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## Editorial

**R**apid change. Has each older generation always thought things are changing faster now than ever before? Today, the most obvious factor is the growth of IT and the Internet, with tens of millions of daily emails, Facebook and Twitter messages, the knock-on effect being that people are not meeting together like they once had to do for their work, business or social contacts.

Some say the very effective smoking ban plus cheap drink available from supermarkets has made people stay at home instead of going out to the pub or club. For the young, youth clubs are being forced to close as part of the austerity drive.

Another thing that often gets overlooked, that has changed enormously over two or three generations, is the number and make-up of people living in our villages. In the 1940s there were still schools with large numbers of children for example at Lunds, at Hardraw and up Bishopdale, and until much more recently in West Witton. Most houses and cottages were lived in all the time; now there are fewer children and many more people not in permanent residence, together with a loss of local employment opportunities.

If we add to this the number of people who work away or who travel further and more often for their shopping, leisure or to visit relatives and friends (who are now much more widely spread over the country or the world!), it makes a huge difference to our society and to the organisations still operating, with greater difficulties in recruiting new members or those able or willing to take responsibility.

Some interest group meetings or even sports groups disappear as (often younger) people are less inclined to be 'joiners' and older people get weary or their numbers decline.

Most villages still have village halls, pubs, churches or chapels all of which sometimes struggle to make ends meet and keep up with the property maintenance and the need to move with the times. Most of these were built when the population was greater and when there was no television or even radio, let alone the Web to keep us at home. People from away are often amazed when we tell them the small size of our villages despite a slight increase in some over the last ten years. (As examples: *Hawes High Abbotside— that includes Hardraw, Appersett and Burtersett- about 1400; Askrigg and Bainbridge areas about 500 each; Aysgarth 230; Carperby about 250; Redmire 350; West Burton and Walden 300 and West Witton 350; and*

*these, from the latest census figures and estimates, will include people who happen to be in the holiday cottages).* To many people from away, their idea of a 'village' is much bigger than our towns!

This raises huge issues about the future of our public buildings and our groups and organisations, and whether there will be a continuing tendency to stay at home, with community involvement continuing to decline. So the message this month and this festive season: go out, call on people, join in something going on – even in a different Dales village! (See the What's Ons, there is no shortage). It just might be better than staying at home!

## Annual Christmas Charity Concert

Hawes Silver Prize Brass Band, conducted by Stan Roocroft, has hosted a concert in Hawes Market House every Christmas for over 25 years, raising in excess of £30,000 for national and regional charities.

This year's concert on **Friday December 21st at 7.30pm** will be *a great Christmas sing with the band and the Young Voices Choir* with all proceeds in aid of Hawes local charities. There will be a raffle and the band would appreciate any contribution of raffle prizes. Admission on the door: £6.00 Any local charities wishing to apply for a donation should register their interest in writing to **Sue Woof, HSPB secretary, Ghyll House Style, Kidlington, Sedbergh, LA 10 5EH by January 7th**. Application forms will be available towards the end of January.

## Newsletters by Post

**Renewal time!** For those who have not yet renewed their subscriptions, for the next year please send £10 (or £15 overseas) as soon as possible to our treasurer: **Janet W. Thomson, Stone House, Thornton Rust, Leyburn, DL8 3AW**

## Why Our Health Costs Are So High

Kevin had shingles. Those of us who spend much time at the doctor's should appreciate this:- Doesn't it seem more and more that physicians are running their practices like an assembly line?

Here's what happened to Kevin:

Kevin walked into the health centre and the receptionist asked him what he had. Kevin said: 'Shingles.' So she wrote down his name, address, medical insurance number and told him to have a seat.

Fifteen minutes later a nurse's aide came out and asked Kevin what he had.

Kevin said, 'Shingles.' So she wrote down his height, weight, a complete medical history and told Kevin to wait in the examining room.

A half hour later a nurse came in and asked Kevin what he had. Kevin said, 'Shingles.' So the nurse gave Kevin a blood test, a blood pressure test, an electrocardiogram, and told Kevin to take off all his clothes and wait for the doctor.

An hour later the doctor came in and found Kevin sitting patiently in the nude and asked Kevin what he had. A 60 Mile

Kevin said, 'Shingles.' The doctor asked, 'Where?'

Kevin said, 'Outside on the truck. Where do you want me to unload 'em?'

*These days we need all the laughs we can get!*

## Don't Overlook Your Job

The effects of flu can be more severe in certain groups, such as older people, pregnant women and people with an underlying health condition (particularly chronic heart or respiratory disease), or those with weakened immune systems.

Therefore, to protect against the potentially harmful effects of flu, it is recommended that these at-risk groups are vaccinated each year with the flu vaccine.

You can get vaccinated for free through your GP.

## A Forester's Travels in Brazil

**Friday November 30th, 7.30pm**

Gayle Mill; £3.50

Slide show by John Cumberland covering highlights from two trips to Brazil:

Amazon Delta, Iguassu Falls, Rio de Janeiro.



*Mystery picture  
Now which one is this? Last month's was  
looking up the street in Thoraby*

## Bartle Workshop

The next Bartle Workshop is on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December between 1.00 and 4.00pm** at Dales Countryside Museum. **North Country Theatre** is planning to do a large scale community play next summer and has been holding workshops exploring local folklore and ideas of scapegoating. The workshops have been supported by the RDPE (Rural Development Programme England) and European Leader Fund. New participants are welcome to attend.

For more information contact North Country on **01748 825288** or see:

[www.facebook.com/NorthCountryTheatre](http://www.facebook.com/NorthCountryTheatre) where you can find out what we have been up to with the Bartle project.

**Gillian Howells**

## Wensleydale Orchestra Annual Christmas Open Rehearsal

**7:30pm on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

Thornton Rust Village Institute

Admission free: All welcome

Come and listen to a friendly group who love to make music and have fun!

## Decorative and Fine Arts Society

### Aboriginal Art

In 'Dream time to Machine Time', Rebecca Hossack offers a window on Aboriginal Art and the ancient and arcane lore of the clan cultures. Her account of a combination of landscape, art and people is enthralling. She talks of what appears to be barren desert but which holds the imprinted memories of the ties of a people to a land.

Rebecca came to England in the early eighties to study for the bar at Lincoln's Inn, but abandoned the law for a career in art. She studied at Christie's and won a scholarship to work at the Guggenheim in Venice. Between 1993 and 1998, in partnership with Rio Tinto, she established the St. James's Sculpture Garden. She then opened her internationally renowned art gallery in London, and is credited with introducing Aboriginal Art to the UK.

In 2011 she celebrated 21 years of promoting Australian indigenous culture, through innovative exhibition programmes in the UK, America, Russia and Europe, and opened her New York gallery.

This Wensleydale Decorative and Fine Arts Society lecture is at Middleham Key Centre on **Tuesday 11th December at 2.00pm.**

Our 2013 programme begins with **The Good and Simple Life: Artists' Colonies in Britain and Europe** with Sandra Pollard on **Tuesday, 8th January.**

Non-members are welcome at £5 per lecture, pre-booking is essential, membership and further information is available from the Membership Secretary, tel. **01748 886545**

### Carols by Candlelight

**Friday 7th December at 7.00pm at**

Rookhurst, Gayle

Sing along with Rosi Keatinge and the Hunton Ladies.

Christmas Words and Music

Mulled Wine and Mince Pies

Admission by £5 ticket available from

**Ann Pilling (666960) or Vera Sinton (666948)**

**Or from The Old Sweet Shop or Whites of Wensleydale**

All proceeds to go to St Margaret's Repair Fund

## Upper Dales Area Partnership

### Grant scheme 2012-13

October's meeting agreed to grants for the following schemes:

1. Swaledale and Arkengarthdale Luncheon Clubs Association for sustaining the clubs.

2. Reeth and District Memorial Hall— Building enhancement

3. Bainbridge Parish Council—Aerial runway for playground.

4. Carperby Parish Council— Protection of grass verge.

5. West Witton village hall—New front door and frame

6. Askrigg and Low Abbotside— Playing field grass mowers

7. Aysgarth and District Parish Council— Dog bin

8. Burton-cum-Walden— Jubilee bench

9. Swaledale Festival— 2013 Community and Education programme

10. Richmondshire Youth Council— Youth democracy

11. 1st Wensleydale Scout Group— Camping equipment

12. Swaledale Scout Group—Development plan

13. Muker Parish Council— Signposting

14. Hudswell Parish Council— Parishing the Upper Dales

15. North Yorkshire Police—Operation 'Pavisade'

### Walk Around Wensleydale

is a new book by Diana Jolland which is attractively illustrated with maps and drawings by David Nash.

Starting from Leyburn Shawl, the walk can be completed in one go, by keen long distance walkers, or at a much more leisurely pace. It is divided into sections of 5 to 10 miles to allow the individual walker the choice of how many miles to walk in a day, bearing in mind the stunning scenery along the way.

*The book celebrates the 60th anniversary of the Wensleydale Society* and all profits will go to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. You can buy copies from Welcome to Leyburn or The Walking Shop, Leyburn. At only £4.00 per copy it will make an excellent Christmas gift and a good read in front of a roaring fire on a snowy evening!

The next Wensleydale Society lecture is 'Jervaulx Abbey', by Ian Burdon on **Friday, December 7th** at West Burton Village Hall.



## Christmas

Here we are again! 'Where does the time go', I hear myself say, 'It only seems like a minute ago that it was this time last year'

And it does, doesn't it?

I wonder if farmers think the same when it comes to that time for the September sheep sales at the Auction Mart?

Times and seasons come and go, but what do those times and seasons mean?

I guess that for farmers it means the relief of another good harvest when all that work that has gone on over the year comes to fruition with a good sale.

I wonder what Christmas means then?

Is it just a struggle to make ends meet and to get all that family and loved ones want? A struggle to make Christmas day fit the fantasy of what it might be like, of what you have always hoped for, of what it seems to be for everyone else? Is it a sense of relief that this year it can be all you have wanted? Or is it always a time of worry that you will have enough; that loved ones will be happy with the effort and that it will go off without a hitch?

What was it meant to be, not to the Victorians or anyone else, but to God?

It was meant to be a revelation; to show the world how much God loves us, no matter what. Christmas is about Love, not presents or huge meals or parties. It is about so much love that we cannot imagine it. It is about a relationship of love with you and me that lasts forever even through thick and thin.

The best Christmas present that you can give anyone is you, with no frills or sparkles or extras of any kind, even as God gave us His Son.

Just as farmers have worked hard all year to bring in their harvest so you have worked hard all year being you and what more precious gift could you give to someone than that?

**Rev. Ann Chapman**

## Christmas Carols with Cantabile and Elastic Band

Please join us in our annual charity carol singing event which will be accompanied by performances from The Wensleydale School's Cantabile and Elastic Band. Drinks and mince pies will be provided but contributions towards a savoury supper would be very much appreciated.

Thornton Rust Village Hall

**Wednesday, 5th December, 7.00pm - 9.00pm**

All donations to charity (suggestions welcome).

## Music and Mince Pies

AYSGARTH SINGERS

present

AN EVENING OF CHORAL MUSIC

**Friday, December 7th, 7.30pm**

St Andrews Church, Aysgarth

£6.00 at the door

Mince pies will be served in the interval.

