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For the Two Dales*

PRICELESS

First Thoughts . . .

'The Wonderful World of...'

As promised in the January Gazette, here are positive first thoughts.

The Two Dales – since moving here I continue to marvel at this area. Moving has made me stop being a Billy-No-Mates. Too many friendly locals. One downside is I can no longer wear my shorts all year. Incidentally (or indecently), Martin 'Post-Office' man and I have a macho competition on who can wear their shorts the longest all year. He beat me in 2019 but I now have another chance. Maybe I should start wearing them in Feb. Beat that.

Moles - Ok I know moles are not everybody's cup of tea and for good reason. To me they are incredible forces of nature. How the hell do they find their mates underground? I cannot even find my wife in Catterick Tesco aisles. Not forgetting that the moles strength is equal to up to 30 times their own body weight. The equivalent maximum for a human is recorded as being 16 times.

Music - immediately 'The Sound of Music' has just popped into my thoughts. No idea why Julie Andrews has always fascinated me? I suppose it could be because I first saw her in children's films. First she was flying an umbrella over rooftops, then another year she was running about on a hill being blown away by a helicopter. As I grew older and I started to appreciate music, it was her fantastic singing voice with incredible diction that I appreciated (Ok, alright, yes she was good looking as well). Take a tip: never see the awful film 'S.O.B.' which she was cast in by her husband. We did not need to see that, mate!

Anyway lets get back to the subject matter, music. Whilst working indoors, without music in the background, I find focusing more difficult. I can sit there working on the Gazette and think why do I feel a bit dull (no not thick!). Then I realise I have not put any music on. I just cannot seem to function indoors, without any music playing. It is the opposite when outdoors as nature provides all the music I need.

Then there is the mysterious way that music can evoke many emotions From happy, to sad, to calm etc. That is the main reason I adore Music.

Old Photos - my father-in-law used to say that one does not need photos, because the best pictures are retained in our memory. Well if that was the case I think I have lost all but my 2019 photos. Photos remind me what a lucky life I have led and how I got here.

Art - I take particular pleasure in artists' who can transfer what they can see in front of them directly into art. It is fascinating their skilful eye-to-brain-to-hand-to-canvas transfer. When I visit Art museums, I feel there is a certain still-air feeling. A calm. Although, after a longer period, that same air can become a little stifling. Art is everywhere in the world around us, so what's there not to enjoy everyday.

.....these thoughts are continued on page 58.

Mike B

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| 3rd | 223 | Terry Hill |
| 4th | 78 | Ailsa Wilkinson |

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Gail Hall

Reeth Memorial Hall

Thursday 6th February - Newberry & Verch - American/Canadian duo head-lining Glasgow's **Celtic**

Connections, 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. 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. Nancy (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).

Saturday 18th April - Calan - an energetic five-piece Welsh band combining guitar, accordion, fiddles,

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Swale Singers New Term

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 Durufié, as well as Fauré's Cantique de Jean Racine.

New members are always welcome.

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.

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Please join us on Friday 6 March 2020 at 14.30 at St Mary's Church, Arkengarthdale where people will gather to celebrate the service prepared by the women of Zimbabwe. If you would like to help in any way or need a lift to the service, please ring Pauline on **01748 886790**, Secretary of Christians Together in Swaledale.
Pauline

TWO DALES WI

The next meeting of the Two Dales WI will be on Thursday 13th February at Reeth Memorial Hall. The Speaker will be Heather Ritchie on "RUG AID IN THE GAMBIA". A project teaching blind people to make rag rugs.

You are invited to "COME ALONG AND TRY FOR YOURSELF".

Meetings start at 7pm.

New members, friends and visitors are always welcome.

More information at Two Dales W I on Facebook or 07956723695.

Sue

Reeth Informal Astronomy Group

We meet every 2nd Monday of the Month at Unit 14, Reeth Dales Centre (DL11 6SP) at 19:30 pm.

So next two meetings are:

- February Monday 10th
- March Monday 9th

Additionally, February 18th - Swaledale Night Sky. A talk with images and videos by a local astrophotographer, Paul Clark 19:30 in Low Row Institute. Proceeds to Institute repairs. Tickets from <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/swaledale-night-sky-tickets-83598051021> or email swaledalenightsky@gmail.com

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Saffron Curry Night, Monday 24th Feb at 7pm. £25 for 3 courses, Thanks to Chris and his staff at Saffron for their support.

Jeannie

Healough Christmas Lights

We hope the festive lights brought at least a smile as you drove through Healough over the festive period. Once again our grateful thanks to all who donated to the collection and its a testament to your generosity and the popularity of the display that we exceeded last years total. This season we collected a magnificent £900. All of the money goes directly to Guide Dogs UK. With very best wishes and thanks from **Pete, Chris and Mr. Harley**

What was the best book you read in 2019?

Is there a book that really stands out that you read last year? Or will you have to rack your brains to remember **what** you read in 2019, let alone which you thought was the best?

Time to get your thinking caps on,

stir up the old grey cells and share your best read with others, so that they can enjoy it too.

