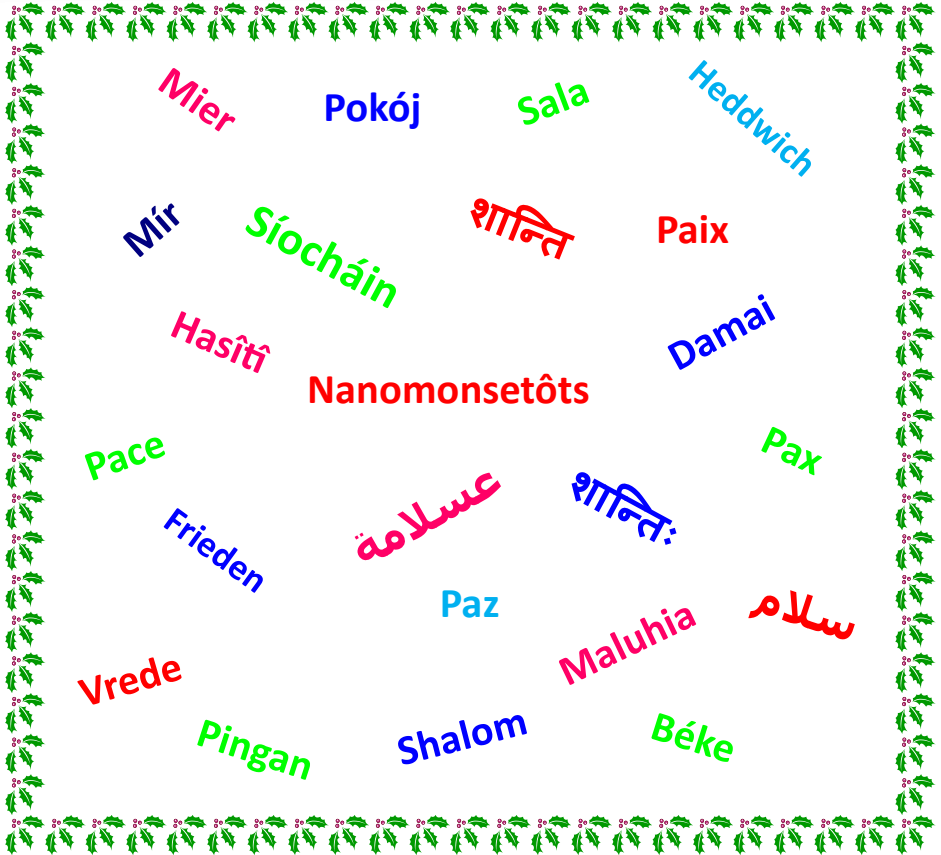


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First Thoughts . . .

Have you been asked the question yet? You know the one I mean: 'Are you ready for Christmas?' Or maybe I should be asking you how many times have you been asked it.

It always mystifies me, that question. What do people actually mean when they ask it? One year someone asked me at the beginning of December. 'No, not quite. The sprouts are all peeled and ready for boiling but I haven't put the turkey in the oven yet.'

And does it matter? 'No I am not ready for Christmas, but I will be when it comes.'

Another comment you get, especially when shopping nearer to the day is: 'Last minute shopping, eh?' Well,

no it isn't actually. Last minute shopping, presuming the shops are open, is one minute to midnight on Christmas Eve. So it might be 'last week' shopping, or even 'last day' shopping, but only in extreme circumstances will it ever be last minute shopping - like perhaps the main character in *The Waitresses' Christmas Wrapping*.

And again, does it matter when you do the shopping? Look at Bob Cratchit - he did his shopping for Christmas Day dinner on his way home from work on Christmas Eve.

Anyway, as Bruce Springsteen sang, you'd better watch out, you'd better not cry; you'd better not pout, I'm telling you why - Santa Claus is coming to town and he's knows if you've been bad or good, so you'd better be good.

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The deadlines for the next two months are:

January issue: December 2nd

February issue: January 10th

PLEASE NOTE: We cannot guarantee that items submitted after the deadline will be included.

COVER PICTURE

"Imagine all the people,
Living life in peace"

John Lennon

A man walks into a bar.
He buys a pint, drinks it and leaves.
Life's like that sometimes.

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Letter To The Editor

Dog Fouling

Between the hours of 6.00pm (18th October) and 1.00pm (19th October) an illegal deposit was left on our cobbled frontage. The owner of a dog failed to abide by the law and committed a criminal offence in failing to remove dog faeces and dispose of it correctly as stated in the 2005 Act of Parliament.

The same owner has committed the offence on several occasions in the area - therefore we assume the offender is a local rather than a visitor to the area.

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Post Office News

Firstly a reminder about latest posting dates: Australia and New Zealand by December 10th; Canada and USA by December 15th; and most places in Europe by December 16th.

For the UK, Saturday December 19th is the last date for 2nd Class; and Monday December 21st for 1st Class. Or if you want to send something by Special Delivery which guarantees delivery by either 9.00am or 1.00pm the next day, Wednesday December 23rd is the last recommended date.

