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We shall be joined by guest soloists including alto Emma Wardell who is an old friend of the choir and who has sung with us many times. Also joining us again, and demonstrating his virtuosity on the organ, will be Tim Harper who is Assistant Director of Music at Ripon Cathedral.

The concert will be in St Mary's, Arkengarthdale at 3pm on Saturday 3rd December 2022 and last about 70 minutes plus an interval.

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Good Start for the Food Bank Collection Point at Hudson House

Thank you to everyone who has already donated to the new food bank collection point at Hudson House. For those not familiar with the building, the collection boxes are on the window in the Library (on your left as you come in the front door). Do help if you can.



Donations are going to The Storehouse food bank in Richmond run by the Influence Church. Please note that because of the time required to transport, sort and pack food parcels, the food bank can only accept long-life items such as those on the list below. If you know someone who needs help from the foodbank it may be helpful to know that the Storehouse is open to new enquiries on Thursday afternoons between 4.00pm and 6.00pm and that no proof of need is required for a first visit. The food bank is located in the Influence Church building, which is the old cinema opposite the cricket ground (DL10 4AS). If transport is a problem, you can always contact Reeth and

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**Memories of Holidays in
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John Rainbow has sent in some memories, sparked by a conversation with Raymond Alderson whilst walking above Low Row:

My mother, Pat, was evacuated to Swaledale in WWII. My grandfather's family then bought properties in Low Row: my grandfather, Bert, first acquired Mud House in the 60s and then Isles Cottage in the early 70s. His brother, Frank, bought Laykin about the same time. The family name was Stabler. Isles Cottage remained in the family until the 90s. I was born in 1962 and I spent most of my holidays in Swaledale as a child. I remember the milk wagon collecting milk churns and playing in the Swale and jumping on the bank making sand martins fly out of their 'burrows'. We collected milk from Hazel Brow with tin foil tops and could get a quarter of sweets from the old post office. When visiting Reeth, I would often get an Airfix model from the Gift Shop and on Sundays we would collect the papers from the bus shelter and leave the money in a pot. Often, we would be surprised by low flying Vulcan bombers in the valley and the noise! Every Easter our family would book Sunday lunch at The Buck in the round room. Swaledale has always held a special place in my heart and when the opportunity arose to get a static caravan in Reeth we jumped at the chance. I am now trying to pass on my knowledge and love of the area to our children and grandchildren.

**Do you have any memories of
holidaying in this area that you would
like to share? Ed**

Planning for a new Richmondshire health and care campus gets the go-ahead

Formal planning approval has been granted for the new Catterick Integrated Care Campus, bringing construction of a brand-new health and care facility for Richmondshire a step closer.

More than seven years in development, this joint venture between the National Health Service (NHS) and Ministry of Defence (MOD) will provide a range of healthcare services for Armed Forces personnel and their families based at Catterick Garrison and residents of the wider Richmondshire area.

Subject to final clinical modelling, the purpose-build centre on the Garrison will feature primary care, advanced primary care, mental health services, physiotherapy, NHS dentistry for children and adults with a disability and voluntary and community healthcare support providers under one roof.

It is hoped the new Integrated Care Campus will be completed in 2024.

Wendy Balmain, North Yorkshire Place Director for the NHS Humber and

North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (HNYICB) said:

"The NHS and MOD have been working together since 2015 to turn the vision for an integrated health and care campus for military and local civilian populations into reality. The formal planning approval is a major milestone, moving us forward with finalising our service proposals and achieving final approvals. I would like to thank all our partners for this significant collective achievement that in time will support the needs of the local community."

Karina Dare, Regional Partnership Director for North East and Yorkshire at NHS Property Services, said: "Passing this important planning milestone is a fantastic achievement and I want to congratulate the clinical teams as well as the technical team for their time and commitment to reach this stage. We will continue to support our NHS colleagues as we move into the next approvals stage with the ultimate aim of supporting delivery of vital services to the local community."

Air Commodore Luke Houghton KHP MStJ - Head Healthcare Plans, Headquarters Defence Medical Services for the MOD said:

"We are absolutely delighted to be informed of Richmondshire District Council's formal planning approval of the Catterick Integrated Care Campus design. This decision paves the way for an exciting future healthcare facility and delivery model for both the NHS and MOD. It is an opportunity to collaborate and work together and to focus on the health needs of the whole population in the area through excellence in joint clinical practice and learning."