Either pop into the library in Hudson House, and add your top pick to the sheet next to the borrowing log, or **email me and let me know**. You don't have to reveal your identity to the world at large if you don't wish to, so feel free to 'fess up' to relishing **Fifty Shades of Grey**, if that's what you really enjoyed.

The deadline is 9th March and we'll try to get Mike to print some of your favourites in the April Gazette. And if we get lots of responses, we'll put more in over the coming months. If you're moved to write a short review, or say why you enjoyed your choice so much, just email it to me and we'll try to include that too.

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MUKER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 12 December 2019

Road Hump Ivelet - Cllr Metcalfe informed the meeting that he had not received any correspondence from Highways. Clerk to contact Highways.

Village Sign - West Stonesdale - Cllr Peacock had confirmed that £250 was available from NYCC, towards the cost of the est. £450 sign. The Parish Council agreed to provide the remaining £200. A representative from West Stonesdale should be involved regarding the positioning of the sign. Clerk to contact Highways and Cllr Peacock to arrange.

Water on Road - Crowtrees - Cllr Porter said that this was still an issue and with the recent cold weather causing ice, this is very dangerous. Also that there were no grit heaps on the Swaledale side of the pass, Clerk to contact Highways and Cllr Peacock.

Finance - An order to pay and a cheque had been raised, £90 for the refilling of the Grit Bin at Thwaite.

An order to pay and cheque was raised for £41.94 to Cardiac Science for the replacement Electronic Pads for the defibrillator at Keld.

Parish Precept - It was agreed that the Council request a precept of £2000 an increase of £100 to cover the ongoing cost of the replacement parts for defibrillators.

Water on the Road - Cllr Calvert raised an issue regarding water on the road in a number of places. 1. Shivery Gill, 2. The first bend after the T Junction at Tan Hill, Stainmoor road, 3. Level Hill - Clerk to contact Highways.

Articulated Vehicles - Cllr Calvert

again raised the issue of Articulated Vehicles using the B6270 when the A66 is closed. The road had been blocked on the 1st November with a large vehicle. Cllr Calvert suggested that there needs to be more signage further down the Dale and said that he understood that Cumbria County Council had erected signs advising not to use Satnavs on certain roads. Cllr Metcalfe stated that Usha Gap bridge had once again been hit and damaged by a vehicle. Clerk to contact Highways.

Buttertubs Pass - Cllr Metcalfe stated that the Buttertubs had not been gritted on the night of the 11 December and was unsure whether it was being gritted at present. N Turner, Clerk informed the meeting that it had been agreed with Highways at an Area Partnership meeting in September 2016 that the due to its altitude the Buttertubs Pass would be gritted, whenever there was a risk of ice, irrespective of whether adjacent, lower roads needed gritting and regardless of its Priority rating. Clerk to contact Highways, Cllr Peacock and Cllr McMullon. Cllr Metcalfe also raised the issue of a number of cats eyes missing on the Buttertubs Pass. Clerk to contact Highways.

Richmondshire D.C - correspondence had been received from RDC regarding how it communicates with local Councils through e-mails and the Area Partnership Meetings. The Parish Council were in agreement that existing communications were sufficient.

YDNPA - Planning Applications for Scarr House and Aygill Farm have been approved Conditionally. Parish Briefing November - Clerk to e-mail the briefing to Councillors.

Dark Skies Update - A letter had been received explaining the YDNP Dark Skies Reserve Status application and requesting the Parish Councils support. A discussion took place regarding the merits of the Status. Councillors were concerned regarding the section on new or replacement lighting and the possibility of this becoming an issue for homeowners and businesses regarding planning. Whilst they welcomed the status in principal and its promotion of the area, they had reservations regarding the possibility of further tiers of planning restrictions. Clerk to write to YDNP.

Correspondence/AOB-The Chairman read out the Dales Police Report for November. Cllr Reynoldson raised the issue of a street light not working in Thwaite. Clerk to contact RDC. Cllr Metcalfe raised the issue of a window which had been replaced at a house in Muker. Since the previous meeting he had now seen the window and was concerned that it was not in keeping with the area and that YDNP Planning should be made aware. He questioned whether there would be conditions placed on the building with it having previously been a Chapel. Clerk to contact Planning. Cllr Reynoldson asked whether there had been any news on the plans to remove the phone box at Thwaite. Cllr Whitehead said that the issue was ongoing, but that objections had been raised by RDC and the Parish Council. The Council would like to place on record their thanks to Mr Ken Guy for lighting the fire and setting out the chairs for the Councils' meetings over the last year.



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Christine Noble

2 Dales Football

Our Under 11's were the only team to have played as we finished for Christmas. They travelled to Brompton (Northallerton). I was not able to be present and we had not played this team before so didn't know what to expect. I don't have a report but we won 10 to 4.

We were delighted, over Christmas, to have our Charter Standard confirmed for another year. This shows the club meets the FA's challenging requirements.

We want 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.

At the time of going to press, the Reeth and District Community Sports Club, the local charity which provides our sports facilities at Reeth, has not received any response for grant aid from the 2 Ridings fund for the flood damage at our facility in the summer.

