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Picture drawn by Thomas Barningham, aged 7.

## Christmas Issue

Memorial Hall, Booze Wood, Youth Report,  
Diary Dates, Christmas Services, and lots,  
lots more!!

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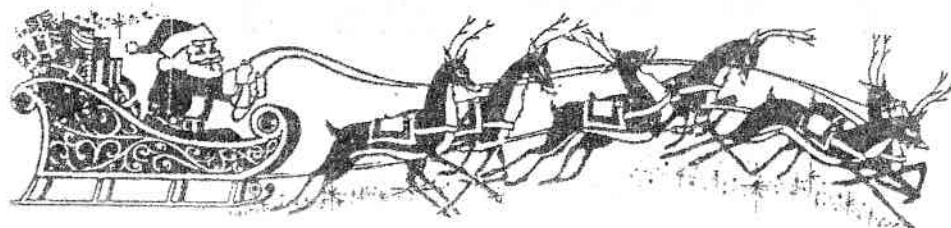
## MEMORIAL HALL

The Management Committee has formed a small working group to co-ordinate an improvement programme which will apply for various grant aid. Initial projects have been agreed - to re-roof the supper room, rewiring and refit the kitchen. Local tenders are invited for the works and once estimates have been received certain grant aid applications can be then made. An amount of local fund raising will be required and the Committee remains quietly confident that targets can be achieved especially if we follow the example set by Muker Village Hall. Other plans being considered include building above the boiler room to create more storage, improvements to the stage and lighting and improvements to the toilets. Various safety considerations will be adopted as the improvement programme progresses. Readers are encouraged to advise local firms to submit estimates for the initial works.



## Collecting for Yorkshire Water

Regrettably the long, hot and dry Summer has caused a slight problem for Yorkshire Water. An enterprising local Hotelier has come up with a novel way to assist their plight - roof repairs in the rain necessitating numerous buckets. Once the buckets are full they can be emptied to await the arrival of one of those tankers diverted from its route off the A1. Trouble is a visit from an official of the National Parks somewhat scorned the efforts, until something appeared from the cellar - a "Spider" perhaps - or something bearded. Alas we'll never know for that official was last seen sneaking back to his native haunt in a neighbouring Dale.



## REETH BRASS BAND

At the recent, very enjoyable and successful concert with the Swaledale Choir in Arkengarthdale Chapel the Band were presented a new conductor's stand by Mrs. Tindall, wife of the late Rev. Edward Tindall who sadly died last year. Edward was Bandmaster for almost 20 years and he very kindly left an amount of money in his will for the Band to purchase anything they felt they needed - a conductor's stand was acknowledged as a most befitting testimonial to the outstanding contribution made to the band by Rev. Tindall.

The concert itself was adjudged to be an outstanding success by the near capacity audience with a well balanced programme being presented by the respective conductors Peter Cuff and George Lundberg, the "last Night of the Proms" finale being particularly well received especially the impromptu percussion effects and Mexican waves from an enthusiastic and patriotically dressed choir. It is hoped to make the Concert an annual event, perhaps with others during the coming year. The next time the Band and Choir will appear together will be at the annual Carol Concert in Arkengarthdale on Christmas Eve.

## Forthcoming events in the Band's calendar include:

Tuesday 12th Dec. Coffee Evening and Concert in the Memorial Hall  
Thursday 14th Dec. Carols in Richmond Market Place  
Saturday 16th Dec. Carols in Grassington Market Place  
Christmas Eve - 6.30 Arkengarthdale Methodist Church. 8.00 Carol Concert the Band will lead the traditional Carols around the Tree on Reeth Green.

## Junior Band

At the recent Stockton Music Festival the Junior Band walked away with the Cup for the best Brass Band Class. Other successes at the Festival were:  
Recorder (Treble Under 13) 1. Victoria Lundberg Recorder (Descant 13-16)  
1. Emma Lundberg 2. Victoria Lundberg Recorder (Treble Duet) 2. Emma and Victoria Lundberg Recorder (Descant under 15) 2. Victoria Lundberg  
Brass (13 years and under) 1. Victoria Lundberg 2. Lorna Bleach 3. Rebecca Lundberg Brass (13 to 16 years) 1. Emma Lundberg Brass (Open) 1. Emma Lundberg Quartet Class 1. Gallows Top Quartet

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## SWALEDALE NURSES APPEAL FUND

At the time of going to Press it is pleasing to record that the Fund now stands at £940 with still more Fund Raising events to come. Arrangements are now advance for the purchase of the syringe driver but the Nurses stress that there are other items of equipment they need to improve Nursing care in the Dale. They are keen to point out that any equipment purchased from the Fund can only be used for patients in both Swaledale and Arkengarthdale. Please always consider this very worthy local cause in any Fund Raising. The Nurses have been overwhelmed by the generosity of local people for this Fund. The recent Brownies Teddy Bears Picnic realised £170.