## Hawes Grammar School Trust

If you are currently in full time higher or further education and live in the parish of Hawes then you are eligible for an award of £25 towards the cost of your books /materials related to your course.

If you feel that you are eligible for the award then please contact me for further details.

**Rebecca Alderson 667760**

## Hawes School News

**Pantomime.** The whole school, along with parents and grandparents, are going to see Sleeping Beauty at Darlington Theatre on Thursday 13th December.

**Children in Need.** Thank you to everyone who dressed up and supported our 'Children in Need' appeal. We raised £48.60. Please look at our school blog for the photos, and we would be grateful if you would post your comments on the blog. Blog Address - [www.hawes.posterous.com](http://www.hawes.posterous.com)

**Morrison's Vouchers.** We would like to thank those people who very kindly saved their vouchers for us. We collected a total of 1064, with which we are able to get 2 fruit trees, a film tunnel, compost and a broom. These will be a great asset for the gardening club, which meets every Tuesday.

**Christingle.** We are having a Christingle service on Thursday 20th December at St. Margaret's Church – 1.30pm. Please come along and join us.

**Crucial Crew.** On Tuesday 20th November children in Years 5 and 6 attended 'Crucial Crew' at RAF Leeming. This is a Safety Awareness workshop organised by North Yorkshire Police and North Yorkshire County Council.

**Class 1 Nativity.** Our Nativity this year is 'Hey Ewe', and is taking place in the school hall on Tuesday 18th December at 2pm and 6pm. Everyone welcome.

### Charity Christmas Coffee, Cakes and Craft

Thornton Rust Village Hall  
**Sunday, 9th December, 2.00-5.00 pm**  
Everyone welcome at this Fun and Festive afternoon where there will be Homemade Cake and Drinks, Mulled Wine, Children's Christmas Activities, a Raffle, Christmas Stalls and a Visit from Santa. Entry (which includes Homemade Cake and Drinks served at your Table):  
Adult £3; Child £1; Family of Four £6  
All proceeds to go to the Wensleydale School Sixth Form Amala Children's Home Fund.

### Chemist: Holiday Opening

J&E Hogg Chemist in Hawes will be open as follows:

We will be open as usual from 9:00am to 5:30pm Monday to Saturday, except for the following:

Christmas Day (25th) - CLOSED;

Boxing Day (26th) - CLOSED,

New Year's Day - CLOSED

Make sure you have a few simple over-the-counter remedies in the medicine cabinet in readiness for those minor ailments that can take the enjoyment out of the festive season. Painkillers (liquid form for the kids), cough/cold remedies, something for an upset stomach, and a few first aid essentials. Pop in and ask the pharmacist for advice or ring on **667213**.

**Janet - the pharmacist**

### Exhibition

at the National Park Authority offices, Yoredale, Bainbridge

**Andrew Kinmont**

**Sublime Northern Light**

**November 2012 to January 2013**

**8.30 am to 4.30 pm Monday to Friday**

The exhibition's title reflects his enduring fascination with the sublime – those qualities of nature that both inspire and humble us. Expressed through gestural brushmarks and vivid colour, his paintings are unashamedly personal as he explores his responses to the Northern landscape.

For more information about Andrew and the exhibition please telephone **Lesley Knevitt**

**at the National Park Authority, 652326**

### Annual Toy Service

**Churches Together in Hawes**

**Sunday December 2nd, 10.30am.**

It is the turn of the

**Hawes Methodist Church**

**to host the service this year. As usual the Salvation Army will be receiving new toys and gifts from those attending. It is expected that the Brownies will take part in the service**

## Folk in Carperby— and Far Beyond

It might surprise you to read that the Newsletter has featured over 200 local people over its 17 years, and we never quite know what will be found out when we visit for the ‘interview’- though that sounds a bit formal. We often come upon real enthusiasts!

So it was, that after a recommendation at our committee meeting, I was off to meet Steve Sheldon. We knew this much: that he reports on the Carperby pavilion and has organised occasional concerts in the village since arriving about six years ago. Now read on!

As we met in Carperby’s old school, I detected a slight East Midlands twang (years of doing B and B got us interested in such things!).

Steve in fact was born and grew up on the border of Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire where his father was a pattern-maker in the steel industry. After university in Nottingham Steve became a teacher in South London and New Maldon in Surrey. “Don’t get the impression it was easy and posh”, he said, “It was a boys’ secondary modern with kids from the nearby estate!”

Steve taught history for many years, moving north, and also became librarian and the school’s media officer. But often it isn’t the job which is of interest—it’s the rest of one’s life!

In his case that means Folk Music and Cricket! Although there is no obvious musical talent in Steve’s family history, he was seriously ‘grabbed’ by it, promoting bands when at college, being the social and entertainments secretary and running Folk Clubs on a huge circuit, and this went on until about 1981. After that, the other love came into play; cricket, maybe only at village level, but about 50 games a season!

However, the interest and love affair with Folk grew and became more important; kindled on coming across *Fairport Convention* the English folk rock and later electric folk band, formed in 1967 who are still recording and touring today. (They are widely regarded as the most important single group in the English folk rock movement.

Their seminal album *Liege & Lief* is generally considered to have launched the electric folk or English folk rock movement, which provided a distinctively English identity to rock music and helped awaken much wider interest in traditional music in general).

It was recently claimed on Radio 2 that *Liege and Lief* was the most popular folk album of all time—41 years after the launch!

Steve really got going now! With increasing excitement he talked of the very wide range of ‘Folk’ today, from traditional tunes and lyrics collected in the early 1900s by such as Cecil Sharpe, then the electrifying of them and now more writing in that same style. But concerts may range from this right through to the ‘Rocky end’. “They’ve to have great lyrics and harmony and rock like the clappers!” Steve never played an instrument but sang unaccompanied for a number of years. His huge involvement has been in promotion, agency and administration.

At this point, inevitably, we moved with Steve’s wife, Terri (met at university and whose father had bought the Old School in 1963 after it closed) into an adjacent room to listen to examples of music selected from one of the biggest, carefully assorted collections of discs and records I’ve ever come across in a house! I must say it was very easy on the ear.

Steve’s main role, for twenty years now, has been in videos and merchandising leading to the setting up of websites. This clearly springs from his ‘media office’ days. “I was always interested in pushing buttons, and can understand instructions” he told me. Computing seems to have come relatively easily. His websites are viewed widely; take for instance *Folkicons* with many details of about 50 artistes. More recently the Folk scene has embraced music from many other areas of the whole world. “It’s come a long way since woolly jumpers, fingers in the ears and Morris dancing”, he said.

I expected discs to be ‘on’ all the time, but apparently now there is so much freely available on the web, thousands of albums of all kinds—classical, folk (in its widest sense) and rock— that that is the way so much is listened to.

We haven't finished. There is also the *Carperby Website*. You would expect it to be good and it is; Steve's done that. A vacancy occurred on the Parish Council; Steve's filled it. It was the Parish Plan with the subject of 'communication' which led to the website, which led to being a rep. to the Upper Dales Area Partnership, which led to the Strategic Partnership's study of Broadband in the area!

As for the occasional Carperby Concerts, these came about to raise money for the new pavilion, which is now paid for, so other charities will now benefit. Steve and Terri have been overwhelmed by the support for these. They continue as friends and contacts ask to come.

They feel that Folk will never be universally popular but it is a growing interest again, and notably in areas (south Yorkshire, Sheffield or west country counties for instance) where there's always been that tradition; and now, of course Carperby! Radios 2, 1 and local, seem to be showing more interest.

If it is case of 'asking a busy person' if you want something doing, Steve's one of these. There is still room for visiting friends' gigs and then the occasional large summer festivals. One near Banbury specially appeals; that also involves a good deal of nearby cricket!

A.S.W.

### **Kinesio Taping Comes to Wensleydale!**

Orthopaedic Massage Practitioner Josephine Lade has become an Advanced Kinesio Taping Practitioner. We've all seen the Olympians wearing coloured tape – it's not just for elite athletes though. Kinesio Taping is suitable for everyone and most types of musculoskeletal conditions from acute to chronic. Pre-event taping also available. Clinics at Hawes and Bainbridge. Contact Jo on **015396 24871** or [info@reflex-om.com](mailto:info@reflex-om.com) for information

### **New Pharmacist at Hawes Chemist**

I had the pleasure of meeting **Janet Gibbons**, the new pharmacist at Hawes chemists earlier this week.

Janet, who originally comes from the West Midlands did her training at Aberdeen University and qualified in 1979. She then moved with her family to Ilkley in 1982 where she owned her own shop and remained there until 2005. In their leisure time the family travelled to Dales most weekends and decided they would like to live here.

The opportunity arose this year and Janet started in Hawes in September. She has many interests which include knitting, sewing, handicrafts and she has also enrolled on a course for upholstery.

We wish her well in the future at Hawes.

S.E.D.

### **Wanted**

#### **Old CDs, DVDs and electronic games**

To help to fundraise for the Wensleydale School's Sixth Form trip to the children's orphanage in Amala, on behalf of Natasha Jauneika, who will be travelling out there in July 2013.

All donations will be gratefully received. Please drop off at Heather Cottage, Aysgarth or ring **Natasha on 663229** and she will arrange to collect them. Many Thanks.



### **Stay and Play Gayle Institute.**

Every Friday during Term time 9.15- 11.00am  
Come along with your child 0-5 years and join in free fun and games, have the opportunity to meet other parents and have a drink. A healthy snack is provided for the children!



### **Wensleydale Fundraising Group**

In 2008 the group started in grand style with the Annual Christmas Concert given by Hawes Prize Silver Band with East Witton Male Voice Choir. The event, supported by Barclays Bank and led by Stan Roorcroft, raised £1,967.

During the following years, coffee mornings, sales of books, golf equipment, bric-a-brac, etc, and the raffle of the magnificent Middleham Quilt, plus another Hawes Christmas Concert have helped swell the funds raised for the charity. Just since April this year money raised locally totals £6,116.

Money raised locally is spent locally and £180 pays for a full nine-hour shift by a Marie Curie Nurse in a patient's home. So a BIG thank you to everyone for all the wonderful support you continue to give. It is greatly appreciated and helps maintain the Marie Curie Nursing service in our local area.

The Wensleydale Fundraising Group is always looking for new ideas and would warmly welcome new members or suggestions of support. If you would like to help us in any way, either as a one-off or by joining the group, please telephone: **Marion Donnelly 623728** or email: Margaret Knight – [margaret.knight7@btinternet.com](mailto:margaret.knight7@btinternet.com)

**Marie Curie Cancer Care** provides high quality nursing care, totally free, to give terminally ill people the choice of dying at home supported by family and friends.

**A Marie Curie Nurse** is obtained by referral from your local GP or District Nurse. Marie Curie Nurses provide hands-on, practical nursing care. A nurse is usually in a home for 8 or 9 hours which means that family members or carers can take a break from caring to rest and get a good night's sleep.

**Marie Curie Nurses** care for almost half of all cancer and terminally ill patients who die at home in the UK. The Service is generally funded 50:50 by Marie Curie Cancer Care and the NHS.

