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and Bishopdale,
Swaledale from Keld to Gunnerside plus Cowgill in Upper Dentdale.

Guest Editorial

The Swallows

There is bad news and good news. The bad news is that swallows, along with many other once common birds, are in decline. The good news is that, this year, a pair of them made a nest in our front porch and raised four chicks. We can watch them, unobserved, through the glass window in our inner front door. Doing this over the last month or so has been a delight, and also a privilege.

Why are swallows so reduced in numbers now? Ours do better than the barn swallows of North America which, over the last forty years, have declined by an unbelievable 95%. Even so, it is a cause for alarm when any species declines, wherever it happens. Climate change and global warming, whether part of a natural cycle or brought about by humankind, is not fake news. Swallows feed on insects, on the wing, and both wet and dry conditions are needed to ensure a regular supply of these. In recent years wild variations in weather patterns have also upset the patterns of insect life. At the end of June this country had the hottest day on record, a month later our part of the Yorkshire Dales was devastated by torrential rain and widespread flooding.

We do have some responsibility for the decline. Farming patterns in Europe have changed and fields are no longer grazed widely by cattle as in times past. Swallows like to forage over grazed pastures, and these are now hard to find. Ornithologists have observed that our swallows are returning to their nesting places in poor condition, and laying fewer eggs. They may have suffered in their winter quarters in Africa, or on their migration routes which include crossing the Sahara which, over the last century, has got bigger, expanding southwards, something partly attributed to climate change and to more extreme weather conditions. If it is too dry, or too wet, the insects, the plant life, and the birds suffer. Many swallows die when they migrate, of starvation or of dehydration.

Our swallows first made us aware of their presence by making a mess in the porch, not just with droppings but with mud and feathers

and by flying in and out at frequent intervals. Instinctively, we ducked, though the two birds showed little interest in us. Then the nest building started, a neat cup-shaped structure high up in a sheltered corner of the porch, a nest made of wet pellets of mud and lined with grasses and feathers, with anything soft. When it was finished we waited. There was always a bird in the nest, sometimes two. And then, oh wonder, what looked like a row of small bright red triangles appeared. These were the ever-open mouths of the four chicks. From then on, mum and dad were frantically busy, popping food into their mouths every twenty minutes, between dawn and dusk.

There was a lull then, and no swallows to be seen. Had something disturbed them and driven them away? Had a predator got them? Our hearts sank. Then, one evening, we spotted all four chicks lined up neatly along the top of the front door. They had fledged but they were still experimenting, flying from nest to door and back, then out into the open air, settling on the nearest electricity cables, chatting to each other and flexing their wings.

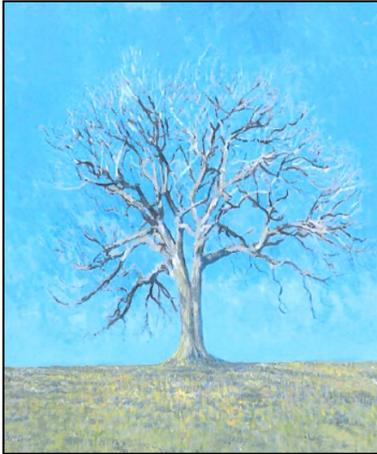
Their characteristic tail feathers, hardly noticeable at first, have grown steadily longer. Now they are out and about, looping the loop, sailing on the updrafts, then suddenly changing course, as if pulled by an invisible string. At night they come back to the porch and roost on our pendent ceiling light. One of us always checks on 'the babies' before we go to bed.

I have been doing my ironing, the usual prelude to a week's holiday, and listening to one of my favourite pieces of music, Brahms' Requiem. In one section Brahms uses the words of Psalm 84 'How lovely are thy dwellings, O Lord of Hosts'. The psalm continues 'Yea, the sparrow hath found a house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars...'

We have done such awful things to our planet that the presence of our swallows in the porch has felt like an undeserved gift. I wish them safe passage across the seas and the deserts. And 'Haste ye back'. We will be waiting for you.

Ann Pilling.

Ash: A Celebration and a Lament



This fascinating exhibition runs during September and October at the National Park Offices, Yoredale. It features a collection of works by Mark Butler and Rob Keep celebrating the prominence of the Ash tree in the Yorkshire Dales landscape, and the devastating impact of Ash dieback.

Mark's work features drawings made using techniques such as rust-printing and burning, using ink and gold leaf, along with sculptures in bronze and rusted steel.

Trees have been a recurring subject in Rob's work over many years, and the pieces in pencil, charcoal, ink and paint reveal the variety and beauty of the Ash, and its significance in the local landscape.

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Eunice the Ewe

Last month I was in the Teasdale Electrical advert on page 34. Lots of entries this time and the lucky winner (drawn out of the hat) of the £10 prize is Jake Hulley of Hawes. Where am I now? To enter for the £10 prize, please include your postal address if replying by email.

Bainbridge Vets News

On **September 7th** we will be holding our annual open day and charity dog show. The day will run from **11.00am - 2.00pm** and the dog show from **noon**. We will also be having a raffle, tombola and a cake stand. If anyone would be interested in donating anything for these that would be appreciated.

We are raising money this year for the victims of the recent local flooding. We would love to see as many of you there as possible. For more information call **01969 650263**.

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September Competition

Here are some famous Yorkshire people. How many can you identify?

1. FIERY NO MORE
2. MUSICAL FRED
3. STUMPED LIKE HIS DAD
4. "BELIEVE NOT THOSE WHO SAY" SHE WROTE
5. HIS LAST NAME MUDDLES JUST THAT! HE WASN'T A SAILOR
6. FELINE PEEPERS MAN
7. WHARFEDALE CHAIRMAN?
8. METHODIST BEHIND THE CINEMA GONG
9. HE RUNS DOWN GARSDALE
10. HER DAD IMPORTED HERRINGS- SHE TOOK FLIGHT
11. MUSICAL BREAD-MAKER?
12. BROTHER PAUL WAS LORD MAYOR OF BRADFORD
13. IT'S VERY SMALL, BUT HE SPLIT IT
14. B.B. IN "ORDER"
15. LOU READS THIN RON

Send in your answers to arrive by **Tuesday, September 17th** for a chance to win the £20 prize which will be sent to your nominated charity.

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
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Bainbridge:	Sylvia Crookes, 3, Bainside	650525
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Thoralby:	Sandra Foley, Shop	663205
West Witton	Christine Barker, Chestnut Garth	624934

August Competition Answers

Here are the answers to the local places quiz of last month:-

1. Browna Paddocks
2. Nappa Mill
3. Worton Bottoms
4. Woodhall Park
5. Ballowfield
6. Freeholders Wood
7. Hestholme Farm
8. Slapstone Wath
9. Batt Island
10. Scaw Bottom
11. Cornlands Wood
12. Yore House

The winner this month is Kelvin Young from Skidby, East Yorkshire, one of four correct answers (picked out of the hat). His nominated charity is Yorkshire Air Ambulance who will receive the prize of £20.

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**Sep 19th, Oct 17th, Nov 21st, Dec 19th,
Jan 16th, Feb 20th, Mar 19th, Apr 16th.**



FOSTER'S COACHES

Autumn Trips 2019

Carlisle - Historic Market Town
Wednesday 11th September - Adults £13
Pick Up's Leyburn 9am update Hawes 9.45am.

Windermere - Autumn Day in the Lakes
Wednesday 9th October - Adults £13
Pick Up's Leyburn 9am update Hawes 9.45am.

