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## First Thoughts . . .

"If you write anything in The Gazette next month, you should write something about all the dog muck on the green," was one piece of feedback I received on last month's Gazette.

Typical eh? All these tourists come to Reeth and let their dogs mess up our green. Oh, wait a minute . . . it's winter time and there aren't that many tourists about.

Still, what can dog owners do? The Parish Council should provide a bin on the green for . . . Oh yes, they have, haven't they.

The person in question went on to suggest that in their opinion, all dogs should be banned from the green. There are those who would go even further and suggest that cars should not be allowed to park there and that it should be kept as a recreational area where families can picnic and play.

**What say you?** Let us know what you think.

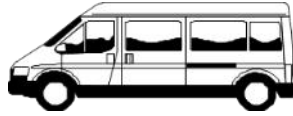
If you are keen to find out who it is this month, sadly, of the three people approached, none of them got their finger out. Perhaps I should name and shame them? However, on the brighter side, Reeth Writers have picked up the gauntlet thrown down at them last month.

Oh and by the way: Nils Lofgren at The Sage - phenomenal.

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## REETH & DISTRICT GAZETTE

### Annual General Meeting

**Monday 16th March 2015**

7.00pm in Grinton Institute

## All welcome

Anyone wanting to stand on the Management Committee should notify the secretary in writing or email by

**2nd March.**

## GAZETTE DEADLINES

The deadlines for the next two months are:

**April issue:** March 10th

**May issue:** April 10th

**PLEASE NOTE:** We cannot guarantee any entry but submission by the deadline is of considerable help.

## COVER PICTURE

"Border Collie"

Photo by Debbie Allen  
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## Computer Corner

With Carol Haynes of Dales Computer Services

### Sad Times – Happy Times

**First the sad times:** Despite repeatedly writing about phone scams people still seem to be getting caught. Even more sinister is the latest approach of scammers - if they get onto your computer and you refuse to pay they are now behaving really badly and locking computers with an unknown password to hold you to ransom. Could I put out a big plea to share the following simple statement with anyone who will listen: **IF YOU GET AN UNSOLICITED CALL ABOUT COMPUTER PROBLEMS IT IS A SCAM.**

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Whatever they say do not do anything to let them access your computer. Do not give them ANY information about you or your computer. To keep it simple don't go near your computer while they are on the phone - that way you can't be tempted to fall for their lies.

If you are unfortunate enough to be caught, report it to your credit card company and tell them you have been conned - that way you should get a refund and your card cancelled and replaced. If your computer is behaving oddly or you are worried, get help to check out the computer and leave it switched off until that can be done. Don't do any online banking or shopping until you are sure your computer is clean and safe.

And to happy times: Despite the fact the internet can sometimes appear to be like living in the Wild West with gun slingers and bank robbers everywhere there are also real opportunities. On a personal note I would like to share some positive things that have happened to me in the last couple of years.

Anyone who knows me knows I took up playing the cello a couple of years ago - something that has become a bit of an obsession. One of the great things that has happened during that time is I have discovered just how useful social media such as Facebook, Twitter etc. can be, when used with caution, to build networks of real contacts.

Many people say, 'Oh I never go near Facebook.' They fear they will be sucked into all sorts of unwanted attention, but I have to say when used with caution it can be a fantastic tool.

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You can keep in touch with friends - especially those who no longer live nearby - but even better new friendships can form.

A word of caution is probably called for at this point: I am not advocating a wholesale opening up to all and sundry on the internet - and children in particular need to be protected and educated on how to stay safe.

One way that has surprised me is the extent to which I now have access to many musicians and genuine friendships and collaborations have resulted. These have almost all happened by connections with people I actually know in the real world and in that way I know I am talking to someone who is at least known by someone I know. It has meant meeting and playing with some incredible

musicians and has been a very positive and liberating influence on my life.

There is nothing special about music. I am sure it is equally possible to build new friendships about any topics of interest and enthusiasm.

That's it for this month. Any thoughts for articles or questions do get in touch via my email address [carol.haynes@dalescomputerservices.com](mailto:carol.haynes@dalescomputerservices.com)

### Did You Know?

Bruce Springsteen had a bit of a hard time in school. When he was in third grade, a nun stuffed him into a garbage can under her desk, claiming that's "where he belonged." Years later, his peers petitioned for him to be expelled as they thought he was 'too weird.'

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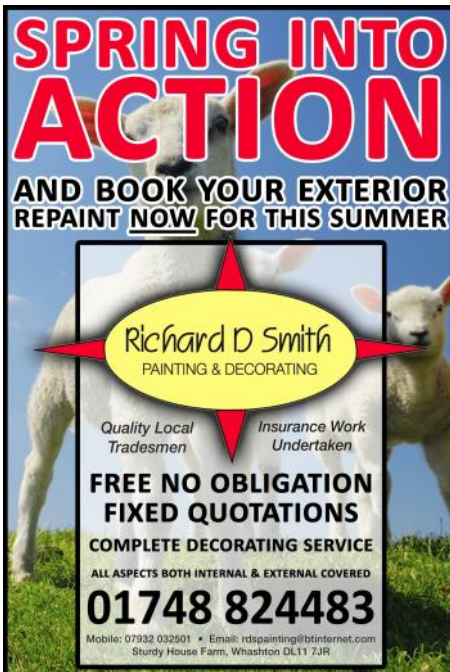
## Ukulele Day

As a 'curtain raiser' for the forthcoming visit of the 'Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain' (Swaledale Festival 4th June 2015) the 'Yoredale Ukulele Strummers' - a Richmondshire based ukulele band - are holding a 'Ukulele Day' at Reeth Memorial Hall on the Saturday, 28th March 2015.