**The Service** relies on donations from the public to continue its vital work.

### **Dales Volunteer Wins Top Award**

**David Preston** has been picked as winner of the individual category in this year's UK National Park Volunteer Awards, which is run by the UK Association of National Park Authorities.

David began as a Dales Volunteer with the National Park in 2009 and, since then, he has put in 273 days' work, which works out at an average of 91 days a year - way above the 15 days the Authority asks volunteers to give.

"I'm absolutely delighted to receive this award, it has come as a complete surprise," David said. "I'd also like to say a huge thank you to all the staff and volunteers who I've worked with in the Yorkshire Dales for giving me so much support and encouragement since I started to volunteer for the Authority."

Carl Lis, who is chair of UK ANPA and of the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, said: "It really is wonderful that David's efforts have been recognised by UK ANPA."

David, who lives in Askrigg, has developed such a passion for his work that he's about to embark on a degree in environmental conservation. He began by helping the Authority's Access Rangers with jobs like drystone walling, hedge laying, gate hanging and repairing footpaths and bridges. And he has gone on to train in habitat management (coppicing and tree planting) and is working towards obtaining a licence to handle hazel dormouse so he can help protect this endangered species. He has also collected seed samples to help restore precious hay meadows and has created an image library of tasks carried out by the north-east team as well as recording flora and fauna found while working on projects

In addition to volunteering in the National Park, David also volunteers for a local mental health charity.

### **Music and Mince pies with Young Voices**

In St. Margaret's Church, Hawes  
**Friday 14th December at 7.00 pm.**

£5 on the door

Proceeds for the Church Restoration Fund

## Have Your Say on National Park's Future

Consultations have begun on two important documents that will shape the future of the National Park.

The first is a draft version of the National Park Management Plan (NPMP). It has been produced by a partnership of organisations, including district and county councils, the Environment Agency, the National Park Authority, Natural England and representatives of local businesses like the Dales Farmer Network.

It lays out a strategy for looking after this fragile landscape for the next five years and follows the 'Your Yorkshire Dales National Park' questionnaire earlier this year that asked what people wanted the National Park to be like in the future.

The draft plan contains an ambitious vision for the National Park. Three areas identified as central to the future of the National Park and its communities are: improving the quality of the tourism offer, getting good access to broadband, and enhancing the wildlife of the National Park.

Natural England's area manager for North Yorkshire, David Shaw, said: "The draft NPMP recognises the critical role that farmers and landowners play in supporting the extraordinary range of internationally-important wildlife within the National Park.

Susan Briggs from the Tourism Network said: "Tourism is vital to the Yorkshire Dales economy - it brings money into the area and is the biggest source of employment for local residents."

The second document being put out for consultation is the first stage of writing the National Park Authority's own Local Plan. The final version will contain the detailed policies that will be used to decide planning applications and the future development of land and buildings from 2015 to 2030.

Organisations and individuals are being asked for their thoughts on an 'Issues Report', which highlights the key planning areas for the future of the National Park - including visitor facilities, local businesses, infrastructure and design.

Peter Stockton, the YDNPA's Head of Sustainable Development, said: "The Local Plan is the foundation upon which all the Au-

thority's planning decisions are made, so it is vital that we hear people's views on the big issues it needs to tackle."

Both documents and feedback details are available on the National Park's website at [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/lookingafter/your](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/lookingafter/your)

## Operation Christmas Child

The busy centre at Richmond Methodist Church has checked and packed over 1500 shoe boxes this year for transporting to Serbia and Romania. We took 111 boxes from Upper Wensleydale and we thank individuals, schools and other groups for their generosity in helping to bring real pleasure to disadvantaged children this Christmas. We also sent over £280 towards transport, and Operation Christmas Child will be able to claim at least £432 from Gift Aid. Thank you also to the many who donate on line.

On arrival in Eastern Europe the boxes are delivered through local churches, charities, schools and hospitals and given to children regardless of their nationality, political background or religious belief.

Fifteen years ago a young boy, Sasha, received a shoe box filled with gifts and school supplies. Now, aged 20, Sasha explained how much that box meant to him—it was his only present that Christmas. After a difficult time he fled to Montenegro and this year he is helping to distribute boxes to refugee children near his home. Many thanks to the Community Office Staff and Stephen and Linda at Hawes Post Office for receiving the boxes.

**Heather and Nelson Caplin**

## Christmas Sale

**Saturday December 1st 10.00am to 4.00pm**

Carperby Institute

Nearly new books,

Clothes, bric-a-brac and jewellery.

Tombola and cake stall.

Tea and coffee.

In aid of the Amala Children's Home

## Oh No Disaster (Part 2)

Last month I talked about making a disaster recovery plan if your computer suddenly went wrong and you lost all your documents, photos, emails etc. and had to recover them. This could happen for any number of reasons – theft of a laptop, lightning strike or just mechanical failure within your computer. In this article we can look at some practical suggestions on how to use external hard disks to store a copy of all your important data efficiently

### 1) Keep it Simple – just copy stuff.

The simplest way to backup your data is to physically copy stuff from your computer to an external hard disk. Just plug in a hard disk and then open a window with the files you want to copy and a window on the drive where you want to copy stuff and drag files from one place to the other with a mouse. This will work on almost any computer.

The disadvantage of this method is that it is very slow and time consuming and is error prone because you have to make sure not to miss anything important – not easily done when you have dozens of folders each with hundreds of files, emails hidden in an invisible folder etc..

An effective backup plan has to be quick and easy or human nature takes over and it won't get done regularly.

### 2) Regular Backups using a backup program.

When you buy an external hard disk they often come with free backup software. Almost invariably it isn't good software (there are exceptions) which is complicated to use and a bit hit and miss over whether it works or not.

If you are using Windows 7 (or 8) it has a very good backup program built in. Just click the Start Button (in windows7) and type Backup to see "Backup and Restore" appear in the list – click on it and away you go. Most people can select the default settings and the only thing you really need to do is to select the external drive as the location for the backup and also the time(s) and day(s) you want the backup system to do its job! You do need to remember to switch on your computer and plug in the external drive before the backup time but then you can go away and have a cof-

fee while the computer does its job.

Some large external drives don't work properly in Windows 7 with Backup and Restore (a bug Microsoft refuse to fix, though it is apparently fixed in Windows 8 – though I haven't checked). In this case there is a very good program which you can use for free called Macrium Reflect (you can download it from <http://www.macrium.com/reflectfree.aspx>). Note Macrium Reflect comes in various flavours – a free version which does a good basic job and paid for versions which add flexibility and features.

Whichever method you use you need a way to recover your data in the event of a disaster and both Windows Backup and Macrium Reflect off the ability to build a recovery CD to use in an emergency! Use a blank CD and make that CD immediately – then protect it from damage and store it carefully in case it is needed!

### 3) Synchronise your data!

Another method for backing up quickly on a daily basis is to synchronise certain folders to an external hard disk on a daily (or even hourly basis). Some programs will even synchronise continuously! Synchronising does what it sounds like – you choose your important folders and synchronise copies them to an external hard disk. From then on only files that change are copied so that you keep duplicate folders and files on your computer and the external drive.

A suitable free program you can experiment with is SyncBack Free (which can be downloaded from <http://www.2brightsparks.com/download-syncback.html>). It isn't as easy to use as the backup programs as it requires some initial setting up and management but it does give a lot of flexibility and works very quickly. There is a full manual available online (as well as the built in Help file).

In practice it is probably best to use a combination of all three of these methods – the first is very precise on what you copy, the second copies the whole computer but can take some time and the third works best on folders and sets of folders – but you do need to manage it a bit more. Whatever you decide to do – do it now before disaster strikes.

That's it for this month. If you have any questions do get in touch via my website [www.dalescomputerservices.com](http://www.dalescomputerservices.com).

**Carol Haynes**

## Festive Season Bumper Competition

### A miscellany!

(Local geography) T, S, U, W, N, A. What do they stand for?

(Maths/English) 3,3,5,4,4,3,5. What next?

(Music) B SB, M, C. What next?

(Sport) If C=11, R = 13 or 15, AF =11 what does L =

(History) What in common: Northampton, Ferrybridge, Towton, Hexham, Tewksbury?

(Geography) K, ES, WS, H, D. What next?

(Maths) 60, 90, 108, 120, 128.44, 135.  
What next?

### Now, the next line please!

1. Nine ladies dancing
2. Where and what his dwelling?
3. Join the triumph of the skies
4. With heart and soul and voice
5. Our finest gifts we bring
6. How steadfast your branches
7. And man at war with man hears not
8. The playing of the merry organ
9. And children listen
10. Whom angels greet with anthems sweet
11. Or daddy looked like him
12. And soon Miss Fanny Bright

Send in answers, even if not all complete

### Thanks from Jean!

Jean Cockburn (Aysgarth) would like to thank all those who supported and helped to raise £140 for the NSPCC at her coffee morning. Also thanks to all those in the local villages in the Aysgarth area who collected and supported the poppy appeal which raised £938

## November Competition Answers

*These are the initial letters of T.V. programmes, on the main channels:*

C S = Coronation Street

S C D = Strictly Come Dancing

A R S = Antiques Road Show

W R = Waterloo Road

M O T D = Match of the Day

D A (*Not Dad's Army!*) = Downton Abbey

P O G F T L O D = Paul O'Grady for the Love of Dogs

T O S = The One Show

A S M A M = All Star Mr and Mrs

W D Y T Y A = Who do you Think you Are

G B R J = Great British Railway Journeys

M A M M = Me and my Monsters

L L L = Location, Location, Location

E T T C = Escape to the Country

D W = Doctor Who

Winner: **Marion Alderson, Hawes.**

## Messy Nativity Sheep Trail

It's happening in Hawes during the first few weeks of December. Look out for the lost sheep in a variety of shops in Hawes- pick up a leaflet and discover the names of all the sheep that have lost their shepherd, as he journeyed to Bethlehem to see baby Jesus. We hope to gather all the sheep together and invite you to come along to join the Christmas celebrations in Hawes Methodist Church with Carols by Candlelight on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm.**

Further information available from **Rev Janet Park (Tel 667268)**

## Yorebridge Education Foundation

Are you in or going on to Higher Education?  
Do you live in the Primary School catchment areas of Hawes, Bainbridge or Askrigg?

If so you could receive a small grant from the Yorebridge Education Foundation.

