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First Thoughts

I hope that you had a thoroughly lovely Jubilee time, whether that was celebrating whilst wildly swathed in red, white and blue, taking the opportunity to go away on holiday or having a well-earned bank holiday rest. I know not everyone had four days off and we are, as always, thankful to for those who continued working over the long weekend.

The other people I want to say thank you to are those volunteers who stepped up to organise and oversee the many jubilee celebrations which were put on, enabling the rest of us to enjoy the party atmosphere and sense of community. I saw Reeth Green was a hive of activity on the Thursday morning of their Jubilee Party, and I expect that was replicated in villages all around. From putting up gazebos, to manning barbeques, hanging bunting, making costumes and baking cakes, people were busy and I know you will join me in saying thank you to them all for making these community events possible and such a success.

Maybe where you are there was a willing pool of volunteers to draw on to organise these events. Or maybe it was the same smaller number of community-minded local people who did most of the heavy lifting - literally and metaphorically. Could we all do more?

I've been involved in many committees since moving to Muker (that's the teacher in me!) and every organisation I know is struggling for people to step forward and join the committee. Many a time I've seen those awkward silences at the AGM when everyone suddenly finds their shoes so fascinating!

So, what stops people joining committees? Do you think you do not have the requisite skills? I bet you have a huge amount to offer, skills in a variety of areas that would be beneficial to your group and help it to function well. Do you lack the confidence to put yourself forward, afraid of rejection? That won't be the case, I'm sure, and you will be welcomed with open arms. Do you not have enough time? A group with sufficient committee members runs well, and the time involved is often not that great. Meetings can be social, and you can come away feeling you have made a difference. Compare that to committees struggling to recruit members, when those left trying to carry on might be doing several jobs - they are more likely to be the ones with time pressures.

Meeting new people and feeling part of a community doesn't always come easily. However, joining a committee offers the chance to get to know people better, to feel valued, and to feel really part of what's going on.

So, please consider stepping up the next time there is a plea for committee members within your group or organisation. If you care about the future of your group, please do volunteer some time and help spread the workload of those who reliably step up time and again. And who knows, you might even enjoy it, have fun and cement friendships doing it!

And while we're talking of volunteering, does anybody want to volunteer an opinion piece for a future edition of the Gazette?

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The Old School Gallery, Muker**

Bellerby Open Gardens

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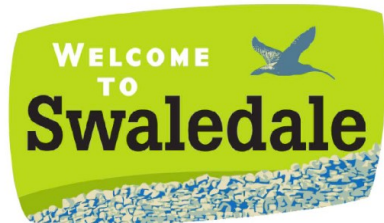
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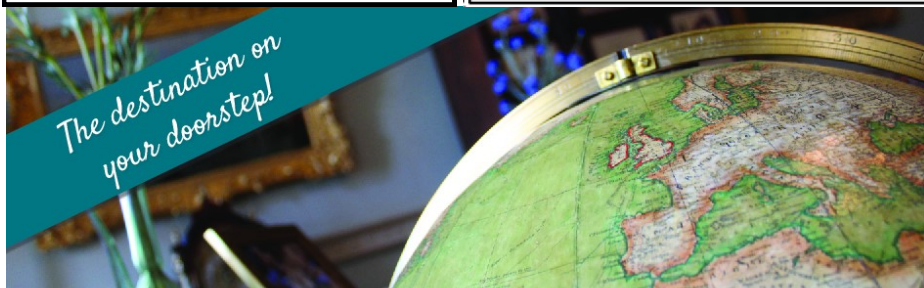
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Friendly Reeth

I have just come back from a week in Reeth (6th-13th May), taken just over a year after my wife Carol-Ann died. We had originally booked a week in Hill Close in 2019 but had to cancel as her chemo schedule changed and after the passing of the year I felt brave enough to come by myself to relive old times and places and also to catch a couple we never made it to together. We had been to Yorkshire many times over the years, three times to Deer Park, (once for the Tour in '14) and to Grinton and also the flat over the museum. There were mixed emotions as you can imagine, eating alone and just being at favourite spots by myself, but everyone I spoke to in and around the village was so kind and friendly, inviting me in for cups of tea within minutes of saying hello, that I hope you find a spot in your next issue to pass on my gratitude to them all. Some I exchanged names with, some not, but if they read this, I think most of them will know who I am talking about. I met lovely people on the green, in a pub or tea shop, in many other businesses, and because of this I feel happy to come back again next year and probably a few more years in the future to catch up with a few friends.

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Meetings are usually held the third Friday of every month.

Future Meetings: August 19th From Scalpel to Spade - Helen Neave.

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Medieval fashion launch

On **Thursday 28 July at 7.30**, **Gunnerside Village Hall** will host the launch of a brand-new medieval dress (who needs Paris fashion week!). Jane Sammells will be presenting the result of many months (maybe years) of work to TLC members - and everyone is welcome.

Jane says, "Research has been challenging with the pandemic. Dress fittings have been erratic, and time has lapsed significantly since the initial concept. With no complete dresses of this era in museums, we have resorted to archaeological finds, effigies, tomb stones and books of hours to collate as much information as possible. The unusual tailoring details of the remains of a dress found by archaeologists in an Irish bog boosted our morale and significantly increased Rebecca's seamstress challenge, but we hope you will be pleased with our finished 13/14th century outfit".

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“A Man of Sorrows and Acquainted with Grief”

The truly magnificent “A Man of Sorrows and Acquainted with Grief” was the appropriate emotional and lyrical highlight to the 50th Anniversary Gala concert of the Swaledale Festival which was held in the ancient and stately Ripon Cathedral on Saturday 28th May 2022. 1350 years ago, St. Wilfred would have approved. This grand exposition of Handel's Messiah was very ably performed by the Swaledale Festival Chorus and Orchestra conducted by Peter Stallworthy and led by four excellent professional soloists Zoe Brookshaw (soprano), William Towers (alto/counter-tenor), Nicholas Pritchard (tenor) and Nicholas Mogg (bass). The singing was of a high professional standard which was well articulated and able to take full

advantage of the specific resonance of the main body of the cathedral building. This allowed the full beauty and appropriate quality in today's context

of Charles Jennens 1741 biblical text to be experienced. This was exemplified, surprisingly, in the Recitatives performed by the soloists in dramatic fashion with suitable improvisations and tonal qualities which transmuted what are often performance add-ons to vital linkages



in this emotive and lively performance. All the soloists were clear and well-heard by the large 500-600 members of the audience yet the exceptional authority and *dignitas* of body-language stamped onto the rendering of the bass solo part by Nicholas Mogg was well noted by all. However, the clear talk amongst the *cognoscenti* at the completion was of the stunning performance of the alto William Towers who is a Handelian specialist and rightly so.

