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September Services 2013

1 st	9.15 am	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Eucharist</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
		Reeth Methodist	
		Arkengarthdale Methodist	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Family Service</i>
8 th		Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
		Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	6.00 pm	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Evening Prayer BCP</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
		St Michael's Downholme	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		Reeth Methodist	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Morning Service</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	6.00 pm	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Evening Prayer</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		Gunnerside Methodist	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	9.15 pm	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
15 th		Reeth Methodist	<i>Holy Communion</i>
		Arkengarthdale Methodist	
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
		Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Eucharist</i>
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Evening Prayer BCP</i>
	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Harvest Eucharist</i>
		St Michael's Downholme	<i>Holy Communion</i>
22 nd	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
		Reeth Methodist	<i>Harvest Festival Family Service</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Eucharist</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Harvest Festival with A'dale School</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		Gunnerside Methodist	
		Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Harvest Festival and supper</i>
	7.00 pm	St. Michael's Downholme	<i>Harvest Festival</i>
	27 th		
29 th	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
		Reeth Methodist	
		Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>United Parish Eucharist with The Bishop of Ripon & Leeds, The Right Reverend John Packer</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		St. Edmund's Marske	
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	<i>Harvest Festival</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
		Arkengarthdale Methodist	<i>Harvest Festival</i>

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GAZETTE DEADLINES

In order that we can distribute the Gazette at the beginning of each month, it is necessary to have a Deadline Date. The Deadline Dates for the next few months are as follows:

OCTOBER SEPTEMBER 10TH

NOVEMBER OCTOBER 10TH

DECEMBER NOVEMBER 10TH

PLEASE NOTE We cannot guarantee any entry but submission by the deadline is of considerable help.

COVER PICTURE

"Field Of Wild Flowers"

Submitted by

Joanne Griffith

Gunnerside

Roman Catholic Services -

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MIDDLEHAM AND DALES LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Religion in the Dales with Dr Laurel Phillipson, Father Dominique Minskip and Mr D. Colin Dews.

Autumn course of 3 sessions, beginning on Tuesday 17th September at 2pm at Middleham Key Centre and continuing on 24th September and 1st October.

On 17th September Dr Laurel Phillipson, will talk about the early days of the **Society of Friends** in the western part of the Dales, a story that involves some of the leading persons of the Civil War era. Dr Phillipson, who is an archaeologist and Quaker, has been involved in the restoration of the Meeting House at Airton, and has carried out research into the history of the movement in the Malhamdale-Skipton area.

On 24th September Father Dominique Minskip will talk about **Roman Catholicism** in the local area during the mid-nineteenth century, and reveal how attempts were made to establish centres of worship in remote upland parts of both Swaledale and Wensleydale. As well as being a parish priest in Hull, Father Minskip is Assistant Archivist of the Middlesbrough Diocese.

On 1st October, Mr D. Colin Dews will give a talk entitled **Methodism in the Northern Dales: from Airedale to Teesdale**. He will firstly clarify what is meant by the Methodist Revival, and then will explain how Methodism, both Wesleyan and Primitive, spread northwards. He will also look at some of the individuals who were responsible for its growth in the Dales and at the impact of economic activities such as lead mining. Colin Dews

spent most of his career working in the further education sector, and in 1985 was awarded an M.Phil. He is the author of many publications on the history of Methodism, has been the Secretary of the Wesley Historical Society (Yorkshire) for forty years, and is also the Leeds Methodist District Archivist.

Members £15 or £5 per session Non-members £20 or £7 per session

To register for a place or for further details please contact Tony Keates on 01969 640436 or email dotandtonyk@btinternet.com

QUIZ NIGHT

'Quiz Night with Pie and Peas supper, and tea/coffee and cake to follow on Friday 27th September 2013 at 7 pm, Held at Richmond Methodist Church Hall. All proceeds towards refurbishment and upgrading of Reeth Methodist Chapel. Tickets are £6.- and are available from Maggie Heap: 01748 884051'.

THANKYOU

Thank you for advertising our Open Garden weekend at Meadow View, Whashton. We raised £556.00 £320.00 has been given to the Great North Air Ambulance and £236.00 to Cancer Research. Some donations were specifically for the Air Ambulance. All our visitors enjoyed their time looking round the garden and meeting friends. We are extremely grateful for the tombola prizes and cakes and especially all the help we received over the weekend

FRIENDS SCHOOL AT REETH TRUST

Small grants are available to local young people, under the age of 25, attending full-time further education. For an application form, please contact the Friends School at Reeth Trust Secretary, either by e-mail to heatherjwood@hotmail.co.uk or c/o 2 Fife Road, Barnard Castle, Co. Durham DL12 8AU.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SONGS

Do you remember happy days in Sunday School, singing *Jesus bids us shine, or Jesus wants me for a sunbeam*, when you were young, so many years ago?!

Well, Gunnerside Choir and Muker Silver Band are offering you the chance of an evening reviving the memory of those youthful days, by putting on a concert of Sunday School Hymns.

