

**Upper Wensleydale Newsletter**  
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## Editorial

“Has worked well” was the writer’s long remembered comment in his school report for history when he was twelve. That was in the days when a space of one line was allowed. It could, of course, have also cleverly implied that he achieved little!

This is leading to a few lines about words and paper. You must have noticed how newspapers, magazines, circulars, reports, guide-lines, guarantees, instructions, strategies, aims and objectives have grown in size to almost ridiculous levels. The questions: are things made clearer? Do we actually read any more? Are they necessary? Who benefits? Why are we doing it? Could we be using paper, ink, people, skills and time to better effect? How much paper goes straight to the recycling bag?

It seems sometimes that organisations which are there to deliver services, are over-staffed with people telling us what the organisation has done, is doing, or is planning to do and how it is planning to do it! We just want it done, and then we can see the results for ourselves; no need for the paper and the time spent on it.

Schools have to spend so much time writing down what they hope to achieve and what the students have achieved, that they have a reduced time to actually teach. A case recently saw the police spending an inordinate amount of time writing reports and taking details twice over, just to deal with someone handing in, honestly, some cash they found. So not ‘on the beat’. You must have noticed the number of people and the amount of paper and the time spent around the reception desk of every hospital ward. So not actually nursing. The ‘utilities’, the district and county councils send us frequent journals of what they are doing. Why? We only want them to do what they are supposed to do, then we can see the results. They’d have more staff

available for the ‘service’!

Even the National Park, which we do not automatically, like some people, blame for every ill in the area, does however seem to have a big proportion of its staff engaged on rather less important matters than the immediate work needed ‘on the ground’.

We ourselves are not faultless. It’s easy to use three words when one would do. It is also easy to resort to the same limited vocabulary instead of thinking about and choosing a more apt, or even interesting, word. Misunderstandings and confusions aren’t automatically cleared up by using more words, but by using fewer, carefully.

“He was a man of few words” they sometimes say in praise. We assume he was a man of many good deeds. Councils, Authorities, Utilities, delegates, leaders, .... all of us:- off our backsides, let’s get DOING! There is plenty of work: caring for the environment or caring for others.

And we’ve kept this editorial shorter

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## **Eunice**

**EUNICE WINNER: Tyler Scarr,  
Sedbusk.**

**TREASURE HUNT WINNER–  
Robert Walker, Aysgarth**

### **To Freedom's Cause**

This dramatic new play sheds light on the courage, determination and zest for life of England's only Martyr Suffragette.

The stage premier will take place at 3.30pm in the Great Hall of Bolton Castle on **Saturday 26th September**. Tickets are available from Bolton Castle phone **623981**

### **Calling All Year 12s**

As you will know by now, each year the Newsletter invites year 12 students living within the circulation area to consider whether they would like to be the chosen one as the **Bursary Student** for the year.

You will be following in the footsteps of the famous! Schools will be sent full details as soon as the term starts, but students may contact us directly to inquire about what it entails, And what the rewards are!

entry.

The website allows you to search by regions for all the properties open (which include free entry at the Dales Countryside Museum). Maybe local churches, chapels and other interesting buildings not usually open might like to join in.

### **Heritage Open Days**

This now annual event takes place this year from **September 10th to 13th**. Hundreds of interesting buildings and sites throughout the country not usually open to the public, or open for a charge, will have free

## Hawes School News

### Humphrey Head



Class 3 went to Humphrey Head on a three day adventure. We went with West Burton and Middleham.

We set off at 10.00 on the 6<sup>th</sup> July and we stayed until the 8<sup>th</sup> July when we got to Humphrey Head we had a excellent meal then straight after that Mrs Dooley's group went climbing on a rock face Mrs Woodyer's group went rock scrambling. Straight after that we had tea and got ready for the night walk we walked to a limestone castle and back when we got back we had to brush our teeth and go to bed but unfortunately the four who slept in the tents include Tommy Calvert, Louis Dinsdale, Jack,Iveson and Nathan Baldwin had a bad night because it started to rain. The next day straight after breakfast Mrs Dooley's group went raft building all day Mrs Woodyer's group went canoeing at Coniston in the morning and climbing in the afternoon.

**Tommy Calvert Y5**

### Charity Auction Story

A selection of art by local artists will be auctioned by Rodney Tennant at the charity auction at Tennants in Leyburn on **Thursday, September 17th** and there will be some very entertaining music thanks to Rick Dickerlous and the Outrage supported by Lil and the Lilletes!

The proceeds from the auction will go to the UK charity, **Friends of Govi**, which helps blind and visually impaired children in the Gambia.

A magnificent collage by **Janet Rawlins** will be auctioned and the other artists who have donated pictures include **Judith Bromley, Piers Browne, Winifred Hodge,**

**Roger Lofts, Moira Metcalfe, Nancy Murgatroyd and Jo Stockdale.** All the art will be on show at Tennants from September 2nd, with much of it already on view at: [www.friendsofgovi.org.uk](http://www.friendsofgovi.org.uk).

The evening starts at **5.00pm**. There will be refreshments and a raffle.

My sincere thanks to everyone who has sent messages and cards during my two recent spells in hospital. They were Very much appreciated.

**Hazel Peacock**

## Dales Harvest 2009



This year's Dales Harvest takes place over the weekend of the 19th and 20th September and will be centred round the Market House and Market Place in Hawes. It will be open on both days from 10.00am to 5.00pm and is FREE to the public.

In the Market House will be food and craft stalls as well as the festival café. There will also be representation from local wildlife and conservation groups, video footage of local events, fly tying demonstrations, a treasure hunt and a lucky dip

Outside on the street we will be focusing on Family fun and entertainment including the following:

- LA Jazz Band – back for the 3rd year by popular demand
- Locos in Motion Morris dancers
- Face Painting
- Circus Skills workshops
- Fun Fair
- Hula Hoop Competition
- Virtual Dog Show - have your dog photographed at the festival and judged by public voting
- A Real Ale (bottled) bar with outdoor pub games to try
- Hog roast

The weekend will finish in grand style with a joint Harvest Festival service in the Hawes Auction Mart at 6.30pm. Methodists, Anglicans and Catholics all taking part. Service led by Rev. Henry Dubois.

If you would like to exhibit, or if you have a business to promote or have a craft skill you'd like to demonstrate, or you represent a voluntary organisation and would like a stall, or if you would like to volunteer in any capacity, contact us by tel:

667400 or email: [uwcp@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:uwcp@hotmail.co.uk)  
Handsome Hulks to help with any heavy setting-up jobs on Friday evening and clearing away on Sunday evening would be particularly welcome, (a few beers available!).

This is a party weekend - so invite your friends and relatives to join the fun.

**Jenny Harper**

## **The Upper Dales Health Watch**

*The Consultative Group for the Central Dales GP Practice*

### **Synopsis of the July meeting**

Cllr Blackie has been appointed to chair this Joint Committee. 11 Parish Councils / Parish Meetings are now paid up members i.e. all those in Wensleydale served by the Central Dales Practice and Muker in Swaledale. Low Abbotside is in the process of linking with Askrigg so had not been asked for a separate donation. Dent, Garsdale and Melbecks Parish Councils are Associate members.

Preparation for the Swine Flu pandemic was discussed. If patients are not able to identify a 'flu friend' then the Practice, with the verbal permission of the patient, will phone the Parish Clerk, the Health Watch representative or the person responsible for emergencies in the parish concerned for advice on someone prepared to be a 'flu friend'.

The Central Dales GP Practice is in the process of getting a new computer system that will be hosted by a company in Leeds. Patients will be asked to avoid going to both surgeries **10th-17th September** if at all possible whilst the new system is being installed.

