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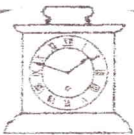
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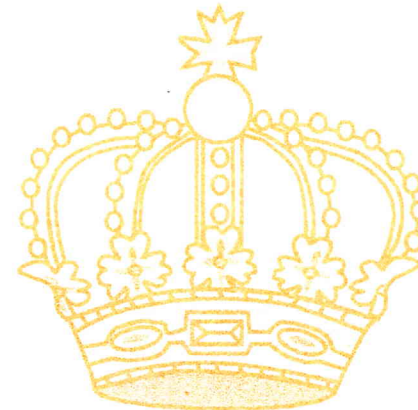
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	Reeth Methodist <i>Festival Songs of Praise</i>
11.00am	Holy Trinity Low Row <i>Eucharist</i>
	Reeth Congregational St Edmund's Marske <i>Family Eucharist</i>
2.30pm	Gunnerside Methodist
4.00pm	Low Row Village Hall <i>Jubilee Service</i>
4.00pm	St Andrew's Grinton <i>Festival Choral Evensong</i>
6.30pm	Reeth Congregational
7.00pm	Keld URC <i>Jubilee Service</i>

9th June

9.00am	Keld URC
9.30am	St Michael's Downholme <i>Holy Eucharist</i>
	St Andrew's Grinton <i>Eucharist</i>
10.30am	Low Row URC
11.00am	Reeth Congregational St Edmund's Marske <i>Morning Prayer</i>
11.15am	St Mary's Arkengarthdale <i>Holy Communion</i>
4.00pm	St Mary's Muker <i>Family Service</i>
6.30pm	Gunnerside Methodist Marske Methodist Reeth Congregational Reeth Methodist

30th June

9.15am	St Mary's Muker <i>Eucharist</i>
10.30am	Reeth Methodist Low Row URC
11.00am	St Edmund's Marske <i>Eucharist</i>

16th June

9.15am	St Mary's Muker <i>Holy Communion</i>
10.30am	Low Row URC Reeth Methodist
11.00am	Holy Trinity Low Row <i>Eucharist</i> Reeth Congregational St Edmund's Marske <i>Holy Eucharist</i>
2.00pm	Keld Methodist <i>Sunday School Ann</i>
2.30pm	Arkengarthdale Methodist
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23rd June

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EDITORIAL

Hi there ! I'm sorry that this is short and sweet—although some of you might not be ! Anyway, there is so much material again this month that I cannot publish it all, and as there were only three sides of A4 left, and I didn't want to publish another supplement, I have had to hold most material over till next month. But don't worry, it will get published. And by the way thanks to the many who said they enjoyed the Supplement. In the meantime, The Gazette sends best wishes to her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the Second on her Golden Jubilee. We also hope that you all enjoy your local activities that are going on to celebrate the occasion. It would be nice to have reports of these for next month's issue. Don't forget any material for the Gazette, please send to me : **GEORGE LUNDBERG, EDITOR**

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Thankyou.

The Creation Question !

Dear Sir, It was heartening to read Dr. Bond expressing the importance of thinking about the way that God created the world. Sadly, today, many people can't be bothered to think. It's much easier to leave it to the experts on T.V.! I have to admit that in some areas I tend to do it myself. On the other

hand, I've had to put a great deal of thought into this subject of Creation, because what I was taught at school doesn't really fit into what God says in the Bible. Here is one very important thing that I've found out. There is a wonderful variety of plants and animals in the world around us. The original dogs (or wolves) which God created must have had a vast amount of genetic information in their DNA's, considering that their descendants now include Golden Retrievers and Yorkshire terriers and all the other dogs that we see in Swaledale. The best dog breeder in Yorkshire, however, could never breed backwards from a poodle to a wolf. Selective breeding involves a loss of genetic information. Only cross-breeding can reintroduce any additional genetic information. So how could amoebae have developed into anemones or ant eaters? Where would a reptile have found the genetic information to grow feathers and turn into a bird? Many people would answer "Mutations". Unfortunately for evolutionists, there is no evidence at all of mutations ever having produced a net gain of genetic information. Even where mutations prove to be helpful, such as when certain beetles adapted to living on a windswept island, it has been through losing some information. In this case, they lost the information needed to grow wings, which meant that they were less likely to be blown into the sea. It seems to me that a lot more faith is needed, when we really start to think about it, to believe what evolutionists tell us to believe, than to believe what God tells us in the Bible.

Elizabeth R. Gregson

Ed. This topic has sparked interest ! Space has not allowed other responses to be published on the topic, I will publish them next month, and please, do keep writing in.

ARKENGARTHDALE C.E. SCHOOL

As many of you will already know I have decided to take early retirement at the end of this school year. I have been Headteacher at Arkengarthdale School for over 19 years and it has been the most enjoyable and rewarding time of my teaching career. The children of the dale have been my life during this time and I will miss them all very much. I wish them well for the future. I would like to thank staff, governors and parents, past and present, for their invaluable help and encouragement over the years.