It was pleasing to note that the singing of the Swaledale Festival Chorus was well balanced with distinctly audible tenor and alto sections. Some more strong basses amongst the men would have helped in the *forte* sections in which the straight trumpets and timpani were vital stimuli to the choir as a whole. Also, of note, were the cellos and double bass whose rich timbre and dark notes were caught and

magnified by the building's resonance throughout the performance of the orchestra, which was splendidly conducted by Peter Stallworthy. The opening gala concert of this

familiar and well-loved work was indeed well worthy of the Festival's 50th anniversary and further promulgated the continuing high standard at national level of musical performance and appreciation in the Yorkshire Dales.

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From Cowshed to Cathedral

A huge thank you to the talented artists, generous volunteers and enthusiastic audiences who helped make the 50th-anniversary Swaledale Festival happen.

The 2022 Festival has seen Handel's Messiah fill the heights of Ripon Cathedral; beats and grooves play out on Reeth Green; brass, strings, piano, percussion and vocals resound in the chapels and churches of the Dales; a folk fest staged in a cowshed - and much, much more! We have got back to live performances in full venues, and we've loved it.

Swaledale Festival 2023 will run from 27 May to 10 June.

In the meantime, here's a pictorial journey through this year's Festival from Scenicview Gallery & Studio in Reeth.

This page clockwise from left: Evelyn Glennie, Baque de Ogum, Jeneba Kanneh-Mason, Rachel Podger and VOCES8, Antonio Forcione Quartet



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This page
clockwise:
VOCES8 Singing
Workshop,
Zulu Tradition,
Magnard Ensemble,
Niamh Ni Charra
Quartet



The benefits of vintage clothing.

I have always loved clothes and, as most children do, played dress up with my mum's shoes and dresses. Her chiffon scarves and sparkly jewellery drew my magpie eye.

As a teen, I became a home dressmaker through necessity. My pocket money could stretch to a metre of cotton print for a new skirt, and I could whip it up on a Saturday afternoon on the old hand cranked sewing machine my Grandma taught me to use.

At college I experimented with remodelling clothing I already owned. A frumpy woollen coat was given new life by chopping the bottom half off and hemming it. Not the best handiwork but good enough for me and it was a new outfit.

Fast forward to working life, less spare time: I became seduced by fast fashion, cheap clothing, mass produced but poor quality, a quick shopping thrill in the high street. Sometimes not bothering to return items that didn't fit, too much hassle.

I'm not the only one: how many times have you been in a charity shop and seen BNWT (that's Brand New With Tags) items for sale?

Other less fortunate pieces of clothing, often damaged due to poor manufacturing, end up in landfill or are transported overseas to become another country's problem.

The cost to the environment from our obsession with fashion is not just landfill. Manufacturing processes, like dying denim, cause pollution in countries less able to handle its detrimental effects.

Sweat shops, involved in the manufacture of fast fashion, exploit the people who make our cheap clothes.

So, you say, we need to wear clothes, do you want us to go round naked? Definitely not! Clothes are an essential part of being human, they make us feel good as well as protecting us.

Part of the solution to the problems I have mentioned is re-use.

You can buy good quality, well made, used clothing that you like. It does take a bit more searching and well, that is part of the fun, isn't it? You might just enjoy saving the planet and some money.

Happy vintage shopping!



Anne Barden

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Muker Parish Council Minutes of Meeting 31st March 2022

Present: Cllr Calvert, Cllr Reynoldson, Cllr Metcalfe and Cllr Whitehead, presiding.

Apologies: Cllr Porter, Cllr McMullon, Cllr Peacock.

Clerk: Michael Cleminson.

Matters Arising:

Buttertubs Signage - The erection of signage is more complicated than first thought. It would be necessary to conduct a risk assessment and take out insurance in case an accident should occur. This was considered too onerous for the Parish council. The Clerk to contact Ian Beighton, Highways, to see if a small sign could be erected on the wall.

Buttertubs Bench - The unauthorised bench has now been removed by persons unknown, therefore no longer a matter for the Council.

Queens Platinum Jubilee - Following a number of meetings a party is to be held at Keld Hall/Orchard/Field 2pm on Friday 3rd June 2022 primarily for children, but all are welcome. A second event for all persons will be held in Muker at 2pm Sunday 5th June 2022.

Response from MP Rishi Sunak re BT voice digitalisation - BT and the government are fully aware that BT voice prevents use of a telephone during a power cut. BT are trying to develop a long term solution, in the meantime BT have offered a temporary Battery Back Up Unit (BBU) for customers with digital service, for use during power cuts.

Keld Defibrillator pads expire 28 April.

Clerk to order and install new pads.

Finance:

Order to pay for Zurich Insurance, YLCA membership and Clerk's Pay.

Highways:

No updates received from Highways, however it is noted drains at bottom of Cliff Gate Road, Thwaite have been jetted.

Cllr Calvert reported that heavy rains in February have washed away the sides of the road between Hoggarths and Pry House causing vehicles to ground. Clerk to report to Highways. Also, on Silver Hill from Tan Hill, it is difficult for motorists to see sharp downhill right hand bend. Wall mounted Chevrons would provide warning of a sharp bend. Clerk to contact Highways. Further damage was caused at Hoggarths bridge on the morning of Tuesday 29th March 2022 by a large goods vehicle. The driver claimed his SatNav had directed him that way. Cllr Calvert reported the incident to the police who were disinclined to take further action despite having the registration mark of the vehicle. Clerk to report this to Highways, North Yorkshire Police and potentially MP Rishi Sunak.

Richmondshire D.C:

Cllr Whitehead informed the meeting that because of changes to North Yorkshire County Council, elections for councillors will take place early on 5th May 2022. The Clerk to ensure applications are forwarded to Councillors.