Notes on the meeting with Pete Summerfield of the Yorkshire Ambulance Service and the Hawes & High Abbotside Parish Council meeting with the PCT have been circulated and the latter meeting resulted in the resolution of cross border journeys. In response to the request for views on hospital transport from the Richmondshire District Council Scrutiny Committee it was agreed that the Health Watch should write and support the proposal for OAPs to be allowed to use their bus passes before 9.00am to enable them to get to hospital.

The delay in awarding the 5 year Dentistry contract was causing concern. It was felt people would feel much more confident of signing up when the 5 year contract had been awarded.

The Richmondshire branch of the North Yorkshire LINK has identified as priorities:  
Out of hours dentistry;  
Extra and continuing care inc. Community Nurses;  
Hospital discharge information;  
A&E

It was agreed that a publication and website of Health and Social Care contacts and information would be a good use of the LINK funding available for the next 18 months.

Several items from the local Press were discussed, including taking suspected stroke patients to James Cook and the temporary suspension of Maternity and Sick Children's services at the Friarage. The extra nursing for chronic patients was a management rather than a hands-on service. The Diabetes trial in the Practice had been well attended.

**Jane Ritchie, Hon Secretary**

## Best Foot Forward

### Where the Park goes wild.

A lifetime is too short to know every area of the Dales and there are some bits that often get missed altogether, save for a quick view from a car.

So with this in mind I took off for the top end of Arkengarthdale beyond Whaw, a vast open area you might have noticed on either side of the drive up to Tan Hill from Langthwaite.

I won't bore you with the details of more invisible rights of way across miles of open moor and marsh that eventually lead to the National Park boundary among some beautiful thick heather, but I do want to tell of two lovely *Gills*.

Returning down the dale from the boundary, William Gill comes in from the right with its bonny beck tumbling down among bracken, heather and boulders and there is a wide track. (It crosses two concrete fords with no footbridge so there could be a deep crossing after rain). It feels quite like being in the Highlands of Scotland to me.

After a mile or two travelling SW to William Gill Houses (no houses), a long bridleway coming from Tan Hill can be followed SE for two and a half miles over Great Scollit Hill, Annaside Edge and West Moor. This narrow track among the heather is a delight with a wide view to the left over Arkengarthdale, eventually arriving at some old coal levels at the head of our next gill— Great Punchard. Here again a wide easy track accompanies the beck below to the right passing interesting lead mining remains. Swinging round to the right, then left at Whaw Moor, we are soon back to the road near Whaw village.

This little village did have a welcome tea room, but do not be deceived; although details are still on the internet, it isn't

there! However, a lovely riverside walk leads to Langthwaite and the C.B. Inn.

I do think, however, that after two or three days, I've got the upper reaches of Arkengarthdale out of my system! **A.S.W.**





## **New Store for Hawes**

Book on **667320**

The new Carrs Billington Country Store located next to Hawes Auction Mart is due to open in November. The existing site is being completely re-developed and the new store ( a 'proper' shop ) will be about four times larger than before. It will be selling the same types of goods but will have a much bigger range and offer a more attractive shopping experience. In addition to Agricultural Supplies and Pet Food (including bird seed) there will be a bigger range of DIY and Gardening Tools and Equipment (including compost and seeds). There will also be an expanded range of outdoor clothing and footwear and household goods.

During the re-development the existing stock has been moved to the Aysgarth site but if customers visit the temporary office at the Auction Mart (or phone **667334**) before 11.00am orders will be shipped to the Hawes office (or customer site) that day.

Customers are thanked for the patience during the re-development and asked to look out for notice of the special Opening Event planned for early December. **B.C.**

### **One for your diaries**

An audience with Daryl will take place at the Fountain, Hawes on **November 25th** at 8.00pm. This is a strictly adults only performance in aid of Gala and Ball funds. Tickets £5 available from the Laundrette **667192**.

### **Demonstration Day at Gayle Mill**

On **Sunday September 6th** (and 4th October) there will be special extended tours which include demonstrations using Victorian hydro powered and modern wood working machinery. A must-see for anyone interested in traditional skills and machinery. Tickets (£10) are limited.

## Surgery News

### Swine Flu

The press has moved on from this story but we must nonetheless remain vigilant. It is possible that there could be resurgence in infection rates once the kids go back to school. So here is a quick reminder about what to do if you suspect you may have swine flu (raised temperature, generally feeling unwell, joints aching)

Firstly, **DO NOT** come to surgery. The poorly patients in our waiting rooms will not appreciate sharing your virus particles, nor will the clinical staff who are needed to treat them. If you are otherwise healthy, contact the National Pandemic Flu service on 0800 1 513 100 or online at [www.direct.gov.uk/pandemicflu](http://www.direct.gov.uk/pandemicflu). You will be asked a series of questions about your symptoms & underlying medical problems. Should the service decide you need antivirals, you will be issued with a voucher code. It is best to nominate someone – a ‘flu friend’ to pick up your medication on your behalf. This person will need to provide evidence of identity, preferably photo ID, for you & themselves at the nearest antivirals distribution point. The nearest points for the Upper Dales are Hogg’s Pharmacy at Hawes or the pharmacy in Bedale. Out of hours (OOH), it is possible to pick up antivirals from the OOH centre at the Friarage hospital, but you must contact the OOH call centre first, rather than just turning up. If you ring your surgery out of hours, your call will be redirected automatically to the OOH call centre. Neither Hawes nor Aysgarth surgeries can distribute antiviral medication.

For those patients who have no flu friend, please contact your local surgery & we will arrange for a local volunteer to collect your medicine on your behalf. This service is being co-ordinated by your local parish councils, using volunteers who will be paying for their own fuel to help you, so

please do not abuse their kindness.

If you suspect flu in patients with chronic underlying medical conditions (such that an annual flu jab is required), or infants under one, or pregnant women, please telephone your surgery for advice. Most cases will be diagnosed & treated via telephone consultation. If your doctor decides that a direct consultation is necessary, this will probably take place at your home.

The vaccine against this strain of flu is still under development. Once it becomes available, we will invite our ‘at risk’ patients for vaccination. The usual winter flu vaccination programme will be undertaken as normal, though this vaccine will not confer immunity against the swine flu strain. Consequently, some patients will be offered two flu vaccines this autumn.

### Computer System

In mid September the practice will be changing over to a new computer system. Consequently, please minimise your contact with the practice between Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September. During this period we will not be able to process routine repeat prescriptions, **so if your script falls due at this time please order by 9<sup>th</sup> Sept at the very latest.** Only urgent doctor consultations will be offered during this period. Normal service will be resumed on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September.

As usual, if you have any queries or comments about the services we provide, please contact me on **667 200** or at [Clive.West@gp-B82045.nhs.uk](mailto:Clive.West@gp-B82045.nhs.uk)

Clive West



Wensleydale Children's Centre ran summer activities for children 0-5 years old and their families. A successful planting session and playdough session have taken place which were thoroughly enjoyed by the children. The Centre also housed sessions for King's Club throughout their week in Askrigg. A Parents' Forum is to be established to help shape the delivery of services locally. Any Parent wishing to attend the first meeting planned for **September 23rd, 6.30pm** at Wensleydale Children's Centre, Askrigg Primary School, Askrigg should contact the Children's Centre on **0845 034 9688**.

### **The Moorcock Show**

We are hoping for our usually sunny day on **Saturday, September 5th** for the Moorcock Show. Be surprised not only by the weather but also by what's at one of the oldest sheep shows in the Yorkshire Dales, which is to be held at Mossdale on the A684 between Hawes and Sedbergh.