The appointment of the new Headteacher has now been made by the Governors and I am delighted to be able to hand the school over to Mrs. Mary Hutchinson in September.

I am sure the right decision has been made and we all wish Mary every success in her new appointment.

SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:

One of the highlights of our school year was to receive an award from the Secretary of State for Education & Skills for achievements in the 2000/2001 school year. The Governors and Staff were delighted to receive this award in recognition of the commitment and dedication of all the staff.

AUTUMN TERM:

We took part in the Swale Project together with Reeth and Gunnerside schools. This was a geography project funded by the National Parks and involved children exploring the River Swale and Reeth. In October we also took part in a national 'Walk to School Week' by walking from the cattle grid at Rawbank.

to school on the Monday morning. Nearly all the children participated and many continue to walk some of the way to school on a regular basis. We also had a whole school visit to The Bowes Museum at Barnard Castle for inspiration for an art workshop day in school. The children produced some beautiful silk paintings.

Our Christmas concert 'The Hopeless Camel' was a huge success, partly due to our wonderful new staging bought for us by 'The Friends of the School'. Part of the funding was raised by holding an 'Italian' night at the C.B. Hotel that was enjoyed by all. Many thanks to the 'Friends' for their continued hard work and commitment to the school.

SPRING TERM:

The KS2 children attended a Road Safety Poetry afternoon together with Reeth and Gunnerside children in February. This was held at Reeth school. Some lovely poems were produced.

We held a Scholastic Book Fair in March which was very well supported by our parents and children. This enabled us to buy extra books for our library.

The KS2 children have taken part in an exciting photographic project called 'A Way of Life', in conjunction with Reeth and Gunnerside schools and the National Park and Dales Countryside Museum at Hawes. This has resulted in a display being held at the Museum from 19th May - 9th June. John Hird, Marjorie Stones, Enid Lundberg, Clarke Stones and Bill Martin were interviewed by our children as part of the project and recordings can be heard at the Museum.

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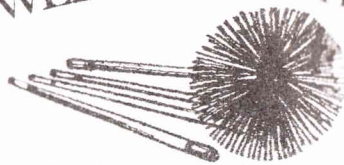
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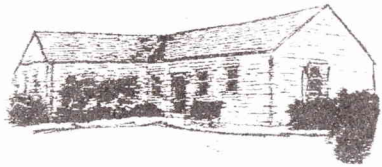
2DP READY TO MOVE FORWARD..... ICT, TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATIONS

During April 2DP held three public consultation events to gain information to assist in the updating of the Community Investment Prospectus (CIP). There was a good response with over 50 people attending the events in Muker, Arkengarthdale and Reeth. Through the comments received at these events and additional consultation with bodies such as the District Council and National Park 2DP are in a position to finalise the CIP update and move forward with project development. The issues highlighted through the consultation process were discussed at the most recent 2DP meeting on 10th May 2002. As a result of the discussions 2DP will continue to develop projects in the areas of ICT and transport, additionally a new project area of communication will be high on the agenda. Our aim was to link the ICT (Computer) project with the NYCC Community Education "Locals on Line" project. Unfortunately, there have been some unforeseen difficulties, which have delayed the implementation of the project. However with some creative thinking a way forward has been proposed. In order to progress this 2DP will need the approval of the projects funding bodies to make changes to the format of the project. This is being followed up at the moment and 2DP look forward to delivering some good news in the future. The Rural Community Council (RCC) on behalf of the Countryside Agency has produced the results of the recent transport survey. Stan Roocroft from the RCC gave a report on the results of the survey to members of 2DP and invited representatives of the Parish Councils on the preliminary results on the 10th May 2002. There was an excellent response to the survey the percentage returns were well

above the national average. We can therefore conclude that the results of the survey do reflect what the community considers are the important issues regarding transport. The findings of the survey concluded: **Transport** issues in general tend to have an impact on the lives of the young people and older population of the area. In particular making it difficult to access leisure, shopping and health services.

There are a significant number of people who do not have access to a car during the day. **The number** of households providing lifts is high. **The usage** of public transport is not high although, more people would use public transport if it met their needs. A number of comments referred to the need for a community mini bus or similar. The maintenance of roads in terms of ditches and gulleys was considered poor and affected the condition of the roads **The number** of days lost at work was high as a result of snow and flooding. As a result of discussions 2DP will be looking to develop two project area; a community transport initiative based in the community and controlled by the community and to address road maintenance issues raised through the survey. Throughout the consultation the theme of communication in terms of reliable and fast internet access, mobile telephones and TV/ Radio reception were highlighted as key areas, which affect both businesses and individuals. 2DP will be looking to develop appropriate projects in this area. However, the starting point will be to bring together a planning group to consider the issues and seek advice from a technical specialist in addition to reviewing the work currently being undertaken in these areas by both the public and private sector.

