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## Guest Editorial

My involvement in a drugs trial started three years ago with a 'phone call telling me I'd filled in a form offering my services.

Not me. There must be some mistake, I ventured. "It was on Facebook," said the caller, and gave me the precise date (a week previously) and time of the deed. I had no recollection of it. What sort of trial was it anyway? There was the tiniest of pauses. "It's for Alzheimer's," came the response. Oh dear.

So it is that now, twice a year, I go to Blackpool. Not for the lights, the sands or to climb the famous tower (especially not that bit) but to a two-storey, flat-roofed building on an out-of-town trading estate. There, for starters, I get a grilling. What town are you in? What season is it? What did you do at the weekend? What's in the news this week? I like that bit because these days there's so much to choose from you'd be hard-pushed not to find an answer.

Then come the tests. Count backwards in sevens from a given number; repeat a series of ever more complex number sequences, and now do that backwards, too; here's a list of 20 items - giraffe, spinach, desk, coach etc. How many can you remember? That's harder than you think.

If, like me, you take your pleasures the hard way, it's a weird kind of fun. The whole session lasts around two and a half hours, I get a sandwich, a cuppa, and sometimes a blood test, and head home feeling quite smug. And relieved. All is well, at least for another six months.

The American neurologist who's heading the study thinks there may be a genetic factor involved, and that a particular drug may be effective in combatting it. It's a double-blind trial: having had the test I don't know if I'm at risk. Having been given the tablets I don't know whether they're the real deal or a placebo.

There's a fear, of course, that one day I'll go to Blackpool and all won't be quite so well. The lines I draw may not be so straight. The numbers won't come so readily. The word list will be even more difficult to recall. If it means that I really am on a downward spiral to dementia, what then? There are no effective drugs so there would be nothing I could do to halt the decline.

All I know for sure is that by doing the drug test, tedious and slightly scary though it is, it might just help find a cure for this disease that now affects around 50 million people worldwide, and which is predicted to double every 20 years. It's not heroic - it makes sense: being diligently monitored will

make me aware of the problem early, and that's probably to the good.

As I write this, I discover we are actually in the middle of dementia awareness week. I'm tempted to say I'd completely forgotten about it: making jokes is one way we cope with the knowledge that one day we might get it. Just as we're being urged to do with other mental health issues, one thing we should all be doing is talking about it, and seeking help and advice without fear. We will all be affected by it, personally or otherwise, sooner, rather than later.

**Betsy Everett**

## Hawes Methodist Cemetery

Many will be aware that the Methodist burial ground, on the outskirts of Hawes, is nearing capacity, when allowance is made for current reservations. Towards the end of 2016, committee members undertook a review of reservations registered and would now request that individuals, (or next of kin), who are aware they hold a reservation at the Methodist Cemetery in Hawes, confirm their continued interest in retaining their reservation.

Please could anyone, (or their next of kin), who understands they have made a reservation in Hawes Methodist Cemetery, prior to January 2014, leave their current contact details, along with the name and number in which the plot is reserved, in the large envelope at the Community Office at their earliest convenience. A member of the committee will then contact you to confirm the details held are correct and our records can be updated if required.

Many thanks for your assistance with this review

### Hawes Methodist Cemetery committee

#### **Alan Watkinson,**

HAWES, would like to say thank you for all the cards, calls, emails, flowers and gifts continually received during what could become a protracted disability.

Especial thanks too to the amazing Macmillan Cancer Care Team; the counselling, rapid provision of equipment, occupational therapist, physio and dietician.

Add to this the numerous visits from family and friends both near and far with offers of all kinds of help, best wishes and prayers. What a community!

**Shirley** would also like to say thank you for all the cards, callers and gifts for her 80th birthday on May Day. She had a lovely few days.

## Farmer and Ranger Create Shelter on Swaledale Moor

An isolated garage (which symbolises the coming of the motor car to the Dales) has been converted into a shelter for walkers and mountain bikers on Whitaside Moor.

The garage was built in the 1940s by the Sunter family of Robson House Farm for Joseph Sunter's first car, a Standard 12. It had to be put by the roadside, as there was then no track down the fell to his farm. The Sunter family would complete the last leg of their journey home in a tractor, once the car was safely locked away. When a farm track was laid, the garage became redundant and fell into disrepair. It was then that Norman Sunter, Joseph's grandson, had a chance conversation with his Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (YDNPA) area ranger, Michael Briggs.

Mr Sunter said: "Over the years we've seen hundreds of people sheltering behind the garage. Instead of standing behind it, I thought they might as well shelter in it. I was wondering whether to just take the garage doors off and leave it open, but Michael said he would like to do it up. And they've done a very good job." Rangers and Dales Volunteers cleared the garage of rubbish and accumulated soil; removed the old doors; rebuilt some sections of the walls; added a new roof and lintel; installed some benches and laid a stone aggregate floor. Mr Sunter helped by disposing of a lot of the rubbish and debris. The materials' costs were covered by three local businesses through the Dales Bike Centre at Grinton.

Michael Briggs said the shelter could not be in a better place: "It is right at the end of a bridleway that connects Swaledale to Wensleydale at Castle Bolton, via Apedale. It also links well to other bridleways spreading in all directions to Low Row and Gunnernside. What is so satisfying is that this was an idea from a farmer, who was making a generous offer. It was great to be able to take it up and bring the project to fruition. It cost the Authority nothing but time and it was something a bit novel for our Dales Volunteers to get involved with."

## Bainbridge Sports

Bainbridge Sports will take place on Monday, June 26th, commencing at 6.00pm with the children's races. The fancy dress will be at 7.30pm, for children and adults, and Hawes Band will be in attendance, as will Taylor's Fair, who stop off after Hawes Gala and are much appreciated by the organisers.

**Sylvia Crookes**



## Eunice the Ewe

I was in the Herriot's in Hawes advert on page 34 and the winner of the £10 prize is

**Anna Petri of Farnham, Surrey**

Where am I now? To enter for the £10 prize, please include your postal address if replying by email.

## Wanted

Someone with a few spare hours a month to help convert Newsletter input from MS Word and similar products to MS Publisher ready for input to the Newsletter.

Must be comfortable with computers and ideally familiar with Microsoft Word and Office products. We will supply the Publisher training.

Please contact Alastair on **667061** or Barry on **667458** to discuss.

## Wanted — a Courier.

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## Theatre by the Lake, Keswick by bus

Set in Mayfair in 1939 a couple of no longer Bright Young Things view the gaudy emptiness of their lives. Sharply satirical and heart-rendingly beautiful, Terence Rattigan's *After The Dance* is about a world on the cusp of enormous change and is considered to be one of the great works of a master dramatist. You can see a matinee performance on **Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup>** at Keswick's Theatre By the Lake. The cost for ticket and coach is £26. The coach starts in Middleham and will pick up in Leyburn and Richmond. Walkers and shoppers are welcome to fill up any spare seats and spend around 5 hours in the Lakes. To book or for more information ring **663259**.

## May Competition Answers

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| 1. CARROT                              | 2. VICTORIA PLUM |
| 3. SWEDE                               | 4. BEETROOT      |
| 5. UGLI                                | 6. CURRANTS      |
| 7. RAISINS                             | 8. PARSNIP       |
| 9. ONION                               | 10. KOHL RABI    |
| 11. CELERY                             | 12. APRICOT      |
| 13. AUBERGINES                         | 14. AVOCADO      |
| 15. BROAD, RUNNER, KIDNEY, FRENCH BEAN |                  |
| 16. PUMPKIN                            | 17. SPROUTS      |
| 18. SWISS CHARD                        |                  |

**Last month's winner was Jane Richie and her chosen charity was Freedom from Torture**

## June Competition

*"Birds by a roundabout route!" Each clue leads to a simple word, which with one letter changed gives the bird.*

Example: A QUESTION OF TIME = WHEN; leads to **WREN**

1. FROM WATERSTONES?
2. TAKE WITHOUT PERMISSION
3. VERY NICE
4. BEGINNING
5. FORWARD FORCE
6. OFTEN NEEDED TO COMPLETE FORMAL DOCUMENTS
7. THE KISS AND THE THINKER WERE HIS
8. FINISHED/ COMPLETED
9. NOT DEEP
10. PORTER
11. PLACE
12. FAMOUS ARGENTINIAN

*Send in as many as you can find. You might win!*

## Bainbridge Women's Institute

Bainbridge W.I. meet on the third Thursday in the month at Bainbridge Village Hall. The meetings start at **7.30pm**.

The meeting on **June 15th** is "Bloomin' Lovely" . A talk and demonstration by florist Lucy Smith.

The June Soup and Sweet lunch will be on **Monday June 26th** at Askrigg Village Hall .

