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AUGUST 20TH**

Editorial

There is no doubt that in this country the Olympics have captured the attention with a 'feel-good' factor, and the Para-Olympics will continue to do so, though some thought the media coverage was quite over the top.

Almost as soon as the closing ceremony ended, politicians (can't we sometimes keep them out if it!) were arguing about selling off playing fields, issuing statements, ideas or promises about sport; but for whom? How important is it that we concentrate so much on the 'stars'? Does this automatically inspire the rest or even disillusion those who aren't much good? Is it more for the country's prestige?

"Sport for all" - yes, but what do we mean? We are bombarded with reports and articles about the lack of physical activity in both young and old, increased obesity and being slumped in front of screens. Apparently the Games themselves have encouraged this enormously especially during the day!

The focus has concentrated on schools. They are by no means the only places for sport for the young, and often concentrate on the usual soccer, rugby, cricket, netball or hockey; you can kill a lot of birds with one stone in these games! Too bad if your ball skills aren't too good. Many other sports are considerably more expensive and demanding and it is an unfortunate truth that private schooling which educates just 7% of the school population accounted for over a third of all our medals.

We have a long way to go in the quest for a fairer all-round distribution of resources across our communities. Here are some sour grapes to consider: twice in over 30 years, this area worked tirelessly as volunteers, councillors and residents strove for an appropriate swimming pool for Upper Wensleydale and it came to nought. Someone was heard to say: "I'll bet the fireworks and effects at the closing ceremony cost more than we would have needed!".

Well we at least have the open-air, the hills to climb, the crags to scramble on and the becks for our physical activity but sadly many local people seem to prefer the more man-made kind, needing equipment and cash.

All this is not to decry excellence; talent-spotting goes on all the time although it is usually thought of in terms of sport or entertainment where brilliance can and should be applauded. Maybe the greatest sadness is that in other areas of education in its broadest sense, it

can be overlooked or, especially among some young people in schools, even ridiculed. They become 'swots'. How many young people were entered this year for that other Olympics: the International Mathematical Olympiad? What of those who are brilliant at languages or physics or art, or specifically lads who play a classical instrument? They can get laughed at. Others, often more mature, have a great talent for diplomacy, for making friends or for easing difficult situations and for comforting those in distress. They don't get medals and wouldn't want them, but they too are excellent.

The Olympics have created a big feel-good factor; why not extend this to applaud excellence wherever we see it. We must believe that everyone has something that is special and worth encouraging, or an adversity that can be worked at to be overcome.

Dales Business Directory– On-line Shopping

Over the last two years the Business Associations in Richmondshire have been working together to develop services for business. These have been supported by funding from the Dales LEADER programme and Richmondshire District Council and we need businesses to take advantage of the opportunities being made available either free of charge or at heavily subsidised rates.

A series of networking seminars will be held starting late September to allow businesses to find out more; details to follow. In the meantime you can take advantage by visiting:

www.dalesbusinessdirectory.co.uk to check and update your business details;
www.yorkshiremarkets.co.uk to promote or introduce your retail products and/or services to the world of online shopping or finally:
www.eventsinthedales.org to promote your events, training or visitor attractions. Please contact: Colin Bailey, 07711 21169 or email: info@wensleydale.org for more information

Liz (Beresford's) Birthday Bash

**16 September from noon
At the Fountain Hotel Hawes**

**Fundraising for
St Margaret's Church, Hawes
and
Yorkshire Cancer Care Centre, Leeds**

Everyone Welcome

September Competition

Farm implements and equipment

1. A gown turns into it.
2. The RAC or TT could be involved
3. Leck is around here.
4. Made progress!
5. From O.E. flegil or Lat. flagellum
6. Mixed B.R. ale.
7. Purer sane dream
8. First becomes last; then on their knees?
9. In N.W. London
10. Two bits point due north.
11. Tarry ratio slug.
12. One of vose just starting at ve unithersity!

Answers to the Bumper Summer Competition

The fifteen clues 'of a kind' are all **Hills of the North**, which are the first four words of "Hills of the North rejoice", written by Charles E. Oakley (C.E.O.).

1. Adam Seat (Adam's eat)
2. Robinson
3. Lovely Seat
4. High Spy
5. High Street
6. Catstycam
7. Dollywagon Pike
8. Ilkley Moor
9. Stanage Edge
10. The Chevin
11. Ellerkin Scar
12. Great End
13. Simon Fell
14. Arant Haw
15. Eel crag.

The two hills formed from the initial letters from above (4,4 and 7) are **High Seat** and **Calders**.

*Someone found
'C.E. Oakley', but
no full
answers were sent
in!*

1st Hawes Brownies

Brownies are preparing for a new term on the 4th September but are still an adult leader short. We are hopeful that a willing helper will come forward in the near future please.

An action packed term is planned and with the addition of a new Brownie, our Pack will be full. Even more reason to get that helper vacancy filled!

Linda Reynolds
Brownies - 667201

The Wooden Bike That Guy Built



Guy Martin, star of "The Boat that Guy Built" and TT motor bike racer, put his passion for engineering to good use at Gayle Mill recently. He helped to repair the Mill's 1879 water driven turbine that powers its restored Victorian wood working machinery which he then used to make a replica of an 1839 wooden bike, a Macmillan Velocipede.

"Building Britain", Guy's new series on Channel 4, uses his unique style to explore the industrialisation of Great Britain. In the programme that features Gayle Mill, Guy works closely with Tony Routh and William Lambert to repair Gayle Mill's 1879 turbine, fell an ash tree and then make a wooden bike.

The bike that Guy built is now on show at the Mill.

William Lambert, Chairman of Gayle Mill Trust, worked with Guy at the Mill: "*Guy is a great lad, easy to get along with and can turn his hand to anything. I am looking forward to watching the finished programme on television*".



The programme is set to be on our screens later this year.

An Olympic Torch in Church!

On the Sunday after the opening of the Olympic Games the congregation at Hawes Methodist Church were not a little surprised when the preacher, the Rev. David Peach from Silverdale, produced a genuine Olympic Torch which was touched, stroked and admired by most people after the service.

David's daughter, Eleanor, had the privilege of carrying it on the route near Hest Bank and Carnforth.



The children have been enjoying the Olympics this holiday by carrying out their own mini Olympics with an Olympic torch display to open their ceremony. All the children received a medal to reward their outstanding performance and they all had lots of fun. The children have enjoyed messy play workshops, water splash, storytelling and much more. We are hoping to hold a cinema night after school every Monday night from 3.30- 4.45pm for a minimal charge of £1.50 per child. If you are interested and would like your child picking up from Hawes school to join in the film please book a place with one of our staff members or call **667789**.

Dalesplay would like to thank everyone who donated and helped out at the August Hoppers refreshments. In total we made £1054 with the help of HSBC bank who donated £500 towards the £554 we made. The money will help replace the fire doors on the front of the building which are in desperate need of repair. Dalesplay will be taking part in this year's ECAT programme run through North Yorkshire County to help develop and learn new skills to aid children with their speech and language. We are really looking forward to learning these new skills and it will help us share this with parents in the community. If you are looking for childcare and would like more information on what we have to offer please request one of our Prospectuses by emailing dalesplay1@btconnect.com or call 667789. We offer flexible childcare at minimal costs in a friendly, safe and stimulating environment to help your child grow and develop new skills.

Joanne Middleton



News from Yorebridge Discount membership

As ever, in our endeavours to keep Dales residents fit and healthy, Yorebridge Sport and Fitness have a special offer for September!

Anyone signing up for 6 months membership and paying by standing order, will get the first three months for the price of £15 per month, a saving of £9 each month! For this you will have unlimited use of the gym and fitness room, which is open 7 days a week and free use of the outdoor courts. What are you waiting for? Contact **Jan**, **650060** or email admin@yorebridge-sport.co.uk

Great North Air Ambulance clothes collection

You may already have drawers full of unworn clothes or thinking of having a wardrobe clear out. If so, then Yorebridge Sport and Fitness need your old clothes (no matter what condition they're in!) for the Great North Air Ambulance collection on Friday September 28th. So please don't throw them out – every item is worth something to the Air Ambulance and ourselves. We would be very grateful for any clothes, shoes, bags, belts, towels, curtains, bed linen (not duvets or pillows). Please leave them in black sacks outside the centre front door (next to the blue outdoor store) from Wednesday September 26th onwards up to 1pm on Friday 28th.