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It's a Doc's Life

I know I said I wasn't going to write anymore but I could not resist the gauntlet thrown down by our new minister, David Gregson, in his letter about creation. Firstly, I must say that I fully respect his right to hold whatever views he wants to but I, myself, do not believe there is any difference between the stories of creation as told in the Bible and our current understanding of the origin of life on Earth. For example, in the opening chapters of Genesis in my Bible, it says, *"The Earth was without form and void and darkness was on the face of the deep"*. Our current understanding of the origin of the Earth is that it condensed from a huge rotating cloud of gas and dust called a nebula. The Earth, without form, would have coalesced from the dust grains in this nebula drawn by gravity to form larger and larger bodies and eventually planets. *"And God said, 'let there be light'; and there was light"*. At the centre of our rotating nebula was a massive ball of hydrogen gas collapsing under gravity and heating up. It would glow a dull red until enough heat and pressure was produced to trigger nuclear reactions in the core, fusing hydrogen to helium. Once this happened the Sun would light up as a star and burn with the brilliance we see today. And there was light. *"And God said, 'Let waters under heaven be gathered into one place and let the Earth appear'"*. Study of plate tectonics and continental drift suggest there was once just

one huge continental land mass surrounded by sea. This super-continent was named Pangea and its break up led to the continents we know today. Therefore by day three, there is no conflict between science and creation. *On the third day, God said, "Let the Earth put forth vegetation"*. From geological studies, we know that the early Earth had an atmosphere with no oxygen and lots of carbon dioxide and bathed in deadly ultra-violet radiation; we would all have died in seconds if we were to venture there. It is not until billions of years of photosynthesising by vegetation in the sea that our current oxygen-rich, life sustaining atmosphere came to be.

Science believes that life began in the sea: the Bible says that *"on the fifth day "And God said 'Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures."* Science also believes life evolved from the sea to the land once an oxygen rich atmosphere produced an ozone layer to protect us from the ultra-violet radiation. The Bible states that on the sixth day, *"Let the Earth bring forth living creatures"*. Moreover, on the sixth day God created man, the same day as all the other creatures, just as we share 99% of our DNA with the great apes and other primates (and quite a lot of it with earthworms and bacteria too!). Still there is no conflict between science and creationism. The rest of Genesis you must interpret yourself; I do not feel qualified to comment on Adam, Eve, and the tree of knowledge.

The creation story doesn't in my opinion, conflict with anything we know today. It contains elements of many sciences; astrophysics, nuclear physics, plate

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The Upper Dales Family History Group

The first AGM of the group was encouragingly well attended and led to fruitful discussions of the way ahead after various activities, most notably a very successful Family History Exhibition in November, had been tried out during the previous 18 months. In addition to the regular programme of speakers on a wide variety of topics, useful links have been made behind the scenes, through meetings and the e-mail group which has brought together local researchers, from complete beginners to those with years of experience, from all over the world. A monthly Computer Club held at the Key Centre, Middleham has helped many members and visitors to make better use of their own computers for research or to learn the techniques from scratch.

A steering committee was elected to plan future meetings and activities, looking into the possibility of occasional evening meetings and using venues which were accessible to the majority of members, while still retaining the important links which came from alternating between Swaledale and Wensleydale.

The meeting on June 26 will take place at the Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes and will be the second visit of Angela Petyt who delighted her audience last summer with tales from Victorian schools. This year her subject is "Illegitimacy". The meeting begins at 2pm and will be the last before the summer break. A new autumn programme will be announced shortly. The meetings are open to all - non-members £1.

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tectonics, geology, genetics, molecular biology, evolution and others. So why pick a fight with evolution? Evolution is simply the process whereby a great variety of life forms comes to occupy many different environments. It is God's way of creating diversity and eventually life with intelligence. Without evolution, God's Earth would still be populated by single celled organisms like bacteria; instead, it contains creatures that have discovered the concept of God and thus creation. One thing creationists cannot do is to deny the existence of evolution. Just look at a poodle and a dachshund to see what selective pressure can do to a species like the wolf. Farmers use selective breeding all the time to refine their stock, and this is a form of evolution.

What amazes me is who told the men who wrote Genesis the correct order in which these events occurred. The odds of getting the correct order of creation by chance are vanishingly small. It is only in the last few hundred years that science has understood the events leading to the formation of the Earth. So how could men writing a scripture thousands of years ago have got it so right? Only God knows.

It seems clear to me however, that if God started talking to man about plate tectonics and nuclear fusion when the book of Genesis was written it would have remained a complete mystery until the last hundred years. It had to be couched in simple terms that people of that era could understand. Science simply gives you an opportunity to update your belief system by 2,000 years if you want to. From my point of view, science affords me a glimpse

of the awesome majesty of God's Universe that the Bible does not.

