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Covering Upper Wensleydale from Wensley to Garsdale Head plus Walden and Bishopdale,
Swaledale from Keld to Gunnerside plus Cowgill in Upper Dentdale.

#### **Guest Editorial**

Anyone who knows the blend of incompetence and fear that I bring to all forms of information technology will be amused that I have presumed to write about it in the Newsletter. I was prompted to it logically enough by horror at hearing that Matt Hancock, the new Secretary of State for Health, has an app that he uses for consulting his NHS GP and that he intended to use his time in the job to push the idea.

Ever since I worked on different aspects of primary health care in the 1980s I have been an enthusiast for traditional general practice. I remember the impact of sitting in a surgery in Devon with an experienced GP whose father and grandfather had worked as GPs in that same room. That level of continuity is bound to be rare but there are plenty of other examples of the quality of care being better because doctors know their patients and their families. I was often told in the 1980s that many patients came and talked about anything and everything except what was really on their mind. There would be no chance of drawing out the real issue if the doctor didn't know the patient and if they weren't together in the same room.

As I have begun to think about it I have become less confident that Matt Hancock is on the wrong track. Upper Wensleydale is not typical of the country as a whole. We are very fortunate. A friend with pneumonia was told recently by her practice in a Midlands city that she couldn't see a doctor for two weeks when the first vacant appointment was available. When I was registered with that practice myself I was always working elsewhere in the country so occasionally I had a telephone consultation. I am also aware that pretty well every doctor in the country and the great majority of patients are more at ease with IT than I am.

I don't want the NHS to fall behind the way our society is developing because I want it to continue to be highly valued by everyone. There is already publicity on the internet for a private sector organisation offering 10 minute video consultations with a GP for £25. The greater sting seems to be in additional charges for prescriptions, for referrals for a face to face

consultation, for sick notes and for blood tests.

For the NHS this is all still in its infancy. In some cases consultation by Skype or similar technology is possible. Online two-way communication about a query that the patients might have or about the symptoms that are worrying them is being encouraged. There is also the possibility of a practice being able to direct patients online to a reliable source of information about particular conditions. The risks in that are obvious but given the enthusiasm that many of us have already for searching the internet there is a case for a GP practice pointing people to a user-friendly and accurate source.

So, as far as I can tell, Mr Hancock and NHS policy-makers agree that no-one should be forced into using technology. The dream outcome is that this continues to be true; that pressure for appointments is reduced and that the NHS manages to provide an even better service with doctors, nurses and other staff not quite so overworked. But I will be continuing to walk into the Health Centre.

Joe Pilling



#### Letters

#### **Dramatic Grubb**

Can any of your readers help me find records of Theodore W Grubb's drama work in Wensleydale between 1910 and 1945? His innovation of encouraging his adult education students in literature to make performances became a national recommendation and the shows became part of the social fabric of Wensleydale.

Perhaps you have family papers, stories or memories, or perhaps you know what happened to Grubb's papers? Writing about Grubb in 1972, Leyburn medical practitioner, F C Tring, thanks Theodore's widow, Annie Grubb, for access to Theodore's 'diaries and records' but I have no idea where these are now.

I am writing a book about the use of amateur drama in English villages between the world wars and Grubb was a noted promoter of its use and therefore a key part of my research. He lived in Bainbridge from 1911 to 1956, when he died aged 83.

Please contact me at <a href="mailto:pcumw@leeds.ac.uk">pcumw@leeds.ac.uk</a> or **01484 863435** if you have any information.

Thank you.

Mick Wallis

Emeritus Professor of Performance & Culture, University of Leeds.

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#### **Eunice the Ewe**

Last month I was underneath the DCM What's On heading on page 21 and the winner of the £10 prize, drawn out of the hat, is Ellie Peacock of Bainbridge.

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

#### **Operation Christmas Child**

Just a reminder that the shoe boxes need to be given to the Community Office in Hawes by **Friday**,

**November 9th.** Please add a £5 cheque to cover transport or donate on line, gift aided if possible.

Guidance on contents from <a href="www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/">www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/</a>.

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#### **November Competition**

First Lines of Nursery rhymes quiz.

**Example: O.K.C.W.A.M.O.S** = Old King Cole was a merry old soul.

- 1. J.S.C.E.N.F.
- 2. O.T.B.M.S.
- 3. L.J.H.S.I.A.C.
- 4. T.M.T.M.T.B.A.F.P.
- 5. L.M.M.S.O.A.T
- 6. R.A.C.H.T.B.C.
- 7. J.A.J.W.U.T.H.
- 8. P.A.C.P.A.C.B.M.
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- 12. W.W.W.R.T.T.T.
- 13. H.D.D.T.C.A.T.F.
- 14. T.Q.O.H.S.B.S.T.
- 15 L.B.P.H.L.H.S.
- 16. L.T.T.S.F.H.S.
- 17 T.G.O.D.O.Y.
- 18. L.B.B.C.B.U.Y.H.
- 19 L.B.D.D.L.G
- 20. P.P.T.K.O.

Send in your answers to arrive by **Tuesday**, **November 20th** for a chance to win the £20 prize which will be sent to your nominated charity.

#### **Askrigg Fundraising Event**

There will be a fundraising event at Askrigg Village Hall on **Friday**, **November 9th starting at 7.00pm** in aid of Herriot Hospice Homecare.

The evening will have a 'Gin Theme'. There will be lots of interesting stalls, a tombola and a raffle. Local businesses have been very generous with prizes so Christmas starts here!

Entry is £10 each on the door and includes a gin and tonic, party food and tea/coffee.

Barbara Faulkner

#### **Answers to the October Competition**

These were anagrams of Civil Parishes in the District of Richmondshire.

1	A BRAKE	Akebar
2	DEMAND TOIL STY	Middleton Tyas
3	WAS TREND TO NORTH	Thornton Steward
4	STING ROAR	Garriston
5	BRACE ON STUN BOLT	Constable Burton
6	TOWN SELLER ALONE	Ellerton on Swale
7	TEES FROWN	New Forest
8	OAT BIDS BELOW	Low Abbotside
9	HEAR OR RANT	Arrathorne
10	HUNG ON THAT	Hutton Hang

It must have been a tough one. We received only one correct entry from Barbara Jolley of Bellerby. Her nominated charity, the Starlight Children's Foundation, will receive a cheque for £20.



#### Drop-off points and contacts

for news, articles, reports, letters, What's On dates, competition entries, suggestions and comments:- All 01969 numbers

Hawes:	Community Office	667400
Gayle:	Sarah Champion	
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	8 Mill Lane	650980
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Redmire:	Kevin Davis	624165
	Westholme	
Thoralby:	Sandra Foley, Shop	663205

## A Perennial Problem; - Picking Up After Your Pooch

One wet Saturday morning earlier this year, walking down Main Street in Askrigg, my foot slipped from underneath me and I only JUST missed falling into a large slick of dog poo.

As a "newbie" to Askrigg, I have been awestruck by the wonderful scenery, dramatic sunsets; the extraordinarily kindly welcome and friendliness of the locals, who have made us instantly feel at home and, of course, the brilliant walks and network of public footpaths over the fields and hills. Villagers are quite rightly proud of this part of God's Own Country. BUT ... there is a niggle that has spoilt this pleasure: the amount of dog poo that litters grass verges and footpaths across some of the fields. Frankly, it is inexcusable and I know several others who also find this abhorrent.