Secondly, the opening hours for the

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- 1 John Densmore, a Door
- 2 Maria Callas, she hated singing
- 3 Andy Williams, heavy metal singer
- 4 Franco, dictator
- 5 Walt Disney, took the mickey
- 6 Alberto Contador, cycled through Reeth
- 7 Tom Waits, patiently
- 8 Jim Morrison, another Door
- 9 Kirk Douglas, a Viking
- 10 Dan Blocker, Hoss
- 11 Marco Pierre White, taught Gordon Ramsay
- 12 Frank Sinatra, The Guvnor
- 13 Dick Van Dyke, slept for 100 years
- 14 Nostradamus, album by Judas Priest
- 15 Nero, Roman violinist
- 16 Jane Austen, wrote stories
- 17 Bernard Hill, giz a job
- 18 Keith Richards, gathers no moss
- 19 A grumpy Australian cricketer
- 20 Uri Geller, bender, of spoons
- 21 Chris Evert, fit tennis player
- 22 Noel Edmonds, please not him
- 23 Matt Baker, former Blue Peter presenter
- 24 Barry Chuckle, to you
- 25 Humphrey Bogart, Icon
- 26 Charles Babbage, father of computing
- 27 Louis Pasteur, invented pasteurised milk
- 28 Stan Lee, a Marvel
- 29 Charles Goodyear, a tyred man
- 30 Davy Jones, monkeyed around
- 31 Richie McCaw, average Rugby Union player

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Panther On The Loose?

My daughter came in last week with the information that there was a rumour going around that a black panther has been seen on the moors. A Panther? Surely not.

Oddly, I had several days before been driving round that twisty bit of road near the Stainton junction. To my surprise, and I had told the family about this, a black deer crossed the road ahead of me. Well, I thought it must be a deer. It's a favourite crossing place where one quite often sees them. But I was surprised to see its colour, and we speculated as to whether deer could sometimes be black. After all sheep, and rabbits occasionally are black, why not a deer?

This morning, driving home from

Richmond, I suddenly saw an animal rushing along the side of the woods near the caravan park. It was pitch black, no apparent white like a sheep dog, and although I initially thought it might be rounding up sheep, there was no sign of a farmer; nor did it seem interested in the grazing sheep who were panicking and running in the opposite direction.

A panther? Probably a Labrador. But I did wonder. It's a lovely idea, so long as it only eats rabbits.

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bells to the tower at Grinton. The bells have now been ordered from Taylor's Bell Foundry in Loughborough and will take three to four months to make.

We are likely to be able to hang the new bells next Spring, along with the essential maintenance and safety installation which is required.

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08/11/2015 (48) 16.30hrs: The team's search dog & handler were deployed to assist Cleveland MRT with a missing person search.

07/11/2015 (47) 09.00hrs: The team were asked to assist in the search for a missing elderly dog in the Low Row area. After an hour of searching in the pouring rain the dog was located wet but OK & reunited with its owner.

01/11/2015 (46) 13.30hrs: The team were called by the Ambulance Service to rescue a walker above Marske with a fractured ankle. The team treated & evacuated walker to the ambulance.

31/10/2015 (45) 14.00hrs: We were called by Yorkshire Ambulance to rescue a walker with a suspected cardiac arrest. While en route the air ambulance managed to land & take the casualty to hospital.



18/10/2015 (44) 09.00hrs: We provided rescue cover for the Scott Trial. The usual bumps & scrapes dealt with.

Thanks to the following for their continued support:

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Liz and Nic of Low Row would say a huge thank you to everyone at Swaledale Mountain Rescue. We were distraught when our elderly and very vulnerable little dog disappeared. We searched and searched but had no luck and were prepared for the worst. A friend suggested we contact SMRT and they turned up early in wind and rain and found her. A really fantastic team!

Can we also say a big thanks to Edward Blackburn who sighted her and without whom we wouldn't have known where to look, also to everyone who shared the details around on Facebook and word of mouth

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Message From The Swaledale Museum In Reeth

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Go to our website for the 2016 Friends of the Museum Lecture programme. We look forward to seeing you at our events and in the Museum next year.

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detailed e-newsletters that come out every 3-6 weeks with latest developments do let me know, via museum.swaledale@btinternet.com and we will put you on the circulation list.

