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Two Dales Local News
HAPPY NEW YEAR 2020

First Thoughts . . 'From Mince Pie to ramblings'

As I write this I have my first mince pie of 2019 in front of me. I have just opened 'door 1' on my advent calendar. If you want to know 'it's a robin on a stick'.

Ok, I start to write and imagine its not 1st of December. It is in fact January the 10th 2020. That means many of us would have joined their local gym and paid for a three month membership, not considering that in fact we will only attend for one month. The January papers have news of the latest diet research results. A highly qualified research team, £500,000 funded, have discovered that it looks like that if we were all to eat less and exercise more then we should all be healthier. Amazing that, who would have thought?

What to write? Should I write something a 55 year old grumpy git would write. Something true to thyself. Something about mobile phones, litter louts or Easter eggs being in the shops Boxing Day. Alternatively really go into an alternate reality direction and go 55 year old chap positive?

Already I am rambling and this may

be because I am juggling so many thoughts and problems at this time of year and age.

Example 1. Yesterday my mother phoned me at home. Note 'at home' part of that sentence. Her first words were 'are you out?'. I answered 'no I am in'. Good answer that I thought. She then went on to say 'your dad is back'. I had to remind her he had passed on recently. I asked 'where is he mum then?' She then said 'in the cupboard and would you like to have him?'. I established she had his ashes back and they were in a large box. He was evidently very heavy. I did quip that he was often overweight. I declined the kind offer of my dad arriving in the post. Poor mum, she is struggling as all of us would.

Example 2. Our teenage kids. Too much to say here. Parents know that they are a constant worry. At their age I just left my parents alone, sat in a dark room, playing music loud and wrote woeful poetry.

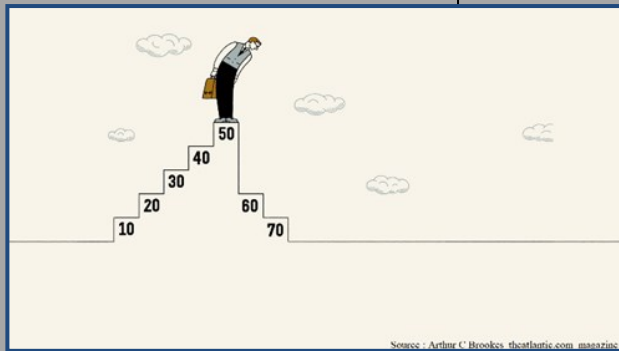
Example 3. Worried about poor Raymond Briggs. Not 100% now and he was not interviewed on TV this December.

Right. Now to switch back to current day, December 1st.

Next month I promise an upbeat 'First Thoughts'. I like the start of a fresh new year.

**Happy New Year to all
readers**

Mike B



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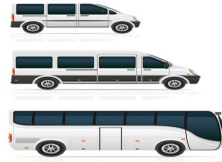
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press himself.
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age.
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.....etc

**The clever words go on. Both beau-
tiful and moving, Mike B**

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Mike B

Age UK North Yorkshire & Darlington Expands Care Services into Richmondshire



Local charity, Age UK North Yorkshire & Darlington, is expanding its care services to provide high quality competitively priced home care to the residents of Richmondshire. Providing a CQC Good rated level of care to support older people to remain independent and living in their own homes longer. The service focuses on high quality hour long calls to allow the carers to focus on delivering the best quality of care.

Led by a management team with many years of experience working in the care sector, the service is built around the customer and adapted to fulfil their needs. The carers are all recruited for their enthusiasm and dedication to providing high quality care and are led by an experienced management team with many years' experience of care. Christine Hagon, Integrated Care Services Manager said: "We are delighted to be able to offer our Care at Home service

throughout Richmondshire, having recruited an excellent staff team who live locally. Our staff are very well trained and are paid for travelling time between care visits, this allows them to provide support without being placed under undue pressure or time constraints. An hour really means an hour'.

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Service users are also able to access other services offered by the charity including free Information and Advice services and the Good Friends befriending scheme which are based locally in the charity's office in Zetland Square, Dundas Street, Richmond.

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Editor Feedback

I welcome feedback. At my humble discretion, feedback will be published in the 'Letters to the Editor' section.

Mike B

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor.

Dear Ed, Referring to December 2019 edition. Unfortunately I sent my December article with photos attached from my work address and as we discovered it went to your Spam folder.

That's a note to others. Do not submit from a work address, it may go to Spam if there are images attached.

Catherine

Editor Response: I do feel terrible when I miss an article submitted. Particularly as I know how much effort it takes. Ruins my day.

Mike B

Dear Editor.

Dear Ed, Referring to 'First Thoughts' December 2019 edition.

No one can ever dismiss one's own personal favourite Christmas tune, for my sins mine is Mud's 'Lonely this Christmas', but that just shows my age!

Arguably the best song never to reach No1 ? I feel I must draw your to 'Vienna' by Ultravox held off the No.1 spot by 'Shaddap You Face' by Joe Dolce is surely up there?

