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First Thoughts . . .

Here's a topic of conversation for you: Community Spirit: What is it? Have we lost it?

There are those who would argue that we have indeed lost it, citing in evidence petty acts of vandalism around the village; the disregard by some of the requirement to clean up after their dog; or the thoughtless manner in which some people park their car. Further, they may argue that generally, people are more self-centred and are only interested in something if it benefits themselves and have no regard for the common good.

I recently heard DIY SOS presenter Nick Knowles on the radio talking about community spirit and he felt that it seems to be disappearing. However, he did think that it is still there beneath the surface and just needs something to bring it out - as evidenced by the number of people who are willing to lend a hand to the various projects the programme undertakes.

But why should it be only in adversity that community spirit shines through? Why can't it be just part of everyday life?

Perhaps the informal picnic on the green to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday (see page 23) is an indication that the community spirit is, as Nick Knowles suggests, there but just below the surface. And if so, what can we do to enable it to flourish?

As JFK said, "Ask not what Reeth can do for you, ask what you can do for Reeth"

Discuss.



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The Buddha

Gazette Deadlines

The deadlines for the next two months are:

August issue: July 10th
September issue: August 10th
PLEASE NOTE: We cannot guarantee
that items submitted close to the
deadline date will be included.

COVER PICTURE

The Queen's 90th taken by John Horner www.digitalswaledale.com

Letters To The Editor

Anti-Social Behaviour

Can I make an appeal to the irresponsible dog owners who abandon filled poo bags on roadsides, paths, in stone walls and farmers' fields to please stop this very anti social behaviour; it is the worst kind of littering. Who do you think will remove and dispose of the bags: the poo fairy perhaps?

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Dandelions

Have you noticed that we are being invaded?

Two years ago it was possible to walk along the meadow path from Reeth to Grinton without seeing a single dandelion. Last year there was just a handful. This year they are growing all along the path. And next year...?

Dandelions are similarly invading other parts of the dale. The flowers are strikingly handsome and it's great fun to blow the 'clocks' but dandelions are greedy. When they take over an area all the other plants are gradually smothered and squeezed out.

What can we do to preserve the biodiversity of the dale? The only way to stop the plants from seeding is to pick the flowers. If we all made a point of picking every flower we see (or a minimum of 20 a day during the first flush) and encourage children to do the same, instead of scattering the seeds, we could at least slow down the insidious advance.

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The new housing on Place Hill (Silver Street), Reeth is now complete and the residents have moved in. However the move into the new homes has not exactly been straightforward. Excusing certain design faults, one problem was when a removal vehicle reversed into one of the walls, demolishing it before the wrought iron fencing could be completed. The other was a swarm of bees became very attracted to a new house before the official tenants could move in The bees had made themselves very much at home in the cavity wall and were impossible to remove and had to be destroyed.

Spyda, representing the 'Drip & Bucket' (better known as the Black Bull) in the Licensed Victuallers sponsored bike ride from Leyburn to Hawes on an extremely wet day, raised £210 for local charities.

It was pointed out that the name of the public building in Grinton was no longer the Institute, despite the name above the door and the plaque inside and should now properly be called the Village Hall.

I shouldn't imagine when Kate Trusson started her quilting group in 1984 that she envisaged it would eventually expand into a very popular Craft group enjoyed by a number of enthusiasts who now meet each Tuesday afternoon in the Methodist Church Schoolroom. Kate, a well-known teacher of the art of embroidery, in all its forms, was later joined by Joan Bell's well established rug-hooking group. The members pursue a wide range of traditional crafts, like quilting, rughooking, lacemaking, canvas work and embroidery.

Thefts are still plaguing Arkengarthdale. Cocker John's pickup was stolen early in the evening, from outside his house. The load of logs were found the following day on the Sleightholme road. The pickup was discovered a few days later burnt out with the engine missing dumped in a quarry hole over near Bishop Auckland.

Since being connected to Yorkshire Net following a recent talk to the Local Business Association, Richard Good of Arkengarthdale has reported some bookings from the Internet. So it does work and is possibly the way forward for the future.

