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First Thoughts . . .

The trouble with making New Year resolutions is that often, as soon as they are broken, you stop altogether, especially if they are of the 'giving something up' variety.

Take, for example, someone who shall remain nameless, but who works as a Dispenser / Administrator at Reeth Medical Centre. A few years ago she announced that her New Year's Resolution was to give up eating crisps. On New Year's Day, she went to the pub at lunchtime; there was a bowl of crisps on the bar; she ate one. As her resolution was broken, she declared that there was no point in keeping to it any longer - so about twelve hours that one lasted.

Sometimes they do last: when I was ten years old I gave up smoking for the New Year and have kept to it since. (Helped in my resolve by advice from my asthma doctor at the time that if I smoked, I would die. I wasn't sure how immediate that event would be.)

But giving up something long term can be very difficult and in a sense is a negative action. So, why not do something positive instead?

Back in 2003, author Danny Wallace published a book called *Join Me* in which he recounted how he invited people to join him in carrying out random acts of kindness for a stranger every Friday. Those who joined became known as the Karma Army - in Danny's words, 'good people committed to performing one random act of kindness a week, being nice for the sake of... well... just being nice.'

Karma, they say, is a boomerang, and one of the things that Danny and his

joinees discovered is that doing something nice for a complete stranger made the person carrying out the act feel good also.

So how about it? Why not resolve this year to carry out random acts of kindness. It doesn't have to be on a Friday; it can be on any day of the week (Or every day of the week if you feel so inclined.) and it doesn't necessarily have to be to a stranger. The good thing is that if you forget to keep your resolution one day, you still have another 6 days in the week to accomplish it.

Approximately 1500 copies of this edition of the Gazette will be published If every person who took one resolved to carry out a random act of kindness a week, that would be 78,000 in total over the year, Not bad, eh?

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Before they invented drawing boards, what did they go back to?

What was the best thing before sliced bread?

Gazette Deadlines

The deadlines for the next two months are:

February issue: January 10th
March issue: February 10th
PLEASE NOTE: We cannot guarantee
that items submitted close to or on
the deadline date will be included.

COVER PICTURE City of Culture 2017

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Reeth Community Orchard

Reeth Community Orchard is in need of a new Treasurer. It isn't very onerous or complicated, mainly ins and outs and making sure our insurance and subscriptions are up to date; and we have been well trained in keeping our receipts and putting in proper bills. We have a Committee Meeting once a month and normally work in the Orchard on Saturday mornings and although the Treasurer isn't required to be a gardener if they were that would be a bonus.

For more details, please ring either Gill on 884542 or Maggie on 884186.

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- 1 Pocahontas, had a very mad affair
- 2 Isaac Asimov, robotic writer
- 3 Michael Schumacher, won a race or two
- 4 Louis Braille, invented braille
- 5 Chris Stein, invented Blondie
- 6 Joan of Arc, song by Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Dark
- 7 Nick Clegg, never heard of him.
- 8 The King (and David Bowie)
- 9 Richard Nixon, better President than Trump?
- 10 Frank James, Jesse's big brother
- 11 Clarence Anicholas Clemons, Jr. Legend
- 12 Charles Perrault, invented fairy tales
- 13 Suggs, member of the Useless Information Society
- 14 Dave Grohl, fights Foos
- 15 James Nesbitt, his feet are cold
- 16 Sade, do you remember that dress at Live Aid?
- 17 The Greatest, RIP
- 18 A A Milne, invented Pooh Bear
- 19 Robert E. Lee, a steamboat
- 20 Joseph Hormayr Freiherr zu Hortenburg
- 21 Grigori Rasputin, aka Raspututin, lover of the Russian queen
- 22 Sam Cooke, soulful bloke
- 23 Queen Ulrika Eleonora of Sweden
- 24 John Belushi, aka Joliet Jake Blues
- 25 Eusebio, the Black Panther
- 26 Maria Augusta von Trapp, ex-nun
- 27 Lewis Carroll, ask Alice
- 28 Henry V11, a Tudor
- 29 Clare Balding, a jockey
- 30 Christian Bale, plays for Real Madrid
- 31 John Lydon, Rotten bloke

Memories of Aleppo

Aleppo, so sadly now a war zone, is one of my favourite cities. On our visits there the yellow stone Citadel glowed in the centre of the old town, surrounded by the labyrinth of ancient covered souks and secret walled courtyards which hid the gracious dwellings.

