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for the Two Dales.*

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First Thoughts . . .

What is it with people?

Take, for example, the cost of a first class stamp: 67p. Some people will rail against this and make their outrage at such an exorbitant price quite clear. *67p just to post a letter? Unbelievable!*

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These same people may then go and spend £2.00 on a lottery ticket for a draw in which their chances of winning are 1 in 45,057,474. They may even splash out on a Euromillions ticket, at £2.50 with odds of winning the jackpot standing at 1 in 139,838,160. (Has anyone found out who that farmer is yet?)

When these people have their ticket checked and they find out that they haven't won (which does happen from time to time) they often just shrug their shoulders and say something along the lines of: 'Well, it's only £2.00. What can you buy with £2.00 these days?'

Well, for a start, you could buy two first class stamps and still have enough change to buy a Cadbury's crème egg. And come away with six pence left in your pocket. Or, if your letter isn't urgent, you could buy three second class stamps and still have enough money to buy a Freddo.

Now there is absolutely nothing wrong with having a flutter (as long as you only gamble what you can afford to throw away, as my Gran would say) but do the maths: If, for example you had bought just one lottery ticket every week since it started, that would add up to around £2,000.00. Had you saved that money instead, you would have enough money to buy a train ticket and deliver the letter yourself.

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PS: The eagle-eyed amongst you will have noticed that last month's cover photograph was taken by Vanessa the Postie - it features in her 2018 calendar, but in colour.

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Gazette Deadlines

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Cover Picture

Ice Pancakes On The River Swale

(Just below Grinton Bridge)

Taken by

Caroline Jackson

PLEASE NOTE: We cannot guarantee that items submitted close to or on the deadline date will be included. Quite often the Gazette is almost finished by that date, so the earlier items are submitted, the better.

**Message From The
Swaledale Museum
In Reeth**

We are delighted to announce our annual Friends Of Swaledale Museum lectures and events for 2019. All in the Swaledale Museum, Reeth at 7.30 pm unless otherwise stated. Do contact Helen Bainbridge on 07969823232 or e-mail her at:

helen@swaledalemuseum.org

if you would like to book a place (recommended) in advance. More events are in the planning stage, so keep an eye on our website.

Wednesday 29th May 6.30pm: Friends of the Museum AGM, all welcome

Wednesday 5th June: First John Squires Memorial Lecture. Shaun Richardson, *'Landscape with Horses: Coal Mining at Tan Hill and Kings Pit Collieries'*

Wednesday 19th June: Richard Lamb, *'Not Once But Twice: The Introduction Of Innovative Lead Smelting Technology Into Yorkshire.'* But where? Marrick of course.

Saturday 13th July: Field Trip with Richard Lamb, all-day outing to Surrender and Old Gang lead smelting mills.

Wednesday 31st July: David Johnson, *'Lime Kilns In Swaledale & Arkengarthdale: The Where, The When And The What For?'*

Wednesday 14th August: Marion Moverley & Helen Bainbridge, *'Read All About It No.2: More Historical News cuttings from the Dales'*

Wednesday 28th August: Grand Map, Print and Picture Auction

Wednesday 4th September: Will Swales, *'Insights Into The Study Of*

Place-Names In Swaledale And Arkengarthdale'

Wednesday 18th September: Tracy Little and Helen Bainbridge, *'How To Date Local Photographs. Some Tactics, Techniques & Tips'*

PLEASE NOTE: We have had great problems with our new e-mail address at mail.com which is now redundant, all messages sent to it will bounce. You can contact us via our NEW ADDRESS helen@swaledalemuseum.org. Apologies to anyone who has experienced any difficulties.

If you want to sign up for our FREE e- newsletters that come out every few weeks with latest developments do let us know, and we will put you on the circulation list.

For advance information on events, why not become a Friend of the Museum? Annual membership: single £10, joint £15, family £20 gives unlimited free entry to the Museum, discount on talks, and our twice yearly Newsletter. For more information contact Helen Bainbridge via **helen@swaledalemuseum.org** or on **07969 823232**. Visit our website on **www.swaledalemuseum.org** for the latest information.

Purver's Pancake Lunch

The congregation and friends of St Mary, Muker will be holding the annual Purver Soup and Pancake Lunch on Shrove Tuesday, 5th March 2019 in Muker Village Hall from 12 noon to 2.00pm.

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The Hall is a registered charity run by a small and dedicated volunteer committee. You can book the Hall by phoning or texting the bookings secretary **Alison Tupman** on **07967 839494** or by email at **fremingtonvillagehall@outlook.com**

Feral Grey Kittens In Arkengarthdale



Over the past two years I have trapped 5 stray grey kittens in Langthwaite. Luckily, owning a pet shop, I can fairly easily re-home them; but the last two are still being rehabilitated with a foster carer. The charities can't help as they are overrun.

There must be grey adult cats in the area who need neutering. If anyone knows where they are, please let me know and I can trap them and have them neutered - preventing anymore unwanted litters.

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Speed Restrictions: PC James Smith attended the meeting to explain about the Community Speed Watch Scheme and how it could help in monitoring and raising awareness of problems with speeding in particular areas. The road outside the school was of particular concern and would be suitable for the scheme if a group of volunteers were willing to get involved. Coun Meffen offered to speak to the school and liaise with the police.