As a dog-owner myself, it is easy enough to ensure a pocket-full of poo bags before one goes out, to watch out when and where your dog squats and to take a torch when it is dark. Dog poo is a dirty smelly subject but has to be dealt with: if you are a dog-owner, it is part of the deal

It is understandable that some may question why they should pick up their dogs' poo, in spite of it being illegal not to do so, when fields are already full of deposits from grazing stock. However, as many know, there are unique differences on the ecology, due to differences in the diets of dogs compared with grazing animals. Further, dog faeces can carry bacteria and parasites which can seriously affect young lambs and pregnant dairy cattle, some of which can cause neurological disease in the former and abortions in the latter. Un-wormed dogs may carry Toxocara canis which, if unwittingly ingested, can cause harm to other dogs and humans. This is quite apart from the serious and unpleasant nuisance of accidentally stepping in dog poo in the street, on grassy areas in the village, or of running pram or bicycle wheels through it, necessitating cleaning of footwear and equipment.

It is a real privilege to be able to share these lovely green fields with the livestock and the farmers, who manage the land. As dog-walkers, we need to respect that. We should ensure that our dogs are under control and/or on a lead when livestock are grazing and also clean up accordingly. But ... PLEASE don't leave your bagged dog-poo on the ground, tucked into a dry-stone wall, hanging from a tree, or unbelievably, chuck over a wall into someone's garden. Bacteria multiply happily – especially in warmer weather. If the bag splits or disintegrates, the problem multiplies millionsfold. For the same reason, so-called "biodegradable poo bags" are not the answer either.

There are plenty of litter bins in Askrigg and dedicated poo bins at the following locations:-

Two in the church car-park, behind the cross.

One at the bottom of Moor Road, next to the post box (near The Crown Inn).

One towards the end of Mill Lane (near the last house).

One at "Lodge Yard" Holiday Property Bond building behind the King's Arms pub in the Main Street.

One in the car park at Bainbridge Veterinary Surgery on the main road.

Jill Leslie

#### Leyburn and District U3A

The November monthly meeting and talk is on **Friday, 16th at 10.00am** at the Arts & Community Centre, Leyburn when the speaker is Jenny Stacey. Her subject is 'A Sniff of Snuff' and will begin at **10.30am**. Café bar open and committee members available to provide information. Visitors welcome.





Monday 12th November - **Meadow Hall Shopping Centre, Sheffield** £13.00 - Pick Up's Hawes 8.30am down dale Leyburn 9.15am Leaving 5.30pm

> Wednesday 21st November - Boundary Mill, Colne £12.00 - Pick Up Leyburn 9.00am - Leaving 4.30pm

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#### **Aysgarth Festival of Remembrance**

Remembering...The fallen and some of the battles of WW1.

Remembering...Those whose lives were changed by war.

Remembering...Those who stayed at home.

There will be a flower festival and commemorative WW1 exhibition in St Andrews Church to coincide with the centenary of the armistice in 1918. It will be opened on **Friday**, **November 9th** by Rishi Sunak MP, and tickets (£5) for the preview evening, which starts at 7.00pm, will be available by email from juliet@julietbarker.co.uk.

The exhibition is free and will be open Saturday, November 10th 10.00am to 1.30pm, Sunday 11th from 12.30pm to 5.00pm and Monday 13th Nov 10.00am to 5.00pm. Refreshments will be available. There will also be the opportunity to visit the war graves within the churchyard.

On Saturday 10th at 2.00pm there will be a free concert given by the Hawes Silver Band, Asygarth Singers and Songbirds children using words and music from the time of WW1. Tickets MUST be obtained in advance from <a href="https://hazel@wss-docs.co.uk">https://hazel@wss-docs.co.uk</a> or 07866 804601 and will be allocated in order of application.

On **Sunday 11th at 9.30am** there will be acts of remembrance at the war memorials in Asygarth, Carperby, Thoralby, Thornton Rust and West Burton villages.

At 10.30am on Sunday 11th there will be the main service at St Andrews church, Asygarth. Later on that day, between 5.00pm and 6.00pm the church will be open for people to come and light candles and reflect silently.

Car parking will be available free of charge at the RCP Car Park. All are welcome.

**Heather Limbach** 

#### **Newsletter Deliveries in Hawes**

If you live in Hawes and have had your Newsletter delivered with your morning paper, you probably know that this is the last time that you will receive your Newsletter in this way. After over 40 years of delivering newspapers, Philip and Sara Mason have decided that it is time to stop. The shop is also up for sale.

We at the Newsletter owe them an enormous debt of gratitude for faithfully distributing Newsletters in rain, sun and snow almost from the foundation of the Newsletter. We hope that they succeed in selling the business soon and enjoy a well deserved retirement.

Newsletters will still be available for purchase and collection from Masons as well as from a number of other outlets in the Hawes area. These are:

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The Dales Countryside Museum (some winter closing)

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The Cart House Café in Hardraw (seasonal)

Simonstone Hall

It may take some time for things to settle down and we will try to monitor consumption at each outlet and keep supplies topped up until, hopefully, a clear pattern emerges. I hope that you will bear with us until then and will find your Newsletter at one of the outlets.

A.M.



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#### **Wensleydale Concert Series**

#### Sunday, November 4th at 3.00pm Carperby Village Hall

Third time lucky - Eboracum Baroque (due to come in October 2017 and postponed until March 2018 - then snowed off) is finally going to make it to Wensleydale on **November 4th**!!

They are a truly wonderful and exciting group of musicians who perform on period instruments but the music is familiar, varied and popular with something for everybody including works by Bach, Handel, Purcell and Vivaldi. There will be mixture of instrumental works for harpsichord, recorder, cello and trumpet with some arias from Handel's Messiah and other works by a truly brilliant baritone.

If that wasn't enough there will be tea and cakes. Do come and join the party!

This is our final concert of 2018 after a series of fantastic concerts and 2019 is shaping up to be our best year yet with award winning pianists, guitars, flutes, chamber ensembles and an outstanding solo cello recital. Full details of this concert, ticket details and a sneak peek at our 2019 programme can be found at our website <a href="https://www.wensleydaleconcertseries.co.uk">www.wensleydaleconcertseries.co.uk</a>.

**Carol Haynes** 

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#### 'Green Laners' Fund More Work on the Roman Road

Rangers and Dales Volunteers have spent several weeks repairing eroded sections of the ancient Roman Road above Burtersett with financial support coming from two recreational motoring groups.

Surfacing and drainage works took place near Four Lanes End on what is locally known as the Cam High Road. The team then went over Wether Fell into Raydaleside to carry out repairs on Busk Lane, working from the junction with the Stake Road back to Carpley Green Farm. A total of 700 tonnes of limestone aggregate was laid and rolled at the two sites. Culverts and drainage ditches were also cleared of vegetation as part of the works. The Cam High Road and Busk Lane are green lanes designated as Byways Open to All Traffic, meaning that they can be used by walkers, cyclists, horse riders and motorised vehicles.



The North Yorkshire group of the Green Lane Association (GLASS) and the North Yorkshire and Teesside group of the Trail Riders Fellowship (TRF) each donated £2,500 towards the works. Last year, the groups donated a similar amount of money.

Matt Neale the Area Manager (North), said: "This was essential routine maintenance which all too often can get overlooked. I would like the thank GLASS and the North Yorkshire and Teesside group of the TRF for their support. Both organisations have recognised that their recreational use of the National Park has an environmental impact, and they continue to step up to the mark to help us maintain the byways".



