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But is it progress? You can imagine the old priest 500 years ago asking that question when other people in the area apart from him began to read and even saw a book; or more recently when the town crier, the main source of news-giving, found that broadsheets and the like were circulating; and how did newspapers respond in the 1920s when the 'wireless' was invented?

Now it's TV and the Web; but is it progress? Of course, in many ways ,YES. There is no waiting now. There's hardly anyone who can say they 'don't know' or 'haven't heard'. Yet despite all this (and the once-predicted but not achieved paperless society) we still 'don't know', 'can't remember', 'haven't been told', or 'we've forgotten' or 'overlooked the matter'!

The question is: is there overload?

The newspaper girl or boy can hardly get it through the letter box, especially at weekends; the post multiplies with uninvited bumf; even the charities you might regularly support still send their appeals. Organisations as diverse as the W.I., County and District Councils, insurance companies and churches inundate us with surveys, reports, questionnaires and advertising. Numerous emails, with easily added attachments, sent to all and sundry, also soon fill our inboxes, and if you're not keen on reading for a long time on the screen, then page after page gets printed off; then what?

Are we better for it? Do we ignore more? Delete more? Throw more away?

There is one thing for sure; this Newsletter won't be much bigger – our collating tables won't cope!

Is it time for us all to be more succinct again, without being too curt, blunt, disrespectful or resorting always to the modern shrthnd of txtng? The ease and volume of communication doesn't automatically mean better; face to face communication

could well be suffering. So putting our typing where our mouth is, we've kept this editorial shorter this month!

Thanks Received

Our treasurer has received a thank you letter from 'Smile UK', the charity recommended by Eion Horne, the £20 winner of our July competition.

Eunice



Where am I this month?

Calling all Fundraisers

Organisations are again being offered the opportunity to provide the catering for the monthly Hopper's sales in the Hawes Market House. Application forms, which should be returned by **31st October**, are available from the Market House now.

Touch of Pink Charity Event In aid of the Mowbray Suite and the Alternative Therapy Treatment Unit

After a very successful evening with a raffle, and auction of promises under the hammer of Raymond Lund, the total raised so far is **£23,000**.

We would like to thank everyone who gave so generously in every way. The generosity was overwhelming. The evening was a massive success which ended with to M.G.S. and everyone seemed to have a great night. Thank you once again.

Lisa Porter and Sara Mason

Bainbridge and District Motor Club Rally

The Nat Hutchinson Rally was set off from Askrigg Primary School by Dave Teasdale and Tom Fawcett. Before we could set on our way two tasks were to be completed; the first one was to drive into a make-shift garage without hitting any cones or the bin in front of you, and the other task was to run with a lawn mower as fast as you could to see how many lengths of grass you could cut in 40 seconds!!

Once we set off we went through Askrigg, across Worton Bottoms past Se-

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merwater before going over the ford at Gayle, then through Appersett, Hardraw and Sedbusk before making our way over to Swaledale, through Satron then turning right over the gated road where a third task was to be completed before heading back towards Askrigg moor.

The final rally was a brilliant one and enjoyed by all. Thank you to Dave and Tom for organising the event.

Emma Thwaite

Market Place and Greetings

Please note that all local phone numbers are preceded by the area code 01969 which might be needed if ringing from a mobile phone.

We have an Answer!

Remember the mystery object submitted to us in the August Newsletter? Well we thought no-one had any idea; however, at last we are grateful to Mary Mudd from Cubeck who says she has one similar.

It is brass and belonged to her father; it is a horse brass fitted to a bridle and hung down the forehead.

Many thanks! We hoped someone might solve the problem.

N.S.P.C.C.

Aysgarth's occasional coffee morning for NSPCC funds will be held at the home of **Jean Cockburn**, Burnrigg, on **Saturday, November 6th from 10.00am to noon.**

Christmas shopping trip to Newcastle

Thursday 18th November

Pick up from Thoralby Post Office at
8:30am

Booking via Mrs A Bailey

663 319

Praise Be!

**An evening of Poetry and Music in
Praise of Creation**

Saturday November 27th, 7.00pm

Gayle Institute.

Admission free.

For further details ring or email

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The Wensleydale Tournament of Song

**President's Centenary Celebration Con-
cert**

to be held at

Tennants Auction

Centre

**on Friday 1st October 2010
at 7:00pm for welcome reception.**

An entertaining variety evening featuring class entrants in the Centenary Tournament 2010 from the Junior and Senior sections of music and speech.

During the interval there will be an auction of unique Janet Taylor watercolours that were commissioned for the Centenary Programme cover and kindly donated by the artist to the Tournament funds.

There will also be a raffle of exciting prizes including dinner for two at the Wensleydale Heifer amongst others.

Tickets £6.00 each from Towlers newsagents or on the door; to include drinks and nibbles.

The 'Other' Cheese Shop.

It's called The Little Cheese shop and it is situated in Hawes next to Cockett's Hotel. I went along to the Unit on the Industrial estate to talk to Iona Hill who opened the cheese shop on 11th August this year. The cheese is made in the Unit and I was given a guided tour of the process, except that I had to use my imagination because on this particular day, cheese wasn't in production. But three times a week goat's, sheep's and cow's milk cheeses are coming off the production line under the name of Ribblesdale Cheese. (Ribblesdalecheese.wordpress.com)

The story that unfolded was that Iona's uncle started making cheese after redundancy in 1978 at Ashes farm, breeding goats up to a herd of 100. He built up a following of regional and national customers until he died in 2006. Iona, who as a qualified accountant was on her way to Dubai to take up lecturing and consultancy work, never left, but instead took up cheese making. She and her staff now make 20-25 tons per year. Nothing compared to other producers, she admits but this is an artisan hand-made product.

The Specialist Cheese-makers Ass'n have been very helpful to Iona and are always to hand with advice. Her customers are as far-flung as the Falklands, Japan and Canada, (Through wholesale suppliers) Local champions of regional foods; supermarket Booths are also stocking her cheeses. Iona employs four people either at the unit or shop and since she opened, trade has been brisk. As well as cheese, the shop sells butter and milk and there are plans to extend the range.

All of which is good news for Hawes and Wensleydale, which is becoming quite a 'foodie' place with quite a number of locally produced 'goodies' on offer.

Welcome to Iona and her business and may it succeed .

S.H.

North Country Theatre

present

"A Blood Wedding in Wensleydale"

at West Burton Village Hall

On Wednesday, 13th October at 7.30pm

tickets £10 from 663753

Operation Christmas Child

This is the 20th year of Operation Christmas Child that brings joy and hope to many of the world's neediest children. So far of 80 million children have received shoe boxes and they are given out regardless of the child's background or beliefs. For children caught up in conflicts, natural disasters, extreme poverty or disease to receive a box filled with gifts makes a huge difference.

Leaflets of details of what to include in your box are available from Hawes Post Office and the Library Cover the medium sized shoe box in Christmas paper, lid separately, and enclose a cheque for £2.50 payable to Samaritan's Purse (or £2.50 in cash) towards transport. You can also donate on line (details in leaflet) and do please use Gift Aid if you can. Boxes should be handed in to the Post Office or Library by **Friday November 12th**.

Enjoy filling boxes with your friends, family, school or group, knowing that they will be really treasured by the children, and that for many they will be only gift they receive this Christmas.