Christmas: Carols round the tree had been very successful and the collection had now been sent to Cancer Research. Couns Frankland and Longstaff were thanked for organising the tree which had attracted a lot of positive comments.

Highways matters: No response had been received yet from the Highways Officer to the matters raised with him.

The clerk would contact Morrisons Construction regarding a JCB bucket which had been left on the roadside at Fremington.

Leyburn Town Council reported that investigations had now been completed into the flooding at the entrance to Washfold Farm and they were in the process of raising an order to deal with the problem.

Coun Longstaff raised problems which were being caused by stones rolling off the wall onto the road between Reeth and Healaugh.

Bus parking: Couns Cluderay and Frankland would inspect the market place to see if it was possible to mark off a designated area where the Little White Bus could park.

Street lights: One light on Back Lane had been fixed and the other was awaiting a new part. Repairs to the light outside the Post Office were pending.

Healaugh: Couns Longstaff and Frankland would erect the new noticeboard.

High Fremington: The clerk would contact the owner of a property which was still displaying a no parking notice on parish land.

Playground: The RDC inspection report was received.

District Council: Coun Scott reported that RDC had recently passed a motion to allow recycling bins to be placed on greens in tourist areas.

The Mews: The 'no parking' signs had not yet been put up and vehicles were still sometimes blocking access to the garages.

Tracy Little

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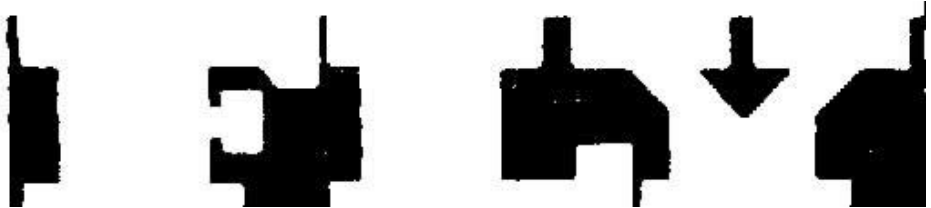


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Although we are mainly known for raising funds for international, national and local community projects, we also have lots of fun and a great social life.

Susan Rogers, president elect (who actually lives in Swaledale) said: "Although everyone is welcome to the event, we are specifically looking to attract more women and those living further afield from Leyburn."

The event will take place on **Monday April 1st, 7.00pm**, The Bolton Arms, Leyburn.

To reserve your place, please contact Susan on **07776 14529** or email susan@susanrogers.me.uk

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Sat 9th March: Peter Knight (ex-Steeleye Span) & John Spiers (ex-Bellowhead) The pairing of two musical maestros, where fiddle and melodeon meet. 'Peter Knight can spin the World on his Bow' (Sir Terry Pratchett). Tickets £15 (£17 door).

Fri 15th March: Rag Mama Rag - one of Europe's finest Country Blues acts - vocals; acoustic lap steel, bottleneck, acoustic guitar; ukulele, harmonica, percussion, washboard. Tickets £13 (door £15)

Friday 12th April: Chris Bannister performs the music of John Denver. Much more than just a 'lookalike' tribute band. Tickets £12 (door £14).

Friday 26th April: The Baldy Holly Band are a gutsy Rock 'n Roll outfit playing a selection of 50s favourites, Buddy Holly, Elvis Presley, Chuck Berry, Gene Vincent and Eddie Cochran mixed with great ballads such as Paul Anka's *Diana* and Neil Sedaka's *Oh! Carol*. Tickets £12 (door £14).

Friday 24th May. Landermason. This dynamic duo are Fiona Lander (vocals, piano, whistles, saxes, clarinet and recorder) and Paul Mason (guitar, ukulele and vocals). Tickets £12 (door £14).

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Tickets half price for under 16s. All events 8.00pm.

John Little

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Reeth Memorial Hall AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Reeth District Memorial Hall will take place on **Monday 11th March at 7.30pm in the Reeth District Memorial Hall.**

Nominations for the Committee (with the name of proposer and seconder) may be given to the Chairman, John Little, 11 Silver Street, Reeth, prior to the meeting. Alternatively names may be put forward at the meeting.

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St Andrew's At Grinton

Taizé service at Grinton, Sunday 3rd March at 6pm

Do come along and try out this service which includes easy-to-follow singing accompanied by music, readings and a reflection in the style of the Taizé Community. All are very welcome.

Forest Church in Grinton Churchyard, Sat 9th March 1-4pm

All ages are welcome to attend - come and join in outdoor activities whilst learning about Christian faith. Please come suitably dressed for outdoor activities.

Make Do and Mend, Sat 16th March

There will be a Make Do and Mend session organised by St Andrew's supporters at Fremington Village Hall on Saturday 16th March from 10 until 4pm. Light refreshments will be served. Please do come and drop off your mending [zips and buttons replaced, hems put back up etc] or bring your ironing. You are welcome to stay and enjoy a cuppa and some refreshments whilst waiting for your jobs to be done or you can collect/we can deliver later. The work will be done on a donation basis and proceeds will go towards the ongoing upkeep and heating of Fremington Village Hall.

