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## Editorial

**Y**ou might have heard of EYAM, the plague village in the Peak District where in 1665, cloth imported by the local tailor brought with it the dreadful disease which in no time at all was killing the villagers. At this point the whole village agreed to completely isolate itself making very careful arrangements so that the plague could not be passed on from there to anywhere else.

It might be nice to isolate our area - not to stop the exporting of 'plague' but of importing things we'd rather not have. But we can't!

Let us explain: in almost every sense we are part of the international community – in news and information, in the effects of changing climates, in pollution (either volcanic or man-made), in what we eat drink and use, in virus attacks via the internet, in real viruses like strains of flu and now antibiotic-resistant strains of very deadly bacteria. We can't keep ourselves apart.

Compared with many places we are all better-off and healthy and are very likely to remain so in spite of what we are told are going to be all kinds of CUTS.

This is a plea for an honest assessment and comparison, and then an appeal.

Locally we all remember the effects of foot and mouth a decade ago, and the recent Cumbria floods; these are all dreadful. But just think back over the last couple of weeks; as this is being written there are devastating floods and landslides in China; out of control fires in Russia with the threat of smoke from the burning forests (contaminated by Chernobyl years ago) being released; the almost too-hard-to-imagine scale of the Pakistani floods, with 20 million people displaced— that's a third of the whole population of the U.K. (*see*

*page 1*) at the same time as many parts of sub-Saharan Africa continue to experience appalling droughts and famines, while country-sized blocks of ice continue to break away from Greenland, floating south into the Atlantic; and not forgetting the man-made oil disaster in the Caribbean is still lurking under the surface.

Similar things can happen anywhere.

We no longer live in ignorance. Whether we like it or not we are globalised, not merely by being subjected to these natural phenomena but also by amazing communication, by travel (for business or tourism), by re-settlement and migration, by world banking and finance, by food production and distribution and consumption, by trade in manufactured goods, and these are not one-way; they criss-cross the world over.

Now when one part of the world suffers, we all potentially suffer. By turning our attention outwards, beyond our more local concerns, we will, by deeper understanding, by 'seeing the other side' and by our giving nationally, communally and personally, be doing our international duty and doing some good to all.

## **Eunice**

**July 'Find Eunice' Winner:**

**Where am I this month?  
The 129th  
Annual Brass Band Festival  
Hardraw Scar**

**Sunday September 12th  
Starting at 10.00am**

Hear 14 bands playing their pieces, and the Massed Bands Finale.

5 bands from North Yorkshire, 4 from West Yorkshire, 1 from the East Riding, 3 from Lancashire and 1 from County Durham.

Filming by ITV will be taking place as they follow Leyburn Band as part of 'The Dales' series.

Bar, full catering, parking

Admission: adults £7; children £3.

Further details: Green Dragon **667392**

or [www.yhbba.org.uk/hardraw](http://www.yhbba.org.uk/hardraw)

### **Notes from Upper Dales Healthwatch**

1. Twenty four people had attended the First Aid Training sessions and the intention is to run a third session in the autumn (anyone interested please contact:

**Jane Ritchie 663385**).

2. Dr. West wanted to point out the fact that neither surgery closes for lunch as some people had thought. A recent QOF survey had awarded the Central Dales Practice 976 points out of 1000, about which they were delighted.

3. There is going to be an electric blanket testing session at the Key Centre in Middleham on **23rd September 1.00 – 3.30pm** organized by NYCC Trading Standards. That may be of interest to readers

**October issue will produced on September  
29th and 30th Deadline for copy:  
Thursday, September 23rd**

given that the previous sessions have been in Northallerton.

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

## **Gayle Mill**

### **September 5th and October 3rd**

Tours at **11.00am and 2.30pm**

(last approx. 2 hrs)

**DEMONSTRATION DAY:** Special Guided Tours + demonstrations of water powered Victorian woodworking machinery. £10 adult, £5 child (including refreshments)

**Booking advised.**

### **September 13th - 10.00am to 4.00pm**

“Rust, Dust and Glue” with Carol Tyler, well known Wensleydale artist. An experimental workshop, working from a still life group of objects found around the Mill, using non traditional and unusual materials  
Fee: £55 (includes light lunch and refreshments)

**Booking essential:**

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

### **EARLY DAYS OF THE COTTON INDUSTRY**

Lecture by John McCallum who is an expert on the working of Arkwright mills and is an experienced lecturer and tour guide at Cromford Mill, Derbyshire.

Admission: £2 per head.

**For all of the above bookings, phone 667320. [www.gavlemill.org.uk](http://www.gavlemill.org.uk)**

## **Wensleydale Railway News**

**Cheaper train fares:** 25% off the price of all standard return tickets for travel on the Wensleydale Railway is now offered to those who live in postcodes DL8, 10, 11 (and elsewhere) who apply for a free Residents' Discount card. Application forms are available from Hawes Post Office and the Community Office. Proof of address is required (see application form for details) and the completed form should be returned to either Leyburn or Leeming Bar station.

(The card is not valid for special events such as Santa Specials or Excursions).

**Pennies for the line:** Ken Monkman, chairman of the Wensleydale Railway Association, thanks those who generously sent envelopes containing loose change to help buy new railway sleepers etc. This has raised more than £1000 so far; I will pass on donations or they can be left for Ken at Leyburn station. *Please remember to include your name and address if you would like a Donor's Certificate.*

**Excursions:** Most of Wensleydale Railway's excursions bring passengers up the dale, to walk, shop, have lunch or visit an attraction. However, with the support of Grand Central Railway – whose trains stop at Northallerton, WR are offering two excursions in reverse this autumn, with coach pick-up from Hawes, Bainbridge, Askrigg, Woodhall, Carperby, Redmire, Leyburn and Bedale to catch GC's train at Northallerton.

**Day excursion to London** on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October. Engineering work on the east coast main line may affect plans for this event but, if it takes place, the price will be very competitive! If you would like further details as soon as they are available, please phone me on **650349**.

Just a reminder that Senior Citizen bus passes are valid on Chris Bulmer's Vintage Bus which runs Tues, Fri, Sat and Sun until the end of October. Why not have a short ride out, just to see the scenery? For example: depart Hawes station yard 12.20; Bainbridge 12.30; arrive Aysgarth Falls 12.45 (two cafés nearby). Catch the bus back again at 13.20 (1.20pm). Go updale for different scenery: depart Hawes at 13.50 (1.50pm) for the ride to Garsdale station and return; back in Hawes by 14.50 (2.50pm). Or do both journeys!