## Peregrines Hatch at Malham

At least three Peregrine Falcon chicks have hatched at Malham Cove – to the delight of thousands of people. Four thousand people have visited the bird watching viewpoint at the Cove since it opened for the breeding season at the start of April. The viewpoint has been especially popular this year as the breeding Peregrines were the subject of Channel 5's "A Year In The Wild" documentary series. Paul Brady from the RSPB said: "It's fantastic news that the peregrines have successfully produced young ones again this year. The next few weeks are going to bring lots of exciting activity as the parents catch food for their hungry chicks, so I'd highly recommend a trip up to the viewpoint to see these birds in action and to get the latest updates from the staff and volunteers." The free public viewpoint is at the base of the Cove, where Information Assistants and a team of volunteers are on hand to show people the birds through telescopes. It will be open until **Sunday July 30th**, Saturdays to Wednesdays (closed Thursdays and Fridays). The latest information on the Malham Peregrine Project can be found at: [www.twitter.com/malhamperegrine](http://www.twitter.com/malhamperegrine) and [www.facebook.com/natureinthedaes](http://www.facebook.com/natureinthedaes)

Peregrine video diaries can be seen at [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/peregrine-diary](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/peregrine-diary)

## Wensleydale Decorative and Fine Arts Society

### Alla Moda: Mid century modern Italian Ceramics

Stylish and colourful, Italian Ceramics of the 1950s – 70s reflect the many developments in ceramic design and modern art of the period. Although mass produced across the world, until now little has been known about the companies, their designers and the influences behind them.

**Mark Hill** returns to speak about major producers from Bitossi to Fantoni, the many factories of San Marino, and reveals the identity of an important forgotten factory. He is an author, lecturer, auction specialist and an expert on BBC's Antiques Roadshow.

We welcome non- members to this lecture at the Middleham Key Centre on **Tuesday June 13th at 2.00pm** and to any future lectures of interest. Lectures are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from October to June at the Middleham Key Centre. The cost is £8 per lecture. It would be helpful to inform the Membership Secretary beforehand if possible, on [rosalindhigson@btinternet.com](mailto:rosalindhigson@btinternet.com) or phone **01765 635244**.

## Hawes Gala Turns 50!

50 years ago ten men formed the first Hawes Gala committee. As far I can establish, these were Frank Iveson (Chairman), Roger Stott (Secretary), Mr Robson, Barclay's Bank manager (Treasurer), Chris Heseltine, Allen Dinsdale, Harry Airey, Dennis Fawcett, Derek Ellis, Keith Calvert and Derek Ramsden.

It is a marked change to note that the present hard working Gala Committee comprises Emma Guy (Chair person), Rosie Dinsdale (Treasurer), Louise Raw (Secretary), Emily Pickard (Co-Secretary), Jenny Guy, Shirelle Calvert, Vicki Thompson, Fiona Magill and Georgia Edmead – nine ladies.

The first Gala was held in the field opposite the school (where it returned in foot and mouth year). Over the years it has moved to the Dairy Field, Charcoals, the field behind Spring Bank and this year is being held in the Community field. Each year a gala queen has been chosen by picking names out of a hat – they're all pretty girls in Hawes, and she is then queen for a day, wearing a long dress and red cape and leading the Gala fancy



dress procession through the town (initially on Kit Calvert's pony Dolly and trap). The first Gala Queen was Christine Bell in 1971 who, in common with many involved in the early Galas, has sadly passed away. Due to the lack of a local sponsor and costs associated with hiring, a pony and trap is no longer used for the Gala Queen's procession. In the early days everyone



dressed up, adults as well as children, and some of the local men provided entertainment in the town. This included duck races, turkey races and a donkey derby. Everything for the gala was made in house including the swing boats and other rides, the side shows and, of course, the home made refreshments. Despite the arrival of today's more commercial rides, one of the most entertaining for

children and spectators alike was the Jack & Jill slide – a well lubricated tarpaulin where, by the end of the afternoon, the smartly turned out children emerged in shades of green and brown.

The first Gala was opened by Stan Waite, resident comedian at the Palace Theatre, Morecambe and over the years

many celebrities have participated including Alf Garnet (Warren Mitchell), David from Heartbeat (David Lonsdale), Seth (Stan



Richards) from Emmerdale, Mavis (Thelma Barlow) from Coronation Street and Nora Batty (Kathy Staff) from The Last of Summer Wine. They were carried to the Gala in Bill Douglas's open topped Mercedes

and, over the years, by a succession of vintage cars. One year Jean Airey came dressed as Doctor Foster. Bobby Heseltine feigned a heart attack on the field and called for help. "Doctor Foster" was then seen running across the field towards Bob to resuscitate him!



For many years Taylor's fun fair has come to Hawes for the Gala, setting up in Penny Garth car park, always giving a small payment to the Gala. After Hawes they move on to Bainbridge for their summer fair.

Sadly, without more support from the local community, this year may see the 50th and last Hawes Gala. It takes a full year of hard work to prepare for the following year's event and the committee is struggling for support. More help and volunteers are needed. Why not start by helping at this year's Gala? Help is needed on the field, to man the stalls, on the gate etc. Just call Emma Guy on 07712605110 to offer your assistance. Let's keep the wonderful Hawes Gala going for the next 50 years!

**A.M.**

## Bainbridge Dig

'We Dig Community!' – this spring and summer's archaeological dig in Bainbridge – is now well underway, with four test pits having been excavated. Two were on the village green and two were in people's gardens. Each one metre square pit was excavated with a team of about five volunteers, who were delighted with the number of finds. A range of pottery, animal bone and building materials were found with the occasional marble and bit of post-medieval jewellery. One piece of Roman pottery was found on the green much to everyone's excitement. The Young Archaeologists Club recently had their first go at digging a test pit. Fifteen young archaeologists took to the village green, accompanied by a team of volunteers, and rotated between digging, sieving and washing the finds. They all had a brilliant time and their two hour session flew by.

'We Dig Community!' will be running every Saturday and Sunday until the end of July, and we are continually seeking more volunteers. The digging days run from 9.00am to between 4.00pm and 5.00pm, but there are plenty of breaks within that time. If you would like to volunteer please get in touch with me by email [rebecca.cadbury-simmons@yorkshiredales.org.uk](mailto:rebecca.cadbury-simmons@yorkshiredales.org.uk) or 652353. Please note anyone under 18 years old will need to be accompanied by an adult.

Rebecca Cadbury Simmons



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## Dales Young Rangers

### Drystone walling;- Saturday, June 10th

Dick Laidler from our Dales Volunteers North walling team will teach you all about drystone walling and how to do it. Brush up on what skills you already have or have a go for the first time, it's suitable for all abilities.

Meet: **10.00am** DCM Hawes; finish there at **2.00pm**.

### Footpath maintenance near Nateby Friday, June 2nd

Walling, cutting back of branches and clearing stones back off the Right of Way, there is lots to do at this site. Rangers Suzannah and Paul will lead the day as we help tackle this path.

Meet: **9.30am** at The People's Hall, Sedbergh or at site – details to be confirmed. Finish: **2.00pm** at The People's Hall, Sedbergh.

Dales Young Rangers is open to all 11 to 16 year olds who love the outdoors. If you are interested or wish to take part in any of the upcoming task days please contact Rachael Alderson on **652366** or [rachael.alderson@yorkshiredales.org.uk](mailto:rachael.alderson@yorkshiredales.org.uk) to book a place.

More information is also available on the Dales Young Rangers Facebook page [@dalesyoungrangers](https://www.facebook.com/dalesyoungrangers).

## The Upper Wensleydale Industrial and Provident Society Ltd/ Wensleydale Wheels

gives notice that its AGM will be held at Sycamore Hall  
**on Monday, June 12th at 7.00 pm.**

Members and members of the public are welcome. Minutes and Agenda will be available at the time. If copies are required in advance, contact Roger White on telephone **662634** or email: [rwhite1402@gmail.com](mailto:rwhite1402@gmail.com)

## Leyburn and District U3A

The June monthly talks meeting is on **Friday, June 16th** at Leyburn Arts & Community Centre, The Old School House at **10.30am**. The speaker is Stephen Wroe on Working in Antarctica. As always the café is open earlier and members of the committee are available for advice before the talk.