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- 3 Mississippi John Hurt, bluesman
- 4 The United States of America
- 5 Dolly the sheep
- 6 Tenzin Gyatso, the Dalai Lama
- 7 Bill Oddie, twitchy bloke
- 8 Ferdinand von Zeppelin, invented Led
- 9 Richard Wilson, if you can believe it; he can't
- 10 Beaky, the one in the middle
- 11 Giorgio Armani, a suit
- 12 Josiah Wedgwood, a potter
- 13 Harrison Ford, goes it alone
- 14 William Hanna, invented Tom and Jerry
- 15 Clive Cussler, lives near Nils Lofgren
- 16 Ginger Rogers, could dance a bit
- 17 David Hasselhoff, aka The Hass
- 18 Dion DiMucci, a Wanderer
- 19 Ilie Năstase, brilliant tennis player
- 20 Alexander the Great, undefeated
- 21 Ernest Hemingway, bell ringer
- 22 Spilliam Archibald Wooner
- 23 Monica Lewinsky, a gate
- 24 Evan James Springsteen, not as good as his dad
- 25 Nelson Piquet Jr, not as good as his dad either
- 26 Mick Jagger, a knight of the realm
- 27 Ernest Gary Gygax, invented Dungeons and Dragons
- 28 No-one of note
- 29 Patti Scialfa, Evan's mum
- 30 Henry Ford, made model cars out of tea
- 31 Norman Cook, moved to Hull to join The Housemartins

Reeth Gazette Community Chest

This month's recipient is **Marrick Priory Outdoor Education Centre** with the donation going to their bursary fund. Here's what they have to say:

Marrick Priory Outdoor Education and Residential Centre is a registered charity based near Reeth. Our mission is to give as many young people as possible the opportunity to embrace a wide range of outdoor activities alongside their peers whilst sharing these experiences together in a remarkable and unique setting; a 12th century Benedictine nunnery.

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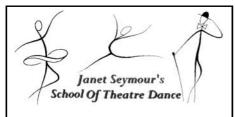
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A local arts charity are offering teenagers in Reeth a unique one-off creative workshop, free of charge.

If you are aged 11-18 and are looking for a chance to get involved in a fun evening, meet new people, make new friends and try your hand at a creative activity, then make sure you keep on reading.

Rural Arts, an arts charity based in Thirsk, are currently running a brand new scheme called A Rural Roadtrip. This involves Rural Arts staff members travelling all across North Yorkshire to deliver free creative workshops to as many young people as possible.

This workshop lasts for 2 hours and combines arts, drama and design and is open to any young people interested in getting involved. Running on the 7th July at Reeth Memorial Hall, it will be led by two staff members from Rural Arts, both of whom are trained in the arts and have a wealth of experience, and staff members from North Yorkshire Youth

"We are really excited that our Rural Roadtrip is stopping in Reeth" said Joe Hennessy, who is managing this project. "We always have a great time delivering this workshop and we are sure that Reeth will be no exception."

Rural Arts has been running for 25 years, and it's mission is to provide all regions of North Yorkshire with opportunity to get involved with the creative arts. It runs its own venue, The Courthouse, which has an award winning café, gallery, meeting rooms and a studio where many creative workshops takes place, and various schemes in the community including ON Tour, the rural touring scheme for North Yorkshire and East Cleveland.

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Summer News From Arkengarthdale C of E Primary School

As the summer term draws to a close there's still plenty to look forward to, as well as reflecting on the wonderful activities and achievements in school since Easter. Starting with dates for your diaries:

Friday 8th July at 1.30 pm - please do join us for our school's sports day, always a fun-packed and exciting afternoon.

Friday 22nd July at 11.00am - our Leavers' Assembly will take place in Arkengarthdale St. Mary's Church when we say a sad but very fond farewell to Arthur, Ellen, Isabel, Ralph and Sid

Looking back we've had a very busy but enriching couple of months. Our Year 4 pupils, Eoghan, Hannah, Harry and Kirsty enjoyed an extremely positive experience during their residential trip to Marrick Priory in May. It was a great opportunity for the

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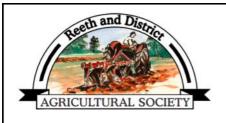
children to learn outdoors, and joining with children from Richmond Methodist School they were also able to forge new friendships. They developed their teamwork skills, grew in confidence and independence and tackled challenges and activities with real enthusiasm and energy, including the climbing wall and zip wire. The children, as always, were impeccably behaved and a credit to the school.

Huge congratulations to our year 3 and 4 tennis team, Emily, Eoghan, Harry, George (Harker), Hannah, Isaac, Kirsty and Lily, who won the recent Richmondshire Area Stage by Richmond Competition, hosted School. This was a great achievement as it was the first time the children had played in a tournament and given they were competing against much larger schools with teams made up of solely year 4 pupils.