**Ruth Annison**

## Family History Group

The Upper Dales Family History Group is a branch of the Cleveland Family History Society, covering the Swaledale and Wensleydale areas. As well as monthly meetings with a wide range of speakers and regular drop-in computer clubs, we have a thriving email discussion group with well over 500 members worldwide to help with everything from research into individual families to general tips and hints and information on where to start tracking down records.

This October we will mark our 10th Anniversary with an exhibition at Tennants Auction Centre in Leyburn on the theme of 'Those Who Left The Dales'. Some families may have only gone to the next county, but others found their way to some of the most far flung places on the globe. Over the last year group members have been collecting and transcribing letters and wills that record those journeys and the lives of the migrants.

The enormous response to the appeal for information has resulted in the production of a book containing summaries of over 100 individual submissions. This is the first time that most of these stories have been told publicly and is a unique opportunity to compare first hand accounts of those who left and, most poignantly, those left behind. More than one family emigrated leaving behind young children and elderly parents who they never saw again. The books will be on sale at the Exhibition or by ordering in advance.

The Exhibition is open weekdays from 10.00am to 4.00pm and Saturdays, 10.00am to 2.00pm (closed Sundays) from 2nd to 16th October. Admission is free and there is a programme of talks and workshops during the fortnight for which advance booking is advisable.

The programme of speakers will be given in the October Newsletter.

The new season of meetings begins on **Wednesday, September 22nd, at 2.00pm** in Middleham Key Centre when Rev David Wiseman will speak about two black sheep from the history of his own dales family in 'Transported! Two Kettlewell Boys.'

To find out more about any of the events or to order a copy of the book, contact **Glenys Marriott 663738**, e-mail: [glenys@bishopdale.demon.co.uk](mailto:glenys@bishopdale.demon.co.uk) or see the website at [www.upperdalesfhg.org.uk](http://www.upperdalesfhg.org.uk)

**Tracy Little**

## Askrigg and District Indoor Bowls Club

New season starts on  
**Tuesday October 12th**  
**2.00 to 5.00pm**  
Askrigg village hall.  
Season sub.: £8.00  
Visitors: £1.00 per session  
Details: **650330, 650565**

## Hawes Youth Club

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer holidays! Youth Club will be re-opening on Wednesday 8th September: 6.30pm until 8.30pm in the Market Hall in Hawes. Youth Club is FREE and open to everyone aged between 11 and 19 years old. We look forward to welcoming back all old and new members!

Hawes Youth Club is also calling out for volunteers! If anyone is interested please contact **Vivienne Osborn on 01609 533683**; places are subject to a CRB check.

**Rachael Alderson**

## **Middleham and Dales Local History Group**

**The missing history – Understanding Daily Life in a Dales Village from Medieval Times Tutor - Sonia Wilkinson**

Autumn course of four sessions beginning on **Tuesday September 14th at 2.00pm** at Middleham Key Centre, continuing at 2.00pm on September 28th and October 5th, and concluding with a visit to Kilnsey on October 26th (**please note change of date**).

This is the course for you if you are intrigued by the following questions:

What was life like under monastic rule?

What were conditions like inside early Dales dwellings?

How did villagers provide themselves with their everyday needs?

How did villagers ensure water was on hand and how did they manage their water supplies?

Sonia Wilkinson, a dedicated local historian, has researched the history of Kilnsey in Upper Wharfedale. Using the landscape and historical documents she has gained considerable insight into the daily life in a Dales village from medieval times.

The course will provide insights into how dales people survived and made a living by exploiting raw materials around them and by using important watercourses. It will also include information about the history of the village and provide the opportunity to visit the village and interpret its landscape.

If you come to the course, it is hoped that you will then be able to relate some of the experience of the villagers of Kilnsey to that of the people of your own dales village and also gain an insight into archival material available for research.

The fee for the 4 session course is £25 for members and £35 for non-members,

(including a year's membership). To register for a place or for further information, please contact **Tony Keates 640436** or email [dotandtonyk@btinternet.com](mailto:dotandtonyk@btinternet.com)

## **Books for All**

North Yorkshire County Council in partnership with Housing 21 have a fantastic new library service at **Sycamore Hall**, opening seven days a week at 9.00 in the morning and closing at 9.30 in the evening. The library is run by a couple of volunteers and the library is well stocked with a supply of 1,000 books.

The library is situated in the main entrance of the scheme. It has a self issue machine as well as a public access computer. The library will certainly be a great addition to the scheme and the rest of the community, and we are hoping that it will get well used by everyone.

**Michelle Mottershead**

### **Bursary Student**

We will again be looking to recruit a Bursary Student for the next academic year. Any student in year 12 living within the Newsletter area is entitled to be considered. The work includes writing articles, doing an interview and feature, submitting bright ideas and where possible attending some committee meetings.

Over the years, previous students have gone on to do great things!

Further details of what is required including the monetary value of the bursary will be available at schools. Informal interviews are then held.

### **Askrigg ladies sing for pleasure group**

We begin to sing again on Monday 13th Sept at 7.30pm in the back room of Askrigg village hall.

If you love singing and feel a "choir" is not quite your thing, how about sharing an hour and a coffee with a lovely group of ladies who like to sing and have fun.

We sing a wide variety of songs from folk to musicals and learn some basic techniques on the way.

Below are the dates we will meet and you will be assured of a warm welcome.

For further details contact Diana Hartley  
01969 650245

Sept 13th, 27th

Oct 4th, 25th

Nov 8th, 22nd

Dec 6th, 13th (second and third Monday)

## **Young Archaeologists' Club**

We run the Yorkshire Dales branch of the club here at the Dales Countryside Museum.

Leaders and members meet 10 Saturday mornings at the museum and occasionally have site visits.

Currently we have a couple of spaces available, so if you are between 8 and 14 years, with an interest in archaeology, contact **Fiona** or **Debbie 666210** or email us **[dcn@yorkshiredales.org.uk](mailto:dcn@yorkshiredales.org.uk)**

Take a look at the national **YAC** website on **[www.yac-uk.org](http://www.yac-uk.org)**

**Debbie Allen**  
**Museum Officer,** Telephone **666218**  
email **[debbieallen@yorkshiredales.org.uk](mailto:debbieallen@yorkshiredales.org.uk)**

### **Discovered?**

After over twenty years of the annual Dales Discovery slide and music evenings in Hawes chapel each July and August you might think, at least for locals, there would be nothing more to discover. No way! This year's series, ranging from stunning pictures of landscape and wildlife to intimate details of trackways, mile posts and crosses and long distance walks taken nearly 150 years ago, produced one of best series ever. There seems to be no end to the discovery!

There was a very good and appreciative turn-out too for Andrew Christer's popular and lively organ recital.

Thank you for all the support.

