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"What, you mean I've missed the last posting date for Christmas?"

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## First Thoughts . . .

Goodness me. It's only October (Well, it is at the time of writing this.) and already The Gazette has been inundated with Christmas items: *Crafts for Christmas* below; *Events over Christmas* on page 5; *Christmas bookings* on page 9; *Christmas Starts Here* on page 22; *The Beginning of Christmas* on page 40; more bookings for the *3 Day Christmas Break* on page 47; and *Mince Pies* on page 50 - to name but seven.

No wonder people often complain that by the time Christmas arrives, they are sick and tired of it all. When I were a lad, Christmas started on Christmas Eve. That's when we got the tree out, put up the decorations and wrapped our presents to each other to

**Please Note:**  
The deadline for the January issue of The Gazette is:  
**DECEMBER 2ND.**

put under the tree. Mind you, with eight children to buy presents for and feed, I suppose the preparations started a lot earlier than that for my mother.

But then, the way time seems to fly by these days, Christmas will be on us in no time at all and many will be rueing the fact that they didn't start their Christmas shopping earlier.

Anyway, here's a festive challenge for you: How many times does the word *Christmas* appear in this issue of the Gazette? And may I take this opportunity to be the first to wish you all a Happy Christmas. **MAC**

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## Gazette Deadlines

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**December issue: November 10th**

**January issue: December 2nd**

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

## Did You Know?

Every time you lick a stamp, you're consuming 1/10 of a calorie.

## COVER PICTURE

**By Vanessa the Postie**

who also sent in a photo of a Bruce Springsteen poster.

## Letters To The Editor

### Little White Bus

After an absence of over 12 years, we have made a return to this lovely and unique part of the country. Almost the first thing we noticed when travelling the road to our holiday cottage in Gunnerside, was the presence of The Little White Bus.

Whilst not knowing of its existence or purpose, we supposed it was a facility to aid visitors to the dales, having seen similar and locally named buses in such places as Pembrokeshire and North Devon.

We collected our copy of the October edition of the Gazette from the garage in Reeth and read with interest the letters on the LWB. The introduction of the service deserves to succeed and as a visitor, may I offer the following observations:

#### Where is the service advertised?

Surely one of the main places would be in holiday accommodation. If every cottage, B&B, hotel and pub had a leaflet available, it would automatically reach the intended users of the service without them searching it out. We obtained the leaflet from the

Reeth Visitor Centre, but it was not on display. The lady was very helpful in producing it from a tray under the counter, but the point is that whilst we knew to ask, others will be unaware.

**Where to park?** Well, using the service in a way similar to town park & ride schemes may help by having a landscaped field designated at each end / intermediate locations of the route. It stops unnecessary car travel along the dales and provides the driver with the comfort and knowledge for legal and controlled parking, removing the need for cars to be abandoned along road side verges etc.

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I do not wish to deride the efforts already taken for this service, but perhaps my thoughts may prompt some discussion even if considered impractical or inappropriate.

Sadly we have returned to our West Country but very much look forward to returning in the near future and using the LBW to aid our walking in the dales.

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- 1 Rick Allen, one-armed drummer
- 2 Marie Antoinette, lost her head
- 3 Charles Bronson, liked chopping wood, magnificently
- 4 Matthew McConaughey, wedding planner
- 5 Roy Rogers, Trigger's mate
- 6 Glen Frey, an Eagle
- 7 Leon Trotsky, got an ice pick in his head
- 8 Gordon Ramsay, a \*\*\*\*\* chef
- 9 Hedy Lamarr, not Hedley
- 10 Greg Lake, middle bit of ELP
- 11 Leonardo DiCaprio, painted the Mona Lisa
- 12 Grace Kelly, a princess
- 13 Robert Louis Stevenson, a Jekyll and Hyde type
- 14 Charles, Welsh prince
- 15 Petula Clark, downtown type
- 16 Tiberius, dead Roman
- 17 Danny DeVito, taxi driver
- 18 Steven Moffat, brilliant writer
- 19 Calvin Klein, designed Sponge Bob's square pants
- 20 Duane Allman, 2nd greatest guitarist
- 21 Various nonentities
- 22 Robert Vaughn, sole survivor of the Magnificent Seven
- 23 Harpo Marx, held up walls
- 24 Pete Best, two-armed drummer
- 25 Imran Khan, classy cricketer
- 26 Charles Schulz, worked for peanuts
- 27 Jimi Hendrix, greatest guitarist
- 28 Pointless telling you who
- 29 Louisa May Alcott, a little woman
- 30 Tommy Simpson, 'Put me back on my bike.'





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### **Twenty Years Ago Extracts from the November 1995 Gazette**

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Anyone seen Spider lately? He went on holiday to Belgium but failed to meet his rendezvous. Where is he? Does anyone care? We will have to wait and see if he returns to his usual resting place.

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Royal Mail have produced a guide to their Christmas parcel and letter services, which is available in the post office, but as a quick guide, airmail (now known as *International Standard*) to the Far East and Eastern Europe needs to be sent by 7th December; Australia and New Zealand by 10th December; Canada and USA by 15th December; and most places in Europe by 16th December.

One point to bear in mind is that for overseas parcel, you need to make sure the weight is under 2kgs.