Blackpool Illuminations - Half Term
Wednesday 30th October - Adults £13 / Child £9
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For seat reservations / further info please contact Jayne Foster
01969 622331 or fosters55@hotmail.co.uk

UWNL Children's Story Writing Competition 2019

Entry is Now Open

Last year we had a wonderful response to our competition with local children producing some amazing stories about the environment. This year we want you to write a story entitled “**A Night to Remember**” to be published in this newsletter. We want you to be as creative as possible with your story. It could be about an imaginary character or a true story about yourself. It could be written from the point of view of an animal or set in the past about an historical event. It is totally up to you and your imagination. Your story must be between 300 and 500 words and be emailed to uwnlinput@gmail.com by **Thursday, October 31st**. There are two age categories; 7-9 and 10-11 year olds. You could win £50 and a trophy and also a prize for your Primary School. You could become a published writer as winning stories will appear in the February/March editions of this newsletter which is read by over 1,500 people! We will also be inviting our winners to be young newsletter correspondents for a year. The rules, prizes and how to enter are detailed below. Primary schools in the Newsletter area will be encouraging children to enter and can help with advice and access to computers etc. Local author, Ann Pilling is our judge and she advises "Write me a story that will make me sit up and take notice. Scare me. Thrill me. Puzzle me - all three if you like. Dream up some colourful characters and use colourful words to tell their stories". Happy writing and we can't wait to read your stories.

PRIZES

The winner in each age group will receive a £50 book voucher and a trophy to keep.

The runners up in each age group will receive a £25 book voucher and a certificate,

The winning stories will be published in the February/March editions of the UWNL.

The winning children will be invited to be correspondents for the newsletter for a year.

The winning children's Primary School in

each age group will hold the Alan Watkinson Memorial Shield (for 7-9 or 10-11yr olds) for one year and receive a book voucher for £100.

HOW TO ENTER

Write your story – it must be type written and between 300 and 500 words long (your school can help you with access to computers and email).

Email your entry to uwnlinput@gmail.com.

Ensure your name, age, name of your school, email and postal addresses are included on your work (otherwise we can't enter your work into the competition).

Entries need to reach us by **Thursday, October 31st**.

RULES

Only one entry per person. The story must be your own original work and you must have your parent/guardian's permission to enter.

Entrants must be 7-11 years old at the time of entering, attending a Primary School and resident in the UWNL circulation area (see the front cover of the Newsletter for our circulation area).

Stories must be between 300 and 500 words with a title of “A Night to Remember” and reach us by **Thursday, October 31st**.

The judge's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

The winners and runners-up will be notified by email by **December 1st**. Prizes will be awarded in **January 2020**.

The UWNL reserves the right to publish any story entered into the competition.



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Richmondshire Concerts

If you're a classical music enthusiast, here's a good reason to look forward to autumn: the Richmondshire Concerts, now in their seventy second year, are about to re-start, after another season of record-breaking attendances.

The six-concert series of performances by top professional classical musicians begins at **7.30pm on Saturday, September 28th**, when the Doric String Quartet performs quartets by Haydn and Britten, as well as Schubert's astonishing *Death and the Maiden*.

Then, in October, Royal Northern Sinfonia fields a full team for an ambitious programme of Strauss, Wagner and Mahler's mighty First Symphony, *The Titan*. The rest of the season is just as appealing and runs until **March 2020**.

Society Chairman Nick Reckert says: "We get lots of visitors from Wensleydale; I think they appreciate our friendliness and informality just as much as the quality of the artists."

Full programme details are at www.rsconcerts.org. Season Tickets (£48 for six concerts) and tickets for individual concerts (£16 - £20) may be bought online, or at Castle Hill Bookshop in Richmond.

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Police Report

Incidents of note from around the dales this last month include:

Overnight on July 27th, a number of pheasant traps, electric fence cable and a water tank appear to have been deliberately damaged, just outside Cotterdale.

Between August 2nd and 3rd, a green Yamaha quad bike was stolen from the Langthwaite area.

On the afternoon of August 10th in Muker, a vehicle had its window smashed and a handbag stolen from within.

Early in the morning on August 4th, a local male had their vehicle seized in Leyburn market square for driving whilst disqualified.

Sometime around the beginning of August, the Dales Countryside Museum had several high value items taken.

In the last few weeks, we have seen door step sellers in Askrigg and Thornton Rust, usually telling the 'ex-offender' story. More often than not (in our experience), these 'sellers', do not have a valid licence to sell door to door and are selling over-priced household cleaning products that can be bought at a fraction of the cost from the high street.

If anyone would like any 'NO COLD CALLING' signs for their front window/door – please let me know. And please continue to report sellers if they appear at your door.

A number of suspicious vehicles have been seen in and around Hawes very recently. Thank you to those that have phoned in, please continue to do so.

In light of some concern about increased opportunistic crime in the area following the flooding, particularly in Arkengarthdale, Swaledale and Leyburn, we have been increasing our patrols in the evenings and at night in the area in order to provide what reassurance we can, at what has been, and continues to be, a devastating and distressing time for residents.

PCSO Lucy Osborn 3744
Dales Safer Neighbourhood Team
North Yorkshire Police

Wensleydale Concert Series

Robin Michael, cello
Saturday, September 28th, 7.30pm
Carperby Village Hall

An evening of solo cello music including the sixth cello suite by JS Bach, famously described as a symphony for solo cello, it is a joyous celebration of life and a work of true virtuosity. Also included are Domenico Gabrielli's Ricercare no. 6, one of the earliest works written for the cello, and hugely contrasting works of the twentieth century by Bernd Alois Zimmermann, Benjamin Britten and the serenely beautiful "Thrinon" by John Tavener.



Robin Michael is a brilliant cellist who is in great demand all over the world as soloist and chamber musician. He is also principal cellist in Orchestre Revolutionnaire et Romantique, solo cellist with Orchestre Les Siecles (Paris) as well as regular guest principal cellist with numerous other orchestras.

Further details and tickets are available via our website at www.wensleydaleconcertseries.co.uk or call **0333 666 3366** (for tickets) or **Carol Haynes on 01969 663026** if you have questions.

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Woodiwiss Weekend

The recent week-end event held in Hawes for the meeting of descendants of Sir Abraham Woodiwiss and his brother James who founded the renowned railway contractors, Benton and Woodiwiss (B&W), went really well.

The firm built many railways in the Midlands and the north of England particularly part of the Settle-Carlisle line – including Garsdale station and the chapel nearby – and the six mile Garsdale-Hawes branch (opened in 1878). Bridges built by B&W included Trent Bridge in Nottingham and some Woodiwiss descendants still live in the city.

Two or three generations later, most participants in the Hawes event did not know each other. They were therefore fascinated to meet distant cousins and learn about their famous ancestors in talks by two Woodiwiss family historians: facts were revealed, long-dead Victorians on family photos were identified and new friendships made.

The following day there was a guided footpath walk from Hawes to Garsdale.

Special thanks were expressed to the staff at the museum, the Firebox cafe, the walk leaders and several accommodation providers in Hawes (quite a few bednights were booked for the week-end!) who all contributed so much to the success of the occasion.



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Prunings

It has not been the glorious summer we might have hoped for; bottles of fizz lie unopened in the fridge and the parasol on the patio has been up and down like the proverbial yo-yo. However some plants have revelled in it. The box hedge has positively burgeoned, to the point where I think it will benefit from a little more trimming. It is late to do it now but as one side looks considerably fatter than the other and there are lots of straggly bits, something needs to be done!

I'm relieved that I didn't fill the tubs with geraniums. The few I have suffered badly in the downpours, and the Calibrachoa's I used instead, although they don't much like the rain, recover more quickly. Garden News did a spread on colour combinations, and recommended Crocosmia with Agapanthus and Achillea (yellow variety) with a purple Salvia. I have been particularly pleased with a pink Argyranthemum underplanted with Artemesia Nana which I chose from the Raven catalogue.

