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Editorial

Question: what has our National Park not got much of, compared to the others?

Answer: tree-cover.

The average tree cover is about 9% of a National Park area; in the Dales it is merely 1.6% for broadleaf and about 2% for conifer plantation. That's tiny!

So this editorial is about trees. The country as a whole has been taking the matter seriously. We have the large National Forest being developed since 1995 in Derbyshire, Staffordshire and Leicestershire linking the ancient forests of Needwood and Charnwood. Tree-planting schemes are encouraged in many other places, not least here, where, with useful grants from the National Park, many small plantations especially in steep gills, are appearing; together with some large Millennium Trust schemes since 2001.

But how seriously do we take it all? Over the last few decades we have experienced Dutch Elm disease, Ash Die-back and threats to our oak and horse-chestnut species, and now threats to large numbers of larches in the Welsh valleys. It isn't just the loss of the trees themselves but also of other plant or bird species which depend upon them for cover or shelter and even more so the loss of habitat for numerous insects. This is especially true in the case of oaks, willow and birch which can support hundreds of different insect species within them (284, 266 and 229 respectively in Britain: *Department of Zoology, University of London*). Even the humble pine supports over 90; together with apple, hawthorn, poplar and alder scoring highly.

Since the 1960s when the conifer plantations were put in, there have been significant changes - and notice how fast they re-grow after felling. Gone are the dead-straight boundaries, more likely now to follow the contours, with deciduous hardwood species round the outer parts.

This all might sound like child's play when we consider the wholesale felling of tropical rain forests; but take heart, we can all do our bit! We tend here only to fell large old trees which are unsafe; tree preservation orders protect some of our finest examples, and if we replace or even increase after having felled, things will look up.

The trouble is these days, we want instant results! You can't have them with some of our finest trees. We marvel at the foresight and vision of the great landscape architects of the 1700s whose designs even now grace plenty of our stately home gardens.

We could each plant a tree even in the smallest cottage garden; they wouldn't all be together in a forest but the combined effect could be great and go a little way to our contribution to moderating climate

change. There are some delightful smaller trees that won't make your outlook too dark – or the roots push up under the kitchen walls! Crab apple, rowan, bird cherry, some lovely species of birch, hawthorn (they come in red blossom too), damson or elder. We seem to have overlooked the maligned sycamore in all this! While it may not have many of the benefits listed above, it still finds favour because of its anti-bacterial properties; once used for cheese moulds and still used for rolling pins!

Go on, plant a tree or use the Millennium Trust's 'Dedicate a tree' scheme as a living legacy.

Important Announcement

A.S.W. is having to be released from his Virgin (alan.watkinson@virgin.net) and this is the new email address for the Newsletter:

alan.watkinson@myphone.coop

All our regular contacts have been informed. Those who are contacted monthly by Alastair Macintosh or Barry Cruickshanks (for example for Police, Rangers, village halls and churches) should continue to reply to them.

All communication such as letters, one-off articles, special events and reports, the other monthly articles that come to me, the Eunice-finders and competition entries, please now always use the new email address shown above.

With thanks

A.S.W.

Little White Bus

Here is the list of vehicles now running:

TWO Fiat Orion , 16-seater brand new with low floors.

One Mercedes Sprinter, 16-seater brand new.

These three above are fitted with tracker and ticket machines for the Wensleydale and Swaledale routes.

TWO Ford Transit 15-seater, for the Garsdale Station run and a spare.

One Peugeot Explorer with nine seats.

One Land Rover County 110 with five seats used for children's school pick-up.

Craft Fair

Saturday 20th June 10.00am – 2.00 pm,

in Carperby Village Hall, in aid of the Yorkshire Air Ambulance, a very worthy cause. there will be light refreshments available.

Lisa Webb 07919 896612

Pentecost Praise

Fine at last! For a few years the annual service of praise for Pentecost, Whit Sunday, has had to be held in Bainbridge Methodist Church, but this year it was fit to be outside on the Green despite a chilly wind.



A good crowd gathered to partake in prayers, joyful hymns accompanied by Hawes Band and to listen to Rev Chris Lawton.

The afternoon concluded in true Christian fashion with tea and splendid scones and cream.

National Park Battling Climate Change

The National Park Authority staff are celebrating a massive boost to their work in combating climate change. Latest figures show the Authority has cut its carbon emissions by a staggering two-thirds in the last nine years, and in the last financial year alone there was a reduction of nearly 15 per cent on 2013/14.

On a grander scale, the Authority has been working hard with partners to help local people and businesses to reduce their carbon emissions and increase carbon capture.

“The biggest single change we have made the last financial year has been the installation of a biomass (wood chip) boiler in the Dales Countryside Museum in Hawes to replace an oil-based heating system.”

Other practical steps taken that have contributed to the carbon savings over the years include:

- * installation of a biomass boiler, a ground source heat pump and solar panels at Authority offices
- * heat-saving measures like better insulation and double glazing
- * using technology to reduce power used by computers
- * introducing smarter travel – greener fleet of leased vehicles, car sharing, planning multiple meetings for journeys, holding meetings in one place.

Eunice the Ewe



Unfortunately Eunice left the Newsletter area last month, or what we really mean is we forgot to hide her. We're sorry!

Safer Walking

Walkers in Wensleydale will find it easier to keep their footing on a popular riverside path thanks to work by National Park Authority Rangers and Dales Volunteers.

The route along the River Ure between Askrigg and Aysgarth had been badly damaged by flooding and was in need of urgent repair, according to Paul Sheehan, the Authority's Ranger for Lower Wensleydale.

He said, “The footpath near Lady Hill had become increasingly impassable over recent years due to flooding and erosion and it was in a right state and we had to create a new walking surface above the flood-line.”

“In all, 110m of green willow poles, or spiling, have been put into the ground and woven together in an effort to stabilise the eroded banks and limit sedimentation of the river. And, to encourage the willow to take root and grow, stock fencing with gated access at either end has been installed.”

“We would particularly like to thank the Dales Volunteers and the landowners and tenants, Rob and Martin Fawcett, Antony Abraham and Robert Ewbank, for their help and co-operation.”

New Member Wanted

Parish Councils and Parish Meetings in the Richmondshire parishes are to be invited to put forward candidates to join the National Park Authority. A candidate must be a member of a parish council or a chairman of a parish meeting. The closing date for receipt of nominations is **June 15th**. If more than one nomination is received for a vacancy, there will be an election amongst the parish councils/meetings before the name of the successful candidate is then submitted to the Secretary of State for approval.

The Board of the National Park Authority consists of 22 members – 12 appointed from the local county and district councils, four parish representatives and six ‘national’ members appointed by the Secretary of State for the Environment.

Prunings

As I write it is mid-May and even now the real burgeoning of Spring has only recently occurred. Having said that, the roadsides and field edges are magical and the gardens are a riot of colour long before the Summer blooms emerge.

My neighbour has a west facing bed against the end wall of the building. It takes everything the weather can throw at it. This morning it is a picture: a glorious tall red Euphorbia, probably *Grifithii Fireglow*, a smaller acid green variety possibly *Euphorbia Cyparissias* and a larger cousin, not yet in flower. Between them the orange wall-flowers and bluebells dance in the chilly breeze, behind the roses are surging upwards with buds promising prolific colour in a few short weeks, and in front the gravel sports a forest of *Aquilegia* ready to open their nodding flowers in perhaps only days.

Half a mile up the road there is a wooded bank sporting bluebells, violets, and primroses. My husband remembers it as being thickly covered when he was a child, but of course 60 years ago it was common to pick wild flowers, especially primroses, and many disappeared. This year there seem to be more than last, so perhaps the populations are recovering. There were plenty of bugle spikes flowering on some open banking. The wild form, like the cultivars, grows from underground stolons and it has to compete with the grasses around it generally remaining quite dainty and only a few inches tall. In the garden the various forms of *Ajuga* are larger with glossy leaves, flower spikes up to 8 inches in height and a whole range of bronzy shades in the foliage. It is amazingly vigorous and makes excellent ground cover.

Alchemilla Mollis is another garden plant which is now bursting into life. It makes a lovely show, looks well in a vase, either alone or to bulk up a sparse arrangement, but it must be cut before the flowers seed, or you may wish you had never seen it. Its native cousin – *Lady's Mantle* is much more delicate, and you have to look for it amongst the spreading grass.