Grinton Conservation Group, Sat 30th March

The spring meeting takes place in the churchyard at 10.30am -12 noon. All welcome to this free 'green gym' workout session of churchyard clearing and grave maintenance. Bring your own tools if you have them. All welcome. Hot refreshments and free freshly baked scones available for all comers.

Bat Counting - Weds

The first bat count of the season at St Andrew's takes place at dusk so please do come and join us at around 7.45pm.

Bee keeping

Our thanks go to Chris Atkin for looking after St Andrew's bees for the last few years (and making a good job of it too). We are hoping that a replacement beekeeper has now been found but if you would like to know more about our bees - whether you are a novice wanting to learn or an established bee keeper wanting to help then please do get in touch as soon as possible.

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Firstly, last month's Beatles' lyrics:

- Picture yourself in - **Lucy In The Sky With Diamonds**
- In the town - **Yellow Submarine**
- It was twenty - **Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band**
- Wednesday morning at - **She's Leaving Home**
- I read the - **A Day In The Life**
- One, two, three - **All Together Now**
- Words are flowing - **Across The Universe**

For the tiebreaker: Approximately 33 million copies of The Beatles '1' album have been sold worldwide.

And the winner of the rollover is: **That Man Thorogood** who was only 3,000,000 out with his guess for the tiebreaker - compared to Jenny Curtis who was 30,000,000 out.

This month, as many of you said last month was dead easy, I have decided to really test your Beatles' knowledge and I am only giving you one word from each song. As far as I know, there is only one answer for each lyric, but bonus points will be awarded if you can come up with a second song with that word

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- semolina
- trampoline
- sunken
- customer
- quizzical

For the tiebreaker: Approximately how many songs did Lennon and McCartney write and publish as a partnership?

The usual rules apply with no internet use allowed. Answers can be left at the Post Office or sent via email to: editor@reethgazette.co.uk. And even if you don't know all of them, it's still worth sending in your entry because you might know more than everyone else.

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PS A little teaser for you animal lovers out there: What did John Lennon's mother call her cat?

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If you have a load of waste you must dispose of at this Skip Service then please arrive no later than 10.30 am to ensure there is capacity remaining on the wagons to take it away. Demand for the March service in Swaledale has always been very strong in the past, as it is five months since the last skip service was provided in Reeth.

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**Muker Parish Council
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Cattle grids Ivelet and Buttertubs - Some of the work was still outstanding. Clerk to contact Highways.

Road Sign Nateby - Clerk had been waiting for information regarding a specific contact in Cumbria Highways. Clerk to contact Cumbria Highways.

Water on Road, Crowtrees - Highways had investigated and placed the cleaning of the gutters on a programme of works.

Highways - Cllr Reynoldson raised the issue of water and ice on the road caused by a blocked drain at Satron. Clerk to contact Highways.

Mobile Skip Service - The service had been in Hawes on the 19 January and will be in Reeth on Saturday 16 March - 9.00am-1.00pm. Clerk to display posters on notice board.

YDNPA:

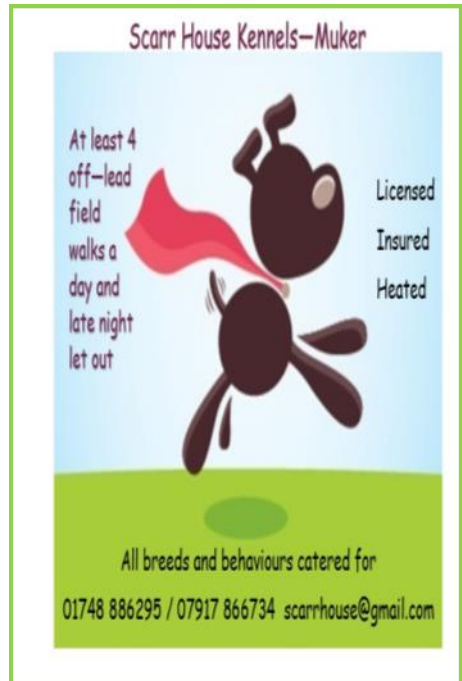
Adoption of Eden - Local Plan 2014-2032 - Information had been received regarding the Plan for the areas which are now included in the YDNP.

Planning Consultation - Amendments had been received to the planning consultation for High Frith. The Parish Council had no objections.

Planning Applications for Oxnop Ghyll and Ravenseat Farm had both been approved conditionally.

Correspondence/AOB:

Northern Dales Tourist Bus Service - The Chairman read out an e-mail which had been received from the Friends of the Dales requesting sponsors for a new circular bus service called the Herriot Bus, travelling through Swaledale and Wensleydale. Cllr Whitehead felt that



it was up to individuals and local businesses to donate and support the service. Cllr Reynoldson suggested placing information on the notice board.

North Yorkshire Police, Dales Crime Report - The Chairman read out a new monthly crime bulletin issued by North Yorkshire Police. Clerk to place on notice board.

Grouse Petition - An e-mail had been received asking the Parish Council to consider a petition regarding 'grouse shooting driving away jobs as well as wildlife'. Cllr Whitehead stated that in his opinion grouse estates created jobs. Cllr Calvert said that he totally disagreed with the petition; he said that grouse estates were very closely linked to farming and that it is a fragile economy.

