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Editorial

Not everybody likes doing jig-saws. It's even worse when at the end there is one bit missing which seems to spoil the whole effect.

It's a bit like that with our environment. There are examples of large-scale projects and work carried out – road schemes, “utilities” as we call them now: electricity, water, sewage or phones which when ‘completed’ sometimes leave the bit missing - pavements unfinished, the still disastrous weed-bed at Townfoot Hawes for example or scruffy signage, which mars the whole project. It is equally true that one untidy or dirty shop, cottage, garden, business, farm or unnecessary notice can give a whole road an unkempt look, like a mouth with a front tooth missing! We can all carry the blame sometimes.

What is equally true is that the small jobs **done** can make a huge impact on the whole. Three cheers then for those (known to us) who carry a black poly-bag and pick up litter they see along their walk; those (known to us) who take it upon themselves to repair or renew or paint the local seats; those (known to us) who sweep up any mess around their part of the road or those doing gardening on an otherwise messy public space; those who, unasked, deposit a freshly-baked cake or a garden cutting on someone's doorstep. These are real people and as such add much to the area's well-being.

It is in the same vein that we ought to praise the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust which in its 6 years of existence has attracted a huge amount of funding for what are essentially a very large number of small schemes but when added together are making a significant difference to the whole area. These include miles of repaired walls, often in small sections, many thousands of trees in odd corners and gills

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as well as larger plantations, wild flower meadow encouragements and some effective building schemes. Well done... and they still need our individual support!

So, as has often been quoted, “Small is beautiful”; but this applies in another way too, and we suspect our area is good at it.

The small things that make life better often include that extra smile in the shop (customers and assistant alike), the popping in to inquire about the neighbour's health, time to spend a few moments talking to a passer-by; not crossing the road to avoid eye-contact with someone, and making a point of greeting those young or old- if we are old or young!; the offering of a lift or a ride to someone without a car if we happen to be going out; or the giving of a bit of extra time.

In an age when sameness and big schemes seem to dominate, let's not despise or ignore the added value of the ‘bits’ which keep a place special.



Eunice

I was hiding on the front cover last month and was spotted by **Nicholas Cawthra, Adel, near Leeds**. How many of you can spot me this month?

Red Squirrel Conservation Event at Dales Countryside Museum

The National Park and the Forestry Commission hosted an open afternoon at the Dales Countryside Museum, last Wednesday, May 24th, for people to find out about Red Squirrel conservation and management work.


The event was primarily intended for local landowners and residents in the Hawes area to come along and find out more information from Forestry Commission and National Park staff about woodland management and grant aid for red squirrels. There was a demonstration by a Forestry Commission Ranger on grey squirrel control and opportunities to join a trap loan scheme.

If you would like to find out more about red squirrels conservation work or for any landowners wishing to join a trap loan scheme please contact **Matt Neale** at the Dales Countryside Museum. Tel: **666220** or **Ian Court** Tel: **01756 751602**

This month's competition

What's on the telly? TV programmes for you to unravel

WAIT RUM CHECK
REAM LED ME
O NATTIEST CROONER
ARE PEW DEVIOUS SHEET
GUILY YACHT'S NEVER NIL
HE'S BORING U
NO WE HAD A YAM
GENTS CRITIC MANY CLOD
AUTISM THREW ME FELONS
GAS POISONS REF

<p>Spanish evening Thursday June 22nd Crown Hotel, Hawes from 7.30 pm £12.50 inclusive; book at the Crown 667212</p>	
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Last month's answers

DRUMALDRACE
YORBURGH HOLE
WATER LING PASTURE
STAKE ALLOTMENTS
ADDLEBROUGH
BURNET FORCE
CAPPLE BANK
PRESTON PASTURE
WEGBER SCAR
HEARNE TOP
COTTERDALE
LOCKAH RIGG
and the winner of the £10.00 prize was
Tracey Lambert, Carperby.

Swaledale Festival events in Upper Wensleydale

ASKRIGG St Oswald's Church

Friday 2 June 5:15 p.m.

De Jongens Driest, with ConTempo String Quartet

Tickets Full £5 Children £2

Sunday 4 June 2:00 p.m.

Brodsky String Quartet

Tickets Full £10 Children £5

Wednesday 7 June 7:30 p.m.

The Rasumovsky Quartet and Respectable Groove

Tickets Full £8 Children £4

AYSGARTH St Andrew's Church

Tuesday 30 May 7:30 p.m.

Chamber Music 1 ~ Masterpieces Old and New

ConTempo String Quartet and Swaledale Festival

Chamber Players

Tickets Full £9 Children £4

Thursday 1 June 7:30 p.m.

Chamber Music 2 ~ Influences and Inspirations

ConTempo Quartet and Swaledale Festival Chamber

Players

Tickets Full £9 Children £4

Saturday 3 June 7:30 p.m.

Chamber Music 3 ~ M is for Mozart and Friends!

Swaledale Festival Chamber Players

Tickets Full £9 Children £4

Sunday 11 June 3:00 p.m.

Richmondshire Orchestra and the Martindale String
Quartet

Tickets Full £6 Children under 15 free

BAINBRIDGE

Wed. 31 May 1:00 p.m.- 4:00 pm Bainside Arts Barn

Workshop with Raga Nova

Hindustani Classical music .

Tickets Full £5 Children £3

Wed. 31 May 7:30 p.m. Friends' Meeting House

Workshop with Raga Nova

Tickets Full £7 Children £3

Friday 2 June 2:00 p.m. Friends' Meeting House,

Talk: Aminatta Forna, on Ancestor Stones:

about her childhood in Sierra Leone. Her new novel,

'Ancestor Stones', is also set in Sierra Leone, and

portrays twentieth-century Africa through the

remarkable stories of four sisters.

Tickets Full £3 Children £2

HAWES Market Hall

Wednesday 31 May 7.30pm

'At The Drop of a Hippopotamus'; Tim Fitzhigham

and Duncan Walsh Atkins in an Evening of Flanders

and Swann

Tickets Full £8 Children £4

STALLING BUSK St. Matthew's Church

Wednesday 7 June 5.15 pm

Elizabeth Kenny, lute

Small Island: Italian and French lute music imported

into 17th century England

Tickets Full £5 Children £2

WEST BURTON Village Hall

Saturday 3 June 10:00 a.m. North East Early Music

Forum: Unsung Heroes - a practical workshop for

singers and instrumentalists

Tickets Adult £14 Adult concessions £10 Students and

young people £6.

For details and registration, send SAE to NEEMF

Workshop (Swaledale Festival), Eden Cottage,

Little Musgrave, Kirkby Stephen CA17 4PQ, or see

www.neemf.org.uk and follow the Events Diary link.

Summer music at Aysgarth

Martin Roscoe visits

To launch the season of concerts at St. Andrew's we are proud to announce the visit of Martin Roscoe, the internationally acclaimed concert pianist. This is on **Saturday July 1st at 7.30 pm** and will include works by Mozart, Schubert, Schumann and Chopin. Refreshments will be served at the end of this Gala Evening. Tickets from local information centres or by ringing **663368** cost £15 (£5 for 18s and under). This is a unique local opportunity to celebrate the new concert grand piano.

Sponsored pianothon; 24 hours of piano playing for St. Andrew's church funds takes place from **10.00 am on Saturday June 17th**. You are invited to come and to **play** the lovely new grand piano; don't be shy. Any standard accepted! John and Joan Foster will be performing from time to time also. Sponsor forms available and a volunteer list is on the church door.

Music for a summer evening with the Needwood Singers from Staffordshire on July 29th. Full details next issue.

Joan Foster

Village maps

Maps of 22 villages in Upper Wensleydale, showing the location and name of about 1560 houses in the dale, have been compiled by Colin Day, in collaboration with village residents. The maps can be viewed, printed or downloaded, free of charge, from www.colinday.co.uk/maps and they can also be viewed at Hawes Library; photocopies can be obtained from Dales Countryside Museum.