A friend gave me some *Lily of the Valley* and I put them into a corner of my newly cleared front border. They seem to have survived the transplant and will be fully out shortly. The flowering span is short but I



consider them worth waiting for. If you have a big enough clump try putting some rhizomes into a coloured pot (dark blue is very dramatic) and then you can enjoy their scent near the door. Don't let them dry out too much and they'll do the same next year. They look lovely and last well as cut flowers.

Talking of pots, a friend asked about growing *Agapanthus* in tubs. It works well, especially in earthenware when the colour contrast is pleasing, but they are not completely hardy here in the north and the tub will need protection in winter. They'll rot if they get too wet in the dormant season, and like all bulbs and corms they are more susceptible to prolonged frost if not in the ground.

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

Rose Rambler

What Have the Following in Common?

“Love is Blind, Kes, Badger, Like Wow Man, Love Birds, Shotgun Clare and Cowboy Balance”. No, this is not another Newsletter quiz but the names of the rooms available at the totally refurbished and rejuvenated Stow House Boutique Hotel in Aysgarth. (There is also a large extension being built at the rear of the hotel for the owners accommodation).

Stow House stands in two acres of beautiful grounds well away from the hustle and bustle of the A684 with enviable far reaching views down Bishopdale and Wensleydale. It was built in 1876 for the Reverend Fenwick William Stow who lived there for some 27 years. He was an accomplished photographer as well as being the Rural Dean of Wensleydale. Some of his photographs can still be seen in the house.

Over cake and afternoon tea I met the new owners Sarah and Phil Bucknall. They both have had total life changes as both worked in London; Sarah as a copy writer and Phil as an art director.

If you expect to see a theme of cosy country house living you are in for a big surprise. The bedrooms and bathrooms (all large enough to hold a party) offer real contemporary luxury with no expense spared. The art work which adorns the walls is eclectic ranging from the very modern (and perhaps some would say “far out”) to gentle water colours reflecting tranquil country scenes.

S.E.D.

Last Month's Competition

- Letters and numbers etc.
1. 2.2 P in a K (A)
 2. 8K in 5M (A)
 3. 4 = CR of SF
 4. 6 C in the G E (R C)
 5. 17 M, R to LB (W R)
 6. 9 M of the N C (see P F)
 7. E of M; End of the SWW
 8. 198 = LW for R F
 9. 20 T in the B P L
 10. 10 GBHOTW
 11. 1 MWTM
 12. T T T R
 13. 723 = H O I I M
 14. 1440 = T to T in the A
 15. 8 L on a S
 16. 40 P in this I
 17. T and one S = P (A)
 18. 1215 = D of M C
 19. 1215 = Q P T
 20. I : W of the 6 N R

And the answers were:-

1. 2.2 pounds in a kilogramme (Approx.)
2. 8 kilometres in 5 miles (Approx.)
3. 4 = cube root of sixty four
4. 6 candidates in the General Election (Richmondshire Constituency) ** *This clue was set up before a replacement Liberal Democrat was found.*
5. 17 miles, Redmire to Leeming Bar (Wensleydale Railway)
6. 9 members of the Newsletter Committee (see page forty)
7. Eighth of May; end of the second world war
8. 198 = Long wave for radio four
9. 20 teams in the Barclays Premier League
10. 10 green bottles hanging on the wall
11. 1 man went to mow
12. Three, three the rivals
13. 723 = Height of Ingleborough in metres
14. 1440 = twenty to three in the afternoon
15. 8 legs on a spider
16. 40 pages in this issue
17. Three and one seventh = Pi (Approx.)
18. 1215 = Date of Magna Carta
19. 1215 = Quarter past twelve
20. Ireland: Winner of the 6 nations rugby

Winners: **John and Linda Snow, Hawes;**
£20 to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance

June Competition

Villages in the Yorkshire area plus a few in County Durham/Cumbria all ending in 'BY'.

Only the non-BY part is clued.

1. FRESH
2. GRANNY SMITH
3. FRIGHTEN BY
4. QUEUE
5. DAMAGE
6. JULIUS CAESAR
7. OWE ROB SHRUG (6,7)
8. COME BLOW UP
YOUR...
9. STUCK ON YOUR FINGER END
10. DESPERATE AND COMIC
11. BACK BOY
12. USED A SPADE TO TWIST A LEG
13. GOES WITH A NUT
14. FISH HESITATION
15. MUM

Send the answers even if you've not got them all. You might be the best!
Please state your chosen charity for the £20 prize.

By Tuesday June 16th to be in time for committee to select the winner.

Visit Longridge Wood

Open Days, Friday and Saturday

June 12th and 13th. 10.00am to 4.00pm

This recently planted 100-acre woodland in Bishopdale has no public rights of way within it, but on these two dates the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust has arranged these open days. It is situated up Bishopdale, about eight miles from Aysgarth on the B6160, and has great views over the dale. There will be no admission charge but donations will be welcome.

Please ring **01524 251002** for more details.

Notes from Thorney Mire

Late Spring

Did nature design Spring flowers to be yellow to cheer us up after the Winter? Dandelions, coltsfoot, aconites, primroses, cowslips, daffodils and celandines all rear their cheery heads in the Spring. (By the way, if anyone ever asks you in a quiz, what day is Primrose Day, it's April 19th). We know that we have at least four red squirrels in the wood and they continue to come to the feeders in the courtyard. One has a very distinctive light tail. Smaller ones have been seen, so we assume they are breeding

We have had a few visitors to the bird feeders. A reed bunting came for a few days and was welcomed by all, except the dunnock who tried to chase it away, and a pair of collared doves made a few appearances. A tree creeper was seen doing what tree creepers do on the sycamore tree. Two pied wagtails were seen in the field, a willow warbler was heard but not seen and our first sighting of two swallows was on the 23rd of April.

A few weeks ago in the Lake District I heard a cuckoo but I have not heard one at Thorney Mire for three years.

After spending a few days on a modern housing estate where the sum total of bird life in the garden was two pied wagtails and a red kite flying overhead (something we don't have) and a friend getting excited about seeing a rabbit in a country park, it made me realise how lucky we are to have such a variety of birds and wildlife. Although I would be quite happy for the rabbit to stay in the country park and not our garden. We have a nuthatch which has an unusual way of approaching the bird feeders. It flies forward into a recess in the wall, turns round and surveys the feeders like a diner checking out a buffet dinner, then flies down and eats the peanuts in its usual upside down manner. I am assuming that the digestive system of a nuthatch has evolved for it to eat in this inverted way. I'm glad mine hasn't.

Sylvia Turner



TBA (Wensleydale) Ltd

(Time to promote Hawes)

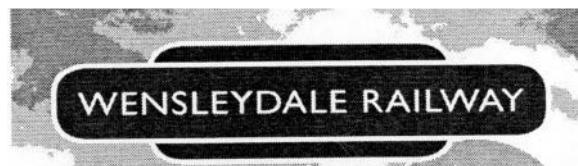
Last week The Business Association (Wensleydale) Ltd held its AGM. As a voluntary organisation it endeavours to promote products, services, accommodation and attractions of businesses in Upper Wensleydale.

We would welcome any business or accommodation provider to become a member. Included in the membership is an entry in a printed leaflet, which goes to every tourist information centre in Yorkshire, as well as given out to visitors at National Park centres at Hawes, Aysgarth and Sedbergh.

Our website www.wensleydale.org is well visited and members get an enhanced entry on www.DalesBusinessDirectory.co.uk - which can be self-administered allowing them to put on special offers, events and extra photographs throughout the year. This year the cost is only £60.00.

At the recent AGM, it was agreed to produce a new edition of the popular leaflet *Explore Hawes on Foot*, if sponsors can be found. Any offers of help or enquiries about the cost would be welcomed - email info@wensleydale.org or phone **667575**. It is an invaluable asset promoting Hawes, it would be a shame to lose it.

It has come to the stage where an injection of new ideas would be appreciated. If you want to join please contact Secretariat, **Liz Lawson 667575** or email info@wensleydale.org



Timetable for June

(There are a few alterations from the printed leaflet owing to works)

Trains will run on these dates:

Wednesdays, 3,10,17,24; Saturdays 6,13,20,27:

Steam train on Saturdays

Fridays 5,12,19,26 and Sundays 7,21,28:

Sunday 14: special Diesel Day.

There are three trains from Redmire on the above days to Leyburn, Bedale and Leeming Bar. On some of the days trains go on to Northallerton West.

As the times are not the same for each of these days, please consult the Railway's website

How do we Heal?

I recently suffered a serious soft tissue injury and after comments from patients about how fast I had healed, I realised how little we generally understand about how injuries heal. You cannot make tissue heal faster – but you can slow it down! These guidelines apply to muscle tissue – tendons and ligaments take longer to heal as they are not as vascular: the pinker the tissue – the faster it heals!

