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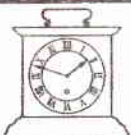
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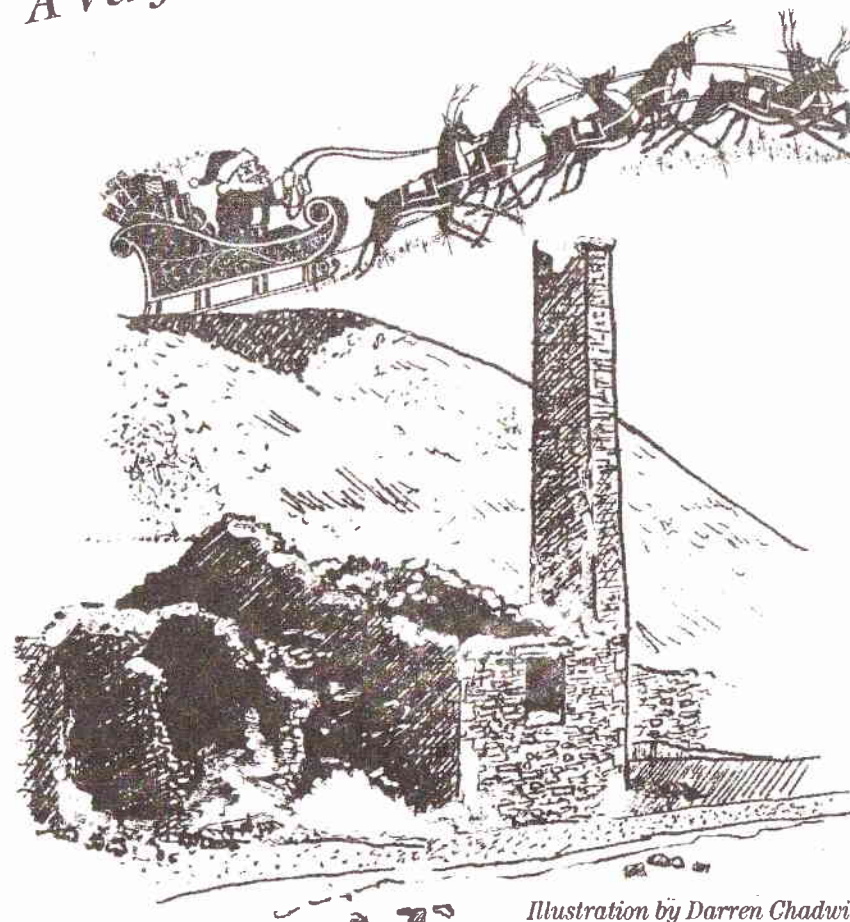


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CHURCH SERVICES

in ARKENGARThDALE and SWALEDALE

5th December

- 9.15am St Mary's Muker
Eucharist
- 10.30am Reeth Methodist
Family Service
Low Row URC
Communion
- 11.00am Gunnerside Methodist
St Edmund's, Marske
Family Eucharist
Reeth Congregational
Holy Trinity Low Row
Eucharist
- 2.00pm Keld URC
- 2.30pm Arkengarthdale Methodist
Holy Communion
Muker Methodist
- 4.00pm St Andrew's Grinton
Evening Prayer
- 6.30pm Reeth Congregational

12th December

- 9.30am St Andrew's Grinton
Eucharist
St Michael's, Downholme
Holy Eucharist
- 10.30am Low Row URC
Reeth Methodist
Communion
- 11.00am Reeth Congregational
St Edmund's Marske
Morning Prayer
- 11.15am St Mary's Arkengarthdale
Holy Communion 1662
- 2.00pm Keld Methodist
- 2.30pm Gunnerside Methodist
Low Row Methodist
Communion
- 4.00pm St Mary's Muker
Eucharist/Sunday School
- 6.30pm Marske Methodist
Communion
Reeth Congregational

Monday 6th December

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Wednesday 15th December

SCHOOL NATIVITY
6.00pm St Mary's
Arkengarthdale

Friday 17th December

CHRISTINGLE
SERVICE
2.15pm St Andrew's
Grinton

19th December

- 9.15am St Mary's Muker *Eucharist*
- 10.30am Reeth Methodist *Carol Service*
Low Row URC *Christmas worship for all ages*
- 11.00am Reeth Congregational
St Edmund's Marske *Holy Eucharist*
Holy Trinity Low Row *Eucharist*
- 2.00pm Keld URC *Christmas Worship for all ages*
- 2.30pm Gunnerside Methodist
Muker Methodist *Carol Service*
- 4.00pm St Mary's Muker *Crib Service*
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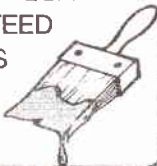
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Well here we are again, another Christmas, it soon comes round ! This time of course it is a little different, being the last Christmas of the millennium. What a lot has happened during this last century – so much has changed in the new technological age. One wonders how much more things will change in the next century – would we recognise anything if we were still around ?

The one constant seems to be our own environment – the hills and valleys, trees and fields, and the stone built barns and houses. What a sense of comfort they can be, as a sign that some things do not change. But the message of Christmas does not change – it may become much more commercialised (Christmas Trees and Santa in Darlington on Nov 5th.. !!) – and there is so much more glitter “around”, but the essential meaning and feeling of the Festive Season is still there – and has been for two thousand years ! That like our own area is very, very special. It cannot be taken away from us if we want to believe, and I think most of us do. Lets give Christmas a chance, let us take into the third millennium that special warm glowing feeling one gets from Christmas. Join in as many Christmas activities as you can, be a part of the special time, in a special place, with special people. Look in the Diary Dates, and Christmas Service list. There will be a service or concert or party near you and you will be made welcome. Christmas is about Christ's birth, and a time for celebration, so go and celebrate. This Christmas is a 2000 year old birthday – when Christ came to us to show us his love and care. Wow ! What else has lasted so long, and is still so vibrant, colourful and full of joy!! I bet all our computers will look sad in another 2000 years time. And don't forget the New Year. None of us will see the next century so at the millennium make a point of being there if you can – at the Watchnight Service, or when the fireworks are set off in Reeth, or when the church bells are rung on new Years Day at 12 noon, and make a prayer or a wish that all the good mankind has achieved can be continued into the next era of the world's history. Have a really Merry Christmas, and a very, very Happy New Year.

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December's Programme

2nd - 5 & 8pm - Gregory's Two Girls (15)
3rd & 4th - 5 & 8pm - Runaway Bride (PG)
9th & 11th - 5 & 8pm - The Winslow Boy (U)
15th- 7:30pm - Live Theatre! - Theatre of the Dales presents 'A Christmas Carol' £5 & £2.50
16th & 18th - 2:30, 5 & 7:30pm - Tarzan (U)
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9th & 11th - 5 & 8pm - The Winslow Boy (U)
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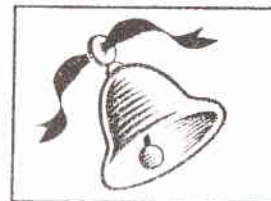
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The winner of the Quiz (last month's gazette) was **Marjorie Longstaff**. Well done. Answers next month

The late Night Shopping in Reeth Winners were Michael Guy in Richmond for the Hamper and Tracy Littlewood for the quiz.

Arkengarthdale Open Day

The organisers of the Arkengarthdale Millennium Projects Open Day held in the Chapel Hall on November 27th would like to thank all helpers and attending Dale residents for their support in ensuring that the event was so successful. In particular we would like to thank the Ladies of the Dale who provided the usual high standard of refreshments.

The comments made by those visiting provided welcome encouragement to ensure that both the book and CD will be a fitting tribute to the people of our Dale both past and present.

It is intended that the collecting of Archive material will be an on-going activity even after the book is published next year. Please contact 884051 or 884652 if you have any suitable pictures, maps or articles for recording.

Reeth Surgery Christmas and New Year Arrangements

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Friday 24 th December	Normal	8.30-10.00
Monday 27 th December	Emergencies only	9.00-10.00
Tuesday 28 th December	Emergencies only	9.00-10.00
Wednesday 29 th	Normal	8.30-10.00 & 5.00-6.00pm
Thursday 30 th	Normal	8.30-10.00
Friday 31 st December	Normal	9.00-10.00
Monday 3 rd January	Emergencies only	9.00-10.00

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GRINTON PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Parking Following a site meeting, proposals have been drawn up by the Highways Department to introduce yellow lines on certain roads near the village centre in order to relieve congestion. After due consideration, in some detail, Councillors have agreed to support the scheme.

