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First Thoughts . . .

It's all a matter of perspective. Take the number 17 for example - a prime number. That's a good thing as far as mathematicians are concerned. Prime numbers excite mathematicians because there is no discernible pattern to them.

For Premiership clubs though, 17 is only just above the relegation zone and indicates a precarious position. Unless of course the season has finished when it represents a place of safety - a position Sunderland and Newcastle fans will be hoping their team achieves. Little chance of that though: more likely that they will occupy places 18 and 19 and be replaced in the Premiership by two Yorkshire teams: Hull City and Middlesbrough. (Not much hope for Leeds Utd I'm afraid.)

For a musician, whilst Number 1 in the charts is a position they might strive for, at least 17 is in the Top Twenty - and to achieve a Top Twenty hit is something to be celebrated as it represents massive sales. Well, at least it used to. Nowadays artists seem to get to the top of the charts with just a handful of sales compared to the golden era of the singles.

'Where is this leading?' you may be wondering. Well, the Gazette was entered for the **2015 National Parish Magazine Awards** and we came 17th. How does that sound? In Premiership terms, not so good as we are threatened with relegation. But in musical parlance: We have got a Top Twenty hit - that sounds much better.

As I said, it's all a matter of perspective. The judges commented

**Reeth & District Gazette
Annual General Meeting
Thursday 10th March 2016
7.00 pm in Low Row Institute.**

If anyone wishes to stand for the Management Committee, please contact the secretary by **3rd March**.

that the standard this year was the highest ever and that it had been hard work for the judges to decide on the final order.

Not bad then, especially when you consider that there were over 600 entries. So, yes, a Top Twenty hit sound does sound pretty impressive, but there is room for improvement.

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The deadlines for the next two months are:

March issue: February 10th

April issue: March 10th

PLEASE NOTE: We cannot guarantee that items submitted close to the deadline date will be included.

Ahh . . .

Sea otters hold hands when they sleep so they don't drift away from each other.

COVER PICTURE

The River Swale from

The Swing Bridge

The Great Freeze of . . . When?

Letter To The Editor

Rain Rain Rain

We are all fed up with the weather especially as the floods of recent weeks have been getting too close for comfort, although some of us have been affected. But horrendous floods have been occurring almost annually for the past decade or more with many places suffering more than once -York, Malton, Tadcaster, Hebden Bridge, Carlisle and the Lakes to mention just a few. However there have been extreme floods in Cornwall, mid and north Wales, the Thames Valley and of course the Somerset Levels. Now the latest in Scotland.

The question is what to do about it? Dredging the rivers regularly would help - after all it worked well for centuries. So why aren't the rivers dredged now? Quite simply because the bureaucrats in Brussels passed an edict in 2000 entitled *The European Water Framework Directive* which forbids dredging as it is decreed 'detrimental to the environment.'

What nonsense! When will any politician mention this particular example of Brussels interference? I cannot recall it being referred to during any broadcasts from the flood - affected areas.

Let's get back to common sense and introduce a properly planned programme of flood water management making maximum use of local knowledge, instead of just talking about spending billions on increasingly useless so-called flood defence systems.

Derek Pollard

So, there you have it: European Bureaucrats are to blame for all the floods which seem to be a frequent occurrence rather than a 'once in a lifetime' event. But, if the rivers were frequently dredged, would they be able to cope, no matter how much rain fell from the skies? Or is it simply a case of unprecedented amounts of rain; and if that is the case, why are we having so much rain?

Que pensez-vous?

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Many complaints are being received at the present time about dog dirt and especially on the Back Lane near the Doctor's Surgery and the Children's Playground. Regrettably the cause of the problem at this time of year can only be attributed to local dog owners.

Just before Christmas Dave Hodgson of Reeth, using his own Land Rover, joined other volunteers to take humanitarian aid to Bosnia in support of the charity Heartfelt. . . . Despite the devastation, small arms fire, road blocks and other sights and sounds of war, life seemed to continue and the warmth and courage of the local people was an inspiration.

The National Park advise that funding for the Reeth Information Centre has now been approved and the applications for tenders for the various internal works will appear in the press very shortly. Providing there are no complications the centre should open in the summer.

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Who do you share your birthday with?

