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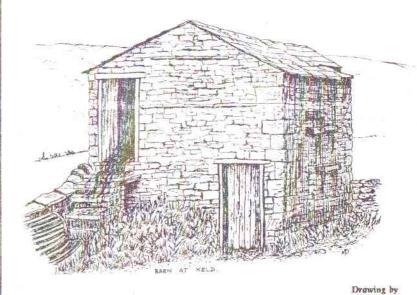




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#### November 4 9.15am St Mary's Muker Eucliarist 10.30am Gunnerside Methodist Low Row URC Reeth Methodist 11.00am Reeth Congregational St Edmund's Marske Family Eucharist Holy Trinity Low Row Eucharist 2.00pm Keld Methodist Communion 2.30pm Arkengarthdale Methodist 4.00pm Muker Methodist St Andrew's Grinton 6.00pm Evening Prayer 6.30pm Reeth Congregational



# November 11

Rememb	rance Sunday
9.30am	St Andrew's Grinton Eucharist
	St Michael's Downholme
	Eucharist
10.30am	Low Row URC
	Reeth Methodist
11.00am	Reeth Congregational
	Holy Trinity Low Row
	St Edmund's Marske
	Morning Prayer
10.45am	St Mary's Arkengarthdale
2.00pm	Keld War Memorial &
	Keld United Reformed Church
2.30pm	Gunnerside Methodist
3.00pm	St Andrew's Grinton
6.30pm	Marske Methodist

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#### November 18

9.15am 10.30am	St Mary's Muker Eucharist Low Row URC Reeth Methodist	
11.00am	Reeth Congregational St Edmund's Marske Holy Eucliarist	
	Holy Trinity Low Row Eucharist	
2.00pm	Keld Methodist	
2.30pm	Arkengarthdale Methodist  Holy Communion  Gunnerside Methodist	
4.00pm	Muker Methodist	
1	Communion	
6.30pm	St Mary's Arkengarthdale Evensong Marske Methodist Reeth Congregational	

#### November 25

8.00am	Holy Trinity Low Row	
	Holy Communion	
9.30am	St Ändrew's Grinton	
	Eucharist	
	St Michael's Downholme	
	Eucharist	
10.30am	Low Row URC	
1	Reeth Methodist Communion	
11.00am	Reeth Congregational	
	St Edmund's Marske	
	Holy Eucharist	
11.15am	St Mary's Arkengarthdale	
	Holy Communion	
2.30pm	Gunnerside Methodist	
	Holy Communion	
3.00pm	Keld URC	
	with Muker Silver Band	
6.30pm	Marske Methodist Communion	
-	Reeth Congregational	

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#### EDITORIAL

Short and sweet - Think most items are in - at least those sent on time - A full report on the "Gazette" AGM and proposed changes will be in the December Issue. Please make sure all items are sent early and we shall try to ensure (within space limitations ) that it appears in your local "Gazette".

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Dear Sir.

As many of you may know I left the Kings Arms in late July having leased the hotel to Mr & Mrs N. Parry. My future plans now take me to Upper Wensleydale (I will never take Yvonne to see another waterfall again!) I plan to leave Reeth towards the end of November. Before I leave Swaledale however I would like to say a very big thank you to all of you who have been kind enough to have supported both myself and team throughout my four and a half years stewardship. I think it is fair to say that I inherited a very different regime and as some will remember was given 'six months' by many. Over the ensuing years we both updated the fabric and the attitudes providing a truly 'Middle House'.

I am proud to have been fortunate enough to experience the vibrancy of Swaledale, especially (I feel) its most important facet, its young community. The very future lifeblood of the dale.

Saturday nights were always the highlight of my week: listening to our regular musical sessions and watching the interrelationship between the likes of young Jamie 'Evil' Alderson talking proudly of his day upon the moor as my good friend Fremmie Hutchinson, one of Swaledale's oldest and best known characters recounted his fund of mining memories. I always say pubs are about people.

A sincere thank you to all, and good luck.

Sincerely, D. Mark Thompson The Meus -Reeth

#### **MUKER PUBLIC HALL**

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9th NOVEMBER 7.30 pm

#### LOW ROW WOMEN'S CIRCLE

We met at the home of Mrs Miriam Humphries on October 17th for the second gathering of the winter season.

Mrs Humphries entertained members with a talk entitled " A Sojourn in the Congo", in which she described the three months she spent in Kinshasa with her husband over thirty years ago. Photographs and craftwork were displayed and members thoroughly enjoyed the experience of being 'transported to a different life'.