As far as the UK is concerned, you have loads of time.

Please remember if sending any parcels that legally we are not allowed to accept any parcels for posting if we do not know what is inside. So if anyone has asked you to take a parcel to the post office, please make sure you know

what is inside. Remember also that many everyday items including perfumes, nail varnish and aerosols are classed as 'dangerous goods' under transport regulations and are subject to certain restrictions. If in doubt, check with us at the post office.

Christmas stamps are nearly here too. Royal Mail has issued Christmas stamps since 1966 and from 2005 it introduced a policy of alternating religious with non-religious designs each year. This year, it's a religious theme. The stamps tell the *'traditional Nativity story in an impressionistic style, from the Annunciation to the Nativity and the journey of the Magi.'* They will be on sale from November 3rd.

Finally, another reminder: Many people are still unaware of the range of banking activities that you can do through the post office, regardless of who you bank with. There is no fee for withdrawing cash using a debit card issued by a UK bank; and most UK banks will allow you to pay cash and cheques into your account. They each have their own little quirks with regard to the procedure to follow, so again, if in doubt, call in and ask us.

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Those who are in the eligible or 'at risk' groups who missed out on the clinic are able to book into one of our catch up clinics. Please call the practice for further information. Just to clarify, eligibility is defined by those people over the age of 65; those who are registered as a carer, and those who suffer from the following conditions:

- Chronic Respiratory Disease (COPD, asthma, etc)
- Chronic Heart Disease (e.g. heart failure)
- Chronic Kidney Disease
- Chronic Liver Disease
- Chronic Neurological Disease (e.g. Parkinson's Disease)
- Diabetes
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For some time, we have been aware that people who are unable to come to the practice are often disadvantaged as it is very difficult to bring all aspects of the practice to them at home. We have secured funding for a project to use the RDC transport team to provide transport to patients who would otherwise have required a home visit from a nurse. This could be used, for example, to provide an annual heart disease check at the practice or a routine monitoring blood test.

The aim of the project is to reduce social isolation, improve the standard of routine care to this disadvantaged group and also support a local service to ensure its continued viability. It is important to note that this project does not replace home visits for unwell patients provided by the doctors or home visits for people who are terminally ill.

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The Museum is now closed for the season, until we re-open on 16th May 2016. We are now busy cataloguing and working on next year's displays, events and projects.

One of our exciting exhibitions for 2016 will feature Roger Preston's dramatic black and white photographs of our local lead mines. Watch out for more information on this as the show takes shape.

We also continue to assist people with their research. Some of you may remember that the Museum received some charming watercolours by a local amateur artist called Dorothy Riley - which featured in our AGM quiz. Billie Riley would like to know more about her, so we publish her enquiry below and do hope that you can help us, to help her:

*My mother's name was Sheila Riley. During the Second World War she was sent from London to live in Reeth with her great aunt Dorothy Riley. So, I estimate that she was here from 1940-1944 during which time she attended Fremington School. Dorothy Riley, who never married, lived in Tynholme on the Green in Reeth and was known locally as a painter of landscapes.*

*She was a short woman and a redhead. Other than that, and a photograph of her with Wilfred Pickles (kindly given to me by Margaret Rutter) I know little about Dorothy and would be very grateful if anyone has any information about her life, or*

*where she may be buried etc. If you know anything about her please e-mail me: [billieriley583@hotmail.com](mailto:billieriley583@hotmail.com)*

We also welcomed Vivienne Price to the Museum a few weeks ago. She is interested in finding out more about her mother's time in Reeth as an evacuee from Sunderland. Do any of you remember June Corbett who was billeted with the Horns? She and her sister Audrey also went to Fremington School. Perhaps they were friends with Sheila Riley? Do let us know if you have any information.

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<p><b>Fri 13 Nov Film: Amy</b> A fascinating and heartbreakingly sad and dark depiction of the life of a brilliant singer. It is a touching testament to Winehouse's career, relationships and chaotic personal life. Featuring unseen archival footage and unheard tracks.</p>		
<p><b>Fri 20 Nov Film: Slow West</b> The film follows a 16-year-old boy on a journey across 19th Century frontier America in search of the woman he loves, while accompanied by mysterious traveller, Silas.</p>		
<p><b>Fri 27 Nov Film: My House In Umbria</b> An unlikely group of people find solace and friendship after being thrown together in the wake of a terrorist attack.</p>		
<p><b>Sat 28 Nov From Psychedelia to Sonnets - the remarkable journey of Ashley Hutchings MBE - with guest female singer/ musicians</b> Held in conjunction with Carperby Concerts - The Guv'nor of Folk-Rock reads song lyrics, poetry and more from his book Words, Words, Words and relates stories from his time as founder of Fairport Convention, Steeleye Span, The Albion Band and as a Music Director at the National Theatre. "Unmissable - I was entranced" (Fetea magazine). Tickets £12.</p>		
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## 2 Dales Football

The Under 10s started a new season in a newly re-branded League and a new joint venture with Spennithorne fielding a team from both clubs.