## PANTOMIME IS COMING TO LOW ROW

Rehearsals are well under way for the first ever production by the "Feetham Fools". They have chosen the pantomime "Snow White" which they hope will be very entertaining. The script is traditional with local connections and of course all the songs that one expects from this pantomime. For a good family entertainment, make a date in your new diary to come along to the Institute in Low Row. Performances are on Thursday 18th, Friday 19th and Saturday 20th January. Watch out for notices for ticket prices and availability nearer the dates.



## CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, LOW ROW

The Swaledale Parish Choir will give a Christmas Concert on Thursday December 21st. The concert will be held in Holy Trinity Church, Low Row and will start at 7.30pm with proceeds being shared between the Swaledale District Nurses Appeal Fund and the Church. Tickets ( please pay at the door ) Adults £2; Children 75p and refreshments will be served during the interval.



Other Parish Choir engagements this month are:

Wed Dec. 6th, 7.30pm Advent Carol Service at Muker Church.

Sun Dec. 24th, 6.30pm Joint Carol Service at Arkengarthdale Methodist Church.

Wed Dec. 27th, 7pm Joint Carol Service at Grinton Church.

After Christmas, the Choir will be starting on a new programme for 1996. We meet on Thursdays at 7.30pm in the Sunday School, Fremington. New members ( male and female ) are always considered. Please if you are interested in joining the choir or need any further information, contact the Choirmaster, George Lundberg on 886505.

## THE HEALAUGH TEA FESTIVAL

In our quest for a Seasonal item we have been given a very interesting article on what was once a much celebrated local event. Much pride rested on being invited to sit at certain tables and some of our readers can avidly recall carrying large shiny copper kettles in their childhood. Hopefully this article will encourage much comment and perhaps we will be able to publish a follow-up. We understand that the last "Tea" was some twenty years ago. Perhaps a reader may be able to identify the writer.

### Healaugh Tea Festival

Here is some lines of modern times,  
That cannot fail to please ye.  
But if they don't it can't be helped  
For I didn't want to grieve ye.  
When I tell this rhyme you'll say with me  
Thar was nea small stir at Healaugh tea.  
Is an annual festival by the committee prepared  
When the teachers and scolers are freshly regaled.  
There was an address by Mr. Booth in the afternoon  
And then the procession through the town -  
Through the town they all sang together  
In spite of the cold and windy weather  
They got back to the chapel as cold as they could be  
And right glad to sit down to a good cup of tea.  
There was five tables set out in splendid array  
But I think four tables would have carried the day  
The first of all the grace they sang  
Then to help themselves the young ones began.  
After that the public were admitted  
At something like ninepence a ticket.  
Thar was Messrs. Martin and Kendall with tickets  
at the door  
And would like to have sold two or three dozen more.  
The sitting down to tea was only rather slack  
So Tom Pedley thought a few remarks he would make  
Instead of minding his work and cutting the bread aright  
He cut rather too big pieces for the ladies to bite

When the bread he'd cut, as we very well know  
Through the process again it had to go.  
Miss Peacock at the table presided very well  
Accompanied by another lady that was Martha Bell.  
Thar was two Miss Metcalfe's, they did look a jolly sight,  
With Mr. Metcalfe Nattrass and his brother Mr. White.  
Thar was Mr. Simon Peacock, he came over to the party  
To see Miss Alderson and she was varra hearty.  
Thar was Mrs. Calvert with flower pots varra like her sell,  
They were rather too stout, so down they fell.  
Thar was Miss Margaret Ann Place and Elizabeth Bagshaw,  
And all the dale chaps to there table did go.  
Josey Jack sat at corner their eating with ease  
And Mr. Booth said give over if you please.  
Mr. Booth wouldn't have his tea, I'll tell you why  
Some white bread and butter he did spy  
He went to Mrs. Alderson's to get his tea  
So the next night the committee gave her, her's free.  
Thar was Mr. Joseph Taylor and Mr. Booth  
And twas hard to say which was the drollest and youth.  
Thar was Mr. George Hugill from up the dale  
And thar was Mr. Joseph Metcalfe from over the Swale.  
Thar was a bit about townspeople by Mr. Jim Bland  
And I thought my sell he talked varra grand.  
Mr. John Martin the secretary was there  
When he'd (read) the report he'd done his share.  
Something like last year they were as jolly as a pin  
But worst of all they were two pounds short of tin.  
Then off on Reeth Lane all't young chaps they ran  
And varra soon fell in with the old black gang.  
Thar was a jolly noise and when we got there  
They were singing keep the blind side of the old gray mare.  
Thar was lile Nath Sunter and Joe and Tom White  
They'd been off a hunting and gissen half right.  
They got haed a some lasses, as much as to say  
We cuddle all the bonny lasses that comes this way.  
Thar was Peacock Hannah and Margaret Ann

