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Happy Easter



*Your local news magazine
for the two dales*

PRICELESS

Ripon here we come

The combined forces of Swale Singers and Richmond Choral Society are working hard to be ready to form the Swaledale Festival Chorus for the opening concert of the 50th Swaledale Festival. Regular readers and Festival followers will know that we are performing Handel's "Messiah" at Ripon Cathedral. A stunning venue and a work much loved by audiences and singers alike. There'll be a period instrument orchestra and four acclaimed soloists - Rowan Pierce (soprano), William Towers (alto), Nicholas Pritchard (tenor) and Nicholas Mogg (bass).

Weekly rehearsals are going well, with the two choirs practising separately for now and then joining together for our last couple of sessions before the big day in the cathedral. We're expecting the combined choir will number about eighty, making it an amazing experience for all the singers - and hopefully for the audience as well.

It was a bit of a blow (if you'll forgive the pun) when strong winds, torrential rain and flooding led to the cancellation of one of our Swale Singers' sessions, but as our conductor Peter Stallworthy said, he plans for this happening each winter - and he's invariably right.

Tickets are available now from the Festival website - wwwswalefest.org - unless it's a sell-out. A nice thought, but with the cathedral being able to seat at least 600, you probably don't need to worry too much about availability.

Elizabeth

2 Dales Refugee Support Urgent Ukraine Appeal.

The response to this urgent appeal, has been simply mind blowing. The amount of clothes, toiletries, socks, hats, scarves sleeping bags, etc, etc, taken to Hudson House so quickly, is testament to the amazing kindness of all in the Dales. I received a phone call from the Yorkshire Dales and Moorland Group saying that the local gamekeepers had met up and wanted to bring loads of items of clothing for the poor people fleeing Ukraine., What a great gesture.

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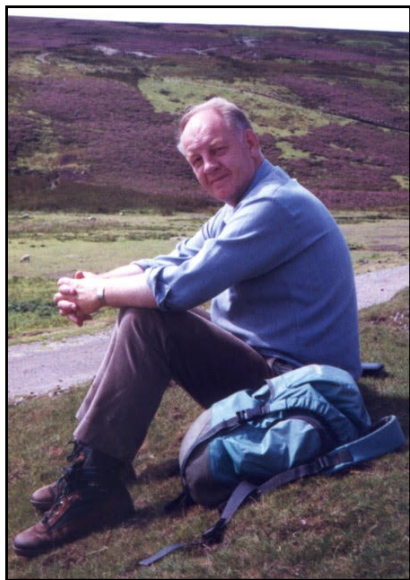
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Thank You



Keith Allen

Brenda and the family of the late Keith Allen would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy through the many cards, messages of condolence and support they have received.

Mark Allen

Good Friday Walk - 15 April 2022

A Hike - A Pilgrimage - A Witness - The Stations of the Cross

All are invited to take part, for all or some of the route - children with an accompanying adult are most welcome.

8.00 am Assemble for pre-booked Communal Transport at Grinton Church

(To book a lift up the dale to Keld, please contact Peggy Purver 01748 884963).

8.10 am Transport leaves for Keld

8.55 am Assemble at Keld URC for safety chat.

9.00 am Short Service at Keld URC; leave 9.10 am

10.30 am Service at St. Mary's Muker, leave 11 am

12.30 pm Gunnerside Methodist Church - lunch stop.

1.10 pm Short Service at Gunnerside Methodist Church

1.25 pm Assemble and off!!

3.30 pm Low Whita Bridge

5.00 pm Arrive Grinton (Hot Cross buns!!!)

5.30 pm Service in St. Andrew's Grinton.

Post service -

Transport back up the dale, as far as Keld, as required.

Total mileage - 12.5 miles(ish).

Strong footwear and waterproof clothing required. Dogs are welcome. To protect stock and also for the safety of the walkers **DOGS MUST BE KEPT ON LEADS AT ALL TIMES.**

The organisers will lead the walk; however participants are responsible for their own safety. The precise route is subject to change dependent on conditions on the day. If the weather is really bad the services will take place as advertised, but there will be no organised walk.

Caroline

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Wensleydale Concert Series

After a really successful 2021 season we return in May 2022 with a series of seven live concerts at St. Andrew's Church, Aysgarth. Concerts are spread between May and September, with two in July and September.