### The Full Circle

This article is a bit of a detour from usual topics and may be a little too geeky for some people, but please bear with me. One of my personal frustrations in recent years has been the move towards very expensive, but essentially disposable, devices which have (to my mind anyway) fairly limited functionality. Of course I am talking about smart phones and tablets (all varieties including Apple, Microsoft, Samsung and many others). They are fine for quick replies to emails, checking your Facebook and Twitter and watching the odd video or listening to music, but are frustrating and slow if you want to do anything serious or work that involves lots of typing. With the rise of the phone/tablet came the decline of CD sales and paper book sales as people moved to MP3 music and Kindle books, and as a result desktop and laptop sales dropped off. In recent months things have started to change and come full circle – the sales of CDs increased again and outstripped digital downloads and electronic books started to see falling sales as physical book sales improved again. Laptop and desktop computer sales seem to be on the rise again too (though the desktops seem to be more of the ‘all in one’ type rather than the traditional tower). There has also been a huge resurgence in ‘hobby’ computers with the birth of things called ‘single board computers’. It is becoming obvious too that people are getting frustrated with the stranglehold of businesses such as Apple and Microsoft on computers – and in particular I had quite a bit of feedback on my article on the death of Windows Vista and the upcoming end to Windows 7 in 2020. There is a fair amount of resentment that laptops, in particular, that work fine have to be chucked out and replaced as Windows Vista is now officially unsupported.

Well, you could consider keeping that aging laptop going by dumping Windows altogether.

The open source operating system Linux has been around for many years (and is a development from Unix which predates Apple and Microsoft) – indeed Apple’s MacOS is based on BSD (really a variant on Linux). The reason many people don’t want to swap to Linux is familiarity and the perceived ‘geekiness’ of Linux. However, things have moved on and some versions of Linux not only come ready to install easily but also packed

with all the free software most people would ever need. The biggest seller of Linux is that it is completely free. The biggest difficulty of Linux is choosing which version will suit you best – there are literally hundreds. Linux Mint is specifically written to be a relatively easy transition from Windows and Mac (it should work on an old Mac laptop so long as it is new enough to have an Intel chip). The best part about most of these Linux solutions is that you can try them out and make sure they work before you commit yourself to the idea without affecting your current computer setup. You can find out more about Linux Mint here: [www.linuxmint.com](http://www.linuxmint.com). You can order a CD from the downloads page or download an ISO file and make your own CD (instructions for that are on the download page in the User Guide). Once you have the CD pop it in the drive on your laptop or desktop and restart your computer. If your computer is configured to start from a CD or DVD it should start straight into Linux Mint\* and you end up on a desktop that you can explore and play with without affecting your files or programmes. Because it is running from CD it will be quite slow – but testable. If you decide you like it, make sure you back up all of your important files before you use the install icon, as installation will wipe out Windows and all your files.

\*If not read the Linux Mint guide for an explanation on what you need to do to start from a CD – this varies from computer to computer.

Next month I will write a little about other alternatives – tiny cheap single board computers for adventurous souls or keen DIYers. As usual you can call me (and leave a message) on **663798** or, preferably, drop me a line at

[carol.haynes@dalescomputerservices.com](mailto:carol.haynes@dalescomputerservices.com) with any comments or questions. **Carol Haynes**

PS If you do install Linux it is at your own risk – I recommend a full backup of your system before you do anything as without it you may not be able to go back to Windows!

### Penhill Ladies Coach Trip to Seaham

**Monday, July 3rd**

Departing Carperby **9.30am**,

Pick ups Redmire, Leyburn, & Bellerby

£12 (£5 deposit payable on booking)

Ring Ann **662625**

Non members welcome



## A684 Part Six

### Into the heart of the original parish of Aysgarth

*“AYSGARTH, a parish in the wapentake (I love that word!) of Hang West, and liberty of Richmondshire, is very extensive and contains three market towns — Hawes, Askrigg and Burton — and famous for its romantic situation on the banks of the river Ure”* So we read in the early 1800s. Aysgarth is mentioned in the Domesday Book as Echescard which is generally thought to mean ‘oak trees in an open space’ or ‘an enclosure of oaks’.

We will begin at Aysgarth Bottoms, which if you use ‘Google’, the first half dozen “hits” are for trousers! As the road winds along, never far from the river, prominent *Lady Hill* across the dale is a popular photo opportunity; but does anyone know for certain who the *Lady* of its name was? And here are another couple of questions: where have all the large flocks of geese gone, which until a few years ago filled the meadows beside the Ure?; and why (and on who’s instigation) do we need 17 (or is it 18) large flood-depth measuring posts with only semi-fathomable numbers on them!?

After the long iron footbridge across the river we climb into Aysgarth village itself with the Edwardian Rock Garden on the right. Not many will know of the Quaker burial ground, just a few graves and this gateway, all that remain of the



Quaker presence in the village, and its Meeting House, built in 1704, and at the NE corner of the ground, mostly demolished in 1924. Follow the

footpath signposted ‘Tomgill bridge’ just at the start of Thornton Road.

The Institute is to be featured in due course in our Village Halls series.



Tucked round the back on the north side of the village stands the Methodist Church (1901) on the site of an older chapel and being one of the earliest in the area, established in 1766. The elevation from the east is considerably better as shown.

Old O.S. maps of the 1850s seem to depict the main traffic road going round here.

Aysgarth was given permission for a sheep and cattle fair on October 30th each year. It is hard to believe that the population of the village, about 180 now, is less than half of what it was in the 1881 census.

And Aysgarth is improving! Things change but most of the significant buildings are still in use: the corner garage, after years of semi-dereliction; the old school now as part of the Central Dales Practice; Aysgarth Youth Hostel at the top of the lane to the Falls and now an internet book-business; and for many years the vicarage has been Stowe House Hotel.

Did you know that the hill down from there to Hestholme bridge is called Heads Bank? And having travelled it many times have you ever spotted Nell Holme House, almost hidden behind a drumlin? Glance across Bishopdale Beck to see the Follies at Sorrel Sykes— purely decorative structures at the farm.



Then, finally, Aysgarth’s claim to fame! AA box 442! These were generally decommissioned in the 1950s but this one was listed and remains as an important reminder of old street furniture. Its little garden was nicely tended for several years; I’m sure the AA wouldn’t mind someone offering!

A.S.W.

### Gayle Chapel – Camp Meeting

All welcome to come along and join us at **2.00 pm Sunday July 2nd** at Gayle Chapel for our annual Camp Meeting lead by Rev David Eminson and Hawes Silver Band followed by refreshments.

## Piano Recital at St. Andrews Parish Church, Aysgarth

July 1<sup>st</sup> at 7.30pm

The internationally acclaimed concert pianist **Martin Roscoe** will make his 4th visit to Aysgarth to give a recital in support of the replacement of the church roof and repairs to the consequently very serious interior damage, following the theft of the lead.

Having had over 500 broadcasts, including 7 BBC Prom appearances, Martin is one of the most regularly heard pianists on BBC Radio 3. Anyone who attended his concerts in Aysgarth, since the first Gala Concert to celebrate the new piano, will need no persuading to attend this rare event!

The very varied and attractive programme will include music by Beethoven, Liszt, Schubert and Schumann. Tickets are on sale now at £13 (On the door: £15.) and include "Meet the Artist", with drinks and nibbles, after the performance.

Call the **Church Office 663097** or **Joan Foster 663368** for information.

## West Burton May Fair

Once again the May Fair will take place on West Burton Village green on **Monday May 29th**, starting at **1.00pm**. There will be plenty to entertain both young and old, from sheep dog running to water sliding. To feed the hungry people, there will be a BBQ serving delicious West Burton sausages and beef burgers followed by tea and cakes in the village hall. Stalls will include Raffle, White Elephant, Tombola, Bathroom and Nearly New, Plants, Cakes and Ice Cream.

For entertainment there is a bouncy castle, assault course, fun run (16 and under), greasy pole, egg throwing, sheep dog running demonstration by Richard Fawcett, quoits match and praise time or favourite hymn. A dog show will be held during the afternoon to find the best dog of the day, waggiest tail and most skilful dog. There will be music throughout the day from a Barrel Organ.

Entrance is free but donations are appreciated on parking. Disabled parking is available in the village and there are disabled toilets and baby changing station in the village hall. Further information is available from **Jane Ritchie on 663385** or **Chris Pratt 663792**.

## Restoration Fundraising at St. Margaret's Church, Hawes.

Tea and Scones in St. Margaret's every Tuesday through-out **June**, between **1.00pm and 3.00pm**.

Concert on **Saturday June 24th at 7.30pm** in the Church with **Leyburn Silver Band**.

Tickets on the door £7.00.

Work has now commenced on provision of lavatories in the church. Hopefully they will be complete by the end of August (this year).

Thanks to all in the town, visitors and other sources for the support which has enabled us to undertake this stage of the work. **A.M.**

## Askrigg and District Produce Show

The schedule for this year's show on **Sunday, August 27th** will be delivered out soon in Askrigg and Bainbridge. It is available now on various noticeboards and on-line at [askriggproduceshow.weebly.com](http://askriggproduceshow.weebly.com) We would encourage everyone to have a look and enter something in the show.

