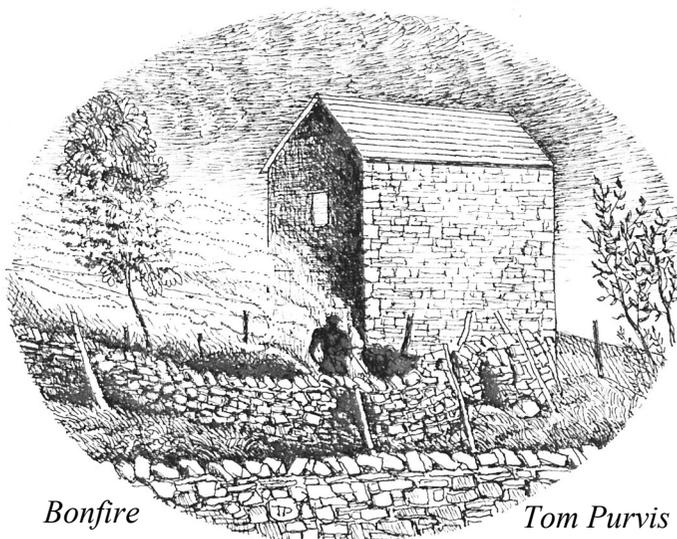


# THE UPPER WENSLEYDALE NEWSLETTER

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*Tom Purvis*

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

## Guest Editorial

When I was a child, I made any excuse to get out into the countryside. Sometimes, when I was six onwards, I would walk across to the park opposite my house (few cars in those days) and play picking up autumn leaves etc. When my cousin June and I were about 10 years old, we would get on our bikes, be given sandwiches for our lunch and pedal to beyond Harrogate. We had secret places to go and play. Our favourite place was in a field with a stream and the towering railway viaduct (Leeds to Harrogate line) above our heads. We paddled in the stream to find little creatures and lovely stones. We played hide and seek behind the bushes. It did rain but we didn't notice it and we were always late to get home (a characteristic that I still can't shake off). When we were younger, we disappeared into the renowned Pine Woods playing Cowboys and Indians and many other games. Often our friends would join us as well. It was idyllic.

Recently, I went to Guildford to do my 'Nana duty' for over 3 weeks. I took my 10-year-old grandson Peter into central London to see Churchill's War Rooms. Peter loved it and wanted to go and see Churchill's countryside home, Chartwell. After we had looked around the house we decided to go into the grounds. In the woodland we found a make-up 'hovel' that someone had made from branches. As I walked past Peter shouted from inside 'Go away stranger this is my castle and land'. I swung round and said – "This is my land. I have just arrived in my ship. I am a Queen from far away and I own these lands.' The debate went on as we battled with words and then fought with sticks. Eventually, of course, Peter won. It was magical.

This year Peter took me to a horse chestnut tree. There were many conkers on the ground and I stretched up to get other half-opened ones above us. I asked Peter if he was going to play conker games with his friends. He said 'no' because at school a boy had come into his classroom and started hitting other children with his conkers. So, conkers were no longer allowed in the school.

These days our children seem stuck in their houses with their electronic devices. As we hear often, some of these children never leave their houses to play outside or to interact face to face with their peers and others. All is not lost. I occasionally see local children walking along the lane chattering between themselves and some, who have looked around, have picked up a sturdy small branch that has been blown off a tree to use as a walking stick.

It also gives me much pleasure to hear young voices chattering in the dark coming down the road with their torches on as the leader guides them. Sometimes when I walk across fields, I come across small groups of teenagers who are doing their Duke of Edinburgh and others who are learning how to navigate with a compass. Many are from Low Mill Outdoor Centre, Askrigg, or other groups such as the Scouts. These children normally come from schools that are in nearby conurbations and are funded by different charities.

The above is fine but we seem to be putting youngsters into cotton wool or allowing them to have too much time on their tablets. How can we help our Wensleydale and visitor children to enjoy the fun of being outside?

**Christine Hallas**

## Dales Business Women

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But Who Dunit?

Follow the clues on the poster on page 22 to find out where and when this mystery evening takes place!



## Eunice the Ewe

Last month I was on the side of the mixer in the Moore and Blackhurst advert on page 24 and the winner of the £10 prize is Harry Fothergill of Gayle.

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



## Operation Christmas Child

Please don't forget that your shoe boxes must be handed in to the Community Office in Hawes by **Friday, November 8th** (not the date on the leaflet!).

These may be the only Christmas gifts which some children will receive.

Please add a £5 cheque or cash to cover transport, or donate on line and gift aid it if you can. Visit [www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/occ](http://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/occ).



## HAWES CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL 2019

### SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER

### Children's Party

### In the Market House

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Visit from members of Aladdin Panto  
Community Buffet

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4.00pm: Market Place:  
Community Carol Singing  
with Hawes Prize Silver Band

4.30pm: Father Christmas arrives

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## Upper Dales Family History Group

Our September speaker was Anna Greenwood, a traveller and writer, who has written about the natural world for over twenty years. In recent years she has based herself in Upper Nidderdale, gathering stories, images and oral recordings of some of the oldest local residents, documenting a slowly disappearing way of life.

She has edited down many hours of recordings to produce a CD, dividing the conversations into different topics covering everything from the building of the reservoirs to education and of course, the life of the local farming families, as well as the influence of outside events on the area.

These have now been expanded into a book 'Rural Voice – Tales from the Upper Dale'. Details of how to buy this are here: <https://www.annagreenwoodwrites.com/oral-histories.html> where you can also hear samples of the recordings.

Anna's presentation interspersed clips from her sound archive, illustrated with photographs of the speakers and the places and topics they were talking about. In the case of some examples of local poetry it also included useful subtitles for the benefit of those of us not from Nidderdale!

It's almost impossible to sum up a talk which relied so heavily on photographs and recordings – you really did need to be there. Do have a look at Anna's website to hear, rather than see, what you missed!

For more information on the UDFHG group, phone **0743 2677 783**,

email [tracy@swaledale.org](mailto:tracy@swaledale.org) or see the website <https://upperdales.weebly.com> .

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### Leyburn & District U3A

November's speaker is Martin Fish and his talk is entitled 'My Life in Gardening so far' and he will be at Leyburn Arts & Community Centre on **Friday, November 15th at 10.30am**. The committee and the café will be available from 10.00am. Free to members, small fee for visitors. Martin has an excellent reputation.

### National Theatre Live

Two screenings this month, 'Hansard' on **Thursday, November 7th** and 'Present Laughter' on **Thursday, November 28th. Both at 7.00pm**, tickets £12, obtainable from Leyburn Arts & Community Centre. London celebrity performances direct to Leyburn, but at a Leyburn price! **Tel 01969 624510**.