*And between em't young butcher did gang.  
 Thar was Clara Metcalfe and Elizabeth Bagshaw  
 And in between them Christopher Peacock did go  
 I said I was going back, sea I bid them good night  
 And the first couple I met was Ralph Pratt &  
 Hannah White  
 Thar was lile Bob Clemison with his darling Ann  
 And by jove how weal they seemed to pan  
 That was Mr. John Sunter and he didn't want me to tell  
 But he was gaen wi Jane Hammond lass, and had  
 her umbrell.  
 Thar was two or three lasses down from Low Row  
 They were Miss Rosy Spensley, Miss Pratt & Miss  
 Raw.  
 Thar was Tom Appleton, Jack Pratt, and Joe Bell  
 But whee went with those lasses I caanot tell.  
 Thar was Spensley Robert and Peack Margaret Ann  
 And out for a walk they beath did gang.  
 Lile Watters and Tor Blenk wer a yarra good heart  
 Sea away they ran with Joe Bell car.  
 Next Neight was a tea as you know very well  
 Sea a bit about that I next will tell.  
 Some people they wouldn't miss it  
 For it was only sixpence a ticket  
 When the cloth they removed and the grace they  
 sang  
 Then the entertainment it began.  
 There was a presentation before the entertainment  
 came on  
 That was a handsome clock for Pedley John.  
 Mr. Thomas Martin the Chairman was there  
 And for the entertainment he did a good share.  
 A dialogue by Messrs. Calvert and Liddle was told  
 About ten thousand bright guines of gold.  
 There was a recitation that gave the company some  
 life  
 It was a dialogue about a husband and his scolding  
 wife  
 It was acted by Miss Hannah Peacock and Atkinson  
 Place  
 They seemed to scold each other face to face  
 Mr. Simon Peacock he sang a good solo  
 And the company gave him a hearty encore.  
 Thar was Mr. Christopher Peacock. I gave him a*

*good do  
 For his was the only voice that I could hear.  
 Ther was Mr. William Peacock a very good singer  
 As Mr. Pedley played he beat time with his finger  
 Thar was a few chaps as they sat at back seat  
 They made a jolly din with ther hands and feet.  
 It was a varra good meeting and nea lack of good  
 cheer.  
 Rest of all they got as much brass as last year.  
 Perhaps offence to some this rhyme may give  
 And some will never forgive me as long as I live -  
 If any take offence I've got another word to say  
 You might not live to take offence next New Year's  
 Day  
 You ought to put up with it for its a true joke  
 For if I didn't write other people would talk.  
 To all that took an active part I conclude with cheer  
 And wish you all a Merry Christmas & A Happy  
 New Year  
 Healaugh, January 1880 J.W.M.  
 Subscribed by Ms. Sandra Wood of Low Row*



#### PARTY PUNCH (Serves 12)

2 bottles of red wine;  
 1 bottle of white wine;  
 2 oranges thinly sliced and quartered;  
 1 lemon thinly sliced and quartered;  
 16 cloves  
 1 teaspoon grated nutmeg  
 2 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
 225g (8oz) demerara sugar  
 fresh orange and lemon slices,  
 quartered to garnish.

Place all ingredients in a large pan, gently  
 heat until sugar is dissolved. Do not boil.  
 Ladle into glasses and garnish with fresh  
 orange and lemon. Serve warm

#### SWALEDALE FESTIVAL 1996

What do want to see happen during  
 the Festival Programme? Have you  
 anything you wish to say about the  
 Festival? Have you some special talent  
 or know of some performers whom  
 you think would make a welcome  
 change to the Festival's Programme?  
 Has your Church/Group/Organisation  
 got an event planned that could be  
 linked into the Festival? Do you know  
 of any suitable local venues for the  
 Festival?

It is YOUR Festival and the Festival  
 Organiser would very much like to  
 hear your views and comments.  
 Please write or telephone Elizabeth  
 Carter at the Festival Office at  
 Thornborough Hall, Leyburn, DL10  
 5AB Tel: 01969 622217. To date local  
 schoolchildren have been having great  
 fun with their poetry project and that  
 poem book promises to be something  
 special.

#### CRIME UPDATE

Three vehicles have been stolen in the  
 area. The thieves are not just after 4 x  
 4's, the vehicles stolen were average  
 family cars. Reeth Bottom Shop, SteP's  
 and Blenkirons have been subject  
 of recent burglaries. Don't be  
 complacent that your house is not a  
 target - please check and lock all yours  
 doors and windows. Leaflets on Home  
 Security are available from Reeth  
 Police Office.

Due to the dark nights and the run up  
 to Christmas crime always increases  
 which means everyone should keep  
 up their vigilance and report anything  
 suspicious.



#### Crime-Christmas Don't except it!

With winter coming now is the time  
 to get vehicles checked, especially  
 tyres and lights, not forgetting brakes  
 and anti-freeze. If you are not sure our  
 local garages are the places to seek  
 advice.

Reeth and Arkengarthdale  
 Neighbourhood Watch Schemes are  
 up and running and cover all of Reeth  
 and Arkengarthdale. I would like to  
 thank all of the coordinators for their  
 support during 1995.