I also believe that God is not deceitful, I do not believe that, for no good reason, he would leave the ringing echoes of the Big Bang imprinted on the cosmic microwave background. Would that be just for the amusement of astronomers? I don't believe he placed the complex, impressive, but still incomplete, fossil record with all its mass extinctions in the ground just for the delectation of palaeontologists and so that Steven Spielberg could create movies about dinosaurs.

Science does have its limitations however. Kurt Gödel's Incompleteness Theorem, Chaos theory and Werner Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle means that science and mathematics will never be able to fully describe the nature of the universe or prove the existence of God. Science cannot, determine the precise momentum and position at the same time of a single subatomic particle so the rest of the Universe seems a tall order. A need for faith is built into the fabric of the Universe. So if there is a need for faith does it matter what we believe in? Not necessarily, but in order to have a conversation you both have to believe in something and to believe in something you have to have thought about it. Although David Gregson and I may have differing viewpoints on Creation, we are at least united in having thought about it.

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Greg, Lisa and Christopher Porter wish to thank all who helped in any way during our flooding worries in February. To Uncle Dick a very special thank you for all your love and caring.

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(Please note Fremington's total is still to be counted).

The Market Stall held at Reeth on Friday 10th May raised £146.20, whilst the collection from the church Service held at the United Reformed Church, Low Row on 10 May made £80.71.

The coffee morning at the 'drop in' at Reeth Methodist chapel on 17 May raised £75.74. Donations of £23 from the Good Friday walk and £100 from the Traidcraft group (who have a regular monthly sale at Reeth Methodist chapel 'drop in' where supporters may purchase fairly traded goods on a year round basis) were also given.

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Richmondshire District Council

On Tuesday 21st. May at the Council's
Annual General meeting members and
guests heard Cllr. R. Alderson propose
Cllr. O. J. Kendall as Chairman for the
coming year. He said he had known Cllr.
Kendall for nearly fifty years, he is one of
only 12 members to be born in the
district, and was in fact born in the town
of Richmond. Educated at Reeth Friends
School and the then Richmond Grammar
School, and then joining the family's
butchery business. The Kendall's family
have lived in Swaledale for well over 500
years, his father was both a councillor on
the former Reeth District Council and a
Parish Councillor for Reeth. Councillor
Kendall was first elected parish
Councillor for Reeth in the late 1970's
and District Councillor in 1991. In this
time he has served on various
committees and the last 2 years as Vice
Chairman of the Leisure and Economic
Development Committee, and he
represents the Council on the Yorkshire
Dales National Park Authority. On the
following evening the new committee
structure came into operation with now 3
Service Committees, 2 Scrutiny
Committees plus the Appeals
Committee as major committees. Cllr R.
Alderson was elected Chair of the
Resources Committee. Cllr. Alderson is
also the District's representative on the
Rural Commission. Cllr. John Blackie was
elected leader of the Council in a straight
run off against Cllr. Helen Grant.

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You can leave items for the Gazette in Reeth P.O.

## Reeth Congregational Church Festival

The Reeth Congregational Church are  
delighted that Rev. Dr. Eryl Davies,  
Senior Tutor at the Evangelical  
Theological College of Wales will be  
preaching at the Church festival on  
Saturday 8th. June at 6 : 00pm (followed  
by supper) and on Sunday 9th. June at  
11:00 am and 6:30 pm. Dr. Davies was  
minister first of all in Maesteg in S. Wales  
and then at Bangor Evangelical Church.  
He is a regular contributor to Christian  
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to play a single  
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against their A team.  
Bellerby simply  
outclassed us with a

particularly strong defence so we lost 3-1. Man of the match Ben Wearmouth played a very good game. On May 18th we entered an under 14's team in the Wensleydale Creamery League tournament. Getting a very hard draw we first played Redmire (effectively Bellerby and Leyburn) and lost 3-0. Then we had to take on Richmond Mavericks who quite openly played a Richmond School year 9 team (ours were mostly years 7 & 8) who defeated us 4-0. We managed a consolation win in the third game against Hawes B 2-0. Scorers were David Coates and Robert Wilhelmy and man of the match was Jim Smith who is playing a much stronger game. We were happy with these results against much stronger teams. The next day our under 15's team entered the under 16's tournament. Again we had a hard draw against town teams and did well only to lose 2-0 to Leyburn A. Next we took on Hawes and managed a draw 2-2 in a very good game. The final match was against Richmond Mavericks again who went 4-0 up in almost as many minutes but our lads fought back scoring 2 goals in the second half only to concede another to lose 5-2. This was a very creditable result against an older experienced team and independent spectators thought we gave Mavericks their toughest opposition of the afternoon. Man of the match was Stephen Allison who scored all our goals. Finally hot off the press,

the under 11's went to Spennithorne for their tournament for a disappointing day. One of our matches was cancelled leaving only two for which we had 10 lads so we effectively had to split them into two teams to give everyone a game. After being one up against Hawes they came back to win 2-1. We had to play the second match straight away and for which we played our weaker team against Askrigg but this was marred by having to play through a thunderstorm and very heavy rain. The end result was a loss 3-0. Man of the match was Steven Bainbridge who played well in both games.

