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Editorial

It came as a shock to one of our information assistants at the National Park Centre in Hawes just a couple of weeks back; two disgusted visitors came in to say that the area was so unfriendly, and they would tell all their friends so. That is so different from what people usually seem to say about Wensleydale. You can't help wondering where they had been and whom they had met!

It does, however, raise the question about our general approach to others and the time we allow for what you might call 'civility' or the niceties of life. It could be that some of us are extremely busy and wanting to 'waste' no time; we could be pre-occupied and 'out of sorts' or had a bad night or bad news; or is it just typical British reserve or insularity? However, there is a lot to be said for the exchange of pleasantries. In many other parts of the world it is considered the height of rudeness to walk straight into, say, a shop and ask for 'whatever' without first greeting the assistant, inquiring how they are 'going', to which there will be similar kindly responses.

Some people are brilliant at this. Putting others at ease, going to the aid of obviously lost or bemused tourists without being asked or being prepared to spend a bit of time to listen to others' concerns (which, let's face it can be a bit tedious sometimes!) or even on the phone having a little time for other than the immediate business in hand. But these many, small acts of 'civility', politeness and friendliness are what make for strong, contented communities with a sense of well-being.

There is clearly a great benefit from living in, or visiting, a beautiful internationally regarded area like ours, where the scenery, landscape and wildlife bring re-

laxation and refreshment, but we know ourselves that this can't make up for a rude or aggressive encounter.

It might be a case of the 1960s 'Stop the World I want to get off'. Are we all going too fast for our own good? Modern communication is just amazing and in certain circumstances makes life unbelievably easier, especially in emergencies, but there is surely a case sometimes to slow down, to take stock, to ask why we are in such a rush. You might not know (we didn't- and see the article 'November Dates' on page 6) that the 21st of November is the 39th World Hello Day! It is observed in 180 countries. Everyone is asked to find time to say 'hello' to ten people. This demonstrates the importance of personal communication in preserving peace.

Maybe it's time to be brave, to step out of our shells and to demonstrate more acts of simple kindness.

Free Seasonal Greetings

The Newsletter will accept greetings, free of charge, for Christmas and the New Year from readers or businesses who advertise with us.

This popular service is especially useful for those who cannot now deal with sending cards or wish to donate the money saved to their chosen charity.

Please send details in by the next deadline or preferably before - see above.

Up on the Hillside

Strolling up High Lane (the byway over to Cray from Raydale) I noticed this quite considerable work going on beside the un-surfaced road: large underground chamber, several big tanks presumably to be sunk in; but no indication of what, except that a few large blue pipes suggested it was water. It all seemed a bit big to supply water to Stalling Busk,. So intrigued– or nosey– I rang Yorkshire Water. They were all very polite (I say ‘all’ because they didn’t know which department to put me through to) but couldn’t help, even with the exact grid reference, and claimed “It isn’t us!”.

The District Council had no idea, not their responsibility; the County made an effort and returned calls twice by which time the National Park had told me that Yorkshire Water had put in the planning application. They kindly gave me a number for Knaresborough which led me then to the contractor. It surprised them to be called but what a reward! A true enthusiast for water works, Derek, (and a walker within the Dales area) gave me a long blow by blow account of all the work!

It is the final stage of a big scheme to improve both the quality, quantity and security of water for Stalling Busk, Countersett and Marsett by bringing it up from Bainbridge, having this underground storage, replacing three small treatment plants and pumps with one big one and eliminating the need to ‘tanker-in’ water up the narrow lanes in summer, . Derek seemed mighty pleased with the scheme and that anyone would even want to know. ‘In the middle of Bradford everyone would know; out in the sticks they don’t expect anyone to bother!’ A notice on the fence round the work would have saved a lot of phoning round for this inquisitive local stroller!
A.S.W.

Important Notice About the Next Issue

Please remember that the next issue is for December and most of January, so articles and details of January events need to be sent in by the next deadline.

North Country Theatre presents "The Rocking Horse Winner"

at the Dales Countryside Museum
7 December at 7.30
tickets £8.50 at the museum **666210**

**DEADLINE FOR THE
NOVEMBER ISSUE:
THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 17th**

Drop-off points and contacts

for news, articles, reports, letters, what's on dates, competition entries, suggestions and comments:

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Gayle:	Lorna Ward, East House	667405
Bainbridge:	Hammond's Butchers	650631
Askrigg:	Rima Berry, 8 Mill Lane.	650980
Carperby:	Margaret Woodcock, Bella Cottage	663488
West Burton:	Nadine Bell, Margaret's Cottage	663559
Aysgarth:	Hamilton's Tearoom	663423
Redmire:	Ann Holubecki	622967
Thoralby:	Sandra Foley, Shop	663205

Competition

Here are some anagrams to places within the Newsletter area.

1. TONES CUTTER
2. SKILL GUN STAB
3. A LEARNED RAGGY
4. BIGGINS AND BRIE
5. EG DARK STEWINGS
6. RUB HOLED DAG
7. HAS DEAD LARGE
8. PRANCES RUDER TONS
9. MALLETS NOR METTLE
10. FORWARD REACH
11. CARDED RUM AL
12. ODD ORE WORE SHELF

Last Month's Answers

1. Show drop:- snowdrop
2. Or chin:- orchid
3. Sat hen:- fat hen
4. Plan rain:- plantain
5. Lagged robin:- ragged robin
6. Here Robert:- herb Robert
7. Cord cockle:- corn cockle
8. Fetch:- vetch
9. Loose strike:- loosestrife
10. Tea set:- teasel
11. Scan ious:- scabious
12. Bun dock:- burdock
13. Bug boss:- bugloss
14. Water press:- water cress
15. Nutter cup:- buttercup

COMPETITION WINNER: **Netta Davison, Northallerton**, and her chosen charity for the £20 prize: Breathing Space, helping disabled adults and their carers.

Askrigg School PTFA

A night of musical fun with The Mojos.
Carperby Village Hall, November 12th,
tickets £7.50 from Askrigg School
or from Hazel Oliver, **663179**.
Doors open at 9.00pm
All proceeds will be going towards
the purchasing and
**Installation of solar panels for
school**

Teas and Stalls

**Carperby, Redmire and Castle Bolton
NSPCC**
Invite you to join us on
THURSDAY 3rd NOVEMBER
At **CARPERBY INSTITUTE**
Between 3.00 and 5.00pm

New Faces at Sycamore Hall

Chris Richards and Alice Thwaite are starting a new catering venture at Sycamore at the end of October. They were looking forward, when I chatted to them, to cooking for the residents and were going to begin by asking them what they like to eat! Both of them have a background in catering and have worked at Simonstone Hall. They would like to create a relaxed family atmosphere at the Hall, run a 'bistro' style diner, do breakfasts, packed lunches for walkers and children's cooking workshops.

It was the driver of the Little Red Bus who suggested the idea to Chris of working at Sycamore Hall (Well done, Alan). They will also be able to take party bookings, including Christmas parties, birthdays and also hope to take over the running of the shop. Alice will be baking bread and cakes.

They were full of enthusiasm and ideas, so keep an eye on the Newsletter for further news, and we wish them well.

S.H.

The Story of Sports in the Dales Exhibition 2012

The 1900 Olympic Games were held in Paris and the French organisers came up with the idea that in addition to seeing competitive sport, visitors to the games should also be offered a chance to find out something of the culture and history of the host country. As the host for the London Olympics this country is heavily involved in what is called the Cultural Olympiad. All over the country organisations are participating in a theme event titled “ local stories ” which aims to illustrate the culture and lifestyle of different parts of the country by showing the best of the archive collections held in the UKs museums, libraries and universities.