**Mike Dechezeaux**

facebook www.midsummerbash.co.uk twitter  
email: party@midsummerbash.co.uk

**Hawes 15th Year Anniversary**  
**MIDSUMMER**  
**Sat 1st July**  
Hawes Community Fields  
5.00 till 1am

**EXPLODING BUDDHAS**  
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Camping on the community field £5.00 Contact Di Blades  
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Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult  
No alcohol allowed onto the field  
No pets (accept guide dogs)  
All persons not involved with this event must vacate the venue no later than 10 minutes after the last band has left the stage

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## Youth Music Rocks!

A series of music projects called the 'School of Rock' have recently been held for young people aged 11 - 18 at Risedale Youth Centre, Snape Methodist Church and Hawes Market House engaging 40 young people all together. The projects were led by professional Connecting Youth Culture (CYC) musicians, Tiff Mahoney and Alex Cromarty with support from local youth club staff and volunteers. The projects saw young people from all backgrounds and abilities try their hand at writing their own songs, learning and playing a range of instruments to perform and record together, all free of charge. Elena Harwood, 13 from Spennithorne who attended the Risedale School of Rock said "The project gave me new experiences, such as helping me create lyrics with the lead singer. My goals are to be more social and more confident and this project has helped me to do that". In addition, the Hawes School of Rock group were given the opportunity to travel to the TCR Hub's recording studio at Barnard Castle during the holidays to experience what it would feel like to be a professional artist. Finally to celebrate their achievements, the group held a concert (set up by Blueboxt Productions) with special guests the 'Musical Theatre Project' led by Colin Bailey and Mick Yare. The 2 hours event attracted 70 community members who all enjoyed a fantastic free evening of youth music. Thanks to the young people, staff and volunteers, a variety of delicious cakes were made especially for the event and sold at the interval which raised over £135 for Hawes Youth Club. Stella Dinsdale and Shirelle Calvert, Youth Leaders, said "Thank you to everyone who helped or donated cakes, a real success which will help the youth club a lot!" Thanks goes to NYMAZ (a youth music development charity funded by Youth Music which champions the transformative potential of music for children and young people in North Yorkshire and beyond) for funding the Risedale and Snape projects, as well as North Yorkshire County Councils Stronger Communities, Hawes and High Abbotside Parish Council and The Upper Wensleydale Community Partnership for supporting and funding the Hawes project.

North Yorkshire Youth's Richie Bastow – Youth Development Worker - who coordinated and helped to deliver the projects said "All the young people involved were brilliant! They had lots of fun making their own music and it was great to see them achieving together, whilst being inspired by the professional musicians who were outstanding".

**Richie Bastow**

## Mock General Election

It is well known that young people aged 18-24 are much less likely to vote in a general election than older people. In fact, in the last general election in 2015, less than half of all eligible 18-24 year-olds turned out to vote.

At The Wensleydale School and Sixth Form we believe that teaching and engaging students about the forthcoming general election on June 8th is a hugely important part of their education.

Therefore, on June 8th, The Wensleydale School and Sixth Form will hold a mock general election. All students in the school will be able to vote for their preferred candidate representing the Richmond (Yorks) constituency. We will have voting booths, ballot papers, a ballot box and our y7 maths students will even be conducting an exit poll! In the afternoon, the votes will be counted and published to the students at 3:30pm, so that they can compare how our school voted with the actual outcome in the early hours of Friday morning. The mock election was launched with a whole school assembly led by myself and students have been taught a series of preparation lessons in which they had an opportunity to explore the manifestos of the different political parties.

It is likely that the majority of our current students will be eligible to vote in the subsequent general election and we hope that by involving them in this mock election they will have a greater understanding of what goes on and be more likely to vote themselves.

**A. Wilkinson, Deputy Headteacher**

## We Are Such Stuff as Memories Are Made Of

Friends of Garget Walker House and Richmondshire Youth Theatre will be presenting their 'on tour' play at The Nash on **10th June at 7.30 pm**. Tickets are available from Hawes Community Office and are £5 for adults and £3 for under 18's. The review of the opening night in D & S Times declared the play which was written in collaboration with two past pupils and current RYT members as 'Something rather special!' The project was funded by NYCC Stronger Communities to raise awareness of Dementia and the work of the two groups. For more information please contact either Sheila on **01748 824686** or RYT on **0770 9870861**.

**Linda Curran**

## Police Report

As I sit typing this report the sun is blazing in through the window, for at least the next 5 minutes.

Incidents that have occurred recently are as follows;

### April

**10th** Theft of cash from the National Parks at Aysgarth Falls.

**11th** Crime of violence and damage to their own vehicles by some less than happy campers in Redmire.

**20th** An unattended Husqvarna Rotary Mower was stolen from Redmire.

**21st** RTC damage only on the B6255 above Hawes.

**23rd** A684 Worton motorcyclist reported for excess speed.

**25th** Criminal damage to playground equipment and a bench at Town Foot Hawes.

### May

**3rd** Criminal damage to three headstones in Preston under Scar.

**6th** Serious RTC involving single motorcycle B6255 above Hawes.

**8th** A quantity of coal was stolen from the rear of the White Hart in Hawes.

**8th** Possible poachers reported on land near Wensley Station.

**10th** A paraglider crashed on Wether Fell resulting in serious injury.

**10th** A Minor RTC in Gayle Lane Hawes no injuries or damage but suffered from embarrassment.

North Yorkshire police have had several calls from concerned persons who have been in receipt of telephone calls or emails purporting to be HM Revenue and Customs.

HMRC is aware that some people have received these calls or even home visits. These bogus callers may encourage you to provide bank account/personal information in exchange for 'tax advice' or a bogus refund.

If you cannot verify the identity of the caller we recommend that you do not liaise with them. Consider reporting the incident to (<http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/>).

You can also read about recognising phishing emails and text messages

(<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/genuine-hmrc-contact-and-recognising-phishing-emails>).

There is also a current telephone scam where a

recorded message is left, allegedly from HMRC, stating that HMRC are bringing a lawsuit against the individual and are going to sue them. The recipient is asked to phone 0161 8508494 and press '1' to speak to the officer dealing with the case. This scam is becoming widely reported and seems to be targeting older people.

If you need to apply for documents such as renewing a passport, drivers licence, applying for a provisional driving licence, renewing an over 70 driving licence, there is a centralised search on GOV.UK (<https://www.gov.uk/search>) to assist you.

The rule of thumb for all these approaches to you via email or telephone, is that HMRC still do things the old fashioned way, with a letter addressed to you in person. If you are still unsure query it with a friend or someone you trust to help you.

This issue's quote: "Tell me and I will forget. Show me and I will remember. Involve me and I will understand." Confucius "

To contact North Yorkshire Police: **101** (non-Emergency), **999** (Emergency only).

If you have any Community issues you would like to address or discuss, contact me via the Force Control Room or email, [donald.watson@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:donald.watson@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk).

**PCSO 5232 Don Watson**

## Destination Coordinator

Helen Dalton has become the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority's "Destination Coordinator". She has already had exciting discussions with the Wensleydale Creamery about developing a programme of cheese-themed events and activities to take place this autumn.

She will be working with businesses through networking and training events; running a Facebook group called "Distinctly Dales - YDNPA business support"; and creating food trails to connect visitors to the best the Dales has to offer.

## Wensleydale Society

The Society's Summer Programme continues with a half day visit to Appleby Castle on **Thursday, July 6th at 2.00pm**. Please meet at the Gate House of the castle for the guided tour, cost £9, which must be booked beforehand, please phone **624246**. The tour will last approximately one and a half hours.

## Marie Curie Wensleydale Fundraising Group

From April 1st 2016 to March 31st 2017 this group raised £15,986.21 through the Great Daffodil Appeal, donations, coffee mornings, car boot sales, the Curry Night, sales of bric-a-brac, including an amazing £7,000 from the Barn that Rocks.

This phenomenal amount of money is the result of the generosity of the people who live in Wensleydale and the tourists who visit this beautiful area of the country.

Marie Curie is here for people, and their families, who are living with any terminal illness, whether for cancer or any other condition.

Expert care is offered, along with guidance and support to help them get the most from the time they have left.

Over the last 60+ years, hundreds of thousands of people and families have been helped. The service is invaluable in a rural area such as this.

Marie Curie Nurses work night and day in people's homes across the UK, providing hands-on care and vital emotional support.

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

Fundraising Groups help raise vital funds and play an important role by helping to spread the word about the work of the charity.