### 'All My Life's Buried Here'

A poignant film of the story of George Butterworth, a Yorkshire composer, who sadly died on the Somme in World War One. Screened as part of the Tuesday Exploring Film season at this time of remembrance. **Tuesday, November 5th at 7.00pm**, Leyburn Arts & Community Centre.

### Drop-off points and contacts

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

<b>Hawes:</b>	Community Office	667400
<b>Gayle:</b>	Sarah Champion 23, Little Ings	667006
<b>Bainbridge:</b>	Sylvia Crookes, 3, Bainside	650525
<b>Askrigg:</b>	Rima Berry, 8 Mill Lane	650980
<b>Carperby:</b>	<b>New contact needed</b>	
<b>West Burton:</b>	Nadine Bell, Margarets Cottage	663559
<b>Aysgarth:</b>	Hamilton's Tearoom	663423
<b>Redmire:</b>	Kevin Davis Westholme	624165
<b>Thorlby:</b>	Sandra Foley, Shop	663205
<b>West Witton</b>	Christine Barker, Chestnut Garth	624934

## Swale Singers Christmas News

**Come and Sing Day on Saturday, November 9th from 9.30am-4.30pm at Reeth Memorial Hall.** We shall be working on choruses from Mozart's Great Mass in C Minor. We'll all be starting from scratch on the pieces, so you don't need any previous knowledge of the music. And if you prefer not to sing, we love a good audience so come along with lots of friends at 3.30pm to listen (and applaud). £10 for the whole Come and Sing day, donations for coming along to listen at the end of the day.

**Christmas concert Saturday, November 30th at 7.30pm in Reeth Memorial Hall**

We'll perform Bach's wonderful Magnificat followed by a selection of lighter Christmas works. Tickets £10 from the Post Office or [andrew@bedfords.me.uk](mailto:andrew@bedfords.me.uk) or **01748 886974**. Festive fare will be available in the interval for a small charge so if you like good music, wine and mince pies, this is the place to come.

**A Festival of Christmas in Words and Music Sunday, December 15th at 3.00pm at Grinton Church**

Take time out from the Christmas hustle and bustle and come along to the "Cathedral of the Dale" to get into the true spirit of Christmas. Sing well-loved carols, listen to seasonal readings and sit back and enjoy a number of beautiful new Christmas melodies from the choir.

### Swaledale Festival 2020

After Christmas we'll be starting work on our pieces for the Swaledale Festival in May – two glorious requiems to get to grips with. We'd love you to join us – no need to read music, no audition to pass, just a friendly welcome and a good sing. Reeth Memorial Hall **Sunday afternoons 3 to 5pm.**

Need any more info? Contact **Jackie Pope** on **07885 498676** or [swalesingers@swaledale.org](mailto:swalesingers@swaledale.org).

**Elizabeth Bedford**

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## Fundraising for Myeloma UK

On the **21st of September 2019** the Market hall in Hawes came alive with a 1940's afternoon tea party. Alison Wade sang to the crowds and a good time was had by all.

The result of a good sing song was that Myeloma uk received £1823.23p.

Carole Hunter and family would like to thank the business and community for all their support.

**Louise Raw and her daughter**

## Stalling Busk Schoolroom

Soup and Sweet

**Friday, November 22nd 7.30pm**

**Speaker Dr Susan Parry**

**"From Forensics to Crime Fiction"**

## Hawes Christmas Lights

We will be putting up the displays on **Wednesday, November 13th**. If anyone can help us, even for a couple of hours, it would be much appreciated. Meet outside The Old Post Office at about **8.30am**. Be prepared for wet weather!

## Sonja – Hairdresser

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I look forward to hearing from you.

## “NO-vement” Quiz

This month all the answers begin with NO.

1. Lace place
2. National Trust property in Yorkshire
3. Nil
4. New star
5. Groove in timber
6. Dimon ex of the N.C.T.
7. He only needed to count to two!
8. Henges village
9. Hooter
10. Can't!
11. Gumption
12. At this very time
13. 0
14. H2O above zero!
15. Snore differently across the water
16. Explosive chap

Please send in your answers to arrive no later than **Tuesday, November 19th** for a chance to win the £20 prize which will be sent to your nominated charity.

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## Answers to November Competition

1. Fountain, Hawes
2. Bolton Arms, Redmire
3. Victoria Arms, Worton
4. Fox and Hounds, West Witton
5. Green Dragon, Hardraw
6. Farmers Arms, Muker
7. White Rose, Askrigg
8. Fox and Hounds, West Burton
9. Drovers Arms, Darrowby
10. Three Horseshoes, Wensley
11. Wheatsheaf, Carperby
12. Crown, Askrigg
13. Rose and Crown, Bainbridge
14. Kings Head, Gunnerside
15. Moorcock, Garsdale Head

There were lots of correct answers this month and the lucky name drawn out of the hat was Anne Renshaw from Askrigg who nominated Swaledale Mountain Rescue as her charity. They will receive the £40 rollover prize .

## Free Christmas Greetings

The next issue of the Newsletter will be the Christmas edition. As usual we will be including **free personal Christmas greetings**.

Please ensure that your greeting reaches us in plenty of time well before the deadline of **Tuesday, November 19th**.

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## I've got my thermals ready!



When I told the good folks of Oxfordshire that I was going to take up my new post in the North Yorkshire Dales, the unanimous cry was; 'ooh it gets right cold up there, you know!'

So yes, I have my snow shovel, all pristine and new, and of course my thermal vest.

'Hello', to the North Yorkshire Dales, I am delighted to be here in this breathtakingly beautiful area.

It was on 13th August, that my husband, Paul, and I, along with our 13 ½ year old Collie cross dog, Roly, made the drive from Witney Oxfordshire to our new home in Leyburn. Not a single day goes by when we are not struck by the beauty of our surroundings, although we have very quickly learned that you never judge how long it will take you to get somewhere by the mileage!

Both born and bred in Cornwall, we have been married for 34 years and this is our 19th move together, and although we have lived overseas, we have never lived this far north. We have three grown up children, Crystal (32) married to Will and living in Crawley in West Sussex, Rebecca (28) about to marry Alex and move to join him in Saudi Arabia, and Toby (22) who lives in Ayr in Scotland. Thank God for Skype, emails and texts which help us stay in touch with them all.

As a couple, we enjoy walking, watching Rugby Union with all the armchair commentary that goes with it, buying old furniture and giving it a new lease of life, visiting antique shops and fayres and going to auctions, as well as playing our music. Paul plays a 12-string acoustic guitar very well, I play the alto sax, or try to play it, (definitely for my own enjoyment only!).

