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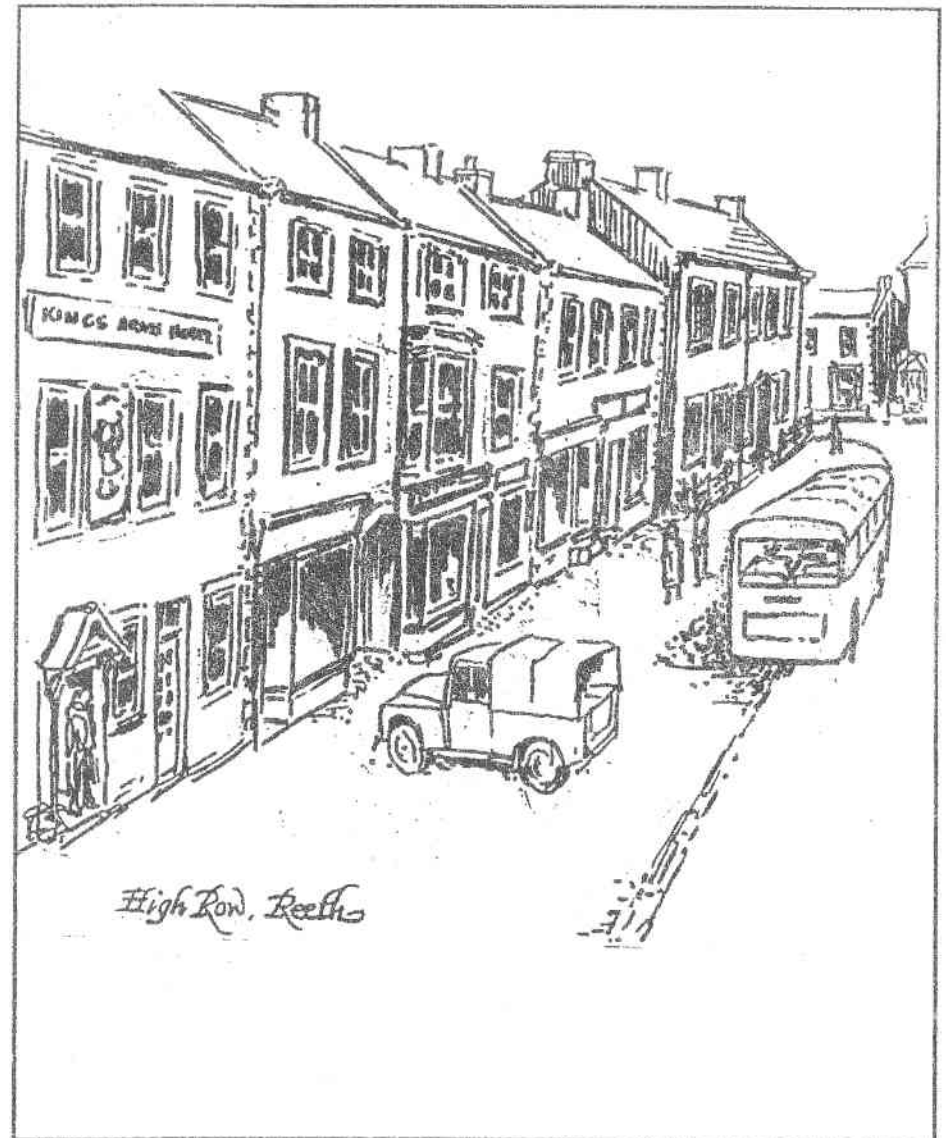
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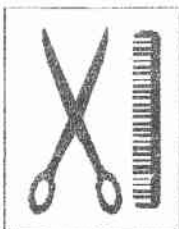
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applications is 22nd March 1999

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by Donald Law courtesy of Erica Law

Temporary Road Closures

due to ongoing repairs to water mains in
Upper Swaledale by Yorkshire Water
roads in the Thwaite, Keld and Stonesdale
areas may be subject to temporary closure
on occasions in March and April. Such road
closures will also cause disruption to local
Bus Services

REETH SHOW

Annual

WHIST / DOMINO

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7.30pm Friday 5th March

REETH MEMORIAL HALL

Good Prizes

Refreshments

Apologies for the delay in publication of this
issue which was due to a major power
failure in the Dale on 1st March

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MARCH 1999 Issue:

"Ban the Pan"

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Local News and Parish Council Reports

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The Fantastic "Feetham Fools" Excel

Laughter roared in Upper Swaledale as the "Feetham Fools" performed their excellent version of the pantomime "Cinderella" to capacity audiences in the Low Row and Feetham Institute. Each year their pantomimes get better and with incredible ad-libbing to suit the evenings's audience participation by all is guaranteed.

It really is village pantomime at its best!

A tremendous amount of effort is put into each production, from script writing and music, to stage construction, lighting, scenery and even the evenings refreshments. With all performances sold out before the tickets can be put on sale that alone is an indication of local appreciation for such performances.

Again by popular request the "Mice Girls" Swaledale's answer to the "Spice" Girls were flown in for the interval entertainment. Recording and film contracts are now being considered!

It is a privilege to be able to share such a fun filled evening of great entertainment.

Cast: Danbini	David Pritchard	The Villagers	Susan Sunter
Bo Peep	Ann Chamberlain		Caroline Sunter
Prince Charming	George Aitkin		Susan Alderson
Baron Hardup	Eileen Barningham	Buttons	Pete Roe
Cinderella	Sarah Waggett	Tutti Hardup	Emma Lundberg
Hercules the Horse	Katie Barningham	Frutti Hardup	Victoria Lundberg
	Claire Sunter	The Old Woman	Susan Alderson
Hatchit	Ann Sunter	The Fairy Godmother	Norman Sunter
Ratchit	Sarah Alderson	The King	Raymond Alderson
Catchit	Ruth Calvert	The Bear	Susan Sunter
The Rabbit	Kelda Roe		
The "Mice" Girls:	Ann Chamberlain, Emma Lundberg, Sarah Alderson & Victoria Lundberg		

Support:

Wardrobe:	Eileen Barnimngham and Ann Chamberlain
Make Up:	Sarah Alderson
Lighting Crew:	David Waggett, Malcolm Sunter and Tony Sunter
Stage Manager:	Norman Sunter
Stage Crew:	Alan Kilburn and David Calvert
Scenery:	Steve Crowe
Prompt:	Marjorie Lundberg
Chorus:	Rosalind Brown, Christine Ford, Ray Ford, Susan Hird, Marjorie Lundberg and Brian Sunter.
Musicians:	Keyboard: George Lundberg
	Flute: Jill Lundberg
	Rhythm Guitar: Dick Gillon
	Bass Guitar: Rebecca Lundberg
Stage:	was provided by G.E. Brown and Son
Box Office:	Ann Kilburn
Producer and Musical Director:	George Lundberg.

With special thanks to all those who helped with refreshments, publicity, costumes or props, and the Trustees and Committee of the Low Row and Feetham Institute for their support. Thanks also, to all those who packed the Hall each night to be the audience.

Next year, the Millennium? Nothing is being revealed yet, but one thing is certain the "Feetham Fools" will be back with another spectacular record breaking production.