NYCC:

Nothing to Report

YDNPA:

R/06/262A/LB Listed building consent for replacement of front door with a hardwood door incorporating double

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glazing at Hope House, Keld, Richmond, DL11 6LL.

R/06/258 Full planning permission for conversion of outbuildings into additional connected living space and to replace and raise roof of one outbuilding, together with internal rearrangement to the house at Falls View, Muker, Richmond, DL11 6DP

The Parish Council supports both applications: the Clerk to inform the planning authority.

YLCA:

Asset of Community Value. There are no premises within the parish that meet this criteria and it was noted that the community in Hawes are seeking to purchase Dale Head filling station in Hawes. Each investor is required to invest £1000.00 and the target purchase price may be achieved. Membership renewed.

Correspondence/AOB:

Cllr Metcalfe reported that the road between Usha Gap and Muker is breaking up and potholes developing where utilities have previously been installed. Clerk to contact Highways to establish if it is their responsibility or the utility company's. (Note from Clerk: it is not BT's problem: the council assume responsibility after a few years, so it is now on their to-do list)

Date and Time of Next Meeting:
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The event has been prompted by the recent increases in energy and food costs that are placing financial pressure on local people. Resources will be available on the day of the event to provide advice and support for those who need to save money, need help with local travel arrangements, are keen to take the opportunity to change to renewable sources of energy, or may want to produce their own food or work as a community to produce food and/or energy.

A schedule of presentations will run throughout the day and specialists will be on hand to provide support and advice. The event will be open to anyone who lives and works in Richmondshire, and admission will be free.

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Fantastic family music festival returns



A much-anticipated charity music festival is set to return on Saturday 16th July. This summer's only one-day music festival in Richmondshire,

BrowsonBeats is a family-friendly, mini-Glastonbury, with a fantastic vibe that offers a fabulous line-up of music to showcase the local talent in the area, whilst also raising significant funds for nominated charities, Pancreatic Cancer UK and Yorkshire Air Ambulance. Hosted at Browson Bank Farm, on the A66, five miles west from Scotch Corner, camping and glamping are also available.

For 2022, the organisers, Tarn Bainbridge and Mark Bastow have relocated to a much larger area on the farm so they can welcome more visitors to the family-orientated event. Working with a team of volunteers, who devote huge amounts of time and energy, the festival will offer more than music with plenty of attractions for the whole family, in a stunning amphitheatre setting with wide-reaching views towards Ravensworth and beyond. As well as enjoying ten

hours of live music, from 1pm, culminating with a disco, the audience will also have the opportunity to purchase a wide range of hot refreshments from food stalls, with a competitively-priced bar from Cameron's Brewery. Throughout the day and evening, Fired & Sliced, Hoodoo and Stonegate Farm will be serving locally-sourced, high-quality wood-fired pizzas, street food and a Barbecue, with all tastes catered for. In addition, for younger visitors, there will be other attractions such as outdoor games, craft-making, face painting and bouncy castles.

Tarn said: "We started BrowsonBeats to offer a family-friendly festival alternative in the Richmond area. Both Mark and I are very passionate music fans and enjoy watching live music in general. We also felt we could raise money for various charities at the same time for local people who have been affected by a loss or specific disease. My family has suffered a huge loss this year due to Pancreatic Cancer so raising money for charity is at the centre of this festival."

The festival offers a diverse mix of music styles from folk, rock and jazz through to close harmony and brass. There will be regular favourites making a return such as Ginger Brown and The Blackthorns, with some great newcomers to widen the appeal of the Festival.

Mark said: "We are really keen to introduce new acts to the Festival and, in particular, bring in younger performers to showcase their burgeoning talents and also give them the opportunity to play on a big stage. We are delighted to be working closely

Festival organisers, Mark and Tarn



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with Richmond School and Sixth Form College and their superb jazz band and choir will be playing some brilliant sets. Some of the students are also volunteering their time to support us with the running of children's activities, helping with the games and craft workshops. It will be wonderful to have the younger generation featuring so strongly in the Festival and it is a way of future proofing the event for years to come.

"We like to think that if you could choose a festival that's a winning combination of the beautiful North Yorkshire countryside, amazing music, with a charity ethos at its heart, then BrowsonBeats is where it's at - big enough to create a fun-filled party atmosphere, yet small enough not to be overwhelming, meaning it's perfect for everyone!"

The Festival is indebted to its sponsors and has been fortunate to have been sponsored by many local businesses in the past and this year is no different. Their valuable support helps to ensure as much money as possible can be donated to charity. If any individuals or businesses would be interested in supporting us this year, please get in touch at mpbastow@yahoo.co.uk

Since the Festival's inception in 2017, over £10,000 has been raised with Yorkshire Air Ambulance, MNDA, The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity, The Fire Fighters Charity and The South Tees Hospitals Charity supported in the past. This year, the chosen charities are Pancreatic Cancer UK and Yorkshire Air Ambulance. Tarn had the devastating loss of his wife Sammi to Pancreatic Cancer in January and now aims to raise money and awareness

to fight this disease and help others in the future.



Tickets are available now at www.browsonbeats.co.uk or in person from the box office at King Street Kitchen & Gifts in Richmond, adult entry is £25, £5 for under 16s and under 2s are free. Visit the website for further information on how to book camping and glamping.

Visitors are invited to bring their own food, soft and alcoholic drinks (strictly no glass), chairs and picnic blankets, and don't forget your parasol which can double up as an umbrella, if needed, although nothing will dampen the spirits of BrowsonBeats!

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- Morning and evening prayer, each weekday at 9.00am and 6.00pm in Keld Chapel

He will be available for pastoral conversations with any who wish, either in their home or in the old manse. He will also be leading a study day on Thursday July 7th from 10.30am to 3.30pm on the theme of "Christian Witness in a Confused World"

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Each year an average of around 1,500 books are borrowed, which is remarkably high for a small community like ours. Obviously we have lots of avid readers who need their fix of fiction. While it's not just fiction that's on offer - we have adult non-fiction as well books for youngsters from tots to teens - it is fiction that makes up the vast majority of our loans.


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'Contemporary twist' on Dales textiles heritage

Artists from Harrogate have picked up the threads of the rich textiles heritage of the Dales to stage a special exhibition at the [Dales Countryside Museum](#) in Hawes.