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Elected representatives across Richmondshire said the campus would bring healthcare provision closer for many residents of the vast and largely rural district as well as increasing access to NHS services near to some of North Yorkshire's most deprived communities.

Councillor Angie Dale, Leader of Richmondshire District Council, said the integrated care campus is a much-needed facility for the district. "I welcome this development which will complement our vision for Catterick Garrison - it links with the work we are doing on the regeneration of the town centre which is subject to a £19m levelling up bid from central government."

Throughout the project, appointed contractor, Tilbury Douglas's aim is to maximise social value for the area, with a focus on new job creation and training opportunities for the local community. They will also engage with local community groups to identify ways in which they can provide support. There are plans to hold future engagement events together with partners for the local community, which will be advertised locally.

Paul Ellenor, Regional Director of Tilbury Douglas Construction said:

"It's fantastic to have received formal planning permission for the Integrated Care Campus. My team and the project's design partners have worked hard to develop a scheme that the local community can be proud of. Construction of the new Integrated Care Campus will benefit the local area, both during construction through new employment and training opportunities, and for the life of the building,

supporting the community with high quality health care services. My team will now focus on finalising the design and preparing the site for construction to commence early next year."

Works have already commenced on site to prepare it for the start of construction in Spring 2023. Several previously unused and dilapidated buildings have now been demolished due to being no longer viable for use.

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The cost for the term will be £10 to join as a member for the 8 talks scheduled for this term, or £3 for a single visit.

November Meetings:

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Tony Keates, Watermills In Wensleydale

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The Closure of the 2 Dales Luncheon Clubs Association

Unfortunately the decision has been taken to close the Swaledale and Arkengarthdale Luncheon Clubs Association. This follows a unanimous vote by members at an Extraordinary General Meeting after it had proved impossible to find a replacement caterer.

The first Lunch Club was set up in Langthwaite in 1994 and was an immediate success. Further clubs were set up in Muker and Low Row in 1995, and another club was then started in Reeth in 1999. The four clubs were arranged so that they met on a different week, and once each month. The original aim of the Lunch Clubs was to "*encourage social interaction and to foster well being throughout the community by enabling residents to meet together socially whilst enjoying nutritious sustenance*", and, while this may sound a bit antiquated by today's standards, I think that the Clubs succeeded in this aim, and proved to be a valuable asset - particularly to the older members of the community.

The Constitution specifies that if it is necessary to dissolve the Association then any cash assets shall be donated equally to the community facilities (Village Halls) that were used to host the Lunch Clubs. However, it was pointed out that the Langthwaite Club had met in both the Congregational School Room and the Community Sports Club in recent years, and so an

amendment was tabled to split the Langthwaite share of the funds equally between the two venues and this was also agreed unanimously.

So after 28 years the committee would like to thank everyone that has supported the Lunch Clubs, especially our sponsors, our caterers and our volunteers past and present. Thank you one and all.

Alan Thorogood

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Community Hub**

St. Mary's is very pleased to announce that all the funding is now available to allow it to provide the new facilities for the Arkengarthdale Community Hub.

The architect and builder have been appointed and, following off-site joinery work, the work on site will start on Monday 14th November.

The internal work will commence with the removal of three rows of pews, the building of the accessibility ramp, the installation of new internal glass doors & screens and finally the kitchenette and servery. Replacement chairs and new tables will be provided.

The external work for the attached toilet and storeroom will follow on and everything is expected to be completed for full use of the community by the Spring.

All the church's services and events will continue unimpeded although access by visitors will understandably have to be restricted during working hours. Representatives of the Community Hub group will be involved throughout in the planning for the use of the facilities.

St. Mary's is very grateful to the various funders who have made this project possible and to Arkengarthdale Parish Council for its administrative support.