Gunnerside School

The Governors, staff and pupils of Gunnerside School wish to thank members of the Richmond Motor Club for their donation to school funds from the proceeds of the sale of programmes at the Scott trial. It is much appreciated.

Gunnerside School has registered for the "Free Books for School" scheme and is currently collecting tokens from Walkers' crisps and other products. Tokens also appear in *The Sun*, *The Times* and *Sunday Times*. If anyone has any unwanted token, they would be much appreciated by the school in helping towards boosting the school library.

Friends of Arkengarthdale School

Fun-raising starts again this year with a Spring Fair on April 10th and a Fashion Show on May 14th.

The total raised to date is £5018. We are waiting confirmation of the costing of the toilet refurbishment and should funds permit, it is hoped that a new storage area can be built within the scheme.

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Messiah for the Millennium

What better way to mark the Millennium than to sing to the glory of God? And what finer music, or more appropriate words could we sing than those of Handel's "Messiah."

We would like to give good advance notice of a special Upper Dales event, or rather, this twin event. Singers in Upper Swaledale and Upper Wensleydale are invited to join together for two performances of the "Messiah." You do not have to belong to any choir - just come along and help form a unique choir for this special celebration.

The first performance will be in Reeth Methodist Church on Saturday April 8th 2000 and the second in Hawes Methodist Church on the following Saturday, April 15th. Greg Smith, organist at Northallerton Parish Church, will be at the organ, and the conductor will be Stan Roodcroft, President of the Wensleydale Tournament of Song.

So - come and sing! Our local choir conductors, will run a voluntary workshop / practice or two - further details later. Do put the dates in your diary. And if you have regular spring visitors - either in your B & B, or just visiting friends - encourage them this year to come NEXT year ready to sing (or to form part of the audience.) As already mentioned, both dates are Saturdays, and there will be a rehearsal in the afternoons prior to the evening performances.

Sylvia Crookes.

ARKENGARTHDALE SCHOOL

It is hoped to start tag-rugby in Arkengarthdale on Saturdays for children 6 to 11. We would welcome children from Swaledale to join us with a view to having two teams. Would any children or parents who are interested please contact me. David Williams tel: 884650

List of Current Planning Applications:

St Mary's Church, Langthwaite - repairs to Barningham Memorial

Reeth Athletic Field - renewal of consent for retention of three caravans

Reeth Post Office - conversion of private garage to a community print room.

Nappa Hall Farm, Askrigg - repairs to Big Lathe barn

Drovers House, Whitaside - demolition of barn and alterations to Drovers House and creation of dog kennels

Cambridge House, Reeth - use of 5 bedrooms for bed and breakfast accommodation

1 Langhorne Drive, Reeth - erection of a garage

Moorcock Cottage, Healaugh - single storey extension

Crow Tree House, Healaugh - replacing vertical sash windows with horizontal to match existing

For information on these applications or any other planning matters please contact the YDNP Area Planning Officer, Rachel Whaley Tel: 01969 650456

Millennium in Reeth

The recent questionnaire about community projects to celebrate the Millennium in Reeth. Fremington and Healaugh was heavily in favour of a bandstand and/or market cross on Reeth Green. Other projects supported included a community garden or orchard, tree planting, a new seat, and a new footpath. The feasibility of these projects will now be considered, some will need planning permission and some require the identification and acquisition of suitable sites. Various bodies are now being consulted and funding could be available from a variety sources. However all the projects will require some community action in the form of both fund raising and labour. The Parish Council's project is to complete the enhancement scheme with the re-cobbling of the market area. The next open meeting of the steering group will be on Friday 19th March at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

Reeth Show

Reeth and District Agricultural Society held their Annual Meeting last Friday. All Officers were re-appointed and include: President: E S Bainbridge Esq.; Chairman: G Marwood Esq.; Vice Chairman: R Rutter Esq.; Treasurer: S Charlton Esq., and Secretary: Mrs E A Harker. The 1998 Show had been successful and despite the wet start made a nominal profit. The Chairman Mr Geoff Marwood again thanked all who had helped or been associated with the Show. Plans for this years Show are now well advanced. In addition to the usual classes a class for local children's pets is to be introduced. The main arena attraction will be a motor cycle display. Show Day is Wednesday August 25th. Even the possible of a bus service for Show Day is being considered. The Annual Whist and Domino Drive and Draw is to be held in the Memorial Hall on Friday March 5th at 7.30pm. Enquiries about Reeth Show should be made through the Secretary Tel: 01748 884247



At a recent presentation evening at Richmond the North East Co-op through their Community Dividend Scheme awarded grants of £1000 to Richmond School Community Education for the new Swaledale Community mini bus, and £500 to Marrick Priory Outdoor Centre.

The Coop Friary Superstore in Richmond is now offering **FREE** home delivery in the Dale up to Reeth on Tuesdays and Saturdays - the days of the mid-morning buses to Richmond - when you spend £15 or more. Please ask in the Store for details

FROGMORE GOES HAIKOOING

During January and February Frogmore was hibernating. All my efforts at tempting him to come daleswalking failed. The weather was not right for him, he said. I feared for his health, physical or mental, for never before had I known weather conditions alone to dampen his enthusiasm for the hills of North Yorkshire. Sadly, I reflected that a time may well come to any one of us when a cosy fireside is more tempting than the great outdoors. Yet such an innocent explanation did not quite convince me, so I hurried off to Leeds to spend a few days with my old friend - not of course to escape our Swaledale winter.

I found Frogmore in good spirits, settled in his DIY potting shed at the end his garden, cosy by his gas fire with a gentle drip of rain water from the leaking roof into the bucket in the corner soothing his nerves. He says the sound aids relaxation, meditation and inspiration - all desirable conditions.

Frogmore was deep in thought when I joined him, evidently enjoying those elevated staes of mid. He looked up - reluctantly I thought - from the writing he was emerged in. I wondered what could possibly so occupy him - not surely his normal correspondence. "No," he said, when I enquired, "Its poetry; I'm composing haikus."

I hope I did not show my astonishment too obviously, or later my ignorance, when I tentatively sought explanation. A haiku he told me is a Japanese poetic form of only three lines which usually has three syllables in the first and third line and five in the middle line. That seemed easy enough. The difficult thing he told me was that the poem had to capture the feeling of a moment of perception visual or otherwise - a direct response to a personal experience.

Still a bit puzzled, I asked him for a few examples. Here is a famous one which Frogmore read from a poetry book:

"Old pond,
leap - splash -
a frog."

(The book was the "Penguin Book of Zen Poetry". I guess our Reeth Book Shop at the Post Office could still get you a copy!)

"And what about some of your own haikus." I asked. Frogmore produced a note book full of them. Here are a few:

"Little pink clouds
Form, disperse, reform
Winter sunset."

"Snow on trees
Agreeable silence
Cold respite."

"Winter tree
Living skeleton
Crow on top."

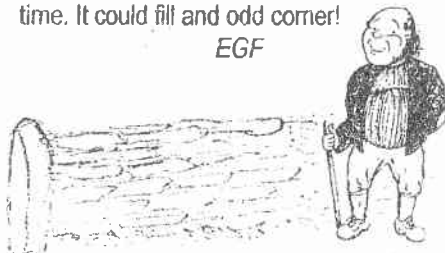
"Drying day
Shirts and trousers
Fighting on line."