On the 28th November, Mrs Susan Hird will give a talk entitled"Christmas Down Under" at Candle House, the home of Mrs Maureen Clayton.

#### MELBECKS SOCIETY

Next meetings are Nov. 8th at 7.30pm The Wensleydale Railway - Ruth Annison Nov. 21st. Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Nurse Fund, 10am - Noon All in Low Row Institute.

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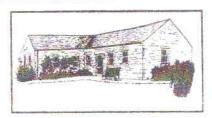
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# It's a Doc's Life A column with a medical slant

Some of you who read this column may realise that it is not always meant to be taken seriously. This one is. I have recently become interested in Near-Death Experiences (NDE's). NDE's are not rare, in fact, they may be relatively common.

It is estimated that about 8 million Americans may have had such an experience. So, what is an NDE? Well it is never the same for two people but there are basic similarities. They happen regardless of race, religious beliefs or age; they have happened to young children. They occur at a time when the person in question is actually near death or sometimes when they believe they are going to die, as an example it happened to one mountaineer as he fell down a mountainside.

The commonest features are 1) An out of body experience, by this I mean that the consciousness leaves the body and can float above it or often see things happening in remote places. 2) A life review, literally your whole life is played out before your eyes 3) a tunnel of light into which the persons consciousness enters and after travelling down it reaches a place where they may believe they are seeing a being like God or even long deceased relatives. 4) A change in the rate of passage of time. ....

5) Finally, they come to a "point of no return" where a decision is made to return to the physical body. Obviously, these people do not die because they are revived and live to tell their story. One thing is for certain and that is that the lives of these people are irreversibly changed. Many appreciate being given a second chance, many lose all fear of dying and some are too embarrassed to talk about it. It is however real, a study in the journal Resuscitation found that 6.3% of a group of 63 patients who were resuscitated after cardiac arrest in hospital reported features of an NDE and none of them said that it was unpleasant.

So why do we have NDE's? I don't know but some scientists say it is the last firing of the neurones of a dying oxygenstarved brain but the study I I quoted about refuted that, showing that most patients had good oxygen levels and that indeed there was no brain activity anyway, these people were clinically dead unless successfully resuscitated. Other scientists say that because it is a personal experience with no physical manifestation then science cannot prove what is happening one way or another. Others say it is evidence of the persistence of some sort of consciousness after the body has died. You must believe what you like. However, they are common enough that someone reading this may have had one. If so I would greatly appreciate a detailed written account of what happened.

Dr. Paul Bond, The Surgery.

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#### A BRIGHT SPOT IN THE DALES

Not all is doom and gloom in the Dales. The Buck Hotel at Reeth, affected like many other business in the area by the F & M crisis, has taken advantage of the quiet summer and opted for further investment in the Dales.

Preferring to look to the future, proprietor Robert Stillion has had the function room totally rebuilt.

The room now features a hexagonal dome that provides natural light for daytime functions. For night events there is a surprisingly variable lighting arrangement so it is suitable for different types of functions.

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#### Reeth & District Angling Club - October - Club News

Foot & Mouth Disease - There have been no cases reported during the month and although it is premature to say that the epidemic is over, it does appear that a watershed has been reached. If similar progress is made in the coming months then an official end could be pronounced in the New Year. Lets' all sincerely hope so.

A Sad End -The last ten days of the season were absolutely grand. Everything in and around Swaledale was at its best including the fishing and it was nice to return catches, hopefully for them to mature and provide sport for next season. Nevertheless it is sad to reflect on a season spoilt by the foot and mouth epidemic. Certainly there are other interests in the dale that were eminently harder hit and I trust that 2002 sees a resounding recovery, particularly to those that have unfairly received no compensation.

A Good End - Having caught two trout, bone them, simply split the fish along the stomach, lay as flat as possible and gently lift away the bones with a small sharp knife. Chop 1 large red onion, 2 medium skinned tomatoes and 1 garlic clove. Heat 1 tablespoon olive oil, add onion and cook gently for 3 minutes, put in 1 to 2 teaspoons of paprika and stir over a low heat for 2 minutes. Add the tomatoes and garlic, cook for 3 minutes. Remove from the heat, stir in 2 tablespoons soft breadcrumbs, 2 tablespoons grated cucumber, 2 tablespoons chopped watercress leaves, salt and pepper to taste. Spread over the flattened fish then fold to enclose the stuffing. Brush with olive oil, flavoured with a pinch of paprika. Either grill for 10 to 12 minutes or bake for 25 minutes in a preheated oven set to 190 degrees centigrade. Garnish with watercress. Serve with mixed vegetables. (Recipe c/o Marquerite Patten)

**Specimen Fish** - The best fish weighed-in during the foreshortened season was 11b 3oz (fly).

Dates -The next club committee meeting is scheduled for 29<sup>th</sup> October. The AGM is provisionally fixed for Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2002, beginning at 1930. The annual dinner will be held on March 16<sup>th</sup> 2002. These events are coincidentally to be held at the Buck Hotel, Reeth. The season starts again on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2002.