Known as The Small Group, eight artists are showing their vibrant works in 'Dales, Land and Sky - Contemporary Textiles'.



Lapwing, a hand embroidered bird applied to a background of hand dyed fabrics by Irene Earl.

The special exhibition is designed to complement the museum's permanent textiles gallery,

which displays ancient knitting sheaths, rag rugs and quilts. The artists have used the same techniques as can be seen in the permanent collection, but with a contemporary twist.

The Small Group has exhibited at more than 20 venues since 1991, including at Halifax's Piece Hall in 2012, but this is the first time the group has held a show in the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

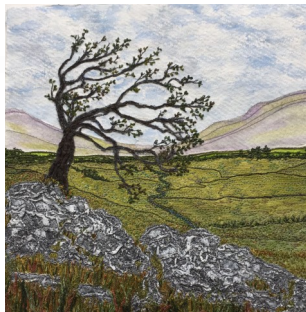
'Dales, Land and Sky - Contemporary Textiles' will run until **10 July** and includes a wide variety of Dales-inspired works for sale.

Kevin Frea, who is Member Champion for Promoting Understanding at the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, which runs the Dales Countryside Museum, said: "The Yorkshire Dales National Park has always produced or inspired artists and we are delighted with 'Dales, Land and Sky - Contemporary Textiles'. It's a vibrant and varied textile exhibition exploring different aspects of the beautiful Dales landscape.

"Landforms and dwellings, plants in the wild or cultivated in gardens, living creatures which make their home here and the words found in dialect poetry have all provided a source of inspiration. A stimulating experience awaits at the Dales Countryside Museum."

Most members of The Small Group met whilst studying City and Guilds Embroidery courses and some teach at colleges or privately. The group meets regularly to exchange ideas. Eight members - Margaret Bush, Catherine Chew, Irene Earl, Jacquelyn Estell, Kathy Hammond, Gill Kirk, Diane Freeman and Jo Linley - are showing work at the museum.

The Dales Countryside Museum is open seven days a week. Weekly tickets are £4.80, an Annual or Family Pass is £9 and entry to the special exhibition is included in the admission price. Children are admitted free.



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An Update on Church Bells

Following our original article, a group of local volunteers, led by Sam Johnson and Paul Brown, has taken on the clock-winding duties in order to continue the tradition as long as possible and to maintain the clockworks in their original condition.

This is great news as it immediately reduces the capital needed to maintain the bell tower in good condition for regular use.

However, as always when dealing with old buildings, new issues have come to light and the main beam holding in place the east side of the ringing room floor looks to be in need of replacement or, at least, to have a metal shoe placed over a substantial part of the southern end of the beam and for the beam to be raised a few inches to properly support and level the floor of the ringing chamber.

As we are keeping the original workings of the clock in place, the weights need to be properly boxed in with access points to allow maintenance and to provide a reasonably controlled environment for the clock workings.

Our recruitment drive for additional bell ringers has added four new members to the group who are all helping to develop our repertoire and to keep our ringing tradition alive. Chris Atkin, the tower captain and Chris Curry, the ringing master and the other ringers would welcome anyone who is thinking of trying this rewarding pastime. Our eight bells sound great when they can all be rung together.

The Wensleydale and Swaledale ringers are offering to run online courses again

for introducing beginners to bell ringing after the excellent response earlier this year. Over 26 new ringers have been recruited in Wensleydale and Swaledale and are continuing to ring in their respective towers.

Paul Roger

Dear Editor...

Thank you for taking on the work of editing the Reeth Gazette; it is an important role in a worthwhile publication.

My wife and I are long-time fans of Swaledale and its festival. We recently enjoyed the Muker to Keld and back guided walk on 29th May.

As we were passing through a very narrow gate in a wall, there was a young lady following us through, but due to the large backpack she was carrying she was struggling.

I turned back to help and picked up her foreign accent. She said she was from Germany and was heading downstream to Reeth. We had only a brief conversation but what stayed with me was her description of Swaledale as her favourite place, which she visits annually, as it "opens her heart" when she's walking here.

Alan Moon



And more to open your heart, photo of mother duck with 19 ducklings, taken near Reeth by Nicky Cocovini.

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St Andrew, Grinton

Are holding an **open day** on **Saturday 9th July** between 10am and 3pm to showcase both Woolly Crafts by the local craft group and all things Bell Tower! So, if you have ever wanted to know more about bell ringing or our bells or advice on crafts or just to see some works in action then please come along, You are welcome to bring your craft work with you and join in the fun or just take the opportunity to talk to the volunteers present and maybe try your hand at something new? We will be holding a bell ringing course in the near future so come and have a chat/ try your hand if you are at all interested. Refreshments will of course be available. Donations welcome but to note that this is a free to attend event.

Conservation Group meeting at St Andrew's will also take place on **Saturday 2nd July**. All are welcome so please come and support our conservation efforts in the churchyard by joining us for coffee and scones and a bit of 'outdoor gym' activities from 10am - 12 noon.

Bat counts are at dusk on **Weds 6th July at 21.19pm** and **Weds 3rd Aug at 20.47pm**. Meet on the church path.

Pimms and Hymns We are holding this service at 4pm on **Sunday 7th August** in the churchyard with an assembled band of players. Please volunteer if you would like to take part in the scratch 'band' and please do come and help us enjoy this 'out in the open air' service.

Do check the parish website for further information on all these events and thank you for your support.