North Yorkshire is not an area of the country that either of us had visited before or really knew anything about, but both felt very strongly that it is where God wants us to be at this time. Responding to God and obediently following is

not necessarily an easy thing to do but does result in some surprises, some delightful, some challenging, but all life-enhancing. Part of my own journey saw me serving in the RAF as a Chaplain, something that I did not see coming, and it is pretty tough going through the selection and training process alongside young men and women when you, yourself, are in your mid-forties, but it is amazing what you can achieve if you put your trust in God.

I am enjoying getting to know the Yorkshire folk, trying to understand the local dialect, sampling the cheese (I am not usually someone who likes cheese, but I am being converted slowly), and generally beginning to join in with what God is already doing. What road we will travel together is yet to be discovered, but my experience has taught me that it will be worth the journey.

If you see me out and about, do stop and introduce yourself. I pop up in many areas including: Leyburn, Barden, Harmby, Carlton, Melmerby, Middleham, Bainbridge, Aysgarth, Gayle, Hawes, Marsett, West Burton, Richmond, Scorton, Brompton-on-Swale, Hunton, Reeth and Gunnerside.

God Bless

*Melanie*

**Rev Melanie Reed, Methodist Superintendent  
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Now, I don't know about you, but I don't need much persuasion to eat ice cream, so it was with great excitement and eagerness that I headed along to the new Wensleydale Ice Cream Parlour, just off the A684, when it opened a few weeks ago.

Quite some years in the planning, this new venture for Gill and Adrian Harrison of Thornton Rust has seen the expansion of their Wensleydale Ice Cream business to provide a direct outlet to the public at their very own ice cream parlour. Their determination to see the project through has resulted in a fabulous, sympathetic conversion of the disused Hardbanks Barn on the Harrison's farm, just below Thornton Rust, to provide a wonderful, airy and comfortable space in which to sit and enjoy some of the locally produced ice cream from their own herd of Jersey cows, as well as other homemade offerings.

A huge freezer displays the numerous flavours of ice cream created on the farm whilst a crisp, long counter displays other temptations for you to enjoy during your visit. Alongside the ice cream, there will be a selection of homemade cakes and biscuits as well as delicious waffles,



homemade soups and a variety of both hot and cold drinks, so don't just come for the ice cream as there are plenty of other delicious things to tempt you! There's a comfy sofa beside a wood-burning stove (for winter days) and rustic tables and chairs on both the ground floor and the mezzanine floor where you can sit and relax whilst enjoying the delicacies on offer. The barn has been designed to allow for easy disabled access and, on a lovely sunny day, the scenery is amazing.

The project has been part funded by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development which aims to increase local employment. From the outset, local contractors were engaged to undertake the renovation of the barn, and now local staff are employed to offer a friendly and efficient service to their customers. There is no doubt that a great deal of time and effort has gone into the planning of this new venture and I am sure we all wish Gill and Adrian all the best as it joins the many other local businesses which we recommend you visit.

During the winter months, the Ice Cream Parlour will be open **10.00 am to 5.00 pm** Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. I suggest you get along to enjoy what it has to offer!  
**K.P.**

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**Residents at Sycamore Hall are on the hunt for a VHS video recorder that is in good working condition.** They have a number of videos that they would like to watch but their machine is now broken.

If you have an unwanted video recorder/player that you no longer require, please drop it into Sycamore Hall. Residents would be extremely grateful!

Thank you!



The children in Dalesplay have been enjoying playing in the Autumn leaves, creating Autumn themed pictures and putting up the Halloween decorations. We have been making pictures to send to our friends in Little Geko's nursery in Australia where Michelle Guy, (who used to work for us at Dalesplay) now lives and works. It was lovely to see her again on her visit back from Australia and we often share pictures and experiences with the children over there to teach them about our lives in England. We have lots of fun activities planned for the half term holidays which will be based around Halloween and Bonfire night. Dalesplay will be holding a Christmas Fayre in **Hawes Market Hall on Sunday, November 10th, 10.00am-4.00pm**. Come along to see a range of trade stands, homemade produce, games and refreshments.

**Joanne Fothergill**

## Cheese and Wine Evening

**Friday, November 22nd** in the Richard III hall in the Key Centre, Middleham. Guest Speaker: Richard Sanderson – “Life of a Dales Funeral Director”. Tickets £10.00 (to include a glass of wine) Proceeds in aid of The Key Centre and St. Mary and St Alkelda's Church. Tickets from The Key Centre office or **Margaret 01969 624388**.

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## Swaledale Mountain Rescue Team

**SWALEDALE**

We offered to write an article following a generous donation of £500 from the UWNL following our efforts in the Swaledale and Wensleydale floods in July. This article is by way of a catch up as it's a while since we last contributed – in future we intend to write regular quarterly updates concentrating on our activities and topics of interest to the Upper Dales area.

So far in 2019 we've responded to 26 incidents. Two of these were major incidents.

In June, the team were contacted by our neighbouring colleagues in Cave Rescue Organisation and asked to support with the rescue of a caver who had fallen down a 6m pitch whilst digging in Curtain Pot in the Fountains Fell area. A small team of our underground section deployed to the scene and were involved in a very complex and technical rescue. Over 90 other rescue volunteers were



involved from across Yorkshire and Cumbria.

On 30 July, the team were contacted by the Police Control room and asked to respond to reports of people trapped in cars in flood water in the Grinton area. This was in fact the start of a busy evening for the team. Whilst responding, it soon became clear that there had been flash flooding around Reeth and Leyburn. The team dealt with multiple calls and were not back in our base until after midnight. Team members were also part of the multi-agency control room team established at the Fire Station in Northallerton, to support the response. The next

day, the team helped with the recovery operations in the Reeth and Arkengarthdale areas. We visited several isolated dwellings and delivered medication and food. Other team members supported the physical clean-up operations.

Almost 50% of the remaining call outs so far in 2019 have been in the Upper Dales area. Year after year our 'accident blackspots' are the same – the Aysgarth Falls area, the Pennine Way and the Cam High Road near Hawes, Keld (for walkers and kayakers), Tan Hill and Gunnerside Ghyll and we've attended incidents in all these areas in 2019. Most of these incidents are accidents or medical emergencies occurring where people are generally well equipped for the outdoors.

Everyone involved with Swaledale Mountain Rescue Team is a volunteer. We're a charity and receive no statutory funding, relying entirely on donations. We currently have 29 full team members, a further 7 probationers (under training to be full team members) and several other people who help regularly in support roles. Our team members are available 24/7 365 days of the year. All our full team members invest significant time in training, with some going on to complete further training in specialist areas such as advanced medical training, blue light driver training, and swift and flood water rescue training. In addition, we have 2 team members with Mountain Rescue qualified search dogs.