Fundraising events

We have two events coming up soon. On **Saturday 8th September** there will be a barbecue at Allen Kirkbride's home at Town Head, Askrigg from 5pm. All welcome.

Then on **Saturday 22nd September** there is a 60s and 70s night with 'Ray and the Teenbeats' at Askrigg Village Hall from 9.30pm. Tickets are £10 which includes an Abbotside Events Hog Roast. Contact **Allen** for tickets on **650325 / 07581615200**. **Jan Hale**

The Moorcock Show

Well, it's that time of year again – so on **Saturday 1st September**, the Moorcock Show will take place at the showground at Mossdale which is on the A684 road between Hawes and Sedburgh. This is a traditional Dales sheep show with Swaledales, Leicester Bluefaces, gimmer mules and Texel breeds competing to become show champion.

Apart from the sheep there will be food and craft stalls as well as children's crafting, face painting and an exciting giant ball pool. Last year we had a surprise visitor – the vicar from Emmerdale. Will we be lucky and get another star visitor this year?

Colin Lockett

Coach Trip to Salford Quays

Enjoy time at the quays. Visit the Lowry Centre, The War Museum, retail outlets or take a trip into Manchester on **Thursday 4th October**. Coach leaves Hawes Market Hall at 9.00 returns from quays at 4.00 [Can pick up on Leyburn to Hawes route.] Price will be £12.00. Please contact **Ann Wood 667897** to confirm a seat by Sunday 23rd September.

Middleham and Dales Local History Group

Tuesday 11th September 2.00pm –
Middleham Key Centre

Childhood illnesses in times past and their treatment. In this talk, Joan Grundy will discuss the many ineffective treatments that were inflicted on children for common ailments before the cause of infection and benefits of cleanliness were understood and antibiotics were discovered. The talk therefore promises to provide a fascinating window into the everyday experience of childhood in times past.

During the past thirty years Joan Grundy has researched her own family history and was secretary of the Doncaster Family History Society for several years. Professionally, she has forty years of experience as a midwife and practice nurse, and her interest in pre-nineteenth century medical books has led to two publications and a series of talks, including the one described above. Annual membership of the group is £10 and visitors are welcome to attend individual meetings for a fee of £3. For further information, please contact **Tony Keates 640436** or email dotandtonyk@btinternet.com

Dancing in Circles

Stepping sideways on to the right foot, the left foot then crosses behind. Then another side step on to the right foot again, and we are half way through the dance! The left foot now crosses in front, the right foot does one more sidestep, and finish with the left foot crossing in front again.

Remembering the rhythm - long, short, short - and being thankful that we don't have to do arm movements at the same time, we have just danced a traditional circle dance from Epirus, mainland Greece called a Sta Dhio.

There are dances from many parts of Europe, and eastwards to include Israel and as far as India. We also learn modern English choreographies which often have more familiar rhythms and step patterns. Dancing in a circle, no partners are required, just enthusiasm and a sense of fun. We meet weekly, on Mondays, at 7.30 pm, at Sycamore Hall, Bainbridge. The Autumn session starts on September 17th. All are welcome, including those of us with two left feet! Come and give it a try! Contact numbers:

Peter 624038; Paula 650548



Mental Health Support (MHS) requires an enthusiastic volunteer to assist a group of people who are experiencing mental health problems.

The Group meets weekly in Sycamore Hall Bainbridge (pictured) for four hours on Monday afternoons and undertake activities and social outings.



The volunteer will be expected to support individuals to take part in activities of their choice.

Staff support and training will be provided and out of pocket expenses reimbursed.

If you enjoy meeting new people and can offer a listening ear, this is an excellent opportunity for you.

For further details and an application pack please contact:

Jackie Glackin on 07891192271

A Word on the Blower

We have been asked to point out that the organ blower at St Oswald's, Askrigg, has been replaced with a good second-hand blower by the servicing company before things got any worse and this is delighting the organists. This was actually in place for the Wensleydale Chorus concert.

Grateful thanks are expressed to Piers Browne who came forward with a significant donation towards the organ from his Jubilee Exhibition held in the Askrigg Village Hall.

Ranger Report

Olympic flame beams down on Aysgarth

The Torch Relay is a long standing tradition of the Olympics. A flame, lit by the rays of the sun at Olympia in Greece, travels across the world to the site of the Games without being extinguished. For London 2012, 8,000 torchbearers have carried the Torch the length and breadth of the United Kingdom...including Aysgarth Falls in the Yorkshire Dales National Park! It arrived in Hambleton District on 20 June aboard the steam train the Scots Guardsman. At 11.40am, running 20 minutes earlier than scheduled, it arrived in Aysgarth. Three torchbearers in turn saw it safely on its journey down Church Bank Road and into Aysgarth Falls National Park Centre car park, where it received a very warm and enthusiastic welcome from local school children from Wensleydale and Swaledale, plus the many other locals and spectators who had gathered to join in with the celebration.

The final torchbearer was then escorted down to Aysgarth Falls middle viewing platform, to capture what will remain an iconic image of the Torch in the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

This event really couldn't have happened so seamlessly without staff and volunteer support. I would like to thank them all for their help and involvement, both leading up to, and on, the day.

Bridging the gap

Access Ranger Paul Sheehan has been working recently with our volunteers and the Ragged Robin Group, a local group of conservation volunteers who assist the National Park Authority with many practical tasks.

They have just completed three brand new stone clapper bridges using reclaimed mill flags - one above Thornton Rust and two near West Witton at Capple Bank and Low Wanlass. Paul has also been working on a project to improve the surface of West Field Lane near East Witton which involved laying 140 metres of pipe then restoring the surface. We have had assistance on this and other recent projects from three hard-working students Caoimhin & Sean Kemp and Daniel Jolley on work experience with the National Park Authority.

Open Access Land closures

We are receiving notification of 28 day discretionary closures on Open Access land on some areas of moorland within the National Park which will take affect from mid -August. Restrictions may also exist regarding dogs on

Open Access land. For more information on the areas and times of the closures contact your local Area Ranger or nearest National Park Centre. The closures do not affect public rights of way across Open Access land which remain accessible

Nigel Metcalfe
Area Ranger, Lower Wensleydale

Badapple Theatre On Your Doorstep

presents

John Godber's

September in the Rain

Directed by Sue Rosser

9th September; West Burton Village Hall

Tickets £9.50 adults/ £6 under 16s.

Written, says John Godber, from an "autobiographical impulse", and one of his personal favourites, September in the Rain will strike a chord of recognition, with its gentle portrayal of years of family holidays, which trace the history of a marriage.

Miner, Jack and his wife Liz take us with them on their only break from the daily routine when, for one week of the year, a miner could breathe the fresh sea air - only to be soaked to the skin from the relentless rain. From that first trip on honeymoon to one of many return journeys as pensioners, we see all the hopes and dreams and disappointments laid out like the tracks of Blackpool's famous roller coaster. This brilliantly observed comedy will have you laughing at characters and events which are all too familiar, while its poignancy will tug on your heart like the lyrics of the well loved songs of the soundtrack. So roll up your trouser legs for a paddle.

Please note this play carries a 'PG' rating with language some audiences may find offensive.

More information from: **01423 339168**

A-Level Results

Students within the Newsletter area who are going on to Higher Education after A-levels may apply to the Newsletter for our Book and Equipment Award.

The value of the award is up to £250 and covers any books or materials or IT equipment essential for the course.

When you know where you are going to study, please write in giving details of the course. If accepted, on providing us with receipts for goods bought, we will send you the award.

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Hawes Joint Promotions Group

The Business Association, Dales Countryside Museum, Gayle Mill, Hawes Ropemakers and Wensleydale Creamery have been working together to jointly promote Hawes as a visitor destination for the benefit of all businesses in the Hawes area.

We are entering our fourth year of joint advertising and would like to hear from businesses who would like to be involved in contributing towards the advertising budget. As well as making your own marketing budget go further you will be helping to increase our coverage and reach more potential visitors. More details available on request.

We are also looking for volunteers to help improve the Hawes pages on the website www.wensleydale.org. No experience of web design is necessary; we can provide help and support as required. Any editorial articles and photographs of the area are welcome. The website serves the whole of Upper Wensleydale and we invite volunteers from across the area to become involved and help raise the profile of the area.

Please contact: **Colin Bailey, 07711 21169** or email info@wensleydale.org

UK Launch of Australian Book in Wensleydale!