The events will include a chance for children to build and play their own simple ukulele, a free 'try and play ukulele' drop-in session, an afternoon concert by the 'Yoredale Ukulele Strummers' which includes players and singers from Arkengarthdale and Reeth schools and finally an evening show featuring the internationally-renowned Keith Stephen's Hot Club Trio with Caroline Irwin.

Tickets prices are £5 adult for the afternoon concert, £10 (inc. supper) for the evening concert and are available from Reeth Post Office or Graham White.

Further details and children's workshop booking from Graham White 01748 884821. All proceeds to the Reeth Memorial Hall Refurbishment Fund. The event is supported by J.G. Windows (Music) Darlington.



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**Linda Baines To Lead  
Good Friday Walk  
3rd April 2015**

Swaledale Christian Council are pleased to announce that Linda has agreed to be the 'spiritual leader' of this year's walk. She will guide us through some moments of reflection during the pauses in the walk.

So who is Linda? She is a lover of the outdoors who also happens to be the wife of the Anglican Bishop of the newly created diocese of West Yorkshire and the Dales.

How did it come about? A bit of bare-faced cheek! After the inauguration service of "Bishop Nick" at Ripon Cathedral, he and Linda were greeting the members of the congregation as they filed out. We took the opportunity to refresh personally an invitation we had made to the bishop's office. Not surprisingly the bishop had commitments in the enlarged diocese, bit Linda volunteered.

All are invited to take part - for all or some of the route.

- 8.00 am Assemble for pre-booked communal transport at Grinton Church
- 8.10 am Transport leaves for Keld
- 8.55 am Assemble at Keld URC for safety chat
- 9.00 am Short service at Keld URC  
Leave 9.10 am
- 10.30 am Service at St. Mary's Muker  
Leave 11 am
- 12.30 pm Gunnerside lunch stop
- 1.10 pm Short service at Gunnerside Methodist Church
- 1.25pm Assemble and off.
- 2.45 pm Isles Bridge (Tea/biscuits)

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Brief stops to complete the readings of the Stations of the Cross are interspersed with the formal timed stops. Strong footwear and waterproof clothing are recommended. Dogs are welcome. To protect stock and also for the safety of the walkers - **dogs must be kept on a lead at all times.**

The organisers will lead the walk; however participants are responsible for their own safety. If the weather is really bad the services will take place as advertised, but there will be no organised walk.

For transport up or down the dale, please book a place. **Tel. Steve and Anne Ingham - 01748 886738 or email: opa.x2@hotmail.co.uk** There will be a small charge for transport.

*A Hike - A Pilgrimage - A Procession of Witness - The Stations of the Cross*

**New Arrivals**

2 Granddaughters in 2 days at Hazel Brow! Chloe Elizabeth Lavina Calvert 13.01.15 and Martha Rose Batty 14.01.15. Congratulations!

**Swaledale Festival**  
**23 May – 6 June 2015**

For his eighth Swaledale Festival Malcolm Creese has once again succeeded in bringing an extraordinary palette of talent to the Dales. For those who like choral music there are the King's Singers and Tenebrae Consort, for the classical music buffs there is the Škampa Quartet and Royal Northern Sinfonia, for the brass band fans there is the finest of them all, Black Dyke who will be in the splendid new venue offered by Tennants of Leyburn.

Also in Leyburn is another 'top of the tree' ensemble, the Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain and from Colorado, USA we have the Railsplitters performing "blue-grass and beyond blue-grass" in St Andrew's Church, Grinton. Folk fans get Kathryn Tickell and her new group, The Side also in Grinton and the ever popular Hut People are giving two afternoon performances at Gayle Mill, near Hawes on 23 May. Jazz fans have Liane Carroll and Friends at Richmond's Influence Church, her 'friends' being jazz pianist Gwilym Simcock, drummer Dave Ohm and bass player Malcolm Creese.

But Swaledale Festival is quite deliberately not all big names. Its Young Artists Platform (YAP) gives performing opportunities to highly talented musicians early in their professional career but consequently the Platform gives its audiences a chance to hear and see possibly some of the great names of the future. Look out for violinist Magdalena Filipczak

(her third visit now) with pianist Adam Gorka, Rosalind Ventris (viola) and Pau Codina (cello), guitarist Sean Shibe who is a BBC New Generation Artist with frequent airings on Radio 3, and north-east soprano Rowan Pierce with Simon Passmore on piano who had a development programme with the Festival a few years ago. Rowan is also making a return visit having taken part in Dame Emma Kirkby's masterclass in 2010 and left Dame Emma struggling to find something about her performance that needed improving.

In a different genre are Project Jam Sandwich (Reeth Memorial Hall) and Urban Folk Quartet (Hawes Creamery). Stuart Masters, also on the YAP, performs in a variety of styles at The Buck in Reeth.

There are also the local favourites such as Muker, Reeth and Leyburn

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Bands. Hawes Band is taking a break this year due to major work at St Margaret's church. Fourum and Swale Singers are on the programme and Northumbrian women's choir Werca's Folk give a joint concert with Northern Voices from Darlington.

The popular Reeth Lecture will be given by Adam Hart-Davis asking "Are we alone in the universe?" and poetry is represented by Reverend Canon Doctor David Scott and an open mic poetry event in The Burgoyne. The 'unusual' this year is 3 nights of 'Astronomy Watch' on Reeth Green - so there must be a reasonable chance that one of them will be fairly cloud free.