To Marie Hartley

IN GRATITUDE

The Yorkshire Dales, these simple words
Evoke soft rolling, sombre fells
Scattered with trees and lined by drystone
walls;
Cow pastures, field barns, cottages,
Smoke rising from lone farmhouse fires,
Slow gentle streams and plunging
waterfalls
And moody skies pierced by church spires.
Such images have many roots, not least,
Those springing from the artist's hand,
The guide who finds the essence of the
scene,
The eye that looks beyond the layman's
glance,
The mind that grasps the inner dream.

The Yorkshire Dales, these simple words
Evoke one artist's name above the rest,
A presence who embodies all they mean:
The nature of the place, the feel, the mood,
The people and their country ways.
With graving tool she has cut sharp
In boxwood blocks an image of the Dales
That holds their quiet beauty fast in time.
With line she has teased out their mysteries
And given warmth to walls of cold grey
stone,
With word she has set out the histories
Of Dalesfolk and their lives long gone.

The Yorkshire Dales, these simple words
Evoke in those who truly care,
The thought to say a simple thanks
For all the skill and time and toil she gives
To frame for us in word, woodcut and line
The beauty of the Dales she loves.

Alan Hartley

HAWES GALA

Saturday June 24th

Chinese dragon, local salsa dancers, steel and samba bands, Rodeo Bill and bungee runs.

Vegetable growing competition to be judged on Gala Day by independent judges. Any Veg, any size, any colour. Open to all ages.

Vegetables to be taken to Gala field marquee by 9.30 am on Gala day.

Wallace & Gromit collectable 'vegetable' ornament is the first prize. What out for the Were-rabbit!!

"Carnival Disco"

Friday 23rd June

11 pm till late

Hawes Market Hall, £4.00 entry per person in aid of Hawes Gala.

20th Annual charity bike ride

The North Riding Dales Licensed Victuallers Association Annual Charity Bike Ride is on **Wednesday June 7th**.

Starting from Leyburn at 10.30 am and via Askrigg it is expected to arrive in Hawes at about 3.30 pm. The cyclists will all wear a North Riding Dales LVA number; places are strictly limited (200), and anyone without a number will not be allowed to participate. It is now fully booked.

All cyclists are sponsored and when the money is gathered in the N.R.D.L.V.A. will decide which local organisations will benefit. They are cycling 20 gruelling miles to make money for local organisations and we apologise for any delay or inconvenience to motorists on the day. Enquiries: **663226**

Avril Douglas, Hon. Secretary

Did you know?

Following something I heard on the Radio 4 'Today' Programme, I phoned them up and the 'researcher' I spoke to confirmed that someone who has a 'valid reason' can go along to County Hall and find out from the records which party you and I voted for, be it general or local elections !

As to the validity of the enquiry, it could be a politician or a journalist...so much for the privacy of the polling booth eh! I have run this past a few people of my acquaintance and they were all without exception surprised at this and rather horrified too. **S.H.**

What's on at the MUGA

As summer seems to have arrived in the Dales the Yorebridge Sports Development Association are encouraging each and every individual in the community to get active in Sport and Fitness. Ability, age, gender, and disability have been thrown to one side and there is an opportunity for everyone to pull on their sports gear and head down to the MUGA at Yorebridge, Askrigg. There are so many new participants arriving at the MUGA each week, so why not come and join in the fun! Remember that for 1 hour, half a court (including tennis) is £6.00 and a full court is £12.00. Block bookings will receive a discount!

At present the 'YSF' are promoting a 'Multi-Sports' cricket and football coaching session over the Spring Bank Holiday. There is a morning session for Primary School Children and an afternoon Session for Secondary School Children. When the new summer term starts the 'YSF' will also be running a 'Football Academy' and an 'Inter-Cricket-Kwik' session which is again for Primary and Secondary Children.

For the adults, as mentioned above the facilities are available to hire for a vast majority of sports. With regards to organised sessions there is to be an 'Over 55s Tennis Club' starting in June. This will be on a Thursday morning from 10:00am until 11:30am. There is also to be an Adults' Evening Tennis Club starting in June on a Monday evening from 6:30pm until 8:00pm. Whether you have been playing for years or have never played before these could be the clubs for you! Not only will you be active in sport, but you will meet new people and have fun at the same time! Don't worry if you don't have a tennis racquet as the YSDA has plenty of equipment available! In order for these sessions to take place we need the

initial interest so please call the YSDA for more details and to register.

In the meantime keep a look out for more publicity regarding a 5-a-side football pub league and the possibility of cricket nets being installed on the MUGA. The YSDA are also hoping to hold a 'mile run' at Yorebridge, Askrigg in aid of Sport Relief on **July 15th**. Remember we are always willing to help out with any queries so pick up the phone.

For further information on any of these events or to book the MUGA, please contact Richard Shuffleton (Sport & Fitness Development Co-Ordinator) on 01969 650060 or 07968 606571, or send an email to info@yorebridge-sport.co.uk.

Richard Shuffleton

Green Hairstreak

Staff at the National Park have teamed up with the national wildlife organisation Butterfly Conservation to try to find out more about the Green Hairstreak butterfly – and everyone could play a vital part.

Ian Court, the YDNPA's Species Officer, said: "We know relatively little about the distribution of the Green Hairstreak in the National Park, which makes it difficult to keep track of numbers and to ensure they are surviving here. We are hoping walkers will take part in the survey by reporting back when they see them.

"The Green Hairstreak is unmistakable – it is the only butterfly in this country with green wings and when it is perched it closes them, showing the green underside and white streaks. We are asking people who see them while they are out and about to make a note of the date, the place, including a grid reference, and the number seen. We are hoping for a good response from visitors. All the information we get back will help us and Butterfly Conservation to build up a better picture of this beautiful insect."

Green Hairstreak caterpillars feed on bilberry and so the adults are most often seen between late April and mid to late May in areas where bilberry is abundant. The most likely sites to look for this species are on sheltered slopes on moorland or moorland edge where bilberry is abundant.

To help people taking part, a leaflet called "Have you seen the green hairstreak butterfly" containing information and a form that should be completed and posted back to the Authority free of charge, is available from the YDNP information centres.

Gala Carnival Workshops

Organised by the "Barracudas Carnival Band", funded by the "Lottery Awards for All" and held in the Hawes Market Hall.

The Baracudas is a carnival group which works throughout the UK teaching music, dance and stilt to people of all ages.

We hope the workshops will be very well attended by kids and adults who want to get involved and enjoy the Carnival theme.

Monday 19th. June - 5pm to 7.30 pm -
Music and Drums

Tuesday 20th. June - 5pm to 7.30 pm -
Dance

Wednesday 21st. June - 5pm to 7.30 pm -
Music and Drums

Thursday 22nd. June - 5pm to 7.30 pm -
Dance

Friday 23rd. June - 4pm to 8pm Carnival
Costume fitting and rehearsals



YDS Dales award goes to young childcare worker

The Yorkshire Dales Society ‘**Ken Willson Award**’ has been won by a young childminder for her outstanding work in caring for young children in Wensleydale, and in particular for saving a local playgroup from closure.

Joanne Middleton of Hawes has received the £500 prize in recognition for her commitment to “The care and social well being of Dales’ communities”, one of the key areas of activity for which the award is given. Last year’s tied winners were both naturalists, and it is fitting that contrastingly for 2006 as the Yorkshire Dales Society celebrates its 25th year and looks to future generations to continue its work in the Dales, the award has gone to a young woman who in turn looks after Dales children.

The panel of seven judges agreed that 22 year old Joanne was a clear winner, despite healthy competition for the award. Her sponsors explained that through the nature of her work, and the way she carries it out, Joanne is making an effective, valuable and mature contribution to both the present and the future of the local community, through the lives of the children she cares for. Her polite, friendly manner and consistently

thorough standards of practical work are highly valued in the community, along with her zest that enables her - readily and cheerfully - to carry out any new or necessary task despite not inconsiderable difficulties in her own personal life.

The presentation of the Ken Willson Award was made at the Yorkshire Dales Society AGM in Settle on Saturday May 13th.

Cathy and Andris

Congratulations on your marriage! Askrigg, St. Oswald’s, last Saturday. Cathy- recent committee member; Andris- recently featured chain-saw sculptor.

A true story

There was a lady (let's call her Mary) living alone in a remote corner of the dale. In the middle of the night she had a "bad turn", pressed her lifeline button, the ambulance came quickly and quietly and carted her off to Northallerton.