This show is not only for farmers but anybody with an interest in the countryside. Apart from the hard fought competition to find the best Swaledale, Texels, rough fells, blue faced Leicesters and rough fell sheep, there will be various stalls where you can buy locally handmade silver jewellery, woollen goods, homemade goodies and wooden products.

You can also take part in competitions and enjoy an ice-cream which is produced locally, and if the mood takes you, a drink and something from the barbeque.

**Colin Lockett**

## News From the Wensleydale Railway

months use: [www.wensleydalerailway.com](http://www.wensleydalerailway.com);  
or book by phone on 08454 50 54 74.

Ruth Annison

*Are you reading this before Bank Holiday Monday? Steam train services continue daily until August 31st.* If you are reading this in time, please help to 'spread the word' to holiday visitors so they can take the opportunity to travel on a steam train in Wensleydale

Railway passengers will be arriving in Hawes in September (by bus link from Redmire)! The excursions for WR passengers will be to Hardraw Brass Band Contest (**Sunday September 13th**); the Dales Harvest and Classic Bus Rally events (both **Sunday September 20th**) and to Richard Fawcett's Working Sheepdog event (**Thursday September 24th**). Please make our passengers welcome if you meet them!

Vintage buses meet every WR train at Redmire on Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays (until November 1st) to provide a link onwards to Hawes and Garsdale station. It's a pleasant ride in the opposite direction too! Why not have a trip out before the season ends? (The other regular vintage buses you see on Tuesdays run from Kirkby Stephen; they go on from Hawes up to Ribbleshead station). . *Senior Citizen bus passes are valid for FREE travel on the vintage bus services, Dales and District bus services - and also on the Little Red Bus which runs six days a week between Hawes and Garsdale station.*

WR's scheduled DMU trains run between Leeming Bar and Redmire 6 days a week in September (not on Mondays), with a Diesel Gala on **Fri./Sat./Sun. September 25th/26th/27th**. The second annual Brian Redhead Memorial Train will run on **Saturday Sept 26th**, in memory of the late *D and S Times* journalist (no booking required except for groups of 11 or more).

For all details of events in the next few

## Have Your Say About Improving Services at the Museum

Eleven years on since the redevelopment of the Dales Countryside Museum, we are now considering how to improve the services we provide.

**Until August 31st** there will be a display in the reception and an opportunity to contribute to the consultation process. **Every day 9.30 am– 5.30pm.**

National Park staff will be in the Community Office in Hawes on the **1st September between 10.00am and 4.00pm**, to discuss possible changes and hear your views.

At the museum on **September 8th**, staff will be available with plans and information so please drop in and take the opportunity to have your say. If you would care to telephone, leave your thoughts on **666214** or email:

[yourthoughts@yorkshiredales.org.uk](mailto:vourthoughts@yorkshiredales.org.uk)

The museum celebrates its thirtieth birthday this year; to enhance the exhibitions already available and offer visitors an artistic interpretation of the Dales, **Piers Browne** has donated his collection of number 1 etchings, worth over £1million, to the National Park Authority. To be able to display and house the etchings DCM is proposing to build a dedicated gallery.

The donation has come at a time when DCM is considering a wider refurbishment. The Museum last had major works in 1998 and has since been surveying visitors to gather opinion on the attraction.

However, we have consistently received feedback that visitors have difficulty finding the entrance and once inside find it hard to tell the free and paid for exhibitions apart. They also wish to purchase refreshments during their visit and are disappointed that there is nothing available onsite.

We want the future of DCM to address these issues and we also want the whole community to benefit from any changes and get a local operator involved in the provision of refreshments in a similar way as we did at Aysgarth Falls

DCM commissioned Turpin Smale catering consultants and Xsite architecture to explore development options in the form of feasibility studies. The resulting report highlighted that "the development would add positively to the local economy, rather than detract from it, and would present a business opportunity for a local operator [in terms of a coffee shop]". In addition "a net total of between £0.3 and £0.7 million per annum of additional local spend" is estimated from visitors attracted by the development and could support between 4 and 13 full time equivalent jobs (net).

Xsite architecture recommended a number of internal and external creating a new entrance and reception area along with converting part of the platform building into a coffee shop.

## Great North Air Ambulance Clothes Collection

St Margaret's Church in Hawes is collecting unwanted clothing and textiles to raise money for the air ambulance. Items wanted are clothes, shoes, belts, purses, small handbags, bed linen (**not** duvets or pillows) curtains and towels.

We will be paid by weight and if we collect more than 1 tonne, the money is doubled!

Please take items in collection bags, available at the church or the Health Centre, or in bin liners into St Margaret's Church, Hawes, anytime before 2.00pm on Monday 5th October.

If anyone requires assistance, ring Janet Middleton on **666070**.

**£1000 grant towards installing a  
Solar Thermal system**

Richmondshire District Council in conjunction with the Energy Partnership is urging residents to take advantage of a new scheme which provides grants of £1,000 off the cost of fully installed solar thermal panels. If you are interested in applying for a grant or finding out more about energy efficiency, call your local Energy Saving Trust advice centre on free phone

**0800 512012**

## Vaco Concert

A Vaco Concert will take place in St Andrew's Church, Aysgarth on **Sunday 30th August at 7.30pm**. They tell us that

Aysgarth is their favourite venue!

The Programme will comprise:

Brahms A Major Serenade

Wagner Siegfried Idyll

Doppler Andante and Rondo (for two solo Flutes and Strings)

Plus various Wind Quintets and other chamber music.

Tickets cost £10 for adults, children £5.

## Prunings

### *A personal take on Plants, Propagating and other related rural ramblings.*

So! The glorious twelfth has been and gone, and it seems they had a grand day for it. My local shoot admitted to a smaller bag than predicted, but they excused themselves on the grounds of high winds! Maybe I am a cynic, but I seem to have heard that one before. The grouse and the heather spell the beginning of Autumn for me and I feel inspired to take cuttings from the best of the shrubs. Semi-hardwood I suppose I should call them, but it's not always true as some put on late growth which makes ideal cutting material as long as it has no flower shoots. It's better to avoid flowering shoots simply because their energy is being channelled into the flowers and they struggle to make roots as well. Some people like to take hardwood cuttings very late in the season. This produces rather larger plants, but it is well into next year before any signs of growth appear, that is if they've taken.

Spiraea Anthony Waterer has been glorious this year, but its rich, red panicles of blossom are going over now. It's very easy to propagate, but if you plant it be prepared to give it serious discipline or it will take up lots of room. Shirobana with both pink

and white flowers is a more docile cousin, but not as good for cutting, and Little Princess is another handsome plant which can be kept small: my 20 year old specimen is barely 3 feet tall and I shall attack it shortly with the shears to tidy it up and remove the spent flowers.

The potentillas are looking really good at the moment, and they sell well when in flower. Abbottswood, the classic white is always popular and so is Grace Darling with showy flowers in mottled pink. There are all manner of yellows and creams with foliage ranging from strong green to almost grey. My favourite is Hopley's Orange which is really vivid and striking even on a dismal day. If you're looking for good value, low maintenance shrubs potentillas are hard to beat. They need extra water until they have established a decent root system, but after that all they really ask for is the occasional haircut and they flower for months.

One of this year's real treats has been Hydrangea Arborescens Annabelle. I bought it years ago and it has been disappointing. Not so this year - perhaps it liked the rain. It is now covered in huge creamy white mop heads, some of them must be six inches across. More cuttings! I hope they don't take as long to root as the Petiolaris cuttings which I have been carefully watering since early June. Even though it has taken years to establish it must be worth a try.

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

## Rose Rambler.



**Yorebridge Education  
Foundation**

Are you a student going on to Further or  
Higher Education?

Would you like to receive a small grant?