**Neil Sivyer
Arkengarthdale**

Editor Response: I remember the Vienna video. I wore the same awful raincoat with the big collars like Midge Ure. I saw Ultravox 3 times. Sadly I never got to see 'The Boss' that is Joe Dolce.

Mike B



good game from both teams and a welcome 9-6 win.

2 Dales Football

The weather has played havoc with the fixtures but the pitch at Reeth drains better than most despite being by the river. This, with the early closing date means there is not a great deal to report.

The Under 9's played Bedale reversed to Reeth. Bedale opened the scoring but Sid Peacock was able to make a good run right up the pitch to score alone and then he put us ahead by half time. Monty Rowland-Hill had not played for a little while and was a bit rusty in defence but Rowan Wilkinson was all over the pitch. Bedale, however, got a couple of goals in the second half when the defence was caught off guard. 2-3 loss but a good result when they were short of match experience.

The Under 11's also had their fixture reversed to Reeth when they played Leyburn. Leyburn opened the scoring but Hawes/2Dales came back and dominated most of the first half. Ted Alderson equalised then Coen Pickard-Sparne scored a super goal to take the lead. Seth Guy extended the lead then Jake Hully made it 4. Coen then made a good run to score but Leyburn never let their heads down and started to fight back hard with end to end football and resulting in 2 goals. Seth extended the lead but again Leyburn replied and then got a penalty so the score at half time was a 1 goal lead 6-5. Ted Alderson again extended the lead followed by Seth and another from Ted with only one in reply from Leyburn. A

Under 13's played round robin Futsal indoors at Richmond School in view of the state of the pitches. Played Leyburn first who scored twice before Dales got into gear. A guest player scored for Dales then Jack Dalton and Aaron to take a 3-2 lead into half time. Reece Shuker made some superb saves in goal and Sam Draper and Eidur Pickard-Sparne were very strong in defence but Leyburn broke through to equalise. The final result, in an excellent game was a 4-4 draw. Futsal is a very fast game and we were playing across the full sports hall and Dales were straight back on against a strong Clifton team. Clifton scored twice in the first half but were otherwise contained by a Sam and Eidur and also Jack and Will Tylra but Dales were noticeably tiring. A good finish by Will got his name on the scoresheet as he usually plays but was showing his versatility in defence but Clifton scored 3 more. 1-5 loss.

We are wanting to start some football for Under 7's, school years 1 and 2 and still urgently need a coach for this group so we can keep football alive in the Dales.

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Our 2020 programme will include talks from a variety of excellent speakers as well as opportunities to take part in outings, fieldwork projects and surveying. Details of all our planned activities and how to join are available on the website, swaag.org.

Diary Dates 2020
January 14th 7pm — Our first meet-

ing of the New Year at The Buck Hotel when Christine Wallace will speak about "Textiles Through History".

February 11th 7pm - at The Buck Hotel, Oliver Cooper of Northern Archaeological Associates will discuss recent fieldwork in the area.

All welcome . Free for members, visitors on payment of a donation. Further details from me,

Sue Nicholson

Activities Co-ordinator

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Editor Note: Sue has advised me that their July 2019 dig, on The Hagg in Swaledale, was filmed for "Digging for Britain" with Alice Roberts and was to be shown on Nov 27th at 9pm BBC 4. Sue will write a short piece with regards to this in a future Gazette edition.

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Editor Note: This article was not included in the December Gazette but I thought these tips apply all year.

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Buy experiences, not 'stuff' - treat someone to tickets for a concert or show, buy them a subscription, or book a day learning a new hobby or skill (try ArtIsOn in Masham).

Give your time and skills to help someone - offer your time to help with gardening, spring-cleaning, mending etc.

Buy things that someone actually needs, from local independent businesses - so your money helps our local economy. (Don't spend money with those companies that tax-avoid, like Amazon!).

Hunt down something pre-loved from a quirky reseller or charity shop. Try to buy fair-trade, ethical, plastic-free and durable things (follow Marie Kondo's advice - does it 'spark joy'?).

Make something - food usually goes down well - chocolate-coated fruit and nuts, jams, pickles and chutneys keep well, and cakes and biscuits can be frozen. And making a big batch means less time per present, and some left for you!

Make your own crackers using loo-roll centres (also great for the compost bin and as a 'root-trainer' for growing peas, beans and leeks). Search for jokes or mottos on the web and include sweets that you like.

Use newspaper/magazine pages instead of wrapping paper (or re-use fabric and ribbons), and save Christmas cards to cut out gift tags for next year.

Gardening - does it matter if our pollinators die out? (Spoiler alert - yes, it does). Let's talk about sex (Editor note: at last!). Female gametes, male gametes. Now, if you don't have your own way of getting one to the other, you're going to need a bit of help and this is where 'pollinators' assist... READ MORE in Delyth's blog on our website www.sustainableswaledale.org

Leyburn Environmental Fair

We're hoping to be at this event on Saturday 7th December, from 10 am at Leyburn Methodist Hall. Might see you there!