Next morning her sister Jean phoned from down south, a daily call to check all was well. No reply. She kept phoning. Meanwhile a local friend, (let's call her Celia) popped round to check all was well. Nobody at home. Worried, she let herself in, using the key hidden in case of emergencies. (Note, if you live alone don't leave your key in the lock or a friendly neighbour with a spare key can't get in).

Anyhow this friend crept in, checked all rooms including the bedroom. No sign of Mary. What to do? Maybe she had gone off on a trip without telling anyone, but the car was still there. Should she phone Mary's family? - but didn't know exactly where they lived.

Meanwhile sister Jean is getting very worried indeed. Knows that Celia would help, and indeed other local friends would help too. She has met them when visiting the dale. But she doesn't know any of their surnames so how can she phone them?

She is just about to phone the police to see if they will go and check on Mary, when she gets a phone call from the hospital, where Mary has come round enough to give them Jean's phone number. But she hasn't taken her address book in the ambulance of course, and can't recall local friends' numbers. So Jean can't help by phoning them. Eventually Mary phones one "local" who of course passes the message on to others.

The next day the friends want to know how she is and they phone the hospital who of course will only give medical details to

the family, and indeed deny that Mary is there. It turns out that she has gone on to Middlesbrough who also deny her existence. Lost in transit, perhaps?! So nobody can visit.

All was well eventually; she is home and better. But it is a lesson to us all, especially those who have retired up here and have a network of friends but no local family members who know what is happening. **We should all give to our family the full name and phone number of one or two good local friends..... and give to our local friends the address and phone number of someone in the family who lives "away"**. I've done it, after this experience, and of course my sons think I am being dramatic; but you never know what is round the corner.

Sylvia Crookes

CAR BOOT SALE

**Sunday June 18th from 9.00 am
on Bainbridge School field**

Cars £5; vans £7

Proceeds for Bainbridge village hall

Refreshments available

Contacts: **650552 or 650095**

A Bell falls from the sky!

Many of you will know Ian Bell from Gill Gate Farm, near Askrigg. To parachute as an able-bodied person is no mean feat, but parachute jump when wheel chair bound is courageous. Jumping for a cause has been the big incentive for Ian, who doesn't like heights.

Ian had a car accident in 1999 resulting in a broken neck and paralysis from the shoulders down, so he is dependent on someone helping him.

His parents and sister gave him the parachute jump as a birthday present last year and he is keen to use the opportunity to help Spinal Research, a charity pioneering work to find ways to repair spinal cord injuries.

Ian who was born at the family farm near Askrigg has been involved in farming as a young person and took a degree in agriculture at Harper Adams College. After almost a year in Pinderfields Hospital at Wakefield, he has been back to college to take his MSc in Dairy Nutrition & Management.

Despite his poor mobility he is a very positive and cheerful young person, who has set up at home an IT business working from 20 to 60 hours a week. 60% of his work is designing websites for rural businesses including his family's farm, Gill Gate, for selling lamb direct to the consumer.

At present he is dependent on people driving him in his adapted vehicle nick named- 'the pope mobile' which he bought on E-bay. Ian is in the process of sourcing funding for an adapted vehicle, which he could drive himself.

Ian is not new at raising money for Spinal Research as when he was taking his masters degree, he set up an auction and raised over £25,000. This time he has set

up a website which makes it easier to donate - www.justgiving.com/ianbell, . He is also putting sponsor forms in local shops, doctors surgeries, and pubs for people to collect.

Comments from the sponsors on line so far include, "What will u think of next!" "Good to hear you're as mad as ever", to "Go for it Ian." I am sure we all wish him luck for the big day! **Kate Empsall**

Travel note

Please note that a further **closure** of the Settle to Carlisle line is scheduled to occur between **July 16th and 30th**. Check before travelling.

Happy Days

It perhaps won't surprise you to be told that I'm currently writing this at 1:00 in the morning, having unsuccessfully attempted some English revision. Oh joy – it's exam time again. This time I am attempting to acquire AS levels, 'attempting' being by far the most accurate word to describe this state of affairs (I came out of my French oral exam today having spoken some fairly passable pidgin 'français'). Anyway, I suffer, and as there are no therapists – as far as I am aware – plying their consolatory wares in and around Wensleydale, I thought I might draw upon readers of this newsletter to ease my plight.

It seems to me that I have been studying for exams all my life. My first recollection of tests were the SATs that I was required to confront at the tender age of seven. Sadly, the only memory I have of these is of me staring at a very pretty picture of a donkey in a meadow-full of buttercups, hardly something that I can resent bitterly.

Even so, since then my friends and I have had to sit a string of official exams in order to have our school progress 'recorded' – the SATs at age 11 and 14, then GCSEs at 16 and now AS-Levels age 17. I have my full-blown A-Levels to look forward to next year. Three major exams in three years. I wonder whose fantastic idea it was to draw up such a schedule of delight. Since last year especially, it seems to me that I have to work to a never-ending schedule of deadlines for coursework, more coursework, even more coursework and then exams.

Unfortunately, my problem is compounded by the fact that I am chronically forgetful – today (Wednesday) I nearly had an argument with my music teacher, so convinced I was that today was Tuesday. The situation was only defused when she whipped out her planner and

could point to the hard evidence that I had completely the wrong end of the stick. As I receive one day off before each exam date I become horribly confused as to what days I'm supposed to be in school and which ones not.

In this respect weekends are my enemy, as sometimes they extend to three days long which addles my brain.

So I try to retain my fragile sanity juggling with revision, the odd exam-break, homework, lessons, music lessons, orchestra and Saturday-job by sticking to my mum's 'time plans' (don't ask – a remnant of her working life). Instead I end up sitting in my bedroom, pen in hand exploring the realms of Fantasy where the authors of the "English literature" I have to study – Thomas Hughes of Tom Brown fame and J.K Rowling of even greater Harry Potter fame – arrive at my door where I can give them a sound kicking. When my 'time plans' go awry (often) I usually find myself sitting at the computer at 3:00am with dilated pupils and hands so shaky that it's impossible to hit the keyboard accurately – at this point caffeine is no longer my friend. Moreover, the dog looks at me doe-eyed and reproachful and my family sleep soundly in their warm, comfortable beds. In our civilised society – is it right that I should be subjected to this kind of torture?

I can only hope that, in the end, all of my suffering pays off with a place at a university of my choice and that I shall be happy. If destitute.

I rant; thank you for listening.

Megan Price, Bursary Student

HAWES SCHOOL NEWS

Mr Hall

Mr Hall, from the Red Film Company, came to Hawes C. P. School on Tuesday 16th May 2006, to discuss with the year five and six children about film making. He told us about how to make films and gave us some ideas and tips. He also showed us three types of filming : a wide shot, a medium shot and a close up. He also explained to us that it takes a lot of time and a lot of hard work to make films. He told us some people that you need to make a film, for example: directors, editors, actors, actresses and continuers. Everybody enjoyed his visit and would like him to come again. We are now going to make some films of our own.

Alexandra Hindle

Party on The Pitch
Live Music and Bar at Askrigg.
Saturday 22nd July
8.30pm-1.00am
Tickets from A. Kirkbride,
650325 or C.Bailey, 650060.

Curtis Jobling

On the 17th May an illustrator and writer came to our school; he was called Curtis Jobling. He showed us some videos he made of the Bob the Builder and Frankenstein's Cat, they were funny. Then he read us some of his books like Cheeky Monkey and Frankenstein's Cat, they were very good. After that he showed us how to draw pictures like Bob the builder, Wendy, Pilchard, Scoop and Lofty it was fun. We watched Curious Cow -that was brilliant.

Samantha Haigh.

On Wednesday 17th May Curtis Jobling came to school to work with us.

First he read some books to us, they were really funny Stories. Then we watched some films that he had made. We watched Bob the Builder then Frankenstein's Cat-that was really funny too.

At the end he drew lots of pictures such as Scoop, Lofty, Bob, Wendy, Frankenstein's Cat, Curious Cow and lots more.

Thomas Fothergill

ASKRIGG SCHOOL NEWS

The Kingswood Trip

On Friday the 5th of May, most of the year 5s went to Kingswood. The journey there was quite boring but it was worth the wait.