Are you in the Wensleydale  
catchment area?

Apply now in writing to:

**Mr R. Tunstall**

**c/o O'Reilly's accountants,  
Market Place, Hawes**

stating where, when you are going  
and what course etc.

Letters to arrive no later than **October 31st**

**Christine Lambert,  
Clerk to the Trustees**

**Licensing Act 2003**

NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A  
PREMISES LICENCE

PREMISES: Bainbridge Village Green

ADDRESS: Bainbridge, Leyburn,  
North Yorkshire

APPLICANT: Bainbridge Parish Council

**A Premise Licence is sought for: -**

Varied Regulated Entertainment (Plays,  
Live Music, Recorded Music, Performance  
of Dance) between the hours of 10:00 –  
22:00

Any representations about this applica-  
tion, which may be inspected at the follow-  
ing address, must be made by **September  
15th** and sent to:

Environment Services  
Licensing Section  
Richmondshire District Council  
Swale House, Frenchgate  
Richmond  
North Yorkshire  
DL10 4JE

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RECKLESSLY TO MAKE A FALSE  
STATEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH

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LIABLE ON SUMMARY CONVICTION  
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**Pauline Beckett, Clerk to the Council**





### Heavens Above

One of the most interesting stars in the early autumn sky is Algol - The Demon - famous in astronomical circles for its long, slow 'wink'. Algol is usually about as bright as the Pole Star but every few days it fades quite noticeably losing half its brightness in just over four hours. It stays quite dim for about 20 minutes, and then slowly returns to normal. The explanation for this strange behaviour is that Algol is made up of two stars, one brighter than the other, circling round one another every two and a half days. Because they're almost edge on to our line of sight, when the dimmer but larger star passes in front of the brighter one, it gradually cuts off its light making Algol 'wink'.

You'll find Algol in the constellation of Perseus, high in the eastern sky for the next few months. Perseus looks like a ragged upside-down 'Y' roughly midway between Cassiopeia and the Pleiades star cluster. Algol is the constellation's second brightest star and lies at the south-western end of the 'Y'.

The Milky Way flows through this part of the sky and along its length there are several fine open star clusters. Look out for the 'Sword-Handle' a double star-cluster just about visible as a hazy patch to the naked eye but a magnificent sight with binoculars or a low powered telescope. Perseus himself was the legendary hero of ancient Greece who slew the snake-haired Medusa, a dreadful Gorgon so horrible to look at that anyone seeing her was instantly turned to stone. On old star maps Perseus is often shown holding the Medusa's severed head with Algol marking the creature's malevolent eye.

Have clear skies!

**Al Bireo**

Worton's contribution to the World's Biggest Coffee Morning will take place this year on **Friday, October 2nd** at River View, Worton. From **10.30 am**. Raffle and tombola, as well as delicious cakes and biscuits! Everyone is welcome to join us. All proceeds to Macmillan Cancer Support.

**Margaret Meek**

### Macmillan Cancer Support

## **MYSTERY PICTURE**

### **'No room this month'**

Last month's picture produced a variety of suggestions like this nice email from **Anne Deans**: "I am almost certain that the gate shown is at the end of the 'Old road' leading from Helm towards Broad Mea top, via Cogill. The photograph is looking towards Helm. As a child I frequently walked up this road when I went with my father who was 'shepherding'. On one occasion his dog, Toss, caught a weasel almost where the photographer must have stood. Toss then threw the weasel up in the air and caught it until, after about ten minutes, the weasel died having squealed throughout its ordeal"

However, the general opinion from several readers and farmers from Marsett and Raydale, is that the picture is taken on the top level section of the Roman Road behind Wether Fell. Take your pick!

## **Thornton Rust Country Show**

The 27th Thornton Rust Country Show took place in the village institute on Saturday 15th August. Although the weather could have been kinder the show was well supported and attended by villagers and visitors alike.

There were 56 entrants (including 18 non-residents) for a wide variety of classes with a total of 360 exhibits.

This year a new trophy was presented by Willie Metcalfe who also opened the show and presented the prizes. The trophy was won by Mrs Jennie Metcalfe who won Best Rose in Show.

Classes for garden produce and home baking were well supported as usual and the floral entries provided plenty of visual impact.

The refreshments and cakes were also

very popular - it was just a pity they could not have been served outside in glorious sunshine.

**S.E.D**

## Raydale update



There are now visible signs of the environmental work which the project has initiated. Down at Marsett the flood damaged part of the meadow on the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust nature reserve has been fenced out ready for tree planting. Where all the flood debris was deposited willows, alders and birch will be planted in the winter months.

At Low Blean, where Little Ing Sike flows into Semerwater, the banks have been fenced out to help reduce erosion. Cattle will no longer be able to trample the bank sending silt into the lake. Here, once the weeds have been dealt with, it is hoped to enhance the vegetation by introducing tall herbs. No tree planting will be done so that the view of the lake from the bridge is preserved.

Along the west side of the River Bain the bank has been fenced out for a different reason. Here the livestock are being restricted from access so that willows can be established. During the winter four species of native willow will be planted. When fully grown these shrubby willows will form a more or less continuous tree cover linking Bain Gill woodland to the woodland on the west of the lake. Continuity of woodland habitat allows other species to spread and this is an important part of coping with climate change. The willows will also soak up any remaining soil nutrient coming from the productive fields above which will protect the water quality

of the river.

Looking to the future, residents of the four villages in the Raydale Project catchment ie Bainbridge, Countersett, Marsett and Stalling Busk are invited to an **Open Meeting at Sycamore Hall on Wednesday October 7<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm**. Steve Welsh from Waterpower Enterprises will explain how a Community Hydro Scheme works for the benefit of local people..

**Deborah Millward, Project Leader**

## Technology Takes a Further Step Forward

Please note that there is now public **WiFi** access at the Community Office in Hawes.

**Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> to Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Leyburn Amateur Dramatic Society**

presents

**"Funny Money"**

by Ray Cooney

at the Wensleydale School,

Produced by Carrol Thomas

Show starts at 7.30 pm

Tickets available from **640689**

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

**Photographic Exhibition**

**Weekdays Wednesday 2nd September**

**– Tuesday 15th September**

**9.00am – 5.00pm**

At Thornborough Hall, Leyburn

Exhibits include selected work from

*"Wensleydale in Camera"*

Wensleydale Camera Club 2008

Exhibition Prints

Leyburn Town Council's historic

*"Jean Johnson"*

local history archives from 1942-1999.

Free entry

**Great North Air Ambulance**

On Saturday August 1st, Peter Metcalfe, owner of W. Metcalfe and Sons Ltd, Hawes, celebrated his 40<sup>th</sup> birthday in a marquee at the depot with friends and customers. Instead of gifts, Peter requested that guests make a donation to Great North Air Ambulance. The evening was well supported by local people and many guests travelling great distances from all over the country staying in local hotels, camping or caravanning at the venue. The total raised by the end of the night was £4065. Peter wishes to thank everyone for attending and for their support of this very worthy cause; also thanks to those guests unable to attend but who also donated generously.

### **King's Club – The Power Saver**

This year's King's Club centred on 'The Power of God to Save...' We were able to relate some pretty amazing situations where God has intervened in a dramatic way into people lives. Some of these were taken from bible characters and others were told from personal experience or contemporary situations. God's power to save is most importantly demonstrated in his raising Jesus from the dead – a most significant fact in history which can, if we allow it, impact on all our lives.

170 children and young people met each day at Askrigg School and Low Mill (the teenagers / Extras group), having been bussed in from all over the Dale. A fast moving programme included music, visual presentations, craft, games and competitions. More than 35 leaders ran the programme and lots of fun was had by all.