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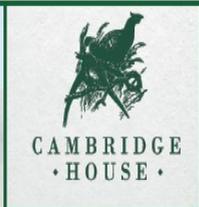
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Reeth Station

It was a busy summer for us, with a wide variety of call outs. Early on in August we were tasked with being on standby at various stations, helping to keep resources spread out when North Yorkshire, alongside the rest of the country, was experiencing the heatwave. We were requested by the police to provide medical assistance to a casualty as the ambulance service were under extreme pressures and were not going to arrive for some time.

We had another assistance message from the Yorkshire air ambulance to open a large metal gate which we did with the crew using the hydraulic spreaders and rams and then assisting the air ambulance with extracting the casualty to the helicopter.

A car fire in Wensleydale saw Reeth and a crew from Leyburn team up to deal on a hot job after a fuel tank ruptured and generated some serious heat.

Hopefully a few of you saw us down at Reeth Show. We had a great day meeting lots of people of all ages discussing what we do and how you can help keep yourself and others safe.

Candles

As a fire service, we still attend fires that have started from the use of candles and there has been a growing concern particularly around Halloween after an incident hit the headlines where a young person's costume was ignited after getting too close to a candle.

- Never Place Candles or tealights directly on plastic services
- They look nice in a window but never put them next to curtains or blinds
- Avoid putting them where they might get knocked over or where children and pets could get close to them
- Never leave candles burning, have a check around your home before you go to bed or leave the house
- ensure you have working smoke alarms installed on every level of your house and in rooms that are most regularly inhabited

If you can, look at battery operated candles. There are some very realistic products available made of wax that randomly flicker and also come with timers or operate via a remote. Batteries will last up to 6 months as they run an LED so they also end up cheaper in the long run than real candles. Search online for Lights4fun truglow battery candles

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Isaac Dawson



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6th Nov	9.15 am	St. Mary's Muker	<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>Memorial Service</i>
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	3.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
13th Nov	10.00 am	St. Joseph & Francis Xav., Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	10.50 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Downholme & Marske Remem- brance Service</i>
	10.50 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Remembrance Service followed by an Act of Re- membrance at the war memorial</i>
	10.50 am	Keld War Memorial followed by Keld Chapel	<i>Keld and Low Row Remem- brance Service</i>
	10.50 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Remembrance Service with Gun- nerside Methodist</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
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	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>
	3.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
26th Nov	12.30./ 1pm	Reeth Memorial Hall	<i>St. Andrew's Lunch</i>
27th Nov	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	10.00 am	St. Joseph & Francis Xav., Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Crib Service</i>
	2.30 pm	Gunnarside Methodist	
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Dales Police Monthly Crime Bulletin Sept 9th—Oct 10th 2022



Incidents of note over the last reporting period:

10th September, theft from premises in Leyburn, 3 x persons detained.

Overnight 13th - 14th September, properties in Burtersett and Gayle were burgled.

Reported 15th September, theft of sheep and lambs from West Witton area.

16th September, registration plates stolen from a vehicle in Hawes.

Overnight 5th - 6th October, theft of Road Closure and Diversion signs in Hawes.

There was a total of 24 Crimes recorded in the area from 9th Sep to 8th October. We do not report crimes whereby victims could be identified for example, Domestic Violence or harassment, although they are included in the totals below.

5 Crimes were recorded as Fraud or attempted Fraud.

A breakdown of incidents by category is as follows:

5 - Fraud

8 -Violence

3 - Criminal damage

1 - RTC serious

9 - RTC minor

2 - Attempted Burglary

19 - Reports of suspicious circumstances, from vehicles parked in isolated areas and door to door

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In total in the reporting period, for the area covered by Leyburn, 158 calls were received reporting from minor to serious incidents.

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Farewell to Muker Boy Band

The 15th October marked the end of an era in modern popular music. Back in February 2015 the Muker Boy Band played their first gig at the Farmer's Arms in Muker. Seven years and fourteen shows later the band played their final gig at the world famous Muker Public Hall.



Martin, Andrew, John and Richard

Following a drink fuelled evening together way back, dancing to Take That, three budding Swaledale based musicians had the sudden revelation that the world needed yet another Boy Band. So, following a path previously trodden by The Jacksons, The Monkees, Bay City Rollers and Boyzone, they formed a band!