RF 23rd October 2001

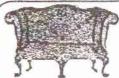
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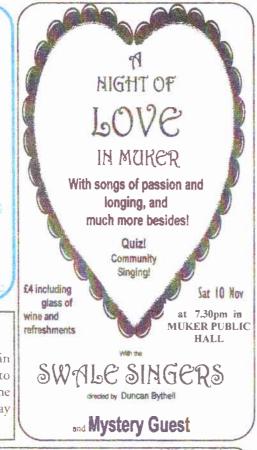
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#### THE BEGINNING of THE TEESDALE WAY

- 1 Hip Hip Hurray, we are on our way Striding along the winding Teesdale Way Wales had been cancelled, to our dismay So a local walk, was the plan of the day.
- 3 Marion Thompson is trying new pills 'Ginkgo Biblico'? To cure all ills A win on (her?) crossword will help with the bills

And a new Marion will be climbing the hills.

- 5 Audrey Jagger was 'as good as gold'! No tales about her, I'm not that bold But if she doesn't do as she's told Stories about her will surly unfold.
- 7 Audrey Brown has nothing to disclose She never does anything for us to oppose Her figure is trim as everyone knows I bet she can bend over and touch her toes.
- 9 We followed Kay Jackson with love and

Up hill and down dale, one day- over the ocean? 10 - As 'poet' of the gang, I know my rights In the T.I.C. she showed lots of emotion Would a Magnum help? An interesting potion?

11 - Danger was lurking every step of the way Huge bulls in fields, having their say Vertically challenged Loo's - legs dangling

Farmers resting in pubs at the end of the day How we overcame this - you can think what you may!

2 - To High Force & Cow Green - our destinations Eight roving females with great expectations To do battle with floods, gales & possible exterminations With best feet forward and firm determinations.

- 4 Barbara Laxton is a wizard with money Making us wonder about lands of milk & honey We giggled and laughed thinking life will be sunny Someone said "It's good to hear Old People laugh very funny!
- 6 What can one say about Shirley Gale? Thro initiative tests she can easily sail She's a good carer for people 'up dale' Her merry giggle helps us all on the trail
- 8 Margaret Crapper really looked dapper Pack on her back, waterproof hat on her napper She isn't one to get in a flap, not her So when the bee string, we used a tourniquet wrapper

We have no grumbling, we have no fights I can pull them to bits, put their name up in

But I still don't like floods and I don't like heights

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Trixie Bradley

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#### Present Position-

Installed by Messrs William Potts & Co., the famous clock manufacturers, the clock has given valiant service. In the 90 years since installation the clock has had several overhauls and renewals. However, though the main clock mechanism is reasonably sound, the spindles and fixings and the common drive shafts, couplings and bevel gears together with the winding pulleys and fixings, including the striking hammer and controls, are all in dire need of replacement. The clock has two faces, one looking south and the other west. Both the pointer drive mechanisms need major replacements and the bolts and fixings to the inside of the tower walls. which hold the drives to the pointers are completely rusted through.

It is now essential that this work is completed soon or it will be necessary to stop the clock working to safeguard against other major damage occurring. Both the four feet diameter clock faces need cleaning and repainting. Messrs. Potts have recently surveyed the clock and a quotation has been obtained for the required refurbishment works.

The total cost of the work necessary is in the order of £ 6,985

#### Why the need for this appeal-

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The clock was originally placed in the tower from funds raised by public subscription. Today, nearly a century later, the number of present residents of Muker Parish is only one-sixth that of 1910/11. due to depopulation in the dale caused by various economic changes. It is also a fact that approximately 45% of the present population is of retiring age.

Even so we are pleased to say that with self help and some generous donations we have so far raised nearly £2000 towards the cost of refurbishment. The Committee are now seeking other sources of funding assistance and appeal direct to you dear reader to kindly consider helping us reach our goal to save our church clock and have it fully restored in time for our present Queens' Golden Jubilee next year.

Muker, St Mary the Virgin Church, is one of very few built in the reign of Elizabeth 1st - 1580. It is now one of the four churches that make up the Parish of Swaledale with Arkengarthdale.