The Alpine Scabious which was a cheap buy from Tesco gave us a lovely show and having been cut back is now rewarding us with a second flush just as good as the first. Its dark purple cousin – Knautia Arvensis is also covered and managing to survive the downpours.

In spite of the wet we have seen lots of butterflies. I noted that on August 8th every butterfly we ever see in the garden was on the wing and in encouraging numbers. We had Painted Ladies, Red Admirals, Small Tortoiseshells, Peacocks and at least two types of Cabbage white, all visiting the Buddleias. It was

a joy to see. Another surprise was the appearance of a fairy ring at least a yard wide on a grass bank. I have never seen one here before.

If you haven't come across it yet there is a book out entitled "Wilding" by Isabella Tree. It had a good write up so I bought it last Friday. I started on it on Friday night, and was so "hooked" that I had finished it by Saturday bedtime. (It was a wet day!). It's about a conservation project on a large scale in West Sussex. Despite the fact that it flies in the face of the accepted wisdom that to feed the world will require more and more intensive farming, and challenges our inbred belief that there has to be a constant battle with the environment whether you are a farmer or gardener, it is inspirational, well written and well researched.

The process has produced incredible biodiversity in under twenty years and encouraged the return of many species on the endangered lists. It does skirt around the fact that, (although their dairy farming enterprise was close to bankruptcy with an overdraft of £1.5 million before they began the project) in fact, her husband is Sir Charles Burrell who inherited the family estate of 3,500 acres, but that did not distract from how fascinating I found it.

Having been fortunate enough to escape the worst of the water in recent weeks, may I extend my most sincere sympathy to all those who were affected, and I hope that life gets back to something approaching normal as soon as possible.

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

Rose Rambler


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The Wensleydale School and Sixth Form

Many assume that headteachers and school staff have a glorious 6 week break during July and August. This has never been the case, but this year even less so. After such an emotionally and financially difficult year, our school, like many other shops, businesses and homes in our community has been hit by flooding.

During the downpours in late July, Business Manager, Caretaker, Headteacher, cleaners and associated spouses rushed into school and waded through 6 inches of water as the rain kept coming. The damage has been significant and over the last few weeks, we have called in the cavalry to start repairing the damage. As we await the GCSE and A level results, I am surrounded by dehumidifiers, contractors and loss adjusters.

I would like to reassure parents (probably not students !) school will be repaired and ready for September.

I would also like this opportunity to thank all staff who have gone above and beyond. As they say - 'things can only get better'.

Julia Polley
Headteacher

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Memories from Whey Back!

When I visit the Hawes Cheese Factory, which is a seldom occurrence these days, due to 'old age and infirmity', I always take great satisfaction from visiting the shop where one can see the variation of cheese, set out in a tasty and tempting display.

This exploration of the cheese made at the Creamery nowadays prompts me to recall memories of myself being involved in the making of 'non-traditional' cheeses during my employment there shortly after the factory opened in 1953.

But let's start with the cheeses on display now – from fruits to spices. My first encounter was shortly after my retirement when I received a phone call from Richard Clarke, who in my mind, is 'Mr Wensleydale Cheese' himself. What he doesn't know about cheese making isn't worth knowing – a true connoisseur indeed.

I found Richard in the lab with some cheese and a tin of red berries. He told me he had this idea of mixing cranberries in with the cheese. My reply to Richard was that it would never sell. But how wrong I was. It has turned out to be a best seller; the beginnings of the various cheeses now made and on display at Hawes.

Turning back to the past when Wensleydale cheese was the only cheese made at the factory, all cheeses were made by hand – no fancy machines with buttons to press. The cheese was wrapped in muslin and bound with a flour paste, left on a wooden shelf to mature and turned every day. In time traditional Cheshire and Cheddar cheeses were added to the range – these sold well and even won prizes at the shows. During the days of a 'flush' of milk being available we turned to making quite a large quantity of Leicester cheese which needed a long stay in cold storage.

Emmerdale was another cheese that was first made in Hawes. This was an idea of Miss Betty Lyne, secretary at the Creamery. One afternoon whilst walking through the factory she spotted two moulds of leftover cheese - one with white, one with red. Betty mentioned to me that if her mother, on baking day, had brown and white dough left over she would mix the two together

to make extra loaves. She asked if this could be done with the two cheeses. We gave it a try and created a two-tone cheese. Richard Davies, then Manager, offered a fiver to the person who came up with a name for it/ I came up with the name Emmerdale – but I never got my fiver!

Another occasion that happened in my days at the Creamery was the very first milk to arrive by tanker. This was loaded the previous night, meaning the milk in the tanker had to stand. This resulted in one vat receiving 'blue milk' and the second taking all the cream. We took the cream through the whole process but the curd was hardly workable. However we did manage to get it moulded up and after quite some time in the press we had a workable cheese. To our surprise it developed a natural green vein. Kit Calvert, then the Creamery Managing Director, sent two of these cheeses to Buckingham Palace for the Queen Mother.

At certain times of the year one might have seen a mysterious little man, sporting a goatee beard and bowler hat, dashing in and out of various departments of the creamery. This was Rabbi Reubin, who stayed with us for a week to oversee the making of 'Kosher cheese' for the Jewish community. Sometimes seen as a 'bit of a nuisance', Rabbi Ruben was well respected by the staff and treated everyone to sweets at the end of his visit.

I was involved in good times and not so good times at the Dairy, but I would like to mention

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just one more incident that stands out in my mind before I am told to 'shut up and sit down' (another experience). We were approached by a Greek person from Head Office who was interested in producing Feta cheese in the north of England. I was asked to take on the task and agreed providing there was permission from the 'bosses' and as long as the Greek man had a recipe. We followed the method of making feta with five hundred gallons of milk and finished with the perfect beginnings of a product with a good firm curd cut into 6" blocks. The next stage was to cover and soak those blocks in brine in 36" square tins and to leave for two weeks. Then disaster struck. When we removed the cheese from the tins we found that the salt had reacted with the tin and created rust – lots of it. Ruined by a lack of forethought. That was the end of our Wensleydale feta – but the pigs up in Widdale had a good feed!

So much for some of the memories and the ability to remember things of the past.

Derek Ramsden

Theatre by Bus

You can enjoy a remarkable production at York Theatre Royal in September.

In the shadows of Brooklyn Bridge, the American Dream is but a shimmering mirage in Arthur Miller's Tony Award winning masterpiece 'A View from the Bridge'. In 1950s New York, respected long-shoreman Eddie Carbone lives with his wife and niece in a tight knit, immigrant community bound by moral codes of justice and honour. The surprise arrival of her Sicilian cousins unravels all that they have built together as the young men search out work, wealth and love. This matinee performance is on **Saturday, September 28th**.

The cost is £39 for coach and ticket. Bookings are needed before **Friday, September 6th**. The coach starts from Middleham and will pick up at Leyburn, Crakehall and Bedale. Please ring **01969 663259** to book.

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Does Anyone Know Who Painted This?

The Newsletter received the request below from a Dales visitor.

I am seeking information of who the artist might have been that painted the above oil painting of Dub End near Wensley. There are no clues on the painting itself. I have had it recently re-framed and there was no signature.



The only information I have is that my late parents purchased the painting in Askrigg between 1959 and 1963. I think the artist's studio may have been where Holmedale B & B is situated but not too sure as I was very young. We used to stay at Mildred House in Askrigg.

Any help in identifying the painting would be appreciated. I can be contacted at carole.macebb@gmail.com.

*Many thanks
Carole E Atkinson*

PS. Not too sure about the spelling of Dub End!

St Matthews Church, Stalling Busk

A huge thank you is expressed to all who helped create and supported this year's Flower Festival to make it such a success. Photographs of the event can be viewed on St Matthew's Church website www.stmatthewschurch-stallingbusk.co.uk.