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Additionally, if there is demand we will provide free public transport from various points in Wensleydale to make it easier to access concerts. If you are interested in transport please contact us either via the website or by calling Carol or Liz on 01969 663026 - we can only organise transport if enough people ask long enough in advance to make the arrangements.

This year we have three piano recitals, including the return of the astonishing international virtuoso Mark Viner, a piano duet recital, a piano/violin/cello trio performing stunning music written by female composers, a ba-

roque/early music consort and a violin/piano recital.

Currently we still plan to restrict ticket sales to allow social distancing, which last year resulted in concerts being sold out. We will continue to assess the situation with the pandemic and updates will be posted on our website. We very much look forward to welcoming you to Aysgarth.

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She would love to invite you to the following:

- Sunday worship at Low Row URC (10.30am) and Keld URC (2.00pm).
- Morning and evening prayer, each weekday at 9.00am and 6.00pm.
- A Bible study on the parable of the Prodigal Son on Wednesday from 10.00-11.30am.

Gillian will be holding "at home" afternoons each weekday in the manse from 2.00-3.30pm. You are cordially invited to pop in for tea /coffee and chat.

Morning and evening prayer will take place in Keld Chapel. The Bible study will be in the Keld Resource Centre. Refreshments will be provided.

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1 Incident this edition

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Incident 07: Team called to rescue an injured off-road motor biker, fortunately we were stood down while responding as the ambulance crew managed to sort.

During early February a number of team member travelled to The Cairngorms National Park for some winter skills training.

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Have you taken a look at our website recently? You will spot a new feature on the homepage, Breaking News. We have a very large collection of extracts from old local newspapers about Swaledale and Arkengarthdale. Some of you may have attended the talks that Marion Moverley and I gave based on them. We decided that they were too good to keep just to the archive. Rob Macdonald has ingeniously added them to our website in a monthly rolling programme.

This month we have a cutting from 4th April 1896, published in the Weekly Times, Melbourne, Australia. 'Mrs. Betty Webster of Aysgarth, Yorkshire, will have reached the great age of 107 years, she having been born at Thwaite in Swaledale towards the end of February 1790. Mrs. Webster's father was a centenarian as also were three of her aunts'. Does anyone know anything more about Betty Webster? We wonder what their secret of longevity was.

The report we have for 17 April 1880 is a feature in the Darlington and Richmond Herald. 'George Reynoldson, the landlord of the King's head in Gunnerside, was charged with serving liquor during prohibited hours. ... The landlord said that he had been trying to get rid of the two men but they would not go home and that their glasses had not been filled up after ten o'clock. As the constable did not see their glasses being filled up the

case was dismissed'. Sound familiar? Find out more about them by going to the website!

We have had some good responses to the appeal for information about the men featured in the photograph we published in last month's Gazette. Liz and Chris Austin wrote in to say that they were 'pretty certain that the man sitting with the football between his feet is Liz's Grandad Tim Scratcherd. He was landlord of the Black Bull and also ran the bus service up the dale back in the 1920s and 1930's. The doors behind might be the bus garage'. Liz showed her Dad the photograph and he confirmed that it is indeed his father. George would have been at Reeth School at the time which places it late 1920s early 1930s. He said the goalkeeper is a Kendall but can't recall any of the others. He said the photo was taken at the "hen pens". Does this stir some more memories?

Many of you have come to talks in the Museum by Will Swales. If you can't wait for his new lecture on Plantagenet Harrison which he will give to us in September why not go and hear him at the Key Centre in Middleham on 19th April at 2 pm. The talk, for the Middleham and Dales Local History Group, is a development of a Harkerside story that he touched on rather sketchily in the presentation he gave at the Museum back in 2015.

Anyone present at that talk might be interested to know that he now has a much fuller and more fascinating account of the "Swaledale Farmers' Dispute". The talk is open to all, entrance £3 for non-members.



This month's photograph is of the Arkleside Hotel. Can you date it?

www.swaledalemuseum.org for the latest information. Helen

We love the large advertising on the roof, and wonder what the National Park might make of this today. If only we could adopt this advertising strategy for the Museum! One of the most frequent comments is that no-one knows that it is there!

