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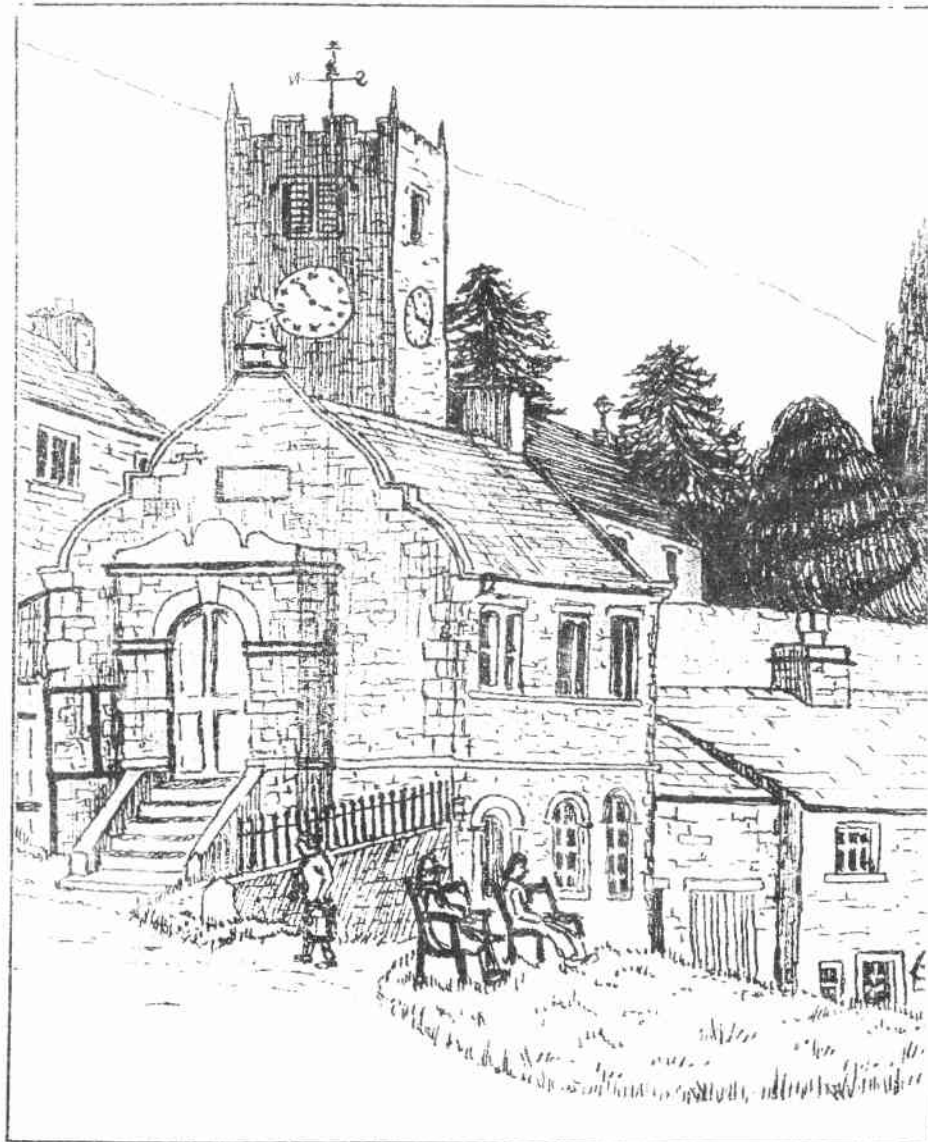
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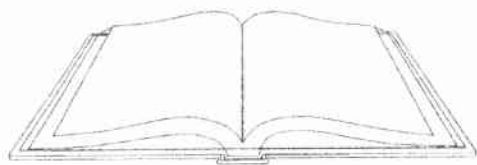
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CHURCH SERVICES

in ARKENGARThDALE and SWALEDALE

5th March

- 9.15am St Mary's Muker
Eucharist Worship 2000
- 10.30am Gunnerside Methodist
Family Service
Low Row URC
Reeth Methodist
- 11.00am Holy Trinity Low Row
Eucharist Worship 2000
Reeth Congregational
St Edmund's Marske
Family Eucharist
- 2.00pm Keld Methodist
- 2.30pm Arkengarthdale Methodist
Holy Communion
Muker Methodist
- 4.00pm St Andrew's Grinton
Evening Prayer
- 6.30pm Reeth Congregational