We support several outdoor events that take place in our area by providing medical cover. We focus on those events where incidents would be 'off the road' or difficult for the other emergency services to reach. This year we have supported the Swaledale Marathon, Mad Races at Bolton Castle, the Mintex and the Scott Trial. We were also due to support the Ard Rock Mountain Biking event at Fremington (cancelled because of the floods) and the UCI Road World Cycling championships on the Butter Tubs (route changed due to heavy rain). We also spend time maintaining our equipment, liaising with other teams and emergency services to improve our areas of joint working, fund raising and providing talks to various groups and organisations.

None of this would be possible without the contributions made by residents and businesses in the Upper Dales area, either directly, or via the collection boxes in many local shops, pubs and cafes. Many thanks from all members of the team! Many businesses already have our collecting tins – however if you haven't and would like one then please contact **Jill Armstrong 01748 886807** or [jill.armstrong@swaledalemrt.org.uk](mailto:jill.armstrong@swaledalemrt.org.uk).

**Jill Armstrong**

Jill will be speaking to the Penhill Ladies at their meeting on **20th November**—see what's on for details.

**Gayle Mill Trust Christmas Fayre**

A Little White Bus Shuttle Service will operate, free of charge, between Gayle, Hawes and Raygill Farm on **Saturday, November 23rd** to bring you to the Gayle Mill Trust Christmas Fayre.

Depart Gayle Lane Bus Stop	10.00am
Depart Market House	10.05am
Depart Dales Countryside Museum	10.10am
Arrive Raygill House Farm	10.15am
Depart Raygill House Farm	10.45am
Arrive Dales Countryside Museum	10.50am
Arrive Market House	10.55am
Arrive/depart Gayle Lane Bus stop	11.00am

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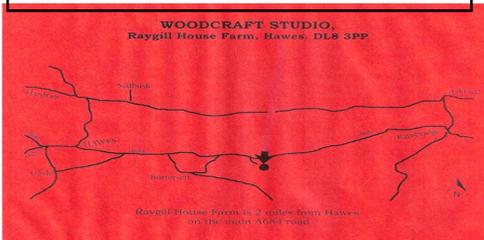
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## Newcastle Building Society Recruiting in Hawes

After all the bad news about bank closures and cash machine restrictions in Upper Wensleydale, here's some good news. The North East's largest building society is opening a community branch in Hawes this year and hopes local people will join the team here.

Newcastle Building Society is looking to fill customer adviser and branch manager roles, with plans in place for the branch to open in December.

Its community branch in Hawes is part of the Society's wider commitment to the High Street and its local communities.

The commitment includes a multimillion pound refurbishment programme of all of its branches and the Society will also increase its branch numbers from 27 to 31 by the end of the year.

The new community branch in Hawes will share the space in the bustling Upper Wensleydale Community Office. It will echo the sleek and modern open plan design of the Society's latest branches and will comprise a welcome desk and a meeting space incorporated into the office space.

Stuart Miller, customer director at Newcastle Building Society, said: "We pride ourselves on developing and maintaining great relationships with our customers, whilst providing competitive savings and mortgages, all underpinned by face to face financial advice. Our customer advisers play a critical role in this as they are our friendly face on the high street.

"A priority for the branch network is maintaining great relationships, with both existing and potential customers, and by being there to help them understand and address their ever changing financial needs."

The positions available are perfect for people looking for either a full time or a part time role.

If you're interested in applying for one of these roles contact **Rachael Feechan via email [Rachael@hadriansrecruitment.co.uk](mailto:Rachael@hadriansrecruitment.co.uk) or call her on 07766 837060.**

Or, you can also attend the Society's open day

taking place on **Wednesday, November 6th from 10.00am till 1.30pm** at the Main Reception, Wensleydale Creamery, Gayle Lane, Hawes DL8 3RN.

## Hawes Community Office Information

**Please see the following information for Barclays customers and Post Office Ltd.**

Barclays recently announced that **from January 2020** its customers will no longer be able to withdraw cash from any Post Office Ltd branches. This includes Hawes, Bainbridge and Askrigg. They advise that customers can cash cheques at participating Post Office branches, however, our local branches are not big enough to provide this cheque encashment service. We have asked PO Ltd if we can adopt this facility in light of the decision made by Barclays and are awaiting their answer.

Please note customers will still be able to pay in cash and cheques, and check their balances at all Post Offices.

For customers that have received letters, there will be contact details contained within, however the following numbers will also put customers directly in contact with their customer services team: - **Free phone 0800 400 100 - or 0345 734 5345. Please call them with your views on their community banking service in rural areas.**

Coincidentally, in line with Barclays' plans to sell the building of the former branch, they are carrying out work on the Hawes ATM machine in order to do some internal re-housing and re-wiring work. This is scheduled to take 5 to 6 weeks, and the work is meant to be completed by mid-November.

Many thanks, Hawes Post Office Team.

**Abbie Rhodes, Manager  
Hawes Community Office**

**Harold and Audrey wish to thank family and friends for the lovely cards, flowers and gifts received on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.**

## Christmas Bus Trip

There will be a Christmas bus trip to Newcastle on **Thursday, November 21st**. Pick up points are Thorlby at **8.15am** and then Aysgarth Falls Hotel, West Witton and Leyburn.

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The Friarage Hospital Northallerton, plays an important part in the health of our community. Our job is to make sure it has the right people and services available to help the people who need them. We need to make some changes to how services are delivered in order to make sure this happens.

Before we make any changes, we want to hear from as many people as possible. People can complete an online survey to let us know their thoughts, or attend a public event (you can register to attend an event and complete the survey online by visiting <http://www.friarageconsultation.eventbrite.com>).

We are also reaching out to Voluntary Community Sector Organisations in the local area to ask if you would be willing to hold a focus group with your service users on our behalf. If you are interested, we will provide you with all the materials and information you need to do this, and will provide a financial incentive to help cover your costs and time. If you would like to hold a focus group (with about 6 – 10 service-users), please contact us at

[scrccg.engagement@nhs.net](mailto:scrccg.engagement@nhs.net) or at **01609 531397**.

### For information about the Friarage Hospital consultation, please look at:

Consultation document

Easy read consultation document

If you would like to get involved let us know and we can send you:

Discussion guide and reporting template

Easy-read equality and diversity questions

Frequently asked questions to help you hold a focus group or interview

Information about arrangements for payment.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions and we hope you can hold a focus group about the future of urgent care at the Friarage Hospital, Northallerton on behalf of NHS Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). We want to ensure we are engaging with a diverse range of people, and seeking views from as many different groups as possible. We appreciate your support to engage with local residents.

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## Prunings

What a strange autumn. I was so fascinated by the butterflies in September I completely missed the swallows gathering on the wires, and then suddenly they were gone. Not so the jackdaws who make such a racket in the mornings trying to hang on to the bird feeders. Fortunately they don't find it easy and most of the feed goes to the songbirds.