The first couple of matches were disappointing until both squads were able to start training together. At this age we are not allowed to publish results or scores. 3 players are showing fine form in front of goal in Jack Dalton, Luke Metcalfe and Ryan Howard but it is perhaps the other end of the pitch which has seen the best performance of the season with Marko Karadzic in goal. We may not be allowed to publish results but they came away from their 3rd match away at Catterick Village "A" with big smiles on their faces! I am confident they will have a successful season.

The Under 12s played Bedale away performing above the coach's wildest dreams. The first was an own goal from a corner by Joe Alderson. Joseph Scott then scored with a great long shot. Joe then beat a couple of players to fire in a low shot into the bottom corner. Ryan Atkinson played well with Joe; and Dan Webster slotted one in to make it 4 - 1 at half time. Jack Stephenson's runs created chances but when Joseph got a chance he made no mistake. Bedale then came back into the match and Oliver Allison made some great saves in goal. Dales won 5 - 4.

The next week we played another Bedale team and welcomed Isabel Lundberg to her first match. Joseph took the lead and Dales had good

chances for more but a lapse in defence enabled Bedale to equalise. Callum Bellwood in defence was fearless but it was Bedale who got the decider. Lost 2-1. Dales need to improve their finishing and adapt to the bigger pitch having moved up from Under 10s.

We were then away to Catterick Garrison Under 11s but short of players and Jack was injured again after suffering injury in training. With players absent, it seemed to unbalance the team; but their performance, it has to be said, was well below their best, resulting in a heavy defeat.

The next week we were back to full strength and played the older, unbeaten, top of the League, Catterick Garrison Under 12s and this showed a marked difference to last week, also playing a new formation. Daniel Webster, from an excellent pass by

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Joseph, opened the scoring and Joseph extended the lead with a long high shot. Garrison fought back to take a 2-4 lead at half time and unfortunately Oliver, in goal, injured his hand trying to save Garrison's fourth and Ellen Atkinson took his place and performed brilliantly. Dales came right back into the game with Dan Webster scoring from a good run, another hallmark long hard goal from Joseph and finally Dan Guy scored in a crowded box but this was not enough and Dales lost 5-6 in a cracking game.

I have to paraphrase the coach's report for the Gazette and give edited highlights but I would briefly mention other players. Danny Marshall in defence, started the season with the great confidence he built up last year, Finley Clark is showing much more confidence and in one match made a brilliant run right up the field before being injured. Izzy has started with much determination playing against mere boys and Bailey Dunne has much promise when he listens!

All these matches, it has to be said, have been played in lovely and mainly sunny and dry conditions and the best start, weather-wise, to the season, in the 20 years I have been involved in running junior football.

Interest in Under 8s football is very disappointing and may have to cease unless there is better take up. The coach cannot be expected to give up his time for just occasional attendance.

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I was given *The Yorkshire Shepherdess* for Christmas last year and have spent nine months reading it. You may think that a poor recommendation but in fact it was because I was enjoying it so much. I wanted the enjoyment to last as long as possible, so I rationed my reading.

Amanda Owen, the author, was brought up in Huddersfield but now lives even higher up in the Pennines at Ravenseat: 'The most remote farm in Swaledale.' She has found out a lot about the history of the farm and the dale, which makes her book a useful digest of information.

Principally, however, it is a fascinatingly detailed account of her own life and the lives of her family and their animals. Many of you will no doubt have read it already. If you haven't, I can heartily recommend it.

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## Swaledale Mountain and Cave Rescue Team

There were 6 incidents in total for the team last month:

**19/09/2015** (43) 07.25hrs: Pennrith MRT called for us to assist with the continuation of the missing person search alongside 10 rescue teams. During the search the body of the missing person was located.

**18/09/2015** (42) 14.25hrs: Pennrith MRT called for us to assist with a missing person search alongside another 8 rescue teams.

**16/09/2015** (41) 03.25hrs: Cleveland MRT called for our search dog and handler to assist with a missing person search. Person was located and evacuated.

**13/09/2015** (40) A walker slipped about 25 feet down a steep wooded banking below Fremington Edge. The party called for help at the nearest farm, who in turn contacted the team.



As part of the team were undertaking medical training 1 vehicle responded immediately with other team members direct. The team treated and evacuated to the farm for hand over to the Yorkshire Ambulance Service vehicle. Many thanks to the local residents for their help and the welcome cups of tea at the end.

**12/09/2015** (39) 17.30hrs: The team were called by the Ambulance Service to rescue a walker who had fallen some 35ft through rocks at Round Howe, A joint effort by MRT and Ambulance crew, treated and evacuated from the crag to the Air Ambulance.

**09/09/2015** (38) 10.30hrs: A small group from the team undertook the rescue of a sheep trapped in a steep gully near Gunnerside Bridge, successfully rescued without the need for mutton for the rest of the year.

At the end of Sept we ran a training session in Ravenseat for the teams that cover the Northern Pennines. Teesdale, Pennrith, Cave Rescue and Kirkby Stephen MRT. During the full day we had a visit from the Coastguard helicopter as part of our training. Thanks to all who attended and the land owners for access.

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All money raised is used to pay for insurance, maintenance and running of our three emergency vehicles, operating and up keep of our base, and the replacement of rescue and medical equipment.

Thanks for the continued support of all our readers. And remember: the evenings are drawing in, so take a torch if out on the hills.