"Autumn rain
Fir tree diamonds
Passing shower."

"My old books
Falling to pieces
Memory full."

"Well, you've got the idea; why not enjoy the game for yourself," said my friend. I guess I shall, and may be some other "Gazette" readers will do so too. The Editor might even accept one for publication from time to time. It could fill and odd corner!

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The volunteers freely contribute their time and talents to assist those whose lives are complicated by varying circumstances or other needs. Requests for voluntary help come mainly from the elderly and those with mental and physical disabilities, they ask for assistance with task such as shopping, gardening, DIY, befriending and transport. Many other organisations also make requests for assistance in recruiting volunteers and we carry information about them too. Volunteers come from all age groups and all walks of life, they can be working, unemployed or retired with more spare time. They can offer to do as much or as little as they wish, on a regular or occasional basis, no volunteer is pressurised to take on more than they want to.

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REETH COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Governors of Reeth School would like to congratulate the head, staff and pupils of the school on their performance in the recent Key Stage II SATS. The results were English 86%, Maths 100% and Science 100%

These results put Reeth School in the top 5 of all North Yorkshire primary schools. Congratulations.

"Will Your Anchor Hold?"

Rod Hall of Reeth has been busy researching maritime hymns for a special CD to celebrate the RNLI's 175th anniversary. The CD titled, "Will your Anchor Hold?" is a blend of instrumentation from the North with a cathedral choir from Ely and features some hymns not heard for over 100 years is released this month by Clovelly Records. All proceeds will go to the Royal National Lifeboat Institute and copies will be available locally at Reeth Post Office.

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Gunnerside WI

The February meeting was well attended for our Annual Pie and Pea Supper. Our guest at the meal, Mr Bob Rutter, then judged the competition for a potted plant. Our President then welcomed Mrs Betty Rutter who entertained us at the keyboard in a sing-a-long of favourite old-time songs, much enjoyed by all. The highlight was an impromptu solo by Mary Thomas which almost bought the house down!! Miss Rutter was thanked for a most enjoyable and nostalgic entertainment. A brief business meeting concluded the evening. The next meeting is 18th March when Neill Gardiner will give an illustrated talk entitled "Countryside Secrets"

"Educating Rita"

It was only a small audience that greeted Leeds Library Theatre for their first performance in Swaledale at Reeth Memorial Hall recently. Their production of "Educating Rita" was superb. It is a witty play wonderfully performed only by two actors and a treat to enjoy. Hopefully a capacity audience will greet them when they return at the end of March with *Fanny Hill*

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Results: Amblers Winter Quiz:

1. Reeth; 2. Fremington; 3. Muker; 4. Keld; 5. Kildon; 6. Gunnerside; 7. Harkerside; 8. Surrender Bridge; 9. Feetham; 10. Baldes; 11. Isles Bridge; 12. Crackpot; 13. Spring End; 14. Strands; 16. Satron; 17. Ivelet; 18. Onop; 19. Butterbubs; 20. Thwaite; 21. Ravenseat; 22. Sleddale; 23. Angram; 24. Stonedale; 25. Hoggarths; 26. Calva.

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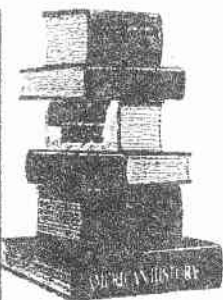
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Luncheon Clubs News



Swaledale & Arkengarthdale Luncheon Clubs Association - Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday 17th. February in Muker Public Hall. The Rev. Tim Tunley was elected Chairman when Mr George Birks expressed his wish to stand down. Thank you Mr Birks for your advice and support in a difficult first year. The Treasurer Mrs. Margaret Johnson submitted a financial report with accounts and Mr Mike Beckwith, Secretary give his report, both were accepted and received. The Committee wished to thank Mrs Joan Wilson and Mrs Olive Anyan both of whom had retired from the Committee, for their service and support to the Association. Mrs Wilson has agreed to continue as contact for menu distribution and food orders for the Langthwaite Club. The Committee decided to try and widen the ethos of the Luncheon Clubs by planning to start a new club to serve the Reeth/Fremington/Grinton area. Initially a coffee morning will be held in early April to which all person interested in attending a Luncheon Club will be invited. This hopefully should give some idea of the potential number of folk over 55 who may decide to attend and a preferred venue. Notices will be posted nearer the time to advise of the get together. For all Luncheon Club Members a Theatre Outing has been arranged to the Darlington Civic for the Darlington Operatic Society's production of Rodgers & Hammerstien's popular musical "The KING and I". Remember Yull Brinner as the King of Siam with his children? This is for the matinee performance on Saturday 17th. April 1999. A block booking has been made and the bus is booked. Booking forms were included in all the February Menus, if you wish to go and haven't sent in your form please ring Mike Beckwith-886307. The committee asked the Secretary to arrange more summer outings. Many people apparently wish to visit Beamish Park Museum again, another choice was a sightseeing boat trip on the River Tees from Stockton to see the new Barrage and then up river to Preston Park to visit the museum and possibly on to the old seaport of Yarm and see the castle. These trips should take place in June/July prior to the schools breaking up for summer holidays. Watch out for notices and booking forms soon to be issued. Luncheon Clubs are presently held in Langthwaite, Low Row and Muker. There is no membership fee, people wishing to come along should pick up a menu and place a food order for the venues of your choice. Posters are placed in most public and church notice boards giving the date of the next luncheon and how to obtain a menu. All over 55's are welcome anyone requiring further information please contact the Secretary, Mike Beckwith on 886307. Volunteers are always welcome to come along with offers of help. Founder volunteers will be required for the proposed new club in the Reeth area.

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The event starts at Grinton Bridge, and finishes at the Falls at Richmond. If there is enough water in the river, some people may shoot the falls to finish.

If you want to see any of the canoeist in action, good viewing points are:

the lay-by to the west of Marske Bridge,
Lowenthwaite Bridge outside Richmond,
and the Falls car park in Richmond.

We are grateful to the members of Swaledale Fell Rescue Organisation who will be helping to provide emergency cover as part of a training exercise.

Whilst we try to minimise disturbance, and traffic disruption, we thank all the local residents for putting up with this event this year as in previous years.

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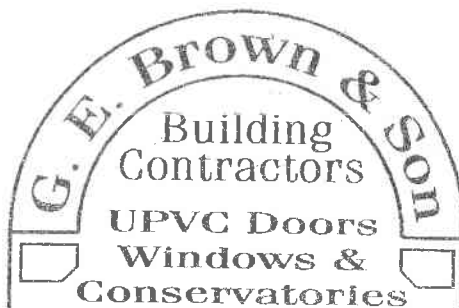
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GRINTON PARISH - 1890

as the 20th Century draws to a close we reproducing entries from the "*Bulmers History and Directory of North Yorkshire, 1890*" to compare of the two Dales as they were recorded at the end of the 19th Century and as they are at the end of this Century - the fourth is Grinton:

Wapentakes of Gilling West and West Hang—Electoral Division and Poor Law Union of Reeth—County Court District and Archdeaconry of Richmond—Rural Deanery of Richmond West—Diocese of Ripon.