It's satisfying to reflect on the things which have worked well, however insignificant they may have seemed. I had acquired some wooden planters. In theory they were raised boxes for veg, but as I don't do much in the veg line, I put five 20 litre pots in each - for colour. I saw a small tray of Begonias, and put six in one pot. They soon flowered and filled the pot. They have been glorious, red and radiant all through the summer, and despite the rain, they are still there to cheer me every morning. The purple Calibrachoa that I put in the tubs at the top of the steps have been extraordinary and are still flowering, but the pink ones I put in to fill them out disappeared weeks ago. It was a better choice than Geraniums as the weather turned out. The Rudbeckia Goldsturm which was a poor little green thing last year has come up trumps; it must have at least 40 heads on it, and it has been accompanied by a red Geum which has proved to be an excellent combination. The dwarf Chrysanthemum I put in to fill up a gap last year not only thrived, but it now has made a lovely shape as it spills over the side of the raised bed. I'm pleased I bought a dark pink as there is a pale pink hardy Geranium still in flower beside it.

On the down side I am really concerned about the state of the ash trees. There is a big, beautiful and graceful specimen just outside the village, and walking under it I am shocked at how sick and thin it looks, with many dead branches. Strangely, I can't see any keys (seeds) at all. I've since been taking note of others, and they too have mostly no seed heads. Could this be the dreaded "Ash Die Back"? Call me a cynic, but when I have watched the behaviour of our politicians in recent weeks, each with their own agenda, it is no surprise that none of the great and the good will ever admit

to being responsible for the unnecessary importation of trees carrying disease.

It is definitely bulb time. I bought lots last year so shall limit myself to a small choice selection. More Irises are in the frame, as there was one I missed last year. Monty Don had it on Gardener's World, and afterwards every seller had sold out. There are some pretty Narcissi featured in Garden News which I shall look out for and I am tempted to buy one or two interesting grasses to add a different feel to my large raised bed. This may turn out to be a mistake, as there are grasses already growing in this bed, but they are all the wrong type!

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**Rose Rambler**

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## The Wensleydale School and Sixth Form News

This week Year 9 students, accompanied by Mr Ellis and Mrs Wade, visited Belgium and France on the Battlefields Trip. At previous schools I was fortunate to have taken students on the same tour, so was keen for our students to have the same opportunity.

After a very early start on Monday morning - thanks to parents for getting up at 4am! - the group travelled via Dover to Calais and then on to their base for the next 3 days, Heuvelland, Belgium. Over the next few days students

visited Tyne Cot, the largest Commonwealth war graves cemetery on the western front with over 11953 burials, then on to the Passchendaele Museum, Essex farm and Ypres. During one visit some older British visitors commented that they had been touring round the War Graves for 3 days and seen many school parties. However they specifically took the time to say how impressed they were with the attitude and respectful behaviour of our Wensleydale students and that they were the best behaved that they had seen. This is a true testament to our key behaviours of Positive, Hardworking and Respectful.

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Thankfully, tired and a little travel weary, all returned safe and sound on Thursday.

**Julia Polley**  
**Headteacher**

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## Anne Moore - Rural Hero

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Unbeknown to Anne, her name was put forward for the Yorkshire Post's 2019 Rural Awards.

One of the categories was 'Rural Hero'. It was therefore a great surprise for Anne when she was informed that she had been nominated and shortlisted for this award.

The grand finale was at the Pavilions of Harrogate on October 10th. This memorable occasion commenced with a gin reception followed by dinner and then announcement and presentation of awards. Winning her award was a wonderful achievement for Anne, especially as she approaches her 80th birthday in early November. The judges chose Anne because she selflessly gives of her time and contributes so much to community life.

Anne is well known and respected around the Dales and is an active member of Carperby community, doing many things in the village that people take for granted. She served 10 years on the Parish Council and is secretary and caretaker of the Institute. Every year, since it started 28 years ago, she has given a great deal of input to Carperby Open Gardens, our main fund raiser for the Institute, and is also regularly involved with Carperby Sports Pavilion activities.

Amongst other things Anne, a former carer, looks after the village war memorial and cleans the village bus shelter.

After a gift of golf lessons in her early seventies, Anne seriously took up golf at which she quickly excelled, and is now a keen member of Catterick Golf Club.

**Joan Hodgson**

*We at the Newsletter would like to add our congratulations to Anne—a well deserved Rural Hero.*

*A.M.*

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Anthony Wood is an amateur historian and guide at Rokeby Park.

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- 4 Rev Tom Ringland Institution and  
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- 5 'All My Life's Buried Here'. See page 4
- 6 Dales Business Women meet.  
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- 6 Recruitment Fair for Newcastle BS.  
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- 7 Hawes Christmas Festival and Party.  
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- 7 Hawes Primary School PTFA AGM  
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- 7,28 National Theatre Live. See page 4
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- 8 Wensleydale Filling Station, Matt Hirst.  
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- 19 Deadline for free Christmas Greetings  
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- 19 Middleham and Dales Local History  
Group. See page 19
- 20 Penhill Ladies. Carperby Institute.  
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Mountain Rescue
- 20 Hawes Bags-to-School collection.  
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- 21 Christmas Bus Trip to Newcastle.  
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- 21 Thoraby Soup and Sweet Lunch.  
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- 21 Bainbridge W.I. AGM. See page 39
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**December**

- 1 Thoraby-Turkey and Tinsel Christmas  
Lunch. See page 39

**Helping Wildflower Meadows  
Flourish**

The Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust (YDMT) has been working hard with landowners and farmers to restore vital wildflower meadows over the summer. To date, the charity has helped to revitalise a total of 15.28 hectares of wildflower meadow this year.

Wildflower meadows help increase biodiversity as well as provide an important forage source for pollinators such as bees, butterflies, hoverflies, beetles, moths and other insects.

"It has been a very enjoyable year working alongside farmers, landowners, Cumbria Wildlife Trust and Natural England, and we are really pleased with progress," Christa Nelson, Hay Time Officer at YDMT, said. "We have restored the equivalent of 16 football pitches of wildflower meadow. We have used a variety of methods including harvesting green hay, over seeding and adding seed by hand." YDMT has been working on a number of schemes, including one at Shawcote Farm in Askrigg and at Appersett.

You can support our wildflower meadow restoration by giving a Living Bouquet – a unique alternative to fresh cut flowers – or by donating £10 a month. To find out more visit [ydm.org/wildflower-gifts](http://ydm.org/wildflower-gifts).

All events and exhibitions included in museum admission unless stated.