- 1 Stanley Matthews, wore long shorts
- 2 Charles Darwin, invented evolution
- 3 George Adamson, Father of Lions
- 4 Norman Wisdom, Charlie Chaplin's favourite clown
- 5 Alex Harvey, Sensational
- 6 Frederick Swards Trueman, Fiery
- 7 Eddie Izzard, one of Ocean's men
- 8 John Grisham, average writer
- 9 Gordon Strachan, Scottish
- 10 Boris Pasternak, invented Doctor Zhivago
- 11 Nick Barmby, Hull City legend
- 12 Abraham Lincoln, theatre goer
- 13 Peter Gabriel, invented Genesis
- 14 Edward Arthur Milne, Astrophysicist from Hull
- 15 Ernest Shackleton, his stamps are available at the PO
- 16 Christopher Eccleston, co-starred with Adele the Dispenser
- 17 Rebecca Adlington, swims a bit
- 18 Colin Jackson, overcomes hurdles
- 19 Seal, performing musician
- 20 Anthony Head, coffee-selling vampire slayer
- 21 Eddie Waring, "He's goin' for an early bath"
- 22 Bruce Forsyth, did well, didn't he?
- 23 William Horlick, a night-time drink
- 24 Bill Bailey, a book by Catherine Cookson
- 25 John Arlott, legend
- 26 Levi Strauss, it was in his jeans
- 27 Peter Andre, singer, allegedly
- 28 Pablo Fanque, a Beatles' lyric
- 29 Hardly anyone
- 30 It doesn't exist.
- 31 Neither does this.
- 32 Now you are just being silly.

Reeth Gazette Community Chest

This month's recipient is Seedlings Playgroup. Here's what they have to say.

The Seedlings Playgroup meets two mornings each week (term time) at the Memorial Hall, Reeth. It serves the Two Dales of Swaledale and Arkengarthdale. We have a Play Leader, and a committee of four parents who keep finance, information, and fundraising in check.

The Playgroup provides the important step from home to Nursery/School that all children need. The social side of play is a very important to all children, especially those who may live in remote areas of the Dales,

and we also offer time for young mums and dads to meet up and chat over a coffee whilst the children have their healthy snack together.

As I am sure you are aware, young families are scarce in the Dales, and with this follows the fact that our numbers are low, and so the charge we make does not cover the cost of each session. We hold fundraising events throughout the year, and this helps to replace old play equipment and introduce new items for the younger members of the Group. So any other donations we receive are used very wisely.

Due to cutbacks by North Yorkshire County Council we have lost the Sure Start session and so we have opened our doors to babies as well as toddlers. It is these children who will keep the group active in the future.

Sue Barron



If you'd like your group to benefit, just email the editor@reethgazette.co.uk giving the name of the organisation and 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, so that you can tell the wider community how your organisation contributes to the life of the two dales.

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Swaledale Mountain and Cave Rescue Team

Thanks to all team members, family & supporters & the Reeth Gazette. Without you guys we couldn't function.

As a brief round up of the year we responded to 61 incidents in 2015, a mixture of walkers, climbers, runners & general outdoor users. The year finished with the challenging task of dealing with the floods in Cumbria & North Yorkshire adding a different twist to our Mountain & Cave Rescue role. The 61 incidents equate to around 6,000 rescue person hours, all given free to help those in need. On top of this we trained for another 4000 rescue person hours. Thanks for your ongoing support .

There were 11 incidents in total for the team in December and one so far this year:

04/01/2016 (01) 22.00hrs: The team placed on standby to assist

Scarborough MRT with flash flooding in Whitby.

28/12/2015 (61) 17.00hrs: The team were redeployed to Selby as the flooding there was causing a threat to life & a bridge had collapsed making access difficult.

27/12/2015 (60) 00.00hrs: Continuation of flood evacuation from York

26/12/2015 (59) 22.00hrs: As part of the National flood rescue response we were called to assist with the evacuation of people from the flooding in York. Over 200 Mountain Rescue technicians from all over the UK attended.

25/12/2015 (58) 13.30hrs: Just after Xmas dinner, The team were requested to standby by to assist with any flood incidents during the poor weather both in area & in Cumbria.

12/12/2015 (57) 18.00hrs: Team leader contacted directly by a local resident reporting 2 persons stuck while trying to access their remote property in the snow. 2 team members walked up to investigate while other leaders placed on stand by. Located safe & well very quickly & walked back to safety.

06/12/2015 (56) 16.00hrs: The team were called by the Police to search for



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06/12/2015 (55) 13.30hrs: The team were called to assist with the ongoing rescue operation in Cumbria, 2 water rescue crews deployed to Carlisle to evacuate residents to safety.

05/12/2015 (54) 18.30hrs: The team were called to rescue 4 person trapped in a vehicle in rising flood water, while en route the persons made it to safety.

05/12/2015 (53) 15.30hrs: The team were asked to check a stranded vehicle in rising flood water, once it was clear no-one was in the car the team stood down.

04/12/2015 (52) 20.30hrs: The team were asked to standby by Fire & Rescue to assist with any flood incidents during the poor weather.