Apply with your details to:-  
Yorebridge Education Foundation  
C/o The Upper Wensleydale Community Office,  
The Neukin, Market Place, Hawes, DL8 3RA

## Prunings

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

**D**riving down our little by-road this morning I was struck by the filthy state of it. I'm sure I'm not the only person old enough to remember when we had a road man. Ours was a well loved local character, and the job he did puts the present arrangements to shame. There is not much that can be done when there is a massive volume of water which arrives suddenly, but the quantity that remains on the highways and byways to be churned into pulp has much to do with there being no-one to shift the detritus and clean out the culverts. All this water and debris must damage the surface, especially when the frost comes. I wonder if anyone has bothered to calculate the long term cost effectiveness of replacing manpower with highly expensive machines which we hardly ever see, taking into account the resultant increased need to repair the tarmac. Come to that, it would be interesting to know exactly what percentage of our rates is spent on maintaining our roads excluding gritting. Leaves on the road can be quite hazardous; on the lawn however, although safety doesn't really enter the argument they are a nightmare, particularly if the ground has a tendency to retain moisture. I can't get my head round the fact that when the trees down the side of the "Fog Close", (the field I see from my kitchen window), drop their leaves and cover the field, it takes only a week for the blanket to disappear. On my lawn, if I don't move them, they'll still be there in the spring, lying like a wet mat killing the grass. Once again I have composting on my mind. This summer, two neighbours who have given up on the job, passed spare black bins to me. I am fortunate to have the old sheep folds where I can hide them, and now three are stuffed full of leaves. It may be a long time before anything is usable, but as they went in pretty wet, they should eventually decompose. In principle I "do" composting. In practice I fill up the bins and then ignore them. An odd stir is about all they get, I always have better things to do, but I am pleased to report that the bins which have been sitting for a couple of years are now just about friable: a product of patience perhaps, or more accurately idleness, but only because I have the space.

On a more cheerful note, I received my cata-

logue from Plant World in Devon – wonderful! What a way to spend a wet afternoon, and of course I shall buy far more than I could ever use. My excuse? You have to try things to find out what will survive here. On the same principle I have taken lots of cuttings from the shrubs this back-end, many which I have not tried before. As always I shall look for minute signs of growth as soon as the light levels improve.

Best wishes for the Festive Season. Good luck! And whatever you grow, take time to enjoy it.

**Rose Rambler**

## The End of an Era

We are sad to report that after a century the Mothers' Union branch at St Margaret's Church, Hawes, is closing on December 31st.

It was started in 1896, twenty years after the first meeting was held in Hampshire.

We are hoping to have a small display in the church at our closing service in the New Year. Does anyone in Hawes remember their mums or grans being members? Do you have any old photos of them at M.U. celebrations, or carrying the banner? Did they ever parade through Hawes?

We would like to borrow them for a few days. If you have anything, please contact:

**Liz Beresford 667340**  
**Elizabeth Chant 667361**

## News From the Vets

November has brought us at the practice many challenges mainly due to the weather. There have been numerous vomiting and diarrhoea bugs doing the round in the dales canine population including my own Patterdale terrier; always a real treat to come down in a morning to that but you'll all be pleased to hear that the problem seems to be reducing.

Another more serious problem we've had this month is a case of Leptospirosis in an unvaccinated dog. This is a fatal disease which can be easily vaccinated against in your dogs annual booster. Any unvaccinated dogs are at a serious risk. Please contact us at the Bainbridge surgery for more information in protecting your dogs against this preventable but fatal disease.

**Davinia Hinde**

**Edna Entwistle**

Would like to thank all neighbours and friends for their help and kindness when she was admitted to hospital; to all her many visitors and those who sent good wishes and cards during her stay at Lancaster Royal Infirmary and later at the Friary in Richmond. Both hospitals cannot be praised enough for their care and attention.  
Edna is now settled back in Gayle.

**James Scarr and family** would like to thank everyone for cards, good wishes and much appreciated support during his recent stay in hospital.

**BOWN**

Happy 21st birthday Sam.  
December 25th.  
Lots of love: Mum, Dad and Katie

**Happy Birthday Rima**  
Lots of love on this special occasion  
From Ade, Luke and Tom  
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**Woodcock**

Keith and Margaret (Carperby) would like to thank everyone for their lovely cards, kind wishes and offers of help during Keith's stay in the Friarage Hospital.

**Great Boost for Gala Funds**

Many thanks to everyone who turned out to see "another audience with Daryl" I think all will agree what a wonderful night it was and we can't wait for the next instalment! The ticket sales fell just short of a total sell out on the day but made £940!

The raffle which had some really great prizes (Thanks to all who donated!) made a total of £272.10 bringing a grand total of **£1212.10**. Thanks again to everyone who attended in support of the gala and a really special thank you to the star of the show Daryl, who really brightened up a wet Wednesday night in November.

**Mick Rhodes**

**Hands on Course at Gayle Mill**

Learn to use Gayle Mill's historic water powered Victorian woodworking machines to create your own wood products in a Victorian Saw Mill Experience Weekend. During the day you will get the chance to use our 1879 machinery including a saw bench, a planer-thicknesser, a band-saw and two lathes - all belt driven by our Williamson turbine - as well as using hand tools for finishing.

This course runs on Saturday and Sunday, 26th and 27th January 2013 from 9.30am to 5.00pm and costs £250.00 (inc. lunch and materials). Please phone **667320** to book.

**Samantha Jennings**

**Askrigg Christmas Tree Festival**

The Christmas Tree Festival at St Oswald's, Askrigg will be launched with a Preview Concert and Supper on **Saturday 15th December at 7.30pm** where the *East Witton Male Voice Choir will perform alongside the Askrigg Ladies Singing for Pleasure Group*. Entry is free but donations will be sought, to be shared between the church and a charity nominated by Diana Hartley, choir leader. Everyone is welcome to come along to this fabulous and very popular evening. The Christmas Tree Festival will be open to visitors from Sunday 16th December and the church will be open each day until approximately 5.30 pm for visitors to enjoy the trees. Everyone is welcome and donations gratefully received. Individuals and businesses are invited to sponsor a tree in the Festival, with their name being clearly displayed beside each tree. Sponsorship is just £10 per tree.

Also, running throughout December in Askrigg village will be the Advent Window Trail. Each day from 1st to 24th December a new decorated and illuminated window will be revealed in the village. Trail leaflets will be available to guide visitors around the windows.

For further details, or to sponsor a tree, contact **Elizabeth Guy on 650671**

## West Burton School News

West Burton School has had a very busy month and we have been doing some exciting things.

The last day of the half term the environment officer from North Yorkshire, *Power Down Pete*, came and talked to pupils about the world and how the school could make a difference to global warming, and tell the community how to save energy and water.

The Eco Action group are planning a community event for the future. The school have had a Forest Schools open morning and it was for the whole community.

Last Monday years five and six went to RAF Leeming for Crucial Crew to learn how to be safe in different environments. There were lots of different activities to help us remember the safety rules. Two teachers and three helpful mums helped to transport them.

The pupils of West Burton are studying and writing a play about WWII. The Christmas play will be about what life was like in WWII. Class 2 pupils will be acting out the main part of the play, and then the Class 1 pupils will be acting a nativity during the play.

We are looking forward to our Christmas play this term.

**Sophie Preston and Owen Pratt Year 6**

## Askrigg School News

### Imax Trip

Last Tuesday, we went to the Imax at Bradford and we saw lots of old cameras and a very exciting film, it was BRILLIANT!! It was about Egyptians, and that's our topic at school. The whole reason we went was because we are making 1920's silent films linked to the Egyptians and discoveries of tombs. The trip meant we found out about old cameras and Egyptians at the same time.

When we went up the stairs to the film we sat on our seats and there was loads of other people watching as well. The screen was enormous and sometimes it was in 3d. Although we already knew quite a lot about making mummies we all learnt some new things – even the teachers! Then we had dinner in the café.

After that we went to the science room and there was loads of fun stuff to do. The science

room was a fun place for everyone. There was even a hidden camera that took pictures every 10 seconds, and there were mirrors that made you fat and thin! One of the mirrors was curved and you could make it look as though you were shaking hands with yourself.

The last thing was the game lounge and there were lots of cool games to check out and we saw the first ever x-box! There were also lots of very old video games that were very hard to play because the controls were so slow. They were the sorts of games Mrs. Spence and Mrs. Allenby had when they were little, now we know why they aren't very good at computer games. There was also a big, giant projector on the wall that when you stood in front of it, it made you look all funny and fuzzy, it was amazing and we loved our trip!

**Rosie Y5 and Matthew Y6**

### Mr Simms Visit

On Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> of October Mr Sims came to Askrigg School. Askrigg School's topic this year is Tomb Raiders, so they are making a silent black and white movie. Since Mr Sims is a Film Maker he came in to show the pupils how to make films.

First Mr Sims showed them the types of shots like an extreme long shot (showed every thing), a long shot (just the whole body), a medium shot (that showed just the upper body), a close up (that was just the face) and an extreme close up (that was just the eyes.)

After that they went outside to try all of the shots that Mr Sims had taught them. All of the teams did it very nicely. After that they had their lunch.

In the afternoon the pupils filmed some of our own shots all around the school. Some were really funny and some were scary. Somehow Mr Sims made a coloured film with sound and a black and white film with no sound. All the governors and some parents watched they thought it was very funny. We have now found out that he used a program called Moviemaker to edit the films.

That day was great everybody did lots of fun things and learnt a lot. The pupils are going to make a 1920s film with the information we learnt.

**Bethany Y4, Xander Y3 and Craig Y6**

## Police Report

Firstly Sergeant Grainger has been receiving numerous complaints about parking in Hawes. This is an age old issue and if people parked considerately and legally then it would not need speaking about. I now print his comments regarding this :-

“There is a sizeable minority of drivers in Hawes who choose to abandon their cars around the Market Place, on junctions (eg. Little Ings) causing issues for visibility and road safety, and those who seem to think that parking tickets should only be given to motorcyclists. This is resulting in blockages to the main A684, obstructions to people trying to get through Hawes or run a business, and sometimes causing gridlock for up to 20 minutes. At the request of the parish council and the majority of the community and other road users, the Police will be stepping up enforcement of parking offences, on random days of the week and at random times – but especially on market day. Hawes has ample parking that is closer to the shops than in some other towns and no more than a short walk away, so please think of others when you block the road or a business with your parking. Obstruction or other parking offences attract a £30 fixed penalty fine. Would you really want to pay £30.50 for a newspaper? Or prefer paying 50 pence and taking a short walk? Please think of others when you park, and park safely, considerately, and lawfully.”

There has been some deliberate damage to walls in the Gayle area of Hawes. I cannot fathom why someone would want to damage such an iconic symbol of the dales as dry stone walls. It is not only irresponsible committing such an act as it leads to the straying of livestock and the inherent dangers that poses to road users, it is a criminal offence. These crimes are being investigated and it is only a matter of time before the perpetrators’ “collar is felt”.

There has been a recent increase in several types of crime to let you know about. House burglaries. The offender usually gains access by forcing a window frame and will steal jewellery and similar items usually carrying them away in a pillowcase.

Autocrime. Two 4x4 pick-up vehicles have been stolen from the Leyburn patch over the past month, one from Swaledale and one from Lower Wensleydale. Both were secure. In one of these crimes the offenders stole the keys from the house first. Please be aware of where

you leave your vehicle keys. Try not to leave them in full view of an entrance – its very tempting just to put them on the kitchen work surface inside the back door or on a table just near the front. Put them out of view. Key hooks are great for people like me with bad memories who can never seem to remember where we last left our keys but are also great for criminals whose sole intention is to steal your car, as they do not have to look far. Quad bikes were targeted a couple of weeks ago at Reeth, however there have been several arrests in relation to that crime.

Burglaries of outbuildings. Thieves are doing their “Christmas Shopping”. Dark nights and needing cash for Christmas so they have been busy stealing Stihl saws, chain saws , trimmers and other power tools. Please secure your outbuildings with quality locks and hasps and a shed alarm is also a good option.