Our latest Forest School tepee event was another with success foundation-stage pupils visiting from Richmond Methodist School together with other children from community. The activities were wide ranging and included making miniature dens for their teddies, teddy hide and seek and story time in the tepee.

Helen Ring, Headteacher

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Message From The Swaledale Museum In Reeth

Thank you everyone who came to our first talk of the season. The Museum was packed. Roger Preston and David Joy introduced their work with style, resulting in lots of sales of both photographs and books. Do come and see Roger's dramatic pictures showing the sublime grandeur of our lead mining heritage; and there are copies of David Joy's book Men of Lead available in our shop. Thank you Jenni for a splendid day of spinning, even the curator managed to spin a small ball of wool under her patient and inspiring instruction

We were privileged to receive many new acquisitions for the Collection last

month, including an exceptionally fine white whole-cloth quilt made by Martha Jane Pedley (née Hird), the mother of Elsie (who took over the running of Grinton Post Office from her mother), Robert, William, Edward, Robert and Francis. Commander Jackson kindly donated a cache of local ephemera relating to Muker, including news cuttings and silk memorial book marks.

We have finalised our annual Tea Party now set for Saturday 13th August, 3.00 pm to 6.00 pm. We are most grateful to the Community Orchard Group in Reeth for once again this event. α wonderful enjoy this hidden opportunity to treasure reminding us how lucky we are to have such a facility. This year's event has an added attraction, the Yoredale Strummers Ukulele Band who have very kindly offered to

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We have had lots of bookings for our talks but there are still plenty of places left, but if you want to guarantee/reserve a seat do give us a call. They are all held in the Museum and start at 7.30 pm. For the full programme see our website.

Wednesday 6th July: Philip Batman 'Sink or Swim: Kinship Families and the Collapse of Lead Mining in Victorian Swaledale.' Phil, a retired pathologist is, at heart, a family historian. He has researched and written about his own and other families in and around York, his home town. What interests him is what pushes and pulls families in different directions over time. The talk tonight is about some core

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- 4. I just want your extra time and your **Kiss**
- 5. I only wanted to see you underneath the **Purple Rain**

As for the tie breaker question, it is estimated Prince wrote somewhere between 500 to well over 1,000 songs, but not all of these were released. As far as releases go, he has released ninety seven singles, thirty four promotional singles, twenty one internet singles, and eight internet downloads, making a total of 160.

And the winner is: No-one. Obviously no Prince fans out there.

So this month, as it's a roll-over, I'll make it dead easy for you. Artist and song titles please for the following:

- Yes, I've been broken-hearted, blue since the day we parted
- I took her to a supermarket; I don't know why, but I had to start it somewhere
- Sitting here resting my bones and this loneliness won't leave me alone, yes
- So you think you can stone me and spit in my eye.
- You are my candy girl and you got me wanting you.

But then again, maybe I won't.

And the tie breaker is: Which of these songs got to Number 1 in the UK singles chart?

Remember, no cheating. But then again, perhaps this month I should let you cheat: we don't want to deprive the winner's chosen charity of a £10.00 jackpot.

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Astronomy in the Two Dales

At the time of writing, we still do not know if we are IN or OUT. All I know is that I live IN the solar system and everything else is OUT there in deep space and can stay there, thank you very much.

So what is going on IN the solar system? Well the moon is new on the 4th and full on the 19th, which is good news, as the Delta Aquarid meteor shower peaks on the nights of the 28th and 29th. This is a low level meteor shower, with 10 - 20 meteors per hour, best viewed before dawn looking in a southerly direction.

On the 4th the Juno probe arrives at the planet Jupiter. Its mission is to "Understand origin and evolution of Jupiter; look for solid planetary core; map magnetic field; measure water and ammonia in deep atmosphere; and observe auroras." All this before the probe runs out of juice and NASA crash the probe into Jupiter.

There will be an interesting view in the sky, as around the middle of the month, Saturn, Mars, the moon and the star Antares will form a square in the southern sky.

Meanwhile, OUT there, the quest for life beyond our little world goes on. We, as humans, are a carbon based life form, but the planet we live on is mostly composed of iron and silica. New research has revealed that when planets first formed in the early life of the universe they had a high carbon content, so planets of graphite, carbide or diamond would have been the scene

for the creation of life forms. These planets would be orbiting a very rare type of star called a carbon-enhanced metal-poor star, formed when heavy elements were not widely dispersed throughout the universe. These stars can be considered as anaemic as they have only 100,000th the iron that our sun has, though scientists believe that life from these planets will still be carbon based.