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 29th: The official UK Launch of *Trains Unlimited in the 21st Century* will be hosted by Wensleydale Railway. The author is Tim Fischer, a farmer, Vietnam war veteran, former Deputy Prime Minister of Australia and then for 3 years the Australian government's representative in Rome to the Holy See. Tim Fischer will travel on the Wensleydale Railway on September 29th, before signing books at Leeming Bar station from 3.30-5.00pm. His 310-page book provides a comprehensive read about railways across the world, past, present and future; content and photographs reflect the author's international career and lifelong obsession with trains. At present the books are somewhere on the high seas – it's a 2-month voyage. Advance ordering is ESSENTIAL for signed copies. (£20 if collected from Leeming Bar on Sept 29th; £24 posted after the week-end). Traditional Afternoon Teas will be served from 2.30-5.00pm (order in advance at £10 per person). Pre-ordering is also strongly recommended for copies of the book intended as Christmas gifts.

The order forms for *Trains Unlimited in the 21st Century* and for Afternoon Teas can be downloaded from:

www.wensleydalerailway.com and copies are also available in Hawes Post Office, the Ropemakers or the Community Office. Wensleydale Railway tel: **08454 50 54 74**.

Ruth Annison 650349

Upper Dales Family History Group

This month's meeting of the Upper Dales Family History Group is at **2.00pm on Wednesday, September 26th**, in Harmby Village Hall, when Gillian Waters will be speaking on 'Mary Queen of Scots and Northern Families'. The Upper Dales Group is a branch of the Cleveland Family History Society; entry is free for members and non-members are very welcome at £2 each.

For further details contact **Marion Moverley** moverley.lyons@virgin.net or **Tracy Little 01748-884759**

or see the website at www.upperdalesfhg.org.uk

Mast on Yorburch

The statement that the mast is now used by the hang- and para-gliders is incorrect.

A replacement was built for them. Details of the original are, to say the least, sketchy but Gavin Edwards (Aysgarth) writes "I can remember it being built, must have been only about 4 or 5, we used to go up and climb it, it was about 25 - 30 feet high.

"Brian Whitehead once asked me if I knew anything about what happened to it back in September 1975, but I pointed out I had just come back off my honeymoon and had not been taking much notice, other things on my mind!

"I thought I might have had a better photo but it was not the sort of thing we bothered taking photos of.

"I have extracted a frame from some old cine film shot on Yorbough in about 1967 which has the original mast in the background, the quality is rather poor but it is the only one I can find."



Open Day, Hawes Youth Hostel Invitation

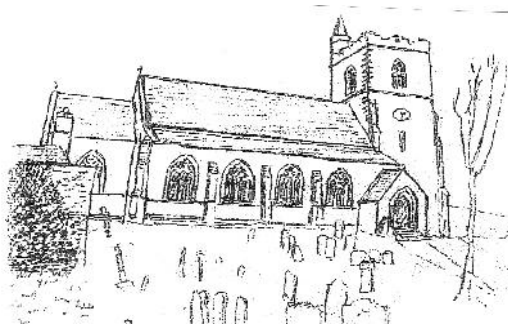
Saturday 15th September, 1.00– 4.00pm

There will be tea and coffee and cakes available with children's activities and tours round the hostel. We would like to encourage people pop into their local hostel and help us celebrate **YHA Day**.

Annette Jennions

Hawes Youth Hostel **667368**

Repair, Renovation and Improvement



Last year a detailed investigation by the church architect at St Margaret's, Hawes, made it clear that, without a major overhaul, the church would have to close in the not too distant future. Major work is needed to repair the roof which leaks, the walls through which water penetrates and the windows and surrounding stonework, which were breaking up, endangering the fine stained glass. Costs to repair and renovate the structure were estimated to be close to half a million pounds.

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) decided that to secure the structure of the building, without making the building more user friendly and a more attractive venue for the community would be inappropriate. The PCC is thus planning to add a kitchen and a lavatory as well as taking steps to make the building more accessible. This brings the total cost up to almost £650,000.

St Margaret's has been extremely fortunate to have already received a commitment from English Heritage, funded by the Heritage Lottery, to give a huge grant of £186,000 towards the first phase of repair work which will commence in spring 2013. We are hopeful that they may support our second phase to a similar level. By using schemes to reclaim VAT on places of worship, the shortfall to be funded by St Margaret's should be just under £200,000.

This is still a huge amount to raise in a small community like Hawes - but a vast improvement on the £650,000 we started with! The church will thus embark on a massive fund raising effort over the next three years.

More detailed plans for the church will be explained to the townspeople of Hawes at a special service at 2.00pm on Sunday 2nd September. All in the town who are interested in the future of St Margaret's are most welcome to attend this service.

A.M.

Leyburn Bowling Club

Leyburn started the month at the top of the league, although current champions Hutton Rudby were in second place with a match in hand. We have been delighted to continue our good form throughout this month with the exception of one match, at home to Sowerby Flatts when we had a number of players unavailable and we suffered a 7 - 0 defeat, a major blow to our title hopes! One match that did please us was the eagerly awaited return match against Hutton Rudby, this time at Leyburn's green, and Leyburn were able to achieve the double over Hutton Rudby with another 5 - 2 victory. This in itself was a good result for Leyburn but it does leave us just 3 1/2 points ahead of Hutton Rudby with 1 game to play whereas our rivals still have 2 games to play. Clearly achieving our aim of winning the league title this year is not going to be easy now, despite having won 16 and lost only 3 of our league games played to date, but certainly Leyburn will not concede the title until it is mathematically impossible to win it ! Our own club competitions are now reaching a conclusion and we will be holding our Club Finals weekend on Saturday and Sunday, September 1st and 2nd when a total of 7 trophies will be played for. Anyone wishing to come along to our Moor Road green on either of those days (11.00am to 5.00pm, approx) to watch any of the finals is, of course, welcome to do so.

Finally, as mentioned last month, Leyburn Bowling Club have re-arranged their Car Boot Sale for Sun 9th September, with an 8.00am start, at our usual venue of Cracken House Field Farm, Harmby Road, Leyburn (opposite Tennants). Hopefully the weather will be good this time and as well as the Car Boot itself there will be a tombola stall and bacon butties available, plus all the usual features. We look forward to seeing as many people as possible coming along and supporting our club.

Mervyn Buckley

Thanks

Sara and all Lisa's family would like to thank everyone for all the cards, flowers and very kind messages of sympathy received after Lisa's very sad death.

Pat on the back

Fire chiefs have praised the National Park Authority for supporting the work of part-time fire fighters. The Authority has been presented with an Employer Recognition Scheme certificate from the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service because it allows Upper Wensleydale Area Ranger Matt Neale to work as an on-call fire fighter based at Hawes fire station. Carl Boasman, the Fire and Rescue Service's Group Manager, said: "We are very pleased to recognise the commitment of our On-Call Firefighters who provide an essential service in rural areas. We have great pleasure in giving this award to employers who support their local Retained Duty System (On Call) Fire Stations. Matt said: "I joined up three years ago as Hawes station was looking to recruit people who could respond to calls, particularly during the day. When Fire Control receives a 999 call in our area, the pagers are activated and we respond to the fire station immediately. "It's great that my employer fully supports me as a retained fire-fighter and it's good to be able to put something positive back into the community. Thanks also go out to my work colleagues who cover for me when I'm on a call out."

Yorkshire and Humberside Brass Band Association

Annual Hardraw Scar Brass Band Festival Sunday September 9th

A full complement of 14 bands have signed up to compete and they are:

Durham Miner and Murton Colliery both from Co. Durham; Yarwell and Nassington from Northamptonshire; Ratby Co-op from Leicestershire; Elland Youth; Friendly (Sowerby Bridge); Hade Edge (Holmfirth); Knaresborough; Lancaster; Otley; Wetherby; Swinton (Malton); Sedbergh and Silsden.

There are four bands entering for the first time.

Admission is £9.00 (children £5.00) and the contest starts at 10.00am.

Wensleydale CPRE has kindly given a donation towards the cost of this year's event for which the Association is most grateful.

Colin Wormald

Hawes United Football Club

There was a very good turnout for the Club's Eleventh Sponsored Walk, which took place in May with 31 competitors starting the walk. Again the walk was a local circular route starting in Hawes and continuing to Burtersett/ Roman Road/ Wether Fell/ Kidhow Gate/ Pennine Way/ Gayle. The weather was fine but the wind was very strong especially up to Fleet Moss via the Roman Road and on to Kidhow Gate but everyone survived and a special mention for Megan Hugill, James Chapman, Jack Cloughton and Tommy Calvert the youngest walkers on the day.