Find out more and join in

We meet on the first Thursday of each month. Please email us at info@sustainableswaledale.org, join in the conversation on our **Sustainable Swaledale Facebook Group**, or go to www.sustainableswaledale.org where you can sign up to our mailing list. Looking forward to a sustainable 2020!

Catherine

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Leyburn Named for Tour de Yorkshire

The start and finish venues for the 2020 Tour de Yorkshire cycle race have been revealed by the organisers. The race will take place between 30 April and 3 May. The stages will begin or end in Leeds, Beverley, Barnsley, Halifax, Huddersfield, Leyburn, Skipton and Redcar. The full route for both the men's and women's races will be announced in January. Organisers Welcome Tour de Yorkshire said. Extract from:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-50515256>

Editor note: Lets not prepare for it. Just turn up on the day and see if anybody is around. If we prepare it may curse the event with rain. **Mike B**

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Happy New Year to everyone, and looking forward to a wonderful new season in the Museum. We are just finalising our talks and events programme so keep an eye on our website. In fact this might just be the time to get into the habit of visiting it regularly (<http://www.swaledalemuseum.org>). Thanks to the involvement of certain Friends of the Museum there will be an increasing amount of information on it. New photographs have been added to our extensive online image archive, always worth a look if you are researching local, family or house history (see: https://swaag.org/MUSEUM_ARCHIVES/DigitalArchiveViewBySourcePublic.php).

We are also working on guidelines for submitting electronic media to the archive, which will also be posted on the site. Later in the year we will be uploading a series of local walks that focus on objects and themes in the Museum.

Another new venture is a book review page, starting with David Johnson's Time, Please! 'Lost' Inns, Pubs and Alehouses of the Yorkshire Dales (2019) by your very own curator. David will be bringing copies of his book with him when he gives his talk on Lime Kilns on 1 July, a chance to get your copy signed by the author. Is there a book on a local topic that you would like to review for us, we would welcome suggestions and contributions? So New Year heralds new ideas, and hoping to see new visitors and welcome old friends to the Museum.

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Helen

Gazette competition winners 2019

There were ten music related competitions last year and eight winners. With prize money rolled over that still means £60 going to charity. Marion Parnell and Alan Thorogood had two wins each and there was one each for Lesley Clater, Jenny Curtis, Tom McNabola and Dave Skinner. The money goes to the following charities: Swaledale Mountain Rescue £20; Prostate Cancer UK £15 and £5 each to St Teresa's Hospice, Parkinsons and RNLI. And £10 to go to an as yet undecided charity. Congratulations to all.

Andrew Bedford

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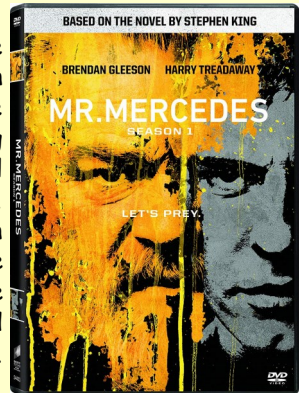
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Good Television

Mr Mercedes by Stephen King

Retired detective Bill Hodges is still haunted by the unsolved case of 'Mr. Mercedes', who claimed sixteen lives when he drove a stolen Mercedes through a line of job-seekers at a local job fair. Meanwhile, young psychopath Brady Hartsfield is working as a technical computer technician unsuspected as the real Mr. Mercedes. He has resurfaced to focus his attention on Hodges. What begins as an online cat-and-mouse game between the two soon has deadly real-life consequences as an increasingly desperate Hartsfield becomes bent on leaving his mark on the world. [Wikipedia.](#)



Editor Note: I rate this very strong 8/10. Brendon Gleeson on top form. The English actor who plays Mr Mercedes plays a devious schemer, living with his mother. If you cannot find all episodes on your subscribed streaming services, then what I do is buy the DVD or Blu Ray 2nd hand on eBay. Then I sell it again on eBay. I did this with series one and overall it only cost me £8 to watch the 10 hrs of TV. It was well worth it.

Mike B

Farewell party for Alison Stewart-Smith

When: Sunday 19 January

Where: Reeth Memorial Hall

What time: 12.30 to 2.30pm

Who's invited: Everyone who wants to say goodbye and thank you to Alison and Richard, as they leave the Parish of Swaledale with Arkengarthdale at the end of Alison's curacy to move to Winlaton.

What should I bring: A contribution to a bring and share lunch; something sweet or savoury, or salads, and something to drink, alcoholic or not.

Alison has been with us for four years and sadly (for us) but excitingly (for her) the time has come for her to take the next step in her ministry. She and Richard are moving at the end of January as she becomes Priest in Charge of the parishes of Ryton and Winlaton in the Gateshead West Deanery of the Diocese of Durham. The parishes lie between the rivers Tyne and Derwent.

Alison has been involved in so many aspects of Swaledale life, playing a key role in all the Anglican churches, and in Christians Together in Swaledale. But her involvement spreads way beyond that, as she sang with the Parish Choir, taught music and French in Arkengarthdale School, and has been a member of Reeth Band, putting her musical talents to good use as a cornet player.