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Friends of Swaledale Museum AGM

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• **Wednesday 17 August**

Prof. William van Vugt, Calvin University, Grand Rapids, Portrait of an English
Migration:
North Yorkshire People in North America

• **Wednesday 21 September**

Will Swales, Marshal-General Plantagenet Harrison: Richmondshire's fake prince
of the royal blood

• **Wednesday 28 September**

Shaun Richardson, Ed Dennison Archaeological Services, 'Removed and Revealed:
Some Effects of the July 2019 Flooding on Archaeology in Swaledale and

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Sustainable Swaledale

Dales couple produce carbon neutral beef on upland farm

Article on a couple farming near Orton, who are producing certified carbon neutral beef. They have reduced their sheep numbers and lambed later, increased cattle numbers and stopped buying in fertilisers and feed, adopted new grassland management techniques and planted trees and hedges.

Ghyll Bank Farm was one of 14 farms in the YDNP/Nidderdale AONB participating in the Farm Carbon Project funded by YDNP, the AONB, Yorkshire Water and York & North Yorkshire LEP. A full report is available: The Climate Friendly Farm Carbon Project. <https://tinyurl.com/y6kvwdn3>
Source: Richmondshire Today article 1 March 2022
<https://tinyurl.com/2p98pffr>

Composting without a garden.

Elizabeth asked in a letter to the March Reeth Gazette what one can do with vegetable peelings if you don't have a garden with a compost heap? Richmondshire District Council doesn't offer a food waste collection - perhaps something one could lobby for? Leyburn Household Waste Recycling Centre takes food waste but as it goes for incineration, you might as well put it in your grey bin. There is no central location in Reeth for composting but you might find a neighbour happy to take

uncooked food waste if you ask around.

Flat occupiers claim to successfully compost uncooked food waste using a worm bin or vermicomposter. For those with access to a small outside space, other options include electric composters (which can also take cooked food) and bokashi bins.

Should you have space to compost but are not sure how to start, North Yorkshire Council offers composting bins at a discount and a volunteer group, the North Yorkshire Rotters, promote home composting. <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/north-yorkshire-rotters>
Telephone: 01609 797212

Finally one can try to reduce the waste that you generate by "compleating" - eating all parts of a plant. Try crispy oven baked potato peelings or use your orange peel to make cheat's marmalade or River Cottage Compost Heap Jelly. Find out more on the Sustainable Swaledale website.
<http://www.sustainableswaledale.org/?s=compleating>

Earth Day 2022

The theme for Earth Day 2022 this year is 'Invest in our Planet'. The organisers cite a Harvard Business Review article that shows a direct correlation between sustainable business practices, business success and happier employees. Check out the Earth Day website for details of events and online resources.
<https://www.earthday.org/>

(see next page)

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IPCC Sith Assessment Report: Impacts, Adaption and Vulnerability

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change has issued its latest report assessing the effects of climate change such as extreme weather, drought, floods and temperature rises. It concludes that agricultural productivity is lower than it would be without climate change and that this already affects food supply and prices for everyone.

<https://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar6/wg2/>
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Margaret
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Dales Police Report January 2022

2 persons were arrested for drink driving as a result of collisions

PC1192 Gary Hankin
PCSO 5232 Don Watson

PSCO 5550 Tracie Taylor-Page

Incidents of note over the last month;

2 reported thefts from Co-op in Leyburn have resulted in 3 arrests

Leyburn and the Dales
Safer Neighbourhood Team

For the last 2 months we have had reports of people receiving messages purporting to be from family members which are fake. These messages claim to be in some trouble and need financial assistance. Whoever sends the message appears to have knowledge of the family make up and can come across as genuine. If you receive any such message, please report it to us on 101 or online.

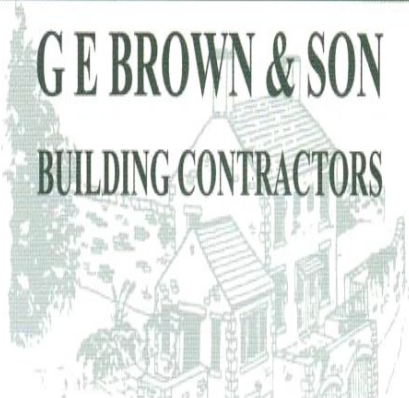
There was a total of 29 crimes recorded in the area during February. I do not report crimes whereby victims could potentially be identified for example, domestic violence or harassment, although they are included in the totals below.

5 crimes were recorded as Fraud whereby people have reported telephone scams. These include eBay and Amazon scams.

A full breakdown by category is as follows:

- 13 - Violence
- 5 - Criminal Damage
- 5 - Fraud
- 1 - Burglary
- 5 - Theft

Throughout January there were 17 road traffic collisions reported on our roads. 9 resulting in damage only, and 8 resulting in injuries.