Next Meeting: Thursday 21 March 2019. 7.30pm.

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With the success of the Guide Dogs Day held in Reeth on 18th August when £2500 was raised, this shows what a great contribution our community has made to the very worthwhile charity, Guide Dogs UK. Every penny collected goes directly to this charity.

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone who helped with, or bought a copy of my first novel, 'Mr Martin and Mrs Middleton make Music'. Also for the positive feed-back received from patient and kind friends.

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When I last wrote we had received the news from Durham CC that their Corporate Management Team (CMT) meeting last August had decided, "after careful consideration" not to upgrade the C166 Stang Road to Priority one "as it was much like other Priority two roads in the county."

We have now instigated the promised Judicial Review and served the necessary papers on DCC. They have acknowledged receipt to ourselves and Leeds Court Centre and several letters have passed between us which I have asked the Court to add to the Judicial Review papers. They are too long to include in the Gazette but I've posted them on the Facebook page "The Stang Road Condition" should you wish to read them in full.

In our letter to DCC one of the things requested under the freedom of information act was the minutes to the aforementioned CMT meeting and after prompting they admitted through their solicitor, Neil Carter, that there were no such minutes. The following is an interesting paragraph from his letter to me:

You will see from our Summary Grounds that no contemporaneous written record of the decision to refuse your reclassification request for the Stang Road was made by the Council, I therefore intend to produce a Witness Statement from the Corporate Director of Regeneration and Local Services as evidence of the decision taken under delegated powers, following the CMT meeting on 8th August 2818. Equally, there were no minutes as such of that meeting but I

have enclosed the Action Log arising from that meeting. Furthermore, we intend to ask the Corporate Director to make a new delegated decision having regard to the points which you raise as part of the JR challenge. I will forward to you a copy of that new decision and the Witness Statement of the Corporate Director, as soon as they are to hand.

We are awaiting further developments.

In the meantime a fully loaded car transporter has slid on ice down the steep part of the Stang, couldn't negotiate the bend and came to a stop thirty yards off the road in the rhododendrons, fortunately although the top deck collapsed down onto the cab roof the driver was unhurt which wouldn't have been the case if someone had been in a car going up the bank when the wagon came down. Copart, the wagon owners, are investigating the possibility of a claim against DCC.

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The conversation covered a wide variety of social backgrounds and sources of information - some of us turned out to have fascinating grandparents or great grandparents! Amongst others we had ag labs, a butcher, an ardent trade unionist and a gamekeeper who was such a character that the then landlord of the Wensleydale Heifer at West Witton was inspired to sit down in the evening after his funeral and write a truly stunning eulogy which summed up his life superbly. In many cases several generations of a family (plus their wives) voted for the first time on the same day.

We had a very entertaining time and covered a lot of ground, not all of it strictly to do with the 1918 election (there was a fascinating diversion into an 18th century murder story) but we did all pick up some useful knowledge as well, such as discovering that the very useful Absent Voters Lists for the period are available on Ancestry and Find My Past, listing soldiers away from

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	10.30 am	Low Row URC	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Family Eucharist</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
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6th March	10.00 am	Holy Trinity, Low Row	<i>Holy Communion, BCP & Ashing</i>
10th March	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton at Fremington Sunday School	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
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	2.30 pm	Gunnerside Methodist	
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	6.30 pm	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Iona Evening Prayer</i>
24th March	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Baptism Service</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
31st March Mother -ing Sunday	10.30 am	<i>St. Andrew's Grinton United Parish Service - Family Communion Service for Mothering Sunday</i>	
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	St Edmund's Marske	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	5.30 pm	Gunnerside Methodist	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	



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Arkengarthdale Parish Council January 2019

Planning Application: 1 & 2 Elderberry Cottages, Booze. A letter of support from the Parish Council had been sent to the YDNPA for the proposed changes to the property noting that it would be nice to see the building looking cared for and lived in once again. The YDNPA had requested considerable amendments to the original plans, which the owners of the property were intending to address, and they had requested advice from the Council. The owners would be asked to forward their revised plans, and would be invited to attend the next meeting of the Parish Council.

Arkengarthdale School closure: Funding was available to keep the school open until the end of the summer term at the latest. Primary school children in the dale would attend school in Reeth once it had closed. There would be discussions with the relevant parties about the future use of the school building.

A request had been made for an event to celebrate the 359 years of the school in Arkengarthdale. Such an event should be decided and organised

by the church, the school governors and the Friends of the School, and that the Parish Council would be happy to be involved in the organisation of an event and could provide a donation towards refreshments.

Christmas Lights: Several people had expressed their appreciation of Langthwaite's Christmas lights on The Green. Thanks were given to Richard and Liz Smith for the kind use of their electricity, and to Jack Stones for helping install and take down the lights.

Footbridge at Arkletown: Confirmation had been received from the YDNP ranger that the bridge had already been surveyed and that plans were underway to repair both the footbridge at Arkletown and one in a similar state of disrepair at Eskeleth in due course.