The National Park is taking part and has chosen a subject relevant to the Olympic Games, The Story of Sport in the Dales, both past and present. An exhibition and activities demonstrating how Dales people have been involved in various sports over the last few hundred years are being put together by the Museum staff. If you have any old film, photographs, recordings, papers, programmes and old sports gear that we could borrow and copy we would love to hear from you. For the time being we are particularly short of old photos of fell racing, village tennis and badminton clubs, cycling, triathlon and pigeon racing My contact telephone number is **650774** or leave a message for me at the Museum on **666210**.
Geoff Keeble

Christmas Shopping Trips

to Middlesbrough, Wed. Nov. 23rd,
leaving Carperby Bus Shelter at 9.30am,
(or could pick up on route).

Anyone interested please contact Jane
663074.

and to Manchester, Sun. December 11th.

Pick up from Hawes market hall at 9.00am

Tickets available at £13 from Streetwise

667192

November Days

While assembling the ‘What’s on’ list for the Newsletter, a list of significant dates in the month came to light! You might like to know some of them, even if you don’t wish to observe them! These are additional to the obvious ones in our usual list.

November

- 1 All Saints Day
- 15-19 Anti-bullying week
- 16 International Day for Tolerance
- 19 World Toilet Day, pressing for action in all countries for better toilet facilities for everyone.
- 20 Universal Children’s day (celebrated since 1953); appropriate for:-
- 20 BBC Children in Need Appeal
- 21 World Day of Remembrance for road traffic victims; also World TV Day and World ‘Hello’ Day: simply greet ten people to demonstrate the importance of personal communication for preserving peace.
- 21-27 National Curry Week
- 22-28 Road Safety Week
- 30 St. Andrew’s Day

Heavens Above

November's the best time of the year to look for the biggest and most remote object visible to the naked human eye. It's the famous Andromeda Galaxy, which lies over 2 million light years away - a mind-boggling 15 million, million, million miles - in the constellation of the same name. M31, to give it its catalogue number, is spiral-shaped like our own Milky Way galaxy. With a diameter of 150,000 light years it's a good deal larger than the Milky Way, however, and contains somewhere in the region of 200 billion stars. If you'd like to have a go at spotting M31 yourself, you'll need to be well away from artificial lighting on a really clear, moonless night. Start off by locating the 4 stars forming the Great Square of Pegasus, high up in the south by 9 o'clock in the middle of the month. Leading off from the Square's top left-hand star (Alpheratz) towards the distinct 'W' shape of Cassiopeia are a couple of chains of fairly bright stars. Just above the mid-point of the upper chain you should glimpse M31 as a faint, hazy smudge of light; binoculars show its oval shape much more clearly. It's a really beautiful sight in long exposure photographs which reveal the full extent of its spiral arms spanning almost 3 degrees of sky - six times the width of the full Moon.

It's a sobering thought to realise that the light reaching our eyes from these faint patches of light started on its journey over 2 million years ago. Have clear skies!

Al Bireo

What's Going on at Sycamore Hall?

Each month if you don't mind I thought it would be nice to advertise what is going on at Sycamore so that the wider community can also join in.

Transport is always an issue; however if there are enough people wanting to come they can book the Little White Bus.

WINTER IS NEARLY HERE, DON'T STAY IN. COME ALONG AND JOIN IN THE ACTIVITIES AT SYCAMORE HALL

We have coffee mornings every Thursday at 10.30am in the lounge; come along and join us, the more the merrier.

There is a Craft Fayre on **Saturday November 5th from 10.00am**

Christmas Pantomime: "Aladdin" on Wednesday 7th December at 1.30pm with a small entrance fee. To book a place ring **Michelle on 0370 192 4055.**

Hairdressers, shop, post office, library and restaurant all here at Sycamore Hall, all under one roof.

Stuck for transport - Ring the Hawes Community Centre and book the Little White Bus on **667400.**

Michelle Mottershead, Manager

Hawes Community Bonfire and Fireworks Display

The annual celebration of Guy Fawkes night will take place at Hawes Community Field on **Saturday November 5th**. There is no charge for admission, but donations are very welcome as this is a very expensive event to run (£1000 for the fireworks alone). There will be plenty of collectors out with buckets on the night!

In a new departure, the Fireworks Committee is holding a competition for the best Guy. The competition is open to schools or children's or youth groups or unofficial family or friends groupings, and there will be cash prizes for first, second and third places. Bring your Guys to Dalesplay, in the grounds of Hawes Community Primary School, at **6.30pm on Friday, November 4th**, for the judging. Afterwards everyone will go collecting "Pennies for the Guys" around Gayle and Hawes, before returning to Dalesplay for light refreshments.

Anyone with suitable material for the bonfire (only wood - not old furniture, metal, foam etc) is asked to bring it to the Community Field on the Saturday afternoon - or contact Fireworks Committee Chairman **Mike Fothergill, 667936** or Secretary **Ian King, 666096** if you need transport. Similarly, if anyone would like to volunteer to help on the night, please contact either of the above.

On 5th November the bonfire will be lit at 6.30pm. Shortly afterwards the fireworks will be set off. Hot food and drinks will be available. Please come along and make this lovely traditional, evening a rousing success.

Please note that members of the public are not allowed to bring sparklers or other fireworks on to the field. This is for safety and is also a condition of the Insurance.

Ian King

Free Health Walks in November in Wensleydale

Beginners walks – less than 1 hour, reasonably flat, no high stiles (just the odd squeeze)

• Wednesday 2nd November – 11.00am:

Yorebridge Sports Centre Askrigg

• Monday 7th November – 10:15am:

Leyburn Tourist Information

• Monday 7th November – 11.00am:

Yorebridge Sports Centre Askrigg

• Thursday 10th November – 10:15am:

Middleham Market Cross

• Wednesday 16th November – 10:30am;

Hawes Market House

• Monday 21st November – 11.00am:

Yorebridge Sports Centre Askrigg

• Wednesday 30th November - 11.00am:

Yorbridge Sports Centre Askrigg.

No need to book – just come on the day dressed for the weather – sorry no dogs! There will be a 2 hour walk with some slopes and stiles on Monday 14th November –from 11.00am: Bainbridge, Cornmill Tea Room.

For a full programme of walks contact **William Gedye on 07710 739192** or email walk.for.health@btinternet.com

Food for Thought

2nd Supper and Talk:

West Burton Village Hall

Friday 25th November

6:30 for 7:00pm

Rev. Canon Richard Cooper

will speak about the **King James Bible**

Tickets £6 available from

Anthony Day, Gordon Lodge, Redmire

624171

Bring your own bottle of wine



**Buses serving WENSLEYDALE
Sundays and Bank Holidays from
30th October 2011**

Wensleydale Flyer bus 856 will continue to run on Sundays over the winter months, linking Northallerton, Bedale, Leyburn, Aysgarth and Hawes.

A revised timetable starts on 30th October. There is an early bus from Bedale into Northallerton at 0905, and from Northallerton to Hawes at 0930, calling at Bedale (0952), Leyburn (1010), Aysgarth (1023) and arriving at Hawes at 1043 and Gayle at 1045. Additional services leave Northallerton at 1230 and 1600 for Hawes and 1850 for Bedale. Buses leave Gayle at 1110, 1440 and 1730 arriving in Hawes Market Place a couple of minutes later, calling at Aysgarth at 1130, 1500 and 1750, Leyburn at 1145, 1515 and 1805, Bedale at 1205, 1535 and 1825 and arriving Northallerton at 1225, 1555 and 1845 (railway station 4 minutes earlier).

Little White Bus will provide a service linking Hawes with Garsdale Station on Sundays. This will facilitate links between Upper Wensleydale and West Yorkshire and with Carlisle. It will also offer a demand-responsive service linking the villages in Upper Wensleydale with service 856.

DalesBus 856 and the associated Little White Bus services will not run on Sunday 25th December, Monday 26th December and Sunday 1st January. A normal Sunday service will run on Bank Holidays Tuesday 27th December and Monday 2nd January.

A Wensleydale Flyer leaflet is now available at information centres.

Service 856 is operated by Dales and District: **01677 425203**

It is managed by the Dales and Bowland Community Interest Company, with financial support from the Dales Integrated Transport Alliance.