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Hidden Gems at Station Cinema Richmond

As we step ever so closer to Easter, it feels as if the 'Hollywood' machine is back and gearing into action in the cinema industry. With a huge blockbuster just released, 'The Batman' and drawing people back in their droves, we have to wonder what's coming next?

Well, there's quite a lot to watch, and quite of hidden gems in April. From the 15th we'll see 'Operation Mincemeat' released.

The WW2 British drama stars a crowd pleasing cast from Academy Award winner Colin Firth, Kelly Macdonald, Penelope Winton and Jason Isaacs (that's Lucius Malfoy for our younger readers). Based upon the true (if not absurd) story where the British intelligence services attempt to device the Axis Powers in a misdirection of the Allied invasion of Sicily.

Then from April 29th I'm sure we'll see some huge queues at local box offices, when Downton Abbey receives its cinematic sequel in the aptly named 'Downtown Abbey 2: A New Era. (Quite how they've managed to drag this out since 2010 with 6 television seasons and a film back in 2019 is beyond me but...)

With all of the old favourites returning from Hugh Bonneville and acting royalty, Dame Helen Mirren, along with other big names such as Dominic West and Imelda Staunton it is sure to be a cracking release for fans of the series. I may even start watching it myself from the beginning to see why it's so popular...

Elsewhere in April if you are looking for some family entertainment, with

'Sonic The Hedgehog 2 and Fantastic Beasts 3: The Secrets of Dumbledore released in the first two weeks, you are going to be spoilt for choice.

My sneaky pick if you are looking for a hidden gem this month, would be 'The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent' starring Nicholas Cage, as Nicholas Cage. The synopsis is enough in itself to grab your attention, Unfulfilled and facing financial ruin, actor Nicolas Cage accepts a \$1 million offer to attend a wealthy fan's birthday party. Things take a wildly unexpected turn when a CIA operative recruits Cage for an unusual mission.

If you are looking to come to the Cinema over April, or just the Easter holidays, I'd implore to check the local independent cinema housed in the old Station, Richmond. The Station Cinema boasts 3 screens, friendly staff, and a range of blockbusters to British and international content and you can even grab a coffee or bite to eat at the restaurant inside the building without having to head outside.

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Transform rural verges into Living Verges... by Friends of the Dales

With spring in sight we are once again turning our focus back to our Living Verges campaign. As the growing season gets underway, we'll be watching to see whether there have been any noticeable changes in verge cutting as a result of our conversations with North Yorkshire County Council and supporting more villages become nature positive through a policy of: 'Cut less - Cut later - Take away'. Remember, rural verges are often remnants of vanished



Dales hay meadows and if better managed will regenerate into flower rich, biodiverse havens for insects and birds. Species rich verges also store more carbon than 'neat and tidy' verges.

We aim to follow any changes in Dales verges over time, so we'd welcome any photos or other information that could help supplement our evidence. Our campaign covers not just verges, but any piece of village grassland, such as churchyards and greens. Small changes can make a big difference - there is the potential to have a significant positive effect on biodiversity by adopting a few of the simple

changes outlined in our Village Biodiversity Guide which is available from our website: www.friendsofthedales.org.uk or by emailing:

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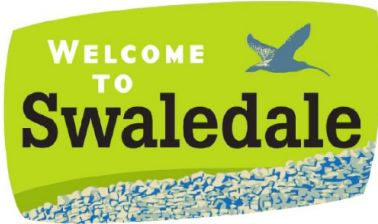
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	10.00 am	St Joseph & Francis Xav. Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	6.30 pm	Gunnerside Methodist	<i>Holy Communion</i>
10th April Palm Sunday	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	10.00 am	St Joseph & Francis Xav. Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	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>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
12th April	7.00 pm	Gunnerside Methodist	<i>Quiet Worship for Holy Week</i>
14th April	7.30 pm	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist and Watch</i>
15th April Good Fri.	9.00 am	Keld URC	<i>Start of Good Friday Walk</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
16th April	8.45 pm	St Andrew's Grinton	<i>A Service of Light beginning around a bonfire in the churchyard and then into church</i>
17th April. Easter Sunday	9.15 am	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	10.00 am	St Joseph & Francis Xav. Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	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>
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	6.30 pm	Gunnerside Methodist	
24th April	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	10.00 am	St Joseph & Francis Xav. Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
29th April	7.00 pm	Low Row URC Smarber service	<i>Start at the Old Chapel and finish in Church. For directions meet in the layby opp. The Manse at 6.30 pm</i>



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Rental Home Search

Aussie/Leeds Couple just moved to the area from Berlin looking for rental home, part time work and to make new friends - We are a couple of nerdy, nature loving musicians originally from Richmond Australia (no joke) and Leeds who have just moved from Berlin Germany to a little farm in Forcett temporarily where we will be based in March and part of April until we can find our new home.