My family and I would like to take  
 this opportunity to wish everyone a  
 Merry Christmas and a Crime Free  
 1996 PC Mark Raspberry

#### QUIZ

O	E	I
T	T	S
E	L	M

See if you can make 80 words of  
 four letters or more using each letter  
 only once. The letters also make a  
 nine letter word, what is it? Small  
 prize for the first longest and  
 complete entry drawn. Drop in your  
 entry to the Post Office by 21st  
 December.

Last months prize winner was  
 Mrs. Brown of Low Row



## NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Who would want 2 telegraph poles?

Reeth and Arkengarthdale are now on the Northallerton C division Neighbourhood Watch computer. All are asked to be observant regarding strangers and vehicles particularly Ford Transit Vans.

Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators for Reeth are:

Alien Jones, 884705

Anne Alderson, 884565

Jack Alderson, 884618

PC Mark Raspeary, 884222

Andrew Stone, Arkletown, 884397

For Arkengarthdale:

Rowena Hutchinson, 884218

Stephen Stubbs, 884686

Lisa Harker, 884521

Parkin Waller, 884468

Marguerita Barmingham, 884639

Richard Birks, 884510

Richard Good, 884353

or the main area Police, 01609 789312  
or 01609 789382

A silly ditty .....

Q: What kind of jacket does a fireman wear when he is off duty?

A: A blazer.

## TAKING AID TO BOSNIA

Dave Hodgson has now embarked on his mission, using his own Land Rover to join and support the Charity "Heartfelt" to take aid to Bosnia. A recent Coffee Morning Wraycroft realised £270 to support the mission. The Charity has been organising regular trips taking aid to the North West of Bosnia for some years. Using volunteers who use their own vehicles the charity gets aid to the more inaccessible areas for which only a Land Rover type vehicle is suitable. The Aid goes directly to hospitals, refugee camps, schools, and families - without discrimination. Dave hopes to be back home for Christmas and our next issues will feature his own report on his mission.

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

At their recent Pea and Pie Supper at the Bridge Hotel, Grinton the Hon. Sec Mr. Jack Alderson presented a Gold Badge to the President Mr. J Blenkiron. The Badge was originally awarded to the late Mr. Fred Ballard in recognition of the sterling work he performed for the Legion. His widow, Mrs. Nancy Ballard felt it was fitting for the Badge to be presented to the local Branch who decided that it would be mounted on a ribbon for wearing by the Branch President. The presentation was followed by a raffle and dominoes.

## ST ANDREW'S FAYRE

The recent Church Fayre in the Memorial Hall raised £651.91. Thanks are expressed to all who participated for their generosity.

## The Dales Partnership Project

The Dales Partnership Project established in 1993 aims to develop more services and facilities for older people living in Swaledale, Arkengarthdale and Wensleydale has been attracting some very good press. The Project was featured in the summer edition of the "Countryman" and also in the current edition of "Rural Focus" the magazine of the Rural Development Commission who have funded the two year project. It is modestly low key and very much wants to encourage informal information networks. Certain grants have been available for village noticeboards. Such issues as transport and health care are being scrutinised by the project. However one of its successes is the Arkengarthdale Luncheon Club which some of our readers enthusiastically enjoy. Hopefully over the next few issues we can report more on the project. Our first edition in August did feature the Voluntary Car Scheme. In the meantime further information can be obtained from David Harvey Tel. 822943.

## Friends School at Reeth Trust.

It is pleasing to be able to record that the Reeth & District Gazette has been able to assist the Trustees by communicating the work of the Trust to our Readers. It is very gratifying to all who help produce the "Gazette" to know that the publication is appreciated.



## WINTER ROADS THREATENED

North Yorkshire County Council seem to be putting many of our local roads at risk this winter. Not content with their poor maintenance, it now appears that an adequate gritting truck/plough is to be denied the area for early morning, late evening and weekend snow and ice clearing. What a pity these 'Mandarins' don't come out and see for themselves the often hazardous weathers they expect their employees to work in, in the early hours of the morning etc... or appreciate that out here we have just one or two very steep hill roads. Do they expect the school buses, the milk lorries, the post, the emergency services and people who have to travel out to work to negotiate ice and snow blocked roads or don't they care? We will try to keep you informed, but maybe the local Parish Councils can put some pressure on the 'thinking ones' lower down.

## BOOZE WOOD

Booze wood in Arkengarthdale is threatened with 'thinning'. The casual walker would not notice or be aware of the number of trees especially Scots Pine (not obviously marked) for 'thinning', but the locals have! One wonders if this proposed 'thinning' is intended to improve our dale or perhaps the wood itself or maybe it's to improve the wild life habitat, who knows? At this time of year one can clearly see the number of Pines and appreciate what a disaster their felling (let's not mince words) would be. If anyone should have any doubts then just go up to Whaw and observe the consequences of 'thinning'.

To be continued no doubt!