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The evening was Duncan Bythell's idea, and though he is unable through illness to conduct, it has been decided to continue with plans, as a tribute to all the years of support he has given to Gunnerside Chapel. Let's hope that every pew is full. Hymnsheet with all the words will be provided, so there will be a chance to raise the roof with well loved tunes and words.

Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

Meetings are at Quaker House, 7 Grove Square Leyburn every Sunday at 10.30am. Additionally on the 4th Sunday of each month at the Scout Hut, Quakers Lane, Richmond at 10.30am. For further information tel. Judith Calow on 01748 884320 or www.dalesquakers.org.uk

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MESSAGE FROM THE SWALEDALE MUSEUM IN REETH

We are delighted to report that thanks to the support of our local councillor Bob Gale, and Councillor John Blackie we have been successful in our bid to the Community Opportunities Fund. This means we can go ahead with our gallery plan for an exhibition on historic 'Characters from the Dales' which will be the highlight of our re-opening for the 2014 Season. We are asking you to let us know who you would choose to be represented. Would it include the feisty Susan Peacock of Tan Hill, who is reputed to have slept with a pistol under her pillow, and made radio broadcasts to the nation in the 1930s? How about Mr William Burton who brought hydro-electric power to Reeth in 1911, long before electricity was available in Middlesbrough? Or Thomas Armstrong who wrote 'Adam Brunskill' from his home in Low Row in the 1950s? Who was the last lead miner in the Dales? Should we include Dr Speirs the horseback doctor the GP for Swaledale and Arkengarthdale between 1907 and 1963? Contact us to let us know your choices. On Wednesday 11th September we will have the last Friends of the Museum talk of the 2013 Season. The enigmatic title Dave Carlisle has given to his presentation is: 'Wee must have an hydraulic or the donkey will be outdone'. It will be held at 7.30 pm at Fremington Sunday School. You might want to see a bit more of Dave by coming on our 7th September Museum visit to the Earby Museum of Lead Mining near Skipton with a special guided tour by him. We will spend

the afternoon in Clitheroe, via various other sites. Please contact me if you are interested in joining us. I would like to thank all those who have visited the Museum this year, and all those have contributed to our bigger than ever programme of activities. None of this would be possible without our dedicated Friends of the Museum committee, especially Tracy Little to whom we owe special thanks. Keep up with us over the winter by visiting our website. Don't forget that we are open everyday from 10am until 5pm except Saturdays until the 13th September we will then be closed until Spring 2014. Contact Helen Bainbridge on 07969 823232 or e-mail museum.swaledale@btinternet.com for more information and booking. Look at our website www.swaledalemuseum.org for more details, and follow us on Facebook!

CHRISTIAN AID BRIC-A-BRAC STALL

The Christian Aid Committee held a Bric-a-Brac Stall on Friday 19th July. It was a great success and raised £470.32. Thanks to everyone for your contributions, help and support. There are other ways to support the work of Christian Aid. The BUPA Great North Run takes place on 15th September. You can sign up on line at www.christianaid.org.uk/events or volunteer to help on the day by contacting newcastle@christian-aid.org.

Pauline Oldershaw.

CONCERT

A concert is to be given by Muker Silver Band in Keld URC on Friday September 27th at 7.30pm, followed by supper in the Village Hall. Tickets £8. Proceeds for hall funds.

RICHMOND & LEYBURN EMBROIDERERS' GUILD

Richmond & Leyburn Branch of the Embroiderers' Guild is holding a meeting on Thursday, September 19th at 1.30 pm at Harmby Village Hall. The speaker is Julia Triston. Julia is a practicing artist and a freelance lecturer in art textiles, design, embroidery and surface decoration. Her own work is quirky and contemporary. Her talk is entitled 'Stitchbusiness and beyond'. Her work can be seen on www.stitchbusiness.com. Visitors are welcome. The Competition is 'Doorways'. Ring 01748 886790 for more details.

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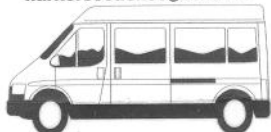
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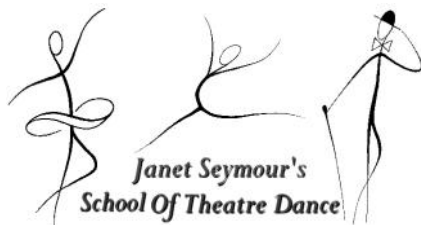
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It is now time for the annual opening of our boxes so there will be a tea party at the Vicarage, Reeth on **Wednesday 25th September from 2.00 pm - 4.30 pm** when the money will be counted. If it's not possible for you to come that afternoon you may leave your box at the Vicarage in advance or contact Pauline Oldershaw on 886790 for other arrangements to be made. If you are not a box holder, but would like to join us for a cup of tea, you are very welcome. £50 raised that afternoon would provide basic provisions including warm clothes, toiletries and a blanket for five homeless young people. Further details of the Society's work may be found on www.childrenssociety.org.uk/