Firstly, what's happened? You felt something 'go' – possibly followed by some pain and loss of strength but you could still continue with the activity. It's sore after, swells slightly and perhaps some bruising appears, depending on injury site: Grade 1 muscle strain. If the pull was more substantial, more painful, perhaps with a feeling of the muscle retracting into itself and you could definitely not continue, that's a partial rupture, Grade 2. If the muscle completely ruptures you would be on the floor and totally incapable of moving the limb – Grade 3, which often requires surgical repair so a trip to the medics is called for.

Acute/inflammatory phase: between 3-5 days, depending on injury severity. Follow **PRICE** – Protection, Rest, Ice, Compression, Elevation. Use crutches if necessary. Protection is sometimes the most important element at this stage. The body is gathering the substances needed to the area so that healing can begin. Inflammation needs to be managed but not stifled - your body needs the inflammation around the injury site, but do use PRICE to manage it, particularly in areas where it can accumulate such as lower limb. Carry out passive movements of the tissue by manually lifting the limb/bending the joints but don't allow the injured muscles to bear the weight of the limb during this phase as you will disrupt healing. Every time you disrupt healing - you **DELAY** healing. Next time I'll talk about phase 2: Rebuilding.

Jo Lade, Reflex Orthopaedic Massage

Hang Gliding

Last weekend it was the British Open Series Round 2 Championship based in Hawes— and unlike many such events over the years— the weather was favourable!



The Healing Collective, Swinithwaite

Saturday, June 6th, 10.00am - 4.00pm:

Drop in session - Meet the therapists and have a free taster session.

Meditation Group— Thursdays 7.00 - 8.30pm (starting June 25th).

All are welcome to join us for time out from the busy-ness of everyday life. By allowing yourself breathing space, you can learn to take a step back and find a place of calm within. Please bring a cushion or meditation stool (or a chair can be provided if you let us know you need one). We also suggest for your own comfort that you bring a blanket and a bottle of water. Cost: £5 per person although if you cannot afford this, you can make a donation suitable to your means.

Tel: **0845 474 383** www.healingcollective.co.uk

Collecting

We would like to hear from readers or organisations that *collect things*— that is for charities or good causes. It might help to publicise these and increase their scope.

We know already of groups collecting the tops off plastic milk bottles, and of readers collecting postage stamps. Often these sorts of collections raise valuable funds for work overseas. Please let us know any details. Many of the things we throw out can be found a good home!

Wensleydale Chorus 2015

In 2015 the Wensleydale Chorus will be singing Faure's Requiem and Haydn's Nelson Mass.

PERFORMANCES:

Saturday July 18th, 7.30pm St Oswald's Church, Askrigg

Saturday July 25th, 7.30pm St John's Church East Witton

One Saturday rehearsal will take place on **30th May from 10.00am until 3.00pm** in Hawes Market Hall.

New members are always welcome – no auditions, just a love of music is required!

If you would like further information please contact Gilda Foster **622942** gilda@fosnet.co.uk

The Upper Dales Healthwatch

The Patient Participation Group for the Central Dales GP Practice

Synopsis of meeting held on 18th May 2015

The pilot Wednesday evening opening at Hawes finishes at the end of June.

Automated appointment calls from the Friarage are activated by speech. This explains why those who do not say anything when picking up the receiver think they were getting nuisance calls.

The Dales Project will look at the increasing challenges in a deeply rural area:

Tele-consultation works at the Airedale Hospital which serves a similar rural area.

The Friarage will shortly have an MRI scanner and a new cancer unit.

Ambulance crews, concerned that they will be kept waiting at James Cook, may decide to take a patient to Darlington instead. Darlington Memorial may then follow their normal procedure of sending recovering patients to Barnard Castle or Stanhope.

Dales' geography seems not to be properly understood by the Out of Hours Service.

Two new acute physicians have now started work in A&E at the Friarage.

There is real difficulty recruiting paediatric consultants.

District nurses are not allowed to carry out all the duties they are capable of, because of restrictions placed on them by South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. There is a crisis looming for community nurses as a significant number of them will have retired by 2018. Team working by GPs and District Nurses is critical.

It is going to be a real challenge to effectively deliver care in rural areas. Evidence needs to be collected to prove rurality is a significant factor in the cost of social care.

Clinics for the Frail and Elderly have been running at the Friary and the Friarage. Domiciliary visits by this team will start shortly, particularly for patients suffering from dementia who need to be seen in their home environment for a quality assessment to be made.

A new pathway has been designed for patients with Diabetes.

Central Dales will be running Travel Clinics for patients planning to visit exotic locations. This will be a chargeable service for advice and medication.

A new website is being designed for the Central Dales Practice. There will be an email address that patients will be able to use as part of this development.

The Shuttlebus from the Friarage to James Cook is proving very helpful.

The future location of NHS services at Brentwood Lodge in Leyburn is on the Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby Clinical Commissioning Group's 'to sort' list in their Operational Plan 2015-16.

INR machines – which test blood – are operational at both surgeries. When staff have been trained to use the software, patients will have their new dosage before they leave the surgery.

Jane Ritchie

Hawes Silver Band, June Events

Sunday 21st, 6.30pm. The band plays for SONGS OF PRAISE in Aysgarth Institute. The service is led by chapel members with readings, prayers and many favourite hymns accompanied by the band who also play other pieces.

Saturday 27th from 12.30pm HAWES GALA. The band plays to add festivity to this great fun event.

Monday 29th from 7.30pm. BAINBRIDGE SPORTS. Fun and games with musical accompaniment. Read more about the band on www.hawessilverband.org.uk

The band rehearses on Sunday evenings at 7.30pm in the Market House, Hawes. New players are welcome.

Gerald Hodgson, 624761

Double Century

We are delighted to report that on **June 13th** two of our residents, Nora Oversby in Hawes and Eunice Leyland in Bainbridge, both celebrate their hundredth birthdays.

Gift Your Gear

Pre-loved outdoor clothing donated by generous individuals across the region is enabling people from disadvantaged backgrounds to enjoy the Yorkshire Dales countryside, no matter what the weather may throw at them. Gift Your Gear takes unwanted waterproofs, fleeces, outdoor trousers, insulated jackets, gloves, hats and boots and donates them to community organisations, youth groups and charities across the UK, enabling others to benefit from life-changing experiences in the great outdoors, regardless of their circumstances. The Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust is delighted to be part of the Gift Your Gear initiative, ensuring that all the donated items are given a new lease of life through the Trust's education and outreach work with disadvantaged groups who often just don't have the right clothing to head out into the hills. The charity recently received a delivery of children's waterproofs which were put to immediate use. Gail Smith, a community worker at YDMT, said: "The very next day I was taking a group of young carers from Leeds out to Malham for the day, and the weather forecast wasn't great. The young people, aged 8-14, all help to care for someone in their family, and they were looking forward to a few hours away with other young people in a similar situation. Thanks to Gift Your Gear, the group from Willow Young Carers stayed warm, dry and comfortable. They were very happy as in the past we have only been able to provide adult sized coats, which don't look too cool!" Gift Your Gear teamed up with Rohan, the award-winning outdoor and travel clothing company, to encourage people to drop off unwanted outdoor clothing at any Rohan Shop during March. In return Rohan offered a 15% discount off full priced purchases made on the same day. Gift Your Gear has now

supplied more than 260 organisations with donated outdoor clothing and equipment. Sarah Howcroft, founder of Gift Your Gear, said: "Thanks to the incredible generosity of everyone that took part and donated their gear, we are delighted to be able to help the team at YDMT continue this work and ensure that these formative experiences in the great outdoors are safe and enjoyable. Instead of gathering dust in wardrobes, attics and garages, the donated gear is back outdoors where it belongs, gathering miles!" Rohan generously donated a set of new children's size waterproofs to YDMT to add to the pre-loved gear. Roger Cann, managing director of Rohan, added: "Having lived for eight of the last 10 years in Ilkley, I know how uplifting this beautiful region can be. The support of Rohan customers and employees to the Gift Your Gear initiative has been fantastic and it is wonderful to be able to support the work of YDMT. Suitable clothing is vital to the enjoyment of the outdoors and I am sure this 'gear' will get a great second life."

Bag2school

Re-using unwanted textiles

The Hawes Primary School PTFA has arranged a bag2school collection on **Thursday, June 11th**. This is a great way for us to raise money for the school and the more we collect the more money we make! Good quality clothing, pairs of shoes, bags, hats, scarves and ties, jewellery, belts and soft toys are all accepted so please, have a sort out and bring any items you'd like to leave (tied in black bin bags) to the school gates on the morning by **9.00am**.