**A.S.W**



### **Annual Cricket Match**

**West Witton v Swinithwaite played on  
Sunday 15th August West Mill,  
Askrigg**

**In association with Natural England.**

West Mill is a historic building dating from the 16th century. Formally a corn mill it was converted to a saw mill in 1910. The structure and remaining machinery provide a fascinating insight into the workings of small rural industry.

West Mill is open for visits by groups of no more than fourteen persons. For more information and to make appointments, phone

01969 650364 or email  
dl.blake@tiscali.co.uk

David Blake

### **at West Witton Sports Playing Field**

The above match resulted in a rare win for West Witton in this local derby. West Witton were put in to bat and scored 98 for 4 wickets in their allotted 20 overs. Swinithwaite lost wickets at regular intervals and despite putting on good stands for the 9th and 10th wickets they were all out for 78 in the 16th over.

An excellent tea was provided by the local church ladies and players which raised £137.00 for West Witton Church funds.

Attached is a photograph of the winning West Witton team with their captain Peter Sadler holding the match shield, which had been kindly presented by the Wensleydale Heifer.

**Peter Sadler**

### Best Foot Forward

**H**ere is a lovely short walk with great variety, but you will need someone to drop you and pick you up. It is from Raisgill near Yockenthwaite (one of the loveliest spots and names in the Dales), over to Halton Gill and down Litton dale to Litton.

The climb up on the bridleway towards Horse Head Gate is steep in places with a choice of routes – the original rather zig-zag track or others a little more direct (and steeper). They come together before the top. This is a walk to do after RAIN. Look down to the left to a couple of bonnie waterfalls on Hagg Beck. Towards the top of the fell the track has been much improved over the last few years. It was one of those made atrocious by motor cycles, the problem being that on the up side of the route it was designated by the North Riding as a bridleway, but down the other side in the West Riding, as an unclassified old road permitting motor vehicles. Now the whole route bans motorised traffic except for access.

This is one of the very old tracks from dale to dale and the descent to Halton Gill is lovely for a trot, being first stony but then an idyllic green unfenced lane with a most acceptable gradient! The top end of Litton dale takes a bit of beating; look right, towards Foxup and beyond to Cosh (once a remote farm; then derelict and now occupied with its own wind turbine), surely one of the most remote places in the dales; look left down the lovely dale to Great Whernside and Buckden Pike in the distance; and look straight ahead to Pen y Ghent and Fountains Fell.

Pause in Halton Gill; this hamlet has to be strolled through, not rushed. It would be even better if one of the cottages had ‘teas’ written on the roof! We are going across

the bridge over the river Skirfare, but pause, you might just see a true bright yellow wagtail (not the grey wagtail which also has yellow on it); it likes this area. I saw one once. Our path simply goes down the dale through meadows, at times beside the river. Another reason for going after rain is that the Skirfare will be flowing above ground!

At Nether Heselden you will directed rather tediously round this lovely old farmstead. Don’t fail to notice an old metal gate by the bridge over the beck; it has a unique handle. From here to Litton the route continues through meadows but also along ancient narrow trackways. This area has been settled for generations. It is worth going at different times of the year. Obviously before the hay meadows have been cut, but also later when the meadow sweet, the cornflower and one superb patch of orange monkey-musk are at their best.

The river by the long footbridge over to Litton village is a bubbling beauty here.

Of course you needn’t stop at Litton. I just thought you might want a morning six miles. A return route climbs on an old pony trail from the pub; a pleasant limestone track until the top after which a sloppy, long muddy descent comes down to Redmire near Buckden and the Dalesway is then followed via Hubberholme back to Yockenthwaite.

**A.S.W.**

## Computer Notes

*Two quick items this month to try to keep your computer fit and healthy (and yourself sane):*

### 1) A BIG Warning

There is a large growth on the internet in scam security programs. Over the last few months I have helped clean numerous computers because of these problems and real security firms are warning users to be very careful. If this happens to you the symptoms are that a program you have never seen before or knowingly installed constantly pops up and tells you that your computer is subject to multiple threats (often 20 to 30) and that to remove them you need to register the security software.

This involves supplying credit card details which is what the scammers are really after. Under no circumstances use your credit card online while these problems are on your computer. Removing these scam programs can be quite difficult and the approaches required are varied so I can't give instructions here. To avoid these problems do not click on any links in emails or websites that you are unsure of. If you download software do so from reputable websites and avoid running any program that you are unsure of that has been downloaded onto your computer.

Note that some of these scams are not picked up by anti-virus software and sneak through – they can even disable your existing protection.

### 2) Update your computer.

Many people have Windows set to automatically download updates and install them. Generally this is recommended but if that is all you do you are missing out on many updates and also extra software. Automatic update only installs updates that Microsoft consider Important or Critical.

You do need to visit Microsoft Update to get these extra updates and do this fairly regularly (say once a month). How you do this depends on the version of Windows on your computer. In Windows XP go to Start>All Programs>Windows Update or load Internet Explorer and look in the Tools Menu. You need to use the Custom button to see the extra updates available. In Windows Vista and Windows 7, go to Start>Computer and then click System Properties in the window that opens (near top left) then click Windows Update near the bottom left hand corner – clicking

Check for Updates will give you lists of important and optional updates. If Windows Update offers you the new Microsoft Update accept that as it will update other Microsoft products such as Word and Excel.

If you have any questions please contact me by email via my website at [www.dalescomputerservices.com](http://www.dalescomputerservices.com) and if I can help I will be happy to do so.  
Happy computing.

**Carol Haynes**

## Aysgarth Singers

Aysgarth Singers is a mixed voice choir and always welcomes new members.

We rehearse each Tuesday 7.30 - 9.00pm at Aysgarth Institute and the choir is conducted by Stan Roocroft MBE.

For details, please ring **Di Clegg 666059**

Aysgarth Singers concert dates:

**Friday Oct. 1st** Presidents Concert at Tennants, Leyburn **7.30pm**

**Friday Oct. 8th** Autumn Concert with Hawes Silver Prize Band, at Hawes Market House, **7.30pm**

### **School in a Box**



The Newsletter Committee agreed at its last meeting to send a donation of £525 to **UNICEF** (the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund) in the light of the overwhelming natural disaster in Pakistan. We have done this once before and earmarked the gift for "School in a box".

Each box, costing £175, enables a temporary school to be set up for at least 40 children in times of emergency. Since the 1990s UNICEF has delivered the School in box to emergency situations all over the world providing the chance for children to continue their education during the most extreme crises.

Each child in the class receives their own set of school supplies such as exercise books, pens, pencils and erasers which they can take home (or to where they are staying) in a durable plastic schoolbag so they can continue to study. The new kits also contain, for the class, a solar or wind-up radio, inflatable globe for geography, and laminated posters for help in language and mathematics.