When we got there we got a tour around Kingswood. After that we got little time to make our beds before the fire practice alarm came on and we had to go outside and line up. Then we went to our 1st activity which was the Flash dance.

Flash dance was computer animation, we got in partners and took 250 pictures of the monkey moving a little bit each time. It was good fun and that was only the 1st activity. The next day we did the background for our Flash Dance movies it was fun except that it was harder than taking the pictures. After that we went to the Laser Quest. You had to shoot people with lasers. The best bit was when all of us ganged up on Mrs. Hartley and shot her!

After lunch we went Quad Biking. We went two at a time and we were allowed to go as fast as we could. The funniest bit was where Jack went so fast around the corner that he tipped over and fell off. Next we did low ropes and once we went around the course once we had to go around again BLINDFOLDED! I felt a bit scared but I knew that I would be safe.

That evening we had dinner in the Diner, it was fish & chips and then we had Scrap Heap Challenge. We had to protect an egg when one of the leaders dropped the egg from the top of the stairs. Only one survived so Miss. Hodges got to crack the egg on one of the leaders heads. Then we went to bed but this time the girls went to sleep about half nine, because we were all so tired.

I think I speak for every one but that was a great trip!

Tasha Jauneika Year 5

New Headteacher

As you may be aware our Headteacher, Mrs. Cork is leaving us at the end of July in order to take up her new position as Head at Great Smeaton School, we are very sorry to lose her but we hope she will be happy in her new job. We are delighted to be able to tell you that Mr. David Eldridge, who lives at Bainbridge and currently teaches at Colburn Primary, will be joining us in September as our new Headteacher. We are looking forward to welcoming Mr. Eldridge to our school.

Successful Poets

For the third year running a selection of poems by our Key Stage 2 pupils have been accepted for publication in the Young Writers Anthology of Forward Press. Well done to all our poets!

More from Askrigg School

We have been collecting Tesco, Persil, Sainsburys and Nestle tokens and have had a collecting box in Askind shop. Many thanks to everyone who has put tokens into this box, it really has boosted our collection, and I know from the staff at the shop that visitors as well as locals have donated tokens.

Thank you to everyone for your support

Bainbridge and District Motor Club

10 cars set off from Bainbridge Green for the 12 Village Rally. Weather-wise it was a miserable evening as it poured with rain for most of the evening and there was a lot of water on many roads and also some fog later on. However this did not deter the contestants and all seemed to have an enjoyable evening.

We had to visit 12 villages taking the shortest route and these were chosen from a list of 17. The list included Yockenthwaite, Litton, Austwick, Halton Gill and Hawkswick so if the weather had been kind there was some very beautiful countryside to see and appreciate. There was a list of clues to answer a question in each village and some may still be looking for the 'Diner' in Helwith Bridge.

It is always rather disappointing for the organisers when the weather is bad but none the less it was a well organised rally by Carol and David Scarr – thanks to them both.

Last month's rally winners were Angela and Harry - Well Done. 2nd were Andrew and Fred and 3rd were Poppy and Emma Hay.

The next rally is on June 21st which will be organised by Angela Lee and Ann Huntbach; telephone **667009** or **667437** for details. All Welcome
Netta Davison

Signs of the times

Signs will be going up on public footpaths and bridleways all over the National Park in the next few weeks informing people that there are no public rights on them for recreational motor vehicles.

The Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act, which was given Royal Assent on March 30th (*see also page 22*), gives National Park Authorities new powers to manage the use of recreational vehicles like 4x4s, motorbikes and quadbikes in the National Parks. Sections of the Act that came into force on Tuesday, May 2nd, mean that, apart from some very rare exceptions, it is illegal to drive a recreational motor vehicle on any bridleway and footpath.

To make users aware of the changes this legislation has brought about, the Authority will be putting up information signs on the routes and has uploaded details on to its website at www.yorkshiredales.org.uk.

The Act also contains provisions that significantly curtail the scope for adding further public rights of way for motor vehicles – known as Byways Open to All Traffic (BOATs) – to the definitive map

Another main feature of the Act is that, from October this year, NPAs as well as local highway authorities will be able to impose Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) to prohibit recreational motor vehicles from using green lanes – unsurfaced rights of way and county roads.

After the Royal Assent was given, the then Minister for Rural Affairs, Landscape and Biodiversity, Jim Knight said: "Through this Act, we have delivered our commitment to curtail the inappropriate use of byways by motor vehicles by putting an end to claims for motor vehicle access on the basis of historical use by horse-drawn vehicles. Some of the worst damage is happening in our national parks, which is why we have given National Park Authorities the power to make traffic regulation orders."

Questions, questions

What was Captain Hook's name before he had a hook on the end of his arm?



Where's this mystery picture?
Last month's was the Templar's stone



We have received a large number of applications for this year's King's Club. **King's Club Extra** for 11-14 year olds is now full with some on the waiting list.

For further information please contact Nelson and Heather Caplin on **667625**.

BAINBRIDGE SCHOOL NEWS

Many Parents, Friends and Governors attended the Easter end of term assembly during which presentations were made to Janet Maw, who has been clerk to the governors and Sue Thompson, the Nursery Teacher, who have both retired. The children sang songs relating to the Easter story, which were enjoyed by all. Mrs Thompson's successor is Mrs Sarah Hey, who has now taken up her position as Foundation Stage Teacher.

The school has raised £176 for the Great Air Ambulance from a recent clothing collection.

The Fun with French sessions over recent weeks has proved to be very popular with the children and it is hoped to continue with these in the autumn term.

Several football matches have taken place with neighbouring schools and all the children in the junior class went to the football festival at Askrigg on the 18th May.

Following a hard week of S A tests in Maths English and Science, many children relaxed by attending a disco evening, which was organized by the P F A and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Muriel Lambert
**Royal Assent for Natural
Environment and Rural
Communities Bill**

“**Natural England**” is the name for the new agency replacing English Nature, the Rural Development Service and the landscape, access and recreation functions of the Countryside Agency. It takes on the role of landscape advocacy and championing English National Parks. The Bill has also established the **Commission for Rural Communities** to take over the socio-

economic functions of the Countryside Agency to act as the government’s “rural advocate” in England.

Natural England has these legal purposes: “That the natural environment is conserved, enhanced and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development”.

The Commission for Rural Communities general purpose is to “Promote:-

a) awareness among relevant persons and the public of rural needs, and b) meeting rural needs in ways that contribute to sustainable development”

Part 6 of the new law refers to Traffic Regulation Orders on unsurfaced “green lanes” giving greater powers to national parks to restrict recreational motorised traffic on those routes which historically had only been used for ‘horse and cart’ type traffic, and closing possible loopholes.

It is expected that the new law will be up and running by October. Full details are on this website: www.defra.gov.uk

WEST BURTON SCHOOL

On the 27th of April the whole junior class went over to the village hall in two groups (year 3&4 then year 5&6) and had a great time doing drama. Liz Humphrey came in to teach the class about making stories. We were put in to groups and had to write a report about an alien space ship landing.


On the 3rd of May Curtis Jobling came in. Curtis is the man who illustrates Bob the Builder. He also has illustrated many books like Skeleton In The Closet but wrote his own book called Frankenstein's Cat. He showed us how to improve our sets to make them better for filming. Then we showed him some of our films that are all going to be shown at the village hall in West Burton on the 15th of June at 7:00, you are all very welcome to come and vote for our best animation films.

Jodie McGregor

Teas for Trees

The great support of Bettys and Taylors of Harrogate and the collecting of "trees for life" tokens by members of Dales W.Is. has enabled the Millennium Trust to plant 4000 native broadleaf trees at Wynbury Stables near West Witton.

The design of the woodland incorporates a narrow gallop shaped so as to 'sit' in a natural way on the landscape.