If it is raining please bring your bags into school as they won't collect wet items. Thank you.

Anna Fagg - 666819

Swaledale Festival

Saturday May 23rd to Saturday June 6th

On-line bookings now open:

SWALEFEST.ORG

Phone and walk-in bookings :

01748 880019

The Swaledale Festival began in fine style on Saturday morning, May 23rd, in the possibly unusual, but totally appropriate Gayle Mill.

Trouvere Medieval Minstrels (Paul Leigh and Gill Page) based in Richmond and dressed in authentic 13th century costumes, performed on a wide range of instruments including harps, gitterns, flutes, bagpipes and hurdy-gurdy, also giving plenty of background information. Even better, interested members of the audience, of whom there were many, could 'have a play'.

Here is a summary of the events roughly within the Newsletter area. The Festival booklet is widely available at information centres.

Saturday May 30th

Black Dyke Band **8.00pm** Tennant's, Leyburn

Sunday May 31st

Guided Walk **10.30am** Carperby

Solo piano **7.30pm** St Oswald's, Askrigg

Monday June 1st

Muker Silver Band **7.30pm** Muker Public Hall

Tuesday June 2nd

Yorks. Film Archive **1.00pm** TOSH, Leyburn

Urban Folk Quartet **8.30pm** Wensleydale Creamery

Wednesday June 3rd

Guided walk **10.30am** Bolton Hall

Flute and harp duo **4.00pm** St Mary's, Muker

Thursday June 4th

Ukulele Orchestra **8.00pm** Tennant's, Leyburn

Upper Dales Family History Group

Our April speaker was Dr David Severs who had not only researched his clock making ancestor Hugh Pannell but had also traced over one hundred and twenty of the clocks and watches made by him and his son.

Hugh Pannell was born in Stokesley in 1721 and was apprenticed there before moving to the more prosperous town of Northallerton where there were more customers for his wares. As his business grew Hugh was able to invest in property and David had traced various shops and houses that he had owned or occupied, using the Deeds Register as well as Manorial Court Records, Quarter Sessions and Rating Assessments.

David showed slides of the clocks, many of which had distinctive or unusual features. Clocks could be made to run for 30 hours, 8 days or even 30 days before needing to be wound. Most of the Pannell pieces were 8 day clocks, implying that the Northallerton clients were rich enough to afford the more expensive mechanisms. He illustrated different styles of clock faces, explaining that a law had required the clock maker to put his name on the dial and also the town where it was made.

A number had additional functions such as the phases of the moon and the date. As time went on brass dials went out of fashion in favour of painted ones which did not tarnish and often had beautiful illustrations in the corners. Different styles of numbering also helped him to work out when the clock was made.

This month's meeting is on **June 24th at 7.30pm** in Harmby village hall when George Redmonds will speak on 'Links between surnames and place names in the dales'. Contact **01748 884759** for details or see the website www.upperdalesfhg.org.uk

Middleham and Dales Local History Group

Tuesday, June 16th, 2.00pm

Middleham Key Centre.

Reverend Jonathon Tinkler, Vicar of Arkengarthdale (1868-1891)

In this lecture Canon Ian Gomersall will talk about the life of the Reverend Jonathon Tinker who was Vicar of Arkengarthdale for over twenty years during the second half of the nineteenth century. This energetic and forthright man had wide ranging interests that extended beyond his church and into his parish community at a time of great change for the dale. For local and family historians, he has left a particularly rich legacy because of his habit of annotating the parish registers with details of individuals and their families, thereby providing fascinating information that would otherwise be lost to us today. Ian Gomersall has family roots in Arkengarthdale, and has written on the history of the dale. He is currently Rector of St Chrysostom, a large multicultural parish in central Manchester – a world apart from Arkengarthdale, as he says. He is also Area Dean of Ardwick and an Hon. Higher Education Chaplain in Manchester, so we are most fortunate that he has agreed to take time out from his busy schedule to come over to the Dales and give this talk. Annual membership of MDLHG is £10 and visitors are welcome to attend individual meetings for a fee of £3. For further information, please contact **Tony Keates 640436.** email dotandtonyk@btinternet.com

Bainbridge Sports

Bainbridge Sports takes place on **Monday, June 29th**, on the Village Green.

The children's races begin at **6.00pm**, and the fancy dress parade is at **7.30pm**.

Taylors Amusements will be in attendance, and music will be provided by Hawes Prize Band. There will be no midges (we hope).

Great Event in Castle Bolton

On Saturday May 16th the 20 strong Craven Accordion Orchestra gave a wonderful concert in Castle Bolton Church. Once they had set up their equipment and the church was safely locked they came to Dale View to relax over tea. The sun shone so they were able to wander in the garden and have time together not just rehearsal time, and judging by their laughter they were enjoying themselves. Chris Lawton the curate from Leyburn welcomed the Orchestra and the audience, which filled the Church, pointing out that all the orchestra were making at least a 100 mile round trip to entertain us. Chris told us that it was the day to remember Mathias the "Flat" Apostle so called because the "lot" fell on him, and he read a passage which appropriately talked of living in harmony and working with one accord ,and then said a prayer for us all.

The orchestra gave us a marvellous concert and were persuaded to play an encore. Their vocalist Tina Longbottom sang beautifully and Colin their compere, who is always very amusing, was at his best up in the pulpit in a big carved chair! Jayne Foster, Val Mclean and Kristen Whalley served hot drinks very efficiently to some 90 people, no easy task without a kitchen. We are very grateful to those who donated refreshments. Rosie Peacock looked after the "Lucky Number" Programmes for the 3 Hampers. The ticket draw was performed by Heather the youngest member of our audience. The concert ended with the evening hymn 'The day Thou gavest Lord is ended' which we all sang. A drum roll preceded the last verse and we stood and sang really lustily.

Very many thanks to our audience who enabled us to raise **£765 towards the Amala children's home and Marie Curie care.**

The orchestra packed up all their equipment in next to no time and were gone. It was almost as though it had all been a dream, but a very nice one! I shouldn't forget to thank Robert Hall for all his furniture shifting. I think he has a promising second career.

Margaret Hall

Heavens Above

We're treated to an impressively close *planetary conjunction* this month when the two brightest naked-eye planets, Venus and Jupiter, appear to pass so close to each other they'll almost seem to touch. You'll find the pair low in the north-west shortly after sunset. At their nearest about **11.00pm on the evening of June 30th** they'll only be 21 arc minutes apart – about two-thirds the apparent diameter of the Moon. Of course they're not really as close to each other as they appear to be. It's merely a line of sight effect with each planet remaining in their own separate orbits many millions of miles apart.



Planetary conjunctions aren't particularly rare but they're still a dramatic sight and are also very photogenic, especially if you can find an interesting horizon to add a bit of 'oomph' to your shot. You'll find a tripod useful too, as exposures will be on the longish side. Mars and Mercury are badly placed for viewing this June but you might catch sight of the remaining naked-eye planet, Saturn, low in the south around about 10.00pm by the middle of the month. Its ring system is nicely open for viewing at present – a glorious sight with even a small telescope. Good binoculars might just show you its largest moon, Titan. Saturn remains a feature of the evening sky right through the summer until it fades into the autumn twilight at the end of October. Midsummer's Day, when we enjoy the longest hours of daylight, falls on June 21st this year. It marks the Summer Solstice – the time when the Sun reaches its highest position over the northern hemisphere. It's hard to believe, especially after such a cold unsettled Spring, that the nights will then start drawing in again. Let's hope we have some decent summer weather in the mean time. Have clear skies!

Al Bireo

Mystery Picture



Mystery picture. Last month's was of Thwaite in Upper Swaledale (easy!). Where's' this month's?