Remember most of the criminals that operate on our patch do not live here. So if you see someone loitering about looking “out of place” call us on 101. You might just save yourself or a friend or neighbour becoming a victim, and you may provide that last piece of a jigsaw that we need to solve other crimes.

All that remains is for me to wish you a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Thanks as always

**Andy Foster PC826**  
**North Yorkshire Police**  
**Leyburn Safer Neighbourhood Team**  
**Safer Neighbourhood Police Officer for**  
**Upper Wensleydale**  
**Tel. 101**

**SNTLeyburn@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk**

## Sheep Stealing

In the past few weeks sheep have been stolen from areas including Preston Under Scar.

Please be vigilant for any transport vehicles parked near livestock after dark as it would be unusual for farmers to move livestock at night. Ring Police on 101 if you see suspicious vehicles parked up or 999 if you suspect a theft is actually in progress .

### **Wensleydale Tournament of Song - 2013**

The 103rd Wensleydale Tournament of Song takes place in Leyburn Methodist school-rooms during March 2013. We are inviting entries for music and speech to take part in this long-standing Dales tradition where amateur musicians, singers and orators of all ages can take part in the 200 or so classes available. We have a number of new classes this coming year and would particularly welcome entrants to these classes. Entry fees are very inexpensive and participating in the Tournament affords the opportunity to have your performance professionally adjudicated and marked by leading Federation of Festivals adjudicators. All junior entrants receive a certificate for participating in the Tournament and there are many bursaries and trophies across all ages to be competed for. The Tournament takes place from 11th March to 22nd March 2013 and **entries are due to the secretary by 31st January 2013**. A syllabus is available from the Dales Countryside Museum or by visiting [www.dalesmusic.co.uk](http://www.dalesmusic.co.uk) where a downloaded copy may be obtained.

**Simon Greenslade**

### **Exhibition Opportunity for Local Art Groups**

Chapel Gallery, on Burtersett Road, Hawes, has a large focal stone wall which is ideal for exhibitions. Our gallery aims to encourage and celebrate the work of local artists and artisans. With this in mind, we would like to give community groups the opportunity to exhibit their work for a 2-3 week period during the coming year, 2013. Exhibiting would be free, but if you want to host a preview/celebration evening a nominal charge would apply.

Would your art group/society be interested and like the opportunity to exhibit a selection of your art for the local and wider community to see? If you do, please contact **Anne or Tim** via the contact form on the website: [www.chapelgalleryhawes.co.uk](http://www.chapelgalleryhawes.co.uk) as soon as possible.

### **Upper Wensleydale Ladies-Luncheon Club**

The Club will meet at the Rose and Crown Bainbridge at noon, on

**Wednesday 12th December**

**Lunch, Christmas Readings and Carols**  
and on **Wednesday 16th January**

Lunch, then Samantha Belcher - Water Power at Gayle Mill

Further details from **Val at 663742**

### **Logo Offer**

Businesses, charities, groups and individuals in the National Park are being given extra help to boost trade and the local economy. The registered trademark of the National Park - the famous Swaledale ram's head logo - is now available free for them to use to show potential customers that they are linked with the fantastic landscape and communities of the Dales.

Sarah Nicholson, the Authority's Communications Officer, said "We believe that, by using the logo, they will make it clear to potential customers that they are part of the National Park experience.

"There is no charge from the National Park Authority to use the logos - in fact, to encourage take-up in the first year of promotion, the Authority will pay the £50 fee required by the Intellectual Property Office to register each licence. Once registered, the licence lasts in perpetuity, so this fee is a one-off cost. We hope that those proud to work or operate within the area will be inspired to use the logos and help us build on the strong, recognisable brand which celebrates this unique place, as well as helping local businesses strengthen their own promotion."

Full details about how to obtain a licence are available on the Authority website at [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/logo](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/logo)

<b>Wensleydale Flyer 856 Winter Sunday Bus Times</b>					
Northallerton, Buck Inn	..	0930	1230	1600	1850
Northallerton opp. Rail Station	..	0933	1233	1603	1853
Ainderby Steeple, Green	..	0940	1240	1610	1900
Leeming Bar, opp. White Rose	..	0947	1247	1617	1907
Bedale Market Place	..	0952	1252	1622	1912
Crakehall	..	0955	1255	1625	..
Patrick Brompton	..	0958	1258	1628	..
Constable Burton	..	1003	1303	1633	..
Leyburn Market Place arr.	..	1009	1309	1639	..
Leyburn Market Place dep.	..	1010	1310	1640	..
Wensley	..	1013	1313	1643	..
West Witton	..	1017	1317	1647	..
Aysgarth, Falls Corner	..	1023	1323	1653	..
Bainbridge	..	1034	1334	1704	..
Hawes, Market Place	..	1043	1343	1713	..
Gayle, Bus Shelter	..	1045	1345	1715	..
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Gayle, Bus Shelter	..	1110	1440	1730	..
Hawes, Market Place	..	1112	1442	1732	..
Bainbridge	..	1121	1451	1741	..
Aysgarth, Falls Corner	..	1130	1500	1750	..
West Witton	..	1135	1505	1755	..
Wensley	..	1139	1509	1759	..
Leyburn Market Place arr.	..	1142	1512	1802	..
Leyburn Market Place dep.	..	1145	1515	1805	..
Constable Burton	..	1151	1521	1811	..
Patrick Brompton	..	1156	1526	1816	..
Crakehall	..	1200	1530	1820	..
Bedale Market Place	0905	1205	1535	1825	..
Leeming Bar White Rose	0910	1210	1540	1830	..
Ainderby Steeple, Green	0916	1216	1546	1836	..
Northallerton Rail Station	0921	1221	1551	1841	..
Northallerton, Buck Inn	0925	1225	1555	1845	..

G = connects at Gayle with service 855 to/from Garsdale Station on Sundays

### Snippets re Adolescence

Adolescence is a period of rapid and remarkable change. Between the ages of twelve and seventeen, for instance, a parent can age as much as twenty years.

Adolescence is the time when your daughter starts to put on lipstick and your son gets interested in wiping it off.

It's not easy arguing with teenagers. My trouble is that I am not young enough to know everything.

My teenage son said to me last night, "Dad, how do you expect me to be independent, self-reliant and on my own two feet on the money you give me?"

My daughter has stopped asking us where she comes from and started refusing to tell us where she's going.

Teenagers know everything – except how to make a living.

Today the accent is on the young, but the stress is on the parents.

### Live, Shop Hawes

"The Live Shop Hawes" project has been lucky enough to be awarded funding towards improving the brochure, and towards printing costs.

Hopefully by now most people will have seen a copy of the brochure, which is aimed at getting local people shopping locally. The aim is also to encourage second home owners and holiday cottage renters to use the businesses and amenities that are available in Hawes.

The brochure is distributed free of charge and our goal is to include every business in Hawes within its pages at no cost whatsoever to the business!

If you would like your business to be included in the 2013 edition then please call in to the Community Office for an information pack or email [live.shop.hawes@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:live.shop.hawes@hotmail.co.uk)

Funding has also been granted for a dedicated Hawes based website to promote the town as a specific visitor destination, so hopefully all businesses and attractions will be able to take full advantage of this opportunity.

**Abbie Rhodes,  
Community Office, The Neukin, 667400**

### The Quakers of Countersett and their legacy

This lovely 48 page booklet just reproduced by the Bainbridge Quaker Meeting of **Sir Christopher Booth's** presidential address to the Friends Historical Society in 2005, will soon be available locally. Please ring **650726** for details.

Sir Christopher Booth was a distinguished clinician, medical scientist and historian and when he was his six his mother bought and restored a derelict cottage in Worton which he kept as a much loved home all his life. The booklet, beautifully illustrated by Janet Rawlins and produced by Peter Burrage, will be of great interest to many local readers as it details the considerable contribution these early Quakers made to the country, and further afield, in education, safety at sea, medicine, industry and the arts. There are also reminders of some of the early Quaker meeting rooms and houses still to be seen in the Upper Dale.

## Wensleydale Railway

### Wensleydale in Winter - Santa Specials:

Booking is going well for Santa Specials on the railway. These services, which start on December 1, are a great experience for families travelling together; adults are looked after with refreshments whilst Santa brings wrapped gifts to the children. Advance booking is essential for the Santa Specials, which run on December 1/2; 8/9; 15/16 and 22-24. On December 16, 23 and 24, some Santa trains will start from Leyburn. Information on [www.wensleydalerailway.com](http://www.wensleydalerailway.com) or phone **08454 50 54 74**.

### Wensleydale after Christmas - please tell your visitors:

From Boxing Day to New Year's Eve there will be a different 4 mile (ish) walk each day, from either Leyburn or Redmire station. Afterwards there are two options: Catch the return train which departs Redmire 13.10 and Leyburn 14.00. (24 hour clock) or an alternative option is to book lunch somewhere local and catch the 16.15/16.30 return train.

**On New Year's Day**, January 1, there will be the traditional 7 mile Last Walk of the Season, from Redmire station to Aysgarth Falls (no need to book but bring packed lunch and drinks) and on Wednesday January 2 there will be a Diesel Running day.

Meanwhile, if you haven't yet got a WR Resident's Railcard for discounted fares on the line, please ask for one from Leyburn station, taking a recent utilities bill and valid ID (such as a driving licence) with you.

**Ruth Annison 650349**

## The Exploding Buddhas

**Saturday 15th December**

Market Hall, Hawes.

Happy Hour 10.30 to 11.30

Music till late

Tickets £5 in advance from The Spar Shop or £8 on the door

**Proceeds for St Margaret's Church Restoration Fund**

contact Diane 07773 436105

## Cash Available for New Woodland



Funding is available to support the planting of native broadleaf trees in the Yorkshire Dales, creating new woodland habitats and providing potential long term income for landowners.

The woodland creation programme is run by the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust (YDMT), and the team is currently looking for suitable sites across the Yorkshire Dales to plant with a mixture of native broadleaf species this winter.

Working closely with partners including the Forestry Commission and Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, YDMT are able to discuss potential sites, identify potential grants available from other organisations, suggest suitable tree species and protection methods, and help with the design and planning of the site.

Eligibility is assessed on a site-by-site basis, and depending on the specific details of each site a grant covering up to 100% of the cost of creating the new woodland could be available to landowners through YDMT.

YDMT would like to hear from all landowners interested in putting some of their land to good use in this way to create traditional woodlands.

Planting trees brings lasting benefits to wildlife, the environment and the landscape which have long been celebrated. Now there is also the option for woodlands to be certified under the Woodland Carbon Code which could allow landowners to benefit from a financial return on their investment.

Chris Lodge, Woodland Development Officer at YDMT said: "We're appealing to farmers and landowners with any possible sites for planting to come forward. Planting trees is a vital long term investment in the environment. The current concern surrounding ash trees makes planting new sites with appropriate species more important than ever."

If you are interested in taking part in the woodland creation programme or want to find out more about the Woodland Carbon Code, please contact **Chris Lodge on 015242 51002** or email:

## "Poking about in hedges"

Jane Kemp, widow of Hugh Kemp at Snaizeholme, confided in me that she was at first disappointed when she came to the Dales and found stone walls instead of hedges.

Brought up in Northamptonshire, her country childhood was spent outdoors and much of it "poking about in hedges".