She will be very much missed - as will Richard, as church warden and bell-ringer at Grinton. So if you would like to say goodbye, come along to the party. Whatever your involvement has been with them, you'll be very welcome.

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Film

The Irishman (2019), new on Netflix.

American epic crime film directed by Martin Scorsese. It stars Robert De Niro, Al Pacino, Joe Pesci, Stephen Graham, Harvey Keitel etc. It starts with Frank Sheeran (De Niro), sitting in a nursing home recounting his time as a 1950s truck driver before becoming a Mafia hitman. Frank gets involved with mobster Russell Bufalino (Pesci) and his crime family and works for the powerful Teamster Jimmy Hoffa (Pacino).

With a production budget of \$159 million and a runtime of 209 minutes, it is among the most expensive films of Scorsese's career, as well as his longest.

Editor Note: My advice is watch this in two parts. After the first half hour I almost gave up, as the movie seemed to be a pastiche of all well known gangster movies. They also had used CGI to de-age all of the main cast which was a little off putting for a while. Then I really started to enjoy the movie as it worked its way from the 1950's up through the 1970's. The acting as you would expect is top-notch. If you enjoyed *The Godfather* trilogy you will love this movie. Start watching it early in the evening, not when tired.



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Dr Ben Roberts, Lecturer in European Prehistory at Durham University explores the earliest art in a lecture for The Arts Society, Wensleydale, at Tennants Garden Rooms, Leyburn on 14th January 2020 from 2-3pm. In 1864 the discovery of the first Palaeolithic sculpture of a woman fuelled the Victorian debate on human origins. The iconic Venus of Willendorf was excavated 1908. Subsequently, several hundred figurines have been found across Europe. The oldest is 35,000 years old. The famous Lascaux cave paintings were found in 1940 by a teenager. There are over 600 wall and ceiling paintings 17,000 years old. The caves were opened to the public in 1948 but closed in 1963 because of the damage due to 120,000 visitors a day. The oldest known cave art by humans, of hand stencils and geometric designs, are 40,000 years old. In 2018, archaeologists reported cave paintings made by Neanderthals in Spain. They identified them as 65,000 years old. 20,000 years before humans reached Europe. Ben, the former Curator of Early Prehistory at the British Museum, has published and lectured widely on Prehistoric Europe. He researched and co-wrote the first 40 programmes on the landmark BBC Radio 4 series 'A History of the World in 100 objects'. Tickets are £10 (refunded if you join TASW). Members of other Art Societies, with ID, pay £5. Contact **01845 567489** or wensleydale@theartssociety.org for tickets, which are also available immediately prior to the lecture. Full details of the 2020 programme are at <https://theartssociety.org/wensleydale>. Chris




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"What if spending just £5 a week in the local shops meant you were doing your bit?" We're interested in **Totally Locally**, a campaign that supports local, independent businesses. We hope to work with local businesses on this in 2020 - please get in touch if you'd like to know more.

January talk: 'Breaking the Sacred Hoop'. Mike J. Sparrow, local author and creator of a series of novels centred upon the struggle for survival of Native American Indians in the 19th century, will be talking about one of the most sustained acts of genocide that has ever taken place. The history of persecution of the N. American indigenous peoples provides a salutary lesson to modern-day politics, and the beliefs, traditions and culture of the natives provide a reminder of the importance of responsible stewardship of our natural world. The sacred hoop is the circle of life, and representative of the culture of passing knowledge down through the generations. Reeth Memorial Hall on 23rd January 2020 at 7.00 pm, entry £3.

Incredible Edible Swaledale is part of a global movement to involve people in planting, looking after and harvesting beautiful fresh fruit & veg that's grown right on our doorsteps, using public or otherwise unused spaces. Although there is nothing yet to see on the ground, the Incredible Edibles project in Reeth is starting to take shape. If anyone wants to be involved from the start, please do get in touch - it is a community project and all are welcome. In the coming weeks, we hope to install some raised beds so if anyone has spare compost or decent soil that they would be willing to let us have please contact us. We hope to have the plot ready for sowing this spring.

Dark Skies - save the date! On Tuesday 18th February 2020 at 7.30 pm in Low Row Institute, Paul Clark will talk about the 'Swaledale Night Sky' which will feature beautiful time-lapse videos and images. We are supporting this fundraiser for the Institute, part of the Yorkshire Dales NPA Dark Skies Festival. Light pollution is threatening our precious dark skies and there is increasing evidence of the negative impact it has on our environment. Tickets are available via the National Park website: www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/event/the-swaledale-night-sky/ or email: swaledalenightsky@gmail.com.

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Gunnerside Village Variety Show 25th January 2020

Ooh Yea OOH Yea Ooh yea ! We here by give notice of the Gunnerside Variety Show. The Show (last seen in 2009) is taking place to celebrate National Village Hall Week and also Burns Night.