Hawes W.I. Fundraiser

FASHION SHOW

at The Fountain, **Tuesday, June 2nd, 7.00pm**
Entrance Fee £2 on the door
RAFFLE

Plenty of clothes of good value and quality
Lots of accessories including jewellery, bags,
scarves etc
**ALL MAJOR CREDIT AND DEBIT CARDS
ACCEPTED**

Trip to Whitby

The Annual West Witton British Legion Trip to Whitby

Wednesday, June 24th

Departs West Witton at 9.00am; Leyburn at 9.15am

Calls at Goathland then Whitby

Returns to Leyburn at around 6.30 – 6.45pm then to West Witton

Cost £11

Phone **624109 or 624897** to book

WHAT'S ON LISTING; please add these dates to your Diary

June

- Until 6 Swaledale Festival events. See p.11
- 2 Drop in for Coffee, 10am 'til noon.
Talworth, Carperby
- 2 Hawes W.I. Fashion Show
- 2,9,16,23,30 1.00 to 3.00pm.Tea and Scones in St Margaret's Church, Hawes, subject to builders work schedule. Please check signs outside Church
- 3 Church Coffee Club, 10.00 'til noon.
Hambleton House, Redmire
- 3,17 Guided Walk. Meet Westholme Estate, Aysgarth, 9.30am. See p.16
- 4 Annual service for The Askrikk Friendly Society; St Oswald's Church at 7.30pm followed by meeting and meal. See p.16
- 4 Guided Walk. Meet Dales Countryside Museum, 1.30pm. See p.16
- 5 Pete Waterman, Railway event. p.20
- 6 Healing collective drop in session. See p.8
- 6 Men's Prayer Breakfast, 8.30am, Sycamore Hall, Bainbridge. **650685** for more details
- 6,7,13,14 Open Studios. See p.23
- 7 Gayle Mill Demonstration Tours. See p.17
- 7 Bainbridge Methodists at Aysgarth,10.45am.
- 7 YDNPA Pathfinder Intermediate navigation and map reading course. See p.16
- 9 YDNPA Planning Committee, 1.00pm.
- 9 Decorative and Fine Arts Society. See p. 16
- 11 Guided walk: Aysgill Force. Meet Dales Countryside Museum, 1.30pm See p.16
- 12 Bolton Castle Magna Carter event, 7.30pm. **623981** for details. See p.21
- 12 Filling Station: Middleham Key Centre, **667841** for details
- 12,13 Longridge Wood Open Days: See p.6
- 14 Gayle Mill Blacksmithing course.
- 14 Aysgarth Methodists at Bainbridge, 10.30am.
- 14 Guided walk, meet Aysgarth Falls N.Pk. Centre. 1.15pm. See p 16
- 15 800th anniversary of *Magna Carta*
- 16 Middleham and Dales Local History Group: 2.00pm. See p.12
- 17 Guided walk, Lower Wensleydale. p..16
- 17 Museum Friends guided walk around Jervaulx. **667424** for details
- 18 Guided walk, Kisdon. Meet Muker,11.00am. See p 16
- 18 Hawes W.I. visits Bainbridge

- 20 Guided walk, Swinner Gill. Meet Keld Heritage Centre, 11.00am. See p 16
- 20 Carperby Craft Fair. See p.3
- 20 Family Discovery Day, Ribblehead Quarry, from 10.00am.
- 20 Thoralby Summer Pudding night. See p.15
- 20 Gayle Mill Summer Fayre and Beer Festival. See p.17
- 20 Mobile Skip on Gayle Green. See p.20
- 21 Fathers' Day
- 21,27,29 Hawes Silver Band events. See p.9
- 21 Methodist service; St Margaret's Church, Hawes. 10.30am
- 21 Aysgarth Methodist Songs of Praise With Hawes Band at the Institute, 6.30pm See p.16
- 24 Trip to Whitby from West Witton. See p.13
- 24 Hay time guided walk: Yockenthwaite From 10.00am. **01524 251002** for details
- 24 'Talking Heads' at the D.C.M. p.22
- 24 Upper Dales Family History Group, 7.30pm. See p.11
- 25 Guided walk, Hawes Town Trail. Meet Dales Countryside Museum, 2.00pm See p.16
- 27 The Big Brew Up. See p.24
- 27 Hawes Gala. See p.17
- 28 Aysgarth and Bainbridge Methodist at Sycamore Hall, 10.30am
- 28 Guided walk, meet Aysgarth Falls N.Pk. Centre 1.15pm. See p.16
- 28 Table Top Sale in Hawes Market Hall
- 29 Bainbridge Sports. See p.12
- 30 YDNPA Annual Meeting. 10.30am.

July

- 4 Midsummer Bash; Hawes
- 5 Carperby Open Gardens.

St Margaret's Tea and Scones

The sale of tea and scones to support the restoration work will recommence in St Margaret's Church, Hawes, every Tuesday from **1.00pm to 3.00pm**.

This will be subject to the builders' work schedule, so please check the signs outside the church.

Access will still be available via the path in front of the church, but if you prefer to avoid the scaffolding, access by going up The Hill, just before Hoppers.

Doctors' Rotas Supplied by the Health Centre

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<i>For appointments and all enquiries ring 663222</i>												<i>For appointments and all enquiries ring 667200</i>																						

DCM What's On

Exhibitions:

'A Linocut Nature' by Printmaker Helen Roddie will run until 19 July. Included in Museum Admission.

This month in the Waiting Room Gallery we are showcasing work from local crafts group 'Who We Are'. Free exhibition.

June

- 21 Father's Day, 10.00am to 5.00pm.
Challenge Dad to game of Skittles,Quoits and other traditional games.
Included in museum admission.
- 24 '2 Talking Heads', 7.30pm. Leeds Library Theatre Co. will perform Alan Bennett's play 'Talking Heads'. Admission £6
- 28 Rug Making, 11.00am to 4.00pm. A day's workshop with rug maker Heather Ritchie. Adults £35 includes materials and lunch

NB. All YDNPA Walks £5 per Adult, Children Free.

For further information on any activity 'phone **666210**

Peregrines are Back

Peregrine falcons with new chicks are back at Malham Cove and the viewpoint at the foot of the Cove is open from **Saturdays to Wednesdays from 10.30am to 4.30pm** until Sunday August 2nd.

Carperby Open Gardens

Sunday July 5th 11.00am – 5.00pm

Art Exhibition; Muker Silver Band from 2.00pm

Refreshments; Admission £4

Free Car Parking

Thoralby Village Hall

SUMMER PUDDING NIGHT

TWO COURSE MEAL

Saturday June 20th, 7.00 for 7.30pm

Tickets: £10

Please contact: **663747 or 663858**

Decorative and Fine Arts Society

MIDDLEHAM KEY CENTRE

Tuesday, June 9th , 2.00pm

TITLE Scandal, Spite, and Shuttlecocks:

Wentworth Woodhouse, Britain's largest and least known country house. With a façade more than twice the length of Buckingham Palace and some of the finest 18th century rooms, in the country, Wentworth Woodhouse, seat of the Marquesses of Rockingham and then of the Earls Fitzwilliam, is being awakened from more than half a century of slumber. The history and architecture of the house are laid out alongside the story of the warring families that built and owned it – a story of political execution, madness, child-substitution, socialist vindictiveness, royal visits....and badminton.

David Winpenny studied English at Birmingham University and taught for several years before joining the Countryside Commission as Co-Ordinator of Information in Leeds, subsequently setting up his own public relations company. He is the author of "Up to a Point – in search of pyramids in Britain and Ireland" and has written and contributed to several books for the AA. He writes regularly for BBC Countryfile magazine, is chairman of Ripon Civic Society and lectures on architectural and related subjects.

We welcome non-members. Lectures are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from October to June. The cost is £8 per lecture. If you would like to attend please contact the secretary **Ros Higson** rosalindhigson@btinternet.com.

St Oswald's News

The annual service for Askrigg Friendly Society will take place at St Oswald's on Thursday 4th June at 7.30 pm. This will be followed by the annual meeting and meal at the King's Arms in Askrigg.

With immediate effect, there will be no 8.00 am BCP Holy Communion service at St Oswald's. Instead, there will be a 2.00 pm BCP Holy Communion Service on every second and fourth Sunday in the month, throughout the year.

K.P.

National Park Guided Walks

The Yorkshire Dales National Park organises a series of guided walks throughout the summer months, led by experienced guides with a wealth of local knowledge. Those taking place in our area in June are as follows:

Wednesday 3rd - Discover Lower Wensleydale. 6 miles starting at 9.30am at Westholme Estate near Aysgarth.

Thursday 4th - Explore the villages of Upper Wensleydale. 3.5 miles starting at 1.30pm at the DCM.

Sunday 7th - June Pathfinder Intermediate Course on navigation and map reading starting at 10.30am at the DCM. Booking essential.

Thursday 11th - Discover Aysgarth Force. 4 miles starting at 1.30pm at the DCM.

Sunday 14th - Falls, Freeholders and Flagstones 5 miles starting at 1.15pm at Aysgarth NP Centre.

Wednesday 17th - Discover Lower Wensleydale 6 miles starting at 9.30am at Westholme Estate.