The last time Duncan and I spent some days there we decided to find the Syrian maid who had spent years working for some American friends of ours in Beirut.

They now had retired to the States, and had expressed a wish that if we were ever in Aleppo again we should look up Helene. We had last seen her in Rome where our friends had relocated during the Lebanese civil war. Alas, when they planned to return to America Helen was refused a 'Green Card'. So after years of living, as one of the family, in a pilot's comfortable home, Helene had to return to Aleppo to live with her brother's family, people she hardly knew.

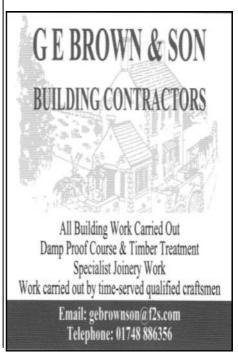
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So we descended from our taxi midway down the road, and began making enquiries as to where the building might be. We were sent this way and that in a confusion of directions, till on the point of giving up we entered a small shop. There sat an elderly man, red tarboosh on his head and a drooping white moustache. He offered as seats and a coffee. Once



the pleasantries were over, we asked him whether he knew the Souraty building where a tailor lived.

Indeed he did: he was a friend. So ushering us out onto the pavement he pointed out a rather gloomy building down the street, squashed between two concrete blocks.

As directed we climbed the dark stairway to the third floor and knocked at a paint-peeling door. It was cautiously opened by a little lady dressed in black. Clearly surprised to see two foreigners on her doorstep she invited us in. The tiny living room was crowded with a battered divan, several chairs and small tables, and the tailor's treadle sewing machine. Small children were hushed out to find their father, a neighbour who spoke some English and some biscuits. They then broke the

news that Helene had died six months previously.

We were filled with sadness that poor Helene had spent her last months in this cramped flat with a family she hardly knew anymore, having come from years living as part of a comfortably off American family. All that remained of her presence here was a framed wedding photo of a beautiful blonde young American girl, one of the two children she had helped to rear and to whom she had never been able to return.

When I look back on this incident I can only be grateful that Helene had not had to endure the war raging there today, but I also wonder about the rest of that family and the thousands of Syrians whose homes are now devastated. Many are dead; will others ever return?

Jocelyn Campbell

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This month's recipient is **Reeth Memorial Hall**. Here's what they have to say:

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A diversity of activities include: music, dancing, leisure, drama, dining, sales and meetings. The venue is often hired by locals to host their own events. However, there is a proactive committee which holds fundraising events and concerts, in addition to accessing funding to enable us to improve the facility, without compromising its character.

Since 2013, such funding has allowed us to improve its safety and therefore your comfort, undertaking essential repairs and insulating, thus enhancing energy efficiency. Most people though, recognise the new blinds, lighting, flooring and décor - and more recently, new seating and crockery.

We are grateful to all those who help, in any way, to ensure the Hall's sustainability. It is supported by the community, for the community.



If you'd like your group to benefit, email the editor@reethgazette.co.uk with a little bit about what it does. The management board of the Gazette will select one group each month to receive a donation. If yours is selected, you'll be asked to write an article of 300-400 words to appear in the Gazette, about your organisation.

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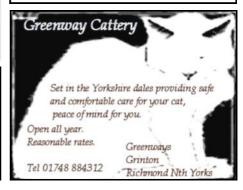
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Many thanks to all the knitters and for all who gave an angel a home.

Sue Pellatt - on behalf of Christians Together in Swaledale







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With Carol Haynes of Dales Computer Services

Unexpected automatic renewal payments for products

A number of people have asked me about unexpected payments appearing on their credit cards from legitimate companies – especially security software but others too.

Increasingly people are seen as a source of ongoing revenue by companies. It is true that companies like Norton and MacAfee have always been subscription products (i.e. You buy and get a year of updates and upgrades but then need to pay for another year etc.) but now many companies are building automatic renewal into their products.