## RADIO DALES

"Dalesman" Magazine is planning a new venture to provide a community based radio for the Dales. The consortium exploring the feasibility of the venture is confident that they will be able to overcome the usual problems associated with Radio Broadcasts in the Dales. They will be concentrating on the area from Swaledale in the North to Skipton in the South, from Bedale in the east to Ribblesdale and beyond in the West. Following from the success of the "Dalesman" local items featuring the life and times of the Dales will be a mainstay of the community based radio. However, whilst plans are being made a series of meetings around the Dales in local Halls are being planned to hear your views of the project. Providing a licence to broadcast can be obtained Radio Dales could be on the air next year.

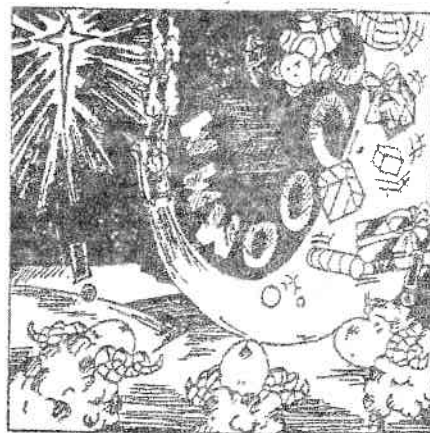


## INFORMATION

Parish Councils are sent copies of many documents for public information. Most are too bulky to precis. Currently the following documents are available for inspection at Reeth Post Office - The Dales Tourism Forum Joint Policy Statement; Yorkshire Dales Minerals and Waste Local Plan; Richmondshire District Council Housing Strategy Statement; North Yorkshire Draft Policy on Continuing Health Care and Death & Injury - a report by North Yorkshire Highways and Transportation Dept.; and the Annual Report of the Richmondshire Citizens Advice Bureau.

## THE BUCK HOTEL

The Buck changed hands recently and we welcome the new landlord Robert Stillion. Initially regulars should not see too much change as the staff are remaining the same. Before leaving, the previous Landlord, Nigel Fawcett held parties for his staff and regulars. Nigel was a great supporter of local events and charities. During his four years at the Buck he generously allowed the use of his facilities for many local fund raising events. A conservative estimate reveals that a sum in excess of £30,000 was raised for those events over that time. Nigel has returned to former career. We trust that the new owners will remain supportive of local events and businesses.



*Santa on the smerrys again*



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## MELBECKS SOCIETY

The recent coffee morning held at Spring End, Low Row raised £400 for B.A.C.U.P. (Cancer Aftercare and Counselling). The Society would like to thank everyone for their generous support. The next Meeting is on 14th December and features Tony Dykes and the Dalesfolk followed by a Supper, a glass of wine and a raffle.

## GRINTON INSTITUTE

Having regard to certain grants that may currently be available for improvements to Village Halls the possibility of installing a water supply to the Institute is again being considered. Such a project would also include a small kitchen and certain other improvements.



*Merry Christmas*

## ANSWERS FOR THE OCTOBER BRAIN TEASER

1. 26 letters of the alphabet
2. 7 Wonders of the World
3. 1001 Arabian Nights
4. 12 Signs of the Zodiac
5. 54 Cards in a deck (with the Jack)
6. 9 Planets in the Solar System
7. 88 piano keys
8. 13 stripes in the American Flag
9. 32 degrees Fahrenheit at which water freezes
10. 18 holes in the golf course
11. 90 degrees in a right angle
12. £200 for passing "Go" in Monopoly
13. 10 green bottles hanging on a wall
14. 3 blind mice (see how they run)
15. 4 quarts in a gill
16. 24 hours in a day
17. 1 wonder on a Universe
18. 15 men on a dead man's chest
19. 57 Heinz Varieties
20. 11 players in a football team
21. 1000 words that a picture is worth
22. 29 days in February in a Leap Year
23. 64 squares on a chess board
24. 40 days and nights of the Great Flood.

## ARKENGARTHDALE SPORTS ASSOCIATION

# DOMINO DRIVE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

7.30pm Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December  
Arkengarthdale School

## Reeth & District Youth Club

At a recent open meeting it was agreed to form a Steering Group to progress the opening of a Youth Club for Reeth and District with meetings at Reeth Memorial Hall on Wednesday evenings commencing 17th January 1996. Initially the age range will be for the 11 to 16 years old. Further Steering Group Meeting have been arranged for 13th December and 10th January (all 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall) and these meetings are open meetings with a view to appointment of a Youth Worker and formulating a programme. For further information please contact either Sian Gasson Tel. 884757 or Viv Osborn 850161.

### Youth Worker required for Reeth 2 1/2 hours per week

Applications are welcomed from adults who have an interest in the welfare of young people and some skills to share. No experience necessary as training will be provided, but enthusiasm and flexibility are essential.

For further information and application form please contact;

Mrs V Osborn

District Youth Tutor

Darlington Road

Richmond 01748 850161

Closing date for applications,  
Wednesday 13th December

Reeth Congregational Church  
Children's Meetings

Tuesday Special: 6 to 7pm for children  
aged 5 to 8 years.