The kit is supplied in a lockable aluminium box, the lid of which doubles as a blackboard when coated with a special paint included in the kit.

We commend this as a very practical way of supporting children in times like this.

### **Coffee Morning**

**For Low Mill Outdoor Centre, Askrigg**

**Saturday September 18th**

**10.30am to 12.30pm**

**To be held at the 17th century**

### A Glimpse of the Past

Recently I came across this old map of West Burton. (*See over the page*). (It was researched by, and passed to the Newsletter by **Roger Stott** several years ago.) Immediately I was transported back to a bygone age when dales villages were very different from what they are now. The most astounding feature was the number of commercial premises. West Burton must have been a hive of activity with many local people moving about the shops. It's easy to picture huddles of people gossiping on the green, maybe horses pulling farm implements on the roads, a vehicle or two here and there but no long lines of parked cars and no street lights or yellow lines; and very little of the noise we generate these days—not just cars but grasscutters, refrigeration units, chainsaws and aircraft.

Take a closer look at the map and you'll see some things are reassuringly familiar. The basic plan of the village, of course, with its splendid green in the centre is much as it is today. The Fox and Hounds is there, as are the school, the chapel, the post office, the market cross and many house names. Hartle's Butchers gets a mention, though it used to be a shoemakers and cobblers.

Then there are things not on the map which are there now. Moorside Cat Pottery, Aardvark Picture Framing and the Village Hall are all I could think of but there may be others.

Most striking is what has disappeared. Some may have been victims of declining trade such as we might see today, lost grocers or butchers. Others it's hard to imagine how they could ever be successful businesses in such a small place off the beaten track—a cycle shop, a petrol station, a coal depot, a draper and two shoemakers. The range of facilities was quite astonishing.

The map is a composite with no specific

date so not all of the businesses would be active at the same time. It therefore looks busier than it may really have been, but it does give an insight into what went on in the past and how the village has changed. The question arises: is this typical of all dales villages? Well, we must remember that West Burton is bigger than most, but there would be similar activities in many of them, especially larger ones like Askrigg and West Witton.

The dates shown on the map remind us of a time when villages were much more self sufficient than today. People didn't commute to work or drive to Leyburn to shop. Most of them knew each other and many were related. There were few retired incomers or holiday cottages and in many ways the community was more closely bound together than it is today. Some 'local' people may hanker after this time as 'the good old days'. The hardships of the time are sometimes forgotten—isolation, no electricity or central heating etc. They would seem unbearable now but they were accepted then, as no other lifestyle was known. Times have changed and we can't turn the clock back, so a glimpse of the past has a romantic other-worldliness about it. Looking at the map is a bit like reading a book by Ella Pontefract and Marie Hartley. Sometimes we can hardly believe it was like that.

The map raises almost as many questions as it answers. People who know West Burton well might have further information to impart and the Newsletter would be delighted to receive any snippets of historical interest. The map is a pointer to all sorts of fascinating stories, a treasure trove of a bygone era.

**N.P.**

### Yoga Classes

Yoga classes with Sue Lightfoot will recommence the week beginning **Monday**

**September 13th** at the following venues:

Gayle Institute:

**Mondays 2.00 to 4.00pm**

Wensley Village Hall:

**Mondays 7.00 to 8.30pm**

Middleham Key Centre:

**Tuesdays 7.00 to 8.30pm**

**Wednesdays 10.00 to 11.30am**

**Wednesdays 11.45am to 12.45pm**

(Gentle exercise)

West Burton Village Hall:

**Wednesdays 7.00 to 9.00pm**

Sycamore Hall, Bainbridge:

**Thursdays 7.00 to 9.00pm**

Yoga is a total health system integrating the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual aspects of being. Regular practice is the best way to enjoy all the benefits which Yoga can bring to life at any age.

Sue is a fully qualified and experienced teacher and Shiatsu practitioner. Classes accommodate a range of abilities and new students are welcome. Individual tuition tailored to specific needs is also available, and Shiatsu treatments by appointment.

Details and enrolment: **663993**







## Summer Crossword Answers

### Across

1. Masons
4. Chapel
9. Brio
10. Blistering
11. Peewit
12. Sniffing
13. Atkinsons
15. Alds
16. Rood
17. Carthouse
21. HSBC Bank
22. Inches
24. Manageress
25. Orgy
26. Dressy
27. Cygnet

### Down

1. Marsett
2. St Osw
3. Naboths
5. Hatpin
6. Portfolio
7. Linings
8. Hips and ankles
14. Iso-octane
16. Rose and
18. Thirsty
19. Sleight
20. Karens
23. Crown

## September Competition

### They sound the same:

**Example:** Infection took to the air

**Answer:** FLU; FLEW

Now try these:

1. Permitted but not silently
2. Great yell; sphere
3. Not smooth round the neck
4. Breeze of the preliminary attempt
5. Opp over hyp symbol
6. Animal group came to our ears
7. Bit of no war
8. Drank and moaned
9. Interfere with the gong
10. Mount the weather region
11. Old military man under cover of Darkness
12. Long breath taken neither back nor front
13. Strong, healthy ice drops
14. Big fire holder
15. Sport area, not fine though.



## Free course for carers of people with dementia

(Places limited)

Programme of 4 modules, with delicious light lunch available (£3)

Aims of course:

Enable carers to understand more about dementia;

Learn what approaches might be helpful in meeting the challenge it presents;

Discover constructive strategies that may help with their caring role;

See how new equipment can help the carer

Hear about benefits and grants;

Meet local support professionals and access ongoing support and information;

Venue: Quaker Meeting House, 7 Grove Square, Leyburn.

Dates: **September 20<sup>th</sup>, October 4<sup>th</sup>, October 18<sup>th</sup>, and November 1<sup>st</sup>**

All four modules start at 12 noon prompt and end at 3.00pm

To book: contact **Anne Brown**, Alzheimers Society, 25a Olav Road, Richmond, DL10 4PU.

Tel **01748 850453**;

email: [anne.brown@alzheimers.co.uk](mailto:anne.brown@alzheimers.co.uk)

### **Girl Guiding UK**

Delwyn and myself spent a fantastic day at Harewood House on 4<sup>th</sup> August at the national Girlguiding UK centenary celebrations. 20,000 girls and leaders were in attendance, 5,000 taking part in the centenary camp. We renewed old friendships and made new ones. There was non stop entertainment by over 240 entertainers from all over the world performing in 20 performance areas, a dome stage, circus big top and even an imported "beach". There were buskers, street entertainers, workshops and activities. The National Scout and Guide Symphony Orchestra gave three superb performances including a specially written medley of guiding songs. The day went like clockwork – a credit to the guiding organisers, and if we sound as though we had fun, well we did, and that's what guiding is all about. HAVING FUN!