As you can see, another bumper Festival. How lucky we are to have such a fantastic and well regarded event on our doorstep - and you can now also see

its new website, on [www.swalefest.org](http://www.swalefest.org), find the Festival on Facebook and follow it on Twitter but you still need to come to the gigs to hear it.

## Calling All Crafters

I am looking into starting an informal crafters group. The intention is to meet on either Tuesday or Friday afternoon at Muker Village Hall - time and frequency to be decided. The idea is to meet for a social afternoon, to share knowledge and skills, bringing along any craft you are working on. If you are interested, please contact Tracy on 880131 (after 6.00pm) or e-mail [tc.youll@btinternet.com](mailto:tc.youll@btinternet.com).

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**Who do you share your birthday with?**

- 1 Roger Daltry, Who?
- 2 Dr Seuss, made hats for cats
- 3 Alexander Graham Bell, recited nursery rhymes
- 4 Bobby Womack, half of Womack & Womack - not sure which half
- 5 Rex Harrison, talkative vet
- 6 My Mum
- 7 Viv Richards, average cricketer
- 8 Micky Dolenz, drumming Monkee
- 9 Yuri Gagarin, like Elvis in space
- 10 Sharon Stone, basically an actress, my instinct tells me
- 11 John Barrowman aka Captain Jack Harkness
- 12 Liza Minnelli, with a 'zee'
- 13 Neil Sedaka, singer / songwriter
- 14 Albert Einstein, now there's a really clever bloke
- 15 Will.he.is
- 16 James Madison, a square garden
- 17 Nat King Cole, OK singer/pianist
- 18 Ron Atkinson, Big Ron, known for his tact
- 19 Bruce Willis, Big Softy really
- 20 Fernando Torres, not much of a goal scorer
- 21 Bach, Johan Sebastian
- 22 Captain James T Kirk, Legend
- 23 Steve Redgrave, average rower
- 24 Houdini, occupation escapes me
- 25 Aretha Franklin, Queen of Soul
- 26 Keira Knightley, attractive actress apparently
- 27 Quentin Tarantino, made really nice films
- 28 No one significant
- 29 Eric Idle, Python
- 30 Eric Clapton, a deity
- 31 Rene Descartes, a drunken old . .

**A True Simon Story (3)**

"I bet you I can ride my bike home without using my hands," said Shaun.

"Well, I bet you I can ride my bike home with my eyes shut," replied Simon.

"Bet you can't," snorted Shaun.

"Whatever were you doing?" Mum asked Simon as he lay in the hospital bed.

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## Reeth Brass Training Band

Reeth Brass Band Committee, who were concerned over the future of the Band, decided nearly two years ago to form a New Starters Group. This has now evolved into the Reeth Brass Training Band. Using spare brass instruments and recruiting a number of young people, the group was formed.

Recruitment of training band players has come predominately from children of primary school age. Although the Training Band has only been formed for a short time, one young lady has already joined the Senior Band.

The seven young people involved are being trained by three Senior Band members, two of them have children in the group. A number of Senior Band members have also supported the Training Band by joining in during practice sessions. Two of these Senior Band players are teenagers.

During the Band's Christmas Concert on 23rd December 2014, in the Reeth Memorial Hall, the group

performed for the first time as the Reeth Brass Training Band. The seven young players were joined by the two teenagers, their three trainers and three Senior Band members to perform three pieces of popular music which was much appreciated by a packed audience.

Practices are held in the Reeth Memorial Hall between 7pm and 7.45pm on Tuesday evenings prior to the Senior Band practice. There are still a number of spare instruments available. It was not envisaged that the group would only consist of children of school age but would be open to people of all ages. If you would like to learn to play a brass instrument and join in the fun we all have making music together please come along next Tuesday evening. Instruments and tuition are provided free of charge.

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## Keld Countryside & Heritage Centre Events

### **KELD RESOURCE CENTRE**

**Good Friday Walk**  
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Time: 9.00 - 17.30  
approx. Keld to  
Grinton (12.5 miles)

Details from Revd Caroline Hewlett  
01748 884706

**Birds of Upper Swaledale Guided Walk** Saturday 9th May Time: 10.00 - 12.30 & 13.30 - 16.00. Spend a half or full day with experienced volunteer Rev David Peel observing birds in their moorland, woodland & riverside habitat. Booking essential. £5 full day - £3 half day.

Unless otherwise stated all events commence at The Keld Countryside & Heritage Centre. Please meet 15 minutes before the stated start time. Unless stated, there is no charge for events however a donation to the Keld

project would be greatly appreciated.

Suitable footwear, outdoor clothing essential. For full day walks packed lunch required.

### **Future Events**

**Meadows & Moorland Guided Farm Walk** Sunday 14th June. 11.00 - 13.30.

**Swinner Gill Circular Guided Walk** Sat. 20th June 2015. 11.30 - 15.00.

**Flowers of Swaledale Ramble:**

Saturday 4th July 2015. 10.00 - 14.00

**Kisdon Classic Circular Guided Walk**

**\*\* National Parks Event\*\*** Saturday 12th July. 11.00 - 16.00

**Meet the Yorkshire Shepherdess**

**Guided Walk** Sunday 23rd August. 13.30

**Kisdon Circular Guided Walk** Saturday 29th August 2015 11.30 - 15.30

**Keld During WWI** Saturday 12th

September 2015. Time: 14.00 Venue: Keld Chapel

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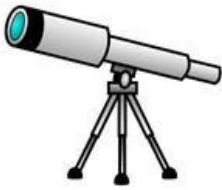
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## Astronomy in the Two Dales

Spring is here!  
On the 20th of March the Vernal

equinox occurs at 22.45 GMT. The word vernal comes from the Latin ver meaning spring and equinox from the Latin for equal day / night, as the day and night of the 20th are each about 12 hours long.