Take, for example, MacAfee which is a typical and common example: you buy a new computer and it comes with MacAfee pre-installed as a 90 day trial. Many people assume that the manufacturer has recommended this and when the 90 days are up they are told they need to pay to continue using it and receiving updates. You go to their website and pay and that's it done.

What you may not have spotted as you went through the payment system is that you agreed to pay automatically every year (there was an option somewhere - probably very small - to say you don't want to do this but unless you look carefully it is unlikely to be obvious). Twelve months later a charge appears on your credit card for the

current price of renewal (often a lot more expensive that you can buy it for in the shops).

If you no longer use the product this is particularly galling - so what should you do?

First go right now and turn off the automatic payment on your account. This will probably mean going to the product's website and logging in with your account details and then searching through the account pages automatic manually payments and turning off the option. You will need to know your login details for that website.

Some companies do not have this facility - in which case you need to contact them and tell them to cancel any automatic renewals or tell you how to do it.

It might also be worth telling your credit card company that you have done this and not to authorise any future payments - but sometimes they cannot stop the authorisations.

If a payment has been taken then contact the company quickly and tell them you no longer use their product and that the payment was in error and you would like a full refund and to make sure that all future payments are cancelled. If they are helpful that is

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Sadly this situation is becoming more and more common. Here are my golden rules:

- 1) When paying for something read everything carefully and unless you really want it turn of any automatic payment systems.
- 2) Personally I do not use automatic renewal for anything except absolute essentials. You are probably better off looking for a cheap copy of anything you intend to use when it expires. For example Microsoft Office 365 Home license costs around £80 a year but if you shop around you can usually get a license for much less (Amazon had it half price recently) and you can use those purchased licenses to renew your subscription when it expires.
- 3) Realise that stuff arriving on a new computer is not a recommendation from the manufacturer they are paid to put it on your computer and is simply a way for them to make more profit. In Windows 10 there is a decent Antivirus built in and it is 100% free with no adverts simply uninstall the trial software (MacAfee/Norton etc) and it will turn on.

That's it for this month except to say Happy New Year. If you have any comments or questions do contact me at:

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We have passed the 2015 total number of incidents (61) and the 2014 total (64) which was our busiest year ever - and at time of going to press, there was still most of December to go.

Thanks to all team members, families & employers for making this possible. This places an extra demand on the team for fund raising as well as actual rescues. Thanks also to all our supporters.

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Thanks to all who contributed and special thanks to all who have given of their time assisting with the appeal. My special thanks to Mrs Kathleen Brown, who is standing down as Grinton's house to house collector, for her many years of service to the appeal.

If you can help with house to house collections in Grinton, Healaugh or Low Row/Feetham next year please get in touch.

Martin Sunderland

Goodbye

Steve and Anne Ingham (latterly of Trough House, Low Row) would like to say 'Goodbye' and 'Thank you' to all our dear friends and neighbours in the two Dales

We have loved our time here and leave with wonderful memories. This is a very special place and we know how lucky we have been to have been able to live here and be part of the community. Trough House is now lived in by the Botting family and we hope that they come to love these Dales as much as we have done

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- When the kids start singing and the band begins to play - I Wish It Could Be Christmas Everyday Wizzard
- Where the only water flowing is the bitter sting of tears - Do They Know It's Christmas Time - Band Aid
- The only things I see are loneliness emptiness and unlit Christmas tree Lonely This Christmas - Mud
- · And the peal of a bell and that Christmas tree smell - I Believe in Father Christmas - Greg Lake
- Merry Christmas; Merry Christmas; but I think I'll miss this one this year - Christmas Wrapping - The Waitresses
- · And Mom and Dad can hardly wait for school to start again - It's Beginning to Look Like Christmas -Perry Como

tiebreaker: The After careful research, Guinness World Records in

2007 concluded that, worldwide, Bing Crosby's recordina of "White Christmas" has, in their estimation, sold at least 50 million copies.

And the winner is . . . unknown as yet as I had to send this edition to the Printer's before anyone had a chance to reply.