Full details of services will be available shortly from

Traveline on 0870 200 22 33 and online at www.dalesbus.org

DalesBus Ramblers and Friends of the Settle-Carlisle Line organise free guided walks from the Sunday and Bank Holiday bus services in the Dales. Details of these can be found online at www.dalesbusramblers.org.uk

**Wensleydale Decorative
and Fine Art Society
“And So To Bed....”**

Throughout the ages beds have been very important as can be judged by the prominence given to them in wills and inventories.

In '*And So To Bed*' Janusz Karczewski-Slowikowski traces the significance and use of beds from the medieval period through to the 18th century This Decorative and Fine Arts Society lecture is held at Middleham Key Centre on **Tuesday 8th November at 2.00pm**. Non-members are welcome at £5 per lecture, pre-booking is essential. tel. **624203** for details.

**Pie and Pea Supper
Friday, November 25th**

Crown in Askrigg.

Tickets £7.50 from

Yorebridge Sport (tel **650060**),
Sykes Stores, Askrigg (tel **650535**),
Bainbridge tea rooms (tel **650409**),

Join us for a great night out!



Best Foot Forward

Ever heard of the Limestone Link? I stumbled across it (on a map) and decided to give it a try. It's not quite nearby and needs a drop-off.

It is easy to ignore a lovely area of limestone woodland in old Westmorland at the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty near Arnside, that still quiet place (but with tea-shops and pubs!) situated on the wide Kent Estuary with its very long railway viaduct.



The signposted Limestone Link begins here about half a mile SE from the station crossing the line by a level crossing and then goes essentially eastwards over varying scenery all the way to Kirkby Lonsdale. It never rises very high, but goes up and down! The views all round are excellent.

After about a mile the Way reaches Hazelslack and the Fairy Steps, a narrow squeeze through the crags on to a limestone pavement in the woodland; and BEWARE! This pavement isn't horizontal and is very slippery in damp weather.

The route drops down to cross the old A6 near Beetham (big garden centre and tea-room), the Lancaster Canal, the railway and the M6 near to Holme. This old area, a long-standing ancient north-south route contains typical Pele Towers and ancient halls.

At Holme Park, on the A6070 (another old highway through Burton in Kendal), the Way starts to climb up on to Holme Park Fell, skirting a huge disused, limestone quarry to the south (but almost invisible). This is a lovely open fairly elevated area all the way to the upland hamlet of Hutton Roof. (There seem to be several 'Hutton Roofs' about the place!)

Continuing eastwards the route is easy to follow with distant views ahead of the Howgills and Three Peaks areas as it drops down to High Biggins and then Kirkby Lonsdale. Maybe spring is the best time for this walk because of the limestone grassland flowers, but at any time it makes a different walk of about 12 miles with 1500 feet of climbing and a highest point of 755 feet. You could manage with the Landranger Map no. 97 'Kendal to Morecambe'.

A.S.W

A Recipe for Low Spirits

Take 1oz of the seeds of resolution, properly mixed with the oil of good conscience; infuse into it a large spoonful of the salts of patience. Distil very carefully a composing plant called "others woes" which you will find in the garden of life growing under the broad leaves of disguise. Add a small quantity and it will greatly assist the salts of patience in their operations. Gather a handful of the blossoms of hope, then sweeten them properly with the balm of prudence; and if you can get any of the seeds of true friendship – as there is a weed very much like it called self interest, which will spoil the whole composition – make the ingredients into pills. Take one night and morning and in a short time a cure will be effected.

(Taken from Tested Recipes of St John's Church, Shildon)

Little White Bus - Latest News

The LWB continues to go from strength to strength and recently it clocked up its 1500th passenger since it started in May.

Adding to the public spirited contributions of our 2 key volunteer drivers, Allen Dinsdale and Richard Noble, plus the odd stint from me, will soon be volunteers Angela Leathley, Ian King and Ian Woolley who have each passed their MIDAS minibus driving test. The LWB also relies on our part time drivers and the Community Office/Library in co-ordinating its services.

New LWB services include on Sundays running a scheduled service from Gayle / Hawes / Hardraw to meet trains at Garsdale, arriving at the Station at 10.25 am and 5.40 pm. Between those times it will operate in Demand Responsive mode, linking in also with the new Sunday Dales Bus service between Northallerton – Aysgarth - Hawes. This will enable passengers wanting to catch the Dales Bus from (for example) Askrigg or West Burton to book the LWB to get them to an interchange point with this service. *(See p 10)*

The LWB is also being funded by NYCC to offer a part replacement service for the Wensleydale Post bus, which ceased in October. The LWB will operate a pre-booked demand responsive service from Upper Wensleydale to carry passengers on essential journeys (eg for morning appointments at The Friarage Hospital) to feed into the 7.30 am Dales and District service leaving Leyburn for Northallerton. It is also available for early morning inter village journeys that the Post Bus used to operate to bring passengers up the Dale towards or to Hawes. For details of these new services please contact the Community Office on Monday to Friday on **667400**, or e-mail uwco@btconnect.com

Out of hours please contact the LWB driver on **0781 698 6448** or e-mail: littlewhitebus@blackberry.orange.co.uk

Mobile library. Having sadly also lost our Mobile Library Service we are considering piloting a fortnightly journey around the villages of Upper Wensleydale, bringing passengers to the Hawes Library for a browse, and perhaps a little shopping in the town, and then returning them. The service would operate on Tuesday market day, and it would allow 1.5 hours in Hawes around lunchtime. A flat fare of £1 single, £2 return would be charged. If you are interested in this service, could you please contact the Community Office, so that we can gauge numbers, and decide whether it can go ahead. Thank you all for your support .

County Councillor John Blackie
0796 758 9096

Askrigg Poppies

Most people in Askrigg (and further afield) probably don't realise that for many years Peter Tipton has been the Poppy Appeal organiser. Sadly he has resigned from this role because of an impending move to warmer climes near Oxford.

Peter has organised all the collectors, collected and distributed all the poppies and tins and done all the financial bits that go with it. Did you know that he also hand-writes a letter of thanks to all the collectors and tells them how much each has collected? In the last few years he has also organised a little 'get-together' for all the collectors with a 'bring and share' theme which has been greatly enjoyed. I am sure many people would like to thank him for all the hard work and dedication, and to say that he and Jenny will be greatly missed.

Rachel Dechezeaux

Hawes Gala Events

Christmas fair and table top sale.
Sunday 4th December. Crown hotel.
Coffee and mince pies available.
Call **667192** to book a table.

VIVA LAS VEGAS Gala Ball at
Simonstone hall on **Friday 3rd February**
It will start with welcome drinks at 7.30pm
Disco and live entertainment from
Elvis tribute Darren Rivers.
Transport available.
To book tickets: **667192**

The other thing that we would like to mention is that a local Hawes business owner has suggested that the shopkeepers' Christmas party is revived. Apparently it used to be that all the local shopkeepers would close up one Wednesday afternoon before Christmas and meet up in various pubs around town where some would make a day of it and bring staff for meals and others would just turn out for a drink or two and see where the day went from there.

Do you know some more about the tradition? Anyway, at least 4 shop owners that we've suggested it to up to now think it's a brilliant idea, (community spirit and all that!) We've set a date of **Wednesday 14th December** and starting at the newly refurbished White Hart at 1.00pm until whenever, and all business people, shop-keepers and workers in Hawes are welcome.

Mick Rhodes

Christingle Celebration

The children will join together
after school
to make Christingles
Redmire Village Hall,
Friday 25th November
4:00 till 5:30 pm approx.
All are welcome Jayne Foster (**622331**)
or Anne Day (**624171**)

Leyburn Bowling Club

The Leyburn bowling green closed for the 2011 season on 25th September. The 2011 season was a good one for Leyburn although, as always, it could have been even better. We play in the JSW League and after our usual slow start we finished mid-table, 6th place out of 11 teams, having recorded 11 victories against 9 defeats. At the end of the season we had in fact achieved only 2 wins fewer than the second placed team and we were left to console ourselves with what might have been if only we had found our form a little earlier in the season !