A total of **£1187.55** was raised for the Club by the event and all sponsors and those who made donations are to be thanked and congratulated for their generosity. Thank you also to all who helped on the day and to Angus of The Fountain who very kindly provided sandwiches for all the walkers on their return.

Sheila Alderson

Hawes Area Christian Aid

This may be a time of recession, but the people of Hawes, Gayle and the surrounding villages are as generous as ever towards those less fortunate. This year a record number of people volunteered to go from house to house delivering envelopes for Christian Aid- 29 in all, not to mention those who organised the fundraising coffee morning. The coffee morning raised £253.10 and when this was added to the sum brought in by the collectors, the total figure came to **£1399.70**. Thanks to all those kind people who volunteered their time, and special thanks to Margaret Iveson, who this year reorganised the house to house rounds, to ensure that nobody felt overloaded. Thank you in particular to Pearl at Barclays Bank, Hawes, who dedicates her own time to ensuring that all the financial details are checked and properly collated before being sent on to the Christian Aid office.

Professor Susan Bassnett, Treasurer, Gayle.

Trip— Advance Notice
Newcastle Christmas Shopping
Thursday, November 15th
Leaves Thoralby 8.30am
Book with Mrs Bailey: **663319**

Double Celebration!

Fundraising for the Great North Air Ambulance, Double Celebrations in Newbiggin, Bishopdale.

On Sunday 1 July, James Musgrave of Newbiggin in Bishopdale celebrated his 80* birthday with a party at the Street Head Inn. James suggested that a contribution to the Air Ambulance Services would be more appreciated than cards or presents. His friends and relatives responded with donations totaling £641. James would like to thank them all for their generosity.

A fortnight later on Sunday 17th July, Brian White and Peter Waterfall held their ninth annual party in their garden in Newbiggin to celebrate their birthdays. Some 50 neighbours and other friends joined them to enjoy the day and some of the best weather for some weeks. Again the hosts suggested that a donation to the Air Ambulance would be more appreciated than cards or presents.. Their friends responded magnificently by giving donations to a total of £1120 which included a substantial contribution from friends in Sheffield, The collection has been sent to the Great North Air Ambulance. As most of the donations were accompanied by Gift Aid declarations, the taxman will also have to contribute.

The Air Ambulance has attended patients in Newbiggin and Bishopdale on a number of occasions. Indeed Brian White has tested the service himself having been taken in the helicopter to James Cook Hospital, Middlesbrough following a stroke two years ago. Brian and Peter would also like to thank all their friends from Newbiggin, Thoralby and as far afield as Sheffield for their generosity and support for this worthwhile local charity, far exceeding their hopes.

Small Grants Available

Each Area Partnership within Richmondshire (ours is the Upper Dales one) has £5000 available for grants up to a maximum of £500 for voluntary or community groups and initiatives for 2012-13.

Anyone interested may send for an application form and the list of required criteria from:

Chloe Lewis, Swale House, Richmond,
DL10 4JE or

chloe.lewis@richmondshire.gov.uk

Please note that the deadline is **October 1st.**

Vets News

August has finally brought two things; firstly hay time weather and secondly the bovine embryos we've been awaiting for embryo transfer. If anyone has a repeat breeder cow that they cannot get in calf, these might be perfect for you. Please contact us at the surgery for more information.

The small animal work has continued to be variable as usual. Just a quick note that we have the practice health plans now up and running if anyone wants to spread the cost of routine procedures with an easy monthly payment, please contact us for more details.

Davinia Hinde

Ian Pattinson Lets Rip!

He is the organist at Lancaster Priory, a Fellow of the Royal College of Organists, and on Friday August 17th gave a dazzling display of his talents on the beautiful-sounding organ (his very complimentary words) at the Hawes Methodist Church.

His programme included J.S. Bach's fantasia and fugue in C minor, 18th and 20th century English works, Elgar's Imperial March for the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria, 'You'll never walk alone', some very dramatic French works... and, appropriately, 'Chariots of Fire' for his encore!

A.S.W.

Walks for Health

September Meet at:

3rd	Askrigg sports centre	10.30am	B
5th	Bainbridge Green	10.15am	I
12th	Hawes Market Hall	10.15am	B
17th	Askrigg sports centre	11.00am	I
19th	Askrigg sports centre	10.15am	B
24th	Hawes Market Hall	10.30am	I

B= level with no stiles, up to a mile

I= up to 4 miles

Please feel free to call a walk leader for any further information

Alan McDonald **650137** Jill Woolley **650103**
Vanda Hurn **650445** Linda Fahey **650477**
Joan Haigh **650446** Gwen Clark **667411**

News From Sycamore Hall

For choice viewing turn off the television and find a seat in the lounge and settle down to watch the learning disability group whenever they appear at Sycamore Hall.

Their performance on Monday 6th August was a treat to behold, their version of *Shrek the musical* was just as uplifting as their previous shows. One never ceases to be enthralled by the determination and resolution of this group of players.

The story gets left behind as characters come fast and furious on the stage: Pinocchio, Red Riding Hood, the ginger bread man, each person blending into the person they were portraying with so much fervent feeling and sincerity accompanied by music played by our friend Tony Hill. It was in my opinion that the interest of the audience was captured by the cast rather than the story itself.

BRAVO - WELL DONE WE LOVE YOU.

On August 14th our charming Mrs Dorothy Hardie was 100 years old and had invited us all to a luncheon party here in the restaurant. It was a great pleasure.

Well I've seen about everything now! How many times have you said this to yourself? I will guarantee that down here at Sycamore Hall that might change your mind about the former. We have flowers lovingly planted by one of our residents, not growing up canes but held rigid and supported by nylon tights, yes nylons! hardly reliable but true.

Derek Ramsden

The Wensleydale Challenge

A group of tourism, food and craft businesses in Wensleydale have come together to promote their area and celebrate with a special "Wensleydale Challenge", designed to encourage visitors and locals to explore and win prizes. There are 20 prizes to be won, from a behind-the-scenes' tour of Tennant's Auction House at Leyburn to cream teas in Bolton Castle and a ride on the Wensleydale Railway

Anyone aged over 18 can enter the quiz by going to www.DalesDiscoveries.com. The closing date for entries is 31st October 2012.

It is hoped that visitors and locals will download the questions and really get to know the attractions and places on their door-step during the summer.



One of the common questions I have faced over the last couple of months is ‘is it worth upgrading my current computer to windows 7 now?’ Unfortunately there is no really easy answer to that but what I would say is if you have a seven or eight year old computer it is probably better to put the money into a new computer than shell out to upgrade your current machine. An old computer will have a limited life before something fails and is likely to need more than just a Windows 7 disk to make the upgrade work – it will probably need more RAM installed (memory chips which are not cheap for older machines) and possibly a larger hard disk for storage. If you are using an old copy of Microsoft Office (and I still see a lot of copies of Office 2000 and Office XP) then you will also need to factor in the cost of buying an upgrade to Office too as these older versions do not work with Windows 7 (you can stick with 2003 or later versions as they work fine). My feeling about computers with Windows Vista installed is that you could probably benefit from an upgrade at some point and Windows 7 is probably going to be a fairly easy upgrade for those computers and anything that works with Vista is more than likely going to work with Windows 7. One further bit of news is that Microsoft has been challenged in court by a large German retailer on the use of the name Metro for the new Windows 8 interface and as a result they have had to drop the name. They have tried to gloss over the issue but it is obviously an embarrassment – no definite new name has yet been announced.

That's all for this month – as usual you can contact me via my website at www.dalescomputerservices.com.

Carol Haynes

**Closing Date for entries
Friday 19th October 2012.**

Fitness Classes – Hawes and Askrigg

Hopefully rested from your summer ‘break’, you will all be ready to return to some regular exercise! Not been to Zumba before, but would like to try it? Then now is a good time – all new routines - so get yourself there and try some exercise in disguise!

Pilates will be restarting at a new venue – Askrigg Village Hall. Mats will be provided but if you have your own please do bring it with you. Great class for stiff backs, strengthening and realigning posture, increasing flexibility and preventing injuries. Not sure whether it will be suitable for you? Please do ring to discuss on the numbers below.

Two new Shape Up weight loss programmes are due to start at Hawes Market Hall Monday 10th Sept and Reeth Pavilion Weds 12th Sept.