Parking at The Rigg: Further complaints had been received about inconsiderate parking on the roadside and on the pavement outside The Rigg.

Dog Fouling: Complaints had been received about dog fouling on paths, particularly near the sports field in Langthwaite.

Road repairs: Both sides of the road west to Tan Hill were in need of attention beyond Beck Crooks Bridge, and there were several pot holes between Whaw Lane Top and Beck Crooks Bridge. Highways would be contacted.

Next meeting: 4 March 2019.

Susan Dray

Two Dales WI

The speaker on **Tuesday 12th March** 7.30pm at Hudson House Reeth will be 'The Rap Granny Entertains' - an evening of poetry with Daphne Clarke.

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- 8.00am Assemble for pre-booked Communal Transport at Grinton Church
- 8.10am Transport leaves for Keld
- 8.55am Assemble at Keld URC for safety chat.
- 9.00am Short Service at Keld URC; leave 9.10am
- 10.30am Service at St. Mary's Muker, leave 11.00am
- 12.30pm Gunnerside Methodist Church - lunch stop
- 1.10pm Short Service at Gunnerside Methodist Church
- 1.25pm Assemble and off
- 3.30pm Low Whita Bridge
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conditions on the day. If the weather is really bad the services will take place as advertised, but there will be no organised walk.

Please note times at Grinton, Keld and Gunnerside. For transport up the dale, please book a place. Tel **Peggy Purver 01748 884963** or email **tutil@btinternet.com**. (There will be a small charge for transport.)

Charity Quiz Night

Ian and John would like to invite you to their next Charity Quiz Night. This will take place in Reeth Memorial Hall on Saturday 29th June at 7.30pm. Supper, will be followed by another "amazing quiz". As at previous quizzes tables will be a maximum of six people. Further details will be announced in future editions of the Gazette.

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Astronomy In The Two Dales

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Orpheus

After leaving the sun, five and a half hours later, light rays bounce off a small group of objects. Pluto and its system of five moons orbit in the cold darkness of the outer solar system. Pluto is a strange object, originally classified as a planet, then demoted to a dwarf planet, and then the New Horizons probe arrived and detected an atmosphere of nitrogen, methane and carbon dioxide as well as signs of geological activity, caused by glaciers, tectonic plate and impact activity.

The temperature on the surface of Pluto is -240 centigrade which allows nitrogen to freeze and it is possible that there are rivers of liquid nitrogen on the surface as the planet's orbit brings it within the orbit of Neptune,

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The Pluto system is small, half the distance from Earth to the moon in width, with Pluto and its largest moon, Charon dancing around one another in the centre.

This system of bodies is described as being the largest of a group of objects called the Kuiper belt, which orbit the sun at an extreme distance and are assumed to be the remnants left over from the creation of the solar system, more on that next month.

Well, sounds like a very interesting planet. There, I've said it. In fact if we apply the same criteria to Earth as we do to Pluto then Earth does not qualify as a planet either. So there.

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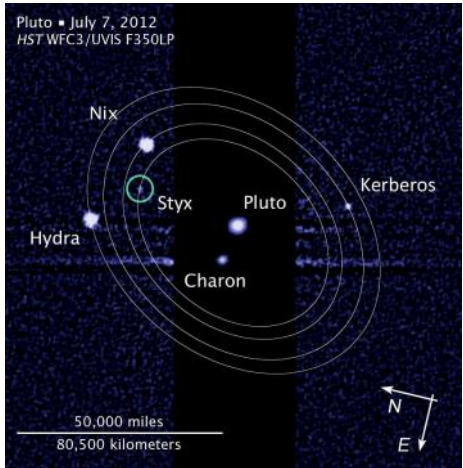
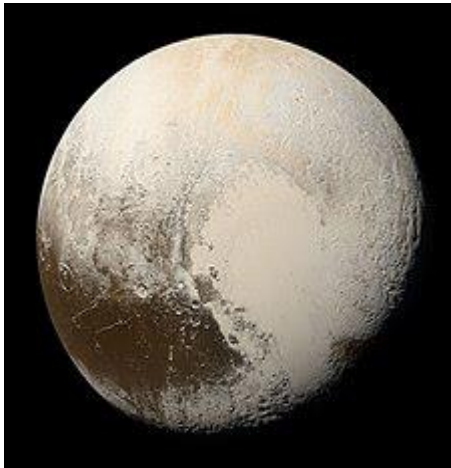
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The 16th Annual General Meeting and Partners' Meeting will be held on Tuesday 16th April 2019, at 2.15pm at Hudson House, Reeth

Agenda

- Minutes of the last AGM *
- Chairman's report
- Financial report and acceptance of the audited accounts *
- Appointment of auditor
- Directors
- Round-table comments from Partners
- Questions from the meeting not covered in the items above
- Any other business appropriate for an Annual General Meeting

* These documents will be available at Hudson House from 9th April, and at the meeting.