This extensive parish, the second in magnitude in the North Riding, stretches about 20 miles along the upper reach of the Swale to the borders of Westmoreland. Its area, inclusive of upwards of 30,000 acres of mountains and moorlands, is 52,046 acres, of which 44,940 acres are in the Wapentake of West Gilling, and the remainder in that of Hang West. It is divided into the townships of Grinton, Melbecks, Muker, and Reeth, whose inhabitants in 1881 numbered 3,363. The whole district is wild and romantic—a varied combination of flood and fell and dreary moorland. Two ranges of hills—many of the summits reaching nearly 2,000 feet above the sea level—enclose a deep and narrow valley, down whose sides in narrow rocky channels flow numerous mountain streams, the waters of which unite below to form the Swale. These in their descent are often precipitated over ledges of rock forming cascades and waterfalls which, after heavy rains, are strikingly beautiful. The upper portion of the mountains in this part of Swaledale belongs to the millstone grit formation, and bears its characteristic covering of brown heath, the undisputed domain of the grouse and the sportsman. Lead forms the principal mineral wealth, and mines have been in operation here since the reign of Henry VIII., and probably much earlier. This trade in recent years has been much depressed, and several of the mines have, in consequence, been laid in.

GRINTON township comprises 8,804 acres, of which 5,500 are moorland, and is valued for rateable purposes at £3,681. The land belongs to a number of freeholders, of whom the principal are E. G. Whitelock, Esq., Cogden Hall; James William Close, Esq., Leeds; Col. A. H. Charlesworth, Chapelthorpe Hall, Wakefield; Messrs. Winn, Askrigg and West Burton; the heirs of Edward and John Broderick, Summer Lodge; the heirs of the Rev. J. Metcalfe, Hawes; Mr. F. Garth, Haverdell House; Mr. William Eglin, Hebdon Bridge; Miss Atkinson, Derby; Mrs. Clarkson, exors. of James Metcalfe, the heirs of John Littlefair, Gaythorne Hall, Shap; the heirs of Thomas Metcalfe, Miss Simpson, Mr. J. Barker, Mr. G. W. Robinson, and Mr. N. Clarkson. Col. Albany Hawke Charlesworth is lord of the manor, having purchased the rights from the Crown about ten years ago. The lead royalties have been leased for 42 years to a company which has recently commenced operations on Grinton and Whitaside.

The village of Grinton is situated on the south side of Swaledale, near the confluence of the Arkle beck with the river Swale, about nine miles west of Richmond. The Church, dedicated to St. Andrew, is an ancient and spacious edifice, erected apparently from the Early English style of its architecture, about the 13th century. It consists of a nave, with side aisles and a south porch, a chancel with side chapels, and a low square tower containing six bells. The carved oak screen work, which separates the chancel from the chapels on either side, is of early date, and in the windows are the remains of some choice specimens of ancient stained glass. The pulpit is of carved oak with sounding board dated 1718. The old fashioned boxed-up pews remain and have recently been painted and varnished. There are memorials of Sir Solomon Swale and of some members of the D'Arcy family, and beneath the floor of the south chapel "lies Elizabeth Blackburn, who was buried the 28th of February, 1688." A stone coffin, with a floriated cross on the lid, lies in the churchyard. An organ was added in 1860, at a cost of £200. The living is a vicarge in the gift of the Lord Chancellor, and worth £200 per annum. The present incumbent is the Rev. Percy Smith, M.A., who was presented in 1855.

Grinton Lodge, the shooting box of Colonel Charlesworth, stands on the hill side S.E. of the village. *Cogden Hall*, the property and residence of E. G. Whitelock, is situated on an eminence about a mile E. of Grinton. The estate formerly belonged to the Wilsons, of Eshton Hall, and was purchased in 1740 for £2,000 by Caleb Readsaw, Esq., whose son and successor, John Readshaw, built the hall, which with the estate was subsequently sold to James Fenton, Esq. From this gentleman the hall and estate were purchased in 1802 by Messrs. Christopher and Matthew Whitelock, of Ellerton, from whom it has descended to the latter's grandson, the present owner.

Swale Hall, now an antiquated farmhouse, but formerly the seat and property of a family from whom it took its name of Swale, is situated on Harkerside Moor, a little west of Grinton. Alured de Swale, the first of the name of whom we have any record, was the son (or, as others say, the nephew) of Walter de Gaunt, a kinsman of William the Conqueror, and the first Lord of Swaledale. This Walter founded and endowed Bridlington Priory, and granted to this Alured de Swale the manor of West Grinton, lying on the river Swale. Geoffrey de Swaledale, his son, was forester of Swaledale; and the next owner of the manor, William, son of Geoffrey, accompanied Richard Cœur de Lion to the Holy Land, where he died without issue, and was succeeded by his brother, William de Swaledale. Robert de Swale, the great-grandson of this William, was in the Scottish wars of Edward II. and III., and commanded a troop of archers at the battle of Neville's Cross. Later, in the time of Charles I., Solomon Swale, of Gray's Inn, a barrister-at-law, was member of parliament for Aldburgh (Aldborough, near Boroughbridge), and proposed the restoration of Charles II. in the House of Commons on the 17th May, 1660, who was the following day proclaimed king. In consideration of this service, and for his losses on account of his loyalty to Charles I., he was created a baronet in 1660, and received from the king (Charles II.) a grant of £2,000, and afterwards the loan of another £2,000, to be repaid at the rate of £100 a year, without interest. Misfortune overtook the family in the time of the third baronet, Sir Solomon, grandson of the first Sir Solomon. The chief estate was held by a lease from the Crown, which the baronet and his predecessor had neglected to renew for many years. One Reginald Marriott, a clerk in the Exchequer Office, had discovered the omission, and procured, by petition to the Lords of the Treasury, in the name of George Tushingham, a lease of the greater part of the estate to himself. Sir Solomon beggared himself with lawsuits for its recovery, and was thrown into the Fleet prison, where he died of a broken heart in 1733. The title descended to his nephew, Sebastian Swale, a merchant of Malaga, in Spain, with whom expired the last male descendant of the second baronet; and the title became vested in the Swales of Rudfarlington, near Knaresborough, who were descended from Dr. Robert Swale, of London, second son of Sir Solomon, the first baronet. The Hall, with 20 acres of land, was sold in 1786, and there was little to inherit except the bare title, which the next three heirs did not assume. In 1877, the Rev. Sir John Swale, O.S.B., of Birtley, county Durham, as heir male of his brother resumed the family honours; "not," he says, "for the sake of worldly vanity, for a Benedictine monk despised all worldly things, but he assumed it as an honest and worldly man, having regard to the future welfare and preservation of the ancient house." He died in 1887, and was succeeded by his nephew, Sir John Swale, Bart., landlord of the Royal Oak Hotel, Knaresborough, who died in 1888. The title then descended to Sir Benjamin Swale, who died October, 1889, and it then went to his brother, James Swale, of Rudfarlington, who is the present baronet.