Praise in the Park
Whit Sunday, June 4th
Hawes children's playground
3.00 pm, with Hawes Silver
Prize Band
Part of Hawes Methodist Church 150th
anniversary celebrations



1940s party

The residents of Sycamore Hall, the day centre, and High Hall are holding a 1940s party on Wednesday, June 14th from 1.30 to 3.30 pm and will be joined by the pupils of Bainbridge C E Primary School wearing 1940s fashions, even paper hats. All visitors are welcome to also wear period costume. The manager, Michelle Mottershead would welcome memorabilia from the period. Tel: **650809**

Burtersett Show

...will be held on Sunday July 30th to be opened by Mr and Mrs Thomas Raw at 2.00 pm. Start preparing! Here is the schedule of classes:

Children under 11 and 11-16:

Garden in a tin
Vegetable necklace
Decorated flower pot
"Animal"- Hand-written piece. Max. 50 words.
Drawing of your house; size A4
Longest stick of rhubarb; leaf attached
Homemade fancy bun (i.e fairy cake)

Please put age on front of entries.

Adults:

Flower arrangement
Oat biscuit (sweet); 3 on a plate
Limerick; any theme
Homemade strawberry jam
Knitted item
Photograph of a stile (max. size 7x5 in.)
Homemade toy
Homemade wine

Entries to be in 10.00 am to noon on the day of the show.

There will also be a dog show and a junior fell race up to 16 years.

"Flora of the Fells"
Book Festival
Friday to Sunday, June 2nd to 4th
Exhibitions, walks and talks
all weekend
In Sedbergh- schools,
Information centre and Farfield Mill

Hawes Youth Club News

Hawes Youth Club meet each Monday evening throughout the school term (6.30pm - 8.30pm) in the market hall. Members pay 50p subs and should be of secondary school age to nineteen. We have a range of activities to look forward to during the summer term: **June 5th** - Boys V Girls, build and race a go-kart; **June 26th** - Adults V Kids Rounders Tournament with BBQ and Raffle (at the community field); **July 3rd** - Sports Night, relays and races with prizes to be won; **July 10th** - Swimming Trip; **July 17th** - Fund raiser raft sailing competition at Semer Water with BBQ.

We are currently forming an adult team for the rounders game to take place on the **June 26th** and also looking for raffle prizes, if anyone would like to donate themselves as players or a prize for the evening, please get in touch.

Fancy Volunteering an odd Monday evening to youth work? We are always looking for volunteers to come along and have a game of footie, play pool or darts with us, if you are interested please get in touch.

In order to make a success of our Boys V Girls build and race a go-kart event we require donations of pram wheels, nails, wood, paint or anything else you may think useful for the challenge, please contact me if you think you may be able to hand over some useful junk.

Alex Tunningley
Tel: (01969) 650805

Email: alex.tunningley@btinternet.com

Bainbridge vets Out-of-Hours and Emergency cover

Some three years ago, to comply with the European Working Times Directive, we began sharing Sunday emergency cover with John Watkinson of Hollinrigg surgery in Leyburn. For eight months we have also shared cover for the whole weekend and some nights in the week. Now we intend to share Emergency Cover throughout the week.

Thus for nights between 6.00pm until 6.00am the following morning, and for weekends from Saturday midday until 6.00am on Monday, emergency cover will be provided by the two practices on alternate nights and weekends.

Clients from either practice should call their normal vet phone number. They will be forwarded to the duty vet, either via an answering service or through a phone-divert system. Clients should be seen at their familiar surgery but they may have to travel to whichever surgery is on duty. I apologise for this inconvenience but it may help to maintain a long-term veterinary presence in the Dale.

Emergency dispensing of medicines will continue 'out of hours'. When possible, medicines will be left at Bainbridge surgery but, when Leyburn vets are on duty, it may be necessary to collect drugs at Leyburn.

Charges: the cost of maintaining a 24-hour service is significant and normally there will be a supplementary charge for Out-of-Hours work, including dispensing, during:-

evenings 6.00pm until 8.00am the next morning, weekends 12.00 midday Saturday until 8.00am Monday (no supplement charged for dispensing between 9.00-10.00am on Sundays). **Adam Hurn**

A Man's Best Friend – Not Always...

Over the last two months, I have received a number of complaints about dog fouling on public rights of way. As well as being hazardous and unsightly, dog mess can be particularly offensive for buggy and wheelchair users and those who are visually impaired. As a result, I have visited several sites around Hawes with Richmondshire District Council's Dog Warden. Areas include Bealah Bank, Countryside Museum car park, Community Field and Cotter Force, which will now form part of his regular patrol. Failure to clean up after your dog may result in an on the spot £50 fine. Be in no doubt – the dog warden is not shy when it comes to issuing tickets!

If your dog fouls a public place, including public footpaths, bridleways, open access land and pavements, then you must clean up after it.

Dog Facts

1. There are around 7 million dogs in the UK;
2. They produce around 1,000 tonnes of excrement every day;
3. It can cause an infection called toxocariasis in humans which can cause blindness, with children especially vulnerable;

Please be considerate towards nesting birds and to livestock, by keeping your dog on a lead when passing through farmland. The Dales habitat is internationally important for wading birds, particular the numbers of birds that are supported and disturbance by dogs off leads can have a dramatic effect on breeding success.

Please report any problems you encounter on public rights of way or open access land, on **666220** or matt.neale@yorkshiredales.org.uk

Matt Neale
Area Ranger – Upper Wensleydale

North Yorkshire Open Studios 2006

Over 100 North Yorkshire artists and makers will open their workplaces to the public for three weekends in **June 2006**: 10/11th, 17/18th and 24/25th between 11am -5pm each day.

The co-ordinated open studios programme was launched last year by Art Connections and involved selected artists from the whole of North Yorkshire.

Visitors have the opportunity to talk to and watch artists at work in their own informal environments and gain first hand knowledge of how and why art gets made, plus the chance to buy direct from the maker.

Open studios is a celebration of professional arts practice and local creativity. This year eight of the participating artists live within Wensleydale. **Barbara Braithwaite, Lesley Coates Jones, Ken Jones, Nancy Murgatroyd, Andrew Hague, Emma Amsden, Andrea Hunter and Helena Shovlar** were selected from hundreds of applicants to take part in the initiative.

This event brings many visitors into the dale and this year numbers should be greater due to the event being featured on Calendar and hopefully Tyne Tees regional news, in the weeks leading up to the 10/11th of June.

Last year many art lovers used the catalogue after the event for reference throughout the year which of course brought many back into the dale.

For a free 48 page complete colour catalogue send an A4 SAE to Art connections, The Art Depot, Asquith Industrial Est., Eshton Rd, Gargrave, N.Yorkshire. BD23 3SE.

A limited amount of leaflets is available at the Dales Countryside Museum.

Friends of the Settle to Carlisle Line

A special new "Gold" railcard is being issued to friends in conjunction with the Train Operator Northern Rail. With it, discounts will be available for travel within the Leeds/Bradford to Carlisle and to Lancaster/Morecambe areas and along the Tyne Valley to Brampton. For full details visit: www.settle-carlisle.co.uk

Questions, questions

If I cut a crumb on the table in two, do I have two crumbs or two halves of a crumb?

HAWES BRIGHT HOUR TRIP Thursday June 8th

To Bedale for coffee; on to Castle Howard for lunch and the afternoon; Helmsley for tea at 5.00pm. Leaves Hawes Townfoot at 8.45am and then to Gayle.

Details and booking: **667722**

June gardening



Each season brings its own special feature to a garden; autumn has the rich colours of fruit, leaves and berries, while in a winter garden we can enjoy the structure of conifers and evergreens, and the bright colours of daffodils, tulips and primulas are just what is needed after those dark winter days. In early summer, with any luck, it's perfume that becomes so lovely to enjoy. Hopefully the air temperature warms up sufficiently to enable scents to drift across a garden on a warm sunny day.

Some of these treasured scents can be very simple like newly cut grass, soil after a sharp shower or the crushed leaves of chamomile or thyme, while others can be provided by plants themselves. First of all one or two tall fragrant shrubs are an asset when planted near a path or patio. Obviously roses are included in this and are an all time favourite whether climbing, rambling or shrub, (climbers are less vigorous than ramblers and can repeat flower) Good scented ramblers include Albertine, Seagull and Wedding day, while Crimson Glory, Gloire de Dijon and Mme Alfred Carriere are well established scented climbers. Every season sees new varieties introduced on to the market, some having the advantage of being disease resistant and so it is always worth checking out what's new.