Rights Of way A meeting has been requested with the Definitive Map Officer to discuss the current redrawing of the map of footpaths and rights of way within the national park, with a view to correcting certain anomalies and errors which were included in earlier maps. The national park Authority is opposing the use of green lanes by excessive off road traffic.

Swale Regeneration Project Councillors have expressed their regrets at the departure of Mr. Simon Lovell, the project manager, who has recently left to take up a post in Cumbria. His work with the local community over recent years has been much appreciated.

Millennium grants are still being pursued to fund millennium projects. Work on producing a photographic archive of the Parish is underway, and all residents will be contacted concerning the details when confirmation has been received from the photographer.

Footpath To Cemetery Letters have been received in support of the footpath scheme and a reduced quote has been obtained from NYCC. It is not yet known if millennium funding will be available as the decision on allocation of grants has been deferred until December. Other sources of funding are also being looked into.

Stepping Stones the stepping stones at Healaugh have now been reinstated for the first time since they were washed away in a storm 100 years ago.

School Governors Members have agreed to support Councillor Sunter as nominee to the Board of Governors of Reeth Community School.

Parish Forum Discussion had included the future provision of local accident and emergency facilities following the closure of the military hospital at Catterick. Here had been no representative from the Highways department present to answer concerns raised at the meeting, but an undertaking had been given that someone from the department would visit the area to see the problems at first hand.

Internal Auditor in line with the new requirements Dr. Elizabeth Sutherland has agreed to act as an internal auditor to the council.

Commemorative Seat A possible site for Mr. Ellis's seat has been identified on the Harkerside road near Scar House.

Library Councillors were concerned at the District Council's proposed re-examination of library facilities in rural areas, fearing that this could involve further reductions in the service.

Parish Hall It was reported that the bulk of the inside work would be completed and the hall would be back in use very shortly.

Bus Shelter The shelter in Grinton would be inspected and repaired.

Public Transport Councillors completed a questionnaire for the NYCC Local Transport Plan identifying items of local concern.

MUKER CENTENARY – Muker Silver Band

The release of Muker Silver Band's new video – Muker Centenary is a timely occurrence for Christmas ! This video is a celebration of the 'Swaledale Village and its famous Silver Band.'

The video is really an opportunity to see some superb views of the Dale, as well as showing the band in rehearsals and performances during its Centenary Year in 1997. Special events during the Band's Centenary Year are recorded, and we also see some of the individual band members in their everyday lives. There is some fascinating archive footage (look out for some senior members in their youth!) and a very good soundtrack – provided of course by that famous "village Silver Band". The soundtrack is taken from some of their best recordings. The commentary, written and narrated by Dr. Duncan Bythell, who has played an important part in music in Swaledale over the last fifteen years or so, is used well to enhance the whole production. Of course the music is of a traditional Brass Band programme. There are marches, hymn tunes, selections and popular songs (even by Lloyd Weber, and Dr. Bythell is known for his reticence in playing that particular composers tunes !). Dr. Bythell has written an excellent history on Muker Silver Band (recommended reading), as well as a history of another band in Lancashire, and articles on banding.

This is very good local viewing of interest to all who like and love our Dale and its traditions. Priced at £10 (11.75 incl. P & P), it makes an excellent gift for Christmas or any other occasion. It is available from :-

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Muker Band also has other souvenirs for sale all of which will make inexpensive gifts.

Why not visit them on their Web Site at : www.guys01.freemove.co.uk

But do support our local traditions – treat yourself – buy the video !

To All Residents Of Arkengarthdale And Swaledale

Are you like me frustrated by the lack of public transport ? In particular trying to get our young sons/daughters to Darlington for College or work by 9:00am. Yes I know it is impossible and costs an 'arm and a leg' by other means. I am in contact with Darlington College, who know about the problem, which we would like to solve NOW, not tomorrow – or in the near future. Join me and Darlington College to help achieve this. Ring me on 01748 – 886010, just ask for Allan. This does not exclude Polam Hall students/pupils.

PLEASE!! PLEASE !! Join me, I cannot hope to win on my own.

Allan J Lloyd Payne, Heatherdene, Blades, Low Row, Richmond,
DL11 6

Watchnight Service

All are welcome to attend a Watchnight Service to be held in Reeth Congregational Church on Friday 31st. December 1999 at 11:00pm. This will be a service of thanksgiving for the past and of rededication for the new millennium. Mr. Don Hinchcliffe, former principal of St. Andrew's College, Malton will lead the service. Don is no stranger to the Dales, having led Youth Camps in Arkengarthdale, Children's Holiday Bible Clubs in Reeth, and having preached in various Dales Churches. The service will finish at approximately 11:45pm so that all may join in with the celebrations on the Village Green, when the Rev. Tim Tunley will set off 12 rockets at midnight to welcome in the new millennium.

Peter and Sarah would like to thank all those who entered the Pumpkin Lantern competition at the Ice Cream Parlour on the 30th. October. There were so many imaginative ideas that it was almost impossible to choose winners. We had a Rastafarian, an Uncle Fasta, and many other artistic variations of pumpkins. There was even a cleverly cut apple wired with a battery and circuit. Many thanks and well done everybody.

We are planning three candle-lit evenings in the first three Saturdays in December, 6:30 – 8:30. So if you have had a frenzied day Christmas Shopping, why not unwind with a 'Nice scream' sundae in a cosy setting!

1999 Mobile Library Visits

Route 3

(Downholme, Grinton, Marrick, Marske)

WEDS: 22nd. December 1999, 12th. January 2000, 02nd. February 2000

Route 7

(Fremington, Reeth, Langthwaite, Whaw)

TUES: 7th. December 1999, 12th. & 18th. January 2000, 8th. February 2000

Route 9

(Healaugh, Gunnerside, Low Row, Harkerside)

THURS: 9th. & 20th. December 1999 and 10th. February 2000

Route 13

(Westonesdale, Keld, Thwaite, Muker)

WEDS: 15th. December 1999, 5th. & 26th. January 2000, 16th. February 2000

This information was correct at the time of printing. The staff on the Mobile Library will be happy to help with any queries or Tel: 01609 776192

RICHMONDSHIRE MOBILE VOLUNTEER BUREAU follows the Library Van and routes and visits Reeth every third Friday- 17th. December. **PLEASE NOTE** the bus stops in January and so there will not be a visit until the new timetable has been arranged for February onwards- for full details Tel: 822335

Marrick Parish Council

C.Cllr. J. Blackie, D.Cllr. O. Kendall and Ms. D. McDermott and Mr. S. Petre from Richmondshire RDC attended the meeting on 18th. November.

The meeting opened with the chair asking for a minutes silence in memory of Mr. George Graham who died on Nov 8th. He served for many years as Councillor and Chair of Marrick Parish Council. After that items discussed were :

Sewage Problems at Marrick – an outline of the history of the investigations by RDC over the last to years was given, along with a progress report.

Millennium Project – tree planting at High Busca. The area had been selected. Tree planting day will be January 2nd. 2000.

Standing Orders – these were formally adopted and signed by the Chair.

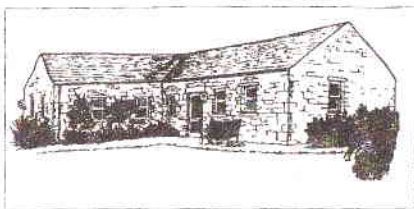
Provisional local transport plan for NY. –n whereas the council agreed genrally with the plan, it was felt that more discussion was needed concerning road improvement, winter maintenance, high cost of fuel and rural bus service.

Mobile Library Service – the following suggestions were put : the service restored to every two weeks, a list of new titles should be available, Mobile library, more recently published titles should be available, books should be changed more often, more talking and large print books required, n evening or Saturday service to village halls wanted, a video rental service, notice board highlighting events within the area and a microfiche index required. Footpath 0-Grinton The Council to write to Grinton PC to support the application for a footpath from the village to the cemetery.

Swaledale Parish Forum – the clerk confirmed that she had attended the forum which discussed the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, emergency services over the holiday period, health (the local hospitals) and Roads. A report was given.

Public Transport Seminar – the clerk reported on the recent seminar.

Date of next meeting is January 27th. 2000.



It's a Doc's Life

A column with a medical slant

Continuing with the history of the Dales Medics. John Richard McCollah whom I mentioned last month is buried in Grinton churchyard, look out for his grave next time you are passing.