Crackpot is a hamlet about five miles W. of Grinton. Near the source of a small rivulet here is a curious cavern, designated in recent times "The Fairy Hole," though its older name appears to have been Crack Pot. The entrance is extremely narrow, but within is a spacious cavern, the further end of which descends abruptly, and at the bottom is a deep water issuing out of the rock. Between Crackpot and Grinton is *Maiden Castle*, an ancient encampment, probably of British or Roman origin.

Draycott Hall, the seat of Sir Francis, is pleasantly situated at the foot of a steep hill, half a mile from Reeth. The house is at present held on a lease by W. S. Deacon, Esq., who resides here during the shooting season.

Healaugh, or *Helah* (Hale in Domesday Book) is another village about 1½ miles S.W. of Reeth. It was once a place of much more importance, and the head of the manor, which included Reeth, Melbecks, and Muker, comprising about 40,000 acres. The manor, early in the 13th century, came into the possession of the Gants, lords of all Swaledale; and the mansion—which tradition says stood in the Hall Garth, and belonged to the renowned John of Gaunt—was more probably the residence of this family, between whom and the famous Duke of Lancaster there was only a very remote kinship. From the Gants a moiety of the manor passed to Peter de Maloia, as co-heir to Gilbert de Gant, his maternal uncle, who died in 1297. This moiety was purchased in 1385 by Robert de Plesington, and the other passed, by the marriage of an heiress, to the Bigods. The manor descended in severalties through various families, and eventually came into the possession of the Wharions, and now belongs to Captain Francis Horner Iyell. The owners of the royalties are Sir F. C. E. Denys, Bart., Sir F. F. D. Shuckburgh, Bart., and the Countess of Pomfret. The Wesleyans have a chapel in the village.

On Harkerside Hill, opposite Healaugh, are the remains of an ancient encampment, called *Maiden Castle*; and from this a line of entrenchments may be traced across the valley to Fremington, where ornaments of brass, inlaid with silver, and a Roman coin, have been found.

This township is in the Wapentake and Petty Sessional Division of Gilling West.

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

General: Highways - concern has been expressed about the increasing amount of water that now stands on roads around the Dale after heavy rain.

Bus Services - Arriva (United) have retained the contract to operate bus services in the Dale. There will be some improvement to the current services - suggestions include a mid morning bus to Richmond on additional weekdays, a later bus up the Dale on Saturday afternoons therefore allowing more time to travel to Darlington. A special Bus service for Reeth and Muker Shows is also under consideration. It is understood that Arriva have lost the contract to operate services in Wensleydale.

Electoral Reform - details of the proposals for electoral reform can be seen at Council Offices and Reeth Post Office. Basically the Dale will consist of two Wards: Muker, Melbecks (Gunnerside and Low Row), Grinton, Ellerton Abbey, Downholme, Station, Walburn and Hudswell and: Reeth, Fremington, Healaugh, Areknarthdale, Marske, Marrick and New Forest.

Yorkshire Water - are currently working in the Upper Dale - some temporary road closures have been notified.

Muker - Precept to remain at £800

Next Meeting 23rd March

Melbecks - Precept to remain at £1000

Next Meeting 17th March at Gunnerside.

Marrick - considerable concern has been expressed at the reduction of services at the Duchess of Kent's Hospital, Catterick Garrison. Progress is being made regarding the sewerage problem.

Precept to be £700 Next meeting: 25th March

Reeth: A replacement village map and a new site is being considered.. Simon Lovell Area Ranger for YDNP was a guest speaker, talking on his "new" role within the Park - now based at Reeth, Tel: 88406 0 - and gave an update on the River Regeneration Project. One nomination was put forward for the Richmondshire Sports Awards. Memorial Hall AGM 7.30pm Mon 8th Mar.

Next Meeting 22nd Mar

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 1999

There may be local Elections in May this year for Parish Councils and Richmondshire District Council. Now is the time to be considering nominations, especially for Parish Councils as the new Millennium approaches. The timetable is as follows:

26th March - publication of Notice of Election

8th April - return of nomination papers

27th April - Notice of Election

6th May - Polling Day.

Detailed Notices will appear on public notice boards and will be available from Parish Clerks.

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MUKER SILVER BAND

At our recent AGM the following official were re-elected: Chairman: Mr P Guy; Vice Chairman: Mr K Guy; President: Mrs M Bythell; Vice-President: Mrs M Guy; Secretary: Mrs M Guy; Treasurer: Mr D Waller; Bandmaster: Mr N Guy and Conductor: Dr D Bythell.

The Band had a successful year in 1998, when we won the Yorkshire Dales National Park Trophy at the Hardraw Band Contest for the second year in succession. We have a busy programme of engagements for 1999, including a return visit to our twin band at Launceston, in Cornwall, in the spring. Other highlights will be our Swaledale Festival Concert in Muker on Wednesday 9th June, and a popular Gala Concert with the Swale Singers in aid of Keld Public Hall on Saturday 23rd October. As usual, we will be in attendance at Arkengarthdale Sports on 5th June and at Muker Show on 1st September, and will play at a variety of other local venues over the spring and summer months. We hope that our friends and supporters will be able to come and listen to us on at least one of these occasions. We also have instruments available for potential new players: if interested, please get in touch with any member or official of the Band.

We open the new season with our customary Charity Concert on Easter Sunday, 4th April, at 3pm in Muker Public Hall. The collection this year will be in aid of the MacMillan Nurses Fund. Please come and support!

Duncan Bythell.

Low Row Women's Circle

met at the home of Mrs Margaret Alderson recently where they were entertained by Mrs Jean Wallis of Marske, the "Pam Ayres of the Dale" It was a most enjoyable and relaxing afternoon. Thanks were expressed by Carolyn Stevenson.

THE SWALE SINGERS

The Swale Singers will celebrate their tenth birthday in 1999!

We have come a long way since our first village concert in Low Row. Our membership has grown steadily, our programmes have become more ambitious, and, as our recent appearances in the Swaledale festival indicate, we have built up quite a following in the dale and beyond. But our aims are unchanged: first, to enable local singers, with guests from further afield, to explore the choral repertoire in a relaxed and informal atmosphere; and second, to perform a wide range of music at different venues in the dale for the enjoyment of local audiences and the benefit of local organisations. We rehearse weekly in Reeth for much of the year, but we also hold the occasional weekend workshops so that we can prepare more intensively for our performances.

We are now preparing for our 1999 concerts. We plan to perform a selection of the Easter music from Handel's "Messiah" in Reeth Methodist Church on Easter Saturday, 3rd April: Puccini's "Messa di Gloria" in our Swaledale Festival Concert on Saturday 5th June, when we shall be marking the 75th anniversary of the deaths of Puccini and Faure: and a popular Gala Concert with Muker Silver Band in aid of Keld Public Hall on Saturday 23rd October.

We sing primarily for pleasure. If you enjoy singing, please consider joining us. For details, phone Colin Ross on 886386.