Friday Club: 6.30 to 7.45pm for  
children aged 8 to 11 years at Primary  
School

Please note that children aged 8 may attend either or both meetings. Both meetings comprise of activities and Bible Teaching.

Sunday School: 10.30am open to children of all ages.



## Swaledale Scout Group

The Group was well represented at the recent Remembrance Parade at Reeth, with a good turnout from both the Cubs and the Scouts.

Both the Cubs and the Scouts have helped plant daffodil bulbs, provided by Reeth Parish Council, on the green at Reeth. The Cub Scout Pack also took part in the recent Richmondshire District Cross Country run at Round Howe. Some members of the Scout Troop have been busy preparing menus and practising their cooking skills in preparation for the District Cooking Competition being held on 12th December at Colburn. The Groups sold a total of £62 worth of tickets for the North Yorkshire County Scouts 'Dream Holiday Raffle' and thank all the local people who supported them by purchasing tickets. The winners will be known in mid-December, so good luck!

Both the Cub Scout Pack and the Scout Troop are continuing to grow in numbers, but we would still welcome new members. Cub Scouts are for boys and girls aged 8 to 10 years and Scouts are for young people aged 11 to 15 years. For further information please contact Sheila or Richard Good Tel. 884353

## REETH BONFIRE AND FIREWORK DISPLAY

Hundreds of people flocked to see the spectacular Firework and Bonfire Display at Reeth. The event was supervised by members of the Reeth Fire Crew. There were five entries for the Best Dressed Guy Competition which was judged by Mrs Shirley Raw. The winner was Gerry Puente delavega, 2nd Nadine Maxwell and Karen Calvert; 3rd Alex Stephenson; 4th Katie Sunter and Lucy Greggs and 5th Ben Malton.

A collection on the night raised £186 for the Fire Service Benevolent Fund. Fund Raising and Donations for the event far exceeded expectations with over £900 being raised. After expenses and prizes the surplus is being held over for next year's Display.

Thanks are extended to Willy McCleary and his helpers for organising the Discos and the Pram Race

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## AN EXCITING SIGHTING IN SWALEDALE

Once thought extinct, the very rare burrowing Swaledale Lead Miner Bird has been rediscovered by local ornithologist S.P. Crowe hiding in a little known underground cave in the upper reaches of the Low Row Basin.

The particular strain of this curious bird was introduced to this country in the 18th Century by the wandering nomadic Trappist Monks whilst on their quest to stamp out the heathen influences of the local peasant in the Swaledale area. It has been well established that not only were the birds invaluable as an early warning system with regard to dangerous gases emitted from the lower stratus of the ecologically unsound bedrocks but the remains prove beyond doubt that the breast bones and armour plating together with the profusion of extremely hard wearing fur and skin were used both as materials to make efficient weapons and clothing but also as their main staple diet.

An Incident Room has now been set up in the Punch Bowl at Low Row where regular monthly meetings are being held on alternative Tuesdays. A faithful reproduction of this curious bird will soon be on display at that location. A discreet watch is being kept in the Old Gang Mine area and all information is being collated. Any further information will be reported in future editions of the Reeth & District Gazette.

## LETTER

We the Youngsters of Reeth would like to apologise to all the people who had their property sprayed or vandalised in anyway.

We think we all realise now that we have done wrong and will make sure that it will never happen again. We also realise the inconvenience we have caused for you.

Yours sincerely,

The Youngsters of Reeth

## COMMENT

As the Christmas Tree is being placed on the Green it is a timely reminder of just how short a Year really is. Yet so much happened. Regrettably it is not always the good things that are remembered but often the bad. Efforts made during the summer to enhance the Village were rewarded with winning of the Best Kept Village Competition. As the dark nights approached the actions of a few soon ruined many months of hard work. Because of the area in which we live they have had the courage to apologise and make some effort to tidy up. Hopefully lessons have been learnt and the lights on the Tree might even remain intact. With a little effort we could even win the Yorkshire Rural Community Councils Best Kept Village Competition which in 1996 will be held

in Craven and Richmondshire Districts. Daffodil bulbs have recently been planted around the area by local schoolchildren, the playgroup, the Brownies and the Cubs and Scouts thus ensuring a colourful spring. Working together achieved the Playground, an organised Fireworks Display and some new equipment for

our local nurses. Hopefully the same will happen in raising funds for the Memorial Hall. A community needs to be tolerant of its members and supportive of its respective needs.

Swaledale and Arkengarthdale are prime examples of a community partnership and that could be our strength in combating the unwelcome visitor who comes only to violate our property. Recent concerns about local Policing are understandable but because of the area we have always had a very effective Neighbourhood Watch albeit not necessarily under the current title. The dark days of winter do call for extra vigilance.

This month we have again be able to feature an interesting article on Bygone times. Such articles provoke much interest and we would like to make them a regular feature so please if you have, or know of anyone with, such items please consider us. Originals are always returned.