Susan Allison

National Meadows Day

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	10.00 am	St Joseph & Francis Xav. Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Eucharist</i>
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	2.00 pm	Keld URC	
	6.30 pm	Gunnarside Methodist	<i>Mid-Summer Service</i>
10th July	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	9.30 am	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	10.00 am	St Joseph & Francis Xav. Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
17th July	9.15 am	St. Mary's Muker	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	10.00 am	St Joseph & Francis Xav. Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	Holy Trinity Low Row	<i>Baptism Service</i>
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	2.30 pm	Keld URC	<i>With Baptism</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	6.30 pm	Gunnarside Methodist	<i>Holy Communion</i>

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24th July	9.30 pm	St Michael's Downholme	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	9.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>Eucharist</i>
	10.00 am	St Joseph & Francis Xav. Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.15 am	St. Mary's Arkengarthdale	<i>Holy Communion BCP</i>
	6.30 pm	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
31st July	10.00 am	St Joseph & Francis Xav. Richmond	<i>Mass</i>
	10.30 am	Low Row URC	
	10.30 am	St. Andrew's Grinton	<i>United Parish Eucharist</i>
	11.00 am	St. Edmund's, Marske	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	11.00 am	Reeth Evangelical Congregational	
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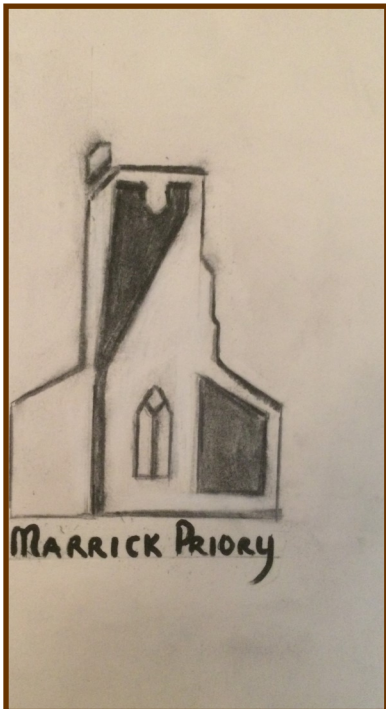
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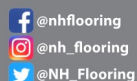


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Thank you very much indeed to everyone for their support for **Christian Aid Week**. The Envelope Collection in May, the Service at Keld URC together with the Produce Stall on the Green raised a total of **£2155**. Thank you all so much for your generosity.

The focus for our collection this year was Christian Aid's work in Zimbabwe, a country where the impact of the climate crisis is keenly felt and where drought is leading to hunger. Your Christian Aid Week gifts could help women like Jessica, who are still struggling to grow drought-tolerant crops that survive in the harsh climate, and help her set up a water tap on her farm. They'll turn their dry, dusty land into a garden of hope. Thank you for helping this Christian Aid Week to turn hunger into hope. More details can be found on www.christianaid.org.uk

Bric-a-Brac Stall

A Bric-a-Brac stall will be held for Christian Aid on **Friday 15th July** on Reeth Green. Contributions for the stall are welcome. If you would like any items collected please ring Susan Allison on 884366 or Pauline on 886790



Taonga carries an armful of food her grandmother has harvested
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Both buses run between Richmond, Reeth, Muker, Hawes, Ribbleshead and Ingleton, with Northern DalesBus 830 continuing to Lancaster and Preston, and Northern DalesBus 831 starting from Middlesbrough, Stockton and Darlington, diverting via Keld and continuing to Kirkby Lonsdale.

Details are available online at www.dalesbus.org/831 and Sustainable Swaledale are currently delivering timetable leaflets to the usual outlets.

Reeth Memorial Hall

Saturday 2nd July 8pm - Darren Page - the Voice of Roy Orbison. One set of Rock 'n Roll favourites and one set of 'The Big O'. Tickets **£13** (£15 door).

Saturday 9th July 7.30pm - Blueboxt Productions present - Decades - A Musical Celebration - Creative young people aged 10-25 supported by Colin Bailey, Mick Yare and David Dore, present a selection of popular hits and the key moments that form the backdrop to the Queen's historic 70 year reign. Hear hits such as *Rock Around the Clock, Rocket Man, Let It Be* and many more. See www.blueboxt.co.uk or call 07711 21 11 69. Free entry. Donations welcome. No tickets required.

Friday 22nd July 8pm - Michael Messer's Mitra **CANCELLED**

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More than 120 people enjoyed Arkengarthdale's Beacon celebration to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. A fanfare, singing, readings, a toast, together with joy and laughter and stunning views across the Dale made it a special evening to remember. The Beacon was lit on Kitley Hill, one of the highest and most prominent hills in the Dale, where residents, visitors and those connected with Arkengarthdale gathered. Ahead of the Beacon lighting, over 70 people walked the two miles from Langthwaite to the peak of Kitley Hill, led by Lily Richardson and Emily Barningham who carried a Union Jack. Following the Majesty Fanfare, played on the cornet by Paul Hutchinson, the Beacon was lit by 94-year-old Jocelyn Campbell, a long-standing resident of Arkengarthdale. (picture below)



The Kitley Hill Singers sang 'I vow to thee my country' before Emily Barningham and Oscar Kendall read out interesting facts about the Queen's life. After a rendition of 'Jerusalem', prosecco was served for

the loyal toast to the Queen, followed by everyone singing 'The National Anthem'.

The event was organised by volunteers and friends of Arkengarthdale Sports Association and as well as the Beacon celebration, a commemorative book is being put together which will include photographs from the evening and signatures of everyone who was there, as well as information and images of the Queen.

Members of Arkengarthdale Sports Association said: "It was a wonderful community event and it was fantastic to see so many people walking to the top of Kitley Hill. Coupled with the music, the children's readings and the toast, as well as the panoramic views across the Dale, it really was a memorable evening and a unique Dales way to celebrate this momentous occasion in our country's history.

"The Sports Association were delighted to use some of the money raised through lockdown to support a Dales event, and to purchase the drinks for the loyal toast and we are most appreciative to all our Sports Association members and friends who worked so hard to ensure the evening was such a success. We are also very grateful to Arkengarthdale Parish Council who are funding the printing of the commemorative book which is being compiled by Kim and John Ruthven, including photography by Ruth Postlethwaite."

Photographs from the celebratory event can be viewed on the Arkengarthdale Hub facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/arkengarthdalecommunityhub>

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Reeth Station

A bit of housekeeping to start the month of June off for us.

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North Yorkshires PFCC (police fire and crime commissioner) has launched a 3 month consultation to listen to the public's views on proposed changes to fire and rescue services ahead of making her final decisions.

The proposals are based on an extensive risk assessment across north Yorkshire and York covering likelihood and severity of fires, road traffic collisions, water related incidents and other emergencies.

The proposal specifically relates to Harrogate, Scarborough and the York area however does involve looking at a large investment into boosting the availability of the on-call area of the service and ensuring day time availability for their crews.