From a distance, these carbon planets would be difficult to tell apart from more Earth-like worlds as their masses and physical sizes would be similar. Astronomers would have to examine their atmospheres for signs of their true nature, looking for gases like carbon monoxide and methane that would envelop these unusual worlds.

So, somewhere on a planet of solid diamond, in an atmosphere smelling of rotten eggs, carbon based life may be making important decisions and from their perspective it is us who are OUT there.

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Car Boot: Sale Very many thanks to those who supported the car boot sale. We are especially grateful to the Brown family for providing the field for this event. A grand total of nearly £1400 was raised towards the Grinton bell appeal.

Bell Appeal: Look out for details in a future Gazette edition of the celebratory events when we hang the two new bells. We hope that this will be completed in early autumn. The fundraising for the bells continues as,

although we have raised the money to pay for the actual bells, the installation costs (the boring bit) has a little bit further to go to be totally realised. Many thanks to all those who have helped with this appeal so far - your support has been invaluable.

Pimms and Hymns: We are holding this service at 4.00pm on Sunday 7th August in the churchyard with an assembled band of players. Please volunteer if you would like to take part in the scratch 'band' and please do come and help us enjoy this 'out in the open air' service.

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The Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations

Wow! What a great party we had on the Green: The sun shone; the village

looked wonderful with bunting and flags galore; and everybody seems to have enjoyed themselves.

There are far too many people to thank individually but I have to mention Janet Seymour's Maypole Dancers, Reeth Brass Band and our Reeth Young Farmers for organising the Tug of War.

The Parish Council who sponsored the event by providing the Commemorative Mugs and supplying prizes for the games also deserve a mention.

So many people came along - I've occasion.

never seen the green so full. And where did all the young people come from? It goes to show that give a young person an egg and a spoon and they just can't help but try to out run the other competitors.

There is talk already of a repeat performance next year with more fun and games for the young and young at heart.

Any thoughts on this would be greatly appreciated.

Richard Beal

Editor's Note:

Thanks are due also to Richard whose idea it was. He put a lot of time and effort into organising things such as the mugs, bunting and prizes (helped no doubt by Dorothy) and was largely instrumental in ensuring that the event was such a relaxed and enjoyable occasion.





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Swaledale Mountain and Cave Rescue Team

There were 4 incidents for the team last month:

02/06/2016 (18) 11.30hrs: We were called by the Ambulance service to rescue a driver whose delivery wagon had left the road & dropped down a steep 200m banking. Alongside the Ambulance crews we. treated evacuated to the road.

29/05/2016 (17) 14.30hrs: Just as we had concluded this month's training ex we were called to an injured mountain biker. The team alongside the Fire & ambulance crews treated & evacuated to the road

28/05/2016 (16) 09.00hrs: The team provided rescue & safety cover for the Nutcracker Mountain Bike event 6 serious injuries dealt with.

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What's Going On With Windows 10?

Basically it is a case of Microsoft knows best. If you have Windows 7 or Windows 8 on your computer and you haven't been automatically upgraded to Windows 10 yet you are lucky.

Microsoft have taken it on themselves to download Windows 10 to users' computers and then automatically upgrade the computer without permission from the owner. Quite a few people have, quite reasonably, become quite upset about this and it will be interesting to see if the law suits start rolling out at some point.

What can you do?

Various options:

- 1) Accept the upgrade and start getting used to Windows 10 (see my comments below)
- 2) If this happens to you then you do have the option to decline the upgrade. To install Windows 10 your computer will restart and you will be confronted by a screen with a typical legal document to agree to just refuse to agree to the document and your computer will be reverted to your old

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Tel: 01969 666174 Mobile: 07837654030 version of Windows. (Note it will probably have another go at upgrading in the future but should stop after July 29th when the free upgrade period ends).

3) If your computer upgraded in the last 30 days you have the option to revert back to your old windows. Click on Start and then PC Settings, click Update and Security and select Recovery. Use the go back to Windows 7 or 8.1 option.

If you are happy with Windows 7 or 8 and definitely don't want Windows 10 and it hasn't already installed go to www.tinyurl.com/blockWin10Upgrade (care with capital letters) - it will download a small file to your computer - double click on the file and allow it to make changes to your computer. Restart the computer and you will never see Windows 10 again.