These are sessions designed to help you lose weight and maintain the loss without depriving yourself. They include, free resources to help with portion control, label reading and low-fat cooking, a weekly weigh-in, food diaries, 121 sessions in your own home in addition to the group meetings and help with the psychological aspects of weight loss. Zumba classes are also half price (£2.00) for those doing both Shape Up and Zumba on a Monday or Wednesday.

Also available are sessions of either gym, weight loss or pilates based to suit your requirements. Please do ask for further details.

Please make a note in your diary of the following boxed dates: **Lesley Williams** – **Mobile: 07989 365363 Home: 650398** info@shapeupyourhealth.co.uk

CLASS	START DATE	TIME	VENUE
Zumba	Mon 10th Sept	7.30pm	Hawes Market Hall
Zumba Toning	Thurs 13th Sept	7.30pm	Hawes School
Zumba	Weds 12th Sept	7.30pm	Reeth Pavilion
Pilates (Beginner)	Thurs 13th Sept	5.00pm	Askrigg Village Hall
Pilates	Thurs 13th Sept	6.00pm	Askrigg Village Hall
Pilates	Fri 7th Sept	7.30pm	Reeth Memorial Hall
Shape Up	Mon 10th Sept	6.00pm	Hawes Market Hall
Shape Up	Weds 12th Sept	6.00pm	Reeth Pavilion

Hawes Club

The club in Hawes now has Sky Sports, ESPN, Euro Sport, showing live Football matches, Golf, Darts, Rugby and Formula 1 on our large 50 inch flat screen TV.

Check out the information board outside the club for special events, match details and times.

If you have a particular match or event you would like to see outside normal opening hours, ask the bar staff to contact Sheila or Wendy and we will try our best to open up.

The club has a warm and friendly atmosphere. We have two full size snooker tables, a pool table, Jenga, Connect 4, darts, dominoes and bingo.

We also have a happy hour every Saturday| 7.30 until 9.00pm.

Everyone is welcome; please support the club.



Mystery picture: clue— it's on a public footpath. Last month's was at Ellelands by Bolton Castle quarry

Hawes Gala News

We are already making plans for next year's gala and we have chosen a theme of country and western.

The AGM is to be held on **Wednesday 19th September** in the function room of the Fountain Hotel at 7.00pm. So if you would like to come along and make any suggestions or possibly join the committee or just to see how such a well oiled machine is run!, then please feel free to come along. If you cannot make it to the meeting but would still like to put a point forward, then please write any suggestions down and drop them off at either the pet shop, the launderette or the community office and we will discuss them at the meeting.

The coming year is going to be a real test for the gala, as we will need to raise extra money to make up for the shortfall that this year's circumstances left us with. We already have fundraising events planned for the coming months starting with a Mr and Mrs competition on Sat 13th October in the Fountain Hotel, and Daryl has kindly agreed to give us another 'Audience with' night on Wednesday 21st November, as well as the ball which will be on Friday 8th February and will have a Hollywood theme.

The bunting came down officially at the end of the first week in August. Some of it decided to give up before that! But with a great deal of help from Luke (spiderman) Wade, we got the rest down. Some businesses had asked if it could stay up until after the bank holiday, but the great Yorkshire weather that battered it this year meant that it was looking a bit tatty and we had to make a decision. Unfortunately, as brilliant as it looked when it first went up, most of it is past its best and will have to be replaced for next year so that is another expense that will have to be accounted for I'm afraid. So please get on your thinking caps for any suggestions that will help us to make enough money for next year's gala to be better than ever!

Mick Rhodes

Musicality of Richmond

A Celebration of Song
in St.Margaret's Church, Hawes

**Friday 21st September
at 7.30pm**

Admission £5.00
Light Refreshments to follow

Events at Chapel Gallery, Hawes

1.'A Love of Landscapes' Exhibition featuring original paintings by Jill Eagle. Runs **until 5th September**. Free. 10.00am-5.00pm. Closed Mondays.

2. 'Collective Works' Exhibition by local artist Judith Pinches. Runs **7th September-10th October** Free. 10.00am-5.00pm. Closed Mondays.

3. Making friends with your Sewing Machine Workshop. **Wednesday 12th September** 1.00-3.00pm. Costs £10, all materials provided. Bring your own sewing machine to make a needle wrap and pin cushion whilst making friends with your sewing machine. Contact Anne on **667558** to book.

4. Appliqué Art Workshop. **Wednesday 19th September** 1.00-3.00pm. Costs £10, all materials provided. Bring your own sewing machine and learn three techniques on how to applique fabric for decorating clothes, cushions, quilts. Contact Anne on **667558** to book.

5. Textile Tea Party – weekly drop in tea and textiles. Bring your own project and sit, create, drink and chatter with other like minded souls. £2.00 per two- hour session at Chapel Gallery, Hawes. Every Tuesday 2.00-4.00pm.

Anne Smithies

Hawes Art Group

Another successful painting year has passed. The group continues to thrive. This year we have concentrated on skills in watercolour and acrylics. We experimented with various tools and techniques to create textures to add interest to our art work. Carol Tyler led very enjoyable sessions challenging the groups drawing skills of a still life, this led on to monochrome painting.

We visited the Hockney exhibition and sketched in Hipping Hall Hotel garden, a fabulous afternoon tea completed our visit. Many thanks to Barbara Sleightholm for sharing her garden - no need for water that afternoon although watercolour pencils went down well. Our next away visit will be in October to Salford Quays. [Watch out for the advert for this coach trip!] The next session starts on September 12th at 1.30pm in the Hawes Market Hall. All are welcome. For more information contact: **Ann Wood 667897**.

Match Report

West Witton v Swinithwaite Annual Cricket Match, Sunday August 5th

The match was dominated by the “wonderful” summer weather that Yorkshire has been experiencing this year; thunder and lightning was always present in the distance. West Witton winning the toss and batting first was crucial to the eventual outcome of the match which was a win for West Witton.

David Brown (16) and Ben King (21 retired), put on 30 for the first wicket for West Witton and this was followed by some lusty blows from Fletcher Mason (26 retired) and Lee Davidson (20 retired) enabling West Witton to reach 114-5 in their allotted 18 overs. James Dinsdale took 2 wickets for 11 runs for Swinithwaite.

After a fine tea served by the church ladies of West Witton, Swinithwaite batted in light rain on a wet pitch which got wetter and wetter as their innings progressed and despite a valiant 20 (retired) from Ollie Thornton Berry and 20 from Adrian Thornton Berry, Swinithwaite could only muster 85-8 from their 18 overs. John Bowes took 2-8 and Fletcher Mason 2-3 for West Witton.

The match trophy (kindly donated by The Wensleydale Heifer) was presented to Peter Sadler, the West Witton captain, by Archie Thornton Berry, the Swinithwaite captain, who congratulated him and David Brown on preparing one of the best pitches for the match for a number of years (this would not have been possible without the heavy roller kindly donated by Simon Winstanley Ltd of Leyburn). Thanks were also due to the family Gouldthorpe of West Witton who had worked very hard mowing and clearing the sports field. Finally thanks were proposed to the church ladies for the excellent tea.

Peter Sadler

Harvest in Hawes

Sunday September 16th

Hawes Methodist Church 10.30am

The visiting preacher is the
Rev. Tony Barnes, M.A. from Swindon

Auction Mart 6.30pm

Churches Together Celebration, with the launch of this year's charity appeal: UNICEF 'School in a Box'

Yoga Classes

Yoga has benefits for anybody of any age, whether for physical maintenance of the body, or learning the art of relaxation, or developing the discipline of mental concentration, or understanding how to manage emotions. All these aspects of yoga contribute to health and well-being. Yoga classes with Sue Lightfoot will recommence for Autumn Term the week beginning **Monday 10th September** at the following venues:

Wensley Village Hall: **Mondays 7.00-8.30pm**

West Burton Village Hall:

Wednesdays 7.00-9.00pm

Sycamore Hall, Bainbridge:

Thursdays 7.00-9.00pm

Sue is a fully qualified and experienced yoga 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. For further details, advice and enrolments please contact Sue on telephone number **663993**.

Bungokhu Rural Development Centre, Uganda

Bob and Rosalind Arnold are both retired in Masham this year.

They are happy to come and give a talk on their work in Bungokhu Rural Development Centre in Uganda where they worked for the last 7-8 years.

Thank you so much for your support and contribution in the past.

We would be delighted to have you to join West Witton again on this special occasion on the evening of

13th September (Thursday) at 7.00pm in West Witton Village Hall. Please make a note in your diary. We look forward to seeing you all on the day

Fothergill

Brenda would like to thank everyone who sent cards, good wishes and presents for her 60th birthday.