During his stay in Reeth, John McCollah took on a partner, an interesting chap called Dr. John Corsan.

John Corsan had been in the navy before coming to Reeth. When Gladys and Corsan Alderson, who used to live in the old police house, were still alive they showed me some documents belonging to Dr. Corsan. They were inventories of items he had to possess as a ship's surgeon. Included in the list were such instruments of torture as a "saw for the head", "bullet forceps", an "apparatus for restoring suspended animation" and a "scoop for extracting balls". Fortunately Y-fronts have made this particular item a thing of the past.

Like William Steadman back in the 1700's the doctors were not immune to the high infant mortality of the time, John Corsan lost his son William in August 1819 at the age of 13 months and his daughter Isabella died aged only ten days.

At one time he lived at the Laurels and practiced from the Pink House, but the major memorial to him can be seen over the lintel at Overton Lea. This house is the house with the front garden, just up from the bakery, where on the lintel you can just make out the words "Corsan, Surgeon".

In 1841 John Corsan was paid £4-10s for looking after 72 people for six months. He earned enough to be a landowner in Reeth and indeed owned the poor house.

Near the poor house is a plot of land where John Corsan planted a tree on the day his daughter Agnes was born. It grew to be a thriving tree but was cut down some years ago as it was blocking light to some houses.

John Corsan died in Reeth on 13th August 1847 aged 55. His wife, Mary Waugh outlived him to die in 1867 at the age of 72.

The 1851 census showed there were two doctors in the Dale, one at Reeth and the other at Muker. There were quite a few doctors living in the upper part of the Dale. According to Fieldhouse & Jennings History of Richmond and Swaledale a Dr. Dawson was paid £6-10s by the people of Muker for medical attention in 1783 and John Jackson was paid as surgeon the sum of £9-12s-7d. Charles Connon qualified in 1875 and practiced in Muker, as did Thomas Devey who qualified in 1886. He lived at Gildie. Thomas Harling practiced from Pretoria House in Gunnerside, he qualified in 1887 and initially lived in Muker but later went back to Blackburn.

Dr. Paul Bond, The Surgery.

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If you are interested in finding out about the '456' group, call Jim on 823844 or Eileen on 823043 There is a membership limit with a few vacancies.

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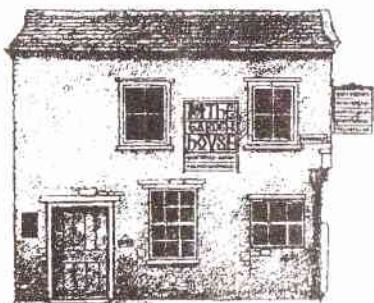
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Please forward a full CV to Dr David Hill, Chief Executive, Ecoscope Applied Ecologists, Crayke Holme, Muker, Richmond, North Yorkshire. DL11 6QH

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❖ Winter issue December 1999

DIG is a grassroots group set up to attract resources and services into Swaledale and Arkengarthdale. We are a non-profit making organisation. **DIG** comprises of local people who want to see positive developments taking place in our area. Local business, the farming community, young people, and two church communities are all represented within our group. Our aim is to find out which developments local people would like to see in the area and then to obtain funding for those developments. Possible developments may include: Improvements to business support, transport and leisure facilities, initiatives in training and education, and the establishment of an advice centre catering for local needs.

PROGRESS UPDATE - We are now well on the way to completing our feasibility study and up to 160 people from a wide cross-section of the community have filled in one of our questionnaires. These questionnaires were designed to allow the people of Swaledale and Arkengarthdale to tell us which developments are most needed in the area. The answers to the questionnaires are currently being collated. After collation, a consultant will prepare a report based upon the questionnaire answers. The report will be made available to the people of Swaledale and Arkengarthdale and any suggestions or objections arising from it will be carefully considered before any funding is applied for. Representatives from DIG have undertaken networking visits to other organisations. Our visit to the successful IT centre established in the community office in Hawes has given us a clearer idea of the possibilities and limitations of such a development in our own area. We have also picked up a number of useful ideas from our visit to the East Durham Partnership. Which began as a grassroots group similar to our own. They are based in Peterlee and were initially set up 10 years ago to help with the high levels of unemployment caused by pit closures, they have since, spread their wings and now cover a wide range of activities such as gardening for the elderly, and providing an IT Bus which they take out into the community for those unable to get to their centre in Peterlee. Thanks to everyone involved in distributing the questionnaires and to all those who took the time to complete one. Thanks also to the members of the Youth Club who contributed to a very useful session, for ideas in developing the area we live in.

A Public Meeting will be held at 8pm on **Thursday, 20th January** at the **Buck Hotel, Reeth**. Everyone is welcome. The committee will be present to address any queries you may have, and reporting back findings of the questionnaires and seeking feedback from the community.

DALESWATCH AGM

At a particularly well attended Annual General Meeting last month in the CB Hotel, all the standing officers and committee were re-elected. Crime figures for the past year were reported by PC Andrew Estensen who thanked members for their help in fighting crime and stressed the need for continued vigilance. Plans for the future include the extension of patrols to cover further hours, members of the public observing any suspicious activity are encouraged to telephone the police control room on 01609 789212. Any resident in Swaledale or Arkengarthdale wishing to become a Daleswatch volunteer should leave their details at the Police House, Reeth or telephone PC Estensen on 01748 - 884222.

The Melbecks Society - Low Row

The next meeting is on Thursday 9th December. It will be our Christmas party with The Swale Singers and Dr. Duncan Bythell. Join us for an evening of pleasant music, a glass of wine, and supper.

January's meeting on Jan. 13th, 2000, is "Out of this World", the search for new life in the new millennium. By Professor Geoff Marr.

The Society meets at the Institute, Low Row, on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30pm, from October to March. For details contact the secretary, Mrs. K. McDermid - 884596

Dales Ladies - Reeth

A meeting was held at the Memorial Hall, Reeth on Monday 1st November 1999. A Flower Arranging Demonstration was given by Anne Pratt, which was enjoyed by a well attended meeting. Anne made three exquisite Christmas floral arrangements, which were later raffled. The winners of the raffle were: 1st V. Boyes, 2nd J. Attwood, 3rd H. Guy, 4th A. Silver, 5th J. Reedham. Hostesses were Val Boyes and Judith Malton. The next meeting will be on 6th December when Flt. Sgt. Batson will give a talk on The Himalayas.

Sheila and Doug of the Punch Bowl, Low Row, would like to thank members of the staff and public who helped and supported the Halloween Party, and the Bonfire Night event. A special thankyou is given to all those people who have tried to make them feel welcome in the Dale. Everyone is assured of a warm welcome in the Punch Bowl at all times, but especially during the Festive Season. For special Christmas dates, please see the entries in Diary Dates.

The Christmas Ceilidh

"Room, room, give me room to rhyme,
Open your door and let us in,
We beg your favour for to win,
Whether we rise or stand or fall,
We'll do our best to please you all!"

It is more than a hundred years since these lines rang out in Swaledale; 1837 to be precise. This was the last occasion when 'Open your door', the first character in the Swaledale Mummers' play, uttered these words to rally an audience for their antics.

The plot is well documented – St. George fights Bold Slasher the Turkish Knight. He is mortally wounded but is miraculously brought back to life by an itinerant and irascible doctor who administers a nineteenth century version of viagra called Okum Pokum. "I have a little bottle in my left waistcoat pocket called Okum Pokum. Here Jack, take a little of my nip nap, put it in your snip snack. Rise up Jack and fight again!" St. George, thus revived, battles once more. The Turkish Knight is finally vanquished, England's honour is restored and the entire cast join in song.

On the eleventh of December, at the Memorial Hall here in Reeth, the Mummers' play will be re-enacted at the Christmas Ceilidh. Dance music will be provided by

'Sunday Suits and Muddy Boots' (caller Phil Parham), a Ceilidh Band not for the faint hearted. Songs performed by the ever popular and venerable Fourum and during the evening mince pies will be distributed to the poor and needy.

Incidentally this could be one of the rare occasions when Bob Hattersley may be persuaded to perform his unique version of the Twelve Days Of Christmas. Demanding both physically and mentally, this song requires vigorous training and great stamina. Bob has been practising hard for months now; only time will tell whether his body copes with the strain for the night.