We are in our 30's/40's and up until Covid hit we made most of our income from touring and playing our own music - Mine is a Folk/Dreamy style with influences from Kate Bush/Tori Amos/Celtic Music/Scandinavia and I sing/write, play harp, piano and guitar.

From April/May in the Yorkshire Dales or close by we're looking to rent a house, cottage, barn, church, cabin or liveable dwelling ideally with a little patch to grow some food for at least 6-12 months but hopefully longer if the option is there. We're open to all living possibilities, even off grid places as long as there is an oven to cook and keep warm. We are vegan but not the preachy kind and don't judge others choices. We can pay 3-6 months rent upfront and if required we can do some basic gardening, cleaning or house repairs in return for a discount for a handful of days per month. We're hard workers and have some basic gardening experience as well as experience taking care of animals, office and home cleaning, music lessons, customer service, organising many events, giving concerts of course and more. I can't do a lot of

heavy physical work right now as was recently diagnosed with Small Fiber Neuropathy but my partner is fit and strong and is also looking for paid work 1-2 days per week.

I previously lived in a caravan in rural Eastern Germany and in a cabin on an island in Canada so am no stranger to the cold and basic living and Lukas is very hardy. We're dreaming of a simpler life out of the city and hope eventually to have our own place but for now we're very open to other opportunities and would also love to get to know some like minded folk for walks, foraging, coffee and cake, going to gigs and more.

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"Decades - A Musical Celebration"

Calling interested young people and volunteers who would like to take part...

Spring is in the air and our young creatives are hard at work planning for a very special summer presentation. They have spent January and February consulting and considering a range of great ideas and suggestions as to how they can be involved in the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. They concluded that they would like to create a fully staged concert incorporating imagery and video projection, scripted narration, sound and lighting, set and costumes. The chosen programme will be performed in community venues across North Yorkshire and celebrate popular music and key moments that form the backdrop to the Queen's historic seventy-year reign.

We would like to hear from young people, and the young at heart, who would like to be part of this special production. There are a range of front and backstage roles which includes everything from performing to design, film and video editing, programming, marketing, finance, event management and logistics. If you are not quite sure how you would like to be involved that's fine too, simply get in touch and we can explore the possibilities together (see below for contact details).

Decades - a musical celebrations is an exciting and ambitious youth led project and we look forward to sharing their progress.

Kickstart - Over the last year we have provided mentoring and support to twelve young people aged from 16 to 24 years old and provided six remote working placements in administration, marketing, music and sound production. As a small voluntary run organisation, our involvement in the Government initiative was made possible by Richmondshire District Council who acted as a gateway organisation. Together, we have been able to provide young people with a range of opportunities to experience life working in the creative industries and gain a better understanding of the vast range of employment opportunities the sector has to offer.

Musical Cultures - workshops and concerts (2022)

We had great fun delivering the first of our world music workshops which took place in February and March supported by NYMAZ and Youth Music, using public funding from the National Lottery through Arts Council England. Caribbean Steel Drums was led by Melvin Zakers (Leeds Carnival) and Afro Beats by Cecil Jones, CJ (Sierra Leone/ Hull).

Melvin introduced the different steel pans that make up the orchestra and the different techniques and approaches to playing them. Participants ranged from ages 11 to 19 years and chose their different roles within the team and worked hard learning the different note placements for each song and playing by ear.

(see next page)

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There was great emphasis placed on dynamics, not trying to go too fast too quickly, and developing muscle memory. In our second workshop, Cecil quickly had the group playing African rhythms on the Djembe drums, singing and dancing to traditional and spiritual work songs. As the session developed, the group were able to develop their own beats and lead the group as well as incorporate the different instruments they had brought along to play.

Participants ranged from ages 10 to 19 years and had a great time discovering the musical journeys of the music leaders, their cultures and the different influences and genres they can incorporate into their own music-making. Both workshops finished with a teatime.