Heather and Nelson Caplin

Reducing falls amongst elderly

Up to one in three over 65-year-olds in England suffer a fall each year and falls are a major cause of disability and the leading cause of mortality resulting from injury in older people. Each year, 35% of over 65s experience one or more falls. About 45% of people aged over 80 who live in the community fall each year, with 10-25% of such falls resulting in serious injury.

North Yorkshire and York Community and Mental Health Services manage a Falls Prevention Service which raises awareness of potential risks that may lead to a fall.

10 steps to reducing falls

Advice for people over 65:

- *Check that slippers/shoes fit properly.
- *Have sight and ears checked each year
- *Ask doctors to review their medication
- *Use non slip mats in the bath or shower
- *Keep the home clutter free
- *Make sure the home is well lit
- *Check the rubber on the bottom of a walking stick for wear
- *Keep warm and keep the home warm
- *Remove loose rugs/mats in the home
- *Try and stay active.

Want to Sing?

We are hoping to build on the base of our choir at St Margaret's Church in Hawes. Anyone who may be interested in singing in the choir should contact **Rev. Ann Chapman (667553)**. The present choir meets once a month, on the last Wednesday, between 6.00 pm and 7.00 pm at St Margaret's Church. We welcome anyone who may want to come along and sing, even if they don't want to be a regular

member of the choir. We are also aware that any choir can flourish when it has someone to guide them. If you have always wanted to lead a church choir whose responsibility it is to lead the worship, then please contact Ann as soon as possible.

Likewise, we are looking for someone who is able to join our list of organists at St Oswald's Church in Askrigg. If you know how to play the church organ and would be interested in playing on occasions, please contact Ann.

Hawes Community Bonfire and Fireworks 2010

A Bonfire and Fireworks display will be held on the Community Field on **Friday November 5th from 6.30pm**. Donations on the gate..

For a few years now, we have been questioning the future of this event and have been requesting extra help. As no one has come forward so far, then this will be the last year that it is organised by the current group. If anyone is interested in organising the event next year, please contact either **Harry Balderston or Angela Lee on 667009** before November 5th

Craft Fayre

Sycamore shop, Bainbridge.

Saturday, November 13th

10.00am to 2.00pm.

Tables for interested people are £3.

Contact **Lisa Webb on 07919896612**,
or Michelle, at Sycamore Hall.

There will be refreshments.

All proceeds to Sycamore Fund.

1st Hawes Brownies

The new term has begun and we welcome five new Brownies. We managed at last to have our cookout at Hardraw Force where we cooked sausages and toasted marshmallows and had a lovely evening. We will be providing the refreshments at Hoppers Sale on the 2nd October, and are now preparing to take the Entertainer Badge.

Linda Reynolds

Surgery News

Flu Vaccination Programme

The traditional winter flu vaccination programme is under way and some of you will already have had your jabs. If you are over 65 (or will be by 31st March next year) or younger than this but in an 'at risk' group you should book your winter flu jab without delay. At risk groups include those patients taking medicines that lower their immune response and those with the following conditions:-

- Asthma
- Diabetes
- Chronic kidney, liver or lung disease (COPD) Chronic heart disease.

Reminder letters will be sent to all those not inoculated by the end of November.

Moving On

Dr Arblaster is leaving the practice at the end of this year. He will be returning to Perthshire, where he and his wife have family connections. We wish him every success with his future career. Due to severe and increasing cuts to practice funding, it is unlikely that we will recruit a full-time doctor to replace him.

Harvest Supper

Bolton cum Redmire PCC

Redmire Village Hall

Monday October 4th; 6.30 for 7.00pm

Tickets £6 from Anne Day, Jayne Foster or Robert Hall.

In aid of the Bungokho Development Centre in Uganda.



Dalesplay has been running a variety of new after-school clubs which are once again a huge success. We have been planting daffodil bulbs in the Green Kite club, making delicious food in cookery, constructing and demolishing a variety of things in Construction club and much more. If anyone would like to join the clubs please contact Dalesplay **667789**.

We would like to thank those who have kindly donated toys and equipment to the setting over the past year. Without your support we wouldn't be thriving as we are today. Dalesplay is not a profit making business and relies on support from fundraising and donations to help purchase equipment, resources and help to keep the cost of childcare down for families in the community. We have over 40 families using the setting and we aim to provide for all their needs. If you would like more information about Dalesplay and what we offer to families please contact us for a prospectus or call in for a chat and look around the setting.

Our annual Halloween Walk will take place on Sunday 31st leaving Dalesplay at 6.30pm. We will walk around Hawes collecting sweets as we go. If you are able to offer sweets on our rounds please let us know prior to the event to help us organise our route. This event is **FREE TO ALL INCLUDING VISITORS TO THE AREA**. On returning to Dalesplay everyone is invited into the setting to bob for apples, play Halloween games and light refreshments will be available to purchase if desired.

Christmas is fast approaching and the shops are calling. If you would prefer to shop without the little darlings however you are stuck for someone to take care of them Dalesplay offers a temporary registra-

tion fee that can be used up to 6 times per year at a cost of £1 per day, per child. So why not book them in after school and we will give them a home cooked tea whilst you get yourself unpacked and sorted out before picking them up at 6.00pm. Alternatively book them in for a full day if they are not yet at school, we have a variety of packages available.

October activities available to all children including those who aren't registered with the setting. All workshops run 2.00pm-3.15pm at a cost of £3 to cover cost of materials;

Monday 25th October - Halloween crafts

Tuesday 26th October- Hama bead workshop

Wednesday 27th October- Pumpkin carving

Thursday 28th October- Halloween baking fun

Friday 29th October- Halloween Disco 7.30 - 8.30pm

Joanne Middleton

New Bridge for Wensleydale

Those of you travelling along the road between Askrigg and Carperby may have noticed a new addition to the landscape at Haw Bank, Woodhall. A dry stone arch bridge has been constructed over Eller Beck, having first made a guest appearance at this year's Festival of Food and Drink in Leyburn.

Members of the Otley and Yorkshire Dales branch of the Dry Stone Walling Association built the arched bridge especially for the event and, once the festivities were over, they approached me with a view to relocating the bridge to a suitable location within the National Park. I suggested the Local Nature Reserve site at Haw Bank (aka Bungalow Town to many locals!) because the original clapper bridge was frequently submerged during heavy rain, which made it difficult to use, and caused river water to back up and flood the car park.

This is an excellent example of the traditional skill of dry stone wall construction being used for a long-standing practical purpose. It was built using reclaimed sandstone and newly-quarried Wensleydale limestone; it will enhance what is already a beautiful Dales' landscape. The volunteers had never built a dry stone bridge before this year so there was much to learn – but they have worked extremely well together to leave a lasting result in the Dale.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank John Hesgrave, the chairman of the Dry Stone Walling Association and Project Manager, along with the 14 Association volunteers, who gave their time and contributed the equivalent of 90 man-days. Grateful thanks are also extended to Dr. Kristen Whalley, chairman of the Wensleydale branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE), who very kindly funded the project.

The construction work took place over two weeks in August and was filmed by Shiver Productions for the new ITV series 'The Dales', which will be screened next year.

Please contact us if you have any conservation ideas, wildlife enhancement projects or suggestions to improve access about which you would like practical help or advice.