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## Reeth Memorial Hall Events

**Friday 6th November at 8pm: Ceilidh** with caller Lorna Kitchin. Tickets £8, includes pie & peas supper.

**Saturday 21st November at 8pm:** Award winning duo **John Tams** (Home Service, Sharpe, War Horse) & **Barry Coope**. Always a full house so book early. Tickets £13 (door £15)

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Following the lunch, Julie Pledge from West Burton will tell us about this organisation which she supports and which sends aid to Malawi. Places are available on a first come first served basis to those contacting Dorothy on 01748 880146 or email: dorothebeal20@yahoo.co.uk

There is no charge for the lunch but donations will be taken for the charity and further details can be found here:

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Many thanks in advance from all at St Andrew's for your continuing support of events and activities.

**Susan Allison**

## Thank You

I am most touched and grateful to those of you who have sent me good wished since I came home from hospital. Your phone calls, flowers, cards and visits have been wonderful and I thank you so much.

**Jocelyn Campbell**

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## Alderson Marble plaque

A marble plaque in memory of Charles and Sarah Jane Alderson of Healaugh needs an appropriate home. The memorial has travelled from Healaugh Chapel up to Keld chapel and is now looking for a new resting place.



With the help of Helen at the museum and enquiries with the Alderson Society it seems there are no living direct descendants of Charles and Sarah.

There is no suitable location within the museum and descendants are yet to come forward to house it so the plaque may have to be 'archived' away from the dale should no site be found. There is a suggestion that it might find a publically visible site in Healaugh and if anyone is interested in pursuing this please contact Kevin Pellatt on **01748 886963** or e Mail:

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Buses will be provided for the return journey at approximately 3.15pm, as there will be no parade back this year.

Tea will be served at The Buck, Reeth, at 4.00pm.

## Remembrance Day 11th November 2015

There will be a short Service at the War Memorial, Reeth.

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## Notes from your District Councillor

Several issues come up time and time again at most Parish Council meetings throughout our area and I am sure they occur around the country.

The matter of dog mess on our footpaths and greens is one. Please make every effort to clear up after your dog and make sure you have a supply of poo bags with you. The vast majority of people act responsibly; it's the few who spoil it for the rest of us.

Parking is another. As winter approaches there are fewer visitor cars in our villages but do try to be considerate when parking your vehicle. Remember the space outside your boundary wall probably doesn't belong to you but is part of the Parish. Your Parish Councillors are aware of the problems and regularly discuss what can be done.

NYCC did an assessment on grit bins recently and intended to remove several in Reeth. Fortunately this decision was overturned - particularly as they were in the Quaker Close area which would affect people walking to and from the Doctor's surgery. Please don't use the grit bins for rubbish -

either use the bins provided or better still, take it home.

As commented on in last month's Gazette, the recycling bins can be an eyesore. RDC assure me that the bins are emptied weekly. For various reasons it is not possible to make the space larger to accommodate more containers. It would be helpful if we could all make sure that any large packaging is flattened before being put in the containers.

Several people have contacted me over the refugee situation asking what our Council was doing by way of help. I have raised the issue but as yet have not received any information. Richmondshire D. C. is joining with the other District Councils and NYCC to plan a way forward. If I get any information I will pass it on.

With the nights drawing in, loneliness can be an issue particularly for older people in more remote locations. A good neighbour scheme has been suggested but that seems to me to be too formal. We should all be aware of who our neighbours are and what their needs may be.

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<b>1<sup>st</sup> Nov.</b>	9.15 am	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Eucharist</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
		Reeth Methodist	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
		Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	2.30 pm	Gunnarside Methodist	
	6.00 pm	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Evening Prayer BCP</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Nov.</b>	9.00 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Remembrance Service</i>
	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist	<i>Family Service</i>
	10.45 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Remembrance Service and laying of Wreath</i>
	10.50 am	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Low Row &amp; Muker Remembrance Service</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Remembrance Service</i>
	2.00 pm	Keld War Memorial	
	2.30 pm	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Remembrance Service (Parade gathers at Reeth 2.00 pm)</i>
		6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational

The Methodist Minister for the two Dales is Rev. Les Nevin, who can be contacted on **01748 823149** or by email: [les.nevin@icloud.com](mailto:les.nevin@icloud.com)

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	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Nov.</b>	10.00 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	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.15 am	<i>St. Mary's Arkengarthdale Crib Service All families and children are especially welcome. Bring your Mary &amp; Joseph figures to join those in church for a blessing to start the preparations for Christmas.</i>	
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	<i>Holy Communion</i>
6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational		
<b>26<sup>th</sup> Nov.</b>	7.30 pm	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Christians Together in Swaledale Advent Service</i>
<b>29<sup>th</sup> Nov.</b>	10.30 am	Low Row URC	

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Meetings are at Quaker House, 7 Grove Square Leyburn every Sunday at 10.30am. Additionally on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month at the Scout Hut, Quakers Lane, Richmond at 10.30am.

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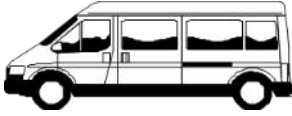
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This will be Nico's second visit to Wensleydale (he accompanied the cellist Corinne Morris last May) and Marie's first visit. Marie is an internationally acclaimed artiste and has sung widely, including major operatic roles all over Europe and at the BBC Proms, and has given a number of World Premiere performances. It will be a very special evening.