Wensleydale Fundraising Group needs some more help. If you would like to be involved, either as a one-off or by joining the group, please telephone: Margaret Knight, group secretary – **01423 864419** or email - [wensleydale.mariecurie@gmail.com](mailto:wensleydale.mariecurie@gmail.com).

### Castle Bolton Church Plant Sales

Thanks again to everyone's generosity, we were blessed with much better weather than forecast on the May Day plant sale and netted another £188 for our mission partners: Mission Aviation Fellowship and St George's Crypt at Leeds. We will be within striking distance of our £600 target when we have our next sale on **Bank Holiday Monday May 29th. 10.00am to 12.30pm.**

**Robert Hall**

## The Learning Curve

Learning Curve classes at the Wensleydale Sport and Leisure Centre in Askrigg have been well-attended for more than a year, and new ones have been introduced for the summer. There are still limited places available on Suzanne Wright's pottery hand-building classes on **Monday, June 5th** and **Monday, June 19th** from **1.30-4.30pm**. The cost is £15 per workshop including materials and firing.

Samantha Jennings's social media for your business one-day workshop is also proving popular. That's on **Saturday, June 10th**, from **10.00-11.30am**, cost £10, and will be especially useful for small businesses and community groups. Weaving on a card loom produces simple but effective pictures: an all-day workshop on **Wednesday, June 14th**, by Heather Clarke runs from **10.00am-4.00pm** and the cost of £25 includes all materials and refreshments, but bring a packed lunch.

Plant ecologist Deborah Millward will lead a wildflower walk around Askrigg on **Tuesday, June 20th**, from **2.00pm-5.00pm** and the cost is £10.

**Betsy Everett**

## Middleham and Dales Local History Group

**Tuesday June 20th, 2.00pm.**

MIDDLEHAM KEY CENTRE

**1950s Yorkshire village and farming life in early black and white cine films**

**David Atkinson** is the third generation of a Yorkshire farming family which lived and worked on the same farm from 1920 to the turn of the century. He grew up in the years immediately following the Second World War in a village which in less than a few generations has changed beyond all belief. Burton Salmon and Hillam have just one working farmer left, and villagers once tied to the land now work mainly a dozen miles away in Leeds. When leaving the farm David discovered the treasure trove of his mother's 16mm cine films which he has saved from further deterioration by having them restored digitally. These black and white films reflect a recent way of life which has already disappeared and will bring back many memories. Members and visitors are welcome, annual membership is £10, or £3 per meeting for visitors. Contact **Tony Keates 640436** or [dotandtonyk@btinternet.com](mailto:dotandtonyk@btinternet.com) for more information.

**Elaine Frances**

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

**May**

- 26 -July 16th: Spear Exhibition. See p. 17
- 27 -June 2nd: Gaping Gill Winch Week. See [www.bpc-cave.org.uk](http://www.bpc-cave.org.uk)
- 28 Strawberry Fair at Cockett's Hotel for Hawes Christmas lights funds, 2.00pm
- 28 Penhill Children's Church, Wensley V Village Hall, 9.30am to 11.00am
- 29 West Burton May Fair. See p.10
- 29 Plant sale at Castle Bolton Church. See p.13

**June**

- 1 7.00pm, The annual Service for the Askrigg Friendly Society at St.Oswald's Church, Askrigg
- 2 In the Kitchen-Wash Day. See p.17
- 2-4 Curlew Festival at Bolton Castle. Phone **623981** for details
- 3 Men's Breakfast 8.30am Sycamore Hall Bainbridge. Speaker: Rev. David Clark, Vicar of Hawes and Askrigg
- 3 Theatre by the Lake bus trip. See p.4
- 3,4 Medieval Household at Bolton Castle, 10.00am to 5.00pm
- 3,4,10,11 North Yorkshire Open Studios See page
- 7 LVA Charity Bike Ride, Leyburn to Hawes. See p.7
- 8 General Election
- 9 YDNPA Panning Meeting, Yoredale, Bainbridge 1.00pm
- 9 The Filling Station, The Key Centre, Middleham at 7.00pm. Speaker Derek Walmsley, Director of Ordinands, Wakefield
- 10 Richmond Youth Theatre at the Nash. See p.11
- 10 Gayle Mill Summer Fayre and Beer Festival. See p.15
- 10 Dales Young Rangers Drystone Walling. See p.7
- 10 Entertainment provided by Reckless Cover in the Bar at the Fountain Hotel, Hawes from 9.30pm
- 11 Open Farm Sunday at Berry's Farm Shop, Swinithwaite. **663377** for details
- 13 Decorative and Fine Arts Society. See p 5
- 14 Little White Bus trip to Kendal. Book as Soon as you can
- 15 Bainbridge W.I. See p. 5
- 16 U3A at 10.30am. See p.7

- 17 The All Time Favourites Show. See p. 20
- 17,18 Dales Festival of Food and Drink, Leyburn
- 18 Concert by Richmondshire Orchestra St Oswald's Church, Askrigg
- 20 Middleham and Dales Local History Group. See p.13
- 23 Choir and Singers in Wensley Church. See at foot of page.
- 24 Wensleydale Concert Series; St Andrew's, Aysgarth. See p.16
- 24 Berry's Haytime Festival, Swinithwaite. **663377** for further details
- 24 Hawes and District 50th Anniversary Gala. See p.15
- 24 Leyburn Silver Band at St Margret's, Hawes. See p.10
- 25 Penhill Children's Church. See p.16
- 25 Table Top sale in Hawes Market House
- 26 Bainbridge Sports. See p.4
- 26 Wensleydale Tournament of Speech and Song AGM. See Page 22
- 27 YDNPA Annual Meeting at Yoredale, Bainbridge, 10.30am
- 27 LASS film show at the Oak Room, Thornborough Hall, 7.15pm. Details from Brian on **623257**

**July**

- 1 Piano Recital, Aysgarth Church. See p.10
- 1 Hawes Midsummer Bash. See p.10
- 3 Penhill Ladies Summer Outing. See p.8
- 6 Wensleydale Society Visit. Pre-booking Required. See p.12

**Swaledale Festival events** taking place in the Newsletter area in June are as follows:

- 2 Julian Perkins - clavichord at Gayle Mill at **4.00pm**
- 3 Swale Singers and Pentland Singers at St Andrew's, Aysgarth at **7.30pm**
- 4 Fourum at Gunnerside Methodist Chapel at **4.00pm**
- 10 Will Pound and Eddie Jay at United Reformed Church, Keld at **4.00pm**

See [www.swalefest.org](http://www.swalefest.org) for full programme; ring **01748 880019** to book.

**Harrogate Harmony Choir  
Barber Shop Singers Concert**

Followed by supper with wine

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 7.30pm**

**Holy Trinity Church, Wensley**

A fund raising event for the organ fund  
Tickets: £10. Enquiries: Kathy **368008**

## National Park Guided Walks in June

National Park Walks are all lead by experienced volunteers and cost £5 for adults; children under 16 free. Dogs are not allowed on walks.

**7th** "Kisdon Classic", 6.5miles. Meet at Farmers Arms, Muker at **11.00am to 4.00pm**. Part of Swaledale Festival. Adults £7, under 19s £3. Phone **01748 880019** to book.

**14th** "Barns, Walls and Bridges" **1.30pm to 4.00pm**. Starting at the Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes, on this 4 mile guided walk you will see an old packhorse bridge and part of the route used by Lady Anne Clifford. Booking advised.

**18th** "By Castle and Byway". Meet at Aysgarth Falls National Park Centre at **10.00am** for a 7 mile walk. Booking advised.

**20th** "Hawes Town Trail" **2.00pm to 4.00pm**. Meet at the Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes and join this easy 2 mile walk through Hawes and Gayle exploring the history of the area. Free event but places are limited so booking is essential.

**25th** "Falls, Freeholders and Flagstones". Meet at Aysgarth Falls National Park Centre at **1.00 pm** for a walk to discover the local geology, history, culture and industrial heritage. Booking advised.

Bookings: Hawes **666210**; Aysgarth Falls **662910**.

## Gayle Mill Summer Fayre

**Saturday, June 10th 11.00am – 5.00pm**

**Beer Festival 12 noon onwards**

Now in its third year our Summer Fayre is an occasion not to be missed! Heritage skills demonstrations, Wood and Craft stalls, duck racing on the leat, a Grand Raffle, Morning Coffee, Afternoon Teas and from 12 noon our Beer Festival takes place showcasing locally brewed beers and introducing craft ciders. Free Admission. Come and enjoy a fabulous day out in the Dales set amongst the beautiful setting of our 18th century saw mill.