Paul Sheehan, Access Ranger, Lower Wensleydale

Tup Sale Disco

Fountain Hotel, Hawes

Thursday October 28th from 10.00pm

D.J. Wilko

For Hawes United Football Club

Gayle Mill Events

Sunday October 3rd: Tours at **11.00am and 2.30pm** (last approx. 2 hrs).

Special Guided Tours and demonstrations of water powered Victorian woodworking machinery.

Admission. £10 adult, £5 child (including refreshments). Booking advised.

Saturday October, 16th 9.30am to 7.00pm

HANDS ON EXPERIENCE: DIY Victorian woodworking machinery day. Use Gayle Mill's historic water powered woodworking machinery to create your own unique wood products. Expert tuition from Directors of Gayle Mill Trust.

Fee: £125 per person (includes tuition, light lunch, refreshments and all materials used). Booking essential.

Saturday October 23rd: 2.00pm (refreshments from 1.30pm)

EARLY DAYS OF THE COTTON INDUSTRY. Lecture by John McCallum who is an expert on the working of Arkwright mills and is an experienced lecturer and

tour guide at Cromford Mill, Derbyshire.
Admission: £2 per head.

For bookings, phone **667320**.
www.gavlemill.org.uk

Best Foot Forward

You don't have to follow a recognised walk— Coast to Coast, Wolds Way etc. When it is too cold or wet to go out (unless you are completely uncontainable), spread out the maps across the floor and plan your own long distant walk.

This is my "*East of the Pennine Way*", planned and walked some time ago; this is the brief outline. It starts in Derbyshire, like the Pennine Way, but at **Winster** (because I'd heard of an ancient track starting there and going north!) and climbs to follow the famous gritstone edges of the Dark Peak to **Hathersage**. A rough day follows, over wild, open heather moorland to the east of the Derwent reservoirs to **Dunford Bridge** at the eastern end of the once famous, now closed, Woodhead railway tunnel.

A trudge to Holme Moss TV masts and beyond, leads to the A635 and the demolished 'Isle of Skye' inn, pulled down at reservoir-building time. Alfred J. Brown writing in the 1940s was more troubled by the thought of the water getting into the beer than vice-versa! Plod on down Wessenden to Tunnel End at Marsden on the Huddersfield Narrow Canal, from where paths lead to a crossing of the M62 via a tunnel by Scammonden Dam and thence to **Ripponden**.

Way-finding gets trickier from here; in fact the three of us were lost even before getting out of the big garden of the B and B! This is typical South Pennine landscape: deep valleys, blackened farm houses, conduits to the reservoirs and old packhorse and Limers' ways, plus the rather over-rated Bronte Waterfall on the way to **Haworth**. Haworth YHA was gaunt and a touch forbidding; it might be better now (It is still open).

The route goes near Oakworth to a lovely little hamlet of Newsholme with its Dean,

to cross the Aire valley at Steeton and over to Addingham in Wharfedale where a trip up Beamsley Beacon really has to be made.

Bolton Park on the opposite bank to Bolton Abbey is a good place for the night before climbing up the Valley of Desolation to the gritstones of Simon's Seat and to Stump Cross Caverns (and a good café!). It is then Greenhow Hill; I'm not keen on it! This hill-top village of old lead mines and cottages is grim. I really admire the few people I know who grew up or spent some time here; they must be tough. So it is good to drop steeply down to **Pateley Bridge** for the next night.

From Pateley it is up Nidderdale to Howe Stean Gorge (Yorkshire's Little Switzerland) and from Stean village back over to **Kettlewell**; this is a lonely, empty crossing and it's a bit of a shock to arrive in the busy village.

My *East of the Pennine Way* now climbs Great Whernside and makes for Horsehouse in Coverdale, but not directly down the long ridge. It follows the ancient Tor Dyke to the shoulder of Buckden Pike and the top end of Walden and then climbs back over to **Horsehouse**.

You will be more familiar with it now— more or less due north to West Scrafton, Melmerby Moor and the gallops, Bolton Hall, Preston then directly over by disused pits, shafts, smelters and chimney to Swaledale and **Grinton**.

This would be a reasonable end point but the walk has a final two-day flourish: all along the tops between Wensleydale and Swaledale to Lovely Seat and **Keld**. A final long arc via East Stonesdale (no path), over to Arkengarthdale; Whaw, Booze and to **Reeth**, my end point. It is 175 miles and full of variety. **A.S.W.**

Best Building Design Awards

Competition winners revealed

Judges have announced the winners of the National Park Best Building Design Award competition.

Stuart Parsons, the YDNPA's Member Champion for Cultural Heritage, said: "The winning buildings clearly demonstrate our residents' commitment to excellence and innovation. All the designs submitted are exceptional and are also way beyond what I would have imagined possible within a National Park." An awards event, at which winners will be presented with commemorative plaques, is planned for the end of November to coincide with the publication of a colour brochure giving details of the winning buildings.

Building Design Award competition were:

Innovation winner: Ecopod, How Beck Barn, Barden

Energy sustainability winner: Dales Bike Centre, Fremington

Conversion winners (joint): Hartley Barn, Long Preston and The Old Blacksmith's Shop, Aysgarth.

New building winner: Weaving studios, Sedbergh; *Highly commended:* Craven Arms Cruck Barn, Appletreewick.

Extension winners (joint) Ronan Garth, West Burton and Hawes Junction Chapel.

Alteration winner: Hambleton House, Airton. *Highly commended:* West Burton Primary School.

Historic restoration winner: Hogg House, Healaugh.

Restoration (re-use) winner: Reachey, Grisedale.

Parish Councils and Meetings

Parish Council Clerks and Chairmen in Wensleydale as from September 2010 are

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West Witton

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Chairman David Bentley

Carperby's New Sports' Pavilion

Carperby's new Sports' Pavilion came a step closer to realisation last month with the completion of the access road to the playing fields and children's playground. Farmer Alistair Dinsdale has donated the land for the road and, with a grant from the **Big Lottery**, local contractors and volunteers have laid a new path and completed a 60 metre dry stone wall. Phase two will be the construction of a water-tight shell, ready for fitting out and the connection of services. This part of the project will be undertaken by local builder Scott Stephenson and his team, and the official **foundation stone ceremony** will take place on **Friday October 22nd** when **William Hague MP** will be present.

A new fund raising programme begins this month with the return of the popular **Big Breakfast** event to be held in the Village Institute on **Saturday 2nd October** between 8am and 1pm. Full breakfasts as well as bacon & sausage butties, tea and toast will be served. Come along for a good feed. Details can be obtained from Hazel Oliver on **663179**.

This will be followed later in the month by another of the concerts that have proved

so popular. Folk/rock stars **Little Johnny England** will be playing at The Village Institute on **Saturday 23rd October**. To quote from *The Times* “Little Johnny England are a unique outfit. Five of the most gifted musicians on the folk/ rock circuit, they have pooled their collective talents and experience to come up with a unique and rousing ensemble. They bring an energy and dynamic to their live work not often seen – “they put the rock back into folk rock”! As individuals they have it covered. Gareth Turner takes melodeons and vocals, PJ Wright, guitars and vocals; Guy Fletcher, fiddle and vocals; Hugh Bunker, bass and vocals; and Mark Stevens, drums and vocals. In the last 10 years Little Johnny England have aimed to take traditional and contemporary folk music to a wider audience and they’ve attracted significant praise from the mainstream National press along the way.” So there you have it – come along and have your DNA re-arranged! Tickets are £10 in advance or £12 on the door. More details can be obtained by calling **663808**.