### **Linda Reynolds – 1<sup>st</sup> Hawes Brownies Fundraising for Yorkshire Air Ambulance Event in Newbiggin**

On Sunday July 18th Brian White and Peter Waterfall once again held a party in their garden in Newbiggin in Bishopdale to celebrate their birthdays. Some sixty neighbours and other friends helped them celebrate in spite of the mixed weather.

The hosts suggested that a donation to the Air Ambulance Services would be more appreciated than cards or presents.. Their friends, including some of those unable to attend, responded magnificently by giving donations to a total of **£1045**, which has been sent to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. As most of the donations were accompanied by Gift Aid declarations, the taxman will also have to contribute a further **£197**, giving an overall total of a superb **£1242** Brian and Peter first become interested in supporting the Air Ambulance seven years

ago, when their neighbour fell downstairs and was taken in the helicopter to Northallerton. They have held parties every year since and have now raised a total over £ 6000 plus Gift Aid.

They would like to thank all their friends from Newbiggin, Thoraby, and as far afield as Sheffield for their generosity and support for this worthwhile local charity, far exceeding their hopes.

## **MYSTERY PICTURE**

### **Free Course for Carers of People with Dementia**

(Places limited) Programme of 4 modules, with delicious light lunch available (£3). Aims of course - Enable carers to understand more about dementia. Learn what approaches might be helpful in meeting the challenge it presents. Discover constructive strategies that may help with their caring role.

See how new equipment can help the carer. Hear about benefits and grants. Meet local support professionals and

access ongoing support and information.

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## **Prunings**

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

When we kept a lot of sheep there was one notorious individual who escaped with monotonous regularity. If my husband couldn't find her immediately he would sigh philosophically and remark.

"Oh well, she's got her teeth with her."

The significance of this hit me like a sledge hammer when for around two weeks the village was terrorized by a marauding ewe. She was a grey-faced Swaledale with wide horns, wide eyes and a fat, fit mule lamb at foot, - and she could get through anything. The morning when I found a whole tray of Heleniums, boxed up ready to transport for a plant market, with every flower head nipped off I would have felled her with a spade if I had seen her. Sadly she was not only my problem, and most of the locals had failed in attempts to round her up. Her owner came several times in response to frantic phone calls from exhausted residents, but when he arrived here she was gone. The problem was solved only when a combined effort saw the pair trapped in a corner, and the wall they cleared was on a downward slope where they couldn't easily get back. Fortunately we haven't seen either of them since. It will be some time before the roses and all the other shrubs and perennials they have decimated recover.

It always amazes me how quickly Autumn creeps up on us; the Glorious Twelfth has been and gone, exam results are out, and now the first of the Horse Chestnuts are beginning to colour and the Rowans are berried up. They have a remarkable range of shades, and I wonder if some of the young specimens in new plantations are actually are different variety from the native locals. I have a couple of plants which

I grew from seed. They have true rowan type leaves and were named as Sorbus Cashmeriana. Although they are now around 4 feet high they have not yet flowered. I may have held them back by keeping them in containers, so I shall have to wait another year to see what they really look like.

We shall have a poor show of Rudbeckias this year. I had saved a few from the rabbits in the worst of the winter, but the wandering ewe seemed to be partial to them as well. There are some compensations however: the Monardias have been absolutely glorious and they are such an unexpectedly rich red which has been a startling contrast with Verbena Bonariensis. Another perennial which has produced an excellent show this time is the perpetual wallflower which I brought as cuttings from London last autumn. I have already started some off for the spring so they get away sooner. Thinking ahead, it is time to pot up the best of the geraniums and pelargoniums so they will produce plenty of cuttings, and I have my eye on the shrubs that will probably take better later.

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

**Rose Rambler**

### Heavens Above

The nights begin to noticeably lengthen after the Autumnal Equinox on September 23<sup>rd</sup> so it's time to limber up those eyeballs and dust down those old binoculars ready for the new observing season.

Dominating the southern evening sky this Autumn is the giant planet Jupiter - at its biggest and brightest for over 50 years. It reaches *opposition* - when the Earth, planet, and Sun are in a straight line - on September 21<sup>st</sup> - so you'll find it due south around midnight about 30° above the horizon. It's unmistakable shining brighter than any star.

Jupiter has well over a 100 moons, though many of these are really small and can't be seen from the Earth. Good 10x50 binoculars, however, will show you the four biggest ones - Io, Ganymede, Europa, and Callisto. They'll look like tiny star-like points either side of the planet's disc. Don't be disappointed if you can't see all 4 of them at the same time as occasionally one might be behind or in front of Jupiter depending upon where they are at in their orbits.

Uranus, another of the giant outer planets, also lies close to Jupiter this month but you'll need binoculars to pick it out. Try looking for it on the night of 18/19th when the pair are at their closest to each other. Uranus is just to the NE of its much more brilliant neighbour, and should look slightly greenish in appearance. Keep an eye out too for the Full Moon on the 23<sup>rd</sup> September. It used to be called the 'Harvest Moon' or 'Corn Moon' because it rose around sunset for several nights in a row and its extra light helped farmers gather in their crops. Have clear skies! **Al Bireo**

### Thoralby Village Hall

2nd October

### Safari Supper

7.00pm prompt

Ticket only,  
please call 663565 or 07866 010638

### Wensleydale Creamery

Spurred on by curiosity, I paid a visit to the Creamery (Wensleydale Dairy Products) one day in August and had a look at their new developments. Escorted by Sandra, the Marketing Manager, who informed me that the coffee shop had opened only two weeks previously, I took in the newly opened cheese shop which was full of cheese-tasting visitors and is much more spacious than before. It stocks over 100 new lines including locally made cakes, wines, jams and chutney etc. Sandra was talking in terms of 'phases' which meant that 'phase one' had been the new coffee and cheese shops; forthcoming phases would include a new visitor shop and refurbishment of the museum and visitors' viewing gallery where the cheese-making process can be seen.

At the rear of the site is a new store for cheeses. (It has looked like an archaeological dig but this is not the case; it's just a store!). Outside there is some landscaping to be done which will give the visitors something nice to look at as they sip their tea or tuck into lunch.

Settling down in the light and airy café to a delicious cup of coffee I noted a steady flow of visitors, the well-filled car park and happy families enjoying a day in Hawes. With over 200,000 visitors per year at the Creamery some of that is bound to have an impact on the prosperity of the area. Wensleydale Cheese, made in Hawes, is now sold in most major outlets in the country plus many independent ones, which is good news for our farmers, and for Hawes.