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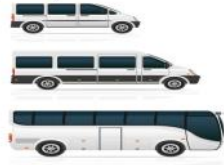
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Swaledale Festival 2019

The 2019 Swaledale Festival will run from 25 May to 8 June. This year's stellar line-up includes violinist Tasmin Little, the incomparable flamenco guitarist Paco Peña, baritone Roderick Williams, the Armonico Consort performing Purcell's beautiful Dido & Aeneas, Kathryn Tickell's new supergroup 'The Darkening', the Villiers String Quartet and the Esbjerg Ensemble from Denmark. The Festival welcomes the current BBC Young Musician of the Year - pianist Lauren Zhang, as well as former winners Jennifer Pike and Sheku Kanneh-Mason.

As well as stars from around the world, there is a strong Yorkshire focus: the 2019 Young Artists Platform features baritone Miles Taylor, bass trombonist Simon Chorley, bassoonist Catriona McDermid, saxophonist Alexander Bone and visual artist Nel Hume, all of whom are Yorkshire-born and destined for glittering careers. Continuing the Yorkshire theme, Ripon Cathedral organist Andrew Bryden will give a recital in Richmond's parish church, Trouvère Medieval Minstrels will perform their family show Reynard the Fox, and a local trio will celebrate two old-time squeeze-box players from Swaledale in It's a Very Old Dance. As always, local brass bands, folk groups, choirs and visual artists will add flavours which can only come from this beautiful place.

The Weaver Ensemble, which performed the stunning Loves of Mars & Venus a couple of years ago, will unveil their new production The Fairest Lady in Richmond's Georgian Theatre Royal, and the 2019 Reeth Lecture will

be given by language expert Professor David Crystal on the subject of English accents.

World cinema makes a significant appearance: independent films from Palestine and Chile will be accompanied by expert talks, they'll be a screening of an iconic Flamenco dance film, and an early French art film will be accompanied by a live score for two pianists by Eric Satie.

Too few youngsters these days are taking up the likes of the bassoon, bass trombone, tuba, oboe and harp, and there is a real fear that professional orchestras in the future will struggle to find enough players of these instruments. So the Festival is launching a special 'Endangered Instruments' focus in which expert players will perform concerts and visit local schools to showcase their instruments and encourage children to try them out. The Festival will also help youngsters to access live performances, hire or buy instruments, and receive good quality tuition.

The Festival has commissioned a major new work from the influential composer Alexander Goehr who will attend the world premiere which will be performed by the Villiers Quartet.

The 2019 Festival will also contain family events, workshops, a masterclass, poetry readings, free concerts in care homes, a fell run, and guided walks in the stunning Dales landscape.

The award-winning Swaledale Festival takes place in a variety of venues with tickets going on general sale on Monday 25 March. For further information please visit: <http://www.swalefest.org>

Reeth Brass Band

The first band practice of the year was held on the 8th January. Two significant events took place at that time, one sad, one happy.

The happy event was that the band now has a new Musical Director. Paul Mason, who is currently the Bandmaster of The Royal Armoured Corps Band at Catterick Garrison, took over from Brian Hicks our President.

Paul is an accomplished musician with a varied background in music. To see his impressive achievements, which are too long to express here, you can visit the band's website:

www.reethbrassband.co.uk

One of our latest blogs details all. We are very fortunate to have Paul with us and look forward to learning from his direction and conducting skills.

The sad occasion was that we said goodbye to Michael Blenkinsop, who has been a band member for more years than we can remember, possibly going back to the time he was in short trousers. Michael and his lovely wife Mandy have now relocated to France. Michael was principle cornet for many years. After returning from a short detachment with The Harrogate Band, he took up the soprano cornet and played it until leaving the band. To wish Michael a fond farewell he was presented with appropriate gifts to help him settle into his new life, a French beret and a string of garlic. A more serious present was a painting of him, by band member Sue Purcell, showing Michael, with cornet, on Reeth Green with the band in the background. We all wish Michael and Mandy the very best in their new home.

During the next few months, the band will be putting together their repertoire of music for the next year, and we look forward to performing for you in the coming months. A list of proposed engagements, in May and June, is detailed below. Forthcoming event will be notified in future editions of the Gazette and on our website.

Engagements

5th May: Tour-de-Yorkshire, Kirkby Malzeard Village.

19th May: Reeth Green.

4th June: Swaledale Festival Concert, St. Mary's Church, Arkengarthdale.

8th June: Eggleston Gala, Eggleston Village Green.

22nd June: Mother's Union Charity Concert, St. Mary's Church, Richmond.

New players needed

A band committee meeting was held on Monday 28th when discussions took place with regard to the future of the band. Concern was expressed in relation to the recruiting of new players, in particular youngsters, to preserve our 160 year heritage.

It was decided to contact schools in the area to find a way forward to this problem. New players will always be made welcome whatever age and ability. Please contact the band through our website:

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The Anglo-Saxons introduced Celtic design when they arrived in the 5th century, instigating an English love affair with line that persisted beyond the Late Middle Ages. Sally, a specialist in medieval art and manuscript illumination, explores its various manifestations. From the zoomorphic interlace patterns of 8th-century Gospels to the exquisite coloured drawings in 10th and 11th-century monastic manuscripts. From the plastic linear ornament in Romanesque Durham Cathedral to the highly sophisticated Perpendicular fan vaults of Bath Abbey.