Leyburn held their annual Finals weekend on 10th and 11th September. Despite the often chilly and windy weather it was an enjoyable weekend for the club, especially so, of course, for those who were successful in the various competitions.

The club held its annual Presentation Night at The Friar's Head, Akebar, on 28th September with a dinner enjoyed by 24 members and friends.

If anyone is interested in joining our club for the 2012 season, or would like to learn more about Leyburn Bowling Club, please contact **Hazel (623480)** or **Mervyn (625734)** at any time.

(We have included this short article as several members are drawn from the Newsletter area. Ed.)

Askrigg Coffee Success

Nearly £1,500 was raised at the church coffee morning on Saturday 17th September, thanks to loads of helpers, lots of contributions, great support from the whole community and a massive amount of hard work from Heather Hodgson and friends. It was a fantastic effort, considering that just three weeks earlier people had also donated generously to the annual St Oswald's gift day to the tune of around £2,500. St Oswald's like many other country churches is facing big financial challenges mainly due to the downturn in the economy, but also because it's an ancient building needing lots of ongoing maintenance. The Sunday morning congregation is dwindling, but the once-a-month cafe-style service is proving increasingly popular – as Ann Chapman says, “a sign of the times.” But what's really inspiring is to see, increasingly, the enthusiasm and commitment of younger members of the community – see picture below. Lots of small children, too, attending the children's services, enjoying the outings and other social events, and so getting a sense of the church not as a building where they have to sit still and be quiet once a week while the adults do their thing, but as a place of fun, laughter and companionship. Not a bad model for the future.



Some of the day's helpers

Shape-Up and Dance!

It's never too soon to start your healthy eating plan in the run up to Christmas and for 2012. Come along every **Monday at 6.00pm** to the Market Hall, Hawes and be assured of a very warm welcome and lots of help to achieve the weight loss you would like along with advice, recipes, discussions and loads more. With a weekly weigh-in to keep you on track and one to one sessions to personalize your programme and give you that extra help, you can also take part in the Zumba class following the session at a reduced cost.

To take advantage of this new programme on your doorstep, call in to one of the sessions or ring **Lesley on 650398 / 07989365363**.

Friday November 11th

Most services of remembrance will take place up and down the dale on **Sunday November 13th**. For people for whom this is not convenient there is the now usual short Armistice Service at **10.45am** in Hawes Methodist Church where the present organ was installed as a memorial to the men of the town who gave their lives in the 'Great War' of 1914-18.

Church Coffee Club

**Including Gift Day
Wednesday 2nd November
10:30am to 12 noon**

The Old Police House, Redmire
(Jill & Paul Adamson)

For Bolton-cum-Redmire PC

Family

I recently returned to Hawes to what I believed to be a dinner for my 75th birthday with one of my sons and wife at Simonstone Hall but on arrival all of our family and relations and a friend turned up. For the first time in my life I was choked and speechless. This is what families are all about .

My eldest grandson gave me a book as a present: *A Grandparents Book Our Life Story*. This is a record of life for your Family. Some of the questions are easy to answer but others are very difficult to remember like what were the first clothes you bought with your own money? Having spent many hours on my family tree over the last 4 years how I wish I had had these questions answered by my parents and grandparents. We all take for granted our parents but when they are gone what do we know about their lives?

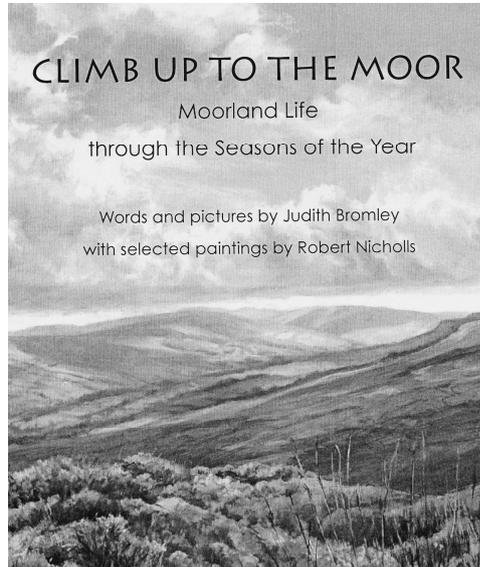
Had I thought to ask while my parents were alive I would have more answers. But back to the present, we all have said at some time in our lives you can pick your friends but not your relations. In my case I could not have a better set of relations or their in-laws soon to be increased with the wedding next year of Hannah and Martin so another branch on our family tree; more internet searching.

Bob Facer, Morecambe

Gift Day - St Andrew's Aysgarth

Open Afternoon at church with stalls,
mince pies and Carol Singing

From 2.00 – 4.00pm
Saturday 26th November



This is the cover of Judith Bromley's delightful new book just out; an account of Dales landscape in all its variety made up of her and her husband Nik's illustrations together with submitted pieces of writing from locals of our area. Children, Churches, farmers and landowners all contribute, bringing their individual perspectives on the subject of *Moorland*..

Here are Judith's own words: " It is not geared towards landowners and the shooting fraternity any more than the more spiritually-focused, or the local community. But I hope this diversity of contributors will enable and facilitate a process where we can all learn more about each other's point of view."

(The book is available from YPD-Books, Layerthorpe, York, YO31 7ZQ, price £20)

Upper Dales Health Watch

The Consultative Group for the Central Dales GP Practice

**Extracts from the meeting held on
10th October 2011**

Andrew Lansley, Secretary of State had indicated he was willing to visit the Upper Dales. The Practice Manager made a commitment to forward details of the Practice. Brian McGregor was thanked for lowering the wall at the Aysgarth Surgery. The extension of double yellow lines near the Hawes surgery entrance is 'in hand'.

The Yorkshire Ambulance Service

Concern had been expressed at the distance some ambulances have had to travel. In order to provide the best possible cover in such an extensive rural area, ambulances were moved to stand-by points when other ambulances moved from their base area. Resources were limited and had to be managed as effectively as possible.

The destination of stroke patients living nearer Darlington Memorial Hospital than James Cook University Hospital (JCUH) depended on whether the Darlington Stroke Unit was operating or whether the service was at Durham University Hospital. (The two hospitals alternate the provision.) Dr West thought patients should go to a specialist Stroke Unit operating 24/7 which currently meant James Cook University Hospital. JCUH will become a major Trauma centre. The 45 minutes response target cannot currently be met in some parts of Richmondshire, but in a real emergency YAS could ask for help from both the Police and the Military for a helicopter; both services owning night flying helicopters. There are national discussions taking place to look at the possibility of night flying Air Ambulances. It was agreed that the Air Ambulance Services were one of the best supported charities in the Upper Dales, and the community was likely to respond

positively to any request for extra help to enable night flying.

It was pointed out that more services will move from the Friarage to JCUH, and that the PCT had provided an extra ambulance in response to the decision to take both stroke and trauma patients to JCUH.

Muker Parish Council had reported that the lack of a mobile phone signal was preventing a First Responder team. This was already being followed up for Burton cum Walden. Dent had one volunteer able to get a signal and then land lines were used for the rest of the team.

Update from Central Dales GP Practice

- The UDHW supported the Partners' decision not to opt into the Department of Health proposed Patient Participation Scheme. The UDHW was using the democratic local election system and it was disappointing that the Dept. of Health had not looked at models that were already working. It has been reported that 2017 would see the tipping point when the majority of medical students graduating would be women. This could lead to many more doctors wanting to be flexible locums instead of Practice based GPs.

The UDHW undertook to find out more about the proposed **Green Bag scheme*** being run by the South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. "Green carrier bags will be made available to all patients coming for a planned operation before they are admitted"... "designed to encourage patients to bring in medicines they take on a regular basis in their original containers in a specially branded green reusable bag which remains with them for their entire hospital stay."