This month, for all you headbangers out there, try these for size:

- A fire in the sky
- Let's move before they raise the parking rate
- Ooh, ooh, and she's buying
- Weighin' in at nineteen stone, you're a whole lotta woman
- I don't share your greed, the only card I need is
- Like a true nature's child we were And the tiebreaker is: Which of these songs ranks highest on Rolling Stone Magazine's list of The 500 Greatest Songs of All Time - and at what number on the list?

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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.

Don't forget - the Museum is now closed for the Season. We re-open on 1st May 2017. However do contact us if you are in need of our research services, on-line shop or help in the meantime.

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Astronomy in the Two Dales

Welcome to 2017. In numerology terms this year will see the following traits: initiator of action, a pioneering spirit. inventive ideas, strong leadership skills, independence. drives to individualistic style, executive abilities, extraordinary will and determination, courageous. overly assertive aggressive, dominating, impulsiveness, egotistic, boastfulness, willfulness. Make of this what you will.

This month starts with the Quadrantid meteor shower; and with the moon setting just after midnight there is a good chance to see up to 40 meteors an hour, with the peak occurring at 2.00am.

The full moon arrives on the 12th and this is also the best time to see the planet Venus as it is at its furthest distance from the sun. Look west after sunset, for the bright planet. Mars will also be setting close to Venus. Look for the red/orange planet above and to the left of Venus.

Do you remember Beagle 2 - the probe that landed on Mars in 2003 and disappeared? Well it was found in 2014. Examinations of images taken by a Mars orbiting satellite indicate that the probe is on Mars and that it did not crash. Recent re-evaluation of images taken by satellite have shown that the probe did land and did deploy its solar panels, but for some unknown reason did not send a signal.

There have been a host of suggestions as to the cause of the probe's failure, from sabotage by NASA who did not want a cheap mission

succeeding, to manufacturing errors; or the possibility that someone switched the probe off after it landed. Whatever the reason, I am sure the explanation will be simple and have nothing to do with international scientific sabotage or aliens.

Where are they now?

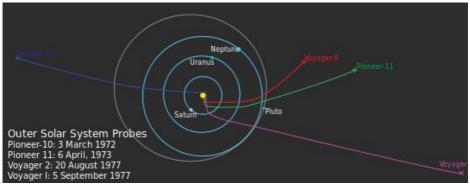
Since the dawn of the space age, with the launch of Sputnik on the 4th of October 1957, we have been sending probes in all directions to investigate various planets and phenomena. So, the question is: Where are they now?

The most famous of all the launched missions are the Voyager probes and the two Pioneer missions 10 and 11. The diagram at the top of Page 23 shows the paths taken by the four probes and their dates of launch.

These probes have taken a variety of wonderful images during their journeys. (See Page 23) 40 years after launching from Earth, these small manmade objects are now approaching the edge of the solar system and are beginning to be affected by the extreme environment beyond the protective influence of our star.

At present Voyager 1 is the most distant spacecraft, about 17.5 billion kilometres (10.9 billion miles) away from the sun at a northward angle. Pioneer 10, the next most distant, is about 15.4 billion kilometres (9.6 billion miles) away from the sun on the opposite side of the solar system.

Voyager 2 is about 14.2 billion kilometres (8.8 billion miles) away from the sun on a southward trajectory, on the same side of the solar system as Voyager 1. Pioneer 11 is about 12.4 billion kilometres (7.8 billion miles)







away from the sun.

At these distances Earth is barely visible. Carl Sagan requested that NASA turn one of the probes around and take a picture looking toward

Earth, this became known as The Pale
Blue Dot, for that is all our home planet
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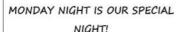




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The newspaper account also states that, "The date of origin must be far back in antiquity; certainly it was in being upwards of a hundred years ago." This would indicate that the band existed at the height of lead mining activity in the area during the mid 1800s.

Further information has now come to light from the archives of the Teesdale Mercury newspaper, relating to performances by Reeth Brass Band during the period 1865 to 1874. Permission to publish these details has been kindly granted by the Editor:

14th June 1865: Temperance Gala at Raby. On Whit Tuesday. In Raby Park the sight was very grand. There was Reeth Brass Band (kindly lent by Mr Robinson) present.