Thank you for taking time to read about our Church Clock. Should you feel that you are able to offer help in any way, or make a donation to this refurbishment appeal please contact or send your donation to the Secretary:-

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#### A LOOK into the FUTURE

The Time is the Present. - The Place is Reeth on a cold, rainy day. - Some ladies are sitting in a café drinking coffee. - Ata table nearby sits a man in black, who has his back to the ladies. They Speak:-

"I am off to Richmond. Our John forgot that the rear lights on the car weren't working, got caught by the police, daft lad, he has to show his licence. So that's a 24 mile round trip, Ee, I wish he could get some housing in the Dale, his Dad and I could do with a bit of space, and it's hard on the boy to be stuck with us old cronies!"

"Same here! We are hoping to extend at the back to make a shower room for the B & B folk, and I have to trail around to sort out various things. You can be certain that when I get anywhere I am in the wrong place, or the right person is tied up at a meeting--"

"Sounds kinky, know what you mean though! I had to go to Leyburn for my parking permit, then I had to sort out my Ma's housing benefit and ended up trailing half over Yorkshire to get tickets for the concerts that the family want to go to when they come next week". - "I'll tell you what I could do with. A lot of my B & B customers need to keep in touch with their businesses, and I have to go to the Garrison to deal with their e:mails.. Perhaps I could learn but I do hate making a fool..."

The man in black has turned round. He has piercing eyes, very white teeth and an elegant moustache. He draws in his breath with a hiss.

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#### A LOOK into the FUTURE...cont.

Chat to all your friends from up and down the Dale. You, yes You Madam, may be able to get help with your computer difficulties and e:mails. (personally, I rely on quill pens and toad's blood).

THE WIZARDRY OF EXCELLENT IDEAS are very keen on all this, we wish you all the luck in the world.

Keep your fingers crossed that it comes to pass......

His voice fades away. He appears to go out of the door, but there is no click of the latch. The bemused ladies can hear his voice dwindling as he seems to fly up Arkengarthdale.

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#### 20th CENTURY MIRACLE at YORK

Way back in the Middle Ages, when English roads were clogged with devout folk on pilgrimage, we gather that a Benedictine monk was employed full-time noting healing wonders at the shrine of St Thomas of Canterbury. Miracles then seem to have been taken for granted. That word miracle comes from an original Latin word miraculum meaning 'marvel, or something to be wondered at'. However, the 20th century miracle at York of which I am writing today is of a fundamentally different order from those of medieval Canterbury: and yet it is something to be wondered at, and given thanks for, even so.

The essence of this York miracle concerns the saving of the actual Minster itself. It consists of a combination of literally pioneering engineering skills and courage, coupled with the simple fact that the building had actually survived into an age of technology that was capable of saving it without defacing it.

I was a member of the York Minster Chapter throughout the whole restoration period, and thirty years after that work was completed seems as good a time as any to look back at it. For many years it had been recognised that the east end of the Minster was bulging outwards dangerously. Indeed, the original builders seem to have had a somewhat cavalier attitude to little matters like foundations. For they were aware of the problem whilst they were still building it. At a height of only 15 feet above ground it seems that they had recognised that the east wall was already 4½ inches out of plumb. However, they didn't take down what they'd built: they merely compensated for this by establishing a new perpendicular from that point upwards! In other words, at no time did that east wall ever go up in a perpendicular straight line! But gravity, coupled with insufficient foundations bearing an increased weight continued to exercise its outward thrust over the centuries. The result was that by the 1960s the east end was twenty five inches out of plumb. ......

It seemed only to be a matter of time before that Great East Window (whose tracery bowed yet another 9 inches out of plumb - that is 34 inches altogether!!), with all its 1700 square feet or more of John Thomton's priceless 15th century glass might well come crashing to the ground.

However, that was not the only problem. Serious cracks were clearly present in the spandrels (that is the surface between arches) of the 213 foot high central tower. Clearly, for some reason the tower was 'rotating' (as the engineers put it.) But the question was, Why? And so, late in the summer of 1966 we got a team of archaeologists from Cambridge to dig a hole in front of the left hand side of the Choir screen. This exercise was purposely shrouded in maximum secrecy, and carried out behind screens. It was treated theoretically as if it were a purely archaeological exercise searching for traces of the Saxon Minster, but our real purpose was far more serious.

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As the archaeologists dug deeper, our worst fears were confirmed as it rapidly appeared that the horizontal courses of stone in the foundations plunged disturbingly the nearer they got to the base of the N.E. central tower pier. It also became equally clear that the cracks higher up the tower were being caused by this sinking of the NE pier a full 12½ inches: and remember, that pier was supporting a one quarter share of the estimated sixteen thousand tons of masonry above it.