The costumes sported by the Mummers have been especially designed by Heather Ritchie and her ladies who have worked diligently for weeks now to create them. The clothes will be kept in Reeth and used every year when the play is performed.

The proceeds from the evening will be used to buy apple trees for a community orchard here in Reeth. Tickets are on sale at The Post Office, Reeth at £3.00 (or £1.50 for children) – but act with alacrity, it will be a sell out!

NB – Doctor Bond stresses that there are no plans as yet to make Okum Pokum available on prescription at The Surgery.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir,

This is a "Thank you for Thanking me" letter following renewal of my annual subscription. I very much appreciate the arrival of the magazine for it helps me through the winter months, when, except on rare occasions I don't get into the Dales. Not having a car I am totally dependent on the Summer Sunday "Dales Bus" service from Leeds which suits me admirably. I usually head for Swaledale, which I've known and loved for many years. Old age, plastic hips and lungs which protest at hills now make my walking more restricted, but I can still lift up mine eyes to the hills and the memories never fail me. I've got friends in the villages, two of whom rang me last week with lengthy

'catch up calls', lovely. I wish you every success with the new team. I do so look forward to the magazine's arrival and quickly get my maps out and with a warm fire and drink go Walking with the Major.

Best wishes to all concerned.

Yours, Norma Wallace (Mrs) Leeds

Sir,

The development of Information Technology Tuition for the schoolchildren attending Gunnerside school is to be supported. The project to create another community building, open for late afternoon and evening hire is another matter and will, I believe, detract from the present usage of the newly refurbished village and church halls which are already struggling to maximise the present available letting hours of all the community buildings in the dale. Information Technology Courses, from Basic to advanced instruction, either vocational or non vocational are presently provided by the Adult Education arm of Richmond School at Muker Public Hall, Low Row Institute, Reeth Memorial Hall and also in Arkengarthdale. Day and evening courses are available.

Additional New Courses are due to be announced for the New Year. These courses have been designed to:

- provide a wide tuition spectrum for all age ranges and also
- to bring the opportunity of computer knowledge training within reach of, and for, the convenience of local folk at a local venue and
- to utilise and help support, at a negotiated reduced fee the existing open public community buildings.

Further, an Information Technology for the Millennium Project supported by a Help the Aged Award (£9,300) is presently offering free tuition for the over 55's in connection with the Luncheon Clubs and this is a long term developing project. The new Silver Surfers Club at Reeth meet each Wednesday afternoon for hands on experience, with qualified tutors. Basic instruction and E:mail with Internet use is included. To develop the required computer classes for local children, would it not be more practical from a cost and sustainability approach, thinking of the school role (numbers now and future) for the school to make more use of Gunnerside Village Hall, even adapting a room as a useful facility for the IT tuition, at a fraction of the cost of building a new room onto the school. Also has any thought been given to how this proposed project may effect the other schools serving the two dales community.

Yours,

Mike Beckwith.

The Gazette welcomes letters and articles from readers on all matters of general interest. The policy of the Gazette and it's Editor as a whole is to oversee a non biased magazine as listed in it's constitution.

REETH AND DISTRICT GAZETTE
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 August 1999

	£
INCOME	
Advertisements, Photocopying and Sales of Stationery	8,191
Subscriptions	440
Bank Interest	4
	<u>8,635</u>
EXPENDITURE	
Printing Materials and Stationery	6,636
Postage	349
Equipment Repairs and Maintenance	267
Advertising	48
Subscription	15
Depreciation - Printing Machinery and Office Equipment	1,083
	<u>8,398</u>
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	<u>237</u>

BALANCE SHEET at 31 August 1999

	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
Printing Machinery and Office Equipment - at written down value		739
CURRENT ASSETS		
Debtors	793	
Cash at Bank	803	
	<u>1,596</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Creditors	1,629	
	<u>1,629</u>	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(33)
		<u>706</u>
GENERAL FUND		
At 1 September 1998		469
Add Surplus for the Year		237
		<u>706</u>

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

I have examined the accounting records of Reeth and District Gazette.

The above Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet are in accordance with the records and explanations given to me by officials.

C J BEESTON
Chartered Accountant

The Laurels, Reeth, North Yorkshire
26 November 1999

REETH FIRE STATION

Fire Crew – Fire Crew

The Reeth Retained Fire & Rescue Crew requires more Fire Fighters. Would you like to serve your community as one of the Team. If you live in or around Reeth and are interested in joining, then rush



to see Sub Officer Philip Bastow on Thursday evenings 7pm- 9pm, when training takes place or for further information please telephone during the day 884555. Ring my Bell

Friends of Gunnerside School

Have organised A Christmas Shopping evening to be held in **Muker Public Hall from 6pm - 8pm on Friday 3rd December.** We have invited some Local businesses and people to come along and display items they sell. Light refreshments will be served.



YOREDALE ART CLUB

The club meet each Tuesday afternoon at Leyburn Community Centre 1.30pm.

There is a varied programme arranged for the winter season, including making your own Christmas Cards, looking at Paintings through the Ages. Snow scene demonstration, talk and display by Tim Slatter, white on black workshops with Lesley Coates-Jones and an Annual Exhibition of members paintings. New members and visitors are always welcome. Further details and programme please telephone Angie Craven on Tel. 01609 - 774386

LOW ROW WOMEN'S CIRCLE

The new season began on 13th. October with a working meeting at the home of Miss Eleanor Barker – On October 27th, a meeting was held at the home of Mrs Susan Hird, at which Mrs D. Lake gave a very interesting talk, illustrated with a video, on “Getting Around New Zealand”. The new Women's Circle President is Mrs Glenys Pennock. Membership and future meeting information please contact Mrs Carolyn Stevenson : Tel. 886004



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FRIDAY JANUARY 7th. 2000

Muker Public Hall

At 7.30pm – Cards £2.00 inc. supper.

GUNNERSIDE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Welcomes new members or visitors to their meetings which are held each third Thursday of the month in Gunnerside Village Hall at 7.15pm. A full annual programme of talks, discussions and visits has been planned and further information can be obtained by contacting the Secretary.

Mrs Kay McDermid Tel. 884596

Gunnerside Friday Club would like to thank all who came dressed up – or not – to their '70's Disco at Keld. The evening was a virtually sold out and a great night out. It raised over £300 for the children.

Prizes for the most authentically dressed went to Allison Calvert of Swaledale and Bob Bissicks of Arkengarthdale. Many thanks also to Disco Darren Chadwick for working so hard and doing a brilliant job. Watch this space for the next one!

LOW ROW WOMEN'S CIRCLE MEETING – November 24th

The guest speaker, Mr J. Brown, gave a most interesting and moving account of his experiences as a prisoner of war in Italy, entitled : “Prisoners in a Monastery Garden, and 50 years on” – taking in his return visit in 1998 to the beautifully restored monastery that had fallen into disuse before being used as a prison camp.

GUNNERSIDE W.I. AGM

There was a good attendance at the November AGM when our President, Margaret Rutter, welcomed the members and gave a review of the past successful year. The Treasurer and secretary affirmed this in their reports, with a healthy financial situation and an increase in membership to 28, with new members bringing in fresh ideas and enthusiasm. Jennie Mansfield spoke on the creation of the album which was the joint winner for Gunnerside of the Kathleen Bird Trophy. The officers and committee were re-elected, with Audrey Race resigning from the committee to be replaced by Marian Thompson. The business meeting was followed by the traditional wine and cake, prepared by Elvier Clavert and Margaret Crapper, with Audrey race being invited to cut the cake. The entertainment which followed had been compiled by our new Entertainments Officer, Mary Thomas, from the WI Home and Country Book, 1919-1959. She read amusing extracts and members participated in games.

The Christmas Dinner and Party will be held in Kearton Guest House on December 16th

SWALEDALE 'WANDERERS'

Fifteen wanderers and one dog met in Bryson's Coffee Shop in Keswick at the start of another hilarious few days in the Lake District. It started off the way it always does with coffee and cakes to be followed by a visit to the sandwich bar for provisions – dinner was to be at least six hours late so we had to stoke up well for our intended walk up Borrowdale, which proved to be a delightful stroll into the Langstrath Valley. A clear stream accompanied us across green meadows to a pretty waterfall falling into a gorge – we followed the stream back down and collapsed into the "Flock In" where we recovered with pots of tea and home made cakes.

Our farm house hotel proved to be a lovely place to stay with an outstanding view of Causey Pike and the surrounding hills. Littleton Farm is mentioned in Beatrix Potter stories. After a quick wash and brush up we emerged ready for what turned out to be an excellent five course meal.