In Roman mythology this was the time when the goddess Ceres finally rescued her daughter, Persephone, from the clutches of Pluto, god of the underworld.

But Ceres is also the name given to a dwarf planet that orbits in the asteroid belt beyond Mars, and a NASA probe, called DAWN, will rendezvous with it in May. By coincidence another probe called New Horizons is also approaching Pluto, so if you have access to the internet visit the website:

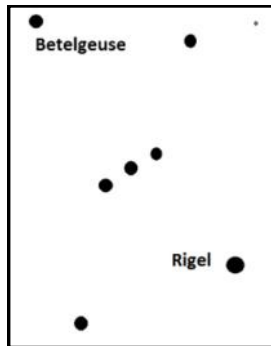
<http://www.nasa.gov/missions>

and click on these mission names for more details.

The two bright planets visible in the evening this month are Venus setting in the western sky, and Jupiter rising in the eastern sky. As you might expect in

March, some of the winter constellations are also still to be seen. When the sky is going dark, you might like to look for the constellation Orion, called the Hunter, in the South West.

The diagram below shows where you can find two famous giant stars in this constellation. Their names are Betelgeuse and Rigel, and they are 667 and 78 times the size of our Sun respectively. One is a red super-giant and the other a blue super-giant, but can you see which is which?



**Orion**

**Stay Safe:** Never look directly at the sun, and never look in its direction when using binoculars or telescopes. If going out after dark, wrap up warm and make sure someone knows where you are.

**The Starman,  
Reeth Informal Astronomy Group.  
[www.reethastro.org](http://www.reethastro.org)**

SUN	1st	14th	28th	MOON	1st	14th	28th
Twilight starts	06.22	05.51	05.15	Rises	13.41	02.23	11.34
Sunrise	06.58	06.26	05.51	Sets	04.37	11.01	02.36
Sunset	17.44	18.09	18.36	1 <sup>ST</sup> Quarter	27th	Full	5th
Twilight ends	18.20	18.45	19.12	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	13th	New	20th



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Claire Spooner, will be presenting a fascinating look at changing millinery fashions from the 1850s to the 1950s, sharing her collection of antique and vintage hats, as well as showing us reproduction pieces she has made along with the trimmings and tools she uses.

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The next phase, beginning this month, will involve refurbishing the schoolroom at the back of the chapel to provide an accessible toilet and improved kitchen facilities.

This will almost inevitably involve some disruption to the usual meetings including those for children at 6pm on

Tuesday and 6.30pm on Thursday evenings and the fortnightly Monday afternoon Ladies' Meetings.

Any changes will be publicised on the church website [www.reethecc.co.uk](http://www.reethecc.co.uk) and in the local press or ring 07582 575815 for details.

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**07/02/2015 15.30hrs:** The Teams & handler were called to assist Upper Wharfedale Fell Rescue Team with a search, while en route they were stood down pending further Police info. Later that evening the misper was located having jumped off a quarry & rescued by UWFRA.

**29/01/2015 14.30hrs:** The Team were called by the Ambulance Service to rescue a walker in the snow near Semer Water, while the team were en route the Air Ambulance was able to land & evacuated the injured person.

**06/01/2015 15.30hrs:** The Team was called by the Police to search for a missing person in the Lower Swaledale area, while planning the search the person was located safe.

**06/01/2015 11.00hrs:** The Teams' search dog & handler were called by Bowland Pennine MRT, to assist with the ongoing search for a missing person, while en route the person was located.

**04/01/2015 15.45hrs:** The Police called us to an injured walker on Malham Cove, as this is Cave Rescue's area we passed it to them to deal with.

**Helicopter update:**

In spring the RAF Search & Rescue Sea King service will be handed over to a private contractor called Bristows. They have been running marine rescue

services for many years. The team has started to train with the new S-92 aircraft. They will be easy to spot in the Dales as they are bright Red & White with Coastguard in huge letters underneath. Ongoing training will be happening this year & it will be a sad farewell to the RAF, who have assisted us on many occasions in the past.

**Fund raising news:**

Some fund raising news: Thanks to all for the continued support: Altberg Boots, Richmond £127.93 Wetherspoons, Richmond £70.00 Scenicview Gallery, Reeth £67.08 The Laurels B&B, Reeth £63.87 The Ragged Robin Wildlife Group £50 Special mention to Stephen Jefferson, who raised £550 by running the 270miles of the Pennine Way as part of the recent Spine Race.

Thanks to The Farmers Arms, Muker for hosting the quiz in Jan £336.45 raised.

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**Reeth Parish Council  
January 26th 2015**

**Remembrance Parade:** The parade would be put onto the agenda for the September meeting with a view to getting photographs and a report into local media.

**Public transport:** The contract for a Friday bus service from Arkengarthdale to Leyburn had not been renewed. A new timetable was received for the service from Reeth to Richmond which will be taken over by The Little White Bus from April.

**Footpath diversion:** An alternative route was now in operation for the area where the original path had been washed away by the Arkle Beck.

**Water supply:** Notice was received of a pipe being laid up the dale in April to link to a new water treatment works. Yorkshire Water would like to meet with local councillors to discuss keeping disruption to a minimum.