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Reeth New Years Day Fire Display

My family and I recently attended the New Years Day firework display.

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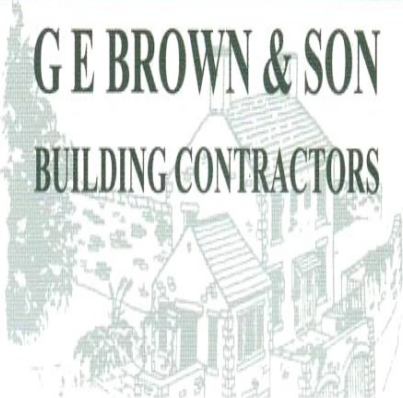
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After twenty years of leading REETH YOGA GROUP, I am retiring and classes at Fremington Village Hall have now ceased. I would like to thank all my students for their friendship and support over the years; class collection contributions to St. Theresa's Hospice funds having been greatly appreciated. Thank you. **Eileen Martin.**

Message from the Museum

We are looking forward to welcoming our first school group to the Museum before Easter, but the Museum is not just for children! Have you thought about booking in a group you belong to for a visit? We can cater for 10-30 and are happy to organise special hands-on sessions and bring out artefacts and archives from our store, just for you. We can even supply light refreshments. We have a wealth of resources available for artists, writers, local and family historians, or just the plain curious.

Our 2020 Season begins on 21 May, and we will be open everyday: Monday to Saturday 10.00 am to 5.00 pm and on Sundays 2pm to 4pm, until the end of September. Our first event will be the Friends of the Museum AGM on 10th June at 7.30 pm and all are welcome, so do make a note in your new diaries.

We are currently working on the history of Metcalfe's Farm in Reeth, but have got side-tracked by Reeth Cattle Show, for which we have a poster dating from 1840 in the Museum. Friend of the Museum Alan Gibson has sent us a picture of an advertisement for the Show printed in the Yorkshire Gazette, 31 November 1841, that includes the list of prizes, not just for 'the working miner who has brought up the greatest number of children without parochial assistance', but also for 'the female domestic servant, under thirty years of age, who had lived longest in the same service'. Who won the first premiums for

these? For the former it was Mary, the widow of John Bell of Castle Bolton, and for the latter Isabella Hammond, servant to Mr Thomas Nelson of 'Merrick'. Mary was awarded £3, which in 1841 was equivalent to 15 days pay for skilled tradesman, a quite substantial win, while Isabella received £2. If you know anymore about Reeth Cattle Show we would very much like to hear from you!

If you want to sign up for our FREE e-newsletters with latest developments do let us know, and we will put you on the circulation list. For advance information on events, why not become a Friend of the Museum. Annual membership: single £12, couple £18, family £25 gives unlimited free entry to the Museum, discount on talks, and our twice yearly Newsletter! For more information contact Helen via helen@swaledalemuseum.org or on **07969 823232**. Visit our website at www.swaledalemuseum.org for the latest information.

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5th February - A Year in the life of a Grouse Moor Keeper. Anyone who has not seen a Grouse shoot will be interested in a talk given by game keepers from four different estates in the Yorkshire Dales Moorland Group.

12th February - An insight into The Bainbridge Hydro Electric Scheme- its' design and operation.

Tom Fairey a retired chartered electrical engineer with over 50 years' experience designing and installing electrical equipment. We do not have a meeting on the 19th February as it is half term.

Wednesday 26th - Working class education in the 19th and 20th centuries. Given by Leeds University researcher Pushpa Kumbaht, investigating how working classes gained benefit and improved working conditions through education.

Chris

DEAR EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I have just read with surprise and sadness of the demise of the Apostrophe Protection Society. Surprise, as I did not know of its existence and sadness that it has had to admit defeat.

I have no idea why but I have recently noticed more examples of the misuse of the apostrophe.

The confusion between it's (it is) and its (belonging to it) is understandable. Its use in plurals appears to be on the rise and is just wrong. There seems to be divided opinion as to whether plurals of numbers should have one, e.g. 18's or 18s. However, I have recently noticed these plurals which are definitely incorrect, ready meal's, HGV's, shade's, unit's and gin's.

Does it really matter? The purpose of written language is to communicate and if a sign for toilets is written toilet's it is fairly obvious what it means. Yours pedantically

Chris Hopwood

PS I did find some in the December Gazette but in no way detracted from it!

Editor Response: I agree there is a demise and from the submissions I receive for each Gazette I notice our readers also have their own differing opinions. This is probably due to the different views of their tutors. By the way do not get me started on the subject of long sentences. I review Technical designs at work and sentences seem to be getting longer without any punctuation.

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| 8 May | End of the Second World War |
| 28 May | Coronation Street |
| 18 June | Roman Britain |
| 9 July | Queen |
| 30 July | The Palace of Westminster |
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This rich heritage was believed to have been lost after thirty years of war and anarchy. However, thanks to the courage of Afghan museum staff who hid the treasure, often risking their lives to do so, it survived and re-emerged intact in 2002. It has subsequently toured the world: a magnificent cultural symbol of hope for the future of Afghanistan.