16th April 1873: Reeth Wesleyan Anniversary The anniversary of Reeth Wesleyan Sunday School was held on Good Friday. The Reeth Brass Band

played several tunes on the Green.

28th May 1873: Gainford Templars and Foresters annual demonstration. Various lodges will march in procession, at 1.30 from the railway station to the gala-field, headed by the celebrated Reeth Brass Band. The band afterwards performs selections of music.

11th June 1873: The Good Templars of Barnard Castle held their first anniversary on Whit Thursday. At one o'clock the procession started from the "Hope of Teesdale" Lodge room, in Hall-street, in the following order; The Reeth Brass Band: the officers and members of the Hope of Teesdale Lodge, with red, white and blue banner: the Band of Hope with banner; the members of the John Wycliffe Lodge with banner. On reaching the Park at Startforth, a concert was given by 200 juvenile singers. The Reeth Brass Band then again took up the music, and played a series of popular airs in excellent style.

27th May 1874: Whit-Monday at Barnard Castle The Good Templars held their second annual gala in the park at Startforth Hall. They assembled at the Music Hall, and walked in procession to Startforth. The Reeth Brass Band headed the procession.

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	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	Holy Communion		
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational			
	5.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational			
8 th Jan.	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	Eucharist		
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	Morning Prayer		
	10.30 am	Low Row URC			
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational			
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	Morning Prayer		
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	Holy Communion BCP		
	2.00 pm	Keld URC			
	2.30 pm	Gunnerside Methodist	Covenant Service		
	6.00 pm	St. Mary's Muker	Evening Prayer		
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational			
15 th Jan.	9.15 pm	St. Mary's Muker	Holy Communion BCP		
	10.30 am	Low Row URC			
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	Eucharist		
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational			
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	Holy Communion		
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19 th Jan.	7.30 pm	Holy Trinity Low Row Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service			

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	2.30 pm	Gunnerside Methodist		
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational		
29 th Jan	10.30 am	Low Row URC		
	10.30 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale United Parish Eucharist Candlemas Celebration, with preacher Archdeacon Beverley Mason		
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske		Holy Communion
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational		
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Reeth Parish Council November 2016

Remembrance events: The Friday and Sunday events had gone according to plan. Thanks were expressed to Caroline Higgins and her helpers from the Copper Kettle who gave their time for free to serve the tea after the service.

Coun Frankland had been asked why there was no return march from St Andrew's. The clerk said that it was due to the number of police officers required to escort the parade. This would be discussed again before the road closure application is made for 2017 and the possibility of using volunteer marshals would be considered.

Tree removal: The National Park had no objections to the removal of a silver birch tree in Healaugh and its replacement by a native species.

National Park representation: Members discussed which of several candidates they should support as a parish councils' representative on the National Park board.

Highways: The state of the main road to Richmond had been causing concern due to recurring subsidence. The Highways department had replied that their consultants would be inspecting the problem and reporting back with their recommendations.

Street lights: One of the new lights had now been commissioned but the one in the Mews was still not working. A second light in the Mews was now out of order along with one in Langhorne Drive.

Village green: Some of the damage to the grass had been caused by large

delivery wagons having to manoeuvre around parked vehicles. The line of posts outside the Burgoyne seemed to have succeeded in protecting the grass there and it was hoped that the remainder of the posts and the chains to link them would be installed during the winter months.

Healaugh phone box: The phone box at Healaugh was being considered as the site of a defibrillator for the village. However, this box was on the list of those which BT was proposing to remove in spite of the fact that there was very poor mobile reception in Healaugh. Coun Beal said that the closures were still under discussion and the District Council and National Park were fighting to retain the boxes.

Christmas events: Carols round the Christmas tree with the brass band would be at 8.00pm on Sunday, December 18th. The council would arrange for drinks and mince pies to be served afterwards in one of the village pubs as this had proved very popular last year. Couns Frankland and Longstaff had made arrangements for the Christmas tree and would be collecting it on December 5th.

Commemorative plaque: Coun Kendall thanked Coun Frankland for installing the plaque in memory of those who lost their lives in the 1943 Wellington bomber crash on Fremington Edge on the wall outside the Burgoyne.