As summer comes to a close and everyone is hoping for a fruitful harvest. Come and join us at St Matthew's Church on **Sunday, September 22nd at 2.30pm** for a Harvest Celebration. It will be followed at **3.00pm** by the Annual Bread Sale.

John Blackie

A memorial service for John Blackie will be held on **Friday, September 27th** in a marquee at the Wensleydale Creamery at **noon**.

All are invited to attend and to wear a scarf and brightly coloured socks in memory of John.

National Park Guided Walks in September

Sunday 1st – “Falls, Freeholders and Flagstones”. Meet at Aysgarth Falls National Park Centre at **1.00pm** for a 5 mile walk.

Tuesday 10th – ‘Hawes Town Trail’. **2.00pm to 4.00pm.** Meet at the DCM and join this easy 2 mile walk through Hawes and Gayle exploring the history of the area. Free event, donations welcome. Limited places, booking essential.

Sunday 15th – ‘Secret Squirrel’. **10.30am to 1.00pm. and 2.00pm to 4.30pm.** Meet at the DCM for a 1.5 mile stroll around Snaizelholme including the Red Squirrel view point. Adults £6.00, children £2.00 (includes transport from the DCM).

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At the end of August we welcomed Jess Piper to the setting as a part time play worker. We are sure she will settle in well with both staff and children here.

Dalesplay will be running the Tombola at the Table Top Sale in the Market Hall, Hawes on **September 22nd**. Please come along and have a go, we will be raising money to buy a new light box as our old one has been broken.

For any information about two or three year government funding or for any childcare enquiries please contact **Dalesplay on 01969 667789**.

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Dalesbus Services

The number and variety of seasonal DalesBus services (www.dalesbus.org) to and from Hawes this year is astonishing (some also run on Bank Holidays). The Sunday service from Ingleton via Hawes to Richmond runs until **October 20th**. Hawes and Leyburn both provide an interchange for some Sunday services (including Hawes and Askrigg to Middleham, Jervaulx Abbey and Masham). Cumbria Classic Coaches summer Tuesday service from Ravenstonedale via Kirkby Stephen to Hawes runs until **October 29th**. The Western Dales Bus serves Hawes and Sedbergh on Tuesdays until further notice.

Thankfully, funding has now been found for the all-year Northallerton-Hawes 856 to continue this winter but, if you use and value this very special through service, please help to find more users to protect its future from 2020. Thank you.

Ruth Annison

Letter

I just wanted to write to the newsletter to say how lovely it is to come to Hawes on a Tuesday on the Western Dales Bus from Sedbergh. I have lunch in the Firebox café and am able to get all my shopping as well as paying my bills in the Post Office. Also, the Little White Bus after dropping the children off at Settlebeck School does a service to Hawes (Mon-Fri). During school holidays on Fridays it does a return service to Hawes which means I can also go on to Catterick.

Georgina Divine

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AGM

The AGM is on **Wednesday, September 4th** at **7.00pm** at The Fountain Hotel.

If you'd like to see the Gala return in 2020 please come along and volunteer to help organise it.

We have records and feedback from the 2018 Gala that will make organising the next Gala much easier, and also some money in the account to put towards the next Gala.

We need a minimum of seven volunteers on the Committee and are looking for a Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary. If there aren't seven volunteers at the AGM then regrettably there will be no Gala in 2020.

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Creating a Lasting Legacy for Dales Agriculture

Carr's Group, an international business in the agricultural sector, has partnered with Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust (YDMT) to create a lasting legacy for agriculture in the Yorkshire Dales and surrounding areas. The agreement will see the creation of new native broadleaf woodlands with Carrs Billington Agriculture providing sponsorship towards the charity's woodland grants programme.

Trees are hugely valuable as a habitat for wildlife and support some of our most endangered woodland animals. They also have a number of benefits on a farm. They can be planted on areas of un-used farmland, or gills, and can help provide shade and shelter to stock. Trees also help with water quality, reducing pollution, flood risk and soil erosion.

Jim McRobert, Regional Branch Manager for Hawes and Malton Carrs Billington, said: "As a business, we are really excited to link our networks and knowledge of the agricultural sector in the Dales with the expertise at YDMT. By coming together we can make a lasting difference for the environment and for farming."

David Sharrod, YDMT CEO, added: "We know that if we can work with Carr's to better engage with farming networks, and break down some of the perceived barriers between the agricultural and environmental sectors, we can

make a significant difference to our environment. We are really grateful to Carr's Group and Carrs Billington for their support in helping to restore native woodland to the Yorkshire Dales. We look forward to seeing what this partnership can achieve for this special place."

Applications for this programme are accepted on an ongoing basis, with the Trust now taking applications for the 2020/21 winter planting season. For more information on the grants programme contact Carol Douglas at carol.douglas@ydmtd.org or 015242 51002.

Thorlby Village Hall Saturday, September 28th

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Aysgarth Drop in for Coffee

Saturday, September 21st, 10.00am - noon

St. Andrew's Church, Aysgarth (As part of Aysgarth Harvest Festival Weekend).

In addition to offering coffee, tea and biscuits, there will be stalls selling home-made and home-grown produce, books, cards etc.

Harvest Services in Penhill Benefice Sunday, September 22nd

9.30am Morning Harvest Service, St. Margaret's, Preston under Scar.

11.00am Holy Communion Harvest Service, St. Andrew's, Aysgarth taken by Rev. Kathy Couchman.

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Awards for 4-8 weeks travel anywhere in the world are keenly sought after; there are various subject categories. A Churchill Fellowship is described as "a life-changing opportunity to expand your professional and personal horizons." Amazingly, there are no special age or qualification requirements. For details, see the Trust website www.wcmt.org.uk or phone 020 7799 1660.

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St Andrew's, Aysgarth – Harvest Celebrations

September 21st and 22nd

On **Saturday, September 21st from 10.00 am – 5.00pm** St Andrew's will be holding a Harvest Flower Festival. Our team of talented arrangers, who each week provide beautiful flowers for the church, will be excelling themselves with arrangements of Harvest flowers celebrating some of the many local organisations which are the backbone of our Parish. Refreshments will be served in church throughout the day and there will also be book, bric-a-brac and home-produce stalls. Entrance is free.

Children are invited to find the Harvest mice hidden in our church and from **2.00pm – 4.00pm** we hope that they will join in a free session of fun and games at The Falls Café. You might even win our Fancy Dress Competition if you come dressed as a scarecrow!

Our Harvest Celebration Weekend continues in the evening with a Harvest Supper and Ceilidh, starting at **7.00pm**, again at The Falls Café. The wonderful Roosters Ceilidh Band, of Thoraby Burns Night fame, will be playing, calling the dances and getting you on your feet whether you're already an expert or a complete novice! Tickets for this evening are available from The Falls Café and Hamilton's Tea Room in Aysgarth and cost £12 each, to include a hog roast (vegetarian options available) and home-made desserts. A bar is available to purchase drinks. This should be a very entertaining evening and we hope you will come along to enjoy the food and music, even if you don't feel

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Events at Reeth Memorial Hall

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Friday, September 27th at 8.00pm – Gaelforce – Four-piece Celtic Rock somewhere between Jethro Tull and Fairport Convention playing rocked-up traditional Irish songs and tunes along with their own compositions. Tickets £12 (£14 door).

Tickets available from Reeth P.O. or phone **John Little on 01748 884759** or visit www.reethmemorialhall.co.uk – tickets for music events half price for under 16s.

Churches Together Harvest Celebration

Everyone is welcome at **6.30pm on Sunday, September 15th** at Hawes Market House for our annual Harvest Celebration, lead by Rev. Melanie Reed with Hawes Silver Band. Come along and be part of this great community event.