Tickets are on sale via the website:  
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## Upper Dales Family History Group

The first speaker of the new season was Karen Adams on 'Trials and Executions in York'.

She began with a map of the numerous jails and places of execution which had served the city over the centuries, ranging from the 13th century prison at Davy Hall to the complex of buildings which made up the Debtors' Prison near Clifford's Tower.

Condemned prisoners were executed on the Knavesmire but there were also gallows on the Hull Road, on Clifton Road, at St Mary's Abbey and behind the castle walls in the city centre.

Karen had selected a number of criminals and types of offence ranging from medieval examples to the 19th century Luddites to illustrate both

different aspects of the justice system and the wide social background of some of the criminals and their victims.

Early examples were the Earl of Northumberland, tried for high treason after the Rising of the North in 1572 and Robert Aske from Marske for his part in leading the 1537 Pilgrimage of Grace; both were beheaded in the city centre. Less exalted criminals were sent to the gallows, including poisoners, murderers, coiners and smugglers from across the area. The most well-known was probably highwayman Dick Turpin, but equally infamous at the time, now almost entirely forgotten, was school teacher Eugene Aram of Knaresborough who murdered Daniel Clarke in 1744.

A number of cases had a dales connection including the Wensleydale rioters executed in 1758 for the offence of high treason in breach of the Militia Act, and George Berry who robbed Anthony Batty on his way home from Hawes market.

The next meeting is at **2.00pm on November 25th** in Harmby Village Hall when Gillian Lord will be speaking on 'Great Uncle Chester! Where are you?' the story of her lengthy search for her bigamist great uncle.

On **Saturday November 7th from 1.00pm to 3.30pm** at Hudson House in Reeth there will be a drop-in Computer Club for anyone interested in beginning to search for their ancestors on the internet or looking for advice of how to get further in their research.

For further information e-mail [moverley.yorkshire@outlook.com](mailto:moverley.yorkshire@outlook.com); contact **07432677783**, or see the website [www.upperdalesfhg.org.uk](http://www.upperdalesfhg.org.uk) for details of all events and the worldwide e-mail discussion group. **Tracy Little**

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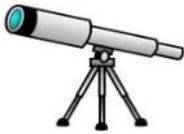
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## Astronomy in the Two Dales

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The Taurids are a long running meteor shower that peaks this year on November 5th; however the moon's light will block all but the brightest meteors and I surmise the rockets and flares will do for the rest. However for those of us who may be up and about at 2.00am on the 6th, the constellation Taurus will be in the southern sky with the meteors radiating from that point.

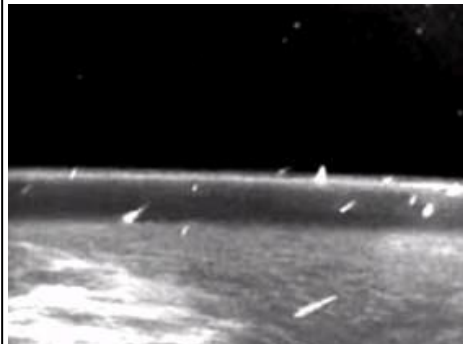


As part of the constellation of Taurus we have The Seven Sisters or Pleiades, an open cluster of stars and the red giant star Aldebaran which is only 65 light years from Earth and there are scientific reports that Aldebaran has a planet orbiting it. For those of you with dreams of immortality, Pioneer 10, a probe launched back in the seventies, will reach this area of space in two million

years time; so stay tuned for the news on that one.

Our second light show occurs on the 17th to the 18th of the month and as the new moon occurs on the 11th the skies will be dark for the Leonid meteor shower. Radiating from the constellation Leo, this meteor shower has a cycle that peaks every 33 years. The next one is in 2034 when hundreds of meteors can be seen every hour. Another date for your diary.

If you have ever wondered what a meteor shower looks like from an astronaut's point of view, here is a picture taken in 1997 of the Leonid meteor shower.



The full moon occurs on the 25th, and the only time for planetary observation is in the early morning as Venus, Mars and Jupiter dance with each other in the eastern sky after 2.00am and before the sun rises. So load up on parkin, wrap up warmly and enjoy the show.

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## Computer Corner

With Carol Haynes of Dales Computer Services

### Windows 10 snooping and internet sharing

One of the more worrying things recently being discussed is the amount of data harvesting going on by Microsoft with the new Windows 10 and also sharing your internet connection with other users.

Firstly, I don't think Microsoft are the worst company out there for doing what they are doing - they are just more open about it. All the time you are connected to the internet companies are collecting anonymous information about you. But it is a little worrying the way the data collection process crept in with little fanfare and the new privacy policy is pretty wide ranging.

The other thing they are doing is using your computer and your internet connection to share windows updates with other users. Anyone who has used torrent downloads will know how this works and it is nothing sinister but it does mean that if you have a fixed amount of data each month from your

internet provider some of it is being used by Microsoft to save them money.

Basically what is happening is if you download an update for windows (in most cases this is automatic and doesn't require you to do anything) it may no longer be coming from Microsoft's servers - parts of the updates are coming from other users computers and once you have the update you too will be sending out packages of data for other users to download. This passes the load from Microsoft's servers to users computers - thus saving them a lot of money.