The team behind the Gazette - Eleanor, Richard, Elaine, Matthew, our folders and myself wish you all a Merry Christmas and we will be with you in the New Year. Our January issue, for obvious reasons, may be out slightly later than usual but please keep the news coming.

Peter Brant



Where's Spider?

## SWALEDALE POPPY APPEAL

Mrs. Anne Alderson would like to thank all Poppy Sellers and Barclays Bank for their efforts during the recent Poppy Appeal. For your information the following amounts were collected:

Bridge Hotel, Grinton £7.96; Mrs. Morley, Gunnerside £41.97; Mrs. Barton, Grinton £42.80; Mrs. Cherry, Reeth £20.28; The Gift Shop, Reeth £8.29; Mrs. Simpson, Marske £28.55; Mrs. Reynolds, Thwaite £21.38; S Clarkson, Keld £21.61; Mrs. Brown, Harkerside £30.90; Mrs. Morgan, Grinton £13.45; D Guy, Muker £61.39; Mrs. Pearce, Marrick £17.77; Miss Barker, Healaugh £46.95; E Stubbs, Langthwaite £18.92; Dorothy Astwood, Low Row £52.37; Quaker Close and Flats £22.06; The Burgoyne Hotel, Reeth £25.61; The Red Lion, Langthwaite £32.55; The Bottom Shop, Reeth £54.51; The Black Bull, Reeth £62.61; Reeth Post Office £24.14; The Kings Arms, Reeth £21.04; Reeth Bakery £15.98; The Temperance Hotel, Reeth £20.46; Grinton Church collection £90; The Ladies Section of the Royal British Legion £3.60; Donation from the Low Row VE Day Celebrations £55.35 - which makes a Grand Total of £853.50.

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Put the shelled nuts in a small pan - cover with milk and bring to the boil. Simmer for 8 to 10 minutes till soft then drain and chop coarsely. Stir them into the sausage meat, add the shallots, garlic, parsley, brandy, salt, pepper, mace or nutmeg. Either stuff the bird or make into small balls and fry and serve as a garnish.



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## CHRISTMAS SERVICES



### Monday December 18th.

7-00pm. Hurst Methodist Church: Carol Service

Rev. E. Reddington

### Wednesday December 20th.

2-30pm. Grinton St. Andrew's: Schools' Christingle Service

Rev. P.S. Midwood

### Thursday December 21st.

7-00pm. Gunnerside Methodist Church: Shortest Day Carol Service

Rev. E. Reddington

### Saturday December 23rd.

6-00pm. Richmond St. Joseph and St. Francis Xavier: Vigil Mass

Fr. K. Trehy

### Christmas Eve, Sunday December 24th.

9-30am. Grinton St. Andrew's: Eucharist

Rev. P.S. Midwood

10-00am. Richmond St. Joseph and St. Francis Xavier: Mass

Fr. K. Trehy

10-30am. Low Row United Reformed Church: United Carol Service

Rev. R. Hine

10-30am. Reeth Methodist Church: Family Carol Service

Rev. E. Reddington

11-00am. Marske St. Edmund's: Eucharist and blessing of the  
Christmas Crib.

Rev. J. Haigh

11-00am. Reeth Congregational Church: Morning Worship

Rev. G.A. Hemming

4-30pm. Keld Methodist Church: Christmas Service

Rev. E. Reddington

6-30pm. Arkengarthdale Methodist Church: United Carol Service

6-30pm. Gunnerside Methodist Church: Carol Service

Rev. E. Reddington

6-30pm. Muker St. Mary's: United Carol Service

Rev. P.S. Midwood

6-30pm. Reeth Congregational Church: Traditional Carol Service

Rev. G.A. Hemming

7-45pm. Gunnerside Village Green: Carols around the Christmas Tree

8-00pm. Reeth Village Green: Carols around the Christmas Tree

8-30pm. Richmond St. Joseph and St. Francis Xavier: Carol Service  
and Vigil Mass of Christmas.