Two questions emerged therefore: Why was it doing it? and How could we stop it? Bemard Feilden (the then recently appointed Minster architect) began by carrying out a detailed survey of the whole Minster. He recorded all visible cracks, both internal and external, on to a perspex model. This meant that, in effect, he now had what was virtually an X-ray view of the whole building. It then became possible to assess the problem and attempt to find a solution. It emerged that the two western towers, the central tower and the east end were all suffering from varying degrees of foundation failure. But by far the most serious of these failures was the central tower. (About that time I had just finished reading William Golding's book 'The Spire,' and it seemed horrifyingly like fiction coming true. It was as though we were seeing a real life consequence of some similar medieval Dean's lack of interest in foundations!!) But why were the foundations failing? Partly, it seems, because of successive rebuildings on earlier foundations which were never designed to take heavier later loadings. Partly because in the 19th and 20th centuries more efficient drainage in York had lowered the general water table - and this had a knock-on catastrophic effect. It caused the great oak reinforcing elements in a mortar raft beneath the foundations gradually to dry out, and for those timbers to dissolve into mere dust.

And then, last but not least, in the case of the central tower, the north west pier was standing on the exceptionally firm foundations of the former Roman praetorium (or military headquarters), whilst the other three were not. (Try sitting on an ordinary four-legged chair on a soft sandy beach with just one of its legs on a rock and you will see exactly what I mean!). It is also probable that the two major Minster fires in 1829 and 1841 hadn't helped either. What then was to be done? Here we really were entering a pioneering realm. Nothing of this order had ever been attempted before. First, the entire area under the central tower, and adjacent first bays of both transepts and of the nave required digging out to reveal the foundations. This in itself was a dangerous business, requiring the insertion of a network of temporary massive steel girders, both at ground level and below, in order to stabilise the tower while digging took place.

In addition sandbags with an equivalent weight to the soil removed then had to be placed within the excavated area to prevent ground uplift, which could very well have precipitated the very collapse we were struggling to prevent.

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(As one who had been ordained in Chichester Cathedral, where the mere removal of the choir screen in 19th century had resulted in the collapse of the central tower and spire, I was particularly conscious of the alarming possibilities as I daily sat in my stall immediately beneath the eastern arch of that very tower!!)

The inadequacy of the foundations was soon revealed, and the anticipated Roman praetonum remains were also duly discovered. Bemard Feilden's brilliant solution was straightforward in concept, even if difficult to execute. He set out to enlarge each of the original tower foundations by encasing them in reinforced concrete collars that would approximately quadruple their area. Next drilling was carried out right through the new collars plus the medieval foundations plus the opposite side of the collars in order to lock together the old and new foundations with 11/4 inch high tensile stainless steel rods under considerable predetermined tension. effectively spread the load over a much larger ground area. Here we were nearly defeated in the difficult job of drilling. But with the help of technological advance in drill bits, coupled with an intensive drilling programme twenty three hours a day over many months, we finally won through. Many thousands of gallons of grout were also pumped in under pressure to fill the extensive voids revealed in the existing foundations.

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drilled accurately along the length and yet within the thickness of each of the four walls of the tower to take a girdle of twelve stainless steel rods right round the tower. This was to lock the four sides together, and to prevent any further outward thrust. At the same time a reinforced concrete ring beam 16 inches deep and weighing 200 tons was cast immediately below the parapet perimeter at the top. This was to prevent any inward movement above. The roof was also renewed. In this way the tower was stabilised.

Meanwhile five great steel raking shores were placed up against the east end of the Minster to support it while a whole series of tunnels was dug underneath the protruding wall, and filled with reinforced concrete foundations. This was done 'randomly' so that no two nearby sections were worked on at the same time. The net result is that the East wall of the Minster does now stand on proper foundations - this time of modern reinforced concrete - a foundation 125 feet long 18 feet wide and 9 feet deep.

A further set of huge raking shores were also built up against the two western towers and their foundations were also reinforced, and in each case the free standing pier received similar treatment to the piers of the central tower. This was inevitably a highly expensive operation, but in spring 1967 a special York Minster Appeal was launched to fund it.

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At the time this was the largest cathedral appeal ever launched, and it was for two million pounds. By today's standards I guess this would be not less than twenty million. Fortunately York Minster has always been regarded as a symbol of the whole of Yorkshire, and support came in from far and wide, and the West Riding County Council actually introduced a penny rate to help finance it. The restoration work began in spring 1967 and continued for over five years until completion in the summer of 1972 - which, coincidentally, was the five hundredth anniversary of the completion of the present Minster in the year 1472.