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1.00pm with breaks (squash, fruit and biscuits will be provided). There is a small charge of £3.00 per child. Places are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

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- Thurs 18th Feb Leyburn Arts Centre
- Fri 19th Feb Hawes Market House,
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Fri 5 Feb Film: Love & Mercy In the 1960s, Beach Boys leader Brian Wilson struggles with emerging psychosis as he attempts to craft his avant-garde pop masterpiece. In the 1980s, he is a broken, confused man under the 24-hour watch of shady therapist Dr. Eugene Landy. 5.00 & 7.30		
Fri 12 Feb Film: The Walk In 1974, high-wire artist Philippe Petit recruits a team of people to help him realize his dream: to walk the immense void between the World Trade Centre towers. 5.00 & 7.30		
Fri 19 Feb Film: Macbeth Macbeth, the Thane of Glamis, receives a prophecy from a trio of witches that one day he will become King of Scotland. Consumed by ambition and spurred to action by his wife, Macbeth murders his king and takes the throne for himself. 5.00 & 7.30		
Fri 26 Feb Film: Life is Beautiful When an open-minded Jewish librarian and his son become victims of the Holocaust, he uses a perfect mixture of will, humour and imagination to protect his son from the dangers around their camp. Winner of 3 Oscars. (Subs) 5.00 & 7.30		
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2 Dales Football

Our joint Under 10s team with Spennithorne have been playing development Futsal at a time when most leagues have struggled to get games. With Christmas now over they move into the competitive stages with confidence in a league of 11 teams with 6 progressing to the next stage. They have been very lucky to get some exceptional training and Futsal coaching with ex professional and FA coach - Andy Toman

On 6th December it was fortunate we started Futsal as the flooding was so serious we had to go to Richmond via Marske. Our first match was against Bedale Hawks which we won 1-0 in a very close game with Ryan Atkinson the scorer. The second match was against Thirsk Falcons. Bailey Dunne opened the scoring before Thirsk equalised. Daniel Webster then scored off an opponent only for Thirsk to equalise again. Ryan then took the lead followed by a very hard goal from Joe Alderson. Thirsk pulled one back but finally Finley Clark extended the lead to win 5-3. Ellen Atkinson performed well in goal while captain Dan Marshall took his role in an intelligent manner and Joseph Scott played well and was unlucky not to score.

Futsal comprises games of 15 minutes played very fast usually with high scoring so low scores reflect particularly well on defenders. Following experience in the first week, the organisers changed the format so instead of playing 2 games every week

moved to 4 games alternate weeks but this means a very long morning and a lot of idle children between matches so we are reverting to 2 games every week.

On 20 December we were seriously short of players due to illness and Christmas commitments. The first game was against Bedale Typhoons. Lost 5-2 with goals from Daniel Webster and Joe. We lost 4-2 to Thirsk Blues (Joe and Dan Guy). Daniel Webster and Dan Guy then had to leave and Catterick Garrison proved too strong for our weakened team losing 8-1 (Joe). The final match was against Colburn when we were at our weakest but played probably our best football in a very close game losing 3-2 (Joe 2). This was Jack Stephenson's first Futsal and he took well to the different style of football.

We look forward to getting back on the green stuff but in this weather, indoor Futsal is very welcome.

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Let's Get Lyrical

The answer's to last month's Lyric / Song Title Search are:

January by Pilot

'**Like a circle . . .**' from *Windmills of Your Mind* by Noel Harrison.

Right back Where We Started From by Maxine Nightingale.

'**Another Year Over . . .**' from *Happy Xmas* by John Lennon and the Plastic Ono Band.

'**. . . should be so lucky**' from *I Should Be So Lucky* by Kylie.

'**Wait a minute**' from *Mr Postman* by The Marvelletes / Beatles and others.

'**. . . in the end, the love you give . . .**' from *The End* by The Beatles.

It was possible to find other lyrics and song titles in the editorial; but these were the seven which were

deliberately inserted into the article.

The winner this month is David Goff from The Fat Sheep. £10.00 will be donated to a charity of his choice.

Anyway, as a number of you either enjoyed the challenge or found it infuriating, here's another, with £5.00 donated to a charity of the winner's choice.

I am writing this on the day that the death of David Bowie was announced, so, which of his songs do these lyrics come from?

1. Blue, blue, electric blue, that's the colour of my room
2. Last night they loved you, opening doors and pulling some strings
3. Take a look at the lawman, beating up the wrong guy
4. I know when to go out and when to stay in; get things done
5. He says he's a beautician and sells you nutrition

By way of a tie-breaker, put the titles in chronological order. And no cheating: internet use is not allowed.

Answers to the editor.