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<p>Fri 4 Dec <u>Film: The Legend of Barney Thomson</u> Barney Thomson, a lank-haired and socially inept Glasgow barber, lives a life of desperate mediocrity but his uninteresting life is about to go from 0 to 60 in five seconds, as he falls under police suspicion in an investigation into a string of gruesome but comically absurd murders. Emma Thompson appears in this wonderfully macabre comedy as you've never seen her before!</p> <p>Fri 11 Dec <u>Film: Max</u> Kyle and his dog Max serve on the front line in Afghanistan. Kyle dies in an ambush and Max is sent home as he is too traumatised to remain in service. He is due to be put down but as Max seems to respond to Kyle's brother Justin, the family decides to adopt him.</p> <p>Fri 18 Dec <u>Film: It's A Wonderful Life</u> George Bailey, overwhelmed by family obligations and a sense of responsibility toward his community, sees his youth, dreams and opportunities passing him by. As he contemplates ending his life an angel intercedes and shows him what his hometown would be like if he had never existed.</p> <p>No Film shown on 25 December or 1 January Films to watch out for in the New Year are: '45 Years', 'Love and Mercy' and 'Everest'. Check the website, Facebook and Twitter for details.</p> <p>Table Top & Book Sale: First Tuesday of Every Month - 1.30 pm to 4.00 pm. Tables available at £5 each.</p> <p>Singing for Pleasure: The group meets every 2 weeks on a Monday 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm. £2.50 inc. refreshments.</p> <p>The Walking Group: Meets every Wednesday at 10.00 am. £2 including a drink.</p> <p>Wensleydale Camera Club: Meet every Monday at 7.15 pm.</p> <p>The Book Club: Meet the second Wednesday of each month from 2.30 pm to 3.30 pm.</p> <p>Slimming World: Meet every Wednesday from 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm.</p> <p>Portrait Painters: Meet every other Thursday from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm.</p> <p>Easy Does it: Gentle effective exercise to music for men and women over 60. Wednesdays 1.30 pm - 2.30 pm.</p> <p>Volunteers Wanted: If you would like to become a volunteer at The Old School House please get in touch.</p> <p>Telephone: 01969 624510 - Email: admin@oldschoolhouseleyburn.com - Web: oldschoolhouseleyburn.com F: facebook.com/oldschoolhouseleyburn - Twitter: https://twitter.com/TLeyburn - Registered Charity No: 1122092</p>		



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2 Dales Football

The Under 10s joint venture with Leyburn is still going strong. Although the results are not quite going the right way the football is starting to flow and when the football flows the goals start coming with 10 in the last 4 matches but only one win. FA rules, however, mean we are not allowed to publish individual scorers or results. The race for the Golden Boot is hot but will it be a male hand lifting it or a female? Don't take your eyes off this one.

The Under 12's travelled to Catterick Village to play their A team on a fine day. Village played a defensive formation enabling Dales to spend much of the first session in their half but when Village broke through they scored. Dan Guy finished from good play from Ryan Atkinson and Joseph Scott to equalise. Another good move

was only rewarded with hitting the woodwork. Dales then lost their form conceding 2 more.

In the second half Dales were better but good goalkeeping and poor finishing from Village kept the score at 3-1 until good work by Ryan passing the ball back to Joe Alderson on the edge of the box enabled Joe to pull one back. Dales continued to dominate and create chances but conceded a fourth. 4-2 loss but a good game. Daniel Marshall in defence is getting really good at reading the game and Ellen Atkinson continues to grow into a very commanding goalkeeper.

The next week they played Catterick Village B team at Reeth and Neil gave more responsibility to the Captain (a captain is appointed for each match following performance at Friday training).

The first half could not have gone better with good flowing football resulting in 6 goals. Dan Guy poked home the first after a good cross from Joseph and some good team play between Ryan, Joe and Callum Belwood. Joe then poked home a good Dan Webster corner. Joseph made a long hard shot count and Ryan had a couple of chances scoring from the hardest, following a miss kick by the keeper, volleying home from the crossbar. Joseph and Dan each both scored good goals, the second an excellent finish from Joseph, after a rather bizarre incident enabled Village to run right through our defence.

Dales lost shape in the second half but Dan Webster scored and Dan Guy added 2 more for a 9-4 win.

The next week we were at Colburn who were a physically bigger team

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although Dales dominated possession in the first half but Colburn used their strength when it mattered scoring 3. Ellen Atkinson bravely tried to save one from a really big strong guy and injured her hand and Oliver Allison took her place. It should also be noted that our newest and smallest player, Izzie Lundberg, successfully tackled their big lad. Finally Dales got a well-deserved goal after Joe won the ball to make a perfect pass to Ryan who ran it in. Apart from that we simply couldn't score to lose 7-1 in what was really quite a close game although we were missing Dan Guy.

To me two things stand out from these three matches. Dales need to improve finishing and timing of crucial shots but it also has to be said that the behaviour from all participants on and off the field was excellent. Matches like this are a pleasure to watch - win or lose.

We now prepare for Christmas and hope to have some Christmas Eve matches and particularly bring last year's Under 14s back together for a friendly match.

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Low Row Lunch Club Celebrates Its 20th Birthday

Twenty seven members met on 5th November to celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the founding of the Lunch Club in Low Row. The Institute was decorated for the occasion, and in addition to our usual excellent three course meal there was a substantial birthday cake that had also been made by Rachel Newborn our caterer.

The Low Row club was the third of the four Lunch Clubs to be formed in the Two Dales, and founder member Mike Beckwith noted that four of the members who were present had been members ever since the very first lunch in 1995.

While cutting the birthday cake, the treasurer Alan Thorogood thanked everyone who has supported the Luncheon Clubs Association over the years, especially our caterers, the Community Bus that provides transport, the fund raisers and donors, and the volunteers who set up the tables, serve the meals, wash up, and help with providing lifts for other members.

All four Clubs are very well supported, so it is hoped that they will continue to thrive and serve our local community for many years to come.

The Association organises four Lunch Clubs every month in the village halls for the communities of Low Row, Reeth, Muker and Langthwaite. Further details and sample menus are available from the secretary, Susan Cluderay, at the Post Office.