Thursday 18th - Kisdon Classic Circular 6.5 miles starting at 11.00am at the Farmers Arms, Muker.

Thursday 25th - Hawes Town Trail 2 miles starting at 2.00pm at the DCM.

Sunday 28th - Falls, Freeholders and Flagstones 5 miles starting at 1.15pm at Aysgarth NP Centre.

No booking is required for the Guided Walks, just turn up and pay on the day. All walks cost £5 per adult, children under 16 free.

Booking is essential for the Pathfinder Course for which the charge is £15 per adult, children under 16 £10. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please book at or make further enquiries from the Dales Countryside Museum

(DCM), in Hawes, telephone **666210**.

Songs of Praise

Sunday June 21st, 6.30pm

AYSGARTH INSTITUTE

with Hawes Silver band.

Proceeds for Aysgarth Methodist Church.

Hawes and District Gala News

Not long now till the gala; lots of new and exciting things happening this year. First of all do you know that the gala will be on Hawes Community Field with the fancy dress parade starting from outside the Board Inn/Market Hall.

We have planned for lots of things to be happening this year and we hope we have got something to suit everybody. Our programmes are at the printers and will be available to buy at the beginning of June so keep an eye out for them. We have been busy putting up some new gala signs/banners which look fantastic, thanks to Dalesflex signs in Hawes and to Lilly's in Hawes for sponsoring some of the cost. Please note there has been a slight change to the fancy dress age groups, the information can be found in our programmes and will also be put on to our facebook page. We just want to let you know that the fair that comes to gala is not organised by the gala committee, so unfortunately if we don't have a fair or there is only a small selection of rides it is not down to us. We try our best to keep them informed with new locations, times etc.

Trophies

Anybody that has a trophy from last year's gala please please can you drop them off at Lilly's in Hawes. We need them back asap, to get them ready for this year's gala. If you don't get them back to us unfortunately there will be no trophy to give to this year's trophy winners.

Volunteers

We would appreciate it if anybody could help us out at the gala. We are in need of volunteers to help run some stalls and to man the gates. We have tried to make the gala fun and exciting for you all but there is only a very small number of us on the committee and we don't have hands to stretch every where, so we would really appreciate help from the community. If you can help in any way, please contact **Emily Pickard 07868568993, Emma Guy 07712605110**, email hawesgala@oulook.com or message us on facebook.

Donations We are having a tombola and wine or water stall this year, we would really appreciate it if anybody would be willing to donate a prize towards them. Any tombola prizes can be dropped off with **Sharon Guy, 7 Town Head, Hawes** and any Wine can be dropped off with **Rosie Dinsdale, 7 Lowfield, Gayle**.

We would like to thank everybody who has helped us so far and we really appreciate the support.

Hawes Gala Committee



Gayle Mill Summer Fayre and Beer Festival

Saturday, June 20th, 11.00am onwards

Buy direct from the makers at Gayle Mill

Wood, textiles and crafts

Expert craft demonstrations,

Children's activities,

Duck racing on the Mill Leat, Fabulous raffle

Refreshments and Wensleydale ice cream

Free Admission www.gaylemill.org.uk

667320 admin@gaylemill.org.uk

Gayle Mill Demonstration Tours.

Come and join our Demonstration Tours on the first Sunday of each month. A two hour tour where you get to see the original 1879 machinery working! Includes light refreshments.

June tours on **Sunday, June 7th, 2015 11.00am and 2.30pm** cost £12

To book: please telephone **667320**
admin@gaylemill.org.uk



Windows 10 on its way

No one seems to be asking what happened to windows 9, but windows 10 is going to be released later this year.

According to press reports Windows 10 will be a free upgrade for Windows 7 and Windows 8 users for the first 12 months after its release. After 12 months you will need to pay for the upgrade. So what is happening?

Firstly, Microsoft are addressing some of the issues that caused so much upset when Windows 8 originally appeared. For anyone using Windows 8 you will have seen the start screen that replaced the long familiar Windows Start Menu. For anyone still using Windows 7 or earlier this a full screen presentation of Apps that are installed. These are not like traditional Windows programs and huge amounts of confusion have arisen over the naming of this new style – originally called Metro. Microsoft had to back track after getting into a trademark dispute with the German company called Metro; they then changed the name to Modern; now they adopted the name Universal Apps. Typically they do smaller tasks, they take over the whole screen and feel very similar to apps you may have experienced on smart phones and tablets. In fact Universal apps are designed to work on any Windows 8 or later devices – phones, tablets and computers unlike normal desktop programs which really only work on computers.

Some people like this app-based approach on a computer (laptop or desktop) but I have never felt they work terribly well, especially on computers that don't have touch screens. It led to a way of working that felt a little schizophrenic – constantly swapping backwards and forwards between a traditional style of Windows and the new start page.

Microsoft is addressing this in a fairly sensible way – if you use Windows 10 on a device with a touch screen it will automatically start on the Start page and work rather like a tablet but if you are using a mouse and keyboard it will start on the traditional Windows desktop with a modified start menu that will be at least familiar to Windows XP, Vista and 7 users. The new menu will mostly work in the same way as earlier start menus except that there will be a panel including access to the Start Screen Apps.

It remains to see whether this approach will win

over the Windows 8 haters or annoy the Windows 8 lovers. Just as with Windows 8 third party companies are already developing programs to replace the new start menu with a more traditional one.

Secondly, Windows 10 will see the beginning of the end of Internet Explorer. It is likely to be available in Windows 10 but you will have to go searching for it. My guess is at some point it will disappear altogether. Microsoft are building a new application for browsing the internet codenamed Spartan – Microsoft have just announced that this will be called Microsoft Edge in the final version.

As more info about release dates becomes clear I will write more about Windows 10 but I would advise not to download and install the free upgrade quickly after release – give it a few months and let them clear up the inevitable teething problems.

Another quick scam warning

People are still contacting me AFTER being conned in various ways. Please make note and warn friends and family – NO REPUTABLE company makes cold calls to fix your computer. If you get a phone call saying your computer is on the blink tell them to go away and hang up. Microsoft NEVER call anyone.

More insidious is the growing problem of people's computers being held to ransom – a number of people have contacted me about this. The ONLY solution is to keep backups separate from your computer of all your important files. Whatever you do don't fall for the blackmail and pay money – you are unlikely to get your computer unlocked they will just take the money and run. That's it for this month – any ideas for articles or questions do get in touch at

carol.haynes@dalescomputerservices.com

A Mystery to Solve

On Sunday April 26th at a Dalesplay table top sale and tombola in the Hawes Market Hall, I obtained a picture— an ink drawing of St Cuthbert's Church in Over Kellet (near Carnforth). The picture is about 18 inches high in a black frame. We are trying to discover the date and the artist. I've donated it to the vicar of St Cuthbert's Church and he is absolutely delighted with it. So it has gone back home. But we would like to trace who it belonged to and how it came to be in Hawes. So if you know anything about it or can help in any way, please contact Pauline Hasted, Aisgill Moor Cottages, 01768 372011

Best Foot Forward

The second leg! You might remember that last month we set off on my “East of the Pennines Way” from Winster in the Peak District and got as far as Bolton Park farm just across the Wharfe from Bolton Abbey.

‘Where next?’, I asked you to guess. Well here goes.



The route is up to Simon’s Seat by way of the Valley of Desolation (which isn’t really) and from the summit there is a great panoramic view of the Dales. What’s more it isn’t too far down to Stump Cross Caverns for an underground trip and a tea-shop stop. This is an easy day; our way passes through Greenhow Hill with its hill-top history of lead mining (they say it is the second highest village in England). It is certainly one of the bleakest. We were quite glad of the considerable descent to Pateley Bridge for the night.

The next day’s route zig-zags the walker back to Wharfedale via the track of the Upper Nidderdale Light Railway, the only one municipally owned — by Bradford for the building of its dams; thereafter via Gouthwaite Reservoir Nature Reserve and Rams Gill to the famous “Little Switzerland” of Howe Stean Gorge.

From here the dale gets wilder; sheep, water-gathering grounds and some derelict farm buildings, as the long, and not all that popular, track leads over into Wharfedale with its white limestone walls and B and B in Kettlewell.

Kettlewell to Horsehouse wasn’t direct (for us), again very zig-zaggy: Hag Dyke hostel to the top of Great Whernside but then via the ancient Tor Dyke to the shoulder of Buckden Pike with the wonderful view down to Walden. The bridleway isn’t particularly clear but in good weather a pleasant descent. Walden is still quiet and the 3 mile walk along its footpaths to the bridleway doubling back to Horsehouse is lovely.