Hanne is an extra-mural lecturer at Leeds University, Harrogate College and the Art Fund. A Council Member of the Oriental Ceramics Society and author of *Chinese Ceramics at Lotherton Hall*, she has lectured extensively in Europe, the USA, Australia and China.

Tickets are £10 (refunded if you

join TASW). Members of other Art Societies, with membership card, pay £5. Contact **01845567489** or wensleydale@theartssociety.org for tickets which are also available immediately prior to the lecture. Full details of the 2019-2020 programme at <https://theartssociety.org/ensleydale>.
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Melbecks Parish Council December 2019

Relocation of dog-waste bin, Gunnerside: the clerk will enquire to find out more about the best location for this.

Two Ridings Community Foundation: A grant of £1000 has been received.

Richmondshire District Council: An uncontested election fee of £75 has been paid, and it was agreed to request a precept of £2500.

Highways: County Cllr Peacock offered to contact Highways to arrange a site visit, to look at the drain at Peat Gate, Surrender Bridge and Brocca Bank.

YLCA training: The clerk and Cllr Lewis attended this event and the council will consider becoming a member again in March 2020.

Planning: Hazel Brow Visitor Centre, Low Row, it was agreed that the concerns that had been raised previously have now been addressed, and the clerk will contact YDNPA to advise, Home Farm, Low Row and Foxgloves, Gunnerside: both approved conditionally.

Trees: The council received notice of tree works at Shielings, Gunnerside and Woodend Farm, Low Row.

Dark Skies reserve status: A letter of support would be sent to endorse this application.

Dales Police report October 2019: The council noted receipt of this report.

Emergency Plan: Cllr Lewis has been working on this and a meeting is being arranged with Helen White, from the Emergency Plan Committee to discuss this further. A request has been placed

in the Reeth Gazette asking for information about any vulnerable people and property as well as sandbags storage locations in Low Row and Gunnerside.

Public participation and communication

It was confirmed that the existing arrangements for public participation apply. Electors can submit queries by letter, email or telephone via the clerk or by contacting any of the councillors.

Next meeting: will be at Low Row Institute on Thursday February 6th 2020 at 7.30pm.

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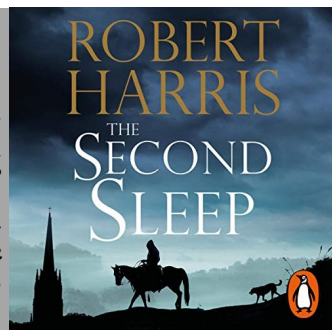
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Mike B



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Some food 'culprits' include milk (mostly because we don't use it in time), potatoes (170 per household each year), 860,000 apples and 20 million slices of bread every single day. What items do you tend to waste? Should you buy less, or get creative with ways to use them?

A tip for all that bread is to slice and freeze it, then defrost when you need it. It can be toasted from frozen. For stale bread, grate it (or use a food processor) to make breadcrumbs (which you can freeze), and use these for a crunchy topping on baked fruit, veg, or mac'n'cheese - try adding some herbs, grated cheese and drizzle with vegetable oil or dot with butter.

Did you try Veganuary? Eating less meat reduces the environmental impact of the food system. On average, we feed 10 calories (as grass or other crops) to animals so they can convert it into just 1 calorie of human-edible food. If this is pasture in upland areas like Swaledale, that's a good use of land that would be difficult to farm for

human-edible crops - but problems arise from using prime growing land for animal feed, or even worse, cutting down rainforests to grow soy and other grains that we then feed to animals.

Making meat a treat, and choosing local, pasture-fed (and ideally organic) meat from happy animals helps reduce your footprint, and support biodiversity and local businesses.

Incredible Edible Swaledale is part of a global movement to involve people in planting, looking after and harvesting beautiful fresh fruit and veg that's grown right on our doorsteps, using public or otherwise unused spaces. Our project in Reeth is starting to take shape, and we are planning some raised beds and a herb garden. Could you help out with spare compost or decent soil? If so, please contact us: info@sustainableswaledale.org

Dark Skies

On Tuesday 18th February 2020 at 7.30 pm in Low Row Institute, Paul Clark's talk about the 'Swaledale Night Sky' 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 through the National Park website: www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/event/the-swaledale-night-sky/, email: swaledalenightsky@gmail.com or from Old Dairy B&B, Low Row.

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Saturday 7th the band travelled to Masham to play for the Masham Christmas Fair held on the Market Square and in the Town Hall. We played in front of the Town Hall until early afternoon.

At 3pm a Christmas Concert was given to a small but appreciative audience in St. Paul's Church, Healey to raise money for church funds.

Following that performance the Band Annual Dinner was held at the Black Sheep Brewery Visitors Centre in Masham and a good night was enjoyed by all.

Sunday 15th saw the band on the platform of Richmond Station, entertaining the customers in the restaurant with a concert of Christmas music. This is a favourite location for the band as the acoustics are excellent and it is a pleasure to perform in such a wonderful environment.

Friday 19th a Christingle Service was held at Saint Andrews Church, Grinton for the children of Reeth and Gunnerside Schools. Nine of the ten children, who are being trained at Gunnerside School, once a week during their lunch break, performed two carols to start the service.