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A leaflet, '*Count Your Blessings*' is designed to help people count their blessings during Lent and give to help people out of poverty. It is available in printed form, through the Christian Aid Website. For more information visit www.caid.org.uk/lent.

The Christian Aid Week service will take place on Thursday May 9th at 7.30pm at St Andrew's, Grinton prior to Christian Aid Week which runs from May 12th - May 18th.

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

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Alana commented: "I'm thrilled that I've qualified for the world championships for the sixth time. I'm so excited that I get the chance to compete in North Carolina at a



prestigious competition and get to see my friends from all over the world- which is one of the many reasons I love Irish dancing."

Grace attends an Irish Dancing school in Newcastle and Alana trains with the Phoenix Academy of Irish Dance, with classes in both Leyburn and Rochdale.

It comes as no surprise that Alana and Grace not only excel in Irish Dancing but are also exceptional at ballet, having trained with the School of Theatre Dance in Reeth. Janet Seymour said: "Alana has danced with me since she was three and has always said how much her ballet training has improved her Irish dancing and because of this, Grace began to study ballet at the School of Theatre Dance in 2012 until 2015 when she moved away from the area. Both girls gained high marks in all of their ballet exams with the Royal Academy of Dance. It is lovely to see how successful they are with their Irish Dancing."

Danni Fox, Lead Teacher of Dance at Richmond School, commented: "Alana and Grace are great assets to our Dance department and consistently show commitment, discipline and complete professionalism in their dance training."

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Leyburn & District U3A,

The speaker for March's meeting is David Morris, a world champion whistler. For a fascinating talk with a difference come along on Friday 15th at 10.30am. If you wish to join or find about all the interest groups currently running, and have a coffee, the committee will be available from 10am, at Leyburn Arts & Community Centre.

Wensleydale Society

March's meeting of the Society is on Friday 1st at 7.30pm at West Burton Village Hall. The speaker is Pip Land on 'Transitions in the Life of a Journalist: A Look at how local journalism has changed in the past 50 years.'

Unfortunately February's meeting had to be cancelled because of the

snow but it is hoped that David Spashett will be re-booked for a future talk 'An Overview of Nepal and Trekking to Everest.'

Membership of the Society is £5 per year and also includes a monthly walks programme, details of which are given out at the meeting. Talks and meetings are free to members but visitors are welcome for a small fee. Please contact the Secretary on 01969 624246 for further information.

Aly Bain & Phil Cunningham

This event at Masham Town Hall can be booked via Leyburn Arts & Community Centre, 01969 624510. March 30th, 7.30pm, tickets £17 U18s £9. A coach may be available from Leyburn, please book at the Centre. Humorous banter sits alongside tunes that tug at the heartstrings, & joyous jigs & reels that have the feet tapping long.

LASS - Leyburn Arts & Social Society

This friendly group meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month in the Oak Room at Thornborough Hall at 7.15pm. There is usually a classic film, quiz or some other social activity and refreshments. For more information, please telephone Brian on 01969 623257 or just come on Tuesday 26th March when you will receive a friendly welcome.

History Wardrobe & Afternoon Tea

The ever popular Lucy Adlington brings her new show, 'All Writers Great & Small' - a lively literary look at many distinguished Yorkshire writers, poets and dramatists to Leyburn Arts & Community Centre, on Saturday March 2nd at 2pm. Tickets are £15 which includes afternoon tea. Book on 01969 624510.

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2 Dales Football

After Christmas we moved indoors to play Futsal at Richmond

School Sports Hall.

The Under 9s first match was v Catterick Garrison A team and Dales played really well to secure a 1-1 draw. Coen Pickard-Sparne was the scorer. They didn't do so well after that losing 1-3 to Hawes simply not playing to their potential. Again Coen was the scorer. The final match we lost 5-0 v a strong Bedale team.

Two weeks later it was finals day. Leyburn in our group could not make the preliminary round and this week had an epidemic of scarlet fever. The first match was against Garrison A again and once more was very close with Garrison just squeezing the decider to win 4-3 with Coen getting all 3. Then they played Hawes in a very close game ending in a draw 2-2 both from Coen, the first of which was the result of a long perfectly placed pass from Rowan Wilkinson in defence which Coen put away neatly. Rowan played a fantastic game in defence throughout. We won 2-4 against Catterick Village. I don't have the scorers for this but I think Daniel Bradley was one as well as Coen. This left us on equal points with Hawes and the result in that match being a draw and equal on goal difference it went to

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golden goal. Sadly Rowan had to go being not too well so they had to play 4v5. Our other players not mentioned were Alice Botting who pulled off some excellent saves in goal and Oscar Kendall playing a good supporting role in midfield. In a thrilling game it was Coen who scored first so we were the runners up in the medals after the winners Garrison.

The Under 12s did not play to their potential in their preliminary round but drew 2-2 v Bedale. Oliver Scott scored with his fourth attempt and then Eidur Pickard-Sparne. Having beaten Carlton Miniott twice on grass we lost 3-0 at Futsal and finally lost 4-0 against the favourites, Catterick Village Jaguars. We still progress to finals day but as underdogs so let's see how far we progress.

We are still looking to see if we can start some training for younger children in school years 1 and 2 to ensure continuation of football at Reeth. We welcome interested parents to contact us sooner rather than later. We do, however, need a coach prepared to give it a go.