**Demonstration Tours – Sundays, June 4th and July 2nd 11.00am and 2.30pm**

£12 for adults, 16 & under free of charge

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

**Hands-on Heritage Wheelwrighting - Saturday July 20th 9:00am – 5.00pm** £80 per person. Limited places book now on **667320** or see full details on [www.gaylemill.org.uk](http://www.gaylemill.org.uk)



## Open Studios in Upper Wensleydale

As part of the North Yorkshire Open Studios project, the studios of:

Andrea Hunter, Focus on Felt, Hardraw, DL8 3LZ, phone **667644**

Carol Tyler, Bainbridge Village Hall, DL8 3EL, phone **650347**

Angela Keeble, Baincote, Bainbridge, DL8 3EF, phone **650774**

will be open on **June 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 10th and 11th**. Please phone ahead to make an appointment to ensure access. Note that this represents but a tiny subset of the many excellent artists to be found in Upper Wensleydale. Please look out for the many free -standing galleries and galleries within cafes and shops, displaying local artwork and for signs to the studios of other artists.

## Hawes in Bloom

A brief word to say that the plants and baskets should be arriving in the first week of June as normal. I will pop up some notices regarding help needed nearer the time.

The colours this year will be cream, yellow, orange and white and there will be some smaller baskets and plants for sale to residents as last year. I will give a time and date as soon as I am able. Thanks for your support.

**Richard the Plant Pest**

## Doctors' Rotas as supplied by the Health Centre

HAWES SURGERY ROTA			Wb - week beginning		
Wb	May 29th	June 5th	12th	19th	26th
Day					
Mon	C	FB	FB	FB	F
Tues	F	F	F	F	F
Wed	P	P	P	P	J
Thurs	B	P	B	P	B
Fri	P	P	P	P	J

**Doctors:** B- Brown, F - France, P- Pain J-Jones (locum), C - Closed  
**Morning Surgery:** 8.45-10.15am Tues till 10.45am;no appts  
**Afternoon Surgery:** 5- 6.00pm Tues 1.30-4.00pm; appointments only  
*For appointments and all enquiries ring 667200*

AYSGARTH SURGERY ROTA			Wb - week beginning		
Wb	May 29th	June 5th	12th	19th	26th
Day					
Mon	C	P	P	P	B
Tues	PB	PB	PB	PB	B
Wed	F	F	F	F	F
Thurs	B	B	B	B	B
Fri	F	F	F	F	F

**Doctors:** B- Brown, F - France, P- Pain , C- Closed  
**Morning Surgery:** 9.00 - 10.30 am no appointments  
**Afternoon Surgery:** 4.00 - 5.30 pm appointment only  
*For appointments and all enquiries ring 663222*

### Wensleydale Railway News

#### Train Timetables

A reminder that various changes were made to national rail timetables on **May 21st**. Whilst many times remain the same as before, you are advised to check carefully for any changes since **May 20th**.

#### Socio-economic benefit study

Since last summer, a study has been carried out into the proposed extension of the Wensleydale Railway (WR) from Redmire to Aysgarth. The work was done by independent consultants, Arup and updated their 2009 study. Their report includes the views of many passengers who were interviewed on WR's trains and platforms, and other stakeholders. It also comments in detail on the effects of extension of the line to Aysgarth, on both the railway and on the local economy. "Wensleydale Railway extension would have positive effect on economy, report finds," was the headline in one local newspaper.

**Ruth Annison**

**You are invited to join us once a month at  
 PENHILL CHILDREN'S CHURCH**  
 Come and learn about God and the bible  
 in a fun way with activities  
**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June**  
**9.30am - 11am at Wensley Village Hall**  
 (Refreshments and newspapers will be  
 available for parents)  
 Further information from the benefice  
 office **663097**

### Wensleydale Concert Series

On **Saturday June 24th** we are really excited to be welcoming Swedish cellist Mats Lidstrom to Aysgarth Church at **7.30pm** for a recital, accompanied by his son Leif.



Mats is Professor of cello at the Royal Academy as well as being an internationally renowned soloist, prolific recording artist, composer and highly sought-after teacher. He has performed with major orchestras and conductors on all continents, given premieres of new works and in recent years has been making a series of recordings with legendary pianist and conductor Vladimir Ashkenazy.

Mats' programme "Not one Swan but FOUR!!" includes works by Saint-Saens, Schumann, Prokofiev and Franck as well as two original works composed by Mats and Leif.

This really will be a concert not to be missed

**Local young couple seeking first family home**  
 in mid Wensleydale. Any opportunities  
 please contact **Rachael Alderson** on  
**07812831509**



## DCM What's On

**26 May – 16 July** Spear Exhibition. Follow the creation of the stunning Semerwater Spear installation and David Murphy's response to the prehistory collections and Bronze Age spearhead displayed at the Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes.

**2 June** In the Kitchen - Wash Days from **11.00am to 3.00pm** at the Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes. Join us in our traditional farmhouse kitchen where costumed Friends of the Museum will explain all about wash days in times gone by

### DCM Made Fit for the Masters

Works by Turner and other renowned artists could in future be displayed in Hawes, following a major security upgrade at the Dales Countryside Museum (DCM). Local contractors have been involved in the installation of steel doors and a massive retractable shutter in the John Baker exhibition hall. The bank vault style security means that the DCM can borrow priceless pieces of art and be insured under the Art Council's 'Government Indemnity Scheme'.

Following talks with the Tate Gallery and with York Museums Trust, Museum manager, Fiona Rosher, said: "We are keen to develop our temporary exhibitions programme to draw more people to the museum, not least residents of the National Park. We want to bring art here that locals might not ordinarily get the chance to see. We are looking to loan art and artefacts from large regional and national institutions. The only criterion is that the art is relevant to our mission, which is to inspire people through Dales heritage."

The security upgrade, which has included improvements to the fire alarm system and environmental monitoring and controls was principally funded by a grant from the Arts Council supplemented by contributions from the YDNPA and the Friends of the DCM.

### Heavens Above

The ring-world, Saturn, takes centre stage this month. It reaches opposition (directly opposite the Sun as seen from the Earth) on June 15<sup>th</sup> when it's on show all night long. The bad news is that the planet is poorly placed for viewing this year, never rising more than 14 degrees above the horizon. A real shame as the rings are very well displayed at present, wider open than any year since 2003.

At magnitude +0.1 Saturn is a good deal dimmer than Jupiter - still a brilliant object over in the south-west - but you should easily spot it late in the evening low in the south-south-east in the constellation of Ophiuchus the Serpent Bearer. Strong binoculars will just about show you Titan, Saturn's giant moon, but you'll need a decent-sized telescope to enjoy the full splendour of the planets fantastic ring system. If you haven't access to a telescope, you can visit <http://www.nasa.gov> where you'll find hundreds of spectacular photos of Saturn and its 60-odd moons. Most of these images were acquired by the Cassini-Huygens space-probe, (a joint endeavour by NASA and the European and Italian Space Agencies), which has been orbiting the planet for nearly 13 years. During its time at Saturn, Cassini has made loads of dramatic discoveries such as the seas of liquid methane on Titan, and a global ocean under the icy crust of another moon, Enceladus. Probably its finest achievement was the successful touch-down on Titan by the Huygens lander – the first ever on a body in the outer solar system. Cassini is now in the final phase of its mission as it's beginning to run low on fuel, and, after a series of risky manoeuvres inside Saturn's inner rings, will be commanded to burn up in the planets atmosphere on September 15. Designed to protect and preserve the planet's moons for future exploration the intrepid probe's fiery demise will be a sad but fitting 'Grand Finale' to what's been a truly epic voyage. Have clear skies!

**Al Bireo**

## Prunings June

There is something strange about the view from my front window just now. The warmth and sunshine have created a wonderful show with hundreds of greens and yellows, but for reasons I cannot imagine, the Ash trees have hardly moved. As result the glorious patchwork on the hill across the valley has patches of twiggy grey, and solitary trees are still in winter dress. Looking closely I can see the buds are there, but very few have begun to open. It makes me wonder if this will be the vista I shall confront if the dreaded “Ash Die Back” takes them all. There are other late appearances: our splendid Weeping Beech in the churchyard is also holding back this year, so there must be something else in play this time around.

Today we had overnight rain, but it’s hard to see where it fell. It has been very dry, and we have all been out watering the pots and tubs, but a recent report by the RHS and other scientific bodies suggests that the new North South divide will be climatic rather than economic. It will be drier and hotter in the south and warmer and more moist in the North. We may have a longer growing season with average temperatures between 1-5c warmer, but more extreme weather such as heat waves and heavy rain. In the south there will be more prolonged dry spells. It could alter the way we garden and what we can grow!