CRIME IN THE TWO DALES

New arrangements have been introduced to ensure that the roads in North Yorkshire are kept safe and obstruction - free. From 30th May, responsibility for the enforcement of parking restrictions on the public highways in North Yorkshire will pass to North Yorkshire County Council. Scarborough Borough Council will now be taking responsibility for the placing of cones for events etc and will need to be contacted in future in advance on 01723-232323 and **not** North Yorkshire Police. With the expectation of the worlds greatest cycle race - Le Tour de France, our roads are becoming evermore busy with cyclists. Please ensure you take your time when overtaking and only overtake when you can see that there is a clear road ahead and it is safe to do so. There has been several reports of possible suspect males with dogs, in Ravensworth two persons with lurchers were seen and five males with dogs were seen in Marske and further possible poachers were seen in the area of Thwaite. Three males stayed at a guest house and made off without payment. A garage door was forced open in Gunnerside and a chainsaw was taken from a shed in Marrick. A vehicle was damaged in Langthwaite whilst parked. Unfortunately during the month of June we had two reports of theft of diesel from tanks one in Arkengarthdale and one in Stainton. A quad bike was removed from a farm in Hudswell and recovered and a quad bike was driven around the Dales from Stonesdale and recovered. A LandRover was stolen from Ellerton Abbey and one was stolen from Thwaite. Such incidents

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only go to show that Land Rovers and quad bikes are still being targeted, so keeping vehicles locked and with trackers on and out of sight would help to make possible thefts less tempting and successful. Ensuring vehicles are marked up and easy to identify as to who actually owns them would enable us to return them. The use of Smartwater , Trackers and post codes painted on trailers would help a great deal. We can provide advice on Crime Prevention , please don't hesitate to get in touch with local Officers who would be more than happy to help.

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WELCOME TO SWALEDALE FORUM **PAGE**

The Swaledale and Arkengarthdale Business Forum are pleased to announce the new Forum page on Welcome to Swaledale is now live. You can view ongoing Discussions about subjects such as the Tour de France and superfast broadband. You can reply to threads already posted, or raise a new thread, as soon as you've registered. Posts will be moderated and published within a day or two. It is hoped both visitors to the area and local residents will use the Forum to find out more about what is happening in the two dales, as soon as it happens.

Visit www.swaledale.net now to add your question, publish information about meetings etc, or anything else of relevance to our two dales.

Tour - De - France

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RICHMONDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
SWALEDALE WARD

Here is an update of District Council matters and the Swaledale Ward's councillor's activities. The current role of Cllr. Gardner sees him representing the ward's interest on the following committees: nRDC: Planning, Scrutiny 2 and Local Development Forum. National Parks : Planning, Finance and Resources and Health and Safety. Cllr. Gardner also attends a large number of Parish Councils in his Ward where he is available to take up all matters on behalf of people living in the Ward. Cllr. Gardner is working hard with RDC, YDNPA and NYCC Highways to find out as much information about the Tour De France as possible. Whilst this wonderful event brings massive opportunities for business of all kinds he appreciates people's concerns about lack of information. He is feeding all information he can and answers to peoples questions to Parish Councils and various organising committees that have been formed, currently in Muker and Reeth, just as fast as they become available. With regard to Highway matters Cllr. Gardner has a running list of works he feels Highways should do. He has had a number of successes over the past year, including getting roadside bushes and trees cut back along 95% of his Ward. Along with County Cllr. John Blackie he is desperately trying to improve communications out to all District Councils regarding major road stabilisation (landslip problems) on the Richmond Road to improve the road for the Tour De France as well as general maintenance and resurfacing schemes. As soon as this important information is available he will let people know by feeding it through the Parish Councils. Due to two councillors changing from Liberal Democrats to the Independents the latter now have an overall majority at Council. RDC is the only Independent run council in the North of England. The Council is keeping up the pressure on the NHS to maintain consultant led full maternity and children's services 24/7 at the Friarage Hospital. Along with many other councils in rural

and deeply rural areas, RDC is putting pressure on the Education Secretary over school funding. The proposed policy would see many of our rural schools have severe cash problems and in a number of places see closure. Happily common sense has prevailed and a change of proposal implemented. Also with the support of many other councils, RDC is putting severe pressure on the Health Secretary to review proposals to reform the Minimum Income Guarantee to rural Doctors' Surgeries. The current proposals could conceivably see the closure of surgeries at Aysgarth, Hawes and Reeth. Recently Cllr, Gardner has been very busy bringing the electorate of Downholme, Stainton and Walburn together under a new Parish Council - Hudswell and District Parish Council, which was a huge task. Thanks must go to John Blackie and RDC staff for helping to make this happen. Currently there is the possibility of doing the same for the residents of Ellerton Abbey to merge with Grinton Parish Council. Questionnaires will be sent out shortly. If you wish to contact Cllr. Gardner on any matter you might find the following contact details helpful

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 Cllr. Gardner has been District Councillor for just over 2 years and he is loving every minute of it and he is determined to continue to work in any way he can, on any matter, for us all. He hopes that after two years it shows that being INDEPENDENT WORKS, with NO group line, NO group voting and NO group whip.