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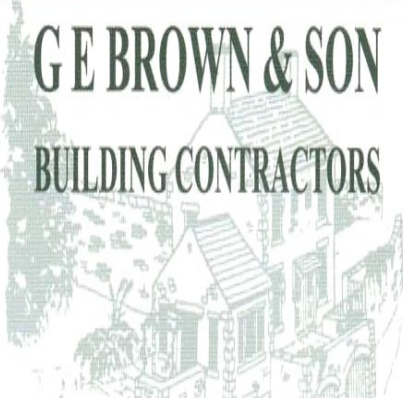
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The 2021 event raised funds for charities, including the Yorkshire Air Ambulance and Swaledale Mountain Rescue. It also made donations to local services, including the Reeth Doctors Surgery and Reeth Primary School, as a thank you to the local community.

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Meadows

The Yorkshire Dales area is noted for its **beautiful meadows** and no more so than Arkengarthdale and Swaledale. Although generally best in June, there is still time to visit the meadows. Wildflower meadows can be seen at Gunnerside Bottoms, the Muker Meadows, the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust's Yellands Meadow Reserve, Richmond Race Course and Round Howe, and Hudson House garden has a glorious wildflower patch.

According to the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust the dales contain about a sixth of the UK's remaining upland hay meadows, supporting up to 120 species of wildflowers and grasses per field and providing vital habitat for pollinators

<https://tinyurl.com/37brcyt3>

Moorlands fact check

Having recently heard the **statistic** that the UK has 75% of the world's heather moorland, I did some fact checking and the claim is not substantiated, with the percentage likely to be less than 50%. Good starting points are the No Moor Myths? article by the Director of Wildland Research Institute, Leeds University:

<https://tinyurl.com/4nhbsr4z> and the Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust's What the Science Says blog:

<https://tinyurl.com/2mzn6c27>

Protecting peatlands

New technology is being used to **monitor heather burns** on peat using satellite imaging. Burning of heather is prohibited if the peat depth is greater than 40cm - at which point it is designated peatland. The technology will help ensure compliance - a process supported by landowners' associations. The government has called England's peatlands its "national rainforests" due to the amount of carbon they store so peat degradation has consequences for climate change.

Source: BBC article

<https://tinyurl.com/mr3suz49>

The Bog Garden, which won a gold medal at this year's Chelsea Flower Show, highlighted the critical importance of UK peatlands for climate change and urged gardeners to **ditch peat**. According to the Eden Project, 79% of the 5.44 million cubic metres of growing medium used in 2020 in the UK was used by amateur gardeners:

<https://www.edenproject.com/>

Plenty of peat free alternatives can be found at our local independent garden centres and the Co-op. Look out for those using local ingredients such as wool eg Dalefoot compost rather than imported coconut fibre.

An **exhibition** on peatlands starts at the Dales Countryside Museum 16 July running through to 9 October. Called "Give Peat a chance" it looks at the formation of peat, the wildlife supported, how actions have impacted them and restoration efforts - all explored through visual arts, music and film.

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Trees

The **Together for Trees** community project has a new sponsor for the next planting season: Tees-Swale: Naturally Connected. If you want to hear more about the project, there is a talk at the Keld Resource Centre on Sunday 17 July, 2-4pm. More information on the Keld Resource Centre website:

<https://keld.org.uk/eventslist>

Clickable links available via the Sustainable Swaledale website

Margaret

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BlueBoxt Productions June Update

“Decades – A Musical Celebration”

Wow - what an amazing bunch of young people we are currently working with. Their ages span from 10 to 25 years old so as youth-led projects go, there is an interesting range of ideas and expectations to help manage. April and May have been very busy with two long weekly rehearsals sessions plus two mid-week meetings on Zoom. The group have been so invested in the planning process that there have been several occasions when they extended the sessions and I have had to be the one to give my apologies and be the first to leave...

The concert remains a 'work in progress' so still time for interested young people and volunteers to take part. We had a packed auditorium at Leyburn Arts & Community Centre for our first presentation as part of the Festival of Performing Arts. Our final target before the Summer holidays is to present two more performances. These will be **Saturday 9th July, 7.30pm at Reeth Memorial Hall and Sunday 10th July, 5.00pm at West Burton Village Hall.** It has been a moving feat trying to get everyone together at the same time so do check our website www.blueboxt.co.uk for the latest information. The concerts will be **FREE ENTRY** on a pay as you feel basis. You can also support our work by becoming a BlueAngel.

Ripon Theatre Festival. The inaugural festival takes place at the end of June. We are thrilled to be part of the four-day celebration of drama, puppetry, street theatre, dance, storytelling and much more. Fell-Foss Theatre will give a performance of *Crusoe's Island* at Ripon Arts Hub on Thursday 23rd June, 7.30pm. Mark and the team are also leading on a site specific piece called *Jubilee at The Workhouse*. Working with staff, volunteers and community performers at the Museum they will present a glimpse at life during Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee and Queen Elizabeth's coronation. There will be a series of performances on Sunday 26th between 3.30 and 6.30pm. It is so good to be able to be working towards performances again. Full details about the festival can be found at www.ripontogether.com/ripion-theatre-festival

To find out more information or to support our activities please contact Colin Bailey on 07711 211169, email info@blueboxt.co.uk or book online at www.blueboxt.co.uk



Some of the BlueBoxt planning group:
L Fred Norman, C Bethan Sowerby,
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Photo David Muscroft

Wensleydale Concert Series

In July we have two concerts, both in St Andrew's Church, Aysgarth at 7.30pm. Tickets numbers are limited (we still want people to be spaced out) so please buy in advance.

The first is on Saturday July 9th, when we welcome husband and wife piano duo Robert Stoodley and Linda Ang Stoodley, known together as 'Piano à deux'. They are offering a wonderfully varied programme taking us through the centuries from Beethoven through to Gershwin.

The concert opens with Beethoven's Sonata Op. 6, followed by Schubert's Fantasy in F Minor and Mendelssohn's Allegro Brillant, which is considered one of the most challenging pieces in the entire piano duet repertoire. The second half brings us into the 20th century, beginning with Poulenc's exciting sonata for Four Hands and movements from the well-known Dolly Suite by Fauré (memories of "Listen with Mother"). The final two pieces, Liszt's fiery Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2, which still reminds me of the famous Tom & Jerry film, and Gershwin's wonderful and evocative 'An American in Paris' were arranged for four hands by the duo themselves. It has been said of Piano à Deux that 'their charisma, comedy and virtuosity, set in scintillating original arrangements, has won them a large following on land and sea.' What better way to spend a summer evening?