We are very grateful to the school and staff at Low mill for allowing us to use their facilities and look forward to planning year 22 – King's Club 2010. (Next year's dates are 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> August with a family BBQ on the 7<sup>th</sup>)

**Mike Hirst**

### **Here are some comments from the young people.**

This week at King's Club we did hot beads. We learnt about Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego, Daniel, Peter and Jesus. We did parachute games and art things. I made new friends.

**Olivia Eyre (aged 7)**

This week of King's Club has, as always, been loads of fun. It was a fantastic way to make new friends, have lots of fun and learn about God. The leaders are a great laugh and really know how to have a good time. Everyone is welcome at King's Club, so please come next year.

**Beth Utley (aged 14 – in the Extras)**

When I went to King's Club for a week in the summer holidays, I enjoyed myself because I got to meet new friends. The leaders were nice to me and helped me do the activities. I enjoyed making my friendship bracelet, the water activity and making the felt fire.

**Kyle Coates (aged 9)**

What a week it's been at Low Mill! We all had a wonderful time, as always – adults and young people alike. We've had some fabulous new features this year: the KC band with inspirational songs and groovy dance moves!; the fantastically fun and creative games invented by our leaders; the funny and educational (no, that's not an oxymoron) videos that have helped us to learn and engage with our memory verses; and the amazing new art and craft activities, from glass painting to the increasingly popular 'stop motion' filming where we made two comical and impressive videos using ourselves and puppets! We also had some old favourites: our exciting, if not rather wet, trip to Semerwater for canoeing and water activities; our discussion times, where we came up with thoughtful, interesting and often fairly imaginative ideas; the high ropes course and climbing wall, testing us to our limits but still giving us a great time!..... and perhaps best of all, the AWESOME waterside on the Friday! We, the kids, would like to thank the leaders for another brilliant week. We all can't wait for next year.

**Emily Nicholas  
(aged 14 – in the Extras)**

## Annual Treasure Hunt Answers

### Group 1. Appersett.

1. 18t
2. Richmondshire Community Safety Partnership
3. U.S. Mail on old post box
4. Name and phone number of secretary, Geoff Phillips

### Group 2. Thoraaly

1. Piper
2. 22
3. Bishopdale Forge. Aysgarth 478
4. Kenley. Cottage name but also RAF Airfield

### Group 3. Bainbridge

1. Presented to the community by the Upper Wensleydale Newsletter 2002
2. Sign on The Old Hall
3. 15, to the Nursery
4. Summerfield Cottage (Planning application to increase roof)
5. For further details re Cherry Bank

### Group 4. Redmire

1. 3 swords, 6 shields (on pub sign)
2. SPIRO (Priory House)
3. On Alfa Laval
4. Globes and pots; Eden House
5. Name on old mangle
6. Peddar Cottage. The Peddar's Way is in Norfolk

### Group 5. Gayle

1. Clints House
2. Richard Dinsdale, Builder of Gayle (grave in old cemetery)
3. Millennium mosaic
4. 75-78
5. YNR bridge number

### Group 6. Carperby

1. Keld means 'spring'
2. Tubs in allotment
3. St Matthew
4. A pig on the tank
5. J.S.(John Sullivan) 1903 datestone

### Group 7. Sedbusk

1. North Rakes Hill
2. Whitehouse; 21 broken railing tops
3. Jasmine Cottage
4. Chieftain 600; on grid

### Group 8. Preston

1. The "under scar" bit
2. Skipton (on sacks)
3. Cruachan cottage
4. 1995, on post
5. There's a bee hive

### Group 9. Askrigg

1. James Herriot
2. 5mph (Weatherald's Yard sign)
3. Cook or sleep in any vehicle
4. Alan Wilson (on seat)
5. Town Head Farm

### Group 10. West Burton

1. CBE, JP, DL, FRICS
2. Red; playground rings
3. Farmyard, top of village
4. Greenhill, house name. (First line music for 'There is a green hill far away')

## NSPCC Event

Afternoon teas and stalls

**Thursday October 1st**

**3.00 to 5.00pm**

**Carperby Village Institute**

to support the vital work of the NSPCC

## Aysgarth Singers

Rehearsals will start again for the Aysgarth Singers on **Tuesday September 8th** at the Aysgarth Institute at **7.30pm**.

Anyone interested in joining the choir will be most welcome. Just come along on the night or telephone **Sue Foster 667424**

## Upper Dales Family History

### **Group**

Meetings recommence on Wednesday, September 23rd, at 2.00pm in the Key Centre, Middleham, when the speaker will be Mark Whyman on 'The secret of life, the story of northern spas'. Free to members of the Cleveland FHS; non-members very welcome, entry £1.

### **Aysgarth Village Fete**

**Monday 31st August at 1.30pm**

Teas and refreshments, lottery, stalls, tombola, cakes, face painting, quoits and barbeque.

Hawes Silver Prize Band.

Come along for family fun on the Village Green.

## Waterwheels plan for National Park

Waterwheels could be turning again all over the National Park if a scheme to generate electricity is backed by landowners and residents.

Nearly 50 potential sites for small-scale hydro-electric units have been considered in a study commissioned by the Park.

### Hawes United Football Club

The football club would like to thank all the generous folk who donated time, money and goods in aid of our fund raising event at the recent Hoppers sale. A magnificent £535 was raised for club funds. Thank you.

A sponsored walk will take place on **Sunday September 27th** in order to raise funds for the club. The walk will start at Town Foot in Hawes and will be the "Yoredale Round", an Upper Wensleydale circular route of approximately 11 miles. Check in time is from 10.00am and departure at 10.30am prompt.

For sponsor forms and further details (or to take part and give a donation) please contact **Gordon Sleightholm** at Fair View, Hawes, **667348**, or **Sheila Alderson** at Inverdene, Hawes, **667408** or the White Hart, Hawes, **667259**.

### Licensing Act 2003

#### APPLICATION FOR PREMISES LICENCE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an application for a Premises Licence under the above-mentioned legislation has been made by:  
PETER SMITH

To Richmondshire District Council in respect of premises known as:

MOORCOCK BARN B & B  
which are situated at  
MOORCOCK HOUSE, GARS DALE HEAD, SED-  
BERGH, LA 10 5PU

The proposed licensed activity to be carried on at the premises is as follows:  
SALE OF ALCOHOL, MONDAY TO SUNDAY, 11.00AM  
TO 00.00- SERVED TO DINERS & RESIDENTS

The record of the application may be inspected at the offices of  
The Licensing Section, Richmondshire District Council,

Swale House, Richmond, North Yorkshire DL10 4JE  
during normal office hours (*by appointment only*)

Any representation by interested parties or responsible authorities regarding the application must be made in writing to the Licensing Section, Richmondshire District Council at the above address by

**18 SEPT 2009**

It is an offence, liable on summary conviction to a fine up to Level 5 (£5000) on the standard scale, knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with the application.

**NOTE: This notice to be posted and remain on the premises for 28 consecutive days.**



### **The Dales Old-Time Dance Club**

The Dales Old-Time Dance Club begins its 2009-2010 season next month with the first dance on Friday October 9<sup>th</sup>. Dances are held in West Burton Village Hall on the second Friday of each month, from October to April, with a mixture of Old-Time and Sequence dancing from 8.00pm until 11.30pm.

The annual subscription is £21, and new faces are always welcome, prospective new members being invited to come along for a one-off "taster" session at a charge of £3.

There's no need to worry if you have no experience of this type of dancing, many of us are still novices and there are plenty of more experienced members who are only too willing to help show us the way. We are also holding informal "learning" sessions in Redmire Village Hall on some Tuesday evenings over the Summer months, so if you fancy having a go at something new, come along to Redmire or West Burton and give it a try. If you'd like more information, phone **625503** or **623485**.