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MIXED FORTUNES FOR THE CRICKET TEAM

The July heat wave did little to brighten the fortunes of the Dales Cricket Team. After the celebrations of June when the won the Darlington League Knockout Cup the month of July started with a crash to reality when they were comprehensively beaten at home by Eryholme. Only managing to score 130 with a contribution of 44 from Chris Hardwick, the visitors easily passed this mark with the loss of only 4 wickets. This loss was soon set to the side when the team once again qualified for a cup final, this time the Towler Cup when they beat Middleham in the semi final in a closely fought contest, Dales scoring 101 (Phil Parr 25 no) but then held the opponents to 91 - 8 in the allotted 20 overs. Jon Simpson taking 3 wickets for 19 runs and Tom Hollingworth 3 for 41.

So to another final, could 2 cups in one season be task too far? The answer was yes! Crakehall were the opponents and they introduce what is termed in sporting circles as "ringer". One batsman amassed a total of 93 out of the opponents final score of 160 in the 20 allotted overs. In reply Dales mustered a lackluster 124, the main resistance coming from Steve Allison scoring 36.

Another victory came in the league when our team beat Witton le Wear at home. Dave Wallis was brought out of the cupboard, dusted down and returned to the team. Despite the deafening sound of his creaking joints he did once again show his natural ability by taking 4 wickets for only 17 runs. His presence in the team

always brings an enhanced performance and his appearance was much welcomed. The two other games in July saw defeats by Spennymoor and Haughton - this was despite runs scored in both games by Jon Simpson (53 and 28).

The month of July started with the club in 2nd position in the Darlington League but by the beginning of August they had slipped to 5th, this always is the case at this time of year as the demands of the shooting season means the loss of some key players.

The club is dependant on the support of our local sponsors and all club members wish to thank them for the month of July who are Simon and Mandy Barningham, Rowena at the Red Lion (again), Nigel Winter and Greenways Cattery, Grinton.

Full details of all the club's activities, fixtures, results and BLOG can be found on the club website at www.DalesCricketClub.co.uk

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DALES CRICKET TEAM WINS DARLINGTON KNOCKOUT CUP (AGAIN)

June's matches saw Dales consolidate their league position in the top four. Of the 5 matches 3 were won, 1 lost and 1 cancelled due to rain. The low point of the month was the league with the table topping Richmondshire. The encounter saw Dales suffering their biggest defeat for many months- so we shall not dwell on that match, however vengeance was heaped on Richmondshire in the League Knockout final, so read on. In the league Dales had a most satisfying win against local rivals Barningham in the first game of the month. Dales managing a score of 14 in the 40 overs and then skittling Barningham out 13 runs.

Short. Further wins followed against Rockcliffe (Phil Parr 54) and Trimdon- those wins ensured that our team sat well placed at 4th place in the table at the end of June. The highlight of the month and no doubt of the season was the progress of the Dales CC into the final of the Knockout League Cup. They easily over came Haughton in the semi finals scoring 115 in the 20 overs (Chris Hardwick 52 n.o. and Steve Allison 22), their opponent managing only 84 in reply (Jon Simpson 5 - 24 , Chris Hardwick 2 - 20) In the final held at the Darlington ground on 25th June, they were pitched against the talented and indeed much fancied table leaders whom they lost to heavily 2 weeks earlier in the league. The finals was a 25 over contest and attracting many local spectators and league officials. Losing the toss Dales were put into bat and a most impressive and solid first wicket stand of 86 by Chris Hardwick (48 runs

from 54 balls) and Steve Allison (53 runs from 46 balls)) posed a competitive 146.

An impressive start from Richmondshire would have made them the bookies favourite after 8 overs. Hard hitting by the openers was pushing the score but Connor Preston took a high catch on the square leg boundary and dismissed their most dangerous batsman. Connor took this catch with natural and nonchalant ease and it turned out to be a game changer. Jon Simpson bowled throughout the innings with the usual accuracy and taunting bowling - this led the change and he ended with impressive figures of 4-50. 3 stumpings by Phil Parr ensured the wickets continued to tumble. The frustration within Richmondshire ranks caused by the impressive first innings total from Dales began to show. Erratic strokes and running showed a demoralised Richmondshire and they fell short of the target by 26 runs. This gave Dales CC the League Knockout trophy for the second time in 3 seasons- a great achievement. One sad note was the loss of Alex Pealing to hospital after he was injured trying to take a catch during the Richmondshire innings. After a visit to hospital, it was ascertained that there was a broken finger and the lesson learned is to catch it cleanly or pretend you cannot see it due to light! This ploy worked in my day, get well soon Alex. So a great June both in terms of league results and the winning of the cup. A reminder that all club news etc. can be seen on the website www.DalesCricketClub.co.uk. With many thanks to our June sponsors: Harvey at Reeth Garage, Andy at the Bridge Inn, Grinton and once again Rowena at the Red Lion Langthwaite.