Dates for Hawes Late Night Christmas Shopping with many local shops and cafes including the DCM are: **Friday, November 8, 15, 22, and 29 4.30pm to 9.00pm**. Enjoy a festive evening at the museum. With a glass of mulled wine, music, children's activities and local craft workshops together with local craft stalls. Stage1Cycles will be demonstrating children's bikes. There is also free entry to the museum.

**Exhibition: Dairy Days, 12 September to 23 February 2020.**

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### November, Activities and Events

- 8 Christmas pudding making demonstration with Firebox café.  
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- 15 Pickle making demonstration with Firebox café. Chutney tasting with Raydale Preserves. Craft activities available for all ages
- 15 History of Swinithwaite Hall. 7.30pm. A talk by Bridget Thornton Berry on The history of Swinithwaite Hall. Part of the Friends of the Museum annual lecture programme. Free - donations welcome
- 22,29 Come and meet Mother Christmas on the train. Write a letter to Santa, post it on our twinkly trail and warm up with a hot chocolate in the Firebox café. Our Christmas donkeys will be waiting to meet you! £7 per child.  
Booking Essential. On 22nd *Young Voices* from Hawes will be singing festive tunes and on 29th *Song Birds choir* will be singing. There will be Bauble biscuit decorating too on both dates
- 23-1 Dec. #ThanksToYou Campaign

### Cards for Good Causes:

The Museum is selling Charity Christmas Cards. 28 different charities are supported from Age UK to Stroke Association. At least 70p in every pound goes back to the charities.

### #ThanksToYou Campaign

As a thank you for support provided by the National Lottery Heritage Fund, the Museum will be offering free entry for lottery ticket holders (one museum entry per lottery ticket) as part of the #ThanksToYou campaign. National Lottery players have raised more than £40 billion for arts, education, environment, health, heritage, sport and voluntary projects since 1994.

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The Autumn term at the BAWB Federation has got off to a flying start with lots of exciting events and activities taking place. We also welcomed two new teachers, one in KS2 at Askrigg and one in KS1 at West Burton as well as eight new pupils across Nursery, Reception and KS1. Our children are busy settling into their new classes and some of the staff have moved around the Federation, so all change for them too! We also have a busy time after school with Craft Club, Cycle Club, After School Sports, Songbirds, plus a lunchtime Homework Club.



Our Year 5 and 6 children took part in the Tag Rugby Festival at Wensleydale RUFC. The weather was horrendous, but the children were a credit to the school and themselves, battling on through the rain to show some really impressive team work. The children really enjoyed themselves, and showed some fantastic

rugby skills.

32 of our KS2 children travelled to Richmond School to represent BAWB in the Cluster cross-country event. The weather was perfect, and spirits were high as the children started their heats. The children raced by year group and gender, and the standard of competition was very high this year. Our children were absolutely fantastic, with every single one of them giving their all in their heats, and cheering on their peers when not competing. Many of the children qualified for the L2 event which is great news. A big well done to our runners from all of the staff!

Our Y5/Y6 pupils went on an educational trip to visit the Grand Central Mosque and United Hebrew Synagogue in Leeds. They had a great day learning about other religions and asked some thought provoking questions. The pupils were a credit to our Federation.



On Thursday, October 10th we had a non uniform day to celebrate World Mental Health Day and children were asked to dress up as a character they admire, whether from history, action hero, sporting personality, unicorn... the list is endless and the children did not disappoint! We had policemen, firemen, cowboys, dancers, equestrians to name but a few. The aim of the day was to learn more about how to develop good mental health and raising awareness of the subject. Whilst having fun with this learning, we raised funds for Compass Buzz, an educational organisation that works with all North Yorkshire schools by raising awareness, offering training, resources and support for children in our schools.

Our fabulous PTFA organised a Halloween Disco on the 25th October for the children, where prizes were given for the best fancy dress and a hotdog and drink served – what a super spooky way to finish this half term.

Upon our return in November we will be heading into the Christmas preparations, which is all very exciting! We have Christmas plays, trip to the Panto in Leyburn, BAWB Christmas lunch and a visit from Santa! What a lot to look forward to!

  
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### Hawes School News

#### Cycling Competition

Class 3 children took part in a cycling event at school. An ex-Olympic cyclist, Phil Bateman was our instructor. We were split into 2 groups, Year 5 and Year 6. In the morning we went



around a circuit on our bikes which included going over ramps and going under limbo poles. He also told us about bike safety.

In the afternoon we did two races – the time trial and a sprint race. Only 8 children were chosen to represent our school, 4 from Year 5

and 4 from Year 6. Thank you to Phil for teaching us, we all really enjoyed it!

**By Matt, Annie and Olivia**

Following the cycling event at school, the children chosen to represent Hawes School went to the inter-school cycling tournament finals at Michael Syddall Primary School in Catterick on Tuesday, October 15th. They competed for medals and a school team trophy.

The children representing us were Tommy, Jason, Olivia, Paige, Hannah, Ted A, George T and Emily N. All the children won at least one medal. One child won four! The team won the trophy as well, so a good result – well done children.

We are very grateful to Mrs Guy, James Fagg, Shell Lewis and Su Hugill who accompanied the children and cheered them on and James for his bike mechanic skills!

“It was an absolute pleasure to accompany the children to the cycling event yesterday. They were very well behaved and a credit to the school. It’s fair to say they completely obliterated the competition. I suppose one of consequences of living in the sticks and having few facilities for the kids is that they spend a lot of time on

their bikes... and it showed yesterday! I know it's not all about winning but to see their joy at being genuinely talented at something and to consistently beat lots of bigger schools was lovely.



The second race was an individual event where the children took turns to do two laps of a long course. I noticed that the Hawes children all dispersed to different parts of the course so they could cheer the competing child on. We didn't tell them to do this and no other group did it - it's just one example of how well they worked as a team and how much they supported each other.

I was also surprised by how much cycling they did - they were on the go literally all day so I think they might be a bit tired today. I have a

sore throat today - we were cheering them quite enthusiastically!"

**Shell Lewis (Parent who accompanied)**

**Bags2School**

Hawes School PTFA have arranged a Bags2School collection on **Wednesday, November 20th at 9.00am**. We would be very grateful if you could fill a bin liner (or two) with good quality adult and children's clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, soft toys, bedding, curtains and towels you no longer require and return the bag to school on **Wednesday, November 20th by 9.00am**.

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## Police Report

A good news story to start with! On **Saturday, October 19th** four gentlemen from Hawes completed a gruelling 160 mile bike ride in aid of two charities; Fight Bladder Cancer and Mind. Congratulations on completing this fantastic feat and for raising money for two great causes!

