong evidence that water once flowed across the now barren Martian landscape and it may still be locked up in some form under the planet's surface. Where there's water there's a good chance that life might have developed, though the pretty inhospitable conditions prevailing on Mars at present may mean that if it did evolve it's now very probably extinct. Still you never know - I gather that intelligent life has been discovered in Worton (though not as we know it, Jim) so perhaps those little green Martians will turn up one day after all!

This month's other celestial highlight is a **partial solar eclipse** on the morning of October 3rd when the new moon will cover almost 60% of the sun's disc. It starts just before 9 am BST and maximum coverage

is round about 10 o'clock. But remember - **never look at the sun through binoculars or a telescope (even with sunglasses on) as you will seriously damage your eyesight and could even end up blind.** The only safe way to view the sun is to project its image through the eyepiece of a telescope or one side of a pair of binoculars onto a piece of shaded card. Not half as difficult as it sounds and well worth the effort if you've never seen an eclipse. Here's hoping for clear skies!

**Al Bireo**

## THE TURNPIKE/ROMAN ROAD

One of the most distinctive features of Wensleydale is the view from Askrigg of the arrow straight road climbing out of Bainbridge onto the hills.

Popularly called the Roman Road it owes its present visibility to the use of its route as a section of the Lancaster Richmond Turnpike, which was a major communication project in the eighteenth century.

Anne Holubecki, well known for her knowledge of all things Wensleydale, will tell the story of its making, impact and associated local lore in a slide illustrated lecture on **Tuesday 25th October, starting at 7.30pm in Askrigg Village Hall.**

Residents and visitors are cordially invited to this lecture, sponsored by the local WEA, for which admission is £1.50 (£0.50 for 16 and under).

The talk will be preceded by the WEA Branch AGM at 7pm.

## **HARVEST FESTIVAL at Hawes Auction Mart**

“All is safely gathered in”, we sing at Harvest festivals. In the Upper Dales silage and hay are gathered in, but that’s about it for crops except for garden produce.

The main “crop” for us is lambs, so it seemed very appropriate to celebrate the harvest in the Auction Ring at Hawes Mart. Being there, where over 30,000 lambs had passed through during the week, was a reminder of how sheep farming is a mainstay of the local community, and also how our farmers, as they tend the sheep, also preserve the landscape, with wonderful walls and barns and green pastures.

Members of Hawes Methodist church gathered together, along with friends from other churches, some visitors and some folks from over the hill in Swaledale; and Gunnerside Choir sang during the service. The preacher, Donald Marsden of Kirby Stephen, himself a farmer, stood in the Auctioneer’s box, and we wondered whether the hymn numbers might come up in the “number of lambs” and “weight in kgs” illuminated sign, but alas, not.

There were no Best Pens of Ten lambs to be seen in the ring, but I couldn’t help noticing that on the sawdust there was a row of ten chairs – perhaps they were the best ten worshippers – or they were the ones wise enough to come early for a chair. Let’s face it, backless benches are not the ideal place to listen to a sermon.

But in this case, the sermon was so good that we didn’t notice the hardness of the seats. We did appreciate the efforts of a few local Methodists who had washed and polished the benches and the floor so that Sunday best could be worn if desired.

Mary Thomas, who played her travelling organ/keyboard and guided the choir and congregation, pronounced the acoustics as excellent. Maybe this could be a new

concert venue? **Sylvia Crookes**  
*(The collection raised £202 for TEAR fund)*

## **HAWES SCHOOL NEWS**

### **Tesco PE Vouchers**

Hawes School are collecting the Tesco PE Vouchers. This is a very short promotion and we would be very grateful if you have any. Please give them to anyone who attends the school or drop them into the school office. Thank You

### **Make Your Own Christmas Table Decorations for Adults**

There will be an opportunity to learn to make a festive table decoration at Hawes Primary School on Thursday, November 24th, 7-9.00 pm if there is enough interest. You will have the opportunity to make an artificial display with all the materials and candles included in the £5 charge. Please phone the school if you would like to take part as soon as possible so that we can estimate numbers. Tel. **667308**

**The September table top sale for  
Hawes Market House funds raised  
£261. Thanks.**

## HAWES UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

Once again there was a very good turn out for the Club's Seventh Annual Sponsored Walk, when 62 competitors turned out on Sunday 14th August to raise funds for the Club. As ever the day was perfect.

After a 10.15a.m. start from Wensley Bridge the route consisted of a gentle stroll along the banks of the River Ure passed Lords Bridge, then by Redmire Falls and on to Slapstone Wath Stepping Stones to a check point at Hestholrne Bridge. A very spectacular section past Aysgarth Falls to the Church then followed after which we crossed the river and rounded Bear Park, for a check point and lunch stop at Ballowfield Iron Bridge. Much of the remaining route then followed the disused railway line on to the third check point at Yorebridge. The last five miles were mainly along the former trackbed and special thanks are due to Mr Edward Fawcett; Mr & Mrs John S. Cloughton and Mr & Mrs John C. Fawcett who all kindly gave permission for the walk to take place

St.Andrew's Church, Aysgarth  
invite you to an  
**'Evening with William Hague'**  
with dinner (three course with wine)  
West Burton Village Hall  
Saturday October 22nd  
7.00 for 7.30 pm  
Tickets £25 from  
Pat Hesketh 663420 or Doreen Mason 663457

along sections of the line and through pastures where no rights of way exist.