Duncan Bythell

*Books for Giving Christmas Catalogue
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Well done! Trixie Roe of Low Row who was one of the runners up in the Book Tokens Competition



Muker Parish Diary Snippets

Comings & Goings
Parish News
Matters of Interest

Keld Public Hall - A marvellous amount of £ 560 was raised for the Hall on Tuesday 16th February at a Special Double Coffee Morning and Coffee Evening event with a Bring & Buy Stall and a full day Raffle held at the home of Mrs Marina Whitehead and her daughter Christine, long time staunch supporters of Keld Hall. Mrs Ivy Moseley correctly guessed the weight of the Fruit Cake and Benjamin Hall won the guess the number of sweets in the jar competition with the surprisingly low number of 70. Mrs Susan Thompson chose the right path to the centre of the treasure cake. The Raffle was won by Mrs Dot Thornborrow with Mike Beckwith second and Mrs Mary Guy third. There were twenty six further prize winners in this well supported raffle. The evening gathering, arranged so that the men-folk could participate proved highly entertaining with a popular guess the Swaledale Tup and put a price on each one competition. The Hall committee and the organisers are overjoyed by the donations received and the fantastic support given to the event. Thank you one and all.

Please note that there will be a Domino Drive in Keld Hall on Friday March 12th.

Muker Millennium Cairn - An group of persons representing the Thwaite Moor Committee and the Millennium Committee met with Ms. Rachel Whaley of the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority since a planning application for the proposed celebration Cairn seems to be a requirement. The meeting on Buttertubs Pass on Monday 23rd February, on one of the brightest but coldest days of the month, didn't take long and discussion and a preferred choice of position will be reported to the next Millennium Meeting which is on Tuesday 9th March at 7,30pm in Muker Public Hall.

Make a note of SATURDAY 1st. JULY 2000 - Grand Party SHOW FIELD - MUKER.

Ladies Guild - The next gathering of Muker Ladies Guild will be on Thursday 11th. March at 7pm. when Dr David Hill of Ecoscope Applied Ecologists (a local firm of International Renown) will speak about his fascinating work .

Computer Clait Course.- Richmond School Adult Education arm started a new Computer Literacy and Information Technology training course at Muker Pulic Hall on Wednesday 24th. February. The course held from 9.30am till 11.30am each Wednesday morning will run for twelve weeks and a qualification should be the outcome for those persons taking the subject. Please note other **Clait** and **starter** courses are available throughout Swaledale and Arkengarthdale, see this Gazette and local press for details.

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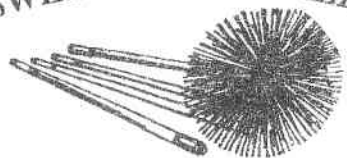
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June:	29 th	Rug Making
July:	2 nd , 7 th , 23 rd , 28 th	Rug Making
	14 th	Dyeing
Aug:	3 rd , 11 th , 17 th , 20 th	Rug Making
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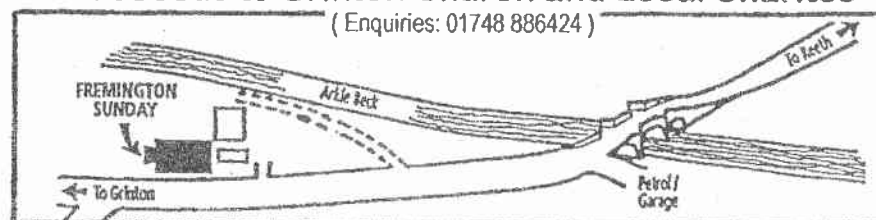
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April 26 th	Exciting Times and Narrow Squeaks	Major F.T.C. Williams
May 3 rd	Underground Swaledale	Paul Denning & Roger Pettican
May 10 th	Landscapes Through Time - an aerial perspective	Robert White
May 17 th	Out with Romany on the Prowl	Brian Cross
May 24 th	Seven Beautiful Walks around Reeth	Major F.T.C. Williams
May 31 st	Leadmining in Swaledale and Arkengarthdale	Lawrence Barker
June 7 th	Yorkshire Life on Film	
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June 14 th	A Farm in Harmony with Nature	Richard Fuller
June 21 st	Three Wild Walks	Major F.T.C. Williams
June 28 th	Historic Gardens of the Dales	Val Hepworth
July 5 th	Birds of the Dales	Colin Straker
July 12 th	A Northern Dales Miscellany	John Atkinson
July 19 th	Footpaths in the Riverside Woodlands	Major F.T.C. Williams
July 26 th	The Secret of Life - the Story of Northern Spas	Mark Whyman
Aug. 2 nd	Where the Curlew Call	Ken Biggs
Aug. 9 th	A Millennium Celebration of 1000 years in Stained Glass	Peter Gibson OBE
Aug. 16 th	Swaledale Tales	Marjorie Daniels
Aug. 23 rd	Splendid Churches of The Dales	Major F.T.C. Williams
* (for Grinton Parish Hall)		
Aug. 30 th	The Yorkshire Dales in 3D	Dave Weedon
Sept. 6 th	A Brief History of Swaledale and Arkengarthdale	Lawrence Barker

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1999

Sunday 4th April Great Pinseat & Little Punchard Head **Paul Denning**
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Sunday 23rd May Leadmining in Gunnerside Gill **Roger Pettican**
Meet at Gunnerside Village Hall at 2pm 6 miles

Sunday 30th May Solitude Along Two Valleys **Paul Denning**
Meet outside Grinton Youth Hostel (SE 048976) at 10.30am 9 miles
Exploring the less well known side of Swaledale

Wed. 2nd June The Grinton Mines and Mills **Lawrence Barker**
Meet outside Grinton Youth Hostel (SE 048976) at 2pm 3 miles
A gentle walk with local expert Lawrence Barker to interpret these varied features of Swaledale's leadmining past

Sunday 6th June Aerial Views of Swaledale **Paul Denning**
Meet at Surrender Bridge on Low Row to Langthwaite Road (SD 989999) at 10.30am 9 miles
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Wed. 9th June The Old Gang Mines and Mills **Lawrence Barker**
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Sunday 18th July Leadmining Near Keld **Roger Pettican**
Meet at Keld Village Hall at 2pm 3 miles

Wed. 4th August Old Gang Mines and Mills **Lawrence Barker**
Meet at Surrender Bridge on Low Row to Langthwaite Road (SD 989999) at 2pm 3 miles
A gentle walk with local expert Lawrence Barker to interpret these varied features of Swaledale's leadmining past
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Wed. 18th August The Grinton Mines and Mills **Lawrence Barker**
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Sunday 29th August Reeth Summer Circuit **Paul Denning**
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DAIRY DATES - all entries are FREE

MARCH

3rd WEA Course - "Dales Birdlife" - start of a 6 week course, details Tel: 884652

4th Reeth YFC - Ice Skating

5th Reeth Show Annual Domino & Whist Drive, Reeth Memorial Hall 7.30pm

5th Women's World Day of Prayer Services 2pm Muker Methodist Church and 7pm Arkengarthdale Methodist Church

6th Saturday Praise Night at Reeth Methodist Church, 7pm

8th Reeth Memorial Hall AGM 7.30pm

8th Two Dales Gardening Club

8th Royal British Legion, Swaledale Branch members only Domino Drive at the Bridge, Grinton

10th - 19th Wensleydale Tournament of Song programmes available from Gilsan Sports in Leyburn.