Mock orange (*Philadelphus*) is another early summer shrub but it is a bit too vigorous sometimes in a small space (Virginal for example) so rather than miss its very powerful sweet scent there are smaller varieties to try. Compact varieties such as Manteau d'Hermine, Avalanche or Frosty Morn still retain the scent without

dominating. An early flowering buddleia that's worth considering for perfume is *B. caryopteridifolia*. Unfortunately it doesn't like cold exposed positions but it does have very sweet lilac flower clusters offset by soft hairy and very pale-grey foliage, lovely to stroke.

Obvious perennials for a border include lavender, lily of the valley but a couple of more unusual phlox and day lilies can provide quite subtle scent. Normally the larger varieties of phlox will dominate a border but a small useful one is *Phlox Pilosa*. It's easy to grow along the edge of a dry sunny border where its delicate lilac/pink flowers will provide a sweet fresh perfume throughout the early summer months.

Whilst some day lilies can be a bit too gaudy, or invasive, the early flowering *Hemerocallis Flava* gives off a lily of the valley scent from strong upright yellow flower heads. These are quite striking being very tall, elegant and lily-shaped and quite dramatic when mixed in among other perennials.

June can be a special month if it brings the first really warm days followed by long twilight evenings; the best time to sit outside and savour the scents and sounds of early summer -midges permitting.

Happy gardening

Peduncle

Doctors' rotas as supplied by the surgery

AYS GARTH SURGERY ROTA										
Wb - week beginning										
Wb	29-May		05-Jun		12-Jun		19-Jun		26-Jun	
Day	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Mon	C	C	F+W	F	J	F	A+J	A	A+J	A
Tues	W+J	J	A+J	A+J	A+F	A	F	A	J	J
Wed	F	F	F+W	F	J	J	J	J	F	C
Thur	W	W	F+J	J	A	A	F	F	J	J
Fri	J	J	A	A	A	A	J	J	A	A
Sat	Emergency service only									
Doctors: A - Arblaster, F - France, J - Jones, W - West, C - Closed										
Morning Surgery: 9.00 - 10.30 a.m. (no appointments)										
Afternoon Surgery: 4.00 - 5.30 p.m. (appointment only)										
<i>For appointments and all enquiries ring 663222</i>										

HAWES SURGERY ROTA										
Wb - week beginning										
Wb	29-May		05-Jun		12-Jun		19-Jun		26-Jun	
Day	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Mon	C	C	A+J	A+J	A+F	A	F	F	J	J
Tues	F	W	F+W	W	J	J	A+J	J	A+F	A
Wed	J	J	A	A	F	F	A	A	A	C
Thur	F	F	W	W	J	J	A	A	F	F
Fri	W	W	J	J	F	F	F	F	J	J
Sat	Emergency service only									
Doctors: A - Arblaster, F - France, J - Jones, W - West, C - Closed										
Morning S'y: 8.45-10.15 Tues till 10.45 (no appointments)										
Afternoon S'y: 5.00-6.00 Tues 1.00-4.00 (appointments only)										
<i>For appointments and all enquiries ring 663266</i>										

Dales Volunteers are record breakers

Dales Volunteers have broken all previous records for the amount of time they have donated to helping to make the National Park run smoothly.

In the last 12 months, more than 200 of them have clocked up a record 4,813 volunteer working days. And that figure – way beyond the record 3,704 working days the year before – is just the days they have recorded.

Rae Lonsdale, the Volunteers Coordinator, said: “It’s a magnificent achievement from a band of really dedicated people who give their time free of charge. The Dales Volunteers play a vital part in the life of the National Park. Without them we would be unable to run quite a few projects like surveys of footpaths and bridleways, monitoring archaeological sites and the events programme of guided walks for visitors. They help full-time staff to conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the National Park.”

The type of work they do includes not only the traditional activities like practical work on public paths, nature conservation, leading guided walks and helping walkers on open access land, but also research for

publications, taking photographs, caring for artefacts at the Dales Countryside Museum and, new this year, developing trails for enthusiasts of geocaching – the fast-growing craze in which people go on treasure hunts using hi-tech Global Positioning System equipment.

Because the existing Dales Volunteers are staying longer than they used to, there are only a few vacancies for people who would like to join in and enjoy the Dales in a new way. In the northern Dales there are opportunities at the Dales Countryside Museum and, in the southern Dales, a mid-week practical conservation task group is being set up.

More information can be obtained on the ‘Looking after’ page of the Authority website at www.yorkshiredales.org.uk, or by contacting: Rae Lonsdale

Marie Hartley
 A Memorial Service to celebrate the life of Marie Hartley will be held in
 St Oswald's Church, Askrigg
 On **Saturday June 17th** 2006 at 2.00pm

Harvest of a Quiet Eye
 A new book, dedicated to the life of Marie Hartley, will be launched at
 The Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes
 11.00am on **Saturday 17th June**



Heavens Above

It's hard to believe that the longest day is only a few weeks away. The sun reaches its most northerly position for the year - the Summer Solstice - on the 21st of June when daylight hours will be at their maximum and we won't start getting a really dark sky again (at a reasonably early hour) until well on into July. Even so there are still plenty of things on offer for the summer star-gazer if you're prepared to stop up just that little bit later.

One of the first stars to 'come out' in the long summer twilight is brilliant blue-white Vega. Following close behind are Deneb and Altair and together they form a distinctive *asterism* or star-group often called the Summer Triangle. Although the Triangle covers a fair swathe of the southern sky, it's easy to pick out and is well worth exploring with binoculars or a small telescope. The summer Milky Way flows through this part of the sky and there are spectacular views as you slowly sweep up from the southern horizon through the rich star-fields of Sagittarius and Scutum to where the Milky Way splits in the constellation of Cygnus. Cygnus or the Northern Cross as it's sometimes called is home to numerous open star clusters as well as one of the finest of all double stars - *Albireo*. The primary is golden yellow and its companion blue-green - a beautiful sight in even a modest telescope.

Three of the bright naked eye planets are also on show this June. Jupiter is still visible high in the SW shining brightly against the stars of Libra, while elusive little Mercury is well placed low down in the evening twilight. Venus is a dazzling 'Morning Star' rising well over an hour and a half before the sun- a beautiful sight to lift the spirits of even the most unwilling early riser. Have clear skies!

Al Bireo

(So you're a double star, then! Ed)

A DAY IN THE DALES

At West Duerley Farm, Gayle

Sunday May 28th

From 12 noon (judging 1.00 pm prompt)

OPEN HOUND, BEAGLE, TERRIER AND LURCHER SHOW

**Qualifier for Cock of the North, Cumbrian,
Countryman's Weekly, Pride of the Peaks
and C.A. Championships**

*Other attractions: Junior Dodd Fell Race, Hound Trails
and Hang Gliding, Lurcher High Jump, Terrier Racing,
Stick Show, Children's Races, Bouncy Castle, Food
and Beer Tents*

For further information ring Kennels

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Awards for All - now £300 to £10,000

Grants are for people to take part in art, sport, heritage and community activities, and projects that promote education, the environment and health in the local community.

You can apply if you are a not-for-profit group, a parish or town council, school or health body; if you have a bank account that requires at least two people to sign each cheque or withdrawal; if you can use the grant within one year.

Grants could be spent on: publicity materials, venue hire, professional fees, computers, feasibility studies, transport, musical instruments, volunteers' expenses, updating equipment for health and safety reasons, sports equipment, refurbishment, training, sessional staff, fees to hire equipment, educational toys and games.

For guidelines and an application form visit their website www.awardsforall.org.uk or call 0845 6 00 20 40.

The Re-vive Partership.
www.re-vive.org.uk

Concert at the Castle

Yorkshire Air Ambulance should be given a boost by a concert at Bolton Castle on **Saturday June 17th**

The Barnburgh and Harlington Village Singers, a thirty strong choir of repute from the Doncaster area are visiting Wensleydale through their connection with Preston-under-Scar.

The concert will include a wide range of music from hit songs from the musicals to pieces by the classic composers.

The singers are giving their services and Lord Bolton has made the castle available free of charge to maximise support for the Air Ambulance.