Police Report

A scam seems to be operating at the time of writing targeting guest houses/bed and breakfasts in the dales. People are booking into guest houses. They are then making “excuses” about having to go for something and leave the premises. Proprietors are then finding these people in suspicious circumstances elsewhere in their premises making excuses about being “lost” or looking for the toilet etc. The people involved are invariably described as Asian or eastern European (dark skinned) in appearance. One reportee has described a car being used as a green hatchback. It appears that they may be looking for things to steal as on one occasion a male was seen by a proprietor leaving their private quarters. It may be that personal information is being targeted such as bank details. At this time no substantive offences appear to have occurred. Please be aware.

Quad bike thieves have struck again with three separate bikes being stolen on one night in early August from across the Leyburn Police area. One has been traced and recovered from West Yorkshire and a person arrested, however two remain outstanding. If you have been a previous victim of a quad theft please be extra vigilant now that the nights are beginning to get darker. Make sure your quad is well secured when not in use and that the keys are not in it. The Auction Mart Office at Hawes was broken into overnight in late July and the offenders would have made some considerable noise including setting off the alarm which they silenced by removing the outside box and breaking the internal siren! It appears to have occurred between 3am and 4am. Anybody see or hear anything?

The “glorious” summer is continuing apace. There have been, and no doubt will continue to be, heavy showers or even prolonged rain. Drains are not coping with the amount of water falling from the skies and as such roads are quickly becoming awash with large puddles and floods forming rapidly in any “hollow”. There have been several road accidents caused by these weather conditions, which appear now to be more the norm. Please factor this into your driving, slow down, do not enter flood water unless you are sure of the depth as expensive bills may be the result. Also be aware of the debris that these events leave on

the road. There may be some just around the corner so do not get caught out.

Andy Foster PC826

**Leyburn Safer Neighbourhood Team
Safer Neighbourhood Police Officer for
Upper Wensleydale
Tel. 101**

SNTLeyburn@northyorkshire.pnn.police

Broadacres Housing Association



...has three affordable homes available to rent in Bainbridge. Located in Scott Hill (next to the National Park Office), the single storey dwellings have one or two bedrooms and a modern kitchen and bathroom. Rents are around £370 per month. The homes are designed for people with a local connection who cannot afford open market rents. Although preference will be given to those with a local connection to the immediate surrounding area, they are available to people with a connection, through residence, employment or family to the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

For further information contact Broadacres on **01609 767900 or 0800 587 5291**. Broadacres also has properties in Middleham, Askrigg and Hawes. Vacancies are usually advertised on northyorkshirehomechoice.org.uk

Yellow Lines

Please note that there are to be changes in the extent of linage in Hawes; parts of both sides of the A684 in the town, and on Gayle Lane.

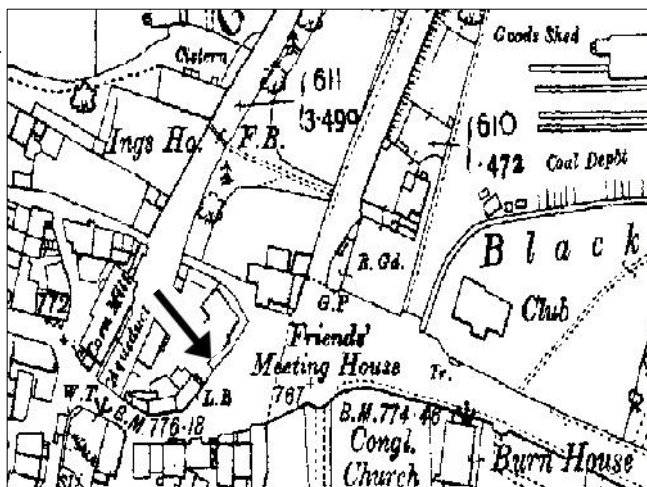
The details are too extensive to print here but copies can be viewed at the Community Office.

As it Was! Another Lost Building

Anyone under 60 won't be able to recall what the bottom of Hawes once looked like. Until 1955 traffic could only use Main Street and Chapel Street; there was no Holme Bridge and right in the line of the new access road to it stood the Hawes Friends' Meeting House. This is another example of a building nearly forgotten and with very few photographs.

The map and diagram help to show exactly where it was before it was demolished to make way for the new road.

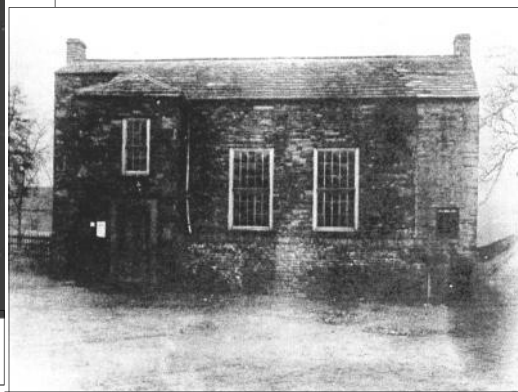
In 1698 a house and land were bought at Town Foot. At that time Hawes was a very small settlement. The house was rebuilt as a Quaker Meeting House and during the next 100 years there were several altera-



Map of Town Foot, Hawes, before the building of the Holme Bridge in 1955



Meeting House used as a W.V.S. canteen in the second world war.



Photograph of the Meeting House looking north, taken about 1886

tions and additions, like the stable in 1737. The numbers on the diagram show: 1-porch; 2-Meeting House; 3- stableloft; 4-dwelling; 5-toilets; 6-yard; 7 and 8- stables.

By 1815 it was in a sorry state and the front was taken down and rebuilt further out.

However, by 1838 the Hawes Meeting House was officially closed.

In 1866 a room was rented as a private school and later as an adult school. In the 1880s there was renewed enthusiasm for the Quakers in the Dale and meetings continued on and off until about 1930.

The North Riding County Council bought the property in 1933 for £600 and then it either stood empty or was let out until 1955 when it was demolished to make way for the new road.

Some information, the diagram and the photograph (probably by Norman Penney) from June Hall's book on the Quakers of Wensleydale, and the map from the Y.D.N.P.A. all reproduced with permission. A.S.W.

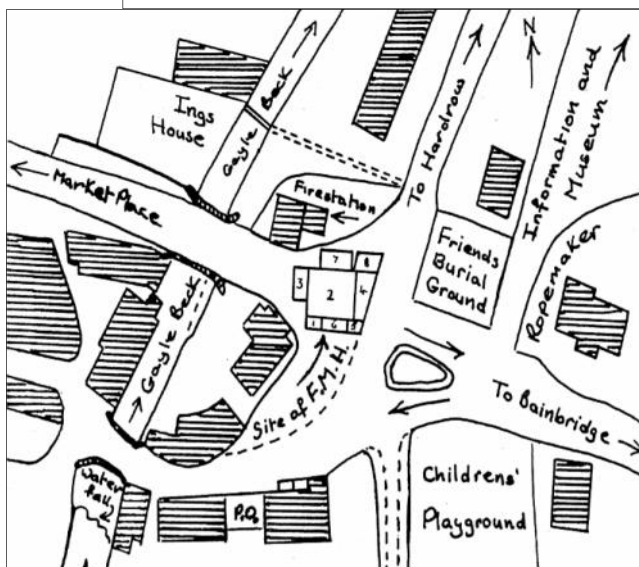


Diagram showing the position of the Meeting House in relation to the more recent layout. Many readers will remember the Fire Station on

HAOS 2012 Production and Annual Meeting

Many of you (we know) have been asking about our next production and on 6th August the Management Committee held a meeting to discuss this very issue. Owing to a number of the production team having work and personal commitments over the next few months they felt they were not able to commit the time that is required to put on a production in December. Various options were considered and debated with the ultimate conclusion that it would not be possible to produce a show in 2012.

We understand that many of you will be disappointed not to be taking part in the usual pantomime or attending our performances and we too are disappointed not to be able to produce one.

This however is not the end or demise of the society. Even though we may not be putting on a production in 2012 we will continue to explore options and possibilities for productions in 2013 and will keep everyone updated as to developments. One of the ways we will be doing this is through our new website which is currently being developed and which we hope to launch in the near future.

We would like to thank everyone for their continued support and look forward to working with old and new members in the future. If anyone is interested in being involved either on stage, behind the scenes or part of the production team. Please contact me on **07711211169** or email colin.bailey@btinternet.com to register your interest.