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REETH COMMUNITY ORCHARD NEWS

We are very lucky that Martin Allen, botanical artist, painter, lecturer and environmentalist, was able to spend the weekend of June 8th and 9th constructing a new willow den for the Children's Corner. Using bundles of green willow withies from the Somerset Levels, the structure was based on metal hoops for rigidity, with pliant willow gradually being used to build up the shape of a snail shell. Over time, the withies will harden and the den should be able to withstand a few hard winters. The new willow den in the children's corner is proving to be very popular.

Martin made the original den in the early days of the Community Orchard. His other commissions have included deer, a long-eared pig and a giant hedgehog!

The wild flower meadow was successfully mown and is now looking tidy, with a scattering of apple windfalls already.

The **Grand Old-fashioned Tea Party** organised by the Museum will be held in the Orchard on Saturday August 17th, between 3 & 6 pm. Come and enjoy tea and cakes on vintage flowery china!

October: Apple Day, Juice, baking, preserves, games. Watch the website for the date: www.reethorchard.org.uk

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Wall Repairs Nothing had been done to the wall by the river at Fremington since the previous meeting. Coun Gardner said that a Works Order was in place for it but that there was no start date. It had previously been reported that stones had been thrown out of a garden near Arkle Terrace. Coun Allinson had looked into this and found that the stones were actually being used to repair the adjacent wall. **Dog Bins** A dog waste bin had been installed on the verge on Mill Hill. **War Memorial** The clerk had made contact with an expert on memorials to discuss the addition of names. **Tour de France Members** agreed that there should be a public meeting prior to the next parish council meeting to get a better idea of residents' feelings about the 2014 Tour de France and its impact on the parish. This has subsequently been arranged for 7pm on Friday, September 20, in the Memorial Hall. It would then be possible to discuss any application for funding available to promote the area during the event. **Memorial Hall** The end of year accounts were received. **Repair Works** Members considered tenders which had been submitted for various repair jobs around the parish. The green wardens would reconsider the spec for the wall repairs in the light of the varying estimates received. **Children's Playground.** The cost of replacing the spring chicken would be part of an application to the Children's Play Improvement Fund. **Doctor's Surgery** An email from the local GP in response to questions from the last parish council meeting explained the background to the

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minimum income guarantee and the possible impact of the proposed withdrawal of this subsidy from next year. The council was urged to write to their MP and the head of Primary Care at NHS England in support of making special funding arrangements for deeply rural areas to ensure the continuation of this essential local service. County Coun John Blackie, attending the meeting, said that there was growing support for special measures to be introduced in order to keep medical facilities at local level and maintain the viability of the dales as a place where all ages could live and work. **Road Repairs**

Coun Blackie had raised the state of the Reeth to Richmond road at a North Yorkshire County Council meeting, expressing grave concerns on the part of Swaledale residents about the ongoing situation and possible implications if more subsidence occurred, forcing a complete closure of the road. He had been assured that a budget commitment was in place and that work would start in late September/early October. Councillors would continue to monitor the situation closely and maintain pressure for the work to be carried out before the onset of winter weather which could lead to the dale being virtually cut off if the main road was closed. **Athletics Field**

A lockable pedestrian gate had been fitted to the access to the athletics field and this had led to people being locked in by accident when they had walked down to the river bank from the football pitch. The field was private property but councillors would look at the deeds to see if it was legal to block residents from accessing the river this way.

Highways Matters A list of out of order street lights prepared by Coun Allinson would be forwarded to Highways for action. The blocked drain opposite the Old Temperance had been reported several months ago but no further action had been taken other than erecting a barrier around the damaged area. A hole had also developed next to a drain in the cobbles near the Black Bull. The Silver Street sign was still missing. District Coun Bob Gale reported that he was still pursuing the surfacing work which had not been done last year along the snicket between Quaker Close and Langhorne Drive. **Seats** Coun Gardner asked for thanks to be recorded to Couns Allinson and Frankland for the excellent and much appreciated work they had done on refurbishing the benches at Healaugh. It had not been possible to find a suitable site for the memorial seat which had been requested by the old mill but a suitable place had been identified up the Arkengarthdale road looking down at the Mill. **Paths** Skellgate was badly in need of cutting back and the overgrown bushes alongside the footpath up to Reeth school needed to be cut as a matter of urgency before the

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NEW COMPUTER - CUSTOM BUILD OR BUY