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Practice Manager Of The Year

Some of you may have seen local coverage of Marie's shortlisting as practice manager of the year. Marie was picked from over a hundred nominations for the prestigious national award and made it to the top three.

Unfortunately she did not bring the silver home with her this time, but we are all delighted that her hard work behind the scenes to keep the practice

running has been recognised and appreciated. I am sure that the building would have fallen down and the practice bankrupted a long time ago if I had been left in charge of the calculator!

Xmas Is Coming

Just a gentle reminder to make sure you have enough medicines to cover the festive period - if needs be, please order early to avoid running out.

The practice is closed on Friday 25th December, Monday 28th December and Friday 1st January. We are open at the usual times otherwise. If you need medical attention outside our opening times, please call 111.

On behalf of the staff, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.

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If you have items for inclusion in either of these editions it would be a great help if you could let me have them in good time for the deadlines, either by ringing **01748-884759** or by email on tracy@swaledale.org

In 'normal' weeks the deadline for

each Friday edition is still Monday morning but it's never too early to let me have details of events as I can keep them on file to bring forward at the right time.

**Tracy Little, Swaledale &
Arkengarthdale correspondent**

Thank You

On behalf of Reeth & Gunnerside Schools we would like to thank everyone for coming to the Little Darling Fashion Show we held at Reeth School. There was a great show of prizes for the raffle. The stars of the show were the children who modelled the clothes. It was great to see so many happy faces. Thank you for your continued support. The night raised a fantastic amount of £267.00

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Due to franking and email the amount of stamps that are coming in is at an all time low so everyone who sends even a couple of stamps is raising money for us. Also the Post Office now frequently use the gold horizon labels - but we do also collect those.

Items such as collections and special editions are sold at auction, usually with a reserve on the item. We have just had a great result: at an auction, selling five items for £3,335. One stamp album went for £2,400. That was a once in a life time sale.

Over the financial year of 2014-2015 we raised an amazing £21,458 - mainly for the RNIB but also for Alzheimers. Our target for this

financial year is £25,000 so we need more supporters to achieve this figure. To reach our target we need to collect approximately 15,000,000 stamps. There are around 6000 stamps to a kilo.

So please could you ask your family and other contacts to save their stamps for us and if possible can they be cut or torn with approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1cm of envelope surrounding the stamp to prevent damage. If stamps have the perforations cut off they are totally worthless. If it easier just tear with plenty paper round and I will sort them.

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The forest classroom next door to the school will be used, as will the sports club at Reeth and the facilities at the school. The school also plans to have regular film shows. We hope that opening the school up for children at these times will give parents the opportunity to change their work pattern, knowing that their children will be cared for by members of staff at the school. We have a similar facility at our partner school in Richmond and know that it can really help families.

There may be a small charge for the evening sessions, to pay for additional staffing and food costs, but this will be kept to a minimum. There will not initially be a charge for the Breakfast Club. Further details will be on the school website soon at www.arkengarthdale.n-yorks.sch.uk.

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Michael Briggs.

Tell us about yourself in 50 words or less:

Male, 38, husband, father of two girls, National Park Ranger for Swaledale and Arkengarthdale. Nature enthusiast - bit of a generalist/all rounder. Occasional runner, but I'm getting over that now - would like to do more cycling. Came to the Dales to take up the job, from York originally.

Tell us something about yourself that not a lot of people know:

Despite loving my job and being the envy of most of my peers, I'd retire tomorrow if I could afford it.

What was the first job you ever had?

Checkout Boy, Marks & Spencer Food Hall, York, Christmas 1995 - you don't know how fierce a granny can be if she can't get her sprouts at 3 o'clock on Christmas Eve. Give me an angry farmer any day.

What do you like/dislike about living/working in the Dales?

There is nowhere I'd rather live (within the UK anyway) as it's a unique mix of stunning landscape, communities full of characters and just what you need and not a lot you don't.

The difficult conflict between agriculture, country sports, recreation and the environment is a constant frustration and I'm a bit of a fence sitter to be honest. I can see all sides

and often find myself as the middleman trying to keep the peace.

If you won the Lottery jackpot, what's the first thing you would buy?

A camper van

Which is your favourite film /book?

Any Indiana Jones or Crocodile Dundee 1 or 2

What is your favourite meal?

Crunchy Peanut Butter on white toast with Earl Grey tea and dark chocolate digestives.

How do you like to spend your spare time?

With my family messing about at home or in the great outdoors pushing the bounds of what is possible/safe with a 4 & 2 year old.

Who would you most like to go for a drink with?

My great grandad Cooper Briggs. He spent some of his career building Dales road bridges in the early 20th Century. Something I feel I'm carrying on with - sort of.

Is the glass half full or half empty?

Half empty I'm afraid, I am Yorkshire born and bred.

What would be your luxury on a desert island?

A good knife - do you ever see Mr Grylls without one?

If you could ban one thing in the country, what would it be?

Irresponsible dog owners and litterers. [Can't count then.]

Your house is on fire. You can save one item. What would it be?

Hard drive, it's a box full of memories.

What's your favourite joke?

"Have you ever tried a Tarka curry?"

"No, What's it like?"