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St Andrew's Parish Update

Grateful thanks for all businesses who took part in the Posada this year. There was a real interest in Mary and Joseph's journey around the Dale - especially when they got lost en-route once or twice. The Swaledale Posada 2015 Facebook page got lots of hits too and is still available if you search for it. The Posada also got a mention in a Christian radio programme, along with Arkengarthdale school children and Muker band. The programme charted the Vicar and the curate's progress in getting round the Parish in the run up to Christmas. The programme was broadcast on Christmas Eve.

Make Do and Mend

There will be a Make Do and Mend session at Fremington on **Saturday**

12th March from 10 until 4pm. Light refreshments will be served. Please do come and drop off your mending (buttons, zips, hems etc.) or bring your ironing for us to do. You can stay to enjoy a cuppa whilst waiting for your jobs to be done or drop them off and collect later. The work will be done on a donation basis and proceeds will go towards Fremington Village Trust for the hall funds. Please contact Susan Allison on 01748 884366 or susan.allison@talk21.com for further information.

Church Repairs

Many of you will have seen the rather sorry for itself flagpole hanging over the tower at St Andrew's, Grinton during the last month or two. High winds whilst flying the flag for St Andrew's day ensured that a replacement is needed. The lightning conductor needs work too as that was fixed to it. Coming out in support was the organ blower which also decided enough was enough following the Christingle service and promptly burnt itself out (thankfully, without burning down the church at the same time.) Grateful thanks to Reeth Fire Brigade for turning out at 10.00pm on 'Mad Friday' night to check it out for us.

All these things come to test us but they are insignificant when compared to those poor souls recently battling flooding issues in Cumbria, Lancashire and Yorkshire. Our thoughts and prayers are with them all as they try to put their lives back in order.

We have two new bells being cast for us to take the number from 6 to 8 bells and hope to have these installed this summer. If you would like to donate to the bell appeal (or any other

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Grinton Conservation Group

Meetings: The plan for the year is now 'up on the church railings' and all meetings are open to all. The first meeting in March is for a general churchyard 'green gym' day on the 12 March from 10.30am-noon. Please come along if something appeals to you. There is no pressure to 'join' and all are welcome to one event/meeting or all of them.

Forest Church: These outdoor Christian based activity days are for all age groups - not just for Children. Come along if you would like to - our next meeting is an indoor meeting on March 5th from 2-4pm in Reeth Methodist Schoolroom.

Bat Counts: There will be regular bat

counts and we are hoping for good numbers of people this year as we want to track the back (west end) of the church for possible different species tracked flying around in the churchyard (but not inside church) as well as the count at the East end of the church where we know the pipistrelles fly out from the maternity roost. Regular updates can be found on the parish website:

www.swaledalearkengarthdaleparish.org.uk and the google group forum **https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/gcpforum** which is open to all to sign up to and receive emails about the conservation group work.

Tree work: Following on from the tree survey undertaken last summer by conservation group members and the agreement of works by the tree officer planning permission was granted in October by the Diocesan Advisory Committee for the works to proceed. This was obviously subject to the survey of one of the two European protected species (our bats) and their possible bat tree roosts - making sure that it wasn't the ones we were hoping to trim or chop out altogether. These tree works are not being started until the Autumn so that we can avoid the spring/summer nesting bird season.

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Reeth Memorial Hall Events

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Friday 18th March: North Country Theatre presents Egil Skallagrimsson *Keeps His Head*. When Icelandic hardman Egil and his crew are storm driven up the Humber and into the hands of his old enemy Erik Bloodaxe, their days of travelling, trading and trashing seem numbered. But Egil has more strings to his bow - and his harp - than first appear. Specially commissioned by the Yorvik Viking Festival, this fast moving, tongue-in-cheek version of a classic saga mixes murder, mayhem and mirth in equal measure. Tickets £10 (under 16's £5).

Friday 1st April: Johnny Cash Revisited with Rick McKay & Starkville City. An unmissable journey spanning 5 decades of music from the 'Man in Black.' 'I would recommend this show to anyone from die hard old Johnny Cash fans to newcomers who want to hear the real deal' (Dave Roe, bassist - Johnny Cash & the Tennessee Three.) See www.johnnycashrevisited.com - Tickets £12 (door £14).

Saturday 9th April: Hannah James - Jig Doll. This beautiful new show explores the life of the travelling player: sometimes exotic, sometimes frightening, it's a world where home changes daily, and the only touchstones are the skills you carry with you, and the people you meet on the way. 'Hannah James is a wonderfully talented young singer, clog dancer and accordion player. She is set for great things.' (Maddy Prior) - see <http://jigdoll.co.uk/> - Tickets £10 (door £12)

Friday 29th April: An Evening with Anita Harris is a wonderful cocktail of song, glitz, chat and humour. Anita has appeared with The Cliff Adams Singers, graced the top of the pop charts, appeared in two Carry On films, become a pantomime legend as Peter Pan, starred in *Cats* in the West End for 13 years and featured in 7 Royal Command Performances.