For more years than I care to remember I have been building desktop computer systems for myself and customers. I am often asked what are the advantages and disadvantages of custom builds. Firstly, for better or worse, mobile computing is a reality these days. Almost everyone seems to be carrying at least one internet enabled device, whether they use it or not. For writing short emails or browsing the internet a tablet or smart phone is often fine. Personally I find touch screen intensely annoying for anything other than short messages. A laptop is still ideal for getting work done efficiently and many have adopted laptops for use in the office and home too. Building custom mobile devices is not really possible on a small scale, certainly not economically. Laptops can be built, but it isn't easy to find all the parts and a case and I wouldn't consider it a realistic option. Many people still feel if you have a lot to do on a computer then a desktop computer provides the most comfortable environment to do it. Keyboards are much better on desktops, larger screens (and multiple screens) really help you to spread out and make text more easily readable. Quality desktop computers are generally more powerful than laptops (certainly a cheaper desktop will be more powerful than cheap laptops). Video gamers also prefer desktop performance and

screen size. So what are the advantages/disadvantages of building your own computer or having a computer built for you rather than buying one off the shelf? First forget price - it is hard to build a cheap computer from parts. It doesn't mean you can't build a computer of better quality than off-the-shelf for a similar price but not a budget machine. Have you ever wondered why McAfee or Norton are on every new computer? It isn't because they are the best or recommended, it is economics - manufacturers are paid to put them there, so it means that every manufactured computer is subsidised. Manufacturers also have economy of scale for buying components and copies of Windows from Microsoft. If you want a powerful computer prices rise rapidly and it is then possible to build a custom machine to compete. Secondly, the big advantage of a custom build is that you know what goes into the machine and get the benefit of manufacturer's warranty on the parts (did you know some parts have a 3 year warranty, but most off the shelf machines only give 12 months?). Manufacturers will pretty much use the cheapest components they can get away with to build systems - a custom built machine can use the best components in terms of quality and performance. Thirdly, if you have your machine built for you then the builder who knows your machine intimately can help with any issues in the future (try getting service from a large manufacturer after the 12 month warranty has expired). Of course if you build your

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own you are on your own to fix problems, but that can be a fun challenge if you are that way inclined! In conclusion, there is still a place for home built or custom built machines for specific needs. For most people who don't need a high powered machine economics mean that an off the shelf computer is likely to be the economically sensible choice. For many a cheap laptop will be the ideal. For light use and portability a tablet or smartphone can suffice, but whilst big companies would like to lock you into these devices I don't see them replacing computers for a while if you need to do serious work. That's all for this month - any ideas for future articles would be gratefully received - just drop me an email via my website www.dalescomputerservices.com.

Carol Haynes



Saturday Sept 14th 'Dancing with the Devil' 14:00 - 15:00 Held in Keld Chapel, a centenary event, by Dr Duncan Bythell to mark the 1913 dispute in Keld.

In the event that Dr. Bythell is unable to deliver his lecture, his words will be read by David Figures, chairman of KRC Keld Festival Weekend To celebrate 60 years of mains electricity in the village and 100 years since the 1913 dispute when it was discovered that dancing was taking place in Institute building!

Friday 8th November Lantern Parade 4.30 p.m. with children from Reeth & Gunnerside Primary School. All welcome.

Saturday 9th November Centenary

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ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

Leyburn Band celebrates its tenth anniversary this month. To celebrate this milestone in its history the band is giving a concert and also launching two new CDs.

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The band has also produced 2 CDs to mark the occasion. Ten'ure and Advent'ure will compliment their other two very popular recordings - Overt'ure and Signat'ure. Details of the CDs will be available at the concert to which all are welcome.

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SUMMER STATEMENT FROM
Cllr. JOHN BLACKIE.

I send my kind regards and attach my Statement as Leader of the Council to the Richmondshire District Council held on 23rd July 2013. This Statement now reaches well over 250 e-mail Inboxes as well as being posted out as printed hard copy to over 70 key players. It contains a number of items of relevance to the Upper Dales. - **On healthcare issues** especially the threats to the 3 GP Surgeries located in Hawes, Aysgarth and Reeth caused by the withdrawal of the Minimum Practice Income Guarantee (**some good news is included on this**), the forthcoming consultation on the downgrading of the 24/7 consultant-led maternity and children's services at the Friarage Hospital, and the Emergency Ambulances & Air Ambulances that serve our communities. So concerned was Richmondshire District Council at its meeting on Tuesday that all its members agreed unanimously to my proposal for the Council to stage a public meeting at which William Hague MP will be invited to address and explain his comments that he considers "rural health services are under great pressure", and so we may ask him what his Government doing about it. The Council is also requesting Jeremy Hunt MP, Secretary of State for Health, to address this meeting. We have been promised that both Jeremy Hunt MP and his predecessor at the Ministry, Andrew Lansley MP, would come to the Upper Dales on several occasions, and each time these visits have been cancelled at short notice, generally without explanation, so please do not hold