U3A Leyburn & District

The monthly meeting will be held at Leyburn Arts Centre on **Friday, September 20th from 10.00am**. The speaker is Andy Fox on Frauds & Scams, **10.30am** prompt. The committee will be available for information about the interest groups.

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Macmillan Cancer Coffee Morning

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The race starts at **9.00am** and finishes at approximately **3.30pm**. Food and drink will be available to purchase throughout the day, picnics are welcome too.

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September

- 1 Moorcock Show, 10.00am.
- 1 Swale Singers Practice Session. Reeth Memorial Hall. 3.00pm-5.00pm.
- 2 AGM Hawes Community Partnership 7.00pm. The Nash. See p.27.
- 4 Muker Show.
- 4 Hawes Gala AGM. 7.00pm. Fountain Hotel. See p.14.
- 4 Coffee Club. 10.30 until noon. Dale View, Castle Bolton.
- 6-8 Wath Morris Dancers. Various locations. See p.39.
- 7 Hawes Junction Chapel Harvest Supper. 7.30pm.
- 7 Bainbridge Vets Open Day and Dog Show. 10.30am to 2.00pm. See p.3.
- 7 Greg Harper concert. 7.30pm. Leyburn Arts Centre.
- 8 West Burton Cream Teas. 2.00pm. See p.26.
- 12 Duncan Chisholm concert. 8.00pm. Reeth Memorial Hall. See p.18.
- 12 National Theatre Live. 'Fleabag' 7.00pm. Leyburn Arts. See p.30.
- 14 'IOTA' concert at Carperby Institute. 7.00pm for 8.00pm. See p.32.
- 14-22 Cheese Festival. See p.25.
- 15 Churches Together Harvest Celebration. 6.30pm. Hawes Market House. See p.18.
- 17 Churchill Scholarship Application Closing Date. See p.16.
- 18 Afternoon Tea. 2.00pm. Redmire Village Hall.
- 18 Penhill Ladies. Carperby Institute. 7.30pm. Steve Scoffin, talk on Foxglove Covert.
- 19 Soup and Sweet. Thoraby Village Hall. Noon 'til 1.30pm. See p.4.
- 19 Bainbridge W.I. 7.30pm. See p.24.
- 20 U3A talk 'Frauds and Scams' 10.30am. Leyburn Arts Centre. See p.18.
- 21 Mobile Recycling collection. West Burton, 9.00am-10.30am. Aysgarth 11.00am-1.00pm.
- 21 'Musicality' concert. 7.30pm. St Margaret's Hawes. See p.9.
- 21 'The Tenmours' concert. 7.30pm. Leyburn Arts Centre. See p.35.
- 21 St Andrew's Aysgarth Harvest Flower Festival. 10.00am. See p.17.
- 21 Harvest Supper and Celidah. 7.00pm. Falls Café, Aysgarth. See p.17.
- 21 Hawes 1940's Charity Tea Party. 2.00pm. Market Hall. See p.31.
- 21 Aysgarth Coffee Morning. St Andrew's. 10.30am-noon. See p.16.
- 22 Penhill Harvest Festival. See p.16.
- 22 Harvest Celebration. St Matthew's Church, Stalling Busk. 2.30pm.
- 23 Prayer Fellowship. 7.30pm. Dale View, Castle Bolton.
- 26 National Theatre Live. 'One Man, Two Govnors'. 7.00pm. Leyburn Arts Centre. See p.30.
- 26 World Cycling Men's Junior Road Race, Redmire, Carperby, Aysgarth, West Burton.
- 27 John Blackie Memorial Service. Noon Wensleydale Creamery. See p.12.
- 27 'Crusoe's Island' at West Burton Village Hall. See p.35.
- 27 'Gaelforce' concert. 8.00pm. Reeth Memorial Hall. See p.18.
- 27 Double Charity Day ay Yorebridge Sports. See p.28.
- 27 MacMillian Cancer Coffee Morning. Gayle Institute. 10.00am. See p.18.
- 27-29 English Music Festival. St Andrew's, Aysgarth. See p.27.
- 28 'A View from a Bridge'. Theatre by Bus at York. See p.11.
- 28 Richmondshire Concert begins. 7.30pm. See p.6.
- 28 Robin Michael cellist concert. Carperby Village Institute. 7.30pm. See p.7.
- 28 Wine and Cheese evening. Thoraby Village Hall. 5.00pm. See p.15.
- 29 World Cycling Men's Elite Race. Aysgarth, Bainbridge, Hawes, Buttertubs, Swaledale.
- 29 Family Fun Day. Community Field, Hawes. 10.00am-6.00pm. See p.33.
- 29 Hardraw Harvest Festival. 3.00pm. Hardraw Church and Green Dragon. See p.30.
- 29 Penhill Praise Family Service. 10.30am. St Margaret's, Preston under Scar.
- 30 Soup and Sweet. Bainbridge Village Hall. See p.24.

All events and exhibitions are included in museum admission. £4.80 adults, £4.30 concession, free U16.

Exhibition

Shepherdess - One Woman Farm Until September 8th

A tough and tender portrait of hill-shepherd, Alison O'Neill documented by photographer Ian Lawson.

Dairy Days

September 12th to December 31st

Dairying has been at the heart of the Wensleydale economy since records began and still thrives today. This exhibition is the culmination of a two-year project to research and share the story of this unbroken thread. The local community has shared personal stories and collections helping to bring the wonderful historic dairying artefacts and archive photographs in the Museum collection to life. Supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund.

September Events

- 1 Knitting through the Ages.
1.00pm to 4.00pm.
Join Dales knitting expert Kate Trusson for a demonstration of traditional knitting with four needles and knitting sticks, using traditional Dales patterns.
- 14 Make a Rag Doll Workshop.
11.00am to 4.00pm.
Come and spend an enjoyable day creating a beautiful and unique keepsake rag doll for yourself, or a loved one. Basic hand sewing skill required. Materials and lunch included. £50.
- 15 Rag Rug Making workshops.
11.00am to 4.00pm.
Learn about the traditional craft of rag-rug making and create a rag rug or wall hanging. Materials and lunch included. £50.
- 17 and 24th Dairy Days - A Taste in Time.
1.00pm to 4.00pm.
Pop in and see Curriculum Kitchen's Jane Sammells as she talks about

how cheese and butter were made at home in a traditional Yorkshire Dales' farmhouse. Learn the difference between rennet and whey and see a demonstration of butter making.

- 20 The Manorial Rolls of Snape and Well in the 17th Century. **7.30pm.**
An illustrated talk by David Severs on the Manorial rolls of Snape and Well in the 17th Century. The manorial rolls record the meetings of the manorial court which covered issues such as rent and estates holdings. Part of the Friends of the Museum annual lecture programme. Free - donations welcome.
- 22 The Final Bite. **10.00am to 4.00pm.**
Part of the Cheese Festival, Celebrating Local Produce we are hosting "The Final Bite". A mini-hub event celebrating local produce and has a farmers' market style. This event features local cheese producers, local ales and gins, local crafts and other brilliant local food producers. Also get hands on with butter making demonstrations, cheese talks and workshop and not forgetting our excellent dairy days exhibition. This event is free.

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Best Foot Forward

The Roof of Wensleydale – Part 1

In 2005 Stuart Lennie, who used to live in Hawes, wrote and published a book called ‘The Roof of Wensleydale’. Its focus is the six 2,000 foot summits which surround the head of Wensleydale. They are, in height order: Great Shunner Fell, Lovely Seat, Great Knoutberry Hill, Dodd Fell, Lunds Fell and Wether Fell. (There could be an argument for including Baugh Fell at the very head of Wensleydale but it is essentially more closely associated with Garsdale). The book is not just a topographical account of these fells; it is full of fascinating stories and snippets of information relating to people and events in the area. A great deal of research went into the book and I found it an excellent read. Regrettably it is now out of print but Stuart tells me that copies are available on request.