Anita has worked with Harry Secombe, Phil Silvers, Morecambe and Wise, Tommy Cooper, David Nixon and Clive Dunn. With musical accompaniment, Anita performs songs including *Memory*, *Just Loving You*, *All That Jazz* and *Route 66*. Tickets £12 (door £14)

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saint's body arriving in Durham, where his shrine became a focus of pilgrimage, will be considered, allowing for reflection on the development of a saint's cult and the construction of one of the finest Romanesque cathedrals in Europe.

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In The Spotlight

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Tell us about yourself in 50 words or less:

Born in Plymouth at the end of the 2nd World War; grew up in Otley; worked Cemeteries & Crematoria manager in Leeds; moved to Arkengarthdale with wife Sheila in 1993. I help with Swaledale Scouts and I'm Scout District Commissioner for Richmondshire.

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

I completed the Krypton Factor Assault course when Mayor of Otley as a sponsored fund raiser.

What was the first job you ever had?

Saturday delivery boy for an Otley butcher .

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

The great scenery & wonderful local people.

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

A Land Rover Discovery and employ a driver.

Which is you favourite film?

James Bond: From Russia With Love

What is your favourite meal?

Medium rare steak & chips .

How do you like to spend your spare time?

Walking & reading.

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

Dickie Bird the umpire.

Is the glass half full or half empty?

Half full.

What would be your luxury on a desert island?

A copy of every Ordnance survey map of Britain.

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

Smoking.

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

My collection of Teak Elephants.

What's your favourite joke?

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	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	6.00 pm	St. Andrew's Grinton <i>at Fremington Sunday School</i>	<i>Evening Prayer BCP</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
10th Feb.	10.00 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Holy Communion BCP with Ashing</i>
14th Feb.	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton at <i>Fremington Sunday School</i>	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist	<i>Family Service</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	2.30 pm	Gunnerside Methodist	
	6.00 pm	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Evening Prayer</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	

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	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Morning Prayer with Baptism</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
28th Feb.	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton at <i>Fremington Sunday School</i>	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	10.30 am	Reeth Methodist	
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Jane Bradshaw joined St Theresa's Hospice in 1996 as its first paid fundraiser and is now the Chief Executive. On **Wednesday 10 February** Jane will describe how the Hospice was founded and the development of the Darlington and District Hospice Movement.

In *From Farms to Arms*, on **Wednesday 24 February**, Josephine East will describe the contrasting uses of the MOD training areas.

Bellerby Study Group meetings start at 7.30 pm and are held in the Memorial Hall, Church Street, Bellerby. Fees are £10 per term for members, visitors and guests are always welcome at £2 each per meeting.

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Astronomy in the Two Dales

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If it is planets you want to observe, then, with the exception of Jupiter, which is rising in the east after sunset, all the other planets that can be observed are lined up in the early morning sky, just as they have been for the last couple of months. It is as if they have gone on strike and refused to move, picketing the dawn sky in objection to the government's policy appalling response to the floods? Who can say?

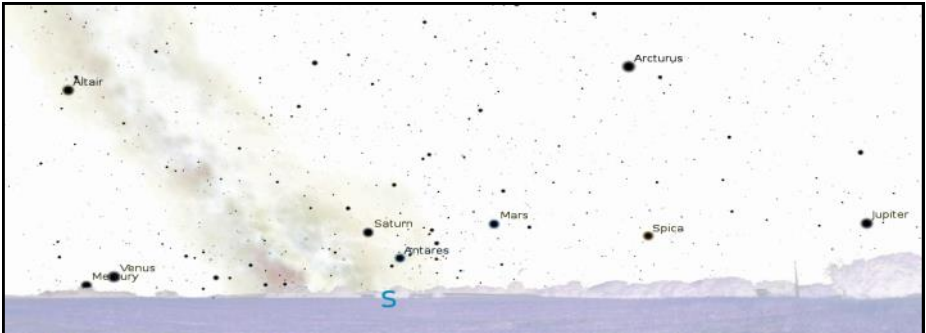
Whilst we are on the subject of planets, what exactly is a planet? Well, according to the International Astronomical Union, a planet is defined as "a celestial body in orbit around the sun demonstrating hydrostatic equilibrium and having cleared its orbit of debris." I am sure you all know that *hydrostatic equilibrium* means to be

spherical in shape. According to this definition we only have three planets in the solar system. Yes that's right, three, as only Mercury, Saturn and Neptune meet the definition, leaving all the other planets classified as Dwarf planets, which only meet the first two criteria of orbiting the sun and being spherical.