Jane has always responded to wildlife and the countryside, and now lives in an environment full of birds, deer and of course red squirrels. She is quick to deny that she is trying to 'tame' them. I got the impression it was rather the other way round, they seem to have Jane where they want her!

After boarding school, where she enjoyed the work, although the emphasis wasn't on attaining qualifications, she went to the Ruskin School of Drawing at Oxford where she met Hugh for the first time. She obviously caught his eye but at that young age wasn't ready to settle down. She went to Khartoum where she taught English, and other subjects. Vienna, Paris followed; Jane was enjoying life but eventually returned to the UK, to London and taught in private schools for a while.

Next job... Hotel chef. A woman she met while skiing offered her a job as cook in her hotel in Argyle, so off she went. She was there for an idyllic three years. It was hard work, as catering always is, but Jane loved the country and the hotel was situated beside a loch. So fishing, boating, swimming in her spare time; a good life.

It was in Scotland that she met up again with Hugh. Hugh had been married meanwhile and had one son but he and Jane moved to Tenterden in Kent to start a new life.

Hugh, as well as his painting and drawing, was busily restoring houses and they lived for a time in an historic clapboard house once occupied by Flemish weavers.

But Hugh was Yorkshire born and bred and had a yen to return to the North

By now, in the 1960s, they had two boys and were looking for land in the Yorkshire Wolds and Moors. But land proved to be too expensive there so, seeing an advertisement in the *Darlington and Stockton Times*, they went to



have a look at Mirk Pot at Snaizeholme which is a side dale off Widdale.

They bought the house and about a hundred acres of land and Hugh began to plant conifers. "No, I never felt isolated" Jane told me. "Hugh was around and there were plenty of creatures to look after. I remember taking the odd duckling to bed to keep it alive!". She also did some scenery painting for the Operatic Society! Although life has changed for her recently, she has a good deal of support from her family and a new granddaughter to celebrate; four month old Stella Jane. We hope that Jane will continue to write her articles for the Newsletter, which we always look forward to reading.

S.H.

## January Wensleydale Society

The January meeting is on **Friday, January 4th, 7.30pm** in West Burton Village hall when a member of Swaledale Mountain Rescue will describe the varied work of this team of around 40 highly trained volunteers who provide a 24 hour, 365 days per year, mountain and cave rescue service in Wensleydale and Swaledale.

*Society membership is only £5; entry for non-members is £1. Contact the secretary for details: 624361*

Badapple Theatre Company Ltd. present

# A YORKSHIRE CHRISTMAS CAROL

Adapted by Kate Bramley  
from the Charles Dickens story

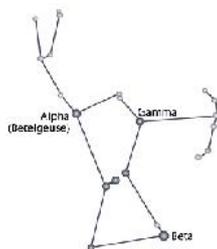
"A classic and comic tale for ages 5 to 95!"

**Dales Countryside Museum**  
**Friday December 28th, 2.30pm**  
Tickets £9 adult; £6 child; 666210

## Heavens Above

Most of us can't wait to see the back of winter and its long, dark nights, but if you want to do a spot of star watching you couldn't ask for a better time of year. The winter constellations include some of the brightest and easiest to recognize with Orion, the grandest of them all, taking centre stage. The Milky Way is also at its best flowing right across the sky from horizon to horizon.

As darkness falls at the beginning of December, however, many of the dimmer autumn groups such as the Square of Pegasus, and Andromeda with its famous galaxy, are still on view in the south-west, though we've lost Altair, the lowest of the Summer Triangle stars. Cassiopeia's 'W' is high in the north west with the distorted upside down 'Y' shape of Perseus further to the east. Over in the NE the Plough stands on its 'handle' with the two 'pointer' stars, Merak and Dubhe, showing the way to Polaris, the 'North Star'. Bright yellow Capella claims the overhead point with blue-white Vega just skirting the northern horizon. Come summer their positions are reversed.



As the year draws to a close, the autumn stars slowly fade away into the western twilight. Now Orion and his retinue – Taurus, Canis Major and Minor, Gemini, and Auriga – take centre stage, dominating the view south from early evening onwards. Orion, the Mighty Hunter of the old Greek myths, is easily the most famous and recognisable of all the constellations, and his distinctive outline with its broad shoulders, belt and sword is very easy to pick out. Ruby-red Betelgeuse marks his right shoulder and blue-white Rigel his raised left foot. His 'belt', a sloping line of 3 bright stars is unmistakable. Hanging just below the middle Belt star is the 'sword', a vast cloud of interstellar gas and dust just visible as a hazy patch to the naked eye. It's a magnificent object seen with binoculars or a small telescope. The three Belt stars act as a guide to other nearby star patterns. Following them downwards brings you Orion's faithful hound, Canis Major with its dazzling leader, Sirius, the brightest star

in the sky. (His other dog, Procyon, is higher up and slightly to the east). Extending the line of the Belt upwards takes you to the loose 'V' shape of the Hyades star cluster and another reddish star, Aldebaran in the constellation of Taurus the Bull. Above and to the west is the beautiful Pleiades star cluster, a showpiece of the winter sky.

To Orion's east above his higher shoulder you'll find Castor and Pollux, the Heavenly Twins, who sailed with Jason in search of the Golden Fleece. Castor, the brighter of the two, is a remarkable multiple star with six components in 3 pairs all orbiting each other in a complex cosmic dance.

There are two major meteor displays during the winter months. The Geminid shower which reaches maximum around 13-14th December and the Quadrantids which peak on the night of 3rd-4th January. Quadrantid meteors are sometimes bluish in colour with really bright trains and you might see up to 60 an hour in a good year.

Throughout December and well on into the New Year you'll find another striking object high in the southern sky. It's the giant planet Jupiter which reaches opposition on December 3rd. At magnitude -2.8 it shines even brighter than Sirius. It's so bright you can't possibly mistake it for anything else. In the early morning hours just after 6 o'clock around December 10-12th a trio of other planets, Saturn, Mercury, and Venus, along with a waning crescent Moon, stand low in the south-eastern sky. A beautiful sight if you can find a location with a flat unobstructed horizon.

If you really get fed up with the long dark nights the arrival of the winter solstice on December 21st might cheer you up. This is the date when the Sun reaches its lowest point in the sky for 2012. After this it will begin to climb higher in the sky and the nights will start to get lighter again. But don't worry – if you can't do without a good moan you'll still have all the freezing cold weather in the New Year to look forward to. Here's hoping for clear skies!

**Al Bireo**

## Best Foot Forward

**I**t was one of those forecasts a few weeks back which said ‘possibly a few showers in the morning’. So I was dropped off at Gearstones, Ribbleshead in one of them. “You must be mad” she said, as the hailstones pelted the side of my face like needles



and continued for too long to be called a shower. The plan (which I was determined to finish) was to walk up the Roman Road to where both the Pennine Way and the new Pennine Bridleway make their way south towards Ling Gill and to follow the PBW all the way to Clapham. Within ten minutes the first wide ford was impassable but after what seemed ages wandering up to find a jumpable bit, I was on my not-so-merry way! Then things really changed (before changing back again). It dried up. It really is wonderful to see the becks in spate all round here with their merry sound and their brown peat. Most walkers come up this way; it makes a change to go south and when most of the leaves have left the trees, the full depth and steepness of Ling Gill National Nature Reserve can be appreciated.

For the next mile to where the PW leaves and swings east at Old Ing it is typical limestone country; becks gurgle and disappear and although there’s been so much rain the tracks are never impassable. The PBW joins the tarmac lane at High Birkwith (It’s a big farm), but after about half a mile swings west on a newly-created section to Dale Mire Barn, then south



to cross the Ribble on the specially built, and highly-acclaimed, arched footbridge before going under the Settle to Carlisle Railway where, since the Way is a Bridleway ‘they’ have placed what look like mounting blocks; just the right height to sit on for lunch, coincidentally during another battering from hailstones.

You might have spotted the next bit. About three quarters of a mile south of Selside, the route crosses the road to Horton where much new walling was done, then rises to skirt Bor-rins Farm to turn south west on the long straight route across open fellside and wide views for three miles all the way to the Long Lane track leading into Clapham. Perhaps the high point is where, after crossing the badly eroded route from Ingleborough down Sulber Nick, it goes along an edge looking left into the lovely Crummack Dale and across to Moughton Scars. It is even better without the hail which by this time was accompanied by a full frontal wind!

From where Long Lane is joined you can drop down to Trow Gill and join the crowds going from Ingleborough Cave along Clapdale Drive. Not me; I continued on Long Lane but won’t again. I know no other track so rough. By now I was accompanied by the constant sound of rabbit-shooting but at least the hail had become rain. Turning into Clapham village, the track goes into two dark tunnels under the grounds of Ingleborough Hall. ‘Cyclists dismount, steep lane and tunnels’, I think it read.

A car awaited and there’s the tea shop. Much of this walk is rarely covered; other ways tend to cross it and it’s highly recommended. Just make sure there’s been plenty of precipitation and it’s stopped, but there is better forecast you can trust. Honestly, though, it was thoroughly enjoyable.

A.S.W

## Dales Railcard Winter Offer

Northern Rail have announced that the 2012-13 winter offer is available again and holders of Dales Railcards will be able to purchase a day return ticket for a flat fare of £7.00.

Up to four children can accompany a Dales Railcard holder for a flat fare of £3.50 each. The offer is available to holders of the Friend’s Dales Railcard too.

The usual Dales Railcard conditions apply and the winter offer ends on 24th February.

*The offer is available on both the Leeds to Carlisle and the Leeds to Morecambe routes.*

### Latest Car Robbery Tactic

There is a device that robbers are using now to clone your security code when you lock your doors on your car using your remote locking device.

They sit a distance away and watch for their next victim. They know you are going inside the store, restaurant, or whatever and that they now have a few minutes to steal and run.

**The advice is to always to lock your car manually with the key when parking in a public area.** That way if there is someone sitting in a car nearby watching for their next victim, it will not be you.

When you lock up with the key upon exiting, it does not send the security code, but if you walk away and use the remote button, it sends the code through the airwaves where it can be easily intercepted by the device.

### Young Voices Choir

The Young Voices Choir led by Barbara Roocroft in Gayle is busy preparing an exciting programme of Christmas music. Please support your local children at any of the following concerts:

**Friday, December 14th, 7.00pm** Music and mince pies St. Margaret's, Hawes

**Friday, December 21st, 7.30pm** Annual Charity concert Hawes Market House

**Saturday December 22nd, 7.00pm** Carols by Candlelight Gayle Institute.

The Young Voices will also entertain guests at Stone House Hotel on **Thursday, December 27th** and Gayle Fellowship on **Tuesday, January 22nd**, both at 7.30pm

### Advent Taizé Service

The village of Taizé in France has an ecumenical centre which over the years has become well-known for its unique kind of worship, appropriate for any time of the day, week or year.

Again, this year, on **Monday December 3rd** there will be a service including Taizé music and meditation in the Hawes Methodist Church.