Saturday 21st at Reeth Memorial Hall the band played their Christmas Concert to a large audience. Mulled wine and light refreshments were available in the interval followed by a raffle. The start of the second half was opened by the Training Band consisting of five children who have recently joined. They were ably assisted by Tom who is now in the main

band after training for two years. Tom was then presented with a trophy for the most improved young player. Before the end of the concert Brian Hicks was given a Christmas hamper to thank him for leading the band since the end of the summer season. The final piece was a musical greeting to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The concert raised nearly £300 for band funds before expenses.

Sunday 22nd at 6.30pm the traditional Carol Service was held in St. Mary's Church, Arkengarthdale when the band accompanied the carols and played a couple of Christmas melodies during the service. There was a quick dash down to Reeth to play carols around the Christmas tree on the Green.

Christmas Day - a small number of band members played carols in Grinton and Reeth during the day. Photos and video have been posted on the band's website: www.reethbrassband.co.uk Facebook page and include the band accompanying a dog singing carols in the Black Bull Hotel.

Following a busy Christmas period the band is planning to settle down to preparing for the coming season under a new Musical Director. **Irwin**

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Dales Police Report January 2020

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Overnight 15th December 2019 a '16' plate red Suzuki quad was stolen from a secure outbuilding on a farm at Thwaite Bridge between Appersett and Garsdale Head.

On the afternoon of 17th December 2019 an unattended Landrover Defender on Arkengarthdale Moor was broken into and a pair of green Swarovski binoculars stolen from within.

On the evening of 27th December 2019, three quad bikes, a trailer and tools were stolen from farms in the Raydale area. An impressive network of rural watch members soon became involved, reporting sightings of a number of suspicious vehicles active in Bishopdale and Upper Wharfedale. A Landrover Discovery towing a quad in a trailer was reported on the Stake Road between Raydale and Bishopdale. The quad was quickly abandoned on the moor and the suspect vehicle made off. Afterwards a Landrover Discovery was found crashed and abandoned near Kettlewell. Two more quads, trailer and tools were all recovered in the vicinity

and all were identified as those stolen from Raydale that evening. On the evening of 29th December reports from rural watch members in Upper Bishopdale identified two males suspected of being involved in the thefts, which led to two arrests by police on the Stake Road. Enquiries are ongoing to link suspects from the West Yorkshire area to this spate of thefts. On behalf of North Yorkshire Police I would like to express our appreciation of the great and determined efforts on both nights by members of our local community in working with us to stop criminals in their tracks.

Overnight on the 30th December 2019 a secure black Ford Ranger pick-up was stolen from Quaker Close in Reeth. Any information to police on 101 please.

At some time in the week leading up to 2nd January unknown person(s) are believed to have entered an insecure flat belonging to an elderly lady in the Bainbridge area and stolen cash from within. No suspects were seen.

Please ensure that you always keep your doors locked, even when you are at home.

Despite all this the Dales remain a safe place to live. We can make it even safer by watching out for each other, securing our property and reporting suspicious incidents to the police.

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| | 11.00 am | Holy Trinity Low Row | <i>Eucharist</i> |
| | 11.00 am | Reeth Evangelical Congregational | |
| | 6.00 pm | St. Andrew's Grinton at Fremington Sunday School | <i>Iona Evening Prayer</i> |
| | 6.30 pm | Reeth Evangelical Congregational | |
| 9th Feb. | 8.30 am | St. Simon & St. Jude, Ulshaw Bridge | Mass |
| | 9.30 am | St. Joseph & Francis Xavier, Richmond | Mass |
| | 9.30 am | St. Andrew's Grinton at Fremington Sunday School | <i>Eucharist</i> |
| | 9.30 am | St Michael's Downholme | <i>Morning Prayer</i> |
| | 10.00 am | St. Peter & St. Paul, Leyburn | Mass |
| | 10.30 am | Low Row URC | |
| | 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 | Gunnarside Methodist | <i>Holy Communion</i> |
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| | 9.30 am | St. Joseph & Francis Xavier, Richmond | Mass |
| | 10.00 am | St. Peter & St. Paul, Leyburn | Mass |
| | 10.30 am | Low Row URC | |
| | 11.00 am | Holy Trinity Low Row | <i>Eucharist</i> |
| | 11.00 am | Reeth Evangelical Congregational | |
| | 11.00 am | St. Edmund's, Marske | <i>Holy Communion</i> |
| | 6.30 pm | Reeth Evangelical Congregational | |
| 23rd Feb. | 8.30 am | St. Simon & St. Jude, Ulshaw Bridge | Mass |
| | 9.15 am | St. Mary's Muker | <i>Eucharist</i> |
| | 9.30 am | St. Joseph & Francis Xavier, Richmond | Mass |
| | 9.30 am | St. Andrew's Grinton, at Fre-mington Sunday School | <i>Eucharist</i> |
| | 9.30 am | St Michael's Downholme | <i>Holy Communion</i> |
| | 10.00 am | St. Peter & St. Paul, Leyburn | Mass |
| | 10.30 am | Low Row URC | |
| | 11.00 am | Reeth Evangelical Congregational | |
| | 11.00 am | St. Edmund's, Marske | <i>Holy Communion</i> |
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| | 2.00 pm | Keld URC | |
| | 2.30 pm | Gunnerside Methodist | |
| | 4.30 pm | Holy Trinity Low Row | <i>Compline</i> |
| 6.30 pm | Reeth Evangelical Congregational | | |
| 26th Feb. | 10.00 am | St Andrew's Grinton | <i>Holy Communion BCP and Ashing</i> |