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#### **Lancashire Flagstones Donated to** the National Park

J Murphy and Sons Ltd last year announced a donation of three trailer-loads of large flagstones to the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (YDNPA) as part of a refurbishment at Kirkham and Wesham Station in Lancashire.

The flagstones have now been laid at five sites, improving the condition of around 400 linear metres of paths at popular places which were notoriously boggy, such as by Aisgill Force near Gayle and at Buckden Pike summit.

YDNPA Area Manager for the Southern Dales, Kate Hilditch, said: "It's becoming harder and harder to source Yorkshire stone flags, so we were delighted and grateful to receive this donation from Murphy. The flags have been put to good use and have already been enjoyed by many thousands of walkers."

The flags have been used at:-

Semerwater Site of Special Scientific Interest, Upper Wensleydale. Flags were laid on a 60 metre section of boggy footpath from Marsett to Semerwater, where walkers were cutting wide and causing erosion.

Aisgill Force near Gayle. Flags were installed on a 20 metre section of a popular footpath near the waterfall. Previous engineered surfaces had washed away with the beck in spate. The newly installed flags are expected to provide a sturdy and permanent solution.

Mossy Moor, Wharfedale. Flags were laid along nearly 40 metres of a popular footpath that leaves Hebden and connects to other public rights of way via Mossy Moor reservoir.

Buckden Pike summit, Wharfedale. Works have been carried out over a number of years, in partnership with the National Trust, to install flags along a route that links the public bridleway terminating at the summit and the public bridleway at Tor Mere Top.

Whernside, Chapel-le-Dale. The remainder of the flags are currently being installed on a path on the Three Peaks challenge route, near Bruntscar Farm, to provide a sustainable surface.

#### Hawes Youth Hostel Under New Management

When the Youth Hostel Association undertook the review of all its properties over 10 years ago it was probably touch and go as to whether the building in Hawes would survive but fortunately it did - and now the Hawes YHA looks set for a brighter future as it has become one of the first YHA properties to be granted an 'Enterprise Lease'.

The new managers are Grenville and Janet Cartledge who have acquired a lease on the building from the YHA and will operate it as a 'franchise' under the YHA banner. Their intention is not only to establish a reputation as offering excellent budget accommodation to the numerous walkers, cyclists and general tourists passing through the area but also to have the YHA recognised by the local community as a great location for family/group functions and parties.

The Hawes building was purpose built in 1973 and there is a covenant that prevents it from being redeveloped for private housing. There are 52 beds located in 14 different rooms. These include 4 dormitories but there are also several private rooms (some with with en-suite facilities). One of the striking features is the glorious views of Stags Fell and surrounding hills from the large lounge and dining room – always earning a massive thumbs-up from visitors.

So what about the new managers? Grenville originates from the Nottingham area where he studied at the local catering college (where it turns out Ruth Annison was a lecturer and remembered his unusual name!) He has subsequently had a 30-year career in the hospitality industry mainly with shipping companies such as Cunard. He spent about 8 years as a purser on the QE2 undertaking several world cruises. It was on the OE2 that he met his future wife Janet who held a secretarial role on the ship. The latter stages of his career have been land-based still mainly working with shipping companies and latterly working as an independent consultant. Janet, who was born and raised in Hampshire, has worked as a teaching and nursery assistant for the last few

Being keen walkers and lovers of the countryside they are delighted to have the opportunity to live and work in the Yorkshire Dales and both are very keen to participate in local activities and organisations. Grenville has already agreed to act as the new secretary of the Hawes Gala committee. Their daughter, Emma, who is studying for a PhD at Liverpool University is also a keen walker and enjoying the opportunity of staying with her parents in the Dales.



Janet, Grenville and daughter Emma.

Grenville is enjoying being the hands-on cook for all the meals at the YHA and having the opportunity to put to use the training he had at catering college.

Historically the Hawes YHA has usually closed for the winter from October but this will not be the case this winter and indeed Grenville and Janet plan to be open over Christmas and will be offering some events and party opportunities to the local community. The dining room and lounge can cater for groups of up to 50 people, is fully licenced and can be booked for exclusive use. So if any of our readers have an interest in a family/group function why not give **Grenville a ring on 01969 667368** and see the view for yourselves.

B.M.C.

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## Remembrance, Peace and Alternatives to Violence

On **Sunday, September 9th** I was doing the Raydale walk for Breast Cancer Awareness, and missed a talk at Bainbridge Quaker Meeting House given by a representative of Veterans for Peace UK. The walk was a wonderful example of our friendly, caring, loving community here in Wensleydale. The talk must have been an interesting one, even if not everyone there agreed totally with the speaker, it stimulated conversations the following week. Veterans for Peace is an organisation made up of exmembers of the armed services who are concerned about how the effects of army training can 'impact on attitudes, health and behaviour even before recruits are sent to war.'

Listening to the discussions brought me to think of all the misunderstandings which exist

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about conscientious objectors, white feathers and white poppies. How we tend to arrive at an opinion about something and defend it at all costs. We have had a white poppy for peace and a red poppy for remembrance on the Quaker Meeting House railings all this year in memory of the end of WW1 - remembering the dead and injured, and striving for peace. Did you know that the white poppy movement was started, not Quakers, but by wives, sisters and sweethearts whose men had been killed or injured during WW1? They made the white poppy a symbol of peace, and a search for alternative ways of solving conflict than by resorting to violence. Which of us would object to that?

There have been many levels of conscientious objection, from those who refused to wear army uniform to those who served in the war by working in the Friends Ambulance Unit. They could not/would not kill. Often by standing up to their principles they had as bad a time as those who served in the trenches. Many of them were imprisoned, records show that some were shot at dawn after inadequate trials, and that threat of execution was used to try to pressure them to become soldiers. In their local communities they were labelled as cowards by being given white feathers. Now they are remembered with dignity at the National Memorial Arboretum. You can find information at Richmond Castle about the 'Richmond Sixteen' who were imprisoned there.

The exhibition of the Quaker Service Memorial Trust at Thornborough Hall in Leyburn in October, which we highlighted in last month's UWNL, was extremely interesting and drew a lot of visitors of every opinion. It included a photograph and information about our John Leyland of Bainbridge, who grew up in our wonderful caring and loving community so many years ago.

The CD of voices featuring CO's from WW1, recorded by the Imperial War Museum sound archives is now available to hear/borrow from me at Askrigg. It features the memories of CO's from WW1(askrigg@askrigg-studios.co.uk).

Judy Nicholls

#### **Hawes School News**

#### Wensleydale Schools Diversity Day

The Hawes Primary School Y6 pupils recently took part in a range of workshops at the First Wensleydale Diversity Day held at Leyburn Primary School (YCAT).

Y6 Pupils from Askrigg, Bainbridge, West Burton, Reeth, Gunnerside, Middleham and Spennimore, Leyburn and Hawes Primary Schools worked in mixed school groups.

## Disability Awareness – Meeting Hannah and Jamie.

The children met Hannah and Jamie who work for a group who represent young people who have a disability so that their voices can be heard on important issues such as transport.

Jamie, who is blind, introduced himself to the pupils and explained the difficulties he had but also how he managed to overcome them.