If you choose Windows 10, what to expect:

If you had Windows 8 the first thing you will notice is the return of the Start menu (unless you have a touch screen device). For Windows 7 you will see a new style of start menu. The new menu has an apps panel to the right. You can download new apps from the app store (some free and some paid for). I may be a bit of a dinosaur but on a computer I really can't see the point of this other than to make Microsoft money - which is precisely what it is designed to do.

If you prefer the old Windows 7 style menu you can download "Classic Shell" for free from www.classicshell.net, install it and it replaces the new menu with one that looks and behaves exactly like the old Windows 7 start menu. You can still

shift key while you click on the start button.

The second thing you will notice is the new browser Microsoft Edge. This has not been terribly popular and has a of alitches and stranae number behaviours that are gradually being sorted out. Internet Explorer is still available (just click Start and type Internet Explorer) - or even better download and install either Mozilla Firefox or Google Chrome as a more reliable and quicker alternative.

with As Windows 8 the new Windows with comes Windows Defender preinstalled (in Windows 7 it was called Microsoft Security Essentials and you had to download it and install it yourself). This reasonable and completely AntiVirus programme. If you have another antivirus installed (such as Norton, MacAfee, Avast, AVG etc) then Windows Defender will be automatically Uninstalling disabled your other antivirus and restarting bring Defender to life. I still recommend buying a copy of Malwarebytes **AntiMalware** (www.malwarebytes.org) irrespective of the antivirus you use.

Other than the fact that the computer settings are now scattered into different places under Windows 10 (not just the control panel) and that you have no control over windows update any more, you won't really see a lot of difference in Windows 10 since Windows 7 or 8 and it should be fairly easy to adapt.

Should you upgrade?

Generally I would say yes, and do it now if you are going to. The only exceptions are if you use programmes that don't

access the new version by holding the work in Windows 10 or if you have an old Windows 7 computer that will need replacing before 2020 (in which case stay with Windows 7). Also check external devices (printers, scanners etc.) will work in Windows 10 - they are not all getting new software from the manufacturers.

> If you do decide to upgrade I would suggest backing up any important documents, uninstall any programmes you don't use. Uninstall your antivirus and other security software before the uparade (most will not be needed in Windows 10 but you can reinstall it if you need to).

> That's it for this month - any questions, ideas for articles etc. please email me at:

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	6.00 pm	St. Andrew's Grinton		Iona Evening Prayer
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational		
	6.30 pm	Gunnerside Methodist		Midsummer Service
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	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme		Morning Prayer
	10.30 am	Low Row URC		
	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist		Family Service
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	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
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	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	Holy Communion BCP
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
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Thank you very much indeed to everyone for their support for Christian Aid Week. The House-to House Collection in May, the Service at St Mary's Church, Muker together with the Coffee Morning at the Drop-In and the Produce Stall on the Green raised a total of £2842.29, similar to last year. Thank you all for your generosity.

The House-to-House Collection for each area was as follows:

Arkengarthdale	245.00
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Gunnerside	124.02
Healaugh & Whitaside	149.09
Low Row	360.16
Marske	190.22
Muker & Thwaite	169.71
Reeth	485.91
West Stonesdale & Keld	105.57
TOTAL	2230.14

The focus for our collection this year was Christian Aid's work in Bangladesh. This year, we were moved to act by Morsheda's story. Morsheda lives in fear of the river. Every year floods threaten to destroy her home and leave her and her children with nothing. By raising her home 6 - 8 ft above water level, she'll have a safe place to live.

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Upper Dales Family History Group

Our speaker in May was Maxine Willett, the project archivist from the North Yorkshire County Records Office who has co-ordinated the mammoth task of sorting and indexing several centuries worth of paperwork belonging to the Graham family of Norton Conyers near Ripon.

The valuable archive was stored in an assortment of trunks and boxes in no particular order but a £96,300 grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund enabled NYCRO to acquire and preserve the collection. Maxine and her team of more than 40 volunteers have now reduced the chaos to 97 carefully sorted archive boxes of cleaned, transcribed and digitised documents which could be an absolute gold mine of useful snippets of information for anyone whose ancestors lived on or near one of the Grahams' estates.

The family acquired Norton Conyers in the 17th century and the archive is particularly rich in items from the 17th and 18th centuries but does include some items from late medieval times, as well as documents from Nunnington Hall and Kippax. Details of the ongoing work

can be followed in the blog at https://
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The documents include a large number of deeds, including some Medieval examples; manorial records including fines levied at the manor court for a range of offences; maps showing sizes of individual holdings and details of field names; personal papers including letters, diaries and notebooks; estate records showing rents, building repairs and sundry expenses; albums of family photographs from Victorian times to the early 20th century; and general papers which included recipes and home remedies

Meetings begin again on September 28 at 2.00pm in Harmby Village Hall when the speaker is Dawn Webster on 'Kiplin Hall in time of war - from the 17th to the 20th century'.