The following day the group divided into sheep and goats – the goats scrambled bravely to the top of Catbells and the sheep wandered round the lake.

Sandwiches were thankfully consumed at lunchtime. The day was completed by a visit to the pretty church and school in the Newlands Valley. Another enormous meal completed our second day in the Lakes.

After a ug farmhouse breakfast we staggered out to the cars and eventually reached Ashness Bridge where we parked ready for a walk to Watendtath. On the way one of the male members of our party was accosted by seven ladies demanding to know if he was a farmer – due to his appearance and stance (leaning on his old horn handled stick). The rest of the party abandoned him surrounded by a bevy of admiring ladies. If this person is found wandering, please return him to Jubilee House.

We then went on to the little village for a sandwich lunch before we walked the three miles back to the car.

A happy bunch of wanderers returned to Swaledale with many happy memories of mountain views, lakes and streams – slightly heavier in weight and more rotund – we wonder why!

Please note: HAZEL BROW FARM WEBSITE LOCATION
www.yorkshirenet.co.uk/atasteofswaledale

GENERAL NEWS ROUNDUP

Reeth & District Gazette Accts. –

As promised at the AGM in late September we are now able to publish the accounts for year ending 31st August 1999. The books have been independently examined and prepared by Mr C. J. Beeston, Chartered Accountant of Reeth. The full detailed account sheet can be found in the centre of this month's issue. We appeal to those advertisers, who though receiving a polite reminder, still owe the Gazette money to please clear their accounts. The Gazette is a non – profit making local magazine run and produced by unpaid volunteers for the benefit of the whole local community. We cannot continue to operate when local traders place an ad, which we have then printed in good faith and the trader then reneges on paying for the ad so carried. Because of non payment the Gazette has stopped all advertising by those traders who's accounts are still outstanding. To overcome this problem therefore, we must in future request that all advertisers pay in full when placing an advert. Rates are as published elsewhere in this issue and we shall require all ad's to be placed by the published deadline.

Advertiser Account inquiries and subscriptions to the Friend's of the Gazette please contact :

Mike Beckwith, Breconside, Muker,
Tel 01748- 886307

To Place an Advert please contact:

Mr Richard Birks, Whaw House,
Whaw . Tel 01748 - 884510

Multiple Sclerosis Society –

Melbecks Coffee morning held in the Low Row Institute in aid of the Society on Friday 19th. November was a very successful and happy event. A big thank you to all the supporters and helpers who together raised over £ 590 for this good cause.

Muker Millennium Photograph-

To all those folk who purchased the Millennium photograph. You can have your picture professionally framed for under a fiver, a huge reduction in the normal price at FRAMES PLUS OF RICHMOND, Old Chapel, Ryders Wynd. Down the Wynd near Gillsons Sports shop. Mrs Judith Jackson found that provided ten or more people took their picture to this firm to get framed then there will be a substantial reduction in the normal price . Just mention Judith's name .

THE BOTTOM SHOP – REETH Christmas & New Year Opening

December 24th – Friday – 7am - 1pm

Christmas Day - CLOSED

December 26th – Sunday – 8am - Noon

.. 27th - Monday – 8am - Noon

.. 28th - Tuesday – 8am – 5pm

.. 29th - Wednesday- 8am – Noon

.. 30th - Thursday - 8am – 5pm

.. 31st - Friday – 8am – Noon

New Years Day - CLOSED

January 2nd - Sunday – 8am – Noon

.. 3rd - Monday – 8am – Noon

From Tuesday onwards

Opening hours as normal

We sincerely wish all our customers old and new a very peaceful Christmas and

A Happy New Year.



Muker Diary Snippets

Muker Silver Band launched its new video, "Muker Centenary", to a full church and a most appreciative audience at a Concert in St. Mary's Church, Muker, on Friday 26th November. Music featured on the video sound track was played and the audience was taken through the development of the Band and the vital role played by key, longstanding members, some of whom devoted sixty years of their lives to the band and entertaining others. Mr. Ken Guy is the longest serving existing member and he has fifty years service under his belt. This is their second video, made in association with Dr. Malcolm Hamer and AMFILMS of Hawes, and it celebrates the history of Muker Silver Band from its foundation in 1897 through a mixture of story, image, and music. It shows the centenary year anniversary performance on Great Shunner Fell. It also offers glimpses of individual band members in their everyday lives, and includes archive footage of Muker Show, Hardraw band contest, and the Settle-Carlisle railway. The sound track is made up of a selection of music from the Band's earlier audio recordings, and the commentary is written and narrated by Duncan Bythell the Conductor of the band. Copies of this and the previous video, together with the five audio cassettes previously produced, can be purchased from Mr. P.J. Guy, Tel. 01748 886350. After the concert the band met the audience at a reception in Muker Public Hall.

Muker Public Hall - Annual Grand Domino Drive Raised £ 298 - At the Annual Domino Drive and Raffle for Muker Public Hall there were eighteen tables of players and all thoroughly enjoyed the night. Mr David Guy of Marrick won 1st prize in the Domino Drive with a score of 116, Mrs Susan Lambert of Simonstone came second and Mr Cyril Barningham of Healaugh third, there were eighteen other prizewinners. Miss Rosie Chadwick took the booby prize with 80 and give everyone a lovely smile as she came forward for her prize. The Raffle was won by Mr Walter Appleton of Reeth, second drawn was Miss Lizzie Hunter of Scarr House, and third was Mr Brian Sunter of Low Row, again there were a further fifteen prize winners. Supper and prizes were all kindly donated, to the delight of the Trustee's. The money raised has purchased 50 meters of material to make new curtains for the windows of the Hall. The curtains have been made and hung by a volunteer group of local Ladies to whom the Trustees say many thanks. Over the last few years more than £50,000 has been spent on refurbishing the Hall and the curtains give a nice final finishing touch that will hopefully please all those folk who use this clean, bright, warm and cheerful Community building. All inquiries to hire the Hall to Mike Beckwith, Secretary, 01748-886307

Muker Ecumenical Sunday School next gathering will be on Sunday 12th December at 4pm in Muker Public Hall. All very welcome.

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- **For Sale** - Child's slide (plastic) up to 4yrs \$5 - Child's plastic rocker seasaw \$8 Red BMX bike (up to 5 yrs) \$8. All safe condition - 9 Place Hill, Reeth
- **Brown Hygena** electric built in oven £100. Sharp carousel microwave 600w £20. Handmade dolls bunkbeds £15. Bag of Barbie dolls £10. Breville coffee maker \$5 Phone 884887
- **Help Needed please** - Lift to Darlington for 9 or 9:30am Mon. Thurs & Fri, please ring 884781 - share petrol costs.
- **Long haired light ginger & white** neutered cat missing from 7 Langhorn Drive Please phone 884753
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ono Phone 884045
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DECEMBER

- 3rd British Legion Whist Drive – Memorial Hall, Reeth – 7:30pm
Yard of Ale Competition & Disco Night – Buck Hotel- 8pm – details
contact Nick at the Buck, Reeth
- 4th Christmas Fayre – Arkengarthdale Methodist Church – 3pm.
- 6th Whist/Domino Drive & Christmas draw – Marrick Institute – 7:30pm
Reeth Parish Council Meeting – 7pm- Reeth Memorial Hall
Dales Ladies – 7:30pm – Reeth Memorial Hall – “The Himalayas” by Flt. Sgt.
Batteson
- 9th Melbecks Society Christmas Party with the Swale Singers – Glass of wine and
supper – 7:30pm
Low Row Institute.
- 11th Ceilidh – Reeth Memorial Hall – 7:00pm
- 13th Reeth Congregational Church Ladies Meeting – 2pm
- 16th Arkengarthdale Sports Association Domino Drive Supper and Raffle in
Arkengarthdale School Rooms 7.30pm prompt.
- 18th Domino Drive – Low Row Village Institute – 7:30pm
Gunnerside – Lighting Up For Christmas – 1-4:45pm Village Hall
- 19th Arkengarthdale Combined Carol Service- 6:30pm in Arkengarthdale Methodist
Church
Reeth Congregational Church Carol Service 6:30pm
- 20th Pool Knockout at the CB Inn – 8pm
- 21st Grand Christmas Concert – Reeth Brass Band and the Swaledale Parish Choir
– Grinton Church – 7:30pm
Carol Service and Shortest Day Service – in Gunnerside Methodist Chapel –
with the Gunnerside Singers. 7:00pm – supper to follow
- 23rd Darts Knockout at the CB Inn 8pm
- 24th United Carol Service – Holy Trinity Church, Low Row – 6:00pm
Children's Candlelit Service-Arkengarthdale Methodist Church 6pm.
- 26th Special Boxing Day CB Alternative Quiz Night 9pm.
- 31st Reeth Congregational Church Watchnight Service 11-11:45pm