The concert starts at 7.30 pm. Tickets in advance from **David Ashforth 622438** or admission on the door £5.

West Witton British Legion Outing to Skipton

Wednesday 14 June—all welcome

£5 per head—pay on coach

Coach leaves Fox and Hounds at 9.00am

For bookings and details phone **624109**

What's on at the Dales Countryside Museum

Exhibitions

Hilary Fenten will be exhibiting her work at the museum until **June 11th**. Her photographs show, "**The Dales – this special place**". There is no charge for the exhibition.

Events

May 30th : Butterflies in the Yorkshire Dales. One of a series of lectures exploring various aspects of wildlife in the Dales. 12.30pm to 1.30pm. Admission Adult: £2.

May 31st : Traditional Dry Stone Walling Demonstration. 2pm to 4pm.

June 4th: Digital Photography - Intermediate. Tutor-led workshop with practical location photography and classroom work using the computer. Booking essential. Bring your camera equipment, plus a packed lunch/drinks. Not suitable for children under 12s. 10am to 4pm. Telephone number: **666210** Admission £10.

June 6th : Spinning a Yarn. Spinning and rug making demonstration. 2.00 to 4.00 pm.

June 9th : The Farmhouse Dairy. Join Ann Holubecki and friends as they bring to life the tradition of cheese and butter making in the farmhouse. 11.00 am to 4.00pm.

Is 'Potts' really still turning the Potters Wheel?

To all and sundry my late father was known from his schooldays as 'Potts' (as his surname 'Philpott') which he then gave to me. He was illegitimate and should most likely have been called 'Dean' ... but then there would be no story.

I am Tony Philpott and was born in Hampshire not a stone's throw from the *Potters Heron* Hotel in Romsey. For nearly 22 years I lived with Potts, my mother and two brothers in the south, before marrying Marilyn at *Potters Bar*, Herts. We lived mostly in Surrey raising our daughter and son which took another 22 years before we pottered up to Wensleydale in 1984.

My third chapter of 22 years has been spent very happily with Marilyn first running our little guesthouse in Thorlby and subsequently in retirement in Gayle.

I write this short potted history because we're now moving back to Surrey at the end of May to be nearer our family and want to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful people of Wensleydale for their acceptance of us into such a rich community set in such wonderful countryside. Thank you friends and neighbours one and all in the many clubs, societies and hostelries with which we've been associated over the years. We shall miss you very much and wish you all much good health and prosperity.

Who knows how many further 22-year chapters of my life are still to come and where they are likely to be spent.

But the next turn of Potts' Potters Wheel can now be revealed and one has to ask, was it all really meant to be? Our new address will be *18 Pottery Court, Pottery Lane, Farnham, Surrey GU10 4QW*. Now there's spooky for you.

Tony & Marilyn Philpott

Jerryatrick Frogs Mark 2

The Jerryatrick Frogs Mark 2 plan to cross mountains and deserts to deliver minibuses and other supplies to the only school for the blind in the Gambia.

Two years ago **David Pointon** of Thornton Rust drove a minibus to Banjul in the Gambia with a friend. They called themselves the Jerryatrick Frogs because both of them were well over 47 - the average age to which men live in the Gambia.

Those who have offered to join his team in December this year are all over that age as well. They are Elaine and Charles Wood from Richmond, Frank Whitwell from East Cowton, Pip Land from Aysgarth and Frances Lee from Cromer.

This time David is hoping to buy two Mercedes Sprinter minibuses because parts for these vehicles are so readily available in the Gambia. The team has started fund raising and is extremely grateful to the Upper Wensleydale Newsletter for a donation of £250.

The minibus that was delivered two years ago is now wearing out. The replacements are needed not just to transport children to school but also to provide a peripatetic service for those who live in the remote rural areas.

All financial gifts are payable to the Friends of the Gambian Organisation for the Visually Impaired (UK) which is a registered charity, website:
www.friendsofgovi.org.uk

But other gifts would also be very useful such as old spectacles and hearing aids as well as stationery for the schools. Last time they gave a lot of audiological equipment to St John's School for the Deaf and ophthalmic items to the school for the blind.

The team would also be grateful for camping equipment as well as spares of the vehicles.

Mr Pointon can give illustrated talks about the project. Contact him on **663830** or **d.g.pointon@tesco.net**.

Pip Land

New chairman for Local Access Forum

Geoff Wilson has been elected as the new chairman of the Yorkshire Dales Access Forum (YDAF) for the next year. He takes over from Jon Beavan who is now deputy chair.

The YDAF is an independent, statutory advisory body established by the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (YDNPA) in 2002 as a result of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000. It advises the YDNPA on improving access for the public.

Mr Wilson is widely involved with land access and management of trails through his membership of groups such as the Lake District National Park Authority's Trail Management Advisory Group and its Local Access Forum. He is also a parish councillor and Chairman of the Cumbria Rights of Way Liaison Group



Letter

Dear Editor and Wensleydale folk I have read your newsletter on the web from here in Auckland, New Zealand, and am asking if you can help me trace a Thornton Rust person please?

In 1980, a distant cousin was a resident of Thornton Rust. He was Robert CHAPMAN, keeper of a great scrapbook assembled by my great great grand-uncle, the Rev William MATTHEWS, Vicar of Hawes. In it were placed letters, photos and pieces of hair sent to William by his brother, from New Zealand, dated in the 1840s and 1850s. Robert is/was son of John CHAPMAN and Ella Mary (nee MATTHEWS). Ella later married a Mr WHITEHEAD. I am told Robert has two sisters.

I would so like to find where this scrapbook is today, but have not been able to trace Robert CHAPMAN. In 1980, his address was recorded as Robert CHAPMAN, Penny Acre, Thornton Rust, Leyburn, Yorkshire.

My husband and I are travelling to England later this year. The book sounds such a fascinating object that we are hoping to visit it. Through the link on your site I can see Penny Acre on a map, and I see the name CHAPMAN still appears in the area, so am hopeful one of your readers or in your community will know of him.

Can you help me find Robert CHAPMAN or his descendants please? My contact details are below.

Many thanks in anticipation,

Joanna Broad
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A very small matter!

Minuscule, no less! We are very lucky in the Newsletter area to have people with even keener eyes than our own superb proof-readers, and are happy to acknowledge the observation and gentle reprimand of one reader who has let us know that on **three** recent occasions we, or our contributors, have used 'miniscule'.

However, our proof-reader's dictionary (Chambers) reads "Miniscule— less acceptable, (*but not wrong!!*) **A.S.W.**

Hawes Cricket Club

Everyone is working hard to keep things going and Louise Raw is raising funds with cake stalls in the Market Hall. The first one last month raised about £200, a great effort.

The season's first match was at Thorpe Perrow on May 21st. June fixtures are both away: 4th v Dales; 25th v Kirklington.

Make a note of the four home fixtures for July: 2nd v Rathmell and Wigglesworth; 9th v Dales CC Reeth *; 16th v Blades CC, Liverpool; 30th v Thorpe Perrow. All matches start at 2.30 pm except * which is 1.00 pm, as it is World Cup Final Day.

Raye Wilkinson, Fixtures secretary

West Witton Mission and Praise

Saturday May 27th
on the playing fields from 6.30 pm
Sponden Methodist Praise
Band; Balloon release; outdoor sup-

MARKET PLACE AND GREETINGS

ASKRIGG PRIMARY SCHOOL requires a Clerk to the Governors from September 2006. **This is a paid post (£400pa), and involves up to 12 meetings a year.** If you think you may be interested, please contact either the present Clerk, Dr Mike Young, on **650335**, or the Chair of Governors, Anne Middleton, on **650523** for details, or write a letter of application, and send it to **The Chair of Governors, Askrigg Primary School, Yorebridge, Askrigg, Leyburn, N Yorks. DL8 3BJ**

Happy 1st Birthday Jake
26th May
Lots of Love
Daddy, Mummy
and
big sister Bethan



Ian and Carol Hall
would like to thank family and friends for all of the cards and gifts received on the birth of their daughter **Jessica Ann** on April 12th

Spotlight on Ingleborough Week

Saturday June 24th to Friday June 30th

A series of events from a family day at the Hill Inn on the Sunday; wildlife, historical and archaeological talks and walks on and around Ingleborough, and music and activities for all ages throughout the week.