S.H.

### **Off to Uni?**

Students; don't forget our Book and Equipment Award Scheme for your first year. Please write in giving details of your course and we will tell you how to proceed

### **Askrigg Playgroup**

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to our playgroup leader, Jeanette Feather. Jeanette has been running playgroup for the last 3 ½ years, during which time many children have benefitted from her energy, inspiration and enthusiasm. Happily Jeanette is not breaking her ties with playgroup completely as she has just been elected the managing committee's new Chair (alongside Becca Clarkson as Secretary and Kirsten Civil as Treasurer).

We are very pleased that from September Gillian Alderson will be taking over as playgroup leader, with Kirsten Civil joining us as playgroup assistant. In September several of the children will be moving onto nursery – we wish you all the very best! This means that we will have plenty of spaces available for new children.

We run two sessions a week (Tuesday & Thursday 9.20 – 11.15am at the Wensleydale Sure Start Children's Centre, Yorebridge, Askrigg. Session fees are £3 for under 2s (who must be accompanied by an adult) and £5 for over 2s. A healthy snack and drink are provided.

New children are welcome to come along for a free trial session to see if they like it. The new term will start on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. For more information, please call **Gillian on 650831 or 07929 530310**.

**Rebecca Clarkson**

### **Trips and Events for Hawes Gala**

**Friday, 10th September** bus trip to Kendal torchlight procession. Bus leaves Hawes Market hall **5.30pm**. Tickets £8.00 Call **667192** to book.

**Friday 17th September.** 1970s disco. Crown beer garden. 9.30pm till late. £3.00

entry. Fancy dress optional. Proceeds to Hawes Gala 2011.

**Sunday 12th December** Christmas shopping trip to Manchester Trafford centre. . Call Streetwise. **667192** to book.

### **February 4th 2011**

Elwood presents the 5th annual winter ball at Simonstone Hall.

Fairy Dust And Fascinators

7.30pm welcome drinks and hors doeuvre to the sounds of a Scottish piper.

Old time and modern dancing. Poker table and prizes for best fascinator.

Strictly ticket only. £20.00

Coach seats available from Leyburn and Hawes & return. Must be prebooked.

Tickets available from October:

call **667192/ 666004**

Proceeds to Hawes Gala 2011

### **Auction Mart Harvest**

#### **Sunday September 19th 6.30pm**

Service to be led by Rev Janet Park, newly appointed to the Dales

Members of all local churches will be taking part.

Hawes Silver Prize Band

Refreshments to follow.

(The morning service at Hawes Methodist church will be taken by Rev Alan Coustick)

### **Are You an Older Driver?**

#### **Free Roadshow**

#### **Hawes Primary School**

#### **Saturday September 4th**

#### **10.00am to 3.00pm**

Advice and help including eyesight requirements, medication and driving, licensing requirements, driving at night, saving money.

### Rainfall Figures January to June 2010

### Measurements in Millimetres

	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Hawes	68	46	110	29	24	35	312
Carperby	54	55	63	19	39	51	281
Bainbridge	63	42	81	22	50.	35	293
Stalling Busk	73	45	102	39	21	50	330
Askrigg	57	40	74	18	49	41	279
Thornton Rust							

### Rain Recording

*Any readers who have the necessary rain-gauge are invited to contact us if they would like to be added to the list of those who provide the figures of rainfall each six months.*

26 Rug making demonstration; have a go at this traditional craft with Heather Ritchie. Free event

26 A full day's navigation course, mainly outdoors, focusing on using skills gained on courses earlier in the year. Under 16s accompanied by an adult. £5, booking essential

### What's on at the Dales Countryside Museum in September

Where booking is indicated phone 666210

9 September–7 October and 11–31 Oct -

An exhibition of abstract paintings, collage and sculpture. Free family workshops linked to the National Campaign for 'The Big Draw' on 12, 23, 30 October

2 Introduction to the National Park. A lunchtime talk by Ranger Matt Neale free event

5 Weaving Demonstration by Dilys McCaffrey using her own loom. 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Free event

7 Dry stone Walling Demonstration 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Free event

7 Spinning a Yarn; 2.00pm to 4.00pm spinning yarn in the museum foyer

11 Victorian Kitchen; A look at preserving techniques in the Victorian kitchen. Free with Museum entry ticket

14 Sheep to Scarf; all the processes from from fleece–dyeing, carding, spinning and knitting techniques. 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Free event



**Kirkby Stephen Grammar School**  
**A Foundation & Trust School**  
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**YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING**  
**Tuesday 5th October**

**School Hall from 6.45 pm**

All parents and students are invited to attend our Open Evening. We hope this will help you make the right decision about secondary school education. You will find out about what KSGS can offer in terms of:

- Consistent academic success and high quality teaching
- Personalised pastoral support
- Excellent transition support
- Excellent opportunities for extra-curricular activities.

You will have the opportunity to take part in activities and tour the school. Senior Staff and Heads of Departments will be available for any questions you may have.

Refreshments will be available.

For any more information contact  
**Janette McWhirter** at the School  
**017683 71693**

or email: [admin@ksgs.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ksgs.cumbria.sch.uk)

### **Community Office News**

The Tuesday computer workshop has finished for a few weeks and will re-start on Tuesday 12th October. Whatever your computer skills, or lack of them, you are welcome to drop in any time between 1.30 and 4.30pm. There is no fixed fee, but donations are welcome to cover costs.

The Little Red Bus is currently piloting an extra route in addition to the latest 'Squirrel Run' on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The new circular route starts at the Dales Countryside Museum, goes via Brown Moor reception, Hawes Market

Place, Wensleydale Creamery Reception, Gayle Mill, Bainbridge Ings Reception and returns to the Museum. It has no fixed timetable at the moment, so for more detail contact the driver (who will be Harry or Alan) on **07971061133**.

**Patricia West**  
**Upper Wensleydale Community**  
**Partnership Ltd., The Neukin, Hawes**  
**667030**

## **Funding for New Dales Woodlands Never Been Better**

*Landowners in the Dales are being encouraged to plant new broadleaf trees with the offer of generous grants and support.*

Environmental charity the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust (YDMT), along with their partners the National Park Authority and the Forestry Commission, are appealing to all landowners in the Dales who may be considering tree planting to take advantage of new funding and advice.

Not only are there substantial grants on offer to plant broadleaf trees in the Dales but YDMT will also provide full support to landowners throughout the process of woodland creation - from the grant application stage to planting. This also includes site assessments and planning in preparation for the tree-planting season which runs from November to March.