Steve Sheldon

Aysgarth Rural District Council

War Savings Week

May 12th - 19th 1942

Chairman's Message

Dear Sir or Madam,

I confidently appeal to one and all to support the War Savings Effort which we in Aysgarth Rural District Council are making.

It needs no words of mine to tell you the importance of lending as much as you can to assist the Country in its War Effort and please remember the money is not given but is a sound investment.

...The honour of Upper Wensleydale is in your hands and I feel sure you will not fail to make certain that those from this and other parts of the Country who are leading and giving their lives are adequately equipped in this terrific struggle.

This is Aysgarth Rural District's opportunity

Please do your bit.

Yours sincerely,

ROBERT ALLEN.

Chairman of the Savings Committee.

Tuesday May 12th.

Opening Day at HAWES

1.30pm Selection by the Band of the Green Howards in the Market Place.

2.00pm Fanfare of Trumpets.

3.30pm Marching Display by Military Band in the Market Place.

7.00pm Whist Drive and Dance at Askrigg.

Speaker: County Alderman T. Place
J.P. Chairman of the N.R. Finance Committee.

Wednesday May 13th

Tradesmen's Day

Official Opening at HAWES

2.00pm Fanfare of Trumpets.

Opening Ceremony by Dr. A.F.T. Ord.

3.00pm Military Band Concert in Hardraw Scour.

7.00pm Social Evening at Stalling Busk.

7.30pm Whist Drive in the Institute at Carperby

7.30pm Dance in the Institute at Thornton Rust.

Thursday May 14th

Ladies Day

Official Opening at ASKRIGG

On these pages we reproduce parts of the War Savings week programme in 1942

Compare and contrast with what goes on now; it was quite an effort of organisation!

1.30pm Marching Display.

2.00pm Fanfare of Trumpets.

Opening Ceremony by Mayoress of Richmond.

2.00pm Handicraft Exhibition by Hawes W.I. in the National School.

2.00pm Auction Sale at Thorlby.

2.30pm Maypole Dancing at Askrigg Market Cross.

3.00pm Exhibition, Tea and Auction Sale in the Temperance Hall organised by Askrigg W.I.

4.00pm Tea at the Old Chapel School, Thorlby, followed by a Concert in Cross Lanes School.

7.00pm Whist Drive at Hardraw.

8.30pm Dance at Askrigg.

Alderman W. Robinson J.P. (Mayor of Richmond) will speak at this function.

Friday May 15th Children's Day

Official Opening at ASKRIGG (Yorebridge Grammar School)

2.00pm Fanfare of Trumpets

The Rev. G.T. Whitehead, J.P., C.C. will preside.

Judging of Schools' Poster Competition by Regional Publicity Officer for National Savings.

2.00pm Children's Sports at Yorebridge G.S., Aysgarth, Hawes, Carperby, West Burton.

Military Band during Sports.

5.30pm Children's Sports at Thorlby.

7.00pm Children's Concert at Aysgarth Institute.

7.00pm White Elephant Dale at West Burton.

7.00pm Children's Concert at Carperby.

7.00pm Concert in Yorebridge Grammar School by the Band of the Green

Howards.
 7.30pm Children's Concert in the Market Hall, Hawes.
 9.00pm Dance at Thoralby Cross Lanes.
 9.00pm Dance at Bainbridge.

Saturday May 16th Military Day
Official Opening at Carperby

3.00pm Fanfare of trumpets Right Hon. Lord Bolton will take the Salute. Green Howards Band.
 4.00pm American Tea at Carperby.
 8.00pm Dance at Carperby.
 9.00pm Dance at Askrigg organised by Local H.G.

Sunday May 17th

9.30am Church Parade, headed by the Military Band on Bainbridge Green for service at 11.00am in Askrigg Parish Church conducted by Rev. A.T. Pain, address by Rev. M. Calvert.
 10.30am Parade Service for Military and Civil Defence conducted by Rev. J.L.G. Hill, M.A., M.C., Hon. C.F. at Hawes Parish Church.
 2.30pm Massed Parade, headed by the Military Band, on the Green, West Burton.
 3.00pm Drumhead Service, conducted by Rev. J.H. McCubbin, M.A. assisted by Rev. W.H. Small on the Green.
 4.00pm Band Concert on the Green.
 8.00pm Band Concert on Bainbridge Green.

Monday May 18th

Local Day
Opening in each area

2.00pm Lower Area— Opening, Aysgarth.
 3.00pm Bridge building demonstration at Hawes.
 3.30pm Mid. Area - Opening, Bainbridge.
 3.30pm Sports, Bainbridge Green.
 6.00pm Upper Area— Opening at Hawes.
 6.30pm Sports organised by the Home Guard at Hawes.
 8.30pm Whist Drive at the Market Hall.
 9.00pm Dance at Bainbridge.

Tuesday May 19th

Farmers' Day
Opening at HAWES

2.00pm Fanfare of Trumpets. Official opening and vote of thanks. Band.
 3.30pm Announcement of prize winners.
 7.00pm Children's concert; Carperby.
 7.15pm Whist Drive at Aysgarth.
 8.30pm Dance at Hawes organised by the Young Farmers' Club.

The National Savings MOBILE SELLING VAN will be in attendance at all the performances given by the Military Band.

Christians in the Dales
Autumn meeting

Middleham Methodist Church hall.

Thursday October 7th;
10.00am to 2.30pm

'To the ends of the earth' -
 Mission, yesterday, today and tomorrow.
 £5 including refreshments.

For more details:

Anne Day 624171; Jean Boyd 663474

October Competition

It's time to look at wild flowers again.

1. Get better on your own (8)
2. I will make a raven sweat (5,5)
3. This ain't in the plan. Yes, it is! (8)
4. Would Tony be all right with it? (6)
5. They blamed the G.W.R. for its spread
in the early days (6,7)
6. A bit of a sad-looking and prickly
character
7. Not many with a high temperature (8)
8. Exotic fruit passed water? (13)
9. Few rolling table around (5,10)
10. Last post player (6)
11. Sounds like a riotous occasion! (4,5)
12. On a vixen's hand (8)
13. Derbyshire cavern (9)
14. 'As if of... I had drunk' (7)
15. Adage ravelling external date foes
(9-6, 6-9)

Last Month's Answers

1. Allowed, aloud
2. Bawl, ball
3. Rough, ruff
4. Draught, draft
5. Sine, sign
6. Herd, heard
7. Piece, peace
8. Wined, whined
9. Meddle, medal
10. Climb, clime
11. Knight, night
12. Sighed, side
13. Hale, hail
14. Great, grate
15. Course, coarse

The winner of the £20 prize was

Prunings

A personal take on Plants, Propagating and other related rural ramblings.

*The Breezy call of incense breathing morn,
The swallows twittering from the straw
built shed,*

In late August our graceful tiny visitors gathering in preparation for their long flight always remind me of this line from Gray's Elegy. This year there were dozens on the wires even as late as the second week of September and amazingly, some were still calling to be fed. I suppose they must have been part of what an old friend used to call "The efter cletch," and I fear that many will struggle to survive. Of course, suddenly, as always, they have completely disappeared and the garden is quieter. Today, (the 21st) a robin hopped around on the cotoneaster testing the berries. He didn't stay long so perhaps he doesn't consider them ready.