JANUARY 2000

- 2nd United Parish Service – Grinton Church – 10:30am - Al Welcome
- 10th Dales Ladies –An Open Evening on Aromatherapy by Una Berry – 7:30pm
Reeth Memorial Hall
- 21st Reeth Community School Whist & Domino Drive – Memorial Hall Reeth –
7:30pm

FEBRUARY 2000

- TBA Feetham Fools Pantomime – Dick Whittington

APRIL 2000

- 8th “Messiah” a special performance for the Millennium in Reeth Methodist Church
by the combined choirs of Upper Swaledale and Upper Wensleydale

MAY 2000

- 20th Millenium Fair – Reeth Community School – 1:00 – 4:00 pm @ Reeth
Community School

REMEMBRANCE

The Act Of Remembrance was again marked in Swaledale and Arkengarthdale. On Remembrance Sunday there were services in Arkengarthdale, Low Row (united with Muker) and following the usual parade of members of the Royal British Legion – Swaledale Branch, the cadets and members of the public, all lead by Reeth Brass Band – a service in St. Andrew's Church Grinton. On Remembrance Day itself, there was an Act Of Remembrance at the War Memorial, Reeth, with the two minutes silence. A good number of people were there to mark the occasion. The short Act of Remembrance was lead by John Blenkiron, and Rev. Tim Tunley. The Last Post and Reveille was beautifully played by Clr. James Kendal. Being the last such occasion of this century, there was a certain poignancy as the notes of the Last Post and Reveille filled the village and then floated up to the hills before being gently echoed back to us.

However, in the run upto Remembrance Day, while most of the people were buying poppies and preparing to observe Remembrance Day with a two minute silence, someone with rather less sense of history, and no sense of respect, thought it would be amusing to steal the halyard from the new flagpole on Reeth Green.

Undefeated, the Royal British Legion – Swaledale Branch, still managed to fly the Union jack with pride, when everyone gathered to honour the memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice during the last two wars. To replace the halyard, and fix it securely inside the pole (to protect from further vandalism) will cost local ratepayers £120. Most of us can think of much better uses for the money than correcting the sheer stupidity and thoughtlessness of such a theft. Anyone with any knowledge of the present whereabouts of the rope please try and arrange its return to Mr. Ralph Porter or any member of the Reeth Parish Council before any further expense is incurred.

“Lighting Up Gunnerside”

Saturday 18th. December : Gunnerside Village Hall

The fun begins at 1:00pm with a children's entertainer, gong right through the afternoon until a ‘Special Visitor’ arrives at 4:45pm Muker Silver Band will play from 3:00 – 4:45 pm. Mulled wine and Christmas Treats. Everyone welcome – presents for all.

Reeth Memorial Hall Millennium Committee

At last month's meeting it was reported that plans are in hand to mark the New Year by firing rockets from the green at midnight.

A Bartle Fair will be held over the August Bank Holiday weekend incorporating a number of different events including a fire fighting display, children's street party, fancy dress, ladies versus gents cricket match, and barbecue. The loan of photographs (any size) of the last Bartle Fair held in 1951 would be appreciated as these can be copied and enlarged to form a display. Anyone with any old photographs is asked to contact the Rev. Tim Tunley on 10748 – 886706.

The parish Council's millennium Project, the re-cobbling of the market place and provision of a bandstand has now begun.

A walk approximately 14-15 miles around part of the parish boundary is being planned to take place during the spring, possibly during the Swaledale Festival.

Sponsorship has been sought from all local businesses and services. Anyone wishing to contribute should contact John Little on 01748 – 884759. Any surplus funding will be donated to locally approved charities.

Reeth Parish Council Report

Playground – confirmation has been received from the District Council that they will cut the grass and empty the bins in the playground and will also discuss taking over the maintenance.

Moor – the Council will object to English Nature's proposal to temporarily fence Fore Gill on Reethj Moor unless the plan is changed to permanent fencing which would be maintained by English Nature.

Flag Pole The new flag pole is now in place and an order has been placed for new flags. Councillors have been invited to attend the Remembrance Day Service at Grinton Church.

New Councillor There has been no request for an election so Councillors may co-opt for the vacant seat on the council.

Maintenance Water standing on the Arkengarthdale Road will be reported to the Highways Department. The Area Planning Officer will be invited to attend the next meeting in December.

Christmas Trees Richmondshire District Council will once again put a skip on the green in the New Year to collect Christmas Trees for recycling.

The next meeting will be held on December 6th. In the Memorial Hall at 7pm.

Proposed ICT Development at Gunnerside Methodist Primary School

Gunnerside Methodist Primary School are currently working on the development of an Information Communication Technology Centre at the school for which the friends of the school have pledged funds as a starting point. It is hoped that the facility will be able to support pupils of the school and the local community, both individuals and businesses, by offering computers, Internet access and training. In the future, the intention is also to provide access points for Richmond School students living in the area. It is envisaged that the ICT centre will be developed as a community resource to allow life long learning. In order to gather important background information the school has enlisted the help of a group of Business Students. The year 13 students from Richmond School are carrying out a feasibility study for the project as part of their GNVQ Advanced Business course.

The students have compiled a questionnaire in order to determine the level of demand and support for the venture. The questionnaire will be distributed in the near future via Gunnerside School, and copies will be posted to local businesses and can also be obtained from the following places :

Muker Village Store, Muker post Office, Reeth Post Office, Kearton Guest House, Gunnerside Methodist Primary School, Gunnerside Post Office.

Completed questionnaires should be returned by 10th. December via the collection at the school and aforementioned businesses. It is important that as many questionnaires as possible are returned so that the feasibility study reflects the views of the local community.

MESSIAH FOR THE MILLENNIUM

A final call for singers from Upper Swaledale and Upper Wensleydale to register their interest in singing at Reeth (8th. April) and Hawes (15th. April) two celebratory performances of Handel's Messiah, under the baton of Stan Roocroft.

Telephone Sylvia Crookes on 01969 650525 and she will make sure you receive an information sheet with times and dates of workshops, and also an application form for the free loan of a copy of music, should you need one. It looks as if the choir will top 100, so it should truly be a joyful noise.

❖ Female requires accommodation to rent in the Reeth area please call 01748 – 884386

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Darker still and darker
Came a Winter's night.
Towns were full of strangers
Travelling since light.
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Where they'd lived before,
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Ordered by the Law.

Blackness came at last then
But there was a Star
Shining all above them
Not so very far.
People looked around them,
Could it really be
Shining over their town,
Yet for all to see?

Then there came a knocking
At the Inn's front door,
Last of all the strangers,
There could be no more.
For there stood a girl and
With her was a man
Asking for a room there,
God's own Master plan.

You must know the answer
That there was no room,
Only just a stable
For her time was soon.
Giving birth by starlight
God's young Son was born,
Only sounds of cattle
Heralded the dawn.

Felicity Manning

Due to space limitations for this popular issue some items have had to be held over. The editorial team have tried to fit in as much as possible.

Advertising Rates

It has been decided to keep the advertising rates at the same rates as previous. This should encourage more people to use this local magazine. However it has been necessary to change the policy for future payments, all adverts will need to be prepaid prior to publication. We respectfully request that all advertisers please check with the advertising manager Mr. R. Birks (01748 - 884510) the details about your desired advert and then forward a cheque in pre-payment, including setting up fee, for the period required. Cheques to be made payable to the Reeth & District Gazette and forwarded to the accounts and subscriptions manager. Mr Mike Beckwith, Breconside, Muker, Richmond, N. Yorkshire. DL11 6QH

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Richmond Civic Society Millennium Lecture Series

Everest in 1999 by David Hamilton

David Hamilton is a world-class mountaineer and guide. He is a veteran of many Himalayan and other exhibitions and in 1999 he was asked to lead an attempt on Mount Everest. He will be telling the story of this expedition in the first of the Richmond Civic Society Millennium Lectures in the Zetland Christian Community Centre in Richmond on Friday January 14th at 7:30pm. His talk will be illustrated with a superb collection of slides. Visitors are welcome - charge £3 payable at the door.