19th March

- 9.15am St Mary's Muker
Eucharist Worship 2000
- 10.30am Reeth Methodist
Low Row URC
- 11.00am Holy Trinity Low Row
Eucharist Worship 2000
Reeth Congregational
St Edmund's Marske
Holy Eucharist
- 2.00pm Keld Methodist
- 2.30pm Arkengarthdale Methodist
Gunnerside Methodist
Muker Methodist
- 6.30pm St Mary's Arkengarthdale
Evening
Marske Methodist
Reeth Congregational

12th March

- 9.30am St Andrew's Grinton
Eucharist Worship 2000
St Michael's Downholme
Holy Eucharist Rite B
- 10.30am Low Row URC
Communion
Reeth Methodist
Holy Communion
- 11.00am Holy Trinity Low Row
Eucharist
Reeth Congregational
St Edmund's Marske
Morning Prayer
- 11.15am St Mary's Arkengarthdale
Holy Communion BCP
- 2.00pm Keld URC
- 2.30pm Gunnerside Methodist
Low Row Methodist
Holy Communion
- 4.00pm St Mary's Muker
Sunday School/Evening Service
- 6.30pm Marske Methodist
Reeth Congregational

26th March

- 8.00am Holy Trinity Low Row
Holy Communion BCP
- 9.30am St Andrew's Grinton
Eucharist Worship 2000 with the Archdeacon of Richmond
St Michael's Downholme
Holy Eucharist Rite B
- 10.30am Reeth Methodist
- 11.00am St Edmund's Marske
Holy Eucharist
Reeth Congregational
- 11.15am St Mary's Arkengarthdale
Holy Communion BCP
- 2.00pm Keld URC
- 2.30pm Gunnerside Methodist
- 4.00pm Marrick Priory *Compline*
- 6.30pm Marske Methodist
Reeth Congregational

REETH & DISTRICT GAZETTE

Yet another blow to our local community, the closing of Barclays Bank. It seems ironic that when the government is trying to get everyone to have benefits paid into their bank accounts rather than over the Post Office counter, we then find that to get to our nearest bank we have to travel miles..Of course we can all use the Internet and banking facilities on line ! How many people do you know that have such a facility, or need or want such a facility. But what can we do? There is a sense of hopelessness about such a closure. It is not economic to run say the 'masters'. We wonder how the economics of the situation would be if everyone closed their account in Barclays, and opened one in a rival bank in Richmond or

Leyburn. After all does it really matter if one has to travel for banking facilities which bank one uses? If this were repeated with every branch under notice of closure, would the 'masters' then take the same view that local branches are not economic ?

In any case, if you feel strongly about the closure write to the address supplied by Barclays Bank, write to your MP and write to the PM ! You never know, your voice might be heard. Of course you can still support the local Post Office -they can offer full banking facilities with the GiroBank (read letters to the editor). We have said before - use or lose. We all need our local facilities.

SWALEDALE FESTIVAL-VOLUNTEERS MEETING

**TUESDAY 21ST. MARCH
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If you are interested in helping with the Festival, please come to this meeting and give a hand with the mailing.

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If you would like to help but cannot make this meeting please give your name to a Festival Friend or ring 884279

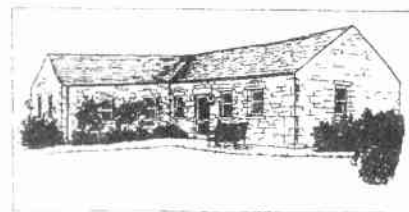
OBITUARY

The death of Mrs Lilian Roby has taken place in Doncaster. She was a highly respected member of the Gunnerside W.I. and the Methodist Church. Mrs Roby was very much missed in the village when she moved to Doncaster to be near her daughter. A service will be held in Gunnerside Methodist Chapel on Sunday 28th. May at 10.30am and all neighbours and friends will be most welcome.

Swaledale & Arkengarthdale Luncheon Clubs Association

At the AGM of the Association held after the monthly gathering at the Punch Bowl Inn, Low Row, all the officials were re-elected. The Chairman is Rev. Tim Tunley, Secretary: Mike Beckwith, and Treasurer: Mrs M. Johnson. The clubs meet monthly at Low Row, Muker, Langthwaite & Reeth. Membership is open and free to all over 55. New members most welcome at all the clubs. Further details tel. 01748 - 886307

Muker Ecumenical Sunday School: The Sunday School meetings are held in Muker Public Hall and all children are made welcome. The next gathering will be at 4pm on Sunday March 12th. A special day will be the Mothering Sunday Family service to be held at 4pm in St. Mary's Church, Muker on Sunday April 2nd. Details about the Sunday School and meeting times please ring Margaret Beckwith - 886307