Cobbles: Repairs would be carried out to some of the worst damaged patches.

Next meeting: Monday, January 23rd,

at 7.00pm in the Memorial Hall.

Tracy Little

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2 Dales Football

Phase I of the season with a Cup match v Ripon Reds. This Ripon squad is largely older than ours but plays in the "lower" Blue League.

Dales started very sharp with good passing enabling them to settle down and get into a good rhythm of playing football against a resilient team. The 2 teams were fairly evenly matched on the field but it was Dales who broke the deadlock with a good goal from Dan Webster who superbly chipped the Ripon keeper.

Ripon made chances but there was no way past the Dales keeper, Ellen Atkinson who was quick off her line to clear the ball. Dales then extended their lead with a cracking goal from Dan into the top right comer. Joe Alderson then came on for Isabel Lundberg who had done a good job.

After good football from both teams in the second half a screaming shot by Joe from outside the box made it 3 before Dan got a well-deserved hat trick. O-4 was a well-deserved and overdue win in an excellent game.

We didn't know until that evening that York City had sent their goalkeeping coach to watch Ellen and were most impressed and went on to offer her a 6 week trial which is fantastic news for her. He was also very complimentary about the way the 3 Dales coaches, Peter Wheeler, Neil Alderson and Aleks Karadzic had got the best out of their squad.

The Under 10s played Catterick Garrison Under 10s away and Garrison put pressure on from the start. Excellent goal keeping from Will kept a clean sheet for a while but Garrison were 2 up at half time.

In the second half Dales started to make some good passes creating opportunities and Ryan Howard broke through to pull one back. Josh Luchford won the ball back from the kick off passing to Oliver Scott. Some good passing gave an opportunity for Oliver to score while Alfred Atkin and Ben Alderson held the defence together. Dales had another break at the end and Ryan hit the post. 2-2 draw.

The next week they played Catterick Garrison Under 9s. Dales put pressure on Garrison from the start on a cold, wet and windy day but a combination of good goalkeeping and a muddy pitch prevented our scoring. Finally, good work from Alfred, Josh and Oliver enabled Ryan to slot one in at close range. Garrison made a good break which Will saved. Oliver scored the second from a comer and again Alfred and Ben played well in defence. Dales got a third and Garrison were

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awarded a penalty which Will saved but they scored on the rebound. Another goal gave a 4-1 win.

We were drawn against Catterick Village Panthers in the Cup while Dales found themselves seriously short of players but were very pleased to welcome new signing, Shawn Mattin to his first League match. Shawn opened the scoring getting another in the first half. Alfred scored 3 and Ida Pickard and Ryan scored in the first half. Ben Dalton, the manager, then pulled one off playing 6 v 7 to make more of a game and switched some positions around. Panthers pulled one back and Shawn scored 2 more in the second half and Jack Dalton got a welldeserved goal for a 10-1 win

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Upper Dales Family History Group

The speaker at our last meeting was Jackie Depelle who gave fascinating talk called 'Remnants of a Lost Life' based on the story of a relative who was one of the many young men who lost their lives in the Great War. Using an assortment of family memorabilia and publicly available sources she had pieced together his life and family background to make him so much more than just a name carved on Pudsey war memorial. Her subject, Frederick Hunter Hyland, was born into a Moravian family in Fulneck and attended the famous school there. being recorded in the school archives as the first old boy to be killed in the conflict.

Jackie information began with from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission which gave her his personal details including that he had joined the Royal Flying Corps, as well as the names and address of his parents, and the location of his grave. This took her back to the 1911 census and enabled her to find out about his parents, their backgrounds and their life at Radcliffe House in Pudsey, illustrated by family photographs and excerpts from diaries and letters. After leaving Fulneck School Frederick had gone on to study at Leeds School of Medicine before his studies were interrupted by the outbreak of war.

From his attestation papers Jackie learned that he had joined as a junior officer and became part of the 7th

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squadron of the Yorkshire Regiment Royal Flying Corps. He kept a diary and took a number of photographs showing his fellow officers and the primitive planes they were using for reconnaissance flights, little more than lightweight wooden frames covered with canvas. A key member of the maintenance team was the sailmaker who could patch up the bodywork by stitching a new scrap of canvas over the bullet holes.