**David Williams**

### An Introduction

Dear Sir, Now that David and I have come to live at The Old Temperance, I thought that perhaps I ought to introduce myself. Over the last twelve years we have spent many holidays in Reeth and ten years ago stopped here for the night when we were on the Coast to Coast Walk. Shortly after Martin and Jenny took over the Post Office, I persuaded them to stock my stories of the long distance walks that we have enjoyed and now the national Park Centre has also agreed to sell "A Wife on the Walk (Coast To Coast)". I should like to make it clear that the profit from these three books go to three different charities: Tearfund (The International relief and development organisation), a Christian leprosy hospital in Thailand; and a FEBA Radio programme about health education. Now, as we begin to settle down in the village, we are really glad to know that we are not just here on holiday but that Reeth is our home. **E. R. Gregson**

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**EXTRACTS from JAMES CLARKSON'S NOTEBOOKS**

Continued from May edition:-

The following extracts were made by Dr Margaret Batty, Author of 'Bygone Reeth' and were first published in our May 2002 issue Number 82 for researchers and students.

1853

Nov. 22nd With Mr. Lonsdale (policeman) and Mr. Hayton at Kexwith shooting rabbits.

Dec. 26th Gill Beck Bridge was built by subscription in the latter part of this year.  
1854

Jan. 21st With Dr. McCollah and Dr. Rodham at Mrs. Hutchinson's whilst removing a cancer from the right breast of Betty Taylor of Low Row.

27th Gave Mr. White 2s 6d.

29th Wesleyan Chapel for firing and lighting 6d.

Feb. 3rd Got a letter from Joseph dated 15th January 1854. (This was amazingly fast. Joe did not mention the £3 but complained that he had not heard from the family, said he was out of work, and was owed \$30 for work done on a farm. Evidently he had not gone to California. He asked for money and clothing to be sent by the next emigrants from the dale.)

10th Thomas Ward cut hair 3d.

19th Collection at Wes Chapel for reduction of debt 4s.

Mar. 20th Thomas Alderson and wife of Reeth to America. Mr. Fawcett went with them to Liverpool.

31st England and France declare war on Russia.

Apr. 1st This is my birthday being 40 years of age.

26th Fast Day in consequence of war with Russia.

May 15th John Blenkins and his family left this house today and removed most of his furniture to Sherlocks House.

June 2nd Found 4 birds' nests between Halfway House and Healaugh.

August 18 days holiday. Bathed in sea at Hartlepool. Herrings 10s a thousand. By boat to Scarborough and Flamborough £10.2s.6d. Toys for children.

Sep. 24th Set my nightcap on fire in bed.

Dec. 31st At my sister and husband Knowles, Low Row. Gunnerside Band played, gave them half a crown.

1855

(Another letter from Joseph who was living with James' friend and Dr. McCollah's former apprentice, John Wilkinson, in George Town, Smelter Grove, Grant County Wisconsin, written the previous October. He again complained of never having heard from any of his family.)

Jan. 17th An officer (John James Robinson Esq.) and six privates billeted at Geo Ward's Buck Inn.

Apr. 26th Paid John Johnson of Gunnerside 10s. Towards building the new Wesleyan Day School.

June 3rd Made Margt Ann (Nelson) a present of 6d.

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There has been a great deal of doom and gloom in the Press about the Post Office, Consignia and notice of post office closures. We have had our letter from Consignia telling us that we have been designated a 'rural' post office and as such they hope that we shall remain open. Most of the closures to come will be amongst urban post offices. We feel very positive about our future and cannot imagine Reeth being without a post office, which is why we have improved the facilities in the shop.

However from April 2003 pensions and allowances will be paid directly into bank accounts rather than through the post office. Those of you who collect your payments from the post office will soon be asked how you want your pension/allowance to be paid. The Government have said that anyone who wants to have their pension/allowance paid through the post office will be able to if they insist, and the latest information we have is that if you want to have your money paid out at the post office then you will have to go to Northallerton to discuss this with the DSS there. You are going to have to be pretty determined if you are going to stay with the post office! This is bad news for us, as pensions account for about 40% of our post office income. For people who don't have a bank account, you will be able to start a 'basic' bank account at the post office and have your pension/allowance paid into that account and you will still be able to collect your money at the post office. Even if you already have a bank account you can (with determination) open a 'basic' bank account and collect your money from the post office. This 'basic' account will enable you to pay money into the account, and draw money out, but you will not be able to have standing orders, direct debits or become overdrawn. As far as we know there will be no cheque book but your money will be accessed by a swipe card through the post office.