The problem is that there are many other objects classified as Dwarf planets, and if they were added to the list of celestial bodies we would have 500 planets in the solar system, the smallest being 302 kilometres across up to Jupiter which is 70,000 kilometres across.

Then we have another problem: astronomers have found an object beyond the orbit of Neptune, beyond the orbit of any known planet, ten times further from the sun than Pluto and it is bigger than the Earth. Is this a planet or a massive lump left over from the destruction of another object? Will this object change our perception of the solar system? Will UKIP accuse it of being a migrant from Alpha Centauri? All this and more next month.

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**Muker Parish Council
January 2016**

Apologies for absence: Cllr Metcalfe
Muker Dog Waste Bin: The bin is now in place.

Muker Sign: An e-mail had been sent to Neil Linfoot regarding ordering the sign, Clerk to chase.

Grit Bins: Cllr Reynoldson had met with a member of NYCC Highways to agree the positioning of the bin in Thwaite. Cllr Blackie explained that the Council will charge each year regardless of whether the bin is filled or not.

Street Light Muker and Thwaite: The light in Muker has now been fixed. The meeting was unsure whether the light in Thwaite was still on during the day. Cllr Reynoldson to contact Cllr Blackie if this was the case.

Ash Trees Muker: It was agreed that the trees were not a problem at present, but the Council would keep an eye on them.

Manhole Cover Muker: The work has been carried out.

Parking, Holiday Cottage, Muker: Cllr Whitehead read out a letter from the owners of a Holiday Cottage in Muker replying to the Council regarding

concerns raised about parking outside their property. A discussion took place and a number of suggestions were made as to how parking might be improved for all concerned. This included once again contacting NYCC to repaint the yellow lines on the Green. Clerk to contact NYCC and reply to the owners of the Holiday Cottage with further suggestions.

Land Slippage near Scarr House: Cllr Reynoldson had been contacted by a Highways Officer regarding the land slippage and a meeting had been arranged but unfortunately the officer had failed to attend. Clerk to forward details to Cllr Blackie to chase up.

Finance: The Parish Precept was discussed and it was agreed that the Council would request an increase to £1600.00 Clerk to return form to RDC.

Urban Highway Grass Cutting: This item was discussed and was felt not applicable to the Parish.

UDAP, Friary Hospital: Cllr Blackie related to the meeting a recent issue where an elderly resident had been refused a bed at the Friary which highlighted issues relating to inequality of access to the Friary for Upper Dales Residents. Cllr Blackie had raised the issue at the Area Committee and

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gained assurances that this would not happen again. Cllr Blows is also raising the incident.

Dog Fouling Campaign: The Chairman read out an e-mail regarding a new scheme to highlight and try to prevent dog fouling in public areas. It was agreed that the Council would wait and see how the scheme worked in other areas before opting into it.

Register of electors: The register had been received by the Clerk.

Winter Weather Agent Scheme: The Chairman read out an e-mail regarding a scheme which would allow communities to apply for a grant for equipment etc, in relation to setting up a winter weather agent scheme where communities would set up systems for clearing snow in villages and enabling people to get to doctors appointments etc. It was agreed that the communities within the Parish already did this.

NYCC: The Chairman read out an e-mail regarding the sponsorship permissions regarding roundabouts etc.

YDNPA: A Planning Application for Kearton Guest House had been granted. The Council had no objections to a Planning Application for Keld Heritage Centre.

Planning Application, Oxnop Gill. Cllr Blackie explained that further to the Parish Council objecting to the Planning Application, a planning meeting had

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taken place. The planning application had been passed but with conditions in relation to the size of the building and its use.

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YLCA: Changes have been made regarding the auditing of Local Councils. It was agreed that the Parish Council would opt in to the current regime and await further details.

It was noted that the YCLA membership subscription fees are increasing by 4.9%

Queens 90th Birthday: The Chairman read out an e-mail regarding the lighting of beacons for the Queen's 90th Birthday in April. The Flyer is to be placed on Notice Boards throughout the Parish and if anyone is interested in or feels that the Parish should have a beacon then they are asked to contact the Clerk.

Passenger Transport: An e-mail had been received regarding bus changes in North Yorkshire. It was noted that the LWB service will not be affected. As from 21 March 2016 the LWB will revert back to the summer timetable from last year.

Cllr Calvert raised concerns regarding the road at Becks meeting - Clerk to contact Highways.

Next Meeting: 16 February 2016.
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We are limbering up for the new season. One of our many projects is the design of quiz sheets and museum trails for children and adults, which will be ideal for individuals or school groups. Watch out as we will be testing these on unsuspecting friends and visitors.