For further details of all events & the worldwide email discussion group:

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An enormous thank you to all in the churches and the community who plotted and schemed (and managed to keep all the plans secret for several months) to make our United Parish Service and lunch at the end of May into a celebration of my 10 years as vicar here.

A particular thank you to all who contributed to the very generous cheque; we plan to use the money to go away in the summer. Alex appreciated being thought of too, and will enjoy his large bottle of gin.

Also, thank you to Gladys for a lovely celebration cake which we shared after the service.

Caroline

Are you sure it wasn't Cockett's?

Thank You (2)

Gunnerside Village Hall held a soup and sweet lunch on Bank Holiday Monday, 30th May, when we raised £460.70 for the hall.

We would like to thank everyone who made donations of soup and puddings and also to the numerous volunteers who helped with washing up and clearing up and to the other stallholders who helped to boost the total. **Joan Rice**

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Accounts: The accounts for the year were approved and the annual return was signed.

Road Closure: There would be a road closure at Low Row from 9.30am to 3pm from June 27 to July 3 to allow work by BT.

Council membership: A notice would appear in the June Gazette to advertise the council vacancy which had arisen following the death of Coun David Allinson. One application had already been received as a result of other local publicity.

Street lights: One light in the Mews had not yet been fully installed and one at the bottom of Reeth was still to be repaired.

Parking on the green: Work to protect some areas of the green with posts and chains was ongoing. Problems were still arising due to bins taking up parking spaces and unauthorised cones being placed on the grass outside properties. Royal birthday: Coun Beal reported that arrangements had been made for a village party on Sunday, June 12, from 12.30pm to mark the Queen's 90th birthday. The band would play on the green and there would be maypole dancing as well as games for all ages.

Commemorative mugs would be given to local children and residents would be invited to bring a picnic.

War Memorial: The clerk had met a local building company to discuss adding the two extra names to the memorial.

Defibrillator: Coun Gale reported that a local business owner had offered to contribute to a defibrillator in the parish.

Dog fouling: Dog fouling was still a problem on the green and was of particular concern on the patch of grass outside the ice cream parlour where families often sat to eat. It was agreed to experiment with designating that particular part of the green as a picnic area and requesting owners to keep their dogs away from it.

Website: Coun Gale offered to set up a parish council website to host the minutes and other important notices.

Footpaths: Gary Woodward would be asked to cut back the bushes which were blocking the footpath opposite Draycott Hall. Coun Frankland would find out who owned the land where they were growing.

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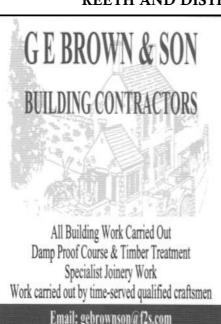
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Melbecks Parish Council May 2016

Election of Officers: Cllr Calvert proposed Cllr Alderson as Chair, this was seconded by Cllr Silver. There were no other candidates and Cllr Alderson was elected as Chair. Cllr Calvert proposed Cllr Crapper as Vice-Chair; this was seconded by Cllr Alderson and Cllr Crapper was elected as Vice-Chair.

Notice Board for Low Row: Cllr Calvert advised that he had spoken to Muker Parish Council about their notice board and it was agreed that the Clerk would look into pricing some new notice boards.

Dog waste bin: The Clerk advised that a dog waste bin has been requested from RDC and the Clerk will contact them again to find out when it may be available.

Audit: The Annual Governance statement was reviewed and approved by the Council and the Accounting Statements were reviewed and adopted by the Council. The accounting statements were signed by the Chair.

Low Row Institute: A cheque was signed for £40 for the hire of Low Row Institute.

Gunnerside Village Hall: A cheque was signed for £30 for the hire of Gunnerside Village Hall.

Highways: The Clerk will contact Highways regarding wall down at Brown Hill Top and Beckside wall, Gunnerside, to find out when the work may be done. Planning application: Robin Gate, Low Row: The Council raised no objections or comments.

Planning decision: The Roof,

Gunnerside (new first floor window).
Granted with conditions.

Royal British Legion: A letter was read out from Martin Sunderland advising that he has replaced Chris Porter, as Appeal organiser for the 2 Dales.