There are moves afoot to increase the amount of personal banking done at the post office. At the moment you can cash cheques and pay in money at no charge to accounts with Barclays, Co-op, Lloyds TSB, Cahoot, Smile and Alliance & Leicester, and there are moves to widen the net of banks offering this service. Also cash should be available by using your bank card only at the post office and we are pushing for transactions such as car tax to be paid for by credit cards. The post office needs to move into the 21st Century! So things are not going to be easy from April next year. But if they are hard for us they will be even harder for the other offices in the Dale who rely even more on pensions than we do. Consignia may not want these offices to close, but on economic grounds they may have to.

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So what can you do to help safeguard the future of the post office in the Dale. Basically 'use it or lose it'! Open an account with a bank affiliated to the post office and use the post office to cash cheques and pay in money. Use the local office to buy your stamps and post your parcels. Just try to use your local office as much as possible.

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Martin & Jenny -- Reeth P. Office

**Illustrated Talks in Fremington Sunday School 2002****Monday evenings at 8 pm**

|                  |                                                      |                  |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>June 3rd</b>  | The Yorkshire Dales in 3D                            | Dave Weedon      |
| <b>June 10th</b> | The Quaker Tapestry: The stories behind the stitches | Anne Taylor      |
| <b>June 17th</b> | The Work of a National Park Archaeologist            | Robert White     |
| <b>June 24th</b> | Victorian Swaledale                                  | Duncan Bythell   |
| <b>July 1st</b>  | Nostalgic Richmond                                   | Gwen Butler      |
| <b>July 8th</b>  | Easby Abbey : From Blood-letting to Bloodstock!      | Jane Hatcher     |
| <b>July 15th</b> | Comets and Other Astronomical Phenomena              | Prof. G. Marr    |
| <b>July 22nd</b> | Stained Glass of the Twentieth Century               | Peter Gibson OBE |
| <b>July 29th</b> | Leadmining in Swaledale & Arkengarthdale             | Lawrence Barker  |

Note some lectures have been changed since last month this is the latest listing.

**Guided Walks in Swaledale & Arkengarthdale 2002**

|                       |                                                                               |                            |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Sun. 2nd June</b>  | High Points of Marrick Moor<br>meet outside Burgoyne Hotel at 10.30 am        | Paul Denning<br>10 miles   |
| <b>Mon. 3rd June</b>  | Leadmining near Keld<br>meet in Keld village at 2 pm                          | Roger Pettican<br>3 miles  |
| <b>Wed. 5th June</b>  | The Old Gang Mines and Mills<br>meet at Surrender Bridge at 2 pm              | Lawrence Barker<br>3 miles |
| <b>Sun. 16th June</b> | Leadmining in Gunnerside Gill<br>meet at Gunnerside Village Institute at 2 pm | Roger Pettican<br>6 miles  |
| <b>Sun. 21st July</b> | Three Hills of Swaledale<br>meet at Fremington Sun. Sch. at 10.30 am          | Paul Denning<br>9 miles    |
| <b>Wed. 31st July</b> | The Old Gang Mines and Mills<br>meet at Surrender Bridge at 2 pm              | Lawrence Barker<br>3 miles |



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- July 24th Mr. Puncheon (W.M. Punshon, Wesleyan minister and notable preacher) preached at Wesleyan Chapel (not there).  
Aug. 21st Arkendale Beck not known to be so high in last 30 years.  
Sep. 23rd At Langthwaite with Dr. McCollah. He amputated James Mudd's left leg above knee.  
Dec. 6th & 7th Great flood. Supposed to have done damage to the amount of £1000 between Scabba Wath and Grinton Bridge.  
16th & 17th Out with A. Barker getting subscriptions towards the erection of a bridge at Scabba Wath.

1857

- Jan. 7th Miss Simpson (Margt) died about 7 o'clock.  
10th Miss Simpson buried in the morning at Grinton close to the left side by her brother Thomas, by the Rev. Percy Smith, Vicar. At Miss Simpson's (Hannah) tonight and counted in notes £40 and sovereigns £261.10s = £301.10s.  
13th About last Christmas Day Thos Blenkiron's son Reeth Mill came to the shop (as apprentice). Confined to my bedroom for two nights and a day from sickness, having pain in my bowels. Paid Jabez Raisbeck on a/c for Capel's *Educational Course* 5s.  
14th & 15th Burning papers and letters belonging to the late Jos Sunter and his uncle Metcalfe Sunter.  
Feb. 12th Mrs. Blenkiron, wife of Jos Blenkiron of Rawcroft died this evening about 7 o'clock leaving 8 children.  
20th The late Mr. Simpson, solicitor, Reeth, died on or about the 5th June 1816 Took this date from a bill of John Raine's for Mr. Simpson's coffin which cost £3. (James had just been clearing up the affairs of Simpson's daughter, Margaret (1771—1856). They lived in East Street.)  
Mar. 13th Thos Smith and I wrote at Robt. Spence's sale. Made by Dr. McCollah for rent. The net proceeds of the sale after paying all expenses amounted to £24.1s.9d.  
29th Old Betty Fothergill died aged 86 years. Ralph Fothergill's widow.  
Apr. 4th Poll Day at Reeth, between Duncombe and Cayley and Dundas. D and Cayley successful candidates.  
19th On High Harker with Martindale the police officer and John Watson, Fremington. Found a golden plover's nest with 4 eggs in it.  
May 2nd Sir George Denys Bart. Died aged 68.  
6th Mr. Nicholson, Innkeeper, Middleham and Mr. Marsh (Mr. Topham's clerk) at Reeth. I was with them at the Buck Inn. Mr. Marsh told me he had served Mr. Ward Fremington with a notice to say that Mr. Wyvill was appointed by the Att. General to receive the Fremington School Funds.  
.....to be continued in future issues of Gazette.