It's a Doc's Life

A column with a medical slant

It is an interesting fact that if I ask almost any patient what tablets they take I would get a blank look and the answer "I don't know". You would think that if you had to take regular medication on a daily basis you would at least become familiar with the name on the packet, but not so. To ask what *strength* the tablets are usually gets the useful reply "Well, they are the little white ones". It all boils down to the fact that patients never look at the packaging but will notice in a second if the tablets look slightly different. This is actually very useful because we are all human and just very occasionally we make a mistake and give out the wrong strength. Most patients spot it immediately and ring us up with a query. However it does work the other way when we are forced by shortage of supplies to substitute similar tablets from a different manufacturer for the ones we cannot obtain. This has been a problem recently because of difficulties in getting supplies of some generic drugs.

What are "generics" I hear you cry. A simple way to explain this lies in the similarity between retail goods. For

example you can buy 'Kellogg's' cornflakes or buy the supermarket's own brand. Usually the own brand products are cheaper but not necessarily inferior. With medicines the generics are "own brand" products and proprietary drugs equal to the branded product. The government, through the health authorities has over the years, encouraged GP's to prescribe generic drugs, because they cost the health service less. This was fine until the pharmaceutical companies got fed up with this and started to restrict supplies of certain generics. This led to shortages, which made life difficult for us, as we had to shop around to find equivalent drugs from elsewhere. The shortages led to a massive rise in prices and many generic drugs are now many times more expensive than they once were. This has serious implications for the health service drug budget but closer to home it means that many people have been ringing because their tablets look different.

Thinking about it as I write this article it occurs to me that the pharmaceutical industry has missed out on an opportunity here. Why not make tablets very distinctive and easily recognisable? Then when patients ring up and say "I want some more of my tablets" we can say "Which ones do you mean, the ones with the Union Jack on or the ones with the face of David Beckham on the front and Posh Spice on the back?"

Of course the answer will be "No, the little white ones!"

Dr. Paul Bond, The Surgery.

SPLENDID CHURCHES of the DALES

St. Andrew's GRINTON

Many churches of the Dales were built in the time of great faith and dedication, when everyone really **did** believe in the Almighty, and tried their best to follow the principals of a Christian life, as laid down for them in the brightly coloured wall paintings and in the gorgeous stained glass of the churches we shall visit. Although such 'aids to faith' have now vanished, the churches, erected in their day to the glory of God, are still a wonderfully uplifting study for us --- in these rather humdrum modern times, what?

St. Andrew's, Grinton, built sometime between 1115 and 1135, this church began as a **mission station** among the wild Dalesmen and was served by the Augustinian Canons of St. Mary's Priory, Bridlington. It was founded by Walter de Gant (ie. Ghent, in Belgium) **His arms are in the East window of the North Aisle of the church.** The monks continued to serve Grinton until 1272, when the first Vicar was appointed. Souvenirs of their time may be seen in a fragment inscribed in black-letter 'MARIA BREDLYNGTOUNE' in the South Aisle East window, and in a stained glass **head of the Virgin Mary** in a North Aisle window.

The original church was built of round boulders from the nearby river-bed, and had no tower. The round-headed window in the West wall looked out into the sky and dates from c. 1120 --- probably the oldest window in Swaledale. Water for baptisms was **kept in the font and blessed twice a year** in a special service. So it was holy water and much sought after by the Dalesfolk. Like that of St Simon's Well in Coverdale, or St Alkelda's at Middleham, or St Mary's near Thornton Rust, it would cure dashed near anything, they thought. (Mind you, the water must

Holy Trinity WENSLEY

have been pretty ripe after six months or so in that font --- the Vicar of Coverham, a keen fisherman, used to keep **minnows** in **his** font, and christening services had to be by special arrangement!!) So, to prevent wholesale filching of this magic water a **heavy canopy** was placed on top of the font in the 15th century, which could only be moved by a pulley and chain fixed to the roof. The canopy could then be lifted off whenever the water was required for baptisms. **The whole thing is still there!**

Three ledger stones in the floor should be noticed. They represent a still later period, the 17th & 18th centuries. The first is of **Elizabeth Blackburn**, of Blackburn Hall, d 1688, in letters bold and beautiful (like the lady herself in times gone by? We shall never know ...) It's all hidden under a carpet in the South Aisle chapel. The second is of **Ann Barker**, d 1699, whose parents were Adam & Ellen Barker, of the Old Gang Mines, and **whose direct descendant, Laurence B., still lives in Healaugh.** This stone is in the floor of the North Aisle. The third stone is of **Jane Clarkson**, d.1781, on the floor of the central nave, and it has the following rather touching epitaph:

'A tender Mother and a loving Wife

Yeldes great content to a married life'.