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6th Dec.	9.15 am	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Eucharist</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	2.30 pm	Gunnerside Methodist	
	4.00 pm	St. Andrew's Grinton <i>Come & sing carols. Informal Carol Service - donations for Christian Aid's safe mother & baby campaign. You are invited to wear your Christmas jumper or hat .</i>	
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	7.00 pm	Christmas Event at Marrick Priory	
13th Dec.	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist	<i>Family service</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	4.00 pm	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Crib Service</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
15th Dec.	7.00 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	<i>Carols by Candlelight</i>
18th Dec.	1.30 pm	St. Andrew's Grinton <i>Joint Schools' Ecumenical Christingle Service</i>	
20th Dec.	9.15 pm	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	

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20th Dec. cont.	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist	
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	<i>Carols</i>
	2.30 pm	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Lessons/Carols</i>
	3.00 pm	St. Michael's Downholme	<i>Lessons/Carols</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	<i>Carol Service</i>
	6.30 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale <i>Arken'dale Joint Carol Service</i>	
	8.00 pm	Reeth Green <i>Carols round the Tree with Reeth Brass Band</i>	
21st Dec.	7.00 pm	Gunnerside Methodist	<i>Shortest Day Service</i>
24th Dec.	4.30 pm	Hope House, Keld	<i>Carol Service</i>
	6.00 pm	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Low Row Village Carol Service</i>
	10.00 pm	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	11.30 pm	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	11.30 pm	St. Michael's Downholme	<i>Holy Communion</i>
25th Dec.	9.00 am	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	Low Row URC	
	10.30 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist	<i>Family Service</i>
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	<i>Christmas Day Service</i>
27th Dec.	10.00 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Said Eucharist</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
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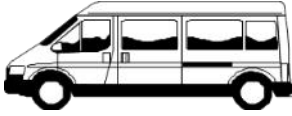
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Reeth Community Orchard Apple Day

The weather is invariably terrible for Apple Day . It is a given. More reliable than a rain dance. And it certainly did rain. But mercifully, this year, it wasn't also perishingly cold.

We'd had a bumper harvest - picked mostly by ladies "of a certain age" (plus one mere 50 year old) and some very enthusiastic and acrobatic children, who managed to come away from their efforts with all limbs intact. Very grateful thanks are extended to all.

So there was a wide variety of apples for sale. And our usual informative display of many more. But we missed our "apple expert" John - kept away by ill health - and his wife Judy, who always brought wonderful cakes for the workers. Instead Jane Davies very kindly stepped in with apple muffins. (You can see where my priorities lie.)

After a slow start the crowds braved the elements. A big draw is always Gordon's apple press, or juicer, with new muscle turning the wheel this year in the shape of the sainted Pete and Derek. Children love to watch the process and are encouraged to have a go. For every 10kg of apples we produce approx 5 litres of juice - a mix of cooking and eating apples, previously chopped and frozen to soften them - to produce a slightly tart and pure juice , with no added sugar needed.

We were pleased to welcome a small group from Cumbria with apples to press. Something we have tried to encourage. They are planning to set up a community orchard of their own.

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And finally Sarah ran a children's art corner, always very popular and well attended. She felt some of the efforts were worthy of an exhibition.

Apple Day is one of our two main annual fundraising events and therefore very significant. £173 was raised on this occasion, although it is hoped that will be significantly boosted by continuing sales. We still have many apples to sell - available at the Orchard gate, or on request from the volunteers.

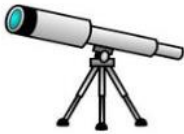
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On the morning of the 7th of December we are gifted with a conjunction of the Moon and Venus, which will be visible in the East before sunrise.

We take delivery of a new Moon on the 11th and this is fantastic news as the night sky will be unpolluted by moonlight because two days later old Santa drops the Geminid meteor shower down our chimney. This is the be all and end all of meteor showers, between 2.00am and 3.00am on the 14th when 100-120 multi-coloured meteors per hour may be seen. The shower itself runs from the 7th to the 17th so the numbers seen will gradually increase until the peak on the 13th-14th.

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After a week to recover we have the arrival of winter with the December Solstice and our shortest period of daylight. For those of us who celebrate such things, the solstice is at 4.48 am on the 22nd, so get those bonfires lit.

But wait, another boon: the Ursid meteor shower peaks on the morning of the 22nd as well. The dust of comet Tuttle will streak across the early morning sky. This is in no way comparable to the Geminids, as there will be only 10 or so meteors an hour, radiating from the constellation of Ursa Minor in a northerly direction, but it is just another excuse to be out in the dark with five layers of clothing and a jug of mead to boot.

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Finally we get a full moon and of course it is on Christmas Day, our final present of 2015. This will occur at 11.11pm on the 25th, and will illuminate the hopefully clear night skies for those with wobbly legs as they wend their way home.

Have a very merry Christmas and a happy new year.