I have to say that the inevitable noise, dirt and general upheaval were unspeakable. Yet each day there was that golden three quarters of an hour of silence at four o'clock, when the men took their belated dinner break and we had choral Evensong. I can recollect only three occasions when Evensong had to be cancelled on account of the works. Once was quite early on when Shepherds (the main contractors) unwisely tried using petrol driven cutters in the Minster to cut out the mortar joints between floor slabs. That day the Minster was so filled with fumes that the only thing to do was to leave the building! The second occasion was when the great reinforced concrete ring beam was being cast on the top of the tower.

On that day a constant convoy of pre-mixed concrete vehicles came into Dean's Park, whilst a very powerful, and somewhat noisy pump then raised it the 213 feet to the top of the tower. Clearly this was an operation which could not be halted without dire results!!

The third was on that great day when premixed concrete was again being pumped into the Minster - this time to create what is now the coffered ceiling of the undercroft (beneath the central tower and the adjacent bays of the nave and both transepts). Once again this was an operation that, once begun, simply had to be completed. Were we ever got down by the upheaval? I think there was one period midway when morale dropped.

It seemed that the constant flow of soil and other material from the Minster was absolutely unending. Catwalks over the workings had a strange way of suddenly and unexpectedly being moved or altered; this could make forward planning extremely difficult. I think the tide finally turned when the floor area under the central tower was being cast. Then, at last, we felt we were on the home straight. Then it seemed that the end of the constant dirt, upheaval and noise was actually in sight. Five years can sometimes seem a very long time!

Since I personally had many dealings with the contractors about the day to day use of the Minster during this period, I should like to say what magnificent co-operation we always received from Shepherds of York, the main contractors (particularly Mr Ken Stephens and Mr R. Preston). if it was possible to be accommodating they invariably were so.

Put into theological terms I suppose one might say that they helped to turn a potentially hellish experience into one that was merely purgatorial - by which I mean it didn't last for ever! But York Minster was saved - a modern miracle. Something to be wondered at indeed!

Paul Burbridge - High Fremington

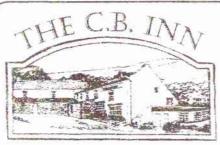
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Our next meeting will be on Thursday, 1st November when we will meet at the earlier time of 6.30 pm at Muker Institute. We plan to print a pre Silver Jubilee leaflet of the history of the Ladies Guild and see how the Reeth Gazette is printed/finished.

At 7.30 pm we will adjourn to the Public Hall for a Pie and Pea Supper and our Annual General Meeting. New members are very welcome.

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A magnificent total for the cake stalls run in June/July/August/October by each of the four churches in the Parish was £1328.15 (this includes £324 for the raffle) I think it is fair to say that this surpassed everyone's expectations and was an extremely successful fundraising event. Well done all those who worked so hard at the kitchen stove and those who supported the church by buying the produce; and a special thanks to those who organised the raffle and to Richard and Sheila Good for the use of their stall.

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Man of the match was Adam Calvert with Andrew Calvert also playing a very good match in mid field. The following week we took a large contingent to play pre-season friendly matches at Hawes. The under 9's had a very good game winning 5-0. Scorers were Stephen Coates 2 who was also man of the match, Ben Hall 2 and Daniel Stubbs. At the same time the under 15's played and although putting in a good performance lost 5-2 to a strong Hawes team while we only had 4 12- 14 year olds with the under 12's making up. Scorers were Adam Calvert and Lawrence Amott who was man of the match. The under 12's, our League team, played a close and exciting game but lost 3-2. Our three pronged attack never really got going. Peter Burt scored both goals and was clearly man of the match. 7'h October saw a League tournament at Bellerby but several of our players were away and we did not make the final. Results briefly were as follows: v Hawes B won 6-0 (Adam Calvert 5 Stephen Bainbridge 1) v Askrigg A lost 3-2 (Adam Calvert, as usual, scored both) v Bishopdale B lost 3-0. This was Bishopdale's better team which went on to win the trophy. V Bellerby B won 4-2 (Adam Calvert 2 Stephen Bainbridge 2) Man of the match was Stephen Bainbridge 14'h October brought Hawes to Gunnerside for return matches. Playing 3 matches again, the under 9's had another good win 7-1. Scorers were Stephen Coates 4, Harvey Pilgrim (yes I know he is 10), Matthew Calvert and Peter Sparrow. Man of the match was Ben Hall. The under 15's this time had a good win 9-5. Scorers were Lawrence Amott 4, Adam Calvert, Johnny Gregg 2, Ben Wearmouth and own goal. Man of the match was Lawrence Amott. The under 12's played very well and only a temporary lapse after half time enabled Hawes to come back to draw 7-7. The three pronged attack- Calvert Bainbridge and Burt worked well together. Scorers were Adam Calvert 2, Peter Burt 2, Ben Wearmouth 2 and Stephen Bainbridge. Man of the match was a difficult choice with many good performances but went to Paul Wilhelmy defending a very large goal while Ben Wearmouth also had a very good game. If we can build on this performance we could do well in the League and overall the three matches provided a welcome turnout of spectators with some good and exciting football.