The society's Annual Meeting will be held on **Monday 3rd September at 7.30pm** at the Wensleydale Centre, Askrigg and everyone is welcome to attend.

Colin Bailey
Chair, H.A.O.S.

Norwegian Premier Hears of Theatre's Plans

Nobby Dimon of North Country Theatre met the Norwegian Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg on his trip to Norway. He was invited by Nord Fron Kommune, the local authority for Richmond's twin town of Vinstra, to go and see the annual large scale outdoor production of Henrik Ibsen's *Peer Gynt*. The Prime Minister was also at the play having just received the annual Per Gynt award in recognition of his services to the country following last year's atrocities.



Nobby Dimon and Gillian Howells with Jens Stoltenberg the Norwegian PM.

Nobby says, "Jens Stoltenberg was interested to hear our plans for *Bartle! A Peer Gynt for the Dales* which we hope to stage next year if funding is awarded. I was there to talk to the cast and see if any of them would be interested in performing one of the scenes of *Bartle!* next summer in Richmondshire. I'd write it specially for them and it would be fun to have a whole scene in Norwegian!" North Country Theatre has been carrying out research and development thanks to support from the RDPE (Rural Development Programme England) and European Leader Fund, holding several meetings and workshops in Swaledale and Wensleydale. "We've unearthed some fascinating local folklore and made other connections so I'm really excited by the whole project which I think I was able to convey to Jens Stoltenberg" explained Mr Dimon "However now I need to turn my attention to North Country Theatre's autumn production *The Lighthouse on Shivering Sands* which opens on 26th September at Harrogate Theatre."

The recent Bartle Workshop was on August 28th in Wensley Village Hall. Call North Country on **01748 825288** for more information.

GENERAL WHAT'S ON LISTING;

September

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| <p>1 Moorcock Show. See p.5</p> <p>1 Wensleydale Railway BBQ evening; Redmire</p> <p>2 Service of 'Clypping' St Margaret's Church. 2.00pm. A united service to launch the fund raising campaign. All welcome. See p.9</p> <p>2 Gayle Mill demonstration tours; 11.00am and 2.30pm</p> <p>2,3 Marsett Chapel Harvest, 2.00pm Sunday; 7.30pm Monday</p> <p>3 Hawes Amateur Operatic Society AGM, See p.19</p> <p>4 St Andrew's Church, Aysgarth; Drop in for Coffee. 10.00am 'til noon.</p> <p>5 Bolton cum Redmire PCC's Church Coffee Club. 10.30am 'til noon, Gordon Lodge, Redmire</p> <p>5 Muker Show</p> <p>6 Falls Motel; Jaguar classic cars meeting</p> <p>7-9 Boots and Beer Walking Festival; Hawes</p> <p>8 Hawes Town Trail. Meet Nat. Pk. Centre 2.15pm</p> <p>9 Heritage Open Day at St Margaret's,. See p.24</p> <p>9 Hardraw Scar Annual Brass Band Contest. See p.10</p> <p>9 Aysgarth chapel Songs of Praise, 6.30pm.</p> <p>9 Badapple Theatre Company in West Burton. 7.30pm. See p.7</p> <p>10 Aysgarth chapel Harvest service and Sale. 7.00pm</p> <p>11 Middleham and Dales Local History Group. See p.6</p> <p>11 YDNPA Planning Committee. Yoredale, Bainbridge, 1.00pm</p> <p>12 Hawes Art Group re-starts. See p.15</p> <p>12 Wensleydale Red Squirrels talk. p.24</p> <p>13 West Witton Village Hall, 7.00pm. Talk on Bungokhu Rural Development Centre in Uganda. See p.16</p> <p>13,20,27 Wensleydale Country Markets. Leyburn Methodist Hall. 10.00am to 12.30pm</p> <p>15 Guided walk; meet Askrigg Church. 1.00pm for 10k walk round Worton and Askrigg</p> | <p>15 York Philharmonic (Male voice) Choir; Gunnerside Chapel, 7.00pm.</p> <p>16 Liz's Birthday Bash. See p.3</p> <p>16 Harvest Festival services in Hawes. See p.16</p> <p>16-17 West Burton Harvest. 7.00pm on the Monday.</p> <p>18 Carperby W.I. Joint meeting at Thoraby Norah Lewis 'Nursing in the Navy' 7.30pm.</p> <p>19 Gala AGM at the Fountain Hotel, Hawes at 7.00pm.</p> <p>20 Hawes W.I. "Country Pottery Slipware and Whistling Birds". Methodist rooms. 7.00pm</p> <p>21 Museum Friends:"Wrestlers, Crucks and Mullions". Traditional architecture of the Lake District. 7.30pm</p> <p>21 Celebration of Song in St Margaret's, Hawes. See p.15</p> <p>22-23 Wensleydale Railway Photographer's Weekend</p> <p>23 Aysgarth Harvest Festival in Carperby Sports Pavillion. 3.00pm. (No service in church)</p> <p>23 Deadline for names for trip to Salford Quays. See p.5</p> <p>23 Preston under Scar Harvest Festival; 9.30pm in church</p> <p>25 Coffee morning and stalls for the Upper Dales Christmas Lights. Hawes Methodist rooms 10.00am to noon.</p> <p>26 Upper Dales Family History Group meets. See p.8</p> <p>28 Coffee Morning for Macmillan Cancer Support. See p.24</p> <p>29 Falls Motel Disco from 9.30pm</p> <p>30 Gayle chapel Harvest, 2.00pm</p> <p>30 Table -top sale in Market Hall for School</p> |
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Annual Heritage Open Days

September 8th and 9th

Free entry into many historic buildings, some not usually open to the public.

MUSEUM WHAT'S ON LISTING



8 September–1 October

An exhibition of unique and beautiful textiles created by members of the "Textile Pool"

September

- 2 Cutting a Rug; 11.00am to 4.00pm. A rugmaking day school with Heather Ritchie. £15 charge includes material and refreshments. Packed lunch required and please book.
- 4 Meet a Ranger; 2.00 till 3.00pm. Join Upper Wensleydale Area Ranger Matt Neale for an afternoon talk on the work of the YDNPA and how it keeps the Park special.
- 5,19 Behind the Scenes at the Museum. 2.00pm to 3.00pm. Curators show how they care for, catalogue and display the Museum's collections
- 7 Wildflowers of the Yorkshire Dales; 7.00pm. An illustrated talk by Tanya St Pierre, celebrating the diverse wildflower habits of the Dales.
- 8 Jam-packed; 11.00am to 3.00pm. Friends of the Museum dressed in costume demonstrating preserve making in the Victorian kitchen
- 8-9 Heritage Open Days. Come and enjoy the museum for free this weekend.
- 16 Beginners Family History; 10.15am to 3.15pm. Introduction to family history. Led by an experienced tutor using research material. Tea and coffee included. Bring own lunch. £15. Booking required
- 23 Intermediate Family History Work shop; 10.15am to 3.15pm. Led by an experienced tutor using research material. Suitable for those who have some experience with family history research. Tea and coffee included. £15. Booking required
- 23 Pathfinder Advanced; 10.00am to 4.30pm. A full day's advanced course. Mainly outdoors and focussing on practising and developing existing skills in open country. Not suitable for children. Walking boots and waterproofs essential. Bring food and drink. £10. Sorry no dogs, please book .
For further information on any activity 'phone **666210**

Bainbridge and District Motor Club

You may have all noticed that no report was made last month; this was owing to the rally been re-scheduled and missing the newsletter, so double dose this time!

Grant and Barbara Humphries organised the Canny Rally which began from West Witton, heading over to Coverdale, Kettlewell (where nearly every car got lost!) before making our way to Pateley Bridge and eventually back to the pub in convoy as every car caught up to each other, as this one was a challenge! The second rally to report on was the Signpost Rally which was organised by Matt Foster and Adam Billingham. This rally was kept very local visiting Swan Farm on a few occasions, one of which was to change a car tyre in the fastest time. I believe Andrew Foster and Will Thwaite won that challenge! Thank you to Grant, Barbara, Matt and Adam for organising these rallies. The last rally of the season will be held on **Wednesday 19th September**, by Dave Teasdale (**650545**) and Tom Fawcett; everyone welcome.

The motor club will also be holding a Trial on **Sunday 30th September** at Ballowfield This is for Pre 65, Twin shock and Easy Clubman; spectators and riders all welcome. For more information please contact **Bob Foster 622331**. Refreshments will be available.