your breath. - **On highways issues** many Councillors from across Richmondshire, as well as in the Upper Dales, confirmed at Tuesday's meeting the concerns expressed in my Statement about the lack of engagement and poor communications between themselves, and the Parish and Town Councils they represent and the NYCC Richmondshire Highways office since Mike Woodford retired, and a new Management regime has been introduced. It was proposed by Cllr. Malcolm Gardner from Swaledale, seconded by a number of Councillors, and agreed unanimously that the Chairman of the Council should send a letter to David Bowe, NYCC Director in charge of Highways across the County, expressing its concerns on these points, in the hope of seeking improvements. - **On the appalling state of the road between Richmond and Reeth** where there have been 3 sets of temporarily traffic lights for the last 6 months guarding a road that is patently suffering continuing subsidence I registered a Question ahead of Wednesday's Full County Council meeting, advising the local press that I had done this. This meant that the Executive Member in charge of Highways, County Councillor Gareth Dadd, had to respond at the meeting itself, and he conceded the situation was unsatisfactory, and that there will be major repairs including the reconstruction of the carriageway starting in September / October. Whilst he claimed on Wednesday this was all in the pipeline, then it has been one of those "Best Kept Secrets" that abound at NYCC Highways as there had been no communication to local Parish Councils / Councillors, District Councillors or myself

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as County Councillor about when the scheme would start despite us all raising our concerns. If the commitment was there from the outset, then I suggest it would have been better to undertake a major repair scheme in summer rather than on the edge of winter. Clearly the Question I asked has prompted action by NYCC Highways which has been well overdue considering the risk to Swaledale and Arkengarthdale if the road had to be closed in an emergency for months on end due to further subsidence. I show the Question at the end of this e-mail, and the 2 photographs I held up at the meeting are also attached.- On Choice based letting the Independents @ Richmondshire DC that I lead have been successful in at last securing a **No.1 priority for those applicants who have a local connection to the Parish above all other applicants** when a RDC Council owned property or a Housing Association property comes up for allocation in the future. My Statement explains this great step forward for local communities in the Upper Dales (and beyond) in greater detail. We also have secured a greater involvement by your local District Councillor in who should be considered by the Housing Officers when these allocations to vacant properties are made. The Housing Officers at RDC will in future advise when a vacancy is about to occur, and your District Councillor can then put forward names of the local applicants he / she thinks should be considered for the allocation of the vacancy, before the property is allocated. - On the Communities Opportunity Fund (COF) there is still plenty of funding left for your Parish Council or other local

organisations to apply for funding for projects in your community you might not have expected to be funded during this period of public sector austerity. The Statement gives further details, and please do remember you must include your local District Councillor in whatever project comes forward, and the project must demonstrate (via consultation in some form or the other) it has the support of the local community.

As my Statement says, please **Dream On for your local community**, and the COF may grant your wishes come true !!! Do please contact me if you have any enquiries - **I send my best wishes to you all**

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IT'S 'FLU JAB TIME AGAIN!

It is hard to believe it's that time of year again when the bugs and bacteria start to make us all suffer. For those who are eligible, the combined influenza vaccine will be available and we are holding our **'Flu Clinic on Thursday 10th October** between **1400 and 1630.**

Those who are in the eligible or 'at risk' groups can just turn up for their vaccine as before. Just to clarify, eligibility is defined by those people **over the age of 65**; those who are **registered as a carer**, and those who suffer from the following conditions:

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Those of you who have had 'flu will know it is a miserable experience. For some, it can even be life-threatening. I can't recommend the 'flu vaccine enough to you,

and wholeheartedly recommend it to those of you who are eligible. I will be joining you with my annual jab.

This year we will be raising money for a new heart tracing monitor (ECG machine). The new machine will have much better diagnostic capability and can also be used as a heart monitor when dealing with poorly patients waiting to be transferred to an ambulance. We have already made a good start on raising money through our book shelf - which is currently groaning under the weight of all the books you have been kind enough to donate. I understand the collection boxes are filling up very nicely, so thank you all for your generosity so far.

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All the best - Mike Brookes and the Team

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Under 12's By the time this is published we will have started the new season. We have registered Under 14's and Under 10's in the Wensleydale League. Still called the Wensleydale League, it now covers all of Richmondshire and well into Hambleton.

Identifying and recruiting coaches remains our biggest problem along with a seriously declining number of children in the Dales. We have not been able to register Under 12's and, until we have a coach, we cannot offer football for this age group. We also seek a coach for the Under 8's where there are some good potential players. Demographic changes in the Dales is resulting in an increasing number of older people, who, along with second home buyers, buy up all the houses so there is a dwindling number of younger people who might get involved in coaching or produce children to play. We are in talks with other clubs to look at possible partnerships. The unfortunate allegation of cheating by another club, in matches against us, at the end of last season was finally settled when the other club eventually admitted culpability. Sadly that club will not be participating in the League next season. It has meant that our Under 12's finished 3rd in the League. A very creditable performance. The League has adopted the FA Youth Development 3 part season. September/November there will be conventional Development Football. Results will be collected but no League tables

published and the results used for "banding" in the third part. The intention is to develop players without the weekly challenge of League position. In the bleak mid winter we will play Futsal indoors on a competitive league basis. This will be a new experience for us. This is followed by a conventional league programme where teams are put into bands so they play more evenly balanced matches and avoid cricket scores. We will see how it works! One of the strongest qualities of the Wensleydale League is its commitment to the FA Respect Programme. Consequently, there are very few instances of the sort of behaviour and foul language, particularly by parents, which one reads about and which, it is alleged, is common in leagues not too far from here. It is therefore, no accident that the Wensleydale League is, I think, the first in the County to achieve Charter Standard. If you can coach or have children who want to play **please get in touch.** We really need you. David Williams

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The 2 Dales Lunch Clubs would like to thank everybody who supported our fund raising Cake & Produce Stall which raised the magnificent total of £423.35. This will be a huge help in covering the costs of hiring (and heating) the village halls where we hold the lunches. The winner of the main raffle hamper was Peter Calow, while the second hamper was won by Pete McKay. For details of any of our lunches please call in at Reeth Post Office where Susan has all the current menus.