In the workshop, the children worked in groups of four to design and make an outfit for a model and model it on the catwalk. However, the children had to work within certain parameters: One child was blindfolded, one child was unable to use their hands and child was not allowed to stand up and the last child was not allowed to talk. This situation gave the children an opportunity to see how important inclusion is whilst giving them an insight into how it feels to have a disability.

## Hinduism - Nepalese Community i Catterick.

Met Sumitra who talked about the country of Nepal and where it was in the world. The



children learnt about the geography of Nepal and the mountain range called the Himalayas which has Mount Everest. Sumitra had prepared a typical Nepalese potato dish which the children could taste. Sumitra had also brought a range of Nepalese clothing which the children could try on. The children learnt about the practicality of the clothing and how women wore thick pieces of coloured material around their waists to provide support when they were carrying things up the mountains. The children were able to look at artefacts such as a home shrine which Hindus would have had at home.

#### LGBT - Barnardos.

The children met Sarah and Christos from the children's charity Barnados. In the workshop the children thought about different terms and how we are all different. They looked at the stereotypes of what is often associated with each gender i.e. girls like unicorns and boys like football. The children learnt that it didn't have to be like that, girls could like what makes them happy and likewise for boys. The children also learnt about different families and that there was no such thing as a 'normal family'. Families come in all shapes and sizes such as: a mum and a step-dad with two children, it could be two mums with three children, it could be a single dad with a child, and it could even be a grandma and grandad with their grandchildren. They also learnt that a family could be a foster mum and dad with a few children. The message was clear that: so long as the family loved you and kept you safe then they could be a family.

#### Syrian Refugees - Meeting Maria.

In this workshop the children learnt about refugees. They met Maria who is a 17 year old Syrian refugee who had come to Britain nine months ago. Maria told her story of how she had fled Syria and had come to the safety of Britain.

When Maria was eleven her house was bombed whilst she was in it. Her father had become a target for the government because he was a lawyer and he had been helping people who had been campaigning for freedom. Maria's father thought that Maria had died in the bombing but he got her out of the decimated house and carried her ten miles on foot, through the snow and ice to the safety of Jordan. When



he got to the hospital they realised that Maria was still alive- but Maria's injuries were so bad that she remained in hospital for 2 years. It had been reported on the TV that Maria had been killed and when it was revealed that she was actually alive she became a target and her life was once again in danger. Her family left Jordan with only the clothes they were standing up in and came to Britain as asylum seekers and, when they were accepted into the country, they became refugees. Maria and her family have built a life in North Yorkshire and they are one of fifty-two refugee families in North Yorkshire. Maria has learnt to speak English since coming here in January. She is studying IT and Business at Darlington College.

Maria told the children about being a Muslim and explained that she wore a head scarf (hijab) as a mark of respect. She explained that in her religion (Islam) men and women must not touch each other and a woman's hair is a mark of her beauty which they believe must be covered. She explained that she wore her head scarf only when she was outside of the family home.

The end of the day was celebrated by asking the Y6 pupils in each school to become Diversity Champions and share what they had learnt with the rest of their school and its community.

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#### Swaledale Festival Presented with Queen's Award

Representatives of one of the country's best festivals of music and arts were presented with the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service from Her Majesty the Queen on **September 27th** in a ceremony at Scampston Hall.

This prestigious award recognises both the work of volunteers for the organisation and the benefits that the Festival brings to the wider community.

Members of the panel were hugely impressed by the number of volunteers (over 130) who give their time and effort to the Swaledale Festival and the range of tasks they carry out. They also recognised the value that the Festival adds to the local community in Swaledale, Wensleydale and Arkengarthdale by bringing world-class artists to a deeply rural area, as well as providing performance and exhibition opportunities for emerging young performers and local artists. The Wandering Minstrels programme – where the Festival takes high quality music and arts into local schools and care homes - was also praised as a vital strand of its activities.

Festival's distribute volunteers publicity material, offer transport, food and accommodation to artists, assist in the box office, produce concert programmes and also steward at events. Volunteers Coordinator Maria Laybourn said: "Swaledale Festival is very proud of the work its volunteers do to ensure the smooth running of what could be a very complex and expensive operation, but they do everything so efficiently and in such a friendly way that we get lots of positive comments from audience members about how good they are. We are very proud that their efforts have been recognised with the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service."

Planning is well advanced for next year's Festival, visit <a href="www.swalefest.org">www.swalefest.org</a> For further information contact <a href="mailto:Malcolm">Malcolm</a> Creese, <a href="mailto:artisticdirector@swalefest.org">artisticdirector@swalefest.org</a> 07802 183590, or <a href="mailto:Janet">Janet</a> Hall <a href="mailto:publicity@swalefest.org">publicity@swalefest.org</a> 07970 955705.

**Emily Rowe Rawlence** 

#### Hawes in Bloom

By the time you read this all the baskets and displays around town will have been taken down and the contents composted. A big thank you to my faithful team of helpers who turn out whatever the weather!

I have already begun selecting the plants for the display next summer with the theme of red, white and blue bearing in mind not only Brexit, but also the next big 'bike event' in September. I hope that meets with everyone's approval.

A big thank you too for the financial support I get from the Parish Council, Hawes Market Tolls Trustees, The Conservative Club, the Licensed Victuallers Association, Mr and Mrs Paul Rice of The Old Toffee Shop, Gayle and others and of course all those who support the scheme — not forgetting the businesses who carry out the tedious job of watering their baskets every day!

Special thanks must also go to GTEC for the generous loan of their facilities on the Bruntacres Trading Estate for a fortnight when I am preparing everything. I certainly would not be able to manage without that. Don't forget those little yellow donation boxes around town please. The van needs a new back axle!!

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#### National Recognition for Dales Charity

Local charity Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust (YDMT) has been awarded the Sheikh Abdullah Award for Intercultural Dialogue work at the #NO2H8Crime Awards which celebrate the 'upstanders' in society who tackle hatred, intolerance and prejudice. Through activities such as conservation, crafts, farm visits, walks and hosting weekends, YDMT is helping to build bridges and break down barriers in the Yorkshire Dales. More than 9.000 disadvantaged people have benefitted so far, enjoying the chance to learn new skills, and to feel happier and healthier by connecting with nature.

YDMT believes that everyone should have access to the special Yorkshire Dales landscape, and works with organisations across the region to offer disadvantaged groups the chance to

experience something new and positive in the Dales. One such group is the Darwen Asylum & Refugee Enterprise (DARE) who have been a regular partner. Having visited the Dales with DARE and YDMT, Urmila, originally from Bangladesh, said: "The trip was amazing! We have enjoyed a lot, especially the place is full of peace. Also we have met new people, we shared food, we have chatted and shared our thoughts and feelings, we laughed, sang and we have learned about places and making things. I must say it is a blessing being with nature and lovely people. We are very fortunate."

The charity also works with young carers, homeless people, the elderly, and people living with disabilities, mental illness and social isolation. These groups are among the 10% most economically deprived communities in the country, and often lack the ability and confidence to visit the countryside.

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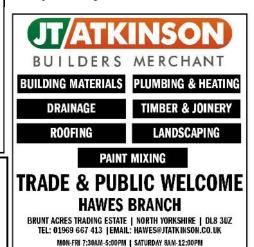
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#### **Upper Dales Family History Group**

This month's meeting is on **Wednesday**, **November 28th**, at **2.00pm** in Harmby Village Hall near Leyburn when we will have a teaching session on how to find, read and understand parish registers. Non-members are very welcome at £2. For more information, email <a href="mailto:tracy@swaledale.org">tracy@swaledale.org</a> or phone **07432 67783** or see the group's website at:/ upperdales.weebly.com.