**Jill Adamson** secretary

1ST HAWES BROWNIES  
"Changing the World"  
Centenary Challenge

**BOOK SALE**  
at Market House, Hawes  
on  
**29th September, 2009**  
**6.00-7.00pm**

Sale of used books to raise  
funds for  
**BOOK AID INTERNATIONAL**

## West Burton School News

July saw the end of another very busy academic year here at West Burton and the school promises to be full of activity during the summer holidays as work started on the installation of a first floor to the key stage two classroom as soon as the children left .

During term time in July, the pupils of years 3 and 4 visited the Jonas Centre in Redmire for an overnight stay with a lot of activity in two days. Everyone had a great time and returned to school happy and tired.

Meanwhile, eleven pupils from years 5 and 6 spent a residential week at Humphrey Head Outdoor Centre near Grange Over Sands. Robert Thorp (11) wrote:

“On Monday we went scrambling on rocks down at the beach and got stuck in quicksand – it was excellent. On Tuesday we went canoeing – it was fabulous. On Wednesday we built rafts and sailed to an island where the film Swallows and Amazons was filmed.

On Thursday we climbed The Old Man Of Coniston – it was 804 metres above sea level. The views were brilliant. On Friday we went orienteering and packed our bags Overall it was absolutely stunning.”

The infants had a lovely peaceful time whilst the Key Stage two pupils were away, having the whole of the building to themselves. The term saw lots of activities and hard work which was shown to a good gathering of parents at the end of term assembly at school.

The last day of term saw the culmination of a sterling fund raising effort by the fund raising committee when some 800 plastic ducks were released in the river just below the waterfall at West Burton.

So, all quiet on the academic front for the next six weeks at West Burton, but frenzied



building activity continues. A happy and well deserved holidays to all the pupils and staff.

**Simon Greenslade**  
Parent Governor

*We have received so many articles over the summer that regretfully some pruning has had to take place. Ed.*

### September Competition

**Weardale, Teesdale, Swaledale, Uredale, Wharfedale, Nidderdale, Airdale.**

**Here are a couple of villages in each** (but not in order):

1. Famous old laurel, expect
2. Boiler OK?
3. Shoo flute!
4. How green you are; H for C
5. Crazy guy!
6. He was so confused
7. Lakeland water not so hot
8. Don't throw stones in here
9. One ripe brush
10. Found on a grave?
11. Sets fire to the lot
12. Bed, the female, 14 pounds
13. Prickle, weight, which woman?
14. Emmerdale's real home.

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**Jill Adamson secretary)**

### **Toddlers' Group**

Please note that the Mums and Toddlers' group which meets in the Hawes Methodist rooms will begin again on **Wednesday, September 16th** and not right at the start of the school term.

## St Andrew's Heritage Event



*Pupils from West Burton C of E school checking to see what is upside down on the church wall. It could be a horn roughly carved on an old coffin lid which was once inside the church and marked the grave of a verderer or*

Over 200 local school children visited the church during the event. They took part in searches inside the church and in the graveyard, and were also taken on nature trails in the churchyard.

Earlier, on the Saturday and Sunday, several hundred people came to see the exhibition, enjoy teas in the Lady Chapel, and, if they wanted to, learn more about their own family history by consulting Evelyn Abraham, Ann Holubecki and José Hopper.

Thanks to the Awards for All grant there were also free souvenir copies of the new illustrated Visitors' Guide and of Barry Thornton's essay about the Jervaulx Screen.

**Pip Land,**

Aysgarth church heritage officer.

### **Emma Hancock in Concert accompanied by Gary Matthewman**

**Saturday 12th September, 7.30pm**

**St. Andrew's Parish Church**

Adults £10.00, Children £2.00

Advance tickets from the Church Office  
tel: **663097**

Emma Hancock is one of the leading young violinists of today. her performances have thrilled audiences throughout the world and she is equally at home as a concerto soloist, recitalist, chamber music player and orchestra leader.

She holds a first class degree from the Royal College of music and was recently awarded the coveted artists diploma by the Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh.

Emma is currently assistant concert master of the Colorado Symphony Orchestra in Denver. Her new CD Fireborn is a stunning compilation of live performances, sold in aid of Signpost International.

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### Launch of the Friends

Walkers, businesses, councillors, groups representing charities who use the area, and National Park staff have all taken part in an event to celebrate the establishment of the "Friends of the Three Peaks", aimed at protecting and conserving the special, but highly trampled, area.

The event on Friday August 21st, saw W.I. Calendar Girl, Angela Baker become the first member of the Friends. Her late husband John initiated the original Three Peaks Project when working for the National Park in the 1980s.

### Auction of Promises

**Saturday 26 September 2009**

at Leyburn Rugby Club from 7.00 pm.

Tickets £5.00 each (includes supper) available from Liz Peacock **625335**.

Proceeds for Redmire Village Hall (donation to Jenny Ruth Workshop).

Great selection of items, promises and pledges.

## Askrigg School News

### Cluster Sports

On Thursday the 30<sup>th</sup> of June we took part in a Cluster sports. Cluster sports is where lots of primary schools come together. We jumped and ran lots of field and track events including shot putt, long jump and relay to win certificates. It was exiting and nerve-racking to go to Wensleydale secondary school and take part in all the different field and track events. I think we should say a massive thank you to Mrs Fawcett, Mrs Hammond and Mrs Wallington for taking us. **Lorna Kerr and Georgia**

### Music

There has been a variety of musical instruments played in assembly this year. Mo has played her cello, Alistair and Charlie have played their clarinets, Hugo, Simon and James Peacock have played the piano and James Peacock has been brave enough to sing solo. Some people, like Simon and Hugo, make up tunes, while others follow their music books. Recently, we have started a Samba band with Mrs Hartley's help. **Ethan Wallington**

### Forest Schools

Every other week, our class walks to Bluebell Woods near Bainbridge to do Forest Schools. There, we learn how to light campfires and to be safe around them. We have cooked marshmallows, cheesy bread, sausages and even a rabbit, which Mr Sheehan caught and prepared for us. We built a shelter and I helped teach everyone how to do a clove hitch (I learned it at cubs). We play lots of games such as Predator Prey, and the Caterpillar game, where you have to find coloured wool – the more camouflaged the colour, the more points you get. It's really good fun and we go whatever the weather. **Simon Chorley**

## Sunny Thoralby

What a relief! After two years when the second Sunday in August has been cold, damp and miserable, this year was warm and dry, even sunny, for Thoralby Fete. What an afternoon we had, with hilarious children's games (and some for the adults), tugs of war, sky high egg-throwing, a fell race and fun all round. To open the proceedings we were very fortunate to have with us Tony and Marilyn Philpott, formerly of Thoralby and Gayle. There were also plenty of visitors and more children than any of us can remember. Apart from having an enjoyable day we raised £1700, which should keep the village hall going for a little while. Many thanks to all those who helped in any way. It was a real team effort. **N.P.**

## Two Enthusiasts in One Place

When David Eldridge arrived three years ago to be Head of Askrigg School we never found time to speak to him, so as he now moves to Hawes we are putting this right.

I found him, together with departing Head Julie Woodyer, and an amazing amount of muck and rubble in the Hawes School where he excitedly insisted I see the work being done on the nursery area, including an old opened-up stair case. With an optimistic grin he insisted everything would be ready for the start of term.

David was keen to tell me how he values so much the work done by Julie in establishing the good name and high standards of Hawes School over recent years and he looks forward to carrying on that progress.