The show will be held on Saturday 25th January 2020 at 7.30pm at Gunnerside's Village Hall. The anticipated acts include: Scottish dancing; scenes from the Scottish play (Macbeth with a twist);, musical performances; 'sing-alongs' and children acting and dancing. We are hoping that the Silver Swans will perform their debut ballet! Tickets will be available on the door at £6 to include refreshments in the interval and after the show. A fee paying bar will also be available. All proceeds will be split between the Air Ambulance and our own Village Hall charitable fund. DO come along and join the fun.

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The usual rules apply with no internet use allowed. Answers can be left at the Post Office or sent via e-mail to: cluderay@reethpostoffice.co.uk Due to the short turnaround for the January Gazette, I haven't got a winner yet for the December lyrics and as usual their name will appear in the February edition. But just to put you out of your misery, the answers are:

- There'll be bluebirds over - **White Cliffs of Dover, Vera Lynn**
- We skipped the light fandango - **Whiter Shade of Pale, Procol Harum**
- Letters I've written, never meaning to send - **Nights In White Satin, The Moody Blues**
- May your days be merry and bright - **White Christmas, Bing Crosby**
- Go ask Alice when she's ten feet tall - **White Rabbit, Jefferson Airplane**

The tiebreaker: According to Kevin the paint store helper, there are 494 shades of white, if you include whitish white.

This month the lyrics are all from songs by Sir George Ivan Morrison, simply because right now I am listening to his stunning new album *Three Chords And The Truth*. (Have you ever noticed how new albums are always *stunning* or *thrilling* or *exciting* or other such adjectives?) Track 3, *Dark Night Of The Soul*, is classic Van the Man and

worth buying the album for alone. Anyway, titles please for the following:

- Hey, where did we go, days when the rains came?
- A fantabulous night to make romance
- Ding-a-ling-a-ling, Ding-a-ling-a-ling -ding, Ding-a-ling-a-ling, Ding-a-ling -a-ling-ding, Do-da-do-da
- Have I told you there's no one above you
- Look at the ivy on the cold clinging wall

For the tiebreaker: Worldwide, he has only ever had one Number 1 album. In which country was this?

The usual rules apply with no internet use allowed but listening to Van is highly recommended. £5.00 will be donated to a charity of the winner's choosing. Answers can be left at the Post Office or sent via e-mail to:

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	6.00 pm	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Iona Evening Prayer in Fremington Village Hall</i>
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	2.30 pm	Gunnerside Methodist	
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18th Jan.	7.30 pm	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service</i>
19th Jan.	9.15 pm	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Eucharist</i>
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	10.30 am	Low Row URC	<i>Holy Communion</i>
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	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion</i>
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Age UK North Yorkshire & Darlington volunteers will be on hand to signpost people to relevant services where they can get advice and it is planned that there will be visits from staff members of the charity to talk about help that they can provide. There is no charge for the community drop-in or the refreshments but donations towards the charity's work are welcomed. For more info about the Community Drop-In please call **Thea Fulton on 01609 771624** or alternatively email her at thea.fulton@ageuknyd.org.uk. More info about Age UK North Yorkshire & Darlington at website: www.ageuknyd.org.uk.

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16/11/2019 (41) Team called the ambulance service to treat & rescue an injured walker near Aysgarth falls.

15/11/2019 (40) Team called by DEFRA as part of the national flood response to North Lincolnshire. 8 Of our water technicians attended for 24 hours. The rest of the team remained in the area, as we always keep full 24/7 operational status even when part of the team are out of area.

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The Dales Neighbourhood Police Team will be running a 'BE SAFE BE SEEN' campaign during the winter months.

At this time of year it's vital for parents and children alike to start thinking about safety and visibility. Although the number of child pedestrians and cyclists killed or injured on our roads has fallen since last year, every child killed or injured is one too many. With this new campaign, we are aiming to build on the good work that has already been done in increasing road awareness amongst children.

On winter evenings it's easy to forget that car drivers find it much harder to see you when you're out and about. It's often dark and wet, so make sure you're highly visible when out and about. Don't forget to take your lights out with you when cycling.

The Highway Code states that, at night, cyclists must have white front and red rear lights. Bikes must also be fitted with a red rear reflector and amber pedal reflectors. Having white front reflectors and spoke reflectors will also help you to be seen. Flashing lights are permitted, but we recommended you use a constantly-illuminated front light, particularly if you are riding in areas without street lighting.

If you're cycling in dark or dim conditions, you should:

- Ensure that you have front and rear bike lights with you (and take back up lights or spare batteries if possible);

- Check that all your lights and reflectors are clean and working before every trip;
- Wear light coloured clothing;
- Invest in some high-visibility clothing or reflective 'slap-wraps' to maximise visibility.

Any cyclists seen in dark clothing or without lights on their bike will be stopped by uniformed members of the Neighbourhood Police Team and offered safety advice about the importance of keeping themselves visible and high-vis cycling products to help keep them safe on the roads - e.g. flashing armbands, high-vis rucksack covers, neck scarves and bike lights.