#### Wensleydale Society

Richard Sands - 'My Life as a Beefeater at the Tower of London' is the speaker at the Society's meeting on **Friday, November 2nd** at West Burton Village Hall. The talk begins at **7.30pm**. Details of the next Saturday Walks will be given. Membership of the Society is £5 per year and visitors are welcome for a small fee. Just turn up on the night.





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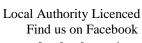
it is hard to believe that Panto Season is almost upon us. Hopefully you are already aware that tickets are on sale for Wensleydale Music and Theatre Group's production of that well-loved traditional panto – Jack and the Beanstalk.

Come and enjoy a great evening of family entertainment and follow the story of our hero Jack, his long lost love, Jill, his loving mother Betty Bitsnbobs, his resourceful brother 'Silly' Simon, the mean and greedy Squire Root, a singing harp and many other amazing characters; not forgetting Daisy the Cow, the giant, his wife and, of course, the giant beanstalk. An amazing adventure, come and see. With such well known songs such as One Day I'll Fly Away (Moulin Rogue), Reach for the stars (S Club 7) and I will survive (Gloria Gaynor) and many, many more, this panto will delight audiences of all ages.

Performances are at Hawes Market House. 7.30pm Wednesday, November 28th to Saturday, December 1st with a matinee at 2.00pm Sunday, December 2nd. Doors open a half hour before each performance. Tickets are £9.00 for adults and £6.50 for U12s and are available at Hawes Community Office and Library tel. 667400 open from Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.30pm, Saturday 9.00am to 12.30pm. You can also book on-line at www.wensleydalemtg.co.uk.

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#### **Badger Attack?**

It seems to take a while sometimes for news to filter through to us here at the Newsletter but we understand that an upstanding (barely) member of our community reckons he was savaged by a badger, walking home to Thornton Rust after Askrigg Sports Day. No names mentioned, but are you sure, Steve??!! Obviously the wildlife is on the rampage at the moment ( or maybe this pair of locals are leading rather wild lives?) as it has also been claimed that a member of staff at the Rose & Crown (again no names, Wilson!) was bitten by a bat - he didn't actually say where! And the marks to prove it had conveniently faded. Seems to me we should all avoid whatever these two are on!! Lindsey Annison.

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

#### October

- 27 Italian Night with Swale Singers, Reeth Memorial Hall. 7.30pm.
- 28 'Live On' Concert at Tennants. 2.30pm
- 30 Dominoes at Stalling Busk School Room. 7.30pm.
- 31 Deadline for submission of articles for Story Writing Competition.

#### November

- 2 Domino Drive and supper. 7.30pm. Muker Public Hall.
- 2 Wensleydale Society talk. 7.30pm. West Burton Village Hall. See p.16.
- 3 Bedale Bonfire Express Train from Redmire. See p.28.
- 4 Hawes Bonfire and Fireworks. 6.30pm. See p.17.
- 4 Wensleydale Concert Series. Carperby. 3.00pm. See p.8.
- 6 Aysgarth Coffee Morning. 10.00am to noon at The Priory, Worton.
- 7 Coffee Club. Old Police House, Redmire. 10.30am to noon.
- 8 Ballet by bus. See p.32.
- Fundraising event Askrigg Village Hall
   7.00pm. See p.4.
- 9 Closing Date for Hawes Pavilion Questionnaire. See p.26.
- 9,10,11 Askrigg Festival of Remembrance. See p.6.
- 9 History of Askrigg Lecture. DCM Hawes. See p.22.
- 10 Carperby Concert. 7.00pm for 8.00pm start. See p.39.
- 11 Dalesplay Christmas Fayre. Hawes Market House. 10.00am to 4.00pm. See p.23.
- 11 Remembrance Day Service. Hawes Junction Chapel, 2.00pm.
- 13 Arts Society Lecture. Middleham. 2.00pm. See p.32.
- 14 Hawes Christmas Lights going up. Help needed. See p.19.
- 14 Film at the NASH, Hawes. See p.2.
- 15 Bainbridge W.I. AGM. Bainbridge Village Hall, 7.30pm.
- 15 Quiz Night Leyburn Bowling Club, 7.30pm. See p.33.
- 15 Wensleydale School Open Evening. See p.33.

- 16 Leyburn U3A talk. 10.00am. See p.5.
- 16 Bolton Castle talk at the DCM Hawes. See p.21.
- 17 Wensleydale Flower Club
  Demonstration. Leyburn. See p.33.
- 17 Moorcock Inn Christmas Fayre. See p.22.
- 17,18 West Burton Art Group exhibition. 10.00am to 4.00pm. See p.18.
- 20 Local History Society meeting.2.00pm. Middleham. See p.36.
- 21 Little White Bus trip to Ambleside Garden Centre. Ring 01969 667400
- 21 Penhill Ladies. 'The Secret Life of Pencils and the real 'Q' of WW2'. Carperby Institute. 7.30pm.
- 21 Afternoon Tea Club. Redmire Village Hall. 2.00pm.
- 22 Shopping Bus Trip to Newcastle. See p.34.
- 23 Hawes School PTFA. Christmas Fayre 6.30pm at the school. See p.22.
- 24 Gayle Mill Trust Christmas Fayre. See p.9.
- 26 Prayer Fellowship, 7.30pm. Gordon Lodge, Redmire.
- 27 LASS meeting, Thornborough Hall, Leyburn, 7.15pm.
- 28 First night of Hawes Panto. See p.18.
- 28 Family History Group meeting. 2.00pm Harmby. See p.16.

#### December

- 1 Swales Singers concert. St Andrew's, Aysgarth. 7.30pm. See p.31.
- 1 Hawes Christmas Festival. See p.4.
- 3 Taize Service. Gayle Chapel. Noon. See p.22.
- 9 Toy Service. Gayle Chapel. 2.00pm. See p.36.

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#### DCM What's On

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#### **Events in November**

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The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday**, **November 6th** at Barton Village Hall (near Scotch Corner) from **10.30am to 12.30pm**. The meeting will be looking at a village hall being more than a place to hire out. It could be a community cinema, have a pop up pub, be a library and book exchange, a place to enjoy brunches, lunches and a pop up restaurant!

The doors open at **10.00am** for light refreshments and networking. To book a place, please visit our website: <a href="https://communityfirstyorkshire.org.uk/event/barton-richmondshire-community-building-network-meeting/">https://communityfirstyorkshire.org.uk/event/barton-richmondshire-community-building-network-meeting/</a>.

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#### **History of Askrigg Lecture**

Due to the limited capacity of the lecture room at the DCM some people were unable to attend the lecture 'History of Askrigg Part 11 1800-1950' given by Christine Hallas on **October 19th**. The lecture will therefore be given again on **Friday**, **November 9th at the DCM**, **Hawes at 7.30pm**.

#### Churches Together Advent Taizé Service

To mark the start of advent Churches Together in Upper Wensleydale are holding a Taizé Service at Gayle Chapel on Monday, December 3rd. The event will start at noon with a hearty soup and bread lunch followed by the service itself. So make a start to the advent season by joining us for the occasion. All are welcome to attend.

Graham Di Duca

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The Halloween decorations are up, the leaves are falling and we have been having lots of fun exploring Autumn. The children have been collecting leaves, making pumpkin biscuits, catching conkers and lots more. Please take a look at our Facebook page to see some of the activities we have been enjoying.