**Dog fouling:** The dog waste bins which had been purchased for the village were being very well used but there was still a persistent problem with dog mess on the green and along Back Lane. Councillor Frankland would put up more signs in the worst areas.

**Street lights:** Several lights which were out of order would be reported to Highways including the new one at Fremington which was still not working.

**Shelter:** Damage to the roof and spouting of the shelter had allowed rain water to get in. Quotes would be obtained for repairs. Damage had also been caused to the green by buses parking too far out from the shelter so that delivery lorries had to pull onto

the grass to get round them. It was noted that the official stopping place for buses was actually on the main road rather than immediately in front of the shelter.

**Water leak:** The water running out of the road near the Post Office would be reported as this could be hazardous in freezing weather.

**Village Green:** The green near the Post Office had been damaged by a wagon trying to turn a tight corner. It was suggested that trimming the corner back to make turning easier might be a way of avoiding future problems.

A resident had asked if the cobbled bank leading from the green to the main road could be made restricted access. They would be asked to put these concerns in writing.

**Christmas tree:** A set of new lights would be purchased as it had proved difficult to get replacement bulbs for the existing ones.

**Healough:** Repairs were required to the post holding the honesty box. A small area of the top green required grasscrete.

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<b>Fri 13 Mar</b> 4.30 & 7.30 pm	<b>Film - Mr Turner</b> - An exploration of the last quarter century of the great, if eccentric, British painter JMW Turner's life (1775-1851).	
<b>Fri 20 Mar</b> 5pm & 7.30pm	<b>Film - The Imitation Game</b> - During World War II, mathematician Alan Turing tries to crack the Enigma code with help from fellow mathematicians.	
<b>Sat 21 Mar</b>	<b>Murder at Fat Belly's Speakeasy</b> - Come along and track down the criminal. 1920's fancy dress optional. Ticket £12.50 includes supper. Fund raiser for LADS & The Old School House.	
<b>Friday 27 Mar</b> 5pm & 7.30pm	<b>Film - Paddington</b> - A young bear travels to London in search of a home. Finding himself lost at Paddington Station, he meets a family who offer him temporary haven.	
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	10.15 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
		Reeth Methodist	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	2.30 pm	Gunnarside Methodist	
	6.00 pm	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Evening Prayer BCP</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
		St Michael's Downholme	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
		Reeth Methodist	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	6.00 pm	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Evening Prayer</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
<b>15<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	9.15 am	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
		Reeth Methodist	<i>Family Service</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
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## Church Services March 2015

<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Mar</b>	8.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	9.30 pm	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		Reeth Methodist	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
<b>29<sup>th</sup> Mar.</b>	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
		Reeth Methodist	
<b>Palm Sunday</b>		St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>United Parish Service - preacher is The Ven. Paul Slater Archdeacon of Rich. &amp; Craven</i>
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	

### Jean Taylor

Bill and Craig would like to thank everyone for the cards and expressions of condolence received following her sad loss and to all who attended the funeral service for their generous donations to Reeth Medical Centre.

Special thanks to all who have helped us over Jean's long illness with practical help and words of kindness, and to all the staff at Reeth Medical Centre, especially Dr Shepherd and District Nurses Judith and Brenda, who did so much to make Jean's last few weeks as comfortable as possible. A final thanks to the Reverend Caroline Hewlett for a lovely service and to Simon Barningham for his care and understanding.

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## Upper Swaledale Christian Aid Group

Many thanks to those who supported the collection at the Low Row Village Carol Service. £215 was raised for the Christian Aid Christmas appeal for better maternity services in Kenya. The donation was match funded by UK Aid.

Last year the North East was blessed with very generous Christian Aid supporters who continued to raise thousands of pounds for our partner organisations abroad. So, throughout Lent we ask you to 'Count Your Blessings'. Lent is the perfect time to reflect on how fortunate Christians are in the UK and to stand in solidarity with the poor.

A leaflet, 'Count Your Blessings' is designed to help people count their blessings during Lent and give to help people out of poverty. It is available in

printed form, through the Christian Aid website and also as a new free app from the Apple App store or Google Play. For more information visit [www.christianaid.org.uk/getinvolved/lent](http://www.christianaid.org.uk/getinvolved/lent).

The Christian Aid Week service will take place on Thursday May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 pm at Gunnerside Methodist Church prior to Christian Aid Week which runs from May 10<sup>th</sup> - May 16<sup>th</sup>. The focus of the service will be on Christian Aid's work in Ethiopia helping to reduce hunger and poverty.

We need volunteers for the House-to-House Collection during Christian Aid week in May. If you are interested in helping in any way please contact Pauline Oldershaw (886790) or Susan Allison (884366)

Our AGM is on Monday 2nd March 2015 at 2.00 pm at Low Row URC. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Pauline Oldershaw, Secretary**

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**Muker Parish Council**  
**20th January 2015**

**Matters Arising:**

**Crow Trees** - An email had been sent to highways and a reply received and read out. The reply informed the Parish Council that the delays were due to the cattle grid being fabricated. It was decided to highlight to Highways the issue of soil removed from the gutter, which was causing more water to flow on the road and the road to become more narrowed.

**Bank signatures** - It was proposed to add Cllr Metcalfe as a signatory on the Parish Council Bank account, and future cheques to be signed by two of the three approved signatories. The relevant forms were filled in and signed during the meeting.