If you are on unlimited superfast broadband you are unlikely to notice anything but if you have slow broadband or a monthly limit on usage you may well notice things slowing down and your monthly limit disappearing faster.

All of this stuff can be turned off so that you don't share data or your

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broadband connection but the settings are buried away. For further details and how to turn off the snooping settings see this webpage:

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To turn off data sharing with Windows update check out this page:

<http://tinyurl.com/dcs-w10-update>  
(Do copy addresses really carefully.)

### Telephone Scams Continue

Just to say thank you to David Emmerson for his email the other day reminding me this nasty scam is still going on and appears to be becoming more aggressive.

I have written about this a number of times before but just a gentle reminder: if someone calls you up and says your computer has a problem and they want to help fix it then it is a scam.

They are very pushy and often claim to be Microsoft but it is 100%

guaranteed that they have nothing to do with Microsoft.

If you get one of these calls ask for their phone number (they are unlikely to give it) and report it to the police.

Let me spell this out clearly: NO REPUTABLE COMPANY WILL CALL YOU AND OFFER TO FIX YOUR COMPUTER - certainly not Microsoft. It is almost impossible to talk to them if you offer to pay!

That's it for this month. Happy computing. Any questions or suggestions for an article topic please email me at:

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## Marske in Swaledale WI Report

Hazel welcomed members and Eileen deputised for Jennifer as secretary. The rollcall was won by Hilda and the raffle by Audrey.

Hilda and Audrey had enjoyed the centenary evening at Carperby Our entry in Reeth show came third. There will be a fund-raising church concert by Marske Choir on 3rd October at 7.30 and it was hoped that members would support this good cause.

The evening continued on the theme of '100 years of crafts and cake' beginning with Mary making her famous lemon drizzle cake (she even brought her own oven.) and continuing with a multitude of wonderful craft skills demonstrated by the rest of the members. It was such an entertaining and interesting evening that we awarded ourselves 10 points each in lieu of competition entries.

The next meeting will be on 27th October at 7 p.m. in Marrick Institute, when Kathryn Guy will show us how to make Christmas decorations. Visitors are always welcome.

**Eileen Martin**

## Thank You

Thank you so much to Suzanne, Sharon, Kimberley and Karen for travelling down to London recently to support Emma and enter the 26.2 mile Shine Night Walk in aid of Cancer Research.

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On Wednesday 11th November in **'Scuba Diving in the North Sea'** Geoff and Julie Forrest will demonstrate the tough and chilly world of the UK scuba diver and the marvels of the underwater world of the North Sea. They have been diving for over 12 years and have undertaken over 800 dives, this will be an account of their adventures.

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In our last talk before Christmas Robert Hall will look forward to the new year and new beginnings in **'Spring in Wensleydale'** on Wednesday 25th November. Robert's talk will be illustrated by a set of nature photographs taken locally over several

years. Robert was the chair of Yoredale Natural History Society for several years and currently edits their bulletin.

Bellerby Study Group meetings start at 7.30 pm and are held in the Memorial Hall, Church Street, Bellerby, talks are followed by tea and cakes. Fees are £10 per term for members, visitors and guests are always welcome at £2 each per meeting. For more information contact **Douglas Dempster 01969 622040**.

Bellerby Study Group meetings will begin again in January 2016.

Elaine Frances

## Swale Singers Concert

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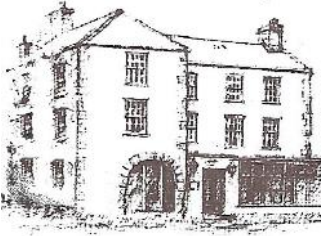
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## News from Arkengarthdale C of E School

Arkengarthdale School has always had a strong link with Outdoor Learning, but recent developments have strengthened this link further. The school has been fortunate to receive a grant from the Ernest Cook Trust which will enable us to develop our outdoor areas further and to build on our Forest School learning. The Ernest Cook Trust was founded in 1952 and it supports learning in the outdoors in schools and other organisations. You can learn more about this trust at [www.ernestcooktrust.org.uk](http://www.ernestcooktrust.org.uk)

Next door to the school is our third classroom - an area of woodland lent to the school by our neighbours. Every week, the children use this area as a base for learning about - and in - the outdoors. The children are already very familiar with this area and its flora and fauna. They can name the tree species within the woodland and are familiar with the animal species that share the environment with them. So far they have seen owls, deer, a wide range of invertebrates and lots of other different bird species. A small beck runs through the copse and it is hoped to develop this area of wetland so that we have pond study facilities on the site.

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Mrs Brown - our lead teacher - is an accredited Forest School teacher and Reverend Caroline Hewlett is on the brink of achieving this qualification too. Both of them lead activities in the woodland, with the support of our other staff.

One of the purchases with our Ernest Cook Foundation grant is a large tepee, which is being installed soon. This will enable the children to use the woodland in even the wettest conditions. A feature of our grant from the trust is that we share our developments with the community, so we are hoping to share our area with everyone who is interested. We will be holding a Tepee Play afternoon soon when the children at Arkengarthdale School will be hosting an introduction to their area for anyone who is interested. Watch out for further details about this.