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A word from the Vicar

From 6th February, The Vicarage will be at Langhorne Lodge, Langhorne Drive, Reeth, DL11 6ST. For the moment, the contact phone number will be the mobile number that I have been using since the flood - **07866 750211**.

Once I have had discussions with BT, I hope the old Vicarage number may be reinstated, but that could take some time, so please watch the Gazette for updates.

As ever, all are welcome at the Vicarage. I look forward to seeing you.

Rev Caroline Hewlett

According to Roger

Did you know the actor who played Nick-Nack (James Bond villain) would only book hotel rooms on the 1st floor. According to Roger Moore this was because he could not reach the 2nd floor button in the lift. **Mike B**

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Geocaching in Swaledale

Did someone mention cash? Well yes, although that's 'cache' as in stash rather than 'cash' as in attic. But before you lose interest, here's the key takeaway. *If you want to get your kids into the great outdoors but can't get them away from their mobile phones, geocaching may be the answer.* Geocaching is a twenty-first century form of orienteering. It involves using your mobile phone plus detective work to find hidden goodies stored away in waterproof boxes concealed all over the Dales (and indeed, all over the world). It costs nothing to take part.

There's a dozen geocaches within two miles of Reeth and fifty or so upstream from Reeth in Swaledale and Arkengarthdale. Nine of these were created by Dr Karen Griffiths, Interpretation Officer for Yorkshire Dales National Park. These are good caches as the National Park ensures they are well maintained. Karen explained why the National Park got into geocaching: 'We don't like to litter the countryside with information panels so when I came across the idea of using the sport of geocaching as a way of discretely providing information about a place, hidden in a cache for people to find, it really ticked all the boxes, especially as kids love it'.

So where do mobile phones come in? All geocaches are listed on the website www.geocaching.com. A listing contains a brief description of each cache and crucially, the precise coordinates of where to find it. Because most modern phones have built in support for GPS, with the help of a free mapping app

such as ViewRanger (other mapping apps are available) the coordinates become a homing beacon to which a child equipped with their phone will be drawn like a moth to a harmless candle.

You may need to prepare your charges for what they will find, because there won't be a pot of gold. Instead, there'll be a plastic box containing a log book where you can record your success in finding the cache and read the comments of previous high achievers (young folk can also log their comments online). These can be quite touching and make you feel part of a truly international community. There will also be small gifts and tokens - you can take one - but the rule is that if you do, you must add one too. What goes around ...

When the geocaching web site first launched in September 2000, there were just 75 geocaches listed. Now there are more than three million worldwide. There's one at the South Pole, and one at the Eiffel Tower. There's one in a Volkswagen Beetle and another at the bottom of a lake. However, if you want to start with something easier and closer to home, there's one near Surrender Bridge which is No, you'll just have to find it yourself.

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See a copy of the letter received from the Two Ridings Community Foundation confirming receipt of the £600 we have raised so far for the flood appeal from the sale of our Reeth prints. Since then we have continued to sell more. We now have 8 prints left in total which are being sold in the Punch Bowl. I am confident that we will sell all of them before the Spring and in so doing we will reach our target of £1,000.

Jeremy

Mr & Mrs J Fish
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Dear Jeremy and Anne

Re: North Yorkshire Flood Recovery Fund 2019 (Swaledale and Wensleydale)

Thank you very much for your generous donation of £600 to the above appeal. Your donation will be used to help the victims of the recent flooding to replace essential household items and to contribute to the cost of temporary accommodation and other expenses whilst homes go through the cleaning and drying process.

Unfortunately we cannot claim Gift Aid on this donation. This is because the sale of prints makes Gift Aid ineligible. Please don't let this put you off from ticking the Gift Aid option in future as Gift Aid is a valuable resource for charities.

Two Ridings Community Foundation provides vital support to local community groups and small charities. These projects are largely overlooked by national funders and often struggle to continue their invaluable work. With your support we can reach the most vulnerable in our community and make a real difference to people's lives.

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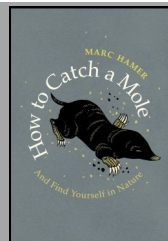


Good Read

How to Catch a Mole by Mark Hamer

I am reliably informed by my boss (Anne) that this book is not as you would expect. **GoodReads.com source** : 'A life-affirming book about the British countryside, the cycle of nature, solitude and contentment, through the prism of a brilliant new nature writer's experience working as a traditional mole-catcher, and why he gave it up'.