**Parish Precept** - The Parish Council Precept form has been sent.

**Keld drains** - Work had now started on the drains at Keld.

**Rough sleeper estimate** - A reply had been sent to RDC.

**Finance:**

Payments have been received for the defibrillator and the repayment of VAT

**Highways:**

**Waiting restrictions** - It was decided to write to the highways in regard to the lack of repainting the 'yellow lines' in Muker.

**Missing sign** - Councillor Gardener reported on the correspondence he had currently had with Highways in regard to a replacement sign for Muker. He had been informed that the Parish Council would be liable for the cost of a replacement sign which would cost approximately £200.00. In this regard

Cllr Gardener highlighted to Highways that previously other replacement village signs had been funded by their department. The issue was still ongoing and will be covered by Cllr John Blackie during the Upper Dales Area Partnership meeting to be held on the 21st January at the Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes.

**Gritting** - The issue of the lack of grit spread from the Council gritting wagon in some areas is a problem in the Parish. An email was requested to be sent to Highways reminding them the road is classed as 'Priority One', that there are some concerns as to the times the gritting wagon is journeying on the road as it does not seem to be attending to the roads prior to the school transport coming up the dale to collect children. Also to mention that trying to encourage younger people to live in the area will not be made any easier if links for access to work and school are not available if the roads are inaccessible during periods of winter.

**Richmondshire DC:**

The Parish Council was in receipt of the Register of Elections and Electors.

The agenda for the UDAP meeting and the applications to be considered was mentioned.

Communities Opportunity Fund has extended its deadline. Cllr Gardener informed the Council that a claim has been applied for by Muker Institute.

**NYCC:**

The contract for the Swaledale Shuttle service had been awarded to 'The Little White Bus'. The new contract will start in April 2015.

**YDNPA:**

Details of the changes to National Planning Policy on Affordable Housing

were read out.

Notification had been received for prior approval for the change of use of an agricultural building to an office from Mr & Mrs Pealing of Alice House Farm, Skeugh Head, Angram. The National Park Authority is withholding approval of the proposal. A full planning application will be required for the development and change of use postponed.

A Planning Application has been received from Keld Lodge Hotel, Keld for full planning for erection of wall with doorway and windows to infill open area to front of store. Muker Parish Council has no objections.

**YLCA:**

The limit for the next financial year will be £7.36 per elector.

**Correspondence/AOB:**

A letter has been received from Richmondshire Sport Association enquiring if there are any local groups/clubs within the area wishing to apply for funding from the Communities Opportunity Fund operated by Richmondshire District Council. Closing date for applications is 20th February 2015.

The next Health Watch Meeting is to be held on Monday 26th January at the Aysgarth Surgery at 7.30p.m.

The Defibrillator checklist has been received and a copy will be issued to a village representative for Keld, Thwaite and Muker.

**Date and Time of Next Meeting:**

Tuesday 10th March 2015. Preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30p.m.

Pat Coates

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### Future Events

**Saturday 14th March:** 10:30am - 12noon, St. Andrew's Church - 'winter tidy-up' #3 in the churchyard. Pre-meeting 10:00-10:30 to discuss next few events, and feedback from YDNPA on tree maintenance.

**Saturday 14th March:** Across in the Wood (Grinton Forest Church) meet at 2pm. We will look at the use and relevance of the Bible in the 21st Century and how we can use it as a guide book.

**Wednesday 1st April:** Bat Watch, with North Yorkshire Bat Group, meet up at about 7:30pm. We suggest you wear warm clothes and bring a torch, and a clipboard & pen would be useful. We aim to count the bats leaving the roost in the church. Ideally, we'll position

people around the church to see where bats are emerging from. A bat detector will help identify the different species.

**Saturday 11 April:** Dawn Chorus Walk (tbc, see next issue for details)

Sunday 12 April - Across in the Wood (Grinton Forest Church) meet at 2pm. The theme is Water, Wind and Fire.

**Saturday 18 April:** Willow Weaving. 10:30am to 3pm, Grinton Churchyard. Help weave a willow seat for our churchyard sculpture trail and perhaps create an individual small birdfeeder to leave in situ or take away and enjoy in your own garden. Leilah Vyner is our expert and will help us create a natural seat feature, in memory of Rev Michael McDermott, a Grinton Conservation Group founder and stalwart. The seat will help visitors enjoy the quieter space at the west end of the churchyard.

There is no charge for either attending or enjoying the light lunch provided, but donations are welcome (in advance or on the day) towards the work of the conservation group. Please come! Further details from Susan Allison on 884366 or [susan.allison@btinternet.com](mailto:susan.allison@btinternet.com).

### Join in

Find out about future events and news: <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/gcpforum> or search Google Groups for Grinton Conservation Project. Info also on the parish website, Environmental page: [www.swaledalearkengarthdaleparish.org.uk](http://www.swaledalearkengarthdaleparish.org.uk)

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beaten,  
(His name was down for a place at  
Eton!)

And Uncle John brought in from Crewe  
To give the boy a talking to.

He was warned against the proletariat,  
The City being where it's at.  
To achieve the life that he deserved  
He needed to be very learned  
And leave such labour to the artisan.

Augustus duly grew in wisdom.  
At school he exceeded all expectations  
By passing some of his examinations.  
And with the help of Uncle John  
Whose wife's cousin was an ancient don  
Attained a place at Oxford.  
For several years he studied Greats  
Achieving a creditable third.

For two whole weeks he tried quite  
hard, with bowler hat and brology,  
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Sally was gracious as she was fair.  
Augustus, he was smitten.