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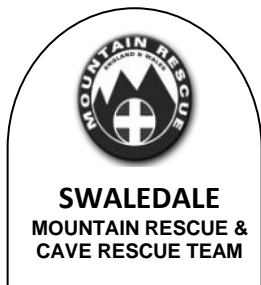
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**Incidents & training July up to 9th Aug
2013: Total incidents for 2013 = 38**

Total Incidents for 2012: 41,
approximately 3500 rescue person hours

Total Incidents for 2011: 31,
approximately 2000 rescue person hours

**So far in 2013 we have undertaken
almost our average annual number of call
outs already. Thanks to all team
members, families & employers for
making this possible. This places an extra
demand on the team for fund raising as
well as actual rescues.**

3 incidents for the team this month

21/07/2013 (38) 08.00hrs: The team
were called to assist in a search by
Scarborough MRT for a missing person in

the North Yorks Moors area.

17/07/2013 (37) 11.00hrs: The team
were called to assist in a search by
Cleveland MRT, during the journey the
missing person was located and we stood
down.

14/07/2013 (36) 09.00hrs: The team
provided rescue & medical cover to a
mountain bike event, a number of injuries
dealt with during the very hot day.

*30/07/2013 Team training was search &
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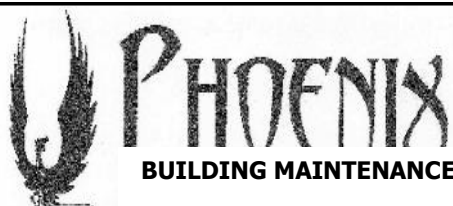
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On Saturday, September 28, members of the group will be giving a series of short talks on their own local research, including the Simpson and Robinson families and the Rev Jonathan Tinkler of Arkengarthdale. After lunch there will be the choice between a practical workshop on tracing military ancestors, visits to local places of interest or a short guided walk to the smelt mill complex at Keld Heads mine.

Tickets for the film evening are £6 and for the Saturday events, including a buffet lunch, £12. Non-members are very welcome on both days. For details and to book tickets for either day, contact Tracy Little 01748-884759 or email: tracy@swaledale.org

Also this month the regular meetings recommence with a talk at 2pm on Wednesday, September 25, in Harmby Village Hall. The speaker is Sir Thomas Ingilby who will be talking about 'The Ingilbys of Ripley Castle' - a fascinating insight into the Castle that has been home to his family for over seven hundred years. Non-members are very welcome at £2.



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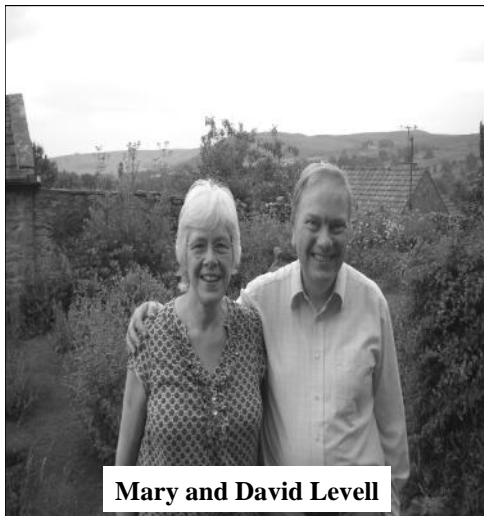
INDUCTION OF REV DAVID LEVELL

On a glorious July afternoon members Reeth Evangelical Congregational Church were delighted to welcome friends from other churches near and far for the induction to the pastorate of Rev David Levell. David and his wife Mary know the area well after visiting for many years when the church has been their spiritual "holiday home".

For the past 25 years David has been minister of Pantiles Baptist Church, Tunbridge Wells and it was particular encouraging to be able to welcome visitors from Pantiles, including one of the deacons,

Andy Hannan, who took part in the service, warmly commending David's faithful, God-centred gospel ministry and stressing the importance of Mary's support and contribution to church life.

The service was also an opportunity to give grateful thanks to Rev David Gregson and Elizabeth, the former minister and his wife, for their unstinting commitment to the life and work of the church in Reeth for the last 11½ years; David has taken most of the services since his "retirement" more than four years ago and Elizabeth continues to run The Old Temperance Bookshop.



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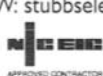
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