Our second July concert is on Friday July 29th. We are delighted to welcome back Andrew Long, who performed for us twice before as

part of the New World Trio. Not only is Andy co-principal of the Opera North Orchestra but he is a wonderful raconteur who has entertained us in the past with wonderful and funny stories. For this visit we are pleased to welcome the brilliant pianist Ian Buckle for the first time.

There is a distinctly Spanish flavour to the first half of their programme, with de Falla's 'Popular Spanish Songs' suite and a Sonata by Granados, followed by Ravel's Tzigane. The second half opens with the virtuosic Kreutzer Sonata by Beethoven, followed by Glière's - Romance, Op.3 and Vecsey's highly emotive 'Valse triste' and the prelude 'A Toi'.

Both concerts have music that can be enjoyed by newcomers to classical music and are lovely programmes full of beauty, fire, passion and fun.

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www.wensleydaleconcertseries.co.uk.

If you do not have access to the internet tickets can be ordered by phone from our ticket agent on 0333 666 3366 (quote 19th July or 29th July and Wensleydale Concert Series depending on which you want).

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Jubilee Party At Reeth: After The Event

Well, the weather certainly was very kind to us and from all the positive comments we have received, it seems that everybody had a fantastic time. So, thank you once again to all those who made it possible and thank you to everyone who came and made it a memorable afternoon. Who could forget the Chancellor of the Exchequer taking part in the egg and spoon race?

One addition to my thanks last month: I did thank Reeth, Fremington and Healaugh Parish Council for their donation to the cost of the event, but after I had submitted my article to the Gazette, they donated an additional £2000, making a total of £2500 which was very welcome indeed.

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Incident 17: 07/06/2022: Team called by the Ambulance Service following reports of a collapsed walker in Gunnerside Gill. Team members on scene within 6 mins of the call. Despite the best efforts of passers-by, locals, ambulance crews & ourselves the casualty was pronounced dead & once the Police had arrived, we

evacuated to the Ambulance. A valiant effort by everyone.

Incident 16: 02/06/2022: Called by the Police to search for a missing person in the Preston Under Scar area. Following a night search by team, police dogs and helicopter, the missing person turned up safe this morning.

Incident 15: 11/05/2022: Team called to rescue an injured walker near the stepping stones between Aysgarth Falls & Redmire Falls.

Incident 14: 10/05/2022: Team called this afternoon to Whitecliffe Scar area near Applegarth. Requested by the Police and Ambulance service to assist with the rescue of an injured person in a tricky location.



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TOP GUN—MAVERICK

Review by John Hunter

Let's start with the pre-flight....*Lots of fast flying footage and general mayhem, Jerry Bruckheimer style?* ... Check. *Issues to resolve from the first film?...*Check. *An 'aging' hero who still looks fabulous topless?...*Check. We

could go on of course, but Tom Cruise's new actioner 'Maverick' ticks all the boxes and more. For a self-confessed film buff, I have to admit to *never* having sat through the original 'Top Gun' (though I *do* have

a book explaining how the then-cutting edge miniature work was achieved!) - but should you be similar (or have a short celluloid memory) - fear not, as any reference to earlier plot links are explained in the dialogue and supported by actual footage from the first movie. Opening with our hero 'Maverick' air testing a new Mach 10 superplane (a project then immediately scrapped), he then finds himself tasked with training a new squadron of young 'aces' for an important mission 'overseas' to destroy a new 'Uranium' store (before the Uranium actually arrives of course). In a strange amalgam of the finales from 'Star Wars' and '633 squadron' (the latter did indeed influence the former) our intrepid flyers have to negotiate a treacherous ravine, fire missiles into a hole then attempt a multi-G climb to escape - all at zero level to avoid radar etc. The clichés come thick and fast throughout (as one might expect), but



credit to the scriptwriters for some believable dialogue and situations.

Apparently 800 hours of flying footage were collected to ensure all of the visceral aerial scenes were covered from every angle, including cockpit shots looking backwards at the various actors actually flying in the planes (in certain scenes). Tom Cruise himself designed a unique bootcamp for the actors, going through three months of training - underwater evacuation, aerial aviation and the preliminary training to build spatial awareness inside the aircraft, and flights. Co-

producer Bruckheimer said that "The actors also had to learn how to run the cameras because when they're up in the jet they have to direct themselves essentially."

Rounding out the cast are Ed Harris as a grizzled Rear Admiral, Miles Teller as 'Rooster', the son of Maverick's late best friend and Jennifer Connelly as an old girlfriend of Maverick. Anthony Edwards and Meg Ryan also appear via flashbacks. Orchestral soundtrack music is courtesy of Hans Zimmer, incorporating Harold Faltermeyers' original Top Gun theme, and the title song is from Lady Gaga.

The final question - is it any good? - well, I thoroughly enjoyed almost every second of it - a satisfying 'popcorn' epic in every respect. I would recommend seeing this on a large screen with full cinema sound which accurately captures the noise (and feel) of all those carrier launches!



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Some of you will know that there have been problems that have prevented the 4 monthly Lunch Clubs restarting after Covid, but now with the concerns over ever increasing food and fuel prices, our wonderful caterer Rachel Newborn has reluctantly decided that she wishes to retire from supplying the 3 course meals for each Lunch Club.

The Luncheon Clubs Association has therefore to call an Extraordinary General Meeting to discuss the feasibility of finding another caterer, and to agree a way forward. That meeting has been arranged for **Wednesday 13th July at 10am** in Reeth Memorial Hall, and all members of the 4 Lunch Clubs are invited to attend so that we can

discuss the future of the Clubs. If you have any suggestions or thoughts on this that you would like to discuss before the meeting then please call Alan or Julia on 886 524.