**JAPAN IN ARKENGARTHDALE!**

People visiting Arkengarthdale over the weekend of June 1st and 2nd may be intrigued to see a number of people cutting nettles or busily beating nettle stalks with mallets or soaking mysterious-looking bags in the Arkle Beck. What on earth are they up to? The answer is: making paper. International artist JEAN LODGE, who has spent time in Japan working with Japanese papermakers, is holding a Papermaking Workshop at Castle Farm House using the traditional methods of making paper by hand. Jean says the Japanese papermakers insist on the importance of pure water and pure air and is delighted to find the perfect conditions at Castle Farm! (We also have nettles ... ) You can join in if you like (£30 a day, £25 for students under 25, everything provided). Jean will be showing slides of papermaking by hand in Japan and France in the evening. If you want to know more ring Rosemary Davidson on 01748 884823, or before May 30 on 01223 314960.

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This was a new venture for the Church at Muker and God certainly blessed us in this endeavour.

A magnificent total of £1976 was given and raised on the day. This amount will rise to £2150 once tax is reclaimed on the Gift Aided part of the donations.

Thank you to all who contributed in any way to make it such a successful day, your generosity and interest in the life and work of our church in Muker, help us realize how many people continue to think of us in the Upper Swaledale remote rural area. This indeed gives us strength and resolve in our endeavours.

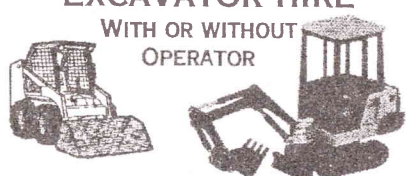
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R. W. Duck – Sec

### WEA - AGM

At the AGM of the Reeth and Swaledale branch of the WEA (Workers' Educational Association) Secretary Ray Wright and Treasurer Barbara Buckingham handed over their positions to Janet Bishop and Barry Clayton respectively. Elizabeth Sutherland proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring Committee members. Lawrence Barker continues to Chair the branch for the coming year.

The WEA branch has held regular meetings over the past 70 years and courses have been held in a wide variety of subjects from Play Writing through to Industrial Archaeology. Members' research into local history has been incorporated in the 1978 Fieldhouse and Jennings publication - 'A History of Richmond and Swaledale'.

The next course will run in the autumn and details will be advertised nearer the time.

### St. Mary's Church ARKENGARTHDALE

The church has organised the following special events.

#### **June 4th - A Jubilee Duck Race**

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#### **June 16th - Outdoor Evensong**

Evensong with the Parish Choir in the Old Churchyard, Arkle Town at 6.30 pm.

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### ARKENGARTHDALE PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council Annual General Meeting was held on the 7th May when Mr. Clark Stones was re-elected Chairman and Mr. Stephen Stubbs vice chairman.

All Councillors have now signed the model code of conduct form and the declaration of interest. The Standards Board have been advised of this. The Chairman received a petition from residents of Langthwaite asking the Parish Council to reconsider placing the new Jubilee seat on the small area of village green in Langthwaite. Letters have been sent to all the residents who signed the petition, explaining the situation of the Parish Council concerning village greens. A letter has been received from the Yorkshire Local Council Association, advising the Council of its duties. A small plaque is to be placed in the recently reinstated area of village green.

A Bar-Be-Cue will be held on the sports field after the sports to celebrate the Queens Golden Jubilee. This is organised by the young residents of the dale. Tickets are available from the Red Lion Inn and the C.B. Inn.

A letter was received from County Councillor John Blackie enclosing a cheque for £750 towards the children's play area opposite the school. The Council are utterly opposed to the changes proposed in the Boundries Review. It is felt that the present system whereby all the upper dales are grouped together under one County Councillor is by far the best for our parish. Great concern was expressed about the proposed Water Authority building at Langthwaite water works. A site meeting will be held to further discuss this. Concern was expressed about the speed at which cars drive through the dale. There are children playing on High Green. Some ways of reducing speed are being investigated. The next parish council meeting is on 17th June.