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Browse the full programme and book tickets at www.swalefest.org

Under 25s can get tickets for just £3. Do jump in while tickets are available!

TWO GEMS FROM OUR YOUNG ARTISTS PLATFORM

Bammental School Symphony Orchestra

Tuesday 31 May 2022, 16:00 - St. Andrew's Church, Aysgarth

50+ youngsters aged 11 to 18, with their inspirational teacher and conductor Ingo Schlichtermann, are travelling from southern Germany to play a concert for us. We'll hear orchestral classics by Brahms, Tchaikovsky and Grieg alongside tangos, themes from musicals and Irish folk tunes. Prepare to be charmed!

Richard Uttley, Callum Smart and Ben Goldscheider

Thursday 02 June 2022, 16:00 - St. Andrew's Church, Aysgarth

Pianist Richard Uttley played in the Festival's Young Artists Platform in the early days of what is now a stellar career. He is joined here by two more fast-rising stars - violinist Callum Smart and French horn player Ben Goldscheider - for stirring trios by Brahms and Ethel Smyth.

TWO JOYOUS FOLK EVENTS

Niamh Ní Charra Quartet

Saturday 04 June 2022, 19:30 - St. Andrew's Church, Grinton

A warm welcome back to the Killarney-born fiddle and concertina virtuoso who is always a huge hit with Swaledale audiences. A great band, beautiful ballads, foot-tapping jigs, reels and slides, and stories of old Ireland.

Folk Day at Raygill House Farm

Sunday 05 June 2022, 12:00 to 17:00 - Raygill House Farm, nr. Hawes

A mini folk fest on a picturesque Dales farm, featuring two sensational folk groups - The Rheingans Sisters and Steel Rhyme - as well as the entertaining performance poet and occasional ukulele player Paul Cookson. There is plenty of car parking. Food and drinks will be available, or you can bring a picnic, and hand-made wooden items will be sold for charity.

TWO WORLD-CLASS CLASSICAL CONCERTS

Alexander Markov (violin)

Friday 10 June 2022, 19:30 - St. Andrew's Church, Grinton

(see next page)

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The great New York-based Russian violinist makes his second appearance at the Festival. You'll hear his sublime solo Bach in the first half, including the Partita in D minor, and in the second half a selection of Paganini's Caprices of which Markov is the acknowledged master. Not to be missed!

Lotte Betts-Dean and Brett Dean

Saturday 11 June 2022, 16:00 - St. Michael and All Angels Church, Spennithorne
The talented young Australian mezzo-soprano and her violist and composer father perform a selection of songs by Vaughan Williams, Hindemith, Kaija Saariaho and Sally Beamish, as well as the world premiere of a Swaledale Festival commission which Brett Dean has composed especially for this concert. **Emily**

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Last month following our previous article on road safety we got three call-outs in one day, to attend multiple incidents of stranded occupants of vehicles in floodwater after passing through road closures. If you come across "road closed due to flooding" signage DO NOT ignore it.

Training Update

We received a very generous offer of a building, under renovation within Reeth, to be used as a training location in March. One of the crew members set up a scenario placing dummies to be rescued and organising various hazards. The building was then filled with simulated smoke and a drill was run in real time by the crew. Teams entered the property on a search and rescue mission locating casualties and providing the following teams with information to aid them in their task. No sooner had we packed all equipment away a call came through and we had to shoot off for a suspected boiler fire. Never a dull moment !



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nesses of all sizes and profit levels
who are looking to sell their business
either now or in a few years time. Peo-
ple who provide advice to
businesses are also welcome to attend.

TOPICS

Sale Information - Valuations - Adver-
tising - Likely Response Rates - Likely
Success Rates - Business Brokers -
Selling Without A Broker - Confidential-
ity Agreements - Timescales - Ac-
counts - Why Buyers Buy - Discounting
Professional Fees - Answering Ques-
tions - Small Print In Offers - Heads
Of Agreement Non-compete Clauses -
Sale Negotiations - Tax Liabilities -
Due Diligence - Contracts Staged Pay-
ments - Handover Support

BUILDING A MORE SALEABLE BUSINESS

Thursday 10 March 2022 - Thursday
7 April 2022

If you are a few years away from sell-
ing your business our workshop explains
how to shape your business to
improve the chances of sale, increase
the likely proceeds and minimise tax
payable. On each topic we explain
what buyers are looking for and what
might put them off. Ideally nothing
about a business should be
changed in the 12 months prior to sale.
All changes should be made before that
final year. That is why you
need to act now to avoid selling your
business for less than it is worth or
failing to sell it at all. The workshop
is open to owners of businesses of all
sizes and profit levels who are looking
to sell their business in a few
years time. People who provide advice
to businesses are also welcome to at-
tend.