Plenty of free events but booking required for some. Detailed leaflets are available at the Hawes and Aysgarth National Park Centres or from www.english-nature.org.uk

Celebrate the Ingleborough National Nature Reserve.

I am flagging over my garden (in both senses)

So I am GIVING AWAY my herbaceous border - plenty of good well fertilised soil, and some plants, astilbe, echinops, perennial geraniums. Come and help yourselves, especially to the soil;

Sylvia Crookes, 3 Bainside Bainbridge
tel: **650525**

Happy birthday
Peter Aaron Watkinson
Three years old on June 2nd
Love from Mummy, Daddy,
Grandma and Jack

Many Thanks
Steve and Jackie Tiplady would like to say a big thank you to all family and friends for the cards, flowers presents and kindness given on the birth of their son:- Jack Daniel Tiplady
21st April, 2006

Mary Hugill
(Town Head, Hawes)
Would like to thank all family and friends for the lovely cards, flowers and gifts she received on her 80th birthday

ELLA ;June 9th
Happy birthday, Beautiful
Blondie teenager.
Love and kisses from all of us

Music and Dance Workshops
Monday to Thursday June 19th-22nd
In Hawes School during the day
In the Market Hall in the evenings in preparation for the Gala
Final rehearsal, Friday June 23rd

WHAT'S ON LISTING

Museum events on page 32 ;

May

- 29 West Burton annual fair; see page 39.
- 30 WI Coffee Morning, Hawes Methodist Rooms, 10.00 am till noon
- 30 YDNPA Full committee; Northern Office, Bainbridge 10.30 am

June

- 2-4 Flora of the Fells; see page 24.
- 3 Coffee morning - St Matthews , Stalling Busk from 10.30 am.
- 4 Pentecost-Whit Sunday
- 4 Praise in the Park.3.00 pm; see page 23.
- 4 Songs of Praise; Aysgarth Methodist Church; 6.30 pm
- 7 LVA Annual Bike Ride leaves Leyburn 10.30 am. to arrive Hawes about 3.30pm
- 7 Wildlife in Snaizeholme; guided walk. 2.00 pm Booking essential: 666210
- 8 Hawes Bright Hour Trip; see page 26.
- 9 Aysgarth Methodist Church coffee, plants and cakes; 10.00 am to noon at **Leyburn** Methodist Hall
- 10 Music Workshop in the Market House, Hawes. All day.
- 10-11 Thomas (the Tank Engine) summer event at Leeming Bar station
- 11 **No** 8 o'clock service at St Oswald's.
- 11 Guided walk: flowers around Askrigg. Meet Askrigg church 1.00 pm 6.4k
- 11 Marsett Chapel Anniversary 2.00 pm
- 13 Cream Teas at St Margaret's Church, Hawes. 11.15am until 3.00pm.
- 13 YDNPA Planning committee. 10.30 am Middleham Key Centre
- 14 West Witton British Legion Outing to Skipton; see page 31.
- 14 Guided walk; as 11th
- 15 Hawes W.I. 7.00 pm
- 17-18 Pianothon, St. Andrew's Church Aysgarth 10.00 am Saturday until 10am Sunday. Players of any standard welcome. Sponsorship for church funds.
- 17 Launch of "Harvest of a Quiet Eye" at DCM, Hawes.; see page 29.
- 17 Marie Hartley Memorial Service.; see page 29.
- 17 Yorkshire Air Ambulance concert at

Castle Bolton. See page 31.

- 18 Fathers' Day. Wensleydale Railway runs "Strawberry Specials" all day.
- 18 Car Boot Sale Bainbridge School; see page 13.
- 18 Car Boot Sale, Leyburn; see page 2.
- 18 Guided walk: Redmire force and High Lane. Meet West Burton Green 11.00am; 15k
- 19 'Barracudas' dance workshops start. See page 11.
- 21,22 North Country Theatre at Dales Countryside Museum. See page 21.
- 22 Spanish Evening. See page 4.
- 23 Carnival Disco. Hawes Market Hall; see page 7.
- 24-30 Spotlight on Ingleborough; see page 36.
- 24 Hawes Gala. See page 7.
- 25 Askrigg Foundation Service. 10.00am at St Oswald's Church conducted by The Rev Malcolm Stonestreet.
- 25 Cream Teas in Redmire Village Hall From 2 to 5pm
- 25 Guided walk; West Burton circular. Meet Aysgarth Falls N. Pk. Centre 11.00am; 10k.
- 27 Coffee morning and stalls; Hawes Methodist rooms. 10.00 am to noon
- 30 Talk on Antarctic marine life; Dales CountrysideMuseum7.30pm

July

- 1 Gala Concert with Martin Roscoe. 7.30pm at Aysgarth Church.
- 1,2 Craft exhibition, coffee and cream teas; Thornton Rust Institute, 10.00am-5.00 pm.
- 2 Carperby Open Gardens from 11 to 5pm
- 14 Askrigg School Summer Fair; see page 39.
- 22 Party on the Pitch; see page 17.
- 30 Burtsett Show; see page 24.

Church sale room
West Witton Methodist Chapel
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
from 11.00 am to 4.00 pm
 Also refreshments and Quiet room.
 Parking behind the Fox and Hounds by
 kind permission. For more details: **663158**

Summer Fair and display of Askrigg School memorabilia

Traditionally Askrigg School has a Summer Fair organised by the leaving children (Y6) and their parents. This year's is on Friday 14th July at 6pm and we are delighted that The Dales Countryside Museum has been collating information about the history of our school and it will be on display at the Summer Fair. We have loaned our school logbooks to the museum and they have put together a brief history of the school; this will be on display along with photographs. Please come along on 14th July to see the collection, and perhaps have a cup of tea or a go on the tombola!



WEST BURTON MAY FAIR

Monday May 29th
1.00 to 5.00 pm

Falconry displays,
circus artiste, maypole and morris dancing,
teas, hot dogs, children's games, art
exhibition, praise band, displays, raffle,
tombola, all the usual stalls and dog running.

150th anniversary celebrations HAWES METHODIST CHURCH

26th to 28th May
Friday at 7.30 pm

East Witton Male Voice Choir
Sunday at 10.30 am

Rev Dr. Gordon Gatward (previous
minister and now Director of the Arthur Rank
Centre, Warwickshire)
followed by lunch
All weekend: church open with floral displays
and exhibition.

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PROGRAMME for JUNE 2006

THURSDAY – SATURDAY

JUNE 1ST – 3RD

AT 5PM & 8PM

RALPH FIENNES, in

'THE WHITE COUNTESS' (PG)

THURSDAY JUNE 8TH

AT 7-30PM

A SWALEDALE FESTIVAL EVENT!

THE RASUMOVSKY QUARTET PLAY

SHOSTAKOVITCH – LIVE!

Followed by

'HAMLET' In Russian, with

music by Shostakovich. (subtitles)

Tickets £7 & £5

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

JUNE 9TH & 10TH

AT 5PM & 8PM

ANTHONY HOPKINS IN

'THE WORLD'S FASTEST INDIAN'

(12A)

WEDNESDAY JUNE 14TH AT 7-30PM

LIVE THEATRE!

NORTH COUNTRY THEATRE presents

The 10th anniversary production of

'THE 39 STEPS'

Tickets £8 & £5

THURSDAY JUNE 15TH AT 5PM & 8PM

'U-CARMEN EKHYELITSHA'

(12A)

Bizet's 'Carmen' set in South Africa

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

JUNE 16TH & 17TH

AT 5PM & 8PM

ANT & DEC IN

'ALIEN AUTOPSY' (12A)

THURSDAY – SATURDAY

JUNE 22ND – 24TH

AT 5PM & 8PM

TOM CRUISE, PHILIP SEYMOUR IN

'MISSION IMPOSSIBLE 3' (12A)

THURSDAY JUNE 29TH AT 5PM & 8PM

'ENRON – THE SMARTEST GUYS

IN THE ROOM' (15)

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

JUNE 30TH & JULY 1ST

AT 5PM & 8PM 'PIERREPOINT' (15)



A LETTER TOO MANY; for your entertainment



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