Fr. K. Trehy

11-30pm. Arkengarthdale St. Mary's: Christmas Eve

Midnight Communion

Rev. F. Lindars

11-30pm. Downholme St. Michael and All Angels: Eucharist

Rev. J. Haigh

11-30pm. Grinton St. Andrew's: Christmas Eve Midnight Eucharist

Rev. P.S. Midwood

### Christmas Day, December 25th.

8-00am. Low Row Holy Trinity: United Christmas Eucharist

Rev. P.S. Midwood

9-30am. Muker St. Mary's: United Christmas Eucharist

Rev. P.S. Midwood

10-00am. Richmond St. Joseph and St. Francis Xavier: Mass

Fr. K. Trehy

10-30am. Reeth Methodist Church: Christmas Morning

Rev. E. Reddington

Family Worship

Rev. J. Haigh

11-00am. Marske St. Edmund's: Eucharist

Rev. G.A. Hemming

11-00am. Reeth Congregational Church: Christmas Morning Worship

6-00pm. Keld United Reformed Church: Christmas Celebration

Rev. E. Reddington

6-30pm. Marske Methodist Church: Christmas Day Carol Service

### St. Stephen the First Martyr, Tuesday December 26th.

10-00am. Grinton St. Andrew's: Eucharist

Rev. P.S. Midwood

### St. John the Evangelist, Wednesday December 27th.

10-00am. Low Row Holy Trinity: Eucharist

Rev. P.S. Midwood

7-00pm. Grinton St. Andrew's: United Carol Service

Rev. P.S. Midwood

### Holy Innocents Day, Thursday December 28th.

10-00am. Muker St. Mary's: Eucharist

Rev. P.S. Midwood

# DIARY DATES

## December

- 5 Reeth Amblers Walk - Meet 10am at Gunnerside for a circular walk Business Association, Talk given by Pam Whittaker Richmond District Tourism Officer; The Buck Hotel
- 6 Advent Service at 6pm at St Mary's Church, Muker
  - Reeth Parish Council Meeting - 7pm
- 7 Reeth YFC Annual Whist Drive - Memorial Hall, 7.30pm
- 9 NCH Coffee Morning 10.30 at the Gables, Low Row
- 10 9.30am Sung Eucharist - St Andrew's Church, Grinton
  - 11am School Nativity & Service - St Mary's Church, Arkengarthdale
  - 4pm Holy Communion - St Mary's Church, Muker
- 12 Reeth Amblers Walk - Meet 10am at Muker for a circular walk
  - Domino Knockout, The Buck Hotel
  - Concert and Coffee Evening by Reeth Brass Band - Memorial Hall
- 13 Open Meeting re progress of Reeth & District Youth Club - 7.30pm, Reeth Memorial Hall
- 14 Melbecks Society - Low Row - Tony Dykes and the Dalesfolk, a glass of wine and a Raffle
  - Darts Knockout, The Punch Bowl
- 16 Low Row & Feetham Literary Institute Domino Drive
- 17 9.30am Eucharist - St Mary's Church, Muker
  - 11am Sung Eucharist - Holy Trinity Church, Low Row
  - 6.30pm Evening Prayer - St Mary's Church, Arkengarthdale
- 18 Pool Knockout - The Buck Hotel
  - 7pm Hurst Carol Service
- 19 Reeth Amblers Walk - Meet 10am at Grinton for a circular walk
- 19 Dominos Knockout, The Kings Arms
- 20 Christingle Service at 2.30pm - St Andrew's Church, Grinton
  - Whist Drive - Grinton Institute.
  - Darts/Dominos Knockout, The Bridge Hotel
- 21 Pool Knockout - the Punch Bowl
  - 7pm Gunnerside Shortest Day Festival and Carol Service
  - Arkengarthdale Sports Association Domino Drive & Christmas Raffle 7.30pm Arkengarthdale School
  - Christmas Concert by the Swaledale Parish Choir - 7.30pm at Holy Trinity Church Low Row - Proceeds in aid of the Swaledale Nurses Fund and the Church
- 22 Quiz Night, The Bridge Hotel
- 23 Through to 27th - Musical Entertainment with Elaine & Reg at the Punch Bowl, Low Row
- 24 10.30am Low Row Carol Service - United Reformed Church
  - 6.30pm Muker Carol Service with Muker Band - St Mary's Muker
  - 6.30pm Arkengarthdale Carol Service - with Reeth Band - Methodist Church
  - 8.00pm Reeth Carol Service around the Tree with Reeth Band
- 25 10.30am Christmas Morning Family Service at Reeth Methodist Church
  - 6.30pm Christmas Evening Carol Service at Marske
- 26 Reeth Amblers Walk - Meet 10am at Reeth, Toddle
  - Annual Draw, The Black Bull, Reeth
- 27 7.00pm Grinton Carol Service - St Andrew's Church
  - Darts Knockout, The Kings Arms
- 28 Pool Knockout, The Bridge Hotel
- 29 Darts Knockout, The Buck Hotel

- 29 Quiz Night - the Bridge Hotel
- 31 10.30am United Parish Eucharist at Holy Trinity Church, Low Row
  - 2pm United Circuit Service at Reeth with Musical items by the Swale Singers
  - New Year's Eve Fireworks and Grand Buffet - the Punch Bowl, Low Row

## January

- 1 New Year's Day Quiz - 8pm, The Punch Bowl, Low Row
- 2 Reeth Amblers Walk - Meet 10am at Reeth, Toddle (or Waddle)
- Pool Knockout, The Kings Arms
- 4 Domino Knockout, The Black Bull
- 8 Reeth Dales Ladies, Cookery demonstration
- 9 Reeth Amblers Walk - Meet 10am at Gunnerside for a circular walk
- 11 Melbecks Society, Doug Bradbrook of Ravensworth Nurseries

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- 26 Boxing Day 8 - 12noon
- 31 New Year's eve 8 - 12noon
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