Superfast broadband for Low Row: Cllr Blows had sent a message that he had attended a meeting which advised that Low Row would be getting Superfast Broadband, planned to be installed by Summer 2107. Cllr Blows will provide more information on this when it is available.

Landslip at Rowleth Bottom: The landslip has still not been moved, however discussion was ongoing between Reeth Estates and Highways.

Next meeting: Low Row Institute on Thursday July 21st at 7.30pm.

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The Longest Band Name

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The band with the longest, most unpronounceable name is:

Paracoccidioidomicosisproctitissarcom ucosis. Apparently it's a combination of several medical terms and diseases. They are a Mexican band, formed in 1999, who specialise in Goregrind, Deathgrind, Grindcore and Noisecore. They have released 5 albums to date.

But the honour of Longest Band Name goes to The Rock and Roll Dubble Bubble Trading Card Co. of Philadelphia - 19141. They released a single in 1968 called Bubble Gum Music / On A Summer Night which I think was the only thing they ever released. You can find it on various compilations of Bubblegum Music - or you could pay around £15.00 for a second-hand copy of the vinyl single. But frankly, it's not worth it.

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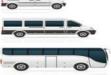
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Thirsk then made Dales pay with a well worked goal. Dales didn't give up and were justly rewarded when good work from Joe Alderson found Ryan Atkinson on the edge of the box. His first effort was blocked but he found the net to equalise with the second.

The first half remained tight but Thirsk took the lead right on the half time whistle which was cruel.

Thirsk started the second half a lot quicker than Dales snatching 3 quick goals but Dales did not give up settling down and confining Thirsk to some long shots which Ellen in goal handled well.

Finley Clark and Dan Marshall worked well together in defence trying to implement what we had learnt in training while Daniel Webster and Callum Bellwood caused Thirsk problems down the wings. Izzv Lundberg then Oliver Allison worked hard up front and Dales were rewarded with a goal right on full time which the Thirsk Manager described as the goal of the game. Daniel Marshall did much of the work intercepting the ball on the edge of his own box skilfully beating

two players then a third in a tackle to make a great pass to Ryan who took two touches to get into the box before smashing the ball in the net.

Dales only had one sub while Thirsk had about six all mainly older and the final score of 2-5 was a very creditable result.

The following Saturday we played Thirsk away and I don't have a report of the match. Dales were seriously short of players and indeed borrowed two from Barnard Castle by agreement but lost 7-0.

We now look forward to the new season and bid a sad farewell to Ryan, Joseph Scott, Oliver and Jack Stephenson who will be too old. We welcome back Dan Guy, Luke Metcalfe, Ryan Hewitson-Wheeler and Mark Jones from West Burton and hope to recruit one or two more.

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Steven Porter

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Muker Parish Council May 2016

Election of Officers - All Officers were re-elected to post. Chairman - Cllr Whitehead. Vice Chair - Cllr Calvert. Treasurer - Cllr Calvert

Muker Sign - There had not been any feedback from Highways regarding the sign. Clerk to contact Ian Beighton of Highways

Parking - Holiday Cottage Muker - Nothing to report. Cllr Whitehead commented that Highways will not carry out the white / yellow line work until the road is free of salt.

Ivelet Bridge - Signage - Highways had responded stating that a new sign was being purchased and would be erected.

Buttertubs Gritting - NYCC Highways had written to the Parish Council stating that they will review the Priority grading of the Buttertubs in their annual meeting in August. Rishi Sunak MP had contacted Highways on the Council's behalf. Cllr Blows stated that the Hawes and Abbotside Parish Council were in support of the Parish's request to upgrade the Buttertubs as was the Upper Dales Partnership. It was also noted that this was a problem

of altitude and not just prioritisation, Highways had been informed of this. Cllr Metcalfe stated that the "golden hour" regarding ambulance response times could be affected if the Buttertubs could not be passed.

Mobile Infrastructure Project - Cllr Whitehead read out a letter from Rishi Sunak MP detailing his efforts so far and his continued commitment improving broadband and mobile phone coverage for rural areas. He explained that the Government had recently signed a landmark deal with the four main mobile networks which would mean that 98% of people will be able to get 4G mobile coverage by 2017. Cllr Blows discussed that Keld would be receiving superfast broadband by the summer of 2017. Cllr Porter discussed the issue of not having a landline since 6 April as it had been cut off when BT had been working on the Broadband upgrade and that others near Oxnop were also affected. Cllr Blows to raise this with Chloe Lewis at RDC

Telegraph Pole Thwaite - both Cllr Reynoldson and the Parish Council as a whole had written to BT and YDNP regarding the erection of the telegraph pole in Thwaite. YDNP Planning Dept had contacted the Parish Council and





were making a site visit to look at the pole, however they stated that BT do not currently require any type of consent or prior notification to erect equipment to be used for fixed line broadband. BT had not responded.