This latest appeal for landowners is part of a long-term woodland restoration programme which has been going on throughout the Dales since 1997. The Trust has been involved in over one hundred tree planting projects so far and intends to continue this work and increase the native broadleaved tree cover across the Yorkshire Dales. In the Dales only 3.5% of the land is covered by trees, compared with the national average of 9% and of this, more than half is conifer plantation.

Anyone who feels they have land suitable for creating a new woodland and would like more information can contact :

**Chris Lodge, 015242 51002;** email: [chris.lodge@vdm.org](mailto:chris.lodge@vdm.org) or **Geoff Garrett, Senior Trees and Woodlands Officer, YDNPA 01756 751600,** email: [geoff.garrett@yorkshiredales.org](mailto:geoff.garrett@yorkshiredales.org)

## **Raydale Project**

The River Bain Hydro Company is on the verge of completing all the necessary financial arrangements. The directors are just dotting the Is and crossing the Ts on the contract with the Charity Bank for the loan and the contracts for the grants from CO2Sense and the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority.

The share offer has been successful and about 200 people, many of them local, have invested just under £200,000 in the scheme. The whole project has had tremendous publicity, it is really encouraging to have such support for making green electricity.

Along with several other communities in the Yorkshire Dales area we have also been chosen to work with Sustainability 4 Yorkshire Ltd to research other ways of further reducing the impact of our energy use. By working with others in the Energy Saving Trust Green Communities scheme it is hoped to maximise the collective benefit.

**Deborah Millward**

## **Hawes Carpet Bowling Club**

The Hawes Carpet Bowling Club meets every Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Market House. New members (male and female) are always welcome. No previous experience is necessary, so why not come along and have a go – you might have a hidden talent or just enjoy the company. Ring **667458** if you have any queries. **B.C.**

## **Dog Owners Urged to Help Fight Cattle Parasite**

Dog owners are being urged to clean up after their pets to help stop the spread of a virulent parasite in farms in the National Park.

Neospora is a parasite found in dogs' faeces and, if they foul grazing land and pregnant cattle ingest the parasite, it will cause them to abort or give birth to calves infected for life. Just one infected cow can have dire consequences on the profitability of a farm.

If cattle are infected during pregnancy, the result can be abortion, birth of a weak calf or birth of a normal-looking calf that is infected for life. These calves then transmit the parasite across the placenta to all their offspring for the rest of their lives and these offspring are themselves up to seven times more likely to abort.

Once introduced into a herd, the parasite is spread very efficiently to calves and the involvement of dogs is no longer necessary. There are no effective control measures against the parasite so it is essential that dogs are not allowed to foul farm land which could be grazed by cattle.

*All dog owners are asked to clear up after their dogs wherever they foul - not just on footpaths.*

## **Ged Hickey**

*Exhibition at Yoredale*

**September and October 2010**

**8.30am to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday**

For more information about the exhibition please telephone **Lesley Knevitt** at the National Park Authority, **652326**.

## Part One!

The intention was to feature **Sir Joseph (Joe) and Lady Ann Pilling**. It soon became obvious that they needed separate sessions, so you will have to wait for the story of Ann!

Sitting in the lounge of Rookhurst in Gayle looking across the upper dale seemed a very long way from the power house of the nation's Home Office in London with Sir Joe as a very senior Civil Servant. But more of that in a minute.

Joe Pilling was born and brought up in Rochdale (working class non-conformity) and attended Rochdale Grammar School before entering King's College in London. With his history degree, there was one thing he was not going to do: teach! The college is adjacent to Somerset House, and resisting an attempt to recruit him as a tax inspector, Sir Joe was fast-tracked into the Civil Service and to the prestigious Home Office in 1966 which was very good with its new graduates putting them to hard work in helping with government legislation. He spent six wonderful months kept on his toes as the private secretary to Shirley Williams. "I was always in her presence; she was notoriously unpunctual".

He was Permanent Under Secretary to the Northern Ireland Office from 1997 to 2005. In the 1970s he worked on criminal law before taking the post of Principal Private Secretary to the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. In 1979 he returned to the Home Office as head of division in the Prison Service Headquarters, then the Police Department dealing with terrorism, public order and firearms control. In the 1980s he was Under Secretary in the DHSS before returning to the Home Office to HM Prison Service becoming the Director General in 1991. He was then Director of Resources and Services in the Department of

Health.

This is impressive; I was also keen to find out about the precise nature of the work in dealing with the politicians, who of course are from different parties as governments change. I was trying to dig around a bit! How do one's personal politics deal with this? It's the nearest I will ever come to a real-life "Yes Minister" even if not so amusing, but affable and very diplomatic! Joe Pilling has the strongest commitment to Democracy despite its shortcomings. Senior Civil Servants have an important part in serving and supporting the ministers who have been democratically elected. "They don't really want a disaster", he said, so advice is often taken. If things were not going his way, he might employ a rather clever device by warning it could be "a career limiting decision" that they were taking!

"You can't feel there is only one way; there is always a case 'for' and 'against' so the pros and cons have to be presented.". Despite the current scepticism Sir Joe values the politician. "It's an honourable profession", he says. "Without them there would be no decisions at all, and it's more fun with a strong minister."

It was in leading the Prison Service that gave Sir Joe the greatest satisfaction. It is big and complex; there is an enormous range of staff involved from so many professions and trades. Last year he was appointed as Identity Commissioner to oversee the National Identity Card Service, a post he still holds... but probably for not much longer!

Alongside this Sir Joe has been involved in reviews of senior appointments in the Church of England, the Civil Aviation Authority and the 30 year rule on the release of government information. He is chairman of the Koestler Trust encouraging the arts among offenders and is a trustee of

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Macmillan Cancer Support– a very big organisation- so there are still many meetings in London but at least more time to be spent in the Dales where since 1987 they have had a home in Swaledale, moving to Gayle a year ago.

I couldn't resist asking about the 'Sir' which came in 2001. "It is often offered to those who run a government department, and some refuse it" he said. Then, in what he said sounded rather enigmatic, he was "proud to be a servant"; a life of service to the nation.

He is a firm believer in equality of opportunity, he believes all his values come from his Christian principles.

His diplomatic skills will be a great asset to the Parochial Church Council of St Margaret's, to which he has recently been appointed.

He is happy to be back in the north, though, and especially the Dales. "You can take the boy out of Rochdale, but you can't take Rochdale out of the boy", he said. It seemed to me that you can take a man out of the Civil Service, but you can't take the Civil Service out of the man. It's been my great pleasure to spend time at Rookhurst. I look forward to Part Two with Lady Ann.

**A.S.W.**

### **The Wizard of Oz**

Rehearsals for The Wizard of Oz pantomime start on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 7.30 pm at The Wensleydale Centre, Askrigg. Any Adults and children aged 7 years and over who would like to be involved please come along – no experience necessary. Our rehearsal evenings will be on a Tuesday and a Thursday.