TOPICS

Ownership Structure - Owner Work-
load - Customer Base - Customer Rec-
ords - Marketing Activities - Online
Presence - Computing - Accounting -
Premises - Assets - Opportunities For
Growth - Focus Of Buyers - Sources
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Saturday 30th April - Simply Tina - A Tribute to Tina Turner performed by Miss Julia Martin. Tickets £15 (£17 door). PO or Box Office 077896 42806.

Friday 20th May - The Fourmost - an evening of 60s favourite including their own Top 20 hits (A Little Loving; Hello, Little Girl and I'm In Love). Tickets £15 (£17 door).

Friday 17th June - Harp & a Monkey - Martin Purdy (vocals, glockenspiel, accordion, harmonica and keyboards), Simon Jones (harp, guitar, viola) and Andy Smith (banjo, guitar, melodica and

programming). Expect songs of bare-knuckle boxers, evolutionary moths and wife auctions. Tickets £14 (£16 door).

Friday 24th June - Tony McManus (described by John Renbourn as "the best Celtic guitarist in the world") joins Julia Toasperm from Berlin (fiddle, guitar, vocals).

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John

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The Parish Council is looking at putting a top cover on the Bandstand on the green. We have spoken to Reeth Brass Band, and they are very enthusiastic about the idea of having a permanent covered area for their performances, and this also may attract other organisations/ artists to perform in Reeth. However, before any final decision is made, we would like to hear from the residents of Reeth to find out how they feel about it.

We are looking for traditional and simple designs that are in keeping with the location and not detract from the wonderful views from the village green. It will be square to match the base and of a reasonable height.

Currently, we are consulting with companies to get some ideas, but we thought we would start to consult with local residents so they can have an active input into the decision-making process.

Please contact the Clerk by email at reethfhpc21@outlook.com to offer any suggestions, ideas or raise any concerns.

Lisa

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Automating the Grinton church clock

The Parish Church of St. Andrew was extensively renovated in 1896 although the main footprint of the church dates back to Norman times - it gets a mention in the Domesday book! The church has strong links back to Bridlington Priory despite the distance between the buildings and the district boundaries that would have been crossed in those days.

During the intervening time, the church has been active in the dale and there are many memorable markers to its age and importance within the local community. There are various historic features such as the double-sided William and Mary coat of arms, the Norman font with its mediaeval cover and a considerable amount of mediaeval stained glass. The fabric of the church is maintained locally and is the responsibility of the church members. It is governed through the Church of England's planning authority which lies within our Diocese of Leeds.

The bell tower houses a turret clock made by a famous local clockmaker, William Potts of Leeds.

William was born in December 1809 in Salt Yard, Bondgate, Darlington. His father Robert was apprenticed to a Darlington clockmaker in 1790. William followed in his footsteps and was apprenticed to Samuel Thompson, a Darlington clockmaker. Then, aged 24, he moved to Pudsey and established his own clockworks. In 1862, the business moved to Leeds. The company was granted a Royal Warrant by Queen Victoria in 1897, the year after the clock was installed in the tower at St An-

drew's.

Three of William's sons joined the firm. Robert eventually headed the firm whilst his brothers Tom and Charles both left to establish their own clockmaking business in 1928 and 1930 respectively.



In 1935 William Potts and Sons joined the Smith of Derby Group and the link with Smith's is maintained via an annual clock service funded by the St. Andrew's church to this day.