The original, and perhaps classic, Muker Boy Band line up consisted of Andrew Green (guitar, bass guitar, melodeum, violin, harmonica, banjo, tin whistle and bass voice), Martin Dower (guitar, ukulele and tenor voice) & John Slater (kazoo and falsetto). Free from the temptations of fame and fortune, ignoring popular trends and styles, and never troubling the hit parade, they blazed their own trail, playing an

eclectic set of music stolen from some of the world's most famous protest song writers: Dylan, Bragg, Cohen and Jonathan King, to name but few.

The early years were not without their troubles. Though they usually began songs together they often ended them apart. After one problematic practice, when Martin finished Dylan's Mr Tambourine Man 5 minutes after John and Andrew had gone home, David Braithwaite was brought into the band to provide a solution in the form of a dedicated drum and bass section. However, difficulties in playing both drum and bass at the same time ultimately led to his sudden departure and a period of convalescence in Norfolk*.

Notoriously thrifty, so unwilling to invest in a metronome, the band turned to the cheaper option of contracting Muker's premier bongo player, Richard Walls. Though this didn't solved the problem, Richard's contract writing skills meant that they were legally obliged to involve him as a percussionist in 75.5% of all songs played.

Famously the band operated a democratic, rules-based system with no leader or chief songwriter. All primary band members were obliged to sing an equal number of songs at gigs, the order of songs sung was based on a strict rotational system - either clockwise or counter-clockwise, and the second set always began with a light-hearted ditty choreographed in a mildly amusing way! They were all too aware that any breach of their rules-based system would cause discord and dissent in the audience, a lesson that today's world leaders should reflect on!

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An inability to get out of their contractual obligations by legal means eventually led to drastic action. John fled the village. Disguised in swimming trunks and a "kiss me quick" hat he's established a hideout in the Morecambe Bay area where he now lives on a diet of cockles, mussels and sticks of seaside rock. Andrew's attempts to cross the border to West Yorkshire have so far been thwarted, but underground tremors in the Bedale area and a large build up of soil next to the Queens indicate that an escape tunnel is in progress, though building a tunnel large enough to accommodate his vast musical instrument collection has complicated the task! Martin is currently sitting tight!

Though the demise of this seminal band, whose music has defined an epoch, has led to much wailing and gnashing of teeth in the dale, I would ask you not to despair, but instead to celebrate the circle of life. In the dog-eat-dog world of boy bands, when one boy band dies Simon Cowell will always have another one waiting in the wings to take its place!!

As a final thought, as someone who's followed the band's progress closely over the past few years and has some inside knowledge, I know that they've very much enjoyed playing in front of such an appreciative, and at times accommodating, audience and I'm sure they would like to say a big thank you for all your support!

*David has happily made a full recovery and is living in disguise back in the Yorkshire Dales.

Ivan Eddache



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Mr Lacey, who began making his St Benedict's and Fallen Monk sheep's milk Wensleydales five months ago, said: "I am massively passionate about the product and its provenance. It's about trying to get a product that is as natural as it can be, that's why the milk isn't homogenised or heat treated.

"Wensleydale was originally a French recipe made at Fors and Jervaulx abbeys. It was sheep's milk, and it was raw milk. It's a softer, buttery, more open textured cheese than people have become used to. And it's not too pungent or strong; it's a cheese that you could eat for breakfast, lunch or dinner."

Mr Lacey established Lacey's Cheese around 15 years ago and operates from one of the light industry units at Reeth Dales Centre. As well as making cheese and ice cream, he runs popular one-day cheese making courses teaching nearly 500 people a year. He said the Cheese Festival had been a way of showcasing the talent in the Dales.

"Physically it's incredibly demanding to make ewe's milk cheese and then look after it for four months. You feel alone up here sometimes, but cheese makers and milk producers chat and we



Simon stirs the sheep milk

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feel like a little community. You feel part of something, a collective."

The sheep's milk is sourced from within the National Park at High Carlingill Farm and delivered by David Knipe, a farmer from Tebay who describes himself as a 'Westmorian' having lived all his life in the Westmorland Dales.

Mr Knipe said: "You go back to pre-foot and mouth [in 2001] and in Cumbria there was one or two cheese producers, that's all there was. Now we've got more than a dozen artisan makers. It's a growth industry. There are no two cheeses the same, that's the beauty of it. It's texture that gives taste. You want something in



Simon Lacey and David Knipe

your mouth that gives you a buzz."