Autumn strides on, and the Aralia already has some flame red leaves even though it is only just fully in flower, the horsechestnuts too are turning golden, but this year there seems to be a very poor conker crop. I shall go further afield to find some. My husband found a snippet of information last year about their capacity to deter spiders. We hung them in one or two of the places where we are usually plagued with cobwebs, and it works!

It still feels too warm to start on the Autumn jobs, but they are many and must be tackled. I've begun collecting the bulbs. More Tête à Tête and Rip van Winkle as they did so well in tubs and planters. Geraniums and Pelargoniums will have to move inside and I must pot up the best ones for next year's cuttings. Most of the smaller pots will have to go into the polytunnel and everything remotely tender will be transported to the greenhouse. I am impressed with how well the pelargonium cuttings I

brought from London last Autumn have done and I must make sure I have plenty of healthy ones for the spring. As they do not drop their leaves like the fuchsias they need to be kept in the best light conditions.

Following last year's debacle with the rabbits we have almost completed some more rabbit proof fencing and thus we will hopefully have somewhere secure for the trees and shrubs. I feel sorry for any creature at risk of starvation when we have heavy and persistent snow, but I don't plan to offer them my better specimens.

A good clean up of the benching in the greenhouse is still not complete but it is important to do it to reduce the incidence of common diseases. There will be lots of odd bits and weak plants to get rid of. They have had their chance and space is precious: all this year's potted up cuttings need a home. I have some tiny pansy plugs on the patio. They are for outside of course, but I think they might benefit from potting on and some kinder conditions for a week or two. There were still Peacocks and a Red Admiral on the Buddleia today. Not bad for late September.

Good luck! And whatever you grow, take time to enjoy it.

Rose Rambler

Wensleydale Society

All meetings are held at West Burton Village Hall at 7.30pm. Membership is £5.00 per year and members are welcome to bring guests (£1.00). There is a return coach service: Middleham, Harmby, Leyburn, West Witton and West Burton. Phone **622110** for details.

Friday October 1st Marion Moverley speaks on *The Great Grazing Country of the Children*, an account of London and Yorkshire boarding schools in the 18th and 19th centuries.

Decorative and Fine Arts Society

Tuesday October 12th; 2.00pm
Middleham Key Centre

Music inspired by painting and painting inspired by music.

Peter Medhurst covers over 600 years of the arts and discusses a range of key works.

For membership details: **624203**. Non-members may attend up to three lectures per session at £5.00 each. Please ring to book a place.

Askrigg Indoor Bowls Club...

starts its new season on
Tuesday, October 12th,
in the village hall from **2.00-5.00pm**.
For further details contact
Kate Empsall 650565.

Hawes PTFA are fund raising.

If you are able to help please save your unwanted textiles. Bags2School collects good quality second hand adults and children's clothing, sheets, blankets, curtains, soft toys, shoes, belts and handbags. Just drop off your black sacks at Hawes School playground before 9.00am on **Tuesday 2nd November**. Thank you for your support.
Kathy Lewin, Secretary

Keeping Drivers on Track

Boulders, fencing and landscaping are being used to help 'green lane' drivers to stay on track on the Stake road from Kidstones near Cray north west to Stalling Busk. Habitats have been damaged by motor vehicle drivers who have chosen to leave the well-surfaced route and trespass on to private land on each side.

Now the National Park has carried out work to stop further damage occurring.

New Coast to Coast Cycle Route

"The Way of the Roses"
Morecambe to Bridlington

This is an outline of the route, more detailed within the area of the Dales:

Morecambe, Lancaster, Gressingham, Wray, Keasden, Clapham, Stainforth, Settle, Winterburn, Cracoe, Hebden, Appleton, Greenhow, Ripon, Poppleton, York, Bridlington.

It is an addition to the National Cycle Network which has just celebrated 15 years since its inception and now exceeds 12,600 miles.

Carperby, Redmire and Castle Bolton NSPCC

Invite you to stop for tea with stalls:
Thursday, October 28th
3.00 to 5.00pm

Redmire Village Hall

Further details: **Evelyn Abraham 663243**

Hardraw Church

Harvest Festival in Hardraw will be held on **Sunday October 17th at 2.30pm**. There will be no morning service on that day.

Following the service there will be a Parish Party at 4.00pm in the Green Dragon. All parishioners of Hardraw and High Abbot-side are invited. Food will be provided at a cost of £3.00. All children go free. Any amateur musicians please bring your instruments and help in this celebration of village life.

Medieval Visions of Hell!

Medieval churches like Holy Trinity in Wensley were often colourfully decorated and sometimes included gruesome scenes, especially of hell. As part of the 'Big Draw' (see Museums listing on page) there will be a day exploring medieval wall paintings, an opportunity to create medieval-style artwork and an illustrated talk at Wensley on **Saturday October 23rd, 10.30am to 4.00pm.**

For more information: **Jean Banwell, 07872 502116**

Bainbridge School News

If You Go Down to the Woods Today...!

.. and on a sunny Tuesday in September Class Two of Bainbridge School did just that. We had been invited to a Discovery Day at Hackfall Woods and luckily a day of sunshine and light winds – rather than the driving rain of the previous few days - greeted us in the morning. After a spot of lunch in Grewelthorpe School's lovely garden room – thank you Grewelthorpe - we headed off to the woods.

We were met by Katherine who would lead us through the magical world of Hackfall Woods. To make sure we could find our way back, or even follow our journey with our families in the future, we were given a story stick. As we moved through the woods we attached to it reminders of where we were. This might be a leaf from a tree, an acorn or a piece of bark. We passed ancient trees, spectacular mushrooms, found berries, nuts and leaves galore and came across ruins, forty foot waterfalls and mysterious grottos.

We finally arrived at Fountain Pond so named because every 12 minutes a 50 foot fountain erupts out of the island in the centre – that surprised us! The main reason for a visit to the pond though was to see what lived below the surface. Equipped with nets, washing up bowls and separating dishes we scooped out mayfly, damselfly and dragonfly nymphs. We found amazing water boatmen and pond skaters. There were frogs, newts, snails and a whole host of other pond dwelling creatures. Eventually the fun had to end and after packing all the kit away we wended our way back through the woods, via the giant's ear, to the waiting bus and made our way home.

Everyone agreed it had been both a great fun day out and an amazing learning ex-

perience, a return visit is already been talked about.

David Moore

New year, new Reception Class!

This term we've welcomed 5 children – Arthur, Bethany, Evie, Georgina and Ella into Reception. Having all attended Bainbridge Nursery, It's lovely to see them settling so quickly and their fresh faced enthusiasm!

Success at Askrigg Produce Show!

The school garden is still flourishing, with enough potatoes to feed the whole school! Over the summer it was ably attended by Callum Spence, and I know that many children took the opportunity to harvest salad leaves, carrots, peas, courgettes and beautiful sweet peas. The children's efforts were rewarded with 2nd Prizes for both their potatoes and peas at the Askrigg Produce Show!

Cycling Awareness

As I write, the Year 4's are participating in a Level 1 Cycling Awareness Class. This is a 2 hour playground based course which will prepare them for the full blown Cycling Awareness Course in Year 5.

Sustainable Schools' Pilot

Bainbridge is participating in a pilot initiative which encourages the children to investigate ways of making their school and environment "green". I gather a large doll's house will be coming into school to help facilitate this and there will be linked visits, including Gayle Mill and to see wind turbines up close!

The Sound of Music!