Although much of our Outdoor Learning is done in our immediate environment, we explore other areas also. Our Year 6 children have just returned from a week's residential visit with their friends from Richmond Methodist School at a residential centre near Whitby. On the visit, they studied the seashore, watched seals, canoed down the river to Whitby harbour, built shelters, beck-scrambled in the River Esk, orienteered on the moors, hunted for fossils, body-boarded in the North Sea and made lots of new friends to boot.

If you think you have skills to offer that might help us to develop our Outdoor Learning, or if you would like to visit our outdoor classroom, please get in touch with us

**Mark Allison, Headteacher**

## Darlington Credit Union

The Darlington Credit Union (DCU) is delighted to announce that it will be soon providing a direct access to its products and services in Reeth.

In a joint venture, supported by Hudson House, DCU staff member Emma Wilson, will be offering this free service to the residents of The Two Dales on every first and third Friday of the month. A start date is yet to be finalised but further information will be made available through the press, fliers, posters and information sheets over the next few weeks.

So what is a Credit Union? A Credit Union is a member owned financial co-operative. It is a not-for-profit independent organisation with surplus shared amongst the members in the form of a dividend. Credit Unions have a mission to provide easily accessible savings and affordable loans, and to offer financial education to both its members and the general public at large.

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As Credit Unions do not have to make a profit, all of their excess revenue is used to benefit the members, by a dividend return on their investment or a reduction in loan rates and by adopting a policy of no fees.

Darlington Credit Union was formed in 2009, following the merger of four small credit unions within Darlington. At the time of the merger there were 600 members with savings of around £120,000 and a loan book value of £60,000. Today DCU has over 5,000 members, savings of around £1.5m and a loan book value of approximately £900,000. Anyone within the DL, YO and HG postcodes can become a member and this includes corporate accounts. Many small local traders have opened accounts attracted by the fee free offering.

In September 2015, DCU will move from its current premises in Church Row, Darlington to an exciting new premises at 41 Tubwell Row. The new office will provide a fully functional banking hall that will offer our members a safe and private environment to transact their business. It will also look impressive. In the first quarter of 2016, DCU will also be switching its operating system to a new banking platform, as part of the

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government sponsored "Credit Union Expansion Project".

This new banking platform will allow DCU to offer its members, and prospective members, a much wider product range, from current accounts to cash ISAs and with the possibility of offering mortgages in the future. Full online banking facilities will be available.

None of these advances will detract from our stated aim of offering a face to face service to as many people as possible. As part of that aim we are working closely with several organisations to extend our services into the rural communities. At a time when banks are closing their last few rural branches, such as Bedale, DCU is seeking to fill that void with financial services and support in the heart of those communities.

In North Yorkshire we are working with North Yorkshire County Council, to provide our services and products through their libraries in places such as Leyburn, Thirsk, Bedale, Catterick, Richmond, Stokesley and Northallerton.

We hope to establish the same in Reeth for the benefit of the people of The Two Dales. Emma Wilson will not only transact financial business on

behalf of DCU but will also offer financial support via our MoneyWorks scheme.

MoneyWorks is a Big Lottery Funded project, delivered by Darlington Credit Union's Financial Inclusion Development Worker - Emma Wilson, and partnered with Morrison Trust. The project is designed to provide free ongoing money management support, through a one to one budgetary service and group financial education sessions, with products and content tailored to the needs of the client.

The sessions delivered by our Financial Inclusion Development Worker also acts as a gateway to additional services, such as Darlington Credit Union products and debt advice by CAB, thereby ensuring that clients get the support they need to help them towards being financially capable.

I trust you will find these services useful and that over time we can establish a more permanent position in your community.

If anyone has any questions or would like to talk to DCU please telephone 01325 529829, and ask for Emma or email:

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**Reeth Parish Council  
September 2015**

**Village pound:** The pound had been advertised in the local press and three applications had been received of which two had subsequently been withdrawn. Councillors agreed to rent the pound to the sole remaining applicants.

**Street lights:** Coun Frankland had a list of lights around the parish which were in need of repair. A request had been made that a light at the bottom of Mill Hill should be changed to LED and this would be passed on.

**Playground:** An application had been made to deregister the playground group with the Charity Commission as this was no longer relevant to its running.

**Parking:** There was a lengthy discussion regarding complaints about parking on and around the green and the clerk would contact some of the residents who had been putting out unauthorised parking cones. There were particular issues near the Burgoyne hotel where permission had been given for cones to be put out on the appropriate day to allow the refuse lorry room to reverse up the slip road. A number of complaints had also been received about a vehicle believed to belong to a visitor which was blocking the pavement on Silver Street. The clerk would also follow this up.

**Remembrance Sunday:** Arrangements had been made for the parade to leave Reeth at 2pm for a 2.30pm service at Grinton. There would be no return parade due to the number of police required but participants would walk back informally or use the coach. The

tea would be held in the Buck Hotel this year as the Memorial Hall had another advance booking. The clerk would approach local clergy regarding the 11am service at the war memorial on November 11.

**Defibrillator:** The clerk would follow up options for the provision of a defibrillator in the village.

**War Memorial:** Coun Frankland was asked to take some photographs of the memorial to assist the monumental mason and save a site visit.