Listening to him, I couldn't quite work out where he comes from; you can see why. He grew up in London, trained at Chartlotte Mason Training College in Ambleside for four years, ("A wonderful place to go to college" he said), taught for three years in York, one in South India (where he still has links), not so far from Amala, followed by six years in Stockton, and six in Colbourne before moving to Askrigg.

David didn't apply for the post at first but then talked to Julie about it. She was very supportive. He smiled as he told of the "Please stay, Julie" messages from parents and others! He went on to explain how the four primary heads in the area, and others from further afield, all work together; essential for small schools in rural areas.

There is no doubting David's enthusiasm and imaginative ideas, which he believes are essential in motivating the children, whom together with his teachers, he values highly— and respects. You'll see a continuing community-based, and outward-looking and vibrant school, and he clearly really enjoys the work.

David's wife Adele, is also in education -

reception class work in Bedale. They are both highly committed to their work.

So what of Julie Woodyer? Readers will be pleased to know that she is not to be lost to education and is to become a Consultant Head; this means working in the county alongside newly appointed heads or those dealing with schools which might have been in special measures.

The idea that teachers (especially Heads) are blessed with long holidays needs to be knocked on the head (*pardon the pun*). We can only hope that by the start of term things are under control and an army of cleaners has done its work.

Best wishes to them both.

**A.S.W.**

## Bainbridge School News

### Residential Adventure

In the middle of June the long residential took place. This was to be different from the usual school activity week away as rather than going to an organised centre where everything was done for you we were doing it all ourselves!

The venue was a self catering bunkbarn in Halton Gill and in the lead up to the week the children had been planning menus and buying food, planning washing up and cooking rotas and also sorting what activities they wanted to do and organizing the instructors to lead them.

So after lunch on a bright sunny Tuesday afternoon 19 children and three staff piled into a minibus and two cars and set off over the hills. After an exciting time getting over Kidstones we finally arrived.

After unpacking, a walk down the river became a swim and after a couple of hours of happy splashing we all returned to our new home where the rotas swung into action. This was just the start of a great learning experience for all the children – they had to look after themselves and over the week they did just that. All I can say is that they did brilliantly.

The next two days saw a merry-go-round of different activities. At some point everyone caved, climbed, canoed and gorge walked. Each evening a tired but exultant group returned to Halton Gill and got on with the evening tasks. Getting to sleep didn't take very long!

Finally on Friday morning everything was packed back into cars and buses and after cleaning up the bunkbarn we headed off home. The adventure wasn't quite over though as we dropped in on the Falconry Centre at Coniston Hotel feeding the owls

and hawks. After lunch the final leg of the journey was made and we rolled back into Bainbridge a changed bunch of children and adults. "Bainbridge doesn't feel the



same", said one person as we drove up to school – ah the big wide world had been discovered!

**Dave Moore**

### Police Report

There has been an increase in sneak-in overnight burglaries over the last month. These have been mainly in the Bishopdale area. The majority could have been prevented by the simple measure of locking the door. On 4<sup>th</sup> August a resident disturbed two young men obviously casing properties in Thoraby at 4.00am, going around the back and looking in windows- Normal behaviour? – I think not! If you see such behaviour please report it to us

**IMMEDIATELY – 0845 60 60 247.**

Remember on a night or if leaving your home unattended- lock doors and close windows (certainly ground floor ones) and remove keys from inside the lock. Don't leave keys etc visible behind windows.

Hotel and B&B proprietors please be aware for spurious bookings. A recent event in Swaledale was where a couple booked into a hotel having dropped in from the street. Not too unusual in that in walking/touring country. However they were very reluctant to provide contact details for



the booking form, no telephone number or address given. They stayed one night and left early in the morning without paying, and having removed a significant amount of furnishings including the TV from the room. If someone does not want to give you booking details then there is a “rabbit off” as the saying goes – don’t fall for it and refuse their “business”.

Parking is still an issue. There are now new yellow lines in various locations throughout the dales, as well as some well established ones that people are ignoring. It is due to inconsiderate parking that the lines were put there after lengthy processes in the first place. Park on them at your peril and don’t complain if you find a fixed penalty ticket attached when you return to your vehicle.

Seat belts – too many people are still failing to use them – unless you have a medical exemption certificate which you will be required to produce- then there is little excuse for not wearing one. Note the fixed penalty is now **£60.00**.

Thanks are due to local residents and the Little Red Bus driver who assisted a coach load of elderly day trippers after their coach broke down on the edge Hawes, for offering refreshments etc. The trippers were delighted to see that old fashioned Yorkshire Hospitality is still alive and well in the Upper Dales.

For those who are not aware my colleague PC374 Martin LLOYD has been part of the team including PCSO Don WATSON and myself that have responsibility for local issues in Upper Wensleydale for several months now. He is a further point of contact to whom you can address local issues.

**Andy Foster PC826  
Leyburn Safer Neighbourhood Team  
Addlebrough and Hawes& High**

**Abbotside 0845 60 60 247**  
**SNTLevburn@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk**

### **Aspects of Mallerstang**

This is the title of the next talk at the Friends of the Museum meeting on **Friday September 18th at 7.30pm**. The speaker is the well known writer, raconteur and former editor of *The Dalesman*, W.R. (Bill) Mitchell, MBE. Non-members of the Friends are very welcome (£1.00)

## August

- 28-30 St Matthew's, Stalling Busk Flower Festival. 10.00am to 5.00pm. Refreshments available.
- 29 St Oswald's, Askrigg gift day. Collections outside the church and near the old Post Office in Bainbridge
- 29 Wensleydale Show, Leyburn from 9.30am
- 29 Plant walk; Seata Quarry, Aysgarth. For details ring **663379**
- 30 Holy Communion Benefice Service at Castle Bolton at 10.30am. Preacher Ann Dyer, Warden of Cranmer Hall.
- 30 Lakeside service at Semmerwater with the Hawes Prize Silver Band. 3.00pm. All welcome
- 30 Vaco concert at St Andrew's Aysgarth. See page 16
- 30 Marsett Chapel Singalong 8.00pm
- 31 Aysgarth Village Fete. See page 25
- 31 Cream Teas and stalls at St Margaret's Church, Hawes from 1.30pm