We have also been busy answering research requests. These are always fascinating and varied, and our service draws upon the knowledge of our wide network of contacts. For example we have been asked by a novelist about the life of Methodist ministers in the Dale during the Second World War and if we know anything about a Richard Metcalf born in Hurst in 1824.

In return we are continually receiving information. In response to our enquiries about the local artist Vera Simmons, we are now corresponding with a gentleman in Canada who used to holiday in Muker. He has been sharing some wonderful memories and photographs of the Dale with us. All the highlights will feature in our Spring Friends of the Museum

Newsletter.

Meanwhile I have challenged our Friends Committee to come up with devilish questions for our second local quiz which will open our events season in May.

Here is our lecture programme, all in the Museum at 7.30 pm (booking advised) - more details on our website.

Wednesday 18th May: 2nd 'So You Think You Know Your Swaledale and Arkengarthdale?' Quiz (preceded by Friends of Museum AGM at 6.45 pm.)

Wednesday 1st June: Lead Mining - Double Launch. Launching Roger Preston's photographic exhibition and David Joy's new book Men of Lead

Wednesday 15th June: Will Swales, 'Swaledale Hill Farms 1700 to the Present'.

Wednesday 29th June: Shaun Richardson 'Swaledale and the Cold War: Surveying the Royal Observation Corps Bunker at Grinton'.

Wednesday 6th July: Philip Batman 'Sink or Swim: Kinship Families and the Collapse of Lead Mining in Victorian Swaledale.'

Wednesday 20 July: Helen Bainbridge & Marion Moverley, 'Read All About It': Swaledale and Arkengarthdale in the Newspapers'



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Wednesday 21st September: Sue and Les Knight, 'A Date with Lichens'

If you want to sign up for our more detailed e-newsletters that come out every 3-6 weeks with latest developments do let me know, and we will put you on the circulation list.

Friends of the Museum annual membership (single £10, joint £15, family £20) gives unlimited free entry to the Museum, discount on talks, and our twice-yearly Newsletter.

For more information contact Helen Bainbridge:

museum.swaledale@btinternet.com
or on **01748 884118**.

Watch out for new events on our website: www.swaledalemuseum.org
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In addition thanks to the 103 people who attended the Low Row Village Carol Service on 24 December using the theme of Hope In A World Of Need. £616 was donated to the Mary Thompson Fund, which sponsors the Tees Valley Of Sanctuary.

Next event:

A presentation and talk by a speaker from the Tees Valley Of Sanctuary on **11 February at 2.00pm** in Reeth Evangelical Congregational Church Hall. All are welcome

Richard Good

Correction

In the December edition of the Gazette, we published an item asking you to 'Save Those Stamps' which was attributed to Sue Thompson. She would like it pointed out that the majority of the information in the article was provided by her contact at the RNIB, to whom Sue forwards the stamps; and that the totals refer to the RNIB nationwide.



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The band played mainly traditional Christmas music. Following the interval the Training Band performed a Christmas carol as well as a couple of well known popular tunes. The youngest members of the Training Band were wearing their new uniform jackets, recently purchased with donations from Len Scrafton of Richmond Freemasons, Reeth Parish and Richmondshire District Councils. The Training Band then joined the Senior Band and concluded the proceedings with more festive music and closed by playing "We Wish You a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year".

The band has suffered the loss of a number of members recently, mainly

due to people leaving the area. During the concert a presentation was made to Mike Hardman following sixteen years with the band, he was Musical Director for ten years, then principal cornet player for six years. Mike is to concentrate on conducting as Musical Director of Cockerton Prize Silver Band, a First Section contesting band in the Brass Band Association Championships. He will be sadly missed and we wish him all the best and every success in his new position with Cockerton.

As well as a principal cornet player, the band now has vacancies for a baritone, percussionist/drummer and a Bb bass player. Anyone interested should please come along to the Reeth Memorial Hall any **Tuesday evening at 7.45pm**. We still have a number of spare instruments and would be pleased to see anyone who would like to learn to play. Tuition, music and instruments are provided free. The Training Band meets in the Memorial Hall at 7pm prior to the Senior Band practice.

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Over the last few months we have received several reports of thefts. In Arkengarthdale roof bars were removed from a car; in Gunnerside a container was broken into and 2x Stihl

saws, a Pole saw and Kango Jack hammer were stolen; in Whaw a BT box containing coins had been ripped out; and a further BT box in Gunnerside has been damaged.

Suspect males were trying to sell tarmac in Hudswell and a suspect male was taking an interest in property around Grinton whilst asking for scrap. A car window was smashed in Reeth and a car tyre damaged in Angram. In Arkle Town 16 hens were stolen from a hen house and in Skeugh Head a mountain bike was stolen. We also had several reports in Reeth, Langthwaite and Keld of fish sellers.