Emma Thwaite

National Park Photo Competition

The National Park Authority is running a free competition for photos taken of the Yorkshire Dales. Subjects can be wildlife and habitats; people and places; fun and adventure; and farming, tourism and other employment. Amateurs and professionals are eligible and all submissions can include brief supporting comments.

There are two categories, adult and under 18. Each winner will receive a backpack of local produce and will have their winning photo publicised in the DCM and *The Visitor 2013*– the official National Park guide. Entries must be submitted by 9th November. For further details visit www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/your.

AYSGARTH SURGERY ROTA Wb - week beginning										
Wb	Sep 3rd		10th		17th		24th			
Day	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Mon	J	J	W	W	F	F	WF	WF		
Tues	F	F	JF	J	WJ	WJ	J	J		
Wed	J	J	J	J	F	F	W	W		
Thur	F	F	J	J	W	C	J	J		
Fri	J	J	W	W	J	J	F	F		

Doctors: F - France, J - Jones, W - West, C - Closed
Morning Surgery: 9.00 - 10.30 a.m. (no appointments)
Afternoon Surgery: 3.30 - 5.30 p.m. (appointment only)
For appointments and all enquiries ring 663222

HAWES SURGERY ROTA Wb - week beginning										
Wb	Sep 3rd		10th		17th		24th			
Day	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Mon	F	F	FJ	FJ	WJ	WJ	J	J		
Tues	J	J	W	W	F	F	WF	W		
Wed	F	F	F	F	W	W	J	J		
Thur	J	J	W	W	J	C	F	F		
Fri	F	F	F	F	F	F	W	W		

Doctors: F - France, J - Jones, W - West, C - Closed
Morning S'y: 8.45-10.15 Tues till 10.45 (no appointments)
Afternoon S'y: 4.40-6.00 Tues 1.30-4.00 (appointments only)
For appointments and all enquiries ring 667200

Digging for Victory! Thursday September 13th, 6.00pm

Can you help? Some of you may have noticed a bit of improvement in the garden between the Penny Garth and the top car park in Hawes. This area was planted and cared for by a very small group of dedicated gardeners who gave their time, effort and plants to add to the work done by the Council. Over the years this became a losing battle and despite the efforts of a few stalwarts the area had become very overgrown and weed infested although some beautiful plants remain.

For the last month a little band of gardeners have met on Thursday night to try to tidy up and get the upper hand on the weeds. We've made progress and have some ideas for the future but

what we need now is one big push to clear the garden to the side of the steps and along the top. If anyone is able to turn up on the night to lend a hand we can make a big difference before winter comes. All you need is energy and a little muscle. Please bring tools if you have them but we all have some to share and there is a need for delicate weeding as well as muscle power to battle the couch grass. Even 30 minutes of your time will make a big difference!

If you are dividing plants at the end of the season and need to find a home for the surplus we would be very grateful for any donations.. Any questions please contact:

Marnie Peacock, 667050

Sometimes You Just Have to Sit Down on the Job!

The show must go on and so an unusual position was adopted by the conductor of the Wensleydale Orchestra at their summer open evening and supper held at Thornton Rust Village Institute recently. A foot injury caused by an unfortunate encounter with a piano, meant that Stan Roocroft required the aid of a stool in order to conduct the proceedings! The exception that proves the rule



that music is good for both the body and soul!

Despite this setback, an enjoyable evening was had by both players and audience alike. The orchestra played a variety of short orchestral pieces spanning four centuries commencing with Beethoven's 'Hymn to Joy' from his 9th Symphony and ending with a rousing rendition of Eric Coates' 'The Dambusters' March'.

The Wensleydale orchestra meets weekly at Thornton Rust Village Institute. There are no auditions, no limits on the number of players of any instrument and new members of any age and standard are always welcome. String players will be especially welcome. The Autumn term sessions commence on **Thursday 13th September**. Further details can be obtained from Fiona, the orchestra secretary on 663325.

Fiona Johnston



Heavens Above

This year's autumn equinox – the moment when the Sun crosses the celestial equator from north to south – falls on September 22nd. Equinox means 'equal night' so no matter where you are in the

world on September 22nd, the Sun will remain 12 hours above the horizon and twelve hours below. After that it's bad news for sun-lovers as for the next six months the hours of darkness will exceed those of daylight until the vernal equinox comes round in March next year. The equinoxes mark the official change from winter to spring, and from summer to autumn, but in the night sky there are signs of a seasonal change right from the beginning of September. Many of the bright summertime constellations are beginning to edge westwards to make way for the less spectacular autumn ones stealing in from the east. Belying their popular nickname, however, the three bright Summer Triangle stars – Vega, Deneb and Altair – stay prominent high in the south-west well into the night right through to November. Autumn's main constellation is Pegasus, the mythical Flying Horse with its famous Square shape. You'll find it roughly two-thirds of the way up the southern sky round about 11.00pm in late September and earlier as the year wears on. The 4 stars marking the Square's corners aren't particularly bright but are easy to find as there are so few naked eye stars in this part of the sky. Trailing away from the north-east corner of the Square are two chains of stars forming Andromeda, home of the famous M31 galaxy – the most remote object visible to the naked eye.

Below the Square filling a large expanse of sky from south-west to south-east are a group of Zodiacal constellations often described as 'The Water' because of their aquatic associations. Reading from west to east you'll find – Capricornus the Sea Goat, Aquarius the Water Bearer, Pisces the Fish, and Cetus the Sea Monster. None of them is especially distinctive or has any particularly bright stars. If you've a really clear view to the south, however, you might be lucky enough to glimpse a really bril-

liant star – Fomalhaut – the most southerly first-magnitude star visible from UK latitudes.

High overhead on autumn evenings, immersed in the northern reaches of the Milky Way, lies the distinctive 'W' shape of Cassiopeia, the African Queen. Cassiopeia contains many open star clusters and is well worth exploring with binoculars. High in the north-east you'll find Perseus, the slayer of the monstrous Medusa, with bright yellow Capella following close behind. At Perseus' feet lie the Pleiades or Seven Sisters. To seasoned observers the sight of this beautiful star cluster glittering low over the horizon is a sure sign of the year's turning and that the spectacular skies of winter are not too far away. Have clear skies!

Al Bireo

New Classes

Following a successful series of taster sessions in Leyburn for the over 50s, Age UK now plans to create three new activity classes.

This September, Zumba Gold, Beginners Pilates, Nordic Walking and Line Dancing will all come to Leyburn after participants of the classes in July requested these new activities.

Lesley Williams of Age UK North Yorkshire commented, "The purpose of these sessions was to make people aware of the many activities which already happen in Leyburn, such as Fitness League and Circle Dance and the clubs which exist, such as the Bowls Club. In addition we wanted to give people new activities suitable for the older age groups. The response to the free tasters has been excellent and we are hoping people will be motivated to take up something new as a result!"

Anyone wishing to participate in the new or existing activities can contact Lesley on 01609 771624, or email:

lesley.williams@ageuknorthyorkshire.org.uk to receive full details.

Wensleydale Red Squirrels

The Crown Hotel, Hawes

Wednesday September 12th at 7.30pm

Come along to an informal evening to hear what people are doing in the Dale to conserve red squirrels, and what you can do to help these engaging creatures.
Tea and coffee provided.

Macmillan Cancer Support

Coffee Morning

Friday 28th September 9.00 - 11.00am

Gayle Institute
Cake Stall and Raffle
Everyone welcome

Offers of help, cakes and donations to
Natasha on 667630

Bainbridge Methodist Church

'Coffee and Chat' session for parents/carers/grandparents with babies and toddlers and for anyone else who cares to drop in. This is on Monday mornings during the school term from 9.00 to 11.00am and we start again on **Monday September 10th**. Also Messy Church for families, on the third Sunday of the month at 4.00pm.
Anne Deans

Singers Start Again

East Witton Male Voice Choir resumes on Wednesday .September 5th 7.30pm in the Methodist Hall Leyburn.

Askrigg Ladies Sing for Pleasure meet again in the back room of the Village Hall Monday 10th September 7.30pm.
Diana Hartley

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ANN CHAPMAN

11th September

Happy 60th Birthday

Lots of love

Thomas, Janet, Philip and Amy

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Anne Dinsdale

would like to thank family and
friends for cards, flowers and presents
received for her birthday.

St Margaret's Church, Hawes

Open for Heritage Open Day

9 September 2012

From 1.00pm 'till 4.00pm

Cream Teas served in the Church