Frederick was trained to operate an early radio set, communicating with troops on the ground via morse code, and flew in many daring missions over France until losing his life when the plane crashed into a field Jackie then showed us his death certificate and explained how she had been able to locate the actual position of the grave in a civilian cemetery on Google maps,



the site in person.

of the of Many snippets information which made the talk so interesting had come, not from the well known official sources but from a number of places where most of us wouldn't have thought of searching school university such and magazines, a school memorial plague and even the parish magazine of the local church, as well as the personal diaries now kept at the RAF Museum. as well as the incredibly detailed resources in the indexed copies of the regimental magazine at the Green Howards Museum in Richmond.

There are no talks in January but meetings recommence on February 22 at 2.00pm in Harmby village hall with 'A Sword in One Hand and a Complement in the Other', an audience with Alice

before eventually being able to visit | Thornton of Kirklington and Hipswell, 1627 - 1707, who will describe her life during the English Civil War and Commonwealth, being a daughter, wife and mother, and the profound effects of the war on her family.

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Singing for the Memory

An informal singing session for those whose memory is not so good but can still remember the words to popular songs. All welcome, including those coping with dementia and their carers. Held in Leyburn Arts & Community Centre, The Old School House on Tuesday 17th January, £2 to include refreshments. Please ring 01969 622023 or just turn up on the day.

Leyburn & District U3A

The January monthly meeting is on Friday 20th January, the speaker is Ian Thornton-Bryar on Lancashire Witches Walk at Leyburn Arts & Community Centre at 10.30am.

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Jeannie Bishop



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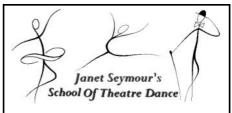
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1. Reassurance

A will is the only way to make sure your savings and possessions (your estate) go to the people and causes that you care about.

2 Avoiding disputes between relatives

Disputes over wills can cause arguments among family members and may even need a solicitor to resolve them. Leaving a will should eliminate any doubt about who you want to leave your estate to.

3. Looking after your loved ones

Although it's hard for loved ones to talk about death, talking about your will can save everyone a lot of worry. Deciding who you want to leave your possessions to (your beneficiaries) can help you make sure they go to the people you intended.

4. Protecting your assets for future generations

A will can ensure that assets are kept within the family and are passed on down the generations.

5. Saving on Inheritance Tax

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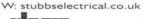
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If you're not married: Your partner will have no rights to your estate.

If you have children: They will receive their share of your estate at the age of 18. If they are under 18 and you haven't appointed a guardian for them, they could end up in foster care while the court appoints one of its choice.

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from the 19th The transition century to the 20th century saw the beginning of a new ethos of art and design and the arrival of the Arts and Garden. Crafts The relationship between architects and plantsmen changed with the former formality of gardens being tempered by a flowery extravaganza.

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Fri 13 Jan - 5.00 pm & 7.30 pm - I Daniel Blake (15) 1hr 40m.

Fri 20 Jan - 5.00 pm & 7.30 pm - Swallows and Amazons (PG) 1hr 37m.

Fri 27 Jan - 5.00 pm & 7.30 pm - Captain Fantastic (15) 1hr 58m.

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After several storms last winter there was some erosion damage to the retaining wall of the road alongside the Arkle Beck, leaving Langthwaite. It was brought to the attention of the Parish Council that serious erosion had occurred under the wall over the years which, in places, had led to the wall falling out into the river.

It soon became apparent that if nothing was done then there was a real risk of the road collapsing into the river causing a potential road closure. This road is a Public Bridleway and it is used frequently by walkers, bikers and locals and is the only access road for several properties; it would cause severe disruption should it become unsafe to use.

We contacted the Yorkshire Dales National Park and their Area Ranger, Michael Briggs, came to our meeting; he agreed to come up with a specification for the necessary work. This duly arrived, was agreed with some additional erosion protective work and sent for tender.