North Yorkshire Joint Strategic Needs Assessment looks at the current and future Health and Wellbeing needs of the people of North Yorkshire. The UDHW consid-

ered the three big issues that most significantly impacted on health and wellbeing in the Upper Dales were: **Access to a GP surgery; Consideration of Rurality in all strategic policies; 'Not Spots' for mobile phones and Broad band**

The **Independent Review of Health Services in North Yorkshire and York** makes grim reading, but reflects the current dire national economic situation. It was agreed communities would have to look at imaginative solutions rather than simply protest, as the financial situation meant cuts and changes were inevitable. It was significant that rurality is not taken into account in the funding formula. **R i c h - mondshire District Council's Upper Dales Area Partnership** was developing a **web-site** to share local information. The synopsis of the UDHW minutes would be posted on this website and on both surgery notice boards.

Jane Ritchie, Hon Secretary

Exhibition

**at the National Park Authority offices
Yoredale, Bainbridge**

Anna Tosney

**Rural Life in the Dales -
Drypoint and Monoprint**

November and December

8.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday



Alan Harpley's Spitfire

Throughout the second world war many cities and towns raised money for their "Spitfire Fund". The great aunt of a man called Chris Robbins, organised the raising of £5250, the cost of a complete Spitfire, in the city of Wells in Somerset.



The original 'City of Wells' Spitfire was manufactured at Castle Bromwich in 1942 and taken in RAF charge on May 22nd transferring to 501 squadron on June 9th. It saw action with a number of squadrons including Canadian and Czech but the history is obscure other than damage recorded with 501 and 129 squadrons based at Tangmere. The replica 2/3 scale, now owned by Alan, was largely built by Chris Robbins. It was designed by John Isaacs who was a supermarine draughtsman. He built and flew his design successfully.

Alan has been busily, not to say frantically, getting this plane up to display standard for a Battle of Britain commemoration day at Akebar Golf Club and this he achieved. (This also involved acquiring and restoring a long trailer for transportation.) The day, of which the Spitfire was a part, raised nearly £7000 for 'Help for Heroes'.

Alan's next task is to get the plane flying. He is using an inverted straight 4 engine very similar to the Gipse engine which powered the Tiger Moth. When finished it should be capable of 145mph in level flight and be licensed for 'mild' aerobatics. Keep watching the skies!
S.H.

Wensleydale Words

Matt Bromley, Deputy Headteacher of The Wensleydale School Leyburn, on what's been happening this month

This summer 88% of our Year 11 students achieved five or more GCSEs at grades A* to C; 80% of students got five or more A*-Cs including in English and Maths. This latter statistic is now the government's main measure of performance and, to put our results into perspective, the national average was 49.6%.

These results are the best The Wensleydale School has ever achieved and make us one of the top five most improved schools in the country. Moreover, our GCSE results are the best of any comprehensive school in North Yorkshire.

At A Level, our average point score per entry went up again, meaning results in each subject were broadly better than last year, and our pass rate remained exceptionally high at 98%. We are rightfully very proud of our students and staff for this excellent feat and this year there's a real buzz around school: we've started this term with a tangible sense of pride and purpose.

The Headteacher, Mr Benaiges, has been visiting local primary schools recently and word seems to be spreading that The Wensleydale School is now a highly successful school, unrecognisable from a few years ago. Aristotle famously said, 'one swallow does not a summer make' and it was natural for people to be cautious after one good set of results but we now have evidence of a positive 3-year trend and this year we expect to be even better with 82% of students achieving 5 GCSEs at A*-C including English and Maths.

A school is not an exams factory, however, and although these results are impor-

tant because they allow our students to achieve their potential and provide a gateway for future success (all our Year 11 students have gone on to employment, education or training; nearly all our Year 13 students who wanted to go to university have been able to do so) we are also very proud of the way in which our students behave and how they develop emotionally and socially. Students are always smartly dressed, impeccably behaved and well-mannered. I have never worked in a school where the students are so mature and take such pride in their school. In fact, a student who recently joined us from another school told me this week that he likes it at Wensleydale because "it's cool to behave here".

After years of planning and trying to secure funds, work on the school's new all-weather pitch, or MUGA, started in October. It is expected that the new facility - which will be a great addition to the community not just the school - will be ready for use by Christmas.

Performers from Opera North joined us in school last month to work with music students - it was an important event for North Yorkshire and the county's lead music advisor was also in school - and students travelled to Leeds that evening to watch a performance of Tchaikovsky's 'Queen of Spades'.

Finally, our annual open evening took place on October 12th for prospective parents and students from Year 6 - although anyone was welcome to come and have a look around - and it was an impressive turn-out. It was a really positive evening celebrating the school's recent achievements and showcasing our work.

Matt Bromley



This month the children have been celebrating the Hindu festival 'Diwali'. We have made some Rangoli Patterns outside the entrance to welcome people in the setting and bring good luck. We have made some Diya's, (small candles), to help celebrate this festival of light. The children learnt how Hindus prepare for Diwali and why they celebrate it. See photos of these activities at www.dalesplay.posterous.com on our blog.

Dalesplay have planned lots of fun Halloween workshops to take place over half term to help keep children entertained. We have also teamed up with Hawes Bonfire committee to help with their best Guy Fawkes competition. Children can make a Guy Fawkes and bring it to Dalesplay on Friday 4th November at 6.30pm. The Guys will be judged and prizes awarded. Everyone will then take the Guys around Hawes/Gayle on a walk to collect 'penny for the Guy' to help raise money for the event. On return to Dalesplay the children will be given a drink and snack. This is free for all to join in with whatever age!

Dalesplay will be holding their annual Christmas Fayre again in the Market Hall, Hawes on **27th November, 10.00am-4.00pm**, everyone is welcome. If you need childcare call in and we will show you around the setting and the packages we have on offer. We aim to keep our prices low and provide high quality care. We have strong links with families and can help guide you in claiming extra assistance in childcare costs. **Joanne Middleton**

Dalesplay Christmas Fayre
Sunday 27th November
In the Market Hall, Hawes
10.00m- 4.00pm

Trade stalls, crafts, bric a brac, games, Tombola and Refreshments provided by Hawes School PTFA
Everyone Welcome
Free Entry

Millennium Trust News
Time to tackle crime head on

YDMT (The Millennium Trust) has released details of a new scheme to be called "Community Action against crime: Innovation Fund", funded by the Home Office. It is specifically for North Yorkshire and the East Riding and applications are invited from voluntary and community groups in these areas. Funding of between £1000 and £50,000 is available from now until 1st December 2011. It is hoped that groups, both grassroots and established, will be encouraged to work together in a creative and innovative way to tackle crime in their areas (such as antisocial behaviour, drugs/ alcohol addiction, violence etc.) To find out more please contact CDT on **0207 833 1772** (option3)

Five 'LEADER' projects approved. Funding has been awarded by the Yorkshire Dales Local Action Group including a project to create a stimulating and creative outdoor space around the Museum in Hawes. LEADER is a community-led rural development programme aiming to improve the quality of life and prosperity. In the Yorkshire Dales area the Millennium Trust is the lead partner.

Where Have All the Emails Gone?

Do you ever get the feeling sometimes that using email can be a little like banging your head against a brick wall? It is becoming increasingly common for emails to be sent but apparently never reach their destination. In fact they usually do reach their destination it is just that the email services try to be clever and you never see them! A classic example of this is with BT/Yahoo email. You get your new email address and log on the email page on the internet and get confronted with dozens of annoying adverts and somewhere in the middle there is a small patch where your emails are displayed. At this point a lot of people decide to use an alternative method.