If you visit school on a Friday afternoon over the coming year, you will be greeted by a classroom of violins! Thanks to a North Yorkshire County Music Service initiative, all the children in Years 4 – 6 have been provided with a brand new violin together with weekly group lessons. Mr Moore is also learning so it will be interest-

ing to see who makes the most progress – him or the children! (My money is on the children!) The children are very enthusiastic and I can truthfully say that the sounds coming out of our own house are surprisingly tuneful for such a new student of a stringed instrument.... my grateful thanks to Mrs Hallows!

**Emma Arblaster, Parent Governor
Trains Go Both Ways**

Most passengers on Wensleydale Railway excursions are travelling up the dale but here is a day out in the opposite direction!

On THURSDAY NOVEMBER 4th there will be an excursion from Hawes to York. Last year's trip was on a Saturday but we have been asked to arrange it for a Thursday this year. The price per person for return travel is £12.50 (£10 from Crakehall or Bedale), as follows::

Coach pick up and transfer from Hawes, Bainbridge, Askrigg, Carperby, Preston Lane End, Redmire, Leyburn, Crakehall and Bedale to Northallerton station and return.. Grand Central train journey from Northallerton to York and return..

The coach will depart Hawes at 8.30am, giving 7½ hours in York and returning to Hawes by 8.45pm. Last year some people did not go on this excursion because they thought it might be too long a day. However all those who went agreed that it gave ample time to enjoy being in York, without having to rush around and watch the clock all day. (NB Timings will be confirmed in writing with tickets). As places are limited, ***please book as soon as possible*** by phoning Wensleydale Railway on **08454 50 54 74**.

Santa Specials: Same prices etc as last year – see www.wensleydalerrailway.com.

Hawes Market House

Heavens Above

A famous landmark in the autumn evening sky is the Great Square of Pegasus high in the south right through October. Pegasus was the legendary Flying Horse of ancient Greece ridden by Perseus when he rescued the beautiful princess, Andromeda, from the clutches of a hideous sea monster.

The 4 brightish stars making up the Square form the equine's torso and are fairly easy to pick out as they're in a relatively sparsely populated part of the sky.

Weather permitting there's a good chance of spotting a *comet* this month. Comet Hartley should *just* be visible to the naked-eye but a pair of binoculars will guarantee a better view. Look for it during the first week of October as it tracks just below the distinct 'W' of Cassiopeia, almost overhead at this time of the year. Your best chance of seeing it, however, is on October 8th as it passes close to the lovely double star cluster known as The Sword Handle roughly halfway between the eastern edge of Cassiopeia and the bright star Mirphak in the constellation of Perseus. The comet will look like a fuzzy star and with any luck should show a tail of some kind.

Don't forget to have a glance at Jupiter this month as it's at its brightest for many years dominating the southern sky just below the Great Square. You might glimpse a *shooting star* a couple of nights either side of October 22nd when the annual Orionids meteor shower reaches its peak. Unfortunately this year bright moonlight interferes with the view. Have clear skies!

Al Bireo

Facelift for popular footpath

Wheelchair users and walkers with limited mobility will soon be able to enjoy new views of Upper Wharfedale.

A level, riverside path between Buckden

and Hubberholme is being given a facelift by the National Park Authority and the National Trust.

The improvements will make it accessible to wheelchair users and others with limited mobility and it will enable people to get nearly all the way to Hubberholme before having to get on to the narrow road.

Film-making in Full Swing

The making of a new film of Emily Bronte's old story 'Wuthering Heights' is in full swing at the top end of the Dales. A remote old building at the high end of Swaledale is in use, and in the Bruntacres Business area in Hawes there is an array of trucks for make-up, food and costumes at the headquarters.

Apparently Hollywood is getting tired of Jane Austen and is latching on to the Brontes' more rugged stories and rough moorland settings! This latest film, directed by Andrea Arnold and due to come out next year, is to feature younger actors than have been used in the past: 'dancing street urchin' Nichola Burley and Kaya Scoledario (*Clash of the Titans*) playing 'Cathy'. Earlier discussions were held with the Yorkshire Romany community in the search for others. We can't find out from our web-surfing who will be playing 'Heathcliff' but one or two locals have been co-opted as extras.

It seems to us that it will be different, robust and something really to look forward to!

S.H. and A.S.W.

**What's on in October at the Dales
Countryside Museum**

All museum events free unless stated.

October

- Until 7 and 11-31; Exhibition: "Connections-
3 artists whose lives and work
connect them to Yorkshire
Free family workshops to tie in with
National Campaign for Drawing "The
Big Draw" on 12, 23, 30
- 2 Stonecarving workshop. 1.00 to 4.00pm
Drop in workshop for all the family.
- 5 Spinning a Yarn. 2.00 to 4.00pm. Join
Friends of the Museum in the foyer,
spinning and answering all your
questions on wool crafts.
- 12 Drawing to Sculpture. 10.00am to
4.00pm. Family event to tie in with
The Big Draw, an international,
annual, month-long season of
drawing activities running through
October.
- 15 Friends AGM. See general What's ons
- 23 Ideas and Sketches. 10.00am to
4.00pm . As 12.
- 24 Rugmaking. 10.00am to 4.00pm. Join
Heather Ritchie - one of Britain's
most inspired rugmakers.
Rugmaking demonstration and 'have
a go'.
- 26 Drystone Walling Demonstration .
2.00 to 4.00pm
- 27 Discover and Do. 2.00 to 4.00pm
Traditional textile crafts for children
with a halloween theme! Ages 5 to 8
years must be accompanied by an
adult. Children £3, parents/carers
free, booking advisable. **666210**
- 28 Introduction to the National Park.
12.30 to 1.30pm. Lunchtime talk.
Ranger Matt Neale describes the
work of the National Park and how it
keeps the National Park special.
- 30 Sketching and Drawing . 10.00am to
4.00pm. As 12
- 31 Patchwork and Quilting. 10.00am to
4.00pm. Join Kate Trusson who will
be demonstrating traditional crafts.

Advance notice - special events

November

- 14 **Sunday Family History Workshop**

(beginners) 10.00am to 3.00pm

Introduction to family history
research led by an experienced tutor
and using census, parish registers
and other archive material. Tea and
coffee provided, bring your own
lunch. £10, booking advisable

21 **Sunday Family History Workshop**

(further skills) 10.00am to 3.0pm Develop
your skills with research and more
advanced techniques. Tea and
coffee provided, bring your own
lunch. £10, booking advisable
(666210)

**Museum open every day between
10.00am and 5.00pm**

Autumn Serenade

with

The Hawes Silver Prize Band

and

The Aysgarth Singers

in the Market House, Hawes

Friday 8 October at 7.30pm

Tickets £5 at the door

Doctors' Rotas as supplied by the Practice																					
AYSARTH SURGERY ROTA						Wb - week beginning					HAWES SURGERY ROTA						Wb - week beginning				
Wb	Oct 4th		11th		18th		25th				Wb	Oct 4th		11th		18th		25th			
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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) <i>For appointments and all enquiries ring 663222</i>											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) <i>For appointments and all enquiries ring 667200</i>										

Aysgarth Fete Success

August bank holiday Monday saw fine, sunny weather for Aysgarth fete which raised £2700 for the village institute. The green was crowded as people flocked to the various stalls; adults to the white elephant, tombola and bookstall, children to the bouncy castle, football and skittles. A barbeque and quoits finished off a super day. The organisers would like to thank all those who helped before and during the day and also the prize donors for the raffle.