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Recycled Crafts for Christmas

Come and enjoy making crafty things for Christmas on Saturday 5th December at Fremington Village Hall from 10.30am to 12.30pm. This activity is part of the Grinton Conservation Project's work and we will be using materials gathered from inside the Church and living materials from the Churchyard especially for this event. You can also bring your own things to 'upcycle'. The event is a family one and accompanied children of all ages are welcome. All age activities will include:

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Windows 10 roll out woes

Over the last few weeks problems have continued. I have had many requests for help from people who have taken the plunge and upgraded to Windows 10. I am sure I am hearing on the few bad cases where something has gone wrong but in the last week I have looked at three computers that failed to upgrade properly and basically turned into an oversized paperweight. It would be really helpful if you could help your friends by spreading the word that it is probably best to wait to upgrade until spring time.

In the meantime here are a few hints if you decide to upgrade anyway:

- 1) Make sure you have a good solid backup of your system before you start so that if the worse happens you are not left in a mess.
- 2) If you upgrade and have problems you have a 30 day window to revert to your old version of Windows - Click Start > PC Settings > Update and

Recovery and the option to revert should be there - note after 30 days that option disappears.

3) If you have upgraded from Windows 7 or miss the start menu you can install Classic Shell to put it back. Things then look and behave remarkably like Windows 7 again. It is free from www.classicshell.net; or there is a rather more polished Start menu replacement called Start 10, available cheaply from www.stardock.com/products/start10. Incidentally, you can also get a version for Windows 8/8.1 called Star8 here www.stardock.com/products/start8

Download Websites and scams/trickery

I have noticed that when people are looking for a program to download (either a new program or and upgrade to one you already have installed) there is a tendency to type what you are looking for into a search engine. Quite a lot of people then click the first thing that appears in the list.

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will also more than likely come with a lot of surprises.

So many people have said to me over the years: "I don't know where that came from. I never downloaded it or asked for it."

By far the worst culprits are the 'download' websites. In order to make money, most products end up bundled with other things that pay the company to put the stuff on your computer. These 'bonus' gifts can be anything from unwanted toolbars, changing your home page or search engine, fake security software - or even real security software that then conflicts with existing products you have.

The big problem is that most of this stuff isn't considered virus behaviour and the majority of goes through your antivirus without giving any warning. The rule is to look-and-read before you click. If you have a list of results in front of you ONLY EVER click on links where the printed website name belongs to the manufacturer of the product. For example if you are updating Adobe Flash make sure the website you are going to says adobe.com and not something like softonic.com or download.com. This isn't a 100% solution as even then

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That's it for this month. Have a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you all in 2016.

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Guest Speaker: Jane Ritchie, Lay Representative for Richmondshire and Hambleton, Richmondshire and Whitby CCG and Hon Secretary Upper Dales Health Watch. Jane discussed the issues surrounding providing a Health Service within a deeply rural area and how the CCG with the Dales Project is using joined up thinking, with surgeries working together along with Social Services and the District Nurses, for example: District Nurses attending Luncheon Clubs, the possibility of using Skype for follow up appointments with Consultants etc.

Cllrs expressed their concern that the consolidation of expertise and services in the larger city hospitals could potentially have a detrimental effect on the provision of services in Upper Swaledale. Jane Ritchie addressed these concerns stating that A&E was still available at Northallerton, the Air Ambulance was in place and out of hours were still being provided by Harewood and that once transferred into a bigger hospital the patient would have access to the best possible care.

Muker Parish Dog Waste Bin: Cllr Blows stated that the bins had arrived and were due to be put in place anytime now. The Sign directing people to the

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Grit Bins: A reply had been received from NYCC Highways stating that their position was unchanged and that two out of the four bins in Muker and two in Thwaite would no longer be paid for by them. This would leave Thwaite with no bins at all and it was agreed that the Parish Council would pay for one bin in Thwaite. The Parish Council again raised their concerns and disappointment that these services were being withdrawn.

Planning Application: Pumping Station Thwaite - H Pole. A response had been received from Kerry White referring the Parish Council to her previous report and findings and why the erection of a new pole was unnecessary.

Street Light Muker and Thwaite: RDC had been to repair the light in Muker but unfortunately the present light has been condemned and is to be replaced with a new light. It was noted

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that the Muker Public Toilet Lights were not working. Clerk to contact RDC.

Obstructions to public access: A letter had been sent to the business in Muker regarding the obstruction to members of the public access and egress. The business had removed the tables and chairs but the signs were still in place. It was agreed that this was adequate for present but the PC would monitor the situation.

Defibrillator: It had been discovered that the base plate was faulty and was a common defect and was awaiting repair. The fault does not affect the working of the defibrillator and is still fit for purpose.

Highways: Correspondence had been received from Highways regarding the intended road closure to repair the landslip at Gunnerside. The PC raised concerns regarding the inadequacy of

the diversion as the road is very narrow in parts and the experience from last time had not been good.

RDC: The Chairman read out an e-mail regarding the Small Business Grant Scheme, which is open to small businesses who can bid for up to 75% of the costs up to the maximum grant of £1,000 to support improvement work which will see an increase in their revenue or create employment opportunities. Businesses can contact RDC regarding the scheme.

YDNPA: A planning application had been received regarding the erection of an extension to Kison Cottage in Thwaite. There were no objections.

AOB: Cllr Metcalfe raised concerns regarding a canhole cover in Muker which had been left with two Cones around it. Clerk to contact Highways.