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| 2 | Music | Name this group - Damon Albarn, Graham Coxon, Alex James, Dave Rowntree |
| 3 | Literature | Which eponymous Jane Austen novel has amongst its characters George Knightly and Jane Fairfax? |
| 4 | History | What name has been given to the ancient army made from baked earth that was discovered in China? |
| 5 | Geography | What is the national flower of India? |
| 6 | Celebrity | Christine Keeler, who died in December, was an English model and showgirl who became involved in a scandal involving which politician? |
| 7 | Sport | The Hawthorns is home to which English football club? |
| 8 | History | Which US President was shot five days after the end of the American Civil War? |
| 9 | Literature | The Godfather in Mario Puzo's novel 'The Godfather' was born in which Italian village? |
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**Grinton and Ellerton
Parish Council January 6**

Council membership

Adele Sunter was co-opted as a new member and welcomed to the council.

Flood works

A number of matters were discussed arising from correspondence from residents and from previous meetings.

It was agreed that since the clearing work in the beck had been completed, work could go ahead with reinforcing the banks and also reinstating the parking area. Advice on the way forward would be sought from Highways and the National Park amongst others.

Local opinion would be consulted on the future of the footbridge above Vicarage Bridge which some felt had been a pinch point, contributing to the damage to the track and adjacent property. Clarification was needed as to who would be liable in the event of another flood.

It was noted that Richmond Motor Club had offered funding towards repairing flood damage.

A tree assessment had been carried out. A section of footpath near Blackburn Hall had been repaired by the ranger and quotes would be obtained for repairs to the wall opposite Mergill.

Planning matters

It was noted that planning permission had been granted for Shoemaker Barn.

Streetlights

Two lights had been repaired and one was in hand as the post had rotted.

Parish hall

Funding had been granted for redecoration work and this would be

carried out in the Spring.

National Park

Consultation was currently underway on the new Local Plan. The council response would be compiled at the next meeting but everyone was also encouraged to comment on it individually.

Dark Skies Reserve

The YDNPA was asking for support from parish councils for their application for Dark Skies reserve status. This was forthcoming with the stipulation that it should not adversely affect planning applications.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7.15pm on Monday, March 2, in the parish hall.

Tracy

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Let's Get Lyrical

Firstly, let's finish off December business. The winner of the 'white' lyrics is Ian 'Bluey' Hudson who was suspiciously spot on with his guess for the tiebreaker, but I'll let him off because at least now he has won more this year than Manchester City are going to win.

As for January, the answers to the Van the Man lyrics are:

- Hey, where did we go, days when the rains came - **Brown Eyed Girl**
- A fantabulous night to make romance - **Moondance**
- 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 - **Jackie Wilson Said (I'm In Heaven When You Smile)**
- Take away my sadness, fill my life with gladness - **Have I Told You Lately**
- Look at the ivy on the cold clinging wall - **Warm Love**

The tiebreaker: The only country in which he has had a No. 1 album is Norway.

And the winner is: Hugh 'The Fish' Adams who gets the title of *Swaledale's Biggest Van Fan*.

This month, to make it easy for you, here's a clue: The titles of these songs all include a musical instrument. Titles

and artists please.

- I look at you all, see the love there that's sleeping
- It's nine o'clock on a Saturday
- I'm not sleepy and there is no place I'm going to
- In the deserts of Sudan and the gardens of Japan
- Grand piano; reed and pipe organ; glockenspiel

For the tiebreaker: What was the first musical instrument played in space?

The usual rules apply with no internet use allowed. (Bluey take note.) However, had you listened to my show on **105.9 Bishop FM (Tuesdays from 11.00am to 1.00pm)** last week, you would have heard all the songs played. (You can listen online via the station website at www.bishopfm.com; through Tunein Radio or just ask Alexa to 'play the radio station Bishop FM.')

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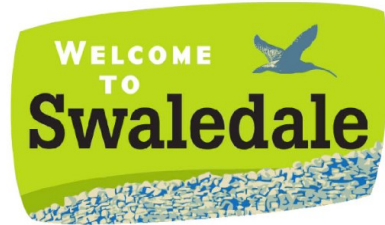
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First Thoughts . . .

'The Wonderful World of..'

Indulge me. I have got a bit carried away here being positive. I hope you can relate to some of these.

Not Camping Now our children are older, I can still enjoy 'Not Camping Ever Again'. Brilliant.

Radio - Much better than TV. I always learn something. I have no idea how many times I have arrived home by car and sat in the car waiting for a radio piece, to finish.

Vinyl - not 1970's vinyl flooring. That would be a weird fetish. No it's the typical-bloke-of-my-age resurrection of a younger age hobby. Saddo. Christmas gave me the time to look at all my 45 singles. Decided to see

what they may sell for and thought I better play every single one to check for scratches. As I went through over a 100 singles, I loved the process of concentrating on each track and actually having to get out of my seat to change to the next one. I realised this was a playlist of my life. Well at least some of the best ones. Forgetting the duds.

Not watching Teletubbies - at 5am in the morning. Surely some of you can relate to that.

Awakening of nature - in February. Lovely.