(read this out at Heather's wedding reception on 4 August 1973 --- they have now celebrated their **Silver Wedding**, so it must have had some effect, what?)

The pulpit is dated 1718. In Catholic England preaching was not much thought of. People came to worship the Visible Presence, 'meekly kneeling upon their knees' -- on the stone floor of the nave, too. No pews in those days. They could have done with a supply of **iron knee-caps**, what? But after the Reformation things were different. There were preachers of

great power, such as Dr. John Donne, Dean of St. Paul's, who could hold a congregation spellbound for an hour or more. So the need for comfortable seats for the hearers became imperative, and pews at last made their appearance. Whole churches were sometimes 'pewed' at the expense of a wealthy parishioner, as we shall see at **Burneston.**

The Bells. At Grinton we have a ring of 6, the heaviest of 10cwt. Only the tenor bell is medieval. It is dedicated to 'Sancta Caterena'. As a keen bell-ringer I acquired a book, 'Change Ringing', by A.W.Troyte, and persevered with it for a long time against heavy odds. Let me give you an extract from it:

'720, or the Whole Peal. By part ends, 6th the observation. Call her in and out at 2, followed by three bobs (or wrong, before, and home), and before, 1st and 4th parts, call her as above, but out with a single ...'

After reading a few pages of this I began to think that perhaps I was beginning to go a little bit **woozy!**

Holy Trinity, Wensley; Our next church may not look as cathedral-like as Grinton, but it is every inch the place of worship of one of England's great families, the Scropes. The first thing you notice as you approach the church is the Scropes coat-of-arms, azure, a bend or, over the North doorway, and rather elegant white gate fitting into it.

Then, all along the outside wall, north side, you will see a shield of arms on top of each buttress, ten of them, representing the ten famous families into which into which the Scropes married. The last one was in 1447, **when little John Scrope, aged 12** (and later the 5th Lord), married little Joan Fitzhugh of Ravenworth Castle though how old **she** was we know not).

So, having been suitably spellbound by all these wonders, we step inside the church. Although much older than Grinton (Saxon) there is somehow not the

overwhelming atmosphere of mystery and cathedral-like holiness that you get in Grinton. Wensley is too well-lit and too full of treasures all crowded together for anything like that. Dominating everything is the gorgeous **Scropes Pew**, made by the Ripon School of Carvers about 1510 to the order of Henry, 7th Lord. It was rescued from Easby Abbey after the Dissolution in 1540. Above it hangs the banner of the Loyal Dales Volunteers worked by Lady Mary Powlett, wife of Thomas Orde, who in 1797 was created 1st Lord Bolton.

Above the Scrope Pew hang the Royal Arms of George III, and on the reverse the Bolton Arms. The Royal Arms face the people, to remind them that the Sovereign is Head of the Church and also 'Fidei Defensor', 'Defender of the Faith' --- a title conferred by Pope Leo X on the young and enthusiastic Henry VIII in 1521, long before the Dissolution of the Monasteries, after he had energetically defended the Roman Catholic faith against the doctrine of reform preached by the German Martin Luther. The title of 'Fidei Defensor' has been held by the Sovereign ever since, **as we can see from a modern coin**, say a 50-pence piece, on which the title round the Queen's head is abbreviated to 'F.D.'.

The floor of the chancel has a Flemish brass depicting a former Rector here, Sir Simon de Wenslawe. The 'trade mark' of a Flemish brass is to be seen in the 'violin' lips, so that with these extremely expressionless lips we know that this cannot possibly be a life-like portrait. Although Sir Simon did not die until 1394 his brass dates from about 1360, showing that he would have ordered it during his lifetime. This was common practice among men of note, and they left the date of death blank, to be filled in later (like the brass at Hornby to Sir Christopher, Conyers, on which the date is **still** blank!)