This time the service will begin at **1.00pm after a lunch from noon.**

### Museum Friends Meeting

On the evening of Friday November 16th the Friends welcomed back June Hall to give one of the monthly lectures. June chose as her subject 'Travellers in the Turnpike Age' and spoke for nearly an hour and a half with very few notes giving us a wealth of information on the people of the time, the methods of travel, the state of the trackways and their upkeep, the towns they connected and the importance to their development by the goods and services they provided.

The talk was very well attended with extra chairs being hastily brought in. Many of June's friends were there from the time when as a member of the committee she produced the first issue of the annual publication 'Now Then' which she then edited for ten years, and it was a great pleasure to welcome her back.

The Museum Friends provide a series of lectures on topics relating to the Dales both past and present, available free to members, and just £2 to the general public.

So watch out for details in the press and for the posters in each village; then come along to any lecture that interests you.

See elsewhere all the details of the visits of the North Country Theatre, the Bad Apple Theatre company, and of the Craft Fair on Saturday December 1st with the usual mulled wine and mince pies.

Sue Foster

#### Drop-off points and contacts

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

<b>Hawes:</b>	Alan S. Watkinson, Burnside Coach House. 667785
<b>Gayle:</b>	Lorna Ward, East House 667405
<b>Bainbridge:</b>	Hammond's Butchers 650631
<b>Askrigg:</b>	Rima Berry, 8 Mill Lane. 650980
<b>Carperby:</b>	Margaret Woodcock, Bella Cottage 663488
<b>West Burton:</b>	Nadine Bell, Margaret's Cottage 663559
<b>Aysgarth:</b>	Hamilton's Tearoom 663423
<b>Redmire:</b>	see Carperby above
<b>Thoralby:</b>	Sandra Foley, Shop 663205

## Letter

May I through your good services of your newsletter express thanks to the many people in the Upper Dale Community who have kindly given Washed Plastic Milk Bottle Tops to the Wensleydale Rotary Club's 'Gambia Project'.

It is amazing that we in Wensleydale are able to influence the education of young people within the poor rural communities of Africa, by giving them things we no longer need or want.

Many people ask "Why milk bottle tops".

These are used to teach numeracy— learning to count. The Red tops count as hundreds, the Blue as Tens and the many Green ones as the units. Simple as that.

On October 30th we despatched a full container to Banjuls in the Gambia full of Educational material. Please may I ask you to continue collecting; we do need to fill our next Container. Many thanks again.

**Phil Oliver, Redmire, 6231439**  
[lowpastures@talktalk.net](mailto:lowpastures@talktalk.net)

## New Route for Three Peaks

Anyone doing the Three Peaks recently will have noticed some big machinery between Pen-y-ghent and Ribblesdale. A new route has been created over Whitber Hill, a bit to the west of the old route, thereby avoiding the notorious Black Dubb Moss which was reputed to swallow walkers whole.

The new route will not only allow the damaged peatland to recover, it also goes past Hull Pot and Hunt Pot, both worth a look, and provides better views of Ribblesdale and the Three Peaks landscape. The newly engineered route is drier and has no stiles or gates.

The cost? Well, the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust won a competition which netted €30,000 from a European outdoor fund. Some of the work was done by volunteers and contributions were made by Friends of the Three Peaks. To find out more about the project or to become a friend, contact Steve Hastie, Three Peaks Project Manager at the National Park, on **01729 825242** or **07818 048767** or email [threepeaksproject@yorkshiredales.org.uk](mailto:threepeaksproject@yorkshiredales.org.uk).

All we have to do now is go out and walk the new route.

## What's On at the Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes in December

### December

"Cards for good causes" will continue to be sold in the museum until 23rd December. At least 75p of each £1 of the money for the Christmas cards goes directly to the charities.

**Saturday 1 December, Christmas fun day** at the museum 10.00am - 4.00pm

There is free entry to the museum, quizzes games and activities. Good selection of craft stalls and a visit from Mother Christmas in the afternoon.

**Between Christmas and New Year** we are hosting an afternoon of entertainment for all the family.

**Friday 28 December**, Bad Apple theatre presents a matinee performance at 2:30pm of "A Yorkshire Christmas Carol" Tickets £9/£6 (u/16s)

In the Christmas holidays there will be activities for children in our "Creation Station"

**Museum closed Christmas Eve to Boxing Day and throughout January**

To contact the Museum phone **666210** or email [hawes@yorkshiredales.org.uk](mailto:hawes@yorkshiredales.org.uk)

## Hawes Pub and Club Events

### December

12 Christmas Bingo	Club
15 Exploding Buddhas	Market Hall
18 Domino Drive	Club
28 Ladies Darts Knockout	Club
31 Singer (in the bar)	Fountain

### January 2012

4 Pairs Darts Knockout	Fountain
5 Domino Drive	Board
11 Mixed Darts Knockout	Board
12 Domino Drive	Fountain
26 Singles Darts Knockout	Fountain

The above events may alter slightly Please check directly with the Crown and the White Hart for their seasonal events



Dalesplay would like to thank the following businesses for very kindly donating treats and taking part in our annual Halloween walk; the children had so much fun and without your kind donations the walk wouldn't be as entertaining for the children. Thank you to: the chip shop; the sweet shop, The White Hart, The Fountain, The Crown, The Board and all who helped out on the night. Dalesplay has been busy making Guys for the bonfire, learning about Guy Fawkes and Diwali and we have transformed our role play corner into a snow cave for the children to play in. We are all looking forward to taking part in lots of Christmas activities; making our very own Christmas cakes, decorations and much more. On **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December** we will close for the year in style with our annual Christmas dinner followed by party games and a visit from Santa; to book a place please contact Dalesplay on **667789**. Dalesplay will reopen in the New Year on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January** with a slight change to the staffing arrangements as Joanne Middleton goes on Maternity leave until May and Louise Cloughton will step up from deputy to acting Manager in her short absence. Adelle Kilgallon has kindly offered to step up to acting deputy to help maintain a familiar group of staff causing little disruption for the children. We hope to create as little change in the setting as possible to help keep the children settled in a safe caring and stimulating environment. You can see our regular updates on our Facebook page of news, events and what the children have been busy doing. If you would like to help support Dalesplay and have a chance of winning either £100 or £50 we are selling squares from our winter scene Poster in the entrance for £1 each and if your square is drawn out you will win £100 first prize or £50 second prize. The money will help pay for our new fire doors and upgrade our story corner to make it more comfortable and enticing for the children to use. For a full list of our February activities and workshops please look on our Facebook page or we can email you a full list. To request an email please contact us on [dalesplay1@btconnect.com](mailto:dalesplay1@btconnect.com)

Dalesplay would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all and providing lots more fun activities for children in the dales during 2013. If you need childcare or you want to use your government funded 3 year old places flexible Dalesplay is here to help.. Feel free to come and have a look around the setting and see what we have to offer children from birth to 14 years.

**Joanne Middleton**

### **Annual Carols by Candlelight and Supper**

**Hawes Methodist Church and rooms**

This popular event takes place on **Wednesday, December 19th at 6.30pm**. You will be made welcome!

**\*\*Advance notice - put it in your diaries \*\***

**The Glamour and Glitz of  
Hollywood  
Hawes Gala Ball  
8 February 2013  
Simonstone Hall**

## Doctors' Rotas as Supplied by the Health Centre

AYSGARTH SURGERY ROTA    Wb - week beginning										
Wb	Dec 3rd		Dec 10th		Dec 17th		Dec 24th		Dec 31st	
Day	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Mon	WF	WF	W	W	W	W	J	J	W	W
Tues	J	J	F	F	F	F	C	C	C	C
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**Doctors:** , F - France, J - Jones, W - West , C - Closed  
**Morning Surgery:** 9.00 - 10.30 a.m. (no appointments)  
**Afternoon Surgery:** 3.30 - 5.30 p.m. (appointment only)  
*For appointments and all enquiries ring 663222*

HAWES SURGERY ROTA    Wb - week beginning										
Wb	Dec 3rd		Dec 10th		Dec 17th		Dec 24th		Dec 31st	
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*For appointments and all enquiries ring 667200*

AYSGARTH SURGERY ROTA    Wb - week beginning										
Wb	Jan 7th		Jan 14th		Jan 21st		Jan 28th			
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**PLEASE NOTE:** *there sometimes have to be changes at the last minute.*

## **New Publicans at the Crown Hotel, Hawes**

Adam and Lindsay have lived in Hawes for the past few years.

They are taking over the lease of the Crown from 3rd December and have been deeply touched and delighted by the support and encouragement they have received from so many of the local people.

As some of you may know, Adam and Lindsay both run businesses locally (Dales Cake Craft and Flowers, and Adam running an online shop) which they intend to keep going from the Crown premises.

Lindsay hails from York and has spent a large part of her working life within the hospitality industry, having owned her own pub and restaurant and successfully managing a number of those owned by other people.

Adam comes from Castleford and started his working life at a coal mine and has since worked in various sectors including health-care, telecoms and finance before opening a business unit in Hawes in 2007.

The Crown Hotel is a great opportunity for them both to combine their skills to bring the hotel and pub back to where it belongs, right at the heart of life in Hawes.

In the immediate future they will be open for business throughout the Christmas and New Year period and will be serving a five course traditional Christmas lunch to all those who would like to join them on Christmas Day.

A pre-Christmas lunch menu will also be available alongside their lunchtime and evening menu.

For further details please ring **Lindsay or Adam 667212** AFTER DECEMBER 3RD FOR FURTHER DETAILS.

(Please note: Christmas lunch **MUST** be pre-booked.)

**S.E.D**

## **News From Sycamore Hall**

It was Thursday November 1st and once again whilst partaking of a glass of sherry we were entertained by our great friend Tony Hill rendering songs to which our residents and guests can join in or just sit back and enjoy. We then answered his questions about who sang the songs in years gone by. Feedback coming to me from people who live miles away surprises me as to how many folk are interested in the goings-on at Sycamore Hall and look forward to receiving this Newsletter. Carry on the good work, 'Newsletter staff'. Looking round the lounge a week last Friday one would have got the impression that a wedding reception was about to take place seeing the room laid out with tables, but come Saturday morning, and for 'wedding' now read 'craft display and sale' with an abundance of home made effects- clothing, jewellery, cards and home baking. It was a really enjoyable afternoon.

Once again we have a film crew at Sycamore; many of the residents were interviewed in their flats and others filmed doing day to day jobs and taking part in activities. Clucking hen Michelle was run off her feet looking after her flock and pointing people in the right direction. The object of the film was to compile an indication as to how elderly people live in extra care schemes compared with other accommodation. The film will be produced as a DVD for North Yorkshire Council and for TV broadcasting.

It was a sad day for us all when Marion Metcalfe passed away. She lived at High Hall before moving to Sycamore Hall six years ago. Although her disability made it very difficult for her to communicate, all her needs were dealt with very efficiently; the carers loved Marion as we all did. Could I please take this opportunity to say a huge thank you for the generous donation by the family to the Sycamore Hall amenity fund in her memory. We will spend it wisely.