Member Champion for Promoting Understanding at the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, Kevin Frea, said: "We are seeing a resurgence of artisan cheese making and other dairy products in the Dales, supported by a network of local shops and farmers' markets. It's a movement we were excited to support through the Yorkshire Dales Cheese Festival. A cheese-induced 'buzz' - as Farmer David put it - would be a great description of what festival goers experienced."





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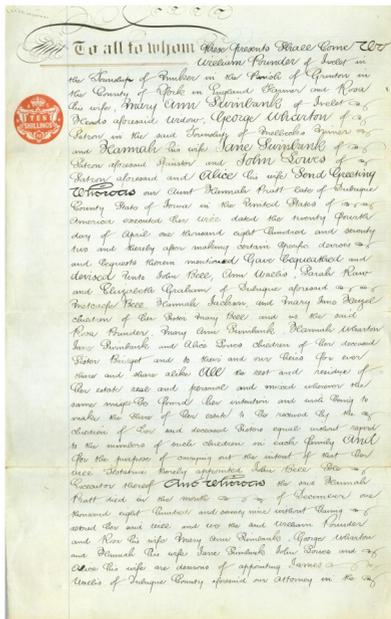
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We are delighted that the transfer of the Swaledale Museum Collection is now complete, and the objects are now safely in the capable hands of Helen Guy at Keld Resource Centre. Thanks to everyone involved who made this all possible: you know who you are. The Museum is now closed until Spring 2023 when we re-open. Meanwhile we are now busy redecorating and reconfiguring the Museum. So many stories to tell, it is difficult to decide which to choose.

We continue to act as a port of entry for historical material relating to Swaledale and Arkengarthdale. The most recent gift is a document from family history researcher Andrea Aven from Edmond, Oklahoma, USA. In it Mr William Pounder of Ivelet, farmer and others [Mary Ann Swinbank, George Wharton of Satron, Miner and Hannah his wife, Jane Swinbank of Satron spinster, John Lowes and Alice his wife] give Mr James Wallis the Power of Attorney 'to act in the administration and distribution of the estate of [their aunt] Hannah Pratt, [late of Dubuque, Iowa, USA] deceased dated 3 May 1880'. It reveals how Dales people managed to negotiate the distance between their new and old homes, maintaining family connections. Andrea wanted to make it available to others, as she gained so much from it herself. So, we are posting scans of the full

document and the transcription, all kindly provided by the donor to whom we are greatly indebted, on our website - see Research and Explore section.



Andrea also gave us a copy of the lyrics to the song, 'Swaledale', that was with her 2x great-grandmother Ann Bell Wallis's belongings. Born in 1823 at Dyke Heads, Gunnerside she died in 1900, Dubuque, Iowa, USA. We hope you enjoy these postings.

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 more information contact Helen Bainbridge via helen@swaledalemuseum.org. Visit our website at www.swaledalemuseum.org for the latest information.

- 10 Their whole conversation is on Cattle and Sheep
And which way is cheapest their horses to keep,
And can some of their noses for thinkers and hair,
And And make twice their other often repair,
- 11 When there's a drama and my turn and on to the Kold
When there's a drama and my turn and on to the Kold
They are what I call a very marvellous lot,
And they'll play you nearly owt if they haven't forgot.
- 12 Then there's Bridge End and Stonesdale and up to Tan
Hill
Wholly our ranges with fire doth fill,
Up their with their levels, their shafts, and their holes,
They supply our sweet dale with abundance of coals.
- 13 Tan Hill is the Top, but on every mile
Is kept in good order and right proper style,
There's not a place round us that with us can keep,
And our man in their habits that are sober and true,
For heavy beer drinkers we've got but a few,
For the Temperance workers have joined hand in hand
To fight with that monster that ruins the land.
- 14 So all ye brave dalesmen that love to drink beer,
Give up the bad practice, from liquor refrain,
And pledge yourselves never to take it again,
Without any scruples just give your consent,
And of this good action you'll never repent,
For if you do not, you'll be sure to be still
If to drink no more liquor we'd all have a will.
- 15 Like brothers and sisters together unite,
To fight for our country, our God and the right,
Then our small little dale whatever befall,
Will be loved and respected by God and by all.
- 16 I now hope that Swatehale, her farms and her mines
Will be loved and respected by God and by all,
And as long as I hear the sweet sound of the Swale,
It shall have my best wishes this lovely Old Dale.