Anyone with any information or wanting to report an incident should call 101 on the non-emergency number or 999 in an emergency. The Fire and Rescue services have only one contact number which is 999.

Anyone requiring a free fire safety check on their home can in touch with me by using the 101 number and I will be more than happy to help.

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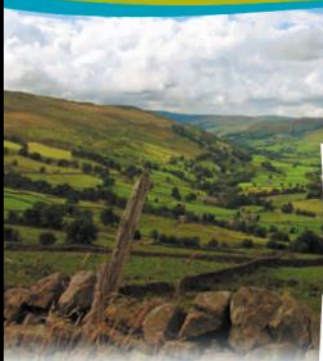
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I do hope that everyone who attended enjoyed the Carol Service. Thank you for holding this event for Christian Aid's Christmas appeal.

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Dorothy, a nurse, has received training in prevention so that she can deal effectively with malaria cases and share her knowledge with her patients. On the day we spoke to her, she had

just helped to deliver Onuchukwu Okoye's baby boy, Israel. Onuchukwu had attended antenatal sessions with Dorothy so she knew how to avoid getting malaria. Without this help, Onuchukwu's story could have had a very different ending.

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Sell-out success for Brass & Pearls Show

Brass & Pearls' third charity performance at The Buck Hotel in Reeth marked a hat-trick of sell-out shows in aid of charity. The concert raised £930, to be split equally between Alzheimer's Research UK and Phoenix House, the Help For Heroes Recovery Centre at Catterick Garrison.

The audience was treated to a foot-tapping program that started in the 1940s, celebrating popular music through the decades. The sets featured many new songs which the group had added to their repertoire, following an invitation to perform at Glaxo Smithkline's 70th anniversary celebrations earlier in the year.

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such as *In The Mood* and *Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy* from the war years, then moved through time to *I'm a Believer*, *River Deep Mountain High*, *Dance With Me Tonight*, *That Man* and rounding off with *Pencil Full of Lead*. The third set had a festive theme, concluding with *Winter Wonderland* and *Rocking around the Christmas Tree*.

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Anyway, back to the story - except it's not a story, this is what really happened. You see, it was such a lovely morning I decided to go for a walk in the forest and pick some wild flowers to put in my hair. I know you are not really supposed to pick wild flowers, but just one or two doesn't make any difference and they look so pretty in my hair. Well, there were so many to

choose. I kept walking and looking and I just couldn't decide which ones would make me look the prettiest. Then before I knew what had happened, I was in the middle of the forest. I stopped, looked around and saw nothing but trees and flowers. Now on any other day I might have thought how beautiful the forest looked with the sun shining down through the leaves and branches of the tree onto a carpet of multi-coloured flowers - but all of a sudden I felt a little bit scared.

How do you think you would feel if you suddenly you were lost in the middle of a forest? You are probably thinking, 'Why didn't she just turn round and follow her footsteps?' Well it wasn't a simple as that. I did look to see if I had left any footprints, but I had been walking very carefully between the flowers - I didn't want to spoil my new shoes - and there was not a footprint in sight. However, peering through the trees I thought I could see what looked like a house so I decided to make for that and ask for help.

It was such a lovely little house - straw thatched roof, a beautiful rose bush climbing around the door frame, ivy completely covering one side of the house and the sweetest little garden you could imagine. When I reached the garden gate, I saw that the front door was open so I knew that somebody

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must be inside. After all, who in their right mind would go out leaving their front door wide open? I went to the front door and shouted 'Hello.' When no-one answered, I stepped into the hallway and shouted again. Still no answer. So I walked into the kitchen

Right in the middle of the kitchen was a big table, with a blue and white table cloth. And on that table cloth three bowls of porridge were lined up in order of size: a big one, a medium sized one and a small one. They all looked very tasty and smelt absolutely delicious. I was feeling very hungry because I hadn't had much breakfast, so I took just the tiniest spoonful of porridge from the big bowl. Lucky for me I did because it was very, very hot. Far too hot for my dainty little mouth. So I tried the medium sized bowl and that was far too cold. (Look, I am not a scientist so don't ask me how come one bowl was steaming hot and the other was stone cold.) I wasn't going to bother with the little bowl, but it smelt so lovely I thought I would risk just a tiny taste. Well, it tasted as good as it smelt and I couldn't resist having another spoonful, and another and another and . . . well, that's how I came to eat it all up.

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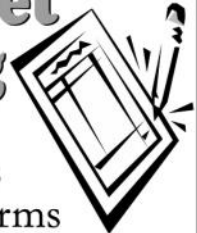


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- 19th Swale Singers concert (in Paul
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