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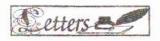
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As I struggled to adapt once again to the frenetic Silicon Valley life, I was sustained by the memories of absolute beauty and tranquillity that we had left behind in the Dales. I have an old calendar in which my mother-in-laws home appears in one of the photographs. I never turn the page - so time stands still and while I stare at that picture I can hear the sheep and smell the dale; a few seconds respite before the phone rings again!

Sincerely, Alison Collin Palo Alto EA . USA October 2001

Alisons' poem is printed here in full. Encourage anyone else?

#### **GUNNERSIDE**

Gunnerside, village of such tranquillity, When first in love your paths we did roam, Pray, let me never forget thee, This place that I call my home.

Cottages, smoke curling over roofs of grit or slate, Cluster along the narrow, winding road, Where villagers now chat over garden gate, Tired miners once homeward strode.

Patchwork fields, seamed with intricate walls of stone, Look down on silver thread of Swale far beneath, Where dipper bobs and heron stands alone, As rushing waters flow endlessly to Reeth.

Old barns, testify to building skills unmatched Of craftsmen long ago, though crumbling now, Still shelter owl and swallow as yet un-hatched, And Swaledale sheep or wintering cow.

High moors, where grey mist swirls over cotton sedges And sheep hide from wind behind protective wall, Change when sun shafts onto rocky ledges, And skylarks sing, and grouse and curlew call.

Silence broken only by the shepherds' whistle As Black speck herds on distant hill, Quiet meadows of buttercup, scabious and thistle, And mysterious mines of Gunnerside Gill.

Farmers, long custodians of this ancient land, Repeating endless cycles of an enduring past, From scythe to silage by your hand Comes certain change, but never fast.

> Gunnerside, you still pervade my dreams, Whilst with this modern world I cope, Such memories of these village scenes, I'll see again one day, I hope.

Alison Collin - Spring 2001

PMB: Alison is the daughter-in-law of Mrs Rene` Collin of Gunnerside. Thank you Alison for word painting such a wonderful feel for the dales. I am sure all our thoughts are with you at this time.

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Reeth AFC 8 Hipswell 3

Scorers: S Clarkson 2, T Bowers 2, C Hutchinson 2, J Simpson, T Alderson - Man of the Match: S Clarkson

Reeth AFC 3 Richmond Buck 1 Scorers: S Clarkson 2, T Bowers -

Man of the Match: J Simpson

Reeth AFC 1 Bowes 3 Scorers D Plumb - Man of the Match: D Plumb.

Reeth v Bowes report: After an evenly contested first half, Danny Plumb broke the deadlock on the stroke of half time. His long range header deceived the Bowes keeper, as under challenge from Steve Clarkson, the ball bounced over him and rolled in.

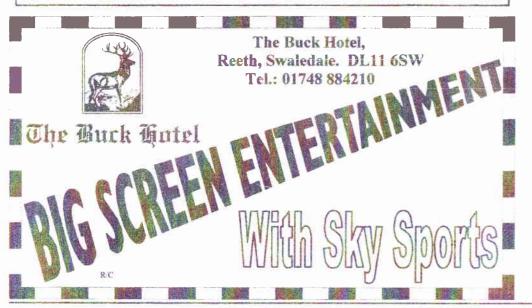
A goalkeeping error on 67 mins gifted Bowes a goal to let them back into the match and a back post header from their No 3 two minutes later saw them take the lead.

Bowes added another on 82 mins, Reeth appealing for a hand ball that wasn't given, left an easy tap in for a 3-1 win to Bowes.

Thanks to all those that supported the football club discos on 13th October, especially the juniors (80 children attended). The club appreciates the help of those members who helped on the door, Terry Alderson (juns), Danny and Kath Plumb, Ralph Porter and Tony Bowers, also Robert Stillion of the Buck Hotel, the club sponsor, for allowing the use of the room. The club will hold it's usual Christmas disco on Saturday 22nd December, juniors from 7 - 9 o'clock followed by a senior disco.