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- 1 A sweet spot Swatehale, 't is just like to any,
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It's the loveliest place we've got in the shire,
And of its sweet comforts I never shall tire.
- Chorus—*
Beautiful Swatehale, the Land of Rest,
For the land it is set in a cultivate style,
The extension of Swatehale is twenty long mile,
Now just let us walk from the bottom to top,
There is not a place but there's some pleasant spot,
It pictures the garden of Eden to me.
- 2 Let's just start at Reeth with its shops decked so nice,
With its drapers, grocers, sweetmeats and spices;
Tho' my honest convictions I'll speak out aloud,
I think that the people are rather too proud.
- 3 We next come to Headlaugh, this place out of all
Is the loveliest place I ever saw;
But a nicer little village could never be found;
If you looked for a twelvemonth all Yorkshire around;
- 4 Then Low Row and Feetham we view as we stand,
Two of the best places we've got in the land,
I could rhyme with delight for a long a summer's day.
- 5 The man they are honest, good natured and kind,
The Lassies are as cheerful as any you'd find,
For if you are hungry and want a good Tea,
They'll here entertain you both kindly and free.
- 6 We next come to Gumperside down in the fill,
The Lassies are as cheerful as any you'd find,
They lose nothing up there for the want of a look,
And they'd tell you a tale that would fill a big book.
- 7 They think none like themselves, I've heard people say,
But they speak of them thus I think it very wrong,
For the people are honest with principles strong.
- 8 Then Mulcor and Thwaito comes into our view
Two old ancient places it is very true,
They're nearly all farms, but I have seen told
And in the dale's about they've got silver and gold.

Former pupil to lead Dales Dance School

Veteran dance teacher Janet Seymour has passed the running of her much-loved Dales dance school to former pupil and qualified dance teacher, Hannah Smith.

The Janet Seymour School of Theatre Dance will now be called the Dales Dance School of Performing Arts.

Janet Seymour began teaching dance in the Dales in 2004 to six children from Reeth as a volunteer. She has since built a thriving school offering ballet, tap, modern and jazz dance lessons at ten different venues in Swaledale and Wensleydale. More than two-hundred girls and boys aged from three to eighteen are currently on the school roll.



Janet and Hannah at the Dance Picnic
in July

Hannah Smith learnt ballet, tap and modern with Janet till she was eighteen. After training in London, Hannah taught dance and musical theatre at Victoria Walker School in

Ireland. In 2020 she returned to her home in the Dales to work with Janet as an assistant teacher, meaning that she knows many of her pupils already.

Hannah said: 'Janet must have taught over one-thousand children in the Dales, and I was lucky enough to be one of them. My first dance lesson with Janet was a tap class. She said to me 'can you do a shuffle hop step', and I could, so I was put in a slightly higher class. Thanks to Janet, I spent my youth dancing, performing, and living and breathing the arts, despite living in a deeply rural area. I don't have to think about smiling when I perform - that is my emotion. I'm so thrilled to be taking on the dance school and sharing that love with others.'

Janet said: 'It makes me so happy to know I am handing my school over to my former pupil and very talented colleague, Hannah. I know the school will go from strength to strength. Hannah has already won the students over with her caring nature. From our youngest to our more mature students, Hannah motivates and encourages with her warm, creative classes.'

Although the leadership role will lie with Hannah, Janet has no plans to retire and will continue to teach classes under the school's new name. 'We are a team,' says Hannah, 'we are swapping places, but it's wonderful to have the continuity.'

The passing of the baton was celebrated at a picnic event in the picturesque grounds of Askrigg School in July, where an audience of one-



Dancers in The Wizard of Oz

hundred and fifty gathered to watch a performance of *The Wizard of Oz* and a showcase of dance sequences from pupils across Wensleydale and Swaledale.