10th Low Row Women's Circle - Barney Top, Low Row

11th Reeth YFC AGM

11th Melbecks Society - "Wensleydale Wanderings" with Dave Coates and brief AGM

12th Red Nose Day - in aid of Comic Relief

12th Domino Drive - Keld Public Hall 7.30pm

12th 50/50 Dance - Old Time and Modern to Graeme Scarlett at Low Row Institute in aid of Low Row Millennium Celebrations

14th MOTHERS DAY

15th Hair & Beauty Evening Low Row Institute 7.30pm

16th Swaledale Festival - leaflet collating evening, Fremington Sunday School - volunteers needed from 6.30pm

18th Gunnerside WI - "Countryside Secrets" with Neil Gardiner

20th - 21st Swaledale Outdoor Club Charity Paddle

20th Richmondshire Subscription Concerts - Cleveland Chamber Orchestra with Caroline Dale (Cello) Conductor: Tim Jackson - details Tel: 01677 450366

22nd Reeth PC Meeting

24th Low Row Women's Circle - Quaker Close - "Minerals & Fossils" with Margaret Johnson

25th Tourism Today - what you need to know in 1999 - local tourism businesses leaflet distribution day at Tennants, Leyburn. Details 829100

25th Marrick PC Meeting

26th "Fanny Hill" by Leeds Library Theatre Reeth Memorial Hall at 7.30pm

27th Whist Drive & Raffle, Gunnerside Village Hall 7.30pm

28th British Summer Time starts

APRIL

2nd Spring Fayre Reeth Memorial Hall

3rd Coffee Morning - Quaker Close, Reeth

3rd Easter Music from Handel's Messiah performed by the Swale Singers in Reeth Methodist Church

4th Muker Silver Band Charity Concert 3pm Muker Public Hall

4th YDNP Guided Walk - "Around Calva" meet Reeth NPC 11am

4th Guided Walk - Great Pinseat & Little Punchard Head with Paul Denning, meet 10am at Surrender Bridge

5th Craft Fayre - Reeth Memorial Hall

5th Start of the 1999 season of Illustrated Talks on a Monday Evening in Fremington Sunday School starting with Major FTC Willaims "From Muker to Oxnop and Crackpot Side" plus the launch of the third booklet in the series "Walking with the Major" - full programme will be published next month.

8th Closing Date for nominations for Local Government Elections.

10th Settle Carlisle Railway 10th Anniversary Express - details Tel: 01543 411971

10th Friends of Arkengarthdale School Spring Fair

10th Table Top Sale, Gunnerside Village Hall from 1pm to 5pm, details Tel: 886220 or 886487

DAIRY DATES - all entries are FREE

- 12th Dales Ladies - "Life of a Magistrate" by Mr B Brown
- 12th Illustrated Talk "Wild Flowers in the Dales" with Tony Wood 8pm Fremington Sunday School
- 12th Tow Dale Gardening Club - AGM - 2pm Reeth Memorial Hall followed by talk by Dr David Smith
- 15th Gunnerside WI - "Plastics" with Gerald Scott
- 16th Low Row Women's Circle - AGM - at the Garth, Gunnerside
- 19th Illustrated Talk "Herriot Country" with Marjorie Daniels 8pm Fremington Sunday School
- 20th Swaledale PCC Annual Meeting, Fremington Sunday School 7.30pm
- 23rd WORLD BOOK DAY
- 26th Reeth PC Meeting
- 26th Illustrated Talk "Exciting Times and Narrow Squeaks" with Major FTC Williams 8pm Fremington Sunday School
- MAY**
- 2nd Car Boot Sale - Parks Field, Grinton in aid of Reeth Memorial Hall and Local Charities. Tel: 884201
- 5th Arkengarthdale Methodist Church invite you to a Fashion Show by "Whites of Wensleydale" at 7.30pm (ladies & gents clothing)
- 6th Polling Day - Local Government Elections
- 14th Friends of Arkengarthdale School Fashion Show (children's clothes)
- 15th Western Dales District Young Farmers Rally. Tel: 822490 for details
- 27th Tan Hill Sheep Show
- 28th - 13th June **SWALEDALE FESTIVAL** two weeks of music and arts events around the area for full details Tel: 01969 622217
- JUNE**
- 3rd Rural Arts North Yorkshire present "Clara" with Sally Adams, Fremington

Sunday School contact 01969 623069

4th - 6th Swaledale Now & Then Exhibition, Reeth Memorial Hall for details Tel: 884201

5th Arkengarthdale Sports

12th 21st Swaledale Marathon - organised by the Swaledale Outdoor Club for details of the Marathon and other activities please Tel: 01325 718914

JULY

13 - 15th Great Yorkshire Show

AUGUST

25th Reeth Show - for details Tel: 884247

28th Wensleydale Show

30th Reeth Sports

SEPTEMBER

1st Muker Show - for details Tel: 886330

OCTOBER

15th "Meanlime" a new North Country Theatre presentation, Reeth Memorial Hall

23rd Gala Concert by Muker Silver Band and the Swale Singers in aid of Keld Public Hall

APRIL 2000

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

JULY 2000

1st Muker Millennium Party - Show Field

WEA Course - Dales Birdlife

This short course is designed to improve your bird identification skills. Local bird enthusiast, Keith Good, will introduce you to aids such as: field guides, audio tapes, video cassettes, magazines and book. Some of the six classes will be held outdoors (field trips) the rest in an informal classroom setting

Wednesday evenings for 6 weeks commencing 3rd March 7.30 - 9.30pm

Reeth County Primary School

Course Fee: £18.60 full; £13.80 concession

Enquiries: Ray Wright Tel: 884652

DAIRY DATES - all entries are FREE

1999 Mobile Library Visits

Route 3

(Downholme, Grinton, Marrick, Marske)

WEDS: 3rd & 24th March; 14th April

Route 7

(Fremington, Reeth, Langthwaite, Whaw)

TUES: 9th & 30th March; 20th April

Route 9

(Healaugh, Gunnerside, Low Row, Harkerside)

THURS: 11th Mar; 1st & 22nd Apr

Route 13

(Westonesdale, Keld, Thwaite, Muker)

WEDS: 17th March; 7th & 28th Apr

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, (next 19th March) for full details Tel: 822335

WINTER OPENINGS to 29 Mar

Reeth TIC & National Park Centre will only be open 10am - 4pm Sat & Sun (Planning Surgeries are still being held on Monday 11am - 1pm)

Summer Openings: 10am to 5pm daily commence Mon 29th March

Tel: 884059

REETH POST OFFICE & BOOKSHOP

is now closed on Sundays until Easter

Open: Mon - Sat 9am - 5.30pm

Bottom Shop

will close at 12 noon on Weds & Sun

DEADLINE DATE

for **APR** Issue

Mon 22nd March

ELITE CINEMA

at **LEYBURN**

(Tel: 01969 624488)

MARCH Film Programme

4th March at 5pm & 8pm
"The Land Girls" (12)

5th & 6th Mar at 5pm & 8pm
"Little Voice" (15)

18th & 19th at 4pm & 7.30pm
"Meet Joe Black" (12)

20th at 5.30pm & 8pm
"Antz" (PG)

25th at 5pm & 8pm
"Victory" (15)

26th & 27th at 5pm & 8pm
"Lock, Stock & Two Smoking Barrels" (18)