Next Gazette no doubt, I will be grumpy old man again. Write in do you want grumpy or happy? I will see if I can oblige.

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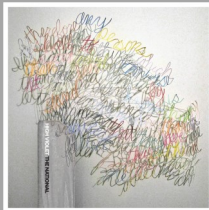
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this month,
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2010 but I still
reach for this album often.



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25/12/2019: Incident 46: Called out on Christmas Day morning to assist the ambulance service with a collapsed dog walker in the Leyburn area, despite the best efforts of all on scene the incident proved fatal. Our thoughts are with the family & friends of the casualty.

22/12/2019: Team search dog and handler called last night for an out of area search. Stood down en-route

16/12/2019: Team leaders called along with Upper Wharfedale Fell Rescue Association (UWFRA) following reports of 4 vehicles stuck in snow on a moorland track. Fortunately a local farmer was able to recover the vehicles to safety.

07/12/2019: Incident 45: Team called to rescue a walker who had fallen 50ft in a wooded ravine, treated on scene by the team, Air Ambulance & Yorkshire Ambulance crews. Evacuated by the team to the Aircraft.

05/12/2019: Incident 44: Team called by North Yorkshire Police to rescue an injured walker on Fremington Edge, above Reeth. Treated on scene

by the team & evacuated to the waiting Ambulance.

27/11/2019: Incident 43: While the team were hosting a joint training event with Ambulance staff from Yorkshire Ambulance Service, we were called to rescue an injured walker in Walden valley. Stood down as the first team members arrived as the Ambulance crew managed to deal with the injury.

Each month we'll highlight an item of our rescue equipment; this is how we spend your generous donations. However this month we thought you might like the only free bit of rescue equipment we have, 'the team!' See the photo on the opposite page.

We have around 35 full team members on call 24 hours a day 7 days a week. All have 'normal' jobs & regularly give up time at short notice for rescues. We also have another 5 supporters, these people help run the team in the background doing essential admin jobs such as, treasurer, secretary etc, without them we simply could not operate.

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Last but not least. We have all the wives, husbands, partners, children & employers, who frequently find themselves dining alone or explaining to friends why their other half has 'run off in a hurry' & trying to get the kids to understand why Mum / Dad isn't around on Christmas day or the employer trying to make a customer understand(continued on next page)

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why a meeting is cancelled at no notice.
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- 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.
- 10th Reeth Informal Astronomy Group Meetup, Unit 14, Reeth Dales Centre at 7.30pm.
- 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.
- 18th 'Swaledale Night Sky' by Paul Clark, Low Row Institute at 7.30pm.
- 21st Megson - Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm.
- 22nd Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: *Late Night*, starring Emma Thompson. 7.30 pm, doors and bar open at 7 pm. £5 (child £3).
- 24th Reeth Parish Council, 7pm, Reeth Memorial Hall.
- 27th TLC@Gunnerside AGM, Gunnerside Hall, 7.30pm.

- 27th Arkengarthdale Sports Association AGM, CB Inn, 8pm.

March

- 2nd Grinton & Ellerton Parish Council, 7.15pm Grinton Parish Hall.
- 9th Reeth Informal Astronomy Group Meetup, Unit 14, Reeth Dales Centre at 7.30pm.
- 10th 'Global Erratics' by member Les Knight, The Buck Hotel at 7pm. SWAAG group.
- 20th Kerr & Fagan - Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm.
- 21st Coffee Morning 10am to noon, Reeth Evangelical Congregational Church.
- 23rd Reeth Parish Council, 7pm Reeth Memorial Hall.
- 26th Melbecks Parish Council, 7.30pm.
- 26th TLC@Gunnerside Annual Pie and Pea Supper, Gunnerside Hall, 7.30pm. Book with Sue 01748 884937.
- 28th Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: *Downton Abbey*. The movie follow-up with all the familiar characters. 7.30 pm, doors and bar open at 7 pm. £5 (child £3).

April

- 18th Calan - Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm.
- 18th Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: *Sorry We Missed You*. Ken Loach's attack on the zero hours society. 7.30 pm, doors and bar open at 7 pm. £5 (children £3).

May

- 14th Thunder & Rain - Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm.

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- 14th 'The Harrying of the North in 1070' by author Rod Flint. Rod has written a trilogy of Norman Conquest books, The Buck Hotel at 7pm.
- 15th Peggy Seeger & Callum MacColl - Reeth Memorial Hall 8.00pm.
- 16th Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: *Knives Out*. A murder mystery starring Daniel Craig and Jamie Lee Curtis. 7.30 pm, doors and bar open at 7 pm. £5 (child £3).

June

- 13th Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: *Sometimes, Always, Never*. Starring Bill Nighy, Sam Riley, Tim McInerney, 7.30 pm, doors and bar open at 7 pm. £5 (children £3).

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Answers to 'Ask the Family' Quiz on page 40

(1) Frank Sinatra (2) Blur (3) Emma (4) Terracotta Army (5) Lotus (6) John Profumo (7) West Bromwich Albion (8) Abraham Lincoln (9) Corleone (10) Bryan Cranston

A Sunday ramble to Stooley Pike By Danny Abrahams



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