Classically Windows XP (and earlier) users adopted Outlook Express as the email client of choice. In windows Vista and 7 you no longer have Outlook Express but can use Windows Mail in Vista (or Windows Live Mail which you have to download for XP, Vista or 7). If you had Microsoft Office installed and a copy of Microsoft Outlook that may be the email program you chose to use. Mac users generally use the simply named 'Mail' program. You set up your user account details with all these odd details (POP and SMTP servers) and bingo you start to get emails without all the flashing adverts. Well not exactly – nowadays a number of providers make you jump through some hoops first. Gmail for example only works after you update the options page in your account and turn on POP mail. Once you have all your mail arriving you start to notice that some emails never appear. This is where the email providers are trying to be helpful and are anything but. Almost all providers now provide a junk mail (or spam) filter as standard and any suspect

mail is squirreled away into a Junk or Spam folder. The trouble is that often mail programs such as those mentioned above only retrieve email from your inbox and anything in

in the Spam folder (or any other folder for that matter) is not collected – hence assumed missing. The problem is that the filters used vary from email provider to provider. Generally Gmail seems to have the best hit rate at junking spam and allowing your real mail but it isn't 100% perfect. The worst in my experience is BT/Yahoo email – the spam filter is not very efficient letting a lot of rubbish through but marking genuine mail as spam – consequently you get a lot of rubbish but significantly you don't get all of your proper emails!

Never fear – this can be fixed but the method varies from provider to provider. For BT/Yahoo mail you need to visit the flashing adverts page one more time and log in to your account (go to www.btinternet.com or mail.yahoo.com or mail.yahoo.co.uk depending on your address) and click on the options at the top right. You need to change a setting in the POP and Forwarding section which allows all spam to be collected too. Note you have the option to prefix everything they think is spam with [Bulk] so that you get a warning when you look at new email as it arrives.

Gmail is slightly more complicated – first you have to turn on POP to be able to use it (log in via mail.gmail.com and click on options – the little cog at the top right, then choose Forwarding and POP/IMAP, choose the enable POP of your choice and click save). Finally you need to set up a filter so that all junk is picked up in your email program. To do this, go back to the mail options page and click on Filters. Click create a new filter, type @ in the 'From' box and

click 'Next Step', on the next page select 'Never Send it to Spam' and then click 'Create Filter'. This effectively turns off the spam filter and sends all mail to the inbox. Now you will receive all of your mail in your email program of choice but you will have to deal with spam manually. For other providers you will need to check the settings yourself or ask your provider for help. That's it for another month, any questions or ideas for article please drop me a line via my website www.dalescomputerservices.com.

Carol Haynes

On time, Every time!

Following many totally justified complaints that the clock on Dryden House building facing the Market Place in Hawes was always wrong – this is what you get when you buy off the Internet from the Orient – our brand new clock is solidly British made, runs off a mains electricity supply, and self- adjusts to Satellite time twice a day. Oh dear - no more excuses for my being late for work !
John Blackie

Thinking of a Present?

Have you a relative or a friend recently moved away for the area? Can't think what to give them for Christmas?

How about a year's subscription to the Newsletter? £8.00 (£.15 overseas).

Cheap Rides!

Don't forget that DALES RAILCARDS offer their usual winter concession for travel on the Leeds-Settle-Carlisle, the Leeds-Morecambe line and as far as Brampton on the Carlisle-Newcastle line.

With the card (£10— buy on line or at Settle Station) there is one-third off most local fares, but from **October 31st through to mid-February** travel on the above lines is just £6.50.

The card is available for people living in designated post code areas. All the codes within the Newsletter circulation area, and many others adjacent to the lines, are included.

ACS Taken Over by 'Webstorm'

Abbotts Computer Services Ltd (ACS) which was run for 12 years by Phil Abbott from Rose Cottage Redmire has been sold to another PC and internet support company, 'webstorm', run by Chris Grierson. Chris is keen to continue to support existing ACS customers and grow the business in the Dales with new home and business clients and can be contacted on **607010**. Chris says "If it's a computer, runs on a computer or it attaches to a computer give me a call".

November on the Wensleydale Railway

Bonfire Night (November 5) is on a Saturday this year so no doubt all the community events will be held on the same evening! However if you have family or friends down the dale, how about catching The Bonfire Express from Redmire to join them at Bedale's fireworks display? Vegetation clearance is still in progress so check train times by phoning the railway office.

Scheduled Trains run between Redmire and Leeming Bar on four days a week throughout November: Tuesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. November 12/13 will be Poppy Day week-end on the railway. (The last date for the vintage bus service from Ripon, Leyburn and Redmire to Hawes and Garsdale is Sunday October 30).

Friday November 25th there will be two special events. Most people travel on the train for these but, if you live this side of Redmire, you would be very welcome to ring me to check how you can join in as booking is needed for both events.

(a) Shopping excursion to Carlisle with an optional tour in aid of charity beneath Carlisle station – it's huge!

(b) 5 mile guided walk from Leyburn to Redmire, followed by a Festive Lunch at the Bolton Arms. There's a great menu!

Santa Specials (and they are special!) Dates are Dec 3/4, 10/11,17-24. This is a reminder to book early to get your first choice of date and time.

Settle-Carlisle Walking Conference Wednesday November 16, Saltaire

The programme for this event is on website www.foscl.org.uk – or call in at the Community Office for a copy. There will be speakers on walking for health (a cancer nurse); walking in the dales (no surprise

there!) and the new long-distance route between Settle and Hadrian's Wall – pioneered by a 19 year old Wainwright just before the second world war. He called it Pennine Journey and our speaker is the project manager who is organising the way-marking etc. Of special interest to accommodation providers will be the significance of walkers to the local economy, with mention of the Settle-Carlisle Walking Festival, planned for May 1-7, 2012. The event is organised by SCENE, the Settle-Carlisle Enterprise Network and costs £15 including lunch; start and finish times suit travel by train from Garsdale station.

Office phone for enquiries and bookings, including Santa Specials **08454 50 54 74**

www.wensleydalerailway.com

Ruth Annison 650349

New free iPhone App for Settle-Carlisle Railway

Now available on-line from Apple stores is a free iPhone and iPad app which will enhance any journey on the Settle-Carlisle line. Some forty sections of commentary are played at specific waypoints along the line, synchronised with your GPS location. Friends of the Settle-Carlisle Line Managing Director Ian Fisher says that "It's like having your own personal expert travelling with you". The App also provides information on things to do and places to eat, stay and visit in the towns and cities the Settle - Carlisle railway serves.

Prunings

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

“Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness,
Close bosomed friend of the maturing
sun...”

It is said that Keats wrote his “Ode to Autumn” in September 1819, and we certainly had the fruitfulness this September. Friends and neighbours have had a bumper apple crop, and I am contemplating green tomato chutney. By the time this is in print we shall have had plenty of frost, and possibly snow.

The wind has shaken off plenty of leaves to Hoover up and compost. There are so many jobs to do that I hardly know where to start. I have taken lots more cuttings, and the pelargoniums are now cut back and safely in the greenhouse. I have cut back the aeoniums which had grown into trees over the summer. As they take up so much room I think it might be better to propagate new ones and dispose of the woodiest specimens. We have decided to get rid of some of the larger shrubs which block the view from the patio and replace them with roses. Much as I like the forsythia, it has grown huge and has certainly seen better days. I shall take plenty of hardwood cuttings when we dig it out, and I have put the new rose bushes into long pots so that they can be mulched in as soon as the space is cleared.

The olive tree I bought in a misguided moment has grown well, and I have taken some cuttings from it, (fingers crossed) but I think it has little chance of survival outside if we have a long winter.

The least successful purchase this year has been the acidanthera or gladiolus calianthus to give them their proper name. From all the bulbs I potted up, and there

were several dozen, only two flower stems have appeared. Outside I knew they might struggle to flower in our northern climate, but to be on the safe side I kept some in the polytunnel. The result has been exactly the same, and I bought them from several sources to compare performance. Up to today, the 18th October, it has been universally poor.

As usual, hope springs eternal and there will be something which surprises me with its resilience, but until I come across it I shall have to soldier on with the chopping and pruning and clearing up.