Being a keen hillwalker, it wasn’t long before the idea of a continuous hike covering all six peaks became an irresistible challenge and I succeeded in completing the 30 mile circuit in a clockwise direction in August 2006. That was thirteen years ago and we’ve all aged a bit since then so Best Foot Forward decided to split the walk in two as a concession to advancing years. This account describes the ‘shorter half’, covering Lunds Fell, Great Shunner and Lovely Seat, a distance of about 14 miles. I decided to use the Little White Bus to take me to the Moorcock Inn. The local buses are very useful for linear walks. I find it is generally safer to catch the bus at the beginning rather than being under pressure to meet a bus at the end. The downside of this is that the Moorcock is an excellent place to end a walk with a refreshing pint. Having said that the doors were open when I alighted at five past nine in the morning and two people were emerging carrying out their cases. Nevertheless, it was a bit early for alcohol.

The walk started on the Pennine Bridleway. Opened in 2012, much work had gone into making this a very useable track on foot, bike or horse. A few minutes gentle downhill walk took me to Ure Force Bridge, always an attractive site with its waterfall nearby. There was plenty

of water in the river and much evidence that it had been a good deal higher with a tidemark of debris a couple of feet above the water. This was mid-August, only a couple of weeks after the devastating floods in Arkengarthdale and Leyburn, and at other times during the day’s walk I could see flattened long grass beside most of the becks on the hillsides. There was still a lot of water everywhere.

But there was no rain this morning. The sun was even shining at times. Wild Boar Fell looked as though it might shake off its cloud (and it soon did) as I climbed up beside the forest towards Johnson Gill and High Dike. Mallerstang opens up as you climb, revealing views of more and more farms, Dinky Toy traffic on the road and the sweep of the Settle-Carlisle railway line with Dandry Mire and Lunds Sike viaducts in view. As I looked, a Sprinter train to Leeds came through and shortly afterwards, another going to Carlisle. Up at High Dike the building is in a state of collapse.



It was once an inn on Lady Anne Clifford’s Way and in Stuart’s book you can read about its history and also about Lady Anne herself.

So far the going has been good, uphill but easy underfoot. Stepping off Lady Anne’s Highway it became a bit rougher, first following Dove Gill with its interlocking spurs before picking up a quad bike track which climbed the ridge and eventually led all the way to the top of Lunds Fell, the first 2,000 foot top of the day. Most of this hill is featureless grassland, often wet and peaty, and it is probably the least distinctive top in Stuart’s book, although it does have good views from the top. One part of the hillside had been ploughed with gullies running up and down the slope. These were full of water. I looked for evidence of blocking of

these 'grips' but saw none. Current thinking is that the ditches dug in the seventies and eighties to drain the moors is contributing to an increase in flooding in the valleys and lower down the dale. Later on the walk I did see some evidence that grips were being blocked to reduce runoff and at the same time conserve the peat.

Lunds Fell is a relatively insignificant summit at the southern end of a long and sometimes dramatic ridge on the east side of Mallerstang, culminating in High Seat, the fourth highest peak in the Yorkshire Dales. On the Western slopes of Lunds Fell is a very significant watershed. Two tiny rivulets emerge almost from the same boggy patch. One becomes the River Ure and flows to the North Sea. The other becomes the River Eden and flows to the Irish Sea, so standing here we are on the main east/west watershed of Britain.

On this day the summit view was good. Wensleydale was clearly seen south-eastwards and many peaks were visible, although Ingleborough was still in cloud. I remember noting on my 2006 circuit that on each of the six summits it was possible to see all five of the other summits, given good weather. That was certainly true on this occasion. However, it was time to move on. The next target was Great Shunner Fell. I opted to cut across country, although it might have been better to stay on the ridge a bit longer before turning to the east. I noticed more heather here, then a few grit trays, a row of shooting butts and eventually some red grouse, quite a lot of them, in fact. It was the day after the Glorious Twelfth so I was glad there was no shooting activity. There were a few other moorland birds about as well – meadow pipits, curlews, golden plovers and most spectacularly, a pair of merlins which rose up out of a gully. They circled round a couple of times with harsh, raucous calls so I moved away quickly. It was good to see them and my personal experience is that they are becoming less rare, but maybe I've just been lucky. A bit further on I was pleased to see a sign referring to the regeneration of black grouse. Not just to be shot, one hopes.

Before long I was able to pick up another buggy track skirting the fence along the Swaledale/Wensleydale boundary. This was

leading me to the looming bulk of Great Shunner Fell, the third highest peak in the dales (after Whernside and Ingleborough). It really is a massive hill, with the greatest area of land over 2,000 feet of any hill in the dales (over five square miles). I had decided to eat my lunch at the summit shelter wall. It is constructed in a cross shape so that shelter is available whichever way the wind blows. A lone walker was already there. She commented on how busy it was with walkers. I replied that she was the first person I had seen in over three hours. It all depends where you walk. Shunner, of course, is on the Pennine Way which is much used.

There is a useful fence to follow from Great Shunner, over Little Shunner and down to Buttertubs pass. It zig-zags about a bit but would be an invaluable handrail in thick mist. The going isn't too bad either with a path of sorts. I'm sure many people have realised that this is the shortest ascent of Shunner with only about 620 feet (190 metres) of climbing, so a path is becoming established. The same applies to the last top of the day, Lovely Seat where I was able to follow a decent path almost to the summit. I was hit by a squally shower here but it didn't last long.

The descent southwards from Lovely Seat is one of the roughest parts of the whole circuit. It is a broad expanse of moorland, riven by gullies and dotted with peat hags and glutinous swamps, just what you don't want at the end of a long walk. I failed to find a single path or track the whole way down. Most of it is known as Stags Fell. It may be good to look at but it's hard to walk on. Eventually I reached Shutt Lane and Sedbusk. Suddenly the paths seemed full of people, many of them families on holiday, which is good to see, but a stark contrast to where I'd been earlier.

Back in Hawes I reflected this wasn't a walk for everyone. You can see why most people don't want to walk on Open Access land: it is hard work. Nevertheless, it has its own rewards and I was already looking forward to doing the second half of the circuit another day. That will be the subject of another Best Foot Forward in the near future.

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As usual the Newsletter is able to offer an award of £500, for the first year at University, or equivalent, for students following post A-level studies. Please note that this award is not limited to books and we have helped fund such diverse items as a sewing machine and professional cook's knives as well as laptops.

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Leyburn and District Ladies Probus Club

As the renovations to Leyburn Methodist Hall are taking longer than expected, there will NOT be a meeting on **September 5th**. We are looking forward to seeing you on **October 3rd**, when our speaker will be Mrs Sally Stone.

New members will be made welcome.
Noel Ashworth

Upper Dales Family History Group

Meetings recommence on **Wednesday, September 25th**, in the village hall at Harmby near Leyburn. The speaker is Anna Greenwood on 'Oral History – Our Lives'.

Traveller and writer, Anna Greenwood, has written about the natural world for over twenty years. She gathers stories, images and the spoken word, predominantly in the Yorkshire dales, and further afield as her travels take her; recording a slower way of life that is rapidly disappearing.

The meeting starts at **2.00pm**. Everyone is welcome and admission is free. For more information phone **07432 677783**, email tracy@swaledale.org or see the website <https://upperdales.weebly.com>.

Bainbridge Women's Institute

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

The next meeting on **September 19th** when the speaker Elizabeth Edwards will be talking about British Garden Festivals.

Soup and Sweet resumes on **September 30th** at Bainbridge Village Hall. Cost £5.