**D e r e k Ramsden**

*Dates in December: 3rd: Singer Ruth entertains. 5th:Panto time—Jack and the Beanstalk. 15th: Lunch trip to the Creamer. 17th: Bainbridge School.*



*Walking above Gayle by Alastair Macintosh*



*Along the Ure by Adrian Loveless*



*'Christmas Eve' by Jonathon Woolley*

SPECIAL CHURCH, SCHOOL AND CAROL-SINGING EVENTS (HC=Holy Communion)

ASKRIGG AND BAINBRIDGE AREA

Bainbridge Methodist Chapel			
	Sunday	Dec16	10.45am Join in Carol Service at Aysgarth
	Sunday	Dec30	10.30am Annual Covenant service joined by St Oswald's
St Oswald's, Askrigg			
	Saturday	Dec15	7.30pm Christmas Tree Preview. See Page 27
	Dec 16 to Jan 1		Christmas Tree Festival in Church
	Sunday	Dec16	10.30am HC
			4.00pm Service of Carols and Lessons
	Christmas Eve		4.00pm Christingle
			11.30pm Midnight Eucharist (HC)
	Christmas Day		10.30am HC
St Matthew's, Stalling Busk			
	Christmas Eve		7.15pm HC
			8.00pm Lessons and Carols by Candlelight
Bainbridge Meeting House			
	Sunday	Dec 23	10.30am Quaker (Society of Friends) meeting
Marsett Methodist Chapel			
	Sunday	Dec 2	8.00pm Carols "Singalong"
	Sunday	Jan 6	2.00pm Annual Covenant service
Sycamore Hall			
	Saturday	Dec 1	8.30am Men's Prayer Breakfast
	Sunday	Dec23	10.30am Methodist Carol Service

## HAWES AREA

Churches Together pubs	Thursday	Dec13	from 7pm	Carol singing round Hawes
	Sunday	Jan 20	2.30pm	Afternoon café church in Beckindales
Gayle Methodist Church	Sunday	Dec23	2.00pm	Carol Service
	Tuesday	Jan 1	6.30pm	Gayle Methodist New Year supper
	Sunday	Jan 13	2.00pm	Annual Covenant service
Hawes Methodist Church	Sunday	Dec 2	10.30am	United Toy service for Salvation Army See page 8
	Monday	Dec 3	1.00pm	Taizé Service after lunch at noon. See page 25
	Wed	Dec19	6.30pm	Carols by Candlelight & supper. See pages. 6, 14
	Sunday	Dec30	10.30am	Family Service
	Sunday	Jan 6	10.30am	Annual Covenant service
St Margaret's, Hawes	Thursday	Dec20	1.30pm	Christingle service with Hawes School
	Sunday	Dec23	10.30am	HC
	Sunday	Dec23	3.30pm	Service of Lessons and Carols
	Christmas Eve		11.30pm	Midnight Mass (HC)
	Christmas Day		10.30am	United Family Service (HC to follow for those who would like it)
St Mary and St John, Hardraw	Sunday	Dec23	5.00pm	Christingle service
	Christmas Eve		11.30pm	Midnight Mass (HC)
Hawes Junction Chapel	Saturday	Dec 8	7.30pm	Carols by Candlelight with Geoff Philips and his puppets

## AYSGARTH, WEST BURTON, THORALBY AND WEST WITTON AREA

St Andrew's, Aysgarth	Sunday	Dec16	11.00am	HC
	Sunday	Dec23	11.00am	Carol Service
	Christmas Eve		10.00pm	Holy communion (HC)
	Christmas Day		11.00am	Family Service
Aysgarth Methodist Church	Sunday	Dec 9	6.30pm	Nativity Service
	Sunday	Dec16	10.45am	Carol Service
	Sunday	Jan 20	10.45am	Annual Covenant Service
Thoralby Village Hall	Sunday	Dec16	2.30pm	Carol service
Thornton Rust	Sunday	Dec16	4.00pm	Carol Service
West Burton Chapel	Sunday	Dec16	6.00pm	Methodist Nativity service
	Mon&Tues	Dec 17,18		Carol Singing around village from 6 pm
	Christmas Eve		8.00pm	Christmas Eve communion (HC)
	Sunday	Jan 13	10.45am	Annual Methodist Covenant service
St Bartholomew's, West Witton	Sunday	Dec 9	2.30pm	WI Group Carol Service
	Sunday	Dec16	6.00pm	Carols and Lessons
	Sunday	Dec23	9.30am	Methodist Service (not HC)
	Christmas Eve		4.00pm	Christingle Crib Service
	Christmas Eve		11.30pm	Midnight Communion (HC)

## CARPERBY, REDMIRE, CASTLE BOLTON AND PRESTON AREA

Carperby Institute	Sunday	Dec23	7.30pm	Carol Service
Castle Bolton Church	Monday	Dec17	7.00pm	Carols around the village
	Christmas Eve		10.00pm	HC
Preston-under-Scar	Sunday	Dec16	6.00pm	Carol service
	Sunday	Dec23	4.00pm	Crib service
	Christmas Day		9.30am	HC
Bolton-cum-Redmire Church	Thursday	Dec13	7.00pm	Carols in the Pub - at the Bolton Arms
	Sunday	Dec16	4.00pm	Carol Service
	Sunday	Dec23	9.30am	HC
	Christmas Eve		3.30pm	Crib service
	Sunday	Dec 2	10.30am	Penhill Benefice Advent Service
Wensley Church	Friday	Dec21	6.00pm	Carol service
	Christmas Day		10.30am	HC BCP

<b>GENERAL WHAT'S ON LISTING</b>
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### December

- 1 Christmas Sale, Carperby Village Institute, 10.00am to 4.00pm p. 12
- 1 Hawes Christmas Festival. Wensleydale's Got Talent show in the afternoon, Lights switch on and Father Christmas at 4.30pm Evening Concert in Market. Hall
- 1 DCM Christmas Fun. See p 26
- 4 Coffee morning, Hawes Methodist rooms for Aysgarth Methodist church 10.00am to noon
- 5, 15 Gayle Mill events.. Phone 667320 for details
- 5 Christmas carols with Cantabile and Elastic Band. Thornton Rust village hall ,7.00-9.00pm. See p. 7
- 6 WI Christmas Party at White Hart 12.15pm
- 6 Wensleydale Orchestra Open Rehearsal. See p. 5
- 7 Wensleydale Society. See p. 6
- 7 Carols at Rookhurst See p.6
- 7 Music in Aysgarth. St Andrew's. 7.30pm See p.7
- 9 Charity coffee, cakes and crafts. Thornton Rust, Village Hall 2.00-5.00 pm. p10
- 9 'Bartle workshop' for North Country Theatre. DCM from 1.00pm See p. 5
- 11 Decorative and Fine arts Soc. 2.00pm See p. 6
- 11 Hawes Drama group. Christmas meal; Stone House
- 11 YDNPA Planning committee,1.00pm
- 12 Ladies luncheon club. Noon; p. 19
- 13,20 Wensleydale Country Markets. Leyburn Methodist Hall.10.00am to 12.30pm (for collection of Christmas orders)
- 14,21,22 The Young Voices at various venues. See p. 25
- 15 St Oswald's, Askrigg, Christmas Tree Festival preview, concert and supper. See p. 16
- 15 The Exploding Buddhas in Hawes Market Hall see p. 21
- 17 Dominos, Thoraby Vill. Hall 7.30pm
- 18 YDNPA Full Authority meeting 10.30am
- 18 Carperby Christmas Whist, 7.30pm
- 19 Whist, Thoraby Village Hall 7.30pm
- 21 Annual Christmas Charity Concert, Hawes Market House, 7.30pm p. 4

- 22 Carperby Christmas Dominos at 7.30pm
- 26,27 Hands on Course at Gayle Mill. See p. 23
- 26 Boxing Night Extravaganza at 'The Falls' Motel
- 28 A Yorkshire Christmas Carol; DCM. 2.30pm See p. 22

### January

- 4 Wensleydale Society, West Burton village hall 7.30pm. See p. 22
- 8 Hawes Drama Group reads 'Last Tango in Little Grimley', followed by informal quiz. Gayle Institute 7.30pm
- 12 Coffee Morning for St Oswald's, Askrigg in back room of Village Hall. 10am to noon. Raffle, cake stall etc.. All welcome.
- 16 Ladies Luncheon Club See p. 219

### December Events for Children:

#### Askrigg Village

- 21 Carol Singing around Askrigg - Meet at the cross at 5.00pm. All welcome.
- 24 Meet Father Christmas at the Cross at 5.30pm - everyone welcome. Gifts for primary age children. Mulled wine and Mince Pies.
- 28 Children's Christmas Party (for pre-school & primary age children) in the Village Hall from 3 to 5pm with D J Wilky. Bring and Share Party Tea. Locals and visitors welcome.

#### Askrigg Primary School

- 12 1920's Style 'Flappers & Charleston' Evening & Premiere of 'Tomb Raiders, A Discovery' at 6.00pm
- 18 Whole School Nativity in School at 1.30pm
- 21 Carol Service & Nativity at St Oswald's, Askrigg, with Bainbridge School at 1.30pm

#### Bainbridge CE Primary and Nursery School

- 11 Christmas Concert at St Oswald's, Askrigg at 6.00pm
- 21 Carol Service & Nativity at St Oswald's, Askrigg, with Askrigg School at 1.30pm

#### Hawes School

- 18 Class 1 Nativity "Hey Ewe" in the school hall at 2pm and 6pm. All welcome.
- 20 Christingle in St Margaret's at 1.30pm

<p><b>Linda and Stephen</b> send best wishes to all our friends and customers for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year</p>	<p>Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our family and friends. Best Wishes for 2013. <b>From Will, Sharon, Carl and Emma.</b> Not sending cards, donation to the Newsletter</p> 
 <p><b>IVESON</b> Edith and Alick wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all family, friends and neighbours</p>	 <p><b>Greetings from the South.</b> <b>Marilyn and Tony Philpott</b> send their best wishes for Christmas to their many friends in Wensleydale</p>
<p><b>SUMNER</b> George and Mary wish all their friends and neighbours A Happy Christmas and good health for the New Year</p> 	<p><b>Ian, Trish, Sam and Katie</b> would like to wish their friends and neighbours a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. We are not sending cards this year; instead donations will be given to Marie Curie and the British Lung Foundation</p> 
<p><b>Hazel Metcalfe</b> of Hudswell would like to wish friends and relatives a merry Christmas and a happy New Year</p> 	 <p><b>Barbara and James Peacock</b> of Sycamore Hall would like to wish family and friends a very merry Christmas and a happy new year</p>
 <p><b>Audrey Springer</b> would like to wish All her friends and family Happy Christmas and a very Happy New Year</p>	<p><b>James Harrison, 43, Little Ings, Hawes,</b> wishes all his friends and relations a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.</p> 
 <p><b>JUDY FAWCETT</b> would like to wish everyone a merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year</p>	<p>***** CHRISTMAS GREETING WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OUR CLIENTS AND WISH THEM MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR IN OUR NEW *****</p>
<p><b>ENTWISTLE</b> Edna wishes all friends and neighbours a very Happy Christmas and all best wishes for the New Year</p> 	 <p><b>Geraldine at G Sumner Jewellers</b> wishes all her customers A Happy and Healthy Christmas and New Year</p>  <p><b>Spike, Gwen, Jess &amp; Isabel</b> would like to wish family &amp; friends a very happy Christmas &amp; healthy 2013 Giving a donation to Hawes Primary School again this year instead of sending cards</p>