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

Rose Rambler

Drop in for Coffee

**Tuesday November 1st
10.00am– 12.30pm**

Angela Moore, Beckstones, Carperby

£1 to include coffee/tea and biscuits.

The proceeds will be divided between the St Andrew’s church and a charity chosen by the host. Everybody welcome!

Christmas Cookery and Craft

There will be a special fundraising evening of Christmas Cookery & Craft on

Wednesday 2nd November

to raise money to stage this year’s **Christmas Tree Festival at St Oswald’s.**

Elizabeth Guy will be demonstrating cookery for Christmas and Carol Pounder will demonstrate Christmas Craft.

The evening will start at **7.30 pm**
at **Askrigg Primary School.**

Tickets cost £5 to include refreshments and are available from Elizabeth Guy **650671.**



Help us Make Will Aid
a Winner This November

During November, David Gall Solicitors in Hawes, North Yorkshire will write basic Wills without charging our normal fee. Instead, we hope that you will donate a similar amount to Will Aid charities.

You will gain peace of mind, knowing your affairs are in order, and thousands of people in need will gain the skills, tools and support they need to improve their lives for a suggested donation of £75 for a single Will or £110 for a pair of matching Wills (no VAT payable).

It is extremely important to seek qualified and professional expertise when making a Will, so do not put it off any longer. **Telephone 01969 667171** or call in and make an appointment today.

David Gall Solicitors, Fulford House, Town Foot, Hawes, North Yorkshire. DL8 3NN e-mail: info@davidgall.co.uk (**Will Aid supports nine major charities including Age UK, NSPCC and Christian Aid**)

Are You at Uni Now?

Don't forget that this Newsletter offers a substantial first-year Book and Equipment Award. Students should write in requesting to be considered and then when we receive evidence of purchase, a grant of up to £250 will be made available.

Bainbridge School PFA Committee

Wednesday 9th November at 7.00pm

Pampered Chef Evening

£2.00 Admission on the door
(including refreshments)

Cookery demonstration with Ready Steady
Cook competition will start at 7.30pm.

(See also p.34)

Beauty and the Beast

It's just seven weeks until we take to the Market House stage again, for this year's production "Beauty and the Beast". We invite you to join us for a fun family night out in Pantoland with Belle, Prince Rupert and all the staff at Dusty Cob's Bakery. Buy your tickets now if you would like to beat the rush. They are available from the Sweet Shop in Hawes, Sykes Store in Askrigg or at www.wensleydale.org.

You will not have escaped rising prices on every-day items over the past few months and this too has been affecting production costs year on year. Last year the wintry weather also affected our ticket sales and we are unable to subsidise the cost of putting on the production this year. The Committee has therefore taken the difficult decision to increase the price of tickets to £12.00 for adults and £10.00 for children. If anyone would like to further support HAOS with a donation please send it to **Jennifer Fawcett, Pry House, Appersett.**

Everyone taking part gives their time voluntarily and we greatly appreciate all the support whether on stage, behind the scenes or as a valued member of the audience.

We look forward to welcoming you to "Beauty and the Beast".

Jennifer, Joanne and Colin

The National School and a new charity for Hawes

The National School buildings, situated close by St Margaret's Church Hawes, were given in Trust in 1846 for use as a school "for poor persons" of Hawes. The property ceased to be used as a school in 1879, and although the church carried on using it for a Sunday School and meeting room, over the years the schoolroom and a head master's house have fallen into disuse and disrepair.

The Trustees have applied to the Charity Commission for permission to sell the building, and have secured planning permission for future development as housing, including housing to meet the needs of local people. Although some of St Margaret's Parochial Church Council had originally hoped that cash from any sale would be available to help pay for repairs to St Margaret's church, it has become clear that this would breach the terms of the original trust deed, and so is not legally possible.

Instead, the Trustees have now applied for permission from the Charity Commission to create a new educational trust, the St Margaret's Educational Trust. This new charity will be able to support educational projects and community development in Upper Wensleydale, especially Hawes. It will also be allowed to fund grants and bursaries for local children, young people and adults to undertake study and courses.

A copy of the proposed new Charity's objects and constitution is now available for public consultation, at the Vicarage. This consultation ends in early November, after which the Trustees will apply for it to be formally registered with the Charity Commission, and then shall place the property on the market

Rev. Michael Blanch

Askrigg School News

The Day the Viking Came!

On Monday a Viking lady came in and she said "Specky Norse" which had us all clutching our sides in laughter. "Specky Norse" meant, "do you say Norse".

She showed us some Viking poor girls clothes which consisted of some under wear which you wear like a dress then you have a wool gown on.

A rich boy would wear some baggy Rus pants that would only be found in Russia and worn by traders. He might wear a Rus hat as well which is like a jesters hat and some under wear then a cloak with a knife strapped at the side of him, he has a wool jumper as well.

Then she told us about being a free man or woman.

1. S/He has a key for a box to keep all their money and jewellery.
2. S/He has a knife or sword strapped on to them.
3. S/He might wear money or brooches and jewellery.
4. S/He will have a purse to fill with coins which will be weighed when at the shop.
5. S/He might have a few slaves behind her/him.

To finish she told us a Beowulf story. It was a very good morning and we learnt a lot.

Joe Y6

Don't Forget Your Shoe Box

This year's shoe boxes for 'Operation Christmas Child' must be handed in by the deadline which is **Friday November 11th** to the Hawes Post Office or Community Office. Hawes School harvest festival held in the Methodist Church just as this Newsletter was being finalised, has brought the gifts this year for the shoe box appeal.

Hawes School News

Children's Dream Fundraising

Thanks to everyone for making the Friday fundraising for the Child's Dream Charity so successful. The children raised £115.00. We were very impressed with the 'House Captains' for stepping forward and organising and running the cake and book stalls. If you'd like to know more about Liz and Chris and their sponsored cycle from New Zealand to England, go online to www.bikeabout.co.uk



Blog Update

www.hawes.posterous.com Photos from the London residential, sports day and the dressing up day are now available. Class 1, Nursery and Dalesplay have also recently made some posts.

Goodbye

We would like to take this opportunity to wish Margaret a happy and well deserved retirement after dedicating 30 years work to Hawes School. She has seen many children come and go over the years and I'm sure she has supervised many of the parents at lunchtime.

Bainbridge School News

What wet weather we are having! Rain didn't put Y5 & Y6 off playing in the Hi 5 Netball Tournament at Wensleydale School though, and we finished 3rd & 4th, so well done! Film Club is still proving popular, as is Xplore Club which is now being run by Margret Ferguson. The children had a great time learning more about The Bible through fun games and craft work.

A very BIG thank you to all who helped Mr Moore, with the successful maintenance morning. After the jobs were finished a 'Live and Deadly' event was enjoyed by all. Crimes had to be solved, wild animal tracks had to be identified and the Detectives went home satisfied their work was complete...that is until the next time! Jayne our school cook made a special Harvest Lunch for pupils and their guests after a week of activities and work themed around Harvest Celebration and food from around the world, including a visit from Mrs Parveen Nadim talking about two Eid Festivals, and a trip to Hawes Creamery.

Finally dates for the diary, Wed 9th Nov a Pampered Chef Evening will be held at school 7.30pm for tickets-£2- please contact Angela Peacock **650212**. All funds raised from this PFA event will be for Bainbridge School and pupils.

Melanie Hammond, Parent Governor

Sport and Fitness Classes

Askrigg

Body Max Junior – Mondays from 6.30-7.30pm. From age 13 – get fit in the gym.

Bootcamp – Mondays 7.00 to 7.45am
Exercise outside in a fitness session to increase energy levels.

Body Max – Adults – Wednesdays 6.30-7.30pm. Improve cardio vascular fitness and muscle strength and tone.

Clinical Pilates – Thursday 6.00-7.00pm. Strengthens and improves posture and increases protection from injuries and bad backs.

Gentle Exercise – Fridays 10.00-11.00am. For over 50s - strengthens muscles and helps maintain co-ordination, flexibility and body tone.