As well as offering weekly lessons and opportunities to progress through the exam system with the Royal Academy of Dance, Janet Seymour has put children on the stage at venues such as Georgian Theatre Royal in Richmond and Tennants in Leyburn, organised concerts at local festivals and care homes, arranged international dance-based exchanges between the Dales and Germany, taught summer schools, choreographed pantomimes and run inspirational classes for adults.

Janet said: 'The dance school actually grew during lockdown. Hannah and I started teaching on Zoom at 8am and were still going twelve hours later. For some pupils the lessons were the only normality they had. Dance gives you joy and love for the arts, but it also gives

you coping strategies. It helps mental health and gets you through the difficult times in life. It enables you to enter into a world of fantasy and imagination.'

The Dales Dance School of Performing Arts launched on 12th September. It provides expert dance tuition across Swaledale and Wensleydale to children from three years and adults, and specialises in teaching RAD Ballet, ISTD Tap and Jazz, Musical Theatre and Jazz Fit. To sign up, or view the packed autumn timetable, please visit www.dalesdance.com. Hannah Smith also has plans to develop summer schools and adult dance retreats

.Emily Rowe Rawlence

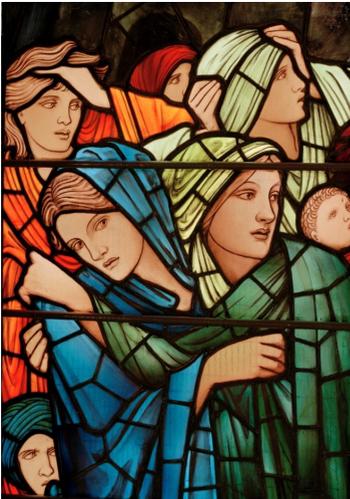
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<https://tinyurl.com/yay6kzh5>

COP 27 and climate change

The 27th United Nations Climate Change Conference (**COP27**) will be taking place 6-18 November 2022 in Sharm El Sheikh in Egypt. Watch out for media coverage and information on the conference website. <https://unfccc.int/cop27>

Provisional Met Office statistics indicate that England has had the **joint hottest summer** (with 2018) based on mean temperatures since records started in 1884. It has been the warmest year (January to August) in the UK and the driest year so far since 1976. Four of the five warmest summers in England has been since 2003. Source: Met Office. <https://tinyurl.com/2dszfyam>

Energy savings advice

There is lots of advice in the media on ways to **save energy**. British Gas suggests that many households could save over £100 annually by switching off vampire devices (appliances using power on stand-by).

<https://tinyurl.com/2pup59nd>

Which Magazine has a guide to 9 ways to reduce energy.

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Referrals can be made by yourself or for another person. Information can be found on the project website: <https://www.warmandwell.org.uk/> or phone 10609 767 555

National Tree Week 2022

National Tree Week will run from 27 November - 5 December 2022. Check out the Tree Council website for details of free online events. Meanwhile if you would like to be involved in some local community tree planting schemes over the winter,

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contact info@sustainableswaledale.org
for information about planting days.

St Andrew's, Grinton

Not sure how to identify a tree without leaves left on it? Check out the Tree Council's Winter ID guide
Source: <https://tinyurl.com/yvj4ups4>

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The congregation of St Andrew's will be hosting and providing a two course St Andrew's lunch at the Memorial Hall, Reeth on Saturday 26th November. 12.30 for 1pm. Please book your place with Susan Allison 884366 so that the right amount of food can be prepared. There is no charge for this event, but a retiring collection will be taken for a fledgling support group charity established at Colburn called 'Colburn Community Support' www.colburncommunitysupport.org.uk

The 'Come and Sing Carols' service will be held on Sunday 4th December at 4pm at St Andrew's Grinton. A retiring collection for the work of Christian Aid will be taken at this service.

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BlueBoxt November Update

It's Quiz Time!

Our fund-raising quiz night with Simon Eastwood takes place this month on Saturday 12th November at the Falls Café and Gift Shop, Aysgarth Falls (£10 each including pie and peas supper). Doors open 7.00pm for a prompt 7.30pm start. Teams of six or make a team on the evening. Raffle prizes and donations welcome. Simon's quizzes are always great fun so do come along and help raise funds to support our activities. **Tickets can be booked online or by contacting Judith Clark on 07882 331421.**

Youth Consultation

Our Youth Voice Steering Group are inviting young people to share their thoughts and ideas about which Musical Cultures workshops we should offer between January and March 2023. The short questionnaire can still be found on our social media and website but be quick as the deadline is approaching! The group will be considering responses and confirming which are the most popular themes to take forward.