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DECEMBER 14th. PLEASE**

Miner's Coughs

In Dr. Bond's last account of the past medical provision in our Dales, (Reeth Gazette, Nov.99) he writes about official reports given by Drs. McCollah and Barker on the health of the lead miners in the last century. Reports on the general well being of the community were also recorded by the guardians of the poor of the Reeth Union'. In 1841 John Harland, a trustee, investigated the conditions of the miners in a report addressed to Sir J. Waltham Bt.. Agreeing with the doctors, he said that the prevailing diseases among miners, and also common throughout the whole community were bronchial infections and rheumatism. Responsible for this he claims was the climate and living conditions of the people. Exposure to cold and rain after leaving the close warm atmosphere of the mines as well as outside employment, were a major factor. He too mentions nine year old boys working in the mines often suffering from asthma.

Apart from the miners, women and girls were also prone to chest complaints. In his survey of the Marrick community in 1843 John Harland says that about one third of the women of the parish worked outside. They picked turnips for 8d. a day, gathered weeds for 8-10ds a day and worked in the hay fields and reaping for 10d – 2/6d per day. When not occupied in the fields many women and children worked at washing the lead ore at the mines. It seems the climate had a good deal to do with their illnesses, but he also believed housing conditions were responsible for the prevalent ill health and chest conditions in particular. Large families with twelve or thirteen children commonly lived in only two rooms.

It seems housing varied a good deal among the different parishes. Harland comments that homes in Marrick were mostly small, ling or heather thatched, and near to the occupants work. Although dry and tolerably clean they were crowded and lacked ventilation. Contagious diseases were more common than in Grinton parish, and Grinton, Reeth and Melbecks had superior dwellings. In 1800 most had been thatched, but by 1841 stone slates predominated. The people of these villages were relatively comfortably housed and well clothed, and they were clean and orderly in their habits. It is interesting to notice that among the miners who died between 1835 and 1841 the average age of those living in Grinton was 54 years, in Marrick 47 1/2 years, whereas bottom of the league were Arkendale and Muker, where the average age at death was 45 years. Harland didn't think much of these two parishes! In Arkengarthdale he describes the houses as having imperfect drainage and the habits of the people were "intemperate and filthy", skin diseases were very common and they were the victims of "typhus and other malignant fevers". I have often wondered about the sanitary provision at our mill. The old two seater privy straddles the stream in an outhouse (an original WC!) and the stream then wanders down to the village, where I have little doubt that at one time it had other domestic uses.

In Muker the high mortality rate may have been the result of the considerable distances miners had to walk to reach the mines in often inclement weather.

Harland certainly thought that this was a contributing factor. He does comment that most of the miners returned to sleep in their own houses. Although he puts the climate as a major reason for the chest infections so common in the dale, one does wonder a little about the diet that sustained the population at that time. The women of Marrick are reported to have had to work an eight hour day on tea for breakfast, bread and milk, and occasionally a little bacon with potatoes for dinner, and a supper of bread and milk. Not much sign of vegetables or fruit to help them resist infections. However, it is comforting to read in Harland's observations on the women and girls who worked out of doors. He said that there was no reason to believe that labour outside injured the manners and morals of the girls, but that invariably it was found that the girls "removed to the parish from manufacturing districts are unfit for domestic employment, their manners rude and vulgar, and of vicious habits". Back to the gardening ladies, but wrap up warm!

Jocelyn Campbell – The Mill, Arkengarthdale. Information from Edmund Cooper's (Jocelyn's father) notes on the John Harland papers.

Swaledale Pool Leae Ladies Knockout

There was a good turnout of 17 players for the event. Stewart Parker made the draw. The first round was just one frame, the winners being Kerrie Hall, Debbie Gill, Kim Allinson, Karen Calvert, Tracy Winter, Nicola Alderson, Rachel Parker and Rowena Dixon. Last years champion Mandy Bainbridge was knocked out in the first round.

Quarter Finals – these were also just one frame, with wins from Kerry Hall, Karen Calvert, Tracy Winter and Rowena Dixon.

Semi Finals – these were also just one frame. Two very good games to watch. The first between Kerry Hall and Karen Calvert was a close fought game with Kerry narrowly edging it. The second was between Tracy Winter and Rowena Dixon; this was also close and went down to the wire with Rowena coming out on top.

Final – this was the best of three frames; it was between Kerry Hall and Rowena Dixon that saw a very good contest come to an end. Kerry took the first game, then Rowena took the next and she won the last to make the win 2-1. Well done everyone! Hope to see you all next year. Paul Claxton

Team Knockout

Preliminary Round -There were three games in the preliminary round. Bridge 'A', Buck 'B'. and CB 'B' emerged the victors.

Quarter Finals – Buck Hotel 'A' team won against CB 'B': 4 -2. Punch Bowl won against Buck Hotel 'B' : 4 -3, Bridge Inn 'A' beat the Kings Arms 'A' 4 - 1 Black Bull emerged winners against Kings Arms 'B' 4 - 2. Semi Finals The Buck Hotel 'A' team beat the Punch Bowl team 4 - 2. The Black Bull versus the Bridge Inn 'A' resulted in the Bridge Inn team winning 4 - 2.

Final – between the Bridge Inn 'A' and the Buck Hotel 'A' resulted in the Buck Hotel 'A' winning after a resounding performance 4 - 1.

Well done everyone – see you all next year! Paul Claxton

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Seven Beautiful Walks from Reeth One for Every Day of the Week - Part III

To Surrender Bridge

Before we push off for Surrender Bridge from Reeth Green, in high fettle (whoever heard of anyone being in **low** fettle anyway? - by the way, many years ago an old friend of mine, Lance-Naik Tafil Mohammed, 2/8th Punjab Regt., always used to end his letters "Hoping you to be in fine feathers ..." Ho! Ho!). As I was saying, before we push off in high fettle, I ought to mention that we shall be perilously close to the famous **Coast to Coast Walk** when we reach Surrender Bridge. It runs across the country from St Bee's Head to the Old Gang Mines, then to Surrender Bridge, and then keeps to the north of us over Novel Houses Hill and Cringley Bottom, then to Thirns, the over the shoulder of Calver Hill and so down the walled Skellgate Lane to Reeth.

The continuous stream of Coast to Coast walkers are a very friendly crowd, ready to answer our "Hey-Ho!" with a chorus of greetings in Serbo-Croat or Portuguese, etc., but there are so many of them and sometimes deucedly noisy too with their portable telephones and radios giving the latest news from Stockholm or Vladivostok. Then there are the odd few motor-bikes ... So, on the whole, it's best not to cross their path - at least in the summer season.

Let us be off, from Reeth Green, down along the furlongs, past the old tennis court, to Healaugh. Every now and then we shall gaze spellbound at the marvellous scenery presented to us on Harkerside (which by now is so familiar to us, what? We were there on our yesterday's walk, for goodness' sake, and we can see Harkerside Place, the Milk jug, Maiden Castle, Shot Pot and we can even trace the **tracks** that we took. Isn't it wonderful to be able to do this!

At Healaugh we take the side road

sighposted to Kearton. The signpost says 'KEARTON', but lots of visitors have failed to find it and conclude that this is a road to nowhere. But Kearton is **there** - it is one of several hamlets peculiar to Swaledale, beginning with Birkdale at the top and continuing with Scar Houses and Rash. We shall pass it on our return journey - and I shall have to tell you when we are doing so, because you won't know otherwise...

Soon we turn up the driveway to Thiernswood (a **right-of-way**, let me assure you). This is a shooting lodge which formerly belonged to the legendary Sir Joseph Nickerson - he died in March 1990. Having passed the place we find ourselves plodding along a truly delightful footpath in the Barney Beck Woods. I left a walking-stick in these woods somewhere, which by now will be under several feet of beech leaves. At least it has my name on it, so ...

There on the right is **Low Cringley**, where old Tommy Kendall farmed for many years. (he and his brother Frank did a huge wall-building job in our garden once upon a time. He, T., was a noted Dales singer in his day). This farm is a good example of a 'long-house', ie, where the farmer and family lived at one end and the farm stock at the other, providing free though smelly **central heating**, what? However, the roof is disintegrating rather rapidly and the place may already be past saving.