On **Sunday, November 11th** we will be holding our annual Christmas Fayre in Hawes Market House **from 10.00am - 4.00pm**. Come along and see some of the trade and craft stands, enjoy some homemade refreshments and try your luck on the tombola and wine/ water game. There will be lots of fun to be had for all the family.

Dalesplay is very grateful to everyone who supports us with our fundraising. We have ordered the large wooden building blocks for our outdoor area and we have been very lucky to have had a wooden sandpit made by Andrew and Sarah at Castle Timber Buildings. The children were eager to have a play in it. Thank you so much!

We would like to welcome lots of new starters over the past month, Dalesplay provides care for children aged 3 months up to 12 years, we have separate rooms to ensure we are meeting all their needs and provide lots of fun, age appropriate activities to suit all.

Dalesplay will be hosting our annual children's Christmas Party on **Thursday**, **December 20th from noon-3.00pm.** Santa will be dropping in with a present for all those at the party and we will provide a festive buffet and games. Booking is essential.

If you are looking for care for your child please contact us on **01969 667789** or email **dalesplay1@btconnect.com** for more information. Our website **www.dalesplay.co.uk** is up to date with all our details and we would be happy to show you around so you can see what we have on offer.

Joanne Fothergill

#### Doctors' Rotas as supplied by the Health Centre

These may change at short-notice due to meetings/training/illness etc. so please check with the surgery if you wish to see a particular G.P.

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## Notes from the Central Dales Practice

Fiona Morrison is our new ANP. She will work mainly at Aysgarth surgery and will work alongside the GPs. Like GPs, she can diagnose, prescribe and refer. Fiona has undertaken additional study including a prescribing course and an MSc in Advanced Practice to hold her title as an Advanced Nurse Practitioner. She joined the team on October 1st and is settling in well.

#### **Evening Appointments**

It is worth mentioning that with effect from Tuesday, November 6th we will be offering evening appointments with GPs, ANP, Practice Nurses and Healthcare Assistants at our Aysgarth surgery between 6.30pm and 8.00pm under the Better Access Services being provided by Heartbeat Alliance. See www.heartbeatalliance.org.uk for info. These appointments are an extension of primary care services and will be available to patients not only registered with Central Dales Practice but to patients registered at other GP Practices within Hambleton and Richmondshire. These appointments are there to be used and indeed, if they are not used, would be at risk of being withdrawn so please help us to spread the word.

#### Flu Vaccinations

We have purchased enough vaccinations for all of those eligible for a free flu vaccination. If you haven't had yours yet, get in touch with us to book now. If they're not used, they'll go to waste which we are sure no one wants to happen. Support your surgery and have your flu vaccination with us.

Lynn Irwin

#### **News from the Vets**

With winter cattle housing just around the corner and a change in the weather, the risk of calf pneumonia rises. There are many different combinations of vaccines that can be given to calves in order to prevent losses from these diseases. Please contact us at the surgery for more information.

We are also running some BVD free schemes with RDPE funding. This is free to farms, with testing and meeting being included. If you are again interested please contact us at the surgery on 01969 650263

**Davinia Hinde** 

#### **Heavens Above**

November is a great month for spotting the most distant object visible to the unaided human eye the Great Galaxy in Andromeda – easily the finest in the sky. M31, to give it one of its official catalogue numbers, is a spiral galaxy about 1½ times the size of our own Milky Way and contains around a trillion stars. And though it's one of our nearest galactic neighbours it really is a long, long way away, roughly 2.5 million light years or 15 million, million, million, million miles if I've done my sums right.

Despite its immense distance M31 is fairly easy to locate at this time of the year especially on a dark moonless night from a site well away from artificial lights. Find the four mediumbright stars forming the Square of Pegasus - well up in the south by mid-evening in November - then look for two loose chains of stars forming a V shape trailing away to the east from the Square's top left-hand corner. Just above the mid-point of the top chain and slightly to the north-west you'll find your target — an oval misty patch about four times the width of the full Moon. To the naked eye M31 isn't particularly impressive, even binoculars won't

show its spiral arms or its two large satellite galaxies for instance. You really need to see long exposure photos taken with a large telescope to appreciate the galaxy's true grandeur. Its softly glowing nucleus, tightly wound spiral arms, and dark dust lanes are a wonderful sight. Have a look on the internet and you'll see what I mean.

Unlike most other galaxies which are speeding away from us, the Andromeda galaxy and our own Galaxy are actually heading towards each other - at a rate of 180 miles a second according to the latest estimates. They'll eventually collide creating an even bigger elliptical galaxy which some wag has dubbed 'Milkomeda'. No need to worry about increasing your house insurance just yet, however, as this won't happen for about four and a half billion years. Have clear skies!

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#### **Proposed Community Pavilion**



Look at this! It shows what a 'community pavilion' at Hawes Community Fields could look like. As reported in the September issue, the idea for a pavilion for all the community to use emerged at a 'What Next For The Community Fields?' public meeting on July 5th. Following the meeting, the Upper Wensleydale Sports and Recreation Association (UWSRA) charity, which owns the fields, set up a 10-person voluntary working committee to take the project forward. The committee is now asking everyone in Hawes and the

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The leaflet was launched at the October meeting of Hawes and High Abbotside Parish Council. Working committee member Gordon Sleightholm gave a short presentation. Parish Council chairman John Blackie said he got good vibes about the project from both councillors and an audience of nearly 50 people. Already £2,000 has been raised for the project in grants from Richmondshire DC (£935), North Yorkshire CC (£480), Hawes and High Abbotside Parish Council (£300) and UWSRA (£285) and this will go towards lodging a formal planning application once the community consultation and engagement has been completed.

The other piece of news is that the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority has agreed 'in principle' to make Old Station Yard the formal access point for the community fields. The plan is to move the wall at the bottom of Old Station Yard further down the railway line, creating a welcoming and open entry point. The Authority will also negotiate with UWSRA on a parking permit scheme so that users of the fields (and hopefully a pavilion) will be able to park for free in the car park.

Lastly for now, we would like to thank this newsletter for its generous donation of £50 towards the costs of printing 250 copies of the leaflet – and also say thanks to the Wensleydale Press for printing them.

#### UWSRA working committee

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#### **Jazz at Greystones**

Many thanks to the Daykin family (Harris, Lewis, Nigel and Chris) for kindly putting on a live jazz event in their garden at Greystones on Saturday, September 1st in support of The Burtersett Village Institute.

The evening was a great success and everyone who attended (including villagers, holiday makers and other locals) were treated to some fantastic musical entertainment. The standard of musicianship was exceptional and special thanks must go to Harris who is a genius on the saxophone at just 13 years of age.

The evening raised £80 toward Institute funds. Many thanks to all.

Annie Sikorska

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The days may be getting shorter and the weather cooler but don't fret there is always something happening on the Wensleydale Railway! Some important dates for your diary:

#### November 3rd – Bedale Bonfire Express

Bringing people from across the Yorkshire Dales to the wonderful Bedale Bonfire celebrations. Train starts in Redmire at **5.05pm**, calling at Leyburn at **5.26pm**. There will be a connecting bus to Leyburn from Hawes, Askrigg, Bainbridge, Aysgarth, West Witton and Wensley. The return from Bedale departs at **8.20pm**. There will be a bar on board selling a variety of hot, cold and alcoholic drinks. Tickets are:

Train ONLY:- £5 Adult, £1 Child. Train and Bus:- £9 Adult, £3 Child.