Richard Blowes

We have been asked by the Practice to say that occasionally there will be changes to these rotas as both Drs. France and Jones have commitments elsewhere.

Wensleydale Children's Centre

This centre for pre-school children has now moved to Gayle Institute and will operate from 9.00 to 11.30am every Friday during school term time

Please be Careful

Whenever you're using a public computer (like in Internet cafes or hotels). Check the back of the PC and see if the device shown is there; if so, **do not use it**.

New storing device (also known as a key logger) fits at the end of the keyboard cable connecting to the PC specialized to save all typed keys in it. Mostly could be used in net cafes, exhibitions, hotels and airports therefore be careful especially people who use the internet in these places to enter their bank accounts online or any other important sites.

After you enter the bank account and leave the PC it will be easy to open your account again as all what you have typed has been saved in the device. Therefore, you should check the PC for any suspicious piece behind it before using the net in public places for important sites.

Askrigg School

Askrigg School are raising funds for school and for The Great North Air Ambulance by collecting clothes, bedding etc. There will be a collection from school at **8:30am on Monday October 18th**. Bags can be left at school from **Wednesday October 13th**

Askrigg Playgroup.

A message from the Chairperson.

We welcome back all the children and their families to Playgroup after the summer break. We also welcome four new children and their families to Playgroup this term.

Gillian Alderson has now taken on the role of Playgroup Leader. Gillian has worked hard over the last few weeks to make playgroup a stimulating environment with varying activities on offer to children aged 18months upwards.

The theme for this half term is dinosaurs,

including dinosaurs in the mud and making a dinosaur island using papier mache.

Playgroup runs on a **Tuesday and Thursday morning, 9.20am-11.15am** with a healthy snack provided.

We are offering a free taster session to new children aged 18mths upwards. Please feel free to drop in with your child and enjoy a morning of play and activities.

Contact details:-

**Gillian Alderson, Playgroup Leader:
650831.**

Hawes PTFA

Auction of Promises

The auction will be held at The Wensleydale Pantry, **Friday 12th November** and will be open for viewing from 7.00pm, auction starts at 8.00pm. Tickets at £2 include a glass of wine and will be sold at The Wensleydale Pantry and the Spa from **Friday 8th October**. We are raising money for Hawes School playground and aim to improve the outdoor area. Please come along and support us

West Burton School News

A very warm welcome back to all staff and pupils and especially to our new Reception children Elysa, Jessica, Bertie, Joe Henry, Luke and Ryan who have already settled in well to school life.

We have had a busy autumn term so far with Years 5 and 6 visiting Crucial Crew to learn about our emergency services and more. Also the whole school enjoyed a visit to St Andrew's Church for the Harvest Festival celebrations followed by a walk across the fields back to school. Mrs Eastwood is now taking the junior children into the nearby field for Forest Schools. Children love to be outdoors and they will be making nettle soup!

Afterschool clubs this term will include Chess Club, Computer Keyboard Club, Gardening Club, Multisports and also a new Computer Club. Many thanks as always to our volunteers for making these clubs possible.

Plans are well underway for this year's School Council Fundraiser which will be a Christmas Fair. It will be the perfect opportunity for you to stock up on all your Christmas presents! With Body Shop, Phoenix Cards, a Jewellery stall, Pampered Chef and of course a cake stall, there will be something for even the most hard to please relative. Please come along and give your support on Wednesday the 17th November at the school, starting at 7 o'clock.

Joanne Sharp

Recovering from a catastrophe!

Recently I have had to deal with a number of computers where they would no longer start up because the hard disk itself inside the computer had become physically damaged. So what can you do to protect yourself from potential problems like this?

First a bit of an explanation - there is a lot of confusion over computers and how much memory you have. If you imagine that you are a computer then your brain stores information you are thinking about at any given time but after a good night's sleep or a night out on the tiles you may not remember any more. This is like computer memory - it is used while the computer is switched on to hold and process information but as soon as the plug is removed everything is forgotten. This is what computer geeks call RAM (random access memory) and most modern computers now come with 1, 2, 3 or 4 Gigabytes of RAM (usually abbreviated to something like 4Gb).

Now if you need to remember something, generally people will write it down on paper, dictate it to a tape or get the camera or camcorder out to keep a record for future reference. This is where the computer uses a hard disk and modern computers often have anything from 250Gb to 1000Gb hard disks installed.

Unfortunately hard disks contain both electronics and mechanical moving parts. The mechanical parts spin very fast (typically 7200 times a minute) are very high precision working to an accuracy of millionths of a millimetre. If a small fault occurs (such as a worn bearing) the parts can bang together and cause physical damage. At this point it is touch and go as to how much of your data (photos, documents, emails etc.) can be recovered.

So what is the solution? The answer is to

keep regular backups of your system - especially important stuff like photos. Nowadays most computers can make DVDs and the blanks are very cheap (typically no more than a £1-£2 depending on the manufacturer) so copying those important photos to a DVD is pretty easy. A very good free program to do this can be downloaded from www.imgburn.com.

The problem is that this does not restore your computer to a replacement hard disk if the worst happens. To do that you ideally also need to occasionally make an image backup of your whole system. For this it is ideal to buy an external hard disk that plugs into a USB socket and then use system imaging software to make a complete copy of your hard disk. That way if the worst happens your whole system can be restored quickly to a new internal hard disk. There is some very good free software to do this from <http://www.paragon-software.com/home/db-express/>. It is a fairly large download and you do have to install and register the software on your computer but it is well worth the effort. Note if you can't afford to buy an external hard disk you can make a set of backup DVDs but it takes quite a long time and depending on your computer might take a lot of disks.

Can you help - broadband speed survey?

Broadband coverage in the Dales is pretty patchy (at best). I would really like to collect together information about where there is a good service, average service, poor service or non-existent service and the speeds. For full details and to help out please visit my website: www.dalescomputerservices.com and follow the link on the home page.

Carol Haynes

Family History Group

As mentioned last month this October we will mark our 10th Anniversary with an exhibition at Tennants Auction Centre on the theme of 'Those Who Left The Dales'. Some families may have only gone to the next county, but others found their way to some of the most far flung places on the globe.

The enormous response to the appeal for information has resulted in the production of a book containing summaries of over 100 individual submissions. This is the first time that most of these stories have been told publicly and is a unique opportunity to compare first hand accounts of those who left and, most poignantly, those left behind. The books will be on sale at the Exhibition or by ordering in advance.

The Exhibition is open weekdays from **10.00am to 4.00pm and Saturdays, 10.00am to 2.00pm (closed Sundays) from 2nd to 16th October.** Admission is free and there is a programme of talks & workshops for which advance booking is advisable. Some are already fully booked but others include:

Friday October 8th, 2.00pm Blair Southerden and Jonathan Kirton on 'Kirton/Kearton emigration from Swaledale to St Vincent, Windward Islands 1764.'

Tuesday October 12th, 11.00am Tony Keates 'Using the internet for research' and at **2.00pm**, Ron Spensley, chair of Barnsley Family History Society, will be speaking about migration from Swaledale to South Yorkshire.