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Betty Thornborrow would like to thank family and friends for their cards flowers gifts and for making her 90th Birthday a special day.

Marske In Swaledale WI Meeting

Members were welcomed to the October meeting by Hazel who thanked everyone for attending on a very foggy night. The rollcall was won by Audrey and the raffle by Mary. Our donation to Reeth Community Transport was gratefully acknowledged. The national AGM will be held in Brighton next year and it is our turn to send a delegate. We are invited to Ravensworth WI's 70th anniversary celebrations.

Our 2016 programme was discussed and agreed and further suggestions would be welcomed. Menus for the Christmas lunch at the Burgoyne were distributed.

As travelling in winter weather conditions can be difficult, it was agreed to meet in future at mid-day when soup and a sweet would be provided, beginning with the November meeting.

A get-well card had been sent to Laura, who was recovering from her accident.

Business over, Katherine Guy helped us to make a beaded Christmas decoration which we all managed very well and were able to take our efforts home with us. Jean gave the vote of thanks and supper was served while we browsed Katherine's wonderful range of jewellery samples.

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The afternoon rain and fog cleared for a relaxed family atmosphere as the huge bonfire was lit at 18:15 - with more than a little help. The excellent free firework display was enjoyed by all, with the children and some adults also having fun with the plentiful supply of sparklers. Sausages, burgers

and soup were available and served traditionally from a sheep trailer in the car park. The adults could wash these down with a drink or two in the CB Inn whilst the children enjoyed toffee apples and applauded the winners of the picture competition and the raffle which raised funds for future events.

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Arkengarthdale School News

The term draws to a close at Arkengarthdale School and Christmas is coming. We've certainly had a busy and rewarding term so I would like to share some highlights with you.

The KS1 children have really enjoyed finding out about Medieval Times. Their studies culminated in a whole-school visit to Ripley Castle where everyone had the opportunity to dress up in medieval costume. It not only added to the authenticity of the day but made the children appreciate how cumbersome some of the clothing was to wear in days gone by.

The KS2 children have been studying castles, which tied in perfectly with the visit to Ripley. They have also focused on rivers for their key curriculum subject and have learned about the effects they have on our landscape.

We are delighted to welcome Rev. Alison Steward-Smith, our curate, who is coming in to school on a regular basis to teach music to both classes. We were really appreciative of her help with our harvest songs, which we performed in Arkengarthdale Church in October and are thrilled that she will be working with us on our Christmas concert - more of that later. Alison, who is also a languages teacher, is teaching French to the KS2 class on a weekly basis.

Our Forest School activities continue to be a great asset to the school and we would like to extend a huge thank you to Alan and Peter Richardson, who so kindly and freely

gave of their time to make a gateway into the Birks Wood next to the school. This makes it quick, safe and easy for staff and children to access the wood. We have recently received a grant, from the Ernest Cook Trust, which has helped us purchase a tepee and various tools for the outdoors which will greatly enhance the children's learning experience.

On Friday 4th December we are hosting The Magic Woods event in our tepee. Do come along and join us to find out if there are some magical creatures living the woods, as we look for fairies, spirits and other mythical creatures that might just be hiding in the tree. Contact admin@arkengarthdale.n-yorks.sch.uk or 01748 884335 for booking information. The event will be led by teachers (Forest School leaders) and is suitable for 0-4 year olds with a supervising adult. Toilet and hand-washing facilities are available in the school. Please wear wellies and warm outdoor clothing. Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits are provided. The event will take place in our third classroom: woodland adjacent to the school. There is no charge.

While on the subject of the great outdoors, our five year 6 children recently returned from East Barnby, following a 5-day residential course. They joined the year 6 pupils from Richmond Methodist School and were lucky to enjoy a week of wall-to-wall sunshine. They took part in some fabulous activities, from beck scrambling to canoeing.

Sport continues to play a very important role in school and the KS2 children have taken part in football and netball tournaments this term. The KS1

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pupils have enjoyed a series of successful gymnastic sessions at Colburn Leisure Centre and we extended this to include KS2 children towards the end of the term.

So, I started by saying Christmas is coming and with that comes some sad news for me. At the end of this term I will be saying a very fond farewell to my colleagues, governors and the children at Arkengarthdale School. It has been an enormous pleasure to lead the school over the last 3 years, it is the most wonderful place for children to be educated and I will miss it greatly. However, I leave the school in the very capable hands of Helen Ring, who will take over the headship in January.

Before I sign off, please do put some other dates in your diary. You are warmly invited to our Christmas concert, which takes place at 6pm on Friday 11th December in Arkengarthdale Church, we would love to see you there. The children will also be singing at the Christmas Carol Service at 6pm on Sunday 20th December, so we look forward to welcoming you.

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October 2015**

Repair work: The application to the Communities Opportunity Fund for work on the cobbles had been passed. The contractor would be asked to look at the step by the phone box at the same time.

Drains: The blocked drains on School Hill had been reported but nothing had been done about them at the time of the meeting. Work had been carried out on Mill Hill but the drains there were also blocked.