## September

### Includes events at the Dales Countryside Museum (DCM). Contact **666210**

- 1 Spinning and rugmaking by Friends of the Museum in the DCM reception between 2.00 and 4.00pm
- 2 Church coffee morning at the Old Police House, Redmire 10.30am to noon. Details : **625503**
- 2 Muker Show
- 2 Hawes Art Group in Market House. Details from Ann Wood on **667897**
- 2 Wensleydale Writers' group; Meeting House, Grove Sq. Leyburn, 10.00am **667311** for details
- 3 Stone mine and stone circle guided walk. Meet Aysgarth Falls NP Centre 1.30pm. 7k
- 3 Red Squirrel conservation talk at the DCM, 12.30 - 1.30pm
- 4 Wensleydale Methodist Circuit; welcome service for new Superintendant minister, Rev Alan Coustick. Leyburn, 7.30pm
- 5 See Medieval life at Bolton Castle when occupied by a group of Medieval living historians. Normal prices apply
- 5 Moorcock Show. Judging at noon
- 6 Gayle Mill demonstration day. See P 9
- 6 - 27 A Stitch in Paradise exhibition in the DCM; work by the Textile Pool
- 6 Guided walk; by Castle and Byway. Meet Bolton Castle car park 11.00am. 11k
- 6 Marsett Chapel harvest service, 2.00pm
- 7 Marsett chapel harvest service and sale
- 8 YDNPA planning committee, Yoredale 10.30am
- 8 Aysgarth Singers restart. See Page 25
- 9 Hawes Art Group. Details as on 2nd
- 10-13 Heritage Open Days; see Page 4
- 10 Country Market, Leyburn Methodist Hall, 10.30am to 12.30pm
- 11 Friends of the DCM will be dressed up in the Victorian Kitchen looking at preserving techniques
- 11,12,13 Boots and Beer Festival
- 12 Emma Hancock in concert, St Andrew's Aysgarth 7.30pm. See page 30
- 13 Digital cameras and computer skills. 10.30am to 4.00pm at the DCM. Booking essential.
- 13 Hardraw Scar Band Contest.
- 13 Guided walk, Cotterdale and Mossdale. Meet Appersett at 11.00am. 13k
- 13 Table Top sale at the Market House, Hawes for Hawes school funds
- 13 Aysgarth Methodist Church, Songs of Praise at 6.30pm
- 16 Hawes Art Group. Details as on 2nd
- 17 Country Market, Leyburn Methodist Hall, 10.30am to 12.30pm
- 17 Auction of local artists' pictures. See Page 5
- 18 Museum Friends with W.R. (Bill) Mitchell 7.30pm
- 19 Jazz with Dales Jam. Thornton Rust, 7.30pm.
- 19,20 Dales Harvest weekend. See page 6
- 20 International Day of Prayer for Peace
- 20 Hawes Methodist Church Harvest Festival 10.30am
- 20 West Burton Harvest Festival 10.45am
- 20 United Harvest Festival at Hawes Auction Mart 6.30pm
- 21 West Burton Harvest Sale, 7.00pm
- 23 Hawes Art Group. Details as on 2nd
- 23 Upper Dales Family History Group; See Page 25
- 23 Dalesplay Fashion Show. 7.00pm at the Fountain, Hawes

- 24 Country Market, Leyburn Methodist Hall, 10.30am to 12.30pm
- 24 Gayle Ladies; 7.30pm Tales from the Newsletter: Alan S Watkinson,
- 26 Auction of Promises at Leyburn Rugby Club for Redmire Village Hall. P 31
- 26 Stage Premier of "To Freedom's Cause" at Bolton Castle. See Page 3
- 27 Family Harvest Festival "All Things Bright and Beautiful" service at St Andrew's, Aysgarth at 11.00am. All welcome.
- 27 Hawes Football Club Sponsored Walk; see Page 26
- 27 Gayle Chapel Harvest Festival 2.00 and 6.30pm
- 28 Gayle Harvest Sale 7.00pm
- 29 Coffee Morning and stalls at Hawes Methodist Rooms for Upper Dales Christmas Lights, 10.00am to noon

### **Bolton Castle Medieval Garden Party**

The first event organized by the Friends of Bolton Castle, held on 2nd August, was blessed with wonderful weather and all the advertised events, plus some extras, took place. Medieval costumes, on loan by the re-enactors from Mereton Park, were donned by four Friends, which added authenticity to the occasion. Activities for children included a treasure hunt in the castle, the Longest Daisy Chain Competition (the winner was a 21ft 6 ins chain), and a fancy dress competition. Children and parents played with medieval skittles, did a word-search, and tried out calligraphy and making nosegays. All those who attended enjoyed the gardens, teas from the tea-room in the castle, and the range of activities on offer. A similar event is planned for July 2010.

**Sue Stokes**

### **Tornado Expected**

**The newly built steam locomotive  
'Tornado'**

**Saturday 3rd October - Tornado's first tour over the Settle and Carlisle line** - It will call at Skipton around 10:15hrs then a pick up at Hellifield around 10:45hrs. Shortly after departing Hellifield it joins the Settle and Carlisle line.

There will be a pause to water Tornado at Appleby (12:00hrs) where passengers may alight, before continuing on through the Eden Valley to arrive in Carlisle at approximately 13:15hrs.

The return journey will follow the route as described above departing Carlisle around 16:40hrs and Appleby at approximately 17:50hrs. It sets down at Hellifield around 19:30hrs, Skipton 20:10hrs, Leeds 21:00hrs and York 21:30hrs.

This tour will be repeated on **October 4th** and there is a Hellifield to Carlisle and return on **October 10th**.

### **Three Horseshoes, Wensley**

This newsletter sometimes previews new ventures or a fresh start by new proprietors but on this occasion we're looking at the Three Horseshoes in Wensley a few months after the re-opening to see how things are going, now that summer is well under way.

David and Rachel Hunt took over the tenancy in March this year. They had a very successful opening night with a great many people there. However, there was some doubt in their minds about whether trade would be sustained once the novelty had worn off. Such fears were completely unfounded as the amount of business has been well beyond their expectations. The pub always has a busy feel to it, which, of course, adds to the atmosphere of the place.

Getting ready for the opening required a tremendous effort - there was a lot to do by way of renovation and decorating. David and Rachel were able to call on an army of volunteers from around Thoraby where they used to live but even so the pub was only just ready in time. Now it looks bright and clean, an attractive traditional Dales pub.

Both David and Rachel have a wealth of experience and it shows. David's calm, professional manner in the bar and the quality of Rachel's catering are based on years of working in a variety of establishments, many of them local. David trained and worked in the Wetherby area before moving to the Dales and spending three years as bar manager at the Wensleydale Heifer. Rachel trained in Buxton and has been chef at several establishments in the area. So they know the Dales well and they know what people like. 60% of the clientele this summer has been 'local', i.e. within a 20 mile radius. No doubt that figure will rise as winter approaches and visitors disappear. There may be some

'theme nights' in late autumn if trade slackens sufficiently.

Walking into the bar there is always a friendly welcome. There is a good choice of ales with a guest ale always on tap. The food menu looks appetising and doesn't disappoint. All meals are homemade with fresh ingredients and there is a flexible approach to special requests. Of course, the same could be said about many hostelrys in the dale (aren't we lucky?) but the Three Horseshoes is well able to hold its own against the competition.

What of the future? Plans are afoot to move the toilets inside, which is quite a big job, but otherwise the aim is just to continue providing a quality experience. With reports of up to 50 pubs closing every week nationally, it's good to see one pub which looks as though it has a secure future. **N.P.**

## Yoga Classes

Yoga classes with **Sue Lightfoot** will recommence for Autumn Term the week beginning **Monday, October 5th** at the following venues:

Gayle Institute,

**Mondays 2.00-4.00pm**

Wensley Village Hall,

**Mondays 7.00-8.30pm**

Middleham Key Centre,

**Tuesdays 7-8.30pm**

**Wednesdays.**

**10.00-11.30am 11.45am -12.45pm**

(Gentle Exercise)

West Burton Village Hall,

**Wednesdays 7.00-9.00pm**

**(NB starts 14<sup>th</sup> October)**

Sycamore Hall, Bainbridge,

**Thursdays 7.00-9.00pm**

Yoga is a total health system integrating the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual aspects of being. Regular practice is the best way to enjoy all the benefits which yoga can bring to life at any age.

Sue is a fully qualified and experienced yoga teacher and Shiatsu practitioner. Her classes accommodate a range of abilities and new students are welcome.

Individual tuition tailored to specific needs is also available, and Shiatsu treatments, by appointment.

For further details, advice and enrolments please contact Sue on telephone number **663993**.

## Kendal Torchlight Procession

A coach will go from the Market House, Hawes at **5.30pm on Friday 11th September** to see this remarkable procession and carnival. Book at the Laundrette, Hawes, **667192**.

### Harold and Audrey Thwaite

Congratulations on your Golden Wedding Anniversary, Mum and Dad

26 September 2009

With love from

Margaret & Willy, Angela & Gavin and Steven

Iain, Michael, Ellie and Nick

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Many thanks again

Angela

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