We are also looking for anyone interested in amateur theatre to help make costumes, help backstage and musicians. For further details please ring **Jennifer 667241**.

THE AGM OF HAOS WILL BE HELD ON **Monday September 27th. 7.30pm** AT THE WENSLEYDALE CENTRE, ASKRIGG, ALL WELCOME.

#### **Adult**

#### **Learning and Skills Service**

#### **FREE**

#### **English and Maths Courses**

These will be available in Wensleydale at various venues on **Wednesdays, 7.00 to 9.00pm**. The courses allow people to brush up their skills and to get an Adult Literacy or Numeracy qualification from City and Guilds.

#### **ESOL Courses**

#### **(English for Speakers of Other Languages)**

These are available as follows:

Beginners' level

**Hawes Community Office, Wednesdays 3.00 to 5.00pm**

Improvers' level

**Crown Hotel Hawes, Wednesdays 5.00 to 7.00pm**

For details of the both sets of courses and the venues for English and Maths please contact **Vanessa Greenwood, 0845 873 6585 or 07968 183 923**

## **Police Report**

This months major crime trend for the Dales section has been general thefts. A generator was stolen from a Quarry. A Water Bowser was taken from a farm. Metal thefts are still occurring with regularity , scrap metal being taken from a property in Thornton Steward. A set of metal gates were removed and stolen from Harmby. The one common factor is that the stolen property in each case was bulky, so a sizeable vehicle would have been at the scene or very close by to enable the offenders to carry out these thefts.

A pond filtration system was disconnected and taken from a garden pond at a house in Patrick Brompton – quite expensive and very specialist – a one off or a new trend. So if you have a pond keep an eye on it.

A couple of buildings have been broken into during the past month, but nothing was taken from either. Were the offenders disturbed, or is it that they did not find what they were looking for? The common element is that they were carrying some form of tool that enabled them to break in at both locations.

Hi-tech Gadgets are still being taken when the opportunity arises. Mobile telephones are being targeted whilst their owners are having nights out in the Pub. Offenders are not even averse to going through ladies handbags to remove them – obviously whilst the owner has their mind on other matters. A couple of digital cameras have been stolen also in the last month.

Road Safety .The nights are beginning to draw in now, and the children will be returning to school so make sure that your car is ready for the jobs in hand. Keep lights clean and regularly check that the bulbs are working. For the younger child make sure that the relevant child seat/booster is in the

car for the school run, and that he/she uses the seat belt. Remember that 30mph is the speed limit in built up areas , and there are now 20mph zones outside several schools, however it is not always safe to do even these speeds. Keep to the limit and keep our children safe.

If you have any information about any crime or suspicious activity please get in touch.

Many Thanks for your continued support.

**Andy Foster PC826**

**Leyburn Safer Neighbourhood Team  
Safer Neighbourhood Police Officer for**

**Upper Wensleydale**

**0845 60 60 247 ext 4570**

**[SNTLeyburn@northvorkshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:SNTLeyburn@northvorkshire.pnn.police.uk)**

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

**September**

For Wensleydale Railway events see p.5

- 4 North Yorkshire Dales Methodist Circuit Celebration and picnic; Wensleydale School from 10.30am
- 4 Moorcock Show; Mossdale
- 4 Older drivers' road show; Hawes Primary School; 10.00am to 3.00pm. See p.29
- 5 St Oswald's Cafe Style service; 10.30am
- 5 Marsett Methodist Harvest service. 2.00pm
- 5, 13, 23 Gayle Mill events; see p. 5
- 6 Wensleydale Rotary Quiz; Bolton Arms Leyburn; 7.00pm. Details: **0779 6273885**
- 7 Bible Study - Christian Character 5 - Philippians 2 'Serving Others' Tuesday 7th September at 2:00pm Gordon Lodge, Redmire. Followed by afternoon tea
- 7 Hawes drama group reads 'Time of my life' by Alan Ayckbourn; Gayle Institute 7.30pm
- 8 Hawes Youth Club re-opens; see p.7
- 9,16,23,30 Wensleydale Country Markets; Leyburn Methodist Hall, 10.00am to 12.30pm
- 10 Trip to Kendal; see p.28
- 10-12 Boots and beer festival; Hawes. See [www.blacksheepbrewery.com](http://www.blacksheepbrewery.com) for programme of walks etc.
- 10 Police volunteer recruitment day; Thornborough Hall, Leyburn; 10.00am to 5.00pm
- 11 Children's service; 4.00pm St. Oswald's Askrigg
- 12 Hardraw Scar Band Festival; see p.3
- 12 Aysgarth Methodist Harvest service; 2.00pm
- 14 YDNPA Planning committee; Yoredale 10.00am
- 17 Museum Friends; 'Mary Sinclair', an authoress's view of the Dales. 7.30pm
- 17 Crown Hotel Gala Disco; see p.28
- 18 Low Mill coffee morning; 10.30am to 12.30pm. See p.17

- 18 Leyburn Brass Band Concert ; 7.30pm Wensley Church. Tickets £5.00 available from Judith Green-Wood **625150**
- 18 A community work day to raise a few toppled headstones in Aysgarth Churchyard. Interested? Ring **663362**
- 19 Hawes Methodist Harvest, 10.30am; United Auction Mart service 6.30pm. See p.21
- 19 West Burton Methodist Harvest; 10.45am
- 22 Quaker Meeting House, Leyburn 7.00pm; A talk by Barbara Martin. Booking essential; **663986** or **01677 450236**
- 25 St Bartholomew's Church Gift Day— Coffee morning 10.00am to 12noon; Fox & Hounds West Witton
- 25 Harvest Supper Askrigg Village Hall; 6.00pm, followed at 8.00pm by Concert in Church by the Harp Singers. Details from **650800**
- 26 Gayle Methodist Harvest service; 10.30am
- 26 Table top sale in Market House; Hawes
- 26 Healing service; St Margaret's Church 4.00pm
- 27 HAOS AGM; Yorebridge, 7.30pm. See p.36
- 28 Coffee morning and stalls for Hawes Christmas Lights. Methodist rooms 10.00am to noon
- 28 YDNPA Full Authority meeting; Yoredale 10.30am
- 29 Blood donors in Market House; Hawes. Afternoon and evening
- 30 Gayle Ladies; 'Further dark deeds in The Dales'; 7.30pm

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- 3 Harvest Festival at 11:00a.m. at St Oswald's Church, Castle Bolton
- 4 Bolton-cum-Redmire Harvest Supper in Redmire Village Hall;