Continuing on the cycling theme it was a crushing disappointment to have the UCI World Cycling Championships re-routed following continued bad weather, especially given the huge amount of effort and time that so many villages across the Upper Dales and Swaledale had clearly put into making the day one to remember. However, I know that locals and visitors alike, despite the day not running as planned, have enjoyed seeing the fantastic displays and decorations along the roadsides and on the village greens.

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

Overnight on **26th September** padlocks on an outbuilding on Arkengarthdale Road in Reeth were cut off and entry gained. Nothing appears to have been stolen but it is a warning to all to check the security of garden sheds and garages especially with the dark evenings approaching.

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On **2nd October** some time between **9.00am** and **7.00pm**, kennels near Marsett have been broken into and a brown and white cocker spaniel bitch has either been taken or escaped.

Around the **3rd October** thieves entered the Leyburn Recycling Depot and stole about 40 scrap car batteries. Please do not leave scrap items on display in your garden or businesses as it will attract unwanted visitors. Scrap collectors require licences to collect waste (issued by Richmondshire District Council) and must provide you with a receipt for any items they collect. If you believe one is operating without such a licence please call the police at the time on '101' with vehicle registration details.

Anyone with information on any of the above, please call '101'.

We continue to take reports of moorland traps being interfered with and damaged, the latest being on the moors above Askrigg. These particular vermin control spring traps were compliant with the relevant legislation and lawful. If you come across a trap that you believe is unlawful or has trapped a non-target species (i.e. not a stoat or rat) please take a photo, note the location (using the 'What3Words' app. ideally – this is now being used by all emergency services as a location finding tool so quite useful to have anyway) and inform us on '101'. **Please do not touch the trap.** One of our team of Wildlife Crime Officers (usually PC Julian Sutcliffe from Leyburn) will check out the trap and report back to you.

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back and three clearing the way at the front. They said that there were about 450 sheep in the flock. I thought it would be interesting to watch sheep being moved the way they used to be, before the days of transporters and Ifor Williams trailers

All seemed to be going well until the sheep at the front decided that they had had enough and turned back. Chaos ensued and no amount of jumping, whistling, shouting and waving by the lads seemed to have any effect.

I hadn't realised how agile sheep are. Walls were no problem, they just jumped them. Now I understand why all but the highest walls tend to be topped with pig wire. They headed up a gateway towards a garden. They wouldn't get up there, there was a cattle grid across the entrance. Wrong again, these sheep were clearly champion long jumpers and cleared the cattle grid with ease. One even found a perch on top of Bob Ellis's topiary (see photo); clearly the tastiest morsels grew at the top of the bush!

There were sheep everywhere, in gardens, in adjoining fields and a few walking along the road, some even going in the desired direction



but others returning to the mart. How would this be resolved?

Eventually one of the lads went off to get his dogs. He returned with his dogs and within ten minutes, one man and two dogs had all the wandering sheep rounded up and heading in the right direction! The sheep drive resumed through Gayle and up the hill to their new location. A taste of yesteryear – or perhaps in those times they would have used dogs from the outset.

A.M.

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including a free glass of mulled wine or tea/ coffee and a mince pie. Any donations of prizes for the chocolate tombola or bottles of wine would be very much appreciated and can be left at the school or contact me for collection. We are also collecting empty, clean jam jars.

We have a **Bags 2 School** collection arranged for **Wednesday, November 20th**. A good excuse for a pre-Christmas sort out! They will take any unwanted clothes, shoes, bags, hats, soft toys, curtains, towels and bedding – please put in black bags and bring to the school gate by **9.00am on the day**.

**Anna Fagg (secretary)**



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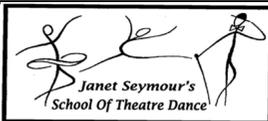
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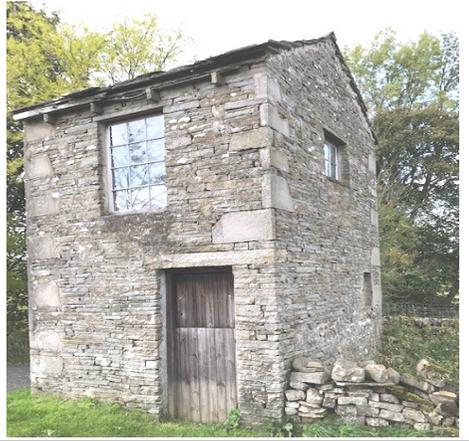
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## Heavens Above

There's a transit of Mercury this month, on **November 11th** when we'll see the innermost planet's tiny black disc tracking right across the face of the Sun. Planetary transits like this one are pretty rare. From the Earth the only ones we can see are those of Mercury and Venus because they're the only planets that lie between us and the Sun. For us to see a transit the Sun, planet and Earth have to be exactly lined up which doesn't happen very often as the orbits of both Mercury and Venus are quite highly tilted relative to the Earth. The last time we saw a transit of Mercury was in 2016 and after this one there won't be another until 2032. Transits of Venus are even rarer. They occur in pairs eight years apart with more than a century separating each pair. As the last one was in 2012 you'll have to hang around until 2117 to see another.

This month's transit starts just after **12.30pm** and continues throughout the afternoon. From our latitudes we'll only see part of it as the Sun will have set by the time it finishes around **6.00pm**.

A word of warning – if you'd like to have a go at viewing the transit yourself, don't be tempted to look directly at the Sun either with your naked eye or any other optical device such as a telescope or even a camera. You will seriously damage your eyesight if you do and may end up

blind as a result. The only way to see the transit safely is to project the Sun's image onto a shaded piece of white card through a telescope's eyepiece or one side of a pair of binoculars. I know it's second-best but you're probably best off viewing the transit on-line. I believe the Royal Observatory at Greenwich is planning to broadcast a live stream of the whole thing so try visiting [rmg.co.uk](http://rmg.co.uk) for more details.

Right at the end of the month on **November 24th** there's an impressive close conjunction of two other planets – Venus and Jupiter - when they're just a degree and a half apart. Look for them low in the south-west just before **5.00pm**. On **November 28th** the pair are separated by a slim crescent Moon with the ringed planet, Saturn slightly to the upper left – a lovely sight in the gathering darkness. Have clear skies!

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## Reeth Memorial Hall

**Saturday, November 9th – Lewis & Katie and Feedback - 7.30pm.** A double header with two acts for the price of one featuring young musical talent from the dales. Acoustic duo Lewis Porter (guitar) and Katie Jones (vocals) play favourites from George Ezra to Fairground Attraction and James Arthur. Feedback are a four piece band of 15 and 16 year olds. Harriet Morris (lead vocals), Oliver Sayer (lead guitar), Kirsty McLachlan (bass guitar) and Ryan Atkinson (drums) play mainly rock covers from well known bands such as Green Day, Arctic Monkeys and Blur. All proceeds will go to the Two Ridings Community Foundation for flood relief in the Swaledale and Arkengarthdale area. Tickets £5 (£6 door).