Presently the wood thins out and we do an unexpectedly steep descent to the Bleaberry Gill Beck - dashed tricky when the rains are out and you do have to cross rather carefully, being thankful when you reach 'the other side of Jordan', as it were. You now scramble up a cork-screwy track, gradient about 1 in 2 and whoopee! You are striding along the level top and soon in

sight of Surrender Mill and Bridge. Here you may munch hungrily and wolf-like at your Mars Bar and quaff some of your refreshing whisky, noting, by the way, that the Dales National Park have made an excellent job of keeping the Smelt Mill together, so that, though derelict, it does make sense.

To Grinton

If you look at your map you will see that it is no more than 2 miles to Grinton, and you will perhaps say, in a growling sort of voice, "I should jolly well think so - after yesterday's 8 or 9!"

From Reeth Green we make our way to the Swing Bridge and then turn downstream alongside the river. This is called **Reeth Bottoms**, where the ramshackle plank bridge used to give access to the **School**, you remember, for the Harkerside children. Until a few years ago a couple of planks could still be seen, marooned in the middle of the river.

Your map tells you that there is a 'pit (dis)' hereabouts. Pit? What sort of pit? Coal pit? Snake pit?? Well, it's a pretty unusual one - a patch of white on the hillside gives you a clue - it's a **marl** pit, marl being a sort of limey clay, much used as a fertilizer in far-off days before the time of modern chemical stuff in plastic bags.

Notice the Arkle Beck here, where it joins the Swale, the scene of much flooding in the stormy season. Then Grinton becomes 'Grinton-on-Sea' - and dashed picturesque it looks too. On the hillside above you will see remnants of the great Fremington Dike, built by the ancient North British tribe, the Brigantes, as a defence against the invading Romans. Just above us you will also see **Dike House**. (Standing on Reeth Green, Tommy Kendall the retired farmer of Low Cringley, you remember, once asked "What d'ye call that house up there?" pointing to Dike House. I said "Dike

House, of course". He said "Dike **House**? we always call it 'Dike 'Us' " and turned away in disgust ...)

Well, here we are at **Grinton Church** - 'a low, grey, spreading Perp church', says Pevsner in his monumental 'Buildings of England'. It is dark and solemn inside. There is an aura of great holiness here, after more than 800 years as a Christian outpost in this wild Dale, beside the river. Join a service here if you like, and after that you can make your way back to Reeth, either along the **Mell Dykes** (ie, a shady walk under the trees beside the wall on the main road), or through the **Fremington Parks** (along the footpath across the fields in front of Draycott Hall). You will, I hope, be feeling thoroughly pleased with yourself and thankful that you have been able to **do** all these walks in the past week.

My best wishes go with you.

F.T.C.W.



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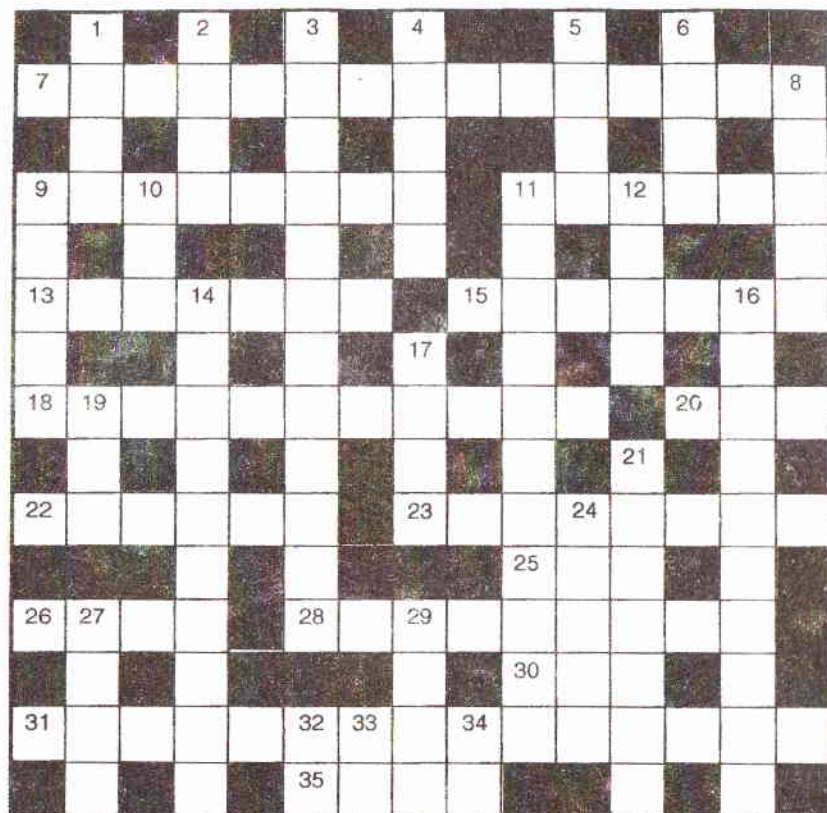
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CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD

in which one may spot an error liking 3,6,11,7,17, 16,26 31



ACROSS 7 + 17 dn. Small socialist part of Yorkshire gangster is on show. 6,3,6,4 9. Fired up about weddings. 8 11. Wreck I repaired with a twig. 6 13. My French scales are often brass at this time of year. 7 15. Check with Mum. 7 18. Shop cat puts on a show. 4,2,5 20. See 33 dn 22. Send down star reporter. 6 23. Dales village sure flexes its teeth. 8 25. Trap a spirit. 3 26 + 31. Odd-Job and Heinz speak of a show. 4,3,3,9 28. Being there! 9 30. See in Al Gore a man of substance. 3 31. See 26 ac 35. Pressure-cook. 4

DOWN 1. See 33 dn 2. See 12 dn 3 + 4. Fair and Foul on show together. 6,3,3,5 4. See 3 dn 5. Car penetrates storm in Inverness 6 + 11. Livingstone's desired forebear on show in Low Row? 4,11 8. Eat more Cheddar than you should. 5 9. Total hesitation when drink is around. 3,2 10. Admit it's yours. 3 11. See 6 dn 12 + 2. Get your teeth into what the wicked witch ate. 4,2,2 14. Katherine, I want you to be musical. 4,2,4 16. Dine badly in rotten cellar - just for show. 10 19. An Italian car. 3 21. Little jokes for basket cases? 7 24. Get sick of flags. 5 27. A well-spoken queen. 4 29. Thought in future I'd eat my hat! 4 32. What a daft chap. 2 33 + 34 + 20ac + 1dn. Agree to meet for lunch? 2,2,3,4



CHRISTMAS SERVICES



21st December

7.30pm
CAROL SERVICE
Gunnarside
Methodist Church

22nd December

7.00pm
CAROL SERVICE
Hurst
Methodist Church

CHRISTMAS EVE

8.30am St Andrew's Grinton
4.30pm Keld Methodist
6.00pm Holy Trinity Low Row
6.00pm Arkengarthdale Methodist
7.30pm Reeth Methodist
11.30pm St Mary's Arkengarthdale

24th December

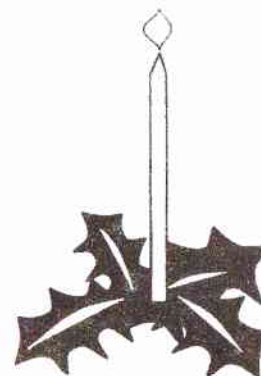
Eucharist
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Christmas Eucharist
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CHRISTMAS DAY

8.00am Holy Trinity Low Row
9.30am St Mary's Muker
Low Row URC
10.30am Reeth Methodist
11.00am St Edmund's, Marske
Reeth Congregational
7.00pm Keld URC

25th December

Eucharist
Eucharist
Christmas celebration
Holy Eucharist
Christmas celebration



27th December

10.00am
St Mary's, Muker
Eucharist

26th December

8.00am Holy Trinity Low Row
9.30am St Andrew's Grinton
St Michael's, Downholme
10.30am Reeth Methodist
11.00am St Edmund's, Marske
Reeth Congregational
11.15am St Mary's Arkengarthdale
2.30pm St Edmund's, Marske
6.30pm Marske Methodist
St Mary's, Muker
Reeth Congregational

Holy Communion
Eucharist
Holy Eucharist
Eucharist
Eucharist
Communion 1662
Carol Service
Carol Service
Carol service with Muker Band

28th December 10.00am Holy Trinity Low Row Eucharist

31st December 11.00pm Reeth Congregational Watchnight