Christmas: One of the local businesses was co-ordinating a shopping evening on Thursday, November 26. If possible the Christmas tree would be put up in time for this. Coun Beal had sourced a tree and would arrange delivery. New lights would also be obtained. Carols round the tree with the brass band had been organised for 8.00pm on Sunday, December 20. Businesses around the green would be approached to ask if they would consider bringing out refreshments on the night.

Defibrillator: A donation of £138 had been received from GR8 Events towards the total £1699 cost of a defibrillator which will be fixed to the

wall outside Hudson House.
Road works: Notice had been received of work at Bushy Park and also of a diversion beginning in November to allow repair of the collapsed section of road between Strands and Gunnerside.

RAC Rally: An RAC Rally would pass through the area between 5 and 8 November. Councillors felt that it would be helpful to have more precise details of the route and times of such events in future.

Letter of thanks: A letter was read out from former councillor James Kendall thanking the members for their gift of a picture to mark his 36 years as a parish councillor and passing on his good wishes to the current councillors.

Playground: The playground had been inspected and a number of repairs already carried out. Arrangements would be made for a new gatepost to be fitted.

Youth work: The council accepted an offer from Richie Bastow to attend a meeting to talk about provision for young people in the area. He would be invited to the next meeting.

Air crash memorial: The wording of the plaque was finalised. Coun Kendall will arrange for the plaque to be made and Coun Frankland will fix it to the wall outside the Burgoyne Hotel.

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Street lights: Some of the faulty lights had been dealt with but others were outstanding. RDC had inspected the lights and replied to the council's letter.

War Memorial: Coun Frankland had taken photographs of the memorial to help the monumental mason. It was agreed that the extra names should be added to the blank stone plaque on one side rather than to a metal plate. It was noted that some means was also required of securing the wreaths to stop them blowing across the green.

Remembrance services: A road closure notice had been obtained from 2pm to 2.30pm from the shelter down to St Andrew's. The Richmond army cadets would be attending as well as the local fire brigade. Arrangements were also in place for a short service by the war memorial on Wednesday, November 11.

Parking: The clerk and chairman would meet residents concerned to discuss parking problems on the green. The clerk would ask if a letter could be displayed in the GP surgery asking those attending not to park in Langhorne Drive or Quaker Close as this was causing access problems for delivery vehicles.

Paths: Coun Gale passed on a request from the Park Ranger that the council should send a letter of thanks to the volunteers who had worked during the summer to trim and tidy Skellgate Lane.

Village clock: A suggestion had been received that a solar powered battery pack might resolve the problems caused by power outages.

Next meeting: 7.00pm on Monday, January 25, in the Methodist Schoolroom.
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**Melbecks Parish Council
October 2015**

Vacancy: The Chair welcomed Mr Andrew Silver who is joining the Parish Council as a co-opted member. The Clerk gave Cllr Silver the Acceptance of Office and Register of Interests forms to complete

Dog waste bin: RDC Cllr Blows advised that there had been a delay with the delivery of the dog waste bins, but that they are now in, and due to be sited in the next couple of weeks. The Council agreed that the best site for it would be at the end of the track heading towards Gunnerside Ghyll. The Clerk will contact Sally Dixon at RDC to check that this location is suitable

Finance: An order to pay £75 for uncontested election fee from RDC was signed

Highways: The Council noted receipt of an email from Highways stating that: the cattle grid at Gunnerside has been repaired, and that the cattle grid at Peat Gate was included in an extensive list of cattle grids requiring clearance. The Clerk was asked to contact Highways again regarding this. Highways are unable to provide a specific timeframe for the repair to the becks side wall at Gunnerside due to the amount of structures in the area requiring repairs

Road collapse at Gunnerside: The Clerk was asked to contact Highways to find out what is happening with this

Proposed signing and lining work: The Clerk advised that a reply had been received advising that the work would be going ahead

Grit bins: The grit bin at Brocca Bank

has been filled, however the broken bin in Gunnerside outside the school has still not been replaced. The Clerk was asked to contact Highways to see if this can be done as soon as possible

Planning: Turnip House, Blades: The Council raised no objections or comments. Punch Bowl, Low Row: (Biomass boiler) Withdrawn. Birds Nest, Low Row: Approved with conditions. Punch Bowl, Low Row: (Re-pointing) The Council raised no objections or comments

Honesty boxes for parking in Gunnerside: Cllrs Crapper and McCartney will look into the cost of this.

Superfast Broadband: Cllr Blows advised the Council that he had attended a meeting about the possibility of superfast Broadband for the Gunnerside Muker and Low Row areas next year. Outlying areas would be able to get vouchers to access satellite broadband. People would be able to register their interest online

Next meeting: Gunnerside Village Hall on Thursday December 17th 2015.

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- 6th Carols at St Andrew's, Grinton. 4.00pm
- 11th Dominos & Whist, Low Row
- 12th Film in Gunnerside Village Hall, *Far From the Madding Crowd* 7.30pm
- 12th Drop-in for 'Coffee & Carols' at Reeth Congregational Church. 10.30 to 11.30am.
- 18th Christmas Music And Mince Pies hosted by the Parish Choir, Fremington Village Hall. 2.30pm

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- 8th Owd Roy Domino Drive, Muker Public Hall, 7:30p.m

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