The love they felt was sheer delight, in  
no time they were married.  
They honeymooned in St Moritz and no  
doubt would have tarried  
But for the death of Sal's extremely  
wealthy dad  
Who left the girl his huge estate.  
Which really, wasn't bad.

Back home at ease, in comfort and in  
bliss  
Augustus thought he'd give city work a  
miss.  
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The Council meets four times a year and welcomes everyone to join in the discussions and planning of joint activities. It has been felt for a while that our name did not reflect our vision of welcoming all, so at our meeting on 4th February, which was attended by 14

people representing all the Churches and Villages in Swaledale and Arkengarthdale, we agreed to become 'Christians Together in Swaledale'. We exist as a forum of how we may:

- Work together in the Dales
- Improve knowledge and understanding of our traditions
- Engage in Christian Evangelism together

Our next open meeting to discuss further activities, which already include Swaledale Festival Service and a stand at Muker Show, is on Wednesday 6th May 2015 at 7.30 at Fremington Village Hall. Our Lent Meetings on Tuesday evenings, focus on Christian Hospitality. Our annual walk from Keld to Grinton takes place on Good Friday. We hope you will join us.

**Pauline Oldershaw** (01748 886790)

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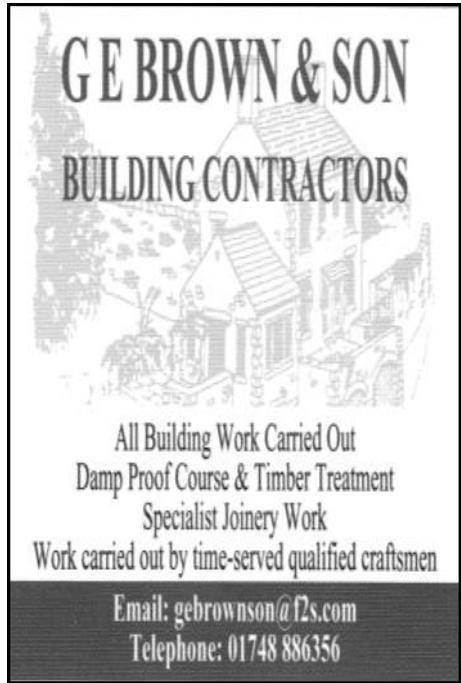
## Upper Dales Family History Group

Meetings of the Upper Dales Family History Group continue on **Wednesday, March 25**, with a meeting at 2pm in Fremington Sunday School.

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As the snowflake fell it sparkled and danced to the music of the whistling wind.

The wonderful, sparkly, glittery snow observed the frosty area.

The starry, glittery snowflake grew softly.

The beautiful, glittery snowflake was proud of its diamond shape.

The soft snowflake is happy because it's a cold winter.  
The beautiful, round snow looked at me as it fell slowly.  
The sparkly snowflakes danced in the cold wind.  
The cold, soft snow gazed down at the hard, crispy, icy ground.  
The soft sparkly snow gently kissed my rosy red cheek.  
The frostbite cold snowflake dazzled as it beautifully huddled together as it shined in the sun while softly floating to the tree.  
The cold bitter snow hugged the frosty bare tree.  
The dazzling diamond snowflake beautifully clung to the shivery tree.  
The frosty snowflakes grab onto the shivery, icy branches.  
The cold, white and icy snowflake played as it fell to the hard ground.  
The soft, crunchy snow lies on the completely white ground.  
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**Message From  
The Swaledale Museum  
in Reeth**

We have decided to do a major overhaul of our website, as we have so much new material to add, and thought that it was time for a new look. This is taking longer than we expected, so the new site is not ready yet. We hope to launch it next month, it will be worth waiting for.

Meanwhile we are busy designing new posters, leaflets and entry panel to give us a more co-ordinated look, as well as re-designing the displays in the 'workshop' window. We have always thought we should have a distinguishing 'logo', but how to choose one emblem from over 2,000 objects in the collection which cover prehistoric tools to a 1950s egg weighing machine? We have decided to use the lantern that hangs outside the Museum, which is part of the original street furniture of the building and symbolises, for us, the light we are directing on our local heritage for all to see and enjoy.

Research on our poster exhibition is going apace, with great thanks to Marion Moverley, Professor Rob Banham from the Department of Typography and Communications at Reading University and Julie-Anne Lambert from the Bodleian Library Oxford, who is also a Friend of the Museum.

One of our new ventures centres on 'Connected Collections'. We are looking for objects in other museums and galleries that relate to ours, to cast new light on them. For example we have a brown glass Bovril bottle and an

Edwardian ribbed inkwell - both found in a local rubbish dump. In the Pitt Rivers Museum, Oxford there are two such objects, the Bovril bottle has been turned into a paraffin lamp in Thailand, while an inkwell has been made into an opium pipe, collected in 1912, and comes from Australia. If you find anything unusual that relates to one of our exhibits in another collection, do let us know.

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**Grinton Parish Council  
January 5th 2015**

**Highways:** The poor workmanship of some of the road repairs had been noted and would be redone if necessary. Councillors noted that where the gutters on Whitaside had been cleared the spoil had been dumped on the road surface, reducing the width of the carriageway. Pot holes had been temporarily filled in and would be done properly when funds allowed.

**Cycle Trail:** The park ranger had provided more detailed maps of the proposed Swale Trail route. There would be no new routes but existing ones would be improved and a blockage near the Swing Bridge would be removed. Councillors were concerned about possible damage to surfaces making the paths unfit for walkers if cycle traffic increased.