**Friday, November 22nd – Sherburn, Bartley, Sanders – 8.00pm.** Our first Reeth Memorial Hall folk gig was with Chris & Denny's Last Night's Fun, so they're to blame for the Hall's music scene! Denny Bartley (vocals/guitar) and Chris Sherburn (concertina) team up with Emily Sanders (fiddle, viola,

vocals) to create one of the most entertaining, talented bands around. Tickets £13 (£15 door).

**Friday, December 13th – 8.00pm - Máire Ní Chathasaigh and Chris Newman - Celtic Christmas Strings** (Irish harp, guitar and vocals). Their new Christmas show features a breathtaking blend of traditional Irish music, swing jazz and bluegrass, plus festive favourites – “Blazing guitar and dancing harp” (Dirty Linen, US). Tickets £13 (£15 door).

Tickets available from Reeth PO or phone John Little on **01748 884759** or visit [www.reethmemorialhall.co.uk](http://www.reethmemorialhall.co.uk) – tickets for music events half price for under 16s.

## The Roof of Wensleydale

Many thanks to Neil Piper for walking the routes I set out in my book “The Roof of Wensleydale” published in 2005. Neil's walks brought back many happy memories of walking these routes over the six two thousand-foot fells. Apart from the suggested walks and drives, the book contains a wealth of information on this wonderful area, including landscape, quarrying, drystone walls, history, drovers, flora and fauna, woodlands, weather and climate. The book covers 195 Pages with 12 colour photographs.

If anyone would like to read further, I have a few copies left available to local Newsletter readers for the reduced price of £10 including postage and packing. You can contact me via [pi.lennie@btinternet.com](mailto:pi.lennie@btinternet.com).

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Following this summer's yarn bombing, Hawes knit and natter group raised an amazing £321.55, which was donated by local residents and visitors alike. The group would like to thank everyone for their generosity and The



Board Inn for all their support. The ladies have gifted their fund raising to a local charity. This year, Hawes Brownies and Rainbows were presented with the cheque.

The Brownies and Rainbows were very excited with their gift and the leaders were very grateful to the Hawes close knit friends.

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## Climate Change Meeting

On Friday, September 20th Bainbridge Quaker Meeting House held an open day with an exhibition of information and paintings about Climate Change. The public were invited to have coffee and tea and given the chance to contribute, with an exchange of views and opinions stimulated by the scientific facts and artists images and adding their own responses to the Climate Change Emergency lists being collated.

One of those visiting the meeting house said: 'It was a thought provoking exhibition with visual impact... many questions were answered and more were raised. I saw a light at the end of the tunnel that showed a way through.'

But another: 'However, I do think it is all too little too late and quite honestly the human race causes such destruction, disaster and devastation in this wonderful, beautiful world we live in, it would be better off without us. The planet will be fine and right itself in time.'

Some positive suggestions and commitments focussed on activities we can do as individuals e.g., tree planting, ethical shopping, careful use of energy, avoidance of single use plastic and moorland conservation to protect our important carbon sinks – peat bogs. Several local plastic free shops were flagged up too, and participants offered their suggestions about what major decisions government can make to implement global cooperation and decision making. Also a list of suggestions to give to our local RDC was collated.

There were some people who would like to meet like-minded others to form a local group. If you would like to pursue this idea please get in touch on **01969 667411**.

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## Hidden Canvases- Street Art and the City

In the second lecture of The Arts Society Wensleydale's new season, at Tennant's Garden Rooms Leyburn, on **12th November from 2-3pm**, Doug Gillen explores the key stages in the development of street art. He examines the different elements and styles that comprise un-commissioned public art: the scene with no rules. Doug is heavily involved in documenting this genre in London and abroad, through his project Fifth Wall TV, and can offer a genuine insight into this world.

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Visitor's tickets are £10 (refunded if you join TASW). Contact **01845 567489** or [wensleydale@theartsociety.org](mailto:wensleydale@theartsociety.org) for tickets, which are also available prior to the lecture. TASW website – <https://theartsociety.org/wensleydale> has full details of the 2019-2020 programme.

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**French Conversation – Wednesdays from 10.30am to 12 noon.** French conversation with experienced tutor Liz Sowter. The sessions are ongoing and the cost is £40 for 6 weeks or £8 per session.

**Moodbooster sessions – Thursdays from 10am to 12 noon.** Thursday mornings from 10am to 12noon. Activities include Halloween

theme activity day; pumpkin lanterns making; phone photography; Christmas crafts. Sessions are free.

**Sewing workshops – Thursdays from 1.30pm to 3.30pm.** On Thursday afternoons from 1.30 to 3.30pm join us for tea and biscuits and like-minded company. There are two sewing machines available or bring your own. Materials are provided but there may be fabric costs later on. The cost is £4 per session.

**Bridge sessions – alternate Mondays from 7.00pm-9.00pm.** Come along on alternate Mondays to play bridge.

**Coming Soon...** new circuit sessions starting in November on Wednesday evenings. Contact us for more details.

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For enquires about any of the above or for bookings contact **Jan on 01969 650060**; email [admin@yorebridge-sport.co.uk](mailto:admin@yorebridge-sport.co.uk); website [www.yorebridgesportandleisure.co.uk](http://www.yorebridgesportandleisure.co.uk); facebook Yorebridge Leisure; or twitter @yc\_leisure.

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## Personal Statement

We received the following personal statement from Andrew Fagg which he asked us to include in the Newsletter:

**Parish Council:** I applied for a seat on Hawes and High Abbotside Parish Council. Councillors voted unanimously against me. Three seats on the parish council remain vacant.

Andrew Fagg

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Carols by Candlelight  
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## Bluebox Productions – November Update From Colin Bailey

### Emerging Artist Concerts

Our final Emerging Artist event takes place on **Saturday, November 23rd at 7.30pm** when **local guitarist Rich Marsh returns** to perform at Leyburn Arts Centre. Together with special guests he will perform an evening of popular music including hits from the Eagles, Bryan Adams, Status Quo and many more Rock 'n' Roll favourites.

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### Wensleydale Filling Station

Matt Hirst, minister at Kay Street Baptist Church, Rawtenstall, will be the speaker at the next meeting of the Filling Station on **Friday, November 8th** at Newton Le Willows Village Hall from **7.00pm to 9.00pm** Further details from **Mike Hirst on 07714 204024**.

### Bruce Lambert

Would like to say thank you very much for all the cards, presents and messages, I received on my 70th birthday, very kind. Also thank you to Emma Blades, who made my birthday cake.

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Soup and Sweet will be on **Monday, November 25th** at Bainbridge Village Hall, cost £5.

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