Yorkshire Dales Cheese Festival

A new farmhouse cheesemaking business near Settle will launch its first cheese during this year's Yorkshire Dales Cheese Festival, Celebrating Local Produce on **September 14th to 22nd**. Sam Horton and Rachael Turner only established their business Long Churn Cheese at The Courtyard Dairy, Austwick in 2018. However, the pair's passion and enthusiasm for reviving the Dales tradition of using sheep for milk production will be evident during a one-day event within the Festival entitled: "SHEEPtember".

The day at The Courtyard Dairy will celebrate sheep dairying and will introduce visitors to Long Churn's first soft cheeses. These resemble a French goat's cheese but will be produced using milk from a small flock of dairy sheep called Lacaune.

Together with sheepdog and sheep milking demonstrations, the Courtyard Dairy's owner Andy Swinscoe will show visitors how to pair cheese with beers from Lamb Brewery at Littondale. Visitors will also be treated to caving tours by Yorkshire Dales' Guides to the aptly named Long Churn caves, where they will be taken through the most famous 'squeeze' in the Dales, the Cheese Press.

Meanwhile at cheese-central, The Wensleydale Creamery at Hawes, festival-goers will be able to become connoisseurs by booking onto one of several masterclasses involving a host of local producers and other food businesses during the first weekend. For instance, the artisan masterclass will bring together local cheesemakers and experts from the Creamery to share the unique qualities of a vast array of different cheeses and processes, while the Yorkshire Dales Distillery will share how to pair cheese with gin. Food stalls, cookery demonstrations and live music will complete the festival atmosphere.

Foodies can then spend a further week savouring the National Park's hamper of delights as cafés, farms, shops, restaurants and attractions join in the celebration of Yorkshire Dales' produce. Farm tours, special menus, food tastings, and even a fell run following a route designed in the shape of a wedge of cheese are all planned.

New for this year, the festival finale, will be 'The Final Bite' held at the Dales Countryside Museum in Hawes. This will give visitors another chance to meet local cheesemakers and producers and learn more about dairying heritage across the National Park, as well as take part in butter making and craft workshops.

More information including booking details for individual events can be found at: www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/cheese-festival.

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Village Maps

When the Dales Local Plan was first published, I realised that the map of Thornton Rust contained within it could be used to make a map showing the location of all the houses. This would then be of use to delivery drivers, GPs, clergy etc. This first map was produced in 2004. Since the Local Plan also had maps of other Wensleydale village, I started producing maps of them also. Then I realised that these maps originated from the Ordnance Survey, so I needed to ask their permission. Since my maps included little of the topographical detail in the OS maps, they gave me permission to go ahead producing the maps without having to pay them any fee.

I put the maps on my website, colinday.co.uk, so anyone could print or download them free of charge. When I had made maps of Wensleydale, an oil delivery driver asked me to make maps of Wharfedale. He explained that if someone delivers a parcel to the wrong house, the neighbours will pass it on. If, however, you fill the wrong tank with oil, you are in real trouble! When delivering to a village with which he was not familiar, he was in great difficulty. There were no names on the houses and no one around to ask. He had to telephone the buyers, then go listening at every door to see where the phone

was ringing. He dug through everyone's rubbish bin looking for letters addressed to them. When I made the maps he wanted, it saved him several hours a day.

Reeth Fire Brigade paid a visit to Wensleydale and found that the firemen here were using my maps. They asked if I would produce maps of Reeth for them. This then developed into maps of all Swaledale. I found that the ambulance men in Bainbridge were using my maps (before they were equipped with the latest technology).

I found that the web sites of many County Councils had maps of their areas which enabled you to zoom right in until you saw the house names. With this aid, I produced maps of Cumbria, Northumbria, more of North Yorkshire, Country Durham, Lincolnshire and parts of other counties. I now have 2,748 maps showing the location of more than 102,000 houses within villages in the northern third of England.

In 2014 OS withdrew the permission they had given me to use their maps as a basis for mine. They allowed me to keep the existing maps, and amend them, but not to make new ones. The maps for central Hawes have just been updated and amended.

I had an email from young man who had recently taken up a job as a delivery man. "The first three weeks were hell," he told me. "then I discovered your maps."

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Notice of AGM

The Upper Dales Community Partnership Ltd Annual General Meeting will be held on **Monday, September 2nd at 7:00pm** in The NASH, Hawes. Members of the public are welcome to attend. **Abbie Rhodes**

Sonja Metcalf

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Poppy Day!

On June 28th we held a different kind of Poppy Day! Our Year 5 pupil, Poppy, was moving on after



six very happy years at Askrigg School. In September she starts at Mowbray in Bedale and is looking forward

to meeting lots of new friends and feeding the goats. She is not looking forward to leaving her friends and teachers in the BAWB Federation, especially Mr Stokes!

To mark her departure, pupils and staff wore bright clothes, particularly ODD SOCKS, on our Poppy Day! It is what the Down's Syndrome Organisation does for fundraising. On Saturdays, Poppy goes to a group session in Newton Aycliffe called Together 21 (Down's syndrome is caused by the presence of an extra copy of chromosome 21 in a baby's cells, hence Together 21)

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The staff and pupils of the Federation would like to wish our Year 6 leavers and Poppy, all the very best of luck in their new schools.

Yorebridge Sport and Leisure Centre

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Great North Air Ambulance clothes collection

We are having a clothes collection for the Great North Air Ambulance on **Friday, September 27th at 1.00pm**. Are you having a sort out or need an excuse for one? We would be very grateful for any clothes, shoes, bags (including suitcases), belts, towels, curtains, bed linen (not duvets or pillows). Please bag them up and leave them outside our centre front door next to the red outdoor store, anytime up to **noon on Friday, September 27th**. Thank you for your support.

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Sue Foster

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'Fleabag' starring Phoebe Waller-Bridge on **Thursday, September 12th** and 'One Man, Two Govns' starring James Corden on **Thursday, September 26th**. Both at **7.00pm**. Tickets £12, to book ring **01969 624510** or call in at Leyburn Arts & Community Centre.

LASS - Leyburn Arts & Social Society

The autumn session begins on **Tuesday, September 24th at 7.15pm** in the Oak Room at Thornborough Hall, Leyburn. For more information about the group please ring **Anne on 01969 624635**.

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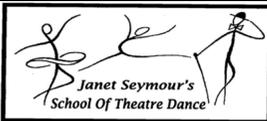
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Carperby Concerts have their final charity concert of the year on **Saturday, September 14th** at Carperby Institute and it's looking like a cracker. 'IOTA' features Sally Barker, Anna Ryder & Marion Fleetwood. All three write, sing and sway in perfect harmony and each is a seasoned performer of the UK Folk/Rock scene.



Sally Barker (vocal, guitar & percussion) sang to millions as Tom Jones' finalist on 'The Voice UK', but the singer-songwriter has entertained for years as a member of revered fem-folk group The Poozies and of the re-formed Fotheringay and as a solo artist supporting Bob Dylan, Robert Plant and Richard Thompson. Sally brings any song gloriously to life.

Anna Ryder (vocal, keys, accordion, guitar, dumbek, banjo and french horn) is a musical dynamo; an original and inventive singer-

songwriter with a musical style that, although based in folk, spans an array of genres. Amongst others Anna has worked with Fairport Convention, Eddi Reader, Julianne Regan (All About Eve).

With a voice which has been described as 'mesmerising' and 'sirenesque', the blazingly dynamic Marion Fleetwood (vocal, violin, viola, cello, guitars and percussion) is a highly respected multi-instrumentalist and singer-songwriter. Best known as a member of TRADarr and as a former member of ColvinQuarmby and The Jigantics, she is also a busy session musician.