This year the football lads had a keen competitor in Steve Wade who kept them on their toes but they could not catch him and he stormed back to the White Hart in record time at 2 o'clock followed at 2.30 by Stuart Sunter (last year's winner) and Mark Alderson. Again a special mention should

be made of the youngsters who took part including Laura Cloughton (who went home and started playing football after the walk), Ella & Maisy Dinsdale and Robert Cloughton - not forgetting Emma and Jack Cloughton who turned up for the last part of the walk. Well done all of you.

Grateful thanks are again due to Diane at the White Hart for her welcome "on the house" drink which all successful competitors received. For this year's event Mr P. Rockett donated a Newcastle United Shirt (signed by many of the Club's players) to be raffled after the walk. It was fitting that this was won by Brad Sleightholm— a loyal Newcastle supporter - and the sum of £118 was raised by the raffle. So far £1,565.00 has been raised for the Club by the event which is the best ever and maintains the record of ever higher totals. However it is of increasing concern that even now there are still a number of small amounts outstanding, for every year it seems to take longer and longer to collect in all the money. All sponsors and those who made donations instead of sponsorship are to be thanked and congratulated for their generosity over the years and special thanks are also due to the marshals, Sid, Paul, Jim and Liz who, as ever, performed their duties admirably on the day.

By popular request this year's walk was the flattest it was possible to come up with, but if there is to be another walk next year it is going to be difficult to plan one without hills - but I shall try.

**Sheila Alderson**

**SHOPPING TRIP TO NEWCASTLE**  
**Thursday November 10th**  
**Leaves from Thoraby at**  
**8.30 am**  
**Details and booking:**  
**Mrs Bailey 663319**  
**or Katie 663411**



## **WHAT'S ON LISTING**

TRANSFER THESE DATES TO YOUR DIARY OR CALENDAR NOW!  
Dales Countryside Museum events: see page 28

### **October**

- 2 Stalling Busk harvest; see opposite
- 2 United church service, St. Matthew's Leyburn; subject 'Humility'; 7.00 pm
- 3 Friends of High Hall AGM. 7.00 pm
- 4 Hawes Drama Group reads "All my Sons" ; Gayle Institute, 7.30 pm
- 5 Stalling Busk Harvest supper and talk; see opposite
- 6 NSPCC coffee morning See page
- 6 Trip to Cumbria. See below
- 8 Yorkshire Dales Society; talk "The Thornborough Henges". Leyburn Methodist Hall 2.15 pm
- 8 Opening of MUGA Sports centre, Askrigg ;see page 8
- 8 West Burton Harvest Supper and entertainment; village hall 7.30 pm  
Tickets: 663251
- 9 Bainbridge Methodist Church harvest festival; Rev H. Dubois 10.30 am
- 9 Seed collecting day; Aysgarth N.Pk. Centre, 10.30 am to 3.30 pm Booking essential: 662910
- 11 YDNPA Planning committee, Bolton Abbey village hall 10.30 am
- 13 Wensleydale Flower Club. 7.30 pm See opposite page
- 15 Gayle chapel autumn rally; East Witton Male Voice Choir 7.30 pm
- 18 Gayle Fellowship re-starts 7.30 pm
- 20 Hawes W.I. "Glass engraving" 7.00 pm
- 21 Museum Friends A.G.M. ; talk "Murder and Mayhem in the Family", 7.30 pm
- 22 Air Ambulance concert; Richmond. See page 39
- 22 St. Andrew's church dinner; see page 34
- 25 Coffee and stalls; Hawes Methodist rooms. 10.00 am to noon
- 26 Bainbridge Methodist Church coffee morning for missions; 10 to 11.30 am
- 27 Gayle Ladies fund-raising evening 7.30 pm
- 27 Football club Disco; Fountain Hotel, Hawes
- 28 Stalling Busk domino drive 7.30 pm
- 29 X- pull Band; Redmire village hall from 9.00 pm

- 30 CLOCKS GO BACK
- 31 Pumpkin Parade leaves Bull's Head, Hawes at 6.00 pm

### **STALLING BUSK**

St. Matthew's - The annual harvest service will take place on **Sunday, October 2nd, at 2.30pm** followed by a harvest tea. For people who enjoy tasting home made bread, there will be a sale of home made bread, with proceeds going to Christian Aid . For further details contact Lesley Coates Jones on **650569**. Harvest supper in the old Schoolroom on **October 5th at 7.30 pm** Ham salad and puddings and a humorous talk by Dulcie Lewis. £5.00

**Flower Club** – The next meeting of the Wensleydale Flower Club is on Thursday, October 13th, at 7.30 pm in Bainbridge village hall when the speaker will be Peter Foley of Bolton by Bowland showing slides and talking on *Fabulous Foliage*

### **TRIP ON THURSDAY OCTOBER 6TH**

**Wetheriggs Pottery (coffee), Penrith, then to Culgaith Garden Centre (tea), leaving Hawes Town Foot at 9.00 am**  
Usual pick-up places.  
Names please to Jean Airey 667722