The Parish Council decided to facilitate the project and contacted all interested parties for contributions and once sufficient funds had been promised the works started on the 31st October and completed on the 7th November. A big thanks to the Yorkshire Dales National Park and in

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Thanks again to the following interested parties without whose contributions the works couldn't have gone ahead: Yorkshire Dales National Park: Yorkshire Water: Northern Power Grid: East Arkenaarthdale Estate: Richard Tinsley; James Alderson: Robert Stubbs: Stephen Stubbs.

Hopefully the work will protect this part of the road from erosion for people to enjoy and use safely for a long time in the future.

Stephen Stubbs Chairman Arkengarthdale Parish Council

Footnote: Apologies for the attentiongrabbing headline, although it does seem to have worked for a certain individual who wants to build a wall. Mine is simply to let you know some good news about the much used bridleway/footpath immediately leaving Langthwaite following the riverside to Reeth enjoyed by many bringing much needed revenue to the dales.

Reeth Community Orchard

... and so to bed.

After a wet June and July, warmth during August, September and October resulted in profuse growth in the Orchard garden. Excellent for the apple crop (the Newton Wonder was superb this year) but also for the weeds. Eileen Martin cut back and cleared the Hot border ready for 'mulching'. This is a new approach in an attempt to control the weeds.

As anno domini is catching up the volunteer force, professional help has been enlisted. Richard Eagles will help

spread the mulch and Katie Schindler will, weather permitting, winter weed the Cool border on Fridays.

Our volunteers will continue on Saturday mornings with other gardening tasks.

Come the Spring we will again be asking for volunteers to help prepare the garden for 2017. No gardening experience is needed just 'a good pair of hands'. If you could spare some time it would be greatly appreciated. Coffee and biscuits are provided.

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Dog waste bin: The Council was advised that this is due to be put in place in the next couple of weeks.

Parish Precept: This has been received for £362.85, which has had the insurance deducted.

Highways: The Clerk was asked to contact highways regarding the following issues: Peat Gate foot which has been surface-dressed and a drain gate has been covered up; drain that comes out between West End Cottage and garage is blocked.

Pothole at Low Row Institute: This does not meet the criteria for repair. however the Clerk was asked to contact Highways again on this issue, as the pothole is of a significant size. Planning: Glory Be, Blades: Granted with conditions; Trees at Birk Park, Healaugh - The Council noted that works would be carried out to remove 24 larch & 9 scots pines, and to remove large broken limbs from 2 oak trees. alongside the removal of 17 other dead or dangerous trees. The Council raised no objections or comments: Reeth 3 Day trial planning application - the Council raised no objections comments.

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On a particularly disgusting evening in late November, an intrepid group from the Swaledale Festival donned their glad rags and headed for

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or two, eventually warmed things up a bit.

The Festival had been selected as one of six finalists for the prestigious Arts and Culture Award, which is no mean achievement in itself. Excitement mounted as the presenters from "Look North" worked their way through the earlier awards and eventually came to our category.

We were thrilled to be "Highly Commended" by the judges, who said they "wished to commend the long-standing success of this fantastic Festival." They were impressed at the Festival's reach and by its passion in celebrating Yorkshire's vibrancy and cultural heritage. A highly commended award is only given by the judging panel where special recognition is deserved.

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- 9th Two Dales Gardening Club, Sports Pavilion, Home Composting. 2.00pm
- 21st Coffee Morning at Reeth Evangelical Congregational Church. 10am to noon,

February

- 10th Domino Drive, Arkengarthdale School, 7.30pm. £4 (children £2)
- 13th Two Dales Gardening Club, Sports Pavilion, Growing and Showing Sweet Peas with Andrew Fletcher. 2.00pm
- 17th Dominos and Whist, Low Row Institute. 7.30pm
- 24th, Muker Show Domino & Whist Drive.
- 24th Martin Carthy & John Kirkpatrick, Reeth Memorial Hall. 8.00pm

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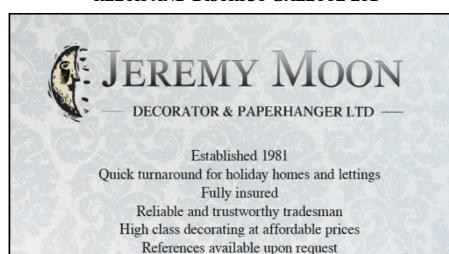
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