Before leaving Wensley Church we should have a look at the **most** interesting Font, dated 1662 -- but, **oh my goodness!**

What have we **here**? A font with a **pineapple** on top! --- and an inscription carved in some pretty wild-looking characters: 'CHURCH MASTERS LOOKE TO YOUR CHARGEIS'. 1662 was when the Act of Uniformity was passed, establishing the Church of England, by which every priest had to declare his 'unfeigned assent to everything in the Book of Common Prayer'. (If he didn't he was **out**. About 2,000 Presbyterian ministers didn't, so they became **Nonconformists**, because they would not **conform**. Nowadays they are known as the United Reform Church). Pineapples in the 1660's had recently been discovered in the West Indies and when brought to this country they at once became **the thing**. In the V&A Museum there is a painting by Danckaerts of Mr Rose, gardener to Charles II, presenting to his royal master the first pineapple ever grown in England. As a result of this royal patronage a pineapple cult sprang up. Every aristocratic family wanted to grow its own pineapples, which thus became a status symbol. **Hence this pineapple on the font of this very aristocratic church.**

F.T.C.W.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir,
We would like to express our concern following the recent closure of the Bottom Shop and the news that the bank is now to close in Reeth. This will mean that the amenities of this lovely village are gradually being eroded and life will become increasingly hard especially for those without transport of their own. The Post Office faces many changes as well and our livelihood is under threat with the Government's plans to have pensions and allowances paid into bank accounts rather than through the Post Office. Despite Mr Blair's assertions that pensions will be able to be collected from the Post Office, the wording he uses are

'for those who are unwilling or unable to have pensions paid into a bank account' so the onus is definitely on the individual to stress that they want the pensions paid through the Post Office. The Post Office organisation is negotiating a new rate of pay for dealing with pensions from 2003 and the rate is significantly less than the present rate, which will drastically reduce the income of this post office as well as all the other offices in the country. This will inevitably mean the demise of many smaller offices in the area and increasing financial pressure on the ones that remain. Do we want to lose another amenity?

It is obviously up to us to try to prepare for the changes by diversifying as much as possible to provide extra income but it seems that public opinion in general is against the Government's proposals and it may be that with enough public pressure they may be forced to change their minds. Many people signed the petition at this and other post offices in the area and we thank every one for that. We intend to continue the campaign by producing a letter expressing the concerns of many people about these changes. These letters need to be signed by individuals and then sent to their MP. Hopefully an increase in mail will heighten the awareness of the Government of people's feelings on this issue.

If you wish to support this campaign then letters will be available for you to sign from this post office and hopefully others in the area.

Whilst the closure of the bank is regrettable can we remind your readers that the Post Office provides personal banking for the Alliance & Leicester (Girobank), Lloyds TSB and the Coop Banks as well as bill payments, insurance and foreign exchange.

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A public meeting was held at the Buck Hotel on the 20th of January to present the first draft of **DIG's feasibility study** to the communities of **Swaledale** and **Arkengarthdale**. Representatives from the Yorkshire Dales National Park, the Swaledale Christian Council, and the Upper Wensleydale Partnership were in attendance, as well as District Councillor James Kendall and County Councillor John Blackie.

DIG hopes, eventually, to obtain funding for initiatives for which there is a genuine need in **Swaledale** and **Arkengarthdale**. The aim of the feasibility study was to allow local people to tell the members of **DIG** which developments they would like to see in our area. 150 people from a variety of backgrounds have completed detailed questionnaires, giving us an initial impression of what people feel is needed.

Samples of the results from the feasibility study are included in this newsletter. **DIG** would be grateful for any feedback you may have about the answers given.

❖ **It should be noted that the study is currently at a draft stage and the results given here may be subject to later alteration.**

❖ Results

(With questions where appropriate):

❖ **NB:** For many of the questions, respondents were able to make more than one selection.

❖ Which tourist activities should be developed?

The responses supported a wide range of activities. The 3 most popular selections were, walking (75 people), local history (73 people) and farm visits (67 people). However, many people stated their concerns relating to problems arising from increased traffic, parking demands and noise.

❖ Education

91% thought that local schools were very important.

Popular reasons given for this were that a local school contributed to community life and also alleviates travel difficulties caused by our remote location.

❖ What adult education/evening classes interest you the most?

Of the 87% of respondents who answered this question, 66% chose fitness/sports and 59% chose IT skills and business.

❖ What education support facilities would you like to see?

76% chose IT facilities and an office administration centre. 59% selected a hall for events (e.g. school plays and entertainment)

❖ Which mode of transport do you favour?

84% favoured the car with just 10% choosing public transport.

❖ Which resources would you like to see developed?

52% chose social/leisure, 42% training/education and 41% a take away food outlet. A cash collection office was independently suggested by a number of people.

❖ Which sports would you like to see developed?

The four most selected were:

Badminton (68 people), Football (56 people), Swimming (53 people), Aerobics (48 people).



❖ Are there activities that you would like to do, but can't because (local) public facilities are not suitable?

49% answered 'yes', 31% 'no'.

❖ Would you support the development of a 'Local Dales Centre' if such a project were likely to be considered?

78% of respondents stated they would support such a project.