After a long and faithful service of weekly clock winding by Tom Guy - which only ceased upon his death, the clock is now wound each week by volunteers. ! This is a task which should be automated as fewer volunteers are available for this weekly task and, like the clock, they seem to be getting older every year. At St. Andrew's, the mechanism has an 8-day drive mechanism which means physically rewinding the clock every week. It also needs careful re-setting twice yearly when the clocks change, and this is a relatively complex process. The motive force comes from three weights which have a long drop into the
(see next page)

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bell tower below the clock. The clock itself is situated beneath the room housing the bells and is accessed by a steep ladder. Currently the hammer controls for the clock striking mechanism run across the floor of the clock room providing a hazard to unwary visitors and this is one of the reasons that the clock tower isn't as accessible as we would like it to be for visitors. The proposed automated winding system needs to be purpose built to fit into the frame containing the clock mechanism and also needs to be able to adjust the rate of the pendulum so that the clock is not only preserved but also remains useful and accurate with minimal manual oversight. We have received a quote for this work and are looking to raise around £10,000 to allow us to complete the works. Tom's funeral donations were a start for this fundraising and we are now applying to a number of grant awarding bodies, but we will need to raise at least 50% of the funds from other sources to make the project viable. In addition to the fundraising aspect, we would love younger members of the local community to step forward to take up the knowledge and training from existing volunteers and continue

the task of overseeing the clock once the re-winder has been installed, to pass on this essential knowledge of caretaking this community asset. Please watch out for announcements of local events to support this project or if you wish to make a donation, please contact either of the church wardens or see details on the parish website:

www.swaledalearkengarthdaleparish.org.uk on how to help. This project shows how work involving a range of the community, local people, professional clock-makers, and historical research can help develop a good conservation philosophy which will preserve the clock in an excellent working condition and serve the local community for future generations.

Paul



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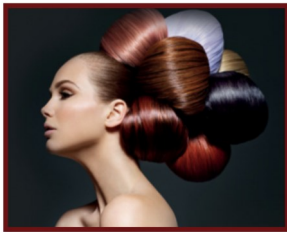
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Conservation Group meeting at St Andrew's will also take place on Sat-urday 2nd April. All are welcome so please come and support our conserva-tion efforts in the churchyard by join-ing us for coffee and scones and a bit of 'outdoor gym' activities from 10am - 12 noon. An important notice about the **Car Boot Sale**. After a two-year gap, we are holding this in Parks Field, Grinton by kind permission of the Brown family on the **early Bank Holiday Mon-day date - 2nd May** so please come and support this event in support of St Andrew's church by coming and selling or browsing on the day. Thank you for supporting these events!

Susan

First Thoughts

In my 32 month tenure as Editor, there has been a one-in-a-100-year Flood and a Pandemic. Now we have the possibility of War in Europe ! Ukraine would say we already have this and I agree with them. I am so impressed with Ukraini-ans calm responses to questions and their patience with NATO. In their position I would be so angry when ques-tioned and would berate the UK, the USA etc for not stepping in. They are amazing people that I was not really aware of, in terms of their personality.

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Diary Dates

April

2nd April - Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: Spencer. The story behind the end of Charles and Di's marriage. 7.30 pm, doors and bar open at 7 pm. £5 (children £3).

2nd April - Reeth Makers Market Spring Fair, Reeth Memorial Hall, 10am to 4pm.

8th April - Maddy Prior - Cancelled. Tickets purchased from Reeth PO may be returned for a full refund.

28 April TLC @Gunnerside, 7.30 Gunnerside Village Hall. Talk by a member of Yorkshire Dales Moorland Group.

30th April - Simply Tina - A Tribute to Tina Turner. Reeth Memorial Hall 8pm.

30th April - Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: Stillwater. Stars Matt Damon and Abigail Breslin. 7.30 pm, doors and bar open at 7 pm. £5 (children £3).

May

20th May - The Fourmost - Reeth Memorial Hall 8pm..

21st May - Film in Gunnerside Village Hall: Ordinary Love, starring Liam Neeson and Lesley Manville. 7.30 pm, doors and bar open at 7 pm. £5 (children £3).

26 May TLC @Gunnerside - 7.30 Gunnerside Village Hall - talk by Ema Suraci-Neve on creating miniatures and dioramas.

June

9th June - Platinum Jubilee Celebration - Reeth Green 1pm.

17th June - Harp & a Monkey - Reeth Memorial Hall 8pm.

24th June - Tony McManus & Julia Toaspern - Reeth Memorial Hall 8pm.

Leyburn u3a Group's April meeting

Leyburn u3a Group: The April meeting is on Friday 22nd at 10.00am at the Arts & Community Centre, Leyburn. The Speaker is Anthony Poulton Smith, published author, who will be talking about the origins and meanings of Place Names.

Meetings are usually held the third Friday of every month, however please note due to Easter, April's meeting is the fourth Friday. Visitors always welcome. Kind regards

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