Alan Thorogood

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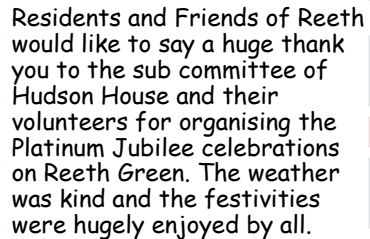
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We would like to thank the Platinum Jubilee Committee for inviting the Museum to participate in the celebrations on Reeth Green on 2nd June. What a fabulous day it was for both young and old and all of us in-between. We had some splendid 1950s objects brought into our tent - two handkerchiefs with snazzy designs specially made for the Coronation, a splendid cake knife with red and blue inlaid inserts, which by chance went with a cake tin that someone else brought in. Then there was an object that stumped almost everyone - a brown ceramic butter bell. Now we all want one to keep our butter cool. We were surprised by a splendid Coronation mug; it was the only one brought to us! It came from West Yorkshire, but we let it in. Everyone loved a beautiful pair of little scissors engraved with a crown, brought in by the granddaughter of the owner, with a little personal note. Then there was a wonderful archive of commemorative literature that covered not only the Accession and Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, but also of the monarchs before and after, a real treasure trove. We particularly liked the scrapbook, made by the owner when a little girl, full of news cuttings, but what makes it special are the lovely naive drawings of the Queen and family. Curators love people who do not throw things away!

Don't forget our **Patchwork Day** in the Museum with Helen Barnes on 2nd July.

Spend a day immersed in the traditional craft of English Paper Piecing. Not sure if there will be any places left by the time this reaches you but do check. Our next talk is by **Helen Guy** on **'The Legacy of the Kearton Brothers'** on **Wednesday 20th July at 7.30 pm** in Reeth Memorial Hall. Helen gave this lecture to a packed house, and a standing ovation, as part of the Swaledale

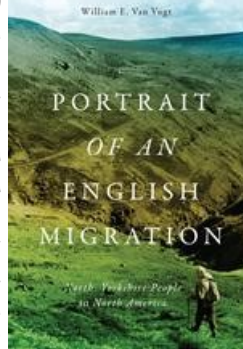
Festival. Now is your chance to hear it - for half the price, and if a Friend of the Museum, for even less! We are so lucky to have Helen with us, and much admire her work at the Keld Heritage Centre.

You might also be interested in the August talks, **Dr David Johnson** on **'Lime kilns in Swaledale & Arkengarthdale: the where, the when and the what for?'** on Wednesday 3rd August. David had to cancel this talk back in 2018 due to illness, then there was the Flood of 2019, and then the Plague - so fourth time lucky.



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Next, we have the rare privilege of welcoming back Prof William van Vugt from Grand Rapids talking about his book (copies of which we hope to have for the evening for him to sign) 'Portrait of an English Migration: North Yorkshire People in North America' on **Wednesday 17th August**. Some of you might remember that he gave a lecture on this project in its early stage, in the Museum - at which several of the audience brought letters of their Swaledale forebears written from America.



A NEW EVENT which has just been organised is a **Field Trip to Gunnerside on Saturday 16th July** led by our very own energetic and super-knowledgeable Richard Lamb, (who gave the lecture on Barney Beck last month) and our favourite archaeologist Shaun Richardson (who will give us a lecture on 28th September). There are only 25 places. This all-day tour is designed to introduce the topography and former industries of this northern tributary of the River Swale to those up for a challenge. It encompasses walking mainly on public footpaths, which can be pretty uneven, through some very narrow stiles, both up- and downhill, although avoids crossing the Gill unless water levels are sufficiently low. Briefly, we will climb from the village up to Potting, pass below Whin Hall and

above Winterings before dropping down into the valley to see the workings at Sir Francis Level including the introduction of the then latest technology. Continuing upstream we come to Bunton Level with its smithy, bouse teams (ore storage bins) and ore dressing equipment including a waterwheel-driven crusher, a most convenient place to have lunch. Further up we come to Blakethwaite smelting mill, the only survivor of two mills, displaying an unusual method of furnace arch support, and a truly incredible flue arrangement. From here the intrepid can explore higher up to examine the two Blakethwaite Dams, the upper showing the curious mode of construction revealed after the 2019 flood damage. The return journey is, after a gentle rise, downhill and provides an excellent vantage point to overlook the morning's perambulations. En route



features of interest will be pointed out and explained. The route has been chosen particularly to allow spectacular viewpoints over the valley giving comprehension

of the landscape and its former mineral exploitation. £25 for the day for Friends of the Museum, £35 for visitors. More informaton and booking from Helen, see contact details at the Museum overleaf.

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We have just had the Bothroyd (also spelt Bothroyd or Botheroyd) clock restored to working order. It is exciting to hear it tick and chime, the first time for many decades, if not a century. This 30-hour long case clock was made by James Bothroyd (1812-75). In the mid-1800s, Reeth, like many towns and villages in the Dales had its own clockmaker. James Bothroyd was born in Crakehall and first appears in Reeth in the 1841 Census as a 'clockmaker' aged 25, living on High Row, with his wife Ann (1816-89) and three sons, Richard (1833-83), James (b.1838) and John (b.1842). It is unlikely that the Bothroyds would have made all the parts of the clocks themselves. The movements and dials would have been purchased wholesale, probably from the Midlands. The cases are very much in the Yorkshire style, tall (7ft 6 inches) and wide (26 inches) and possibly came from Halifax. The heyday of the Bothroyds would appear to have been between 1841 and 1860 when the business was able to support father, a son and apprentice. By 1871 James Bothroyd was a 'watchmaker and farmer', reflecting the decline in demand for these large and by then unfashionable long case clocks. Come to the Museum to see ours! Do you have one?

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Sat 16th July - Mobile Skip

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Sat 16th July - Coffee morning

10am-noon Reeth Evangelical Congregational Church

Thurs 28th July - TLC@Gunnorside

talk by Jane Sammells on designing and creating a medieval dress, Gunnorside Village Hall, 7.30pm

Sat 30th July—Reeth Makers Market

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August

Sat 6th Aug Italian Evening 7pm,

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Fri 12th Aug - Laura Cortese & the Dance Cards

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Fri 19th Aug - Library Party

11.00—13.00 Hudson House Orchard

Sat 20th Aug - Coffee Morning

10am-noon, Reeth Evangelical Congregational Church

Sun 21 August TLC @Gunnorside

afternoon tea, with cakes and scones and yummy things 7.30 - Gunnorside Village Hall

Mon 29th Aug—Reeth Show

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September

Thurs 22 Sept - TLC @Gunnorside

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