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**SWALEDALE BIRDS**

Welcome to the second "Swaledale Birds" column. The Swaledale Bird Group is a loose-knit bunch of like-minded individuals who share a concern for, and a love of, the natural heritage of the two dales. (Some might describe this unconstituted body a 'fledgling organisation')! Each month, we will bring you a regular list of recent sightings from the local patch, as well as topical articles on a range of bird and natural-history related subjects. As it is inevitable that somebody will always be off seeking mega rarities, the authors of these articles will vary month on month. If occasionally we lapse into *Romany and Rag* - style whimsy, please forgive us; some of us are of that generation. At the time of writing, the bulk of the spring migration is over, and the nesting season is well underway for most of our common species. Among the moorland species, golden plover, wheatear and ring-ouzel all returned in April. Short-eared owls are in evidence, and if you are lucky, easy to see in the daytime; merlins have returned from their winter stay at the coast. In the woodlands and the all-important gardens, willow-warbler, redstart, pied flycatcher, and cuckoo are back. By the end of May, look for wood warblers - Booze woods is a good spot - and spotted flycatchers will be around; we're expecting blackcap and probably whitethroat to join the bullfinches, dunnocks, goldfinches, greenfinches, chaffinches, robins and thrushes in Back Lane. Surely the real sign of summer is swifts screaming over Reeth Green. At this time of year, if you find a baby bird, apparently 'abandoned' by its parents, mum or dad will almost certainly be back if you leave it alone. If, however, as I once did, you find a young tawny owl in the middle of the A65, use your discretion and pop it over the hedge - and mind your fingers! If you are feeding all-year round, please try to avoid leaving whole peanuts out loose, as these can choke fledglings. Don't forget to use the coupon to claim your 10% discount from John Meynell's pet shop. County-wide, there have been some impressive late migrants, including montagus harrier and red-spotted bluethroat at the coast, with broad-billed

sandpiper, quail, and marsh harrier all being reported from Nosterfield. There are still numbers of Ospreys moving through the Dales following water, including one fishing in the Wharfe at Bolton Abbey. Keep your eyes open for these fine birds, and if you see them, please send in your reports. Finally, thanks to all the people who have contacted Swaledale Birds with sightings. Although it's not possible to include them all, a record is kept and they will be forwarded to the local recorders in due course. Swaledale Birds now has a NEW website. It has been expanded and simplified so that it is easier to navigate. In time, it will be possible to include maps, pages dedicated to 'non-bird' local natural history, and some pictures. This will take time, but any ideas will be gratefully received.

<http://hometown.aol.co.uk/swaledalebirds/sightings.html> Or visit the old page, where a link will take you to the new ones. The e-mail address for your sightings remains the same: [swaledalebirds@aol.com](mailto:swaledalebirds@aol.com) or 'phone/fax on 01748 884557. **RECENT SIGHTINGS: MAY**

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**11th. May LESSER WHITETHROAT** Bushes adj. Bolton-on-Swale

**10th May WHITE WINGED BLACK TERN** Bolton-on-Swale Gravel Pits, **PIED FLYCATCHER** pair Arkle Beck nr Eskeleth

**9th. May SWIFT** Over Reeth, **REDSHANK** x 2 Pond nr Marske **GREY WAGTAIL** x 2 R Swale Richmond

**8th. May SHORT EARED OWL** Grinton Moor

**7th. May SWALLOW** Large numbers Ellerton Abbey area

**6th. May COMMON WHITETHROAT** Stop Bridge Lane, Downholme.

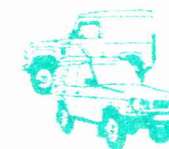
**5th. May WILLOW WARBLER** Many singing, Low Common Lane **RED KITE** x2 Grinton

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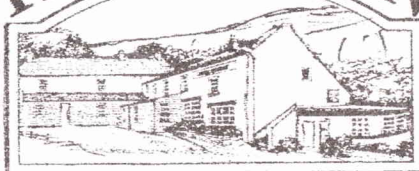
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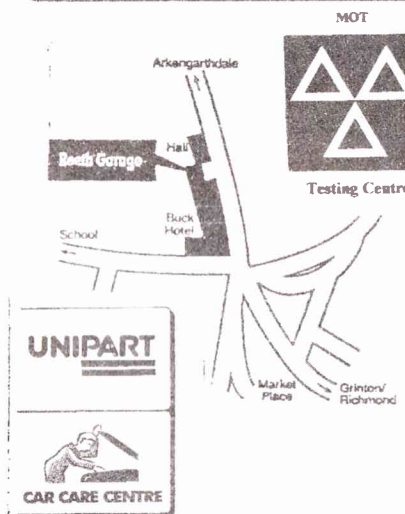
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