Friday, October 15th: popular destinations for the dales migrants. At **11.00am** David Pratt will give a presentation on his great grandfather, Christopher Pratt, the famous Bradford furniture manufacturer and community leader, who began life as the son of a Swaledale lead miner. At **2.00pm** Dr Duncan Bythell will be speak-

ing on 'Why move to Burnley?'

October 27th, 2.00pm - Fremington Sunday School; David Boulton - Quaker Origins in the Upper Dales

The next regular meeting is on **Wednesday, October 27th, at 2.00pm** in Fremington Sunday School near Reeth when David Boulton will speak about Quaker Origins in the Upper Dales. To find out more about any of the events or to order a copy of the book, contact **Glenys Marriott 663738**, email: glenys@bishopdale.demon.co.uk

Business Support Grants

Richmondshire District Council has launched a new Business Support Grant to help boost local businesses. Development projects could receive 50% of costs—up to a maximum of £5000—where there is evidence of increased turnover, competitiveness and job creation. Schemes which require buildings modification, ICT equipment, website development, consultancy support or marketing designs would all qualify. To apply contact **Kate Loughlin on 01748 829100 ext 7035 or econ-dev@richmondshire.gov.uk**. The deadline for applications is **October 8th**

Hawes Amateur Operatic Society

2010 is a very special year for Hawes Amateur Operatic Society (HAOS). It is fifty years ago since the late John Cockett re-formed the society.

As part of the anniversary celebrations we held a Gala Dinner at Simonstone Hall in July which was attended by old and new faces to the society and included an awards ceremony.

The current Management Committee, after much consideration, had to take the tough decision to limit the awards to a period that was both manageable to administer and give everyone young and old a fair choice to choose from. We also had to be confident we could make contact with potential nominees and that we could share copies of programmes so that people had the opportunity to jog their memories, should they wish to.

We had a pleasing number of nominations and, as anticipated, we received nominations in the Excellence Categories that supported the contributions of those who have helped make the Society's legacy as memorable and strong as it is today regardless of the period of time they were active members.

We are pleased to announce the following award winners:-

Performance Awards (16yrs and over)

Best Actor - **Mike Waldman**

Best Actress - **Joanne Head**

Best Vocalist - **Phillipa Stanyon**

Best Dancer - **Joanne Head**

Best Newcomer (Cast)-

Ade Janke

Winner Best Newcomer (Production Team) - **Lesley Williams**

Most Improved Performer -

Lisa Wright

Best Costumed/Non-Human (Character (eg animal / machine) -

John Drew and Barbara Drew

Best Comedy Role -

Howard St Quinton

Best trio involved in comedy / slapstick scene-

Howard St Quinton, Hazel Waldman and Mike Waldman

Best Villain- **Mike Waldman**

Grand Dame - **Dave Jackson**

Best Behind the Scenes -

Lesley Kinsman

Performance Awards (7-15yrs)

Best Young Actress— **Gina Thomas**

Best Young Actor - **Andrew Mackay**

Best Young Vocalist - **Gina Thomas**

Best Young Dancer - **Bonnie Dinsdale**

Best Newcomer

(In a production in the last 10 yrs) -

Andrew Mackay

Most Improved Young Performer -

Kory Spink

Best Young Comedy Role -

Andrew Mackay

Production and Technical Awards

Favourite Production; Cinderella 2003 -

Colin Bailey & Norma Fowler

Favourite Musical Selection; Jack and the Beanstalk -

Alan Harpley and Norma Fowler

Favourite Costume Design; Pied Piper -

Andrea Cooper

Favourite Dance Routines; Pied Piper -

Lesley Williams

Best Stage Scenery; Snow White -

Lynn Ward and Leslie Kinsman

Home Grown Script; Cinderella 2003 -

Howard St Quinton

Excellence Awards – held for one year

The John Cockett Award for outstanding Stage Performance - **Howard St. Quinton**

The Jean Laybury Award for contribution to Backstage Technical Operations -

Leslie Kinsman

The Jimmy Gregson Award for outstanding service to Hawes Amateur Operatic Society
- **Jennifer Fawcett**
The Reg Fagg Youth Achievement Award-
Gina Thomas (pictured receiving her award)

WHAT'S ON LISTING; (for Dales Countryside Museum see page

October

- 1 Wensleydale Tournament of Song Centenary Concert; see p.
- 1 Wensleydale Society; West Burton Village Hall ,7.30pm. See p.
- 2 Carperby Big Breakfast. See p.
- 2 Harvest supper, West Burton Village Hall with the Uredales. 7.30pm
- 2-16 Family History Exhibition at Tennants, Leyburn. See p.
- 3 Café style service with pets invited; St. Oswald's ,Askrigg
- 3 Harvest Festival; West Witton. 10.30am
- 3 Harvest Festival; Castle Bolton Church; 11.00am
- 3, 16, 23. Gayle Mill events. See p.
- 4, 9 Guided walk: Red Squirrels in the Park. Meet Hawes N.Pk. Centre 10.00am 15k. Strenuous. Booking essential : **666210**
- 4, 25 Askrigg Ladies Sing for Pleasure Group; 7.30pm
- 4 Bolton cum Redmire Harvest Supper; 6.30 for 7.00pm. See p.
- 5 Hawes Drama Group reads 'Tiptoe through the Tombstones'; Gayle Institute, 7.30pm
- 7 Christians in the Dales: Autumn meeting. See p.
- 8 Harvest Service at Wensley Church 6.00pm
- 8 Autumn Serenade Concert. See p.
- 9 Conference to explore climate change in the Dales; Grassington. 10.00am to 4.30pm. For full details: **01729 825600**
- 10 Children's service; St. Oswald's, Askrigg, 4.00pm
- 12 YDNPA Planning Committee; Yoredale, Bainbridge, 10.30am
- 12 Decorative and Fine Arts Society, Middleham, 2.00pm. See p.
- 12 Askrigg Indoor Bowls restarts. See p.
- 13 North Country Theatre at West Burton; 7.30pm. See p.
- 14, 21, 28 Wensleydale Country Market; Leyburn Methodist Hall; 10.00 to 11.30am
- 15 Museum Friends AGM and talk : 'Knitting sticks– a brief history of design and use; 7.30pm
- 16 Gayle Fellowship Rally; Orton Male Voice Choir; 7.30pm
- 17 St. Oswald's Harvest; 10.30pm
- 17 Hardraw church Harvest; 2.30pm
- 18 St. Margaret's Harvest; 10.30am
- 22 Friday Fellowship restarts; Hawes Methodist Church. 2.30pm
- 22 Hawes Market House AGM. 7.00pm
- 23 "Big Draw" - Medieval visions of hell; event at Wensley Church . See p.
- 23 Little Johnny England Concert in Carperby. See p.
- 25 Gayle Ladies Charity Evening; 7.30pm
- 26 Coffee morning and stalls; Hawes Methodist rooms, 10.00am to noon
- 27 Family History Group. See p.
- 28 A Taste of Autumn; Woods at Aysgarth Falls. Meet Aysgarth Falls N. Pk. Centre 10.00am to 3.30pm
Details: **662910**
- 28 Mid-dale NSPCC afternoon. Redmire; See p.
- 28 Tup Sale Disco. See p.
- 30 Masquerade Ball; Simonstone. See p
- 31 United church service for Askrigg and Bainbridge; Bainbridge Methodist Church; 10.30am
- 31 Table Top Sale. Hawes Market Hall
- 31 Benefice Service at Preston under Scar Church 10.30am with Christian Aid presentation.