❖ Would you make regular use of such a centre?

71% Said they would.

❖ Where would you suggest would be the most appropriate location within Swaledale and Arkengarthdale (for a Dales Centre facility)?

63% selected Reeth, 5% chose other locations.

Thanks to everyone who took the time to complete a questionnaire. We hope that eventually this study will make a real difference to people in **Swaledale** and **Arkengarthdale**. Copies of the draft feasibility report have been sent to a number of organisations and we are awaiting responses. Thanks to all those who attended the public meeting, a great deal of useful feedback was received, both from members of the local community and from organisation representatives. After all the feedback has been considered, a commissioned consultant will oversee the preparation of a final report.

DIG is already planning its **AGM**, the date of which will be announced very shortly. We have a number of new positions within the group that have come about due to our continued success that will be offered up for election at the **AGM**. We are looking for people who live locally and have the spare time, drive, commitment and like to meet people from other communities who have similar goals as ourselves, to improve the community we live in.

We would welcome local people's views on the results given in this newsletter. Please write to our secretary.

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EXTRAS

Important Notice

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NO MORNING SURGERY
on Saturday 25th March.

More Diary Dates

March

6th Dales Ladies
6th Reeth Congregational Church
Ladies Meeting
7th A'dale Parish Council
13th Two Dales Gardening Club
13th Reeth Parish Council
20th Reeth Congregational Church
Ladies Meeting
23rd Marrick Parish Council and annual
Parish Meeting

April

28th - 30th URC Low Row
Smarber Weekend
28th Service at Smarber 7:00pm
29th Concert - Bedale Brass Band -
7:30pm
30th Service in Church 10:30am

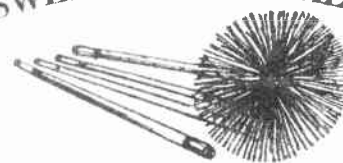
May

29th Car Boot Sale - The Parks Field
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creature. The cat was played by Ann Sunter, who must go to the local Keep Fit classes, if the 'chase' of the rats is anything to go by. Ann also had an excellent style in 'meeowing', and certainly won the hearts of the audience. The dame, the mother of Idle Jack was played by Norman Sunter (also stage manager) whose very appearance in costume left the audience in fits of laughter. But his son Idle Jack (played by Ann Chamberlain) also had the audience going with his catchphrase - "Ooo I am fed up" everytime he appeared on stage. Jack was always dodging work, and was always being caught out by The Alderman FitzAlderson - Alice's father - well played by Emma Lundberg. Jack and the

Alderman matched each well in their scenes.

The Captain and First Mate of the Alderman's ship the Half Galleon were played by Pete Roe and David Pritchard. Boh gave an excellent character performance, with Pete Roe's usual ad-libs in a colourful local flavour, and a really good juggling performance by David Pritchard. King Rat - the baddy was very well played, and heckled in parts ! by Sarah Waggett. Her rhyming role came over very well, and was equally matched by the good fairy - Bow Bells, played by Raymond Alderson. Again the costume was a show stopper - a fairy dressed in the style of Barbara Cartland. All supporting roles were well enacted, and it is good to see younger people taking on parts

All the singing was good with some lively numbers - My Gang (King Rat and the Rattettes)) and Walking Back To Happiness

(Dick) contrasting well with a duet in harmony - This Is Our Lovely Day (Dick and Alice) to mention but three.

All in all a really good evenings entertainment, well Performed, and well supported by the support team and an enthusiastic audience. Here's to the next one!



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APOLOGY

Last months Cover picture was
drawn by Joy Court.

We apologise to Joy for
republishing the picture without
her permission.

We also apologise for the quality
of printing which affected the
quality of the drawing.

LETTERS

We welcome letters on all subjects
which should be addressed to :
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evening. Prize winners
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Richardson, 3 Bene Stones,4. Ian
Pybus.

Whist : 1. Keith Duxbuovry
2 Bob Guy,3.Brian Sunter, 4. S.
Bell,5.Denise Guy, 6.M.Skelly

The raffle was won by Mike
Beckwith. There were many
other prizes. The Secretary
wishes to thank everyone for
their support. and the committee
for the prizes and the supper.