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#### Reeth Congregational Church -

The members of the church are delighted to announce that Rev. David Gregson, Minister of Little Hill Church, Wigston, Leicester, is to become the next minister of this church.

#### Marrick Institute -

Are to hold their Christmas Whist & Domino Drive on December 8th at 7.30pm - Good prizes and refreshments.

#### Carols By Candlelight -

The now-traditional 'Carols by Candlelight' service at Reeth Methodist Church will take place on Sunday 23rd December. Readings and music by The Swale Singers. All welcome.

#### Dales Ladies -

Meet on Monday 5th November for a Talk by Sheila Moore on INDIAN HEAD MASSAGE & REIKI

#### Arkengarthdale Christmas Concert -

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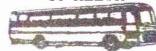
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The prize Christmas Gift Hamper will be displayed at Reeth Post Office from November 5<sup>th</sup>.

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#### SCHOOL NEWS

Walk to School Week -

For most of our children walking to school is too dangerous, but many pupils found ways of marking the week by increasing the amount of walking they do. As a culmination to the week sixty pupils, past and present, parents and staff (not to mention several dogs on leads) enjoyed



Headteacher: Mr G M Wilson

a four mile walk starting and finishing at Isles Bridge, Low Row. Upon completing the walk all participants received refreshments served by Mrs Pat Wilson and her daughter, Alison. Before leaving for home each child was presented with a special certificate to mark the occasion.

Congratulations to the football team for reaching the semi-final stage of the 'Friendly Soccer Tournament' at Brompton-on-Swale C. of E. School.

The KS2 pupils spent a rewarding and illuminating day carrying out a River & Village study organised by the YDNPark Education Officer, Bill Woods and supported by the YDNP Authority. Working alongside children from Arkengarthdale and Gunnerside Schools the pupils spent a day 'in the field' studying erosion and protection of the banks of the River Swale, some of the wildlife to be found in and close to the river and an introductory study of Reeth village. This was part of the River Swale Regeneration Project and the children were considering to what degree the river should either be managed or allowed to meander and the impact of such decisions on local businesses.

We were delighted to welcome many parents and friends to our Harvest Assembly during which the children celebrated in words and song the staple diet of so much of the world's population - 'bread', in its many forms. During the assembly two of our guests, Peter and Judith Calow were presented with a cheque for £212.25 towards the work of 'Save the Children Fund'. This represented half the money raised at the Coffee Morning held at the home of Mr & Mrs Calow in September. The other half of the proceeds were kindly donated to our school.

Together with pupils from Gunnerside School, and as quests of the Swaledale Festival, older pupils attended a performance of the short comic opera 'La Serva Padrona' in Grinton Church. This was the first experience of live opera for most of us and the superb performance entertained us all and proved an ideal introduction to this form of the performing arts.

G M Wilson.

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School Quiz - This raised over £100. Thank you very much to anyone who bought a quiz and to all the people who sold them on our behalf. There was a tie for first place between Andrew Wilkinson and Jeffrey Ward, the prize money going to Andrew Wilkinson on the flip of a coin. Well done to both! Answer sheets are available from Julie Bissicks.

Cake Stall - More than £107 was taken at the cake stall on 14<sup>th</sup> September. Many thanks to everyone who supported this.

Coffee Morning - The weather was beautiful for our coffee morning at Hilltop, the home of Judith and Peter Calow. There was a stall with fresh fruit and vegetables from the Calows' garden; a wonderfully diverse cake stall which included chutney and pies made (with apples from the school orchard) by the children at the school; a table groaning under the weight of all the Tombola prizes; a toy stall run by the children; quess the weight of the cake - won by Joan Clarkson; a raffle for a beautiful tapestry kit - won by Lorna Highmoor: and various other ways to part some very generous people from their money. We have had lots of kind comments from people who really enjoyed the day. The committee of the Friends of Reeth School would like to express their thanks to

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What next? - We'll be lying low for a bit, but please look out for information about our

Christmas Evening on 30<sup>th</sup> November at the Memorial Hall.

Julie Bissicks, Secretary,
The Friends of Reeth School
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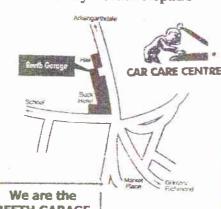
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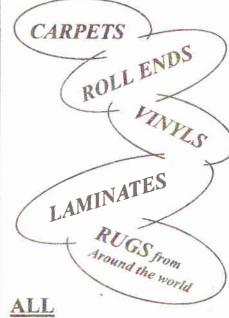
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