#### November 25th - Autumnal Scenic Lunch

Enjoy a scenic journey through the Yorkshire Dales and marvel at the crisp autumnal scenery as we approach the start of winter, all while enjoying lunch, consisting of locally produced sandwiches, pastries and cakes, in the warmth of one of our heritage carriages. Lunch will also include a glass of mulled wine, tea and coffee.

#### November 25th - Festive Wreath Making

Learn how to create a festive wreath while you journey into the beautiful Yorkshire Dales!

For tickets and more information about these events and our Christmas events starting in December please call **01677 425805** or visit our website <a href="https://www.wensleydalerail.com">www.wensleydalerail.com</a>.

Rebecca Jerram

## Tender for a Gardening and Landscaping Contract

for Hawes Methodist Cemetery - North Yorkshire Dales Methodist Circuit.

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## Vacancies on the Yorkshire Dales Access Forum

The Yorkshire Dales Access Forum, an independent group which advises the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (YDNPA) on all matters relating to 'open-air recreation', is recruiting new members. The Forum meets three times a year in Bainbridge and needs five new members. Forum members are unpaid volunteers but receive travel expenses, and are appointed for a term of three years.

Applications are invited from people who own and work the land and from people who use it for recreation or a variety of other interests. Current members include farmers and landowners, people in the tourism trade, as well as walkers, cyclists and recreational motor enthusiasts.

Rachel Briggs, the YDNPA's Access and Recreation Officer, said: "The Access Forum has an important role to play in addressing the challenges that regularly crop up regarding public rights of way and open access land. Forum members can put forward ideas for improving open air recreation."

The deadline for applications to join the Forum is **Friday**, **November 16th**. Anyone who would like to be considered for membership can contact Rachel Briggs by phone, **01969 652363**, or email <u>Rachel.briggs@yorkshiredales.org.uk</u>.



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#### Game for an Award

Tristan Prudden from Bainbridge has just been awarded the 'Champion of Champions' Award at the Eat Game Awards 2018 ceremony in London for 'going above and beyond to promote the serving of game'.

Tristan attended The Wensleydale School before securing a scholarship to train at the Tante Marie Cookery Academy in Woking from where he graduated in 2010 as Student of the Year. He was also a grateful recipient of the Newsletter Book & Equipment Awards in 2009, using his grant to purchase knives and equipment for his course. Since leaving the



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Marwood House, Railway Street, Leyburn Tel: 622800 cookery school, he has been refining his skills at various hotels, restaurants and pubs around North Yorkshire. Tristan is currently Private Chef to the Wyvill family at Constable Burton Hall near Leyburn where he caters for shooting parties during the season.

Tristan was encouraged to enter the Eat Game 2018 Awards to acknowledge his passion for game cookery and the innovative and exciting dishes he creates using game shot on the Constable Burton estate and other estates in the surrounding area.

Tristan attended the ceremony at Boisdale Canary Wharf in October with D'Arcy Wyvill and guests who were all thrilled when the announcement was made. Tristan said he didn't hold out much hope of winning with some very big names listed as finalists, so he was pretty stunned when his name was called to receive the 'Champion of Champion's award which is chosen by the judges. He is extremely grateful to everyone who went to the effort to vote for him. The award was presented by James Horne, Chairman of James Purdey & Sons and Adam Henson of BBC's Countryfile.

K.P.

#### **Isabel Metcalf**

would like to thank all her many friends for the lovely cards and flowers she received on the occasion of her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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#### **Contronyms**

The English language can be very peculiar. Amongst its many quirks are contronyms. These are words which in certain expressions have multiple meanings (or senses) of which one is the reverse of another. Here are some examples:

1) It's really FAST.

Does it mean it's stuck and not moving OR it's moving really quickly?

2) It's being SCREENED now.

Does it mean it is on show OR that it is hidden?

3) It's all DOWNHILL from here.

Does it mean it is going to be easier or worse?

4) It's an ORIGINAL design.

Does it mean it is the first of many or a one-off?

5) The alarm just went OFF.

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#### Swale Singers' Christmas Gig

Yes, I know the shops have had Christmas stuff in since September, which is way too early. But by the beginning of December you might be starting to feel a bit Christmassy. So to help in the build up to the festive season, the Swale Singers are strutting their stuff at St Andrew's in Aysgarth on Saturday, December 1st at 7.30pm.

We'll be performing a variety of Christmas music including pieces by Britten and Finzi. No need to get tickets in advance, just turn up and we look forward to seeing you there.

If you like what you hear and fancy singing with us, new choir members are always welcome. Just come along to the United Reformed Church in Low Row at 3.00pm any Sunday afternoon. Best to email Jackie Pope first to make sure it isn't our "Christmas holiday" swalesingers@swaledale.org.

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#### The Arts Society, Wensleydale

#### Marvels in Silver - Georg Jensen jewellery

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Born into poverty, Jensen was largely uneducated and, failing to make a living as a sculptor, turned to silversmithing in 1904. He adopted the Art Nouveau style and Jensen's innovative silver jewellery continues to the present day in the prestigious Georg Jensen

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Chris A Whittaker

#### **Ballet by Bus**

Ticket and coach for the matinee performance at the Alhambra Theatre, Bradford, on Thursday, November 8th, cost £36. The coach leaves Middleham and picks up at Leyburn, Crakehall & Bedale. Ring **01969 663259** to book.

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#### Dragon Hunts for the Next Business Leaders

The Wensleydale School Business and Innovation Centre is continuing its search to find the business leaders of tomorrow who want to take control of their own futures. Applications are now open for the second intake of students aged 16 - 19, for the School's Peter Jones Enterprise Academy which equips young people with the practical skills and experience needed to excel in the working world through its tailored courses, developed by star of Dragons' Den, Peter Jones CBE, in partnership with Pearson (Edexcel), the UK's largest educational awarding body.

The business-led courses have a mission to unleash young people's entrepreneurial talent by giving them the opportunity to 'learn by doing'. Students are given the unique opportunity to learn first-hand the essential skills needed for the world of work. Headteacher, Mrs Julia Polley said: "We're extremely excited to be able to offer the young people of the Dales the opportunity to join the Peter Jones Enterprise Academy. This diverse and 'hands-on' course which gives young people the experience, skills and knowledge needed to build long, successful careers and will be a fantastic addition to our curriculum."

To find out more visit The Wensleydale School & Sixth Form open evening on **Thursday, November 15th** at **6.00pm**.

**Andy Wilkinson** 

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#### Tales of a Cycling Offcumden

I was rather bored in the empty bookshop the other day when I glanced to my left and I saw a dog-eared volume that had seen better days. It was a famous biography, much lauded in the past but I fear not much read today, namely the biography of Dr. Johnson by Boswell. I did a bit of simple arithmetic and worked out that it contained about half a million words! I remember my English teacher recommending it but none of us heeded his words. Most moderns desire more easy and palatable intellectual nourishment. Many of us haven't got the stamina! I suppose I am very conscious of the inevitable age-related physical and cognitive decline that will happen to us all. But there is a lot of research that states that intellectual interests and physical exercise put a bit of a break in this decline. What is good for the body is good for the brain.