**Parish arrangements:** The existing parish will be dissolved in April and the new one, incorporating a representative from Ellerton, will be created after the election in May.

**Village green:** Several amendments to the village green map would be submitted together, including the corner of the field at Crackpot and part of a garden in Grinton which had originally been designated in error.

**Trees:** Councillor Gardner had requested a site meeting with Highways to discuss a number of issues including the trees growing out of the stonework of the bridge.

**Library services:** A public consultation was underway to discuss proposed cuts

to library services and would probably result in a combination of fully staffed and community led libraries and some which were a hybrid of the two. A service to deliver library books to the housebound was also available.

**Bus services:** Information was received on updates to bus services in the dale.

**Housing policy:** A new government ruling means that developers of small sites can no longer be required to provide affordable housing in developments of five or less houses. This had been introduced in spite of objections from councils across North Yorkshire.

**Next meeting:** The next meeting is at 7.15pm on Monday, March 2, in the parish hall.

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January 2015**

**Temporary Vehicle Activated Sign:**

The Council noted that a data logger was deployed for 7 days in November opposite the Punch Bowl by Safer Richmondshire which showed that the speeds recorded were commensurate with the expected results within a 30 mph speed limited zone. The conclusion was that no further action is required at this location. The Council also noted that the cost of installing a temporary vehicle activated sign would be £875 per year per sign and did not consider this to be a possibility at this time.

**Grit query:** The road to Low Row Institute and the houses behind it has now been supplied with grit.

**Highways:** The Council noted that the wall below Staney Gill House had been inspected in November and the Highways Officer confirmed that the wall is the responsibility of the adjacent landowner. The Clerk was instructed to raise the following issues with Highways: Cattle grid at Peat Gate needs clearing, the drains are blocked at the following locations: West of Robin Gate, Woodend corner, and at the bottom of the hill approaching Low Row from Reeth. Also the road to High Bents has a blocked drain which is overflowing and making the road hazardous. In addition, there has been no grit put on the top road from Gunnerside to Gunnerside Lodge.

**Parish Council elections 7th May 2015:** The Council noted details of the Elections and the Clerk will arrange for the nomination papers to be sent out.

**Honesty boxes in Gunnerside:** The

Council noted that a letter had been received from Gunnerside Estate advising that they were happy with the installation of honesty boxes in the parking area at Gunnerside.

**Possibility of installing a new light in Gunnerside:** The Clerk advised that they had not had any more information from the lighting department, however Cllr Alderson would speak to the resident regarding this and the Clerk would contact the lighting department again.

**Sports Club grant scheme:** The Council noted receipt of a grant scheme from Richmondshire Local Sports Association.

**Changes to national housing policy:** The Council received a letter from YDNPA regarding the changes to affordable housing requirements on small sites which could affect future housing developments.

**Planning:** The Roof, Gunnerside. The Council raised no objections or comments.

**Light in Low Row:** The Council noted receipt of an email regarding a light in Low Row that was concerning them.

**New bus timetable:** The Council noted that a revised bus timetable would be in place from 1st April 2015, with the service being run by the Little White Bus company.

**Yorkshire Water:** The Council discussed the new pipeline to be installed in the dale.

**Communities Opportunities Fund:** The Council noted that the deadline for applying for funding from this RDC grant is February 28th 2015.

**Date and time of next meeting:**

Thursday March 26th 2015 at 7.30pm

Nikki Adams, Parish Clerk

## Bird & Butterfly Surveys

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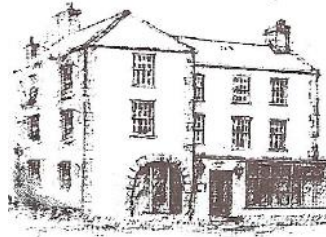
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- 13th Keld Public Hall Domino & Whist Drive 7.30
- 14th Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: *Mr Turner* 7.30
- 16th Gazette AGM, Grinton Institute 7.00pm
- 19th Steve Knightley, Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00
- 20th Reeth YFC Domino & Whist Drive Reeth Memorial Hall 7.30
- 21st Steve Turner, Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00
- 21st Mobile Household Waste Recycling, Market Place, Reeth
- 25th Upper Dales Family History Group, Fremington Sunday School, 2.00
- 28th Ukulele Day Reeth Memorial Hall

## April

- 3rd Good Friday Walk, Keld to Grinton Start at 9.00am
- 9th Lucy Ward, Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00
- 12th Reeth Brass Band at St Andrew's, Grinton. 3.00
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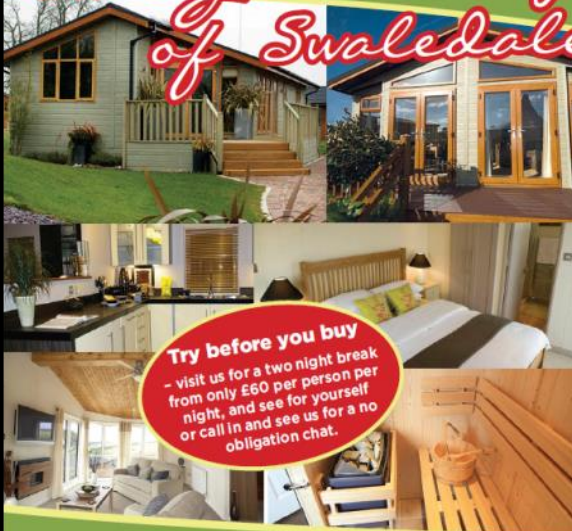
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