Over 30s Football on our Multi Use Games Area on **Friday nights 7.00pm.** New players welcome - just turn up. Only £2 per week.

Costs for classes £4 per week (Body Max Junior £2)

Why not give a Gym Membership Gift Voucher as a Christmas present? When buying a month's gift membership, we will include a half price induction and exercise program for £10. The voucher is gift wrapped and can be collected from the Wensleydale Centre.

For more details on this or any of the above please ring **Jan on 650060/07968 606571**

Richard Dinsdale (Gayle) would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for their cards and kindness during and after his hip operation.

Gayle Mill Events

Sunday, 6th November: Demonstrations Tours at **11.00am and 2.30pm** (tours last approx. 2 hours). Special guided tours with demonstrations of water-powered Victorian woodworking machinery. £10 adult, £5 child (includes light refreshments)
Booking advised: tel. **667320**

Monday 7th November: Traditional Sock Knitting **10.00am – 4.00pm** £35 per person booking essential

Saturday 19th November: Traditional Gate Making 9.00am – 5.00pm £175 per person booking essential, including lunch

Gayle Mill Christmas Fayre

Saturday 26th November

10.30am – 4.30pm

Admission £2 adults (includes seasonal refreshments) Traditional wooden and seasonal crafts, children's activities and tombola. Children under 12 free
ALL WELCOME

Tel: **667320** www.gaylemill.org.uk

Askrigg School requires a Midday Supervisor

**6.25 hours per week (1.25 hours per day)
Monday – Friday, Term-time Only**

Would you be interested
in working in the school environment?

We are looking for someone to take on this important and rewarding role of caring for, and keeping our children safe at lunchtimes.

Rate of pay £6.63 per hour and the position is subject to an enhanced CRB check. Local Government Pension scheme is available with the post.

Please contact Kath Alderson on **650331** for more details or an application form.



Mystery Picture. You will all have passed it many a time. No reader seemed to know where last month's was!

Hawes Christmas Lights Spectacular 2011

We have come again to the time of the year where the Hawes Christmas lights committee erects the lights in Hawes. Committee members have spent many a long night repairing the cross-streets lights and are looking forward to having them switched on. Many new lights have been purchased and we will re-position others that are now working to full brightness.

The Switch-On will be on **Saturday 3rd December** along with the Christmas Party. All children are invited, both local and visitors. There is no charge for children attending the party but parents are asked to bring some party food to share. Doors open at **1.00pm** with the added attraction this year of **'Wensleydale's got Talent'**. Colin Bailey is our master of ceremonies and will start the programme at **1.30pm prompt** please come along and give your support.

After the Talent Show we will have a few

games and the nibbles. At 4.00pm, in the Market Place, there will be Carol singing with the Hawes Prize Silver Band and **Father Christmas** will arrive in his sleigh at about **4.30pm** with gifts for all children.

We again ask everyone to become a **Friend of the Hawes Christmas Lights**. All personal donations will have a chance to win a Christmas bonus of 10% of the funds donated. Forms will be distributed in early November and additional application forms are available at Hawes Post office and Whites of Wensleydale.

This year the committee has started selling Christmas Cards with Greetings from Hawes on a winter scene and all proceeds will go towards the funds for purchasing new lights. Many traders in the town have them for sale, please purchase them for your Christmas message. If you have any good photos of the lights, or one that would make a Christmas card from Hawes, the committee would be grateful to receive them, please leave them at the Post Office or Whites of Wensleydale.

All work is done by volunteers and we are always asking for assistance in the repair and refurbishment of the lights throughout the year, as well as the erection and removal of the lights. If you can give a few hours please come along, we do have a good laugh while working.

The cherry picker will be attending on Wednesday 2nd November to put up the overhead lights, let's hope for a dry day. We will be starting at 9.00am from the Post Office. If you can assist please contact **Kevin White 667236**.

The Christmas Lights Committee wishes a peaceful, safe and wonderful Christmas for you and your families.

Wayne Webster, for the committee.

WHAT'S ON LISTINGS - Add these dates to your diary

October

- 29 NSPCC Coffee morning. Jean Cockburn's house, Aysgarth. 10.00am until noon
- 29 Coffee morning; Stalling Busk. 10.00am until noon.
- 30 St Oswald's Askrigg. United service at Bainbridge Methodist Church 10.30am
- 30 Table top sale; Hawes Market Hall for Hawes School
- 31 Dales Railcard Winter special fares begin. See p6.

November

- 1 Hawes Drama Group reads 'Silhouette' by Simon Brett. Gayle Institute. 7.30pm
- 1 "Drop in for Coffee" in Carperby P37.
- 2 Christmas Cookery and Craft at Askrigg See p37.
- 2 Church Coffee Club at Redmire. P18.
- 3 NSPCC Teas and Stalls; Carperby. P.4
- 5 Craft Fayre at Sycamore Hall. See p9.
- 5 Bonfire Night. See p. 9
- 6 Sales Table at St Andrew's, Aysgarth. Donation of baked items, preserves, garden produce and craft items would be appreciated
- 6,7,19. Gayle Mill events. See p.35
- 8 Decorative and Fine Arts Society; Middleham 2.00pm. See p13.
- 8 YDNPA Planning Committee. Yoredale, Bainbridge. 10.30am
- 9 A Pampered Chef evening at Bainbridge school. See p. 30,34.
- 12 Askrigg School PTFA event; Carperby Village Hall. See p4.
- 10,17,24 Wensleydale Country Market; Leyburn Methodist Hall.
- 11 Last day to hand in 'Shoebbox'. p33
- 11 Short Armistice day service; Hawes Methodist Church Memorial organ. 10.45am. P18
- 11 Pie and pea supper, Crown Inn Askrigg, for Low Mill Centre: Tickets: **650626**
- 13 Remembrance Sunday;
 - St Oswald's, Askrigg - 10.30am
 - St Margaret's, Hawes - 10.30am
 - St Oswald's, Castle Bolton - 9.30am
 - St Margaret's, Preston under Scar
 - Holy Trinity, Wensley with West

- Witton at 10.45am
- St Andrew's, Aysgarth at 11.00am
- 16 Settle-Carlisle Walking Conference, Saltaire. See p28.
- 17 Hawes W.I. "The Crown Prosecution Service". Hawes Methodist Rooms. 7.00pm
- 18 Museum Friends "The Origins and History of the Yorkshire Dialect". Dr. Barrie Rhodes. 7.30pm
- 19 Live music in the Fountain, Hawes
- 24 Gayle Ladies; Drama reading by the Hawes Drama Group. 7.30pm
- 25 Two Wensleydale Railway events. See p28.
- 25 Yorebridge Sport and Fitness Fundraiser. Crown, Askrigg. p35.
- 25 "Food for Thought" with Rev. Cannon Richard Cooper at West Burton. See p18.
- 25 Christingle celebration at Redmire Village Hall. See p17.
- 26 Gift Day at St Andrew's, Aysgarth. See p4.
- 26 Gayle Mill Fayre. See p.35
- 26 Live music in the Crown, Hawes
- 27 Advent Sunday
- 27 Cafè Church with Christingles at St Andrew's, Aysgarth at 11.00am.
- 27 Table Top sale and Dalesplay Fayre in Market House, Hawes. See p.25
- 29 YDNPA Full authority meeting; Yoredale, Bainbridge. 10.30am

December

- 2 Hawes School Fayre
- 3 Christmas fun at the Museum; Crafts and quizzes. Mother Christmas, mulled wine and mince pies. Free entry, 10.00am to 4.00pm
- 3 Hawes Christmas Lights Festival
- 7 The Rocking Horse Winner by North Country Theatre at DCM. 7.30pm. See P3

Doctors' Rotas as Supplied by the Health Centre

AYSGARTH SURGERY ROTA Wb - week beginning											HAWES SURGERY ROTA Wb - week beginning										
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