Business Muker - Both NYCC Highways and YDNP were looking at the issue of tables and chairs outside the property. Clerk to contact Cllr Blows regarding RDC.

Muker Car Park - recycling area. It was noted that residents of Muker had cleared the area around the recycling bins. The Parish Council would like to extend their thanks to Charles and Jane Hepworth and Mike and Jackie Pope.

Crow Trees Road - Cllr Porter stated that there was no change - Clerk to chase Highways.

Thwaite Notice Board - Cllr Reynoldson to check the notice board - Cllr Whitehead to look at the cork backing.

Finance - The Chairman read the Annual Governance Statement. All were in favour. The Financial Report for the year ending March 2016 was circulated. All were in favour. Clerk to pass on to K Pellatt for Audit. The first instalment of the Parish precept had been received from Richmondshire District Council.

Richmondshire D.C. - The Chairman Melbecks Parish Couread out an e-mail received from RDC had any information.

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regarding a new round of Area Partnership Funding which has been **Applications** released. looking support any community orientated project, which can demonstrate a local need, are welcome with a maximum Deadline of £500. arant applications 2 September 2016, Please see RDC website for further details.

Correspondence/AOB - The Chairman read out a letter which had been received from Hambleton. Richmondshire and Whitby Clinical Commissioning Group regarding the future of the shuttle bus service between the Friarage Northallerton and James Cook. A public engagement period is taking place between 3 - 17 May 2016 and an online questionnaire is available. Cllr Blows made the point that regardless of the health authority boundaries he is endeavouring to ensure upper dales with their the. particular geographical requirements are taken into consideration in any reevaluation of service provision for example the review current of Darlington's A&E service.

The Cllr Porter queried what was happening with the landslip at Rowleth. Cllr Blows said he would contact Melbecks Parish Council to see if they had any information. NR Turner

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Thursday 4th August at 8.00pm: Bob Fox, An Evening With The Warhorse will include Sonaman. This performances of all of the songs in the play in their full versions along with some newly written material used in the recent BBC Radio Ballad of the Great War . Tickets £12 (£14 door).

Saturday 20th August at 8.00pm: The Hot Seats are a Richmond-based string-band quintet. That is Richmond Virginia. Their original material combines bluegrass, old time, ragtime, and good old rock and roll. Vocals, banjos, quitar, washboard, double bass, mandolin, fiddle and drums combine. See - http://www.thehotseats.net/ -Tickets £12 (£14 door).

Friday 26th August: Ricardo Curbelo. Rhythms From Latin America. Ricardo (harp, cuatro, maracas and vocals) will take us on a colourful musical journey different Latin American through countries http:// See www.ricardocurbelo.com - Tickets £10 (f.12 door).

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- 1st Quiz in aid of Arkengarthdale School, CB Inn. 8.30pm
- 3rd A Summer Lunch, Langhorne House, Kearton. 12.30pm onwards.
- 7th A Rural Roadtrip, Reeth Memorial Hall. 6.30-8.30pm
- 8th Sports Day, Arkengarthdale School. 1.30 pm
- 15th Tim and Rhona Dalling: Songs From the Bonie Squad, Reeth Memorial Hall. 8.00pm
- 19th Midsummer BBQ lunch, Quaker Close Flats, 2,00pm
- 21st Community Responders presentation, Reeth Memorial Hall. 7.00-9.00pm
- 22nd Bric a Brac Stall in aid of Christian Aid, Reeth Green

August

- 4th Bob Fox The War Horse Songman, Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm
- 13th Swaledale Museum Tea Party, Orchard Garden, 3.00 - 6.00pm
- 16th Indoor Beach Party, Quaker Close Flats. 2.00pm
- 19th Lunch Clubs Cake Stall, Reeth Green.
- 20th The Hot Seats, Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm
- 26th Ricardo Curbelo, Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm

September

23rd Muker Silver Band Concert, Keld URC.

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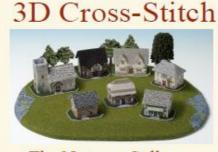
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