Play>Record>Perform sessions

It's never too late to join our music-making sessions for young people 11yrs

and over. Over the last two months the group have worked preparing for their appearance at Leyburn Jazz Festival and now its straight onto preparations for their Christmas Celebration Concert.

Sessions take place at West Burton Village Hall (Fridays, 6.30pm-9.30pm) and Thoraby Village Hall (Sundays, 2.00pm-5.00pm). Our Youth Voice Steering Group meets virtually on Zoom (Wednesdays, 6.30pm-8.30pm). Contact Colin to find out more information.

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Reeth Filling Station Update

We thought the community might welcome an update on Reeth Garage forecourt.

Hudson House's investigation work in preparation for a possible community purchase of the filling station was completed earlier this summer. We now have a great deal of information on the site and the significant work that needs to be done to make it viable as a filling station. This information includes surveys of the storage tanks, petrol spill interceptor, drainage and buildings.

Hudson House also commissioned work on possible site layout, regulatory requirements, equipment and 24/7 operations. The project team also held discussions with potential petrol suppliers, site operators and with Northern Powergrid on the feasibility of installing fast electric chargers. We are very grateful to Richmondshire District Council for a generous grant which reimbursed most of the costs and made this work possible.

Our conclusion was that a community filling station could be viable, provided the purchase price recognised the amount of work required to update the pumps and buildings. Based on those figures we have made an appropriate offer, but the owner is currently testing the market at a price we cannot make work and therefore cannot recommend to the community. In the event that other offers do come in, that isn't necessarily bad news. It all depends on what the purchaser wants to do with the site.

Hudson House's overriding objective is to get fuel supplies back in the two dales, and while we would like there to be some community involvement we will work constructively with anyone who can help deliver that.

Meanwhile I'd like to express my thanks to the project team who have put a lot of work into this. They are all volunteers, giving their time and expertise for free in the best tradition of the Dales.

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Susan Allison



Diary Dates

November

Fri 4th Nov - Domino Drive Muker
Public Hall, 7.30pm

**Sat 5th Nov - Reeth Bonfire and
Fireworks Display**, commences 6pm
Reeth Green

Sat 12th Nov—Blueboxt Quiz Night
Falls Café and Gift Shop, Aysgarth
7pm

Sat 12th Nov—cua, Irish trio, 8pm
Reeth Memorial Hall

Sat 19th Nov - Drop-in Coffee
Morning 10am at Reeth Evangelical
Congregational Church

Sat 19th Nov - Reeth Makers
Market Christmas Fair 10am - 4pm in
Reeth Memorial Hall for lots of lovely
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Thurs 24th Nov - TLC @Gunnerside
Kathryn Guy shows us how to make a
felted bauble for the Christmas tree
7.30pm Gunnerside Village Hall

**Fri 25th Nov - Keld Doms and Whist
Drive**, 7.30pm Keld Public Hall

December

**Sat 3rd Dec - Swaledale Scouts Big
Breakfast** Reeth Memorial Hall 9.30-
12 noon

Sat 3rd Dec - Swale Singers
concert, 3pm St Mary's
Arkengarthdale

Sun 4th Dec - Come and Sing Carols,
4pm St Andrew's Grinton

**Sat 10th Dec - Blueboxt Decades
with a sprinkling of Christmas**,
7.30pm Leyburn Arts and Community
Centre

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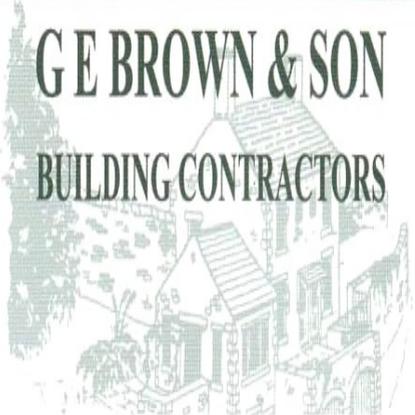
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