That is the reason I love cycling. It is a physical and mental challenge but to be fair it has not always been successful - especially when my wife and I are in Europe. We have had a good number of city breaks with friends. In most of these cities you can hire bikes which we often do. In Amsterdam it was simple and enjoyable. But in Krakow it was problematic. We hired some bikes and sallied forth energetically. Alas, we got lost somewhere in the suburbs, well away from the centre of town. Nobody seemed to know English but in the end we found a helpful young man who put us right.

Later in Holland we nearly had a disaster. We arrived at the Hook and started to cycle to a Centre Parks resort on the coast. The first day took us to Brielle. We hoped to reach our destination on the second day. First of all it started to rain and I soon found out that my high viz jacket, that I assumed was impermeable, was very permeable indeed. A cold drizzle soaked me and chilled me to the bone. Also, the cheap map of Holland began to disintegrate before my eyes. We got lost in a rural area without a map! I did know that our destination was on the western edge of the island we were on and just then we had a glimpse through the clouds of the fading sun. I said, "We just have

to follow the setting sun in the west and we'll soon be there." My wife, whose sense of direction is feeble at the best of times was not amused by my amateur navigational skills. But I managed to convince her and we carried on, hoping for the best. My idea was rewarded. We arrived safely! Later my wife told me that when we arrived I was mentally confused and suffering from a bout of hyperthermia. Some warm food and rest in a heated environment soon restored me to a sound mind.

I love adventures but my wife likes rationality and closure. Since then I have learned to be more gracious and caring!

**Brian Davis** 

#### **Shopping Bus Trip to Newcastle**

#### Thursday, November 22nd

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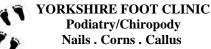
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## Housing Completions Low, Permissions High

Only 20 houses were completed in the Yorkshire Dales National Park in the 2017/18 financial year, the National Park Authority's annual monitoring report has shown. It is the lowest level of completions since at least 1991, when records began to be kept.

However, the number of planning permissions granted by the Authority for homes was – at 67 – the highest since 2007/8. The Local Plan has a target of 55 net additional dwellings per annum in the Park.

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"However, it is extremely disappointing to see housing completions at a record low. Sometimes we see only a short time between planning permission being granted and the houses being built and people moving in. That happened last year in Hudswell, where three new houses were built for affordable rent to local people in no time at all. Typically, however, there is a big time lag. And it's a similar story across the rest of Yorkshire, where there are now 24,000 unimplemented planning permissions for housing."

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#### **Churches Together Toy Service**

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## Middleham and the Dales Local History Group

## World War 1 Appeals Tribunals By Ruth Rising

Tuesday, November 20th, 2.00pm, at the Middleham Key Centre

The subject of this talk is unique to North Yorkshire. In March 1922, due to the sensitive issues detailed in the tribunal papers, the Ministry of Health issued instructions that all tribunal records be destroyed. By an oversight the North Riding Tribunal papers have survived. The appeal papers held by the North Yorkshire County Record Office detail the cases of men who wished to defer their military service to a later date or who conscientiously objected.

Ruth Rising will talk about the papers in general and the different issues which were raised by those who applied for deferment. Many included supporting evidence from employers, solicitors or doctors. The talk will include short case studies of five men from the Middleham area who appear in the appeal papers.

Middleham and the Dales Local History Group welcomes old and new members and visitors, annual membership is only £10, or £3 per meeting for visitors. For more information contact **Tony Keates 01969 640436**, dotandtonyk@btinternet.com.

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The following incidents of note have happened around the Dales in the last month:

Sometime around the end of September, roof slates were removed from a barn in Horsehouse, Coverdale.

Overnight on September 26th 20 ewes, 19 gimmer lambs and a blue faced tup were stolen from a field near Newton Le Willows. They all have a distinctive V shaped cut to the top of both ears.

On September 29th the proprietor of The Walking Shop in Leyburn noticed a suspicious acting male on his premises, who proceeded to run off with the proprietor giving chase. The swift action of another staff member in alerting Leyburn officers, led to a foot pursuit through the town and ended with the male being found hiding near the railway. A search of the thief revealed he had stolen two high value jackets from The Walking Shop.

At midday on October 3rd four males targeted the CO-OP store in Leyburn stealing numerous bottles of spirits. They left in a white SUV type vehicle and then are believed to have gone on to steal items including power tools from a storage



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unit in Bellerby. Enquiries are ongoing to identify the males from in-store CCTV footage.

Dates for drop-in surgeries at Hawes (usually 11:30am) throughout November/December are available at the Community Office. Another way to keep up to date with local police events, incidents and information appeals is to sign up to Community Messenger which is a free alerts system which can be received through a media of your choosing. Go online at www.nycm.co.uk - it only takes 5 mins!

I am sure you are all aware of the tragic collision between multiple vehicles on the Ingleton road on 23rd September and of an incident on the 21st involving a motorcyclist coming off the road between the Buttertubs and Thwaite. Our thoughts are with the families of those who were involved.

If you have any community issues you wish discuss, please contact either myself or PCSO 5232 Don Watson via '101' option 2 (quoting name or collar number) or by email Lucy.Osborn@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk / Donald.Watson@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk . If you are reporting an incident or crime, please report this to the Force Control Room on '101'; always call '999' in an emergency.

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#### **Prunings**

What a strange mixture of weather this week. On Wednesday (October 10th) I set about trimming with secateurs and finished up with a saw taking out one shrub completely. It was gloriously warm and I potted up more bulbs. The main order of tulips has arrived, but today (Saturday) it is awful, so they will wait until the next reasonably calm dry morning.

What I plan to do is referred to by the Dutch as a bulb lasagne. It means simply layering the bulbs with the largest/latest flowering varieties at the bottom and, of course the earliest ones at the top. You can put quite a lot into a large pot as long as there is a minimum of 10cms. of compost below the bottom ones and they grow up around each other. I always add a slow release fertiliser and mycorrhizal powder. This is often sold as "Rootgrow". There are many similar products, and it is not cheap, but it helps the formation of roots and allows the plants to draw nutrients from the soil more easily. Besides, you don't need very much.

The display won't be quite what I had intended: I had my eye on a particular Iris in the Sara Raven catalogue. I watched Monty Don potting them up on Gardener's World, and by the time I phoned to get them they were sold out. I had not acted while the iron was hot!

The other interesting Raven suggestion was to put the display in a large plastic pot which will then fit inside a posh pot. When the bulbs are over the whole thing can be lifted out and the pot re-used. Sara Raven sells 20 litre pots for this purpose, but they are very big. I've found some 15 litre pots which fit well into some of my larger display examples, and that is what I shall use. I might try planting some up with herbaceous perennials to pop in later on next year.

For more wild life to thrive in the garden it is better not to tidy up too much. My excuse is always that hedgehogs need somewhere to hibernate and hollow stems lying under hedges provide sanctuary for all manner of creepy crawlies that are essential for the system to work well. In other words it is fine to leave plenty of detritus as long as it doesn't offend you too much.

There is one more important job I must do: Our enormous, beautiful, ancient, rare Weeping Beech in the churchyard at Horsehouse dropped a very large branch in the middle of the summer. The people who know about these things tell us that the original graft has failed. It must have been done more than 200 years ago as the date 1784 is carved into the trunk. The remainder of the tree is now unstable and needs to be felled. I have promised myself that I will try to get some cuttings to root. It has not worked before, but this is the best season to do it and there is always a first time.

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

Rose Rambler

#### Gerry Colvin Band Returns to Carperby

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