Where now? Oh yes, along Coverdale to Swineside, West Scafton, Melmerby, then due north over Melmerby Moor, down Capple Bank to Bolton Hall, along the Ure to Wensley and back to Preston under Scar for the last climb of the day over to Swaledale across DIS-land: pits

(dis), shafts (dis), mines (dis), smelt mill (dis) and chy (dis), with an overnight stay in Grinton.

This is where things get rougher. The end point is Reeth, but not for two days yet!

The bridleway runs west across Harkerside to Whitside Moor but then the gist of this walk is to follow the very long boundary between Wensleydale and Swaledale which in places is fenced or walled and in others an open trudge. The two minor roads from Askrigg to Swaledale are crossed near the tops and eventually via White Beacon Hags you will be at Lovely Seat. I just hope you’ve had dry weather. This day ends in Keld, but to say the route to it is defined is an understatement. Please yourself. Once off Lovely Seat there are numerous ways; via Muker and either side of the Swale; or up over Kisdon on the Corpse Route or via Thwaite and Angram. This is a long, hard day.



And finally to Reeth—our way! Leave north via East Stonesdale and East Gill beck with foot bridges and sheepfolds, about 2½ miles to



East Gill Head. The route swings northeast to join the five mile bridleway southeast and east via Great Punchard Gill to Whaw. Five miles with no way-finding necessary!

Whaw to Reeth is on footpaths, many of them, the best accompanying Arkle Beck to Eskeleth, Langthwaite, Booze and Castle to Reeth.

When we’d done the 175 miles, we had a week in Reeth to recover!

A.S.W.

Hawes In Bloom

Well here we are well in to Spring and the time is fast approaching for the town to be decked out again !

I have recently kindly been given some surplus plant containers by the ever-helpful manager of the Darlington Borough Nurseries. This will enable us, with very little expense, to adapt them to fit on the railings around the traffic islands at the Town Foot. This will make maintenance so much easier as they have integral water reservoirs and will also be out of the reach of the rabbits that have now taken to grazing the Spring wallflower display. I will re-instate the grass for the poor shepherd and his flock within the railing boundaries.

I would ask the organisations that need to affix their banners to these railings if they would kindly put them lower than before, allowing for flower boxes along the tops.

I am sure most people are aware that any commercial business taking part pays for its own display. However, I would like to take this opportunity to thank those of you that have donated spare change (and more!) in the sweet jars placed around the town, the box on the Community Office counter, and to me personally. This money will help me with all those inevitable extra costs involved with the general public displays. I am also delighted to report that several local charities and the Parish Council have very kindly offered financial support. This extra help will enable us to really put on a good show that will both cheer us and delight our many visitors too, whatever the weather.

The baskets and plants should be delivered during the first week of June as before. I hope you all agree that the resulting ‘instant show’ is worth the wait. The plants are better off maturing in a nice warm glasshouse than spending their youth hanging about the streets!

I would be grateful for those able to give me a hand during that week and beyond. Please make yourselves known to me as I potter around fixing up brackets and containers.

Once again, thank you for all your support and let's hope for a bit of sunshine !

Your resident Plant Pest,

Richard Noble

Mobile Skip Service

Saturday June 20th, 9.00am to 1.00pm

Refuse including large bulky items, electrical goods including refrigerators and freezers, and recycling materials including plastic and cardboard all welcome. Please note that some waste **cannot be taken away** at the Upper Dales Mobile Skip Service, and this includes builders' rubble.

WARNING - Please note that *no waste* must be dumped the night before the skip visits on **Gayle Green**. Dumping waste ahead of the arrival of the mobile skip wagons places the mobile skip service, which is of huge benefit to us all, under threat of complete withdrawal by NYCC, as it is interpreted as illegal fly-tipping.



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Police Report

It would appear that the criminal and ne'er do wells are aware that Andy Foster has handed over the reins so to speak and have decided to ease me in gently on taking over as author of the Police Report. The last month has been a relatively quiet period with a theft of 750 litres of heating oil. Theft of fuel from a depot to a value of approximately £8000 and a burglary in the Leyburn area.

Andy made mention of the summer season allegedly due to arrive, if only for a couple of days and that thieves will begin to target vehicles parked in our area. As I make my way up the dales I call in at beauty spots and make note of vehicles with bags etc left on seats and in foot wells, the details are recorded and a letter providing crime prevention advice is sent out to the vehicle owner. I would also add that if you decide to take photographs of our outstanding countryside, please do not leave your camera case on your car seat. It is expensive to replace a window that has been broken by a thief who has entered only to find the case is empty.

As the weather warms and the rusty BBQs are dragged out of the sheds and fired up in preparation for the big juicy burgers and sausages to be cremated by the man of the house whilst sipping on a nice cold beer in the back garden, please keep in mind that criminals may use the opportunity to enter your house by your insecure front door. I had a friend who was visited in such a way and the thief stole his wife's and his mobile phones and also unplugged his landline and took that too!

To all those of you who ring in and inform us of suspicious activity, be it people hanging around, vehicles in the area and door to door salesmen allegedly selling goods as part of their parole, I would like to say thank you. The sooner you can let us know, the sooner we can respond, even if it is just to find out who they are and what they are up to, it helps to build a picture of who may be targeting a location for criminal activity.

Don Watson PCSO 5232

**Upper Wensleydale
Safer Neighbourhood Team
North Yorkshire Police**

Magna Melodia at Bolton Castle

Music from the time of the Magna Carta.

On Friday, June 12th from 7.30pm, Medieval minstrels Trouvère take you back 800 years to experience the musical backdrop to the tumultuous events of 1215 when the English barons forced the Magna Carta on King John. Tickets: Adults £10, Conc £8. Booking Advised (**623981**)



Mastering the English Language, as if Anyone Can

There is no egg in eggplant nor ham in Hamburger.

Neither apple nor pine in pineapple.

English muffins weren't invented in England.

We take English for granted, but if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square, and a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig.

And why is it that writers write, but fingers don't fing, Grocers don't groce and hammers don't ham?

Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend?

If you have a bunch of "odds and ends" and get rid of all but one of them, What do you call it?

If teachers taught, why didn't preachers prought?

If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Sometimes I think all the folks who grew up speaking English should be committed to an asylum for the verbally insane.

In what other language do people recite at a play and play at a recital?

We have noses that run and feet that smell.

And in the USA they park in a driveway and drive on a parkway.

Trip to Try

The second of our occasional features of day or half day trips round the borders of our area.

I'm not sure how wise this is! These suggestions might mean that quiet lanes become blocked with Newsletter readers, but I doubt it! Leave the Dale via West Witton and Capple Bank with its developing view to the left over the Dale, then over the moor into Coverdale. Be sure to either



stop in Carlton ('Town' as they call it) to study some lovely old buildings, several with large plaques on them, or at least drive through slowly. Proceed to

twee Gammersgill and Horsehouse and then start the long climb via Braideley and Woodale up Coverdale (one of James Herriot's favourites), noticing the wavy landscape across the dale to the left, and if it is a bit later in the year stop for mushroom-picking on the left of the open road before dropping down to the river.

Near the top stands the Hunter's Stone, a large sandstone guidestone approximately two metres high. A small cross can be seen on one face. The stone marks a remote stretch of an important early route used by monks and drovers travelling between Coverham Abbey and Kettlewell and by hunters pursuing deer in the nearby forest. A local legend tells that when the clock in Hunter's Hall, now called Coverhead Farm strikes twelve, the stone turns around. The road levels out, becomes unfenced, so pause to look all around at Great Whernside to the east and Buckden Pike to the west. You will be tempted both sides to have a long tramp, before dropping down the steep Park Rash, then alongside Cam Gill Beck and one of the best cowslip areas I know, into Kettlewell. (Scarecrow Festival August 8-16th this year). You could come straight back via Buckden and Kidstones, or if making for Gayle via Langstrothdale and Oughtershaw. (Someone I know would rather be sent to prison than

Oughtershaw, but that's maybe a little unfair... at least if the sun's shining!) but to make a full day tour, why not proceed as follows? Go a bit further down Wharfedale and before Kilnsey turn off right up Littondale. (The smaller lane via Hawkswick is good but avoid it at weekends); thence to Arncliffe and Litton where the river Skirfare might be above, or underground depending on the rainfall. Pause at Halton Gill where there is still the small possibility of spotting a yellow wagtail by the river. They are increasingly very rare and not to be confused with the grey wagtail which also has yellow on

it! Turn left and climb beside Pen-y-Ghent Gill up to Dale Head with Pen-y-Ghent over to the right and then descend via Silverdale passing Catrigg force in trees to the left and into Stainforth. It is then back up Ribblesdale to Ribblehead, Hawes. And the Dale.