One of the hellebores I planted last year put on a wonderful show of colour. I think I must have chosen the position well as it has really thrived. It is possible to grow new ones from seed, but the colours will not necessarily come true. If you fancy exact replicas then you will need to dig up the clump and divide it with a spade. It’s a bit more effort, but if split soon after the flowers fade it will probably flower next year. Grown from seed they can take two or even three years. Additionally, it is important to put the seeds in while they are still fresh, with some hellebores it can take a long time to break the dormancy if they are left too long and dry out. In a dry time there is less of a problem with slugs, but of course if you water lettuce the slugs will come, and slug pellets are risky with edibles. If you fancy a change, watercress makes a tasty peppery salad and can be grown in a few weeks. For me it is an odd concept as we collected it from a stream when we were kids. (Few of us thought about what might have got into the water.) It needs very moist soil and so the best option is to grow it in pots which are standing in water. Its relatively expensive to buy, and one of the few things you can’t drown! One pundit suggests putting used coffee grounds around the plants to deter slugs. I wonder if that would alter the flavour? Good luck! And whatever you grow, take time to enjoy it.

**Rose Rambler**

## National Park Management Plan

The process to develop the 2018 – 2023 National Park Management Plan has started. The Management Plan is the single most important strategy document for the National Park. It contains the long term ‘vision’ for the National Park and a list of specific objectives for the next five years that we and many other organisations will work together to achieve. Because it is a plan for the Park (and not just for the Authority), the production of an updated Plan is being overseen by a partnership of 16 local organisations (the [Management Plan Steering Group](#)), including representatives of farmers, landowners and tourism businesses. As the first step in that process, we want to ensure that as many different organisations, businesses and individuals have an opportunity to feed in their views. We want to know what people think makes the National Park special, but also what concerns them and what changes they’d like to see. This will be done through an initial public consultation. And we’d like your help in promoting it, please! The consultation will run from **May 22nd to July 3rd** There are a range of ways for people to respond:

- The online questionnaire at [your.yorkshiredales.org.uk](http://your.yorkshiredales.org.uk)
- Email [your.dales@yorkshiredales.org.uk](mailto:your.dales@yorkshiredales.org.uk)
- By postcard response (available at NPCs, Authority Offices, TICs and other outlets)
- On social media using #yourdales

**Matt Neal**  
**Area Manager – Northern Dales**

## Hawes School News

We have had a visiting dance tutor called Janet Seymour, who has been working with our classes. The children have enjoyed learning traditional maypole dances. We are very lucky that local artist – Stacey Moore is coming in to work with Class 2 on 23rd May. I understand that Stacey was a past pupil of Hawes Primary School and it will be great for our current pupils to meet and talk to her about her work.

Our year 6 pupils are looking forward to their end of year residential trip. They are going to London and have a jam-packed itinerary. They will be watching a musical, visiting the Tower of London, having dinner on a boat and many more exciting things. The children are hoping that, as they will be in London on the day of the general election, that they might see some politicians and TV crews.

## Wensleydale Area Ranger Report May

Since my last report, National Park Authority rangers and volunteers have completed this year's coppicing in the central part of Freeholders' Wood, adjacent to the Middle Falls at Aysgarth. The aim is to create a variety of woodland habitats – clearings, thick bushy growth, and more mature trees. These conditions attract a wide range of plant and animal species. The open glades provide an ideal environment for woodland flowers, while the thick coppice is favoured by nesting birds. Once cut, the coppiced timber was stored and then collected by the Freeholders of Carperby, who have an ancient right to do so.

Anyone walking through the wood will have noticed the wire mesh Gen Guards that are used to protect new coppice growth from deer and rabbits. The guards will remain in place till the new shoots have established themselves and then be removed for reuse on future coppicing. Rangers and volunteers have also used limestone aggregate to resurface the main footpath through Freeholders' Wood to the lower and middle waterfalls.

Over the spring months, we have managed to complete some of our smaller projects. Paul, the Access Ranger for Lower Wensleydale, and his team of volunteers have rebuilt a section of drystone wall and restored a flight of stone steps at Caldbergh in Coverdale. They have also widened a number of narrow stone stiles on the footpath between Newbiggin and Nappa Scar.

James, the Access Ranger for Upper Wensleydale, has undertaken repair works to a drystone wall in Shaw Gill, Simonstone. Our volunteers completed the 7ft high wall on a public footpath over two sessions. The hard work paid off, as free pints for the team were kindly offered at the Green Dragon in Hardraw! The Ragged Robin volunteer group worked on the Hardraw to Hawes section of the Pennine Way, clearing turf to widen the path and repairing broken stone flags.

Alongside local contractors, we have repaired a badly eroded section of Busk Lane between Stalling Busk and Marssett near Semerwater. New drainage was installed under the lane and the track was resurfaced with limestone aggregate. The project was funded by North Yorkshire County Council Highways department, who are responsible for the maintenance of the route.

A note to dog owners, the breeding season - which lasts until July 31<sup>st</sup>, is a very sensitive time for birds and domestic and wild animals as they give birth to, and then raise, their young. We would advise owners to keep dogs on a lead to reduce the risk of unintentional disturbance.

If you encounter any problems whilst using public rights of way or open access land, please contact either Paul Sheehan (Lower Wensleydale) **666226**, James Firth (Upper Wensleydale) **666225**, or Nigel Metcalfe **662912**.

**Nigel Metcalfe**

## Starting up Right – Making Plans

Are you starting up in business or going self employed? If so you need to plan what you're going to do and how you're going to do it. In this article I can only start to point you in the right direction. If you can carefully work through and write down your answers to the following questions you will be well on the way. Ask yourself:

-what exactly am I going to do in my business? what size will it be? do I expect it to grow and what is my strategy for growing it?  
- who do I need to work with? – employees? a business partner? - will I run it as a limited company?

-what exactly do I need to run my business and how much will it cost? (include costs like insurance, memberships, an accountant, legal costs, advertising etc ).

- how much will I need to cover any one-off setup costs, and my first ordinary running expenses until I earn some money, and where will that money come from?

- how much will I be left with as my starting regular income, and how much of that will I have to pay in tax and national insurance contributions? will that leave me enough to cover all my ordinary personal expenses? and if not do I need to rethink my plan?

- when will I start? what needs to be done before I start?

Even if you are just going self employed instead of employed, you still need to ask things like “how much will I earn, how much tax will I have to pay and how will I pay it, and how will I live if I get ill and can't work”? If planning isn't your strong point ask someone to help you. Your bank may well have some help sheets and other services to do with business planning. If you've got no one to ask, email me and I'll try to help - [mikereeves@freefromdebt.org.uk](mailto:mikereeves@freefromdebt.org.uk)

Next time we'll look at “financial records”. Best wishes with that new venture

**Mike Reeves**

## Chronic Pain: Part Two

Knowledge really is power when it comes to pain. Most of us have ideas about pain – what it is, how it happens, why it happens, what we should do when it happens. Let's get down to basics! Your sensory nervous system is constantly monitoring your body tissues for threat – mechanical, chemical, temperature. Through a network of transmitters and receptors messages are sent to your spinal cord if tissues are under threat. If the messages are persistent and/or loud they get passed up to your brain which makes a *contextual* decision about the level of risk to the tissues; if the risk is too high the brain responds by initiating a process which ends up in you feeling pain; if the risk is low the brain damps down the messages and you feel no pain. Hence we are able to experience tissue damage without pain. Have you ever hurt yourself without knowing...?

A little bit about *context* (this is REALLY important!) The brain weighs up many factors in deciding whether to respond with pain – biological, psychological and social, which means the same injury may be felt differently by the same person on a different occasion. It also means things feel different depending on what else is going on for us at the time (stressed – ill – happy – sad?), what we think about what happened, what we are (were?) about to do, where it happened, and many many other complex factors. This also means that we have the ability to alter our pain experience. The nervous system has 'plasticity' - it adapts depending on the demands it's put under. I'll talk more about that next time!

Jo Lade

Reflex Orthopaedic Massage 07975 999 373

## The All Times Favourite's Show

Colin Bailey and The All Time Favourites Band invite you on a journey back to the hits of yesteryear with a chart-topping concert celebrating the songs of the 50s and 60s hit parade that will have you singing and, maybe even, dancing in the aisles! **Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup>, 7.30pm** Leyburn Arts and Community Centre.