CHARITY DOMINO DRIVE

Chris & Marjorie Bellwood of the
Farmers Arms as members of
the Licenced Victuallers
Association are staunch
supporters of the Charity Bike
ride which takes place in June
each year. To help raise funds
they held a Domino Drive at the
Arms which raised a
magnificent amount of £134.00.
Mr Sid Reynoldson won first
prize and there were many other
prizewinners. Chris & Marjorie
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evening and are now asking for
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17th & 18th 5 & 8pm
Double Jeopardy (15)
23rd 5 & 8pm
81/2 Women (15)
24th & 25th 5 & 8pm
Sleepy Hollow (15)
30th 5 & 8pm
Tea with Mussolini (PG)
31st 5 & 8pm & 1st April 8pm only
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1st April 3 & 5:30pm
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Tuesday 21st
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6th Dales Ladies - Memorial Hall 7:30
7th Beetle Drive & Pancake Supper 6:30
Arkengarthdale Methodist Church Hall
10th Reeth Show Whist & Domino Drive -
Memorial Hall 7:30
14th Arkengarthdale Jubilee Club
AGM & Quiz Night Arkengarthdale
Methodist Church Hall 7:30
14th Arkengarthdale Sports Association
AGM Arkengarthdale Schoolroom 8pm
15th Whist Drive at Grinton Parish Hall
7:30 start
31st The Alternative Quiz Night at the
CB Inn - 9pm start
April
7th Reeth School Ceilidh - Memorial Hall
7pm
8th 'Messiah' a special performance for
the Millennium in Reeth Methodist
Church by the combined choirs of Upper
Swaledale & Upper Wensleydale
30th The Alternative Quiz Night at the
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May
5th The Swaledale & Arkengarthdale
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Primary School - 1 -4pm
June
3rd The Arkengarthdale Sports
Association Annual Sports & afternoon
teas - starts 1:30pm
July
1st Muker Millenium Party on the Show
Field
August
30th Reeth Show

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GUIDED WALKS IN SWALEDALE & ARKENGARTHDALE 2000

Sunday 21st May	Leadmining in Gunnerside Gill Meet at Gunnerside Village Institute at 2pm	Roger Pettican 6 miles
Saturday 27 th May	Reeth Spring Circuit Meet outside Burgoyne Hotel in Reeth at 10.30am	Paul Denning 8 miles
Wednesday 31 st May	The Old Gang Mines and Mills Meet at Surrender Bridge on Low Row to Langthwaite Road (SD989999) at 2pm	Lawrence Barker 3 miles
Saturday 3 rd June	A Castle and a View Meet outside Burgoyne Hotel in Reeth at 10.30am	Paul Denning 5 miles
Wednesday 7 th June	Grinton Mines and Mills Meet at Grinton Youth Hostel (SE048976) at 2pm	Lawrence Barker 3 miles
Saturday 15 th July	Kisdon Hill <i>A pleasant walk with excellent views</i> Meet at Muker Car Park at 10.30am	Peter Denning 6 miles
Sunday 16 th July	Leadmining near Keld Meet in Keld Village at 2pm	Roger Pettican 3 miles
Saturday 5 th August	Ivelet Bridge, Oxnop Gill & Muker <i>Beautiful walk in Upper Swaledale</i> Meet at Ivelet Bridge at 10.30am	Peter Denning 6 miles
Wednesday 9 th August	Grinton Mines and Mills Meet at Grinton Youth Hostel (SE048976) at 2pm	Lawrence Barker 3 miles
Wednesday 23rd August	The Old Gang Mines and Mills Meet at Surrender Bridge on Low Row to Langthwaite Road (SD989999) at 2pm	Lawrence Barker 3 miles
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WHAT HAPPEND TO FROGMORE?

MESSIAH FOR THE MILLENIUM

It's going to be a GOOD DO!! That is judging by the first workshops, held in Aysgarth and Reeth, and attended by about 100 singers. Some have sung the Messiah dozens of times, especially refugees (like myself) from the West Riding where it was done at least once a year in Church, Chapel or Concert Hall. I remember singing it with Isobel Baillie, and John Heddle Nash, which dates me rather. The Chorusmaster told the story of one chapel he went to, where they told him "We don't do the best Messiah in Cleckheaton, but we do the loudest".

And some had never sung Messiah before, so they are finding out that there are 'a lot

of notes' in it. But by the time of the performance we shall have had a lot of fun as well as learning a wonderful work. Come and hear us, either at Reeth on 8th. April at 7:00pm or at Hawes, 15th April at 7:00pm., in both cases at the Methodist Chapel. The choir will fill the upstairs of both chapels, so apply early for your seat downstairs – admission by programme at £3, available from Reeth and Hawes Post Offices. There you see, another reason for keeping the Post Offices alive. Sylvia Crookes.