A.S.W.



2 "talking heads" by alan bennett

A Lady of Letters..... Miss Ruddock's civil liberties are dear to her, and writing letters is how she likes to assert those rights. One of these missives pushes her to the brink, with unexpected, but liberating consequences



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Bed Among The Lentils..... Susan is a nervous vicar's wife who distracts herself from her vainly insensitive husband and his doting parishioners by conducting an affair with a nearby grocer, Ramesh Ramesh, discovering something about herself and God in the process..

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A Surprising Story

Last month, Class 4 had a news morning and Miss Collins had a surprise for them. All of the children were told it was a special guest and that this person was going to tell them a news story about secondary schools. Soon the children knew who had kindly come to see them, it was Mrs Hodgson, an English and History secondary school teacher, and she told the children that she had some very shocking news. Mrs Hodgson told them that all secondary schools were closing down and how Y7 and upwards would have to work on community farms or gardens. She was very upset as she wouldn't have a job in September and was crying into her cornflakes. We then wrote some arguments for and against this news. Luke Bussey said: "My first point is money, how are all the teachers supposed to live? They need money for rent, insurance, electricity, food and internet!" Craig Woof said: "I think that it is a good idea that people should go to work on farms because even on farms you get an education because you count your stock and you need to work out how much feed you need." Well, it looks to me like everyone had fun but I must say some people were a bit upset to hear that it was only pretend and they would have to go to secondary school after all!

Alana Teasdale Y5

North Yorkshire Open Studios

**June 6th – 7th and 13th – 14th
10.30am – 5.30pm**

Now in its eleventh year, and one of the largest open studio events in the country, North Yorkshire Open Studios offers a chance for the public to visit artists in their workplaces and to buy work. Following a selection process, 114 artists are opening their studios in a host of stunning locations. Local artists taking part include Helene Shovlar, jewellery maker, at Cotterdale and Angela Keeble, painter, at Bainbridge.

Details of all the artists can be found in a free event guide available from tourist information centres or by emailing franceleigh@nyos.org.uk or visiting www.chrysalisarts.com

Leyburn Bowling Club

It is good to now have our 2015 bowling season under way, even if the summer weather has not yet shown itself -- certainly in some of the evening matches we have played !

Our JSW matches for the season started on April 22nd with an away match at last season's runners-up Thirsk, where we sadly were beaten 7 points to nil. Our second JSW match, on April 29th, was also away, at Sessay. On a bitterly cold night Leyburn this time came away with a 6-1 victory. One week later our first home match saw us play Northallerton though we lost the game by 5 points to 2.

As mentioned in last month's Upper Dales Newsletter we have also this year joined the Bateson League for the first time. Our first match, postponed from May 1st, was played on May 7th at home to Sowerby Flatts, and saw Leyburn open our Bateson campaign in convincing style with a 6 1/2 to 1/2 points victory. Our second Bateson match took place the following day, May 8th, away to Dishforth and Leyburn were able to record a second victory by 5 points to 2.

Away from the league matches we have now held two of our Sunday "Jumble" competitions. The first Jumble was played on April 19th and was won by John Gorman and Sally Cotter with 26 points and the second on May 10th, the winners this time being Mervyn Buckley and John Hall with 32 points.

Finally, many thanks to everyone who came along to our Open Weekend on May 2nd – 4th. We have gained a number of new members already this season and we are delighted to welcome them. We hope all our new members enjoy their bowling and being part of our friendly club.
Mervyn Buckley

Thornton Rust Country Show

Saturday August 15th

from 2.00pm

Presentations 3.00pm

Auction of produce 4.00pm

Book stall, tombola, teas.

Admission £1.00; children free

Hawes School News

International week

During the week beginning the 1st June we will be holding an International week in school, this will involve each class looking in detail at a European country. Throughout the week a number of activities will be taking place such as a dance day focusing on English Folk dancing with live music, where all of the children will have the chance to work with a dancer from Wise Moves. Assemblies will be focused on English traditions concluding on Friday with each class sharing with the rest of the school what they have learnt about their country.

Each day Mrs Calvert (the cook) will be preparing meals from the five countries being studied (Greece, England, Poland, Italy and France). The children will also have a non-uniform day where they will be asked to come dressed in the colours of the flag from their class country. We hope International week will be an exciting week with lots of different activities going on such as food tasting, art activities and lots of research.

Class 1 will be studying France, Class 2- Italy, Class 3- Greece and Class 4- Poland.

Storytelling Workshop

On Friday 1st May, all the year 5 pupils went to Settlebeck School to take part in a storytelling workshop. When we got there we were introduced to Miss Rea and Ursula, an amazing storyteller and actress. She was an actress in Emmerdale! We played games before we did some drama and Ursula told us a story called 'Little Dog Turpin', (a German folk story). There will be a competition for the year 5 pupils to write a 500 word story. This will be given as a homework task to complete over half term. We all enjoyed ourselves very much.

Isabel Watkinson (Y5)

HAWES SCHOOL

Vacancy

We are looking to recruit a midday supervisor to work Monday – Friday from 11.55am to 1.10pm term time only to help monitor the children over the lunchtime. The rate of pay is £7.19 per hour (point 8), with an annual increment up to point 9 (£7.30). We will also have a midday supervisor vacancy to start in September on Tues, Weds and Thurs (hours and pay as above). If you would like to be considered for either post then please contact Mrs Dooley or Mrs Alderson (in the office) for further details.

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The Big Brew Up - June 27th

Laburnum House Tearoom

Following the success of last year's Big Brew Up, Laburnum House Tearoom in Hawes is holding its annual fundraising event for SSAFA on Saturday, June 27th to coincide with Armed Forces Day. So come and enjoy a brew, cake and a chat to show your support for our armed forces. We will be donating a percentage of our taking that day to SSAFA as well as any donations kindly given to us on the day by our supporters. Look forward to seeing you all.

Bob, Mark and Teresa

Just a little note of thanks

for the many get-well cards, flowers and kind message of support after my operation. I was overwhelmed by the concern I was shown from our wonderful community.

Many, many thanks from Joan (Haigh)



Leyburn's Art and Community Centre



Swaledale Festival (May 23rd to June 6th) As part of the Festival we will be showing a film and there will be an art exhibition featuring Piers Browne and Denise Burden.

Sing Along to Frozen (Saturday 30th May, 2.30 pm) This is your chance to sing along to this very popular film. Highest grossing animated film ever. Just follow the bouncing snowflake.

Felt Flowers & Landscapes (Friday 12th June 10 am to 4 pm) A fun creative introduction to felting by textile artist Kathryn Guy. Just bring an old hand towel. Cost £35 + £5 for materials, inc coffee/tea, biscuits & cake.

Happy Jack (Saturday 13th June, 7 pm) The Theatre Library Touring Company present John Godber's two act play 'Happy Jack'. - This amusing & touching play follows the lives of Jack & Liz. Ticket £15 including a two course supper.

Parent & Baby Film Screenings: Into the Woods (Friday 26th June 10.30 am) Sound levels will be kept low throughout. Tickets, adults £7.50 inc. coffee & biscuits. General public welcome, usual prices apply.

Films in June; Fridays

Into the Woods (PG) Anna Kendrick, Meryl Streep, Chris Pine,

James Cordon, Emily Blunt

5th; 4.30 and 7.30pm

Wild (15) Reece Witherspoon, Cheryl Strayed

12th; 5.00 and 7.30pm

Shaun the Sheep Movie (U) Please book early to avoid disappointment

Justine Fletcher, John Sparkes, Omid Djalili

19th; 5.00 and 7.30pm

Selma (12A) David Oyelowo, Carmen Ejogo, Tom Wilkinson

26th; 4.30 and 7.30pm

Tickets: Adults £6, concessions £5. Telephone bookings: 624510

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7.30pm Saturday 18th July 2015 St Oswald's Church Askrigg

7.30pm Saturday 25th July 2015 St John's Church East Witton

Tickets are £6.00 and are available on the door or by calling 01969 622942 / 01969 663878

Early May Day Plant Sale

The Castle Bolton church plant sale on the early May Bank Holiday made £212.20 for their mission partners: Scripture Union UK and the Mission Aviation Fellowship in Uganda

Robert Cloughton

6th June

Happy 21st birthday

Love and best wishes

Mum, Dad and Hannah

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