1st - 4th April at 5.30pm & 8pm
"A Bug's Life" (U)

ALL TICKETS at 5pm are ONLY £2.50!
Kid's Films - ALL Tickets ONLY £2.50!
Evenings: ADULTS £4;
OAP's U16's & Students £3 - and remember
BUY 10 Evening Tickets and SAVE £5!
Advance Bookings Available
Box Office Open 2pm - 10pm Thurs - Sat

Royal Mail

1999 Millennium Stamp Collection:

2 nd Mar	Patients' Tale
6 th Apr	Settlers' Tale
4 th May	Worker's Tale
1 st June	Fans' Tale
6 th July	Citizen's Tale
3 rd Aug	Scientists' Tale
7 th Sept	Farmers' Tale
5 th Oct	Soldiers' Tale
2 nd Nov	Christians' Tale
7 th Dec	Artists' Tale

Stamps and Presentation packs available from your local Post Office: please ask for details

CHURCH SERVICES

in ARKENGARTHDALE and SWALEDALE

7th March

9.15am	St Mary's Muker <i>Eucharist Rite A</i>
10.30am	Gunnerside Methodist <i>Holy Communion</i> Low Row URC Reeth Methodist
11.00am	Holy Trinity Low Row <i>Eucharist Rite A</i> Reeth Congregational St Edmund's Marske <i>Family Eucharist</i>
2.00pm	Keld URC
2.30pm	Low Row Methodist Muker Methodist
4.00pm	St Andrew's Grinton <i>Evening Prayer</i>
6.30pm	Arkengarthdale Methodist Reeth Congregational Reeth Methodist <i>Holy Communion</i>

21st March

9.00am	Keld URC
9.15am	St Mary's Muker <i>Eucharist Rite A</i>
10.30am	Reeth Methodist Low Row URC
11.00am	Holy Trinity Low Row <i>Eucharist Rite A</i> Reeth Congregational St Edmund's Marske <i>Holy Eucharist</i>
2.30pm	Arkengarthdale Methodist Low Row Methodist Gunnerside Methodist Muker Methodist <i>Holy Communion</i>
6.30pm	St Mary's Arkengarthdale <i>Evening</i> Marske Methodist Reeth Congregational Reeth Methodist

14th March

9.30am	St Andrew's Grinton <i>Eucharist Rite A</i> St Michael's Downholme <i>Holy Eucharist Rite B</i>
10.30am	Low Row URC Reeth Methodist <i>Family Service</i>
11.00am	Holy Trinity Low Row <i>Eucharist</i> Reeth Congregational St Edmund's Marske <i>Morning Prayer</i>
11.15am	St Mary's Arkengarthdale <i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
2.00pm	Keld Methodist <i>Family Service</i>
2.30pm	Gunnerside Methodist
4.00pm	<i>Family Service</i>
6.30pm	Marske Methodist Reeth Congregational Reeth Methodist



28th March

9.30am	St Michael's Downholme <i>Holy Eucharist Rite B</i>
10.30am	Holy Trinity Low Row <i>United Parish Eucharist</i> Reeth Methodist
11.00am	St Edmund's Marske <i>Holy Eucharist</i> Reeth Congregational
2.00pm	Keld Methodist
2.30pm	Gunnerside Methodist Muker Methodist
6.30pm	Marske Methodist Reeth Congregational Reeth Methodist

ARRIVA - DALESBUS

Richmond - **SWALEDALE** - (Hawes TUES only) - (Leyburn FRI only) Routes: **30, 36, 202**

(NOTE: altered TIMES)	30	202	30	30	30	30	36	36	30	30	30
	SD	SH		Tu	Tu	Fr	Fr		Sa	Sa	Sa
Richmond Schools	1545										
RICHMOND Mkt. Pl.	0715	1550	1550	1735	0910	1310	0900		0740	1135	1535
Whitcliffe Place	0718	1553	1553	1738	0913	1313	0903		0738	1138	1538
LEYBURN Mkt. Pl.								1257			
Bellerby Cross Keys								1302			
Downholme								1312			
Grinton	0737	1612	1612	1757	0932	1332	0922	1322	0757	1157	1557
REETH	0739	1614	1614	1759	0934	1334	0924	1324	0759	1159	1559
Healaugh	0742	1617	1617	1802	0938	1338	0929	1329	0802	1202	1602
Low Row	0750	1625	1625	1810	0945	1345	0935	1335	0810	1210	1610
GUNNERSIDE Bridge	0800	1635	1635	1820	0955	1355	0945	1345	0820	1220	1620
Muker Farmer's Arms					1006	1406	0956	1356	0831	1231	1631
Thwaite						1410	1000	1400	0835	1235	1635
KELD Tan Hill Rd. End						1419	1009	1409	0844	1244	1644
Thwaite						1436					
Buttertubs Rd. End					1010				Please note during March & April - because of necessary repairs by Yorkshire		
High Shaw					1024	1439					
HAWES Mkt. Pl.					1030	1444					
HAWES Mkt. Pl.					0955	1410			Water in the Thwaite, Keld and Stonesdale area some Services may terminate at Muker or Gunnerside Please check with the Driver		
High Shaw					1000	1415					
Buttertubs Rd. End					1011	1427					
Thwaite					1013				1010	1410	0845 1245 1645
KELD Tan Hill Rd End					1020				1019	1419	0854 1254 1654
Thwaite					1029				1023	1423	0858 1258 1658
Muker Farmer's Arms					1033	1430	1023	1423	0909	1309	1709
GUNNERSIDE Bridge	0800	0800	1635	1820	1044	1439	1034	1434	0919	1319	1719
Low Row	0810	0810	1645	1830	1054	1443	1044	1444	0927	1327	1727
Healaugh	0818	0818	1653	1837	1103	1451	1050	1450	0932	1332	1732
REETH	0821	0821	1656	1841	1105	1455	1055	1455	0930	1330	1730
Grinton	0823	0823	1658	1843	1107	1458	1057	1457	0932	1332	1732
Downholme							1107				
Bellerby Cross Keys							1122				
LEYBURN Mkt. Pl.							1127				
Whitcliffe Place	0842	0842	1717	1902	1126	1519			1516	0951	1351 1751
RICHMOND Mkt. Pl.	0845	0845	1720	1905	1129	1524			1519	0954	1354 1754
Richmond Schools	0850										

SD - Schooldays; SH - School holidays; Tu - Tuesdays only; Fr - Fridays only; Sa - Saturdays only

All services are supported by North Yorkshire County Council.

Enjoy a walk? Take the Bus - see the "BUS 'n' BOOTS" leaflet available at many outlets in the Dale or from: National Park and Tourist Information Centres -

(REETH TIC and National Park Centre Tel: 01748 884059 - open Nov - Mar, Sat & Sun only 10am - 4pm)

For more information on **ARRIVA** Bus services please Tel: **0345 124125**

ARKENGARTHDALE (This service operates with the support of North Yorkshire County Council) to link with the Friday Leyburn Service Malcolm Terry will be operating a service from Arkengarthdale every Friday. Please telephone 884533 before 6pm each Thursday to confirm your requirements.

* Services may be disrupted due to temporary road closures in Upper Swaledale *