Please take a moment to look at your or your child's bike and cycling kit. Think 'Be safe, be seen'.

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Things past: We sang our socks off in the run up to Christmas with a performance of Bach's *Magnificat* and a selection of carols at our concert, as well as contributing to St Andrew's, Grinton *Festival of Christmas in Words and Music*.

Things present: having our post-Christmas break at the moment

Things future: On February 2nd we start working on the pieces for our Swaledale Festival concert at the end of May. We'll be performing two wonderful and well-loved Requiems, by Fauré and Duruflé. Why not join us for a good sing on Sunday afternoons from 15.00 to 17.00 in Reeth Memorial Hall. You'll be warmly welcomed, provided with all the music, and sustained by a chocolate biscuit or two. For more info contact swalesingers@swaledale.org or ring Jackie Pope 07885 498676

USA Live Web Cams

During this time of year, as I work I like to set on my left hand computer monitor, a Live-stream webcam from the USA. See the Webcam links below. What is amazing is it has sound as well. So you see and hear people from across the other side of the Atlantic, stopping their car to shop, get a coffee and this time of year its all lit up with the Christmas lights:

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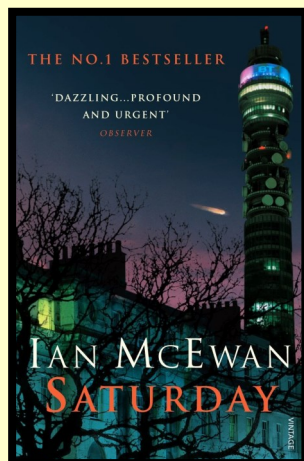
Answer the trivia questions without referring to the internet or books.
The answers are on page 55.

Qu	Category	Question
1	Film	Who is the voice for 'Woody' in Toy Story ?
2	Music	What stringed symphonic instrument has a pedestal and a crown?
3	Literature	In the novel '2001 A Space Odyssey' there are four monoliths. One on Earth, one on the Moon, one orbiting Jupiter. Where is the fourth monolith located?
4	History	What did Britain lose the lease on in 1997 ?
5	Geography	What Is The Capital Of Hawaii?
6	Celebrity	Which film actress shares her name with a wife of Henry VIII?
7	Sport	Which famous duo won the BBC Sports Personality Of The Year In 1984?
8	History	What was the name of the pandemic which killed over 1% of the world's population in 1918?
9	Literature	What D.H. Lawrence novel was originally titled "Tenderness"?
10	Television	In Fawlty Towers, who plays Polly the waitress and only member of staff with any competence?

Good Read

Saturday by Ian McEwan. It is 15/02/2003. This novel is set on that one day. Henry Perowne is a contented man - a successful neurosurgeon, the devoted husband of Rosalind and proud father of two grown-up children. Unusually, he wakes before dawn, drawn to the window of his bedroom and filled with a growing unease. What troubles him as he looks out at the night sky is what he suddenly notices. It's one long day rich in incidentand includes his family gathering for a reunion.

Editor Note: If you have not tried Ian McEwan, his prose is clever, descriptive and straight forward. Like all good authors he can explain so much in a few words. This author also wrote 'Atonement' which was made into an excellent film.



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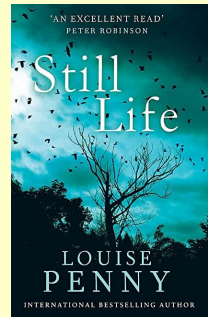
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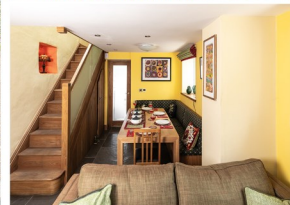
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Good Read Still Life by Louise Penny

As my recommended books each month were beginning to look a bit typically 'male book' focused, I asked my wife to recommend a book for all to read. This is the first of the Chief Inspector Gamache series, set in snowy Quebec Canada: 'As the early morning mist clears on Thanksgiving Sunday, the homes of Three Pines come to life - all except one... To locals, the village is a safe haven. So they are bewildered when a well-loved member of the community is found lying dead in the maple woods. Surely it was an accident - a hunter's arrow gone astray. Who could want Jane Neal dead?'



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2020 World Irish Dancing Championship Alana Hodgson

Congratulations to our Alana Hodgson, of Reeth, who has qualified for the 2020 World Irish Dancing Championships which will be hosted in Dublin in April.

Alana was selected following her tremendous performance in the recent Great Britain Championships and North East Regional Qualifiers. Alana was placed 1st in the regionals and achieved her personal best of 13th place at the national championship. She qualifies in Dublin at both events in the Under 19 ladies category.

Alana, who is busy studying for her A-levels next year as well as being the Head girl at Richmond School and Sixth Form College, manages to fit in an incredible amount of training. She travels to the Phoenix Academy of Irish Dance in Manchester every weekend and also dances at a school in Leyburn each week. In addition, Alana is preparing for her Grade 8 ballet examination in the summer as well as doing daily stamina and flexibility training.