'IOTA' evoke the spirit and musical energy of the Roches whilst channelling the Supremes, Destiny's Child and Charlie's Angels! "I'm so excited that three of my favourite singer/songwriters and performers have formed this great new trio. They are fab!! And I love all of em" - Dave Pegg of Fairport Convention. Don't miss this magical combination of talent!

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Wensleydale Rotary Club is therefore helping
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All instruments will be welcomed, from
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The amnesty will run throughout September
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If you have an instrument that you would like
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Susan Rogers, president of Wensleydale Rotary
Club and she will arrange collection. Tel.
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Heavens Above

The nights really begin to draw in now as we head towards the Autumn Equinox on **September 23rd** and by the middle of the month it gets properly dark as early as **9.00pm**. If you decide to venture out to do a bit of skywatching you'll notice the summer stars are already beginning to drift westwards away from easy view. Hercules the Strong Man is still fairly high in the west but we'll lose brilliant orange-red Arcturus in the constellation of Bootes the Herdsman by the month's end. The bright Summer Triangle stars – Vega, Deneb and Altair – remain very prominent high in the south-west. Belying their name they'll stay with us right through the autumn and on into winter.

High overhead you'll find the constellation of Cassiopeia, the Ethiopian Queen, or the Lady in the Chair as she's sometimes called. Her five main stars form a large 'W' which is very distinctive. It lies in the northern Milky Way and contains a fair number of open star clusters well worth exploring with binoculars.

In the north-east the main autumn star patterns – Pegasus the Winged Horse, Andromeda (Cassiopeia's daughter) and Perseus, who slew the fearsome snake-haired Medusa in the Ancient Greek myths – are all well on show by late evening. See if you can pick out the four bright stars marking the corners of Pegasus' famous 'Square' – you shouldn't have any trouble as they lie in a relatively barren part of the sky. Below the Square, filling a fair expanse of the view south, are a group of constellations often called the 'Water' due to their aquatic associations – Aquarius the Water Bearer, Capricornus the Sea-goat, Pisces the Fishes and

the Sea Monster Cetus lumbering along the southern horizon. None of them are particularly well-defined apart from Delphinus the Dolphin which lies slightly higher in the sky. Its head is outlined by a distinctive lozenge-shaped group of four stars often called Job's Coffin.

Over in the northern sky you'll see the familiar seven stars of the Plough or Big Dipper which form part of a much bigger figure - Ursa Major, the Great Bear. The two stars at the western end of the Plough's blade are often called The Pointers as they show the way to Polaris, the Pole Star, which lies in the constellation of Ursa Minor, the Little Bear.

In the early hours a couple of the winter constellations, Taurus and Auriga the Charioteer climb into view from the east. Taurus is home to one of the finest open star clusters in the night sky, the Pleiades or Seven Sisters. A magnificent sight in binoculars. The Pleiades have been known from time immemorial and their return to September evening skies is always seen as a sure sign that autumn with its damp, unsettled weather is with us once again. Have clear skies!

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Blueboxt Productions – Autumn Update

Freya the Musical

A huge thank you to everyone who attended performances of our youth production of Freya. It was an enjoyable three weeks intensively rehearsing and presenting seven performances around the Dales. The performers really appreciated the warm welcome and support from our hosts and audiences. The production element may be complete, but the project continues with the option to record a CD, study an Arts Award and present a cinema style screening of the performance. More details will be announced soon. We would like to also thank Piers Browne for placing his trust in us to adapt and present his story. More details at www.blueboxt.co.uk. [Click on Freya from the homepage]

Emerging Artists Concerts

The Tenmours return with their intimate concert performance at Leyburn Arts Centre on **Saturday, September 21st, 7.30pm**. Complete with tales from their Summer festival and busking appearances around the country Alex and Adam are looking forward to sharing their tales of life on the road and presenting their unique fusion of folk, rock and world music. Tickets £10 available from www.leyburnartscentre.com or **01969 624510**.

Fell-Foss Theatre Present ‘Crusoe’s Island’

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schedule and ticket information can be found at www.fell-fosstheatre.co.uk or by contacting **Colin on 07711 211169**.

Yorkshire Dales Cheese Festival

BlueBoxt are thrilled to be providing entertainment as part of the annual cheese festival at the Wensleydale Creamery on **Saturday 14th and Sunday, September 15th**. Each day there will be a varied schedule of solo and group performances covering a range of musical tastes. With performers aged 10 to 70+ years we know there will be something to suit all ages! Our volunteers will also be collecting donations to support performing arts activities for young people in Wensleydale and Swaledale.

The Little Theatre Project

We will be offering a series of workshops in partnership with Leyburn Arts and Community Centre during October half-term. The sessions aimed at 6-19 years will cover drama, dance and music and work towards a showcase performance. Full details in the October newsletter. To find out more or register your interest visit www.blueboxt.co.uk, email info@blueboxt.co.uk or contact **Colin Bailey on 07711 211169**.

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In 1881, she travelled to Paris where she met Edward Martin Langworthy, an immensely wealthy Englishman who began pursuing her. A romance blossomed and finally they married in a tiny church in the middle of the French countryside. Shortly after, they boarded his yacht and sailed for South America, but once Langworthy learned of her pregnancy, he discarded her. A desperate struggle ensued as Milly set about proving she was Langworthy's wife and finally she came to Stead who told her story to the world.

Tony's talk recounts what happened next.

Dr Tony Nicholson worked for many years as a history lecturer at Teesside University and now spends his time researching, writing and giving talks, you may have already heard his fascinating talks on Annie and the letters in the attic, and we look forward to his latest talk at our September meeting.

Annual membership of Middleham and the Dales Local History Group is still only £10, visitors are welcome at £3 per meeting. For more information contact **Tony Keates 01969 640436**, dotandtonyk@btinternet.com.

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Wath Morris Upper Wensleydale Weekend

September 6th – 8th

It is over 40 years since Wath Morris danced their first tour of Wensleydale and have returned to dance on dozens of times since. This year is a first for the team which now includes female dancers. Based in Bainbridge the team will dance down the dale on Saturday and up the dale on Sunday.

Wath Morris who are based in South Yorkshire, will be dancing a selection of traditional English morris dances including Cotswold Morris Dances, Border Dances (from the English / Welsh borders) and from Yorkshire, the Flamborough Sword Dance.

Wath Morris are famed not only for their dance, but also for the breadth and skills on singing and musicianship. This year's tour also includes two evenings of traditional folk music and songs in the Rose and Crown, Bainbridge (**Friday, 6th and Saturday, 7th**) Entry is free and local performers are encouraged to come and join in.

The morris dances which will be performed over the weekend are ancient dances passed down through families and villages for centuries and ultimately passed on to Wath Morris almost fifty years ago.

All events are free and the team are hoping for a good turn-out of visitors at each of the performance venues.

The tour will take in the following:

Friday, 8.00pm. Rose and Crown, Bainbridge. Informal music and songs.

Saturday

10.00am. Dancing in Leyburn market square.

11.15am. Dancing at the The Bolton Arms, Redmire.

12.15pm. Dancing at The Wheatsheaf, Carperby followed by lunch at 12.45pm and singing afterwards.

2.30pm. Dancing outside The Street Head Inn, Newbiggin-in-Bishopdale.

3.30pm. Dancing at the Fox and Hounds, West Burton.

8.00pm. Rose and Crown, Bainbridge. Informal music and songs.

Sunday

10.30am. Dancing at Sycamore Hall, Bainbridge.

11.30am. Dancing at The Kings Arms, Askrigg.

12.30pm. Dancing at the Hawes Countryside Museum (with café). (TBC)

1.30pm. Dancing at the Wensleydale Creamery (Hawes). (TBC)

For further information please call **Tim Binns on 0788 433324** or email timbinns@aol.com or see our website www.wath-morris.co.uk.

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