**Air crash memorial:** Members agreed that the proposed plaque to those who died in the wartime plane crash on Fremington Edge should be placed outside the Burgoyne Hotel where it would be seen by more people, rather than at the crash site.

**Footpaths and green:** A number of footpaths in the parish were noted as being in a poor state of repair and overgrown, including the path up School Hill where the drains were also blocked, Back Lane and the path to the surgery in Quaker Close. Loose setts around the green had been reset. There had been reports of garden waste dumped on parish ground along the Arkengarthdale Road.

**Recycling centre:** There had been a number of complaints about the state of the recycling bins and frequency of emptying. Coun Beal had passed these on to RDC but some of the problems were caused by the way the facility was used with bags and boxes left on the ground beside the bins.

**Dog fouling:**

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**Muker Parish Council  
September 2015**

**Matters Arising:** Cllr Blows stated that Sally Dixon of RDC was to attend Muker to look at where the Dog Bin should be positioned.

The sign directing people to the toilets could be located on the existing post by the Bridge.

Cllr Blackie had received a quote from NYCC to replace and erect the Muker Sign of £250.

The gutter on the Public Toilets had been cleaned.

The light on the Literary Institute was still not working. Cllr Reynoldson stated that there was a light in Thwaite which was continuously on. Clerk to contact RDC.

**Highways:** Cllr Blackie felt that the Consultation Process concerning the Grit Bin Review was extremely poor. He also reported that NYCC accepted that there had been communication problems. Cllr Blackie reported that following further discussions a number of grit bins had been saved, these are Bainbridge near the Ambulance Station, Reeth, Turfy Top and Silver Hill. There are two bins in Muker and two bins in Thwaite which are earmarked for removal. The Parish Council can decide whether they want to pay for the filling and maintenance of these bins. These

payments can be deferred until next year.

Cllr Whitehead raised concerns regarding the ash trees obstructing motorists' views of the road on the right hand side of the road just before Angram. Clerk to contact Highways to request their removal.

**YDNP:** Regarding approval for the Thwaite H Pole for the pumping station, the council noted that Yorkshire Water had knocked on doors in Thwaite and that noise from the pumping station was the main concern. Cllr Reynoldson questioned the need for the H Pole when there is already a pole adjacent; he also stated that this additional pole would ruin the view onto Kisdon Hill. Cllr Blackie asked whether the transformer could be erected on the existing pole. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to Kerry White and Richard Graham, enquiring as to whether this could be done. The Parish Council felt that this whole process had been rather rushed through.

A planning application had been received for the relocation of an LPG Tank at Kearton Guest House Thwaite - No objections

Cllr Metcalfe questioned Cllr Blackie concerning the National Parks' policy on Barn Conversions near the roadside. Cllr Blackie explained the new policy and the difference between a barn to be converted for sale on the open market

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as opposed to local occupancy use and the fee that would be incurred for open market use.

It was also raised that the yellow lines in Muker had still not been finished as agreed two years ago. Clerk to contact Highways.

**Correspondence/AOB:** The Chair read out an e-mail which had been received from a couple holidaying in Swaledale which commended the cleanliness of the toilets in Keld and also the Keld Heritage Centre. Clerk to pass on the letter to RDC.

Cllr Blows requested that the PC invite Jane Ritchie to a Parish Council Meeting regarding the work of the Clinical Commissioning Group - Clerk to invite Jane Ritchie to attend Parish Council to discuss.

Cllr Metcalfe raised concerns about

an obstruction to the public caused by signs, tables and chairs in Muker. Chairman to write to the business concerned.

Muker Defibrillator - Cllr Whitehead said that he had contacted Dave Jones regarding the faulty light on the defibrillator

Cllr Blackie told the meeting that Superfast Broadband in Muker would be part of Phase 2 next year and had been confirmed as fibre to the premise/home and not just fibre to the cabinet. Keld would follow on later, but it had not yet been decided as to whether it would be fibre to premises in Keld.

Cllr Blackie asked the meeting to note that a balance had to be achieved when road closures were necessary.

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- 8th Remembrance Sunday Parade. Gather at the shelter in Reeth. 2.00pm
- 18th Melbecks Coffee Morning at Low Row Institute 10.00am to 12.00 noon
- 21st Film in Gunnerside Village Hall, *A Little Chaos*. 7.30pm
- 21st Tams & Coope, Reeth Memorial Hall. 8.00pm
- 27th Arkengarthdale School Quiz Night with Pie & Pea Supper. CB Inn. 8.30pm
- 28th Swale Singers concert, St Mary's Church, Arkengarthdale.

## December

- 4th Brass & Pearls Charity Concert. The Buck Hotel, Reeth. 8.00pm
- 4th North Country Theatre, *The Gift of Stones*, Reeth Memorial Hall. 7.30pm
- 5th North Country Theatre, *The Gift of Stones*, Reeth Memorial Hall. 7.30pm
- 11th Dominos & Whist, Low Row
- 12th Film in Gunnerside Village Hall, *Far From the Madding Crowd* 7.30pm
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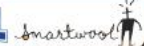


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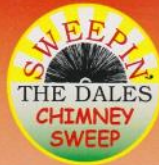
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