Alana said: "I was so happy to have finally won the regionals after coming 2nd and 3rd multiple times as I've been competing at it since I was 8. It might be my last year dancing in the North East region so I really wanted to win my last one."

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Jan

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Reeth Memorial Hall

Friday 24th January - The Seamus Egan Project. This is a real coup as they have only one free date on the way back from headlining at Celtic Connections. Multi-instrumental maestro and co-founder of American-Irish super-group, Solas, Seamus Egan teams up with Kyle Sanna (guitar), Owen Marshall (guitar/mandolin/ banjo) and Lúnasa's Trevor Hutchinson. Tickets £15 (£17 door).

Thursday 6th February - Newberry & Verch - American/Canadian duo who perform an entertaining blend of folk, bluegrass and old time Americana, with ballads, joyful fiddle tunes and poignant original and traditional songs. Joe Newberry is an outstanding clawhammer banjo player, singer, songwriter and guitarist whose award-winning songs have been recorded by artists such as Ricky Skaggs and the Gibson Brothers. April Verch is a world class fiddle player, step dancer and singer, who started dancing aged three and playing the fiddle aged six! Tickets £13 (£15 door).

Friday 21st February - Megson are Debs Hanna (vocals, whistle, piano accordion) and Stu Hanna (guitar, mandola, banjo). Three times nominated in the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards and double winners of the Spiral Earth Awards Megson draw heavily on their Teesside heritage to create a truly unique brand of folk music. They bring an infectious mix of heavenly vocals, lush harmonies and driving rhythmic guitars. 'Simply Brilliant' (The Sunday Express). Tickets £14 (£16 door).

Friday 20th March - Kerr & Fagan - Twice BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards winners for Best Duo. Nacy (2015 Folk Singer of the Year) is one of England's best known folk fiddle players. James sings and plays bouzouki, mandolin and guitar. "Quite breathtakingly beautiful (Mark Radcliffe, BBC Radio 2). Tickets £14 (£16 door).

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Flood matters

Work was ongoing to clear the Arkle Beck from Fremington Mill up to the parish boundary at Sleigill. Following requests from local landowners it was agreed to also clear from the mill down to the river, if sufficient funding was available, in order to prevent future problems as the width of the beck there had been narrowed. An application would be made to the organisers of the Scott Trial who had offered funding for this purpose. Information on grants from Bettys to fund tree planting would be forwarded to landowners as this might be a way of strengthening the banks in future. Coun David Jeffels attended the meeting on behalf of the York and North Yorkshire Flood Risk Partnership to discuss the causes of the July floods and how to prevent similar events in future. The group plan to hold a public meeting early in the New Year to hear from members of the local community who can contribute to understanding the situation prior to finalising a report for DEFRA and the Environment Agency.

Standing Orders - The clerk would distribute a set of proposed standing orders for consideration by councillors.

Village Green - After seeking advice on the legal ownership of the damaged tarmac outside the Copper Kettle the council would get quotes for repairing/replacing the surface. They had been advised that the drain was not their responsibility.

Playground - Following ongoing problems with the zip wire and a number of other items needing attention it was

agreed to close the playground for maintenance over the winter while an ongoing programme of repairs was considered to avoid future problems.

Remembrance Services - A vote of thanks was given to the chair and District Councillor Good for organising the Remembrance parade and services, with members noting that it had been particularly encouraging to have a number of young people taking part in the events.

Christmas Events - The Christmas tree had been ordered and would be in place in good time before the village carols on December 22.

Phone boxes - Members agreed that because of the poor mobile phone coverage in the area they would object to the removal of public phones at Healaugh and Reeth. Coun Good would follow this up with RDC. Coun Peacock reported that the County Council would support parish councils who wished to keep their phone boxes.

School Hill - Overgrown bushes alongside the footpath to the school would be reported to Highways.

District Council - Coun Good reported that RDC were looking at green issues in the area and would be setting aside money for this. He would also pass on details of grants for community schemes to the clerk.

Street Lights - Coun Frankland pointed out that there was no street lighting in the new development at Overton Garth. Coun Good would follow this up.

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Check out our **Facebook page Gunnerside Pub Fund** and email **gunnersidepubfund@gmail.com** with an indication of the maximum amount you might be prepared to invest. At this very early stage there is obviously no commitment and all responses are completely confidential. **The Gunnerside Pub Fund Working Group (Andy Beaumont, Teresa Bell, David Crapper, John Gilleard, Mark Golding, Debra Halcrow, Tracey Westgarth)**

Melbecks Emergency Plan

Our neighbours have suffered from the flooding. Fearing this may become a more regular event, Melbecks Parish Council is preparing an Emergency Plan to prepare us for the future. This plan will allow us to access assistance much more quickly. Eventually the plan will cover a range of disasters from flooding, fire, other natural or man-made scenarios. **To this end we are looking for 2 indoor locations in the Low Row and Gunnerside areas** where we can locate sandbags and emergency equipment. These locations must be 'inside' and be accessible at all times. If you or any farmers or businesses can provide such a location we would be eternally grateful.