Tickets £10 (£5 U16) Tel 624510

[www.theoldschoolhouseleyburn.co.uk](http://www.theoldschoolhouseleyburn.co.uk)



*Mystery picture*  
*Last month's was of 'The Old School House', West Witton. Where's this?*

## Friends of Swaledale Museum Lecture Programme

Please join us for our summer programme. Events are at The Swaledale Museum, The Green, Reeth at **7.30 pm** unless otherwise stated. **Wednesday June 7<sup>th</sup>** Keith Sweetmore, Engagement Officer North, The National Archives '**The Train That Never Came** - attempts to bring the railway to Swaledale' **Wednesday June 21<sup>st</sup>** Richard Lamb, '**Anatomy of Yorkshire's Lead Smelting Mills** including the special case of Grinton Mill' **Saturday July 22<sup>nd</sup>** **A Tour of the MARRICK HIGH & LOW LEAD SMELTING MILLS** with Richard Lamb tours at 10.30, 13.30 and 15.30 Booking is ESSENTIAL and is strictly limited to 20 per tour. Cost £6. To book please contact **Helen Bainbridge** at The Swaledale Museum, The Green, Reeth, DL11 6TX on **07969823232** [museum.swaledale@btinternet.com](mailto:museum.swaledale@btinternet.com).

**Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>** was **National Memory Day** (part of **Dementia Awareness Week**), which is a reminder of the power of poetry to affect people's lives. For further details, follow the link: <http://nationalmemoryday.org.uk/is-there-anybody-there-the-power-of-poetry-to-unlock-memories/>

## Dales Quoits League

The new season started on May 8<sup>th</sup> with the opening First and Second Division games. At all of the locations there is nothing finer than enjoying a beautiful summer's evening taking in some of the picturesque countryside we are lucky enough to live in. Usually the odd pint of beer and an enjoyable supper finish off the evening where, a bit like fishermen, we discuss how our game unfolded and how we won (or lost) with great enthusiasm and explanation (exaggeration!) of our own performance. The only down side sometimes being the midges which can be an annoyance and most of the seasoned teams carry a can of mozzly repellent in their kit! Teams are identified by an abbreviation of their location. The following is a list of the abbreviations which as the season progresses may help readers identify how their local team is performing.

KMA – Kirkby Malzeard “A” team  
WWA– West Witton “A” team (Fox & Hounds)  
HAS – Harmby Sports Association  
HQC – Hawes Quoits Club  
TFC – The Foresters, Carlton  
DCL – Dalesman Club, Leyburn  
TBG – The Bridge, Grinton  
THS – Three Horseshoes, Wensley  
FWB – Fox, West Burton  
GDA – George & Dragon, Aysgarth  
RB – Riverdale  
WWB - West Witton “B” team (Fox & Hounds)  
KMB - Kirkby Malzeard “B” team  
WRA – White Rose, Askrigg  
MQC – Middleham Quoits Club  
BAD – Bolton Arms, Downholme  
BAR – Bolton Arms, Redmire

One comment we get from the younger generation is that quoits is “an old man’s game”. I am certain any one of the players in the league would challenge a new younger player to come and have a game. After the game we would be interested to see if they still have the same opinion? Hopefully a challenge like this would get people interested and allow us “old men” to encourage new players into enjoying a summer’s evening in the fresh open air, away from electronic devices. An indication of the skill needed is the fact that there are world championship quoits competitions held and well

attended where the finer art of quoit throwing is very impressive along with terms such as “Pot” and “Frenchman” being used to describe the way a player should throw their quoit. We hope to see new blood looking at the game and also next month to publish the first league tables so you can see how your local team is progressing. For further details contact Stephen Mason on **662743 or 07826 716146** and Roger Howis on **623114 or 07432 650**

## Upper Dales Family History Group

The April speaker was Mary Randles from Garstang in Lancashire who spoke about her research into her own family in ‘Albert’s story’. Albert was the eldest child of Mary’s grandmother and had been born illegitimately in 1926 while his mother was in service. The family knew nothing of his parentage so Mary began to research her grandmother’s life, believing she was Lancashire born and bred, only to discover that she had originated in County Durham. Mary had used a number of sources to follow up Albert’s tragically short life, beginning with his National Service records which showed that he had served in Palestine with the Corps of Police until his death in 1947. They had confirmed his date of birth and named his mother and step father as next of kin. His mother moved to St Michael’s on Wyre in Lancashire and taken a job as a housekeeper for a widower, who she then married. He treated Albert as his own son and together they had four more children. However, Mary did not give up trying to find details of her grandmother at the time of Albert’s birth. She eventually got a certificate which was for an Albert Bayles with the correct date of birth and correct mother’s name, and a father named as John Bayles who was found to be a shepherd in a remote cottage at Dallowgill.

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday, June 28th, at 7.30pm** in Fremington Sunday School when Anthony Atkinson will be speaking on ‘The Greatest Heiress of the North’. Precocious and indulged, Mary Eleanor Bowes, heiress of Gidside (where Anthony is a guide) and the Queen’s great, great, great, great grandmother, had an extraordinary life which included love, pathos, debauchery, abuse, greed, kidnapping and adultery; ultimately her tale is one of triumph in the face of overwhelming betrayal.

For further details phone **07432 677783**, or email [moverley.yorkshire@outlook.com](mailto:moverley.yorkshire@outlook.com).

**Tracey Little**

## Greetings and Acknowledgements

### Hip Hip Hooray Auntie Sue is 40 Today!

Lots of love from Laura, Emma, Jack, Megan and Noah

### BELL

Happy 50th Birthday Yvonne

May 21st

With love and best wishes  
Mum and Dad and Family xx

27/06/2017

Happy 40th Birthday Sue

Love from Richard, Carolyn, Mark and Ellie

HAPPY 70th BIRTHDAY

ISABEL LAMBERT

16th June

HOPE YOU HAVE A LOVELY DAY  
LOTS OF LOVE FROM ALL THE FAMILY xxx

### Wensleydale Tournament Of Song The Wensleydale Festival Of Music and Speech

The committee of The Wensleydale Tournament of Speech and Song invite you to attend the Annual General meeting. This will be held in The Methodist Schoolrooms, Leyburn and will begin at **7.00pm on Monday, June 26th** You are very welcome to attend and the committee would appreciate your comments and thoughts for the 2017 Tournament of Speech and Song.  
**Julie Greenslade**

### Do you know people who would like to travel on the Wensleydale Railway but can't get there by car?

If so, please tell them about the all-year Sunday DalesBus 856 service which passes WR's stations at Leeming Bar, Bedale, Leyburn and also passes Northallerton main line station. This bus also runs on most Bank Holidays. The usual Sunday/BH 856 bus does three return journeys on the A684 between Northallerton and Hawes. On weekdays, local bus services from Bedale market place pass Leyburn station and services from Ripon, Richmond, Swaledale and Hawes stop in Leyburn market place, about 10 minutes walk from the station.. Please tell your friends throughout the dale!

**Ruth Annison**

### Drop-off points and contacts

for news, articles, reports, letters, What's On dates, competition entries, suggestions and comments:

**Hawes:** Sue Wood,  
Launderette  
**Gayle:** Sarah Champion  
23, Little Ings 667006  
**Bainbridge:** Sylvia Crookes,  
3, Bainside 650525  
**Askrigg:** Rima Berry,  
8 Mill Lane 650980  
**Carperby:** Margaret Woodcock,  
Bella Cottage 663488  
**West Burton:** Nadine Bell,  
Margaret's Cottage 663559  
**Aysgarth:** Hamilton's Tearoom 663423  
**Redmire:** see Carperby above  
**Thoralby:** Sandra Foley, Shop 663205

## Leyburn Arts & Community Centre - Events Calendar

Richmond Road, LEYBURN, DL8 5DL

### FILMS £6 (Concessions £5)

**Fri 2 June** (5pm & 7:30pm) **La La Land** (12A) 2hrs 03m  
**Tue 6 June** (7pm) **The Violin Teacher** (15) 1hr 40m (Exploring Film - Subtitles)  
**Fri 9 June** (4:30pm & 7:30pm) **Hacksaw Ridge** (15) 2hrs 15m  
**Fri 16 June** (5pm & 7:30pm) **Jackie** (15) 1hr 40m  
**Fri 23 June** (5pm & 7:30pm) **Loving** (12A) 2hr 03m  
**Fri 30 June** (4:30pm & 7:30pm) **Manchester by the Sea** (15) 2hr 15m

### EVENTS

**Sat 3 June** (7:30pm) **Andy Lawrenson Trio** (Gypsy Jazz) £10  
**Sat 17 June** (7:30pm) **All Time Favourites Band** (Hits of the 50s & 60s) £10 (U16s £5)  
**Sat 1 July** (7pm) **Quiz Night** £8 (Fundraiser - includes buffet supper)  
**Sat 29 July** (7pm) **The Audience** (National Theatre Live recording - Play) £TBC  
**Sat 26 Aug** (7pm) **Giselle** (National Theatre Live recording - Ballet) £TBC

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