Stop Press. At the Under 12 Grand Finals, Dales played a completely transformed series of matches reaching the final. Report next month.

David Williams

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Middleham And The Dales Local History Group

This month's talk, at 2.00pm on Tuesday, 19th March 2019 at the Middleham Key Centre, is *Sister Dora* presented by Suzanne Stirke.

Born in Hauxwell in 1832, Dorothy Pattison was one of 12 children. In her twenties she formed a relationship with James Tate, 2nd Master of Richmond School whilst continuing another liaison with local farmer Purchas Stirke. In 1864 she joined an Anglican religious community near Redcar and became known as Sister Dora. She would devote the rest of her life to nursing.

Moving to Walsall in 1865 she worked amongst the miners and steel workers as a nurse and developed an especially close bond with the local people. Her nursing skills, self-sacrifice and personal devotion to her patients became a legend. After her early death in 1878 her statue was unveiled in Walsall in 1886, reputedly the UK's first statue to a non-royal woman.

Because of her husband's family connections with the Pattisons, Suzanne Stirke has concentrated her research on Dora's life in Hauxwell. It is a dark tale of mental and physical abuse, the children and their mother, lived in constant fear of their father Rev. Mark Pattison.

Annual membership of Middleham and the Dales Local History Group is still only £10.00. Visitors are welcome at £3.00 per meeting. For more information contact Tony Keats 01969 640436, dotandtonyk@btinternet.com

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Bellerby Study Group

Hedgehogs are fast becoming an endangered species. In *Hedgehog Sanctuary*, on **Wednesday 6 March**, Jacquie Morrell will discuss the welfare of sick and injured hedgehogs and how Happy Hedgehog Appreciation, Yorkshire, nurtures them back to health before releasing them back into their natural habitat. Jacquie was awarded the title of Ripon's Volunteer of the Year in 2018.

Saving Yorkshire's Dogs (SYD) is a new dog rescue based in the Dales and dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation and re-homing of vulnerable and at risk dogs in Yorkshire. On **Wednesday 13 March**, Julie Hart a volunteer and fundraiser for SYD will describe the work of the organisation.

In *Memories of a Life in Swaledale Stone*, on **Wednesday 20 March**, retired Master Builder, Edward Brown will reminisce on his and his ancestors' experiences in the building trade in this northern dale.

The Annual General Meeting on **Wednesday 27 March** will be followed by a Members' Quiz.

This is the last meeting of the Spring season, talks will resume in late September.

Bellerby Study Group arranges talks in winter and walks in summer, meetings are at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall, Church Street, Bellerby, DL8 5QN, talks are followed by refreshments. Fees are still £10 per term for members; visitors and guests are always welcome at £2 each per meeting. For more information contact Douglas Dempster **01969 622040**.

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- 1st World Day of Prayer Service at Gunnerside Methodist Church. 2.30pm
- 1st Reeth Show Domino & Whist Drive Reeth Memorial Hall. 7.30pm
- 4th Grinton & Ellerton Parish Council Grinton Parish Hall. 7.15pm
- 8th Domino and Whist Drive, Keld Public Hall. 7.30pm
- 9th Peter Knight & John Spiers, Reeth Memorial Hall. 8.00pm
- 9th Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: *Swimming with Men*, starring Jim Carter and Rob Brydon. 7.30pm. Doors and bar open at 7.00pm. £5.00 (children £3.00)
- 11th Reeth Memorial Hall AGM & Committee Meeting 7.30pm
- 12th Arkengarthdale Sports Assoc. AGM, CB Inn, 8:00pm.
- 12th Two Dales WI meet at Hudson House at 7.30 pm .
- 15th Rag Mama Rag, Reeth Memorial Hall. 8.00pm
- 16th Coffee Morning, 10.00am to noon Reeth Evangelical Cong. Church
- 16th Mobile skip, Reeth Village Green. 9.00am - 1.00pm
- 22nd Reeth YFC Domino and Whist Drive, supper and raffle, Reeth Memorial Hall. 7:30pm All welcome.
- 26th March TLC@Gunnerside 7.30 Gunnerside Village Hall - Pie and pea supper. Pre-booking essential, ring Sue Barron on 884937

- 27th Upper Dales Family History Group, Fremington Sunday School. 2.00pm
- 30th Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: *Bohemian Rhapsody, the story of Freddie Mercury and Queen*. 7.30pm, doors and bar open at 7.00pm. £5 (children £3).

April

- 9th Two Dales WI. Meet at Hudson House at 7.30pm
- 12th Chris Bannister performs the music of John Denver, Reeth Memorial Hall. 8.00pm
- 13th Coffee Morning 10.00am to noon Reeth Evangelical Cong. Church
- 24th Upper Dales Family History Group, Harmby village hall. 2.00pm
- 25th TLC@Gunnerside Gunnerside Village Hall. Elaine Dunne talking about her embroidery skills and showing her creative work 7.30
- 26th The Baldy Holly Band, Reeth Memorial Hall. 8.00pm
- 29th Reeth Parish Council, Reeth Memorial Hall. 7.00pm

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