We are also seeking volunteers to assist in times of emergency. Their names will be added to the Resilience plan contact list. Volunteers will NOT be put at risk but will be vital in helping to contact and assist people.

Finally, we need to know of any vulnerable/elderly/disabled residents and properties at risk so that they can be added to a contact list. Also please better prepare yourselves by registering with FLOODLINE which is a free service. This gives advance warning of flooding by email, phone or text.

Thankyou to those people who have performed miracles helping their neighbours. They are true heroes.

If anyone can assist us do not hesitate to contact me at rikandsheila@aol.com

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Diary Dates

January

- 1st Reeth New Year Fireworks & Barbecue, free admission, 7pm Reeth Green.
- 6th Grinton & Ellerton Parish Council 7.15pm Grinton Parish Hall.
- 9th Arkengarthdale Community Meeting on the future of the school building at 7pm at The CB Inn.
- 13th Reeth Informal Astronomy Group Meeting, Unit 14, Reeth Dales Centre DL11 6SP at 7.30pm.
- 13th Arkengarthdale Parish Council at 8pm, St Mary's Church.
- 14th "Textiles through History" by Christine Wallace, Swaledale and Arkengarthdale Archaeology Group, The Buck in Reeth at 7pm.
- 18th Coffee Morning 10am to noon Reeth Evangelical Congregational Church.
- 24th The Seamus Egan Project - Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm
- 25th Charity Quiz Night, in aid of FCN, Reeth Memorial Hall at 7pm.
- 25th Gunnerside Village Variety Show, 7.30pm Gunnerside Village Hall.
- 27th Reeth Parish Council, Reeth Memorial Hall.

February

- 5th Melbecks Parish Council, 7.30pm Gunnerside Village Hall.
- 6th Newberry & Verch - Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm
- 7th Arkengarthdale Sports Association Domino Drive &

Supper, CB Inn function room, 7:30pm. £4 (children £2). Tea & Supper as usual.

- 7th Reeth Show AGM at 7.30pm in Reeth Memorial Hall.
- 11th 'Recent Fieldwork in this area' by Oliver Cooper of Northern Archaeological Associates, The Buck Hotel at 7pm. Swaledale and Arkengarthdale Archaeology Group.
- 15th Coffee Morning 10am to noon Reeth Evangelical Congregational Church.
- 21st Megson - Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm
- 24th Reeth Parish Council 7pm Reeth Memorial Hall

March

- 20th Kerr & Fagan - Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm.

April

- 18th Calan - Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm.

Christian Aid

Thank you to all of those who came to the 'Come and Sing Carols' at Grinton on December 1st. We heard the story of Ranjita who started manual scavenging when she was just 9 years old. Oppressed by India's caste system she was forced to do this dirty work. As she grew up she wanted a different life for her family. She was able to join a self-help community run by Christian Aid's local partner ARUN which has given her strength and determination to build a new life for her children. Our collection of £151 will help mothers use their God-given gifts to escape poverty. Thank you so much for your support.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Sir , I would like to waste a couple of column inches and reply to Rob Macdonald`s response to Astronomy in the two dales , October article.

The flood information came from the British Hydrological Society and Chronology of the Swale websites. <http://cbhe.hydrology.org.uk/search.php> http://ceg-fepsys.ncl.ac.uk/outputs/archer_search/YORKSHIRE_SWALE.html

There is not always room in the article to provide all the information sources that I use. I stated in the article " I have marked all the floods that have affected Swaledale and Arkengarthdale". After the recent flood it seemed rude and churlish of me not to include Arkengarthdale . It is not without good reason that Arkengarthdale is sometimes referred to as the forgotten dale.

The floods of 1893 and 1937 have no records indicating that Arkengarthdale was affected , and I refer you to the above for the reason why they were not included. As to R. Macdonalds statement " ..the amount of CO2 in the atmosphere has increased...and the physics that links this fact to storm intensity and frequency is very well known ". If this is true , can R.M explain how between 1890-1899 the Swale flooded 20 times , with a CO2 level of 294 ppm , yet between 2010-2019 the Swale flooded 3 times (2010, 2015,2019) when the CO2 level

is now 411.39 ppm?
Starman.

Editor Note: Although I am very pleased to have received `to the editor' articles. I think I have to close this `solar stuff' argument now. The main reason is the editor has no idea what any of this stuff means. But I suspect it has raised the bar of the expected IQ of our readers.



For me this letter provided me with the **perfect excuse** to include a picture from the brilliant Laurel & Hardy episode., `Tit for Tat'.

Just photos of them make me smile

Mike B

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(1) Tom Hanks (2) The Harp (3) The moon Europa (4) Hong Kong (5) Honolulu
(6) Jane Seymour (7) Torville & Dean (8) Spanish Flu (9) Lady Chatterley's
Lover (10) Connie Booth

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