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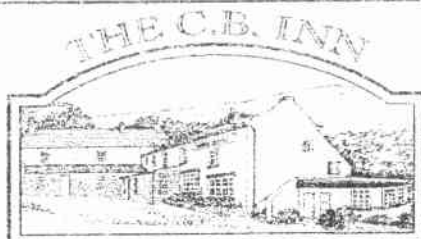
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There was a good attendance at the Social Evening held in Gunnernside Chapel. The short business meeting covered discussion of forthcoming events. The darts team start their quest for glory this coming week, several members plan to attend the Millennium group meeting at Askrigg at the beginning of March and Rachel Newborne reported on plans for our summer outing to York, along with members of Muker Ladies Guild. The competition for a potted plant was judged by Bob Rutter and won by Jennie Mansfield. We enjoyed an excellent buffet supper, as always far more food than even the most willing of us could eat.

Betty Rutter at the piano then led us in a programme of old time songs, which were sung with great enjoyment, rather than musical ability. She was thanked by Margaret Rutter.

At our next meeting on 16th March, Heather Waggett will give a talk on fashion and style in the new Millennium.

Thanks

John would like to thank everyone for their help and sympathy during his recent bereavement.

Swaledale Outdoor Club Charity Paddle 25 & 26 March

Once again canoeists and kayakers from all over the country will be helping to raise money for local charities whilst enjoying themselves on one of the most scenic rivers in Britain, in an event which has over the years has raised many thousands of pounds.

The annual Swaledale Outdoor Club Charity Paddle takes place over the weekend of March 25th 26th, with up to two hundred people canoeing the River Swale from Grinton to Richmond.

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It could not go ahead without the support and tolerance of landowners, local people and many others. We are especially grateful to the Swaledale Fell Rescue Organisation who will be helping to provide emergency cover as part of a training exercise.

For those of you who may wish to come and see some canoeists in action, good places to watch are the lay-by West of Marske Bridge, Lowenthwaite Bridge, where there are rapids immediately below the bridge, and the Falls car park in Richmond. If water conditions are right, no doubt there will be people canoeing over the falls during both days.

Every effort is made to minimise disturbance during the weekend, but we thank all those affected for putting up with the event this year as in previous. You will be able to contact Swaledale Outdoor Club members at Grinton Bridge on both days.

STOP PRESS

Live music provided by 'A Drop of The Pure' at the Kings Arms Reeth for St. Patrick's night - March 17th from 8:30pm.

The winner of February's work quiz was Sylvia James of Bealough.

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Muker Diary Snippets

MUKER SHOW Domino Drive & Raffle held in Muker Public Hall on Friday 25th. February produced £ 200 for Society funds. There were sixteen tables and good support. In the Dominoes, Mr Cyril Barningham of Healaugh, took first prize with a score of 120, Mrs Annas Metcalfe, second, with 117, and Miss Mellisa Guy of Marrick, third with 116. There were another eighteen prize winners. The Raffle was won by Mike Beckwith with Mr Walter Appleton of Reeth, second and Master William Porter third. An excellent supper with delicious Sponge and Chocolate cakes to tempt those weak willed souls made it a grand night. The Chairman of the Show Committee, Mr Ernest Whitehead thanked all supporters, for the food and those who donated prizes for the night.

The ALDERSON Family History Society will again meet for a one day gathering in Muker Public Hall on Saturday 9th. September. The society have been regular visitors for quite a number of years. Many Alderson's, friends and relatives and others with family connections, some from abroad, book B & B or Guest House accommodation to stay in the area for the week or fortnight so they can take in and enjoy the Annual Muker Show Day on the previous Wednesday and even Reeth Show the week prior.

MUKER LUNCHEON CLUB held it's monthly luncheon on Thursday 24th. February in the Public Hall. Members were very pleased to see and welcomed back Mrs Nellie Whitehead who after her illness is now living in Reeth. How nice to see her looking quite well and alert and back in her seat at table. Also back, though still temporally on crutches is Mr William Calvert who has had a second hip replacement. Becoming a normal job replacing hip joints, Mr Jack Dinsdale is the next programmed for this operation. Thanks go to Mr Robert John Guy for transporting folk up dale from Fremington & Reeth and to all the other active car drivers who so willingly make sure folk are uplifted and returned safe after the club gathering.

BBC – Countryfile interested in the parish archive project and dialect of the parish came to visit. Ms Michala Strachan set a number of pulses racing as many of the lads remember this lady with fond affection from the Saturday morning children's program. Those folk seeing the piece on TV seem to feel it was another good short publicity chance and gave a good view of the people of the parish. Over 50 people from up or down dale were seen in the piece and Chris Bellwood of the Farmers Arms reports two groups of visitors to his pub who came to see the area because they saw the programme.

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